

## The Inconvenient Child – Author Information

**Sharyn Killens was The Inconvenient Child.** Born in Sydney Australia in 1948 (three years after the end of World War II), she spent most of her disturbing childhood and teenage years in institutions, never knowing the identity of her African American father.



But Sharyn's love of music and her driving ambition to become a singer and entertainer finally enabled her to fulfill her dream. For thirty years, as successful entertainer **Sharyn Crystal**, she has entertained in clubs and on luxury cruise ship stages around the world. She has also been nominated for a prestigious Australian Entertainment MO Award for her performance. Sharyn has also worked as a publicist assistant and entertainment booking agent and manager and more recently, she has been a talent quest judge, teaches stage presentation and has produced children's theatre shows.

In adulthood, after discovering her father's name, Sharyn embarked on a remarkable journey across the world to find her father and discover her African American roots. The outcome and her extraordinary life's journey is the story of The Inconvenient Child.

**Lindsay Lewis** began her business career in a major Sydney record company, before running her own businesses.

In the early 1980s, she moved into advertising and worked in key Sydney Advertising agencies until 1992. Lindsay then moved into publicity before starting her own successful textile design and manufacturing company with her husband, where she was Designer and Creative Director.



Lindsay has recently spent two years writing The Inconvenient Child.

For many years, she was also a professional singer and entertainer. During the late 1980s, Lindsay was singing with legendary African American entertainer Freddie Paris and it was during this time, Sharyn and Lindsay met.

**Sharyn and Lindsay** have been close friends for twenty years and The Inconvenient Child is the result of their close collaboration.

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