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Otto Penzler launches MysteriousPress.com, offering classic crime fiction in digital reading formats

Otto Penzler, proprietor of The Mysterious Bookshop and the world's foremost authority on mystery fiction, has launched a new publishing venture: **MysteriousPress.com**. This 21st-century publishing house will digitize classic works of crime, mystery, and suspense fiction by the most distinguished crime writers in the world.

The imprint includes a website, <http://mysteriouspress.com>, offering profile information about MysteriousPress.com authors and their books. There's also a blog that will featuring exclusive content from published authors and news items related to the mystery fiction community.

Authors that are currently available, or signed to the imprint, include **James Ellroy, Thomas H. Cook, Ross Thomas, Ken Bruen, James Grady, Ellery Queen, Donald E. Westlake, Christianna Brand, George Harmon Coxe, Andrew Klavan, Wendy Hornsby, Jack O'Connell, T.J. English, David Stout, Charles McCarry, David Housewright, John Harvey, James Carlos Blake** and **Joseph Wambaugh**. Penzler is working aggressively to add new authors and, within the first year, plans to make more than 200 books available.

This venture is possible thanks to a partnership with [Open Road Integrated Media](#), which is digitizing the books and making them available for sale on all major online retail sites, including Amazon, iTunes, Barnes & Noble, Kobo and Sony. Open Road is also creating stunning video profiles of MysteriousPress.com authors. Videos for both Cook and Ellroy are currently available.

PROMOTION: To celebrate the launch of the website, one of the followers of our Twitter account ([@eMysteries](#)) will be selected, at random, to receive three free eBooks in the format of their choice (i.e. for Kindle, iPad, etc.). The books are: *The City When It Rains* by Thomas H. Cook, *Rilke on Black* by Ken Bruen, and *The Mordida Man* by Ross Thomas. One winner will be selected at random on November 2, and anyone who follows us before that date will be eligible.

About Otto Penzler: Penzler is the owner of The Mysterious Bookshop in Manhattan and the editor of more than fifty anthologies, including his most recent, *Zombies! Zombies! Zombies!* (Vintage Crime/Black Lizard Original), published last month. He has received two Edgar Awards, the Ellery Queen Award and the Raven Award from the Mystery Writers of America.

History of Mysterious Press: Penzler founded Mysterious Press in 1975, publishing the best in crime, mystery and suspense fiction using fine paper and top dust jacket artists. He sold the imprint to Warner Books in 1989 before reacquiring it in 2009. The imprint continues to maintain high standards of excellence in publishing. Besides MysteriousPress.com, Mysterious Press also exists as an imprint at Grove/Atlantic for new works of fiction.

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