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## **MYSTERY WRITERS OF AMERICA ANNOUNCES WINNERS OF THE 2021 EDGAR ALLAN POE AWARDS**

April 29, 2021, New York, NY - **Mystery Writers of America** is proud to announce the Winners for the 2021 Edgar Allan Poe Awards, honoring the best in mystery fiction, non-fiction and television published or produced in 2020. The Edgar® Awards were presented via a live presentation on Zoom and can be found here [You Tube](#) or [Facebook](#)

### **BEST NOVEL**

**Djinn Patrol on the Purple Line** by Deepa Anappara (Penguin Random House – Random House)

### **BEST FIRST NOVEL BY AN AMERICAN AUTHOR**

**Please See Us** by Caitlin Mullen (Simon & Schuster – Gallery Books)

### **BEST PAPERBACK ORIGINAL**

**When No One Is Watching** by Alyssa Cole (HarperCollins Publishers - William Morrow)

### **BEST FACT CRIME**

**Death in Mud Lick: A Coal Country Fight Against the Drug Companies that Delivered the Opioid Epidemic** by Eric Eyre (Simon & Schuster - Scribner)

### **BEST CRITICAL/BIOGRAPHICAL**

**Phantom Lady: Hollywood Producer Joan Harrison, the Forgotten Woman Behind Hitchcock** by Christina Lane (Chicago Review Press)

**BEST SHORT STORY**

**"Dust, Ash, Flight," Addis Ababa Noir** by Maaza Mengiste (Akashic Books)

**BEST JUVENILE**

**Premeditated Myrtle** by Elizabeth C. Bunce (Workman Publishing - Algonquin Young Readers)

**BEST YOUNG ADULT**

**The Companion** by Katie Alender (Penguin Young Readers – G.P. Putnam’s Sons BFYR)

**BEST TELEVISION EPISODE TELEPLAY**

**“Episode 1, Photochemistry” – Dead Still**, Written by John Morton (Acorn TV)

**ROBERT L. FISH MEMORIAL AWARD**

**"The Bite," Tampa Bay Noir** by Colette Bancroft (Akashic Books)

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**THE SIMON & SCHUSTER MARY HIGGINS CLARK AWARD**

**The Cabinets of Barnaby Mayne** by Elsa Hart (Minotaur Books)

**THE G.P. PUTNAM’S SONS SUE GRAFTON MEMORIAL AWARD**

**Vera Kelly Is Not a Mystery** by Rosalie Knecht (Tin House Books)

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