

## M.L. Malcolm, author of *Silent Lies and Deceptive Intentions*



### Brief Biography

Although born in New York, M.L. Malcolm spent most of her childhood in Florida, both in a small town on the Gulf Coast, and in the state capital of Tallahassee. Her education gradually brought her back north, as she earned a B.A. and an M.A. in political science from Emory University in Atlanta, and a J.D. from Harvard Law School in Boston. Between college and law school she spent a year in Aix-en-Provence, France as a Rotary Foundation Fellow.

M.L. Malcolm began her professional career as an attorney in Atlanta. However, after practicing law for three years, she determined that "she and the law were not meant for each other," and is now a self-described "recovering attorney."

As part of her recovery strategy, M.L. yielded to her entrepreneurial inclinations and took over a struggling travel agency in which she and her husband had invested. She ran the business successfully for several years, tripling revenues before selling the agency to a larger company. She then retired from the labor force in order to spend more time with her children, and to pursue her life-long ambition: to get paid for writing. She has won several awards for short fiction, including special recognition in the prestigious Lorian Hemingway International Short Story Competition.

M.L. has published two novels, *Silent Lies*, and *Deceptive Intentions*. Her second book, *Deceptive Intentions*, has been nominated in the "Best Historical Fiction for 2009" category of Foreword Magazine's annual literary award competition.

While living in Atlanta, M.L. served on the board of the Harvard Alumni Association, the Dian Fossey Gorilla Fund International, and worked as a fundraiser for several nonprofit organizations. She also amassed an impressive hat collection (and yes, she does wear them).

After fifteen years in Atlanta, the Malcolm family moved to Washington, D.C. in late August of 2001, where M.L. returned to the work force. She graduated from the National Journalism Center and worked as a reporter for *The Common Denominator*, an independent newspaper in the nation's capital.

She and her family now reside in Los Angeles, where her husband, John, is World-Wide Anti-Piracy Director and Executive Vice President of the Motion Picture Association of America. In addition to writing fiction, she also works as a freelance journalist and public speaker.

For more information, please consult M.L.'s web site, [www.SilentLies.com](http://www.SilentLies.com)

## Praise for M.L. Malcolm's work:

"A 'page-turner' in the very best tradition of historical fiction... a phenomenal achievement."~ *The Midwest Book Review*

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~ *Karen White, best-selling author of "The Memory of Water," and "Learning to Breathe."*

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"**Silent Lies** is a superbly crafted story, creatively capturing a slice of history with eloquence and realism."~*In the Library Reviews.*

"[A] remarkable blend of history and fiction...meant to be read again and again"  
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**M.L. Malcolm, the critically-acclaimed author of *Silent Lies* and *Deceptive Intentions*, is an experienced and knowledgeable speaker, known for her quick wit and sense of humor:**

*"M.L. Malcolm is a wonderful speaker, both engaging and informative. She not only talked about her book, but the personal stories and world history that inspired it. Mrs. Malcolm was the debut speaker in our 'Meet the Author' series, and she will be a hard act to follow." --- David Mayer, Temple Kol Emeth, Atlanta.*

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## Selected Speaking Engagements and Appearances:

### Arizona

Tucson, Congregation Anshei Israel, "Authors in Residence" speaker series

### California:

Los Angeles, LA Times "Festival of the Book" • Ventura, First Annual "Festival of the Book" • Encino, Barnes & Noble Booksellers • Pacific Palisades, Village Books • Hancock Park, Chevalier's Book Store • Glendora, The Village Bookstore • San Francisco, Kepler's Bookstore, Hudson Booksellers • California Writers Club • Bel-Air Woman's Club • PEO of Palos Verdes • American Library Association Convention • Book Expo America 2008

### Georgia

Atlanta, Chapter 11 Books, Barnes & Noble Booksellers • Marietta, Temple Kol Emeth (author speaker series) • Oconee, Ritz Carlton Reynolds Plantation (featured speaker at a national law firm's annual retreat)

#### Indiana

Indianapolis, Amy Beverland Elementary "Festival of Literacy" • Barnes & Noble Booksellers

#### Massachusetts

Association of Jewish Libraries National Conference

#### New York/New Jersey

Brooklyn Public Library • Manhattan, Small Press Center's Nineteenth Annual Independent and Small Press Book Fair • Hackensack, Barnes & Noble Booksellers • Hudson Booksellers

#### Texas:

Jefferson, "The Pulpwood Queens" National Book Club Sixth Annual "Girlfriend Weekend" (guest panelist) • Houston, Cypress Books • Dallas, North Lake College (featured speaker)

#### Washington, D.C./Metro Area

Olsson's Books and Records • Barnes & Noble Booksellers • Book Expo America

Author **M.L. Malcolm** has also spoken to numerous private groups and book clubs in the Atlanta Metropolitan Area; the Los Angeles Metropolitan Area; San Diego; the Washington, D.C. Metro Area; Charleston, S.C; Chicago; Houston; Austin; Dallas; and Indianapolis.

### **Media Credits:**

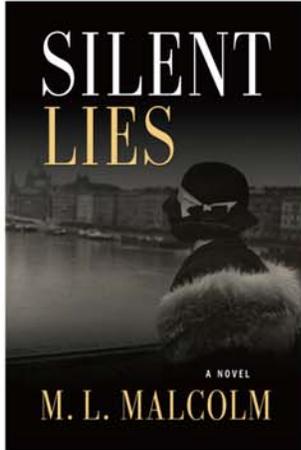
M.L. Malcolm's media credits include interviews on over thirty radio shows, and in articles in *Ocean Scene Magazine*, *The Harvard Crimson*, *Emory Magazine*, *Washington Woman*, *The Washington Independent Writer*, and the *Historical Novels Review*, among others.

### **Organizational Involvement:**

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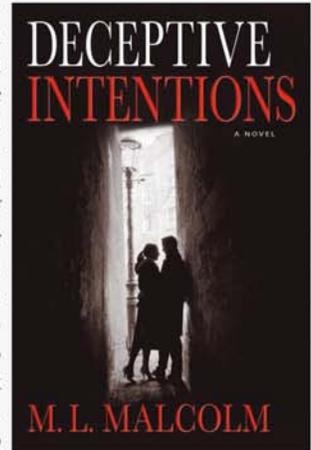
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M.L. Malcolm is a "recovering attorney," freelance journalist, award-winning fiction writer, and public speaker. Having lived in New York, Boston, Florida, France, Atlanta and Washington, D.C., she currently resides in Los Angeles.



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