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# Lizzie Borden : Girl Detective

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## **Book Synopsis:**

Introducing Miss Lizzie Borden of Fall River, Massachusetts, a most excellent girl detective and the most remarkable young woman ever to take on the criminal underworld in late 19th century New England.

Many years before her infamous arrest and trial for the murders of her father and stepmother, Lizzie Borden pursued a career as a private consulting detective and wrestled unflinchingly with a crooked spiritualist, a corrupt and murderous textile tycoon, a secret society of anarchist assassins, rowdy and deadly sporting boys, a crazed and vengeful mutineer, an industrial saboteur, and a dangerously unhinged math professor---none of whom are ever exactly what they seem to be.

In these five early tales of mystery and adventure, Lizzie Borden is joined by her stubborn and stingy father Andrew; her jealous and weak-chinned sister Emma; her trusted companion Homer Thesinger the Boy Inventor; and the melancholy French scion Andre De Camp. Together, they explore Fall River's dark side through a landscape that is industrial, Victorian, and distinctly American.

You have met Lizzie Borden before! But never like this!

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# Post-Publication Praise (book blurbs):

In *Lizzie Borden: Girl Detective,* Richard Behrens skillfully captures the essence of historic Fall River, bringing the city to life through the adventures of the youthful, intrepid sleuth, Lizzie Borden. Behrens' fictional Lizzie is an absolutely delightful character; she is fearlessly cunning, charismatic, and thoroughly enchanting! A must read for all those intrigued by Fall River history, mystery and, of course, Lizzie Borden.

Michael Martins, Curator, Fall River Historical Society

*Lizzie Borden: Girl Detective* is clever and appealing. Every story brings the reader to the streets and characters of Fall River as if you were there with them and, of course, Lizzie Borden. Congratulations to Richard for his Victorian creativity and imagination. Leonard Rebello, author of *Lizzie Borden: Past & Present* 

"It's a nice read for Lizzie Borden fans and foes, whether or not they believe she was innocent of the murders..."

Deborah Allard, Fall River Herald News

This is Lizzie Borden as you never imagined her; lively, intrepid and clever as a budding detective on the hunt! The stories are a magic carpet ride to another time—old Fall River in all its glory. The settings, the clothing, the language showcase a young Lizzie Borden against a background of mystery and intrigue with some twists and turns along the way. Move over Nancy Drew, and make room for Miss Lizzie, Girl Detective—so much fun, it's nearly criminal! **Shelley Dziedzic**, *Lizzie Borden: Warps and Wefts* 

Please visit the book's Web page (http://lizziebordengirldetective.com) for the most current post-publication praise.





Author Richard Behrens from *Lizbeth: A Victorian Nightmare* by Ric Rebelo.

# **Author Biography:**

Richard Behrens is a contributor to *The Hatchet: A Journal of Lizzie Borden and Victorian Studies* and a founding editor of *The Trenton Review*. His writings on literature and science fiction have been published in *The Journal of Advancing Technology* and on TheModernWord.com. A native New Yorker, now living in New England, Richard is working on several more *Lizzie Borden, Girl Detective* mysteries.

# **Additional Information:**

#### **Events:**

For a list of all author appearances and readings, please visit the book's Web Page at http://lizziebordengirldetective.com

#### **Blog:**

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