

Sons Of Cain A History Of Serial Killers From The Stone Age To The Present

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American Serial Killers

Fans of *Mindhunter* and true crime podcasts will devour these chilling stories of serial killers from the American "Golden Age" (1950-2000). With books like *Serial Killers*, *Female Serial Killers* and *Sons of Cain*, Peter Vronsky has established himself as the foremost expert on the history of serial killers. In this first definitive history of the "Golden Age" of American serial murder, when the number and body count of serial killers exploded, Vronsky tells the stories of the most unusual and prominent serial killings from the 1950s to the early twenty-first century. From Ted Bundy to the Golden State Killer, our fascination with these classic serial killers seems to grow by the day. *American Serial Killers* gives true crime junkies what they crave, with both perennial favorites (Ed Kemper, Jeffrey Dahmer) and lesser-known cases (Melvin Rees, Harvey Glatman).

Female Serial Killers

In this fascinating book, Peter Vronsky exposes and investigates the phenomenon of women who kill—and the political, economic, social and sexual implications buried with each victim. How many of us are even remotely prepared to imagine our mothers, daughters, sisters or grandmothers as fiendish killers? For centuries we have been conditioned to think of serial murderers and psychopathic predators as men—with women registering low on our paranoia radar. Perhaps that's why so many trusting husbands, lovers, family friends, and children have fallen prey to "the female monster." From history's earliest recorded cases of homicidal females to Irma Grese, the Nazi Beast of Belsen, from Britain's notorious child-slayer Myra Hindley to 'Honeymoon Killer' Martha Beck to the sensational cult of Aileen Wournos—the first female serial killer-as-celebrity—to cult killers, homicidal missionaries, and our pop-culture fascination with the sexy femme fatale, Vronsky not only challenges our ordinary standards of good and evil but also defies our basic accepted perceptions of gender role and identity. INCLUDES PHOTOGRAPHS

Shirley Turner

On November 6, 2001, Dr. Andrew Bagby was found dead in a parking lot for day use at Keystone State Park in Derry Township, Pennsylvania. He had been shot to death. There were five gunshot wounds as well as blunt force trauma to the back of the head. He had been shot in both the face and chest as well as the back of the head, back and buttocks. He was left face down in the parking lot in his scrubs, next to his Toyota Corolla. He died there. The bizarre murder case of Andrew Bagby entails far more than death, although it has that threefold. It also brought to light a woefully inept Canadian legal system and the frighteningly dark mental descent of a woman scorned. While evidence was steadily mounting against her, Dr. Shirley Turner dropped everything, left her car, apartment and every worldly possession, and went back to Canada. By the time Pennsylvania had an open warrant on her, she was in St. John's, Newfoundland, Canada. There, she gave birth to Andrew's son, Zachary. While in jail, she wrote to a judge. Against legal precedent, this judge wrote her back and gave her legal advice on how to proceed with her case. The United States presented evidence of her crimes and their investigation and findings thus far. It was overwhelming. Her lies were exposed, her gun casings matched and witnesses placed her car next to his at the time of the murder. What happened next is one of the strangest decisions in legal history.

Serial Killers

A comprehensive examination into the frightening true crime history of serial homicide—including information on America's most prolific serial killers such as: Jeffrey Dahmer • Ted Bundy • "Co-ed Killer" Ed Kemper • The BTK Killer • "Highway Stalker" Henry Lee Lucas • Monte Ralph Rissell • "Shoe Fetish Slayer" Jerry Brudos • "Night Stalker" Richard Ramirez • "Unabomber" Ted Kaczynski • Ed Gein • "The Butcher of Plainfield" • "Killer Clown" John Wayne Gacy • Andrew Cunanan • And more... In this unique book, Peter Vronsky documents the psychological, investigative, and cultural aspects of serial

murder, beginning with its first recorded instance in Ancient Rome through fifteenth-century France on to such notorious contemporary cases as cannibal/necrophile Ed Kemper, the BTK killer, Henry Lee Lucas, Monte Ralph Rissell, Jerry Brudos, Richard Ramirez, "Unabomber" Ted Kaczynski, Ed Gein, John Wayne Gacy, Ted Bundy, Jeffrey Dahmer, and the emergence of what he classifies as the "serial rampage killer" such as Andrew Cunanan, who murdered fashion designer Gianni Versace. Vronsky not only offers sound theories on what makes a serial killer but also makes concrete suggestions on how to survive an encounter with one—from recognizing verbal warning signs to physical confrontational resistance. Exhaustively researched with transcripts of interviews with killers, and featuring up-to-date information on the apprehension and conviction of the Green River killer and the Beltway Snipers, Vronsky's one-of-a-kind book covers every conceivable aspect of an endlessly riveting true crime phenomenon. INCLUDES PHOTOGRAPHS

The Alcohol Murders

Unlike any others in the known history of serial killers, Gilbert Paul Jordan used alcohol to murder his victims. Preying on women in Vancouver's Downtown Eastside, Jordan's insatiable taste for drunken sex and companionship led to his cold blooded killings spanning over twenty years. Nothing stopped Jordan as he eluded the criminal justice system having never been charged with murder even though he was responsible many times over. The driving force behind Jordan's evil was his egocentric desires that led him on a fifty year criminal record path causing havoc all along the way. Delving into Jordan's crimes, alcoholism and mental illnesses, his life tells a story all his own and it is no wonder why Gilbert Paul Jordan became one of Canada's notorious serial killers.

Peter Woodcock

Includes graphic photos Peter Woodcock was Canada's youngest serial killer when at the age of seventeen he brutally raped and murdered two boys and a girl between the ages of four and nine. He was never put on trial by "reason of insanity" and instead was confined for 34 years in a criminal psychiatric facility and offered treatment. On July 13, 1991 he finally had earned his first day pass ever and allowed to briefly go off the facility grounds into town to visit a DQ for an ice cream. What Woodcock did within the first hour of his first day pass stunned many people and made national headlines.

Ridgeway

In this groundbreaking narrative, historian, investigative journalist and filmmaker Peter Vronsky uncovers the hidden history of the Battle of Ridgeway and explores its significance to Canada's nation-building myths and traditions. On June 1, 1866, more than 1,000 Fenian insurgents invaded Canada across the Niagara River from Buffalo, N.Y. The Fenians were mostly battle-hardened Civil War veterans; the Canadian troops sent to fight them came from a generation that had not seen combat at home for more than 30 years. Led by inexperienced upper-class officers, the volunteer soldiers were mostly young, some as young as 15 years old. They were farm boys, shopkeepers, apprentices, schoolteachers, store clerks and two rifle companies of University of Toronto students hastily called out from their final exams. Many had not fired live rounds from their rifles even once. When they fought the Fenians near the village of Ridgeway the next day, a single rifle company of 28 students took the brunt of a counter-attack by 800 insurgents and suffered the most killed and wounded. The events of June 2, 1866, were covered up by the Macdonald government. The story was falsified so thoroughly that most Canadians today have not heard of the first modern battle in which Canadians died.

The Ken and Barbie Killers

"WARNING- This book contains police and court transcripts of audio and descriptions of extremely graphic sexual violence contained in videotapes made by the perpetrators." Paul Bernardo and Karla Homolka were so perfectly iconic as a newlywed couple that they were dubbed "Ken and Barbie". But their marriage had a dark side involving sex, death, and videotape. The 'perfect couple' first raped and murdered Karla's little sister and then kidnapped teenage schoolgirls whom they enslaved, raped, tortured and killed while gleefully recording themselves on video doing it. Vronsky will take you on the journey from the Scarborough Rapist (Bernardo) to Bordelais (Homolka's current last name) and her return to Canada in October, 2014 from the island of Gaudeloupe where she lived for several years with her husband and three children. WITH (21) PHOTOS

The Killer of Little Shepherds

At the end of the nineteenth century, serial murderer Joseph Vacher, dubbed "The Killer of Little Shepherds," terrorized the French countryside. He eluded authorities for years-until he ran up against prosecutor Emile Fourquet and Dr. Alexandre Lacassagne, the era's most renowned criminologist. The two men typified the Belle Epoque, a period of immense scientific achievement and fascination with its promise to reveal the secrets of the human condition. With high drama and stunning detail, Douglas Starr recounts the infamous crime and punishment of Vacher, interweaving the story of how Lacassagne and his colleagues developed forensics as we know it. We see one of the earliest uses of criminal profiling, as Fourquet painstakingly collects eyewitness accounts, leading to Vacher's arrest. And we see the twists and turns of the celebrated trial: to disprove Vacher's defense by reason of insanity, Fourquet recruits Lacassagne, who had revolutionized criminal science: refining the use of blood spatter evidence, systematizing the autopsy and doing ground-breaking research in psychology. Lacassagne's forensic investigation ranks among the greatest of all time, and its denouement is gripping. An important contribution to the history of medicine and criminal justice, impressively researched and thrillingly told.

Nothing Is Strange with You

A young man kidnaps his own nephew and makes him his servant and sex slave. He abducts young boys, has his way with them, and, if they know too much, kills them. He forces his nephew to participate in his crimes and to consign these little victims, sometimes still living, to their graves. His father is afraid of his own son. His son mocks and abuses him, falsely accuses him of incest and child abuse and still he supports his son. His mother loves her boy and will do anything to help him even commit murder. The Gordon Stewart Northcott case a part of which is fictionalized in the major new Clint Eastwood film CHANGELING, starring Angelina Jolie is still, eight decades later, one of the most nightmarish in American criminal annals. This book nearly two decades in the research and writing tells the whole story for the first time. Disclaimer: It should be noted that the film CHANGELING is not based upon this book, nor this book upon it. Both are entirely separate works, and one had no influence upon the others creation.

Taking Tori the True Story of Terri-Lynne McClintic and Michael Rafferty

An 18-year-old woman abused from birth and a chronic con man collide to concoct the most evil pairing since Karla Homolka and Paul Bernardo. Acting on a long-time fantasy, Michael Rafferty convinced Terri-Lynne McClintic to kidnap, rape and kill 8-year-old beautiful Victoria Stafford. The events that followed divided the community and changed the lives of an entire town.

Killer Book of Serial Killers

The Killer Book of Serial Killers is the ultimate resource (and gift) for any true crime fan and student of the bizarre world of serial killers. Filled with stories, trivia, quizzes, quotes, photos, and odd facts about the world's most notorious murderers, this is the perfect bathroom reader for anyone fascinated with serial killers. The stories and trivia cover such killers as: John Wayne Gacy Ted Bundy The BTK Killer Jack the Ripper The Green River Killer Serial killers around the world And many more Bathroom readers have enjoyed considerable success as a format, selling millions of copies. The Killer Book series brings this format to the rabid true crime audience. Including more than 40 black & white photos, this is a must for true crime fans.

Serial Murderers and Their Victims

This text provides an in-depth, scholarly examination of serial murderers and their victims. Supported by extensive data and research, the book profiles some of the most prominent murderers of our time, addressing the highest-profile serial killer type--the sexual predator--as well as a wide variety of other types (male, female, team, healthcare, and serial killers from outside the U.S.). Author Eric Hickey examines the lives of over 400 serial murderers, analyzing the cultural, historical, and religious factors that influence our myths and stereotypes of these individuals. He describes the biological, psychological, and sociological reasons for serial murder and discusses profiling and other law enforcement issues related to the apprehension and disposition of serial killers. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

The New York Ripper Serial Killer Richard Cottingham

A shocking case of unbridled sex, sadism, prostitution, date-rape drugs, abduction, bondage, torture, sexploitation, perverted fetishes, serial killing and dismemberment of the depraved New York notorious Ripper. Historian and International Bestselling Author, Peter Vronsky, describes his brief encounter with serial killer Cottingham in a seedy New York hotel in 1979 that later inspired him to write his bestseller history "Serial Killers: The Method and Madness of Monsters". In "Times Square Torso Ripper" Vronsky explores the history of the notorious Forty-Deuce strip on 42nd Street near Times Square and how it spawned the sadistic monster Richard Cottingham in an era before the term "serial killer" had been coined in popular culture. Renowned serial homicide expert Dr. Robert D. Keppel said of Richard Cottingham, "I kept asking myself what it was that ultimately intrigued me about the Cottingham case. Partly it was the level of sadistic torture that Cottingham acted out on his victims. He didn't kill them and desecrate their bodies; he forced them to experience pain and humiliation before he killed them. Then he desecrated their bodies." Includes 50 photos

Times Square Torso Ripper

The story of Richard Cottingham, the "Times Square Ripper" or "Times Square Torso Killer," one of America's most sadistically depraved serial killers. A shocking case of unbridled sex, sadism, prostitution, porn, singles bars, date-rape drugs, abduction, bondage, handcuffs, duct tape, torture, sexploitation, perverted paraphilic fetishes, serial killing and dismemberment on New York's notorious Times Square and the Forty-Deuce in the 1970s. Historian Peter Vronsky describes his brief encounter with serial killer Cottingham in a seedy New York hotel in 1979 that later inspired him to write his bestseller history "Serial Killers: The Method and Madness of Monsters." In "Times Square Torso Ripper" Vronsky explores the history of the notorious Forty-Deuce strip on 42nd Street near Times Square and how it spawned the sadistic monster Richard Cottingham in an era before the term "serial killer" had been coined in popular culture. Renowned serial homicide expert Dr. Robert D. Keppel said of Richard Cottingham, "I kept asking myself what it was that ultimately intrigued me about the Cottingham case. Partly it was the level of sadistic torture that Cottingham acted out on his victims. He didn't kill them and desecrate their bodies; he forced them to experience pain and humiliation before he killed them. Then he desecrated their bodies." Includes 50 photographs **WARNING: SOME FORENSIC CRIME SCENE EVIDENCE PHOTOS, EXPLICIT LANGUAGE AND GRAPHIC DESCRIPTIONS OF EXTREME SEXUAL VIOLENCE AND DEPRAVITY THAT SOME MAY FIND HIGHLY DISTURBING**

Invisible Victims: Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women

Indigenous women and girls are more likely to suffer extreme violence than other women. They are more likely to disappear and never be seen again. And sadly, they are more likely to be murdered by a serial killer. For decades, it has been Canada's dirty little secret. Then in 2014, the horrific murders of Loretta Saunders and Tina Fontaine made headlines across Canada, ignited widespread outrage and exposed Canada's national shame. So why is the level of violence towards Indigenous women reaching crisis levels? Centuries of discrimination, long term effects of the dreadful residential school era, and many other appalling government-approved practices have resulted in widespread racism towards Indigenous people. Attempts at genocide didn't cease centuries ago like many believe. They just became more subtle. Invisible Victims is a shocking work that shines a spotlight on the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women tragedy in Canada, its root causes and several cases. It also includes serial killers who specifically targeted Indigenous women as victims, as a direct result of indifference on the part of Canada's law enforcement, media and government.

Crime, Shame and Reintegration

Crime, Shame and Reintegration is a contribution to general criminological theory. Its approach is as relevant to professional burglary as to episodic delinquency or white collar crime. Braithwaite argues that some societies have higher crime rates than others because of their different processes of shaming wrongdoing. Shaming can be counterproductive, making crime problems worse. But when shaming is done within a cultural context of respect for the offender, it can be an extraordinarily powerful, efficient and just form of social control. Braithwaite identifies the social conditions for such successful shaming. If his theory is right, radically different criminal justice policies are needed - a shift away from punitive social control toward greater emphasis on moralizing social control. This book will be of interest not only to criminologists and sociologists, but to those in law, public administration and politics who are concerned with social policy and social issues.

Forensic Analysis and DNA in Criminal Investigations: INCLUDING COLD CASES SOLVED

Including several cold cases that were most recently solved using forensic analysis. Also, the pros and cons of forensic science. From ballistics and blood splatter patterns to DNA analysis and voice printing, RJ Parker explores the highly complex world of investigative forensic sciences. Intended as an introductory guide and reference to forensic techniques for front-line police officers, criminal attorneys, journalists, crime authors and just interested readers, this encyclopedic book is a must read for any true crime aficionado. Parker examines various forensic techniques and principles of investigative sciences, some of the historical figures in the evolution of forensics over the last two centuries, and provides real cold case examples where forensic sciences were key to not only in identifying the guilty but also in clearing the innocent and freeing the wrongly convicted.

The Murder of Rebecca Schaeffer & Other Stories

An anthology of True Crime Murder is tragic no matter when it happens, but society has a stronger reaction to murder when it happens to someone who is loved and adored by all, someone famous, someone for whom life has been cut too short. When an actress is murdered, when her potential for future success taken away, the world seems to stop for a moment. And in the case of Rebecca Schaeffer, everyone is still asking why. Her friends and family were robbed of years of her life. Her fans were robbed of hours of entertainment that she seemed destined for...But for a crazed stalker named Robert Bardo.

Robert Pickton

WITH PHOTOS Robert Pickton, inherited a pig farm worth a million dollars and used his wealth to lure skid row hookers to his farm where he confessed to murdering 49 female victims; dismembering and feeding their body parts to his pigs, which he supplied to Vancouver area restaurants and local neighbors. This is the 1st book in a 24 volume series collection, edited by crime historian Dr. Peter Vronsky and true crime author and publisher RJ Parker. Each month we will publish a book of some of Canada's most notorious shocking criminals, written by various authors, and published under VP Publications. ~~~~~ Chris Swinney investigated Homicide/Narcotics cases the last six years in the state of California. He also has a crime fiction trilogy called, "The Bill Dix Detective Series." Dr. Peter Vronsky is author of one of the most sold serial killer books worldwide; "Serial Killers: The Method and Madness of Monsters" RJ Parker has written 17 true crime books including; "Serial Killers Abridged: An Encyclopedia of 100 Serial Killers"

Canadian Psycho: The True Story of Luka Magnotta

Murder, necrophilia, dismemberment and an international manhunt – while the case of Luka Magnotta reads like a work of fiction, it is in fact a true story of an individual with a long history of mental illness in a gruesome attempt to gain notoriety. The horrific murder and mutilation of 32-year-old Concordia student Lin Jun shocked and captivated the nation. From the time the body was discovered, to the capture of Magnotta, and through the ensuing two years it took for justice to be served, the country anxiously waited for the outcome of the trial in December, 2014. This book chronicles the journey that led Luka Magnotta to become known as the Canadian Psycho. WITH PHOTOS (Warning: Crime scene photos included that some might find extremely disturbing).

Science Year by Year

This epic journey of scientific discovery starts in ancient times and travels through centuries of invention before fast forwarding into the future. In this ultimate home reference, you'll see simple machines and modern-day marvels, following incredible illustrated timelines that plot the entire history of science and highlight the most momentous discoveries. A jaw-dropping collection of more than 1,500 photographs, illustrations, maps, and graphics charts the evolution of science year by year, century by century. You'll meet influential inventors and famous faces from the past, including Aristotle, Leonardo da Vinci, Isaac Newton, Charles Darwin, Marie Curie, and Stephen Hawking. You'll visit places of scientific importance, such as prehistoric cave art, Stonehenge, Hiroshima and the first atomic bomb, the Moon landings, and the Higgs boson particle. These huge events are made simple thanks to eye-catching images, helpful timelines, and accessible, informative text. Landmark people and periods are combined in this one stunning family reference, showcasing the ideas, experiments, and technologies that have shaped our daily lives and transformed the world we live in today. Budding scientists, get ready for a time travelling trip like no other.

Bitten

An erotically charged, addictive thriller from the future queen of suspense. Living in Toronto for a year, Elena is leading the normal life she has always dreamed of, including a stable job as a journalist and a nice apartment shared with her boyfriend. As the lone female werewolf in existence, only her secret midnight prowls and her occasional inhuman cravings set her apart. Just one year ago, life was very different. Adopted by the Pack when bitten, Elena had spent years struggling with her resentment at having her life stolen away. Torn between two worlds, and overwhelmed by the new passions coursing through her body, her only option for control was to deny her awakening needs and escape. But now the Pack has called Elena home to help them fight an alliance of renegade werewolves who are bent on exposing and annihilating the Pack. And although Elena is obliged to rejoin her "family," she vows not to be swept up in Pack life again, no matter how natural it might feel. She has made her choice. Trouble is, she's increasingly uncertain if it's the right one. An erotically charged thriller, *Bitten* will awaken the voracious appetite of every reader, as the age-old battle between man and beast, between human and inhuman forces, comes to a head in one small town and within one woman's body.

To Reign in Hell

The time is the Beginning. The place is Heaven. The story is the Revolt of the Angels—a war of magic, corruption and intrigue that could destroy the universe. *To Reign in Hell* was Stephen Brust's second novel, and it's a thrilling retelling of the revolt of the angels, through the lens of epic fantasy. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

The Short and Tragic Life of Robert Peace

Traces a young man's effort to escape the dangers of the streets and his own nature after graduating from Yale, describing his youth in violent 1980s Newark, efforts to navigate two fiercely insular worlds and life-ending drug deals. 75,000 first printing.

Killer Data

Killer Data examines the phenomenon of serial murder using data collected from international sources to review offender patterning with a focus on contemporary cases. This type of attention will allow for a broader understanding of modern-day serial murderers and will help to dispel some of the myths that surround offenders. The current serial murder classification scheme incorrectly types serial murderers as supremely intelligent killing machines while discounting their socialization, experiences, and choices. This book exposes serial murderers as run-of-the-mill hometown losers, who brutalize women, and are lucky to escape apprehension. Like other atypical homicide offenders, modern-day serial murderers are propelled forward by a deep sense of entitlement, easy access to firearms, and a nonchalant attitude toward using murder to attain their goals. Readers should come away with a deeper understanding not of the ultra-rare or the "deadliest" serial murderers but of the more common offenders who pose a consistent threat to day-to-day life. The book utilizes the Consolidated Serial Homicide Offender Database, one of the largest and most robust open access databases of multiple murders available, presenting new thinking on areas such as: myths and stereotypes the impact of entertainment on the perception of serial murder inaccurate prevalence estimates spree/serial hybrid offenders the classification of two and three victim serial murderers how serial murderers pursue longevity the characteristics of aspiring serial murderers whether hit men and gang members are

serial murderers if and why serial murder is in a state of decline how many serial murderers are responsible for the homicides that sent innocent people to prison luck as a factor of “success” for serial murderers. These findings are illustrated with 200 narrative vignettes of serial murder series that occurred between 2011 and 2021, such as Itzcoatl Ocampo, Charles Severance, Nikko Jenkins, and Pamela Hupp, offenders who may be unfamiliar to many but represent the next iteration of the serial murderer. Correcting decades of flawed assumptions about serial murderers, and written in an accessible and concise style, *Killer Data* is essential reading for students and scholars of criminal justice and criminology, law enforcement professionals, and the interested general reader.

Terror, Love and Brainwashing

Written by a cult survivor and renowned expert on cults and totalitarianism, *Terror, Love and Brainwashing* draws on the author's 25 years of study and research to explain how almost anyone, given the right set of circumstances, can be radically manipulated to engage in otherwise incomprehensible and often dangerous acts. Illustrated with compelling stories from a range of cults and totalitarian systems, from religious to political to commercial, the book defines and analyses the common and identifiable traits that underlie almost all these groups. It focuses on how charismatic, authoritarian leaders control their followers' attachment relationships via manipulative social structures and ideologies so that, emotionally and cognitively isolated, they become unable to act in their own survival interests. Using the evolutionary theory of attachment to demonstrate the psychological impact of these environments, and incorporating the latest neuroscientific findings, Stein illustrates how the combined dynamic of terror and 'love' works to break down people's ability to think and behave rationally. From small local cults to global players like ISIS and North Korea, the impact of these movements is widespread and growing. This important book offers clarity and a unique perspective on the dynamics of these systems of control, and concludes with guidance to foster greater awareness and prevention. It will be essential reading for mental health professionals in the field, as well as policy makers, legal professionals, cult survivors, and their families, as well as anyone with an interest in these disturbing groups. Students of social and developmental psychology will also find it fascinating.

Bandits & Renegades

Bandits & Renegades presents some of the most unusual true crime stories in the annals of crime. Canadians take pride in the knowledge that, in the dark days of slavery in the American South, their country was the land of freedom for people fleeing bondage by way of the Underground Railroad. However, it is a little-known anomaly of history that a Canadian-born woman named Patty Cannon not only hunted down escaping slaves for reward money, but kidnapped both free and enslaved black people who were subsequently sold to distant plantations. Canadian high school students learn of the Fenian invasions of 1866, when pro-Irish nationalists tried to make Canada a pawn in their struggle for Ireland's independence from British rule. Few Canadians know of Clan-an-Gael, who in 1900, sought to resurrect the Fenian cause by blowing up the Welland Canal. Canada's Atlantic coast was a notorious haven for pirates in the 17th and 18th centuries; and in the 19th century outlaws robbed trains and stagecoaches, and rustled cattle in Western Canada. Then in the early 20th century, a desperado named Henry Wagner combined piracy and brigandage to prey on victims along the coast of Vancouver Island. A string of the Depression Era bank robbers of the 1930s had the dubious distinction of being marked by the FBI as Public Enemy Number One: John Dillinger, Pretty Boy Floyd, and Baby Face Nelson. Alvin "Creepy" Karpis, a career criminal who was next on the FBI's most wanted list, was a Canadian. Quebec's Georges Lemay, who pulled one of the biggest bank burglaries in Canadian history, and was a suspect in the mysterious disappearance of his beautiful young wife, was also an elusive fugitive whose run from the law made him a folk hero. These six stories make *Bandits & Renegades: Historical True Crime Stories* a must read for anyone with an interest in true crime. INCLUDES PHOTOS True Stories Inside the Book Patty Cannon: Devil Woman Eddie Guerin: The Man From Devil's Island Clan-na-Gael: Attack on the Welland Canal Henry Wagner: Pirate of the Georgia Strait Old Creepy: The Saga of Alvin Karpis Georges Lemay: Tunnel Man

Marc Lépine

WITH PHOTOS With extreme hatred in his heart against feminism, an act that feminists would label 'gynocide', a heavily armed Marc Lépine entered the University École Polytechnique de Montreal, and after allowing the male students to leave, systematically murdered 14 female students. But what motivated Lépine to carry out this heinous crime? Mass murderer, madman, cold-blooded killer,

misogynist, political zealot? Or was he simply another desperate person frustrated with his powerless status in this world? (NOTE: The case of Lépine has been debated among the most prestigious criminologists in the country. This account entails some of the most controversial opinions of these experts to date. The views of said experts are NOT those of the author.) Only one thing is known for sure - Lépine's actions on December 6, 1989 radically changed this country and why he did what he did is much more complex than we will ever know. This is the second book in Crimes Canada : True Crimes That Shocked The Nation collection. The third volume will be released in May by Peter Vronsky - Paul Bernardo and Karla Homolka: The Ken and Barbie Killers bit.ly/CRIMESCANADA
----- Crimes Canada: True Crimes That Shocked The Nation is a collection of 24 books being produced by VP (Vronsky Parker) Publications, an imprint of RJ Parker Publishing, Inc. Peter Vronsky is a Canadian author of one of the most sold serial killer books worldwide; "Serial Killers: The Method and Madness of Monsters" RJ Parker is also a Canadian author/publisher and has written 18 true crime books including bestsellers; "Serial Killers Abridged: An Encyclopedia of 100 Serial Killers"

No More Victims

When Candy hears of the murder of her son's classmate on her estate she's horrified. Then the police arrive. What has the crime to do with her? Is her son not telling her something? This crime novel has been tested on adult emergent readers for suitability and language level.

Luka Magnotta

WITH PHOTOS (Warning: Crime scene photos included that some might find extremely disturbing) On May 25, 2012, Luka Magnotta, a wannabe porn actor/model, lured to his apartment, computer science student Lin Jun, and stabbed him to death. But this was not going to be just an average murder. Magnotta videotaped his post-mortem stabbing, dismemberment and eating of the body and uploaded the gruesome footage to Canadian shock site, Best gore. He dubbed his macabre video clip "1 Lunatic 1 Ice Pick." Days later, a janitor found a maggot-laced suitcase in a pile of rubbish outside of a low rent Montreal apartment building. Inside was a dismembered human torso, peppered in multiple stab wounds. The evidence collected would lead police to the door of this deranged killer, but it was too late; Magnotta had already fled the country to Europe, launching an international manhunt. In the meantime, Lin Jun's missing body parts began arriving in the mail all over Canada. Using Karla Homolka sister's address, Magnotta packaged and sent the hands and feet of his victim to separate locations including Prime Minister Steven Harper's office, the federal Liberal Party office and two elementary schools. The victim's head wasn't discovered for another month. True to his many-sided persona, this book chronicles the journey that led Luka Magnotta to become known as the Cannibal Porn Star, the Butcher of Montreal and the Canadian Psycho.

The Mind of a Murderer

'An intricate and brilliantly written psychiatric perspective on the most perplexing of crimes' Kerry Daynes, author of The Dark Side of the Mind 'Beautifully written and very dark' Nimco Ali OBE 'Whodunnit' doesn't matter so much, not to a forensic psychiatrist. We're more interested in the 'why'. In his twenty-six years in the field, Richard Taylor has worked on well over a hundred murder cases, with victims and perpetrators from all walks of life. In this fascinating memoir, Taylor draws on some of the most tragic, horrific and illuminating of these cases - as well as dark secrets from his own family's past - to explore some of the questions he grapples with every day: Why do people kill? Does committing a monstrous act make someone a monster? Could any of us, in the wrong circumstances, become a killer? As Taylor helps us understand what lies inside the minds of those charged with murder - both prisoners he has assessed and patients he has treated - he presents us with the most important challenge of all: how can we even begin to comprehend the darkest of human deeds, and why it is so vital that we try? The Mind of a Murderer is a fascinating exploration into the psyche of killers, as well as a unique insight into the life and mind of the doctor who treats them. For fans of Unnatural Causes, The Examined Life and All That Remains. MORE PRAISE FOR THE MIND OF A MURDERER: 'A fascinating insight into what drives criminality - and a punchy polemic against mental-health service cuts' Jake Kerridge, Sunday Telegraph 'A dark, fascinating and often surprising glimpse into the minds of those who kill, from a forensic psychiatrist who's seen it all' Rob Williams, writer of BBC's The Victim

The World's Worst Crimes

'But I am a monster. I am the "Son of Sam". I am a little brat. When father Sam gets drunk he gets mean.... Sam loves to drink blood. "Go out and kill," commands father Sam.' - David Berkowitz Evil has many faces. Serial killers, drug kingpins, rapists, and simple murderers fill the pages of this horrifying collection. The actions of these terrible men and women are so vile you will find it hard to believe what they did. The World's Worst Crimes features many of the worst criminals of human history, including:

- Carlos the Jackal, a terrorist who carried out a series of bomb attacks in Europe, but soon came to enjoy the violence for its own sake.
- Harold Shipman, who killed over 236 of his patients, taking advantage of his privileged position as a family doctor.
- The 6' 9" Ed Kemper, who captured unfortunate hitchhikers before he raped, murdered, and dismembered them.
- Jeffrey Dahmer, who tortured and killed his victims before eating them.

The Country Boy Killer

He was the friendly, baby-faced, Canadian boy next door. He came from a loving, caring, and well-respected family. Blessed with good looks and back-woods country charm, he was popular with his peers, and although an accident at birth left permanent nerve damage in one of his arms, he excelled in sports. A self-proclaimed "die hard" Calgary Flames fan, he played competitive junior hockey and competed on his school's snowboarding team. And he enjoyed the typical simple pleasures of a boy growing up in the country: camping, hunting, and fishing with family and friends. But he also enjoyed brutally murdering women, and he would become one of the youngest serial killers in Canadian history.

Under A Dark Sky

On rebel planet Elysium, a man is executed on live video streamed by religious extremists. Nothing terribly original so far for Elysium. Only this time, the man doesn't die. When security expert Asher Perez is sent to find him, dark secrets about the rebel colony are exposed. Something dark is stirring in the shadows. Something that has been watching humanity since the dawn of history.

Supernatural Serial Killers

Albert Fish held the genuine belief that the murders he committed were upon instruction from God. The original Dracula's relative Countess Elisabeth was rumoured to use blood of her victims to preserve her youth and beauty. Jeffrey Dahmer began a macabre project of building an occult altar with his victims' body parts, believing this granted him supernatural powers to subdue and control his prey. Peter Stumpp, who started practising the "wicked arts from twelve years of age\

Serial Killers Then & Now

Briar Lee Mitchell interviewed over twenty serial and rampage killers, to gain insight into their lives today. Some have been incarcerated for decades and their outlook on life, their crimes and what purpose they might have was discussed in detail with interesting and sometimes unusual results. "Care is just a word until someone like Briar comes along and gives it true life." - Monk Steppenwolf, serving a life sentence in Michigan for killing five people in 1964 "You have extraordinary heart to what you've done. You've gone, along, into prisons and interviewed what most people would consider to be the most dangerous class of criminals and that not to trash them, but to give them a voice. You are, of course, awesome..." - Bernard Eugene Giles, incarcerated for life in Florida for murdering five women in the 1970s "Briar Lee Mitchell strips away the sad labels that our society clings to by speaking directly to those who live next door, and walk side by side with us on city streets. She provides absolute proof what when pushed to the edge anybody can become the 'Breaking News' and shows that empathy and compassion is the only way to prevent the next tragedy. We can all benefit from learning what sets a person off and possibly preventing the next bloodbath. Briar, I hope you accept my truth and thank you for allowing me to share my growth as a human being with you." - Respectfully, Scott E. Dekraai, The Seal Beach Killer "A different kind of Project, Briar Lee Mitchell shines a light on They and Me – SKs of past with Darkened Pathways. - Dennis L. Rader, A.K.A., BTK – Bind, Torture, Kill, serial killer incarcerated in Kansas "There are trees in the FOREST." - Keith Hunter Jespersen, The Happy Face Killer, incarcerated in Oregon

The Girls Who Went Away

"A remarkably well-researched and accomplished book." —The New York Times Book Review "A wrenching, riveting book." —Chicago Tribune In this deeply moving and myth-shattering work, Ann

Fessler brings out into the open for the first time the astonishing untold history of the million and a half women who surrendered children for adoption due to enormous family and social pressure in the decades before Roe v. Wade. An adoptee who was herself surrendered during those years and recently made contact with her mother, Ann Fessler brilliantly brings to life the voices of more than a hundred women, as well as the spirit of those times, allowing the women to tell their stories in gripping and intimate detail.