

RWA® Mystery/Suspense Chapter presents
The Daphne du Maurier Award
FOR EXCELLENCE IN MYSTERY/SUSPENSE
UNPUBLISHED DIVISION 2017 Results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 On behalf of KOD and the Daphne Committee, I am pleased to announce the winners of our 2017 Unpublished Contest:

Category (Series) Romantic Mystery/Suspense



First:	<i>Smash & Grab</i> by Lori Matthews
Second:	<i>Reid's Diamond</i> by Cheryl Rabin
Third:	<i>Blood Rights</i> by A.L.R. Court
Honorable Mention:	<i>Confide In Me</i> by Kathryn Denman
Honorable Mention:	<i>Villa Marco Polo</i> by H. S. Stavropoulos

Historical Romantic Mystery/Suspense



First:	<i>Lovely Digits</i> by Jeanine Englert
Second:	<i>The Secrets Within the Towers</i> by Abigail Wilson
Third:	<i>Hidden Depths</i> by Pamala Knight
Honorable Mention:	<i>Whitecliff</i> by Valen Cox

Inspirational Romantic Mystery/Suspense



First:	<i>Fair Haven</i> by Laura Conner Kestner
Second:	<i>Incentives</i> by Sharee Stover
Third:	<i>Stolen Vows</i> by Darlene L. Turner
Honorable Mention:	<i>Breathing Shadows</i> by Loretta Eidson
Honorable Mention:	<i>Fatal Assignment</i> by Loretta Eidson

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



First:	<i>The Transformation of Alexis Doe</i> by Jilly Wood
Second:	<i>Haunted</i> by Shani Lynne
Third:	<i>The Last Descendent</i> by Kristina Kairn
Honorable Mention:	<i>Goldilocks Nine</i> by Christine Gunderson
Honorable Mention:	<i>Affliction</i> by Pamela Varnado

Single Title Romantic Mystery/Suspense



First: *Voice for the Dead* by SB Woodson
Second: *The Hustler* by Angie Hockman
Third: *Shadowplay* by Shannyn Jordan w/a Jordyn Jacobs
Honorable Mention: *Shot Down* by Tracy Brody
Honorable Mention: *Criminal Heat* by Jan Jackson

Mainstream Mystery/Suspense



First: *Stosh and the Devil* by Michele Reed
Second: *Inherent Lies* by Alicia Anthony
Third: *The End of Youth* by Tammy Euliano
Honorable Mention: *Emerald Drone* by Alan Chaput
Honorable Mention: *Ghosts of Harvard* by Jeff Cooper
Honorable Mention: *It Hurts* by Robbin Lockett

THE OVERALL DAPHNE WINNER FOR THE 2017 UNPUBLISHED CONTEST IS:



***Fair Haven* by Laura Conner Kestner**



Congratulations to all!
Brooke Wills
2017 Daphne Contest Chair