



Letter from author, Julie McElwain

Dear Readers,

I am deeply honored that my debut novel, *A Murder in Time*, was selected as a Big Library Read. Growing up in a tiny town in rural North Dakota, I not only haunted the school and town libraries but also waited in anticipation for the Bookmobile to arrive each month. Every book I read was a gateway into another world, a new civilization and fascinating culture. It's so exciting for me to know that my own novel will be part of your virtual library, and available to my fellow readers.

A Murder in Time is a mystery with a twist — my protagonist, Kendra Donovan, is a brilliant FBI agent who finds herself transported back to Regency England (the year 1815, to be precise). Relegated to the servant class, she stumbles across a gruesome murder, and she alone recognizes that they have a serial killer in their midst. At its core, the novel is a puzzle, the hunt for a murderer and the quest for justice. Yet Kendra has the added worry of hiding the fact that she's from the future, solving the crime without causing ripples in the space-time continuum, and trying not to clash too much with a culture in which she is more than 200 years out of step.

Throughout my life, I've loved all genres of books — mystery, romance, paranormal, historical. Maybe that's why I've included a little bit of all those elements in *A Murder in Time*. I sincerely hope you enjoy reading Kendra's story as much as I enjoyed researching and writing it.

Thank you, OverDrive and libraries, for introducing *A Murder in Time* to new readers, and for your passion and commitment to giving everyone, young and old, a peek into wondrous new realms.

Warmest Regards,
Julie McElwain

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