

Xanadu's Cavern

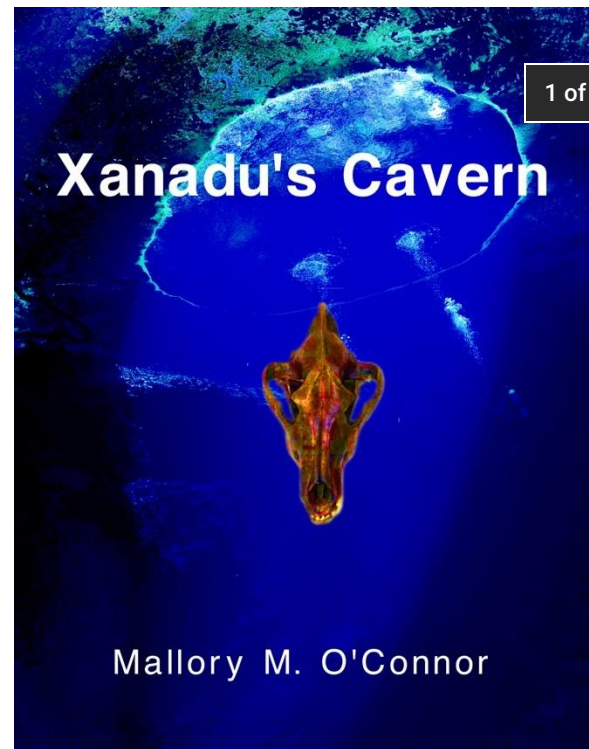
By Mallory M. O'Connor

What is the connection between a missing cave diver and the fossilized head of a pre-historic dire-wolf? That's the question psychic Epiphany Mayall is asking herself in *Xanadu's Cavern*, Book Three of Mallory O'Connor's occult thriller series. A thousand miles away in Chicago, PI Maro Gaido hears about a valuable fossil that has been smuggled out of Florida by a Russian businessman. He decides to give Epiphany a call.

Once again, Epiphany and Maro team up to try to put together the pieces of a convoluted puzzle involving a shady real estate deal, illegal fossil harvesting and the shocking disappearance of an environmentalist leader in the cave diving community. When Maro and Epiphany find out that RACE Energy corporation is involved, they know who's working behind the scenes to steal the fossils, assist in an environmentally dangerous development project and line the pockets of a corrupt lobbyist. But just how can they stop a billionaire like Derrick Rarian?

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Praise for *Xanadu's Cavern*

"Xanadu's Cavern, book three in O'Connor's occult/cli-fi series, comes to life in this gripping thriller set in part in Florida's amazing underground, water-filled labyrinths. With a hint of Carl Hiaasen's high-rolling bad guys messing with your not-so-simple Florida crackers, Mallory O'Connor's psychic heroine wraps her smart head around the mysterious disappearance of a pre-historic fossil and brings down an international antiquities smuggling enterprise. At the same time, O'Connor delivers an enlightening message about Florida's most precious natural resource – her pristine groundwater - the life blood of the state's natural environment and human economy. "

—Bob Knight, Director, Florida Springs Institute.

About the Author

Born in Illinois and raised on a ranch in Northern California, award-winning author Mallory M. O'Connor holds degrees in art, art history and American history from Ohio University. For 20 years she taught art history at the University of Florida and Santa Fe College. While writing the first of several books, O'Connor became interested in psychic archaeology and related phenomena. Now retired, O'Connor resides with her artist husband, John, in Gainesville, Florida. The author has written two non-fiction books, *Lost Cities of the Ancient Southeast* and *Florida's American Heritage River*, both published by the University Press of Florida, as well as five fiction books: *The American River Trilogy: American River: Tributaries, American River: Currents* and *American River: Confluence*. Her most recent series of occult thrillers includes *Epiphany's Gift* (2019) and *Key to Eternity* (2020).

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