

Mystery Series for Cat Lovers

Midnight Louie helps his human counterpart, Temple Barr, solve crimes in Carole Nelson Douglas series of mystery books.

Since 1992, Carole Nelson Douglas has been entertaining cat lovers and bibliophiles with her series of mysteries that includes a cat's point-of-view. Private detective Midnight Louie is a seasoned mystery solver with an old-school attitude. Douglas gives Louie a tough-guy voice infused with wit.

Louie solves mysteries with his human roommate, Temple Barr, a red-headed public relations specialist with a fondness for high-heeled shoes. They originally meet in the series first book, *Catnap*, while kneeling over a dead body at a convention in Las Vegas. Their sleuthing adventures continue in *Pussyfoot*, where they investigate the death of a striptease business owner, and the partnership is cemented in *Cat on a Blue Monday*, when the pair look for a dangerous stalker at a cat show.

Douglas series captivates readers with its fast-paced, irresistible adventures and has won awards for taking a look at contemporary issues, such as celibacy, honor and commitment, theology, family responsibility and trust.

Douglas series currently consists of 18 books, with the 19th, *Cat in a Quicksilver Caper*, due out next month. *Cat in a Hot Pink Pursuit*, which has Temple posing undercover as a teenager in a beauty contest, will be available in paperback on May 30. Posted: May 2, 2006, 5:00 a.m. EST