





Book Presentation: The Year of the Wind by Peruvian author Karina Pacheco Medrano

"The Year of the Wind is an exquisitely textured immersion in recent Peruvian history. . . . In her bold, brave, and beautiful book, Karina Pacheco Medrano provides us with no answers but something larger. . . . [She] has placed her writing hands on that wound and her novel sings.

—JULIA ALVAREZ, author of In the Time of the Butterflies



Karina Pacheco Medrano Peruvian writer

You are invited to the book talk by Peruvian writer, anthropologist, and editor, Karina Pacheco Medrano. She has a PhD in anthropology of the Americas and translates from French, English, and Portuguese to Spanish. She has published eleven books of fiction and four books of nonfiction. In her first novel to be translated into English, Karina Pacheco Medrano explores how war transforms family stories and complicates the distinction between prey and hunter. Part bildungsroman, part detective novel, The Year of the Wind records a significant chapter in Peruvian history rarely considered in the literature of political violence, exploring the anonymous stories marked by horror, loss, bewilderment, and, in some cases, redemption.

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