

Human trafficking: fiction reflecting real life

With Peter Ritchie

Reading List



Crime novelist Peter Ritchie and Heidi Ogboke from City Hearts Aberdeen joined an audience at Central Library on the 27 March 2019 to discuss Human Trafficking in fiction and real life.

This reading list of books, articles and websites has been prepared to support further research and exploration of the topic.

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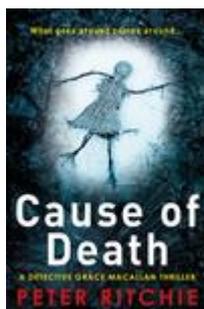
Books



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Cause of death

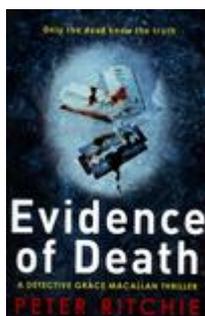


(available: hardcopy | audiobook)

Book 1 of the Detective Grace Macallan crime thriller series starts with Grace's career hitting "a serious roadblock".

When a covert police operation in Northern Ireland goes badly wrong, she's faced with a painful decision - lie to save a young officer's career or tell the truth and ruin her own reputation. For Grace, there can be only one answer. Reassigned to the newly formed Lothian & Borders Major Crime Team, Grace Macallan is forced to rebuild her career and her reputation. But when a brutal attack on a prostitute turns into a series of murders, the Major Crime Team is under serious pressure. The tabloid headlines are lurid and the team badly needs a result. With a new life to build in a new city, a new boss as smooth as an 18-year-old malt and a very high profile lawyer as the chief suspect, Grace soon begins to wonder if telling the truth is always the right thing to do.

Evidence of death

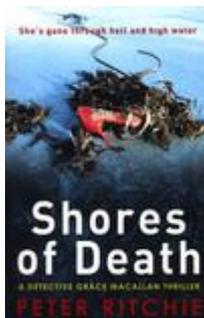


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Book 2 of the Detective Grace Macallan crime thriller series Evidence of Death follows the story of Billy Nelson.

Scarred by the Troubles in Belfast, Billy Nelson returns to his loyalist roots following his discharge from army service. But Belfast and the people he knew have changed, and after his gang are responsible for a series of violent attacks on innocent victims, he is forced out of the city and moves in on the drugs business in Edinburgh. Taking on the family who have been the main players in the city for years, a battle for control amongst the criminal underworld of Edinburgh, Glasgow, and Belfast ensues, and the balance of power is upset.

Shores of Death



(available: hardcopy | audiobook)

Book 3 of the Detective Grace Macallan crime thriller series tests sees Grace take on an enquiry that tests her to her limits.

An undercover officer is missing, and a young woman is washed up barely alive on the Berwickshire coast. Details of an operation trafficking women from Eastern Europe begin to emerge, and as a dangerous career criminal realises his team has been infiltrated, he begins to clean the trail of evidence leading to him. A complex alliance of cold-blooded criminals from Newcastle, Glasgow and Edinburgh begins to unravel and some of the most ruthless criminals in the North East of England and Central Scotland begin to turn on one another.

Where no shadows fall



(available: hardcopy)

Book 4 of the Detective Grace Macallan crime thriller series sees Grace investigate a suicide at Glasgow's notorious Barlinnie prison.

The dead inmate is Tommy McMartin, heir to a ferocious criminal family. His murder conviction saw Tommy's fall from power; cast out not for violence but because the victim was his gay lover. The investigation drags Grace into contact with her McMartin adversaries of old. But the gangland dynasty is under threat and, as it topples, secrets once dead and buried are unearthed. As she unravels Tommy McMartin's fate, Grace senses someone watching her from the shadows, someone who aches for revenge. An awful dilemma faces her: to expose the truth or let the dead lie still.

Other books to read and explore

A selection of other books including real life stories and information titles are currently being highlighted through our [library catalogue](#).

Articles

Access to Research

The following articles can be accessed for free in any of our libraries through [Access to Research](#).

- ❖ Mantouvalou, V., 2018. "The UK Modern Slavery Act 2015 Three Years On." *Modern Law Review*, Volume 81, Issue 6, pp. 1017-1045. Available at: <https://onlinelibrary-wiley-com.testproxy.pls.org.uk/doi/abs/10.1111/1468-2230.12377> [Accessed: 18 March 2019].
- ❖ Mennim, S & Wake, N, 2018. "Appeal Court, High Court of Justiciary: Does Scotland Require a Defence Equivalent to s. 45 Modern Slavery Act 2015 (England and Wales)? *Quyen Van Phan v Her Majesty's Advocate* [2018] HCJAC 7." *The Journal of Criminal Law*, Volume 82 (5), pp. 373-377. Available at: https://journals-sagepub-com.testproxy.pls.org.uk/doi/abs/10.1177/0022018318804357?utm_medium=discovery-provider&utm_source=summon&journalCode=cija [Accessed 18 March 2019]
- ❖ Prasad, A. (2019). "The Outrage of Human Trafficking". *The Lancet*, Volume 393, Issue 10169, pp.309-310. Available at: <https://www-sciencedirect-com.testproxy.pls.org.uk/science/article/pii/S0140673619301205> [Accessed: 18 March 2019].
- ❖ Smith, D.P., 2017. "Population geography I: Human trafficking". *Progress in Human Geography*, Volume 42, Issue 2, pp. 297-308. Available at: https://journals-sagepub-com.testproxy.pls.org.uk/doi/abs/10.1177/0309132516685196?utm_medium=discovery-provider&utm_source=summon&journalCode=phgb [Accessed: 18 March 2019]

Issues Online

This resource features entry level concise and comprehensive articles on a variety of social topics suitable for secondary school upwards and can be accessed from anywhere.

- ❖ CARE, 2016. "What is Human Trafficking?" *Issues Online* Available at: <https://www.issuesonline.co.uk/articles/what-is-human-trafficking> [Accessed: 18 March 2019].
- ❖ Hadjimatheou, K. and Lynch, J., 2017. "How Brexit border debate could affect human trafficking into UK." *Issues Online* Available at: <https://www.issuesonline.co.uk/articles/how-brexit-border-debate-could-affect-human-trafficking-into-uk> [Accessed: 18 March 2019]
- ❖ National Crime Agency, 2016. "Common Myths About Human Trafficking." *Issues Online* Available at: <https://www.issuesonline.co.uk/articles/common-myths-about-human-trafficking> [Accessed: 18 March 2019]

In the news

There are many articles from across the world on human trafficking that feature in the news. We have selected a few from 2018/2019.

- ❖ Koen, D. 2019. “My hell as a child bride: Teenager describes forced marriage to 61 year old Port Elizabeth man” *The Herald (South Africa)* 28 March. [online] Available at: <https://www.pressreader.com/south-africa/the-herald-south-africa/20190328> [Accessed: 28 March 2019]
- ❖ Dearden, L. and Bulman, C. 2019. “Modern slavery victims let down as traffickers go free” *The Independent*, 25 March. pp. 34 – 35. [Online] Available at: <https://www.pressreader.com/uk/the-independent-1029/20190325> [Accessed: 26 March 2019]
- ❖ Anon., 2018. “Government guide aims to tackle human trafficking.” *The Press and Journal (Inverness, Highlands and Islands)* 19 October. [online] Available at: <https://www.pressreader.com/uk/the-press-and-journal-inverness-highlands-and-islands/20181019/281771335166159> [Accessed: 26 March 2019]
- ❖ Anon., 2018. “Crackdown on human trafficking launched” *The Courier & Advertiser (Perth and Perthshire edition)* 15 October [Online] Available at: <https://www.pressreader.com/uk/the-courier-advertiser-perth-and-perthshire-edition/20181015/textview> [Accessed: 26 March 2019]
- ❖ BBC News 2018., “Big rise in human trafficking cases in Scotland” *BBC News Scotland* 26 February [Online] Available at: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-scotland-43191461> [Accessed: 26 March 2019]

Further information and reading online

- ❖ City Hearts Aberdeen <https://www.cityheartsaberdeen.com/>
- ❖ Council of Europe <https://www.coe.int/en/web/anti-human-trafficking>
- ❖ Migration Scotland <http://www.migrationscotland.org.uk/anti-human-trafficking-and-exploitation-resources>
- ❖ Scottish Government policies on human trafficking <https://www.gov.scot/policies/human-trafficking/>
- ❖ Stella’s Voice <https://stellasvoice.org.uk/>
- ❖ Stop the Traffik <https://www.stophetraffik.org/>