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CHEE CHEE LEADS THE WAY

By Carol Phillip-Tudor

Caribbean writers, since time immemorial, have had the heights of mountains to climb in their endeavors of taking the high road to book publication. Mrs. Carol Ottley-Mitchell has found the mountainous climb no easier than most. Rejection being what it is, has however found her a hardened cookie. She has huddled over negative responses and has persevered. Mrs. Carol Ottley-Mitchell is now the poised author of the first edition of **Caribbean Adventure Series: Adventure at Brimstone Hill.**



Mrs. Carol Ottley Mitchell, author of the children books Caribbean Adventure Series.

The released publication of Adventure at Brimstone Hill is no small matter. Every published book has its targeted audience and prescribed subject matter. Publishers that have dealing with Caribbean writers have always given tepid support and usually it is only to academic textbooks that any notice is given. Books that put on view the creative and imaginative styles of the Caribbean peoples are by and large overlooked.

Mrs. Ottley -Mitchell, very auspiciously, has put her genius to combining her originality and creativeness into the embodiment of two of the main wealth innate in the resources of St. Kitts and Nevis; those being our Children and our Heritage.

Adventure at Brimstone Hill is the first book in the series of three editions. The main character Chee Chee, the Vervet Monkey, gets himself into scrapes and he has to get himself out of them. In doing so, the adventure takes flight. The story cleverly blends history and imagination to make one first-class adventure for children and people who are young at heart.

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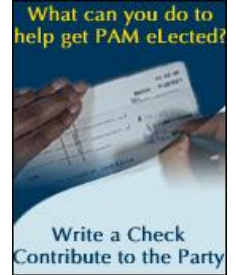
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Personal friend and motivator of Mrs. Ottley-Mitchell, Ms. Nerissa Golden, has said that for too long people have been afraid to step out and put their ideas on paper. She has applauded Mrs. Ottley-Mitchell for the courage inherent in stepping forward onto a stage that needs more hero/heroines. "Our children have lost so much with all the influences coming in from outside," said Mrs. Golden.

Sir Probyn Inniss, recognizing this occasion as a momentous one and speaking on behalf of Brimstone Hill National Park and the Matheson Trust has thrown the weight of the Trust's financial support behind Mr. Ottley-Mitchell. "If at anytime you feel that the Matheson Trust can assist in anyway just ask," he added, "It is said the longest journey begins with a single step, so however far you are going in publishing, we wish you all the best. We at Brimstone Hill are very grateful for what you have done, so we are happy for that, it also seems to me that you have supported children and young people."

Mrs. Ottley -Mitchell has said Brimstone Hill have been a special place for her, "I always feel relaxed and at peace there". Brimstone Hill, the Gibraltar of the Caribbean dates back to the 17th century; it is a World Heritage Site and the frontrunner of the rich historical structures erected in and around St. Kitts. By writing about an adventure at Brimstone Hill, Mrs. Ottley -Mitchell has given children, in particular, the advantage of gaining an understanding of their inheritance in history.

Speaking about the book, Mrs. Ottley-Mitchell has said, "I want to see this book dog-eared, millions of stamps at the library, because that means our children are reading."

Adventure at Brimstone Hill was launched on Wednesday 26 November, 2008, and is available at Brimstone Hill National Fortress Park bookstore, Chapter 1 bookstore in Nevis, Law's Bookstore Cayon Street, Harper's Office Depot, Fort street and Mini Walls, Princes Street.

Everyone is encouraged to visit [www. CaribbeanAdventuresSeries.com](http://www.CaribbeanAdventuresSeries.com) for more reading fun and special surprises!

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