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*New York, New York
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To Die In*

Join moderator **PEGGY EHRHART** and a panel of stellar authors who will discuss the role New York City has played in the murder mystery genre.

Among those scheduled to appear:

**CHARLES ARDAI, MEREDITH S. COLE,
THOMAS O'CALLAGHAN, JASON PINTER,
and GAMMY L. SINGER**

**TUESDAY, MARCH 18TH, 2008
6:30 P.M. ON THE 6TH FLOOR**



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Sleuths as diverse as an NYPD police lieutenant, a private investigator, a young journalist, an ex-con Harlem landlord, and a young female art photographer populate mysteries that range from psychological thriller to cozy, but they all play out their dramas in the five boroughs of NYC.

PEGGY EHRHART holds a Ph.D. in English Literature and taught English at the college level for 30 years. Her award-winning academic writing has appeared in numerous scholarly journals. She now writes fiction full time. Her short stories have appeared in various print and online media, and her first book-length mystery, *Sweet Man Is Gone*, is due in 2008.



Writing as "Richard Aleas," Edgar Award-winner **CHARLES ARDAI** authored *Little Girl Lost* and *Songs of Innocence*, both featuring New York detective John Blake. Mr. Ar dai also founded and edits the pulp-style Hard Case Crime series, in which capacity he has had the privilege to work with authors such as Lawrence Block, Stephen King, Ed McBain, Mickey Spillane, and Donald Westlake.

MEREDITH S. COLE, a graduate of Smith College, directed features and wrote screenplays before writing mysteries. She was a NY Foundation of the Arts fellow in Screenwriting in 2004, and won the St. Martin's/Malice Domestic contest in 2007. Her book *Posed for Murder* will be published in 2008.

THOMAS O'CALLAGHAN, a member of both Mystery Writers of America and International Thriller Writers, is a native New Yorker. He is working on his latest in a series of thrillers, featuring NYPD Lieutenant John Driscoll. He is the author of *Bone Thief* and *The Screaming Room*.

JASON PINTER is the bestselling author of *The Mark* and *The Guilty*. He is a member of Mystery Writers of America and International Thriller Writers, and a co-founder of Killer Year. The first Killer Year anthology was edited by Lee Child and published in January, 2008, by St. Martin's Press.

Actress and author **GAMMY L. SINGER** combines humor with grit in her Landlord Tales series set in Harlem. The series has been optioned for film and television by Laurence Fishburne's Gypsy Cinema Productions, with Mr. Fishburne set to star. Her many acting credits include *Head of State* with Chris Rock, *Thirteen Conversations About One Thing* with Alan Arkin, *As the World Turns*, the television pilot of *The Job*, and various voiceover work. Ms. Singer is a member of Sisters in Crime, the Harlem Writers Guild and Mystery Writers of America.



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