

Congratulations to the winners of the 2007 Linda Howard Award of Excellence contest.

**Series Short/Long Contemporary**

**Final Judge: Susan Litman, Editor, Silhouette**

First - Candis Lynn Terry - YOUR PLACE OR MINE? \*full requested\*

Second - Annie Oortman - DIE AGAIN \*full requested\*

Third - Amy Davidson - HARD AND FAST \*full requested\*

Fourth - Cat Schield - THE CHRISTMAS BARGAIN

Fifth - Donna Caubarreaux - ALMOST A VIRGIN

**Single Title**

**Final Judge: Abby Zidle, Executive Editor, Pocket Books**

First - Marian Stevens - SINGLE IN THE CITY

Second - Elizabeth R Graham - BABY MAKES TWO

Third - Carrie A Bolin - BLUE HAWAII

Fourth - Jacqueline Floyd - SHE DRIVES ME CRAZY

Fifth - Paul La Ferriere - CROSSING PATHS

**Romantic Suspense**

**Final Judge: Devi Pillai, Associate Editor, Warner (Hachette) Books**

First - Karen Beeching - FRIENDLY FIRE

Second - Anna Perrin - DEADLY INTENT

Third - Kimberly Howe - RED DIAMOND

Fourth - Bev Pettersen - WALK, TROT, SHOOT

Fifth - Billie Jean Te - BACKTRACK

**Historical**

**Final Judge: Alicia Condon, VP, Editorial Director, Dorchester**

First - Elaine Levine - SAGER'S PASSION \*full requested\*

Second - Alison Hackley - THE ENGLISH BOY \*full requested\*

Third - Jennifer Haymore - REVENGE \*full requested\*

Fourth - Clare E Wood - WARRIOR'S REVENGE

Fifth - Melinda Porter - SCANDAL'S DESIRE

**Unique Genre**

**Final Judge: Selena James, Executive Editor, Kensington**

First - Gail E Foreman - HER MAN IN THE MOON

Second - Anitra Lynn McLeod - OVERLORD

Third - Ann Hinnenkamp - DYAD QUEST

Fourth - Stephanie M Jacobson - THE DEVIL'S PLAYGROUND

Fifth - Christina Sinisi - BACKWOODS INVADER

Regards.

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President and Contest Coordinator