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Soul Forest: Twenty-Four Tarot Writings By Rachel Pollack

A new book from Rachel Pollack is always cause for excitement in the Tarot world. With her wry wit, penetrating insight, and novel perspectives, the reader is always assured of being both entertained and enlightened. With the *Soul Forest*, the reader is taken to unique and remarkable places guided by Pollack's profound and innovative ways of using the Tarot.

The book began life as a series of articles exploring Tarot from a variety of vantage points, many of which one would not associate with Tarot work. According to Ms. Pollack, while *Soul Forest* is a series of articles rather than an originally unified work, it is also in some ways a continuation of the approach in her previous book, *Forest Of Souls*.

Although framed in the context of readings, the book transcends the common ideas of fortunetelling and will confound, bemuse and delight. This is not mere divination but a journey through the human spirit. Reading it will alter both one's understanding of Tarot as well one's connection to oneself and the world beyond the self.

Ms. Pollack uses Tarot to examine human experience at the deepest levels and does not shy from the darker places. Poetry, ritual, and the realms of the sacred are also lured into the charmed circle of her exploration. Throughout, her warmth and curiosity draw the reader onward through these explorations.

The articles that became *Soul Forest* grew over two years of taking Tarot to the further reaches of divination, spirituality and art. Part of the book involved readings being done based on Rosh Hashanah, Easter, May Day, and Ramadan, and additionally examined the virtues and dangers of reading cards with ignorance or knowledge. She says that she used the cards to "help grasp the horrors of the Holocaust and to communicate with the dead, we used the cards to create poetry, and we explored poems as answers to our questions."

When queried, Ms. Pollack said, "This book, *Soul Forest*, was for me an intense period of setting sail to new worlds. I am delighted it will now be available to all who wish to read this Captain's Log of Tarot explorations."

Tarot Media Company President Anastasia Haysler added, "When Rachel raised the possibility of collecting these shorter works into a comprehensive volume, I couldn't say 'yes' quickly enough. Working with Rachel is a delight, and we are honored to be able to offer her work."

Several well-known experts have weighed in on the book, including Mary Greer – herself an author of several seminal Tarot books – who says, "With these writings, we go to a place of discovery in which Pollack demonstrates how to examine the big questions and issues that face all of us in our relationships with the Divine, ourselves, our neighbors and even our enemies. Not only will you learn new spreads but also intriguing ways to interact with the images on your cards."

Soul Forest: Twenty-Four Tarot Writings is available at <u>TarotMediaCompany.com</u>.

About Rachel Pollack:

Rachel Pollack is the author of thirty-two books of fiction, non-fiction, and poetry, published in fifteen

languages. She is a poet, an award-winning novelist, an authority on the modern interpretation of Tarot cards, and a Tarot card artist.

She has published fifteen books on Tarot and divination, including 78 Degrees Of Wisdom, often called "the Bible of Tarot reading," read by hundreds of thousands of people all over the world.

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