

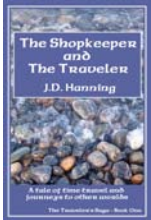


The Traveler's Saga

Books by J.D. Hanning

What if everything you knew about your life suddenly changed in the blink of an eye?

Let your imagination soar in this series of sci-fi fantasy novels about time travel and other worlds, loosely based on the mythological realm of the ancient Celts. After losing the only parents she'd ever known, Brianna Moonspirit learns the truth about her identity and embarks on a journey that changes her life forever. From cosmopolitan Seattle to a far away land in another time, she meets her destiny, a great warrior-king, and together they restore peace to the people of Astralmira. Join Brianna on her incredible journeys through the Multiverse in the stories of *The Traveler's Saga*.



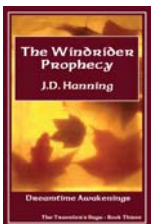
BOOK 1: The Shopkeeper and The Traveler

Two remarkable sets of heroes share a very special connection with Sage Babka (the Shopkeeper) through a most unusual twist of cosmic fate. Brianna Moonspirit (the Traveler) journeys to Astralmira, where she soon discovers that she is destined to fulfill an ancient prophecy as the Guardian and break a curse to free the people from the malevolent sorceress, Mabh Dubheassa, the former Cú-Raeth queen. Brianna travels through time and meets King Merrick Argetlamh, who holds the key to helping her break the curse. Aidan Murdoch and Aunika Stardancer guide Brianna and Merrick and help them understand their destinies, and share some rather unexpected secrets about themselves. From cosmopolitan Seattle to the quaint seaside town of the Sídhénar of Loch Orrthannan on Astralmira, Brianna's adventures in discovering new worlds bring her face to face with danger while she attempts to break the curse. 396 pages. \$17.99 paperback / \$5.99 download



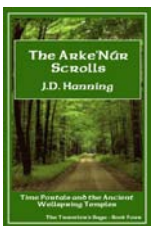
BOOK 2: The Ghost Ships of Loch Orrthannan

What if your entire family suddenly disappeared and everything about their lives vanished with them? The story continues seven years after the first story ends. With the help of an unlikely accomplice, the Cú-Raeths enter into an alliance with the Bodeccans, people from another world within the Multiverse whose Ghost Ships have been bringing tourists to Astralmira for the past three hundred years. Brianna Moonspirit must once again travel into Astralmira's past, restore the timeline, and prevent a murder during the infamous Battle of Hodúr. She discovers how Merrick Argetlamh really acquired his silver hand, who had it made for him, and his benefactor's betrayal. Secrets, lies and conspiracies are exposed. Some unexpected villains appear and a surprising relationship is revealed. 484 pages. \$18.99 paperback / \$5.99 download



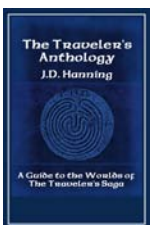
BOOK 3: The Windrider Prophecy

Ten years after the end of the second story, while preparing to secure her position as Bodeccan queen, Uta M'Ru, tries to undermine the Solitary's efforts to prepare for the highly anticipated event called the Primal Gathering. However, since Gris'Tar now has the loyal support of Brianna Moonspirit and Merrick Argetlamh from Astralmira, this task becomes more challenging. To help alleviate their interference, Uta M'Ru enlists the aid of an unexpected visitor, who helps her advance the hostilities against the Sídhénar. In the midst of this new war, Aunika Stardancer finds herself in an unlikely situation, torn between her forbidden love for this visitor and her loyalty to her parents. The Bodeccans apply some unusual tactics that prey on the unsuspecting Sídhénar Nation as they join forces with the Cú-Raeths in this darker, more tragic portion of the saga. Estimated release: 2010



BOOK 4: The Arke'Núr Scrolls

The war officially ended one year prior to the beginning of this story and most of the Sídhénar refugees have been granted asylum on Bodecca. However, Brianna Moonspirit and a handful of rebels remain behind on Astralmira to continue the fight, hoping their people will one day be able to return to their homes. While hiding in an underground web of tunnels, Brianna stumbles upon a hidden chamber that hurls her back in time to an ancient Wellspring Temple on B'Jéra, where she discovers the truth behind the legends of the Arke'Núr scrolls. Brianna must once again take on the role of the Guardian and prevent an assassination. Brianna's mission sends her back to Seattle, to an archeological exhibition spotlighting some artifacts found in a controversial dig. The danger escalates after she discovers the shocking identity of the man whose plot she must foil. Estimated release: 2011



The Traveler's Anthology: A Guide to the Worlds of The Traveler's Saga

The Traveler's Saga is a tale about fate, prophecy, and legends that will take readers beyond the reaches of distant shores to other worlds. Learn more about what's behind the storyline in *The Traveler's Anthology: A Guide to the Worlds of the Traveler's Saga*, a companion book to series. Each book contains a glossary showing pronunciation of the names, and the origins and meanings of the names. The anthology offers more in-depth background information about the Sídhénar, the Cú-Raeths, and the Bodeccans, as well as their worlds, cultures, history, and legends. In addition to showing the relationships of the characters to each other through family trees, this anthology also includes some in-depth information about the characters and a guide to the Sídhénaróí language. Maps and illustrations help bring the world of the Sídhénar to life. It also features a collection of favorite excerpts, as well as the short story that inspired the entire saga. Estimated release: 2012

Wandering Spirit Beads

“Not All Those Who Wander Are Lost” - J.R.R.Tolkien

In *The Traveler's Saga* by J.D. Hanning, the main characters in the books engage in some guided meditations and journeying to the astral plane. Let *Wandering Spirit Beads* teach you how to make the prayer beads used by Merrick Argetlamh or the meditation beads used by Aunika Stardancer in the story. Or learn how to make your own unique strand of meditation and/or prayer beads.

Wandering Spirit?

As we wander through this world, our busy lives can take us down some fairly chaotic roads filled with stress, insecurity or pain. Thankfully, most of us find a few side streets where we find joy and peace, and we are privileged to spend more time on those side streets than on the hectic thoroughfares. Whenever we find ourselves on a path of uncertainty, however, we reflect on what brought us there and we wonder what we could have done differently or what we can do going forward to change our situations. Some people wander this world without being lost at all. Others occasionally wander through the otherworldly realm of existence called the astral plane, where their issues are met with help from an animal totem, a spirit guide, or a deity. How can we change our path, find a more pleasant path, or know whether we're on the right path? Often answers can be found in meditation or prayer.

Meditation and Prayer Beads

Used in regular meditation, a simple string of beads becomes a strong and effective tool for self-affirmation and manifestation of specific goals, especially when combined with a firm belief in the power of prayer and mantras. Most of the world's religions advocate prayer of some sort and have a long history of praying with beads, a spiritual practice that forges a strong connection with the universe and with the divine. Many of the meditation and prayer beads found on the web today use a variety of beads arranged in an equally varying number of styles, with costs that range from reasonably affordable to outrageously expensive. Most of the sites describe the composition of the designs and some offer information about the properties of the stones used. Few offer guidance for using the prayer beads. So how do we use the tools we purchase off the Internet? What makes one better or more useful than the other?

Wandering Spirit Beads

Wandering Spirit Beads offers instructional workshops so that you can create your own meditation and prayer beads. The metaphysical and healing properties of the stones aid in meditation practices and help facilitate the manifestation of a particular goal by using those energies. Making your own strand of beads promotes a higher degree of attention to the purpose of the meditation tool while creating it, which puts your own energy into the finished product. This makes the strand of beads truly unique and much more potent than one purchased ready-made.

Workshops

Supplies for making meditation and prayer beads are included in the cost of attending a workshop. Once an RSVP is made and a workshop is scheduled, *Wandering Spirit Beads* will offer guidance in the selection of materials by helping attendees understand the energy of the various stones in relation to a specific goal. Participants can expect to create their own design or follow a formulated pattern and use their new beads in a guided meditation prior to the conclusion of the workshop. Workshop content may vary depending on the participants, but the basic instruction includes:

- Background on using beads as a tool for meditation and/or prayer
- Choosing the appropriate semi-precious gemstone energy for desired goal(s)
- Choosing a design based on preferences and desired goal(s)
- Creating and working within sacred space
- Using beads in guided meditations and for solitary meditation and/or prayer
- Making meditation beads from bead kits
- Choosing an appropriate ready-made strand of beads

Bead Kits Available

Wandering Spirit Beads also sells bead kits with complete instructions for assembly and care of the beads for people who are unable to attend a workshop or who prefer to create their meditation and prayer beads in the privacy of their own homes. Pre-packaged bead kits can be purchased at workshops, online, and at fairs. Beads can be selected from a regular inventory of semi-precious gemstones or wooden, glass, or ceramic beads. Special requests can be made for any bead not typically held in inventory. A limited number of pre-packaged bead kits may be available; however, bead kits can be ordered at any time with a typical delivery of approximately 10 business days.

Types of bead kits include: traditional malas, journey bracelets, journey beads, meditation beads, Celtic prayer beads, Pagan prayer beads, Christian prayer beads, and Rosaries. Check the website for a complete list of available products and descriptions: www.stardancing.net.

If you would like to schedule a workshop, please send an email to wanderingspirit@stardancing.net. Workshops usually require at least four, but no more than ten people in attendance; however, exceptions can be made. Whether your wanderings take you to the astral plane, deep within, or just across town, *Wandering Spirit Beads* wants your journey to be safe and memorable.

Happy Wanderings!