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2019 Left Coast Crime “Lefty” Award Nominations Announced

January 15, 2019 — Vancouver, BC — Left Coast Crime 2019, “Whale of a Crime,” will be giving four Lefty Awards at the 29th annual LCC convention, to be held in Vancouver in March: humorous, historical, debut, and best. The awards will be voted on at the convention and presented at a banquet on Saturday, March 30, at the Hyatt Regency in Vancouver, BC. The award nominees have been selected by this and last years’ convention registrants. There are more nominees in each category this year due to unusually close voting. LCC is delighted to announce the Lefty nominees for books published in 2018:

Lefty for Best Humorous Mystery Novel. The nominees are:

- Ellen Byron, *Mardi Gras Murder* (Crooked Lane Books)
- Kellye Garrett, *Hollywood Ending* (Midnight Ink)
- Timothy Hallinan, *Nighttown* (Soho Crime)
- Leslie Karst, *Death al Fresco* (Crooked Lane Books)
- Cynthia Kuhn, *The Spirit in Question* (Henery Press)
- Catriona McPherson, *Scot Free* (Midnight Ink)

Lefty for Best Historical Mystery Novel for books set before 1960. The nominees are:

- Rhys Bowen, *Four Funerals and Maybe a Wedding* (Berkeley Prime Crime)
- David Corbett, *The Long-Lost Love Letters of Doc Holliday* (Black Opal Books)
- Laurie R. King, *Island of the Mad* (Bantam Books)
- Sujata Massey, *The Widows of Malabar Hill* (Soho Crime)
- Ann Parker, *A Dying Note* (Poisoned Pen Press)
- Iona Wishaw, *It Begins in Betrayal* (Touchwood Editions)

Lefty for Best Debut Mystery Novel. The nominees are:

- Tracy Clark, *Broken Places* (Kensington Books)
- A.J. Devlin, *Cobra Clutch* (NeWest Press)
- A.J. Finn, *The Woman in the Window* (William Morrow)
- Dianne Freeman, *A Lady’s Guide to Etiquette and Murder* (Kensington Books)
- Aimee Hix, *What Doesn’t Kill You* (Midnight Ink)
- Keenan Powell, *Deadly Solution* (Level Best Books)
- J.G. Toews, *Give Out Creek* (Mosaic Press)

Lefty for Best Mystery Novel (not in other categories). The nominees are:

- Lou Berney, *November Road* (William Morrow)
- Matt Coyle, *Wrong Light* (Oceanview Publishing)
- Louise Penny, *Kingdom of the Blind* (Minotaur Books)
- Lori Rader-Day, *Under a Dark Sky* (William Morrow Paperbacks)
- Terry Shames, *A Reckoning in the Back Country* (Seventh Street Books)
- James W. Ziskin, *A Stone’s Throw* (Seventh Street Books)