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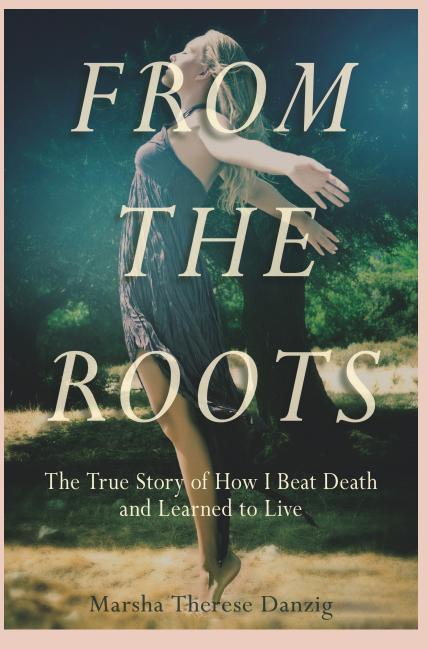
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### From the Roots

BY MARSHA THERESE DANZIG

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From the Roots explores one woman's decision to find grace, hilarity, and ultimately joy, in the worst of circumstances. As a result of surviving childhood bone cancer twice, Marsha endures long-term side effects that include the amputation of her lower left leg, the loss of her bladder and kidneys, congestive heart failure, a kidney transplant, and scars galore. A rebel to the core, her defiance in the face of disease, doctors, establishment. insincere people, and anyone who would steal her joy or life force offers moments of profound depth and humor. Rather than another tell all about a "girl who is sick and mad about it," this book seeks real resolution and most importantly spiritual meaning to the overwhelming losses she is describing.









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This isn't an ordinary autobiography. It is an artfully written book, in an engaging format, and a powerful story of a remarkable woman trying to succeed in life while plagued by devastating illnesses since early childhood. See how she does it with sheer strength and determination. This book is like a fine painting or a good symphony.

This memoir is a revelation of pain, bewilderment, redemption, acceptance, and celebration that demands to be read multiple times, not necessarily in the order of chapters that structure it, but as discrete epiphanies of Marsha Danzig's awakening to her divine nature.

You are truly one of the most gifted teachers I have had the privilege to work with. All the qualities that you have: kindness, gentleness, patience, serenity, hopefulness, love, wisdom are hard to find in one person. I trust and admire you and view you as one of my most influential yoga teachers.

Your incredible positive energy allowed for an important balance to the day.

Your book continually touches me deeply. I struggle to know how you have managed to get through so much. I can only believe that you have something in you that defies hopelessness. Your fierce joy is beyond understanding.

## MY REASON

Why I wrote From the Roots: I wanted to acknowledge the divinity within the private struggles I, and many others, endure, while living with chronic medical conditions.

Why From the Roots is different than other memoirs: There are many books out there on living with sickness, overcoming the odds, and being an inspiration, but there was very little out there on the dignity, grace and humour it takes to live well while dealing with long term side effects of a terminal illness. I wanted From the Roots to be a work of art, thoughtfully designed into triptychs of thematic prose and poetry to express my unique voice. Trauma is timeless and can be reawakened at any time. How we deal with it affects our whole being.

From the Roots shows aspects of chronic illness such as sexuality, honest spirituality and open- ended questions without resolution, addressed with wit and wisdom. There is even a bit of yoga, shamanism and other mind-altering approaches to sickness that are rare in memoirs.

The topic is timely. 1 out 3 people will be diagnosed with cancer, or another serious illness, in their lifetime. Everyone struggles with body image, success, love, pain, heartache and grief. Embracing our losses with a full spectrum approach of body, mind and spirit is at the heart of From the Roots. We all win when one of us wins.

## INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

WHAT IS YOUR
FAVORITE CHILDHOOD
BOOK AND WHY?

What is next for you?

Do you consider writing a spiritual practice?

How has your childhood cancer informed your life?

What does
From the Roots
mean to you?

How do you reconcile your incredible losses with the notion of a loving God?

WHAT ADVICE
WOULD YOU
GIVE TO
SOMEONE
FACING ILLNESS
OR LIMB LOSS?

How do you define literary success?

# Press

































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### PLACES I HAVE PRESENTED

The James, Ohio State University Amputee Coalition Conference NC, KY, MA, TN Orthotics Prosthetics Canada, Banff Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital Boston, MA American Orthotics and Prosthetics Association MA Dana Farber Cancer Institute, MA Lahey Clinic, MA Boston Children's Hospital, MA Ohio Physical Therapy Association, OH International Association of Yoga Therapists Conference, CA Dayton, OH Veterans Administration & Hospital Accessible Yoga Conference, CA, NY Cape Cod Cultural Center, MA Cancer Community, Portland, ME Wounded Warrior Project. MA IPCA, Washington, DC Carolinas Pain Institute, NC Cornell Orthotics and Prosthetics, MA Dayton Artificial Limb, OH Great Falls Yoga Festival, ME Yoga Warriors, MA Portland Yoga, Portland, OR Yoga Gallery of Healing Arts, NC YogaEast, Orlando, FL Project Light Rwanda, Rwanda Noble Circle, Dayton, OH

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