RWA® Mystery/Suspense Chapter presents

The Daphne du Maurier Award

FOR EXCELLENCE IN MYSTERY/SUSPENSE

UNPUBLISHED DIVISION 2016 Results

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 On behalf of KOD and the Daphne Committee, I am pleased to announce the winners of our 2016 Unpublished Division:

Category (Series) Romantic Mystery/Suspense

1. First Place: Lexi Fairfax for *A Soldier's Princess*
2. Second Place: Kelly Duff for *Tame My Racing Heart*
3. Third Place: Lori Matthews for *Hit and Run*
Honorable Mention: Sandra Havriluk for *Murder at Second Sight*
Honorable Mention: Maurine Joyce for *36 Hours*

Historical Romantic Mystery/Suspense

1. First Place: Ann Chaney for *Dangerous Pursuit*
2. Second Place: Janet Halpin for *String of Pearls*
3. Third Place: Kari Bovee for *Grace in the Wings*
Honorable Mention: Jeanine Englert for *Against the Tide*
Honorable Mention: Masha Levinson for *The Duke's Seduction*

Inspirational Romantic Mystery/Suspense

1. First Place: Darlene L. Turner for *Buried Secrets at Whispering Meadows*
2. Second Place: Victoria Austin for *Danger on the Ranch*
3. Third Place: Terri Weldon for *Deadly Assets*
Honorable Mention: T.N. Payne for *Her Psychotic Break*
Honorable Mention: Sharee Stover for *Rock Solid Search*
Paranormal (Fantasy/Time Travel/Futuristic) Romantic Mystery/Suspense

1. First Place: Trisza L. Ray for *The Souls of Angels*
2. Second Place: Nancy Litzau for *Time Hunter*
3. Third Place: Jessica Grace Kelley for *The Mercy Killers*
   Honorable Mention: Jennifer Mary G. for *Sparks*
   Honorable Mention: Chris Weston for *Fighting Spirit*

Single Title Romantic Mystery/Suspense

1. First Place: Masha Levinson for *Trial Run*
2. Second Place: Lynnette Labelle for *The Fire Beckons*
3. Third Place: Maurine Joyce for *Protecting His Witness*
   Honorable Mention: Diana Munoz Stewart for *Warrior Women: The Fall of Justice*
   Honorable Mention: Sharon Wray for *Wicker Hollows*

Mainstream Mystery/Suspense

1. First Place: Wendy Larken for *Murder is in the Cards*
2. Second Place: Rebecca Zanussi for *The Abandoned House*
3. Third Place: Tracy Brody for *In the Wrong Sights*
   Honorable Mention: Natasha Neagle for *The Language of Liars*
   Honorable Mention: R. Sethi for *Coded for Murder*

THE OVERALL DAPHNE WINNER FOR THE 2016 UNPUBLISHED CONTEST IS:

Masha Levinson for *Trial Run*

Congratulations to All!
Brooke Wills
2016 Daphne Contest Chair