

Season of Sacrifice by Bharti Kirchner

5 stars

A current political issue is highlighted in this gripping private investigator novel.

This is the first of Bharti Kirchner's - Maya Mallick series and obviously then this is one of the first investigations of newly self-appointed private investigator Maya. Hopefully there will be more to come in the near future.

Her investigation of self immolation takes the reader into the heart of issues where Tibet is facing Chinese oppression. But, political issues - needing to be highlighted - only take the right amount of valuable space in the story.

Maya finds herself investigating the cause of the self immolation by her own friend, Sylvie, with another person, ostensibly to highlight the issues of Tibet to the world. The investigation takes her into the heart of complex relationships in her community living in Seattle. Not only into the heart of relationships, but into the cutting edge of science and chemistry to discover a vaccine for malaria, worldwide.

While Maya looks under the microscope of her investigation, she discovers unexpected links between the two. Her ever closer microscopic view of the self immolations takes the reader from confusion to an astounding conclusion including greed and power.

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