

***THREE'S A CROWD* by DAVID BENJAMIN**

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In Madison author's novel, high-tech turns sexy — and deadly

MADISON, Wis. — *Three's a Crowd*, a fast-paced “noir comedy” by Madison novelist David Benjamin has been released by Event Horizon Press of Sequim, Washington.

Anchored in his adult experience in high-tech journalism and as a Parisian *propriétaire*, *Three's a Crowd* traces the criminal designs of three high-tech businessmen — including Bud Hochuli from Waukesha — who meet annually at the gigantic Consumer Electronics Show (CES) in Las Vegas, where they hatch a virtually perfect plan to murder their wives.

They develop their homicidal plans at one of Sin City's industrial-scale strip clubs, but they commit the murders — with the efficiency of a crack management team — in Paris. Benjamin's story begins at the end, in the famous literary café, La Coupole, after Rudy, Bud and Chip has each killed his own spouse in a different Paris locale, each spot secluded, romantic, evocative and fatal.

But why did the three innocent wives, Whitney, Donna and Judy, have to die? The killers' motives unreel in flashbacks to CES and the temptations of Las Vegas. In annual pilgrimages to a North Vegas “gentlemen's club,” Rudy, Bud and Chip experience an almost religious epiphany. The ministrations of supple, compliant young ladies named Shalimar, Simba and Monique — among others — convince the three unfulfilled husbands that their marriages are loveless and sexually barren, and their wives... expendable. They come to understand, by using inescapable logic and sound management principles, that their only route to freedom, and to success in the competitive jungle of consumer electronics, is murder.

As more and more details emerge about these three apparently flawless homicides, the astute reader senses that some revelation is still missing. Until the last chapter, the reader clings to that lingering suspicion and keeps peering between the lines for the answer to one nagging question.

Something must have gone wrong. But what?

Three's a Crowd is currently available at Amazon.com and CreateSpace. It's on sale at Mystery To Me and the University Book Store in Madison, Boswell Books and Mystery One in Milwaukee, Books & Company in Oconomowoc, and other quality booksellers.

Benjamin's thusfar most celebrated book, *The Life & Times of the Last Kid Picked* (Random House, 2003), recounted his childhood adventures while growing up in Tomah (Wis.) and Madison. It was featured at the Wisconsin and Eau Claire Book Festivals and named a Notable Book by the Wisconsin Library Association.

Three's a Crowd is the first release in a collaboration between Event Horizon Press and David Benjamin. Benjamin's novel, *A Sunday Kind of Love*, will be published by Event Horizon Press before the end of the year. Billed as a "romantic comedy with football," Benjamin describes *A Sunday Kind of Love* as "a love triangle involving an unmarried woman, a married man and the Green Bay Packers."

Benjamin is also author of *SUMO: A Thinking Fan's Guide to Japan's National Sport*, a product of his residence in Tokyo for more than seven years. Originally published in 1990 and revised in 2010, *SUMO* is the bestselling book ever written about sumo and one of the funniest books written about any sport.

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