

Anna Castle



Anna Castle grew up in Houston and moved all the way to Austin to attend the University of Texas. She's lived there (almost) ever since. She has earned a series of degrees -- BA in the Classics, MS in Computer Science, and a Ph.D in Linguistics -- and has had a corresponding series of careers -- waitressing, software engineering, grammar-writing, assistant professor, and archivist. Writing novels combines her lifelong love of stories and learning and gives her a great excuse to travel to favorite places like London and the Texas Hill Country.

Books by Anna Castle

The Francis Bacon Mystery Series

- Murder by Misrule - June, 2014
- Death by Disputation - December, 2014
- The Widows Guild - September, 2015
- Publish & Perish - June, 2017
- Let Slip the Dogs - August, 2018
- The Spymaster's Brother - coming in 2019

The Professor & Mrs. Moriarty Series

- Moriarty Meets His Match - May, 2016
- Moriarty Takes His Medicine - January, 2017
- Moriarty Brings Down the House - January, 2018

The Lost Hat, Texas Mystery Series

- Black & White & Dead All Over - June 2015
- Flash Memory - April, 2016

Awards

- * *Murder by Misrule* was named one of Kirkus Reviews' Best Indie Books of 2014
- * *Death by Disputation* is a finalist in the 2015 Chaucer Awards for Historical Fiction
- * *The Widows Guild* was longlisted for the 2017 Historical Novel Society Awards.
- * *Publish and Perish* won Honorable Mention, Mysteries, Library Journal's 2017 Indie Ebook Awards

Talks & workshops

Anna used to teach popular courses at the university level. She's available for workshops or talks anywhere in Central Texas and can speak on topics like:

- How to write a mystery
- Creating Interesting Characters
- Twists and tricks from the Agatha Christie, the Queen of Crime
- Self-Publishing 101 (4-part course)

Contact

Anna would love to visit your book club via Skype. Find discussion questions at her website on the page for each book.

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Praise for Anna Castle's *Murder by Misrule*

Murder by Misrule was selected as one of Kirkus Review's Best Indie Books of 2014.

"Castle's characters brim with zest and real feeling... Though the plot keeps the pages turning, the characters, major and minor, and the well-wrought historical details will make readers want to linger in the 16th century. A laugh-out loud mystery that will delight fans of the genre."

— Kirkus, starred review

"*Murder by Misrule* is a delightful debut with characters that leap off the page, especially the brilliant if unwilling detective Francis Bacon and his street smart man Tom Clarady. Elizabeth Tudor rules, but Anna Castle triumphs."

— Karen Harper, NY Times best-selling author of *The Queen's Governess*

"Well-researched... *Murder by Misrule* is also enormously entertaining; a mystery shot through with a series of misadventures, misunderstandings, and mendacity worthy of a Shakespearian comedy."

— M. Louisa Locke, author of the Victorian San Francisco Mystery Series

"Castle's period research is thorough but unobtrusive, and her delight in the clashing personalities of her crime-fighting duo is palpable: this is the winning fictional odd couple of the year, with Bacon's near-omniscience being effectively grounded by Clarady's street smarts. The book builds effectively to its climax, and a last-minute revelation that is particularly well-handled, but readers will most appreciate the wry humor. An extremely promising debut."

— Steve Donoghue, Historical Novel Society

"Historical mystery readers take note: *Murder by Misrule* is a wonderful example of Elizabethan times brought to life...a blend of Sherlock Holmes and history."

— D. Donovan, eBook Reviewer, Midwest Book Review

