

A Murder in Time

By Julie McElwain

"A vivid setting, interesting characters, sustained suspense, and even a hint of romance make this thriller hard to put down for long... A Murder in Time is a very enjoyable read that paints a vivid picture of how remarkably the world has changed over the past 200 years."

- Mystery Scene Magazine

Thursday, September 19 6:30 pm Archibald Library Story Theater

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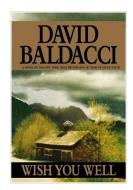
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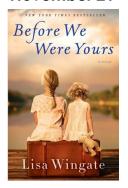
Upcoming Meetings

October 17



Wish You Well by David Baldacci

November 21



Before We Were Yours by Lisa Wingate

December 19



Skipping Christmas by John Grisham

About the Book

Kendra Donovan is a rising star at the FBI. Yet her path to professional success hits a speed bump during a disastrous raid where half her team is murdered, a mole in the FBI is uncovered and she herself is severely wounded. As soon as she recovers, she goes rogue and travels to England to assassinate the man responsible for the deaths of her teammates.

While fleeing from an unexpected assassin herself, Kendra escapes into a stairwell that promises sanctuary but when she stumbles out again, she is in the same place - Aldrich Castle - but in a different time: 1815, to be exact.

Mistaken for a lady's maid hired to help with weekend guests, Kendra is forced to quickly adapt to the time period until she can figure out how she got there; and, more importantly, how to get back home. However, after the body of a young girl is found on the extensive grounds of the county estate, she starts to feel there's some purpose to her bizarre circumstances. Stripped of her twenty-first century tools, Kendra must use her wits alone in order to unmask a cunning madman.

About the Author

Julie McElwain is a national award-winning journalist. Born and raised in North Dakota, she graduated from North Dakota State University, and moved to Los Angeles, where she worked for a fashion trade newspaper. Currently, she is an editor for CBS Soaps In Depth, covering the No. 1 daytime drama, The Young & The Restless.

Her first novel, A Murder In Time, was one of the top 10 picks by the National Librarian Association for its April 2016 book list, and was selected as the mystery to read in 2016 by OverDrive Inc., a digital



distributor serving more than 34,000 libraries around the world. The novel was also a finalist for the 2016 Goodreads' readers choice awards in the Sci-fi category, and made Bustle's list of 9 Most Addictive Mystery series for 2017.

Discussion Questions

- 1. Describe Kendra: she has special abilities but does she lack many of the social skills? As the novel develops what do we come to learn about how her abilities play out in early 19th century England?
- 2. What were your impressions of the way the author portrayed the English class system in 1815?
- 3. Looking at the main characters in the novel, what were your thoughts about how each of them reacted to Kendra's 21st century manners and social expectations?
- 4. How did Kendra react to the societal structure of the 1800's?