

Reading List - Mysteries and Cross-Genre Mysteries

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* asterisked authors/titles are ones I've personally read

Aaronovitch, Ben ó Rivers of London series (*Midnight Riot*)*
Abrahams, Peter ó Echo Falls series (YA; *Down the Rabbit Hole*)*
Adams, Douglas ó *Dirk Gently's Holistic Detective Agency**
Asimov, Isaac ó Elijah Bailey and R. Daneel Olivaw series (*The Caves of Steel*)*
Asimov, Isaac; Greenberg, Martin Harry; Waugh, Charles (editors) ó *Sherlock Holmes Through Time and Space*
Atkinson, Kate ó Jackson Brodie series (*Case Histories*)*

Barker, Clive ó *The Great and Secret Show**; *The Last Illusion**
Barron, Laird ó *Occultation and Other Stories**
Bear, Elizabeth ó *New Amsterdam*
Benchley, Peter ó *Rummies**
Bester, Alfred ó *The Demolished Man*
Briggs, Patricia ó Mercy Thompson series (*Moon Called*)*
Brown, Frederic ó *Daymare*
Butcher, Jim ó Harry Dresden series (*Storm Front*)*

Cadigan, Pat ó *Tea from an Empty Cup*
Cain, Chelsea ó *Confessions of a Teen Sleuth**
Cain, Chelsea ó Archie Sheridan/Gretchen Lowell series (*Heartsick*)*
Caine, Rachel ó Weather Warden series (*Ill Wind*)*
Campbell, John W. ó *Who Goes There?* (filmed as *The Thing*; also try Peter Watts' homage *The Things*)*
Card, Orson Scott ó *Ender's Game*
Carey, Mike ó Felix Castor series (*The Devil You Know*)*
Carriger, Gail ó *Soulless**
Carroll, Jonathan ó *Voice of Our Shadow**; *Bones of the Moon**
Castro, Adam-Troy ó Andrea Cort novels
Chabon, Michael ó *The Yiddish Policemen's Union*
Chesbro, George C. ó Mongo mysteries (*Shadow of a Broken Man*)
Christie, Agatha ó *Death Comes as the End**
Christie, Agatha (as Mary Westmacott) ó *A Daughter's a Daughter**
Collins, Wilkie ó *The Woman in White*
Connolly, Harry ó Twenty Palaces series (*Child of Fire*)*
Connolly, John ó Charlie Parker novels

Dahl, Roald ó *Tales of the Unexpected**
Danielewski, Mark ó *House of Leaves**
Dick, Philip K. ó *Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep?**
du Maurier, Daphne ó *Rebecca**; *Don't Look Now* (from *Not After Midnight*; *Jamaica Inn*)

Effinger, George Alec ó *When Gravity Fails*
Ellin, Stanley ó *Star Light, Star Bright** (best known for *The Specialty of the House*)

Fforde, Jasper ó Thursday Next series (*The Eyre Affair*)
Foster, Alan Dean ó *Greenthieves*
French, Tana ó *In the Woods**; *The Likeness**; *Faithful Place**; *Broken Harbour**

Garrett, Randall ó *Lord Darcy Investigates*
Gilman, Dorothy ó *Caravan**
Gran, Sara ó *Claire DeWitt and the City of the Dead* (new series)*
Green, Simon R. ó Nightside series (*Something from the Nightside*)

Grimwood, Jon Courtenay ó *Arabesk* novels
 Gruber, Michael ó Jimmy Paz trilogy (*Tropic of Night*)*; *The Book of Air and Shadows*; *Forgery of Venus*

Hamilton, Laurell K. ó Anita Blake series*
 Hammond, Warren ó KOP novels
 Harris, Charlaine ó Harper Connelly series (*Grave Sight*)*; Lily Bard series (*Shakespeare's Landlord*)*; Sookie Stackhouse
 ósouthern vampireö series (*Dead Until Dark*)*
 Harris, Robert ó *Fatherland*
 Harrison, Kim ó Hollows series*
 Herzog, Arthur ó *Aries Rising**
 Hjortsberg, William ó *Falling Angel* (filmed as *Angel Heart*)*
 Huff, Tanya ó Blood/Vicky Nelson series (*Blood Price*)*
 Huston, Charlie ó Joe Pitt casebooks (*Already Dead*)*; Henry Thompson trilogy (*Caught Stealing*)*

Jackson, Shirley ó *The Haunting of Hill House**
 Jeter, K.W. ó *Noir**

Kaye, M.M. ó *Death in Kashmir* (and other öDeath iní ö books)*
 King, Stephen ó *Misery**; *Gerald's Game**; *The Green Mile**; *Bag of Bones**
 Koontz, Dean ó *Odd Thomas* series*

Lackey, Mercedesó *Sacred Ground*
 Lansdale, Joe R. ó Hap and Leonard series*; *Bubba Hotep**
 LøEngle, Madeleine ó *A Severed Wasp**; *A Wrinkle in Time**; the Austin family books*
 Lethem, Jonathan ó *Gun, with Occasional Music**
 Lindqvist, John Ayvide ó *Let the Right One In**; *Little Star**; *Harbour**; *Handling the Undead*
 Lindsay, Jeff ó Dexter series (*Darkly Dreaming Dexter*)*
 Link, Kelly ó *Stranger Things Happen* (esp. the story öThe Girl Detectiveö)*
 Lunn, Richard (editor) ó *Space Suits and Gumshoes**

Martinez, A. Lee ó *The Automatic Detective*
 McCrumb, Sharyn ó *Bimbos of the Death Sun** (best known for öBalladö series)
 McGuire, Seanan ó October Daye novels
 Miéville, China ó *The City & the City*
 Modesitt, Jr., L.E. ó *The Elysium Commission*
 Moore, Christopher ó *The Stupidest Angel*
 Moore, Susanna ó *In the Cut**
 Morgan, Richard K. ó *Altered Carbon*
 Morton, Kate ó *The House at Riverton**; *The Forgotten Garden*
 Munday, Evan ó Dead Kid Detective Agency series*

Niven, Larry, Pournelle, Jerry & Barnes, Steven ó *The Legacy of Heorot**

OöMalley, Daniel ó *The Rook**

Piccirilli, Tom ó *Every Shallow Cut**
 Porter, Dorothy ó *The Monkey's Mask**
 Pratt, T.A. ó Marla Mason series (*Blood Engines*)*
 Priest, Cherie ó Eden Moore series (*Four and Twenty Blackbirds*)*
 Pyper, Andrew ó *The Guardians**; *The Demonologist**

Reaves, Michael and Pelan, John (editors) ó *Shadows Over Baker Street*
 Reynolds, Alistair ó *Chasm City*
 Rickman, Phil ó Merrily Watkins series (*The Wine of Angels*)*
 Rogers, Ian ó *SuperNOIRtural Tales* (Felix Renn/Black Lands stories)*
 Rusch, Kristine Kathryn ó Retrieval Artist series (*The Disappeared*)

Sawyer, Robert J. ó *Red Planet Blues*
Slade, Michael ó *Headhunter**; *Ghoul**
Sleator, William ó *House of Stairs*; *Interstellar Pig*; *Singularity* (primarily YA)*
Stewart, Mary ó *The Ivy Tree**; *Touch Not the Cat**; *Airs Above the Ground**; *Madam Will You Talk**
Straub, Peter ó *Ghost Story*; *Koko**; *Mystery**; *The Throat**; *Lost Boy*, *Lost Girl**

Tartt, Donna ó *The Little Friend**; *The Secret History*; *The Goldfinch*
Tepper, Sheri S. ó *Grass**
Tey, Josephine ó *Brat Farrar**; *The Franchise Affair**; *Miss Pym Disposes**
Tremblay, Paul ó *The Little Sleep**; *No Sleep Till Wonderland*

Weis, Margaret and Baldwin, David ó *Dark Heart*
Wilhelm, Kate ó Barbara Holloway series (*Death Qualified**); Leidl & Meiklejohn series (*The Hamlet Trap**)
Wilson, F. Paul ó *The Keep**
Wong, S.G. ó *Die on Your Feet*
Wright, John C. ó Golden Age trilogy

Zakour, John ó Johnson and HARV novels
Zelazny, Roger ó Amber novels (*Nine Princes in Amber**)
Zeltserman, Dave ó *Small Crimes**

