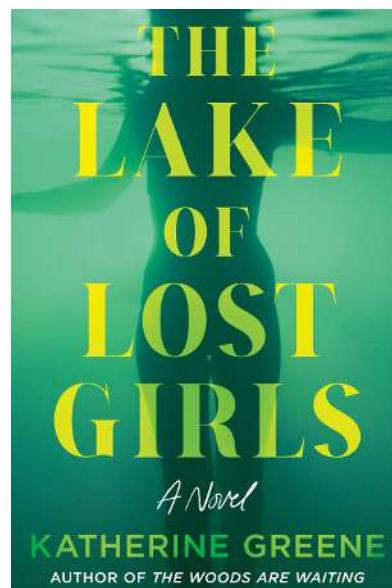
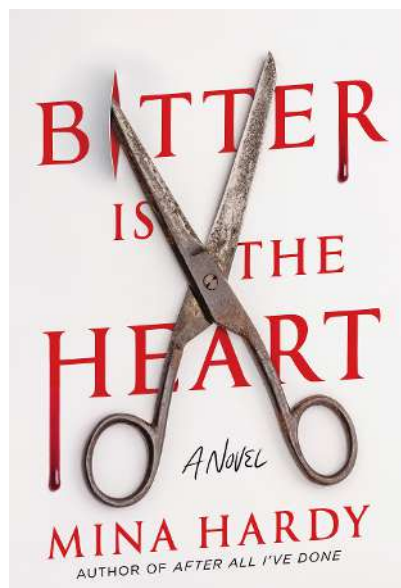
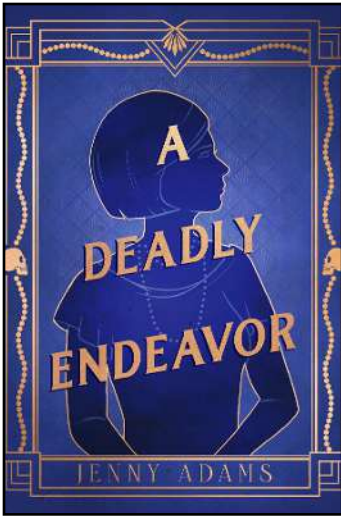


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A DEADLY ENDEAVOR by Jenny Adams

March 5, 2024

A serial killer is on the loose in 1920's Philadelphia in Jenny Adams' debut historical mystery, perfect for fans of Deanna Raybourn and Rhys Bowen.

With a lush Roaring Twenties setting and a wickedly smart sleuth to cheer for, *A Deadly Endeavor* is the perfect puzzling romp for fans of Miss Fisher's Murder Mysteries.

Philadelphia, 1921. Edie Shippen has returned home to Philadelphia after spending years in California recovering from a severe bout with Influenza. Upon her return she finds that her childhood sweetheart is now engaged to her twin sister. Heartbroken and adrift, Edie vows to begin living her life as a modern woman—and to hell with anyone who gets in her way. Trying to get her new life started, she accepts an invitation to join her cousin at a meeting of artists, and

her maid, Lizzie Lawless, accompanies her. But her newfound independence begins to feel dangerous when young women start being mutilated and killed in the city.

Lizzie's brother Gilbert, is the Philadelphia coroner, and based on the corpses he's seen, he's convinced a serial killer is on the loose. When Lizzie goes missing, Gilbert and Edie immediately fear the worst and team up to find her before she meets the same fate as the other missing women. Together, Edie and Gilbert criss-cross Philadelphia's neighborhoods, from illegal speakeasies and underground boxing matches to expensive boutiques, searching for clues as to Lizzie's whereabouts.

Material Status: Available

Approximate Word Count: 90,700

Approximate Page Count: 352

Territory: World

Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation

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Praise for *A Deadly Endeavor*:

"Spirited . . . [A] blend of dark thriller and silver-spoon cozy."
—*Publishers Weekly*

"Expect plenty of surprises in a period tale in which love conquers all societal differences."
—*Kirkus*

"Readers who enjoy a good *Upstairs, Downstairs*- or *Downton Abbey*-styled drama should try this."
—*Booklist*

"Sparkling prose, deft plotting, a vivid setting, and a captivating mystery . . . This book is an utter delight."
—Claire Legrand, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Furyborn*

"With charming, fully fleshed characters that leap off the page, Adams creates an enticing world of high society and intrigue, interwoven with a deadly intent. A masterful whodunnit, flavored with period detail and a sprinkle of romance."

—Jennifer Ryan, bestselling author of *The Kitchen Front*



Jenny Adams has always had an overactive imagination. She turned her love of books and stories into a career as a librarian and author of novels for adults and teens. She holds degrees in Medieval Studies and Library Science from The Ohio State University and Drexel University, and currently lives in Alexandria, Virginia with her family.



THE LAST HAMILTON by Jenn Bregman

November 12, 2024

After the last heir of Alexander Hamilton's line is murdered, two grieving souls team up in this twisty thriller where a mysterious death uncovers an ancient secret society, perfect for fans of Dan Brown and Sarah Penner.

The more they know, the more danger they're in.

When Elizabeth Walker, the last heir of the Alexander Hamilton line, is tragically killed by a subway train in New York, foul play is immediately suspected. Elizabeth had been terrified, frantic, and manic during her last days, running mysterious errands with a strange antique key and sending cryptic messages to her best friend, Sarah Brockman.

The morning after Elizabeth's death, a box of tattered documents lands on Sarah's doorstep, confirming her suspicions about Elizabeth's strange behavior and shocking death. She brings the box and her confusing thoughts to Elizabeth's grieving husband Ralph. Working together with Ralph, they are stunned to discover that Elizabeth was part of a secret society established by Hamilton himself to keep the United States just and free, its influence woven into every corner of the country's history. As Sarah and Ralph race through the streets of New York to uncover the truth behind Elizabeth's death, they must stop an ingenious plot before someone else catches up to them—and the secrets of Hamilton's society are lost forever.

With fascinating details from the shadows of American history, *The Last Hamilton* is a sweeping and fast paced thriller reminiscent of *The Da Vinci Code*.

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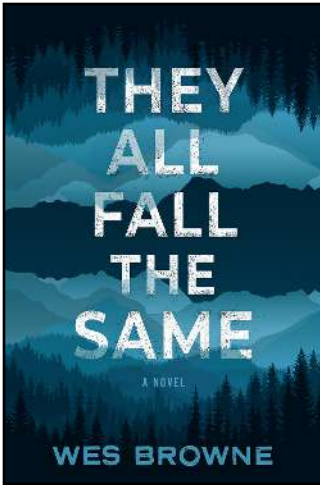
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Jenn Bregman is a white collar criminal defense lawyer who has practiced in both Los Angeles and New York, where she worked on some of the most notorious cases of our time. A graduate of the University of Denver and UCLA Law School, she was a member of Law Review while at UCLA and her article was published in the UCLA Law Review. She has also written for Los Angeles Lawyer magazine.



COVER NOT FINAL

THEY ALL FALL THE SAME by Wesley Browne

DEBUT

November 5, 2024 | Fiction - Mystery & Detective -
Hard-Boiled

An organized crime boss in Kentucky believes money and power are everything until his enterprise collides with a family tragedy, in this gripping noir thriller perfect for fans of S.A. Cosby and Eli Cranor.

Cannabis kingpin Burl Spoon has reigned over the Jackson County area for three decades, building a powerful backwoods empire. But behind a well-run organization, his personal life is crumbling—his daughter can't stay clean; his son has hated him since coming out; and after enduring years of infidelity, his wife is straying too. The only person not on his payroll who still adores him is his six-year-old granddaughter, Chelsea.

When his daughter overdoses on heroin laced with fentanyl and one of his employees is murdered, Burl's retaliation against Clovis Begley, the patriarch of the heroin-dealing family involved in both deaths, is inevitable. As Burl's plan spirals into a firestorm of vengeance that threatens the safety of his granddaughter, his drive for revenge conflicts with his longing for redemption.

On the brink of losing everything, Burl must find a path between retribution and protecting what's left of his family.

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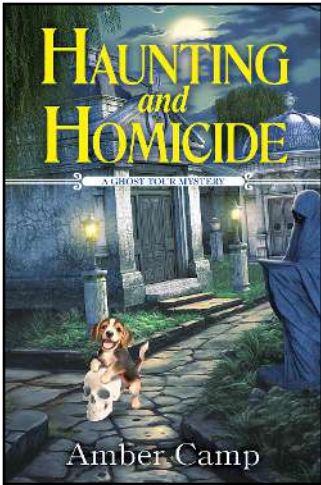
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Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation



Wesley Browne is the founder and host of Pages & Pints Reading Series at Apollo Pizza in Richmond, Kentucky. He lives with his wife and two sons in Madison County, Kentucky.



HAUNTING AND HOMICIDE by Amber Camp

January 14, 2025 | Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Cozy - Paranormal

Lou Thatcher is haunted by ghosts—friendly ghosts—but when she finds herself involved in a murder investigation, she’s in for the fright of a lifetime in this new cozy mystery, perfect for fans of Amanda Flower and Ellen Byron.

Tallulah “Lou” Thatcher has a gift: she can see dead people. But in New Orleans, Louisiana, this is not a drawback. On the contrary, her ability to see ghosts helps her host viral ghost tours through the historic Garden District. When rival tour guide Adam Brandt—who accused her of faking her encounters to undercut his business—is found murdered, Lou is the only one who can see him...his ghost, that is.

It’s no secret Adam and Lou were feuding and with the absence of a suspect, she’s the only one with a clear motive. After detective Dylan Finch, Lou’s longtime crush, reveals the murder weapon was a ceremonial dagger from Lou’s shop, she’s officially declared the prime suspect. Determined to prove her innocence, Lou starts investigating right away.

Weaving her way through Adam’s business partnerships, friendships, and kinships, Lou must uncover who wished to see him dead before the killer tries to silence her forever.

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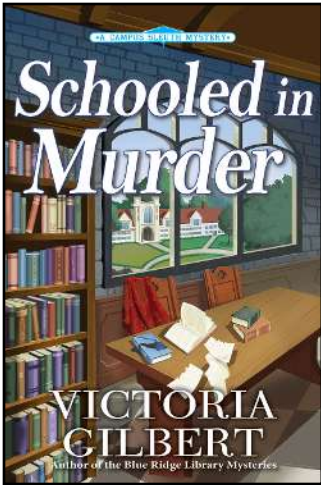
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Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation



Amber Camp writes cozy mysteries that reflect her love of animals and quirky small towns. A lifelong lover of books, she started writing her own stories as a teenager and found she loves to write as much as she loves to read. Amber lives in Northwest Arkansas with her husband and daughter and works as a registered nurse at a small rural hospital. She has a menagerie of animals that includes dogs, cats, horses, chickens and what has been described as the Mule from Hell, which may or may not be a slight exaggeration. Amber is a member of Sisters in Crime.



SCHOOLED IN MURDER by Victoria Gilbert

December 10, 2024 | Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Cozy - General

A mystery writer must solve a real murder case before an innocent girl is condemned-in this series debut from acclaimed author Victoria Gilbert, perfect for fans of Ellery Adams and Lorna Barrett.

Jennifer 'Jen' Dalton is an author and educator at Clarion University in Virginia. She loves her job, but some of her petty coworkers look down on her for writing genre fiction. As members of the English department, they wish to encourage students to pursue higher literary aspirations. When a humiliating confrontation between an uppity professor and one of Jen's students, Mia, escalates, no one thinks much of it. Until his dead body is found along with evidence incriminating Mia.

Jen knows Mia couldn't have killed him, but Mia's suspicious disappearance might as well be a proclamation of guilt. With the sleuthing skills Jen has acquired writing murder mysteries, she's determined to solve the case and clear Mia's name.

Along with the help of her fellow sleuthers, Christine Kubiak, a cafeteria manager, Zachary Flynn, the charming but annoying campus psychologist, and Brianna Rowley, a librarian, Jen must catch the real killer before there's another murder on the books.

Approximate Word Count: 80,000

Approximate Page Count: 320

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Victoria Gilbert, raised in the shadow of the Blue Ridge Mountains, turned her early obsession with reading into a dual career as an author and librarian. Victoria has worked as a reference librarian, research librarian, and library director. When not writing or reading, she likes to spend her time watching films, gardening, or traveling. She is a member of Sisters in Crime and International Thriller Writers and lives in North Carolina. This is the first in her new Campus mystery series.



THE SISTERS by January Gilchrist

February 11, 2025

Dutiful Adelaide Windlass is the perfect lady, and longs to live out her days in her family's crumbling pile in England.

When her father betroths her to Lord Stanley, a man obsessed with gaining access to the upper echelon of New York society and their money, (and the man her more outgoing twin sister, Victoria, had hoped to marry) Adelaide finds herself a veritable prisoner on Fifth Avenue with no one but her angry sister, a terrifying housekeeper, and a sullen maid for company.

But amongst the glitz and glamour of Mrs Astor's 400 party circuit, Adelaide is catapulted into unexpected popularity in a society obsessed with wealth and status and as her star rises, Victoria - who has always been the dominant twin, convincing Adelaide into believing she was kept in the background - determines to take her sister's place.

Stanley quickly loses interest in Adelaide and succumbs to Victoria's charms and the two conspire to have Adelaide committed to an insane asylum as Victoria, Adelaide must find strength she never imagined, to free herself from the asylum where in an era when female independence was the very definition of madness.

The Sisters explores the unique power and challenges of sisterhood, and the utterly human need to define ourselves on our own terms.

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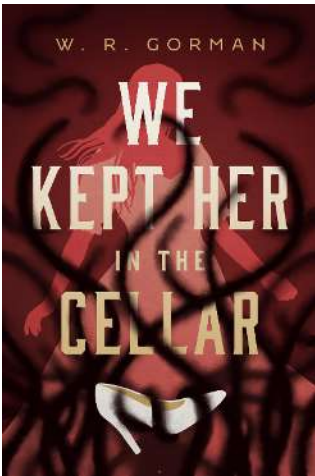
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January Gilchrist is a historical writer with a passion for mystery, and when she's not found soaking up the Queensland sun with her two young sons, she can be found eavesdropping on conversations in cafes and making up entire backstories (and murderous intents) for unsuspecting bystanders. When she grows up, she'd like to be Miss Marple.



WE KEPT HER IN THE CELLAR by W. R. Gorman

DEBUT

September 24, 2024 | Fiction - Horror

This dark and twisted retelling of Cinderella will sink its teeth into you and keep you guessing from beginning to end, perfect for fans of T. Kingfisher and Naomi Novik.

Eunice lives her life by three simple rules: One, always refer to Cinderella as family. Two, never let Cinderella gain access to rats or mice. Three, never look upon Cinderella between the hours of twelve and three a.m.

Cinderella has dark and terrifying powers. As her stepsister, Eunice is expected to care for her and keep the family's secret. For years, Eunice has faithfully done so.

Her childhood flew by in a blur of nightmares, tears, and near-misses with the monster living in the cellar. But when she befriends the handsome Prince Credence and secures an invitation to the ball, Eunice is determined to break free.

When her younger sister, Hortense, steps up to care for Cinderella, Eunice grabs her chance to dance the night away—until Cinderella escapes. With her eldritch powers, Cinderella attends the ball and sweeps Prince Credence off his feet, leaving behind a trail of carnage and destruction, as well as a single green glass slipper.

With Cinderella unleashed, Eunice must determine how much of herself she is willing to sacrifice in order to stop Cinderella. Unsettling and macabre at every turn, this page-turning horror will bewitch horror fans and leave its readers anxiously checking the locks on their cellar doors.

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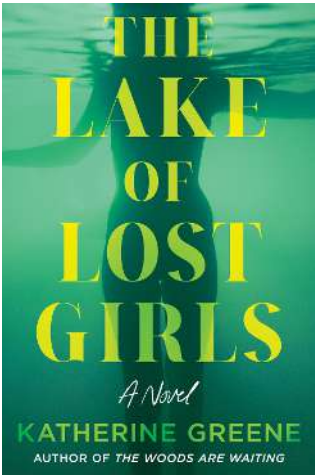
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Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation



W.R. Gorman attended Macalester College and Hamline University, where she studied linguistics and Hispanic studies, and teaching Spanish, respectively. Her hobbies include cooking, snuggling cats, and reading absolutely everything she can get her hands on. She now resides in Saint Paul with her partner, child, and three extremely mischievous cats.



THE LAKE OF LOST GIRLS by Katherine Greene

November 5, 2024 | Fiction - Thrillers - Suspense

A story of two sisters, Lindsey and Jessica Fadley, told in alternating timelines interspersed with social media posts and podcast episodes.

After the discovery of a body, believed to be Jessica Fadley, the cold case of Lindsey's sister Jessica and that of three other missing Southern State University coeds is reopened. This coincides with the release of a popular podcast that details the cold cases and increases interest. With the help of a journalist, Ryan McKay, who is in town to write a series of articles on the cases, Lindsey works to uncover what happened to her sister and the other women.

The late 1990's, Jessica is starting college the three other women disappear over the period of the school year. Their disappearances are all seemingly linked to their relationship with a married professor, Dr. Daniels.

In the present, two more bodies are recovered at Doll's Eye Pond, neither of which are Jessica, though there are items with these bodies that point to a connection to her. Lindsey discovers that Jessica was struggling academically, and her apparent relationship with Dr Daniels. All the while the fervor around the cold cases is reaching a fevered pitch as is seen through the social media posts and podcast episodes.

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Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation

Material Status: Available

Approximate Word Count: 94,000

Approximate Page Count: 320

Praise for *The Woods are Waiting*:

"The Woods Are Waiting is a mystery novel in which the most dangerous monsters are those that people create for themselves."

—Foreword Reviews

"Greene weaves together a creepy, atmospheric tale that dares to examine the underbelly of small-town life and expose its darkest secrets. Suspense readers will be glued to the page to discover how this eerie thriller ends."

—Karen Katchur, author of *The Greedy Three*

"In this enthralling debut, Katherine Greene delivers a richly layered rural gothic thriller about a small southern town paralyzed by unsolved murders and its own macabre myths. Like the wind blowing through the hickory trees, *The Woods Are Waiting* ripples with both tenderness and tension. A must-read for fans of Emily Carpenter and Cherie Priest."

—Amber Cowie, author of *Last One Alive*



Katherine Greene cut her teeth on spine tingling thrillers and true crime. Her love of dark, twisted tales with a strong female voice led her to create stories that leave you guessing. She currently lives in the United Kingdom with her family. *The Woods Are Waiting* is her debut thriller.



MISS DHINGRA'S VAMPIRE by Asha Greyling

September 10, 2024 | Fiction - Fantasy - Paranormal

In this gothic debut novel, perfect for fans of Tread of Angels and Gail Carriger's Soulless, Miss Radhika Dhingra, a newly minted lawyer in 19th century New York, never expected that her first client would be a vampire accused of murder.

Having a resident vampire is just the thing for upper-class New Yorkers—besides being a status symbol, they make excellent butlers or housekeepers. The only thing they require in return is a drop or two of blood and a casket to shut out the dawn's early light.

Tolerated by society only if they follow a strict set of rules, vampires are seen as "less than"—and as the daughter of immigrants, Radhika knows firsthand how this feels. Accused of murder, her undead client Mr. Evelyn More, knows that the

cards are stacked against him.

With the help of a journalist friend and a diminutive detective inspector, Miss Dhingra sets out to prove her client's innocence and win his freedom. Failure will mean Mr. More's death, the end of her dreams of becoming a successful attorney, and the loss of the vampire Miss Dhingra has begun to call her friend.

Offering an alternative paranormal history, delightful characters, and insightful social commentary, Miss Dhingra's Vampire will thrill readers of Deanna Rayburn and Rebecca Roanhorse.

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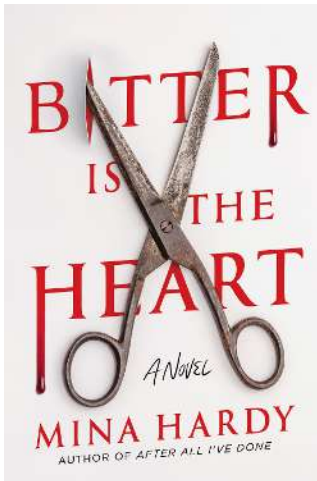
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Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation



Asha Greyling lives in Maryland with her furry four-footed muses, Gwin the terrier and a guinea pig who thinks she's a cat. They like nothing more than swinging in the playground (unless the local children scare them off), watching Tim Burton movies, or sitting down with a good book.



BITTER IS THE HEART by Mina Hardy

September 10, 2024 | Fiction - Horror

In the tradition of Nat Cassidy and Cassandra Khaw, comes an electrifying horror novel that explores the dark side of familial obligation and generational trauma.

When Tamar Glass wakes up in the middle of the night to find her elderly mother standing over her bed, she thinks her nightmares from the past have returned. Tamar ran away from home at age eighteen, and now decades later, she finds herself taking care of the woman whose abuse she ran from.

Tamar soon finds that her mother, Ruth, has been kicked out of her assisted living home, doing something bad enough that the director of the facility can't even bring herself to say out loud. Ruth's stay in Tamar's house seems to be a long term solution, as other facilities refuse to house Ruth. But just like all those years ago, Tamar relives disturbing events that mirror her childhood past. The house is too hot, all the time, lights flicker and cupboards open and shut on their own. Whispers filter beneath her bedroom door.

As Tamar unravels the disturbing past which her mother staunchly refutes and revises their toxic history, an even larger threat is looming in the shadows. Mina Hardy's horror debut explores the question: what do we owe a neglectful parent when they become the child?

Material Status: Available

Approximate Word Count: 96,000

Approximate Page Count: 336

Territory: World

Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation

Praise for *We Knew All Along*:

"A fantastic story and interesting, detailed characters."

—*Manhattan Book Review*

"[It] draws readers in from the first page and doesn't let them go until the very last."

—*Mystery and Suspense Magazine*

"A solid thriller . . . with all the twists, turns into a good end of the year murder mystery."

—*Red Carpet Crash*

"Intriguing characters pulled me in immediately, and the twists kept me reading!"

—M.M. Chouinard, *USA Today* bestselling author of *The Vacation*



Mina Hardy writes books. Usually, they feature good people making bad choices, but sometimes they might be about bad people making good choices. Either way, everyone is basically a mess, and you shouldn't trust any of them. From twisted tales of domestic suspense to darker stories of bumping in the night, you can expect thrills and a few chills.



COVER NOT FINAL

MISERY HATES COMPANY by Elizabeth Hobbs

November 5, 2024 | Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Women Sleuths

Miss Marigold Manners may be steeped in the etiquette of her old-money, Boston family, but she is also an accomplished New Woman—a modern, forthright female and an avid student of archaeology who can handle any situation with polished poise. But when the death of her parents leaves her too destitute to pursue her academic career and she receives a letter from a distant relative on Great Misery Island, promising atonement for a “great and godless wrong,” Marigold decides she must do what any person of superior sense and greater than average curiosity would—she mounts her trusty bicycle and heads up the craggy, fog-shrouded coast of New England for a date with fate.

Marigold arrives at Hatchet Farm, a moldering, gothic pile of a house inhabited by relatives so mired in the sins of the past, they have no future. She sets out to modernize the recluses with a brisk, ruthless efficiency, but her well-intentioned plans to manage their lives leads to malice—and murder. When Ellery Hatchet is found dead in her garden, Marigold finds herself accused. She must enlist the help of an eccentric, colorful cast of friends and found family to save herself—and everything she holds dear. Because as secrets are uncovered and lies exposed, the question of “who done it” turns into “who didn’t do it?” and Marigold must choose between the truth that shatters her steely poise and shakes her very sense of self—and the knowledge that sometimes, there is no difference between justice and murder.

Material Status: Available

Approximate Word Count: 110,000

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Elizabeth Hobbs is a New Englander born and bred, who spent her childhood roaming the woods, making up stories about characters who live far more exciting lives than she. It wasn’t always so—long before she ever set pen to paper, Elizabeth graduated from Hollins College with a B.A. in Classics and Art History, and then earned her M.A. in Nautical Archaeology from Texas A & M University. While she loved the life of an underwater archaeologist, she has found her true calling writing historical mysteries full of wit, wickedness and adventure. Elizabeth writes wherever she is, and loves to travel from her home in Texas, where she lives with her husband, the Indispensable Mr. Hobbs, and her darling dogs, Ghillie and Brogue, in an empty nest of an old house filled to the brim with bicycles and books.



MURDER IN THE RANKS by Kristi Jones

DEBUT

November 19, 2024 | Fiction - Historical - 20th Century -
World War II

In this World War II debut mystery filled with spies, murder, and a touch of romance, newly minted squad leader Dorothy Lincoln is caught in the crosshairs of a devious plot, perfect for fans of Kate Parker and Ashley Weaver.

Algiers, North Africa, 1943. After her abusive German husband left her for dead and took their daughter with him behind enemy lines, Dottie Lincoln learned that it's better to be a trained soldier rather than a victim. As a newly minted squad leader in the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps, she spends her days moving men and materials to the front and her nights attending mandatory dances to boost the

morale of the men. Despite the grueling nature of her job, she has found a sanctuary amongst the women in the Army. When Ruth, a member of her squad, is murdered, she's devastated and determined to get to the bottom of the murder.

Dottie's company is the first group of American women assigned to a combat theater and with Ruth's death the entire operation is being questioned. Determined to do everything she can to help win the war, bring justice to her friend, and hopefully reunite with her daughter, Dottie must rise to the occasion before the killer strikes again.

But when her past comes back to haunt her, Dottie must prove she's not a German spy and put a stop to a deadly conspiracy that threatens the entire American war effort.

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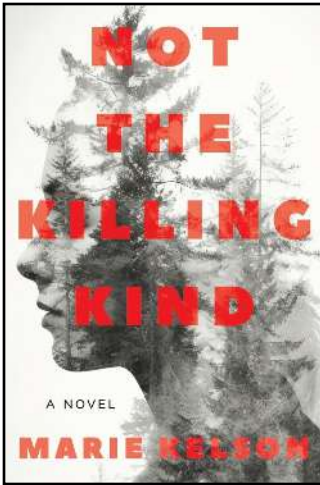
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Kristi Jones grew up in the military and has lived in Germany, England, Turkey, and many places throughout the U.S. She attended a German high school that left her with a lifelong love of languages. She holds a degree in history and is a member of Sisters in Crime and The Writer's League of Texas. In her free time, Kristi loves to paint, travel, explore historical sites and comb through old bookstores and museums for obscure nuggets of historical details to add to her stories.

She lives in the Houston area with her husband and two rescue pups.



NOT THE KILLING KIND by Maria Kelson

FICTION DEBUT

October 8, 2024 | Fiction - Thrillers - Crime

This gripping, high stakes debut thriller about the lengths mothers will go to protect their children is perfect for fans of Wanda M. Morris and Jess Lourey.

Boots Marez is a Latina single mother raising a headstrong and sly 18-year-old boy she adopted six years ago. She also runs a school that helps the undocumented people in her politically divided town in Northern California. When her son Jaral is jailed for the murder of one of her former students, her world is turned upside down.

Struggling to protect her son, Boots has to spotlight a community used to living in the shadows, putting her hard work over the years in doubt. Meanwhile, a vicious parents' board wants to trash her ideals and oust her from the school she helped build. As she faces increasing danger to clear her son's name, she must decide how far she is willing to go to bring her son home.

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But nothing is as it seems—Jaral has been keeping secrets from her after all. And as she puts the missing pieces together, she will discover a deeper and darker web of lies that has been hiding in plain sight.

Material Status: Available

Approximate Word Count: 77,000

Approximate Page Count: 304

Territory: World

Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation



Maria Kelson wrote and published poetry for years as Maria Melendez, with two collections from University of Arizona Press recognized as finalists for the Pen Center USA Literary award and Colorado Book Award. Driven by an urge to write more for an audience and less for herself, she started working on *The White Redwood*, which won Sisters in Crime's Eleanor Taylor Bland award for Crime Fiction Writers of Color while a work in progress. An alumna of 5th grade outdoor education at Redwood Glen, she grew up in northern California on the Trixie side of the Belden/Drew divide and earned English degrees at Colorado State University and University of California, Davis. She has given readings and workshops at campuses and literary festivals around the country and was selected to serve as an American Voices arts envoy in Bogotá, Colombia. Her parents' families originate in Mexico and England, and the odds that you're her cousin are very high.



FINDING CLARITY by Tiffany Killoren

December 10, 2024 | Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Women Sleuths

A bride-to-be's discovery of long-lost wedding rings at an estate sale reveals the key to a decades-old cold case in this small town mystery perfect for fans of Louise Penny.

2024. Recently-engaged city girl Cora is new to the small town of Hickory Falls. Still adjusting to the change in pace, she's delighted when she stumbles upon a quaint estate sale. Drawn in by the knickknacks, she buys a jar of colorful baubles and is surprised to find two rings at the bottom of the jar. When she innocently sets out to find the original owner of the rings, she instead stumbles upon a decades-old mystery.

1953. Clarity Grey should've known better than to get involved with a married man, but their connection went too deep to ignore. When he divorces his wife for her, they marry and she gets the family life she's always dreamed of, with a new stepdaughter and a child of her own. But just as suddenly, her new life slips out of her hands when she simply vanishes, never to be seen or heard of again.

Labeled as flakey and a homewrecker, nobody in town takes Clarity's disappearance seriously.

Told in dual timelines, this engrossing novel exposes one family's secrets and the twisted lies that are hidden in small towns.

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Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation



Tiffany Killoren (writing also as Lilian West) is an author, former attorney, magazine editor and freelance writer. Her writing about film directors, celebrity bodyguards, artists, and national musical performers has been featured in multiple magazines, as well as her work focusing on community programs and area entrepreneurs. She is a regular contributor to lifestyle magazines and speaks at writing workshops, women in leadership programs and other events. Writing as Tiffany Killoren for women's fiction, and Lilian West for mystery novels, she currently resides with her husband, two sons and an incorrigible pup in a Kansas City suburb. **FINDING CLARITY** is her fourth novel.



FOUR QUEENS by Rosanne Limoncelli

March 11, 2025 | Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Women Sleuths

In 1938 England, Agatha Christie, Dorothy L. Sayers, Ngaio Marsh, and Margery Allingham - the "Four Queens" of British crime fiction - host a gala dinner to raise money for the Women's Volunteer Service to help Britain prepare for war as Nazi Germany begins its conquest of the Continent. Baronet Sir Henry Heathcote has graciously loaned his manor home, Hursley House, for the event, for which the London elite have shown up in fancy gowns and sharp tuxedos, dancing to a twenty-piece orchestra; it is a great success. Early the next morning as the house staff tidies up the rooms for its weekend guests, including the Four Queens, Sir Henry is found dead in the library, with his cigar still lit, his eyes open, and his face contorted in horror.

Scotland Yard is summoned and appears in the form of Detective Chief Inspector Lilian Wyles, who has distinguished herself in the Criminal Investigation Division as its first female officer, and Detective Chief Inspector Richard Davidson. Many of the guests have apparent motives, among them Sir Henry's politically ambitious son, his sexually rebellious daughter, his left-leaning Spanish son-in-law, his recently jilted fiancée, a young Indian secretary to the Home Secretary, and even the Four Queens are not beneath suspicion. But DCI Wyles, for whom this is her first murder investigation, has a knack for gaining the trust of female suspects and witnesses, and she quietly recruits the Four Queens to use their exceptional puzzle-solving talents to help identify the murderer.

Rosanne Limoncelli's debut locked-room murder mystery *Four Queens* centers on the concept that all four of these famous female crime authors could have come together in pre-war England and the fascination of seeing them work together using their respective unique detection skills gleaned from their work to solve an actual murder. DCI Wyles, who has a complex backstory, rises to the occasion and would be a returning character in subsequent mysteries featuring the four queens of crime.

Comparable novels to *Four Queens* would include many titles from the Christie, Sayers, Marsh, and Allingham oeuvres, as well as such recent titles as Claudia Gray's *The Murder of Mr. Wickham*, Susan Elia MacNeal's *Mr. Churchill's Secretary*, and Elly Griffiths' *The Locked Room*.

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Rosanne Limoncelli is a writer, filmmaker, and professor living in Brooklyn. She has written, directed and produced short narrative films, features, documentaries and educational films. Rosanne also writes poetry, short fiction, educational texts and novels. Her short fiction first appeared in Alfred Hitchcock Mystery Magazine and her most recent work can be seen in Suspense Magazine and Noir Nation. Currently, she is the Senior Director of Film Technologies at the Kanbar Institute and the Martin Scorsese Center of Virtual Production in Tisch School of the Arts at New York University, where she teaches writing and filmmaking to students and professors and often serves as an education and technology consultant and as a speaker at conferences and universities. She received her BFA from the Department of Film & TV at NYU's Tisch School of the Arts and her MA and PhD in Teaching Reading, Writing, and Media from NYU's Steinhardt School.



SLEEP TIGHT by J. H. Markert

September 24, 2024 | Fiction - Horror

The sole survivor of a serial killer might hold the key to stopping a new spree of murders in this propulsive thriller in the vein of *The Black Phone* and *The Whisper Man*.

Dark and twisting at every turn, fans of Catriona Ward will love this chilling new tale from the deviously inventive horror author that Peter Farris calls the "clear heir to Stephen King."

Beware the one who got away . . .

Father Silence once terrorized the rural town of Twisted Tree, disguising himself as a priest to prey on the most vulnerable members of society. When the police finally found his "House of Horrors," they uncovered nineteen bodies and one survivor—a boy now locked away in a hospital for the criminally insane.

Nearly two decades later, Father Silence is finally put to death, but by the next morning, the detective who made the original arrest is found dead. A new serial killer is taking credit for the murder and calling himself the Outcast.

The detective's daughter, Tess Claibourne, is a detective herself, haunted by childhood trauma and horrified by the death of her father and the resurgence of Father Silence's legacy.

When Tess's daughter is kidnapped by the Outcast, Tess is forced to face her worst fears and long-buried memories. With no leads to follow, she travels back to Twisted Tree to visit the boy who survived and see what secrets might be buried in the tangled web of his broken mind.

With captivating prose and an old-school horror flair, *Sleep Tight* is a must-read, haunting tale from a true master of the genre.

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Territory: World

Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation

Foreign sales for previous titles: Czech (Dobrovsky), Russia (AST)

****Barnes & Noble Bestselling Author****

Praise for *Mister Lullaby*:

"[A] high-octane supernatural thriller . . . Markert evokes the style and substance of works from horror's golden years."

—*Publishers Weekly*

Praise for *The Nightmare Man*:

"Markert maintains a tense pace throughout. Fans of dark murder mysteries with an edge will enjoy this one, as will those who like Cassandra Khaw and Stephen King's short stories (like "1408")."

—*Booklist*



J. H. Markert is a producer, screenwriter, husband, and father of two from Louisville, Kentucky, where he was also a tennis pro for 25 years, before hanging up the racquets for good in 2020. He graduated with a degree in History from the University of Louisville in 1997 and has been writing ever since.



LONG TIME GONE by Hannah Martian

DEBUT

October 8, 2024 | Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Private Investigators

A family goes to drastic lengths to protect their version of the truth, in this dual timeline rural debut mystery perfect for readers of Kelly J. Ford and Hayley Scrivenor.

In the small town of Wonderland, Wyoming, the truth is whatever the Coldwater family says it is. When their prodigal daughter Jessica was murdered forty years ago, their truth was that Holly Prine killed her—regardless of her innocence. But the Coldwaters are not the only reason private investigator Quinn Cuthridge hasn't set foot in the town in nearly a decade. Her aunt is the other reason.

COVER NOT FINAL When Quinn gets an unexpected call from her aunt's ranch hand, Hunter, she's disturbed to hear that her aunt has gone missing. When Quinn reluctantly returns to the town her aunt sent her away from eight years ago, she discovers that her aunt had been looking into Jessica Coldwater's murder before she disappeared.

As Hunter and Quinn dig into the secrets in the Wyoming back country, attraction flares between the two women, complicating their investigation—and Quinn's steadfast refusal to have any ties to Wonderland. With someone threatening Quinn and her own dark past echoing in the present, Quinn must struggle against her hometown and herself to find the truth in this rich queer mystery.

Material Status: Available

Approximate Word Count: 76,000

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Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation



Hannah Martian is a writer of adult fiction. She is currently a graduate student at Washington State University, where she is pursuing her Masters in sport management. She has been writing novels since the 8th grade, when her English teacher offered extra credit for anyone who wrote a novel for National Novel Writing Month. When she's not writing, you can probably find her watching a baseball game.



THE JIG IS UP by Lisa Q. Mathews

August 6, 2024 | Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Cozy - General

Irish step dance takes a deadly spin in this series debut, perfect for fans of Carlene O'Connor and Paige Shelton.

Single-mom Kate Buckley is all about family. After she receives an urgent text from her little sister Colleen, she puts her life on hold and rushes to her Irish-themed hometown of Shamrock. With her two daughters in tow, she's ready to bring out the big guns if it means showing up for her unruly sibling.

When they arrive, Colleen claims it was all a misunderstanding. But everything changes in an Irish minute when Colleen's friend Deirdre is found murdered. With no witnesses, Colleen quickly becomes a person of interest in Deirdre's murder after it is revealed the friends had a fight and incriminating evidence is found.

Convinced her sister isn't a killer, Kate is determined to clear Colleen's name.

As Kate investigates who had the motive to kill Deirdre, Colleen takes charge of the festivities Deirdre was spearheading, including the Celtic dance show. With St. Patrick's Week in full swing, Kate must catch the killer before the celebrations are ruined and her sister's life is reduced to shambles.

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Territory: World

Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation

Foreign sales for previous titles: Canada (Carina Press)

Book 2 Publishing August 12, 2025!



Lisa Q. Mathews began her publishing career as an editor of Nancy Drew books. She also wrote for other popular kids' series, including Mary-Kate and Ashley, Sweet Dreams, and the Lizzie McGuire Mysteries. After many years working in New York, she returned home to New England, where she now writes mysteries for adults, including the series *Shamrock Sisters* and *Ladies Smythe & Westin*. Her short story "Fly Me to the Morgue" was an Agatha Award finalist. Lisa lives in New Hampshire with her family, including a Golden Retriever named Farley and a rescue cat from Brooklyn.



THE GHOST OF WAIKIKI by Jennifer K. Morita

November 5, 2024 | Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Women Sleuths

In this atmospheric debut mystery, an out-of-work journalist and the homicide detective who broke her heart must cipher out a murder before the clock runs out, perfect for fans of Naomi Hirahara and Jesse Q. Sutano.

After the newspaper she works for folds and the freelance assignments no longer cut it, Maya Wong finds she has to leave California. She reluctantly returns to her native Hawaii to ghostwrite the memoirs of controversial land developer Parker Hamilton. But when the Hamilton patriarch is found dead under suspicious circumstances, Maya is unwittingly drawn into the investigation.

Maya's family is none too pleased about her work for Hamilton. And now, with her ex Detective Koa Yamada on the case, she's forced to contend with the very person she was determined to avoid.

All too soon, Maya is dodging assailants and digging for clues while juggling girls' nights out with her old BFFs and weekly family dinners. Convinced the police are after the wrong man, Maya is determined to stop the killer before it's too late.

Exploring timely issues in Hawaii, including locals getting priced out of paradise, *The Ghost of Waikiki* is an engrossing mystery in the vein of *The Verifiers*.

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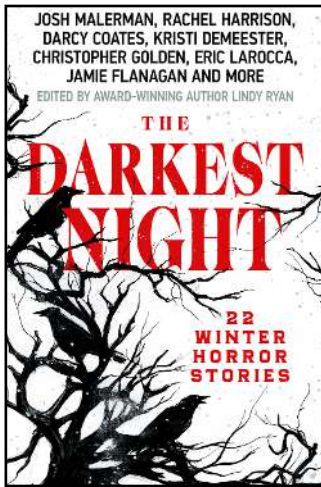
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Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation



Jennifer K. Morita started her writing career as a journalist, working her way up from a small weekly in Paradise, California to *The Sacramento Bee*. For the last several years, she has been juggling freelance writing with being a stay-at-home mom who pushes Girl Scout Cookies. She spent the first six months of the pandemic purging and baking until finally deciding to write the mystery she'd been thinking about for years. She lives in Sacramento, California with her husband and two daughters.



THE DARKEST NIGHT edited by Lindy Ryan

September 10, 2024

From some of the biggest names in horror comes an Advent calendar of short stories perfect for the darkest nights of the year.

Edited by award-winning author and anthologist Lindy Ryan, this horrific anthology will chill you to the bone.

From *New York Times* bestselling author of *Bird Box*, Josh Malerman, comes a story of a dark Christmas past in “Children Aren’t the Only Ones Who Know Where the Presents Are Hidden.”

From national bestselling author Rachel Harrison, in “Thaw,” a couple spends their first Christmas together in a cabin—but are they alone, or does something else watch them from the tree line?

New York Times bestselling authors Christopher Golden and Tim Lebbon’s “Wintry Blue” sets an innocent child on the road with a strange and monstrous creature.

From the Bram Stoker Award-winning screenwriter of Netflix’s *Haunting of Bly Manor* and *The Fall of the House of Usher*, in Jamie Flanagan’s “Bruiser,” something sinister stalks the chilling hallways of a nursing home at night.

Author of *Such a Pretty Smile*, Kristi DeMeester, tells a tale of “Eggnog”: a Christmas party, an overfriendly female coworker, and an angry wife are the recipe for a deadly cocktail party.

Plus stories by Nat Cassidy, Darcy Coates, Clay McLeod Chapman, Tim Waggoner, and many more, with an introduction by George C. Romero and art by renowned British horror artist Mister Sam Shearon.

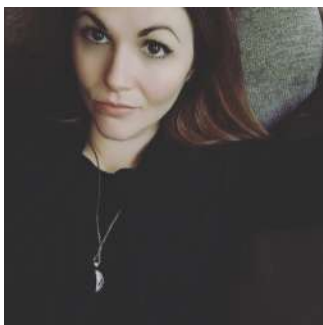
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Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation



Lindy Ryan is a Bram Stoker Awards®-nominated and award-winning editor, author, director, and professor. Ryan is currently a full-time professor at Rutgers University in the Masters of Professional Sciences program. She is also guest faculty in Western State Connecticut’s MFA program. Ryan grew up cutting her teeth on *Goosebumps* and universal monsters. She has published numerous academic texts and also writes clean, seasonal romance under the name Lindy Miller, where her books have been adapted for screen.



THE GOOD BRIDE by Jen Marie Wiggins

December 10, 2024

Bride Ruth Bancroft is throwing the "Gulf Coast's Wedding of the Year." The posh wedding is a big boon for her summer home, Blue Compass, a sleepy fishing village still struggling to rebuild after a category 4 hurricane devastated the coast a year ago. Nevermind that being the center of attention is more of her influencer sister's domain, Ruth tries to rise to the occasion and even find space for her estranged father in the family lineup. After all, marriages are a time of new beginnings, right?

When tragedy strikes during the rehearsal dinner, rumors churn amidst the search for a body in the waves. The wedding of the summer becomes the crime scene of this news cycle. Suddenly everyone from the ambitious event coordinator to the would-be groom has something to hide.

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Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation



Jen Marie Wiggins's first book, the gifty nonfiction title *Married AF: A Funny Guide for the Newlywed or Bride*, published with Sourcebooks in 2022. She has a background in advertising and public relations, and her writing has appeared in Southern Coastal Weddings, Savannah Magazine, Savannah Homes, and elsewhere. THE GOOD BRIDE draws much of its inspiration from the devastation and rebuilding struggles of Mexico Beach, Florida, a place near and dear to Jen's heart.

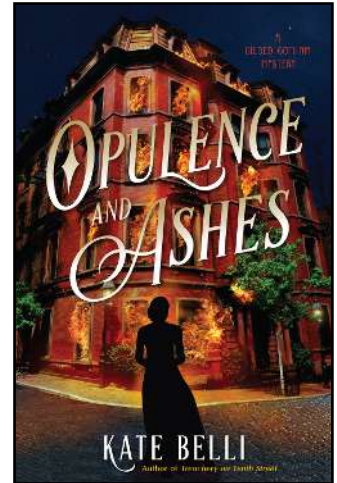
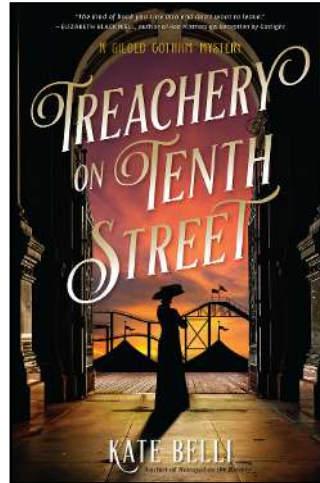
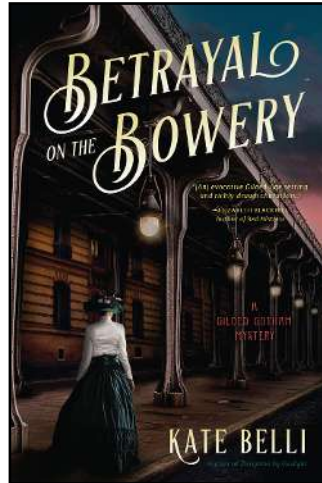
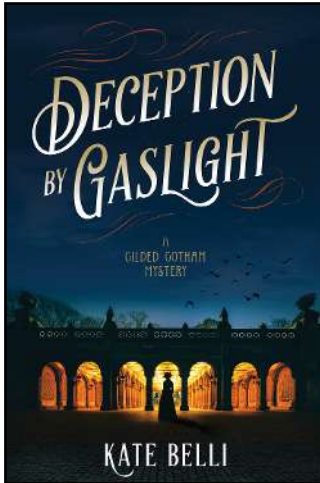
CONTINUING SERIES

GILDED GOTHAM MYSTERIES

by Kate Belli

Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Historical

Glittering Gilded-Age New York holds its lavish charms—and a litany of deadly sins—as intrepid reporter Genevieve Stewart uncovers a trail of corruption and murder.



Oct. 2023

Material Status: Available

Territory: World

Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation

Praise for Gilded Gotham Mystery Series:

"Evocative . . . Anne Perry fans will be pleased."

—*Publishers Weekly*

"Keeps you on the edge of your seat with a lush writing style that sends you back to the 1800s."

—*San Francisco Book Review*, 5-star review

"[A] riveting, carefully researched, [and] well-plotted mystery."

—*Library Journal*, starred review

"This first in a promising series drops readers right into the dirty, cutthroat streets of a bygone Gotham, introduces a couple whose fortunes they'll wish to follow, and makes a great recommendation for fans of Mariah Fredericks."

—*Booklist*, starred review



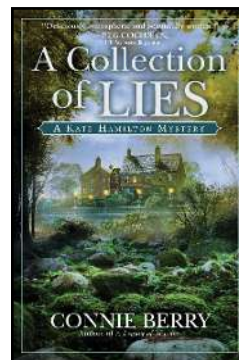
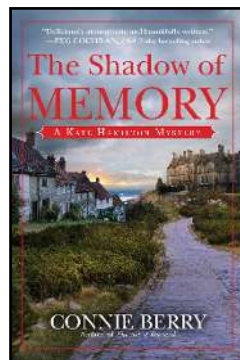
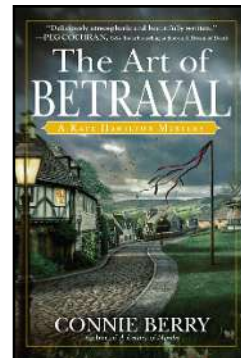
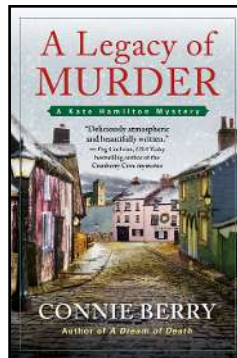
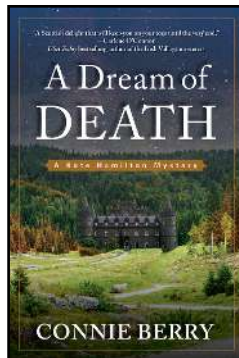
Kate Belli lives in the mid-Atlantic region with her husband and son. When not writing, she works as a professor or a yogi, depending on the day.

KATE HAMILTON MYSTERIES

by Connie Berry

Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Women Sleuths

On a remote Scottish island, American antiques dealer Kate Hamilton wrestles with her own past while sleuthing brutal local killings.



June 2024

Material Status: Available

Territory: World

Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation

Praise for the Kate Hamilton Mystery series:

"[A] traditional mystery that combines British legend with a contemporary story of crime and betrayal."

—*Library Journal*, starred review

"A delight for lovers of antiques and complicated mysteries with a touch of romance."

—*Kirkus Reviews*

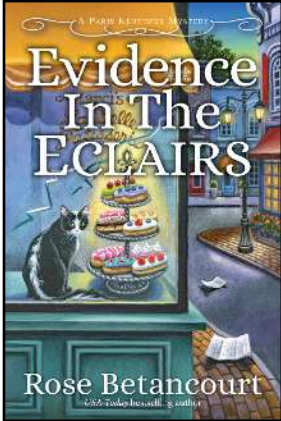


Connie Berry is the author of the Edgar Award-nominated Kate Hamilton Mysteries, set in the UK and featuring an American antiques dealer with a gift for solving crimes. Like her protagonist, Connie was raised by antiques dealers who instilled in her a passion for history, fine art, and travel. During college she studied at the University of Freiburg in Germany and St. Clare's College, Oxford, where she fell under the spell of the British Isles. In 2019 Connie won the IPPY Gold Medal for Mystery and was a finalist for the Agatha Award's Best Debut.

PARIS KENTUCKY BAKERY MYSTERIES

by Rose Betancourt

Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Cozy - Culinary

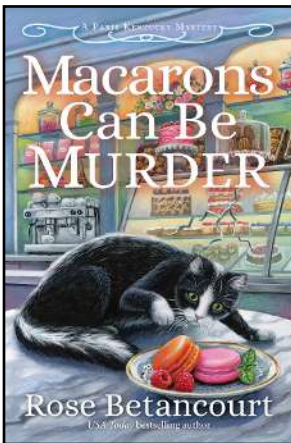


EVIDENCE IN THE ECLAIRS

July 9, 2024

A delicious treat for fans of Ellie Alexander and Lucy Burdette, life at the bakery heats up when an éclair recipe falls into the wrong hands—and murder is the deadly frosting.

Marci Beaucoup is loving life as the owner of a French-style patisserie in the small town of Paris, Kentucky—but when newcomer Ellen Charles arrives, Marci's sweet surroundings suddenly turn darker than a mouthful of baker's chocolate. First, Ellen accuses Marci of stealing her éclair recipe. Then, Ellen is found dead in a dumpster behind the bakery, a box of éclairs clutched in her cold hands. Naturally, Marci becomes suspect number one. And when she starts receiving threatening messages written in French, it's clear that someone is out to put the final ganache on her business—and maybe, her life.



Detective Maverick Malone has loved Marci since grade school, and doesn't believe she's capable of murder. But he can't ignore that the evidence against her is mounting. Ellen and Marci had been seen in an argument the day before the murder. The body was found behind Marci's shop. And an anonymous source claims to have overheard Marci threaten Ellen. But there are other potential suspects as well. Ellen's best friend, Marianne Spencer, was secretly stewing over a cookbook that Ellen was working on, contending that the recipes were really hers. Steamy Beans Coffee Shop owner Leanne James had a confrontation with Ellen as well. And an enigmatic figure named Matthew Dean has followed Ellen to Paris from her former hometown of Louisville, claiming that she owes him money and determined to get it at any cost.

But who's sending Marci the threatening letters? Someone who speaks and writes French—but no one seems to have that particular *je ne sais quoi*. All fingers are pointing at Marci, and if she can't find the real killer, she could be on her way to prison—or iced for good.

Material Status: Available

Territory: World

Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation

Praise for *Macarons Can Be Murder*:

****USA Today Bestselling Author****

"Betancourt's debut has all the ingredients of a fun culinary cozy—a spunky heroine, quirky townspeople, and a dishy police detective to spice things up."

—Rosie Genova, national bestselling author of the Italian Kitchen Mysteries

"More fun than a magic macaron!"

—Gayle Leeson, author of the Down South Cafe series



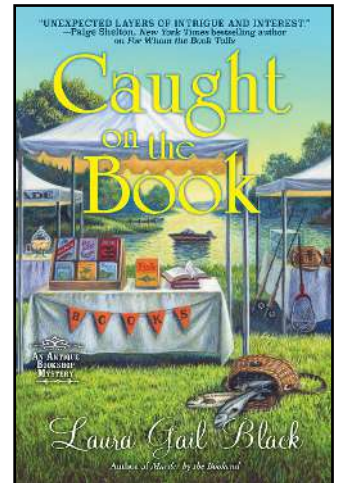
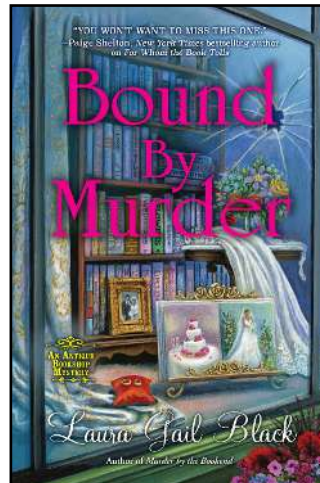
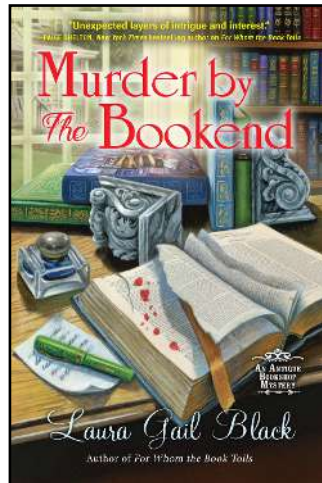
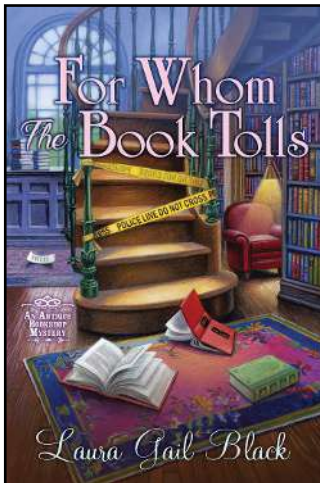
Rose Betancourt is a *USA Today* bestselling author. She enjoys writing quirky and fun novels with a paranormal twist. When she's not plotting her next mystery novel, she loves reading, painting, spending time with family, and listening to oldies. Her writing is fueled by Diet Coke and dark chocolate. Rose lives near Louisville, Kentucky.

ANTIQUE BOOKSHOP MYSTERY SERIES

by Laura Gail Black

Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Cozy - General

For fans of Ellery Adams and Paige Shelton, in Laura Gail Black's Antique Bookshop mysteries, Jenna Quinn is going to have to go all out—hook, line, and sinker—in order to catch a killer.



Material Status: Available

Territory: World

Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation

Oct. 2023

Praise for the Antique Bookshop Mystery series:

"[A] perfect escapist fare for cozy fans."

—*Publishers Weekly*

"Real-seeming characters."

—*Kirkus Reviews*

"You won't want to miss this one."

—Paige Shelton, *New York Times* bestselling author

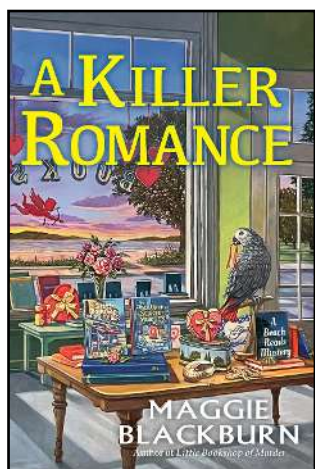


Laura Gail Black writes cozy mysteries on the beautiful shores of Lake Marion in South Carolina, where she lives with her husband and four rescue dogs. She began collecting antique books when she worked in a used antique bookstore in college. Today, Laura's bookshelves contain many antique books, some of which are close to 200 years old. When not writing or playing with her dogs, Laura creates her own jewelry, crochets, cross-stitches, spends time on the water with her husband, and enjoys all things tea.

BEACH READS MYSTERIES

Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Cozy - General

by Maggie Blackburn

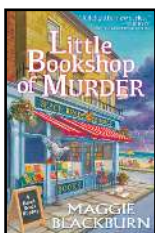


A KILLER ROMANCE

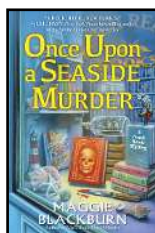
February 6, 2024

When Beach Reads hosts a Valentine's Day Romance event, "Romance by the Sea," Summer Merriweather has no idea that the guest author is under investigation for murder. When the author dies unexpectedly at the local B & B, it's discovered that she was poisoned. As Summer and crew put together the pieces of the author's life, including the alleged murder of her husband, she finds a stash of drugs in the author's belongings, leading her to believe the author was engaged in more shady dealings.

But when Glads, one of Summer's friends, gets hauled in for the murder, Summer and her crew launch an investigation to help clear her name—and hold her up emotionally. Summer's old lawyer boyfriend Cash Singer represents Glads in the case, and in the meantime tries to make a case for him and Summer rekindling their romance. But first, Summer says yes to a date with an out-of-town detective, under the guise of liking him but really working against him to report back to Cash and Glads. As they pick apart the scant clues, Summer, Glads, and Cash find more treachery and heartbreak than they bargained for.



Sept. 2020



Oct. 2021

Material Status: Available

Territory: World

Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation

Praise for *Little Bookshop of Murder*

"[A] charming series launch...Plenty of booklore...enhances the sleuthing."

—*Publishers Weekly*

"[An] engaging cast."

—*Booklist*

"Blackburn has created a clever mystery...As cozy mysteries go, this is one of the best."

—*New York Journal of Books*



Maggie Blackburn is the author of the Cora Crafts mysteries and the Cumberland Creek mysteries under another pen name. Her books have been selected as finalists for an Agatha Award and a Daphne du Maurier Award and as Top 10 Beach Reads by *Woman's World*. The mother of two young women who are off following their dreams in the music business, she resides in Waynesboro, Virginia.

IRISH CASTLE MURDER MYSTERIES

by Ellie Brannigan

Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Cozy - General

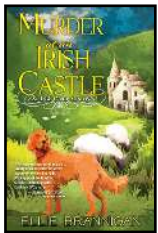


DEATH AT AN IRISH WEDDING

December 10, 2024

Bridal wear designer-turned-entrepreneur Rayne McGrath remains in the Irish countryside ready for some wedding mayhem in this charming and colorful cozy, perfect for fans of Carlene O'Connor and Sheila Connolly.

Rayne McGrath's efforts to save the rundown family castle she inherited were an epic failure after she accidentally set fire to the tower and tanked the budget. Is the castle haunted, or is she just unlucky? Meanwhile, her cousin, Ciara Smith, is anxiously booking their joint calendar with special events in the hopes of bringing the property around before they lose everything.



Feb. 2023

When a bridalwear client from LA asks Rayne for help as her guest list spirals out of control, Rayne nabs the answer to her prayers. McGrath Castle is the perfect destination for the exclusive and intimate wedding party of heiress Tori Montgomery and her fiancé, heartthrob actor Jake Anderson. But this white veil occasion turns into a nightmare when Tori's best friend's assistant, Tiffany Quick, is found dead.

It's feared Tiffany jumped from the tower but that theory is quickly put in doubt as secrets within the wedding party come to light. And as the villagers protest this new wedding venue venture, Rayne begins to wonder if she will succeed in her endeavor, or lose it all.

Material Status: Available

Territory: World

Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation

Praise for *Murder at an Irish Castle*:

"[A] strong sense of place . . . [And] a well-written cozy mystery series launch. Will appeal to fans of Sheila Connolly and Carlene O'Connor."

—*Library Journal*, starred review

"An appealing protagonist and colorful supporting characters match the imaginative plot."

—*Publishers Weekly*

"Strong characters and clever efforts to save the castle will leave you eagerly awaiting the next installment."

—*Kirkus Reviews*



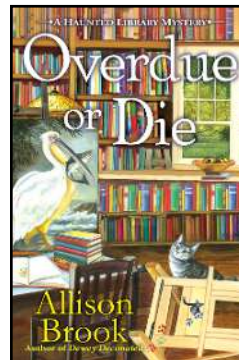
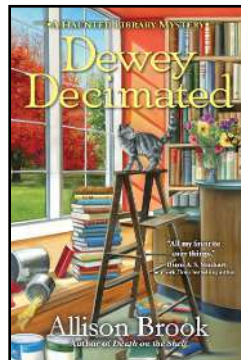
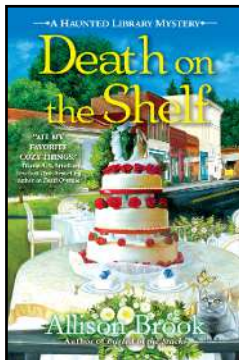
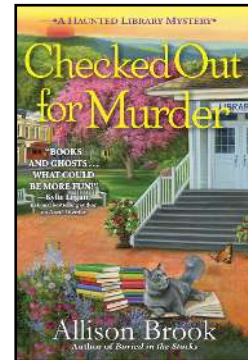
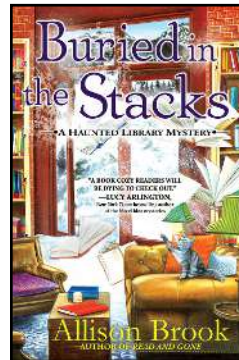
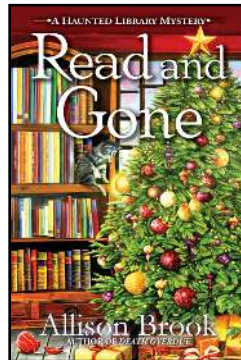
Ellie Brannigan has lived in South Florida for the last twenty years. She loves the ocean and any food dish with shrimp. When she's not creating new fictional worlds, she reads, and travels...and eats.

HAUNTED LIBRARY MYSTERY SERIES

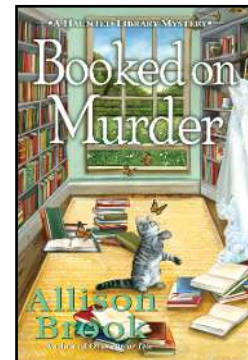
by Allison Brook

Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Cozy - Paranormal

Librarian Carrie Singleton is on the case, alongside library ghost Evelyn, in Agatha Award nominee Allison Brook's Haunted Library mysteries.



Oct. 2023



Aug. 2024

Material Status: Available

Territory: World

Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation

Praise for the Haunted Library Mystery series:

"Readers of Miranda James, Jenn McKinlay, Carolyn Hart, Nancy Atherton, and Carolyn Haines will be delighted."

—*Library Journal*, starred review

"Captivating . . . Well-drawn characters match the lively plot."

—*Publishers Weekly*

"Charming characters, an idealistic setting, and a killer reveal."

—*Manhattan Book Review*, 5-star review



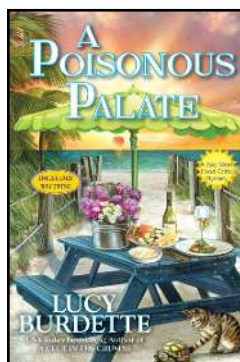
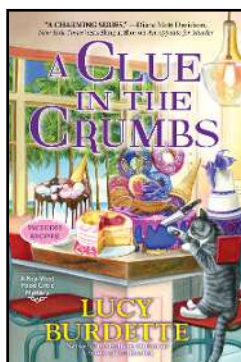
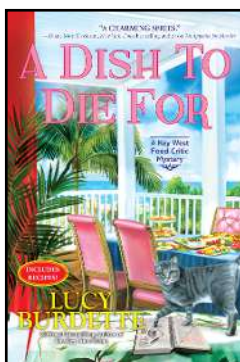
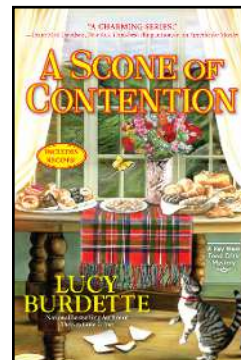
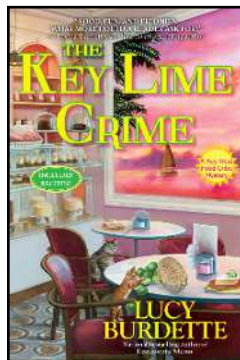
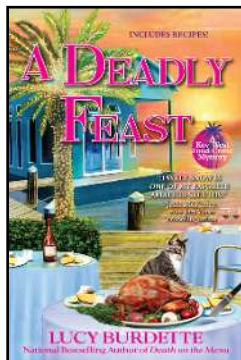
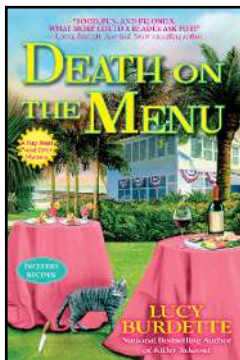
A former Spanish teacher, **Allison Brook** writes mysteries, romantic suspense, and novels for young readers. She loves traveling, reading, knitting, doing Sudoku, and visiting with her grandchildren, Olivia and Jack, on FaceTime. She lives on Long Island with Sammy, her feisty red cat.

KEY WEST FOOD CRITIC MYSTERIES

by Lucy Burdette

Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Cozy - Culinary

The Key West Food Critic series is known for its dastardly deaths, creative clues, and mouth-watering mysteries.



Material Status: Available

Aug. 2024

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Territory: World

Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation

Praise for The Key West Food Critic Mysteries

"Hayley Snow is one of my favorite amateur sleuths."

—Jenn McKinlay, New York Times and USA Today bestselling author

"Food, fun, and felonies. What more could a reader ask for?"

—Lorna Barrett, New York Times bestselling author

"Burdette skillfully balances a well-crafted plot with a vivid portrayal of Key West."

—Sheila Connolly, New York Times bestselling author

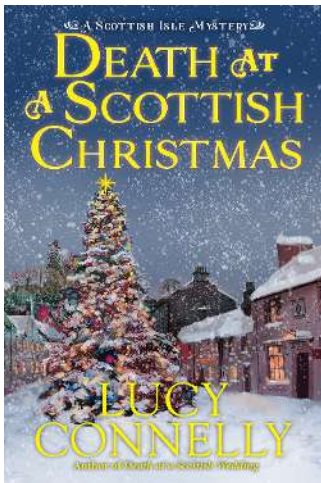


New Jersey-born clinical psychologist **Lucy Burdette** a.k.a. Roberta Isleib is the author of twenty-two mysteries, including *A CLUE IN THE CRUMBS*, the latest in the Key West series featuring food critic Hayley Snow (Crooked Lane Books). The tenth book in her Key West food critic mystery series, *THE KEY LIME CRIME*, won the Florida Book Award's bronze medal for popular fiction. Her first thriller, *UNSAFE HAVEN*, was published by Severn House in 2021. Her books and stories have been short-listed for Agatha, Anthony, and Macavity awards. She's a past president of Sisters in Crime and currently serving as president of the Friends of the Key West Library.

SCOTTISH ISLE MYSTERIES

by Lucy Connelly

Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Cozy - General



DEATH AT A SCOTTISH CHRISTMAS

October 15, 2024

Merriment, mistletoe, and murder await in the third installment of the Scottish Isle mystery series, perfect for fans of Sheila Connolly and Joanne Fluke.

Sea Isle, Scotland, is magical during the holiday season, and Dr. Emilia McRoy can't wait to enjoy everything her village has to offer. But when the lead singer of a famous band is murdered in the village, just as they were about to launch a world tour, her holiday instantly comes to a halt.

As the band's future hangs in the balance, Emilia discovers that the victim was working on new music that has since disappeared. Were these new lyrics worth killing for? And if so, who is the culprit? It seems more than one person wanted this music star dead. Shockingly, beloved Constable Ewan Campbell becomes the prime suspect in the investigation, putting a damper on the town's festivities.



With an ever growing list of suspects, Emilia will need all the help she can get to figure out who is framing poor Ewan. Between a secret Santa that wants her dead, stalkers, and killer holiday celebrations, Emilia must see the devil in the details and discover the truth before it's too late.

Material Status: Available

Territory: World

Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation

Praise for *An American in Scotland*:

"An atmospheric, character-driven debut . . . [For] fans of Carlene O'Connor's Irish mysteries."
—*Library Journal*, starred review

"[A] promising debut and series launch . . . Jane Austen fans will relate."
—*Publishers Weekly*

"Stunning Scottish scenery provides the backdrop for an enjoyable mix of murder and romance."
—*Kirkus Reviews*



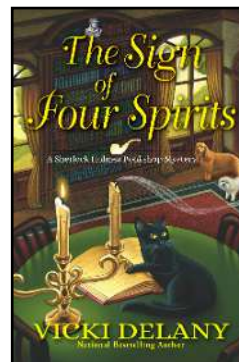
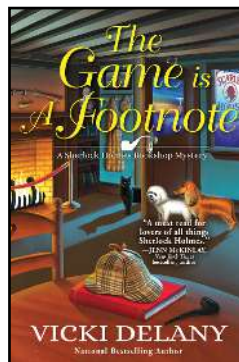
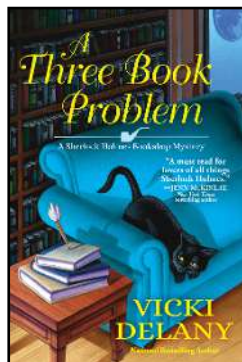
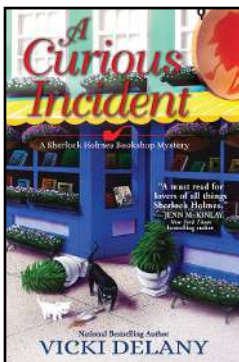
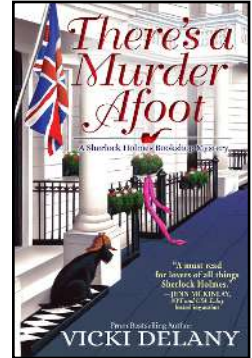
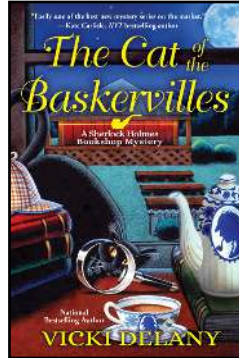
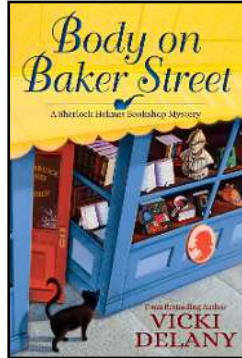
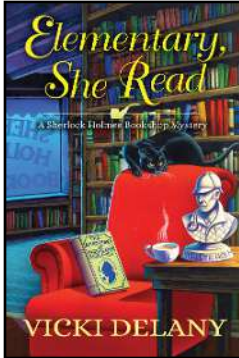
Lucy Connelly travels around the world, usually with her bossy dog in tow. Her favorite pastime is sipping tea in a quaint cafe as she turns each passerby into a murder victim, witness, or suspect. If she stares at you strangely, don't worry. She only murdered you in her book.

SHERLOCK HOLMES BOOKSHOP MYSTERIES

by Vicki Delany

Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Cozy - General

Murder pays a visit to Gemma Doyle's Sherlock Holmes-themed bookshop in this clever and captivating cozy mystery series from the bestselling author of the Year-Round Christmas Mysteries.



Jan. 2025

Material Status: Available

Territory: World

Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation

Praise for the *Sherlock Holmes Bookshop Mystery* series:

"Will please Sherlockians."

—*Publishers Weekly*

"Sherlock Holmes' methods work once more in a charming combination of history and mystery."

—*Kirkus Reviews*

"Plot twists, Sherlock Holmes lore, historical facts woven through the story, engaging characters, and the details of running a small business in a coastal town enhance this satisfying cozy."

—*Booklist*

Vicki Delany is a bestselling author of more than thirty novels/novellas in several of mystery's subgenres. Born in Manitoba and raised in Ontario, she is the former president of the Crime Writers of Canada, a member of Capital Crime Writers, and a member of Sisters in Crime.

GIRL FRIDAY MYSTERIES

by Emily J. Edwards

Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Historical



Nov. 2022 May 2023

VIVIANA VALENTINE AND THE TICKING CLOCK

by Emily J. Edwards

November 17, 2023

For fans of Ashley Weaver and Rhys Bowen, when Viviana Valentine and Tommy Fortuna head to Times Square for New Year's Eve, they didn't expect their resolution to involve catching a killer.

New York City, 1950. Viviana Valentine and Tommy Fortuna have a lot of resolutions for the new year—whether it's continuing to build up their detective agency or planning their wedding, the two are looking forward to the future. On their way to Times Square to celebrate, the two witness a brutal stabbing. When Tommy tries to chase down the culprit, Viviana tries her best to save the man. She's unsuccessful, but Viviana hears his final words: a whispered apology to an unknown friend.

Clues are hard to come by, with the only leads being the fraught last words and a few nondescript matchbooks in the victim's overcoat. Their investigation is halted when Detective Jack Lawson of the New York Police Department arrives, immediately ruffling Viviana's feathers and bumping chests with Tommy, who he nearly arrested for murder just months earlier. The two know there's more to the story, but there are other pressing matters at hand.

Clients are clamoring to get the detectives to work on their cases: a man is being blackmailed by a criminal who only writes in code, Tommy's old friend needs his fiancée tailed, and an investment banker has mysteriously vanished. To add to their work load, Viviana knows something strange is happening at her boarding house. Will all of this—plus planning for a wedding—be too much for one Girl Friday?

Material Status: Available

Territory: World English

Rights Available: Foreign English

Praise for Viviana Valentine Gets Her Man:

"[A] sprightly debut . . . Edwards writes with flair."

—*The New York Times*

"A snappy valentine to a bygone era . . . [with] a raft of twists and complications."

—*Kirkus Reviews*



"A solid debut . . . For fans of hardboiled PIs with hearts of gold."

—*Library Journal*

Emily J. Edwards earned her degree in Writing, Literature, and Publishing from Emerson College and took the long road to becoming an author, working for over a decade as a wine and spirits journalist, radio producer, and podcaster. She currently resides in Connecticut with her husband, and several quadrupeds.

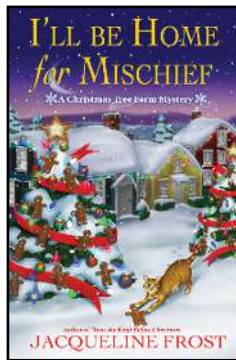
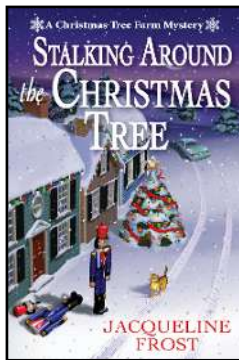
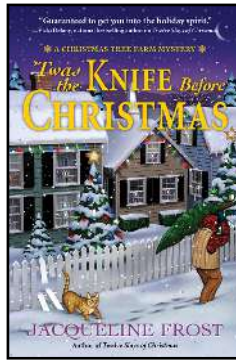
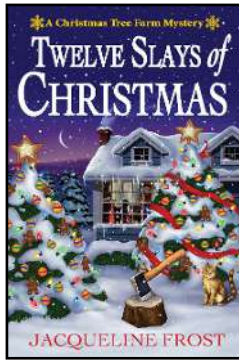
CHRISTMAS TREE FARM MYSTERY SERIES

by Jacqueline Frost

Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Cozy - Holidays & Vacation

STALKING AROUND THE CHRISTMAS TREE

Filled with holiday charm and perfect for fans of Leslie Meier, Jacqueline Frost's charming series is set at a Christmas tree farm when the jolliest time of the year turns deadly.



Nov. 2024

Material Status: Available

Territory: World

Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation

Praise for the Christmas Tree Farm Mysteries:

"A lively and festive cozy series, introducing an appealing protagonist and charming Maine setting."

—*Library Journal*

"Cozy fans with a sweet tooth will be in heaven."

—*Publishers Weekly*

"Full of Christmas cheer, punning names of places and characters, and several Santas who play a major role."

—*Kirkus Reviews*

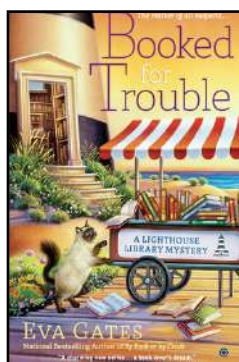
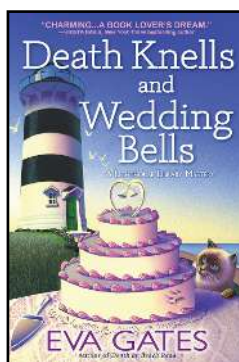
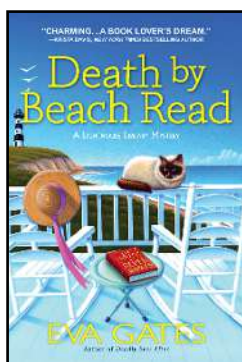
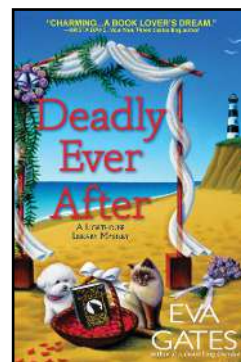
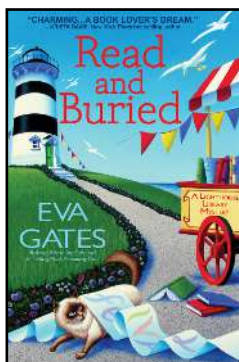
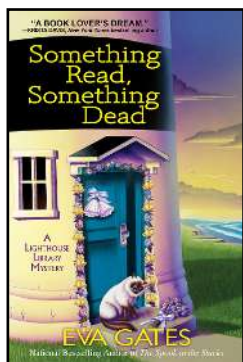
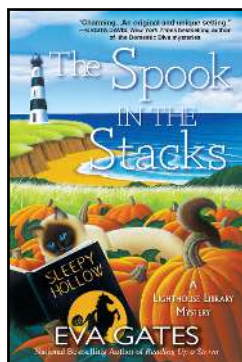
Jacqueline Frost is a mystery-loving pet enthusiast who hopes to make readers smile. She lives in rural Ohio with her husband and three spunky children. Jacqueline is a member of the International Thriller Writers (ITW) and Sisters in Crime (SinC).

LIGHTHOUSE LIBRARY MYSTERIES

by Eva Gates

Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Cozy - General

From national bestselling author, Eva Gates, the Lighthouse Library Mystery series features "a spunky librarian, a captivating book collection, an intriguing lighthouse, and plenty of twists and turns to keep you reading until dawn."—Daryl Wood Gerber



June 2024

June 2026

Material Status: Available

Territory: World English

Rights Available: Foreign English

Praise for the Lighthouse Library mysteries:

"Exceptional...Cozy queen Gates is at the top of her game."

—*Publishers Weekly*, starred review

"An engaging mystery...Readers who enjoyed Miranda James's 'Cat in the Stacks' mysteries will discover this series similarly entertaining, complete with a library, a cat, and a captivating location and sleuth."

—*Library Journal*, starred review

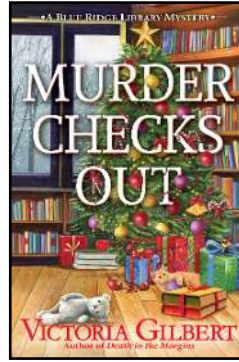
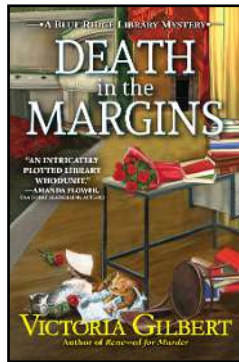
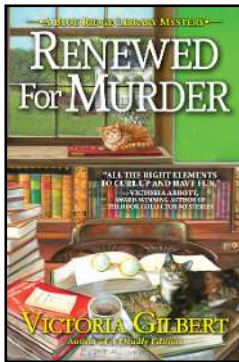
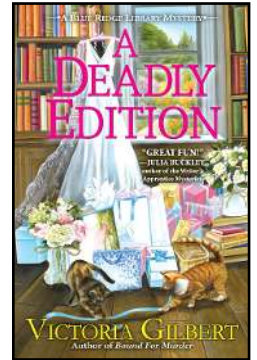
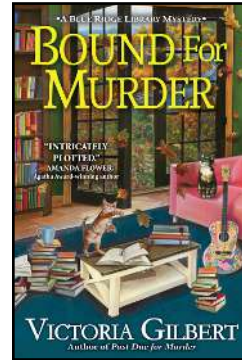
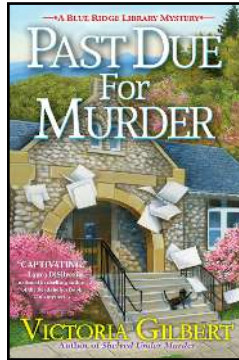
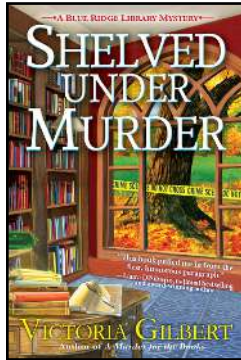
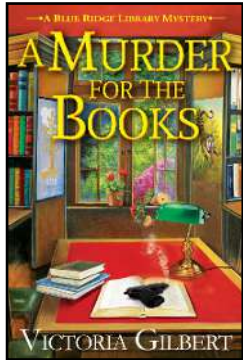
Eva Gates is a national bestselling author who began her writing career as a Sunday writer: a single mother of three high-spirited daughters, with a full-time job as a computer programmer. Now she has more than twenty novels under her belt in the mystery genre, published under the name Vicki Delany. She lives in Ontario. This is her eighth Lighthouse Library mystery.

BLUE RIDGE LIBRARY MYSTERIES

by Victoria Gilbert

Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Cozy - General

This cozy mystery series about a crime-solving librarian in small-town Virginia is “one of the best” (*New York Journal of Books*).



July 2025

Material Status: Available

Territory: World

Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation

Praise for the Blue Ridge Library Mystery series:

“Lively small-town characters, a well-paced plot, and dollops of fascinating art history help make this a winner.”

—*Publishers Weekly*

“Gilbert weaves a well-paced, engaging story with strong characters... Blue Ridge Mystery fans will love reconnecting with Amy and her Taylorsford compatriots.”

—*NY Journal of Books*



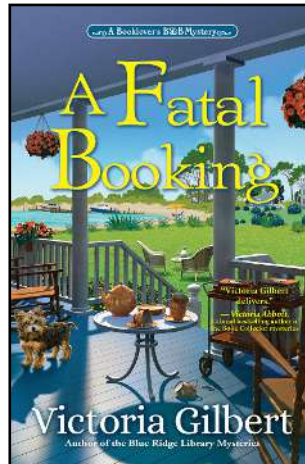
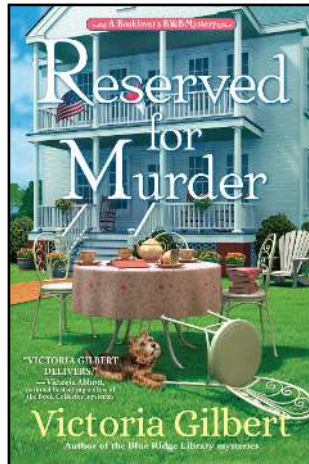
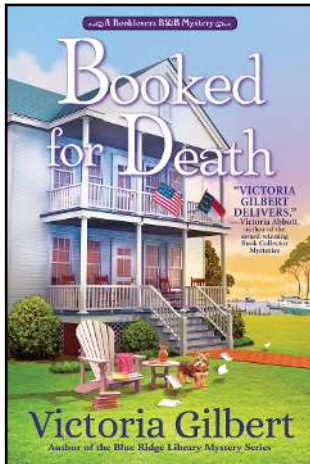
Victoria Gilbert, raised in the shadow of the Blue Ridge Mountains, turned her early obsession with reading into a dual career as an author and librarian. Victoria has worked as a reference librarian, research librarian, and library director. When not writing or reading, she likes to spend her time watching films, gardening, or traveling. She is a member of Sisters in Crime and International Thriller Writers and lives in North Carolina.

BOOKLOVER'S B&B MYSTERIES

by Victoria Gilbert

Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Cozy - General

A booklover's B&B in an idyllic waterfront village becomes the scene of a grisly murder—and a ruthless battle between treachery and the truth. From the critically acclaimed Victoria Gilbert, perfect for fans of Kate Carlisle and Juliet Blackwell.



2026

Material Status: Available

Territory: World

Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation

Praise for B&B Mystery series:

"Captivating . . . Well-rounded characters match the finely crafted plot."

—*Publishers Weekly*, starred review

"Plenty of mysterious circumstances and quirky characters are spiced with a romance that hints at future complications."

—*Kirkus Reviews*

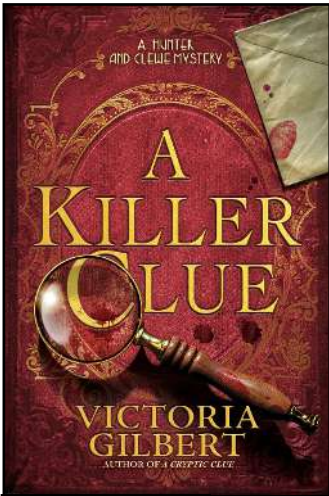
"Plenty of background on books and publishing combine with the agreeable small-town ambiance and the sultry southern setting to frame with satisfying cozy."

—*Booklist*

HUNTER & CLEWE MYSTERIES

by Victoria Gilbert

Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Amateur Sleuth



A KILLER CLUE

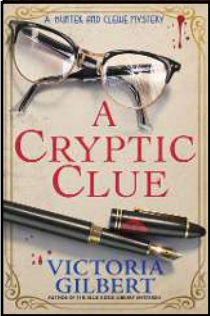
April 9, 2024 | One of Cameron Clewe's favorite book dealers is a 30-something woman who runs an antiquarian bookshop that's been in her family for decades. She comes to Cam and Jane to ask for their help in clearing her mother's name. The bookstore owner's mother was convicted of killing her father (a stabbing) in the office of their bookshop and spent the rest of her life imprisoned. (The mother has just died in jail, still proclaiming her innocence).

Cam and Jane agree to look into this "cold case," which becomes "hot" when, after their first meeting with the book dealer, Jane returns to find a retired detective – who had worked on the family murder case — lying on the floor, stabbed to death. Of course, the bookshop owner becomes a major suspect in this murder, and Cam and Jane vow to uncover evidence that will help prove her innocence.

Material Status: Available

Territory: World

Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation



Praise for *A Cryptic Clue*:

"A charming new series from the always-entertaining Victoria Gilbert! Librarian Jane Hunter is a force to be reckoned with."

—Gigi Pandian, *USA Today* bestselling author of the Secret Staircase Mysteries

"A booklover's delight . . . Credible characters, an absorbing mystery and fine writing make this a novel to put straight on your wants list."

—Peter Lovesey, award winning author of the Peter Diamond series



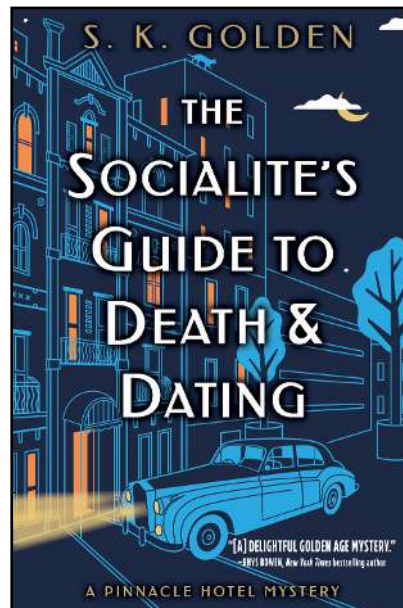
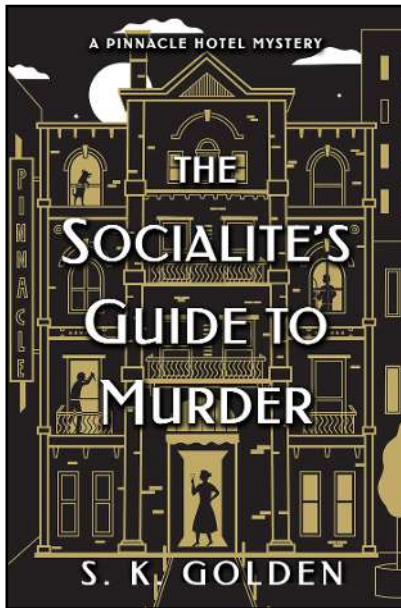
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PINNACLE HOTEL MYSTERIES

by S. K. Golden

Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Historical

Evelyn Elizabeth Grace Murphy suffers from agoraphobia, but that doesn't stop her from hunting clues to protect her beloved Pinnacle Hotel, in this 1950s-set historical mystery series.



Material Status: Available

Territory: World

Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation

Praise for *The Socialite's Guide to Murder*:

"A sprightly series launch . . . Golden channels the spirit of the late Hugh Pentecost's Beaumont Hotel."

—*Publishers Weekly*

"[A] decorous whodunnit festooned with period trappings."

—*Kirkus Reviews*

"[For] readers who enjoyed other hotel-set mysteries with young amateur sleuths, like Nita Prose's *The Maid*."

—*Library Journal*



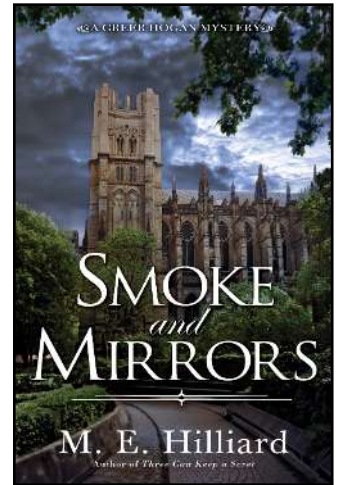
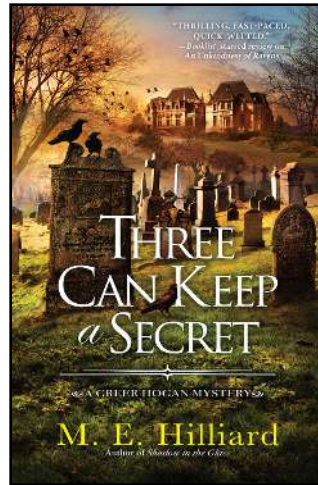
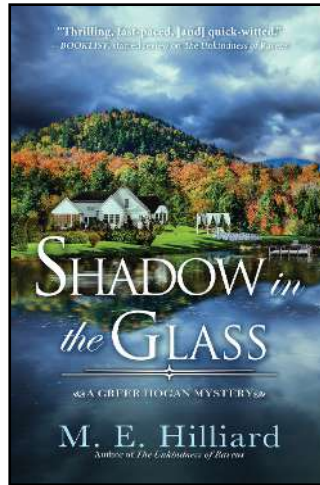
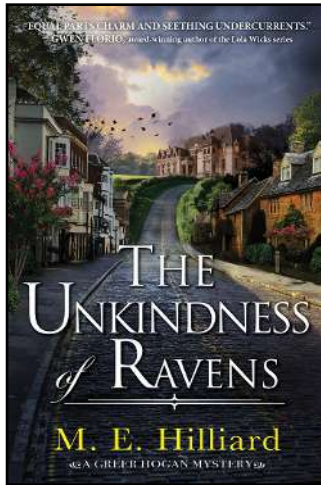
S.K. Golden is the author of the cozy mystery *The Socialite's Guide to Murder*. She graduated from Saint Leo University with a bachelor's degree in Human Services and Administration. Born and raised in the Florida Keys, she married a commercial fisherman, and the two of them still live on the islands with their five kids, two cats, and a corgi.

GREER HOGAN MYSTERIES

by M. E. Hilliard

Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Women Sleuths

Librarian Greer Hogan matches wits with deviously clever killers in M.E. Hilliard's mystery series, ideal for fans of Louise Penny and Dorothy L. Sayers.



February 2024

Material Status: Available

Territory: World

Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation

Praise for the Greer Hogan Mystery series:

"[A] first-rate debut and series launch."

—*Publishers Weekly*, starred review

"Thrilling, fast-paced, quick-witted, and full of nostalgic references."

—*Booklist*, starred review

"Readers who enjoy Louise Penny's *Three Pines* will enjoy protagonist Greer Hogan's sly, witty observations."

—Gwen Florio, award-winning author of the Lola Wicks series

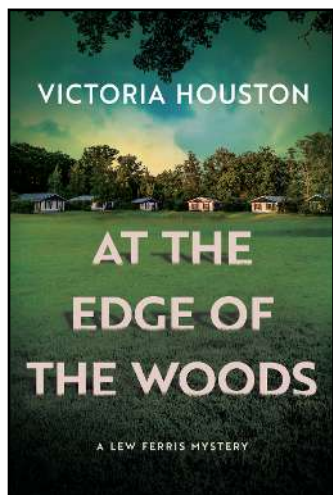


M. E. Hilliard is currently a full-time librarian who started out in retail merchandising. After twelve years of mergers, consolidations, and moves around the country, she went to graduate school and got a Master of Library Science degree. Originally from the Connecticut shoreline, she has never lost her love of quaint small towns, big cities, and fashion, so she indulges that in her writing. A life-long lover of mystery fiction, M. E. currently lives and works in Florida.

LEW FERRIS MYSTERIES

by Victoria Houston

Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Police Procedural



AT THE EDGE OF THE WOODS

May 7, 2024 | Someone is murdering pickleball players in Loon Lake and Sheriff Ferris is on the hunt for their killer in Victoria Houston's third nail-biting Lew Ferris mystery, perfect for fans of Marc Cameron and Nevada Barr.

When a local pickleball player is shot in the head while practicing at an abandoned tennis court with his partner-slash-lover, Sheriff Lew Ferris suspects that the bullet was a stray shot from hunters in the area. It's not until a second player—the first victim's mistress and pickleball partner—is killed that Sheriff Ferris realizes this is no hunting accident: someone is hunting people.

With the first victim's crazed widow breathing down Lew's neck, there's no room to breathe, let alone to find time to appreciate the beautiful Loon Lake fall and go fishing. Adding to Sheriff Ferris' difficulties are four pickleball players convinced someone has targeted them, someone who will do anything, even murder, to frighten them away from the courts where they play—but why?

Who is really at risk? The pickleball players, or Lew and the people close to her?

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Territory: World

Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation



Jan. 2022 Jan. 2023

Praise for Victoria Houston:

"Houston's loving portrayals of the continuing cast members and the wild Wisconsin settings add up to a charming read."

—*Kirkus Reviews*

"A master of juxtaposing nature's beauty with humanity's ugliness."

—*Publishers Weekly*

"Victoria Houston is a master storyteller."

—Marc Cameron, *New York Times* bestselling author of the Arliss Cutter Mysteries

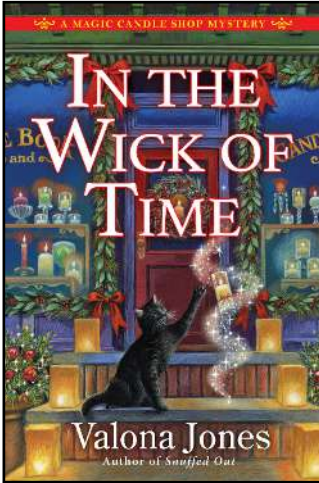


Victoria Houston is the author of 19 books in the Loon Lake mysteries as well as seven non-fiction books on family issues. She has been featured on the front page of *The Wall Street Journal* and on *National Public Radio*. Houston lives, writes and fishes in northern Wisconsin.

MAGIC CANDLE SHOP MYSTERIES

by Valona Jones

Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Cozy - Paranormal



IN THE WICK OF TIME

October 17, 2023

Tabby Winslow will help her twin sister Sage with anything and everything—and that includes putting out the flames of suspicion when Sage's boss is found murdered in this magical mystery, perfect for fans of Amanda Flower and Sofie Kelly.

December in Savannah, Georgia, is a sight to behold. With all the festivities—including the traditional riverfront luminary display during the boat parade—twin sisters Tabby and Sage Winslow are busier than ever setting up for the big celebration. But that isn't the only thing on the sisters' minds. Both Sage and her fellow employee Mary Nicole are vying for the sought-after assistant manager job at the plant nursery. But when Loren Lee, their boss, is found dead, and Sage becomes the police's favorite suspect, both Winslow girls know that they'll need more than a flicker of magic and their sisterhood to solve the murder and clear Sage's name.

Soon, Tabby realizes that this is just one of the many problems they have. If being a suspect for murder wasn't enough, there are more magical problems that they have to fix: Sage's boyfriend is having a paranormal experience of his own he can't control, there's an energy vampire searching for his supposedly lost cousin, and oh—every time Tabby hiccups, she turns completely invisible. The suspect list grows with each day and it seems everyone has a reason or a connection to Loren Lee.

Tabby and Sage are burning the candle at both ends—but will it be enough to keep their friends safe and find this killer? Or will they be burned by their efforts?

Material Status: Available

Territory: World

Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation

Praise for *Snuffed Out*:

"[An] enjoyable series launch . . . Paranormal cozy fans will be well satisfied."

—*Publishers Weekly*

"Mayhem arrives at the [candle] shop . . . Cozy meets Karma."

—*Kirkus*

"*Snuffed Out* brings a sharp new twist to the paranormal cozy mystery genre . . . Readers who appreciate intricate plotting and an edgier vibe to their paranormal cozy mysteries will find much to enjoy about *Snuffed Out*."

—Diane A.S. Stuckart, *NYT* bestselling author of cozy mysteries

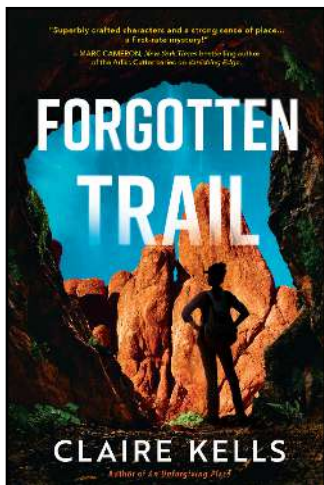


Valona Jones worked as a scientist for many years, and then she accidentally became a freelance reporter for a weekly paper, all while the stories in her head demanded to be written.

NATIONAL PARKS MYSTERY SERIES

by Claire Kells

Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Police Procedural



FORGOTTEN TRAIL

November 17, 2023 | In this third installment of Claire Kells's thrilling National Park Mystery series, Investigative Services Branch agent Felicity Harland ventures through volcanic wilderness to investigate a murder at a new hike-in lodge at Pinnacles National Park.

When a guest turns up dead at the newly-opened Pinnacles Grand Hotel, ISB agent Felicity Harland finds herself summoned to a peculiar scene. A gentle breeze blows in from the balcony window, belying the violence of a man stabbed to death in his hotel room. It's clear to Harland that this murder was personal, especially when the victim's wife admits that she wanted him dead.

But Harland isn't so sure that this was a domestic dispute gone bad. When she hears about the Park Service searching for a missing person out on the trails, she sets out with her partner, Ferdinand "Hux" Huxley, to see if the two cases are connected.

As Harland and Hux take on the rocky, exposed terrain of California's ancient volcanic wonderland, they soon realize that the mystery at the Pinnacles Grand is not at all what it seems—and that a predator may be closing in.

Material Status: Available



Nov. 2021

Nov. 2022

Territory: World

Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation

Praise for the National Parks Mystery series:

"[This] investigation threatens to cross the boundaries of safety as well as . . . personal and professional lines."

—Kirkus Reviews

"An appealing crime fighting team . . . Fans of Scott Graham's National Parks mysteries will want to check this one out."

—Publishers Weekly

"Superbly crafted characters and a strong sense of place."

—Marc Cameron, *New York Times* bestselling author of the Jericho Quinn series and Arliss Cutter series



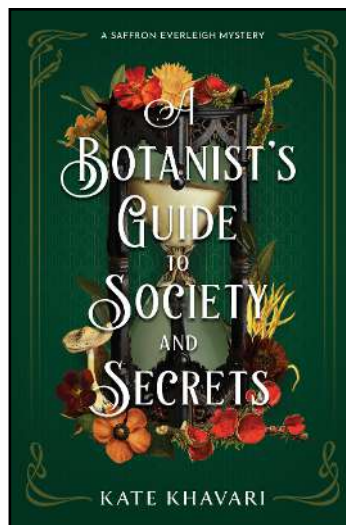
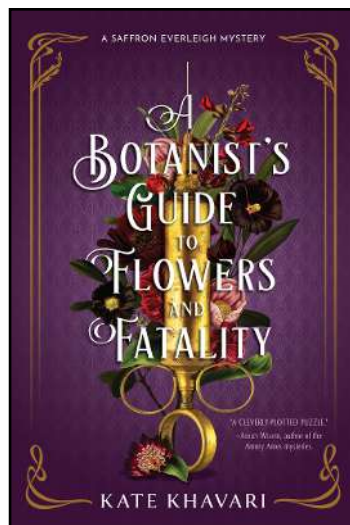
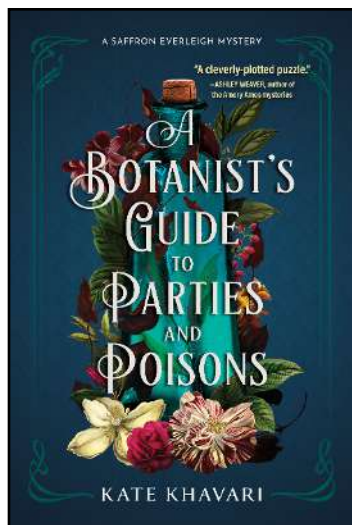
Claire Kells is the bestselling author of the adventure novel *Girl Underwater*. An avid open-water swimmer and outdoor enthusiast, she gravitates toward stories of survival, struggle, and redemption. Her experiences as a practicing physician also play an important role in her novels, and she's grateful for all the fascinating stories her patients have told her over the years. She received a degree in English from Princeton University and a medical degree from the University of California.

SAFFRON EVERLEIGH MYSTERIES

by Kate Khavari

Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Historical

The Lost Apothecary meets *Dead Dead Girls* in this fast-paced, STEMinist adventure. Kate Khavari deftly entwines a pulse-pounding mystery with the struggles of a woman in a male-dominated field in 1923 London.



3.9 ★★★★★

856 ratings

June 2024

June 2025

Editors' pick Best Mystery, Thriller & Suspense

Material Status: Available

Territory: World

Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation

Rights Sold: Audio Book 1 & 2; Russia (AST) 1 & 2

Praise for *A Botanist's Guide to Parties and Poisons*:

"An exciting debut with a determined protagonist whose future is sure to contain romance and mystery."

—Kirkus

"Khavari is off to a promising start."

—Publishers Weekly

"Intelligent, witty, and brave . . . Khavari has created a fast-paced, interesting mystery."

—Bookpage



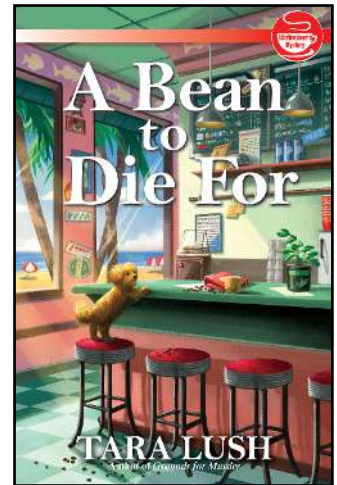
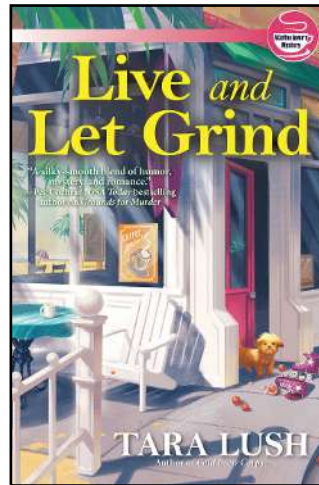
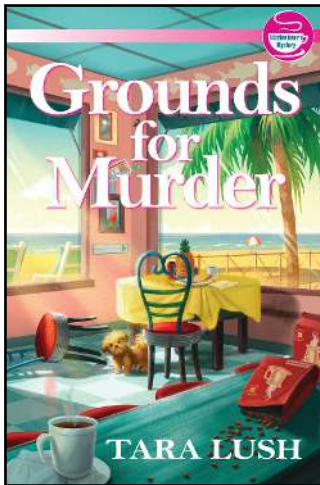
Kate Khavari is the author of fiction ranging from historical mysteries to high fantasy epics. She has her parents to thank for her fascination for historical mysteries, as she spent the majority of her childhood memorizing Sherlock Holmes's and Poirot's greatest quips. A former teacher, Kate has a deep appreciation for research and creativity, not to mention the multitasking ability she now relies on as an author and stay at home mother to her toddler son. She lives in the Dallas-Fort Worth area of Texas with her husband, son, and a lovely garden that contains absolutely no poisonous plants.

COFFEE LOVER MYSTERIES

by Tara Lush

Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Cozy - Culinary

Barista Lana Lewis's sleuthing may land her in a latte trouble in Tara Lush's Coffee Shop mysteries.



Material Status: Available

Territory: World

Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation

Praise for the Coffee Lovers Mystery series:

"Behind-the-scenes sleuthing, sly confrontations with witnesses . . . [and] romance."

—Kirkus Reviews

"Vivid and delightful . . . A fun and entertaining read for lovers of coffee shop mysteries."

—San Francisco Book Review

"Enjoyable . . . Distinctive characters complement the twisty plot."

—Publishers Weekly

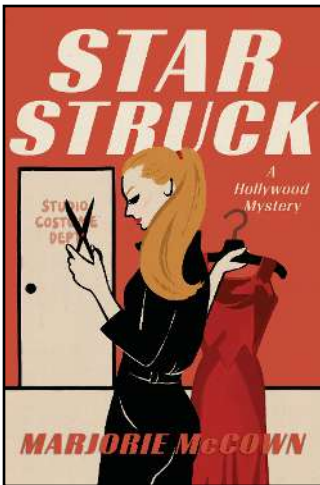


Tara Lush is a Rita Award finalist, an Amtrak writing fellow, and a George C. Polk Award winning journalist. For the past decade, she's been a reporter with the Associated Press, covering crime, alligators, natural disasters, and politics. She also writes contemporary romance set in tropical locations. A fan of vintage pulp-fiction book covers, Sinatra-era jazz, and 1980s fashion, she lives with her husband and two dogs on the Gulf coast.

HOLLYWOOD MYSTERIES

by Marjorie McCown

Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Women Sleuths



STARSTRUCK

June 4, 2024

Perfect for fans of Elle Cosimano and Kellye Garrett, in this second Hollywood Mystery, film costumer Joey Jessop discovers that Hollywood buries its secrets deep when a superstar's assistant turns up dead.

Costumer Joey Jessop is working on a movie set in 1930s Hollywood and starring two of the world's biggest stars. The male lead moonlights as an activist, and the female lead, Gillian Best, is known for her lifestyle brand. After a hit-and-run near the set, Joey realizes that the car involved belongs to Gillian, and she begins to wonder if the actress has more to hide than her Botox appointments.

Her suspicions deepen when Gillian's personal assistant Rita vows to get revenge for Gillian replacing her and is found dead shortly after. Gillian quickly labels Rita's death a suicide, and the police seem to agree—but Joey isn't so sure.

With the police standing aside, it's up to Joey to dig up the truth—but Hollywood stars know how to keep their secrets close, and a woman like Gillian Best won't take kindly to someone sniffing around her affairs. But Joey is certain that Gillian has something to hide—and she's determined to find out what.



Material Status: Available

Territory: World

Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation

Editors' pick Best Mystery, Thriller & Suspense

Praise for *Final Cut*:

"[A] keen sense of what it's like to work on a Hollywood production."

—*Kirkus Reviews*

"A must-read movie mystery packed with juicy details from a Hollywood insider, *Final Cut* gets my nomination for best debut."

—Ellen Byron, Agatha and Lefty Award Winner, *USA Today* bestselling author

"A sparkling debut. —Erica Ruth Neubauer, Agatha Award winning author of the Jane Wunderly Mystery series

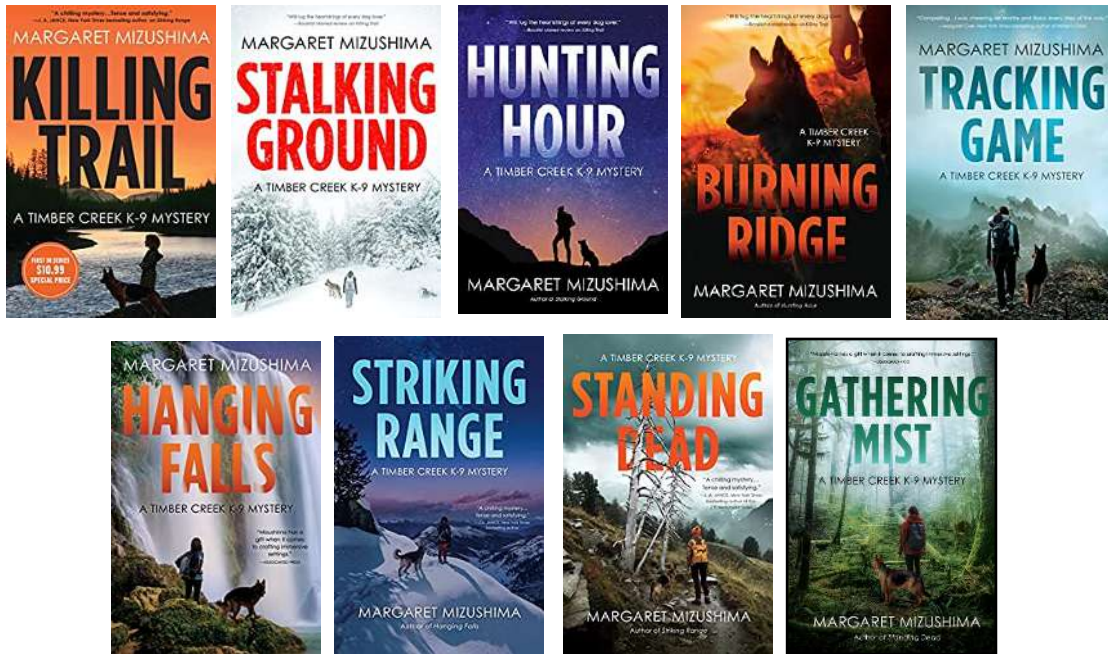


Marjorie McCown has spent her entire professional life in the story-telling business, though she started out on the visual side of the craft. She spent more than twenty-five years in Hollywood working as a key member of the costume design teams for a string of successful movies that includes *Forrest Gump*, *Apollo 13*, *The Firm*, *A Bronx Tale*, *Wag the Dog*, *The Aviator*, *Hairspray*, *Angels and Demons*, *The Curious Case of Benjamin Button*, and *X-Men Days of Future Past*. McCown has a BA in Theater from the University of Virginia and an AAS in Fashion Design from the Fashion Institute of Technology in NYC. She is a member of Sisters in Crime and Mystery Writers of America. She lives in Southern California.

TIMBER CREEK K-9 SERIES

by Margaret Mizushima

Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Cozy - General



October 2024

****over 200,000 copies sold****

Praise for the Timber Creek K9 Mystery Series

"A chilling mystery . . . Tense and satisfying."—J.A. Jance, *New York Times* bestselling author of the J. P. Beaumont series

"I can't wait for the next adventure from these dynamic partnerships."—Anne Hillerman, *New York Times* best-selling author

"Memorable characters, rugged setting, and a page-turning mystery. Brilliant!"—Bruce Robert Coffin, award-winning author of the Detective Byron Mysteries

"Mizushima has a gift when it comes to crafting immersive settings."—*Associated Press*

"Sue Henry fans will love."—*Library Journal*, starred review

"Will tug the heartstrings of every dog lover."—*Booklist*, starred review

"A realistic view of how a K-9 team works . . . It's impossible not to fall in love with Robo."—*Publishers Weekly*, starred review

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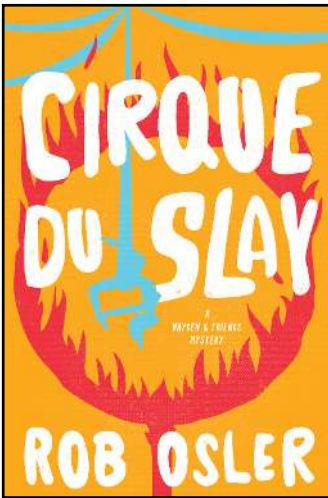


Margaret Mizushima is the author of the award-winning and internationally published Timber Creek K-9 Mysteries. She serves as president for the Rocky Mountain Chapter of Mystery Writers of America, was elected the 2019 Writer of the Year by Rocky Mountain Fiction Writers, and is also a member of Northern Colorado Writers, Sisters in Crime, Pikes Peak Writers, and Women Writing the West. She lives in Colorado on a small ranch with her veterinarian husband where they raised two daughters and a multitude of animals. She can be found on Facebook/AuthorMargaretMizushima, Twitter @margmizu, Instagram at margmizu, and her website at www.margaretmizushima.com.

HAYDEN & FRIENDS MYSTERIES

by Rob Osler

Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Cozy - General



CIRQUE DU SLAY

April 9, 2024

In the rollicking mystery, perfect for fans of Steven Rowley and Elle Cosimano, the circus becomes the stage for a high-profile murder investigation.

With quirky LGBTQ+ amateur sleuths, *Cirque du Slay* will delight readers looking for a madcap mystery with high-flying excitement!

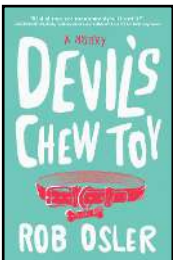
Pint-sized Seattle middle school teacher and gay dating blogger Hayden McCall and his best friend Hollister are invited to a fundraiser for Bakers Without Borders. The celebrity performer, Kennedy Osaka, is the artistic director of Mysterium, an upscale circus arts show combining magic, acrobatics, and a Michelin-star dinner. But Kennedy is a no-show—until she's found dead in her hotel suite.

When frenemy Sarah Lee is discovered in the room with the body, Hayden and Hollister are on the case to find the real culprit before Sarah Lee is charged with the crime.

The suspects for the murder are as unique as Mysterium itself: a Russian trapeze artist, a cowgirl comedian sharp-shooter, an over-cologned operations director, a feisty, green-haired costume manager, and *Adrenalin!*, a sexy troop of Romanian male acrobats...If Hayden and Hollister are to clear Sarah Lee of suspicion, they'll have to outsmart a killer for whom trickery is art.

Territory: World

Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation



Select praise for *Devil's Chew Toy*:

"[An] appealing debut . . . Readers will hope Hayden and company will be back soon."

—*Publishers Weekly*

"A light but engrossing mystery."

—*Popsugar*



Aside from fiction writing, **Rob Osler** is a halfway decent tennis player, proficient at making chicken piccata and crab cakes, and threatens to restart playing bridge and the banjo—though not at the same time. He attended college in Washington, where he also earned a master's degree in business. After many years of living in Seattle and San Francisco, he resides in southern California with his long-time partner and a tall, gray cat.

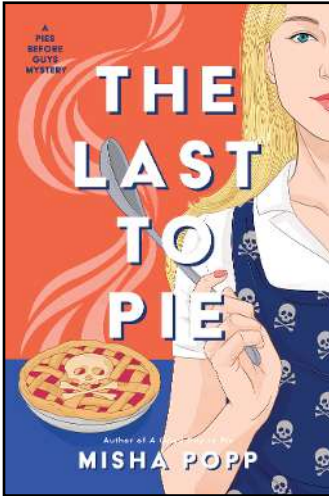
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NOMINATION: Best Debut Mystery Novel**
2023 AGATHA AWARD NOMINATION: Best First Novel
2023 ANTHONY AWARD FINALIST: Best Novel
2023 MACAVITY AWARD NOMINATION: Best First Mystery

A POPSUGAR BEST MYSTERY OF 2022
A BOOKRIOT BEST MYSTERY OF 2022
A CRIMEREADS BEST MYSTERY OF 2022

PIES BEFORE GUYS MYSTERIES

by Misha Popp

Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Cozy - Culinary

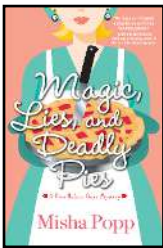


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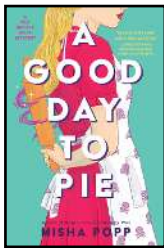
April 9, 2024

Perfect for fans of Mia P. Manansala and Elle Cosimano, in Misha Popp's third Pies Before Guys mystery, the pies are deadlier than ever when Daisy receives a request for revenge against an abusive cop.

Daisy Ellery is back to doing what she does best: making pies and killing guys. And it's about to get more dangerous than ever. Daisy knows the statistic—domestic violence perpetrated by cops is rampant. It was only a matter of time before she was called in to help. But when the request arrives in her inbox, it isn't accompanied by the required referral and that makes Daisy nervous. Is this really a woman trapped in a violent relationship, or is it a shady cop trying to uncover Daisy's murderous side hustle?



May 2022



Feb. 2023

Her boyfriend thinks it's more trouble than it's worth, and Daisy hesitates to accept the job—until the woman who left the request goes missing and it's clear her boyfriend is responsible. Knowing his work buddies won't be any help investigating, Daisy sets out to find the woman and plans a little justice of her own. When Daisy finds evidence that the boyfriend wasn't just a monster in private, but corrupt at work too, things get even more perilous.

Feeling guilty that she hesitated to help the woman, Daisy is determined to find her and get her justice—whatever it takes.

Territory: World

Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation

Praise for the Pies Before Guys Mysteries:

"Darkly humorous . . . Cozy readers looking for something different will find much to like."

—*Publishers Weekly*

"Wickedly funny and wonderfully twisted."

—*Popsugar*

"[A] fun premise and the in-depth descriptions of food . . . round out a volume sure to please culinary cozy fans."

—*Publishers Weekly*

"An exciting debut that has you rooting for a morally conflicted witch while salivating over her pies."

—*Kirkus*

"The rapid pacing and tantalizing plot will keep [readers] engrossed in this strong debut."

—*Booklist*

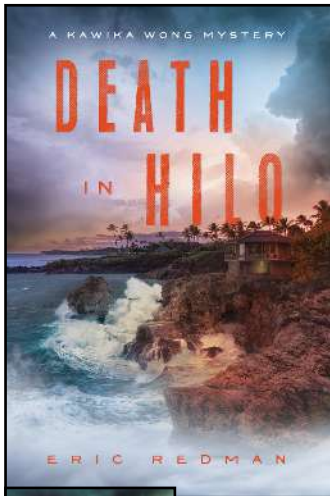


Misha Popp enjoys writing about murderous women and over-the-top baked goods, but not so much about herself. She lives in rural Massachusetts where she bakes entirely too many pies and sculpts things out of chocolate. An unrepentant school nerd, she has a collection of degrees that have nothing to do with the jobs that pay her.

HAWAIIAN MYSTERIES

by Eric Redman

Fiction - Thrillers - Suspense



DEATH IN HILO

February 6, 2024

ITW Finalist Eric Redman is back in this thrilling second installment of his Hawaiian murder mystery series, perfect for fans of Elly Griffiths and Ragnar Jonasson. When bodies start piling up and the list of suspects growing long, Detective Kawika Wong must dig into his own past to solve a key Big Island murder.

It's been twelve long years since Detective Kawika Wong was tasked with solving the brutal murder of the infamous real-estate developer Ralph Fortunato—a case that led to more bodies than answers and a slew of complicated and ancient secrets, a case that made his career. Now, the once rookie detective is next in line to be Honolulu's next Chief of Police. But all is not well on O'ahu or the Big Island.

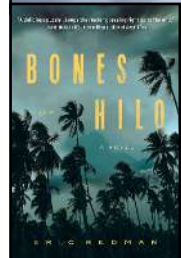
For weeks, Kawika and his team have failed to catch an elusive serial killer known as the "Slasher." He strikes quickly and efficiently, and he doesn't make mistakes. But when a freshly decapitated body is found at a previous dump site, Kawika's gut tells him something isn't quite right. Who is this victim, and why does Kawika feel that this one doesn't belong to the Slasher?

To make matters worse, a hungry young journalist, Zoë Akona, is investigating the questionable outcome Kawika and his then-superior Terry Tanaka produced in the Fortunato case, and her snooping leads to an official review that jeopardizes everything Kawika's worked so hard for.

But Detective Wong knows that, no matter what, he must find a second murderer even while the "Slasher" continues to strike. The investigation takes him back to the Big Island – and to the long-dormant case the reporter Zoë Akona won't leave alone. Kawika is about to discover what happens when the secrets of the past catch up with the promises of his future.

Territory: World

Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation



June 2021

Praise for *Bones of Hilo*:

"[Redman's] local color goes far beyond touristy tidbits...[the] backstory [is] fascinating and timely."
—*Kirkus Reviews*

"Hawaiian history and culture and the state's fight against development are this story's critical elements."
—*Library Journal*



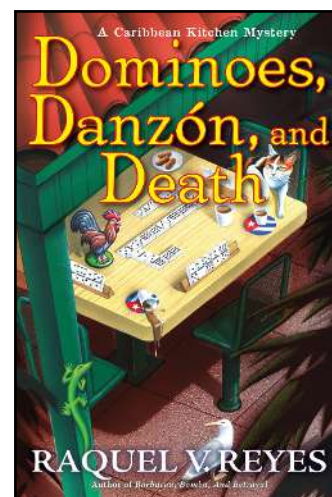
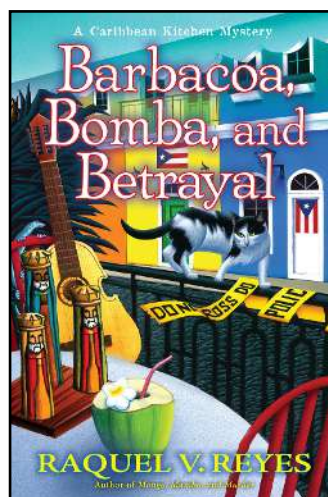
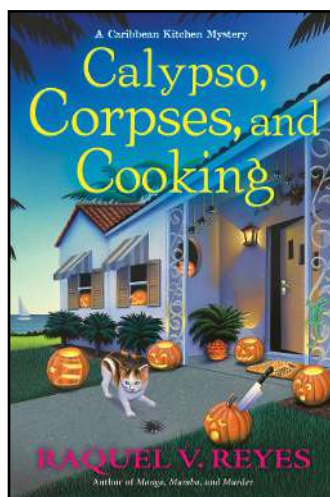
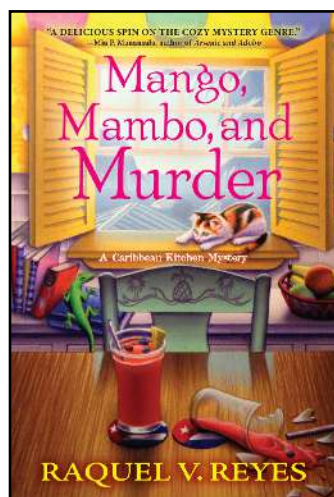
Eric Redman is a Seattle-based writer, lawyer, and climate activist who for decades has loved the Big Island of Hawaii, its history, and its people. He is a former contributing editor of *Rolling Stone* and has written for the *New York Times*, *Washington Post*, and many other publications. He wrote the nonfiction best-seller, *The Dance of Legislation*.

CARIBBEAN KITCHEN MYSTERIES

by Raquel V. Reyes

Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Cozy - Culinary

Cuban-American cooking show star Miriam Quiñones-Smith becomes a seasoned sleuth in Raquel V. Reyes's Caribbean Kitchen Mystery series.



Material Status: Available

Territory: World

Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation

Praise for the Caribbean Kitchen Mystery series:

Winner, 2022 Lefty Award, Best Humorous Mystery Novel

Winner, 2022 International Latino Book Awards, Best Novel-Mystery English

"I love the mix of Latinx food...the women's friendships...and all the Spanglish which was music to my ears." —*BookRiot*

"Mystery fans will instantly be pulled into this one." —*Reader's Digest*

"Raquel V. Reyes's series debut, *Mango, Mambo, and Murder*, furthers my belief that the cozy mystery has become one of the most diverse, and most vibrant, in contemporary crime fiction." —*The New York Times*

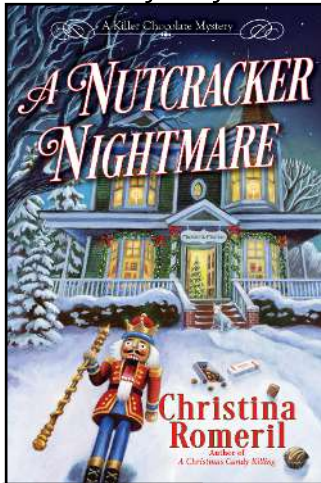


Raquel V. Reyes writes Latina protagonists. Her Cuban-American heritage, Miami, and Spanglish feature prominently in her work. *Mango, Mambo, and Murder*, the first in the Caribbean Kitchen Mystery series, won a LEFTY for Best Humorous Mystery. It was nominated for an Agatha Award and optioned for film. Raquel's short stories appear in various anthologies, including *The Best American Mystery and Suspense* 2022.

KILLER CHOCOLATE MYSTERIES

by Christina Romeril

Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Cozy - Holidays & Vacation

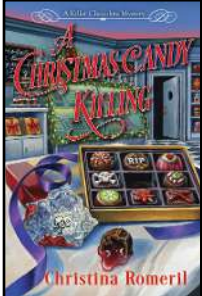


NUTCRACKER NIGHTMARE

October 17, 2023

Perfect for fans of Joanne Fluke and Laura Childs, when twin sisters Hanna and Alex help out at the local high school reunion, volunteering takes a turn when they find a former classmate's dead body.

Hanna and Alex, owners of the Murder and Mayhem book and chocolate shop, are busy preparing for the Harriston High School's reunion weekend. Neighbors will connect with old friends and perhaps try to avoid old foes. One person no one can avoid is Kyle, the former star quarterback, who is busy using his entire playbook to try and score with Hanna, even threatening her if she doesn't play nice. At the reunion, Alex glimpses more drama than nostalgia as insults are flung around like a football at a Friday night game. The party is put on hold when Alex finds the dead body of none other than Kyle himself, bludgeoned to death by a nutcracker that the sisters admired earlier in the night.



Hanna quickly becomes the prime suspect—someone saw her slap Kyle in the face at the reunion dance. She'll need her sister, their sleuthing canine, Watson, and their old friends and colleagues to help break this case wide open. While looking through old yearbooks and taking a stroll down memory lane, Alex uncovers a few secrets about Kyle, now, it seems like everyone had a motive to kill him.

But when the suspects start becoming the victims, Alex and Hanna know that they can't melt under the pressure—they must find the killer before they become just another yearbook memory.

Material Status: Available

Territory: World

Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation

Foreign Sales: Book #1, Spain (Alma Libros)

Praise for *A Christmas Candy Killing*:

"[An] exceptional debut . . . With its inventive premise, this cozy stands out from the pack."

—*Publishers Weekly*, starred review

"Clever characters, mouth-watering chocolates, and an amateur sleuth who won't take no for an answer.

This delightful cozy has it all."

—J.C. Eaton, award-winning author of *The Sophie Kimball Mysteries*

"A fun read and an intriguing who-dun-it."

—Nancy J. Parra, *USA Today* bestselling author of the *Wine Country Mysteries*



Christina Romeril is a cozy-mystery writer. She grew up in Kitchener, Ontario, and has been devouring stacks of books since third grade when the *Trixie Belden* series sparked her love of the genre. She has lived on both coasts of Canada as a member of the Canadian military and later as a military spouse. When she's not enjoying nature, she loves to create and consume chocolate confections.

WITCHES BREW MYSTERIES

by Gretchen Rue

Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Cozy - Paranormal

THE GRIM STEEPER

September 10, 2024

Bookstore owner Phoebe Winchester is putting on her first major author event when a body is discovered and the plot goes off the rails in this cozy mystery, perfect for fans of Cleo Coyle and Jenn McKinlay.

Amateur witch Phoebe Winchester is excited to host her first big author event at the Earl's Study, her book and tea store. The author, Sebastian Marlow, is a famous birder excited to put Raven Creek on the map for his rediscovery of a presumed-extinct bird. When Sebastian is found dead before his planned bird hike, where he expected to prove the existence of the bird to fellow birding enthusiasts, it's obvious someone wanted him to be extinct, too.

Sebastian had a few unfriendly encounters with his staff—including his recently fired manager, who was seen arguing with him at the author event. Phoebe is determined to figure out who killed Sebastian, worried that it will negatively affect her store's image that her biggest guest author got killed. With the clock ticking, she enlists the help of Rich Lofting, the handsome local private investigator, to help her look into the murder.

It's not long before another victim is pecked off and someone close to Phoebe is the suspect. She'll have to work quickly to uncover the killer and figure out who's up to fowl play in the third charming book in this warm and witchy series.

Material Status: Available

Territory: World

Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation

Rights sold: UK (Headline / Aria) ; Russia (AST)

Praise for *Steeped to Death*:

"A compelling debut with a mature amateur sleuth, a solid supporting cast, and a cat to rival Miranda James's Diesel. For readers who enjoy the paranormal elements in Juliet Blackwell's and Bree Baker's cozies."

—*Library Journal*, starred review

"[A] sprightly debut and series launch . . . A lovable cat, plenty of tea, enticing recipes, and more are sure to please cozy fans. Rue is off to a good start."

—*Publishers Weekly*

"Delightful . . . Blends the perfect brew of mystery and magic with hints of romance, charm, and a cat named Bob."

—*Manhattan Book Review*, 5-star review



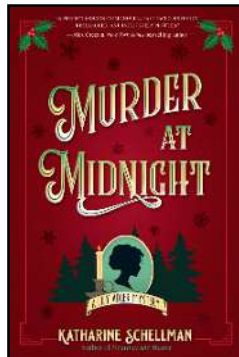
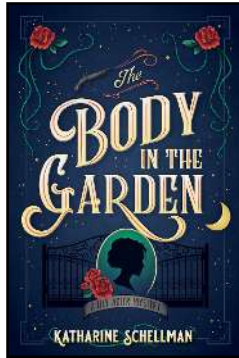
Gretchen Rue lives in the Canadian prairies, which affords her ample time to read during six months of winter. She plays cat mom to four mostly indifferent fur children, and plant mom to roughly 100 very demanding flora. When she isn't sipping tea and working on her next novel, she enjoys swimming, hiking, and watching baseball.

LILY ADLER MYSTERY SERIES

by Katharine Schellman

Fiction - Mystery & Detective - Historical

The tortured spirits of the dead haunt a Regency-era English manor—but the true danger lies in the land of the living in the third installment in the Lily Adler mysteries, perfect for fans of Deanna Raybourn.



Aug. 2024

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Territory: World

Rights Available: Foreign English, Translation

Praise for the Lily Adler Mystery series:

"Schellman ably interweaves appealing developments in Lily's personal life, a classic locked-room puzzle, and a nuanced look at period society. Regency lovers will be enthralled."

—*Publishers Weekly*, starred review

"Worthy of Rex Stout or Agatha Christie."

—*Library Journal*, starred review

"Sensitive handling of class and race issues common to London in the early 1800s give the story depth."

—*BookPage*, starred review



Katharine Schellman is a former actor, one-time political consultant, and currently the author of the Lily Adler Mysteries. A graduate of the College of William & Mary, Katharine currently lives and writes in the mountains of Virginia in the company of her family and the many houseplants she keeps accidentally murdering.

Recent Foreign Sales: Alcove Press

#1 Amazon UK Bestseller - Erotic Fantasy



Every Wish Way

Shannon Bright

Foreign Sales:

UK/Commonwealth
(Embla / Bonnier UK)



THE IRISH GOODBYE

Amy Ewing

Foreign Sales:

UK/Commonwealth (Eriu / Bonnier UK); Germany (HoCA); France (HarperCollins); Romania (Litera)

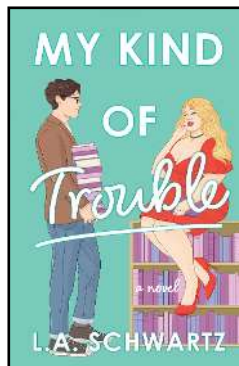


Text Appeal

Amber Roberts

Foreign Sales:

UK/Commonwealth
(Hachette / Dialogue UK);
Poland (Kobiece)

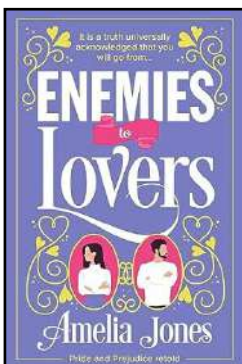


My Kind of Trouble

L. A. Schwartz

Foreign Sales:

UK/Commonwealth
(Headline / Hachette UK); The Netherlands (De Fontein)



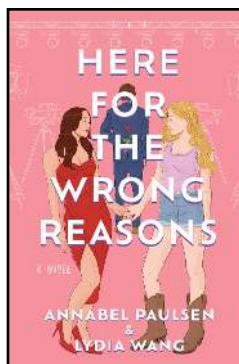
Enemies to Lovers

US title: The Stage Kiss

Amelia Jones

Foreign Sales:

UK/Commonwealth
(Embla / Bonnier UK)

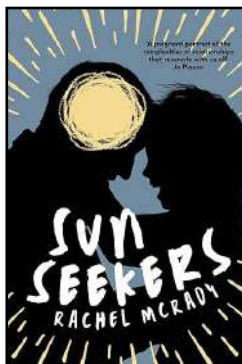


Here for the Wrong Reasons

Annabel Paulsen and Lydia Wang

Foreign Sales:

UK/Commonwealth (Headline / Hachette UK)



Sun Seekers

Rachel McRady

Foreign Sales:

UK/Commonwealth (VERVE / Oldcastle)



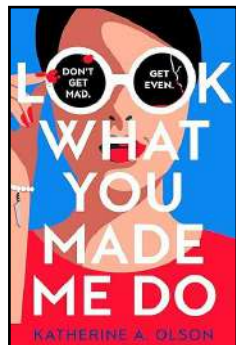
Perfectly Wicked

Lindsay Lovise

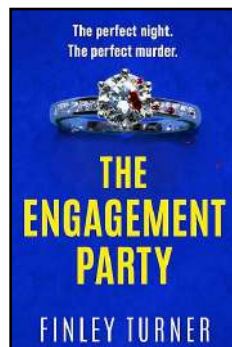
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UK/Commonwealth (Renegade / Hachette uk)

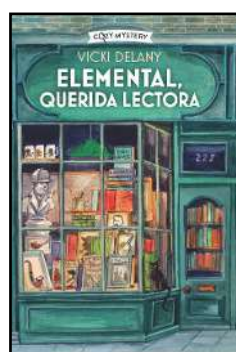
Recent Foreign Sales: Crooked Lane



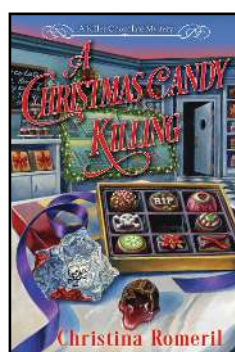
Look What You Made Me Do
 US title: **Close Enough to Hurt**
 Katherine A. Olson
Foreign Sales:
 UK/Commonwealth
 (Embla / Bonnier UK)



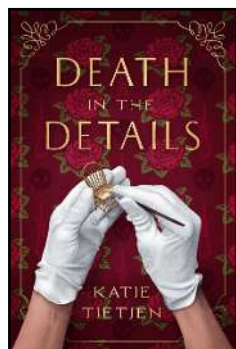
The Engagement Party
 Finley Turner
Foreign Sales:
 UK/Commonwealth
 (Embla / Bonnier UK)



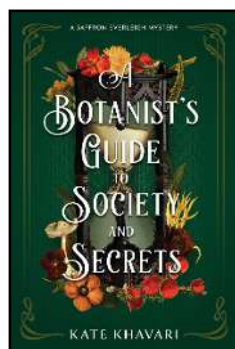
Elementary, She Read
 Vicki Delany
Foreign Sales: Spain
 (Editora Alma); Italy
 (Newton Compton)



A Christmas Candy Killing
 Christina Romeril
Foreign Sales:
 Spain (Editora Alma)



Death in the Details
 Katie Tietjen
Foreign Sales: Japan
 (Tokyo Segunsha)



Saffron Everleigh Mysteries
 Kate Khavari
Foreign Sales:
 Russia (AST) Books 1-2

Top 50 Amazon UK Bestseller - Cozy Mystery



Witches Brew Mysteries #1 - 3
 Gretchen Rue
Foreign Sales:
 UK (Head of Zeus / Aria)



The Assassin of Venice
 Alyssa Palombo
Foreign Sales: Spain (Newton
 Compton Editores)