

**COOL CANADIAN CRIME**

## Fall 2012

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Phyllis Smallman, **Highball Exit**, TouchWood Editions

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Sharon Wildwind, **Loved Honor More**, Five Star

#### December

Erika Chase, **Read and Buried**, Berkley Prime Crime



The 2013 Arthur Ellis Awards is now accepting submissions in 7 published categories. These works must be in the crime/mystery/thriller genre, and published for the first time in the previous year (2012) by permanent residents of Canada, or by Canadian citizens living abroad.

Best Crime First Novel ♦ Best Crime Novel ♦ Best Crime Novella (3-year pilot) ♦ Best Crime Short Story ♦ Best French Crime Book (Fiction and Nonfiction) ♦ Best Juvenile or YA Crime Book (Fiction and Nonfiction) ♦ Best Nonfiction Crime Book

For Submission Rules, go to: [www.crimewriterscanada.com/awards/submissionrules/published-books](http://www.crimewriterscanada.com/awards/submissionrules/published-books).



## MYSTERY

**Anne Barton**

### **The Devil Laughs**

- JRM Mysteries
- ISBN: 978-0-9739363-2-2
- September 2012
- Paperback \$15.95

The church is rocked by the actions of a small group who want to get rid of the rector, Douglas Forsythe. But when a troublesome woman who was thought to be the leader of this group is murdered, the problems don't go away; they get worse.

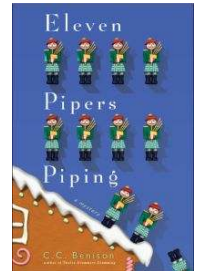


**C.C. Benison**

### **Eleven Pipers Piping**

- Doubleday Canada
- ISBN: 978-0-385-34446-3
- October 2012
- Hardcover \$25.00

As Devon endures the worst snowstorm in a century, Tom Christmas, vicar of St. Nicholas Church, investigates the peculiar death of a bagpiper at a traditional Burns Supper.

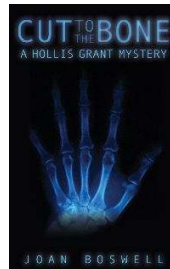


**Joan Boswell**

### **Cut to the Bone**

- Dundurn
- October 2012
- Paperback \$17.99
- ePUB \$8.99; uPDF \$17.99

It's happened again! Hollis Grant, who has fashioned a new life for herself with a foster child, a puppy and a job as resident super of an eight storey apartment building finds herself in the middle of a murder investigation when a fifth floor tenant, a woman working for an escort agency, is murdered.

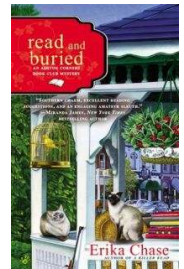


**Erika Chase**

### **Read and Buried**

- Berkley Prime Crime
- ISBN: 9780425251782
- December 2012
- Paperback \$8.99

Award-winning novelist Derek Alton should have been the featured guest at the December meeting of the Ashton Corners Mystery Readers and Cheese Straws Society. Instead, he turned up dead on Lizzie Turner's living room carpet. Lizzie tackles long-hidden secrets, a jealous police chief, and a murderer using her for target practice.

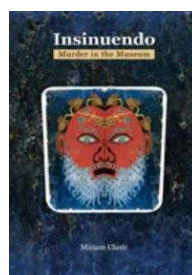


**Miriam Clavir**

### **Insinuendo: Murder in the Museum**

- Bayeux Arts
- ISBN: 978-1-897411-38-4
- October 2012
- Paperback \$19.95

Berry Cates has undergone a "radical lifectomy". In her first job as an artifacts conservator at the Museum of Anthropology, she is faced with answering why a visiting expert died from arsenic housed in her lab. Determined to prove false these accusations against her and the conservation lab, Berry instead gets into deeper trouble.

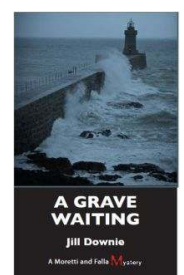


**Jill Downie**

### **A Grave Waiting**

- Dundurn Press
- ISBN: 9781459706361
- November 2012
- Paperback \$11.99

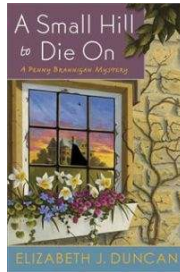
On the Channel Island of Guernsey, Detective Inspector Moretti and his partner Liz Falla investigate the murder of an international arms dealer on his luxury yacht. Why is he here on the island? And how are an ex-Folies Bergere dancer, a former espionage agent and a wealthy sax-playing financier involved – or are they?



## Elizabeth J Duncan

### A Small Hill to Die On

- St Martin's Press
- ISBN: TBA
- October 2012
- Hardcover \$28.99



A family's secrets lie buried in a shallow grave, along with the girl with the snake-skin manicure.

## Peter Kirby

### Dead of Winter

- Linda Leith Publications
- ISBN: 9780987994622
- October 2012
- Paperback \$21.95; eBook \$14.95

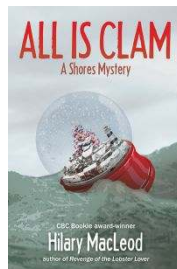


The novel follows world-weary Detective Inspector Luc Vanier as he hunts down a disturbed killer of homeless people. Vanier confronts his own demons while his investigation draws him into the heart of the Catholic Church in Quebec, the boardrooms of Montreal's business elite, and the back-alleys and soup kitchens of the dispossessed.

## Hilary MacLeod

### All is Clam

- The Acorn Press
- ISBN: 1-894838-77-7
- October 2012
- Paperback \$22.95

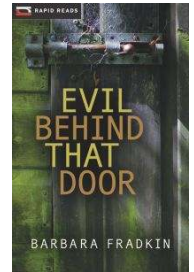


Family stories and secrets unfold in "All Is Clam," a Shores Christmas mystery. A man, woman and child move into the village and pitch a tent in an old abandoned house. An antiquarian book dealer and Tarot reader follows them. The Hanged Man keeps turning up in his card readings while he searches for an old diary.

## Barbara Fradkin

### Evil Behind That Door

- Orca Books, Rapid Reads
- ISBN: 9781459801004
- September 2012
- Paperback \$9.95; eBook \$9.95

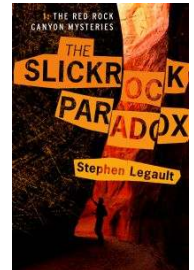


When Cedric O'Toole agrees to help a former bully renovate his farmhouse, he uncovers more than old fears. Barry Mitchell is broke, just out of prison, and his parents have gone missing... But it is the battered, boarded-up door in the cellar, and the chilling secret locked behind it, that is about to bring him, and Cedric, the most grief of all.

## Stephen Legault

### Slickrock Paradox

- TouchWood Editions
- ISBN: 1927129397
- September 2012
- Paperback \$18.95

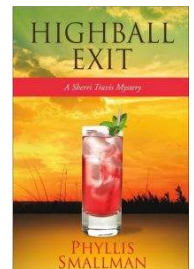


The first book in the Red Rock Canyon Mysteries. What Silas Pearson uncovers in the Red Rock wilderness while he searches for his wife creates a complex and spellbinding thriller that threatens far more than just one man's life; it threatens a celebrated American wilderness and all those who cherish it.

## Phyllis Smallman

### Highball Exit

- TouchWood Editions
- ISBN: 9781927179791
- October 2012
- Paperback: \$18.95

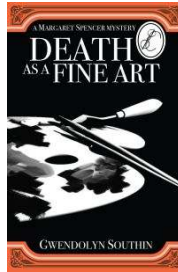


Sherri Travis is three months in arrears on her mortgage and it will be last call for the Sunset Bar and Grill if she doesn't come up with some cash. When Aunt Kay offers to pay Sherri to ask a few questions about Holly Mitchell's death, it sounds like easy money but it quickly descends into a dangerous world of drugs, sex workers, and perversion.

## Gwendolyn Southin

### Death as a Fine Art

- TouchWood Editions
- ISBN: TBA
- September 2012
- Paperback TBA

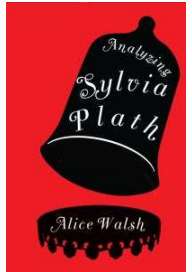


Death as a Fine Art, the fifth book in the popular Margaret Spencer Mystery series, follows our favourite Vancouver female sleuth Maggie Spencer as she continues her escapades to track down the unlawful and dangerous.

## Sharon Wildwind

### Loved Honor More

- Five Star
- ISBN: TBA
- November 2012
- Hardcover \$24.99



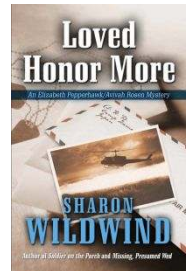
## Alice Walsh

### Analyzing Sylvia Plath

- Thomas & Mercer
- ISBN: 9781612186597
- November 2012
- Paperback \$14.99

Professor Isobel Harding knew that inviting Elizabeth Wilcox to speak at Evangeline University's literary conference was risky, but she never expected it to be deadly. Her controversial book, *Analyzing Sylvia Plath*, incited wrath among both literary critics and academics. After someone attempts to poison Dr. Wilcox, Isobel must scrutinize even her closest friends to uncover the maniacal killer among them.

Soldiers die even on the last day of a war. One of those soldiers was Darby Baxter, a West Point graduate who loved honor more than life. Reeling from the emotional fallout, three Viet Nam veterans are certain of one thing: Darby lied about the Vietnamese infant he sent to his lover, Elizabeth Pepperhawk.



## SUSPENSE/THRILLER

## Lou Allin

### Contingency Plan

- Orca, Rapid Reads
- ISBN: 978-1459801141
- October 2012
- Paperback \$9.95

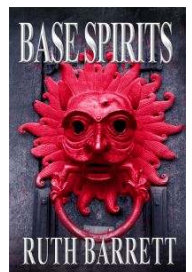


Widowed Sandra Sinclair and her young daughter begin a new life on Vancouver Island with a man who is too good to be true.

## Ruth Barrett

### Base Spirits

- Spirited Words Book Co. (WAP)
- ISBN: 978-0-9877703-0-1
- September 2012
- Paperback \$15.00; eBook \$3.99



In 1605, a Yorkshire nobleman's murderous rampage leaves a family shattered. The killer suffers a tortuous execution as his house is forever tarnished by blood and possessed by anguished spirits. On vacation, an unhappy modern couple unwittingly awaken a dark history. Only one survives.

## Rick Blechta

### The Fallen One

- Dundurn Press
- ISBN: 978-1-45970-196-0
- September 2012
- Paperback \$17.99

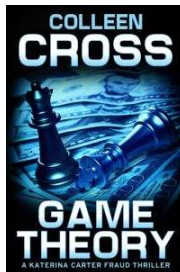


Marta Hendriks is onstage when she learns of her beloved husband's death. Fast forward two years, and Marta is ready to resume her career. When Marta is caught in a sudden downpour, she dashes for the shelter of a Metro station and spots someone doing the same. What she sees freezes her in the middle of a busy Paris street. It is her dead husband.

## Colleen Cross

### Game Theory

- Slice Publishing
- ISBN: 978-0987-8835-1-3
- November 2012
- Paperback \$13.99; eBook \$5.99



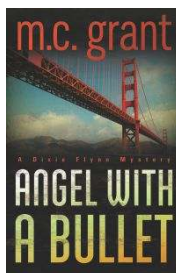
### Katerina Carter Fraud Thriller #2

Kat lands her biggest case ever. Edgewater Investments, a currency hedge fund, is in financial straits. Billionaire Zachary Barron's business is in free fall, somehow connected to the World Institute, a shadowy organization of the world's rich and powerful.

## Grant McKenzie writing as M.C. Grant

### Angel With A Bullet

- Midnight Ink
- ISBN: 9780738734156
- September 2012
- Paperback \$14.95

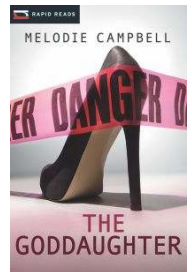


Dixie Flynn is a feisty redheaded reporter who will stop at nothing to get her story. But things turn personal when an ex-boyfriend blows his brains over a signed canvas. To the police, it looks like suicide, but Dixie isn't buying it. Her artistic ex was far too narcissistic to take his own life. To Dixie, it looks like murder.

## Melodie Campbell

### The Goddaughter

- Orca Books, Rapid Reads
- ISBN-10: 1459801253
- ISBN-13: 978-1459801257
- September 2012
- Paperback \$9.95

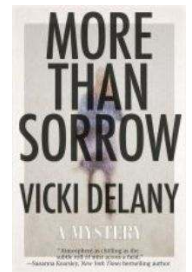


When a cousin is taken down by rival mobsters, the Goddaughter is reluctantly recruited to carry hot gems back to Buffalo. Then the worst happens – they get stolen. She has no choice but to steal them back, even though philandering politicians, shoe fetishists and inept goons stand in her way.

## Vicki Delany

### More Than Sorrow

- Poisoned Pen Press
- September 2012
- Hardcover 24.95; Paperback 14.95; eBook \$6.99

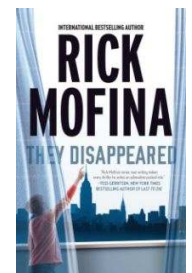


Once, Hannah Manning was an internationally-renowned journalist and war correspondent. Today, she's a woman suffering from a traumatic brain injury. Unable to read, unable to concentrate, full of pain, lost and confused, haunted by her memories, Hannah experiences visions of a woman, emerging from the icy cold mist. Is the woman real? Or the product of a severely damaged brain?

## Rick Mofina

### They Disappeared

- Harlequin Mira
- ISBN: 978-0778313816
- October 2012
- Paperback \$9.99; eBook \$7.99



While sightseeing near Times Square, Jeff steps into a store to buy batteries for their camera, but upon returning to the street he finds that his wife and son have vanished. Battling his anguish and police suspicions, Jeff fights to rescue Sarah and Cole...amid growing fears that they have become entangled in an unfolding plot that could have global consequences.

## Luke Murphy

### Dead Man's Hand

- Imajin Books
- October 2012
- eBook \$3.99; Paperback \$14.99

From NFL rising-star prospect to wanted fugitive, Calvin Watters is a sadistic African-American Las Vegas debt-collector framed by a murderer who, like the Vegas Police, finds him to be the perfect fall-guy. To redeem himself, Calvin must prove his innocence by finding the real killer, while avoiding the LVMPD, and protect the woman he loves from a professional assassin hired to silence them.



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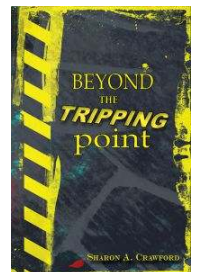
## SHORT STORIES & ANTHOLOGIES

## Sharon A. Crawford

### Beyond the Tripping Point

- Blue Denim Press
- ISBN: ISBN 978-0-9869528-9
- October 2012
- Paperback \$20.00

Murder, attempted murder, sexual abuse, kidnapping, missing persons, vengeance, revenge, suicide, gambling, explosions, vehicular mishaps, indignity to a dead body, even love occur in these thirteen stories. Like all life's happenings, they affect the characters—women, men and children—in their journey through life, sometimes damaging them, sometimes stalling them in limbo, but often forcing them to reach beyond the tripping point.



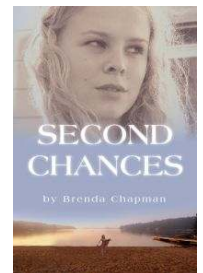
## YOUNG ADULT/JUVENILE

## Brenda Chapman

### Second Chances

- Dundurn
- ISBN: 978-1-45970-204-2
- September 2012
- Paperback 12.99

It's the summer of 1971, and 15-year-old Darlene travels with her mother to cottage country. This year her wild cousin, Elizabeth, is staying with them in the hopes that time away from Toronto will straighten her out — but Elizabeth has other plans. She makes it her summer mission to torment Darlene by manipulating her friends and seducing every eligible male in her path.



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