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# Macau, Hong Kong, serve as the backdrops for Jeffrey Eaton's latest mystery thriller

(DALLAS, TEXAS – 08.08.2023) – The glitz and glamour of Macau's Cotai Strip is the primary setting for author Jeffrey Eaton's latest mystery thriller, "Murder Becomes Macau." (murderbecomes.com)

The book's digital versions go on sale August 8, 2023, at Amazon, iBooks, Kobo, Barnes and Noble and Smashwords. The hardcover is available for pre-order on Amazon and goes on sale in mid-September.

## THE PLOT

In the fourth installment of Eaton's 'Murder Becomes' series, the CEO of one of the region's largest gaming empires collapses dead on the floor of one of her casinos. She's been poisoned, and discovered in her purse is the calling card of an eerie cult that's dedicated to dismantling freedom-loving democracies from within.

Who within the executive's inner circle put the rat poison in her martini and how did she get crosswise with the terrorist organization that slayed her?

Architect/Detective Dalton Lee is called in to investigate and along the way, he and his team encounter a suspicious snake charmer, a clairvoyant street urchin and dire warnings delivered by airborne drones.



## **REVIEWS**

Eaton's previous books – set in Manhattan, Miami, and the Mayfair district of London – have won accolades from mystery lovers around the world:

**Says a reader in Argelès-sur-Mer, France:** "I intended to save his mystery for a vacation, but then I read the first chapter. Then I had to know what happened next and next and next, reading it every night before bed and in spare moments. Then the murderer turned out not to be anyone I had tagged!"

And a devotee of the series in Tennessee says: "Eaton's book is a chimpanzee escaped from the zoo. You don't know what is coming next and tranquilizer guns are not allowed at the party. Devious."

#### **BACKGROUND**

The book spotlights world-renowned architect Dalton Lee, who was born in Hong Kong and raised in San

Diego. Because he solved the murder of an American congresswoman while he was studying architecture at Cambridge University, he has become a reluctant detective, called in whenever someone's murder bears the mark of the same organization that killed the politician.

Joining him in his sleuthing are his colleagues at his architecture firm, The Lee Group. All the associates have a secret motivation for helping him find the murderer and stop whatever terrorist plot they were about to uncoil: the organization behind the murders is holding one of their loved ones in captivity.

## MACAU AND HONG KONG AS THE BACKDROPS

In "Murder Becomes Macau,' the architecture of the region is on full display, including the colonial structures on Macau, the skyscrapers of Hong Kong and the use of feng shui and dragon's gates, among other architectural techniques.

Also mentioned in the book are (in Macau): the ruins of St. Paul, the A-Ma Temple, and Taipa Village and (in Hong Kong) the Ladies' Market, the haunted Dragon Lodge and the abandoned So Lo Pun village.

#### HYPERLINKS ENHANCE THE READING OF THE DIGITAL VERSIONS

Even more enticing for readers of the digital versions of Eaton's thrillers: hyperlinks embedded throughout the stories enable readers to instantly 'see' whatever is described in the novel, from the architecture to the murder weapon to the interiors to the foods and beverages being described.

All the books in the Murder Becomes series are available at murderbecomes.com, as well as at most online booksellers.

## **AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY**

Jeffrey Eaton was raised in Kansas and Texas. In first grade, he wrote a letter to **Dr. Seuss** offering to help the renowned author create his next book. The author wrote Eaton a kind rejection letter that encouraged them to keep reading and writing books, which he has.

Eaton was graduated from **Southern Methodist University** in Dallas with a degree in journalism. He formed his freelance writing business at age 27 and by the age of 30, had worked in 45 countries on five continents. His most memorable assignments include interviews with a New Zealand prime minister, a top French heart surgeon and the CEO of Argentina's state-owned oil company.

Eaton has now returned to his first passion — writing novels. The "Murder Becomes" series, featuring architect/detective Dalton Lee, unites Eaton's love for intrigue and travel with his excitement for crafting word puzzles (in addition to solving murders, his detective solves acrostics)!