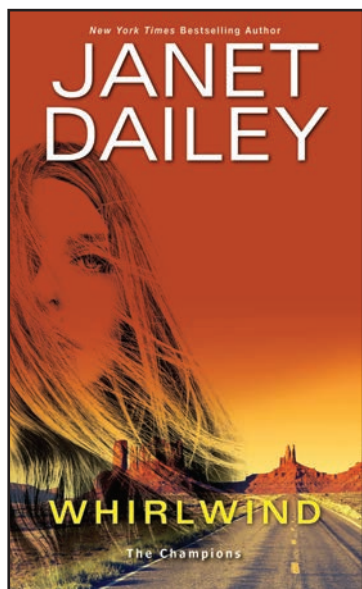


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## WHIRLWIND

*The Champions Series*

**Janet Dailey**

**America's First Lady of Romance, *New York Times* bestselling author Janet Dailey, kicks off *The Champions*, an exciting new series about the world of bucking bulls and the ranchers who raise them. At the Alamo Canyon Ranch, set amid the desert foothills of Southern Arizona, the Champion women carry on the family legacy of breeding bucking bulls for the rodeo. In a world where bloodline is everything, love is the only risk worth taking.**

Everyone's talking about Whirlwind at this year's Professional Bull Rider's Competition. But the promising young bull is the last thing on Shane Tully's mind once he lays eyes on the lady responsible for bringing Whirlwind to the arena. Beautiful, smart, and sexy as hell, Lexie Champion has this rodeo man hungry for more than the thrill of his next competition. But the daughter of bull rancher Bert Champion wants nothing to do with a daredevil, despite the powerful attraction between them...

After losing her beloved brother to a bull riding accident, Lexie is no stranger to the dangers of rodeo life. Which is why resisting Shane's rugged allure should have been easy. But nothing is simple about her reaction to the handsome cowboy, from their first kiss, to the terrifying moment Lexie watches Shane go down in the ring. Faced with a devastating decision, will Lexie make the ultimate sacrifice for the sake of love?

### Praise for Janet Dailey and her novels

"This old-school but lively romance from Dailey is a fitting conclusion to her *Tylers of Texas* series...Twists and surprises will keep the pages of this warm-hearted romance turning."

—***Publishers Weekly on Texas Forever***

"Readers have been waiting more than a year for the next installment in author Janet Dailey's *New Americana* series, and it has finally arrived. *Letters from Peaceful Lane* gives readers a deeply personal view of life in the Ozark Mountains."

—***Woman's World***

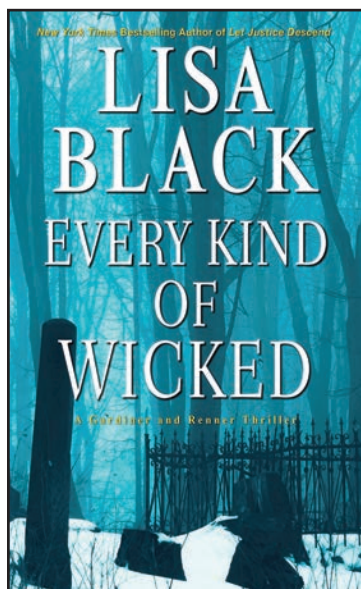
**Janet Dailey**, known as "America's First Lady of Romance," published her first book in 1976 and went on to become one of the top-selling female authors in the world, with 325 million copies of her books sold in nineteen languages in ninety-eight countries. She is known for her strong, decisive characters, her extraordinary ability to recreate a time and a place, and her unerring courage to confront important, controversial issues in her stories. To learn more about Janet Dailey and her novels, please visit [JanetDailey.com](http://JanetDailey.com).

## KEY SELLING POINTS

- The first in a new series featuring the fascinating world of bucking bulls and the ranchers who raise them, *Whirlwind* is destined to become an instant classic. Each new book in *The Champions* series is named after a different bull owned by the three sisters struggling to make their family ranch successful.
- A *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling author, Janet Dailey is a publishing legend, with more than 100 novels to her name and 325 million copies sold in 98 countries.
- The *Champions* series is Janet Dailey at her best. It features the kind of homegrown American heroes that made Janet Dailey a household name, combined with compelling romance and taut suspense married to her signature evocative writing style.
- As one of the authors who created the category of American-set Contemporary Romance, Dailey is the definition of a name brand author whose name is trusted by fans. She has become the go-to author for readers who want distinctly American stories and heroes.
- Contemporary Western-set series are favorites among readers and are more popular than ever, as evidenced by the success of authors like Linda Lael Miller, Diana Palmer, and Lori Wilde.

## MARKETING PLANS

- Advance reading copies
- Print and online advertising campaign targeting romance readers, Western fans, and country lifestyle
- *The Pioneer Woman* Down Home Reads selection
- Internet radio advertising on streaming networks
- Reddit advertising
- Outreach to bull riding schools, women's ranch getaway experiences, and the Women's Professional Rodeo Association
- Publicity outreach for reviews, roundups, and feature coverage
- Early reviewer promotions through Goodreads, NetGalley, and Kensington's kLovers program
- Social media campaign including advertising, giveaways, bonus content, and shareable images



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## EVERY KIND OF WICKED

*The Gardiner and Renner Series*

**Lisa Black**

**In the sixth Gardiner and Renner thriller by forensic scientist and *New York Times* bestselling author Lisa Black, Maggie Gardiner, a forensic expert who studies the dead, and her unlikely partner, a vigilante homicide cop who stalks the living, take a deep dive into the seedy world of fraud—from medical fraud to money laundering to phone scammers and more.**

Life and death have brought Maggie Gardiner full circle, back to the Erie Street Cemetery where she first entered Jack Renner's orbit. Eight months ago, she learned what Jack would do in the name of justice. More unsettling still, she discovered how far she would go to cover his tracks. Now a young man sprawls atop a snowy grave, his heart shredded by a single wound. A key card in the victim's wallet leads to the local university's student housing—and to a grieving girlfriend with an unsettling agenda.

Maggie's struggle to appease her conscience is complicated by her ex-husband, Rick, who's convinced that Jack is connected to a series of vigilante killings. Also a homicide detective, Rick investigates what seems like a routine overdose on Cleveland's West Side; but here, too, the appearance belies a deeper truth.

Rick's case and Jack's merge onto the trail of a shadowy, pill-pushing physician who is everywhere and nowhere at once, while Maggie and Jack uncover a massive financial shakedown hiding in plain sight. And when Rick's bloody fingerprint is found at another murder scene, Maggie's world comes undone in a violent, irreversible torrent of events...

### Praise for the Gardiner & Renner Novels by Lisa Black

*"Let Justice Descend is the definition of psychological suspense! Superbly drawn characters, nonstop plotting...this is a one-sitting read!"*

**—Jeffery Deaver, internationally bestselling author of *The Bone Collector***

*"A well-crafted thriller. Black keeps the suspense high throughout."*

**—Publishers Weekly on *Suffer the Children***

*"The plot hurtles to an adrenaline-fueled conclusion that is sure to hook Black's devoted readership."*

**—Booklist on *Perish***

**Lisa Black** is the *New York Times* bestselling author of the Gardiner and Renner Novels. As a forensic scientist at the Cuyahoga County Coroner's Office, she analyzed gunshot residue on hands and clothing, hairs, fibers, paint, glass, DNA, blood and many other forms of trace evidence, as well as crime scenes. Now she is a latent print examiner and certified crime analyst for the Cape Coral Police Department in Florida, working mostly with fingerprints and crime scenes. She is a member of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences, the International Association for Identification, and the International Association of Bloodstain Pattern Analysts, and has testified in court as an expert witness over 65 times. Her books have been translated into six languages and she was named finalist for the prestigious Sue Grafton Memorial Award for *Perish*. She lives near Fort Myers, Florida. Visit Lisa Black online at [Lisa-Black.com](http://Lisa-Black.com).

### KEY SELLING POINTS

- Lisa Black is a professional forensic scientist, a career that very much informs her writing and allows the details in her books to be much more realistic than anything on TV. She is currently a certified forensic analyst for the Cape Coral Police Department in Florida, where she works mostly with fingerprints and crime scenes.
- This sixth installment in the Gardiner and Renner thriller series is all about deception and Lisa Black weaves in timely issues such as Medicare fraud, opiate pill mills and phone scams.
- Lisa Black has written over 15 critically acclaimed novels, including the *New York Times* bestseller, *Evidence of Murder* (Harper, 2010).
- A regular lecturer and panelist at writers' conventions, Lisa Black is a member of Sisters In Crime, Mystery Writers of America, and International Thriller Writers. She is also a regular blogger for [RogueWomenWriters.com](http://RogueWomenWriters.com).
- *Perish* was nominated for the Sue Grafton Memorial Award presented by MWA.

### MARKETING PLANS

- Advance reading copies
- Print and online advertising
- Publicity outreach for reviews, roundups, and feature coverage
- Regional media push in and around Cape Coral, Florida and Cleveland, Ohio
- Regional author events
- Author appearances and promotion at select conventions including Bouchercon
- Early reviewer promotions through NetGalley and Goodreads
- Blog tour and ongoing blogger outreach



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## TO COACH A KILLER

*The Life Coach Mystery Series*

Victoria Laurie

**New York Times bestselling author Victoria Laurie delights with the second installment in her Life Coach Mystery Series, featuring former marketing-executive turned life coach divorcée Catherine Cooper. Soaking up a luxurious new chapter alongside her saucy bestie, Cat Cooper plans on emerging as the premier life coach in East Hampton by summertime. All she has to do is survive an offseason replete with desolate beaches, slow business, and murder...**

As the Hamptons drags through early spring, Cat's shot at becoming the toast of the town in time for Memorial Day is dwindling—and fast. The only client she can find has been housebound for decades and claims to be the victim of a devastating curse. Then there's the matter of Detective Shepherd's intense jealousy over Maks Grinkov, the handsome bad boy who approaches Cat with an unusual offer she can't stop thinking about. Havoc finally breaks loose when a string of murders rocks the coastal community, landing Maks on the hook as the culprit...

While the body count rises, Cat goes from life coaching to sleuthing for the truth about Maks' less-than-wholesome background. But after digging deeper, she questions if Detective Shepherd had an unwitting hand in a related homicide case after tangling with the wrong people. With a storm approaching shore and no one to trust, Cat and her sharp-tongued best friend, Gilley, must solve a client's curse and a series of violent deaths before a killer sends them all sailing to their doom...

### Praise for *Coached to Death*

"Superior series launch...Cozy fans will embrace this intelligent heroine with plenty of backbone."

—**Publishers Weekly, STARRED REVIEW**

"The Hamptons heat up when a life coach has to turn detective to exonerate herself in the death of a frenemy...Laurie's new series focus pays off in her hallmark flairs of fun."

—**Kirkus Reviews**

"*Coached to Death* reminded me of Janet Evanovich's Stephanie Plum series because of the humor and a subplot of the captivating Cat being pursued by two charming gentlemen...*Coached to Death* is a very enjoyable debut, and I look forward to more of Cat and Gilley's trademark pizzazz."

—**Criminal Element**

**Victoria Laurie** is a real-life psychic and the *New York Times* bestselling author of the *Psychic Eye Mysteries*, the *Ghost Hunter Mysteries*, and the *Life Coach Mysteries*. She lives in suburban Michigan and can be found online at [VictoriaLaurie.com](http://VictoriaLaurie.com).

## KEY SELLING POINTS

- Most of Victoria Laurie's mysteries have been national bestsellers, and several of the *Ghost Hunter Mysteries* have been on the *New York Times* bestseller Extended List (when it existed) with *Ghouls, Ghouls, Ghouls* making the print list at number 17 in 2011.
- While all cozy fans will love the *Life Coach Mysteries*, Victoria Laurie's existing readers will be particularly delighted when they find that this series combines two fan-favorite characters from her previous bestselling series—Cat from *The Psychic Eye Mysteries* and Gilley from *The Ghost Hunter Mysteries*—into a series of their own.
- According to MarketResearch, the personal coaching industry has topped \$1 billion and continues to grow. With her unique series featuring a life coach, Victoria Laurie is tapping into a large and expanding audience.
- Victoria Laurie's mysteries appeal to fans of Leslie Meier (Kensington), Lee Hollis (Kensington), Jenna McKinlay (Berkley) and Miranda James (Berkley).
- *Coached to Death* was featured in the Mysterious Galaxy Bookstore's Fantastic Firsts program and received excellent reviews, including a STARRED REVIEW from *PW*.

## MARKETING PLANS

- Advanced reading copies
- Publicity outreach for reviews, roundups, and feature coverage
- Print and online advertising campaign
- Early reviewer promotions through NetGalley and Goodreads
- Regional publicity outreach in Michigan
- Bookstore events in Michigan, Houston, San Diego, and Los Angeles
- Author attending conferences and conventions including Kensington's CozyClub Mini-Cons
- Social media campaign including advertising, giveaways, bonus content, and shareable images





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## MURDER AT KINGSCOTE

*The Gilded Newport Mystery Series*

**Alyssa Maxwell**

**Alyssa Maxwell's eighth Gilded Newport novel featuring Emma Cross, a young woman who, despite being a poorer relation to the venerable Vanderbilts, has shaped her own identity—as a reporter and a sleuth in glittering Newport, Rhode Island at the close of the nineteenth century.**

On a clear July day in 1899, the salty ocean breeze along Bellevue Avenue carries new smells of gasoline and exhaust as Emma, now editor-in-chief of the *Newport Messenger*, covers Newport's first-ever automobile parade. But the festive atmosphere soon turns to shock as young Philip King drunkenly swerves his motorcar into a wooden figure of a nanny pushing a pram on the obstacle course.

That evening, at a dinner party hosted by Ella King at her magnificent Gothic-inspired "cottage," Kingscote, Emma and her beau Derrick Andrews are enjoying the food and the company when Ella's son staggers in, obviously still inebriated. But the disruption is nothing compared to the urgent shouts of the coachman. Rushing out, they find the family's butler pinned against a tree beneath the front wheels of Philip's motorcar, close to death.

At first, the tragic tableau appears to be a reckless accident—one which could ruin Philip's reputation. But when Emma later receives a message informing her that the butler bullied his staff and took advantage of young maids, she begins to suspect the scene may have been staged and steers the police toward a murder investigation. But while Emma investigates the connections between a competing heir for the King fortune, a mysterious child, an inmate of an insane asylum, and the brutal boxing rings of Providence, a killer remains at large—with unfinished business to attend to...

### Praise for Alyssa Maxwell's Gilded Newport Mysteries

"Numerous plot twists, a richly described 1898 setting, details of the lives and times of the rich, and a principled, smart main character who is making her own way in the world distinguish this entry in the series. It will appeal to those who enjoy historical mysteries with strong, ahead-of-their-times female characters."

—**Booklist on *Murder at Crossways***

"Alyssa Maxwell entertains readers once again...a light, summer-time read perfect for the beach."

—**Newport This Week on *Murder at Crossways***

"Maxwell dramatically depicts the era's contentious transition from gaslight to electricity... Series fans will enjoy following Emma's changing circumstances."

—**Publishers Weekly on *Murder at Ochre Court***

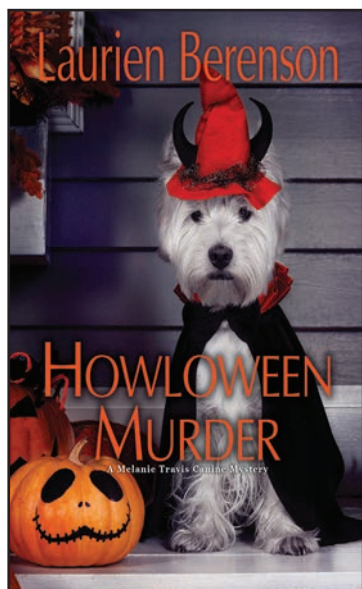
**Alyssa Maxwell** is the acclaimed author of the Gilded Newport Mysteries and the Lady and Lady's Maid Mystery Series. She began a love affair with the city of Newport years ago. Time and again the colonial neighborhoods and grand mansions drew her to return, and on one of those later visits she met the man who would become her husband. Always a lover of history, Maxwell found that marrying into a large, generations-old Newport family opened up an exciting new world of historical discovery. Today, she and her husband reside in Florida, but part of her heart remains firmly in that small New England city of great historical significance. For more information please visit [AlyssaMaxwell.com](http://AlyssaMaxwell.com).

### KEY SELLING POINTS

- *Murder at Kingscote* captures a world, in time and place, that appeals to the same audiences as those reading Victoria Thompson, Anne Perry and Deanna Raybourn.
- The Gilded Newport Mysteries also appeal to readers who have an interest in the Vanderbilts, as the series sleuth is a poor relation to the Vanderbilts and the author mixes fact with fiction.
- In addition to the Gilded Newport Mysteries, Alyssa Maxwell also writes the Lady and Lady's Maid Mystery Series for Kensington.
- Audio rights and Large Print rights have sold for *Murder at Beechwood*, *Murder at Marble House* and *Murder at the Breakers*.

### MARKETING PLANS

- Advance reading copies
- Publicity outreach for reviews, roundups, and feature coverage
- Print and online advertising campaign
- Early reviewer promotions through NetGalley and Goodreads
- Regional publicity outreach in Florida and Rhode Island
- Bookstore events in Florida and Rhode Island
- Author plans on visiting the Newport Mansion gift shops for signings
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## HOWLOWEEN MURDER

*The Melanie Travis Canine Mystery Series*

Laurien Berenson

**Melanie Travis and her pedigree Poodles are back on the case in an adorably giftable, Halloween-themed hardcover by award-winning author Laurien Berenson. As the town of Greenwich, Connecticut, counts down to a spooky celebration on October 31st, amateur sleuth and proud parent of prize-winning Poodles, Melanie Travis, is left pawing for clues in a hair-raising game of trick-or-treat...**

With just a few days left before Halloween, everyone at Howard Academy is anticipating the guaranteed sugar high they'll experience from gorging on Harriet Bloom's famous marshmallow puffs. The private school's annual costume party revolves around the headmaster's assistant and her seemingly supernatural batches of gooey goodies. So, it's a shock when Harriet's elderly neighbor is suddenly found dead with the beloved dessert in his hand. In a snap, police start questioning whether Harriet modified her top-secret recipe to include a hefty dose of lethal poison...

Melanie knows her tenured colleague would never intentionally serve cyanide-laced puffs to a defenseless old man. But as explosive neighborhood gossip reveals a potential culprit, it also brings her closer to sealing her own doom. Because on an evening ruled by masked revelers, bizarre getups, and hidden identities, Halloween might just be the perfect opportunity for a cold-hearted killer to get away with murder once again—this time sending a nosy, unsuspecting sleuth to an early grave!

### Praise for Laurien Berenson and her Melanie Travis Canine Mysteries

"When a new book by Laurien Berenson comes out, I'm on it like a dog on a liver treat...not only do readers get a diverting story, they also get lots of behind-the-scenes intel on dog shows and the main character's preferred breed."

—*The Bark on Bite Club*

"Anyone who has not read Berenson should venture into this cute and humorous mystery. The reader will feel they are a part of the story whether investigating the murder, playing with the darling puppies, or setting up holiday decorations."

—*The Military Press on Here Comes Santa Paws*

"Filled with more dogs, more fun, and more mystery, this cozy is the perfect summer read."

—*Modern Dog on Bite Club*

"*Bite Club* is another satisfying title in Berenson's Canine Mystery series. Boomer, Lilly and I give it our highest rating—ten dog biscuits!"

—*Suspense Magazine*

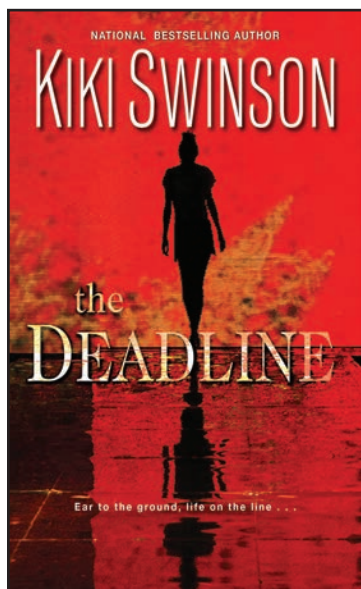
**Laurien Berenson** is an Agatha and Macavity nominee, winner of the *RT Reviewers'* Choice Award, and four-time winner of the Maxwell Award, presented by the Dog Writers Association of America. She and her husband live on a farm in Kentucky surrounded by dogs and horses. Visit her online at [LaurienBerenson.com](http://LaurienBerenson.com).

### KEY SELLING POINTS

- *Howloween Murder* is the 26th installment in Laurien Berenson's playful Melanie Travis Canine Mystery series and popularity continues to build with each new release.
- There's never a dull day in the life of series' protagonist Melanie Travis, as she juggles her responsibilities as go-to problem solver for her kooky Aunt Peg and the mother of both a trio of kids ranging from teenager to toddler as well as six show-winning Poodles.
- Like Laurien Berenson's recent popular Christmas-themed, low-priced hardcovers, *Here Comes Santa Paws* and *Wagging Through the Snow*, fans are sure to roll over with joy for this adorable Halloween hardcover.
- Laurien Berenson is an, Agatha and Macavity nominee, winner of the *RT Reviewers'* Choice Award, and a four-time winner of the Maxwell Award for fiction, presented by the Dog Writers Association of America.
- The Melanie Travis series has long been one of the most popular animal-themed cozy series around, and fans always eagerly await each new installment. The fresh packaging with photographic covers featuring adorable dogs helps Berenson's books stand out among other cozies.

### MARKETING PLANS

- Advance reading copies
- Print and online advertising campaign
- Outreach, partnerships and giveaways with special interest groups and dog lover organizations
- Library-specific marketing and outreach
- Publicity outreach for reviews, roundups and feature coverage
- Social media campaign including advertising, giveaways, bonus content and shareable images
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## THE DEADLINE

Kiki Swinson

**National bestselling author Kiki Swinson always ups the ante with shocking twists, relentless characters, and a hard-edged portrait of Southern living—and dying. Now all bets are off as an ambitious new journalist desperate for the spotlight plunges into a killer story...**

Anything for the fame.

As an off-air TV news journalist, Khloé Mercer covers the tough Norfolk, Virginia, neighborhood she grew up in. But between a hostile boss and stiff competition, she has to break a major exclusive to save her job—and lock down the coveted anchor desk slot she feels she deserves...

Anything for the lies.

When a murder takes place on her home turf, Khloé has easy access to the dirty truth behind it. But she'll have to decide whether to exploit every angle and leverage any favor to make her career explode big-time—or keep quiet and keep herself, and her family, safe. Until the choice is out of her hands...

Anything to stay alive.

Once the ruthless power brokers behind the hit put Khloé in their sights, they start brutally cleaning up loose ends. Now with an inescapable target on her back and odds racking up against her, she'll find nowhere is safe, and ambition may be her most dangerous enemy...

### Praise for Kiki Swinson

"Pitch-perfect dialogue, juicy sexual trysts, cold-blooded betrayal, and ruthless violence mark this suspenseful fast-moving tale that is topped off by a shocking epilogue."

—**Library Journal, STARRED REVIEW on *The Score***

"Swinson delivers another strong, fully dimensional lead character in Misty, who begins as an ordinary career woman and ends up in ever deeper trouble with each wrong choice."

—**Booklist on *The Black Market***

**Kiki Swinson** is the nationally bestselling author of over forty novels and short stories. Swinson's works feature resilient women making tough—and sometimes not quite legal—decisions to survive. Her novels, inspired by her experiences and a five-year stint in federal prison, have sold over 2.4 million copies. She completed her first novel while incarcerated and her second novel, *Wifey*, went on to become a #1 *Essence*® bestseller and the first installment in one of today's most popular urban series. A native of Portsmouth, Virginia—and a former hustler's wife—Swinson resides in Virginia Beach, Virginia. Visit her online at KikiMedia.net.

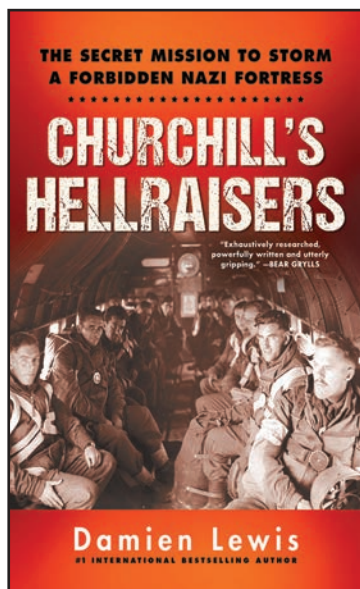
## KEY SELLING POINTS

- *Essence*® bestselling author Kiki Swinson is one of the stars of the "urban lit" market, known for delivering drama-filled, sexy and gritty urban dramas. This novel appeals to her core readership of urban lit fans who read Ashley & JaQuavis, K'wan and Wahida Clark, but also offers a broader appeal to crime readers and fans of books featuring strong women who know how to hustle.
- The struggle of how far to go/how much to sacrifice to advance one's career, a central theme in *The Deadline*, is one that many readers can relate to.
- Swinson's *The Safe House* was a finalist for the 15th Annual African American Literary Award for Street Lit/Urban Fiction.
- *Playing Dirty*, a TV crime drama series based on Kiki Swinson's *New York Times* bestselling novel of the same name, stars Zashia Monique Santiago (HBO's *Ballers*). Find more information at [PlayingDirtySeries.com](http://PlayingDirtySeries.com).
- Kiki Swinson's biopic/Web series "Before I Became Wifey" premiered with a tour of private screenings in Richmond, Atlanta, Chicago, Philadelphia, D.C., and Maryland before receiving a general release on YouTube in 2019.
- Kiki's life story was also the inspiration for the *Wifey* series, which Dafina Books published in mass market.

## MARKETING PLANS

- Advance reading copies
- Print and online advertising
- Publicity outreach for reviews, roundups, and feature coverage
- Regional media push in and around Virginia Beach, Virginia
- Outreach and partnerships with Black Book Shops
- Author appearances and promotion at select conventions including Black Writers Weekend and National Book Club Conference
- Author events in Virginia Beach, Virginia
- Early reviewer promotions through NetGalley and Goodreads
- Social media campaign including advertising, giveaways, bonus content and shareable images
- Blog tour and ongoing blogger outreach





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*Churchill's Shadow Raiders*  
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## CHURCHILL'S HELLRAISERS

Damien Lewis

**From the award-winning, internationally bestselling author Damien Lewis, the heart-stopping, little-known story of a team of courageous oddballs who stormed a Nazi fortress—in one of the most daring raids of World War II...**

It is the winter of 1944. Allied forces have succeeded in liberating most of Axis-occupied Italy—with one crucial exception: the Nazi headquarters north of the Gothic Line. Heavily guarded and surrounded by rugged terrain, the mountain fortress is nearly impenetrable. But British Prime Minister Winston Churchill is determined to drive a dagger into the "soft underbelly of Europe." The Allied's plan: drop two paratroopers into the mountains—and take the fortress by storm...

**"One of the most dangerous and effective attacks ever undertaken by this Regiment against the enemy."**

**—Lt. Col Robert Walker Brown, MBE DSO, senior SAS commander**

The two brave men knew the risks involved, so they recruited an equally fearless team: Italian resistance fighters, escaped POWs, downed US airmen, even a bagpipe-playing Scotsman known as "The Mad Piper." Some had little military training, but all were willing to fight to the death to defeat the Nazi enemy. Ultimately, the mission that began in broad daylight, in the enemy's line of fire, would end one of the darkest chapters in history—through the courage and conviction of the unsung heroes who dared the impossible...

Bracingly tense, brilliantly researched, and truly unforgettable, *Churchill's Hellraisers* is a must-have for every World War II library.

### Praise for *Churchill's Hellraisers*

**"Exhaustively researched, powerfully written and utterly gripping. Blows the doors off!"**

**—Bear Grylls, host of "Running Wild", and former British SAS Serviceman**

### Praise for *Churchill's Shadow Raiders*

**"A true story that reads better than any thriller."**

**—Dan Snow, Award-winning British historian, author, and BBC host**

**Damien Lewis** is an award-winning historian, war reporter, and bestselling author. He spent over two decades reporting from war, disaster, and conflict zones around the world, winning numerous awards. He has written more than a dozen books about World War II, including *The Ministry for Ungentlemanly Warfare*, *The Dog Who Could Fly*, *SAS Ghost Patrol*, and *The Nazi Hunters*. His work has been published in over forty languages, and many of his books have been made, or are being developed, as feature films, TV series, or as plays for the stage. Lewis is a Fellow of the Winston Churchill Memorial Trust, and a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society. Visit him online at [DamienLewis.com](http://DamienLewis.com).

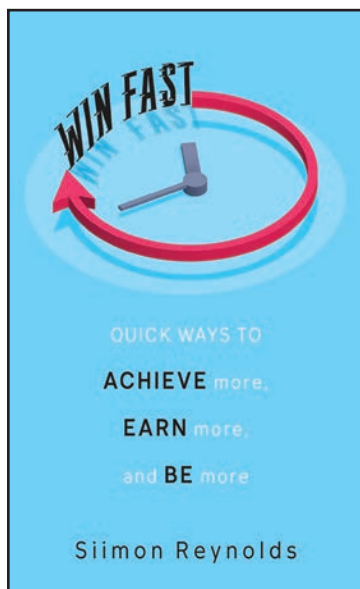
## KEY SELLING POINTS

- Damien Lewis is a master at bringing to life true stories of incredible courage and endurance during WWII, and *Churchill's Hellraisers* is WWII military history at its most thrilling!
- An award-winning journalist, Damien Lewis was a war and conflict reporter for major broadcasters, reporting for over two decades from across Africa, South America, the Middle and Far East.
- He is a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society, a Fellow of the Winston Churchill Trust, a member of the London-based Victory Services Club, a member of The Artists Rifles Clubhouse and the Mars and Minerva Shooting Club, a member of the Society of Authors, a member of the Director's Guild of Great Britain (for film and TV directors), and a Founding Member of the Irish Film and Television Agency.
- Damien Lewis is a #1 *Sunday Times* bestselling author and historian, named as one of the 'Most Influential People in the Military, 2019' and 'One of the nation's 20 favorite authors' (World Book Day). His first book about elite military operations, *Operation Certain Death*, was a *Sunday Times* top ten bestseller. It was followed by the #1 special forces bestseller *Zero Six Bravo*. Since then Lewis has penned a dozen related bestsellers, including *Operation Relentless* (presently being made into a TV drama series by eOne and Imagine TV).
- Includes photo insert and historical maps.

## MARKETING PLANS

- Advance reading copies
- Veterans Day and Armistice Day tie-ins
- Advertising targeting consumers with interests in military, WWII, military history, and Winston Churchill
- Outreach to veterans' organizations, military book clubs and WWII book clubs
- Early reviewer promotions through Goodreads and NetGalley
- Publicity outreach for reviews, roundups, and feature coverage
- Partnership with We Are the Mighty
- Social media campaign including advertising, giveaways, bonus content, and shareable images
- Pitches to outlets that have covered the author's previous books, such as *The Economist*, *The Washington Post*, *The New York Post*, *The New York Times*, *USA Today*, *Kirkus Reviews*, *Newsweek*, and *Washington Times*
- Targeting partnerships with WWII Organizations, World War II Lecture Institute, The National WWII Museum (New Orleans), Military History Online, and The International Churchill Society





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## WIN FAST

### Siimon Reynolds

**In the spirit of *The Four Day Work Week*, *Win Fast* offers short, easy-to-adopt productivity hacks that will maximize your time, sharpen your focus, and achieve your goals.**

Amplifying your personal and business performance requires quick, proven game-changing strategies, techniques that you can implement immediately and which offer fast results. Now Siimon Reynolds—an internationally successful entrepreneur and high-performance business coach to the world's leading CEOs—presents his “Win Fast, Win Big” tools you need to succeed.

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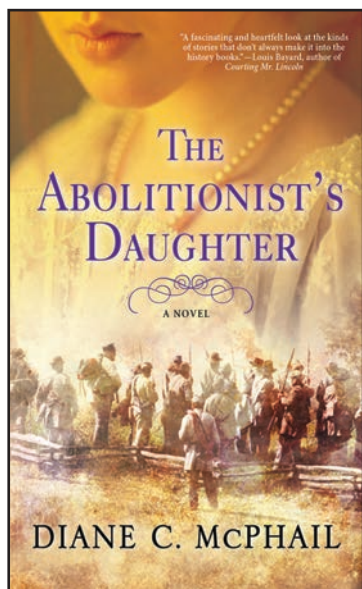
**Siimon Reynolds** is the founder of a multimillion-dollar business, an award-winning author, and one of the world's leading high-performance coaches for CEOs and ambitious entrepreneurs. The recipient of over fifty business awards, he received the silver medal for best business success book at the US Axiom Business Book Awards and was a CEO READ Book Award finalist. Founding his first company at just twenty-three years old, Reynolds went on to build many successful companies, including the fifteenth biggest marketing services group in the world. A regular speaker on the corporate circuit, he lives in California and can be found online at [SiimonReynolds.com](http://SiimonReynolds.com).

## KEY SELLING POINTS

- With short, digestible chapters packed with actionable strategies and zero fluff, *Win Fast* is perfect for today's busy, on-the-go achiever. It offers clear benefits for today's time scarce readers—quick and effective ways to achieve more, earn more and be more.
- Written by a proven, award-winning author with strong, enduring sales for his previous book, *Why People Fail*.
- Siimon Reynolds is the real deal. He's the founder of a \$500 million business, winner of over 50 business awards, and a mentor to some of the most successful CEOs and entrepreneurs on the planet. His ideas are different, and his experience is obvious.
- Reynolds has given keynote speeches on high performance and business excellence to over 60,000 business people and is a regular on the corporate speech circuit.
- The author has a strong relationship with his tribe. He produces a weekly enewsletter for his over 10k subscribers, all of whom are engaged, passionate followers of his training and advice.
- Reynolds has been featured on CNN, CNBC, Bloomberg, *60 Minutes*, Australia's original version of *Shark Tank*, and countless print publications and radio shows.
- *Win Fast* is for smart, ambitious, career minded people, eager to improve their position in life and maximize their potential.

## MARKETING PLANS

- Advance reading copies
- Author appearances
- Advertising targeting business professionals, college graduates, life hackers, entrepreneurs
- Back-to-School pitches and tie-ins
- Publicity outreach to business and entrepreneur outlets, professional trade publications, productivity Websites and podcasts, outlets for recent college grads
- Advertising on LinkedIn
- Pre-launch offers for author's email and social subscribers
- National television appearances
- Early reviewer promotions through NetGalley and Goodreads
- Social media campaign including advertising, giveaways, bonus content and shareable images
- Special sales opportunities
- Author appearances and promotions at businesses and conferences



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## THE ABOLITIONIST'S DAUGHTER

Diane C. McPhail

**Diane D. McPhail's highly acclaimed debut is a vividly rendered and unexpectedly personal novel inspired by true events and rooted in family lore. Set along the Mississippi Delta during the violent turmoil leading up to and just after the Civil War, *The Abolitionist's Daughter* illuminates a corner of Southern history that's little-known and rarely glimpsed: the experiences and struggles of Southern Abolitionists.**

On a Mississippi morning in 1859, Emily Matthews begs her father to save a slave, Nathan, about to be auctioned away from his family. Judge Matthews is an abolitionist who runs an illegal school for his slaves, hoping to eventually set them free. One, a woman named Ginny, has become Emily's companion and often her conscience—and understands all too well the hazards an educated slave must face. Yet even Ginny could not predict the tangled, tragic string of events set in motion as Nathan's family arrives at the Matthews farm.

A young doctor, Charles Slate, tends to injured Nathan and begins to court Emily, finally persuading her to become his wife. But their union is disrupted by a fatal clash and a lie that will tear two families apart. As Civil War erupts, Emily, Ginny, and Emily's stoic mother-in-law, Adeline, each face devastating losses. Emily—sheltered all her life—is especially unprepared for the hardships to come. Struggling to survive in this raw, shifting new world, Emily will discover untapped inner strength, an unlikely love, and the courage to confront deep, painful truths.

In the tradition of *Cold Mountain*, *The Abolitionist's Daughter* eschews stereotypes of the Civil War South, instead weaving an intricate and unforgettable story of survival, loyalty, hope, and redemption.

### Praise for *The Abolitionist's Daughter*

"Inspired by a real-life feud between two Mississippi families, McPhail's first novel sheds light on an often unrecognized part of Civil War history, the Southern abolitionist movement...For fans of Charles Frazier's enduring *Cold Mountain*."

#### —Booklist

"McPhail is great at showing differences, but also frightening similarities, in the attitudes about slaves between Union versus Confederate soldiers. A well-researched story into the lives of Southern Abolitionists."

#### —The Historical Novels Review

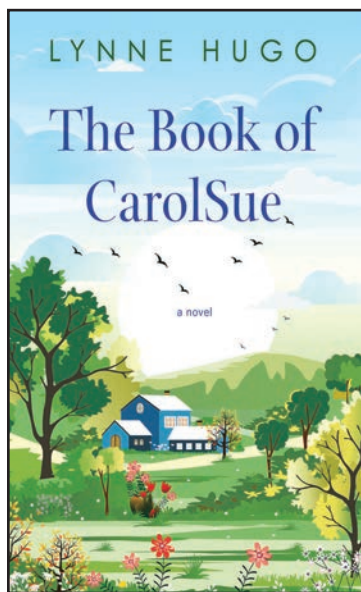
**Diane C. McPhail** is an artist, writer, and minister. A graduate of Ole Miss, Duke Writers, University of Iowa Distance, and the Yale Writers' Conference, she is a member of NC Writers Network and the Historical Novel Society. *The Abolitionist's Daughter* is McPhail's major debut novel. She lives in Highlands, North Carolina with her husband and dog. For more information, please visit Diane online at [DianeMcPhailAuthor.com](http://DianeMcPhailAuthor.com).

### KEY SELLING POINTS

- Taking place in the years just before and after the Civil War, Diane C. McPhail's *The Abolitionist's Daughter* is a sweeping, character-driven epic that explores the impact of the war on a Southern family of Abolitionists as well as the role of women in a world depleted by the conflict of men.
- This novel's psychologically rich themes resonate with book clubs, women's groups, historical fiction readers, history buffs and Civil War enthusiasts. Fans of *Cold Mountain*, *The Invention of Wings* and *The Second Mrs. Hockaday* find a lot to enjoy, as will those who appreciate the alternative view of the Civil War South offered by *The Free State of Jones*.
- While *The Abolitionist's Daughter* is her debut novel, Diane C. McPhail is a seasoned writer. She is a graduate of Duke Writers, University of Iowa Distance, and the Yale Writers' Conference. She is a member of NC Writers Network and the Historical Novel Society.
- For the hardcover release of *The Abolitionist's Daughter*, Diane McPhail toured tirelessly, visiting over 12 states and doing over 30 events in its first couple of months on sale.
- The protagonist of this novel is inspired by the author's great-grandmother, who came from the part of Mississippi (Webster County) where this story is set.

### MARKETING PLANS

- Select author events
- Social media advertising and promotion
- Print and online advertising



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## THE BOOK OF CAROLSUE

Lynne Hugo

**Award-winning author Lynne Hugo returns with a life-affirming, poignant novel in the spirit of *A Man Called Ove*. *The Book of CarolSue* is a story brimming with both wit and warmth about family—what mothers will do for their children, how families move forward in the wake of loss, and the love and connection between sisters.**

CarolSue and her sister, Louisa, are best friends, but haven't had much in common since CarolSue married Charlie, moved to Atlanta, and swapped shoes covered with Indiana farm dust and chicken poop for fresh pedicures and afternoon bridge. Louisa, meanwhile, loves her farm and animals as deeply as she'd loved Harold, her late husband of forty years.

Charlie's sudden death leaves CarolSue so adrift that she surrenders to Louisa's plan for her to move back home. But canning vegetables and feeding chickens are alien to CarolSue, and after stumbling onto a secret Louisa's been keeping from her, CarolSue resolves to return to Atlanta—until Louisa's son, Reverend Gary, arrives with an abandoned infant and a dubious story. He begs the women to look after the baby while he locates the mother—a young immigrant who fears deportation.

Keeping his own secrets, Gary enlists the aid of the sheriff, Gus, in the search. But CarolSue's bond with the baby is undeniable, and she forms an unconventional secret plan of her own. Only Gary knows about the outsider with the power to explode their lives. How many mistakes can be redeemed?

### Praise for Lynne Hugo

"With her unique and compassionate voice, Hugo writes about loss and redemption in a way that makes you laugh out loud one minute, tear up the next."

—**Diane Chamberlain, *New York Times* bestselling author on *The Book of CarolSue***

"Sparkling prose, wry humor, and timely, relevant themes abound in this genuine story of two sisters, a son, and the unexpected arrival of a small, immigrant child."

—**Donna Everhart, *USA Today* bestselling author of *The Moonshiner's Daughter* on *The Book of CarolSue***

"A tender hymn of hope and rebirth that stays with you long after the last page."

—**Kim Michele Richardson, author of *The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek* on *Testament of Harold's Wife***

**Lynne Hugo** is the author of nine novels. Most recently, *The Testament of Harold's Wife*, introduced the characters whose stories continue in *The Book of CarolSue*. She is a National Endowment for the Arts Fellowship recipient who has also received grants from the Ohio Arts Council and the Kentucky Foundation for Women. *Where the Trail Grows Faint* won the Riverteeth Literary Nonfiction Book Prize. Born and educated in New England, Lynne and her husband now live in Ohio. You're warmly invited to visit [LynneHugo.com](http://LynneHugo.com).

### KEY SELLING POINTS

- *The Book of CarolSue* is a literary novel with lively, realistically drawn characters, moments of darkness balanced with plenty of humor, and life-affirming subject matter.
- A standalone novel, this book also serves as a companion story to Lynne Hugo's highly acclaimed previous release, *The Testament of Harold's Wife*. The beloved heroine from *The Testament of Harold's Wife*, Louisa, returns in this new novel.
- *The Book of CarolSue* explores issues of family, what is owed to children, what mothers will do for their children, and the love and connection between sisters.
- Lynne Hugo's newest novel is perfect for fans of Fredrik Backman and readers who want a realistic tale of protagonists who have had a tragedy befall them, yet are able to get up and continue their lives.
- Lynne Hugo is a National Endowment for the Arts Fellowship recipient who has also received grants from the Ohio Arts Council and the Kentucky Foundation for Women. Her novel *Where the Trail Grows Faint*, about animal-assisted therapy in a nursing home with a lively Lab, won the Riverteeth Literary Nonfiction Book Prize. Her recent novels were *A Matter of Mercy*, which received the 2015 Independent Publishers Silver Medal for Best North-East Fiction, and *Remember My Beauties*. One of her eight previous novels, *Swimming Lessons*, became a Lifetime Original Movie of the Month.

### MARKETING PLANS

- Advance reading copies
- Print and online advertising
- *MaryJanesFarm* Book Club Pick
- Author events in major cities in Ohio
- GLIBA and MIBA independent bookstore mailings and advertising
- Publicity outreach for reviews, roundups, and feature coverage
- Targeted outreach to regional outlets in Atlanta and Indiana leveraging the novel's setting
- Bookstagram targeted mailing
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SALES HISTORY  
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## WEDNESDAY WALKS & WAGS

*The Sunday Potluck Club Series*

**Melissa Storm**

**USA Today bestselling author Melissa Storm reunites the members of the Sunday Potluck Club—and their adorable rescue dogs—in a heartwarming story of friendship and second chances. Bridget Moore is settling into her new Anchorage apartment and her busy life as a college student, working as a Vet tech, volunteering at the local animal shelter, and caring for her beloved dogs. But when she meets a fellow dog-lover at her weekly dog-walking group, the Sunday Potluck Club members can't help but encourage her to add one more thing in her life to help her move on after loss.**

In the rapidly blooming courtyard beneath Bridget Moore's new Anchorage apartment, the signs are unmissable: spring has come. As she unpacks boxes, Bridget hopes that she too is moving forward. With her tight schedule—college, working as a Vet tech, volunteering at the animal shelter, caring for her beloved dogs—Bridget strives to keep too busy to register the pain of losing her mother just months ago.

Bridget's new neighbor, Wesley, also seems to be running from something—quite literally. He and his two energetic dogs jog by twice a day. It isn't long before their paths intersect at their complex's weekly dog-walking group. Bridget's fellow members of the Sunday Potluck Club encourage her to enjoy Wesley's company, though they understand all too well how tricky it can be to navigate life after loss.

But just as nature rebounds after the toughest winter, Bridget's friendships, both human and canine, are a reminder that love and joy go on. With each weekly dog walk, Bridget is rediscovering the simple pleasures that mean so much. A warm smile, a sun-drenched evening, a waggy tail—little by little, they may help Bridget find the path to happiness again...

### Praise for Melissa Storm

**"A poignant and touching story of friendship, love and healing. Perfect for your book club!"**

**—#1 New York Times bestselling author, Barbara Freethy**

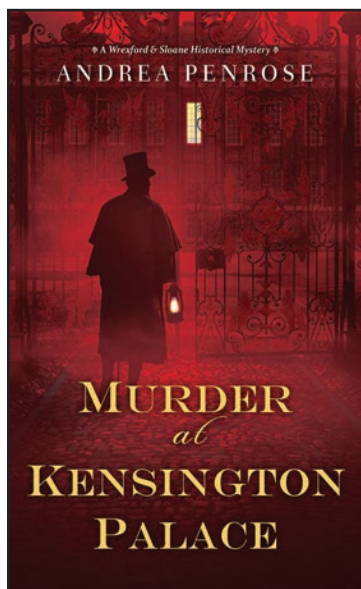
**Melissa Storm** is a *USA Today* bestselling author of women's fiction, inspirational and contemporary romances including the Sunday Potluck Club Series, the Alaska Sunrise Romances, the Sled Dog Series, and the Church Dogs of Charleston romances. She and her husband, the author Falcon Storm, are the founders of LitRing, Sweet Promise Press, Novel Publicity, Your Author Engine, and the Author Site. In addition to being a mother, bestselling author, and business owner, Melissa is deeply involved with dog rescues. She is also an active member of Romance Writers of America (RWA), American Christian Fiction Writers (ACFW), Novelists, Inc. (NINC), and the Alliance of Independent Authors (ALLi). Visit Melissa online at [MelStorm.com](http://MelStorm.com) and sign up to receive text message updates at [MelStorm.com/TextMe](http://MelStorm.com/TextMe).

### KEY SELLING POINTS

- Melissa Storm is known for writing novels about women who manage to stay positive and upbeat no matter what adversity they face. In her words, the books in this series are "about finding strength when you didn't know you had anything left, overcoming adversity with the help of friends, and crossing age and species boundaries to form a community (or found family)."
- Featuring independent, spirited women (and their unforgettable canine companions) who let nothing life throws at them get in the way of happiness, the novels of bestselling author Melissa Storm appeal to readers looking for the sweet spot between inspirational romance and women's fiction.
- Rescue dogs are an important element in the Sunday Potluck Club novels, which adds a further heart-warming element. Melissa works with a local dog rescue, so this is an issue that's important to her.
- An extremely strong promoter, Melissa Storm is the founder of LitRing, a 100k member reader community and promotional platform for authors, as well as Your Author Engine, Novel Publicity and the Author Site, which provide educational, marketing, publicity and Website design services for authors. She also runs Sweet Promise Press, an indie publishing company.
- In addition to her professional marketing platforms, Melissa Storm has over 50k followers on her personal Twitter, Instagram and Facebook feeds.

### MARKETING PLANS

- Advance reading copies
- Targeted book club outreach
- GLIBA bookstore promotions
- National print and online advertising
- Branded promo items, quote cards and social activations
- Author events in Michigan and Illinois
- SiriusXM advertising
- Clear the Shelters Day (August 2020) and National Dog Day (August 26, 2020) tie-ins
- Outreach and partnerships with special interest groups including dog rescues, bereavement support groups and women's organizations
- Inclusion in Kensington Bouquet program and outreach to Christian readers
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- Major early reader and consumer reviewer promotions via Goodreads, NetGalley, etc.
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## MURDER AT KENSINGTON PALACE

*The Wrexford & Sloane Mystery Series*

Andrea Penrose

**A wealthy lord (who also happens to be a brilliant scientist) and a young widow (who secretly pens satirical political cartoons) in Regency London must team up to solve a shocking murder in Andrea Penrose's third Wrexford & Sloane Mystery—perfect for fans of Deanna Raybourn, Tasha Alexander, and Amanda Quick.**

Though Charlotte Sloane's secret identity as the controversial satirical cartoonist A.J. Quill is safe with the Earl of Wrexford, she's ill prepared for the rippling effects sharing the truth about her background has cast over their relationship. She thought a bit of space might improve the situation. But when her cousin is murdered and his twin brother is accused of the gruesome crime, Charlotte immediately turns to Wrexford for help in proving the young man's innocence. Though she finds the brooding scientist just as enigmatic and intense as ever, their partnership is now marked by an unfamiliar tension that seems to complicate every encounter. Despite this newfound complexity, Wrexford and Charlotte are determined to track down the real killer. Their investigation leads them on a dangerous chase through Mayfair's glittering ballrooms and opulent drawing rooms, where gossip and rumors swirl to confuse the facts. Was her cousin murdered over a romantic rivalry...or staggering gambling debts? Or could the motive be far darker and involve the clandestine scientific society that claimed both brothers as members? The more Charlotte and Wrexford try to unknot the truth, the more tangled it becomes. But they must solve the case soon, before the killer's madness seizes another victim...

### Praise for *Murder at Kensington Palace*

"Penrose deftly intertwines the politics of navigating Regency-era society, scientific progress, and the deepening relationship between the protagonists. Series fans will enjoy revisiting the lively cast of characters, while historical fiction readers will be satisfied by the immersive, richly detailed mystery."

—**Library Journal**

"Science and romance meet in a high-stakes cat-and-mouse game."

—**Kirkus Reviews**

**Andrea Penrose** is the bestselling author of Regency-era historical fiction, including the acclaimed Wrexford & Sloane mystery series, as well as Regency romances written under the names Cara Elliott and Andrea Pickens. Published internationally in ten languages, she is a three-time RITA® Award–finalist and the recipient of numerous writing awards, including two Daphne Du Maurier Awards for Historical Mystery and two Gold Leaf Awards. A graduate of Yale University with a B.A. in Art and an M.F.A. in Graphic Design, Andrea fell in love with Regency England after reading *Pride and Prejudice*, and has maintained a fascination with the era's swirling silks and radical new ideas throughout her writing career. She lives in Connecticut and blogs with a community of historical fiction authors at WordWenches.com. She also can be found at AndreaPenrose.com and on Instagram @AndreaPenroseBooks.

### KEY SELLING POINTS

- This second installment in a Penrose's Regency-set historical mystery series draws upon a world swirling in silks, seduction, and the intrigue of the Napoleonic Wars, during which every aspect of society, from music and art, to science and technology, is erupting with radical new ideas. It is catnip for fans of Deanna Raybourn, Tasha Alexander, and Amanda Quick!
- Penrose's series features two fascinating protagonists: the Earl of Wrexford, a brilliant scientist and wealthy nobleman; and Lady Charlotte Sloane, who secretly pens satiric cartoons under the name A.J. Quill. Although an unlikely pair and completely at odds in their methods, they must team up to solve a shocking murder.
- Andrea Penrose is a highly respected member of the writing community, not only for her historical mysteries, but for her historical romances written under the name Cara Elliott and Andrea Pickens.
- Penrose is a member of The Word Wenches, one of the longest-running author blogs on the internet, whose ranks include Jo Beverley, Joanna Bourne, Nicola Cornick, Anne Gracie, Susan King, Mary Jo Putney, and Patricia Rice.
- *Murder on Black Swan Lake* was a finalist in the Daphne Du Maurier contest.

### MARKETING PLANS

- Print and online advertising
- Select author events
- Cross-promotion with *Murder at Queen's Landing* (Kensington HC, 10/20)



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## GRAVE EXPECTATIONS

*The Dickens of a Crime Series*

Heather Redmond

**Charles Dickens is one of the most famous and influential writers in English literature and Heather Redmond's delightful series asks, "what if Dickens had also solved crimes?" In the second Dickens of a Crime mystery, the young aspiring author and his fiancée Kate Hogarth must solve the murder of a spinster wearing a wedding gown...**

London, June 1835: In the interest of being a good neighbor, Charles checks in on Miss Haverstock, the elderly spinster who resides in the flat above his. But as the young journalist and his fiancée Kate ascend the stairs, they are assaulted by the unmistakable smell of death. Upon entering the woman's quarters, they find her decomposing corpse propped up, adorned in a faded gown that looks like it could have been her wedding dress, had she been married. A murderer has set the stage. But to what purpose?

As news of an escaped convict from Coldbath Fields reaches the couple, Charles reasonably expects the prisoner, Ned Blood, may be responsible. But Kate suspects more personal motives, given the time and effort in dressing the victim. When a local blacksmith is found with cut manacles in his shop and arrested, his distraught wife begs Charles and Kate to help. At the inquest, they are surprised to meet Miss Haverstock's cold and haughty foster daughter, shadowed by her miserably besotted companion. Secrets shrouded by the old woman's past may hold the answers to this web of mystery. But Charles and Kate will have to risk their lives to unveil the truth...

### Praise for *Grave Expectations*

"Once again, Redmond mixes history, mystery, and a little bit of whimsy."

—**Kirkus Reviews**

"Readers will look forward to Charles' further adventures."

—**Publishers Weekly**

"Atmospheric, absorbing...A worthy read that provides some armchair time travel and is great for fans of Christopher Fowler's Bryant & May series."

—**Booklist**

"One of the most satisfying mysteries you will read this year...These are great tales that offer up a completely fresh side to Charles Dickens that readers are (and should be) falling in love with!"

—**Suspense Magazine**

**Heather Redmond** is a committed anglophile, Dickens devotee, and lover of all things nineteenth century. Her last known British ancestor departed London in the 1920s, and she has lived in Illinois, California, and Texas. She now resides in a small town in Washington State with her husband and son. Please visit her online at [HeatherRedmond.com](http://HeatherRedmond.com).

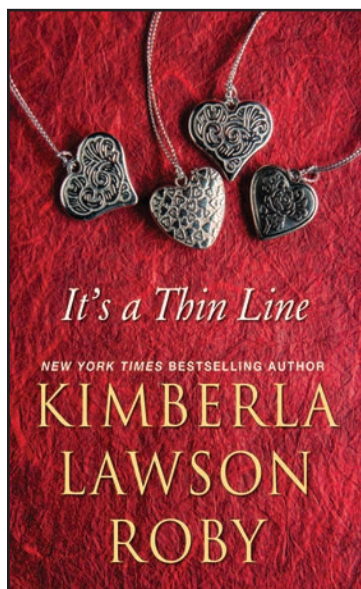
### KEY SELLING POINTS

- Featuring a young aspiring author, Charles Dickens, as an amateur sleuth in Victorian London, each book in this series features Dickensian characters and settings.
- Charles Dickens is one of the most famous and influential writers in English literature and Heather Redmond's delightful series asks, "what if Dickens had also solved crimes?"
- Charles Dickens was one of the first international celebrities. He was as famous and adored as any modern day young male celebrity, from Leonardo DiCaprio in the late 1990s to Harry Styles today. This series shows Dickens before he was famous. It's a glimpse into the making of an international superstar!
- The time period just before Queen Victoria came to the throne is brought vividly to life in this new series. Caught between the Regency and Victorian era, England is on the cusp of a new identity.
- The Dickens of a Crime series is perfect for bookish mystery lovers who will enjoy the Dickens references and the British setting. It also appeals to fans of C.S. Harris, Deanna Raybourn, and Anne Perry.

### MARKETING PLANS

- Print and online advertising
- Cross-promotion with *Christmas Carol Murder* (Kensington HC, 10/20)





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## IT'S A THIN LINE

Kimberla Lawson Roby

**In this captivating classic, *New York Times* bestselling author Kimberla Lawson Roby tells the powerful tale of three very different siblings who discover that family is the only thing that truly matters.**

Sydney, Gina, and Rick have always shared a special sibling bond, yet their lives are as different as can be. The eldest, Sydney, has a loving, handsome husband and an adorable daughter. But the demands of her writing career leave little time for family. Meanwhile, middle sister Gina is struggling to raise young twins—and trying to protect them...and herself... from their volatile father. Rick, the youngest, is living the high life—dodging commitment with his girlfriend—and wondering if the grass is greener elsewhere.

When their beloved mother, Delores, suffers a stroke, all three suddenly find the tenuous threads of their individual lives at a breaking point. Worst, the burden of caring for a parent is tearing them apart. But as they struggle to overcome daunting obstacles, they will discover something that they've never let themselves believe: their most stable—and most cherished—relationships have always been with each other...

### Praise for Kimberla Lawson Roby

"Roby leaves her fans eager to know more about the next chapter in Curtis Black's ministry."

—**Booklist**

"Roby writes with high-octane levels of emotion. She pushes her characters hard, spotlighting their flaws, showcasing their weaknesses, drawing in the readers to be more than bystanders."

—**USA Today**

"Kimberla Lawson Roby weaves truth into fiction."

—**Indianapolis Star**

"Kimberla Lawson Roby has reached a pinnacle most writers only dream of."

—**Rockford Register Star**

**Kimberla Lawson Roby** is the *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling author of more than two dozen novels, which include her popular Reverend Curtis Black Series and many standalone titles. She is the 2013 recipient of the NAACP Image Award for Outstanding Literary Work—Fiction, the 2014 AAMBC Award for Female Author of the Year, and the 2017 SOAR Radio Trailblazer of Honor award. In addition to *The New York Times*, her books have appeared on national bestseller lists, including *The Washington Post*, *Publishers Weekly*, *Essence*® Magazine, *Upscale Magazine*, *Emerge Magazine*, *The Dallas Morning News*, and *The Austin Chronicle* to name a few. Ms. Roby's numerous awards include the Blackboard Fiction Book of the Year Award for *Casting the First Stone*, and a Patron Choice Award from the Central Mississippi Regional Library System. She lives in Illinois with her husband. Visit her online at KimRoby.com.

## KEY SELLING POINTS

- *New York Times*, *Publishers Weekly* and *USA Today* bestselling author Kimberla Lawson Roby is a NAACP Image Award–Winner and over 2.7 million copies of her books have been sold.
- The author has updated this edition to eliminate profanity and words/phrases that have fallen out of use. There are no new or altered scenes.
- Los Angeles-based film and TV production company Reel World Management acquired the rights to Roby's 15-novel The Reverend Curtis Black series, with Roby set to serve as executive producer. Reel World Management co-financed and distributed Hallmark's #1 Rated Series, *Chesapeake Shores*, as well as numerous Hallmark, Lifetime and SYFY Channel television movies.
- Roby's longevity can be attributed to her how she actively engages her fans. She has marketing savvy and spends her own money on promotion and advertising. She also has a strong online presence.
- Kimberla's novels are known for addressing timely and relevant issues, such as addiction, infidelity, single motherhood, infertility, sibling rivalry, domestic abuse, mental illness, caregiving of a parent, and discrimination in the workplace.

## MARKETING PLANS

- Print and online advertising
- Author appearances and promotion at select conventions including Black Writers Weekend and National Book Club Conference
- Social media campaign including advertising, giveaways, bonus content and shareable images



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## BOSTON SCREAM MURDER

*The Deputy Donut Mystery Series*

Ginger Bolton

**In the fourth Deputy Donut Mystery by Agatha Award-nominated author Ginger Bolton, it's Halloween in Fallingbrook, Wisconsin. Emily Westhill runs the best donut shop in town, alongside her retired police chief father-in-law and her tabby Deputy Donut. But after murder claims a favorite customer, Emily can't rely on a sidekick to solve the crime—or stay alive.**

October 31st is just around the corner and Emily Westhill's Boston cream donuts, carved with a scream, have made an indelible impression on local eccentric Rich Royalson. So much so that he's ordered three dozen, with twice the fudge icing, for his 70th birthday—a special event in more ways than one. It's to be held on fog-shrouded Lake Fleekom where, twenty years ago, his wife mysteriously drowned.

But the next day, when Emily arrives with her scrumptious screamers, she stumbles upon Rich's corpse. The poor guy wanted a unique birthday bash—just not one to the side of his skull. With a guest list of possible perpetrators, and his last will and testament suspiciously left at the scene, Emily soon discovers that the Royalson closet is rattling with skeletons. As the fog thickens, motives mount, and the tricks outnumber the treats, Emily fears that Rich may not be the last one in Fallowbrook to go out screaming.

### Praise for Ginger Bolton's Deputy Donut Mysteries

"Suggest to fans of Joanne Fluke's Hannah Swensen bakery-themed cozies."

—**Booklist on *Jealousy Filled Donuts***

"Yummy donut recipes round out a whodunit (or is it a whodonut?) sure to please cozy fans."

—**Publishers Weekly on *Jealousy Filled Donuts***

"Grab yourself a donut and a copy of this page turner!"

—**Modern Cat Magazine, Connie's Book Club Pick on *Jealousy Filled Donuts***

"A very emotionally satisfying culinary cozy."

—**Criminal Element on *Jealousy Filled Donuts***

"Food scenes tantalize with description of single-origin coffee as well as classic and trendy donuts—solid recipes included."

—**Publishers Weekly on *Goodbye Cruller World***

**Ginger Bolton** is the pseudonym of an Agatha-nominated cozy mystery author. She is the author of the Deputy Donut Mystery series, and is very fond of donuts, coffee, and coffee shops that encourage patrons to linger and chat. Ginger lives in a rural area surrounded by cozy villages. When she isn't reading, writing, or daydreaming while gazing out windows, she walks her dogs, plays an electric piano (she uses earphones so as not to frighten the wildlife), creates minor disasters in her kitchen, and occasionally takes part in local amateur theater productions, which, intended or not, become comedies. Visit her online at [GingerBolton.com](http://GingerBolton.com).

### KEY SELLING POINTS

- Ginger Bolton's B&N bestselling Deputy Donut Mysteries appeal to fans of the Cheese Shop Mystery Series by Avery Aames (Berkley), the Tea Shop Mystery Series by Laura Childs (Berkley) and The Coffeehouse Mystery Series by Cleo Coyle (Berkley).
- The difference between the Deputy Donut Mysteries and other culinary cozy mysteries is the strong connection between Emily's coffee shop and local first responders, especially police officers. Emily can learn from them, but she is also subject to their scrutiny, day after day.
- Many fans of Ginger Bolton's previous books, the Threadville Mysteries, were quilters, knitters, crocheters, and people who love the textile arts. Various crafts will be mentioned in the Deputy Donut mysteries. One of the groups who regularly meet at Deputy Donut consists of knitters.
- *Jealousy Filled Donuts* was a *Woman's World* Book Club selection.
- Each installment includes new recipes for readers to try!

### MARKETING PLANS

- Advance reading copies
- Publicity outreach for reviews, roundups, and feature coverage
- Print and online advertising campaign
- Early reviewer promotions through NetGalley and Goodreads
- Author attending conferences and conventions including Kensington's CozyClub Mini-Cons, Malice Domestic, and regional Canadian writers' conferences
- Social media campaign including advertising, giveaways, bonus content, and shareable images
- Halloween tie-ins and roundups



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## THE SIREN AND THE DEEP BLUE SEA

*The Embraced by Magic Series*

**Kerrelyn Sparks**

*Game of Thrones* meets *The Princess Bride* in the hilarious series combining romance and high fantasy by *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling author Kerrelyn Sparks. Witty and epic, *The Siren and the Deep Blue Sea*, book two in the *Embraced by Magic* series, immerses readers in a world populated by duplicitous elves, sentient trees, shape-shifting dragons, and warrior princesses.

*Four sisters have become queens, rulers of all that Aerthlan's two moons embrace. The last sister will forge her own path...*

Raised on the magic-seeped Isle of Moon, Maeve is used to unusual powers—and the way they fuel the politics of her world. But when she discovers an ability to shape-shift at will, she knows who she wants to share it with first. Brody, the enigmatic, infuriating shifter-spy has always made time for Maeve. But it's been almost two months since she's seen him. And though no one else believes Brody is in danger, Maeve is more than ready to rescue him herself.

The rumors Brody's investigating are terrifying: a secret army of magic-users, in the service of the cruel Circle of Five. But when he uncovers the identity of one of the Five, the mission becomes personal. Cursed as a boy by the Sea Witch, Brody can spend only two hours a day in his human form, a restriction that limits his future and muzzles his heart. Plus Maeve teases him for being such a pretty doggy instead of appreciating his manly charms. To win his freedom, he must take on a terrible disguise. And when Maeve finds out, she'll unleash a tempest like no other...

### Praise for *How to Love Your Elf*

"A deeply satisfying, delightfully swoon-inducing close...A rich romance full of vulnerability and tenderness."

—**Publishers Weekly, STARRED REVIEW**

**Kerrelyn Sparks** is the award-winning, *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling author of fantasy and paranormal romances, including the *Love at Stake*, *Embraced*, and *Embraced by Magic* series. A three time PRISM Award-winner and a RITA® Award-finalist, Sparks is a member of Houston RWA and Bay Area RWA. She lives with her family in the Greater Houston area of Texas and can be found online at [KerrelynSparks.com](http://KerrelynSparks.com).

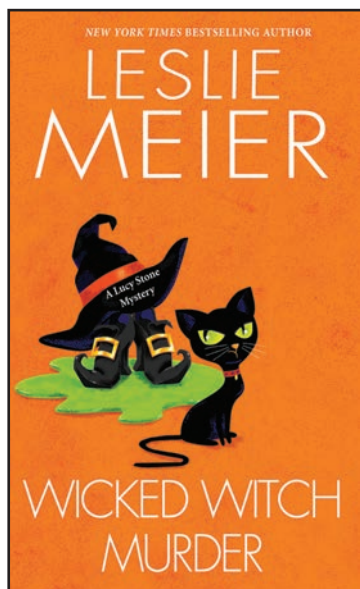
## KEY SELLING POINTS

- Kerrelyn Sparks is a *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling author who has a strong social media presence including very active Facebook, Goodreads, and Twitter accounts. Her Website is extensive and includes interactive games related to her books.
- Comparable to G.A. Aiken's *Dragon Kin* series, *The Embraced by Magic* books feature strong heroines, humor and fantasy favorite tropes such as dragons, prophecies and elves, and will appeal to a built in fan base.
- The *Embraced by Magic* series is fantasy made fun. While other fantasy books may focus more on violence and gore, the *Embraced* books emphasize love, friendship, family, which rollicking adventure.
- As opposed to more traditional fantasy, the *Embraced by Magic* series has heroines who are equals to their heroes and work to change the world. The five sisters are the driving force that is bringing peace to Aerthlan.
- Sparks' heroes and heroines all have different supernatural powers. Unlike some fantasy books, the dialogue is more contemporary, which makes the series more accessible and appealing to readers who don't usually read historical or fantasy fiction.
- A three time PRISM Award-winner and a RITA® Award-finalist, Sparks is a member of Houston RWA and Bay Area RWA.

## MARKETING PLANS

- Advanced reading copies
- Print, online, and podcast advertising
- Book trailer and pre-roll video ads
- Sponsored content on fantasy and romance sites
- Early reviewer promotions through NetGalley and Goodreads
- Publicity outreach for reviews, round-ups, and features
- Select author events in Texas as well as romance and fantasy conference promotions
- Instagram promotions
- Social media campaign including advertising, giveaways, bonus content, shareable images and dedicated hashtags





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## WICKED WITCH MURDER

*The Lucy Stone Mystery Series*

**Leslie Meier**

**With Halloween around the corner, and a mysterious murder close to home, Lucy's Stone's fall is off to a sinister start...**

When the bewitching Diana Ravenscroft comes to quiet Tinker's Cove and opens Solstice, a quaint little shop offering everything from jewelry to psychic readings, Lucy Stone writes her off as eccentric but harmless. Even after Diana gives her a disturbingly accurate reading, Lucy can't help but befriend the newcomer. But not everyone in town is so enchanted. And when Lucy stumbles upon a dead body near her home, she can't shake the feeling that something ominous is lurking in the crisp October air...

Convinced Diana is an evil witch, prominent businessman Ike Stoughton blames her for a series of recent misfortunes, including Lucy's gruesome discovery and his own wife's death, and rallies the townsfolk against her. But after Lucy learns the murder victim was a magician and close friend of Diana's, she starts to wonder who's really stirring up a cauldron of trouble. By Halloween, her suspicions lead her to a deadly web of secrets—and a spine-chilling brush with the things that go bump in the night...

### Praise for *Wicked Witch Murder*

"Wiccan shopkeeper Diana Ravenscroft and her cat familiar, Pieocket, stir up trouble in Tinker's Grove, Maine, in Meier's clever 17th...[a] neat little cozy."

—**Publishers Weekly**

"The warm, small-town ambiance and the persevering Lucy Stone make this a winner for cozy fans."

—**Library Journal**

"The characters are well defined, and the plot is packed with tension and suspense."

—**The New York Journal of Books**

"A surprise ending offers resolution to both the murder and novel's theme of intolerance vs. acceptance...*Wicked Witch Murder* is enjoyable."

—**Mystery Scene**

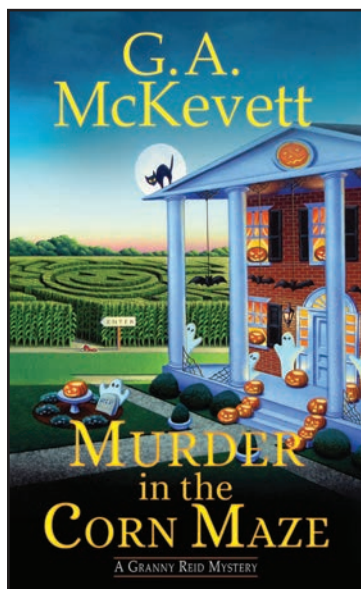
**Leslie Meier** is the acclaimed author of over twenty-five Lucy Stone Mysteries. She has also written for *Ellery Queen's Mystery Magazine*, and like her series protagonist, Lucy Stone, she worked as a New England newspaper reporter while raising her three children. She is currently at work on the next Lucy Stone mystery and can be found online at [LeslieMeierBooks.com](http://LeslieMeierBooks.com).

### KEY SELLING POINTS

- Leslie Meier has written over twenty-five Lucy Stone Mysteries, with more than one million copies sold!
- Cozy mystery readers love holidays, and Leslie Meier's holiday cozies are always a hit. Her Thanksgiving-themed mystery, *Turkey Trot Murder*, was a *Suspense Magazine* Best Books of the Year. *Suspense Magazine* also named *Yule Log Murder* one of the Best Anthologies of the Year.
- Leslie Meier's popular and long-running series features Lucy Stone, a reporter in the fictional town of Tinker's Cove, Maine, where she lives in an old farmhouse with her restoration carpenter husband Bill and four children.
- Like her series protagonist, Leslie Meier worked as a newspaper reporter in a New England town while raising her children, and her novels are often praised for their depictions of a busy working mom trying to juggle crime solving with her many other responsibilities.
- The Lucy Stone Mysteries debuted in 1991 and are still going strong, usually with one new release each year plus numerous seasonal reissues and holiday anthologies. The series appeals to fans of small-town cozy mysteries, as well as fans of long-running series by authors such as Joanne Fluke and Barbara Ross.

### MARKETING PLANS

- Print and online advertising
- Outreach to outlets covering Halloween for inclusion (10 year anniversary reissue!) in holiday round-ups alongside MM edition of *Haunted House Murder*
- Social media campaign including advertising, giveaways, bonus content and shareable images
- Cross-promotion with *Haunted House Murder* (Kensington MM, 9/20)



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## MURDER IN THE CORN MAZE

*The Granny Reid Mystery Series*

**G.A. McKevevtt**

**G.A. McKevevtt returns with the second installment of her new mystery series, a spin-off of her popular Savannah Reid series, set thirty years in the past—the 1980s!—in the small Georgia town that Savannah grew up in, with her beloved —and MUCH younger—Granny Reid as the sleuth!**

The roots of the Moonlight Magnolia Detective Agency reach back to the 1980s in the little town of McGill, Georgia—where Stella Reid and her seven grandkids enjoy some spooky Halloween fun and stumble into murder...It doesn't take cash, just some good old-fashioned creativity, to turn a pillowcase into a ghost costume or a trashcan into a suit of armor. So even if she has to stick to a budget, Stella Reid always makes holidays like Halloween memorable for twelve-year-old Savannah and the rest of her grandchildren.

After joining the other townspeople for trick-or-treating and the annual parade down Main Street, Granny Reid and the kids head to Judge Patterson's antebellum mansion, where a corn maze awaits. Most of the youngsters are too terrified to make it all the way to the middle. It's lucky for them, because when Savannah and Granny get there, it proves to be even scarier than they expected—half buried in the mud at the center of the maze lies a human skull. The grisly discovery uncovers a mystery that stretches back decades—and seems to be related to the long-unsolved murder of Granny Reid's own part-Cherokee mother. After all this time, the culprit may be long gone...or still hiding among them. It'll be up to Granny to dig into this Southern town's history and a mess of old family secrets...

### Praise for G.A. McKevevtt and the Granny Reid Mysteries

"Heart-wrenching...The insightful look into the Southern culture of the time and the fascinating backstories of each distinctive character elevate this outing. McKevevtt transcends the usual cozy and amateur sleuth tropes."

—*Publishers Weekly on Murder in the Corn Maze*

"The story incorporates heavy topics like the legacy of slavery and mistreatment of Native Americans without overwhelming what is ultimately a small-town page turner. The conclusion is chilling, but readers will be hungry for the next installment of this warmhearted, 1980s-set series."

—*BookPage on Murder in the Corn Maze*

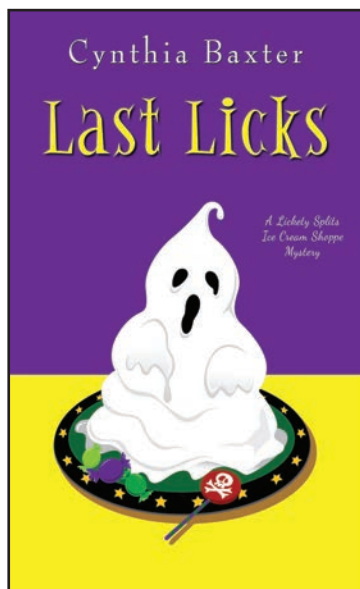
**G.A. McKevevtt** is the author of the acclaimed Savannah Reid mystery series and its spin-off, the Granny Reid Mysteries. Also writing under the name Sonja Massie, she has authored over 60 books ranging from cozy mysteries, to historical romances, to nonfiction works on the history of Ireland. Her earthy humor and fast-paced plots delight her fans, while critics applaud her offbeat characterizations and incisive observations on human nature. Irish by ancestry, she has lived in Toronto, Ireland, and Los Angeles, but now resides in New York. Readers can visit her online at [SonjaMassie.com](http://SonjaMassie.com).

### KEY SELLING POINTS

- *Murder in the Corn Maze* is the second book in a new series that is part prequel, part spin-off from G.A. McKevevtt's popular and long-running Savannah Reid Mysteries series. After 23 Savannah Reid Mysteries (and counting!), the Granny Reid series takes readers 30 years into the past, when Savannah's grandmother was a younger woman and sleuthing murders of her own.
- McKevevtt's cozies appeal to lovers of food mysteries by such authors as Diane Mott Davidson (*Morrow*) and Joanne Fluke (*Kensington*).
- Fans of all things 80s will love the Granny Reid Mysteries, which are set during Granny Reid's sleuthing prime in Reagan-era Georgia.
- G.A. McKevevtt is a member of Mystery Writers of America. She formerly wrote romance under the name Sonja Massie.

### MARKETING PLANS

- Print and online advertising
- Halloween tie-ins and roundups
- Cross promotion with *Murder at Mabel's Hotel* (Kensington HC, 2/21)



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## LAST LICKS

*The Lickety Splits Mystery Series*

**Cynthia Baxter**

**It's autumn in the Hudson Valley, and ice cream shop owner and amateur sleuth Kate McKay has some tricks up her sleeve for a deliciously spooky Halloween at Lickety Splits Ice Cream Shoppe. But with a cold-blooded murderer thrown into the mix, the scares are about to become a little too real in the third Lickety Splits Mystery installment by acclaimed author Cynthia Baxter.**

Kate receives the shock of a lifetime when she's blindsided by an offer she can't refuse. An assistant movie director desperately wants to shoot a key scene at Lickety Splits and she's willing to pay big bucks to sweeten the last-minute deal. All Kate has to do is tolerate a bustling film crew for a few hours and provide one important prop—a scoop of handmade ice cream...

But when up-and-coming actress Savannah Crane drops dead after spooning down some chocolate almond fudge, Kate's first taste of Hollywood might be her last. Someone poisoned the leading lady, and with Lickety Splits draped in yellow crime scene tape, detectives are ready to cast Kate as the leading suspect...

Determined to clear her name, Kate finds herself churning through a long list of unsavory characters to catch the real killer lurking around town. As she uncovers the truth about the jealous rivals and obsessive stalkers who haunted Savannah's life, Kate soon realizes that tangling with the late starlet's "fans" could make this her most terrifying Halloween yet...

### **Praise for Cynthia Baxter and the Lickety Splits Ice Cream Shoppe Mysteries!**

"Frothy...A picturesque Hudson Valley town, a couple of requisite hunks who vie for the heroine's affections, plus gallons of ice cream trivia add up to a sweet treat for cozy lovers."

—**Publishers Weekly on *Hot Fudge Murder***

"Decadent, deadly, and delightful! *Murder with a Cherry on Top* is a charmer of a cozy mystery. A delicious read that left me hungry for more."

—**Jenn McKinlay, *New York Times* bestselling author**

"*Murder with a Cherry on Top* is a sweet treat. I loved Everything about the Hudson Valley setting, from the small-town ice cream shop to the organic cows. Cynthia Baxter's characters feel real enough to touch and her descriptions are mouthwatering. This book is best read with a spoon and a tub of ice cream nearby."

—**Laurien Berenson**

**Cynthia Baxter** is the author of fifty-three novels. Her books have been translated into German, Swedish, and Danish. She was born and raised on Long Island, where she continues to live. Her favorite ice cream flavors are Peach, Coconut, and Chocolate Hazelnut. Readers can visit her Website at [CynthiaBaxter.com](http://CynthiaBaxter.com).

## KEY SELLING POINTS

- The Lickety Splits Mysteries appeal to fans of cozy mysteries, especially those who love their mysteries with a touch of romance.
- Series protagonist and owner of the Lickety Splits Ice Cream Shoppe, Kate McKay, wrestles with her affections for men in her life: Jake, her former high school flame; and Brody, owner of an outdoor-adventure business across the street from her shop.
- Cynthia Baxter is the author of two previous cozy mystery series: The Reigning Cats & Dogs series, which features Long Island veterinarian Jessica Popper, and the Murder Packs a Suitcase mystery series, featuring travel writer Mallory Marlowe.
- Includes mouthwatering ice cream recipes from the Lickety Splits Ice Cream Shoppe!

## MARKETING PLANS

- Print and online advertising
- Publicity outreach for reviews, interviews, roundups, and feature coverage
- Author appearances and promotions at select conventions
- Social media campaign
- Halloween tie-ins and roundups
- Cross-promotion with *Game of Cones* (HC, 12/20)





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*Games Women Play*  
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## THE GAME NEVER ENDS

*The Game Series*  
**Zaire Crown**

**From hard times to getting it all, one woman must fight to keep her fortune, her family, and her life, in this intense, unpredictable follow-up to *Games Women Play*...**

By leveraging savvy and basic instincts, Tuesday Knight rose up from running an elite gentleman's club to becoming the mega-wealthy Beverly Hills wife and business partner of reformed drug kingpin Marcus King. Along with their respectable, law-abiding new life came new names, and a new family. But now the country's most feared drug lord wants to use Marcus' legit empire to push her product—and the fallout threatens to be treacherous...

Soon Tuesday finds herself on the run with her two daughters—and under pressure from a devious FBI agent to help take down the drug lord for good. But to clear the board of enemies and regain her position, and her life, she'll have to face unexpected betrayals—and play out a shattering endgame...

### **Praise for *Games Women Play***

"Crown's debut will appeal to a wide variety of urban fiction fans...writing with power and from the heart, Crown is a promising author to watch."

—**Library Journal**

"*Games Women Play* goes in hard and heavy straight from the gate! Zaire Crown is a bold new voice in urban fiction!"

—**Noire**

"*Games Women Play* is an exciting, twisty thrill ride that'll keep you turning the pages to its jaw-dropping conclusion."

—**De'nesha Diamond**

"I found erotica in this book, nudity and plenty of profanity, but then author Zaire Crown totally astonished me with an action-thriller that had my imagination racing as fast as my pulse."

—**The Washington Informer**

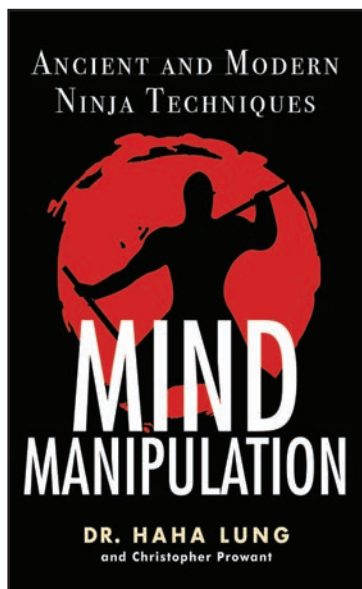
**Zaire Crown** began writing in his early twenties, inspired by his love of horror and suspense novels. A native of Michigan, Crown drew on his urban surroundings to write his first novel, infusing it with the suspense that he loves as well as the crime unfolding in his neighborhood. He is hard at work on his next novel.

## KEY SELLING POINTS

- A sequel to *Games Women Play*, *The Game Never Ends* story picks up where the characters left off, only to have them discover that the happily ever after they worked for in the last book has fallen apart.
- Although Urban lit is dominated by female authors, Zaire Crown is a compelling voice that brings a fresh, male perspective with his dynamic storytelling.
- Urban lit continues to be popular with readers, especially looking at the continued strength of Ashley and JaQuavis. The online ebook success of independent authors resembles the same sales strength of the 1990s and early 2000s, when Black authors sold their books on the street and in independent stores.
- Like K'wan and JaQuavis Coleman, Zaire Crown writes a fast-paced, gritty urban tale that will leave readers with a real taste of what it's like on the streets.
- Zaire Crown's debut, *Games Women Play*, received excellent reviews and remains a popular title in libraries.

## MARKETING PLANS

- Advance reading copies
- Print and online advertising
- Publicity outreach for reviews, roundups and interview coverage
- African American book club and blogger outreach
- Content marketing partnerships
- Social media campaign including advertising, giveaways, bonus content, and shareable images



### Repackage Reissue

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## MIND MANIPULATION

Dr. Haha Lung; Christopher B. Prowant

**Presenting readers with the most effective techniques for mind control, *Mind Manipulation*, by bestselling martial arts expert and scholar Dr. Haha Lung, has become the cult-classic guide to breaching an opponent's mental defenses by using his fears, insecurities, hopes, and beliefs against him.**

Modern methods of mind control--employed in propaganda, indoctrination, even advertising--can be traced back to Ninja strategies of psychological warfare developed and refined centuries ago in medieval Japan. The Ninja were accomplished in covert operations such as espionage, assassination, and sabotage, and were feared for their ability to break through an adversary's mental defenses to use his fears, insecurities, superstitions, and beliefs against him.

Compiled by noted martial artist and scholar Dr. Haha Lung, *Mind Manipulation* is a clear, modern-day guide to devastatingly effective Ninja mental techniques, including:

- Revealing of an enemy's deepest secrets
- The art of implanting false memories
- How to detect when someone is lying
- Visualizations to affect physical health

You will also learn defenses against mind-manipulation techniques commonly used in media and politics. Psychological warfare is an unavoidable reality in today's world. The lessons in this book will prepare you to meet any challenge.

**Dr. Haha Lung** is the author of more than a dozen books on martial arts, including *Assassin!*, *Ninja Shadowhand*, *Shadow Warrior*, and *Ultimate Mind Control*.

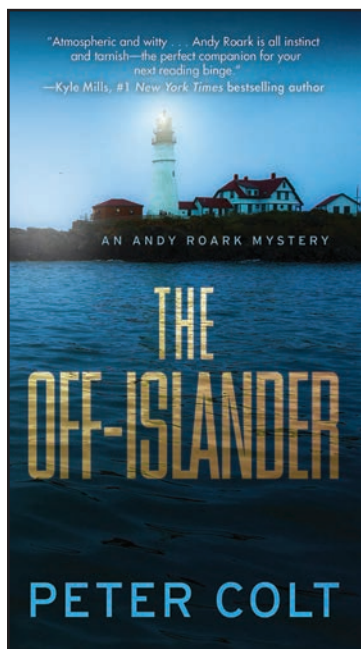
**Christopher Prowant** is a researcher, author, and martial artist. He holds a black belt in zendokan-ryu taijutsu and a teaching degree in tiger-style kung fu.

### KEY SELLING POINTS

- Citadel Press is reissuing this perennial bestseller while simultaneously releasing its first-ever eBook edition. *Mind Manipulation* is Dr Lung's bestselling title, with 17 printings to date.
- The author of more than a dozen bestselling books, Dr. Haha Lung is a well-known martial-arts expert and writes extensively on the origins of many diverse Far Eastern martial arts techniques, such as Ninpo, Shinjiraren, Yoku Mireba, Kuroi Kiri, Gojo-goyoku, sonshi, *The Art of Influence* (Yoritomo-do), and *The Art of Control* (Ch. Zizhi-Dao).
- Appealing to "the armchair ninja in all of us," Dr. Haha Lung's books appeal to a broader audience than most martial arts guides by delving deeply into the historical, psychological, spiritual, and mystical elements of ancient Far Eastern techniques.
- Additionally, the author's colorful (and often eccentric) writing style makes for hugely entertaining reading.
- *Mind Manipulation* focuses on ancient Japanese/Ninja techniques of mastering opponents through the use of black science, the powers of visualization, and the implementation of Ninja powers to defeat adversaries by breaking down their mental defenses.
- Dr. Haha Lung's books have reached cult status and are a featured on almost every martial arts Website.
- No one knows the true identity of Dr. Haha Lung. He communicates solely through e-mail and prefers to exist solely under the radar. There are no photos of him on any of his books and little biographical information, giving him an air of mystery that is unique to the martial arts category.

### MARKETING PLANS

- Social media advertising and promotion



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## THE OFF-ISLANDER

*The Andy Roark Mystery Series*

**Peter Colt**

**In Peter Colt's gritty, gripping new series set along the New England coast, a Boston-born Vietnam veteran and P.I. is hired to find a missing father—but may find far more than he bargained for...**

Boston, 1982. P.I. Andy Roark has spent the past decade trying to fit back into the world. In Vietnam, there was order and purpose. Everything—no matter how brutal—happened for a reason. Now, after brief stints in college and with the police force, it's enough for him to take on the occasional divorce or insurance fraud case.

Roark's childhood friend, Danny Sullivan, dragged himself out of the Southie gutter to become a respected and powerful lawyer. Now he wants Roark to help one of his clients find her missing father. The case takes Roark to the beaches of Nantucket, where Roark's finely-honed senses alert him to danger just below the island's picturesque surface—where the biggest case of Roark's career may just shatter what little peace of mind, he has left...

### Praise for Peter Colt and *The Off-Islander*

"Readers yearning for a noir mystery in the vein of Mike Hammer or Sam Spade are in luck. Peter Colt has delivered just such a tale of intrigue...The novel spends nearly as much time exploring Roark's inner demons from the Vietnam War and life afterward as it does with the case at hand, adding a deeply evocative perspective to events."

#### —Bookpage

"Like Philip Marlowe—or Robert Parker's Spenser—Andy has a sharp eye for telling detail and male haberdashery."

#### —Publishers Weekly

"New England police officer Colt's first novel is a boozy pipe dream of a private eye's search for a long-missing father...[with] lots of attitude."

#### —Kirkus Reviews

"This atmospheric debut mystery should appeal to fans of the early works of Denis Lehane and Robert B. Parker."

#### —Library Journal

**Peter Colt** is an Iraq War veteran, a New England law enforcement officer and an FBI certified Crisis Negotiator. He spent over twenty years in the Army reserve and was deployed to Kosovo in 2000, where he was attached to the Russian Army. He was deployed to Iraq in 2003 and again in 2008, and has had the fortune of knowing many Vietnam vets and U.S. Army Special forces soldiers. Born in Boston, he grew up on Nantucket and lived there in the 1970s and 80s, when the distinction between off-islanders and on-islanders was very real. Visit Peter Colt online at Peter-Colt.com.

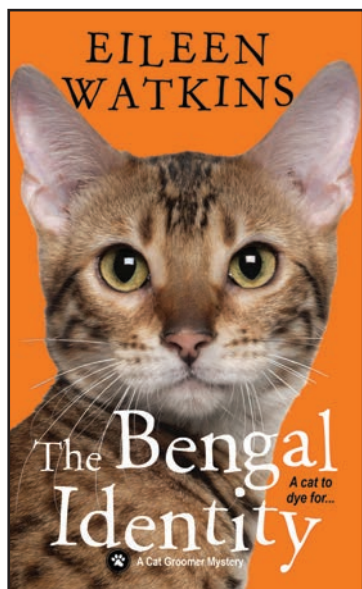
### KEY SELLING POINTS

- Peter Colt is an Iraq War veteran, a law enforcement officer and an FBI certified Crisis Negotiator.
- Many elements of *The Off-Islander* are charged with authenticity that only Peter Colt can provide. An Army veteran, he served in Kosovo and Iraq, and like his novel's protagonist, has experienced the difficulties of readjusting to civilian life. He also grew up on Nantucket during the 1980s, when his novel takes place, and his portrayal of life in that isolated community divided between "on-islanders"—those who were year-round residents—and the seasonal residents they called "off-islanders." His portrayal of life on Nantucket in the pre-internet era is hauntingly realistic.
- Colt's hardboiled PI novels appeal to fans of harder edged mysteries by authors such as James Lee Burke, Dennis Lehane, William Kent Kruger and Ace Atkins.
- *The Off-Islander* was recognized by *Suspense Magazine* as one of the "Best Debuts" of 2019 and *Library Journal* selected it as one of its "Fall/Winter Bests."
- Peter Colt's short story, *The Hippie*, was published in the October/November issue of *Alfred Hitchcock Mystery* magazine.

### MARKETING PLANS

- Print and online advertising
- Author events in New England
- Partnerships and outreach to military and veterans' organizations
- Tie-ins with Vietnam War Veterans Day, Memorial Day, and Veterans Day
- Social media advertising and promotion
- Cross-promotion with *Back Bay Blues* (Kensington HC, 10/20)





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*The Persian Always Meows Twice*  
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## THE BENGAL IDENTITY

*The Cat Groomer Mystery Series*

**Eileen Watkins**

**Everyone knows a leopard can't change its spots...but can a thief hide the spots on a catnapped Bengal? Groomer Cassie McGlone is about to find out in the second Cat Groomer Mystery by Eileen Watkins.**

With no ID for his pet, an agitated young man shows up at Cassie's Comfy Cats claiming his house has burned down and he needs to board his big, brown cat, Ayesha. But after a bath washes dye out of the cat's coat and reveals beautiful spots, Cassie suspects the exotic-looking feline may in fact be a valuable Bengal show cat, possibly stolen.

When Ayesha's alleged owner turns up dead, it looks like whoever wants the beautiful Bengal is not pussyfooting around. Cassie and her staff need to be careful not to reveal the purloined purebred's whereabouts while they discreetly make inquiries to cat breeders to find her real owners. But after a break-in attempt rattles Cassie's cage, it's clear someone let the cat out of the bag. And when a second body is found, it's up to Cassie to spot the killer, who may be grooming her to be the next victim...

### Praise for Eileen Watkins and her Cat Groomer Mysteries

"Enticing...Distinctive characters, all of whom contribute to the crime solving in one way or another, drive the well-paced plot. Cat cozy lovers will be enchanted."

—*Publishers Weekly on Gone, Kitty, Gone*

"This entry is a cat lover's delight."

—*Publishers Weekly on Feral Attraction*

"Watkins' series is distinguished by the incorporation of facts about cats relating to each case, making her writing educational as much as it is entertaining."

—*Kirkus Reviews on Feral Attraction*

"This delightfully cozy mystery is a perfect rainy day read...So curl up with your cat and dig in!"

—*Modern Cat on Feral Attraction*

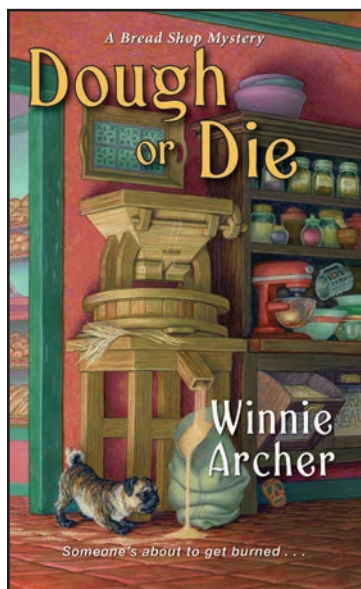
**Eileen Watkins** is also the author of the Cat Groomer Mystery series. For most of her career, she has worked for daily newspapers, writing and editing stories on fine art, architecture, interior design, and home improvement. She has also published paranormal mystery and suspense novels. A confirmed "Jersey Girl," she prefers older houses, has always shared her home with at least one cat, and makes frequent visits to the nearest riding stable. She is a member of Sisters in Crime and Mystery Writers of America. Visit her Website at [EFWatkins.com](http://EFWatkins.com).

### KEY SELLING POINTS

- There are many other mysteries on the market featuring cats and cat-lovers, but not many in which the amateur sleuth deals with cats for a living. Cassie's job is integral to each of the mysteries she solves, as she tries to protect her clients' animals as well as her own three pets.
- Eileen Watkins has done extensive research on cat grooming, and she shares what she's learned in the Cat Groomer Mystery series.
- Watkins has been awarded the EPPIE Award and was a finalist in the thriller category for the 2006 Yuppies and the 2007 Indie Excellence Book Awards.
- Her first Quinn Matthews paranormal mystery won the David G. Sasher Award for Best Mystery at the Deadly Ink Mystery Conference in 2014 and the second book in the series was a Paranormal finalist for the 2014 New Generation Indie Book Awards.

### MARKETING PLANS

- Print and online advertising
- Social media campaign including advertising, giveaways and graphics
- Publicity and advertising in cat outlets
- Cross-promotion with *Claw and Disorder* (Kensington TP, 2/21)



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*Crust No One*  
1/18 (978-1-4967-0774-1)

## DOUGH OR DIE

*The Bread Shop Mystery Series*

**Winnie Archer**

**Known for its mouthwatering traditional breads, the Yeast of Eden bakery has gained fame across Northern California's coast. Now the shop is bound for Reality TV—but a murder may kill its reputation...**

People come to the beach town of Santa Sofia as much for the healing properties of Yeast of Eden's breads as for a vacation getaway. And now a cable food channel has selected the bakery as a featured culinary delight for a new show. Baking apprentice Ivy Culpepper is excited as the crew arrives, ready to capture all the ins and outs of the renowned bread shop. But instead they capture something much harder to stomach: the attempted murder of the show's cameraman just outside Yeast of Eden...

With no motive and no clues, and the town craving answers, it will be up to Ivy to sift through the evidence to find the truth. But she'll have to move quickly before someone else is targeted or the wrong person gets the heat—and the business collapses like a deflated soufflé, right before her eyes.

### Praise for Winnie Archer's Bread Shop Mystery series

"When a classmate is murdered...Ivy doesn't hesitate to swap her rolling pin for a detective hat and track down the real killer!"

—***Woman's World on Kneaded to Death, Book Club Pick***

"Readers love a new mystery series and this one opens the door to all the things that make cozy mysteries fun to read: believable characters, a terrific plot, and even some romantic banter that is sure to grow throughout future books."

—***Suspense Magazine on Kneaded to Death***

"Archer's descriptions of the sights and smells of the bakery will make readers long for a piece of Olaya's delicious bread."

—***The Sunday Gazette-Mail on Kneaded to Death***

"I enjoyed the clever mystery set up in these pages and especially appreciated how well the diversity of [Northern] California was represented. Ivy interacts with people of all races, ages, and social classes on a daily basis, and it was really refreshing, not to mention realistic, to read. Winnie Archer's writing style is also engaging, especially when she's discussing a love of literature and baking."

—***Criminal Element on The Walking Bread***

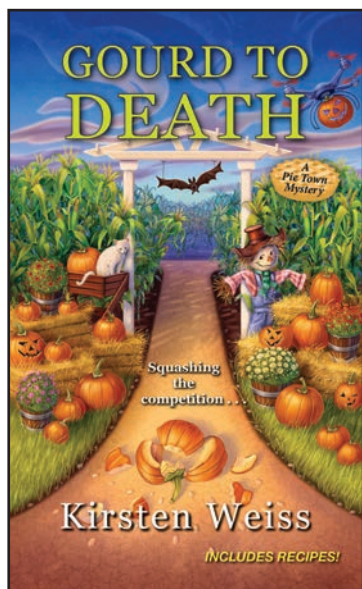
**Winnie Archer** is a middle school teacher by day and by night she's the author of the Bread Shop Mystery series. Born in a beach town in California, she now lives in Colorado. She fantasizes about spending summers writing in quaint, cozy locales, has a love/hate relationship with both yoga and chocolate, adores pumpkin spice lattes, is devoted to her five kids and husband, and can't believe she's lucky enough to be living the life of her dreams. Visit her online at [WinnieArcher.com](http://WinnieArcher.com).

## KEY SELLING POINTS

- Cooking and baking-themed reality TV shows are still hugely popular, and Winnie Archer offers a delicious take on the trend in *Dough or Die*, the 5th installment in the Bread Shop Mystery series.
- This series revolves around Yeast of Eden, a traditional bakery in Santa Sofia, California, that's owned by Mexican American sisters who serve a wide variety of Mexican breads and pastries.
- In addition to series sleuth Ivy Culpepper, her octogenarian sidekick Penelope Branford, and Ivy's high school boyfriend Miguel Baptista, this series features an adorable pug named Agatha who loves to spin around in circles.
- The first book in the series, *Kneaded to Death*, was a *Woman's World* Magazine's book club pick.
- For fans of food themed cozy mysteries from Joanne Fluke, Nancy Coco, and Ellie Alexander.
- Includes recipes!

## MARKETING PLANS

- Advance reading copies
- Print and online advertising
- Publicity outreach for reviews, roundups, and feature coverage
- Author appearances and promotion at select conventions
- Early reviewer promotions through NetGalley and Goodreads
- Social media campaign including advertising, giveaways, bonus content and shareable images
- Blog tour and ongoing blogger outreach
- Author recipes and guest posts



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## GOURD TO DEATH

*The Pie Town Mystery Series*

Kirsten Weiss

**This Halloween, pie shop proprietor Val Harris must patch together clues to aid her boyfriend when his uncle is accused of killing a rival during a pie making contest at the annual pumpkin festival, in the fifth book of Kirsten Weiss' Pie Town Mystery series.**

As the owner of Pie Town, Val's been tapped to judge the pie making contest at the annual pumpkin festival in the coastal California town of San Nicholas. Things could get sticky though—her boyfriend, cop Gordon Carmichael, is entering the competition with his "special" family pumpkin pie recipe. But Val's got bigger problems than a conflict of interest when she and her flaky piecrust-maker Charlene discover another contestant crushed under an enormous pumpkin.

When grudge-holding Chief Shaw comes up with a half-baked reason to toss Carmichael off the case and onto the suspect list, it's up to Val and Charlene to find the tricky killer. But as they dodge lethal pumpkin cannons and follow the clues into a figurative and literal maze, the pie pals are in for the scariest Halloween of their lives—and it may be their last...

### Praise for Kirsten Weiss' Pie Town Mystery series

"Weiss has provided a follow-up that earns this series a gold star. Not only that, but she also offers up the most delicious pie recipes you could possibly imagine. It will be easy to savor every bite of both story and treat!"

—*Suspense Magazine on Bleeding Tarts*

"This is a delicious series that combines humor, plot twists and unique settings to serve up a dishy story."

—*Parkersburg News & Sentinel on Bleeding Tarts*

"*The Quiche and the Dead* will leave readers craving pie of all types, and hungry for the next book in the series."

—*The Cozy Review*

"The humor flows steadily through the interactions with her regulars and her staff, and the mystery proves to be as complex as a lattice pie crust. Descriptions and pie recipes will tantalize foodies and cozy mystery fans, but it is the likable Val and her friends who will keep readers coming back for more."

—*Kings River Life Magazine on Pie Hard*

"I was entertained and intrigued through the entire book and never had it or the multiple and clever plot twists figured out."

—*A Cup of Tea and a Cozy Mystery on Pie Hard*

Based in Colorado Springs, **Kirsten Weiss** writes genre-blending novels: urban fantasy/mystery, steampunk/suspense, and cozy mysteries. The mix just makes things more fun! Kirsten has never met a dessert she didn't like, and her guilty pleasures are watching *Ghost Whisperer* reruns and drinking red wine. Readers can find her online at [KirstenWeiss.com](http://KirstenWeiss.com).

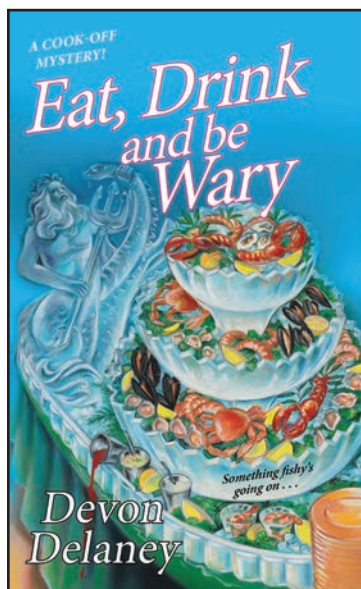
## KEY SELLING POINTS

- This is the 5th installment in Weiss' delightful series featuring a small-town pie shop. Food-based mysteries are one of the most popular themes for cozy mystery readers and the Pie Town Mystery series will appeal to fans of Joanne Fluke's Hannah Swensen, Laura Bradford's Emergency Dessert Squad, Jenn McKinlay's Cupcake Bakery, and Ellery Adams' Charmed Pie Shoppe.
- The Pie Town Mysteries revolve around an unlikely friendship between a young pie shop owner and a flaky, cryptogenarian piecrust maker in small Northern California. The series also features a deaf and narcoleptic cat named Frederick, who goes everywhere with his owner, Charlene.
- Kirsten is an experienced author, having first gained a fan base with *The Perfectly Proper Paranormal Museum Mysteries* (Midnight Ink) and the *Riga Hayworth Paranormal Mysteries* (self-published).
- Everybody loves pie, and this delectable story includes original recipes for readers to enjoy.

## MARKETING PLANS

- Advance reading copies
- Print and online advertising
- Publicity outreach for reviews, roundups, and feature coverage
- Promotion at select conventions including the Kensington Cozy Cons
- Early reviewer promotions through NetGalley and Goodreads
- Social media campaign including advertising, giveaways, bonus content and shareable images
- Blog tour and ongoing blogger outreach
- Regional media outreach in Northern California
- Author recipes and guest posts
- Halloween tie-ins and roundups





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## EAT, DRINK AND BE WARY

*The Cook-Off Mystery Series*

**Devon Delaney**

**The New England Fall Food Fest has begun, and for competitive cook Sherry Oliveri, it's a chance to take home a prize—and take down a killer...**

Sherry's hoping her Savory Shrimp Lettuce Cups will impress the judges, and she's invited her brother, Pep, to serve as her sous-chef. The good news is that she takes first place in her category, the bad news is that it's easier to win when your toughest competition is dead...

After contestant Fitz Frye is found with a fishhook in his neck, Pep's strange behavior doesn't help his case when the police consider him top suspect. While Pep sits through a shakedown, Sherry searches near and far for the real culprit—before another deadly course is served...

### Praise for the Cook-Off Mystery series

"As always, Sherry is a delightfully no-nonsense heroine, as reluctant to investigate as she is to get romantically involved with the eligible men who happen into her life. It was also a lot of fun to get a behind the scenes peek at what it takes to put together a cooking competition, especially when the neighboring town is threatening to upstage the event with a cookoff of their own! But Devon Delaney's greatest strength is in her amazing recipes."

**—Criminal Element on *Guilty as Charged***

"From a hint at the end of the book, Sherry's life is going to take yet another turn—will it be for the better? Only time will tell. An exciting extra to the book is the recipes included that come from Sherry's kitchen...delicious!"

**—Kings River Life Magazine on *Expiration Date***

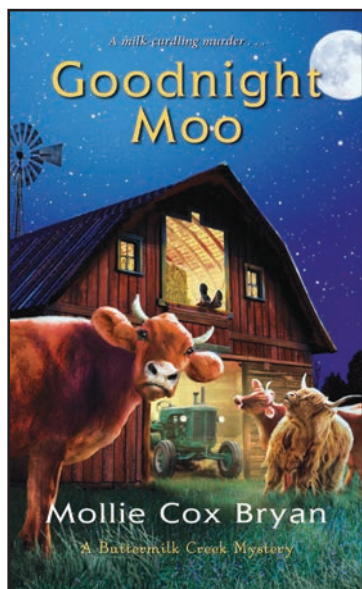
**Devon Delaney** is a wife, mother of three, accomplished cooking contender, recent empty nester, and lifelong resident of the Northeast. She has been handsomely rewarded for her recipe innovation over the last twenty-plus years, including a full kitchen of major appliances, top cash prizes, and four trips to Disney World. She has also won the Grand Prize in a national writing contest for her "foodie" poem "Ode to Pork Passion." Visit her online at [DevonPDelaney.com](http://DevonPDelaney.com).

## KEY SELLING POINTS

- Includes original recipes from Sherry's Kitchen!
- With two decades of experience in the world of competitive cooking, Devon Delaney was inspired to write this series by her experiences in competitions such as the Pillsbury Bake-Off and *Chopped*. Readers will love getting a look at the inner workings of a cooking competition.
- Delaney belongs to a number of groups that will provide a broad base for marketing and exposure of her books, including Cooking Contest Central, United States Tennis Association, Piping Rock Country Club and Silvermine Arts League.
- The popularity of TV food competitions proves the marketplace is sizzling for this subject matter.
- Cooking competitions can bring out the best and worst in participants—if the components get too heated, too spicy, or too overdone, murder may be the only thing served up and that is never an easy thing to swallow...
- For fans of dogs and animal-related cozy mysteries, readers will love the main Jack Russell Terriers, appropriately named Chutney and Bean!
- The 4th book in the Cook-Off Mystery series, *Eat, Drink and Be Wary* will appeal to fans of culinary and cooking mysteries including Joanne Fluke's Hannah Swensen series (Kensington), the Chili Cook-Off Mystery series by Kylie Logan (Berkley), and Krista Davis' Domestic Diva series (Kensington).

## MARKETING PLANS

- Advance reading copies
- Print and online advertising
- Publicity outreach for reviews, roundups, and feature coverage
- Author appearances and promotion at select conventions including Malice Domestic and Kensington's CozyClub Mini-Cons
- Select multi-author events in Connecticut including local festivals
- Early reviewer promotions through NetGalley and Goodreads
- Social media campaign including advertising, giveaways, bonus content and shareable images
- Blog tour and ongoing blogger outreach
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## GOODNIGHT MOO

*The Buttermilk Creek Mystery Series*

**Mollie Cox Bryan**

**Welcome to Shenandoah Springs, Virginia, the bucolic small town where Brynn MacAlister keeps cows, churns cheeses—and is sharper than the ripest cheddar when it comes to solving mysteries...**

With a foster cow in her corral and a new calf on the way, Brynn MacAlister has a lot on her plate. Especially since her micro-dairy farm is hosting the first annual cheesemakers contest at this year's summer fair. A relative newcomer, Brynn's hoping the contest becomes a tradition, bonding her even more strongly to the community. But when a mysterious tractor accident looks suspiciously like murder, Brynn suspects someone is up to no-gouda...

Some folks say the lead suspect was just defending his underage daughter from a suitor more mature than a vintage provolone, but Brynn isn't buying it. Especially when another dead body turns up and Brynn's top cheesemaker falls under suspicion. It's enough to make a girl bluer than her best Stilton. But not enough to stop Brynn from getting to the bottom of things. What she discovers is the small-town harbors some pretty unsavory characters. And the closer Brynn gets to the killer, the deeper she gets into danger...

### Praise for *Christmas Cow Bells*

"The first in a new series from longtime mystery author Bryan, this book offers plenty of humor, engaging characters, and a clever whodunit. Learning about micro-dairy farming is an unexpected bonus."

—**Library Journal, STARRED REVIEW**

"*Christmas Cow Bells* is the first book in the Buttermilk Creek Mystery series and is sure to capture the hearts of cozy mystery lovers. The intriguing mystery coupled with fun characters and some adorable animals makes *Christmas Cow Bells* a hit. I look forward to seeing what Molly Cox Bryan has in store for us next!"

—**Fresh Fiction**

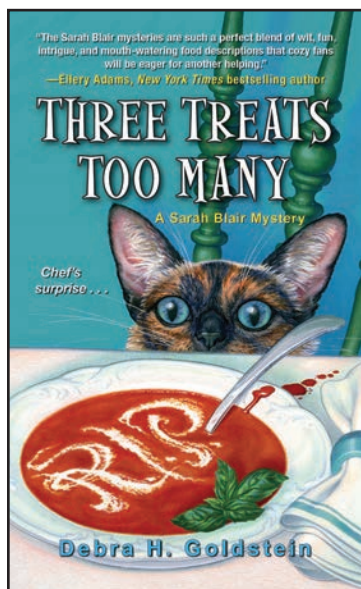
**Mollie Cox Bryan** writes cozy mysteries with edge and romances with a slow, sweet burn, including the Buttermilk Creek Mystery Series, the highly acclaimed Cora Crafts Mysteries, and the Agatha-award nominated Cumberland Creek Mysteries. She makes her home at the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains in the Shenandoah Valley in Virginia, where she works as a researcher and fact checker and writes in the early morning hours. Visit her and sign up for her newsletter at [MollieCoxBryan.com](http://MollieCoxBryan.com).

## KEY SELLING POINTS

- This is the second in a new series set on an organic dairy farm that makes artisanal products such as cream and cheese in the Blue Ridge Mountains. The series sleuth is an organic farmer who solves mysteries with the help of a trio of comic cows.
- Mollie Cox Bryan is an Agatha Award-nominated author of the Cumberland Creek Mysteries and the acclaimed Cora Crafts Mysteries. *Death Among the Doilies* was a *Fresh Fiction* "Not to Miss" selection and was a finalist for the Daphne du Maurier Award. *No Charm Intended*, was named a "Summer 2017 Top 10 Beach Read" by *Woman's World*.
- Each installment includes new recipes, including Pimento Cheese Spread, Cheeseballs, Cheese Danish, and more!
- Cozy fans who love animals incorporated into their stories but tiring of the usual cats and dogs will delight in the trio of comical cows found in this series!

## MARKETING PLANS

- Advance reading copies
- Print and online advertising
- Featured title in *Tea Time's* Cozy Corner
- Publicity outreach for reviews, roundups, and feature coverage
- Author appearances and promotion at select conventions including Malice Domestic and Kensington's CozyClub Mini-Cons
- Author events in Virginia, Maryland, West Virginia, and the D.C. area
- Early reviewer promotions through NetGalley and Goodreads
- Social media campaign including advertising, giveaways, bonus content and shareable images
- Blog tour and ongoing blogger outreach
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## THREE TREATS TOO MANY

*The Sarah Blair Mystery Series*

Debra H. Goldstein

**When a romantic rival opens a competing restaurant in small-town Wheaton, Alabama, restaurant owner Sarah Blair discovers murder is the specialty of the house in the third novel in Debra H. Goldstein's convenience cooking culinary cozy series.**

For someone whose greatest culinary skill is ordering takeout, Sarah never expected to be co-owner of a restaurant. Even her Siamese cat, RahRah, seems to be looking at her differently. But while Sarah and her twin sister, Chef Emily, are tangled up in red tape waiting for the building inspector to get around to them, an attention-stealing new establishment—run by none other than Sarah's late ex-husband's mistress, Jane—is having its grand opening across the street.

Jane's new sous chef, Riley Miller, is the talk of Wheaton with her delicious vegan specialties. When Riley is found dead outside the restaurant with Sarah's friend, Jacob, kneeling over her, the former line cook—whose infatuation with Riley was no secret—becomes the prime suspect. Now Sarah must turn up the heat on the real culprit, who has no reservations about committing cold-blooded murder...

### Praise for Debra H. Goldstein's Sarah Blair Mysteries

"Cats, crime and cooking...Debra Goldstein's debut cozy mystery novel has it all."

—**Woman's World on *One Taste Too Many***

"A romp of a page turner—with an engaging heroine, an eccentric mom, a touch of romance, a charming-but-wacky cast of characters and a rock star cat! This smart cozy—full of heart and humor and surprises—has everything a mystery lover could ask for."

—**Hank Phillippi Ryan on *Two Bites Too Many***

"The Sarah Blair mysteries are such a perfect blend of wit, fun, intrigue, and mouth-watering food descriptions that cozy fans will be eager for another helping."

—**Ellery Adams, *New York Times* bestselling author on *Two Bites Too Many***

"Debra Goldstein whets our appetite for murder in this series debut. Scarf down a full serving of this tasty mystery as soon as you can."

—**Maddie Day, bestselling author of the *Country Store Mysteries* on *One Taste Too Many***

"Set with colorful and charming characters, the plot offers a bit of humor as the twins face challenges they never expected."

—**The New York Journal of Books on *One Taste Too Many***

**Debra H. Goldstein** is the author of the Sarah Blair Mysteries, as well as *Should Have Played Poker* and *IPPY Award*—winning *Maze in Blue*. Her short stories, including Anthony and Agatha-nominated *The Night They Burned Ms. Dixie's Place*, have appeared in numerous periodicals and anthologies. An active Birmingham, Alabama civic volunteer, Debra also serves on the national boards of Sisters in Crime and Mystery Writers of America and is president of SEMWA and past president of SinC's Guppy Chapter. Visit [DebraHGoldstein.com](http://DebraHGoldstein.com) to learn more.

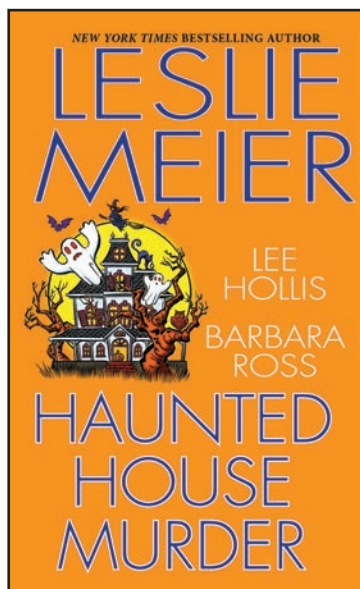
### KEY SELLING POINTS

- The Sarah Blair Mystery Series appeals to fans of culinary cozies, as well as those who enjoy mysteries with cats in them!
- The wider audience of people who like meals of convenience and cookbooks such as Peg Bracken's *I Hate to Cook Cookbook* and the *Appendix to the I Hate to Cook Cookbook* appreciate this series as well.
- Includes recipes!

### MARKETING PLANS

- Advance reading copies
- Print and online advertising
- Publicity outreach for reviews, roundups, and feature coverage
- Outreach for features and round-ups regarding convenience cooking
- Author appearances and promotion at select conventions including Kensington's CozyClub Mini-Cons and Malice Domestic
- Author events in Birmingham, Alabama
- Early reviewer promotions through NetGalley and Goodreads
- Social media campaign including advertising, giveaways, bonus content and shareable images
- Blog tour and ongoing blogger outreach
- Author recipes and guest posts





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## HAUNTED HOUSE MURDER

Leslie Meier; Lee Hollis; Barbara Ross

Tricks and treats keep the Halloween spirit alive in coastal Maine. But this year the haunted house theme is getting carried a little too far...

**HAUNTED HOUSE MURDER** by Leslie Meier

Newcomers to Tinker's Cove, Ty and Heather Moon have moved into a dilapidated house reputed to be a haven for ghosts. Now strange noises and flickering lights erupt from the house at all hours and neighborly relations are on edge. And when a local boy goes missing near the house, it's up to Lucy Stone to unravel the mystery of the eccentric couple and their increasingly frightful behavior.

**DEATH BY HAUNTED HOUSE** by Lee Hollis

For the past two years, the house next door to Hayley Powell has sat abandoned after the owner died under mysterious circumstances. The Salinger family has recently taken possession of the property, but the realtor behind the deal has vanished—after a very public and angry argument with Damien Salinger. If Bar Harbor's newest neighbors are murderers, Hayley will haunt them until they confess.

**HALLOWED OUT** by Barbara Ross

With its history of hauntings and ghost sightings, Busman's Harbor is the perfect setting for Halloween festivities. But when a reenactment of a Prohibition-era gangster's murder ends with a literal bang and a dead actor from New Jersey, Julia Snowden must identify a killer before she ends up sleeping with the fishes.

### Praise for *Haunted House Murder*

"Just in time for Halloween, *Haunted House Murder* is a three-novella collection of creepy but fun Halloween stories complete with ghosts, oddball characters, mayhem and murder. The authors are already well known for their "cozy" mysteries, and these tales give them a chance to really have some fun."

—*Kennebec Journal*

"This fun whodunit kept me entertained...Bone-chilling!"

—*First for Women*

"The mystery was clever, as always."

—*Criminal Element*

**Leslie Meier** is the acclaimed author of over twenty-five Lucy Stone Mysteries. She has also written for *Ellery Queen's Mystery Magazine*, and like her series protagonist, Lucy Stone, she worked as a New England newspaper reporter while raising her three children. She is currently at work on the next Lucy Stone mystery and can be found online at [LeslieMeierBooks.com](http://LeslieMeierBooks.com).

**Lee Hollis** is the pen name for a brother and sister writing team. Rick Copp is a veteran film and television writer/producer and also is the author of two other mystery novel series. He lives in Palm Springs, California. Holly Simason is an award-winning food and cocktails columnist living in North Carolina. You may visit their Website at [LeeHollisMysteries.com](http://LeeHollisMysteries.com)

**Barbara Ross** is the author of the Maine Clambake Mysteries. The first book in the series, *Clammed Up* was nominated for an Agatha Award for Best Contemporary Novel, the *RT Book Reviews'* Reviewer's Choice Best Book Award for Amateur Sleuth and was a finalist for the Maine Literary Award for Crime Fiction. She is co-editor/co-publisher of Level Best Books, which produces anthologies of crime stories by New England authors. She writes at her home overlooking the harbor in Boothbay Harbor, Maine. Readers can visit her Website at [MaineClambakeMysteries.com](http://MaineClambakeMysteries.com).

## KEY SELLING POINTS

- As with *Eggnog Murder* and *Yule Log Murder*, *Haunted House Murder* is anchored by *New York Times* bestselling author Leslie Meier, who has over twenty titles in her Lucy Stone mystery series and over one million books in print!
- All three novellas are set in Maine, which should give an added hook for publicity and promo opportunities.
- Each author features the sleuth from their Maine based mysteries series: Lucy Stone who lives in the fictional town of Tinker's Cove, Maine; Hayley Randolph, who lives in Bar Harbor, Maine; and Julia Snowden, who lives in the fictional town of Busman's Harbor, Maine.
- *Yule Log Murder* was a *Suspense Magazine* "Best of 2018" pick in the Anthology category.

## MARKETING PLANS

- Print and online advertising
- Halloween tie-ins and promotions
- Publicity outreach for features and round-ups
- Social media advertising, promotion and giveaways
- Author appearances and promotions at select conventions including Bouchercon, Malice Domestic, Left Coast Crime, and Kensington's CozyClub Mini-Cons



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## MURDER, TAKE TWO

*The Witch City Mystery Series*

Carol J. Perry

**In Carol J. Perry's tenth Witch City Mystery, a copycat killer has Salem, Massachusetts reporter Lee Barrett brushing up on ancient history...and it's a test where failure could be lethal!**

As a Salem, Massachusetts, native, WICH-TV field reporter and amateur sleuth Lee Barrett is well versed in the region's lore. So, when the murder of revered local professor Samuel Bond resembles a killing from almost two centuries ago, everyone is on edge. Especially assistant professor Cody McGinnis...

Not only did Cody have differences with Bond, he even taught a course on the historic murder. And when his fingerprints and ladder are found at the crime scene, the police are certain of his guilt. Cody's family, however, believes otherwise and asks Lee for assistance. Now, with the help of her clairvoyant cat, O'Ryan, her tech-savvy librarian aunt and housemate Ibbey, and Pete Mondello, her handsome detective beau, Lee will delve deeper than ever into Salem's past—and into her own psychic gifts—to find the real killer—before someone else is history...

### Praise for the Witch City Mysteries

"There are interesting forays into the work of running a small TV station and appearances by Lee's charming and possibly clairvoyant cat. Author Carol J. Perry juggles these details with finesse and moves the plot toward a creepy conclusion that adds a few shivers to this cozy."

—**BookPage on Late Checkout**

"A library volunteer gets more than she bargained for when a body turns up in the stacks: a scary murder victim but a great potential research opportunity."

—**Kirkus Reviews on Late Checkout**

"This delightful read set against the Halloween festivities in Salem is perfect cozy read for a blustery autumn evening."

—**The Intelligencer on Late Checkout**

"If you're looking to stroll around Salem, its library, get caught in the pumpkin run, and spend time with the unique characters that populate this story, this may very well be your book."

—**Criminal Element on Late Checkout**

"Earns high marks for being a clever, character-driven whodunit that's firmly entrenched in a sense of time and place without being overshadowed by it. Carol J. Perry writes with alacrity, casting a spell that will leave readers old and new bewitched, beguiled, and begging for more."

—**Criminal Element on Final Exam**

"A fast-paced cozy that entertains from start to finish. A great read!"

—**Suspense Magazine on Bells, Spells, and Murders**

"The real fun this time out is watching Lee scrambling to turn hints into news stories...a generally engaging series."

—**Locus Magazine on Final Exam**

**Carol J. Perry** was born in Salem on Halloween Eve. She has written many young adult novels, in addition to the Witch City mystery series. She and her husband Dan live in the Tampa Bay area of Florida with two cats and a black Lab. Visit her at [CarolJPerry.com](http://CarolJPerry.com).

### KEY SELLING POINTS

- Carol J. Perry weaves paranormal elements subtly through her plots, adding a delightful magical flavor without turning off straight-up mystery readers.
- Lee Barrett, the series' heroine, inherits a cat with possible magical abilities of his own—and we all know how much cozy readers love cats!
- The Witch City Mysteries are consistent Barnes & Noble mass market bestsellers and always backlist nicely.

### MARKETING PLANS

- Advance reading copies
- Print and online advertising
- Halloween tie-ins and roundups
- Publicity outreach for reviews, roundups, and feature coverage
- Author appearances and promotion at select conventions including Malice Domestic 2020
- Select author events in the South Florida region
- Early reviewer promotions through NetGalley and Goodreads
- Social media campaign including advertising, giveaways, bonus content and shareable images
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## KNIT OF THE LIVING DEAD

The Knit & Nibble Mystery Series

Peggy Ehrhart

In Peggy Ehrhart's sixth Knit & Nibble Mystery, a woman dressed as Little Bo Peep is strangled during a spooky celebration in Arborville, New Jersey. Now it's up to craft magazine editor and knitting club founder Pamela Paterson to scare up the killer!

Among the countless revelers at the town's much-anticipated Halloween parade, a woman dressed as Little Bo Peep is the only one making people scream bloody murder. In a scene straight out of a horror movie, the Knit and Nibblers find the nursery rhyme character dead with thick strands of yarn looped around her neck. Pamela and her best friend, Bettina, are set on pinning down who wanted the woman gone forever, but it'll take every trick they can muster to catch the culprit without becoming the next poor souls to join Little Bo Peep's dark, endless sleep...

Knitting tips and delicious recipes included!

### Praise for the Knit & Nibble Mystery series by Peggy Ehrhart

"With an unlikely heroine and a knack for finding the "pattern" in the murders, this is a series that will appeal to many cozy fans."

—*The Parkersburg News and Sentinel on Died in the Wool*

"Ehrhart has done a great job creating a complex mystery, as well as a new "detective" who is all heart. Not only do you receive an intriguing whodunit, but readers will also be given a delicious recipe and knitting tips from a master of the craft."

—*Suspense Magazine on Murder, She Knit*

"It all comes together in a satisfying ending to an enjoyable read. Find directions for knitting a cat (easier than an aardvark) and a recipe for strawberry shortcake, plus an excerpt from Knit to Kill, at the end of the book. Pamela and Bettina are a lot of fun. I look forward to reading more of their misadventures."

—*Kings River Life Magazine on Died in the Wool*

**Peggy Ehrhart** is a former English professor who lives in Leonia, New Jersey, where she writes mysteries and plays blues guitar. She holds a Ph.D. in medieval literature from the University of Illinois and taught writing and literature at Queens College, CUNY, and Fairleigh Dickinson University, where she was a tenured full professor. Her short stories have appeared in *Futures Mystery Anthology Magazine*, *Crime and Suspense*, *Flashing in the Gutters*, *Spinetingler*, *Crime Scene: New Jersey 2*, and *Murder New York Style*. A longtime member of Mystery Writers of America and Sisters in Crime, Peggy served on the board of MWA New York as head of the Mentor Committee. She was president of Sisters in Crime NY/TriState from 2013 to 2015. Peggy regularly attends mystery-writing conferences and participates in conference panels and also gives talks on mystery fiction at libraries in New York, Connecticut, and New Jersey. Learn more about Peggy and her novels at [PeggyEhrhart.com](http://PeggyEhrhart.com).

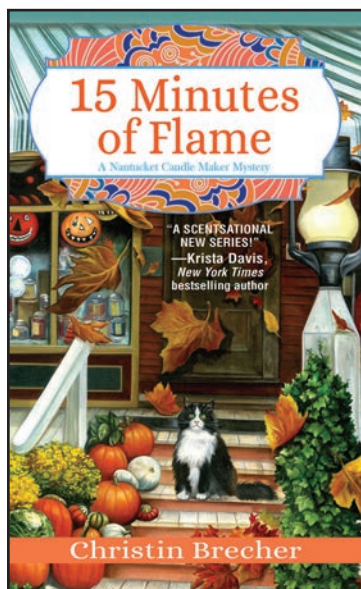
### KEY SELLING POINTS

- Includes dessert recipes and knitting tips!
- Peggy Ehrhart's Knit & Nibble mysteries appeal to fans of cozy mysteries, knitters, and other crafters. They also appeal to fans of Betty Hecht (Berkley) and Sadie Hartwell (Kensington).
- In the last few years, knitting has enjoyed a resurgence as people everywhere rediscover the satisfaction of making things that stand out from mass-produced objects.
- A longtime member of Mystery Writers of America and Sisters in Crime, Peggy served on the board of MWA New York and was president of Sisters in Crime NY/TriState from 2013 to 2015. Peggy regularly attends mystery writing conferences and participates in conference panels and also gives talks on mystery fiction at libraries in New York, Connecticut, and New Jersey.
- Peggy Ehrhart is being featured alongside Leslie Meier and Lee Hollis in the 2020 hardcover anthology, *Christmas Card Murder*.

### MARKETING PLANS

- Advance reading copies
- Print and online advertising
- Publicity outreach for reviews, roundups, and feature coverage
- Author appearances and promotion at select conventions including the Kensington CozyCons and Malice Domestic
- Early reviewer promotions through NetGalley and Goodreads
- Social media campaign including advertising, giveaways, bonus content and shareable images
- Blog tour and ongoing blogger outreach
- Halloween tie-ins and promotions
- Author events in New Jersey
- Bonus knitting content placements on knitting and crafting sites
- Cross-promotion with *Christmas Card Murder* (Kensington HC, 11/20)





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*Murder's No Votive Confidence*  
7/19 (978-1-4967-2139-6)

## 15 MINUTES OF FLAME

*The Nantucket Candle Maker Mystery Series*  
**Christin Brecher**

**As Stella Wright's candle shop thrives, her knack for solving mysteries burns equally bright...and in Christin Brecher's third Nantucket Candle Maker Mystery, she'll need to keep her "wicks" about her when a Halloween haunted house uncovers evidence of a centuries-old murder...**

When Stella's friend inherits a creaky, abandoned home in Nantucket, she knows it's the perfect setting for the town's annual Halloween fundraiser. A deserted, boarded-up building on the property—once used as a candle-making shop—adds to the creepy ambiance. But as Stella explores the shack's dilapidated walls, she discovers a terrible secret: the skeleton of a Quaker woman, wrapped in blood-soaked clothing and hidden deep within a stone hearth...

While police investigate, Stella wastes no time asking for help from friends with long ties to Nantucket's intricate history. The key to the murder may lie within a scorching 18th century love triangle that pit two best friends against one another over a dubious man. But before the case is solved, another life will be claimed—leaving Stella to wonder who in Nantucket is friend, and who is foe...

### **Praise for *Murder's No Votive Confidence***

***A Suspense Magazine* 2019 Best Cozy Mysteries of the Year**

"A charming mystery with believable, likeable characters. Check it out."

**—*Suspense Magazine***

"Charming...With this great cast and setting, *Murder's No Votive Confidence* was a very enjoyable take on the country house mystery."

**—*Criminal Element***

"This is a perfect summer cozy with a lush setting and a fun heroine."

**—*The Parkersburg News & Sentinel***

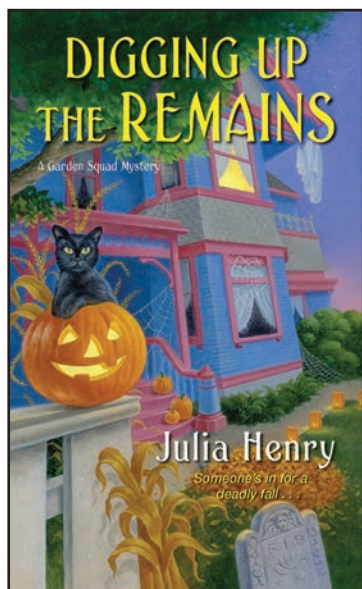
**Christin Brecher** was born and raised in New York City. The idea to write the Nantucket Candle Maker series sprang from her life-long connection to the small island off the coast of Massachusetts. Spending summers there as a child, Christin read from her family's library of mystery novels, after which she began to imagine stories inspired by the island's whaling heyday, its notoriously foggy nights, and during long bike rides to the beach. After many years in marketing for the publishing industry, followed by years raising her children, The Nantucket Candle Maker Mysteries are Christin's debut series. Visit her at [ChristinBrecher.com](http://ChristinBrecher.com).

## KEY SELLING POINTS

- *15 Minutes of Flame* is the third in a charmingly unique series, B&N bestselling featuring Stella Wright, candle maker and owner of the Wick & Flame candle store on Nantucket Island.
- The first Nantucket Candle Maker Mystery, *Murder's No Votive Confidence*, was a *Suspense Magazine* Best Cozy of the Year.
- Each book in the Nantucket Candle Maker Mystery series includes interesting candle-related facts and tips.
- A cat named Tinker is an ongoing character in this series. Cat lovers and readers who enjoy animal-focused cozies will fall in love with Tinker, who is Zen-like in his ability to nap under any circumstance.
- There hasn't been a cozy mystery either set in Nantucket or featuring candle-making as a theme in print for years. This series brings both elements back in the best possible way.
- Christin Brecher has spent a great deal of time in Nantucket and can speak to its history of candle making.
- Christin Brecher has a marketing background and is a strong promoter. She is a regular at mystery events and conventions, such as Malice Domestic, Bouchercon and Kensington's CozyCons.
- Audio rights to the first three books in the Nantucket Candle Maker Mystery series have been sold to Recorded Books.

## MARKETING PLANS

- Advance reading copies
- Print and online advertising
- Publicity outreach for reviews, roundups, and feature coverage
- Regional media push in Cape Cod / Nantucket
- Outreach and partnerships with candle shops and candle-making groups
- Author appearances and promotion at select conventions including Malice Domestic, Bouchercon and Kensington's CozyClub Mini-Cons
- Author events in New York City, Connecticut, and Massachusetts
- Early reviewer promotions through NetGalley and Goodreads
- Social media campaign including advertising, giveaways, bonus content and shareable images
- Blog tour and ongoing blogger outreach
- Bookstagram activations and special mailings with candles
- Guest posts and bonus content placements
- Halloween tie-ins and roundups



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*Pruning the Dead*  
2/19 (978-1-4967-1481-7)

## DIGGING UP THE REMAINS

*The Garden Squad Mystery Series*

**Julia Henry**

**When a meddling newspaper reporter is murdered before a 10k fundraiser celebrating Goosebush, Massachusetts' 400th anniversary, it's up to sixty-something gardener and sometime sleuth Lilly Jayne—and her fellow Garden Squad members of course—to track down the killer in Julia Henry's third Garden Squad Mystery!**

Between hosting a haunted house on her lawn, serving on the town's 400th Anniversary Planning Committee, and prepping for the Fall Festival's 10k fundraiser, Lilly's hands are full. She doesn't have time for prickly newspaper reporter Tyler Crane, who's been creeping around town, looking for dirt on Goosebush's most notable families...until he's found dead on the race route moments before the start.

An unfortunate accident? Or did Tyler unearth a secret that someone in Goosebush is willing to kill to keep? By planting nasty rumors and cultivating fear, Tyler sowed a fair share of ill will during his brief time in town. Weeding through the suspects will be thorny, but Lilly and her Garden Squad are determined to root out the autumnal assassin before the Fall Festival flops...

### Praise for Julia Henry

"An impressive start to what I hope will be a long, successful series."

—***Suspense Magazine on Pruning the Dead***

"A well-written and snappy whodunit, this an enjoyable read"

—***Dru's Book Musings on Pruning the Dead***

"A great read with a likeable protagonist and a clever plot."

—***Suspense Magazine on Tilling the Truth***

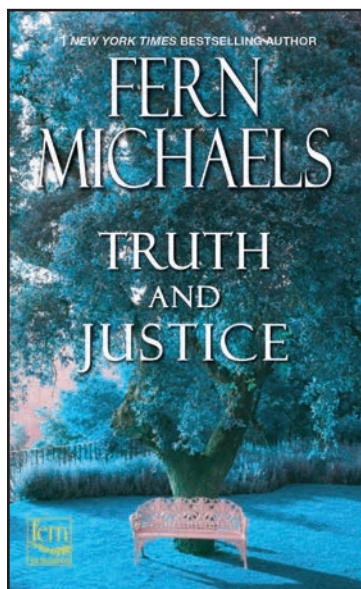
**Julia Henry** lives in Massachusetts, where she sets her mystery series. As Julianne Holmes she writes the Clock Shop Mystery Series, and as J.A. Hennrikus she writes the Theater Cop series. She blogs with the Wicked Cozy Authors (WickedCozyAuthors.com) and Killer Characters (KillerCharacters.com), tweets as @JHAuthors, is on Instagram @JHAuthors, and on Facebook. Julie works in the arts, teaches, is a member of the Mystery Writers of America and Sisters in Crime. For more, please visit JHAuthors.com.

## KEY SELLING POINTS

- The Garden Squad consists of four friends who are clandestine gardeners in the town of Goosebush, Massachusetts. Lilly Jayne and Tamara O'Connor have been friends for almost sixty years. Delia Greenway is Lilly's boarder, and Ernie Johnson owns the garden center. In addition to their green thumbs, they employ their collective skills to solve mysteries. Lilly Jayne, the defacto head of the squad, has a magical way with plants...and with putting together clues.
- This third installment in the Garden Squad Mysteries revolves around a Fall Festival.
- With its gardening hook, Henry's series appeals to fans of Kate Collins' Flower Shop mysteries, Alyse Carlson's Garden Society Mystery series, Susan Witting Albert's Darling Dahlias Mystery series, and Amanda Flower's Magical Bookshop series.
- *Pruning the Dead* was a *Woman's World* Book Club selection.
- Along with Edith Maxwell, Liz Mugavero, Barbara Ross, Jessie Crockett and Sherry Harris, Julia Henry belongs to the Wicked Cozy Authors group, who blog daily at WickedCozyAuthors.com.
- Julia Henry is a member of Sisters in Crime, Sisters in Crime New England, Mystery Writers of America. She also writes the Agatha nominated Clock Shop Mysteries for Berkley Prime Crime under the name Julianne Holmes, and as J.A. Hennrikus she writes the Theater Cop Mystery Series for Midnight Ink.
- Each installment in the Garden Squad Mystery Series includes gardening tips!

## MARKETING PLANS

- Advance reading copies
- Print and online advertising
- Featured title in *Tea Time's* Cozy Corner
- Publicity outreach for reviews, roundups, and feature coverage
- Outreach for features and round-ups regarding autumn planting tips
- Author appearances and promotion at select conventions including Kensington's CozyClub Mini-Cons and Malice Domestic
- Author events throughout New England
- Early reviewer promotions through NetGalley and Goodreads
- Social media campaign including advertising, giveaways, bonus content and shareable images
- Blog tour and ongoing blogger outreach
- Garden shows and gardening club promotions
- Halloween tie-ins and roundups



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## TRUTH AND JUSTICE

### The Sisterhood Series

Fern Michaels

**Fern Michaels is a national treasure, and her 31st adventure with the Sisterhood finds the stalwart friends bringing justice—and hope—to families devastated by greedy con artists.**

The Sisterhood: a group of women from all walks of life bound by friendship and a quest for justice. Armed with vast resources, top-notch expertise, and a loyal network of allies around the globe, the Sisterhood will not rest until every wrong is made right.

When Alexis Thorn encounters a distraught young woman, Bella Nolan, alone in a restaurant, crying instead of eating, she offers comfort—and soon uncovers a mission that will require the very particular skills of the Sisterhood.

Alexis learns that the woman's husband was recently killed in action in Afghanistan. Before he reported for duty, they took steps to preserve their chances of having children. But when Bella visits the fertility clinic, she discovers her eggs are no longer there—and the circumstances are beyond suspicious.

Heartbroken at this tale of shattered hopes, Alexis recruits the Sisterhood to investigate. Soon they uncover a con artist on an obsessive mission. Tracking down the culprit behind such a cruel scheme won't be easy. But with their combined grit, courage, and determination to overcome any obstacle, the Sisterhood will make sure that this story ends on a note of triumph...

### Praise for The Sisterhood

"Fern Michaels's latest novel blends suspense, mystery and heartwarming charm."

—**Woman's World on Safe and Sound**

"Political intrigue, high-level hijinks, and characters with charisma to spare...Michael's long-running series dramatizing the clout of true friendship will also appeal to readers who enjoy other gal-pal stories."

—**Booklist on Game Over**

"Kudos to Fern Michaels for this superb series and the outstanding, fresh story lines of each one."

—**Fresh Fiction on Hide and Seek**

**Fern Michaels** is the *USA Today* and *New York Times* bestselling author of the Sisterhood, Men of the Sisterhood and Godmothers series, and dozens of other novels and novellas. There are over ninety-five million copies of her books in print. Fern Michaels has built and funded several large day-care centers in her hometown and is a passionate animal lover who has outfitted police dogs across the country with special bulletproof vests. She shares her home in South Carolina with her four dogs and a resident ghost named Mary Margaret. Visit her Website at FernMichaels.com.

## KEY SELLING POINTS

- An astonishing 31 installments and nearly 23 million copies sold, the Sisterhood boasts cumulative series reign of over 134 weeks on the *New York Times* bestseller list, 143 weeks on the *USA Today* bestseller list (as of 2019), legions of fans, and no signs of slowing down!
- In *Truth and Justice*, the Sisterhood unites to help a veteran's widow fight back against a shady fertility clinic.
- The Sisterhood's popularity keeps growing. *Point Blank* (The Sisterhood #26, Zebra MM, 1/16) was a #1 *New York Times* bestseller. *Need to Know* (Zebra 2018), the 28th installment in The Sisterhood Series, debuted at #2 on the *Publishers Weekly* bestseller list and was a *USA Today* and IndieBound mass market bestseller. The preceding installment, *Crash and Burn* (Zebra MM, 1/17), spent three weeks on the *New York Times* bestseller list, debuting at #3, five weeks on the *USA Today* list and six weeks on the *Publishers Weekly* list.
- The first 27 Sisterhood books were all *New York Times* bestsellers, with 24 of them hitting the Top 10.
- Every Sisterhood book released has been a *USA Today* bestseller.
- Fern Michaels is one of the biggest, most trusted names in publishing, with more than 91 consecutive *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestsellers. Her novels have been translated into over 20 languages

## MARKETING PLANS

- Advance reading copies
- Print and online advertising
- Sirius XM radio spots
- Mobile advertising campaign
- Publicity outreach for reviews, roundups and feature coverage
- Social media campaign including advertising, giveaways, bonus content and shareable images
- Email marketing and eNewsletter promotions
- Early reviewer promotions through NetGalley and Goodreads
- Yearlong marketing campaign cross-promoting all 2020 Fern Michaels titles





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## WHO WANTS TO MARRY A DUKE

*The Duke Dynasty Series*  
**Sabrina Jeffries**

**New York Times** bestselling author Sabrina Jeffries, one of the best-known names in historical romance, returns with her latest Duke Dynasty novel, the third in an enchanting series centered on stepsiblings in search of the truth about their mother's succession of beloved husbands—and their own surprising identities as eligible young nobles. And for rakehell Duke of Thornstock who thinks he knows everything there is to know about passion, the schooling he gets from scientifically minded, bookish Miss Olivia Norley shows there's more to chemistry than just lust.

A past kiss with adorably bookish Miss Olivia Norley should be barely a memory for Marlowe Drake, the Duke of Thornstock. After all, there are countless debutantes for a handsome rakehell to charm beyond a young lady whose singular passion is chemistry—of the laboratory type. But Thorn has not forgotten—or forgiven—the shocking blackmail scheme sparked by that single kiss, or the damage caused to both their names. Now Thorn's half-brother, Grey, has hired the brilliant Miss Norley for her scientific expertise in solving a troubling family mystery. And the once-burned Thorn, suspicious of her true motives, vows to follow her every move...

For Olivia, determining whether arsenic poisoning killed Grey's father is the pioneering experiment that could make her career—and Thorn's constant presence is merely a distraction. But someone has explosive plans to derail her search. Soon the most unexpected discovery is the caring nature of the reputed scoundrel beside her—and the electricity it ignites between them...

### Praise for Sabrina Jeffries and *Project Duchess*, Book 1 in The Duke Dynasty Series

Sabrina Jeffries is touted as a master of romance—and the first novel in her new Duke Dynasty series is as steamy as they come...a witty, scintillating read."

—**Woman's World, Editor's Pick**

"An excellent blend of great characters and witty dialogue make this a delicious first in a new series."

—**BookPage, STARRED REVIEW**

**Sabrina Jeffries** is the *New York Times* bestselling author of more than fifty novels and works of short fiction (some written under the pseudonyms Deborah Martin and Deborah Nicholas). Her writing has been published in more than twenty-one languages and there are over nine million copies of her books in print. A four-time RITA® Award-finalist, Jeffries has won the Holt Medallion Award, the Maggie, and the Booksellers' Best Award. After earning her Ph.D. in English Literature from Tulane University, she chose writing over academics, and now her sexy and humorous historical romances routinely land on the *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestseller lists. Sabrina lives in North Carolina with her husband and adult son, who has inspired her to actively champion the cause of autistic children. Visit her online at [SabrinaJeffries.com](http://SabrinaJeffries.com).

### KEY SELLING POINTS

- *Who Wants to Marry a Duke* is the third of the Duke Dynasty quartet—a fabulous Regency series featuring the dukes and duchesses that romance readers can't get enough of.
- *Project Duchess* (July 2019), the first Duke Dynasty romance, debuted at #38 on the *USA Today* list, and #16 on the *PW* MM list.
- A former English professor, Sabrina writes smart, witty, inventive romances. Her novels offer the perfect historical romance comfort food that readers crave. *Publishers Weekly* has praised Sabrina Jeffries' writing, saying "Quick pacing, witty dialogue, and charmingly original characters set Jeffries' books apart."
- Sabrina Jeffries is a *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling author of more than 50 novels with over nine million books in print in 21 languages.
- Readers are increasingly drawn to name brand authors they trust to deliver the stories they crave. Sabrina Jeffries has an instantly recognizable name in historical romance and is beloved by a rabid fanbase that consider each of her novels an "auto-buy."
- *The Bachelor* was a Publishers Marketplace *Buzz Books* Romance selection and *Project Duchess* was a *Publishers Weekly* Top 10 Romances pick.

### MARKETING PLANS

- Advance reading copies
- Print and online advertising campaign
- *Victoria* Vignettes content partnership
- FROLIC eNewsletter and social media promotions
- Sabrina Jeffries Street Team Mobilization
- Early reviewer promotions through Goodreads, NetGalley and Kensington's kLovers program
- Publicity outreach for reviews, roundups, and feature coverage
- Extensive blog tour and ongoing blogger outreach
- Newsletter and email marketing and promotions
- Select author appearances
- Promotion at select conventions
- Social media campaign including advertising, giveaways, bonus content, and shareable images
- Cross-promotion with *The Bachelor* (Zebra MM, 3/20)



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## BRAZEN IN BLUE

*The Muses' Salon Series*

Rachael Miles

**Spinster-Meets-Spy in Rachael Miles' fifth Muses' Salon novel, dazzling readers with a tale of passion, wit, and intricate historical detail. An expert in voice recollection, Lady Emmeline Hartley is called to assist Adam Montclair of the Home Office on a case uncovering a plot against the government. As Emmeline and Adam race to unmask the agents of chaos, they are drawn into a deadly world of deception and danger—even as their passion for each other grows.**

Lady Emmeline Hartley has overcome every obstacle life has thrown her way. A spinster, disappointed in love, Em is on the brink of a marriage of convenience, when the man who rejected her heart reappears in need of her help. It gives Em a chance to escape, put to use one her most unusual talents—and perhaps convince him once and for all to risk his heart...

Adam Montclair—one of the most successful agents at the Home Office—rubs elbows with the highest levels of society. Even so, he wasn't to the manor born. No matter how much he desires Em, as a match he is completely unsuitable. While it pains him to be near her, it's a punishment he richly deserves. Now on a mission to uncover a plot against the government, Adam knows Em's uncanny ability to recall voices will be essential. Yet as the two thwart the dangers in their path, it may become impossible to deny that Em is essential to happiness itself...

### Praise for the Muses' Salon Series

"Author Miles continues her smart, intriguing Muses' Salon series with another bright, accomplished heroine who fights for her happiness with an unexpected perfect match. A unique storyline, a dose of suspense, and a circle of intelligent female friends enhance a successful romance."

—*Kirkus Reviews on Reckless in Red*

"Fans of Jo Beverley and Mary Jo Putney as well as all readers who value Regency-set romances that are expertly grounded in the era's history will be delighted to discover the latest in Miles' impeccably researched and beautifully crafted Muses' Salon series."

—*Booklist on Tempting the Earl*

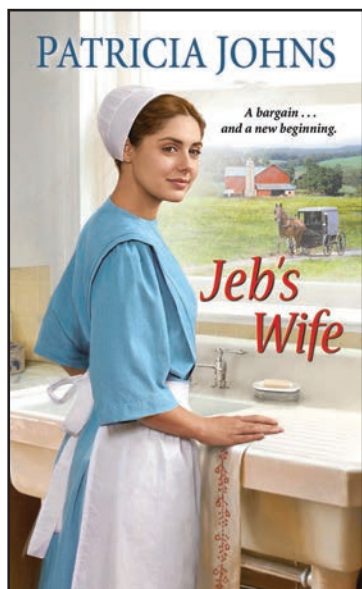
**Rachael Miles** has always loved a good romance, especially one with a bit of suspense and preferably a ghost. She is also a professor of book history and nineteenth-century literature whose students frequently find themselves reading the novels of Ann Radcliffe and other gothic tales. A native Texan, Rachael lives with her indulgent husband, three rescued dogs, and an ancient cat in upstate New York. Visit her at [RachaelMiles.com](http://RachaelMiles.com).

## KEY SELLING POINTS

- Historical romance is a perennial favorite, and the Regency period most of all. Miles captures the charm and fantasy of that time and marries it with sweeping romance and characters you really root for.
- Unique heroines, with interests spanning the sciences, art, and history, will resonate with fans of authors like Sarah MacLean and Eloisa James.
- With Rachael's academic background, her novels are meticulously researched and historically accurate, which fans of have come to expect in the romances they chose to read.
- *Brazen in Blue* also has a central mystery for the protagonists to solve. The blending of mystery elements into romance has become very popular with readers of late and is very on trend. Historical romance readers love a good spy adventure!
- Rachael Miles also contributed a novella to the holiday anthology *A Texas Kind of Christmas* (Kensington TP, November '19) headlined by powerhouse author Jodi Thomas. Novellas remain a wonderful tool for author discover and having Rachael exposed to Thomas' readership has enlarged her audience.
- *Tempting the Earl*, Book 3 in the Muses' Salon Series, was an Amazon "Best Books of the Month: Romance" selection.

## MARKETING PLANS

- Advance reading copies
- Print, online, and podcast advertising
- *Victoria Vignette* Content Partnership
- Early reviewer promotions through Goodreads, NetGalley, and Kensington kLovers program
- Blog tour and ongoing blogger outreach
- Publicity outreach for reviews, roundups, and feature coverage
- Social media advertising and promotions
- Newsletter and email marketing and promotions
- Author appearances and promotion at select fan conventions



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## JEB'S WIFE

Patricia Johns

**Patricia Johns' sensitive storytelling brings depth and heart to this tender story of second chances, as an Amish woman embarks on marriage with the gruff farmer next door. With flawed, yet hopeful characters, and her portrayal of the Amish life without strong religious overtones, *Jeb's Wife* offers an intriguing look into the lives of the Amish community that will appeal greatly to both inspirational and secular readers.**

Once, Leah Riehl prayed for a husband. The man she loved chose another, wanting the children that Leah can't provide. But she's found a measure of peace, keeping house for her brother, Simon, and teaching in a nearby town. Now though, Simon's debts to an *Englisher* gambling ring have left Leah with a desperate dilemma—and a surprising offer from her scarred, reclusive neighbor. Jebadiah King needs to marry in order to claim his family farm. A union, for appearances only, will help them both.

Jeb knows his scars make him a less than ideal husband, but he can be a useful one. It's the least that Leah deserves. But despite the promises he made to himself, Jeb can't help longing for his lovely, warmhearted new wife. His first marriage brought heartbreak, but Leah's gentle smiles spark hope again. Are they willing to take the leap that love requires—and open themselves to all the challenges and joy a true marriage could bring?

### Praise for Patricia Johns:

"Heartrending, poignant, and perceptive, this beautifully written story has a cultural rather than a solely religious focus and will appeal to fans of sweet romance across the board. A solid debut."

—*Library Journal*, **STARRED REVIEW** on *The Bishop's Daughter*

"In these touching novellas from a trio of bestselling authors, struggling couples rekindle their love as Christmas approaches...Fans of the authors will relish these sweet tales of reconciliation."

—*Publishers Weekly* on *An Amish Second Christmas*

**Patricia Johns** is also the author of *The Bishop's Daughter*, *Thursday's Bride*, and *Jeb's Wife*, as well as fifteen books published by multiple Harlequin series lines. You can learn more about her at [PatriciaJohnsRomance.com](http://PatriciaJohnsRomance.com).

## KEY SELLING POINTS

- With beautiful scenes and moving character growth, Patricia Johns' Amish romances appeal to readers who simply enjoy a sweet, wholesome romance with a great deal of heart.
- Patricia Johns's novels are unlike other sweet Amish romances because the characters are realistically flawed, believable people with relatable human desires. While not containing any sexual content, the characters are more physically aware of each other than what is traditional in the genre. The heroine could be any modern woman, battling her attraction to the one man she cannot trust.
- Johns' romances focus on a less idealized Amish community—full of flaws and disappointments—but still supportive and close-knit.
- Patricia Johns also writes for Harlequin's Love Inspired, Western/American Romance and Heartwarming lines.

## MARKETING PLANS

- Advance reading copies
- Print and online advertising
- Publicity outreach for reviews, roundups, feature coverage
- Christian radio and podcast advertising
- Blog tour and targeted blogger outreach
- Social media advertising and promotion including advertising, giveaways, bonus content and shareable images
- Featured in Bouquet marketing program and outreach to Christian readers
- Early reviewer promotions through NetGalley and Goodreads
- Cross-promotion with *Thursday's Bride* (Zebra MM, 4/20)





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## SEARCHING FOR ROSE

**Dana Becker**

**From debut author Dana Becker comes an Amish gothic suspense novel in the vein of Linda Castillo and Marta Perry and with shades of *Witness*. Courageous and vulnerable, April has survived Philadelphia's tough city streets. But when her sister disappears, April's search will lead her to the Pennsylvania Amish countryside—where the peaceful setting belies a brand of danger all its own...**

With a childhood shattered by alcoholism and abandonment, April learned the hard way to trust only herself and her younger sister, Rose. But suddenly, Rose is gone without a word—and April's purpose in life is to find her. She has only one ally: Joseph Young, a handsome Amish man with whom she's struck up an unlikely flirtation in the bakery where she works. He's knowledgeable, steadfast—and when they join forces, April's life takes a radical turn...

In the heart of Amish farm country, April and Joseph grow closer. Yet April fears there's no future for them. Especially when vicious, too-personal warnings and strange attacks make her wonder just whom Joseph is really trying to protect. And as her unconventional investigation roils a community with much to conceal, April will find some secrets are killer—and some dreams may be too lethal to trust...

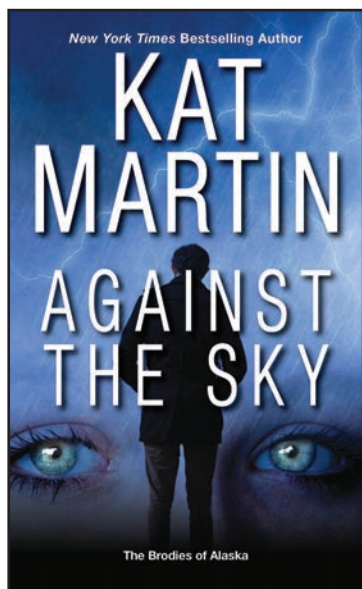
**Dana Becker** was born in Jerusalem and raised in Ohio, in a home where tradition and faith were everything. Dana spent many summers in the middle of Western Pennsylvania Amish country, getting to know Amish neighbors and their ways. Today Dana lives in Michigan, and spends time mostly taking orders from a newborn daughter, who's eagerly awaiting the day when she's old enough to pick out her very own pet puppy.

### KEY SELLING POINTS

- Dana Becker is a pseudonym for journalist and acclaimed nonfiction author Avi Steinberg. His memoir about discovering the romance novel industry and his quest to become a published romance author, *The Happily Ever After: A Memoir of an Unlikely Romance Novelist*, will be published in hardcover by Nan A. Talese on August 11, 2020—just two weeks before our release of this debut novel.
- As a male author of literary nonfiction who was raised as an Orthodox Jew, Dana Becker/Avi Steinberg has a unique profile for an Amish romance writer, allowing him to approach the genre from a fresh, relevant and unexpectedly personal angle.
- *Searching for Rose* is dark, gothic suspense with the heart of Amish romance. There is just enough darkness and danger to make the love at the center of the story and the warm haven of a wholesome Amish life glow more intensely.
- Demand continues to grow for darker Amish suspense novels with romantic elements, as evidenced by the success of authors like Marta Perry and Linda Castillo.
- *Searching for Rose* is based on real-life settings, from the Amish-run diner in downtown Philadelphia's Reading Terminal Market, to the Old Order Amish communities around Lancaster, Pennsylvania. The author grew up attending an Orthodox summer camp in Sugar Grove, Pennsylvania that cultivated close relations with its Amish neighbors for decades. The campers and staff were closely acquainted with generations of a few nearby Amish families, who were often seen on the camp's grounds. Many of the most formative experiences in the author's Orthodox childhood contained an Amish twist to them.
- In addition to having a strong familiarity with the setting for this novel, Dana Becker incorporates extensive research, interviews and personal experiences with Amish people.

### MARKETING PLANS

- Advance reading copies
- Print and online advertising
- National print and online publicity, including feature coverage and interviews with the author
- Radio and podcast interviews
- Promotions and author appearances at select conventions
- Excerpt booklets at Midwinter
- Regional author events
- Christian radio and podcast advertising
- Blog tour and targeted blogger outreach
- Social media advertising and promotion including advertising, giveaways, bonus content and shareable images
- Featured in Bouquet marketing program and outreach to Christian readers
- Early reviewer promotions through NetGalley and Goodreads
- Bookstagram activation
- Articles by author placed in major print and online outlets
- Cross-promotion with *The Happily Ever After: A Memoir of an Unlikely Romance Novelist* (Nan A. Talese HC, 8/20)



## Repackage Reissue

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## AGAINST THE SKY

*The Brodies of Alaska Series*

**Kat Martin**

**In the second Brodies of Alaska installment, *New York Times* bestselling author Kat Martin turns up the heat on the cold streets of Anchorage, as Samantha Hollis leaves Las Vegas for alpha male Nick Brodie and enters a world of pulse-pounding danger, kidnapping, and murder. With the perfect blend of suspense and steamy heat, *Against the Sky* is now reissued and ready for new readers to discover.**

Detective Nick Brodie's job means keeping the perps off the streets of Anchorage 24/7. Nick has never backed down from danger, but after the horrors he's seen, he's definitely in need of a break. Samantha Hollis never thought she'd meet anyone like Nick, especially in a place like Las Vegas. But after one reckless, passionate night, she discovers the charismatic stranger is everything she wants in a man. But can he ever be anything more than a one-night stand? When Nick invites her to Alaska, Samantha decides to find out, never guessing the depths she'll discover in him or the tangle of murder, kidnapping, and danger about to engulf them both...

## Praise for Kat Martin's Brodies of Alaska Series

"Romance and suspense are evenly matched...intense mystery and sensual love scenes will lure readers into this novel and not let go until the final page is turned."

—***Publishers Weekly* on *Against the Wild***

"Great romantic suspense with unexpected twists and a sexy romance."

—***USAToday.com* on *Against the Edge***

"Striking backdrop, steamy romance and page-turning mystery."

—***SpaWeek* on *Against the Wild***

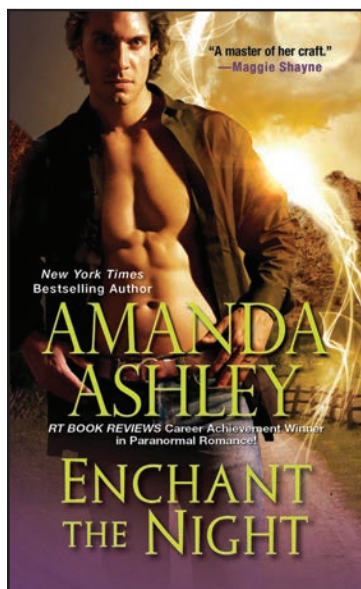
**Kat Martin** is the *New York Times* bestselling author of more than sixty books across multiple genres. Sixteen million copies are in print and she has been published in twenty-one foreign countries, including Japan, France, Argentina, Greece, China, and Spain. Her books have been nominated for the prestigious RITA® award and won both the Lifetime Achievement and Reviewer's Choice Awards from *RT Book Reviews*. Visit Kat at [KatMartin.com](http://KatMartin.com).

## KEY SELLING POINTS

- Kat Martin is a *New York Times* bestselling author of more than sixty novels with more than sixteen million books in print in twenty-one countries.
- All of the books in Kat Martin's *Against*, *Brodies of Alaska*, and *BOSS, Inc.* series hit the top 20 on the *New York Times* printed bestseller list, demonstrating her continued long-term popular appeal. Two of her *Texas Trilogy* novels also hit the *New York Times* list.
- Kat Martin is also a mainstay of the *USA Today* and *Publishers Weekly* bestseller lists.
- *Against the Sky* was an Amazon Best Romance of the Year.
- *Suspense Magazine* named *Into the Whirlwind* one of the Best Books of 2016.
- *Against the Tide* was a *True West* Best Western Romance of the Year.
- *Into the Firestorm* won the 2017 Seal Award for Best Romantic Suspense and was named one of the best romances of that month by Amazon.
- Kat Martin will also be published in the anthology *Pivot* with *New York Times* bestselling authors Alexandra Ivy and Rebecca Zanetti. That novella links to The Brodies of Alaska series, which is certain to increase consumer demand.

## MARKETING PLANS

- Print and online advertising
- Social media advertising and promotion
- Outreach for new reader reviews for online retailers and Goodreads via NetGalley
- Cross-promotion with *Pivot* (Zebra MM, 4/20)



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## ENCHANT THE NIGHT

Amanda Ashley

**In the arms of a centuries-old vampire, a woman awakens to newfound passion—and magical powers of her own. Amanda Ashley is an award-winning brand name in vampire romance, with a devoted following who will be eager to get their hands on this latest release. With a unique vampire mythology and intricate plotting, Amanda Ashley's brand of paranormal star-crossed lovers never fails to keep readers turning the pages.**

Hungarian vampires are born, not made—and can breed with mortal females. Being one of the oldest of his kind, Quill Falconer has honed his skills at hunting just the right kind of prey, which is why his latest victim confounds him. She shouldn't remember his drinking her blood. And he shouldn't still be craving more...

Callie Hathaway's life is as normal as it can be after the death of the beloved grandmother who raised her. Until one night, feeling foggy and fatigued, she realizes that a strangely sensual encounter with a dark, handsome man didn't occur only in her imagination.

As Callie and Quill's unique connection draws them together, an ancient order of knights seeks Quill's destruction. Being together puts Callie in mortal danger—until she uncovers a magical family legacy. Side by side they'll fight for survival, and for each other, as the brotherhood of vampire hunters gather for one final showdown.

### Praise for Amanda Ashley

"Paranormal romance fans looking for variety will find Ashley's vampire novels a good starting point, as this newest title once again sees her characters finding balance between their otherworldly inclinations and human desires."

—**Library Journal on *Hold Back the Dawn***

"A tender paranormal romance exploring love and family ties, and it's tinged with intrigue and vengeance...This portrait of new love is sweet and endearing."

—**Publishers Weekly on *Twilight Dreams***

"Author Ashley is no stranger to paranormal romance...Intriguing."

—**Kirkus Reviews on *Twilight Dreams***

**Amanda Ashley** is one of those rare birds—a California native. She's lived in Southern California her whole life and, except for the earthquakes, she loves it. She shares a home with her husband, as well as an adorable Pomeranian named Lady and a tortoise who remains nameless. Amanda and her alter ego, Madeline, have written over 70 books and short stories. Not bad for someone who started writing just for the fun of it. Her books have made the *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestseller lists. You can get a sneak peek at her next book on her Website: [AmandaAshley.com](http://AmandaAshley.com).

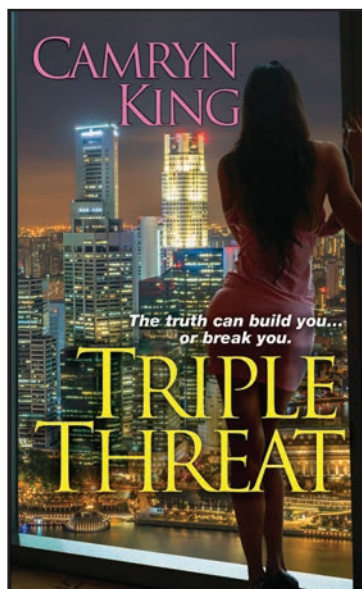
## KEY SELLING POINTS

- Like favorite vampire authors J.R. Ward and Christine Feehan, Ashley writes highly emotional and sensually charged dark romance, with alpha male characters who are larger than life.
- Vampires remain the most popular of the paranormal genres and Amanda Ashley is one of the leaders in the category.
- Amanda Ashley is a *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling author who has written over 60 novels.
- Amanda Ashley is the master of brooding and angst relationships between humans and vampires, one of the top tropes in paranormal romance that readers cannot get enough of!
- This is the perfect moment for authors like Amanda Ashley who have withstood the rise and fall of paranormal romance.
- Amanda Ashley received a *RT Book Reviews* Career Achievement Award for Paranormal Romance.

## MARKETING PLANS

- Advance reading copies
- Print and online advertising
- Publicity outreach for reviews, roundups, feature coverage
- Blog tour and ongoing blogger outreach
- Social media advertising and promotion including advertising, giveaways, bonus content and shareable images
- Early reviewer promotions through NetGalley and Goodreads





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## TRIPLE THREAT

**Camryn King**

**A tenacious reporter. A billionaire philanthropist. And all-access secrets that won't leave anyone safe fuel Camryn King's relentless new thriller...**

Mallory Knight knows all too well how perfect lives can be illusions. Her best friend, Leigh, seemed to have it all. But then she's found dead. Suicide, or so they say. Mallory isn't convinced and decides to put her investigative journalism skills to use in a whole new way.

To the rest of the world, superstar athlete Christian Graham seems perfect—he is kind, honorable, and easy on the eyes. But after discovering his name in Leigh's journal, Mallory wonders if there are secrets behind his megawatt smile and if every generous public gesture is a lie.

Challenging the popular superstar puts Mallory's career and reputation on the line. But she won't back down in her pursuit of the truth—even if the cost is her job...or her life.

### Praise for Camryn King

"Author Camryn King tells a fine mystery that'll keep you engaged and eager to solve."

—*The Philadelphia Tribune on Triple Threat*

"An interesting story that reads like a teleplay in the style of Shonda Rhimes' famous network dramas."

—*Booklist on Triple Threat*

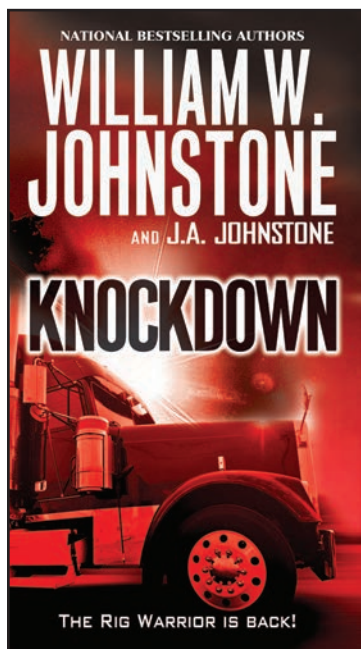
Before delving into the world of suspense, intrigue, and inconvenient attraction, **Camryn King** was the senior writer and managing editor for a lifestyle magazine. An avid world traveler, she's lived in or visited more than two dozen countries and forty-two states and acquired endless fodder for upcoming novels. Visit her online at [CamrynKing.com](http://CamrynKing.com).

### KEY SELLING POINTS

- Scheming, revenge, and surprise twists are prominent in bestselling commercial fiction. Fans of suspense and women's fiction will find the story's daring heroines refreshing.
- This release appeals to fans of Iris Johansen, Sandra Brown, and Fern Michaels. Camryn similarly features strong female characters determined to come out on top.
- This is a standalone novel with a well-rounded cast of diverse characters.
- Includes a Reading Group Guide.

### MARKETING PLANS

- Print and online advertising
- Social media advertising and promotions



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## KNOCKDOWN

**William W. Johnstone; J.A. Johnstone**

**The high speed, knock down, drag out, action movie, monster truck car chase that Johnstone fans have been waiting 40 years for is finally here!**

**They call him "The Rig Warrior."**

### Johnstone Country. Where The Will Defies Fear.

They call him "The Rig Warrior." Name: Barry Rivers. Occupation: Long haul trucker. Special skills: Defender of freedom. Patriot. Government sanctioned killer. America's secret weapon.

#### A NATION OFF THE RAILS

No one saw the first attack coming. A perfectly orchestrated assault on a mass-transit railroad line that left countless Americans dead. Intelligence experts are convinced this is no ordinary terrorist attack. To pull off something like this, it would take a deep-state traitor with dark foreign connections. And to stop them, it will take someone who isn't afraid to shed blood.

#### A HERO OFF THE GRID

Enter Barry Rivers, the Rig Warrior. An urban legend in the intelligence community, Rivers has been living off the radar for years. But when he sees his country under attack, he reaches out to his nephew Jake, an FBI agent, to track down the enemies in our own government. To these high-ranking traitors, Rivers is a threat to their global agenda. When Rivers revs up his tricked-out 18-wheeler and goes after a runaway train on a collision course with disaster, all bets are off. The war is on. And with Barry Rivers at the wheel, it's going to be the ultimate knockdown, drag-out fight for America's future...

**William W. Johnstone** is the *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling author of over 400 novels of Western adventure, military action, chilling suspense, and survival. The son of a minister and a teacher, he left school at fifteen to work in a carnival and then as a deputy sheriff before serving in the army. He went on to become known as "the Greatest Western writer of the 21st century." Visit him online at [WilliamJohnstone.net](http://WilliamJohnstone.net).

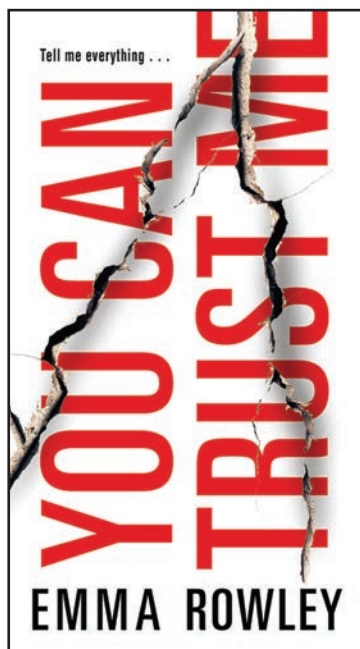
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## KEY SELLING POINTS

- *Knockdown* is a return to Johnstone's cult favorite Rig Warrior trilogy, originally published in 1988. The Rig Warrior books are action thrillers featuring Barry Rivers, an ex-Special Forces vigilante cruising for justice in his rig.
- *Knockdown* is set in the modern day (thirty years after the original books.) Barry Rivers has an adult son who's part of the FBI and together father and son fight take on terrorist threats to the American home front.
- Barry Rivers is a government sanctioned killer *and* a professional truck driver. He's the quintessential "Walmart Wolf."
- Johnstone has a devoted fanbase within the truck driving community.
- Original series will be reissued in ebook with updated covers and teasers for *Knockdown*.

## MARKETING PLANS

- Advance reading copies
- Billboard advertising on Iowa I-80
- National radio spots on Sirius XM channels
- Print and online advertising targeting the trucker community, thriller readers, political conservatives, outdoor sports enthusiasts, the military community and preppers
- Content marketing on survivalist Websites
- Social media campaign including advertising, giveaways and graphics
- Early buzz campaign including trade and consumer advertising and early reviewer push via NetGalley and Goodreads



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## YOU CAN TRUST ME

Emma Rowley

**You know nothing about her.**

**But she knows everything about you.**

**A gripping psychological thriller about a ghostwriter tasked with writing the autobiography of a woman who is trying to bury the secrets of her past—from the author of *Where the Missing Go*.**

People will tell you anything. All you have to do is listen.

Nicky Wilson tells other people's stories. A successful ghostwriter, she's penned tell-alls by actors, athletes, television chefs—weaving interviews and anecdotes into memoirs of love, loss, and overcoming adversity. The celebrities get bestseller status, while Nicky pockets her paycheck and moves on.

Olivia Hayes, Nicky's new client, is the Martha Stewart of influencers, a domestic goddess with a perfectly accessorized home in the English countryside, a handsome husband, and impeccable taste. Through thousands of artfully hash-tagged posts, Olivia shares endlessly, while somehow retaining an air of mystery that enthralls her followers.

Olivia agrees to let Nicky into her house for a week, though she's frustratingly aloof at first, and seems resentful of Nicky's presence. Yet little by little, Nicky breaks through the cracks in the glamorous façade. She notices Olivia's strained relationship with her husband...her overcautious parenting of their toddler...the money worries the family can't hide. And then there are deeper secrets—including a tragedy that may shine light not just on Olivia's past, but on how far she'll go to preserve the life she's made.

Soon, Nicky will learn the truth about Olivia. But it may be much more than she wanted to know...

### Praise for *Where the Missing Go*

"Filled with suspense, this thriller takes readers on a riveting ride."

—**Woman's World**

"The fast pace and high drama will engage."

—**Publishers Weekly**

"Emma Rowley has created a nightmare scenario which is all too plausible."

—**Rachel Abbott, author of *The Sixth Window***

"A brilliant debut...Genuinely kept guessing right until the very end."

—**Elle Croft, author of *The Guilty Wife***

"A deliciously dark and emotive debut with an extremely powerful ending."

—**Mel Sherratt, author of *She Did It***

"Kept me guessing to the final twist; creepy and addictive. My perfect type of book."

—**Elizabeth Haynes, author of *Into the Darkest Corner***

**Emma Rowley** is a much-respected writer: journalist, ghost-writer and editor, who has worked at *Grazia* magazine, the *Daily Mail* and *The Daily Telegraph*. Emma has also spent considerable time in the courts and covering major crime stories, which imbues her novels with authenticity. Visit [EmmaRowley.co.uk](http://EmmaRowley.co.uk) for updates.

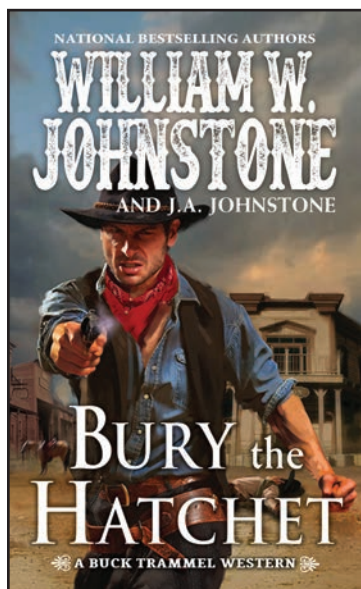
### KEY SELLING POINTS

- Emma Rowley's novels are ideal for fans of commercial psychological thrillers, domestic suspense and family-focused, fast-paced crime fiction by authors such as Shari Lapena, Fiona Barton, Ruth Ware, Samantha King and Isabel Ashdown.
- Emma Rowley has worked as a ghost writer, which gives her special insights into the dynamics between the main characters in this novel: a ghostwriter named Nicky who is tasked with writing the autobiography of a celebrity domestic goddess.
- A very female-focused novel, *You Can Trust Me* speaks to how celebrity culture impacts women as well as women's experiences of not being believed or trusted..
- *You Can Trust Me* was originally published in the UK by Orion Publishing, under the title *Tell Me Everything* in November 2019.

### MARKETING PLANS

- Advance reading copies
- Print and online advertising
- Satellite radio tour
- *Book Riot* partnership
- Publicity outreach for reviews, roundups, and feature coverage
- Instagram activation





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## BURY THE HATCHET

*The Buck Trammel Western Series*

**William W. Johnstone; J.A. Johnstone**

**Former Pinkerton agent Buck Trammel has made quite a name for himself in the Old West. Now he's got to live up to his own legend—or die trying...**

### Johnstone Country. The Bullets Stop Here.

There are two things a man can never escape: his past and his destiny. For Buck Trammel, that past includes a fatal mistake that ended his career as a Pinkerton—and a deadly shootout with the Bower gang in a Witchita saloon. Call it luck or call it fate, but the famous Deputy Wyatt Earp was there to give Buck some advice: *Run for your life*. Maybe it was Earp's warning that saved him from the gang's wrath. Maybe it was destiny that brought him to the town of Blackstone, Wyoming where his biggest problem is a father-son brewing war. But Trammel's luck is about to run dry...

The gang's ruthless boss, Old Man Bower, knows where Trammel lives. He's assembled a small army of gunslingers. He's hired a Pinkerton with a grudge against Trammel. And he's coming to town to bury the hatchet...

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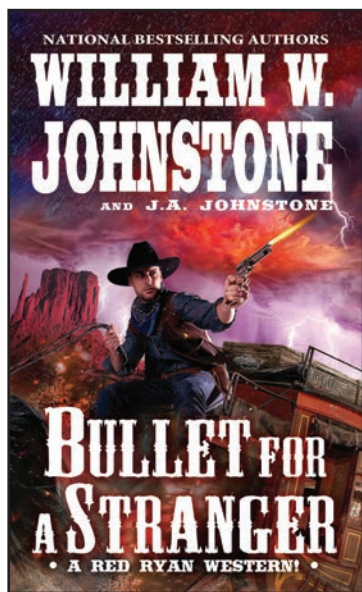
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## KEY SELLING POINTS

- *Bury the Hatchet* is the second in the Johnstones' new Buck Trammel Western Series. The series launch, *North of Laramie*, is being released just four months before in May 2020.
- The series protagonist, Buck Trammel, is based on the exploits of Pinkerton men who became town marshals and sheriffs in some of the most lawless hellholes on the American frontier.
- The Buck Trammel Westerns are set in Wyoming, a location with particular appeal to Johnstone fans.
- William W. Johnstone is the #1 bestselling Western author in America, and a *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling author of more than 300 books.
- On any given day, at least half of the fifty top Westerns on Bookscan are Johnstones, in the last year, virtually every one of his Westerns have been *Publishers Weekly* mass market bestsellers.

## MARKETING PLANS

- Print and online advertising
- Content marketing partnerships
- Social media campaign including advertising, giveaways, bonus content, and shareable images
- Email marketing and eNewsletter promotions
- Cross-promotion via yearlong Johnstone campaign



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## BULLET FOR A STRANGER

*The Red Ryan Western Series*

William W. Johnstone; J.A. Johnstone

**Red Ryan is one of the fastest guns in the West. But this time, he's in for the longest, hardest ride of his life. Where danger lurks around every turn—and all roads lead to hell...**

### 700 MILES OF MAYHEM

Gold. Silver. Cold hard cash. Stagecoach guard Red Ryan and his driver Buttons Muldoon have ridden shotgun on some pretty valuable cargo in their day. But they're about to learn—the hard way—that the most dangerous cargo of all is human. They've been hired to escort a cowardly traitor facing an army court martial in New Orleans. Every hired killer in Texas wants him dead, including gun-handly Hannah Huckabee, a woman with a mysterious past and an agenda of her own. But she's just one of the dangers they'll face along the way. There are cutthroat gangs bent on slaughtering anything on two legs. And 700 miles of the deadliest terrain Red Ryan has ever had to shoot his way out of...

**William W. Johnstone** is the *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling author of over 400 novels of Western adventure, military action, chilling suspense, and survival. The son of a minister and a teacher, he left school at fifteen to work in a carnival and then as a deputy sheriff before serving in the army. He went on to become known as "the Greatest Western writer of the 21st century." Visit him online at [WilliamJohnstone.net](http://WilliamJohnstone.net).

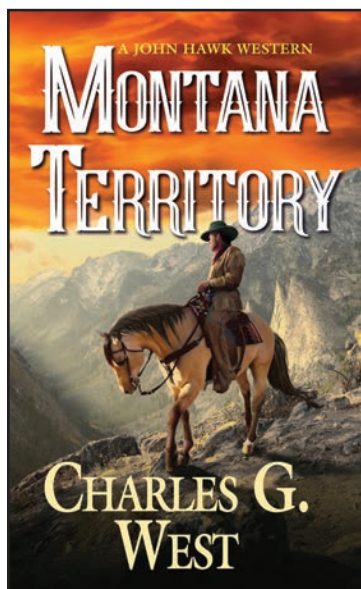
**J.A. Johnstone** learned to write from the master himself, Uncle William W. Johnstone, who began tutoring J.A. at an early age. After-school hours were often spent retyping manuscripts or researching his massive American Western History library as well as the more modern wars and conflicts. J.A. worked hard—and learned. "Every day with Bill was an adventure story in itself. Bill taught me all he could about the art of storytelling. 'Keep the historical facts accurate,' he would say 'Remember the readers, and as your grandfather once told me, be the best Johnstone you can be.'" J.A. Johnstone has co-written numerous bestselling series with William W. Johnstone including *The First Mountain Man*, *The Brothers O'Brien*, and *Preacher*.

## KEY SELLING POINTS

- *Bullet for a Stranger* is the third book in the Red Ryan Western series following *Backstabbers* (3/20) and *Riding Shotgun* (6/19), which debuted at #4 on the *Publishers Weekly* bestsellers list.
- Like *Chuckwagon Trail* and *Sawbones*, the protagonist of the Red Ryan series has a job that is not often written about in Westerns, but was very much a viable (though in many cases, short lived) career choice in the lawless frontier. Red Ryan is a stagecoach guard, also known as the Shotgun Rider, the person hired to sit next to the driver on a wagon train or stagecoach, gun in hand, and keep his eyes peeled for any attackers.
- It took a brave man with a fast draw to sit in the 19th century passenger seat, when every stagecoach was a moving target. The Red Ryan novels read like a gun-blazing, high-speed Wild West-style road trip. The first three books in this series are being published in a short time frame to build series momentum.

## MARKETING PLANS

- Print and online advertising
- Content marketing partnerships
- Social media campaign including advertising, giveaways, bonus content, and shareable images
- Email marketing and eNewsletter promotions
- Cross-promotion via yearlong Johnstone campaign



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SALES HISTORY  
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*No Justice in Hell*  
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*Hell Hath No Fury*  
 11/17 (978-0-7860-4200-5)

## MONTANA TERRITORY

*The John Hawk Western Series*

**Charles G. West**

**From Spur Award-winning author Charles G. West comes a blistering tale of the American West, where guns are the law, good men are outnumbered—and sudden death is a way of life...**

Raised among the Blackfoot, John Hawk is a valuable asset to the US Army. As a military scout at Fort Ellis, he is able to cross the line between two worlds—and help keep the peace. But when he disobeys a direct order from his commander, Hawk is immediately dismissed from his post. That was the army's first mistake.

The second was losing track of a small mule train en-Route to Helena. At the request of his former lieutenant, Hawk leaves his cabin on the Boulder River to help find the missing party. The mule train, it appears, was ambushed by a savage gang of outlaws. Most of the travelers were murdered. Only a few survived to tell the tale. And now it's up to Hawk to stalk the killers across the lawless Montana territory—alone. No backup. No Calvary. No mercy...

### Praise for Charles G. West

"Rarely has an author painted the great American West in strokes so bold, vivid, and true."

**—Ralph Compton**

"West's character studies are excellent; his plots move forward at pace and his action scenes put you right there amidst the flying lead and dust. Another of West's strengths is making his readers share the emotions of his characters and this is done particularly well in this book, especially when describing the turmoil Hawk feels that sets him out on his self-imposed mission."

**—Western Fiction Review on *No Justice in Hell***

"A great series. Why do I like the book? (1) tells a good story which flows and is not contrived; (2) has a main character subject to make mistakes; (3) as I read, I like to predict what will happen next. This author puts some twists and turns which were certainly unexpected. (4) takes place in my favorite state, Montana; (5) the book has given me some ideas I would like to investigate about early life in Montana. Buy it, read it, enjoy."

**—Rope Burns on *No Justice in Hell***

"West has created a strong, believable protagonist for what promises to be an exciting series... *Hell Hath No Fury* has it all—gunfights, Indians, rustlers, everything a fan of the traditional Western could want."

**—Roundup Magazine**

"West, a fan favorite for over two decades, introduces his new John Hawk series."

**—True West on *Hell Hath No Fury***

**Charles G. West** is the author of more than forty action-packed Westerns. He won the 2018 Spur Award from the Western Writers of America for his Western novel *Hell Hath No Fury*. He currently resides in Ocala, Florida, with his wife, Ronda. Visit him at [CharlesGWest.com](http://CharlesGWest.com).

### KEY SELLING POINTS

- *Montana Territory* is the third installment of the Spur Award-winning series featuring legendary lawman John Hawk, an army scout with a tracker's eye, a cowboy's grit—and his own brand of justice.
- Charles G. West won the 2017 Spur Award from the Western Writers of America in the best paperback category for *Hell Hath No Fury*, which was also named one of "12 Books Not to Miss" by *True West*.
- West co-authored a number of books with Ralph Compton, which introduced West's name to tens of thousands of readers.

### MARKETING PLANS

- Advance reading copies
- Print and online advertising
- Content marketing partnerships
- Publicity outreach for reviews, roundups, and feature coverage
- Outreach to regional media in Montana
- Social media campaign including advertising, giveaways, bonus content, and shareable images
- Email marketing and eNewsletter promotions





# THE NIGHTMARE ON TRAP STREET

C.N. Phillips

**Sometimes death births new life, and that is fact for sisters Rhonnie and Ahli Malone.**

After facing the wrath of Madame, the young women take on the job of being security detail for none other than Sadie Thomas, the head of The Last Kings. With a new drug, *Vita E Morte* doing numbers under her belt, it is apparent that Sadie has plans to distribute it all over the United States. However, after seeing the deadly side effects of the drug, Sadie agrees to get rid of the formula and take it off the market for good. Only...somebody doesn't want her too. In fact, they'll do anything to get the formula for themselves, including taking out the leader of The Last Kings.

With a phantom gunning for her head and her own camp's loyalty being tested, Rhonnie and Ahli are the only ones that Sadie can trust with the location of the formula—Trap Street. It's a place only spoken of in hood myth. Legend is that not only is Trap Street a neutral ground for the most elite hustlers, but it a fortress for their secrets. Once there, the only objective is to destroy the formula for *Vita E Morte* so no one can ever sell or take it again, but not even Sadie is prepared for the gory nightmare that awaits her.

**C.N. Phillips** was born and raised in Omaha, Nebraska. She fell in love with books at the age of eight, but kept her writing a secret. It wasn't until she became a single mother that she decided to pursue her dream of becoming an author.



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SALES HISTORY

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6/18 (978-1-62286-661-8)

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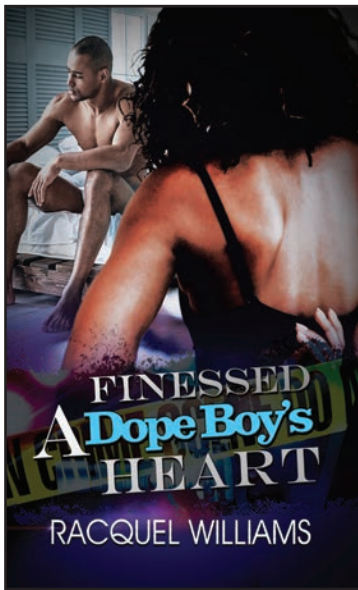
5/18 (978-1-945855-21-4)

## KEY SELLING POINTS

- C.N. Phillips creates unique urban tales and writes with a style similar to Ashley Antoinette.
- This book brings back characters from *The Last Kings* as well as *Deep*.

## MARKETING PLANS

- Facebook marketing
- Advertising on urbanbooks.net
- Promotion and giveaways on Goodreads.com
- Free eBook previews
- Co-op available



# FINESSED A DOPE BOY'S HEART

**Racquel Williams**

**Mika works in law enforcement and is married to one of the most distinguished detectives on the police force. While everything looks good on the outside, Mika's home life is anything but normal.**

With a controlling, two-timing husband, she buries herself into her career. She soon crosses paths with Jakeel, an ex-con fresh out of prison. The jovial jailbird piques her interest, and Mika soon forgets that there are certain lines you just don't cross. Playing a risky game, she finds herself in a very dangerous situation, playing with two men on opposite sides of the law. Can Mika walk away, or will she make a move that could lead to murder and mayhem in her once quiet life?

**Racquel Williams** was born in Kingston, Jamaica, and came to the United States in 1992. Struggling to support her sons as a single mother, she chose the wrong path and ended up sentenced to 37 months in prison on drug charges. Upon her release, she moved to Atlanta, Georgia, where she lives with her two sons. She is pursuing a degree in psychology and has self-published several novels.



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## SALES HISTORY

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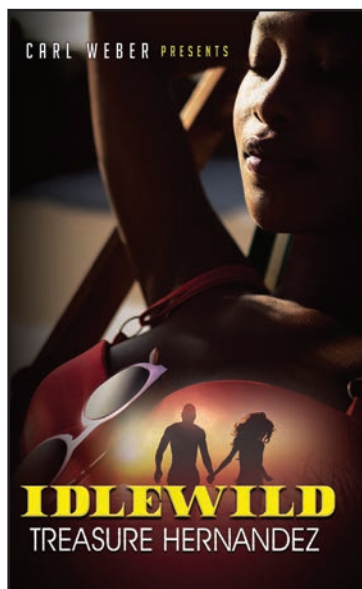
1/17 (978-1-62286-771-4)

## KEY SELLING POINTS

- Racquel Williams writes raw, realistic relationship drama.

## MARKETING PLANS

- Facebook marketing
- Advertising on urbanbooks.net
- Promotion and giveaways on Goodreads.com
- Free eBook previews
- Co-op available



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#### SALES HISTORY

Urban Books Trade Paperback  
*Carl Weber's Kingpins: The Dirty South*  
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*Girls From da Hood 10*  
 5/15 (978-1-62286-923-7)

## IDLEWILD: CARL WEBER PRESENTS

### Treasure Hernandez

**When Desiree Johnson receives an unexpected call from her brother, Ernest, Jr., about their father, she and her sixteen-year-old son, Tyree, pack up and rush to her family's summer home in Idlewild. Desiree hasn't been to Michigan in over seventeen years, but when her family calls, she feels she has no choice but to answer.**

Arriving in the beautiful town, Desiree quickly realizes that no matter how long she has stayed away, the place still holds a special place in her heart. As the summer heats up, Desiree struggles to balance the joy of returning to the community that shaped her childhood with the overwhelming memories of the love and pain she suffered the last summer she spent there.

Tyson Rockwell is taken aback by Desiree's return. Their relationship might have lasted only a few months each summer, but their connection was powerful. Tyson might have succumbed to family pressure and let Desiree go once before, but now that she's back, he vows it will not happen again. He needs to prove to Desiree that he never stopped loving her. The problem is that Tyson is now married with children.

Desiree's siblings, Donna and Ernest, Jr., have their own share of childhood secrets and adult scandals. Donna is recovering from addiction and convinced her sister's return is all about their ailing father's money. She wants to send Desiree a message—go back where you came from or I'll ruin you. Ernest, Jr. is determined to take his rightful place as their father's heir-apparent, and he'll do whatever it takes to keep himself at the top, even if it means backstabbing his siblings and making sure his father never recovers.

As the summer heats up, Desiree finds herself in the midst of jealousy, piling secrets, and strong, unexpected feelings for another woman's husband. Will she stand and face it all, or will she run like she did so many years ago?

**Treasure Hernandez** was incarcerated in a United States penitentiary. During her time in prison, she penned her first novels, the bestselling Flint series. She went on to complete the Baltimore Chronicles series and several other novels, gathering a loyal fan base. Upon her release, she moved to Atlanta with her daughter. She has co-authored a novel in the Family Business series with *New York Times* bestselling author Carl Weber, and she is working on future projects for Urban Books.

### KEY SELLING POINTS

- Treasure Hernandez is a consistent presence in the Urban Books line.
- This is her first book for Urban Renaissance.

### MARKETING PLANS

- Facebook marketing
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SALES HISTORY

Urban Books Trade Paperback

*Beating the Odds*

9/17 (978-1-62286-573-4)

## HARDHEARTED: IT'S BETTER TO BE FEARED THAN LOVED

**Sherrod Tunstall**

**After they were locked up abroad, Swag, Tyler, and Travis have successfully made it out of Brazil with the help of the Hernandez Cartel...**

Now they're on a new adventure in San Jose, Costa Rica, where they are taking orders from a much deadlier and beautiful nightmare, King Kia Costello. At first things in Costa Rica are pleasurable, until blood is shed, friend turns against friend, and jealousy comes into play when Swag catches the interest of someone else. Come join Sherrod Tunstall as he takes you on another wild ride with this story of global love, murder, deceit, and payback.

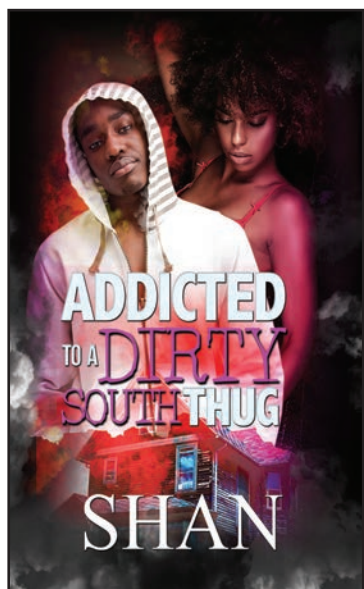
**Sherrod Tunstall** is a St. Louis native. His first novel, *Spicy*, which was inspired by his job, family, and friends, put Tunstall on the map. He loves traveling from city to city to meet readers and promote his current literary works. Tunstall can be reached at: [Sherrod@lffpublishing.com](mailto:Sherrod@lffpublishing.com); Instagram: [@Sherroddaauthor](https://www.instagram.com/Sherroddaauthor/); Twitter: [@sherroddaauthor](https://twitter.com/sherroddaauthor); Facebook: [facebook.com/sherrodtheauthor](https://facebook.com/sherrodtheauthor); and his Website: [sherrod1.wix.com/sherroddaauthor](http://sherrod1.wix.com/sherroddaauthor).

### KEY SELLING POINTS

- This is the second book in the Global Love series.

### MARKETING PLANS

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## ADDICTED TO A DIRTY SOUTH THUG

Shan

**Welcome to the life of the Prince brothers. Come feel what it's like to be *Addicted to a Dirty South Thug*.**

Khian Prince is a certified boss with the weight of the world on his shoulders. His job is to ensure that he and his brothers maintain their status in the streets, along with caring for his two baby mamas and the kids he shares with them. After failing twice at love, Khi's not ready to give up on finding his queen just yet, and he's certain he has finally gotten it right with Cuba Lance. When she mends his heart only to shatter it all over again, will Khi give up on love, or will he fight to keep the woman who has everything he's been looking for?

Daelan Prince is the ultimate bad boy with pretty-boy looks and a no-nonsense type of attitude. He's feared by many men and lusted after by plenty of women. With Amber, the love of his life, and his 5-year-old son by his side, Daelan could have a happily-ever-after ending—except that he can't seem to stop messing up. What happens when Daelan makes a decision that puts the lives of everyone around him in danger?

KaeDee Prince is known in the streets because of his brothers, but he's also known in the courtroom as one not to be messed with. KaeDee knew his law degree would come in handy for his brothers, but he never expected that his wife would one day need his services to fight money laundering charges. When her ex shows up in her husband's office, Deonna finds herself in love with two men at the same time. She's forced to choose, but that decision could land someone in a grave. Are the brothers ready for a war?

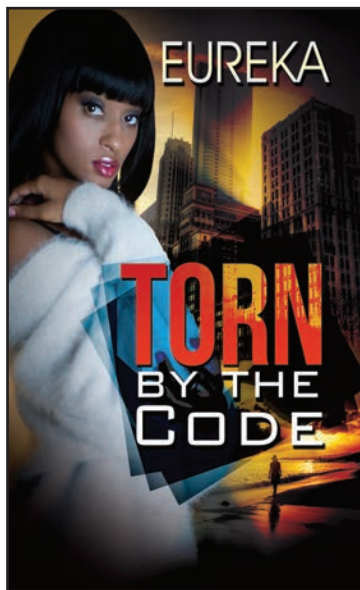
**Shan** was born in Louisiana and raised in Dallas, Texas. She is a mother, national bestselling author, and co-owner of Shan Presents, an independent African-American publishing company. She is also the founder of the African American Book Expo. Her 2012 novel *Hated By Many, Loved by None* won the Urban Fiction Book of the Year award from AAMBC. Shan has so much more in store for readers, and also plans to cross over into children's books and film. She is currently working on her first movie based on *Addicted to a Dirty South Thug*.

### KEY SELLING POINTS

- *Addicted to a Dirty South Thug* has been an Amazon best-selling eBook.
- Shan has self-published several popular eBooks, including the Dirty South Thug series.
- *Addicted to a Dirty South Thug* is suitable for all clients.

### MARKETING PLANS

- Facebook marketing
- Advertising on urbanbooks.net
- Promotion and giveaways on Goodreads.com
- Co-op available



## TORN BY THE CODE

**Eureka**

**Elana Dolvan lived through a treacherous childhood in Chicago and wants to be more than another “hood life” statistic, so she sets her sights on the top. She works her way up the steep ladder of white-collar success, achieving one of the most impressive careers in her family’s history.**

Elana Dolvan becomes a powerful attorney, but the lure of the streets is still strong. She is also known in the underworld as Dutchtress, one of the most ruthless female bosses in the U.S. Trapped between the two worlds, her double identity soon creates problems, and all hell breaks loose. The unpredicted fallout leaves nothing but murder and mayhem in its path.

Dutchtress refuses to allow her enemies to take another breath of fresh air after they take her most precious possession. She will stop at nothing to get back what’s hers. With her right-hand man, Flex, by her side, they perform a bloody symphony, reaching all the way from the Windy City to Jamaica. Family or not, no one’s blood is off-limits.

Urban Novelist **Eureka** was born and raised in the Englewood community on the south side of Chicago. She has seen her share of violence and struggle. Instead of allowing her surroundings to determine her fate, Eureka decided that music and writing would be her way of escape.



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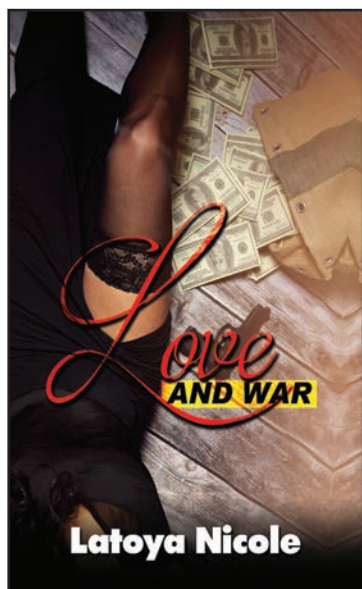
### KEY SELLING POINTS

- Eureka writes with an authentic voice, based on her life experiences in the south side of Chicago.
- This is her first novel.
- *Torn by the Code* is suitable for all clients.

### MARKETING PLANS

- Facebook marketing
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## LOVE AND WAR

Latoya Nicole

**They say all is fair in love and war, but how do you fight when you don't know the enemy is the one you love? Will the Hoover gang be able to reign supreme, or will they fall at the hands of the women who are supposed to have their backs?**

The infamous Hoover gang—Baby Face, Blaze, Quick, and Shadow—have taken Chicago by storm. These four are not your average street thugs. Bank robbers by day and club owners by night, they have held on to their place at the top by never trusting anyone enough to allow them in their circle. The moment they do, all hell breaks loose.

Zayn “Blaze” Hoover has always lived by the code *Never trust a female; hit and quit*. Then he meets Drea and starts doing everything differently. He wants to give her the world, and he's ready to change his ways for her—until someone sets him up, and all signs lead to her.

Zavien “Shadow” Hoover is the youngest of the crew. He's never wanted the females that come along with their lifestyle. Engaged to his first love, Shirree, he's ready to make her his wife. After a big argument and a night of drinking, however, Shadow does something that could jeopardize their love forever. Out for revenge, Shirree might be crossing a line that puts them both in a difficult position.

Zavier “Quick” Hoover is not overly impressed by the ladies who surround him, but Alaysia sweeps him away with her beauty—at least on the outside. On the inside, she's ugly to the core. The harder he falls, the closer she gets to his circle. Unbeknownst to him, that's where she wanted to be all along. Not only do her scandalous ways affect Quick, but the whole Hoover gang may be at risk.

Zaire “Baby Face” Hoover has always been open to love, but when he finds it, will he get the chance to be happy? Being the oldest, he has to clean up the mess his brothers created, and he might lose his love in order to do it.

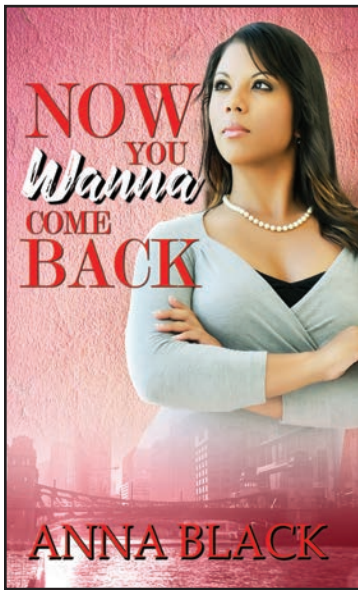
**Latoya Nicole** has always had the gift of writing and loved to do so, but she put her dream on hold in order to care for her autistic child. Now the 35-year-old mother of one is ready for the world to share with her as she spins tales of romance, drama, lies, and deceit. Born and raised in Chicago, she has witnessed firsthand how cold the streets can be. Step into the lives of her characters as they walk you through life as they know it in the Windy City.

### KEY SELLING POINTS

- *Love and War* is suitable for all clients
- Latoya Nicole is new to Urban Books
- She was previously self-published.

### MARKETING PLANS

- Facebook marketing
- Advertising on Urbanbooks.net
- Promotion and giveaways on Goodreads.com
- Co-op Available



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SALES HISTORY

Urban Renaissance Mass Market

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*I'm Doin' Me 2*

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*The Side Effects of You*

7/16 (978-1-62286-744-8)

PUBLISHING HISTORY

Urban Renaissance Trade Paperback

4/20 (978-1-64556-040-1)

## NOW YOU WANNA COME BACK

**Anna Black**

**Letting go is not always easy, and in some cases, it can be close to impossible.**

Leila has always been stuck on her husband and never thought her love for him would dissipate. Even throughout the constant pain and suffering, she has hope that he'll come back to her. But Devon's cold heart and abandonment has left room for her to be rescued by another man. Rayshon Johnson—not the perfect man, but a better man—comes along and rolls the storm away, providing Leila with the emotional comfort she desperately desires. He kisses her where it hurts and helps her shed her insecurities, building his woman up from the inside.

Devon hates to see another man getting comfortable in his spot. He's determined to get his good thing back, no matter the costs. Home is where the heart is, and he's more than ready to reclaim home!

**Anna Black** is a native of Chicago and bestselling author of the *Now You Wanna Come Back* series. She didn't take her writing seriously until several close friends and family members encouraged her to go for it. In 2009, Anna became a bestselling author with her debut release, *Now You Wanna Come Back*. She has since released seven novels and two short stories. This award-winning author currently lives in Texas with her husband Chris, daughter Tyra, and her adorable Yorkie, Jasmine.

### KEY SELLING POINTS

- Anna Black has an extensive list of self-published works that gained her a fan following.
- *Now You Wanna Come Back* was previously self-published, but that version is out of print. The Urban Books version has been revised and extended.
- *Now You Wanna Come Back* is suitable for all clients.

### MARKETING PLANS

- Facebook marketing
- Advertising on Urbanbooks.net
- Promotion and giveaways on Goodreads.com
- Co-op Available

# NOTES

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