

CHRYsalis
A COLLECTION OF SCIENCE FICTION SHORT STORIES

BY

WARREN BROWN

Goldcopy Publishing
London
2017

CHRYsalis- A Collection of Five Science Fiction Short Stories
by Warren Brown

Copyright @ 2017 by Warren Brown

ISBN: 978-0-244-62619-8

Cover: Warrenz Designs

GOLDCOPY PUBLISHING
LONDON

2017

- Disclaimer: The opinions expressed herein are my own personal opinions and do not reflect the opinions of any other person, company, group or organization. This is a work of fiction. Names, characters, businesses, places, events and incidents are either the products of the author's imagination or used

in a fictitious manner. Any resemblance to actual persons, living or dead, or actual events is purely coincidental.

All rights reserved. No part of this publication may be reproduced, stored in a retrieval system, or transmitted, in any form or by any means without the prior written permission of the publisher, nor be otherwise circulated in any form of binding or cover other than that in which it is published and without a similar condition being imposed on the subsequent purchaser.

DEDICATION

Dedicated To My Mother

Joan Brown, who shared her wisdom with me
and for which I will always be grateful

FACE VALUE- SOCIAL KILLER SOCIAL THRILLER

CHAPTER 1

Human beings in the year 2064AD are valued by their Faces. This is based on a Global Face Index (GFI), which sets a person Face Value based on life experiences, trainings, skills, psychological and physiological attributes. What happens when the wrong people in society have the highest Face Value and only one man knows how to control the Face Value Index before the world is controlled by fanatics and the criminally insane in society?

The World of Face Values is the world of the future, a world of social influence and power. A face, your face is so much more than the first thing you see in the mirror every morning. Your face is literally your fortune and you need to do whatever it takes to keep your Face Value high up on the scale of social influence in order to be

accepted and considered a valuable member of society.

What is the value of a person's face?

We tend to look at our faces in the mirror and wonder to ourselves, what makes this face so special?

Would it matter if I had a different face?

We notice that we all react differently to people in life. We smile at a familiar friendly face and we turn away from the face of a person we do not like very much. We look away from a face we think is unfriendly or cruel. We tend to judge people based on their faces whether we like to do so or not. It is wrong to judge a book by its cover, but there are so many of us who are guilty of doing just that.

Do our thoughts change our facial features?

Could a person change their way of thinking to alter their facial features?

Our faces reveal so much like who we are, what we are thinking, feeling, as well as our intentions and impressions.

The human face is one of the most complex parts of the human body composed of skin, muscles, features and expressions. The human face has the biggest range of muscle structure in the human body, while forty-three of these muscles are directly linked to facial emotions.

It is human nature to trust and listen to a person with a kind face, kind eyes and a warm smile, than to someone who looks unfriendly, cold and who in our opinion has a cruel look.

In a world where identity fraud came to be a common occurrence there was need for a new face recognition system to be able to check the identity of a person. In the future there are more people experiencing identity theft, which is in a large part due to the digital footprints we leave in cyberspace.

In a world where the worth of a person is measured by his or her wealth, it was necessary for an evaluation system to be created where the skills and influence of a person could be measured. The evaluation score obtained by this ingenious method was intricate, unique making it possible for any person to get the job or career which would be ideal for the individual, so that maximum experience, joy and satisfaction were gained in the short and long terms.

Beatrice and Frank Posten were two social media scientists who developed the grading system of Face Values. They were part of an approved government project in 2064AD.

The couple had great visions of the future and they were killed in a road accident after the first two months of having implemented the new Face Value systems globally.

The whole incident was treated with suspicion, as it happened in broad daylight.

There were a few eye-witnesses who said that the couple were driving a blue car when they were pushed off the road and over the cliff by two black cars, a Lexus and a Chrysler which drove away.

This unfortunate incident stole the couple of their accomplishment, while creating a monstrous evaluation system, which was being used by nefarious agents to control human population worldwide and in human colonies in space.