

Sacred America, Sacred World by Stephen Dinan

Testimonials

“When divisive and mean-spirited politics occupy so much of our public conversation, it’s easy to become cynical and resigned. But we are capable of something better, we crave something better, and in his sparkling new book Stephen Dinan has given us a vision of how we might actually achieve something far better. He outlines a clear path toward healing the rifts that have torn our society asunder, appreciating our differences, and uniting in common cause to create a world worth passing on to our children.”

— John Robbins, author, *Diet For A New America*; President, The Food Revolution Network.

“Major evolutionary changes are looming on America's political horizon, and this book is the first I've seen to announce them so clearly.”

—Rich Tafel, Founder, Log Cabin Republicans

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—James O'Dea, former Director of Amnesty International, D.C.; author, *The Conscious Activist*

“*Sacred America* is a crash course at the intersection of politics, spirituality, and citizens. Like the three-legged stool, all are required for the United States to fulfill our potential. We, as citizens, are at a crossroads. Will we pick up the banner of our responsibility and thrive, or allow the degradation to continue? To choose wisely, start with reading this book.”

—Debilyn Molineaux, President, Coffee Party USA

“*Sacred America, Sacred World* provides an unprecedented vision of global possibilities, based in a frank, but balanced historical background of the greatness, as well as the unhealed wounds of America. This national and global vision is rooted in the spiritual awareness that we are all members of one human family. This includes a fundamental need to fully understand and address the genocide of Indigenous Peoples, as well as honoring their unique and invaluable contributions to our collective future.”

—Hereditary Chief Phil Lane Jr., member of the Dakota and Chickasaw Nation; Global Trustee, United Religions Initiative; and Chairman of the Four Worlds International Institute

“If, as the Bible says, ‘where there is no vision, the people perish,’ then this book is our survival manual. It provides exactly the vision we, the people, have been searching for.”

—Mark Gerzon, author, *The Reunited States of America*

"This is the first great manifesto of the evolutionary, trans-partisan political movement of our time. Like some of the great political philosophers of the 19th century, Dinan shines a spotlight on the most promising currents of the day. And, by doing so, he not only shows us how we can build an America that combines strength and empathy, capitalism and compassion, domestic concerns and planetary responsibilities. He shows us how we can better become the richly complex and self-aware beings that we truly are."

—Mark Satin, author, *New Age Politics and Radical Middle*

"Dinan is recognized as the prime "shift-master" of our age and generation because he goes where most fear to tread and maps out new and fresh blends of tools and alloys that hold the promise of creating a brighter day for all."

—Don Edward Beck, Ph. D., Center for Human Emergence

"This book offers the medicine America needs to heal and to realize our collective potential."

—Jack Canfield, coauthor of #1 Bestselling *Chicken Soup for the Soul* series

"This is an important book and does a great job at connecting the big issues of our day, making it real and compelling for readers to act in ways that speak to the 'better angels of our nature.'"

—Diane Randall, Executive Secretary, Friends Committee on National Legislation

"Dinan's book is a shot across the bow of political complacency. He is calling on Americans from all across the political spectrum to aspire to something higher than the conventional ideas and institutions that now drive our politics. He points to the reality of order and freedom as energetic forces within individuals and the culture as well as the need to address the country's psychic shadow. It's a starting point for very important conversations that must take place if our Constitutional Republic is to not only survive but thrive."

—Michael D. Ostrolenk, Cofounder, The Liberty Coalition

"*Sacred America, Sacred World* provides a valuable voyager's guide to traversing the uncharted waters of planetary transformation. It points us in the direction of functional transpartisan politics, sustainable economics, and our individual responsibility as participants in nurturing civilization's evolution. The insights offered in this powerful book have the potential to change the world."

—Bruce H. Lipton, bestselling author of *The Biology of Belief*

"Very few times in one's life does a book of monumental importance and significance come along. This book is one of those times. *Sacred America, Sacred World* will awaken the deep dream within you for the next level of the expression of America's soul in the world. America needs a new rallying cry that is visionary and noble, one that engages people so they willingly contribute their hearts, their souls and their dreams. This book is nothing less than the blueprint and the foundation for the next level of the American Dream."

—Martin Rutte, bestselling author of *Chicken Soup for the Soul at Work*

"Reading Stephen Dinan's epic tome during a Presidential election year full of debased debates is like opening a window to a room that's been hermetically sealed for decades. This book is disruptively sacred, delectably stimulating, and deeply spiritual. Read it and reap."

—Chip Conley, bestselling author of *Peak*, founder of a \$250M business

"This wise and moving book will help us all in the central task of our time. That of reinventing a way of being and doing that reflects our sacred nature and sacred purpose."

—Andrew Harvey, founder, Institute for Sacred Activism

"Stephen Dinan has performed a unique feat: he has created a holistic view of the future of the United States without demonizing anyone. This book is a powerful roadmap to a better world and a better country. It will be a guidebook for visionaries, activists and change agents for years to come."

—Tim Kelley, global consultant and author of *True Purpose*

"Responding to a broken political world of ends-justified tactics and narrow self-interests, Dinan provides a positive, holistic vision for our democracy."

—Don Ness, former mayor of Duluth, MN; author, *Hillsider: Snapshots of a Curious Political Journey*

"In *Sacred America, Sacred World*, Stephen Dinan invites us to connect with the sacred mission to reinvent the world that is America's deep reason for being. He provides us with many transformative strategies to do that, but underneath each of them is a being infused with hope for the future and an indomitable belief in possibility. Read this book if you wish to be infused with Stephen's two precious gifts for navigating the 21st century on Planet Earth. "

—David Gershon, CEO of Empowerment Institute and author of *Social Change 2.0*

"*Sacred America, Sacred World* offers an inspiring vision of our spiritual roots and our future potential as a nation, while also addressing shadow elements that need healing. It provides fascinating insights on how to transcend rigid liberal/conservative ideologies, based on the author's own experience, and gives many useful ideas for how citizens can get engaged in transforming America."

—Corinne McLaughlin and Gordon Davidson, co-authors of *Spiritual Politics* and co-founders of The Center for Visionary Leadership

"*Sacred America, Sacred World* points the way to the future of America's political evolution. Dinan articulates an approach to government and civic engagement that is even more integrative and progressive than what passes for progressive politics today. Heartfelt and personal, yet also well informed by leading-edge political thinking, I highly recommend this thoughtful and thoroughly readable book."

—Steve McIntosh, author of *Integral Consciousness and the Future of Evolution*

"Rarely does a book come along that not only presents an illuminating picture of how our country and our world can evolve to work for everyone, but also offers profound understanding about how to get there. *Sacred America, Sacred World* is such a book and a remarkable achievement. Stephen Dinan demonstrates a new organizational foundation that can become the basis for us to live together sustainably, harmoniously and justly, as national and global citizens. A deep bow to his intelligence, his heart and his commitment to our beloved country and the world."

—John Steiner, co-founder, The Bridge Alliance, and Margo King, *Wisdom Beyond Borders*

"The American Dream used to mean something. With the heartfelt inspiration and practical wisdom offered in Stephen's book, it can once again. Read this book if you are an advocate for not just rebuilding America but for truly making the world holy. *Sacred America* opens doorways and pathways into the world we have barely believed is possible, and it is time now to make that dream real. In many ways, this powerful book is the answer to our prayers."

—Marcia Wieder, CEO, The Meaning Institute & bestselling author, *Dream*

"*Sacred America, Sacred World* is a clarion call of hope. Steeped in the values of the left, Dinan has come to understand an evolutionary vision of cultural change in which both Left and Right play enduring roles in the dialectic of progress, for which both must evolve. He offers an intimate, heartfelt confession of his sacred spiritual intuition in a way that speaks to the highest values of conservatives and radicals alike. Thoughtful, readable, original, and highly recommended!"

—Terry Patten, founder, Bay Area Integral; author, *Integral Life Practice*

"*Sacred America, Sacred World* could not be more timely. It is profoundly courageous in penetrating the cloud of so-called "realism" that keeps from dreaming a new dream for our country. It inspires and challenges each of us to look at our own beliefs and behavior that make us part of the problem rather than helping to birth the solutions. Stephen is also profoundly courageous in engaging with our greatest moral and political challenges—from income inequality and terrorism to racism and genocide. Both Stephen and his book meet these challenges with that all-too-rare combination of tough-mindedness and open heart."

—Robert Gass, Executive Coach

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"Dinan provides an alluring future vision for the new American dream! This is a call to move beyond labels or political affiliations in order to assemble as evolutionary citizens. *Sacred America, Sacred World* provides an open exploration of how to truly serve the collective whole in a way that works better for everybody."

—Yanik Silver, author *Evolved Enterprise* & founder Maverick1000

"I loved this book! Stephen Dinan is finally illuminating how politics can elevate America. This book takes us on a journey of hope and change, one not focused just on externals but on how we can unite our country as a whole to bring forth our best from within."

—Sister Jenna, radio host, Director of Brahma Kumaris, Washington, D.C.

"Reading *Sacred America, Sacred World* is like plugging into an evolutionary dynamo for the betterment of our precious country. It positively crackles with creativity, insight, unflinching analysis and vision both sublime and practical. It's a global, holistic, transpartisan, entrepreneurial, peaceful, innovative, and solution-oriented approach to consciously refashioning the American body politic from its heart and soul out. This 'Common Sense' from a fiercely patriotic, 21st-century Tom Paine is a must read for forward-thinking Americans of all parties and persuasions."

—Saniel Bonder, author, *Healing the Spirit/Matter Split*

"Read *Sacred America, Sacred World*. Like breaking in new shoes, Dinan's prescription may be uncomfortable at first. But my prayer is that it can empower a seismic shift in perspective from focusing on one's own life to centering rightly on the good of our country and our world."

—Gayle S. Rose, CEO of EVS Corporation

"This book is simply beautiful, wise, and brilliantly conceived. It is a work of intellectual prowess, leavened with heart and wisdom, that calls us to a new American Dream arising from our wholeness of being. It inspires hope for higher possibilities in our nation and the world."

—J. Manuel Herrera, Silicon Valley elected official

"We live in a sacred 'web of life,' with intricate connections that indigenous peoples have honored and respected for millennia. We are interdependent with everyone and everything. Stephen Dinan's call to embrace that interdependence in a new era of democracy is core to healing our country and our world. Thank you, Stephen, for sharing this vision for a sacred world and for this timely message to us all."

—Betsy Hall McKinney, Founder and CEO, It's Time Network

"Stephen Dinan lays out a compelling vision for a nation and world with the political, economic and social conditions needed to bring lasting peace and prosperity. *Sacred America, Sacred World* is a must read for all those who yearn for a brighter tomorrow."

—Steve Farrell, Worldwide Executive Director, Humanity's Team

"If the Founding Fathers could have written a book about the United States in contemporary times, this would be it."

—Walter Semkiw, M.D., author, *Return of the Revolutionaries*

"I am sitting here crying and cannot begin to express how touched I was by everything you wrote and how proud I am of the person you have become and your vision for our country and world. It is the best book I have ever read!!!!!!"

—Mom