The results of the Kiss of Death Chapter’s Daphne Du Maurier Award for Excellence in Mystery/Suspense are in. On behalf of KOD and the Daphne Committee, I am pleased to announce the winners of our 2019 Published Contest:

**CATEGORY (SERIES) ROMANTIC MYSTERY/SUSPENSE**
- **Finalist:** *Rancher’s Covert Christmas* by Beth Cornelison
- **Finalist:** *Colton and the Single Mom* by Jane Godman
- **Finalist:** *Federal Agent Under Fire* by Julie Anne Lindsey
- **Finalist:** *Secret Past* by Sharee Stover

**WINNER:** *The Sheriff’s Secret* by Julie Anne Lindsey

**HISTORICAL ROMANTIC MYSTERY/SUSPENSE**
- **Finalist:** *Killer Debt: A Michael Stoddard American Revolution Mystery* by Suzanne Adair
- **Finalist:** *The Naturalist’s Daughter* by Tea Cooper
- **Finalist:** *A Brush with Shadows* by Anna Lee Huber
- **Finalist:** *The Good, the Bad, and the Duke* by Janna MacGregor

**WINNER:** *The Duke Identity* by Grace Callaway

**INSPIRATIONAL ROMANTIC MYSTERY/SUSPENSE**
- **Finalist:** *Darkwater Secrets* by Robin Caroll
- **Finalist:** *Deadly Melody* by Connie Mann
- **Finalist:** *Cowboy Bodyguard* by Dana Mentink
- **Finalist:** *Fatal Recall* by Carol J. Post

**WINNER:** *Holiday Amnesia* by Lynette Eason

**PARANORMAL (PTTF) ROMANTIC MYSTERY/SUSPENSE**
- **Finalist:** *Hunt the Moon* by Kari Cole
- **Finalist:** *Web of Truth* by Cecilia Dominic
- **Finalist:** *Sinister Sanctuary: A Wicks Hollow Book* by Colleen Gleason
- **Finalist:** *Demons Will Be Demons* by AE Jones

**WINNER:** *Touch the Sky* by Kari Cole

**SINGLE TITLE ROMANTIC MYSTERY/SUSPENSE**
- **Finalist:** *Too Far Gone* by Allison Brennan
- **Finalist:** *Do or Die Cowboy* by June Faver
- **Finalist:** *Perfect Mistake* by Sophia Karlson
- **Finalist:** *Threat of Danger* by Dana Marton
- **Finalist:** *Undone* by JB Schroeder

**WINNER:** *Silent Threat* by Dana Marton
MAINSTREAM MYSTERY/SUSPENSE
Finalist: Abandoned by Allison Brennan
Finalist: All the Pretty Brides by Marian Lanouette
Finalist: Formula of Deception by Carrie Stuart Parks
Finalist: Pushback by John E. Stith

WINNER: For Sale by Killer by Catherine Bruns

THE OVERALL DAPHNE WINNER FOR THE 2019 PUBLISHED DIVISION IS:
Silent Threat by Dana Marton

Congratulations to all!
Brooke Wills
2019 Daphne Contest Chair