



## New “SIN” Anthology Launched at “Reading Under the Influence”

**Chicago, Illinois, USA (Sep. 03, 2008)** – Sheffield’s and the “Reading Under the Influence” literary series hosted the first launch event for *SIN: A Deadly Anthology* (ISBN: 0974793469) written by A.C. Frieden and fifteen Chicago-based co-authors. SIN is a collection of short stories that explore how we as ordinary humans cope with circumstances that test our convictions: a husband’s desperate acts to save his wife during the Katrina disaster (Paoletti), a woman’s struggle to accept family secrets that contradict everything she heard growing up (Campbell), a contract killer’s struggle with guilt and duty as he carries out his final assignment (Frieden), a young woman’s life-changing altercation with a gang in 1980s Humboldt Park (Borcherts), and so much more.

“This first launch event is exciting because we’ve worked very hard to put this publication together, and it’s yet another sign of the camaraderie and literary strength of our group of writers,” said Frieden, describing the collective efforts of his writer’s group informally known as “The Chicago Contingent.” The group consists of some of Chicago’s best mystery and popular fiction authors, most of whom are faculty, alums or students of the nationally renowned fiction writing department at Columbia College. This is the first of several launch events for SIN planned in Chicago and included readings by several of the authors, including A.C. Frieden, Julia Borcherts, Darwyn Jones and others. A reception followed the readings.



Above (l to r): SIN co-authors Marc Paoletti, A.C. Frieden, and Ric Hess.



*Above (l to r):* SIN co-authors Julia Borcherts, Patricia Rosemoor, and Sharon Doering.

For more information about A.C. Frieden visit [www.acfrieden.com](http://www.acfrieden.com). For additional information on *SIN: A Deadly Anthology*, go to [www.avendiapublishing.com/sin](http://www.avendiapublishing.com/sin), where you'll find details about the book as well as bios to the other fourteen authors. For more information about the "Reading Under the Influence" literary readings series, go to [www.readingundertheinfluence.com](http://www.readingundertheinfluence.com).

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