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# East Side, West Side, Dark Side: New York Mysteries

New York, New York. So nice they named it twice. Or is it? New York inspires tales of crime, whether set in the past or the present; in series, stand alones or short stories; in the city's renowned locations or its hidden corners. Come join a panel of award-winning writers to learn, not who done it, but how and why they did it. Right here in New York.

## Featuring

### The Mystery Writers of America-New York Chapter

- Triss Stein (Moderator)
- Peter Blauner
- Reed Farrel Coleman
- Grace F. Edwards
- Stefanie Pintoff



Tuesday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2012  
6:30 p.m. on the 6<sup>th</sup> floor



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**Triss Stein**, moderator, is the author of two published mysteries; *Digging Up Death* was about New York construction and New York archaeology. She has stories in both the original anthology, *Murder New York Style*, and the new edition, *Murder New York Style: Fresh Slices*, and she has completed the first book in a new mystery series about everyday Brooklyn life and Brooklyn crime, old and new. She is co-chair of the MWA Library Program Committee and managed the recent SistersinCrime research study on mystery readers. Website: <http://www.murdernystyle.com/>



Panelists:

**Peter Blauner** is a lifelong New York writer. He began his career as an assistant to the great newspaper columnist Pete Hamill and then spent ten years as a reporter covering crime, politics, and other forms of bad behavior in the big city. He has published six novels, including *Slow Motion Riot*, winner of the Edgar award for Best First Novel, and *The Intruder*, a *New York Times* bestseller. His short fiction has been anthologized in the *Best American Mystery Stories* series and on NPR's Selected Shorts from Symphony Space. His most recent book was *Slipping Into Darkness*. Lately, he has also branched out into television work, writing for the Law & Order franchise. He lives in Brooklyn with his family. Website: <http://www.peterblauner.com/>

**Reed Farrel Coleman** has been called a hard-boiled poet by NPR's Maureen Corrigan and the noir poet laureate in the *Huffington Post*. He has published 14 novels, including the acclaimed Moe Prager PI series. He is a three-time recipient of the Shamus Award for Best Detective Novel of the Year and a two-time Edgar nominee. He has also won the Macavity, Barry, and Anthony Awards. He was co-editor of the poetry journals *Poetry Bone* and *The Lineup*. He edited the short story anthology *Hard Boiled Brooklyn*. His short fiction, poetry, and essays have appeared in several publications. He is the former executive vice president of Mystery Writers of America and an instructor for MWA U. He is also an adjunct professor at Hofstra University. He was born and raised in Brooklyn, but lives with his family on Long Island. Website: <http://www.reedcoleman.com/>

Harlem-born **Grace F. Edwards** is the author of four Mali Anderson mysteries, and also *The Viaduct* and *In the shadow of the Peacock*. Her seventh book, *The Blind Alley*, was published in 2011. She currently teaches fiction writing at Hunter College.

**Stefanie Pintoff** won the Edgar® award for Best First Novel for *In The Shadow of Gotham* and has continued this historical series with *A Curtain Falls* and *Secret Of The White Rose*. Her writing has won the Washington Irving Book Prize and earned nominations for the Anthony, Macavity, and Agatha awards. A former attorney and academic, she lives on Manhattan's Upper West Side, where she is at work on a contemporary thriller to be released in 2013. Website: <http://www.stefaniepintoff.com/>

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