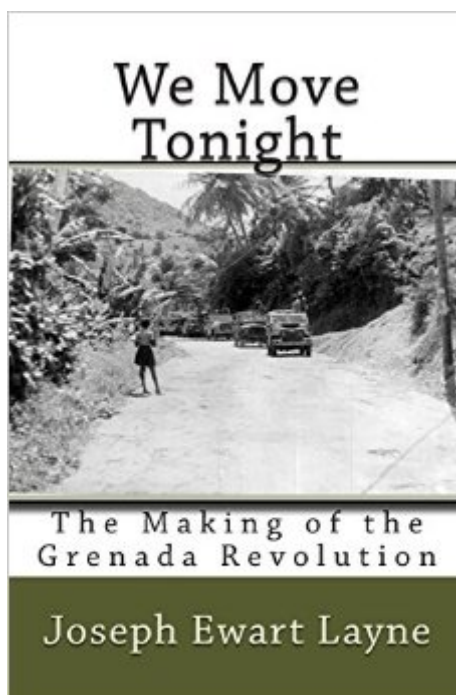


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We Move Tonight: The Making Of The Grenada Revolution



Synopsis

On March 13th 1979, West Indians were stunned as they awoke to the news of the first successful revolution in the English Speaking Caribbean. Four and a half years later the revolution succumbed to tragedy and US military invasion. This extraordinary book is the first to give the inside story of the thinking, the internal debates, concrete plans and actions of the Grenadian revolutionary leaders as they both responded to events unfolding in the 1970s and sought to shape them. The different and distinct personalities of the political and military leaders of the revolution come to life, as the author, from his personal knowledge as a young patriot himself, narrates the events of the period and the roles of the various leaders in them. Students of Grenadian and Caribbean history, politics and sociology will find this not only a fascinating and thoroughly enjoyable read, but an indispensable reference work. Anyone, moreover, who wishes to understand the seeds of both the remarkable achievements of the Grenada Revolution and of its implosion, will also need to study this book carefully. Written in a direct, simple, engaging and at times poetic style, the ordinary citizen of Grenada, the Caribbean region, and the West Indian Diaspora will find it impossible to put this book down once the first page is read.

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Customer Reviews

When I heard about this book on the Spicelander TalkShop forum, I purchased it and read through it in one night. While I don't agree with some of Layne's conclusions (like whether or not the US intervention was necessary), I found it a fascinating read and I learned a few things I didn't know before about the 1979 Grenada Revolution.

Good book about the making of the Revo, which happened when I was a child. I was hoping for more on the Revo itself and the author views and memories of its tragic end- but he does give a decent overview at the end of the book.

Very Informative and gripping. A must to read in order to understand the period of the 70's leading up the 1979 revolution in Grenada.

A must read. A firsthand account of some of the most dramatic and intriguing events that marked a major turning point in Grenada's history. The kind of stuff that movies are made of. Congratulations Mr. Layne.

Finally! The revolution story in vivid writing! This is such a great read. I can't put it down. This is especially great for the youth of Grenada.

Visited Grenada and wanted a book more about the US involvement in this revolution. This book was about the build up to revolution and take over but did not go into why the US came in or why the revolutionists were turned on and sent to prison. I still don't have a clear picture of what happened and why.

I got this book in the hopes of learning more about the events surrounding the confusion which led up to the 1983 death of Maurice Bishop and others in Grenada prior to the U.S. invasion. Instead, I got a first account back story of the 1979 Grenada Revolution (which ousted Eric Gairy) from Layne, a devoted and passionate NJM member, who wrote this while imprisoned. His timeline of events kept me riveted. I only wish he shared similar details, specifics, and explanations about the tragic events of October 1983. But to be fair, the book's title is 'The MAKING of the Grenada Revolution' and the author made good on that. Brilliant book!

Good history of the Grenadian revolution. There was some anti-American sentiment (as there should be) but not nearly as much blame shifting as I expected.

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