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Mystery Scene Wins Best Magazine Award

ANTHONY AWARD ANNOUNCED AT 2004 BOUCHERCON

New York, NY — *Mystery Scene Magazine* won the Anthony Award for Best Mystery Publication at the World Mystery Convention in Toronto, Canada on October 9, 2004. Editor-in-chief Kate Stine accepted the award on behalf of Mystery Scene.

The gala Anthony Awards ceremony is the main event of the annual convention, also known as BoucherCon, and this year was held at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre. The Anthony awards are nominated and voted for by the mystery readers, writers, publishers, and booksellers attending the convention.

“This award means so much to us. Of course, any magazine is a collaborative effort,” said Ms. Stine in accepting the award from Toastmistress Natasha Cooper. “We’d like to thank all of our columnists and contributors for helping make *Mystery Scene Magazine* a success.”

Ms. Stine is an experienced book and magazine editor, with stints at The Mysterious Press, Otto Penzler Books and *The Mary Higgins Clark Mystery Magazine*. She was also the editor of the award-winning magazine, *The Armchair Detective*, from 1992 to 1997. She and her husband, Brian Skupin, acquired *Mystery Scene* in 2002.

“The location of this year’s Anthony Award ceremony was particularly pleasing for us,” said Ms. Stine afterwards. “Toronto is Brian’s hometown and we both have a strong interest in Canada’s vibrant literary community.”

The World Mystery Convention—BoucherCon—is a nonprofit event dedicated to celebrating the best in the crime and mystery genre. It was created to honor the memory of the distinguished writer, reviewer, and critic Anthony Boucher. Each year a different city hosts BoucherCon, which this year was attended by over 1500 people.

Mystery Scene Magazine (est. 1985) offers lively, expert coverage of the entire mystery world with an emphasis on the creative life. It publishes essays and commentary by well-known authors; biographical sketches; criticism; interviews; small press news; columns by award-winning writers; and an extensive array of audio, film, theater, TV and book reviews.

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