

So you want to drop out...are you sure?

Filmmaker Roger Corman: "After reading Dale Mattheis' *Exile to the Stars*, I am convinced that his book is going to be the sci-fi book of the future and will be made into a motion picture. This is a must read for every sci-fi fan."

The Alarai Chronicles

Volume One

Exile to the Stars

Written in depth over a seven book series, and the first four books written back-to-back to maintain plot integrity, *The Alarai Chronicles* is a saga of two worlds, Earth and Aketti. Two worlds whose destinies are tied together by Jeff Friedrich, an instructor in anthropology at the university in Seattle. Earth is technologically sophisticated, Aketti primitive, but it is Earth that is sliding back to anarchy and chaos.

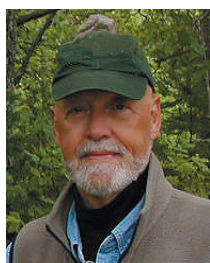
In the first volume in the series, *Exile to the Stars*, Jeff is fired without cause and leaves on a hike to sort his life out. Knocked unconscious by an earthquake, he awakes high in an unfamiliar mountain range unaware that he is no longer on Earth. Just getting

out of the mountains nearly kills him, and nothing makes sense on the hike out. Then one clear night, two moons rise over the forest. Now it is clear. He truly is lost.

This is the story of a twenty-first century man, an anthropologist, challenged to survive the elements and a radically different society where academic credentials mean nothing. Aketti is a primitive world where a man gains respect by what he does rather than by what he says he will do. There is no safety net, no court of law, and there are no lawyers. You are on your own. At the same time, life is uncomplicated. You always know where you stand. Given the environment back on Earth, Jeff comes to cherish the freedoms that go with taking responsibility for your actions. Exploring Arvalia, searching for answers, Jeff roams the continent from northern ice fields to steamy jungles far in the south. There he finds answers, but also more questions.

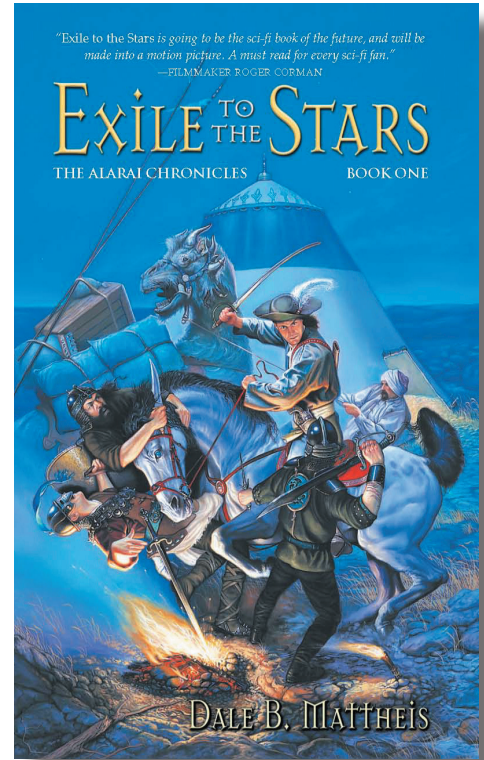
People who are not what they seem, animals that are much more than that, battles that span a continent,

discovery of power, and a state of love that Jeff had given up ever finding - all intermix in a fast-paced adventure that spans two worlds.



About the author: Dale B. Mattheis served in the Navy on submarines, practiced medicine and psychiatry, and then operated a wholesale baking company for over a decade before moving into writing. An avid outdoorsman, he recently camped across the United States, traveling over 4,000 miles on back roads. He credits this extremely varied and intense background with many of the insights he went on to capture in *Exile to the Stars* and books that follow in the series. It's all about physical and psychological survival. If you don't give up, you win, and life evolves into an amazing and fulfilling experience.

The author's one-line synopsis of *The Alarai Chronicles* series: "It's about life as it could be, not as it is in our time."



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