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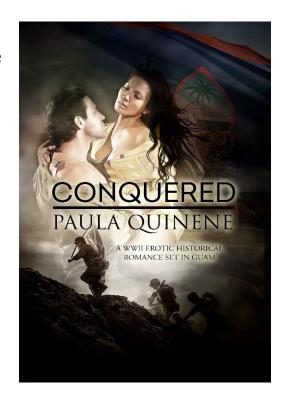
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Every summer, across America
and across the oceans, US citizens celebrate
World War II victory
in the Pacific.

CONQUERED by author Paula Quinene is a tribute to that victory.

In the midst of war, and a battle against time and race, will love conquer all?



The Japanese bombed and left Pearl Harbor, but several hours later, they bombed and occupied Guam, the only American soil to have been taken by the enemy. After almost three years of brutal occupation, Guam's liberation was imminent. Jesi, a native girl, is expected to marry a Chamorro man, but the one who's awakening sensations in her heart and body is not a man of her own race. Still grieving, Johan, a US army soldier, has vowed to keep his heart closed forever yet the girl that patched him up, with her strange eyes and beautiful smile, has crept into the deepest place of his heart. Unable to resist forbidden passion, Johan and Jesi must hide their growing attraction. As time nears for Johan to ship out, they must choose between their love for each other, and their duty to those that rule them.

Conquered is a passionate love story, as much about its main characters, Guam native Jesi Taimanglo and American GI Johan Landers, as it is about author Paula Quinene's passion for Guam itself. As her characters try to find a place for themselves amid the war, Jesi's relatives, and the Chamorro traditions, Quinene charts a path through a seldom told story: Guam's place in WWII. An original idea written with an original voice that invites readers in to the exotic world of the Pacific, complete with coconut trees, banana doughnuts, dolphins swimming in the ocean, and moonlight on Pago Bay, Conquered also recounts the brutal horrors of the Japanese occupation on Guam, a US territory largely forgotten back in the States. In addition to learning about a singular and little-known culture that has played a part in the world wars of the Pacific, readers will undoubtedly crave the recipe for banana doughnuts.

-Stacey Donovan, Writer, Editor, and Author of Dive

Paula Quinene began working on this novel in 2006. It took her 10 years to research, write, and save for *Conquered*. It is her way of sharing and preserving Guam's history in World War II. Every summer, Chamorros and friends from all over the world will celebrate the liberation of Guam from the Japanese. Visit www.guamliberation.com and click on the "Events" tab for a Guam liberation fiesta near you.



ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Paula Quinene was born and raised on Guam. She graduated from the University of Oregon in 1997 with a bachelor's of science in Exercise & Movement Science, hoping to return to the island as an anatomy teacher. A resident of North Carolina since 2000, Paula's homesickness – or "mahalangness" – has motivated Paula to write *A Taste of Guam, Remember Guam*, both cookbooks, and her first novel, *Conquered*. She is a pastry-chefat-heart, thus Macarons Math, Science, and Art, was a pure pleasure to write. Paula's home on the web is www.paulaq.com.

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