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Editorial Review

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Mystery writer Hillerman and critic Herbert (aided and abetted by Sue Grafton and Jeffery Deaver as contributing editors) draw a vivid chalk outline of the body of crime fiction since Dorothy Sayers published her overview of the genre, *The Omnibus of Crime*, in 1929. The goal of this anthology is to demonstrate the ways in which crime fiction has changed since Sayers' collection. The editors include mystery fiction from the 1930s through the 1970s that they consider groundbreaking (so we find Sayers herself, as well as Dashiell Hammett, Raymond Chandler, and Ed McBain as representative crime-fiction revolutionaries). The editors also take on the range of mystery writing since 1980, including stories by Hillerman, Ian Rankin, and Alexander McCall Smith. There are 26 stories in all, from authors around the globe, and each story is accompanied by an introduction that explains the author's style and how he or she influenced mystery writing. Catch this omnibus. *Connie Fletcher*

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Review

"The best and most satisfying mystery bargain to come along in years. It will give readers countless hours of pleasure and surprise in one volume." --*Cleveland Plain Dealer*

"Not a clunker in the bunch...Dorothy Sayers edited a classic 1920 collection of short stories called 'The Omnibus of Crime.' There have been numerous collections since then, but until now, none has had the depth, intelligence and chutzpah to call itself 'A New Omnibus of Crime.'" --*Bloomberg News*

"A worthy successor to Dorothy L. Sayers's classic *Omnibus of Crime* (1929)." --*Publishers Weekly*

"Picking up where Dorothy L. Sayers's 1920 classic, *The Omnibus of Crime*, left off, this collection gathers works of short mystery fiction from the end of World War I to today, including pieces by Raymond Chandler, Ross Macdonald, Dashiell Hammett, Elmore Leonard, Ruth Rendell and P.D. James." --*Good Housekeeping*

"A *New Omnibus of Crime* is essential for anyone with more than a passing interest in detective fiction. Brilliantly assembled, and beautifully edited by people who know what they're doing." --Robert B. Parker, author of *Double Play* and *Cold Service*

About the Author

Tony Hillerman was a widely celebrated writer of mystery novels and former president of the Mystery Writers of America.

Rosemary Herbert has reviewed crime writing widely and she is the editor of numerous crime fiction anthologies as well as *The Oxford Companion to Crime & Mystery Writing*.

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