

CWC AUTHOR EVENTS GUIDE — October 2009

*Step aside, Charlie Brown and the Great Pumpkin –
we've got new Fall Author Events!*



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Jessica Simon turns Ice to Ashes!

Jessica Simon, author of *From Ice to Ashes* (NeWest Press), will be reading and signing at the launch on Friday, October 23, 4 - 6 pm, Mac's Fireweed Books, 203 Main St. (corner Third), Whitehorse.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Stanley Evans takes to the road with Silas Seaweed!

- **Stanley Evans** will be speaking about and reading from his latest book, *Seaweed in the Soup* (Touchwood).
Saturday, October 3, 9 am, the University Club, West Campus Way, University of Victoria. It is a breakfast event, sponsored by Cadboro Bay Books, \$21.95 per person. Tickets and further information from Cadboro Bay Books, phone (250) 477-1422.
- Stanley Evans will be signing his books and talking about Coast Salish cop Silas Seaweed.
Saturday, October 31, 1 – 4 pm, Chapters Books, 1217 Douglas Street, Victoria.

Jane Hall talks, reads and signs — but not all at once!

- **Jane Hall**, author of *The Red Wall: A Woman in the RCMP* (General Store

Publishing House), will be part of the Vancouver Library's "Celebration of Women's History Month." Jane will be reading and discussing past/present social trends, then signing. Wednesday, October 7, 7 pm, Alma VanDusen Room, Lower level, Central Library, 350 West Georgia St., Vancouver.

- She'll be reading from and signing *The Red Wall*. Thursday October 22, 7 pm, Historic Stewart Farm, Stewart Hall, 13723 Crescent Rd., Surrey.

James W. Nichol must love those festivals!

- **James W. Nichol** will be reading from and signing his new book, *Death Spiral* (McArthur & Co.). Saturday, October 24, 10:30 am (\$16 per ticket), and also on Sunday, October 25, 3:30 pm (\$31 including tea and scones!), at the Vancouver International Writers Festival at the Revue Theatre, 1585 Johnston St. (Saturday) and Performance Works, 1218 Cartwright St. (Sunday), both on Granville Island.
- And he'll be on a panel discussing the writer's process, and reading from and signing *Death Spiral*, at the International Festival of Authors at Harbourfront Centre in Toronto. The panel event is Tuesday, October 27, 8:00 pm; the reading is on Saturday, October 31, 4:00 pm: both events are at the Brigantine Room, Lakeside Terrace at the York Quay Centre, 235 Queens Quay West, Toronto. (\$15 for each event).

Elizabeth Elwood joins the BC book signers!

Elizabeth Elwood will be signing *The Beacon and Other Mystery Stories* (iUniverse). Sunday, October 25, 2 – 4 pm, Chapters, Broadway and Granville, 2505 Granville St., Vancouver.

Juanita Rose Violini Reads, Meets & Greets in BC and Alberta

Juanita Rose Violini will be signing copies of her new book, *Almanac of the Infamous, the Incredible and the Ignored* (Weiser Books, San Francisco) and, in some cases, giving readings.

In British Columbia:

- Wednesday, October 7, 7 pm, Bacchus Books, 409 9th Ave. N., Golden. Author Reading.
- Thursday, October 15, 3 – 8 pm, Chapters Kelowna, 2271 Harvey Ave. Meet & Greet and Book Signing.
- Friday, October 16, 6 pm, The Bookman, 45939 Wellington Ave., Chilliwack. Author Reading.
- Saturday, October 17, noon – 2 pm, Chapters Vancouver, 2505 Granville St. Meet & Greet.

- Tuesday, October 20, 11 am – 1 pm, Bookland, 102-3400 30 Ave., Vernon. Book Signing.
- Wednesday, October 28, Pynelogs Art Gallery, 1720 4th Ave., Invermere. Sponsored by the Invermere Public Library (donation at door). Author Reading.

In Alberta:

- Saturday, October 10, noon – 2 pm, Chapters Lethbridge, 701 1 Avenue South, Lethbridge. Meet & Greet the Author.
- Saturday, October 24, noon – 3 pm, Cafe Books, 100 - 826 Main Street, Canmore. Book Signing.

PRAIRIES

Gail Bowen is so at home on the range!

- **Gail Bowen**, author of the Joanne Kilbourn series (McClelland & Stewart), will be a panelist at two sessions of the SWG Fall Conference. Session 1 – “City Muse and Country Muse” takes place on Friday, October 16, 2:30 pm; Session 2 – “Genre Writing and Literary Writing takes place on Saturday, October 17, 2:45 pm. Both events at the Hotel Saskatchewan Radisson Plaza, 2125 Victoria Ave., Regina, SK. Gail will be available to sign books.
- Gail will be reading from her new Kilbourn, *The Nesting Dolls*, at the Medicine Hat Public Library, 414 First Street S.E., Medicine Hat, Alberta. Tuesday, October 20, 7:15 pm. Gail will be available to sign books.
- She’ll be reading again from *The Nesting Dolls* at the Drumheller Public Library, 224 Centre Street, Drumheller, Alberta. Wednesday, October 21 at 7:15 pm. Gail will be available to sign books.
- And yet again, she’ll be reading from *The Nesting Dolls* at Memorial Park Library 1221 - 2nd Street S.W., Calgary, Thursday, October 22, 7 pm. As ever, Gail will be available to sign books.

John Brix-Maffei takes his beasts to the mall!

John Brix-Maffei will be doing a book signing October 24, noon - 4 pm at the Crowfoot Chapters, Crowfoot Mall, 66 Crowfoot Terrace N.W., Calgary. He will be marketing *The Wolf and The Sheepdog* (Authorhouse) by John Smith.

ONTARIO

Elizabeth Duncan casts a cold light on a hot bar!

Elizabeth Duncan, award-winning author of the *The Cold Light of Mourning* (St. Martin's Press), will be present to help launch the first event of the autumn Fine Print

season, the Fine Print Mystery Night. Readings and signings.
Thursday, October 1, 7pm at the Pilot, 22 Cumberland Street (one block north of Bloor St., just west of Yonge), Toronto. Call 416-361-0032 or e-mail <thefineprint@benmcnallybooks.com> to register.

Linda Wiken opens her Prime Crime Books door to CWC worthies!

- **Rick Mofina** signing *Vengeance*.
Saturday, October 3, 2:30 – 3:30 pm, Prime Crime Books, 891 Bank St., Ottawa.
- Double launch for the Deadly Dames -- **Barbara Fradkin's** *This Thing of Darkness* and **R.J. Harlick's** *Arctic Blue Death*.
Thursday, October 8, 7 – 9 pm, Library & Archives Canada, 395 Wellington St., sunken lobby, Ottawa.

Be very afraid: Mary Jane Maffini strikes again – sometimes with friends! *Note: Bouchercon 2009 Alert!*

- **Mary Jane Maffini, Vicki Delany, Barbara Fradkin, R.J. Harlick, and Anthony Bidulka** will put a new cultural slant to our country in the panel “O Canada: Crime North of the Border”.
Thursday, October 15, 4:30 - 5:25 pm at Bouchercon 2009 (the world mystery convention) in Indianapolis. Check <http://www.bouchercon2009.com/> for registration information. The authors' books will be available for sale in the Dealers' Room. Signings will follow!
- During “The Heart of Niagara Reading Series”, Mary Jane Maffini will be reading from *Death Loves a Messy Desk* (Berkley Prime Crime), *The Dead Don't Get Out Much* and *Too Hot to Handle* (both RendezVous Crime).
Wednesday, October 21, 2 pm at Pelham Public Library, 43 Pelham Town Square, Fonthill, ON (905-892-6443). Tickets: \$7.00 The event will be followed by sale of books and signing, schmoozing too.
- Mary Jane will ride and read again. *Death Loves a Messy Desk* (Berkley Prime Crime), *The Dead Don't Get Out Much* and *Too Hot to Handle* (both RendezVous Crime), and other titles will be available for sale and signing.
Wednesday, October 21, 7 pm, this time as part of Public Library Week, Fort Erie Public Library, Centennial Branch, 136 Gilmore Road, Fort Erie, ON (905-871-2546). Tickets are \$2.00.
- **Mary Jane Maffini, Barbara Fradkin, John Moss and Giles Blunt** will be reading and entertaining as part of the second annual "Writers Reading" event sponsored by the Westport Arts Council.
Sunday October 25, 1 – 5 pm, Westport United Church (at the corner of Spring and Church Streets), Westport, ON. Tickets: \$20.00 and information from Stillwater Books and Treasures, 17 Church St., Westport, ON (613 273-2727). You are promised refreshments and books for sale and signing.

Vicki Cameron frightens the kids!

Vicki Cameron will be reading from her book *Shillings* (Deadlock Press) at the 9th Annual KidLit Gala.

Thursday, October 22, 7 pm, Ben Franklin Place, 101 Centrepointe Drive, Nepean [Ottawa].

Brenda Chapman and C.B. Forrest sign on in Ottawa!

- **Brenda Chapman** will be reading from *Trail of Secrets* (Napoleon) at the above event [see *Vicki Cameron*].
- And Brenda will join **C.B. Forrest**, *The Weight of Stones* (RendezVous Crime), to sign copies of their books.
Saturday, October 24, noon - 1:30 pm, Shirley Leishman bookstore, Westgate Shopping Centre, 1309 Carling Avenue, Ottawa.

Stephen Gaspar's steamy launch fogs up the Phog Lounge!

Stephen Gaspar, author of *To Know Evil* (Pemberley Press) will be hosting a book launch with readings and signings.

Thursday, October 22, 7 pm, Phog Lounge, 157 University Avenue West, Windsor.

Richard S. Todd rains on Aurora!

Richard S. Todd will be reading from his novel, *Raincloud* (iUniverse), and discussing the self-publishing experience as part of his *Raincloud* Reading Series.

Monday, October 26, 7 pm, Aurora Town Hall, Municipal Drive/Wellington St. E. (north of Tim Hortons), Aurora.

Linwood Barclay is still all over the map [of Ontario]!

- Tuesday, October 20, 9 am, the LaSalle Pavilion, Burlington. This appearance is part of Books & Authors Series put on by A Different Drummer Books. For information about tickets to this series, call 905-639-0925.
- Saturday, October 24, 3 pm, McNally Robinson Booksellers, 1090 Don Mills Rd., Toronto. This appearance is part of the International Festival of Authors. For details, go to <http://www.readings.org>.
- Wednesday, October 28, 8 pm, the Fleck Dance Theatre, 207 Queen's Quay West, Toronto. This is also part of the International Festival of Authors. For details, go to <http://www.readings.org>.

Maureen Jennings extends The K Handshape to unwary fans!

- **Maureen Jennings** will be discussing, and reading from her book, *The K Handshape* (Castle Street Mysteries).

Wednesday, October 21, 7:30 pm, Peterborough Public Library. 345 Aylmer St., Peterborough.

- She will again be reading from *The K Handshape*.
Thursday, October 29, 7:30 pm, Flesherton Public Library, 10 Elizabeth St., Flesherton.

And Barbara Fradkin roams the province with Inspector Green!

- Join **Barbara Fradkin**, author of the award-winning Inspector Green Mysteries (Rendezvous Press), at the Toronto launch of her latest, *This Thing of Darkness*. Friday, October 2, 8 pm, McNally Robinson Bookstore in The Shops at Don Mills, 12 Marie Labatte Rd., Toronto.
- Barbara Fradkin's Ottawa launch of the seventh in the award-winning Inspector Green series, *This Thing of Darkness*. Thursday, October 8, 7 pm, the Library and Archives Canada, 395 Wellington Street, Ottawa.
- And Barbara will be signing *This Thing of Darkness*. Friday, October 23, 7 - 9 pm, Chapters in the Pinecrest Shopping Centre, 2735 Iris Ave., Ottawa.
- And she'll be participating in the Second Annual Writers' Reading sponsored by the Westport Arts Council and Stillwater Books. She will be reading and signing *This Thing of Darkness*. Sunday, October 25, 1 pm, Westport United Church (corner of Church and Spring Streets), Westport. Tickets \$20.

A CRIMINAL ROMP THROUGH THE WILDS OF CANADA!

Join Vicki Delany and R. J. Harlick on their multi-stop romp!

- **Vicki Delany**, *Valley of the Lost*, *Gold Digger* (Poisoned Pen Press and Rendezvous Crime, respectively), and **R. J. Harlick**, *Arctic Blue Death* (Rendezvous Crime), will be signing their books Sunday, October 25, noon, Chapters, Pointe-Claire, Quebec.
- And both Vicki and R.J. will be discussing "Setting in Canadian Crime Novels" and signing their books, Sunday, October 25, 7 pm, Brome Lake Books, Knowlton, Quebec.
- Once again, Vicki and R. J. will be discussing "Setting in Canadian Crime Novels" and signing their books, Monday, October 26, 1 pm, Bishops' University, Sherbrooke, Quebec. The talk will be moderated by *Sherbrooke Record* Crime Reviewer Jim Napier, and open to the public. Books will be available.

Also catch Vicki and R.J. at:

- Wednesday, October 28, noon, Chapters, Regent Mall, 1381 Regent St., Fredericton, NB. Book signing.
- Wednesday, October 28, 7 pm, Westminster Books, 445 King St., Fredericton, NB. Talk and book signing.
- Thursday, October 29, 7 pm, Chapters, Crystal Palace, 499 Paul St., Dieppe, NB. Book signing.
- Friday, October 30, 7 pm, Mount Saint Vincent University, Halifax, NS. Moderated talk followed by book signing.
- Saturday, October 31, noon, Chapters, Bayers Lake, NS. Book signing.
- Saturday October 31, 3pm, Coles, 7001 Mumford Rd., Halifax, NS. Book signing.

INTO FOREIGN TERRITORY!

Anthony Bidulka transports his stuff south of the border!

Anthony Bidulka, author of the Russell Quant Mystery series, will be reading from and signing his latest book, *Aloha, Candy Hearts* (Insomniac Press):

- Tuesday, October 13, 7 pm, SH\aut\ Performance Space, 325 Braun Court, Ann Arbor, MI (the building across the courtyard from the \aut\ BAR and the Common Language bookstore). Reception to follow.
- Thursday, October 15, 7 – 9 pm, Theatre on the Square (around the corner from the Outword Bound Bookstore), 627 Massachusetts Avenue, Indianapolis, IN. Reception to follow.
- Saturday, October 24, 6 pm, A Different Light Bookstore, 489 Castro St., San Francisco, CA. Reception to follow.