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ARIZONA NEUROPSYCHOLOGIST AND AUTHOR RELEASES FIRST IN NEW SCIENCE FICTION SERIES

DG Lamb has released his debut novel **The Deepest Cut** as the first in a new science fiction adventure series **Driven to the Hilt**.

The Deepest Cut follows a young protagonist, Joshua, who finds himself trapped outside his mining colony on the planet of Cypress Grove. He faces a dark rainforest infested with a creature so deadly it has kept all humans confined inside their only settlement for decades. He must either survive in the forest or return to negotiate the even darker dangers of the colony's criminal underworld.

DG Lamb creates a dynamic world full of new challenges and lessons for an endearing young hero. Lamb's extensive experience as a clinical neuropsychologist and his understanding of posttraumatic stress symptoms injects psychological authenticity and complexity into Joshua and a host of other engaging characters.

The author's day job involves helping people to become more independent after some type of neurological injury, utilizing his Doctorate in Clinical Psychology and Master's in Art Therapy. He has also worked with law enforcement officers to deal with PTSD after critical incidents. Although his professional experiences certainly informed aspects of this story, he also drew upon his love of cooking and backpacking the mountain trails of Arizona (where unlike Cypress Grove, it rarely rains).

He decided to write the series while recovering from prostate cancer surgery when his son encouraged him to write down a story born while they trekked the hot, dusty trails in the Arizona mountains. When backpacking with his son's Boy Scout troop, Dr Lamb was trying to distract himself from the discomfort he was feeling in his knees when he began to think about what a human version of Pavlov's famous behavior modification box might be like. The result of that train of thought comes together as "The Womb" in book 2 of the series – **Forging the Blade**. From there he began to formulate what kind of world or story would surround the creation of such a room, and from that began the entire series of **Driven to the Hilt**.

The book series is already getting excellent reviews. The second in the series releases in June 2018 and the third in the series is scheduled for release in November of 2018 with at least two more books planned to complete the series.

The release has earned all 5 star reviews from the prestigious Readers' Favorites reviewers with one (R Oserio) calling it *"...a debut novel that brilliantly introduces a series with huge promise of entertainment."*

Reviewer Scott Cahan calls it *"...one of the most original and well-told stories I've ever read"* and rated it at #2 in his top 10 favorite reads of the year.

About Lamb's writing critics say *"Author DG Lamb navigates Joshua's trauma with a sense of surrealism that's both poignant and true to life."* (CLFarley) and *"DG Lamb's scenes are masterfully written."* (R Dezemo)

Blogger Lara Storm Hitchcock says *"I love the way this story feels like something that's never quite been done before."* She also featured it twice in her "Writing Lessons From..." blog series.

Amazon reviewers also give it high praise – with 4.9 out of 5 stars overall calling it "creative", "captivating", "unique", "vivid", "engaging", and stating repeatedly that they can't wait for the next part of the story.

Another Readers' Favorite reviewer (JMichele) says - *"I'd recommend this series to lovers of the science fiction genre who are on the hunt for something a little deeper, a little more intra-personal, and a lot more fun."*

Find out more about the books and the author at driventothehilt.com and subscribe to his newsletter.

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