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Alumna Murdered Among Bluebloods in Cambridge
Award-winning author G.M. Malliet pens third British cozy

★ “This third in the series is every bit as good as its predecessors. Longtime cozy fans will be reminded of Golden Age classics starring Dorothy Sayers' Harriet Vane and Edmund Crispin's Gervase Fen.”—**Booklist, starred review**

“A witty third cozy.” —**Publishers Weekly**

ST. PAUL, MINN. — Agatha award-winning author G.M. Malliet continues her traditional British cozy series with the third St. Just installment, *Death at the Alma Mater* (Midnight Ink, January). This novel follows the critically-acclaimed *Death of a Cozy Writer* and *Death and the Lit Chick*.

The prestigious St. Michael's College in Cambridge, England, is in desperate need of financial contributions from its most wealthy alums. The College Master has called the prosperous alums to a fundraising weekend reunion. Things take a turn for the worse as the stunning Lexy Laurant, one of the idol-rich, is found strangled near the boathouse.

The long list of suspects include her ex-husband (who left her for another woman), the “other” woman (who is upset that Lexy has been invited to the college reunion), Lexy's (broke) Latino lover, and a rich, loud-mouth Texan (who knows more than it appears), among others. As Detective Chief Inspector St. Just and his sidekick Sergeant Fear attempt to untangle the multiple stories and weigh clashing egos, they uncover unpleasant secrets.

Winner of the Malice Domestic Grant, **G.M. Malliet** attended Oxford University and holds a graduate degree from the University of Cambridge. Malliet's first novel *Death of a Cozy Writer* won the 2008 Agatha Award for Best First Novel, and won a silver medal for the Independent Publishers Awards (IPPY). The book was chosen by *Kirkus Reviews* as a Best Book of 2008, nominated for a Left Coast Crime award, short-listed for the Macavity Award, nominated for the Anthony Award and was a finalist for the David G. Sasher Sr. Award. Her short stories have appeared in *Chesapeake Crimes II*, *Chesapeake Crimes III* and *Chesapeake Crimes IV*. A former copywriter and reporter, she now lives in Virginia and returns frequently to Great Britain.

To find out more, visit her website at www.GMMalliet.com.

Praise for the St. Just Mystery series:

★ “Malliet's satirical take on the mystery scene is spot-on.” —**Publishers Weekly, starred review**

★ “A real find for old-school mystery fans.” —**Booklist, starred review**

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“A delightful homage to the great novels of Britain’s Golden Age of Mysteries.” —**Nancy Pearl, KUOW-FM**

“An absolutely delicious skewering of the world of mystery publishing and its none-too-savory denizens, *Death and the Lit Chick* is even wittier and more skillfully constructed than her Agatha Award-winning *Death of a Cozy Writer*.” —**Denver Post**

Death at the Alma Mater: A St. Just Mystery (Book 3) by G.M. Malliet

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