

Orphan X

Gregg Hurwitz

"The most exciting thriller I've read since *The Bourne Identity*. Fans of Jack Reacher, Mitch Rapp, and Jason Bourne will LOVE Evan Smoak. A new thriller superstar is born!" -Robert Crais

"Orphan X is the most gripping, high-octane thriller I've read in a long, long time. Hang onto your seat because Gregg Hurwitz will take you on a dizzying ride you'll not soon forget!" -Tess Gerritsen

The Nowhere Man is a legendary figure spoken about only in whispers. It's said that when he's reached by the truly desperate and deserving, the Nowhere Man can and will do anything to protect and save them.

But he's no legend.

Evan Smoak is a man with skills, resources, and a personal mission to help those with nowhere else to turn. He's also a man with a dangerous past. Chosen as a child, he was raised and trained as part of the off-the-books black box Orphan program, designed to create the perfect deniable intelligence assets---i.e. assassins. He was Orphan X. Evan broke with the program, using everything he learned to disappear.

Now, however, someone is on his tail. Someone with similar skills and training. Someone who knows Orphan X. Someone who is getting closer and closer. And will exploit Evan's weakness---his work as The Nowhere Man---to find him and eliminate him. Grabbing the reader from the very first page, Orphan X is a masterful thriller, the first in Gregg Hurwitz's electrifying new series featuring Evan Smoak.

PRAISE

"Gregg Hurwitz's Orphan X is his best yet -- a real celebration of all the strengths he brings to a thriller." --Lee Child

"From the explosive opening where a boy begins his dramatic transformation, Orphan X blows the doors off most thrillers I've read and catapults the readers on a cat-and-mouse chase that feels like a missile launch. Brilliantly conceived and plotted, his character Evan Smoak, Orphan X, deserves his own niche in the thriller hero hall of fame. Read this book. You will thank me later." --David Baldacci

GREGG HURWITZ is the *New York Times* bestselling author of numerous thrillers, most recently *Don't Look Back* and *Tell No Lies*. Critically acclaimed, Hurwitz is a two-time finalist for ITW's Best Novel Prize (for *The Crime Writer* and *The Survivor*), and a finalist for the CWA's Steel Dagger (The Crime Writer), among many other awards. In addition to his novels, Hurwitz is a screenwriter, TV producer and writer (V), and comic author (Batman: The Dark Knight). He lives in Los Angeles.

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

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—ROBERT CRAIS

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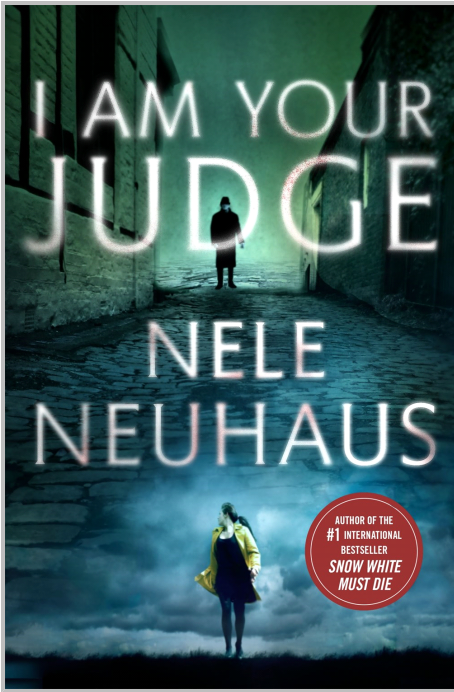
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I Am Your Judge

A Novel

Nele Neuhaus, Translated by Steven T. Murray

The latest mystery from international bestselling author Nele Neuhaus

Police Detective Pia Kirchhoff is about to leave on her long-delayed honeymoon when she receives a phone call. An elderly woman has been shot and killed while walking her dog. A short while later another murder is committed and the modus operandi is eerily similar - a woman is killed by a bullet that smashes through her kitchen window ... and in both cases the same weapon fired the shot. Two more murders follow in short order. None of the victims had enemies and no one knows why they were singled out. As fear of the Taunus Sniper grows among the local residents, the pressure rises on Detective Kirchhoff. She and her partner, Oliver von Bodenstern, search for a suspect who appears to murder at will, but as the investigation progresses, the police officers uncover a human tragedy. *I am Your Judge* is tightly plotted, and delivers surprise twists at every turn with a story that is ripped from the headlines.

PRAISE

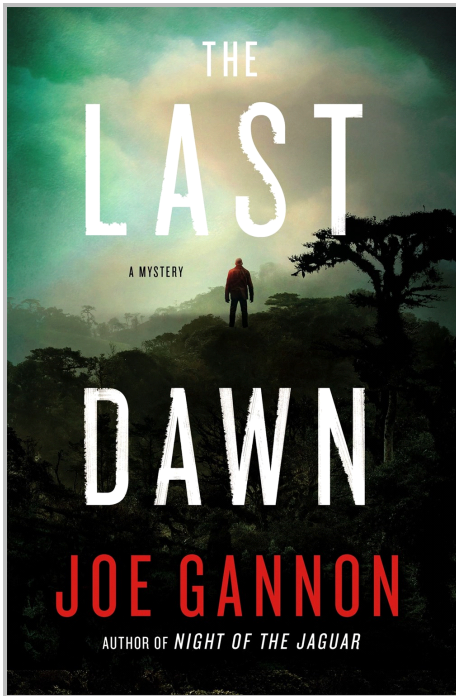
Praise for *The Ice Queen*:

"Intriguing...Corpses turn up amid hefty doses of sexual intrigue. Readers need to pay close attention to this solidly plotted...drama full of red herrings, lest they miss key clues."-Publishers Weekly

"Lies and revenge are the driving forces of this intelligent mystery. Neuhaus manages a large cast of characters while skillfully executing plot twists. Newcomers to this series will have no problem jumping in with this book."-Library Journal

"...action packed [and] darkly mysterious. With surprising depth and some downright funny moments, *The Ice Queen* is a perfect balance of the humorous and the macabre."-Shelfawareness

Nele Neuhaus storms the German bestseller charts with each of her crime novels featuring investigative team Oliver von Bodenstern and Pia Kirchhoff. Initially self-published, there are now over 5 million copies of her books in print. She is also the author of *Snow White Must Die*, *Bad Wolf*, and *The Ice Queen*.

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The Last Dawn

Joe Gannon

Following the acclaimed *Night of the Jaguar*, Nicaraguan police captain Ajax Montoya and his partner Gladys are tasked with finding a young American journalist who vanished in war-torn El Salvador

Gladys Darío, sterling police lieutenant for the revolutionary Sandinista government in volatile 1986 Nicaragua, has been kidnapped by a notorious Contra commander. Gladys knows she doesn't have a hope for escape, unless her partner on the police force, former Sandinista guerrilla comandante Ajax Montoya, stages a rescue attempt. When he does, it's more outrageous than Gladys could ever have imagined. But it comes at a price. Ajax is imprisoned for years, and Gladys is sent to Miami and blacklisted in her home country. And then a young American journalist, Jimmy Peck, goes missing in El Salvador. American Senator Anthony Teal wants Ajax Montoya running that rescue operation, too, and Teal has the strings to pull to make it happen. Teal sends Ajax and Gladys into treacherous, war-torn El Salvador to find out what really happened to young Peck, and to bring him home, alive or dead. But when it looks like another American has been murdered in El Salvador, Ajax and Gladys find themselves dangerously entangled in a murder case as well as a missing person case, all playing out in the heart of El Salvador's raging civil war.

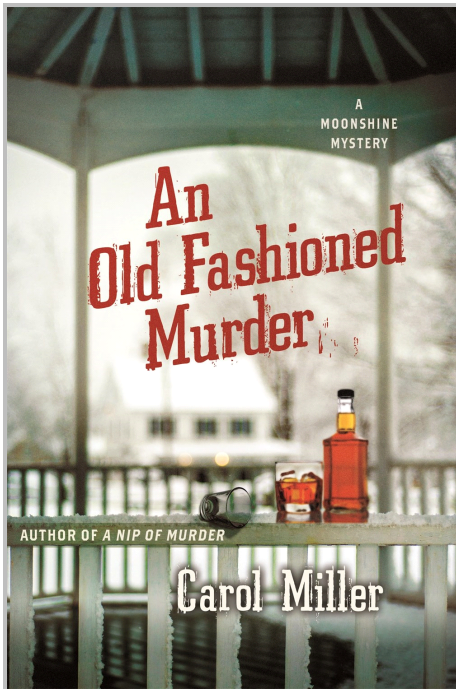
PRAISE

"Riveting...[Gannon] brings to the pages characters who feel utterly human."-*The Boston Globe*

"Impressive...It's [Ajax Montoya's] struggle to solve a murder that leads him into the era's poisonous politics and occasions his razzle-dazzle deductive displays. These carry the book, along with the beautiful, emotion-drenched prose...A beauty."-*Booklist* (starred review, **Top 10 Crime Fiction Debuts of 2014**)

"A tightly wound thriller that's politically charged, atmospheric, and haunting."-Ivy Pochoda, author of *Visitation Street*

JOE GANNON, writer and spoken word artist, was a freelance journalist in Nicaragua during the Sandinista Revolution, writing for *The Christian Science Monitor*, *The Toronto Globe and Mail*, and the *San Francisco Examiner*. He spent three years in the army, graduated from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, and did his MFA at Pine Manor College. After a stint teaching high school in Abu Dhabi, he is now working on his next novel.



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An Old-Fashioned Murder

A Moonshine Mystery

Carol Miller

The next in this charming Southern mystery series featuring a closed-room murder in an old Victorian inn during a snowstorm

Secrets, lies, and a splash of moonshine: a classic country house whodunit with a distinctly Southern twist.

After losing her husband and her home, small-town girl Daisy McGovern moves in with her invalid mother at an old inn in sleepy southwestern Virginia. When the inn's eccentric proprietor, Aunt Emily, decides to throw a weekend party for a small group of friends and neighbors, everybody is excited--until a winter storm approaches and one of the guests is crushed by an antique bookcase during the night.

At first, the death appears to be an accident. But as the storm worsens and the sheriff is unable to reach them, suspicion slowly grows. Was it murder? After the inn loses power and a second death occurs, it's clear to Daisy that one among them is a killer. But who? The young, new, secretive maid? The antique-peddling pair of spinster sisters? Her not-so-welcome in-laws? The peculiar house-hunting couple? The supposedly stranded motorist?

With no way to leave and no way to get help, Daisy's only contacts to the outside world are her best friend Beulah and the always charming (and equally troublesome) moonshiner, Rick Balsam. Trapped with a clever and seemingly undetectable murderer, she must unravel the truth before the party ends with her funeral.

PRAISE

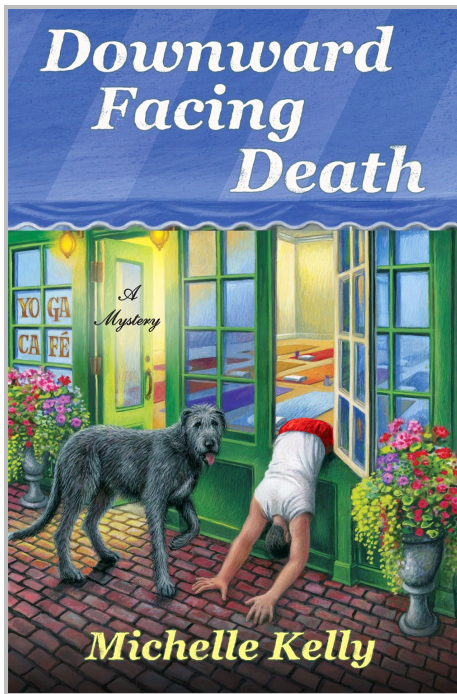
Praise for A Nip of Murder

"Daisy McGovern is the very definition of a spunky steel magnolia...Fans of mysteries set in rural Southern communities will identify with Miller's characters. Recommend to anyone who misses Anne George's 'Southern Sisters' mysteries."-Library Journal

"Trouble has a way of finding small-town bakery owner Daisy McGovern....Stolen maps, bats, and red-velvet cake round out this fun southern mystery."-Booklist

"Daisy, the Balsam boys and the other likker-sipping characters from *Murder and Moonshine* are back for another round... in this lively blend of local color, homicide and whiskey-fueled high jinks."-Kirkus Reviews

CAROL MILLER was born in Germany, raised in Chicago, and works as an international business consultant. In her spare time, she enjoys traveling, cooking, and hiking in the beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains of southern Virginia, where she lives.



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Downward Facing Death

Michelle Kelly

Spunky heroine Keeley Carpenter is determined to fulfill her dream of opening a yoga cafe-even if she must solve a murder to do so-in this charming and lighthearted first in a new cozy series

After ten years away, Keeley Carpenter is excited to be back in Belfrey, the traditional English village hometown she fled as a shy teen, with a plan to reopen her father's neglected butcher shop as a yoga café, where she will sell delicious vegetarian food by day and teach yoga classes at night. However the more traditional residents of Belfrey do not take kindly to this idea-or really anything they deem even remotely "New Age-y." Within an hour of her arrival, Keeley comes face to face with Detective Constable Ben Taylor, who tells her that someone has just tried to burn down her shop. When officers arrived to stop the blaze, a body was found upstairs. Horrified by this news, Keeley is also startled to be reintroduced to Ben as DC Taylor, as he was her high school crush. In spite of her instant attraction to him, Keeley is determined to keep Ben at arm's length.

As she settles back in to Belfrey and makes plans for her opening day, she soon finds herself embroiled in a murder investigation. When Keeley starts being threatened herself, she realizes someone may be out to kill more than her business prospects - but can she and Ben find the culprit before it's too late? A warm, intriguing cozy debut that includes recipes from Keeley's café, *Downward Facing Death* is perfect for fans of Laura Childs and Cleo Coyle.

PRAISE

"An appealing combination of colorful characters, clever plot twists, and a touch of romance, set against the backdrop of a charming English village. *Downward Facing Death* is sure to delight cozy mystery readers and yoga aficionados alike. Highly enjoyable!" -Jennie Bentley, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Home for the Homicide*

"Yoga instructor Keeley Carpenter moves back to her charming English village hometown and stretches her murder solving skills in this delightful new mystery series." -Paige Shelton, national bestselling author of *Bushel Full of Murder*

MICHELLE KELLY is a writer living in Coventry, UK. Her recent Harlequin crime novel *When I Wasn't Watching* went to number 1 in the UK and Australian crime charts. She is a passionate yoga practitioner and finds that, as the mother of two teenagers, her yoga practice keeps her sane. The Keeley Carpenter stories marry her three great loves; yoga, food, and murder mysteries.

the covenant

A Mystery

jeff crook

The Covenant

A Mystery

Jeff Crook

Jackie Lyons investigates a father's mysterious death, in the second installment of her ghostly mystery series

When photographer and former Memphis police detective Jackie Lyons finds Sam Loftin's lifeless body in the same location where his daughter died five years earlier, there's no reason to think he didn't kill himself, too. No reason, except Jackie has just seen Sam's ghost act out the last violent moments of his life.

In investigating his murder, Jackie is drawn into a tumultuous battle between wealthy and powerful suburbanites and a charismatic preacher trying to serve the poor and homeless. But a deeper mystery lurks beneath the petty rivalries and jealousies of a gated community, one that stretches back into the distant past and reaches out to snare the youngest of this generation. A secret so dark, it can only be protected by "The Covenant."

PRaise

*Praise for **The Sleeping and the Dead**:*

"Crook brings the world of the dead and the living together perfectly in this captivating mystery starring one of the most wonderful, unlikely protagonists I've come across. You will love her, not in spite of her faults and demons, but because of them." —Jennifer McMahon, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Promise Not to Tell* and *Don't Breathe a Word*

"A fun, spooky ride." —Tom Franklin, Edgar Award-winning author of *Crooked Letter*, *Crooked Letter*

"[Crook's] first mystery sets a high standard." —*Associated Press*

"A brave but deeply flawed heroine. A promising series kickoff." —*Kirkus Reviews*

JEFF CROOK is the author of *The Sleeping and the Dead*. He lives in Mississippi with his wife and two sons. This is his second mystery.

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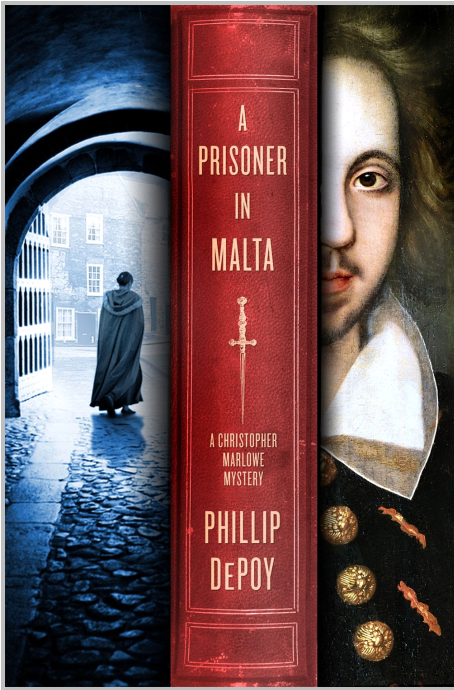
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A Prisoner in Malta

Phillip DePoy



FICTION / MYSTERY & DETECTIVE / HISTORICAL

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Edgar Award winner Phillip DePoy brings Christopher Marlowe-playwright, student, spy-to life; Queen Elizabeth's spymaster assigns Marlowe's to unravel and thwart a plot to usurp the throne

In 1583, the nineteen-year-old Christopher Marlowe---with a reputation as a brawler, a womanizer, a genius, and a social upstart at Cambridge University---is visited by a man representing Marlowe's benefactors. There are rumors of a growing plot against her majesty Queen Elizabeth I, and the Queen's spymaster, Sir Francis Walsingham, has charged young Marlowe with tracking down the truth. The path to that truth seems to run through an enigmatic prisoner held in complete seclusion in a heavily guarded dungeon in Malta. Marlowe must use every bit of his wits, his skills, and his daring to unravel one of the greatest mysteries in history and help uncover and unravel scheme of assassination and invasion, one involving the government of Spain, high ranking English nobles, and even Pope himself.

Christopher Marlowe---Elizabethan playwright, poet, and spy---is one of the most enigmatic figures in Renaissance England. The son of a shoemaker from Canterbury, he attended Cambridge University on scholarship and, while frequently in trouble, was bailed out through the intercession of Queen Elizabeth I's Privy Council. Long rumored to have been an agent on behalf of the Queen's spymaster, Edgar Award winner Phillip DePoy's new series brings Marlowe and his times to life.

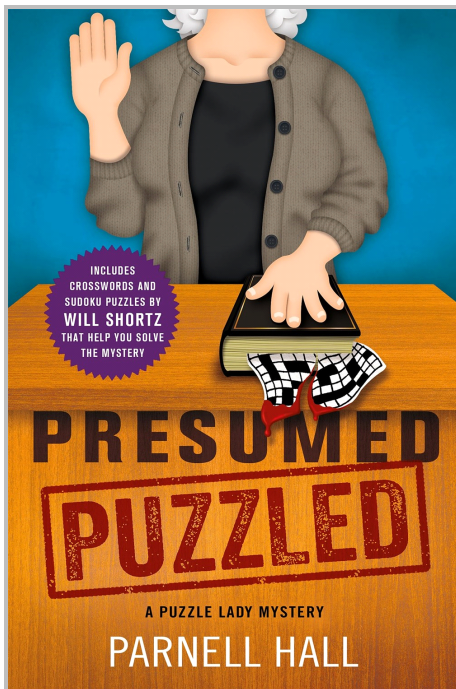
PRAISE

"The moody setting, the quirky characters, the relationships between the leads, and the tales of times past add to this satisfying read." -Booklist on *The Drifter's Wheel*

"DePoy is...a master of tactile descriptions you can practically taste and smell. All these skills are on display in a masterful mystery." -Shelf Awareness on *A Corpse's Nightmare*

"An intricately nuanced transgenerational saga rendered with the panache of a master southern storyteller." -Kirkus Reviews on *A Widow's Curse*

Phillip DePoy is an Edgar Award winner, a playwright, and a scholar. He is the author of a dozen novels, including several featuring Fever Devilin. He lives in Decatur, Georgia.



Presumed Puzzled

A Puzzle Lady Mystery

Parnell Hall

The Puzzle Lady stars in a hilarious courtroom drama featuring a murdered husband, misleading clues, and new crossword and Sudoku puzzles

Presumed Puzzled is the latest mystery from Parnell Hall featuring the delightfully charming fraud Cora Felton. The Puzzle Lady gets more than she bargained for when she's hired to track down Paula Martindale's straying husband. Cora Felton finds him hacked to pieces on his living room rug, while his blood-drenched wife haunts the crime scene clutching a butcher knife.

It's a tough spot for attractive young attorney Becky Baldwin. Paula is presumed innocent until proven guilty, but without Cora's help the outcome is all but decided. Cora leaps in to save the day, but she struggles to uncover clues while managing her own role in the courtroom as a witness for the prosecution. Even worse, every bit of evidence she finds in Paula's favor, from crossword puzzles to alibi witnesses, points to Cora herself as the killer!

PRAISE

*Praise for **Puzzled Indemnity***

"In this delightful comic mystery, the merging of the puzzle of the crime with the allusions to the movie *Double Indemnity* and Cora's convoluted conversations engages to the end."-*Booklist*

"Once again, Hall manages to perfectly integrate fun puzzles with an entertaining mystery in the latest entry of his Puzzle Lady series... [Cora Felton] is as lovable as ever, with the attitude of an incredibly sassy grandmother."-*RT Book Reviews* (4 stars)

*Praise for **NYPD Puzzle***

"Delightful...Between Hall's snappy dialogue and Will Shortz's puzzles, comic mystery buffs have plenty to enjoy."-*Publishers Weekly*

PARNELL HALL has been an actor, screenwriter, and singer/songwriter. He is a former President of the Private Eye Writers of America and a member of Sisters in Crime. He has been a finalist for an Edgar, 2 Lefty, and 3 Shamus Awards. He lives in New York City.

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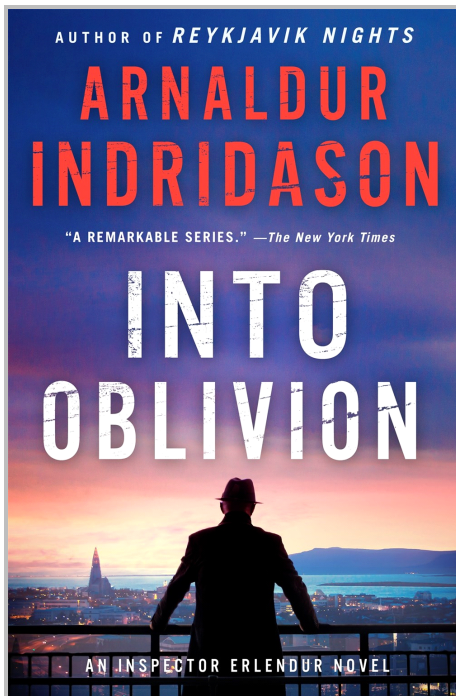
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Into Oblivion

An Inspector Erlendur Novel

Arnaldur Indridason

In *Into Oblivion*, a follow-up to the gritty prequel *Reykjavik Nights*, Arnaldur Indridason gives devoted fans another glimpse of Erlendur in his early days as a young, budding detective.

It is 1979, a few years after *Reykjavik Nights* closed, and Erlendur is now a detective, already divorced, and is working for the shadowy Marion Briem. A body of a man has been found in the blue lagoon, which has not yet become the tourist spot it is today. Apparently the victim fell from a great height, and at first the police investigate the possibility that he has been thrown out of an airplane.

In parallel, Erlendur is asked to investigate the cold case of a young girl who vanished into thin air on her way to school forty years earlier.

The writer whose work *The New York Times* describes as "having the sweep and consequence of epic storytelling," has outdone himself in this multi-layered and masterful suspense story. His ninth Inspector Erlender mystery, *Strange Shores*, was nominated for the 2014 CWA Gold Dagger Award, and his second, *Silence of the Grave*, won.

PRAISE

Praise for previous Erlendur novels:

"Indridason is an international literary phenom. I can't wait for the next." --Harlan Coben

"Puts Iceland on the map as a major destination for enthusiasts of Nordic crime fiction." --Marilyn Stasio, *The New York Times Book Review*

"Iceland's Indridason is a master of the hard-edged realist psychological thriller anchoring his stories in the dark side of contemporary Icelandic life." --*Men's Journal*

"Classic mystery fiction, both compassionate and thrilling. Indridason is one of the brightest stars in the the genre's dark skies." --John Connolly

ARNALDUR INDRIDASON won the CWA Gold Dagger Award for *Silence of the Grave* and is the only author to win the Glass Key Award for Best Nordic Crime Novel two years in a row, for *Jar City* and *Silence of the Grave*. *Strange Shores* was nominated for the 2014 CWA Gold Dagger Award and *Reykjavik Nights* was nominated for the Petrona Award 2015.

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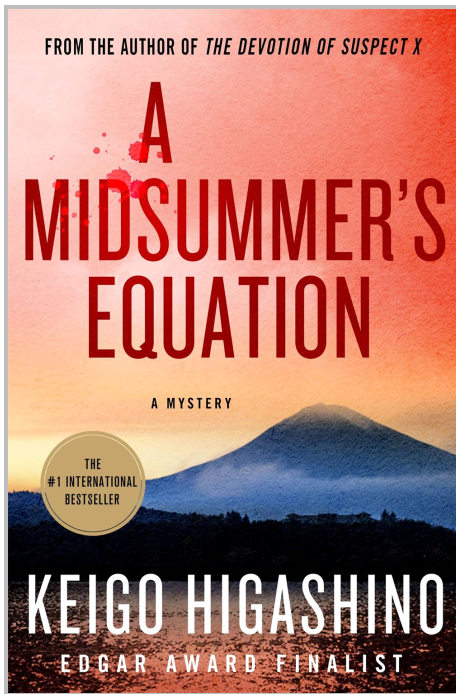
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A Midsummer's Equation

A Detective Galileo Novel

Keigo Higashino

Detective Galileo, international bestseller Keigo Higashino's most beloved creation, returns in this sequel to the iconic *The Devotion of Suspect X*

Manabu Yukawa, the physicist known as "Detective Galileo," has traveled to Hari Cove, a once-popular summer resort town that has fallen on hard times. He is there to speak at a conference on a planned underwater mining operation, which has sharply divided the town. One faction is against the proposed operation, concerned about the environmental impact on the area, known for its pristine waters. The other faction, seeing no future in the town as it is, believes its only hope lies in the development project.

The night after the tense panel discussion, one of the resort's guests is found dead on the seashore at the base of the local cliffs. The local police at first believe it was a simple accident—that he wandered over the edge while walking on unfamiliar territory in the middle of the night. But when they discover that the victim was a former policeman and that the cause of death was carbon monoxide poisoning, they begin to suspect he was murdered, and his body tossed off the cliff to misdirect the police.

As the police try to uncover where Tsukahara was killed and why, Yukawa finds himself enmeshed in yet another confounding case of murder. In a series of twists as complex and surprising as any in Higashino's brilliant, critically acclaimed work, Galileo uncovers the hidden relationship behind the tragic events that led to this murder.

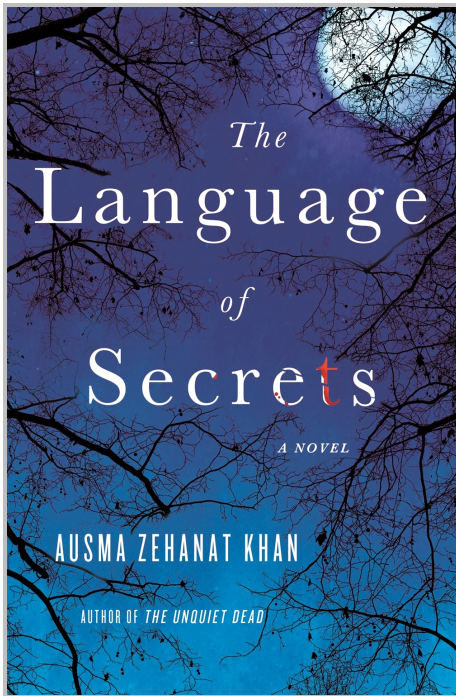
PRAISE

"Intense reading, as cops relentlessly pursue perpetrators, and a really surprising psychological twist at the end." -Alan Cheuse, Morning Edition, NPR, on *The Devotion of Suspect X*

"An excellent brain knot of mystery...one of the most clever endings I've read in some time." -Los Angeles Times on *The Devotion of Suspect X*

"Think of the artfully precise, psychologically charged films of Alfred Hitchcock, and you're close to what Higashino achieves in *Salvation of a Saint*. It's the sort of book you'll want to finish in a single night." -Richmond Times-Dispatch

KEIGO HIGASHINO is the most widely read author in Japan, with hundreds of millions of copies of his books sold worldwide, and nearly twenty films and television series based on his work. He won the Naoki Prize for *The Devotion of Suspect X*, his first novel featuring Detective Galileo and, in translation, it was a finalist for both the Edgar Award for Best Novel and the Barry Award. He lives in Tokyo, Japan.



The Language of Secrets

Ausma Zehanat Khan

Ausma Khan returns with another haunting mystery following detectives Esa Khattak and Rachel Getty as they investigate the murder of a federal agent who was deep undercover in a terrorist ring

Detective Esa Khattak heads up Canada's Community Policing Section, which handles minority-sensitive cases across all levels of law enforcement. Khattak is still under scrutiny for his last case, so he's surprised when INSET, Canada's federal intelligence agency, calls him in on another potentially hot button issue. For months, INSET has been investigating a local terrorist cell which is planning an attack on New Year's Day. INSET had an informant, Mohsin Dar, undercover inside the cell. But now, just weeks before the attack, Mohsin has been murdered at the group's training camp deep in the woods.

INSET wants Khattak to give the appearance of investigating Mohsin's death, and then to bury the lead. They can't risk exposing their operation, or Mohsin's role in it. But Khattak used to know Mohsin, and he knows he can't just let this murder slide. So Khattak sends his partner, Detective Rachel Getty, undercover into the small-town mosque which houses the terrorist cell. As Rachel tentatively reaches out into the unfamiliar world of Islam, and begins developing relationships with the people of the mosque and the terrorist cell within it, the potential reasons for Mohsin's murder only seem to multiply, from the political and ideological to the intensely personal.

The Unquiet Dead author Ausma Zehanat Khan once again dazzles with a brilliant mystery carefully woven into a profound and intimate story of humanity.

PRAISE

"Gripping...An intelligent plot and graceful writing make *The Unquiet Dead* an outstanding debut that is not easily forgotten."-*The New York Times*

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"Anyone looking for an intensely memorable mystery should put this book at the top of their list."-*Library Journal* (starred, Debut of the Month)

"Beautiful and powerful."-*Publishers Weekly* (starred)

AUSMA ZEHANAT KHAN holds a Ph.D. in International Human Rights Law and is a former adjunct law professor. She was Editor-in-Chief of *Muslim Girl* magazine, the first magazine targeted to young Muslim women. A British-born Canadian, Khan now lives in Denver, Colorado with her husband. This is her second novel.

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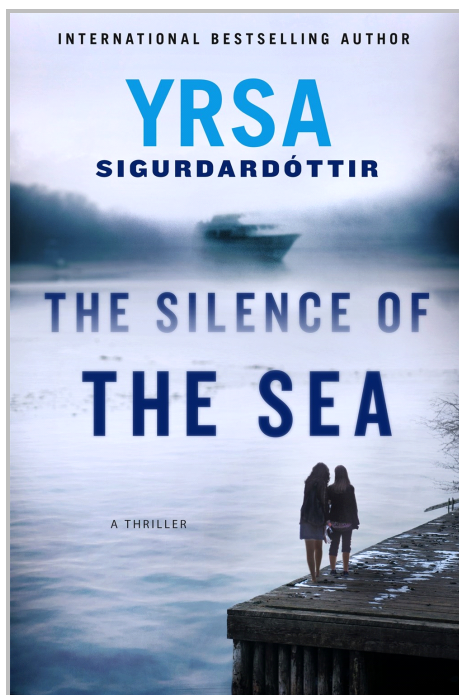
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The Silence of the Sea

A Thriller

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Published in 30 countries around the world, international Icelandic superstar Yrsa produces her spookiest spellbinder yet.

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The most chilling novel yet from Yrsa Sigurdardottir, an international bestselling author at the height of her powers.

PRAISE

Praise for Yrsa Sigurdardottir:

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YRSA SIGURDARDÓTTIR (pronounced UR-suh SIG-ur-dar-daughter) lives with her family in Reykjavik. She is a director of one of Iceland's largest engineering firms. Her work is climbing bestseller lists all over the world, and films are currently in production for several of her books.

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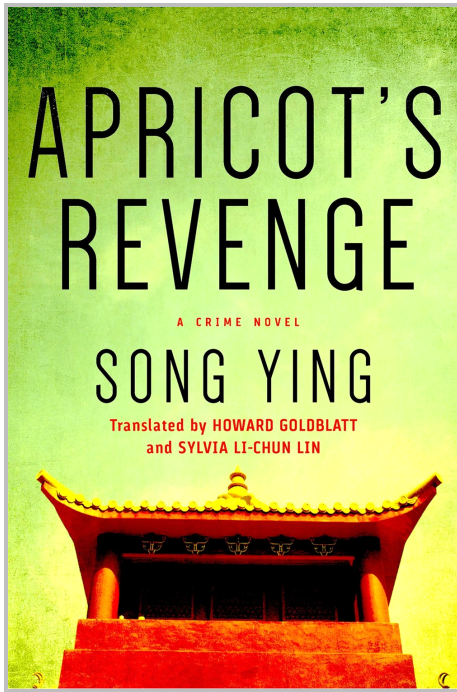
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Apricot's Revenge

A Crime Novel

Song Ying, translated by Howard Goldblatt and Sylvia Li-chun Lin

A tantalizing murder mystery and a runaway bestseller in China.

A business tycoon is found dead in Shenzhen, China; he apparently died of a heart attack while swimming. The police have three suspects: the vice president of the company, who is in line to take over the dead man's position; his young widow, who stands to inherit a huge amount of wealth; and his arch business rival. But then one of the suspects is also found dead, and the police find a drawer full of death threats.

The police hit a dead end until a young investigative reporter discovers a new suspect who is not on the police's radar. *Apricot's Revenge* uses a clever plot to address social problems in modern China and to remind readers of the horrible and chaotic years China once endured.

PRAISE

Praise for Song Ying:

"A book of deep concerns of human relationships... courage to reflect on historical and current realities...examines life and human nature...forces us to explore the complexity of our social issues... a new way to retell the stories of our youth during the tragic era...the first work in the untapped field of social crime novels..." -Wang Zhen, literary critic

SONG YING is an award-winning author in China of both fiction and nonfiction. He has published five novels and 15 nonfiction books.

The team of HOWARD GOLDBLATT and SYLVIA LI-CHUN LIN have translated the work of virtually all the major Chinese novelists of the post-Mao era--in all more than 50 books. Together they have received three translation awards from the NEA, and a number of prizes. They translated *POW!* and *Sandalwood Death* by Mo Yan, who won the 2012 Nobel Prize in Literature.

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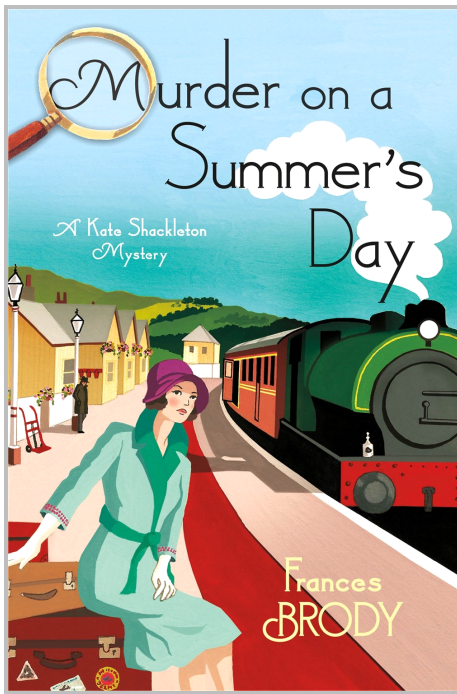
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Murder on a Summer's Day

Frances Brody

Frances Brody's "refreshingly complex heroine" (Kirkus Reviews), tackles yet another case.

When the India Office seek help in finding Maharajah Narayan, last seen hunting on the Bolton Abbey estate, they call upon the expertise of renowned amateur detective Kate Shackleton to investigate.

But soon a missing persons case turns to murder. Shot through the heart, Narayan's body has obviously not been in the woods overnight. Who brought it here, and from where? And what has happened to the hugely valuable diamond that was in the Maharajah's possession?

An inexplicable murder ...

As Kate digs deeper, she soon discovers that vengeance takes many forms. Was the Maharajah's sacrilegious act of shooting a white doe to blame? Or are growing rumors of a political motive too powerful for Kate to discount?

One thing Kate is sure of: her own skills and insights. Qualities that she is sure will help her unravel a mysterious murder on that fateful summer's day.

PRAISE

"Frances Brody knows how to hold the reader attention and make them continue reading into the small hours of the night."-Bill Spence, York Press

"Well-plotted and atmospheric... Kate Shackleton joins Jacqueline Winspear's Maisie Dobbs."- *Literary Review on Dying in the Wool*

FRANCES BRODY lives in Leeds. Before turning to crime, she wrote historical sagas, winning the HarperCollins Elizabeth Elgin award for most regionally evocative debut saga of the millennium.

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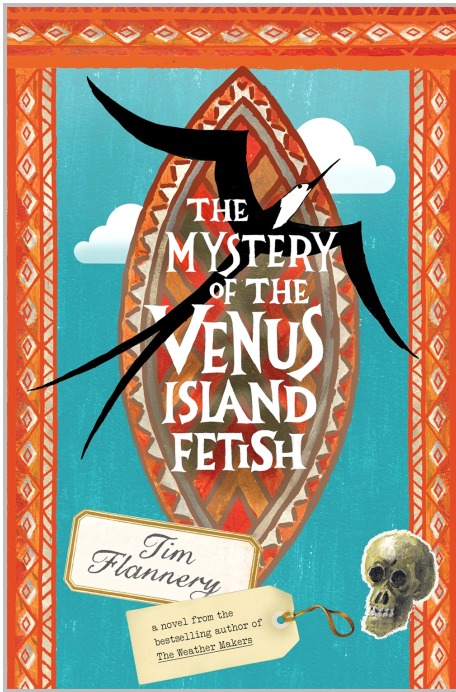
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The Mystery of the Venus Island Fetish

Tim Flannery

A fun, museum-set mystery by the bestselling author (and former museum curator) Tim Flannery, for fans of Alan Bradley, Colin Cotterill, and Alexander McCall Smith.

It's 1932, and the Venus Island fetish, a ceremonial mask surrounded by thirty-two human skulls, now resides in a museum in Sydney. But young anthropologist Archie Meek, recently returned from an extended field trip to Venus Island, has noticed a strange discoloration of some of the skulls of the fetish. Has someone been tampering with the primitive artifact? Is there a link between the mysterious disappearance of Cecil Polkinghorne, curator of archaeology, and the fetish? And how did Eric Sopwith, retired mollusks expert, die in the museum's storeroom?

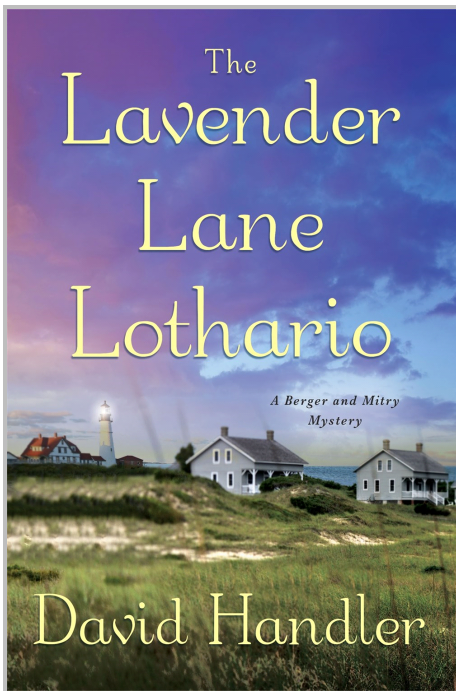
The Mystery of the Venus Island Fetish is a delightfully risqué caper, full of eccentric characters, intrigue and adventure.

PRAISE

"Flannery has had ample fun writing *The Mystery of the Venus Island Fetish* and readers can share that with him." -*Sydney Morning Herald*

"A cast of Dickensian characters runs amok in this story of intrigue, murder and misadventure ... [Flannery] leaves it to our imagination how much of his personal experiences might have woven themselves into this entertaining and irreverent romp." -*The Australian*

TIM FLANNERY is a scientist, explorer, conservationist, and author of several works of non-fiction, including *The Future Eaters* and international bestseller *The Weather Makers*. A regular contributor to *The New York Review of Books* and *The Times Literary Supplement*, he also contributes to ABC Radio, NPR, and the BBC. He is the former director of the South Australian Museum and is currently a professor at Sydney's Macquarie University. He spent a year as professor of Australian studies at Harvard.



The Lavender Lane Lothario

A Berger and Mitry Mystery

David Handler

Mismatched romantic crime-fighting duo Mitch Berger and Desiree Mitry investigate a murder and a family grudge in the latest in this charming Dorset series

Every year, the Gant family performs an annual ritual desecrating the tomb of Aurora Bing. The Gants have held a grudge against the legendary silent film star for almost eighty years, but for Shem Gant and his son, things have become personal. Aurora's only grandchild, Hubie Swope, has shut down Shem's notoriously rowdy beachfront bar, and refuses to allow The Pit to reopen until Shem undertakes expensive upgrades. This means war. And when The Pit catches fire and Hubie Swope's charred remains are found in the rubble, it also means murder.

Who killed Hubie Swope? Crime-fighting duo Mitch and Des have no idea. Not only are Shem and his son prime suspects, but so are the women in Hubie's life. To their surprise, Mitch and Des discover that Dorset's building inspector, a quiet widower who repaired cuckoo clocks in his little house on Lavender Lane, was secretly juggling four girlfriends at once. And then there's Gaylord Holland, a builder who had a beef of his own with Hubie. Dorset is in turmoil, and only New York City film critic Mitch Berger and Connecticut State Police Resident Trooper Des Mitry can put it back together.

This is the eleventh in David Handler's original, hilarious and charming series featuring the engaging biracial couple that fans love.

PRAISE

Praise for *The Coal Black Asphalt Tomb*

"Warm and cozy...The affable Berger mines town gossip, and Mitry digs into some sordid town history en route to the satisfying resolution."-*Publishers Weekly*

"An excellent addition to the wonderfully whacky and intriguing Des Mitry and Mitch Berger series. It is highly recommended for fans of cold case mysteries and Agatha Christie-like whodunits... I'll be waiting impatiently for the next Mitch Berger and Des Mitry mystery."-*Gumshoe Review*

DAVID HANDLER is an Edgar Award winner and Anthony, Derringer, and Dilys Award finalist. He has written extensively for television and films. David lives in a two-hundred-year-old carriage house in Old Lyme, Connecticut.

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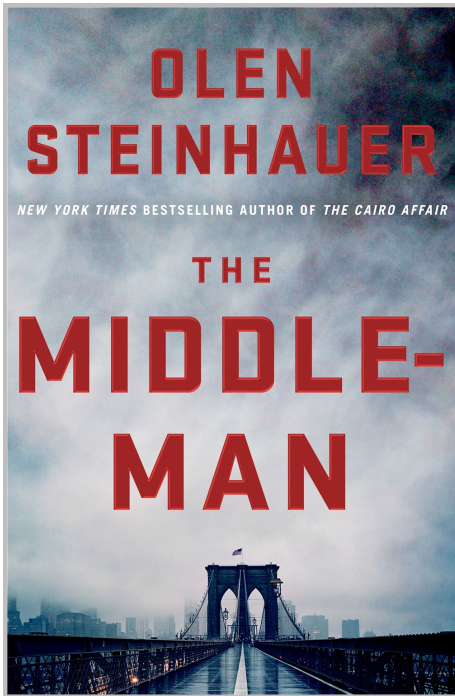
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The Middleman

Olen Steinhauer

This stunning standalone from *New York Times* bestseller Steinhauer follows the people on all sides of a domestic terrorist group, from the group's converts to the FBI agents investigating them

New York Times bestselling author Olen Steinhauer's next sweeping espionage novel traces the rise and fall of a domestic left-wing terrorist group. Told from the individual perspectives of an FBI agent, an undercover agent within the group, a convert to the terrorist organization, and a writer on the edges of the whole affair, this is another tightly wound thriller, and an intimate exploration of the people behind the politics, from a master of suspense.

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PRAISE

Praise for All the Old Knives

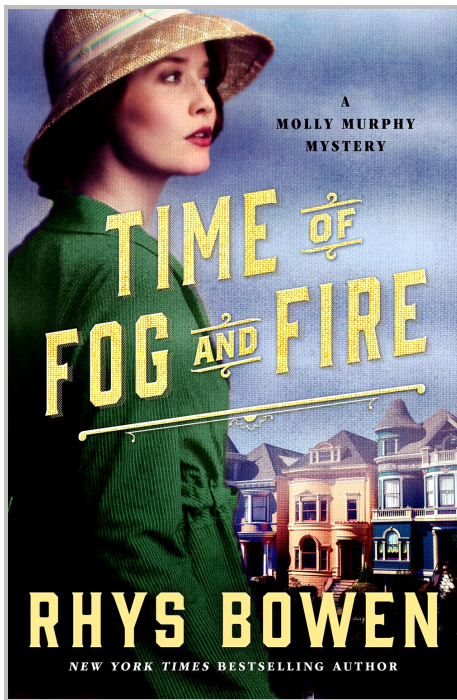
"A splendid tour de force."-*The Washington Post*

"[A] sneaky little gem...Mr. Steinhauer sustains the difficult balancing act of melding a heart-racing espionage plot with credible dinner table conversation."-*The New York Times Book Review*

"There's great narrative energy in the thrust and counterthrust of the dinner conversation...Steinhauer is a very fine writer."-*Publishers Weekly* (starred)

"[A] masterfully plotted and suspenseful stand-alone."-*Kirkus* (starred review)

OLEN STEINHAUER, the *New York Times* bestselling author of ten previous novels, is a Dashiell Hammett Award winner, a two-time Edgar award finalist, and has also been shortlisted for the Anthony, the Macavity, the Ellis Peters Historical Dagger, the Ian Fleming Steel Dagger, and the Barry awards. Raised in Virginia, he lives in New York and Budapest, Hungary. Visit OlenSteinhauer.com.



Time of Fog and Fire

Rhys Bowen

In the next in Bowen's bestselling mystery series, Molly Murphy Sullivan rushes to San Francisco after learning of her husband's murder, but begins to suspect he may have faked his own death

Molly Murphy Sullivan's husband Daniel, a police captain in turn-of-the-century New York City, is in a precarious position. The new police commissioner wants him off the force altogether. So when Daniel's offered an assignment from John Wilkie, head of the secret service, he's eager to accept. Molly can't draw any details of the assignment out of him, even where he'll be working. But when she spots him in San Francisco during a movie news segment, she starts to wonder if he's in even more danger than she had first believed. And then she receives a strange and cryptic letter from him, leading her to conclude that he wants her to join him in San Francisco. Molly knows that if Daniel's turning to her rather than John Wilkie or his contacts in the police force, something must have gone terribly wrong. What can she do for him that the police can't? Especially when she doesn't even know what his assignment is? Embarking on a cross-country journey with her young son, Molly can't fathom what's in store for her, but she knows it might be dangerous—in fact, it might put all of their lives at risk.

PRaise

Praise for [The Edge of Dreams](#)

"Bowen shrewdly explores the tension between a husband and his very independent wife as they both work to solve a complicated series of murders. One of Molly's best."-Kirkus

"The extremely tricky plot of Bowen's 14th Molly Murphy mystery will keep even veteran whodunit readers guessing...Bowen makes Molly's continued sleuthing plausible, even under her changed personal circumstances, and deftly plants clues so that the surprising final revelation makes perfect sense."-Publishers Weekly

RHYS BOWEN is the author of the Anthony and Agatha Award-winning Molly Murphy mysteries, the Edgar Award-nominated Evan Evans series, and the Royal Spyness series. Born in England, she lives in San Rafael, California.

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Untitled Clarkson Sequel

John Clarkson

James Beck and his crew return-one of their own is killed almost immediately after he's released from prison, Beck is determined to learn the truth, and supply his own brand of justice

The death of Paco "Packy" Johnson shouldn't have surprised anyone.

Paco Johnson spent a lifetime in the system -- starting in juvie at age 10, then prison for most of his adult life. But he managed to make some real friends in prison, friends who helped him get parole, a place to stay, and plans to help him adjust to a life outside prison after seventeen years behind bars. But only seventeen hours after he was released, he was found dead -- murdered -- in the streets of the Bronx.

James Beck can't save Packy any longer -- but he can try to find out what happened to Packy, and why, and exact a measure of justice. Beck, ringleader of a tight clique of ex-cons based in Brooklyn's Red Hook section, is determined to accord Packy at least some dignity and a measure of justice. But what drove Packy out onto the streets of the Bronx his first night back? Who did he run into that hated him enough to viciously beat him before executing him, and yet left behind his wallet full of cash?

But what at first appears to be a simple, if tragic, street killing, quickly becomes something much more difficult and complex. And it will take all the skills, connections, and cunning of Beck and his team not only to learn the truth but to survive the forces they've unwittingly unleashed.

PRAISE

An "outstanding thriller... Fans of Lee Child's Jack Reacher will find a lot to like" - *Publishers Weekly* (starred review)

"With crisp prose, masterful plotting, and building suspense, this is a real treat for fans of gritty crime fiction, who will want more from Clarkson." -*Booklist* (starred review)

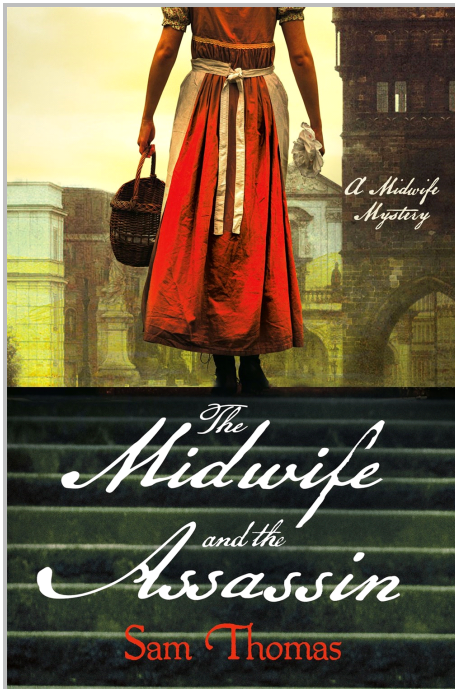
"Among Thieves is hardboiled urban noir from the pen of a master ... highly recommended." -Lee Child, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Personal*

JOHN CLARKSON is the author of six previous novels, including the first James Beck novel, *AMONG THIEVES*, as well as *And Justice for One*. He spent many years in the New York advertising industry--as a copywriter, running his own agency, and as a private consultant. He lives in Brooklyn, New York.

The Midwife and the Assassin

A Mystery

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In this thrilling new mystery from the critically acclaimed author of *The Witch Hunter's Tale* midwife Bridget Hodgson travels to London where she's forced into a new profession-as a spy.

1649. Three years have passed since midwife Bridget Hodgson and her deputy Martha Hawkins fled York for the safety of the English countryside. But when a mysterious letter from London brings them to the capital, they are forced into service under Jonathan Marlowe, Oliver Cromwell's chief spymaster. Reunited with Bridget's nephew Will, the three seek out Parliament's enemies even as the nation awaits the trial of the King on charges of treason.

Marlowe's first mission for Bridget is to spy upon Katherine Chidley, a notorious political radical and-Marlowe fears-a potential rebel against Parliament. The more time Bridget spends with Katherine, however, the closer the two become, and when Katherine's husband Daniel is murdered, Bridget and Martha join in the search for the killer. As the two uncover Daniel's secrets, the list of suspects grows ever longer, until it includes royalists, radicals, and a figure from Bridget's past, who is equal parts mysterious and deadly. When the killer strikes again, Bridget and Martha realize that he is bent on far more than mere murder, but intends to revive the civil wars or destroy England entirely.

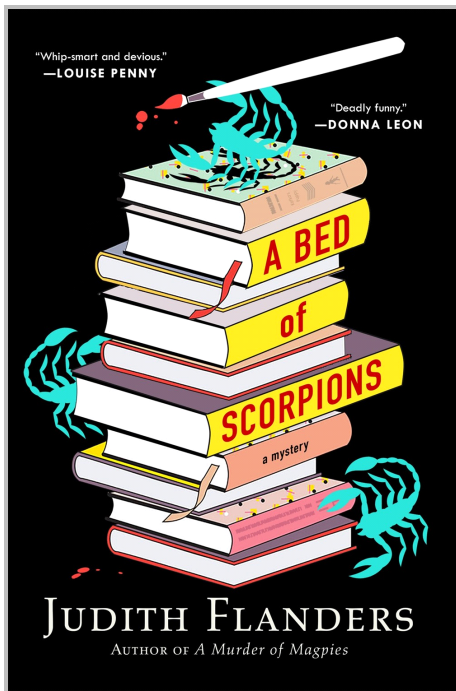
PRAISE

"A spellbinding mystery . . . Sam Thomas has created one of the most unique sleuths in modern mystery fiction." -*The Plain Dealer*

"Thomas's outstanding third mystery featuring midwife Bridget Hodgson offers a powerful portrayal of collective madness. . . . How she handles tough moral choices helps make this entry the best to date." -*Publishers Weekly* (boxed, starred)

"Thomas's follow-up to *The Harlot's Tale* does not disappoint. With authentic historical details and fascinating characters, this book will draw readers deep into the elaborate world of 17th-century England, midwives, and witch hunts." -*Library Journal* (starred)

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A Bed of Scorpions

Judith Flanders

Whip-smart, hilariously funny amateur sleuth Samantha Clair returns in the newest novel from Judith Flanders, the New York Times bestselling and critically acclaimed author of *A Murder of Magpies*

Summer in London—the sun is finally shining, the flowers are in bloom, and life is humming merrily along for book editor Samantha Clair, off to lunch with her old friend, art-dealer Aidan Merriam. Humming merrily until she learns that his partner has just been found dead in their gallery, slumped over his desk with a gun in his hand. Could anything be worse? Oh yes, the police investigation is being led by Inspector Jake Field, who just happens to be Sam's new boyfriend. And Aidan, who just happens to be Sam's ex-boyfriend, wants Sam's help. Finding herself drawn into another investigation, Sam does the only sensible thing and calls her mother. Before long, Sam finds her loyalties stretched to the limit as she herself is threatened.

Armed with nothing more than her trusty weapons of satire, cynicism and a stock of irrelevant information culled from novels, Sam races to find a killer who is determined to find her first in the newest fast-paced, uproarious novel in the critically acclaimed series from New York Times bestselling author Judith Flanders.

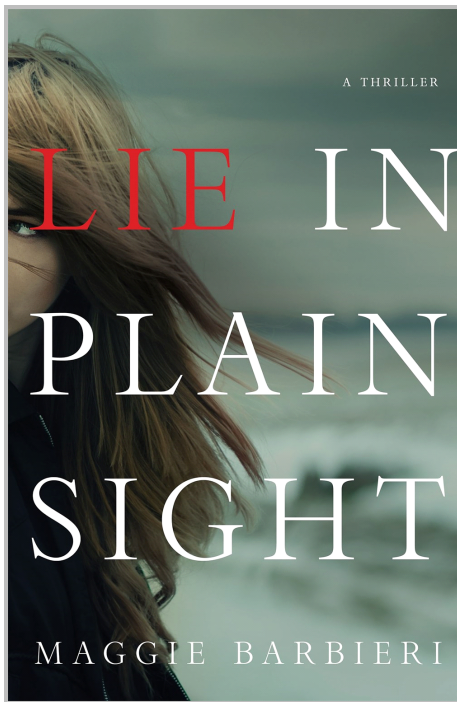
PRAISE

Praise for *A Murder of Magpies*

"Wickedly clever -- and very funny... But like Bridget Jones, the obvious forerunner to her singleton London book editor/detective, Samantha Clair is not just played for laughs. There's some deep social satire in her investigation into the disappearance of a gossip columnist. And, yes, lots of laughs." -Cleveland Plain Dealer

"Carefully mixed up and served, with a lot of humor... Here's hoping Flanders has more to say and will be back with another book." -San Jose Mercury News

JUDITH FLANDERS is the *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Invention of Murder* and one of the foremost social historians of the Victorian era. Her book *The Victorian City* was a finalist for the 2014 *Los Angeles Times* Book Prize. She lives in London.



Lie in Plain Sight

Maggie Barbieri

When a local high school girl goes missing, enigmatic suburban mom Maeve Conlon is drawn into another dark mystery in Maggie Barbieri's next compelling novel.

It's a busy day at the bakery Maeve Conlon owns when she receives a phone call from the high school saying Maeve's employee's daughter, Taylor Dvorak, is ill. Taylor's mom is out on a delivery and Taylor has her own car, so harried Maeve gives the school nurse permission to send Taylor home on her own. But Taylor never makes it home. Somewhere between the school and her house, she just vanishes.

Not only does Maeve feel responsible, but she can't shake the feeling that there's more to Taylor's disappearance than meets the eye. So Maeve decides to take matters into her own capable hands. Balancing this dark undertaking and her relationship with a local policeman, Maeve carefully walks the fine line between justice and revenge in the next suspenseful novel from Maggie Barbieri.

PRAISE

"Thanks to Barbieri's wicked humor and oddball cast of minor characters, the novel never veers into darkness...*Once Upon a Lie* isn't really a conventional thriller. It's less about suspense and more about one woman accepting her past and taking control of her future."-*Entertainment Weekly*

"Grace and humor mark this tale of a woman trying to protect her family without losing herself."-*Kirkus* (starred review)

"An excellent, edgy thriller. Maggie Barbieri breaks new ground with this provocative novel...Secrets, betrayals, stunning revelations. This book has it all."-Lisa Gardner

MAGGIE BARBIERI is a freelance editor as well as a mystery novelist. Her father was a member of the NYPD, and his stories provide much of the background for her novels.

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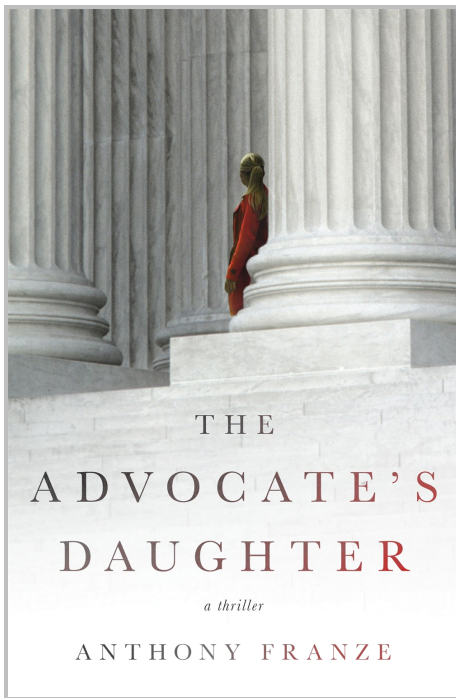
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Once Upon a Lie
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The Advocate's Daughter

Anthony Franze



A fast-paced hunt for a young woman's killer amid the dangerous factions jockeying for power in the Supreme Court, perfect for fans of Brad Meltzer, Gregg Hurwitz, and Joseph Finder.

A Washington, D.C. lawyer and a frequent major media commentator on the Supreme Court, Anthony Franze delivers a high-stakes story of family, power, loss and revenge set within the insular world of the highest court of our country.

Among Washington D.C. power players, everyone has secrets they desperately want to keep hidden, including Sean Serrat, a Supreme Court lawyer. Sean transformed his misspent youth into a model adulthood, and now has one of the most respected legal careers in the country. But just as he learns he's on the short list to be nominated to the U.S. Supreme Court, his daughter, Abby, a talented and dedicated law student, goes missing. Abby's lifeless body is soon found in the library of the Supreme Court, and her boyfriend, Malik Montgomery, a law clerk at the high court, is immediately arrested. The ensuing media frenzy leads to allegations that Malik's arrest was racially motivated, sparking a national controversy.

While the Serrat family works through their grief, Sean begins to suspect the authorities arrested the wrong person. Delving into the mysteries of his daughter's last days, Sean stumbles over secrets within his own family as well as the lies of some of the most powerful people in the country. People who will stop at nothing to ensure that Sean never exposes the truth.

PRAISE

"Smart, sophisticated, suspenseful, and written with real insider authenticity. A winner." -Lee Child

"A smart, suspenseful thriller." -Alafair Burke, *New York Times* bestselling author of *All Day and a Night*

"Fans of *House of Cards* will love *The Advocate's Daughter*, a thriller that gives us a real insider's view of a Washington most of us will never see... Once it grabs you it won't let go." --Joseph Finder, *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Fixer*

"Fast paced, sharply plotted, and smartly written with an insider's knowledge of the land's highest court. A blast!" -Robert Dugoni, *New York Times* bestselling author

ANTHONY FRANZE has garnered national praise for his work as a lawyer in the Appellate and Supreme Court practice of a major Washington D.C. law firm. The *New York Times*, *Washington Post*, and other prominent news outlets have quoted or cited Franze concerning the Supreme Court, and he has been a commentator on high-court issues for *The New Republic*, *Bloomberg*, and *National Law Journal*. He lives in the Washington D.C. with his family.

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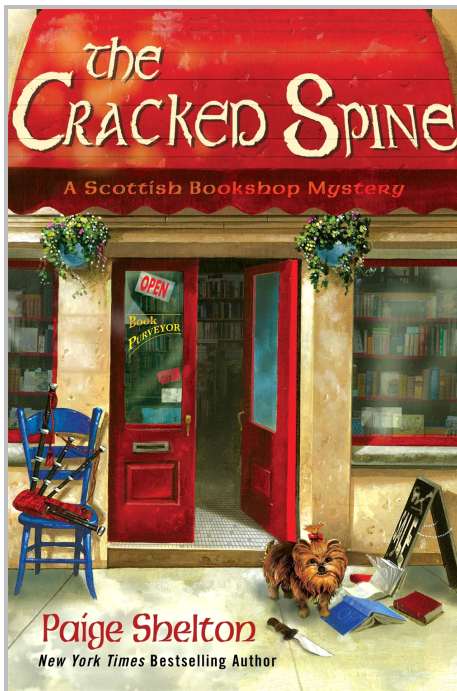
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The Cracked Spine

Paige Shelton

Delaney Nichols uproots herself from her quiet Kansas town and takes a job at The Cracked Spine in Edinburgh -- and decides to investigate when someone in her new life ends up dead

In need of a good adventure, Delaney Nichols takes the leap and moves to Edinburgh, Scotland to start a job at The Cracked Spine, a rare book and manuscript shop located in the heart of the city. Her new boss, Edwin MacAlister, has given her the opportunity of a lifetime, albeit a cryptic one, promising that she'll be working with "a desk that has seen the likes of kings and queens, paupers and princes," and Delaney can't wait to get started.

When she arrives, she meets her new Scottish family; also working at the Cracked Spine are spirited and lovable Rosie, who always has tiny dog Hector in tow; Hamlet, a nineteen-year-old thespian with a colored past and bright future; and Edwin, who is just as enigmatic and mysterious as Delaney expected. An extra bonus is Tom the bartender from across the street, with his cobalt eyes, and a gentle brogue -- and it doesn't hurt that he looks awfully good in a kilt.

But before she can settle into her new life, a precious artifact goes missing, and Delaney's Scottish family is dealt an unexpected tragedy when Edwin's sister is brutally murdered. Delaney decides to use a little American ingenuity to find out just what the real story is behind the artifact, and how it's connected to the tragic death, all without becoming part of her own Scottish tragedy.

PRaise

"Move over Claire Fraser; American bibliophile Delaney Nichols is about to take Scotland...by storm!" -Ellery Adams

"A perfectly twisty-turny puzzler of a mystery... Full of wit and whimsy, with a clever plot and delightful characters, this mystery is a fantastic read!" -Jenn McKinlay

"A foolproof plot, endearing characters, and prose that immediately transports readers to enchanting Edinburgh ... and leaves them eager for a return trip." -Lucy Arlington

"A great read for book lovers, mystery seekers, and anyone who enjoys a determined new heroine. Sure to be a winning series." -Erika Chase

PAIGE SHELTON had a nomadic childhood as her father's job as a football coach took the family to seven different towns before she was even twelve years old. After college at Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa, she moved to Salt Lake City where she thought she'd only stay a couple years, but she fell in love with the mountains and a great guy who became her husband. After many decades in Utah, she and her family recently moved to Arizona.

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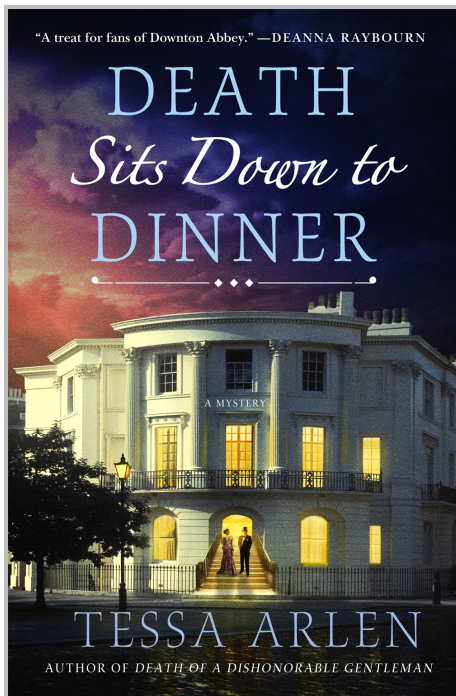
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Death Sits Down to Dinner

A Mystery

Tessa Arlen

Lady Montford and her pragmatic housekeeper Mrs. Jackson once again become entangled in a clandestine murder investigation, this time in glittering world of society London

Filled with deceptions both real and imagined, *Death Sits Down to Dinner* is a delightful Edwardian mystery set in London.

Lady Montford is thrilled to receive an invitation to a dinner party hosted by her close friend Hermione Kingsley, the patroness of England's largest charity. Hermione has pulled together a select gathering to celebrate Winston Churchill's 39th birthday. Some of the oldest families in the country have gathered to toast the dangerously ambitious and utterly charming First Lord of the Admiralty. But when the dinner ends, one of the gentlemen remains seated at the table, head down among the walnut shells littering the cloth and a knife between his ribs.

Summoned from Iyntwood, Mrs. Jackson helps her mistress trace the steps of suspects both upstairs and downstairs as Hermione's household prepares to host a highly anticipated charity event. Determined to get to the bottom of things, Lady Montford and Mrs. Jackson unravel the web of secrecy surrounding the bright whirlwind of London society, investigating the rich, well-connected and seeming do-gooders in a race against time to stop the murderer from striking again.

PRAISE

Praise for Death of a Dishonorable Gentleman

"Readers of this debut set in Edwardian England will feel as though they've stepped into an episode of Downton Abbey, complete with murder and intrigue upstairs and downstairs."-Library Journal

"A gruesome crime occurs on a wealthy estate in this debut mystery set in 1912 England... Good plotting and characterization drive the story, which is enhanced with vivid details of the everyday life of the privileged classes and their servants."-RT Times Book Review (four stars)

TESSA ARLEN is the author of *Death of a Dishonorable Gentleman*. She is the daughter of a British diplomat, and had lived in or visited her parents in Singapore, Berlin, the Persian Gulf, Beijing, Delhi and Warsaw by the time she was sixteen. She came to the U.S. in 1980 and worked as an H.R. recruiter for the Los Angeles Olympic Organizing Committee for the 1984 Olympic Games, where she interviewed her future husband for a job. She lives in Bainbridge Island, Washington.

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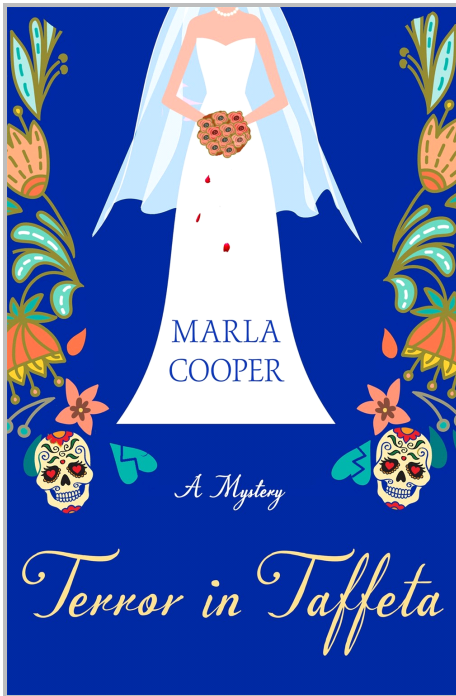
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Terror in Taffeta

Marla Cooper



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Smart, spirited heroine Kelsey McKenna must solve a murder when a bridesmaid-zilla drops dead during the ceremony at a destination wedding in this hilarious debut cozy

Wedding planner Kelsey McKenna is just a few hours away from wrapping up her latest job: a destination wedding in the charming, colonial Mexican town of San Miguel de Allende. The reception is all set up, the tequila donkey is waiting outside, and the bride and groom are standing on the altar, pledging their eternal love. But just as the priest is about to pronounce them husband and wife, one of the bridesmaids upstages the couple by collapsing into a floral arrangement. Worst of all, Kelsey discovers that she hasn't just fainted-she's dead. The demanding mother of the bride, Mrs. Abernathy, insists Kelsey not tell the wedding party; she paid for a wedding after all, not a funeral.

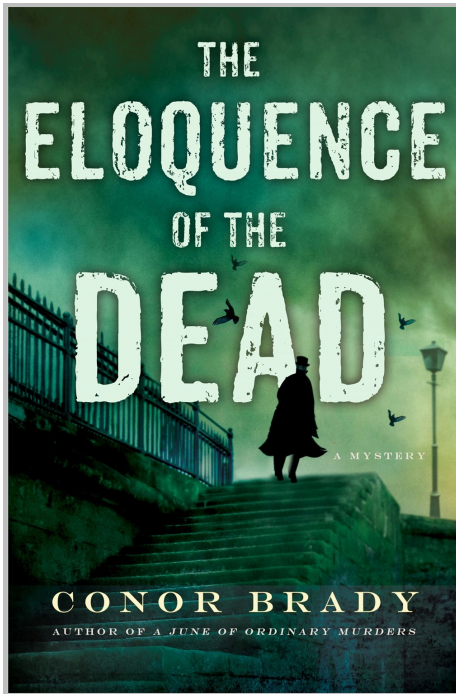
Losing a bridesmaid is bad enough, but when the bride's sister is arrested for murder, Mrs. Abernathy demands that Kelsey fix the matter at once. And although she's pretty sure investigating a murder isn't in her contract, crossing the well-connected mother of the bride could be a career-killer. Before she can leave Mexico and get back to planning weddings, Kelsey must deal with stubborn detectives, another dead body, and a rekindled romance in this smart, funny cozy debut perfect for fans of Carolyn Haines.

PRAISE

"Drop your plans and read this new series starring Kelsey McKenna, witty and resourceful wedding planner extraordinaire. This wedding planner will win you over!"- Janet Cantrell, bestselling author of the Fat Cat Mystery series

"Filled with quirky characters and plenty of action, *Terror in Taffeta* kept me coming back for more. Marla Cooper's writing is fresh and upbeat. I look forward to reading many more of Kelsey's adventures in Weddingland." -Jacklyn Brady, national bestselling author of *Rebel Without a Cake*

Marla Cooper is the pen name of a professional writer who has written everything from advertising copy to travel guidebooks to the occasional haiku. While ghostwriting a book on destination weddings, she found inspiration for her first novel, *TERROR IN TAFFETA*. Originally hailing from Texas, Marla now lives in Oakland, California, with her writer husband and her polydactyl tuxedo cat.



The Eloquence of the Dead

Conor Brady

A thrilling, beautifully written mystery that brings 1880s Dublin vividly, passionately to life, from the former editor of The Irish Times

"Bodies can tell you a lot. There can be an eloquence about the dead. But you have to be able to interpret what they are telling you..."

This captivating, expertly crafted mystery captures the life and essence of Victorian Dublin and draws the reader on a gripping journey of murder and intrigue. When a Dublin Pawnbroker is found murdered and the lead suspect goes missing, Sergeant Joe Swallow is handed the poisoned chalice of the investigation. On the way he uncovers deep-rooted corruption, discovers the power of new, scientific detection techniques and encounters a ruthless adversary. With authorities pressing for a quick resolution, the public living in fear of attack and the newspapers happy to point to the police's every mistake, Swallow must use every trick in his arsenal to crack the case. Following leads from Trim Castle to the Tower of London, *The Eloquence of the Dead* is a taut, fast-paced crime thriller perfect for fans of Charles Finch and Charles Todd.

PRAISE

"Brady has given us a compelling and memorable central character in the shape of Detective Swallow." - Irish Independent

Praise for *A June of Ordinary Murders*

"A vivid and crafty whodunit... Fans of mysteries that capture the flavor of the past will hope that Swallow has a long literary life." -Publishers Weekly, starred review

"Brady's powerful first mystery novel is evocative of the period. The many aspects of life in 19th-century Dublin are cleverly woven through a baffling mystery." --Kirkus

CONOR BRADY is the former editor of The Irish Times. *The Eloquence of the Dead* is his second novel featuring Joe Swallow. He lives in Dublin.

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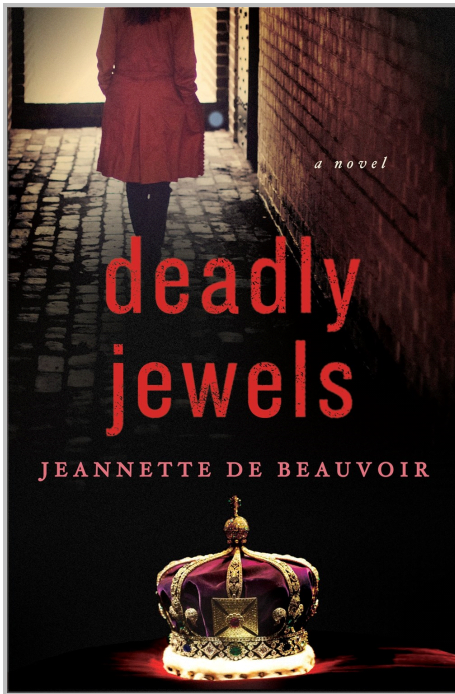
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Deadly Jewels

Jeannette de Beauvoir

The chilling and suspenseful follow-up to *Asylum*, set in contemporary Montreal.

When Martine LeDuc, the dedicated publicity director for the city of Montreal, is summoned into the mayor's office, she immediately runs through all the things that could have gone wrong in the press that day, but for once she's pleasantly surprised. The mayor has good news: the city is due for a PR coup. A doctoral researcher at McGill University has been part of some excavations under the city and has found positive proof that the British crown jewels were indeed, as the rumor goes, stored in Montreal underground during WWII, and then subsequently returned to London.

Martine is thrilled to be part of the excavation project, until it turns out that one of the dig's discoveries includes the remains of a man who has two small jewels resting where his stomach once was, and a bullet hole in the back of his skull. With a scandal of this magnitude Martine knows it's only a matter of time before the news gets out in a way that won't boost good PR for Montreal... or her job.

She decides to team up with an academic friend to figure out what happened with this decades-old theft, before the world finds out that two of London's prize jewels are fake, and before the nefarious circumstances that got them there get to Martine first... and silence her for good.

PRAISE

"De Beauvoir has delivered a harrowing, addictive read that will keep you up late into the night and your mind lingering long after you've closed the book...Martine Leduc is an indomitable and courageous heroine you'll be rooting for from page one."- Linda Castillo, *New York Times* bestselling author of the Kate Burkholder Amish mystery series

"Martine LeDuc...a wonderfully likable narrator, partners with offbeat police detective Julian Fletcher in this absorbing mystery. De Beauvoir does a fine job of evoking the ambiance of Montreal, with its fascinating neighborhoods, bilingualism, and political tensions."-*Publishers Weekly*

JEANNETTE DE BEAUVOIR is an award-winning author, novelist, and poet whose work has been translated into 12 languages and has appeared in 15 countries. She explores personal and moral questions through historical fiction, mysteries, and mainstream fiction. She lives on Cape Cod, although she spends some part of every year in Montréal and in Great Britain.

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BIG BOOK

The 14th Colony

Steve Berry

Minotaur's second novel from renowned *New York Times* top 5 bestseller Steve Berry, *The 14th Colony* continues the Cotton Malone series with his next riveting, history-based thriller

Shot down over Siberia in what was to be a simple meet-and-greet-mission, ex-Justice Department agent Cotton Malone is forced into a fight for survival against Aleksandr Zorin, whose loyalty to the former Soviet Union has festered for decades into an intense hatred of the United States.

Before escaping, Malone learns that Zorin and another ex-KGB officer, this one a sleeper still imbedded in the West, are headed overseas to Washington D.C. Inauguration Day-noon on January 20th-is only hours away. A flaw in the Constitution, and an even more flawed presidential succession act, have opened the door to political chaos and Zorin intends to exploit both weaknesses to their fullest.

Armed with a weapon leftover from the Cold War, one long thought to be just a myth, Zorin plans to attack. He's aided by a shocking secret hidden in the archives of America's oldest fraternal organization-the Society of Cincinnati-a group that once lent out its military savvy to presidents, including helping to formulate three covert invasion plans of Canada.

In a race against the clock that starts in the frozen extremes of Russia and ultimately ends at the White House itself, Malone must not only battle Zorin, he must also confront his deepest fear, a crippling weakness that he's long denied but one that now jeopardizes everything. Steve Berry's trademark mix of fact, fiction, history and speculation, is all here, front and center, in this provocati...

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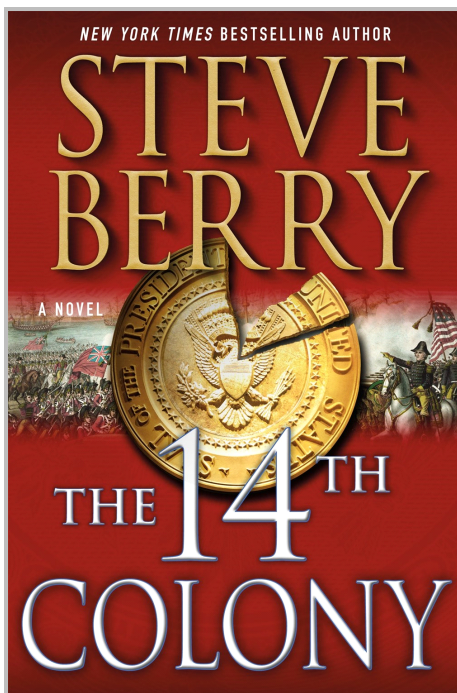
*Praise for **The Patriot Threat***

"The latest Malone thriller offers the usual ingredients: likable hero, despicable villain, plenty of action, and a story that draws on a historical mystery and conspiracy....A solid entry in an entertaining and wildly successful series."-Booklist

"Another page-turning thriller blending history, speculation and face-paced action."-Kirkus

"One of Berry's best books to date."-Associated Press

STEVE BERRY is the *New York Times* and #1 internationally bestselling author of ten Cotton Malone novels and four standalones. He has 20 million books in print, translated into 40 languages. With his wife, Elizabeth, he is the founder of History Matters, which is dedicated to historical preservation. He serves on the Smithsonian Libraries Advisory Board and was a founding member



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Poisonous

Allison Brennan

In *NYT* bestseller Allison Brennan's latest hardcover, investigative reporter Max Revere realizes her boyfriend might be keeping some dark secrets when he's accused of murdering his ex-wife

Investigative journalist Maxine "Max" Revere is in Monterey, CA working on a cold case involving a woman who's been missing for five years. The prime suspect in her disappearance was her estranged husband, but the police had no real evidence. Max came at the behest of the couple's daughter, who wants to finally know the truth about what happened to her mother. It's a case that hits very close to home for Max.

And then, Max learns that police detective-and her sometime romantic interest-Nick Santorini is the prime suspect in his ex-wife's murder. Max is determined to find out what's going on, and while Nick is in jail and the police won't let her see him, she starts investigating on her own. Nick is furious when he finds out she's been meddling, but Max can't leave the case alone. And then, when she catches Nick in a lie, Max is torn over what to do-and what to believe.

Romantic suspense bestseller Allison Brennan continues to grow her hardcover audience with this unputdownable thriller.

PRAISE

"Don't miss Max Revere's roller-coaster new thriller. Talk about grit and courage, Max never gives up."-Catherine Coulter

"Brennan is guaranteed to excite fans with the launch of [this] new suspense series...With Maxine Revere, Brennan has created a complicated and compelling new protagonist."-RT Book Reviews (4½ stars)

"Fast-paced fun! *Notorious* packs in the thrills as investigative reporter Max confronts new murders and old family secrets in a suspense novel guaranteed to keep you up late at night!"-Lisa Gardner

ALLISON BRENNAN is the *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling author of more than twenty novels and many short stories. A former consultant in the California State Legislature, she lives in Northern California with her husband Dan and their five children.

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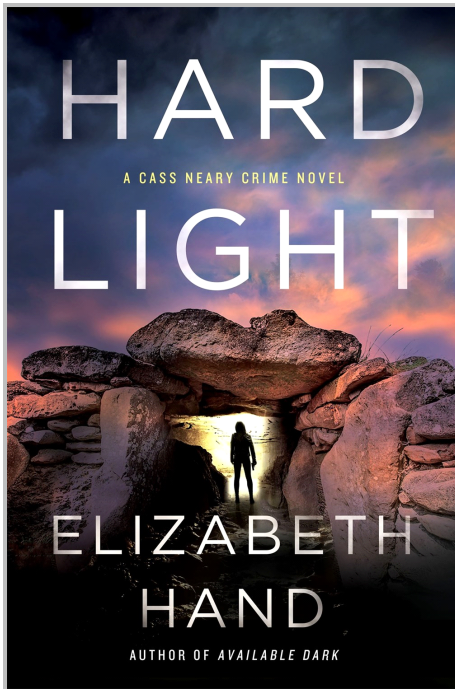
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Hard Light

A Cass Neary Crime Novel

Elizabeth Hand

Multi-award-winning author Elizabeth Hand outdoes herself in this third novel in her stunning Cass Neary series.

As her passionately devoted fans know, Elizabeth Hand is a uniquely gifted storyteller. Readers were introduced to her iconoclastic crime novels, featuring offbeat photographer Cass Neary, in the underground classic *Generation Loss*, which was followed by the brilliant *Available Dark*.

In *Hard Light*, the third book in the series, Cass makes a remarkable discovery that could change our understanding of human history--if she lives long enough to share it.

As the story opens Cass arrives in London where she's arranged to meet her long-lost lover, Quinn O'Boyle. When Quinn fails to show at their rendezvous point, Cass meets the eccentric couple Mallo and Morven Dunfries. When Mallo catches Cass rifling his medicine cabinet in search of drugs, he threatens to turn her in to the authorities, then puts her to work as a runner for his illegal goods.

Cass makes a delivery to Poppy Teasel, a famous singer from long ago. Cass leaves Poppy's flat but returns a short time later to find the place ransacked and Poppy dead. Fearful she'll become the next victim, Cass goes on the run.

PRAISE

Praise for *Hard Light*:

"Elizabeth Hand is not only one of the great American novelists, her influence on a generation has changed the face of Literature. This novel will haunt your dreams." -- Cara Hoffman, author of *So Much Pretty* and *Be Safe I Love You*

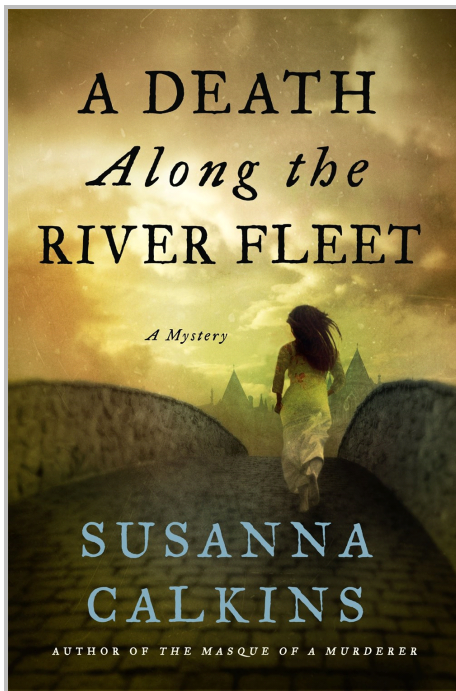
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ELIZABETH HAND is the author of fourteen cross-genre novels and four collections of short fiction. Her work has received the World Fantasy Award (four times), the Nebula Award (twice), the Shirley Jackson Award (twice), and the James M. Tiptree Jr. and Mythopoeic Society Awards. She's also a longtime critic and contributor of essays for the *Washington Post*, *Los Angeles Times*, *Salon*, and the *Village Voice*, among many others. She divides her time between the Maine coast and North London.



A Death Along the River Fleet

Susanna Calkins

In the next rich historical mystery from Susanna Calkins, Lucy encounters a girl in a blood-spattered nightdress who has no idea what happened to her

Lucy Champion, a ladies' maid turned printer's apprentice in 17th-century London, is crossing Holborn Bridge over the most vile portion of the River Fleet one morning when she encounters a distraught young woman, barely able to speak and clad only in a blood-spattered nightdress. The woman has no memory of who she is or what's happened to her, and the townspeople believe she's possessed. But Lucy is concerned for the woman's well-being and takes her to a physician. When, shockingly, the woman is identified as the daughter of a nobleman, Lucy is asked to temporarily give up her bookselling duties to discreetly serve as the woman's companion while she remains under the physician's care. As the woman slowly recovers, she begins—with Lucy's help—to reconstruct the terrible events that led her to Holborn Bridge that morning. But when it becomes clear the woman's safety might still be at risk, Lucy becomes unwillingly privy to a plot with far-reaching social implications, and she'll have to decide how far she's willing to go to protect the young woman in her care.

PRAISE

*Praise for **From the Charred Remains***

"Calkins, who holds a doctorate in British history, puts her knowledge to sparkling use in this intriguing mystery, which combines a gripping plot with rich historical detail and one of the most admirable protagonists in the genre."—*Richmond Times-Dispatch*

"A historical mystery with originality and great attention to detail...The characters are multi-dimensional—including the smart, adventurous Lucy Champion—and the mystery will keep readers turning the pages."—*RT Book Reviews* (4 stars)

"Rich historical detail."—*Publishers Weekly*

SUSANNA CALKINS became fascinated with seventeenth-century England while pursuing her doctorate in British history and uses her fiction to explore this chaotic period. Originally from Philadelphia, Calkins now lives outside of Chicago with her husband and two sons. This is her fourth novel.

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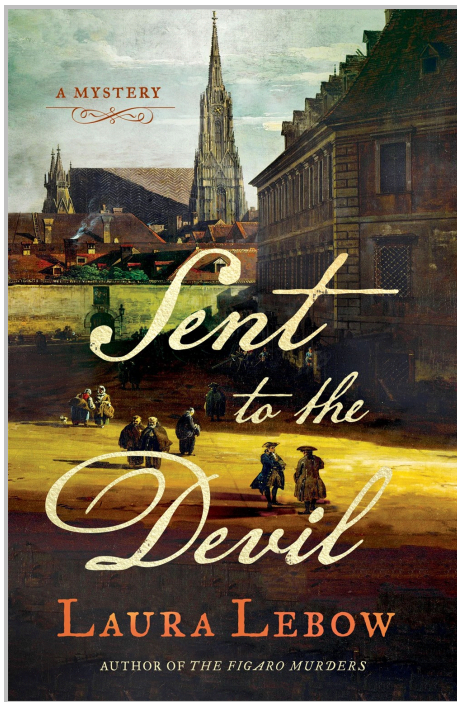
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Sent to the Devil

Laura Lebow

While rushing to polish the libretto for the Vienna debut of Don Giovanni, Mozart's collaborator---Lorenzo DaPonte---finds himself dealing with murder, both literary and not.

In 1788 Vienna, Court Poet Lorenzo Da Ponte is putting some finishing touches on the libretto for the premiere of his new opera with Mozart, *Don Giovanni*. A huge success when it debuted in Prague, the Emperor has decreed that it shall be performed in Vienna. But Joseph II is off prosecuting a less-than-popular war against the Turks, and the city itself is in a bit of turmoil. There are voices protesting the war, others who see Turks around every corner.

Da Ponte, however, just wants to do his work and enjoy life. Alas, these simple desires aren't to be easily fulfilled. First, he's been getting a series of mysterious coded notes from unknown hands, notes that make no sense to him. Then his old friend Alois, a retired priest and academic, is viciously murdered and strange symbols carved into his forehead. Summoned to the police bureau, Da Ponte learns that Alois's murder was not the first. Determined to help find his friend's killer, Da Ponte agrees to help with the secret investigation.

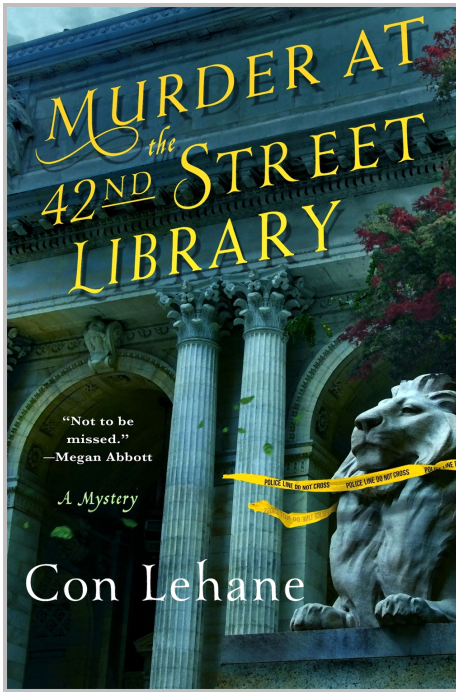
Caught in a crossfire of intrigue both in the world of opera and politics, Da Ponte must find the answer to a riddle and expose a killer before he becomes the next victim.

PRAISE

"A brisk tempo, a sympathetic hero and a plot as complicated as the beloved opéra bouffe it parallels will make Lebow's debut resonate with opera lovers and lay readers alike." - Kirkus Reviews

"Able evoking the vital, music-obsessed Vienna of 1786, Lebow's debut finds theater poet Lorenzo Da Ponte working with Mozart to finish the libretto for *The Marriage of Figaro*... The likable Da Ponte offers an insider's perspective on a fascinating world"- Publishers Weekly

LAURA LEBOW studied European history at Brandeis University and earned a Masters in City Planning from MIT. After a career as an environmental policy analyst, she now writes historical mysteries full-time. She lives in Cambridge, Massachusetts with her husband and an ever-expanding collection of opera CDs. *The Figaro Murders*, the first book in the Da Ponte mystery series, was her first novel.



Murder at the 42nd Street Library

A Mystery

Con Lehane

The first book in an amazing new series that features crime a la library at some of America's most famous institutions of higher reading.

Murder at the 42nd Street Library opens with a murder in a second floor office of the iconic, beaux-arts flagship of the New York Public Library. Ray Ambler, the curator of the library's crime fiction collection, joins forces with NYPD homicide detective Mike Cosgrove in hopes of bringing a murderer to justice.

In his search for the reasons behind the murder, Ambler uncovers hidden--and profoundly disturbing--relationships between visitors to the library. These include a celebrated mystery writer who has donated his papers to the library's crime fiction collection, that writer's missing daughter, a New York society woman with a hidden past, and one of Ambler's colleagues at the world-famous library. Those shocking revelations lead inexorably to the tragic and violent events that follow.

PRAISE

"Con Lehane's *Murder at the 42nd Street Library* offers up a masterful tale of intrigue, jealousy, and revenge in the grand tradition of Ross Macdonald. Not to be missed." --Megan Abbott

"A sly and witty new mystery." --Reed Farrel Coleman, award-winning author of *The Hollow Girl*

"An inventive tale of murder and mayhem. Con Lehane, like his librarian-sleuth Ray Ambler, knows how to keep his readers happy." --Daniel Stashower, Edgar-winning author of *The Hour of Peril*

"In *Murder at the 42nd Street Library* Con Lehane provides a riveting ride...Jam-packed with surprises!" --Katherine Neville, *New York Times* bestselling author

CON LEHANE is a mystery writer who lives outside Washington, DC. He's published three previous crime novels featuring New York City bartender Brian McNulty. Over the years, he has worked as a college professor, a union organizer, a labor journalist, and has tended bar at two dozen or so drinking establishments.

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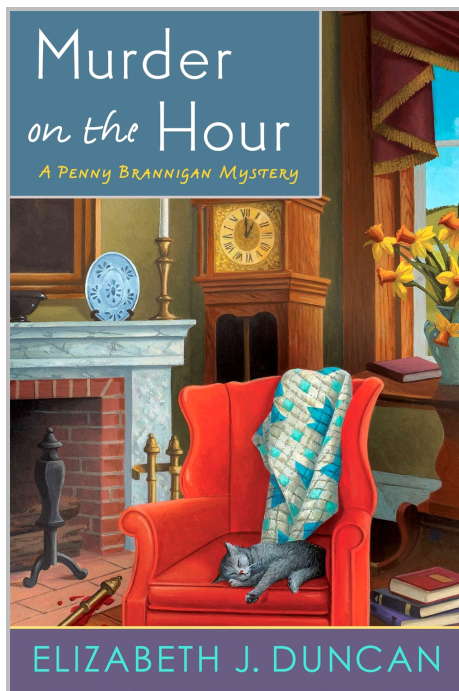
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Murder on the Hour

A Penny Brannigan Mystery

Elizabeth J. Duncan

The latest book in this award-winning series celebrated for its small town charm and picturesque setting, featuring amateur sleuth Penny Brannigan

The residents of Llanelen are brimming with excitement. Antiques Cymru, a regional take on the popular national TV show, is coming to the Welsh town and people are flocking from miles around, hoping their attic treasures turn out to be worth a fortune. On the day of filming, quiet local sheep farmer Haydn Williams brings a generations-old long-case clock for evaluation, while the woman he's always admired from afar, Catrin Bellis, turns up with a cherished handmade quilt. Will either hear surprising good news about the value of their family heirlooms? By the end of the day, Catrin turns up dead, her quilt missing.

Who could have wanted this shy, quiet woman - who had been overshadowed by her parents for her whole life - dead? Delving into Catrin's past, spa owner and amateur sleuth Penny Brannigan is surprised to discover that Catrin had at least one enemy. And as Penny's romantic life heats up with a new love interest, she realizes that a mysterious document hidden in Haydn's clock could hold the key to a long-forgotten secret and a present-day murder.

Murder on the Hour is a light-hearted traditional mystery featuring a charming heroine set in an enchanting Welsh town.

PRAISE

Praise for Slated for Death

"Dorothy Sayers fans will welcome Duncan's fifth Penny Brannigan mystery set in North Wales... [Duncan] does a good job evoking the toil and hardship intrinsic to the slate mining industry that supported the area's economy for over two centuries. She manages a neat surprise ending, too." -*Publishers Weekly*

"An entertaining entry in this long-running series." -*Kirkus Reviews*

Praise for Never Laugh as a Hearse Goes By

"In the time-honored tradition of village cozies, Duncan provides structure, subtle clues, rampant gossip, and a satisfying conclusion." -*Library Journal* (starred review)

ELIZABETH J. DUNCAN is a winner of the Bloody Words Best Light Mystery Award and has been a finalist for the Agatha and Arthur Ellis Awards. She has worked as a writer and editor for some of Canada's largest newspapers, including the *Ottawa Citizen* and *Hamilton Spectator*. Duncan is a faculty member of the Humber School for Writers. She lives in Toronto, Canada and enjoys spending time each year in North Wales.

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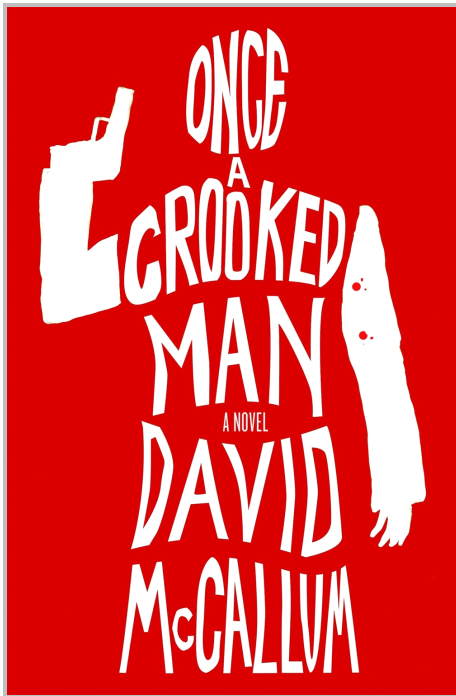
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Once a Crooked Man

David McCallum

Perfect for fans of Elmore Leonard and Lawrence Sanders, a quirky crime novel by the beloved actor known for his roles on *NCIS* and *The Man from U.N.C.L.E.*

Sal, Max, and Enzo Bruschetti have spent their entire lives keeping a low profile. As their criminal empire has grown more diverse, they have relied on an increasingly complex web of financial arrangements to keep their business safe. Now wealthy and aging, they have decided to retire from crime.

But when New York actor Harry Murphy inadvertently overhears the Bruschetti brothers plotting to tie-up loose ends, he is stricken by conscience and decides he must intervene. After flying to London in an attempt to warn one of the intended victims, Harry is caught in a shootout, forced into a high speed chase, mistaken for a Bruschetti agent, and handed a suitcase filled with cash. Out of his depth and in over his head, Harry is soon apprehended by the British authorities.

Paired with a sexy and unorthodox special agent, Harry is sent back to New York in the hope that his theatrical talents can help flush out the mysterious Bruschettis. But after being abandoned by his handlers, threatened with castration, and forced to leap into the Hudson River, Harry decides to take matters into his own hands.

What follows is a wildly entertaining game of cat and mouse in which cops, criminals, corpses, and plot twists pile up faster than SAG members at an open audition. Tense, funny, and just plain fun, the action races around New York before returning to England and culminating in a deadly confrontation on the windswept moors.

PRAISE

"McCallum received more fan mail than any actor in the history of MGM." --*The Boston Globe*

David McCallum is a Scottish-born actor and musician. He is best known for his roles as Russian secret agent Illya Kuryakin in the television series *The Man From U.N.C.L.E.*, interdimensional operative Steel in *Sapphire & Steel*, and his current role as medical examiner Dr. Donald "Ducky" Mallard on *NCIS*.



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