PUBLICATION ANNOUNCEMENT

A'Viking West: The First Shore Publishing November 11, 2026

Ted Malone announces his debut upmarket historical novel

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Ted Malone's debut novel, A'Viking West: The First Shore, is scheduled for publication on November 11, 2026.

An upmarket historical novel set against the Norse voyages to North America around the year 1000, The First Shore approaches first contact through two young men shaped by different families, traditions, and expectations.

When Leif Eiriksson leads a fleet west from Greenland, fifteen-year-old Einar sees the voyage as his chance to earn a place among men whose stories have shaped his life. Across the ocean, Actaudin longs to travel beyond the familiar rivers and forests of his Indigenous community. Then unfamiliar ships appear off the coast, carrying people whose words he cannot understand.

As fear and curiosity draw the two young men toward the same shore, their families must decide what can be risked, what must be defended, and whether strangers can meet without surrendering who they are. The novel explores courage, identity, family, belonging, cultural difference, and the fragile beginnings of understanding.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Ted Malone is a novelist, technology executive, former United States Air Force KC-135 pilot, and lifelong student of history. His debut novel explores courage, identity, belonging, and first contact through Norse and Indigenous perspectives. He lives in Arizona and is continuing the A'Viking West series.

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