## Listen to the animals for a better world

The world would be a much better place if we choose to respect animals as valuable members of society.

So says animal advocate and communicator Billie Dean who believes that it's time we knew what the animals know.

In her first book Secret Animal Business, Billie Dean takes you on a journey into the secret world of animals, awakens ancient memories within and invites you to learn from your own personal shamanic mentor – the animal companion in your home.

It includes the secrets of the psychic and spiritual nature of animals, as well as the truth behind animal behaviour, how to remember the ancient art of telepathic communication and how to treat the animals in your lives more consciously and with greater compassion.

"This book not only helps you to understand the animals in your life, it helps you understand yourself and the wider world in which we live," says Billie.

The shaman and advocate with a vision for social change believes animals are psychic, spiritual and in our homes to be our teachers and healers. Their urgent message to us is to realise that the world of scientific materialism is not the only world humanity inhabits. Billie says the animals need us to change the way we are and evolve as a species.

"They really do have an important message to share with humanity – to help us become better people and live in harmony on the planet."

Billie Dean, who lives in New South Wales, was born with an innate ability to understand the silent language of animals and nature. While working as a journalist, writer and filmmaker, she has communicated with thousands of animals around the world over a 20-year period.

"Animal communication was never a business I considered, it was always a service," says Billie. "The trouble is — there are a lot of animals in need."

Understanding the silent language of telepathy, which Billie considers the universal language of animals and nature, she and her husband, children's author and filmmaker Andrew Einspruch, became very involved with animal welfare.

On their NSW property they personally care for up to 30 horses which have been neglected or in need of a home. They also have eight rescued dogs and numerous other animals.

Billie has passed on her message though film and made the award-winning Finding Joy and Seven Days with Seven Dogs. She's also gone one step further to start her For Life campaign.

Not one to shy away from the difficult issues, Billie tackles the shadow side of animal welfare – death row – and makes a compelling call for change as part of her For Life campaign.

"The campaign asks us to consider that all life is precious and raise the awareness of animals as teachers and healers, instead of "pets" and to re educate the public to consider themselves as not owners, but animal carers. It asks leaders to consider the big picture and to stop getting caught up in all the excuses of why we think we have to kill homeless animals.

"This is where I differ from many other animal advocates because I ask people to understand that all life is precious. Secret Animal Business reveals the psychic and spiritual life of animals and has a different take on behaviour by asking people to see animals as intelligent and needing to communicate with us."

Billie says animals only have so many ways to speak to us and when their behaviour is misunderstood, they can often end up at the pound or at the vets, marked for death.

"Killing thousands of homeless animals a year affects our cultural psyche," insists Billie. "It inflicts pain on us, creating further disconnection from the natural world, depression and cultural numbness.

"Every human with a heart is affected by the knowledge of these wonderful animals being killed. And what for? Because they pulled washing off the line, someone changed homes, because they were bored and barked or because they had a litter of kittens?"

Secret Animal Business asks human beings to make a step forward in their evolution — to be a kinder, more respectful, more considerate and more integrated species living more in harmony with nature. Billie also offers her inspiring vision of the future – a planet without predators, living in peace and harmony – and she outlines how this could possibly take place.

At so many levels Billie believes humanity can make a giant leap forward by treating animals differently and showing they are valuable members of society.

"These urgent messages animals have to share will help us live both in harmony with each other and the planet. If we learned how to listen to the animals the world will be a better place."

Billie and her husband have also released a documentary called This Sacred Earth: The 2012 Phenomenon, which addresses how each one of us can renew our connection to nature and do the personal work to help humanity evolve as a species.

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