

MEDIA QUESTIONS

1. Could you briefly discuss the origin of your interest in writing and how that culminated in *The Tethered Heart*, your first novel to reach publication?
2. What hurdles did you confront before seeing *The Tethered Heart* in print and how did you get past them?
3. What's the best piece of advice you've ever received with respect to writing? How did you implement it into your work?
4. What inspires you to write?
5. How do you develop your plots and characters? Do you use any set formula or a pre-organized plot line?
6. Is there a character in *The Tethered Heart* that is closely related to you? If so, how?
7. On your Web site, it is clear that music is a big part of your writing process. Tell us about some of the music you listen to as you write and what influence it has on your work.
8. Do you have a daily writing schedule? Can you tell us about it?
9. What is most frustrating about writing? Most rewarding?
10. Why did you select Harmonie Press as the place to submit your first novel?
11. Could you tell us a little bit about your second book in the trilogy?
12. What advice would you give beginning writers?