

ABOUT JOHN MATSUI

John Matsui is the author of four full-length, self-published, mysteries that cross and usually combine crime, sci-fi, fantasy, horror, and business thriller genres with political satire.

Here's a list of his novels:

- Late Bite (2014). The courtroom thriller puts a vampire (Homo Sanguinus) on trial for snacking on Torontonians;
- Gravity Games (2015). The dark and delicious mystery features a chef with a great nose for food and murder;
- Lycanthrope Rising (2017). An ancient enemy seeks to complete the extinction of the Homo Sanguinus in this sequel to Late Bite.
- Girl Out Of Time (2023). An 18-year-old meets three of her future selves while travelling through time to stop humanity from destroying itself.

PREVIOUS WORK LIFE

John worked as a newspaper reporter and editor for the Peterborough Examiner (1973-1976) and as a reporter, editor, and columnist for The London Free Press (1976-1994).

John founded and managed Makin' Headlines Ltd., a London, Ontario-based public relations/government relations company from 1994 to 2013 that served several of Canada's leading businesses and institutions.

John created and directed MH NewMedia Ltd. (2000-2010), a web animation company that serviced clients of Makin' Headlines and provided animated online training courses for more than 9,000 Canadian companies.

While John was running his companies, he also instructed part-time in the public relations program, faculty of continuing studies, Western University (2008-2012)

EDUCATION

- Bachelor of Journalism, Metropolitan Toronto University (Ryerson)
- French immersion, Trois Pistoles, University of Western Ontario
- Intensive French workshop, University of Western Ontario
- Canadian Securities Course

PAST VOLUNTEER POSITIONS

- Vice Chair, London Ski Club Capital Campaign
- Vice-Chair London Japanese Heritage Language School
- Chair Development Committee and Board Director, Museum London
- Chair Marketing Committee and Board Director, London Community Foundation
- Founding member, London Clean and Green Day
- Founding Secretary, Genesis Housing Co-op
- President, London City Press Club

INTERESTS

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| • Creative writing | • Skiing | • Winemaking |
| • Baking | • Judo | • Films & Filmmaking |
| • Emerging Technologies | • Reading | |

CURRENT MEMBERSHIPS

- London Writers Society

PERSONAL LIFE (mostly gossip)

2023 was a banner year for John and his family. John's mother Mary celebrated her 99th birthday with friends and family in June. John and wife Judy Harrigan toasted eldest daughter Mary Ellen and Nirav Mehta at their wedding later that same month. In July, John and Judy celebrated their 40th anniversary. John and Judy had a month and a half breather before daughter Jacqueline wed Ricardo Aldrey before an army of friends and family in Spain. In the ebbing days of 2023, John managed to dust off Covid dormancy from himself and his fourth novel *Girl Out Of Time*.

John and Judy live a quiet life in Wortley Village, a neighbourhood off the downtown in London, Ontario that's been described as one of the best in Canada.