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New Book Reveals King Arthur's Children May Live Among Us Today

Tales of King Arthur, Lancelot and Guinevere's love, and the son born of incest who brought about Camelot's fall have gripped people's imaginations for centuries. But few people know that the magic may have lived on in Arthur's forgotten children.

Marquette, MI—Scholars and archeologists continue to debate whether King Arthur ever lived, but if he were a real person, mathematical and DNA evidence reveals that almost the entire human race could be descended from the sixth century British king, a possibility that has inspired many writers, from medieval historians to modern novelists. Now all the evidence for King Arthur's children and descendants is compiled and analyzed in one volume—Tyler R. Tichelaar's "King Arthur's Children: A Study in Fiction and Tradition" (ISBN 9781615990665 trade paper, 9781615990672 hardcover; Modern History Press, 2011).

While Mordred is the only child of King Arthur most people remember, in the Arthurian legend's earliest versions, Mordred was only Arthur's nephew, and some traditions suggest he was not even related to Arthur but a rival king. By contrast, ancient Welsh traditions provide King Arthur with three sons: Gwydre, Llacheu, and Amr, and the latter may be the earliest version of Mordred. While the Welsh legends state these sons all died before Arthur, other medieval traditions suggest Arthur's descendants outlived him.

Considering possibilities that Mordred was a Scottish king whose crown Arthur tried to usurp and that the Arthurian legend has only been told from the conqueror's point of view, Tyler R. Tichelaar, Ph.D., redeems Mordred's character while also exploring obscure Arthurian genealogies, including claims that Scotland's Clan Campbell and even the British royal family are King Arthur's descendants. Separating fact from fiction in multiple and conflicting traditions, Dr. Tichelaar reveals how the Arthurian legend has been used as both a political weapon and an escapist fantasy.

A significant portion of "King Arthur's Children" also treats modern novelists' interpretations of the Arthurian legend—including works by Stephen Lawhead, Elizabeth Wein, and Bernard Cornwell—that provide modern readers with a fresh connecting point to the dream of Camelot. Dr. Tichelaar's striking conclusions about all these treatments of King Arthur's children and descendants makes for fascinating reading about the psychological impact King Arthur still has upon the human imagination.

Arthurian authors and scholars are hailing "King Arthur's Children" for its thinking outside the box about what could have really happened at Camelot, as well as how the legend may yet shape our future. Cheryl Carpinello, author of "Guinevere: On the Eve of Legend," says,





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“Tyler R. Tichelaar’s in-depth analysis of the plausibility of King Arthur’s children reaffirms the importance the King Arthur legacy continues to have for society and the need of people all over the world to be able to connect to and believe in King Arthur and Camelot.” Debra Kemp, author of “The House of Pendragon” series, adds, “Author Tyler R. Tichelaar has performed impeccable research into the Arthurian legend, finding neglected details in early sources and reigniting their significance. Great brainstorming fun! I am proud to add this to my personal collection of Arthurian non-fiction.”

About the Author

Tyler R. Tichelaar, Ph.D., is a professional editor and book reviewer, and the author of several historical novels, most notably *The Marquette Trilogy* and the award-winning *Narrow Lives*. *King Arthur’s Children* reveals his findings into the Arthurian legend as a precursor to his upcoming novel *King Arthur’s Legacy: Book I of The Children of Arthur* series.

“King Arthur’s Children: A Study in Fiction and Tradition” (ISBN 9781615990665 trade paper, 9781615990672 hardcover, Modern History Press, 2011) can be purchased through local and online bookstores. Ebook editions are available at Amazon, Barnes & Noble, and other retailers. For more information, visit www.ChildrenofArthur.com. Publicity contact: www.ReaderViews.com. Review copies available upon request.

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