

**RWA® Mystery/Suspense Chapter presents**  
***The Daphne du Maurier Award***  
**FOR EXCELLENCE IN MYSTERY/SUSPENSE**  
**PUBLISHED DIVISION 2014 Results**

The results of the Kiss of Death Chapter's Daphne Du Maurier Award for Excellence in Mystery/Suspense are in. On behalf of KOD and the Daphne Committee, I am pleased to announce the winners of our 2014 Published Contest:

**Category (Series) Romantic Mystery/Suspense**

Finalist: Loreth Anne White, *Guarding the Princess*

Finalist: Paula Graves, *Murder in the Smokies*

Finalist: Paula Graves, *Smoky Ridge Curse*

Finalist: Rebecca Zanetti, *Under the Covers*

**WINNER: Gail Barrett, *A Kiss to Die For***

**Historical Romantic Mystery/Suspense**

Finalist: Jeannie Lin, *The Lotus Palace*

Finalist: Katy Madison, *Katy Madison for Lord Coleraine's Scandalous Offer*

Finalist: Erica Monroe, *A Dangerous Invitation*

Finalist: Christine Trent, *Lady of Ashes*

**WINNER: Linda Lappin, *Signatures in Stone***

**Inspirational Romantic Mystery/Suspense**

Finalist: Robin Carroll, *Strand of Deception*

Finalist: Debby Giusti, *The General's Secretary*

Finalist: Irene Hannon, *Trapped*

Finalist: Susan Sleeman, *No Way Out*

**WINNER: Dani Pettrey, *Stranded***

**Mainstream Mystery/Suspense**

Finalist: Gretchen Archer, *Double Whammy*

Finalist: Allison Brennan, *Cold Snap*

Finalist: Rosie Genova, *Murder and Marinara*

Finalist: Diane Hester, *Run to Me*

**WINNER: Hank Phillippi Ryan, *The Wrong Girl***

**Paranormal (Fantasy/Time Travel/Futuristic) Romantic Mystery/Suspense**

Finalist: Tamara Hogan, *Tempt Me*

Finalist: Mina Khan, *Wildfire*

Finalist: Danielle Monsch, *Stone Guardian*

Finalist: Jana Oliver, *Tangled Souls*

Finalist: Rebecca Zanetti, *Shadowed*

**WINNER: Angie Fox, *My Big Fat Demon Slayer Wedding***

**Single Title Romantic Mystery/Suspense**

Finalist: Toni Anderson, *Her Last Chance*

Finalist: Kaylea Cross, *Ignited*

Finalist: B. J. Daniels, *Forsaken*

Finalist: Melinda Leigh, *Midnight Sacrifice*

**WINNER: Kendra Elliot, *Buried***

**THE OVERALL DAPHNE WINNER FOR THE 2014 PUBLISHED CONTEST IS:**

**Linda Lappin, *Signatures in Stone***

Congratulations to all!

Brooke Wills

2014 Daphne Contest Overall Coordinator