

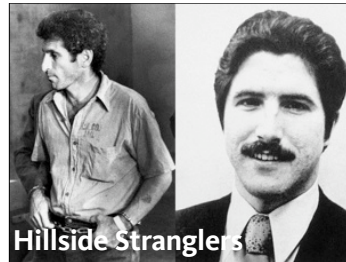
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Partners in Crime Are Two Killers Better Than One?

Two can keep a secret if one of them is dead—but how about exceptions to the rule? Sometimes killers, thieves, and grifters, both real-life and fictional, buddy up to commit their crimes. What makes these partnerships tick? Is it the pathological obsession of *folie à deux*? An evil partner dominating a weak one? All in the family? An unholy alliance between practical crooks whose schemes are so ambitious they need a team to carry them out? A panel of mystery and true crime writers discuss what some of these partners in crime did and how it all worked out.

Mystery Writers of America / New York Chapter featuring

- Elizabeth Zelvin (Moderator)
- Cici McNair, P.I.
- Cheryl Paradis
- Robert Quackenbush
- Kate White



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6:30 p.m. on the 6th floor



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Moderator:

Elizabeth Zelvin is a New York City psychotherapist whose new mystery, *DEATH WILL EXTEND YOUR VACATION*, will come out in April 2012. Other titles are *DEATH WILL GET YOU SOBER* and *DEATH WILL HELP YOU LEAVE HIM*. Her stories have appeared in *Ellery Queen's Mystery Magazine* and have been nominated three times for the Agatha Award for Best Short Story. In the works: a novel about Columbus's second voyage and an album of original songs.



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Panelists:

Cici McNair, P.I., a writer and a former journalist, has been a private detective for 17 years. *DETECTIVES DON'T WEAR SEAT BELTS* is her memoir. *NEVER FLIRT WITH A FEMME FATALE* chronicles two true tales of lust, money and murder on the island of Manhattan. Her firm, Green Star Investigations, handles criminal cases, including money laundering, stolen art recovery, rape and homicide.

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Cheryl Paradis is the author of *THE MEASURE OF MADNESS: INSIDE THE DISTURBED AND DISTURBING CRIMINAL MIND*, published by Citadel Press (2010). Her research and writings have been published in journals such as *Psychiatric Services* and *The Journal of Psychiatry @ Law*. As an expert in psychological and neuropsychological testing, she has testified in both the New York State and Federal court systems. Currently a professor of psychology at Marymount Manhattan College, where she is the coordinator of the Forensic Psychology Minor, she is also a clinical associate professor at the State University of New York Downstate Medical Center.

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Robert Quackenbush is the author/artist of over 200 books for young readers. Many of them are mysteries, including his *MISS MALLARD MYSTERIES* that have been made into animated films for children's television programming being shown in five languages in 70 countries worldwide. Criminal couples often appear in his mysteries to rob and deceive without killing, which allows for humor - a trademark of Quackenbush's books.

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Kate White, the editor in chief of *Cosmopolitan Magazine*, is the author of the New York Times best-selling *BAILY WEGGINS MYSTERIES*, as well as stand-alone thrillers. Her latest, *THE SIXES*, releases August 2011.

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