

Author Laura Burke Continues the Jolene Mystery Series, Bringing Cold Cases to Life on the Page

With 22 novels to her name, acclaimed murder-mystery author Laura Burke challenges readers to follow the clues, question every suspect, and uncover the killer before the final page.



A JOLENE MYSTERY, BOOK FOUR

MURDER OF INNOCENCE

LAURA BURKE

Tomah, Wisconsin Aug 17, 2026 (Issuewire.com) - Author **Laura Burke**, the creative force behind the long-running *Jolene Mystery Series*, continues to captivate mystery readers with stories built around suspense, unanswered questions, and the search for truth. With **22 novels published over the past**

twelve years, Burke has established a distinctive voice in murder-mystery fiction, particularly through her exploration of cold cases and the mysteries that refuse to stay buried.

Her novels invite readers into intricate investigations where appearances can be deceiving, clues may point in unexpected directions, and the person responsible may be hiding in plain sight. Rather than simply revealing a solution, Burke challenges readers to become investigators themselves, following the evidence and forming their own theories before the final reveal.

“Hopefully you will become one of my fans and see if you can figure out who the killer or killers are — before the last chapter, or the last two pages of the novel.”

A Lifelong Love of Storytelling

Burke's passion for storytelling began long before she became a published author. Growing up in a small, unincorporated town, she spent much of her childhood exploring the woods near her home, where she would read and create stories aloud.

Her earliest audiences, she jokes, were the squirrels and wildlife that gathered around her, an unusual but memorable beginning for a storyteller who would eventually publish more than two dozen novels.

Burke never initially planned to become an author. It was the encouragement of friends that eventually convinced her to sit down and write her first book. Twelve years and **22 novels later**, that decision has grown into a prolific writing career and an expanding body of murder-mystery fiction.

Turning Cold Cases Into Compelling Fiction

At the heart of Burke's recent work is her fascination with **cold cases**, mysteries that remain unresolved and questions that continue to linger long after an investigation has gone quiet.

For Burke, the appeal goes beyond the mechanics of solving a crime. Her storytelling is driven by a love of telling stories and a desire to explore the possibility of closure for cases in which answers remain elusive.

That perspective gives the *Jolene Mystery Series* an emotional dimension alongside its suspense. Readers are encouraged not only to ask, “*Who did it?*” but also to consider the unanswered questions, hidden motives, and human stories behind every mystery.

A Familiar Voice in the Media

Burke has also brought her stories and experiences as an author to audiences beyond the printed page. She has been featured in **numerous radio interviews and appearances**, where she has discussed her books, writing journey, and the inspiration behind her murder-mystery stories.

In addition to her radio appearances, Burke has also appeared in **television interviews with international host Logan Crawford**, sharing insights into her books, writing career, and creative process. She has also been featured in a television interview with **Trudy Beerman**, further expanding her reach and connecting with audiences interested in her work.

Through these media appearances, Burke has introduced her stories to a wider audience while giving readers an opportunity to discover the author behind the mysteries and learn more about the inspiration

that drives her storytelling.

Can You Solve the Mystery Before Jolene Does?

For Burke, the ultimate goal is to make readers part of the investigation.

The *Jolene Mystery Series* is designed to keep readers questioning the evidence, examining the characters, and reconsidering what they think they know. With twists, misdirection, and carefully placed clues, Burke gives her audience an opportunity to play detective from the opening chapter to the final reveal.

Her challenge to readers is simple: **Can you identify the killer—or killers—before the story gives you the answer?**

For mystery fans who enjoy suspense, unexpected turns, and the satisfaction of solving a case, Laura Burke's growing collection of novels offers an invitation to investigate, speculate, and keep turning the pages until the truth finally emerges.

About Laura Burke

Laura Burke is a murder-mystery author who has been writing for the past twelve years. She is the author of **22 novels**, including works in the *Jolene Mystery Series*, with her recent writing focusing on cold-case mysteries. Her stories combine suspense, investigation, misdirection, and the pursuit of answers, encouraging readers to become part of the mystery themselves.

For more information about Laura Burke and her books, visit authorlauraburke.com.

The Spotlight Network on The Jolene Series by Laura Burke: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5eJvrpH8xSo>



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