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### **Two New Books released**

On **Wednesday June 22, 2011 at 10:00 a.m.** two new books were presented at the Image Factory to the public

**Adügúrahani: A Walk**

**Through Garifuna Spiritualism  
and**

**Electoral Politics in Belize: The Naked Truth**

by I Myrtle Palacio.

Palacio wrote the Garifuna spiritualism book to document traditional knowledge—the Dugu and all nine rituals associated with the ceremony, to investigate the misunderstood phenomenon of Garifuna spiritualism and to raise awareness to anomalies. The author makes special thanks

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to Garifuna icon and Buyei John Mariano who inspired, persuaded and permitted research to pass on knowledge to the next generation and in whose memory this detailed description was written.

She researched the Electoral Politics Book to contribute to the discourse on enhancing the quality of democracy--the culture of international election observation, safeguarding and strengthening democratic institutions, electoral systems and management. The book presents an overview of the system of governance from the public meeting to the National Assembly and tracks voter behaviour via voter turnout.

I Myrtle Palacio served as a teacher at primary a



nd tertiary levels in Belize. She served in the public service for almost 10 years introducing voter education and the computerization of the electoral database. In the private sector she pioneered the computer industry and political polling culture in Belize. She is self-educated to the graduate school level in urban studies specializing in social planning and community development. Palacio has published in the areas of socio-cultural and socio-political topics since 1990. She has dedicated the second book to her grandchildren and their generation of Belizeans.

The books will be on sale for \$40BZ each at the Image Factory shop, the Angelus Press, Brodies and other places where books are sold. You can contact the author directly at [dabina2000@yahoo.com](mailto:dabina2000@yahoo.com) and [belizeglessima.research@yahoo.com](mailto:belizeglessima.research@yahoo.com) or on Facebook at Myrtle Palacio.

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