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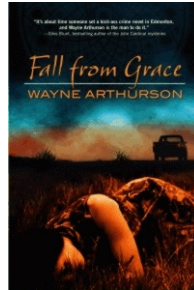
MYSTERY

Wayne Arthurson

Fall From Grace

- Forge Books
- ISBN: 0765324172
- March 2011
- Hardcover/E-book
- \$29.99

The debut of Cree/French Canadian journalist Leo Desroches, *Fall From Grace*, an enthralling mystery, is the story of a man who had everything, lost it all, and is trying to get it back. When he writes an article about a murdered prostitute, it starts a chain of events that lead to a bigger story, one that could bring down the entire police department...if it doesn't get him killed. *Amateur Detective*

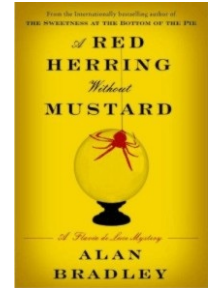


Alan Bradley

A Red Herring Without Mustard

- Doubleday Canada
- ISBN: 10: 0385665865/13: 978-0385665865
- February 2011
- Hardcover
- \$29.95

Flavia de Luce has enraptured critics, scooped up accolades, and enchanted readers the world over . . . all before her twelfth birthday! Flavia must draw upon her encyclopaedic knowledge of poisons — and gypsy lore — to prevent a grave miscarriage of justice, and to solve a greater — and far more personal — mystery: What really happened to her long-vanished mother?



Susan Calder

Deadly Fall, A Paula Savard Mystery

- TouchWood Editions
- ISBN: 978-1-926741-18-5
- March 2011
- Hardcover
- \$26.95

Follow bored insurance adjuster Paula Savard as her life takes a swift turn in *Deadly Fall*. When a close friend is murdered while jogging to Paula's house, Paula gets in too deep when she investigates her friend's new husband.

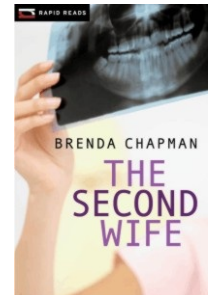


Brenda Chapman

The Second Wife

- Orca Book Publishers
- ISBN: 9781554698325
- March 2011
- Paperback
- \$9.95

Gwen Lake is a forty-five-year-old Duluth police officer with a desk job, an ex-husband and a future not even close to the American dream. A year after her divorce, and more out of boredom and curiosity than anything else, she agrees to a meeting with her ex's new wife. She has no idea that the encounter will lead to murder. *Novella*

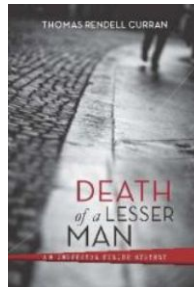


Thomas Rendell Curran

Death Of A Lesser Man

- Boulder Publications
- ISBN: 978-0-9865376-2-2
- April 2011
- Trade Paperback \$19.95

The third novel in the Inspector Stride Mystery Series is set in the fall of 1947. Late one rainy night, Harrison Rose, a businessman and Great War veteran is shot to death in a city park. Inspector Eric Stride of the Newfoundland Constabulary follows a winding path through a tapestry of St. John's scenes. Along the way he discovers treachery and betrayal, but also the enduring bonds of comradeship forged in the trenches of the Western Front.

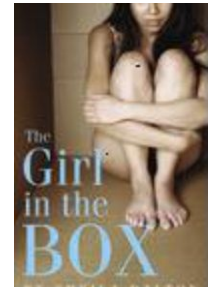


Sheila Dalton

The Girl in the Box

- Dundurn Press
- ISBN-10: 1926607260/13: 978-1926607269
- Spring 2011
- Trade Paperback
- \$16.57

A Guatemalan girl traumatized by violence commits murder... Or does she? Caitlin Sachs, a Canadian journalist, struggles with the death of her partner at the hands of a young Mayan woman. As Caitlin works to uncover the truth about Inez's relationship with her lover, Inez struggles to break free from the preconceptions of others. Each must confront her own anger and despair. *Literary, psychological drama.*



Vicki Delany

Among the Departed

- Poisoned Pen Press
- ISBN: 978-1590588895
- May 2011
- Trade paperback, hardcover, large print, audio, epub, Kindle
- \$14.09 (TPB)



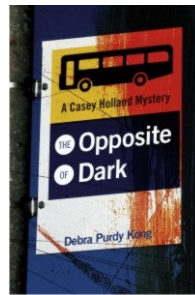
Fifteen years ago Moonlight Smith went to her friend Nicky Nowak's for a sleep-over. The next day, Mr. Nowak went for a walk. He was never seen again. Autumn in Trafalgar, British Columbia: searching for a lost child, a police dog uncovers human remains. As the investigation into the disappearance of Brian Nowak grows, old secrets come to light and new ones struggle to remain hidden.

Debra Purdy Kong

The Opposite of Dark

A Casey Holland Mystery

- TouchWood Editions
- ISBN: 978-1-926741-20-8
- March 2011
- Hardcover
- \$24.95

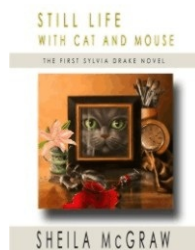


In *The Opposite of Dark*, Casey Holland uncovers her father's double life after she discovers he's been murdered in his West Vancouver home—three years after she buried him at an open casket funeral.

Sheila McGraw

Still Life with a Cat and Mouse

- Savant Books Hawaii
- ISBN: 978-0-9829987-1-7
- December 2010
- Paperback
- \$16.95

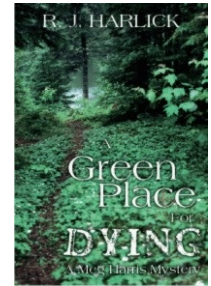


Sylvia Drake wants to finish her still life painting, but needing immediate help is a pregnant friend fleeing her sordid, suburban enclave. Adding to the mayhem are the friend's turbosexual husband, his highly-augmented, scheming bimbo, con men, too much sex, merlot and revenge, a serial killer... and new love for Sylvia. *Amateur Sleuth*

R.J. Harlick

A Green Place for Dying

- RendezVouz Crime
- ISBN: 978-1-926607-05-4
- March/April 2011
- Trade paperback
- \$16.95



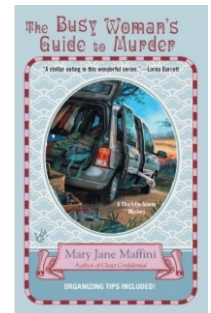
Meg returns to her home in West Quebec to find that a friend's daughter has been missing from her reserve for over two months. Meg vows to help find the missing girl and in the process discovers that she isn't the only native woman who has disappeared. Fearing the worst, Meg delves deeper and finds herself confronting an underside of life she would rather not know existed.

Amateur sleuth

Mary Jane Maffini

The Busy Woman's Guide to Murder

- Berkley Prime Crime
- ISBN 978-0-425-24060-1
- April 2011
- Mass Market Paperback
- \$8.50



Mona Pringle, the 911 operator, is calling organizer sleuth Charlotte Adams for a change. Her high school tormentors are back in town and Mona is muttering about revenge. When the bullies start turning up dead, Mona goes on the run, with Charlotte desperately scrambling to save Mona from herself. Organizing tips included.

Cozy

Kim Moritsugu

And Everything Nice

- Orca Books, Raven Rapid Reads
- ISBN: 9781554698387
- March 2011
- Paperback
- \$9.95



Glee meets Nancy Drew, for adults. A rock choir, a street-smart young retail store manager, a local TV personality with a secret, a missing journal, and blackmail all combine in this easy-read adult novel from Orca Publishers' Raven imprint of Rapid Reads books. *Novella*

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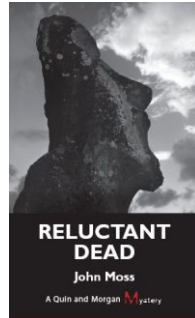
John Moss

Reluctant Dead: A Quin and Morgan

Mystery

- Dundurn Press
- ISBN 978-155-4888566
- May 2011
- Paperback
- \$11.99

Murder casts a long shadow, reaching from fabled Easter Island to the desolate shores of Baffin Island. A beautiful corpse on a Toronto yacht leads Detectives Miranda Quin and David Morgan to opposite ends of the globe, but their stories converge when they both return to Toronto. Islands, they learn, are an illusion. Everything connects, especially when murder is involved.



David Russell

Last Dance

- Napoleon and Company
- ISBN 10: 1926607287/13: 9781926607283
- Spring 2011
- Trade Paperback
- \$17.95

Fighting for a student's rights leads to deadly consequences... One of Winston Patrick's students wants to bring his same-sex partner to the high school prom, but the school says no. Winston reluctantly leads his protégées on their first legal quest: suing the school. Opponents will stop at nothing to make their point, even murder. The sequel to Deadly Lessons, shortlisted for an Arthur Ellis Award for best first crime novel.

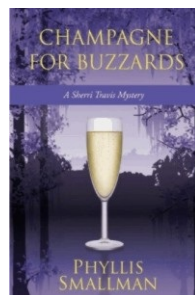


Phyllis Smallman

Champagne for Buzzards

- McArthur and Co.
- ISBN: 978 155 278 9124
- March 2011
- Trade Paperback
- \$24.95

With its seven-foot snakes and nasty horses, Florida ranch country can be as dangerous as the mean streets of any big city. Sherri Travis doesn't do country. She likes it even less when she meets Clay Adams' psychotic neighbors and finds a dead man in the back of her pickup. The surprise birthday party Sherri plans for Clay turns deadly. And while it isn't the party Sherri hoped for, it's a good one just the same.



Kay Stewart

Sitting Lady Sutra, A Danutia Dranchuk

Mystery

- TouchWood Editions
- ISBN: 978-1-926741-22-2
- March 2011
- Hardcover
- \$26.95

Sitting Lady Sutra follows RCMP Constable Danutia Dranchuk in her investigation of a gruesome murder at Sitting Lady Falls. Is this murder connected to two earlier killings? Three stories interweave with Danutia's in this story about guilt and the possibility of redemption. *Procedural*

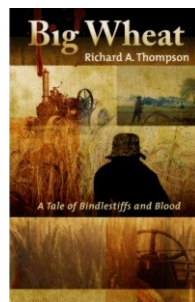


Richard A. Thompson

Big Wheat

- Poisoned Pen Press
- ISBN: 9781590588208
- January 4, 2011
- Hardcover
- \$24.95 US

During the wheat harvest of 1919, a serial killer preys on the itinerant thrashing crews across the Great Plains. *Historical*



**ARTHUR
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- 2011 -**

The Arthur Ellis Awards have been celebrating excellence in mystery and crime writing since 1982. They are presented in 6 categories for excellence in works in the crime/mystery/thriller genre published for the first time in the previous year by permanent residents of Canada, or by Canadian citizens living abroad.

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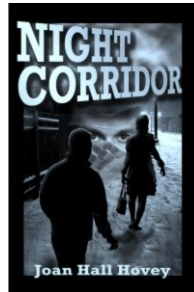
Suspense/Thriller

Joan Hall Hovey

Night Corridor

- BWLPP, Calgary
- ISBN TPB: 978-1-926965-44-4/ E: 978-1-926965-45-1
- February 2011
- E-book \$4.99 /Trade Paperback \$11.99

Caroline Hill has recently been released from a mental institution. As she struggles to survive on the outside, her fragile emotional health is further threatened by a deadly stalker-- who hides his face and whispers her name.



J.I. Kendall

The Shortlist

- createspace (amazon.com)
- ISBN13:978-1460955277/ 10:1460955277
- April 2011
- Paperback
- \$15.00

Trans-Geo Tech's new CEO will soon be chosen from the Board of Director's shortlist. But TGT isn't the company it once was, and the path to the corner office is a treacherous one. What the CEO candidates don't know about the risks of being on the shortlist will hurt them...or worse.

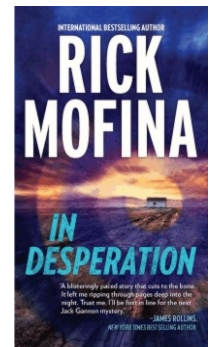


Rick Mofina

In Desperation

- Mira
- ISBN-13: 978-0778329480
- March 2011
- Mass Market Paperback Tall Premium - \$11.99

Single mom Cora Martin opens her door to a nightmare when two men dressed as police officers kidnap her 11-year-old daughter with the ultimatum of paying them \$5 million in five days for her safe return. Cora reaches out to journalist Jack Gannon to help her but guards the one secret that may be keeping her daughter alive.



SHORT STORY

Eric Wright

Au Bon Coin

- Ellery Queen Mystery Magazine
- March/April 2011
- Magazine
- \$7.99

The revenge of the laptop.

Melodie Campbell

The Blue Angel Bar and Bolt-hole

- Mysterical-E www.mystericale.com
- Spring Issue
- E-publication

It isn't easy running a bar on your own when you're a female human on the edge of the known universe

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