



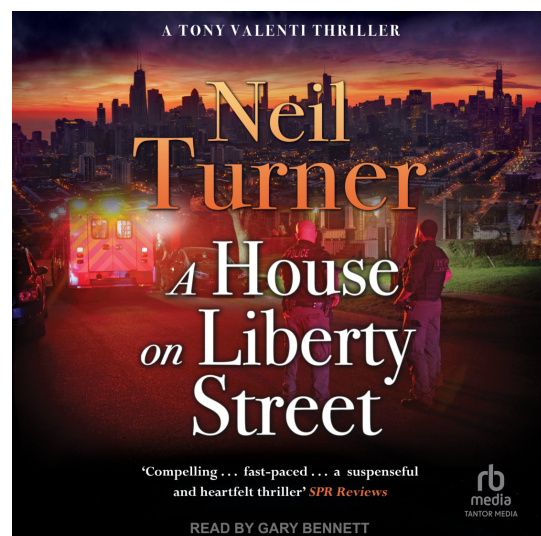
Greetings!

It's time to start thinking about Christmas, isn't it? Which means I have a ton of stuff to accomplish in short order, including finishing a new novel. We have lots of fun book-related news and happenings this month, including a Christmas gift idea that comes with *two* extra presents, and we'll be going behind the scenes *twice*. You may recall that we've been putting Tony's books on sale for 99¢ this fall. The final two will be *The Secrets She Buried* from November 19th to 25th and *Nowhere to Hide* between December 3rd and 9th. If you don't yet have them, here's your chance! We had a raft of correct entries (Brookfield Zoo) in last month's "Where in the Book?" Reader's Club quiz. Thanks to everyone who participated, and congratulations to Joy, whose name was drawn from the list of correct entries. Joy wins a free eBook! Also winning a free eBook this month is Helen, who submitted the terrific question I've answered in this month's Reader's Club Q & A. Enjoy your books! My goodness, it's raining free books around here, and there's even a little Reader's Club Christmas freebie in the works! But enough rambling ... read on!

The Latest Tony Valenti News

Hot off the Presses

Here's the audiobook cover art I recently signed off on for *A House on Liberty Street*, which is currently in presale for release December 19th. The rest of the series is coming to audio in six to eight week intervals thereafter. That's a pretty cool development on its own, but I'm absolutely thrilled to announce that Audiobooks.com is celebrating



the upcoming release with a fabulous *three-for-one* offer. That's right, preorder *A House on Liberty Street* and get *TWO* additional audiobooks at no additional charge. How's that for a Christmas deal? If you know an audiobook fan who hasn't yet read *A House on Liberty Street*, let them know. If you're feeling downright generous, sign them up yourself! 😊 Check it out [here!](#)



Ex Uno, Multi

Behind the Scenes

Who is this man? Well, he's Tony, and Papa, and Brittany, and Pat, and Mike Williams, and Jake Plummer, and, and ... well, *everyone!* And if no one is talking, this man is narrating. Sheesh, I get tired just thinking about it! But seriously, this is Gary Bennett, fantabulous, multi-award-winning audiobook narrator who has brought a number of top-notch thrillers to life. I actually got to know Gary a little before I negotiated the audiobook deal, and was thrilled to bits when Tantor brought Gary on board for the project. Gary teased me with a preview of Chapter One of *A House on Liberty Street* some time ago,

and I can't wait to hear the rest of the book, which he's just finished narrating. In an interesting aside, Gary's last name masks his Italian roots (just like mine does), so he had a running start at embodying Francesco "Papa" Valenti. "*È stato facile!*" Gary says. (It was easy!) And so long as we're explaining linguistic mysteries, *Ex uno, multi* above is Latin for "out of one, many". And yes, I did have to look up every one of those words. 😊

It looks like this?

Really???



Here's a collage of pictures to provide a little Cedar Heights flavor for those of you who have asked. We have a Porsche Panamera (Tony's vehicle); stand-ins for the restored Independence Park and the new swimming pool Tony and Pat fundraised for and helped build; and a Chicago office block that could well be home to Brooks and Valenti in downtown Cedar Heights (if Cedar Heights actually existed). I hope this helps everyone "see" these things in the books. I'm pretty sure some of you are going to look at these pictures and say, "That's not how they're supposed to look!" Hey, that's okay too!



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Reader's Club Q & A

What's on *your* mind? Ask away! I'll answer one reader question in every Reader's Club Update. If I choose yours, I'll send you a free eBook copy of one of my novels! Please send your questions via the *Contact* page on my [website](#) or send an email to info@neilturnerbooks.com. If

you send an email, please type *Reader's Club Q & A* in the subject line. Thank you!

Here are this month's question and answer:

Q: Do you have all the characters firmly in your mind when you start writing or do they appear as you are writing?

A: I love this question! As I generally write in a series, I tend to know who's going to be in a story, but there's always at least one character I don't see coming. Sometimes a twist in the story requires a new person, other times a character simply forces their way out of my head and onto the page. I love it when that happens, as these tend to be inimitable folks who are a lot of fun. Our computer hacker, Chippy, is such a character. Turning the computer geek stereotype on its head made for some unexpected fun.

I would be remiss not to wish our American readers a Happy Thanksgiving this month. Enjoy! And that's it for this month. Thanks for being a member of our Reader's Club!

Take care, be well, and happy reading,

Neil



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