

THE MAKÅNA'S LEGACY

Mythic Paranormal Thriller

One-Page Adaptation Overview

Logline

In modern Guam, a man drawn into an ancestral calling he never sought must learn that spiritual power is earned through humility, restraint, and responsibility—not force.

Overview

The Makåna's Legacy is a contemporary paranormal thriller rooted in CHamoru spiritual tradition. The story follows Mateo, a reluctant inheritor of a lineage long thought extinguished, as spiritual disturbances draw him into a world governed by ancestral law rather than modern certainty.

Guided by elders, healers, and clergy, Mateo learns that becoming a makåna is an act of service and balance. As malevolent forces test those boundaries, the story emphasizes faith, ethical restraint, and consequence rather than easy triumph.

Tone & Approach

- Atmospheric, intimate, and character-driven
- Supernatural tension without spectacle or escalation
- Emphasis on healing, balance, and moral responsibility

Cultural & Spiritual Context

Drawn from CHamoru belief systems in which makåna serve as healers bound by responsibility rather than authority, the story presents spiritual awareness as relational and conditional. Catholic and CHamoru spirituality coexist as part of lived cultural reality.

Themes

- Spiritual inheritance and reluctant calling
- Healing as communal responsibility
- Faith, humility, and restraint
- Grief, love, and intergenerational guidance

Adaptation Notes

- Well-suited for a limited or ongoing serialized drama
- Strong ensemble potential beyond a single protagonist
- Designed for long-form character development

Status - Completed, published novel. Serves as the opening movement of a larger, adaptable story world.

Creator

M. K. Aleja - author of culturally grounded paranormal fiction rooted in CHamoru folklore and contemporary island life.