



When a beautiful journalist drowns mysteriously off Waikiki, former Special Forces veteran Pono Hawkins, now a well-known Hawaii surfer and international surfing correspondent, quickly gets embroiled in trying to solve her death. What he learns soon targets him for murder or life in prison as a cabal of powerful corporations, foreign killers and crooked politicians focuses the blame on him.

Haunted by memories of Afghanistan, and determined to protect the Hawaii he loves from dirty politics tied to huge destructive energy developments, Pono turns to Special Forces buddies and his own skills to fight his deadly enemies, trying to both save himself and track down her killers.

More than an eco-thriller, this fast-moving story shares the author's inside knowledge of the egregious scams of industrial wind power and its catastrophic ecological and social impacts, and how oil companies and investment banks under the guise of "green" energy are trying to co-opt the environmental movement.

Alive with the sights, sounds and history of Hawaii, *Saving Paradise* is also a rich portrait of what Pono calls "the seamy side of paradise", and a relentless thriller of politics, lies, manhunts and remorseless murder.

Bestselling novelist, environmental activist, international energy expert, war and human rights correspondent and award-winning poet, Mike Bond has worked in many dangerous, remote and war-torn regions of the world. His critically acclaimed novels depict the innate hunger of the human heart for good, the intense joys of love, the terror and fury of battle, the sinister vagaries of politics and multinational corporations, and the beauty of the vanishing natural world.

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