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Paranormal Mysteries

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Vampires. Werewolves. Zombies. Extraterrestrials. Ghosts. Mysterious creatures like Bigfoot and the Loch Ness monster. Paranormal mysteries are among the most popular genres of fiction—why?

Join this lively discussion and hear expert opinions on why paranormal stories have thrived for hundreds of years. We'll also discuss what elements a mystery must have in order to fit within this genre; whether it's harder to write a paranormal mystery than other, non-paranormal, mysteries; whether paranormal mysteries require an element of romance; what makes a successful paranormal story; whether the market for paranormals will stay strong; and bottom line: why readers like to be scared.

featuring

Mystery Writers of America - New York Chapter

- **Meredith Anthony** (Moderator)
- **Lee Barwood**
- **E. F. Watkins**



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Moderator **Meredith Anthony** is the co-author of *Ladykiller* (Oceanview Press), which received over 30 rave reviews and was nominated for best mystery by *ForeWord Magazine*. Her short stories have appeared in *Ellery Queen Mystery Magazine* and she has a story in the *Philadelphia Noir* anthology coming in November from Akashic Press. By day, she is an advertising copywriter in New York. She's also the author of "SOAR," a paranormal mystery featuring a tribal woman and her animal totem.

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Gryphon Award winner **Lee Barwood** writes with a paranormal edge; her Haunted Ozarks series is peopled by those whose otherworldly abilities go beyond the physical universe. She finds mystery and the paranormal fit together perfectly, embracing the unknown and offering clues to more than one puzzle at a time.

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E. F. Watkins specializes in paranormal thrillers and mysteries. Her novel *Dance With the Dragon* won the 2004 EPPIE in Horror, and her science fiction thriller *Black Flowers* was a 2006 EPPIE finalist in Action/Thriller. She also has published the romantic mystery *Ride a Dancing Horse* and the paranormal thrillers *Paragon* and *Danu's Children*.

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