LOCAL AUTHOR DIANA LOUISE WEBB RECEIVES NATIONAL RECOGNITION THROUGH NYC BIG BOOK AWARD®!

NEW YORK CITY, NY, UNITED STATES, September 21, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- "A Twisted Crucible: The Riddle of the Ruined Soul" by Diana Louise Webb dominates the Thriller category as the official winner of the 2026 NYC Big Book competition. Experts from different aspects of the literary industry, including publishers, writers, editors, designers, booksellers, librarians, and professional copywriters, judge the competition.



2026 NYC Big Book Award Winner

"A Twisted Crucible: The Riddle of the Ruined Soul" provides a chilling, first-person look into the psychological collapse and moral decay of its protagonist, Julie Cromwell. The novel is the second installment in the "Broken Reflections" trilogy. It delves into the abyss of human depravity and the agonizing sacrifices made by a loving father when justice demands the ultimate price.

NYC Big Book competition is open to authors, publishers, and illustrators worldwide, drawing submissions from major publishing houses—including Penguin Random House, HarperCollins, Hachette, Macmillan, and Simon & Schuster. This year, NYC Big Book contest attracted a truly international field of submissions, featuring entries from across the United States and countries worldwide, including Australia, Canada, China, England, Estonia, France, Germany, Ghana, Greece, New Zealand, Scotland, Singapore, South Korea, Sweden, the United Arab Emirates, and the United Kingdom.

"We have an amazing list of authors from around the globe participating this year," said awards sponsor, Gabby Olczak. "I'm so excited to share these books with a worldwide readership!"

Honorees will be celebrated at an exclusive awards dinner and ceremony on April 10, 2027.

To view the list of NYC Big Book Winners and Distinguished Favorites, please visit: https://www.nycbigbookaward.com/

About the Author

Diana Louise Webb is the author of the award-winning thriller "Last of the Autumn Rain: The Storm Within." Her writing has earned national acclaim, including recognition as the Independent Press Awards Distinguished Favorite. Webb's work has been praised for its complex characters, gripping suspense, and shocking twists. She has interviewed some of the most notorious female killers in the United States, and her insights into the criminal mind have helped shape her writing. Diana lives in Missouri with her 90-year-old mother, a survivor of the Nazi regime who fled East Prussia ahead of the 1944 Soviet occupation. She and her mother travel together as keynote speakers, sharing their powerful insights on resilience in the face of adversity.

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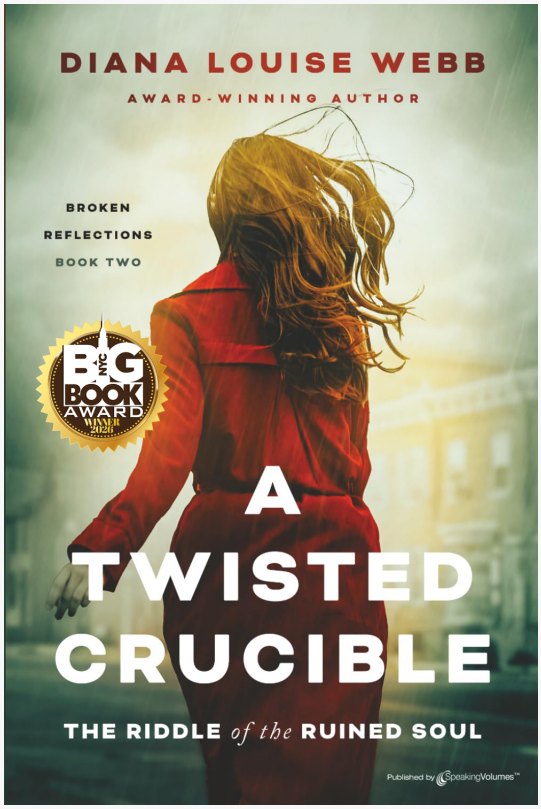

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