



# Seeds of CIVILIZATION THE SERIES

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## Northwest author uses fiction to challenge fundamentals of anthropology

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In his *Seeds Of Civilization* novels, R.J. Archer incorporates recent archaeological discoveries that point to civilizations more than twice as old as those of Egypt and Mesopotamia. Startling new evidence—recently released satellite photos and information published by underwater archaeologists—add to the growing evidence that advanced cities existed along low-lying coastal areas *all over the globe* before the waters rose after the last ice age. So why isn't anything being written about these discoveries and why aren't investigations being funded? Why do traditional anthropologists still tout the Middle East as the birthplace of civilization?

In the *Seeds of Civilization* novels, a Seattle aerospace engineer and his team of amateur investigators uncover these mysteries and come up with answers that are truly “out of this world.” An underlying theme in the novels is the growing split in the scientific community about the age and origin of Earth's earliest civilizations.

NWIDI Press now offers the first two novels, *Tractrix* and *Tsubute*, for **adolescent and adult summer reading**. After the 2006 re-release of *Tractrix*, originally published in 2004, the author's attention is now focused on a non-fiction report about MEGA—the lost city of Cuba—found submerged more than 2,000 feet below the surface in the Gulf of Mexico. Read about the evidence at [www.TheMegaBlog.com](http://www.TheMegaBlog.com). As for the fiction—to find out what adventures await the NWIDI team, you'll have to wait for the release of *Triangle* projected for Winter 2007.

FROM  
SEATTLE...  
TO  
WHEREVER  
REAL  
ARCHAEO-  
LOGICAL  
MYSTERIES  
REMAIN  
UNSOLVED

One of the unique features of “Seeds Of Civilization” is that the archaeological mysteries at the core of each novel are very real. The origin and purpose of the Maya's knowledge of astronomy, the Yonaguni Monument, discovered by a scuba diver in 1987 and the “lost city of Cuba,” discovered by a Canadian salvage team in 2000, are all mysteries currently under investigation.



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## ABOUT THE SERIES

**Tractrix:** The first investigation, prompted by the discovery of a mysterious black sphere, takes the team of amateur adventurers from Seattle to the secret military installations of Nevada and on to the Maya ruins in Mexico's Yucatan Peninsula. Along the way they become involved in a murder investigation and stumble across a three-thousand-year-old secret explaining the origin of the Maya's advanced knowledge of astronomy and mathematics. (ISBN# 0977910903) 978-0977910908

**Tsubute:** In the maiden voyage of the team's newly acquired Learjet, the adventurers travel to southern Japan to investigate an underwater pyramid off the coast of Yonaguni. After a dramatic landing in the Aleutian Islands of Alaska and a run-in with Department of Justice agents in Tokyo, they finally reach Yonaguni and soon find themselves involved in a case of murder and international kidnapping. In an effort to solve the murder and clear their own names, they uncover a dark secret hidden on the tiny island for more than 10,000 years. (ISBN# 0977910911) 978-0977910915

## HOW TO ORDER

**Tractrix and Tsubute are published by NWIDI Press and distributed by Ingram.** We cut out POD middlemen offering stores: **Full wholesale discount and Returnable status** To stay up-to-date on the series, visit "What's New" at [www.SeedsOfCivilization.com/whatsnew.htm](http://www.SeedsOfCivilization.com/whatsnew.htm) or [www.SeedsOfCivilization.com](http://www.SeedsOfCivilization.com). The 248-329 page trade paperback novels are available online from all major booksellers: **BookSense.com, Amazon.com, Powells.com, Borders.com** and **BN.com** (Barnes&Noble). Local retail stores and national wholesalers may purchase them, with a full wholesale discount, via Ingram or Baker & Taylor.

## WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

***Many people don't look to the small independent presses for authors to try, this is perhaps one of the biggest losses to the reader as there are some hidden gems awaiting discovery, using Tractrix as an example... R.J. Archer, I believe is one of the authors to watch and I eagerly await the further exploits of the NWIDI adventurers.***

Gareth Wilson, Book Reviewer, *Falcata Times*— *The Sci-Fi Fantasy Site*

### TRACTRIX:

***R.J. Archer has crafted a fine first novel with Tractrix. If you like Clive Cussler's writing you will certainly love R.J. Archer's mesh of historical facts and culture with theories and speculations that have intrigued man for several decades.***

Steven Macon, Book Reviewer, *Yellow30 Sci-Fi.com*

***Fasten your seatbelts for an engaging joyride through a labyrinth of riddles involving the ancient Maya, a U.S. military installation in the Nevada desert, and alien visitors from centuries past. Tractrix is a fast-paced yarn, based on intriguing historical perspective, and it's sure to keep you guessing right up until its surprising conclusion.***

Alan Lohner, author of (*fear not*): *Venture to Inner Peace*



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THE SERIES

## **TSUBUTE:**

***The long anticipated sequel to Tractrix is finally here, and once again, R.J. Archer lays a foundation of rich detail that subtly builds into a runaway train of action, treachery and discovery. Tractrix offered a glimpse at a vision of history ignored by contemporary scholars; Tsubute rips down the curtain and sets it on fire.***

Sean Ellis, author of *Magic Mirror* and *The Clive Cussler Code*

***Settle in and fasten your seat belt. You're about to take off on an adventure of action and international intrigue. Your host, R.J. Archer, will be your diving guide and your local expert on Japanese culture. His pulse-pounding plot suggests an island's incredible secret. Most amazing of all, this tale is based on a real island and stunning recent archaeological findings.***

Richard Jones, feature writer for El Hispanic News, Portland, OR

## **ABOUT THE AUTHOR**

R.J. Archer is a freelance writer and computer consultant who has called the Pacific Northwest home for more than 30 years. His recently published mystery/adventure novels, ***Tractrix*** and ***Tsubute***, (NWIDI Press), are the first two in a three-part series called *Seeds Of Civilization*. In the series, a team of amateur adventurers from Seattle follow real life archaeological mysteries in a search for answers about the age and origin of Earth's earliest civilizations.

Research for his third novel, ***Triangle***, to be released in 2007, led Archer to assemble published findings by many experts. His blog at [www.TheMegaBlog.com](http://www.TheMegaBlog.com) is an effort to clarify these findings and encourage an exchange among the experts.

As a freelance writer Mr. Archer has published numerous articles on PC-related topics in both print and electronic magazines. He has been a Contributing Editor for *OfficeLetter.com*, a weekly online newsletter that focuses on Microsoft's Office suite and a contributor for *SmallBizResource.com* and *www.chiroeco.com*. Multiple previous articles for *WinMag.com* and *Business Pipeline* are no longer available.

Mr. Archer holds a Bachelor of Science degree with dual majors in Physics and Mathematics from Portland State University.

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