DUBAI BEST-SELLING NOVELIST AND WRITING COACH AWARDED GOLDEN VISA

**Dubai, 15 December 2021**: Number-one best-selling author, Karen Osman, has been awarded a Golden Visa in recognition of her services to the literary scene in the UAE.

The golden card is a long-term residency programme announced by Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid, Prime Minister and Ruler of Dubai, in May 2019. The 10-year residency permits are given to people who have made an outstanding contribution to the country, have highly-prized skills or work in key industries that are crucial to economic growth.

Karen says: ‘It’s an honour to be recognised and rewarded by the UAE Government. After sixteen years living as a resident, Dubai has very much become home, and I look forward to further contributing through my writing and teaching.’

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**Notes to Editor:**

About Karen Osman

Karen Osman is a best-selling novelist and writing coach. Following her win at the [Emirates Airline Festival of Literature Montegrappa Novel Writing Award 2016](http://emirateslitfest.com/news/fourth-montegrappa-writing-prize-winners-announced-at-eafol16/)with her crime-thriller novel, [The Good Mother](https://www.karenosman.com/books-the-good-mother), renowned literary agent, [Luigi Bonomi of LBA Books](http://www.lbabooks.com/), secured a three-book deal with UK-based publishing house Head of Zeus.

Since then, [The Good Mother](https://www.karenosman.com/books-the-good-mother), which was published in October 2017 and her second novel, [The Home](https://www.karenosman.com/books-the-home)(September 2018), were both number one bestsellers. Her third book, [The Perfect Lie,](https://www.karenosman.com/books-the-perfect-lie) was published in August 2019 and she is currently working on her fourth novel.

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In July 2020, Karen launched her signature online writing course, [Kick Start Your Book With Karen](https://www.karenosman.com/kickstartyourbookdigitalcourse), designed for budding authors to help write their books.  She also offers a six-month [one-to-one coaching programme](https://www.karenosman.com/personalcoaching).

In January 2019, Karen launched [Karen’s Book Club](https://www.karenosman.com/bookclub), a free online book club where she shares reading recommendations, giveaways, and a behind-the-scenes look into her author life.

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