

Josephine Tey

Josephine Tey, the *nom de plume* used by Elizabeth Macintosh, was born and raised in Inverness, Scotland. Not only was she a first-rate novelist (known principally for her superb detective stories), but (writing under the name Gordon Daviot) Tey was a successful playwright as well. Her plays, however, though salted with three-dimensional people, lack the pace and tension that characterize her novels.

Tey wrote near the end of the Golden Age of British crime writing (1920 - 1950). Her stories are known for their deft construction and meticulous prose style. They have an enduring quality, never follow a set pattern, and reveal Tey's impatience with the established rules and conventions of the standard whodunit.

And, on occasion, they revised British opinion. In *The Daughter of Time*, for example, Tey constructs an historical mystery investigated by modern-day enquirers. She aroused nation-wide interest in a period of England's background once considered quite sordid – the reign of King Richard III and the murder of his two nephews in the Tower of London. Not only did her tale alter Great Britain's style of thinking, but the novel's so well crafted that the British Crime Writers Association judged *The Daughter of Time* to be the greatest mystery story ever written.

Shy by nature, Tey shunned photographers, avoided the press, and rarely granted interviews. Her novels and plays often show that things are rarely what they seem. Many feature an independent woman whose attitude – as well as that of Inspector Alan Grant, who appears in several of her mysteries – seems to be that successful people needn't seek fulfillment through others (think marriage) but can do so by themselves.

Josephine Tey died of liver cancer in 1952 at her sister's residence in London.

Essay by Bill Lounsbury

KRL has *The Daughter of Time* and many other books by Josephine Tey

Reader Input for your Holiday Planning !

Holiday Gift and Reading Recommendations from your Friends of Manchester Library.

Falling In Love by Donna Leon

Blind Faith by C. J. Lyons

At Home: A Short History of Private Life by Bill Bryson

The Christmas Train by David Baldacci

Big Magic: Creative Living Beyond Fear
by Elizabeth Gilbert

Cutting for Stone by Abraham Verghese

The Girl In the Spider's Web by David Lagercrantz

The Secret Pilgrim by John LeCarre

Loving Jesus by Mark Allen Powell

King Hereafter by Dorothy Dunnett

Hawke by Ted Bell

The Daughter of Time by Josephine Tey

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Wine Tasting, Raffle & Book Sale Results

Wine Tasting & Raffle	\$1,500
Holiday Book Sale	\$ 685

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For the April 2016 sale, we are trying something different, starting our collection process at the end of the summer 2015 growing season.

To assist us in our efforts, should you have any plants that have grown unruly, or have just outgrown their usefulness to you, we are willing to take part or all of them off of your hands. Our intention is to over-winter them, maintaining and even growing them so that early next year so we have larger, more lush, plants for our sale.

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