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“Highly original and great fun. A triumph of imagination with twists and turns to delight readers.” —*New York Times* bestseller Carolyn Hart

### A killer takes a spin through Salem . . .

Lee Barrett has agreed to attend a storage auction with Aunt Ibby—even though she suspects the forgotten rooms will yield more junk than treasure. Her skepticism vanishes once the two win a bid on an overlooked locker and uncover a trove of beautiful curiosities, including a stunning wooden carousel horse with gentle eyes and fading paint. But just before Lee leaves the fairground relic at a local repair shop, the sight of a silver samovar awakens her psychic abilities and conjures visions of murder.

Lee prays the intrusive ESP episode was just a glimpse into the past—until her policeman boyfriend reports a dead man outside the repair shop. Apparently, the unknown victim had been hot on Lee’s trail since the auction. And with the horse found dismantled, it looks like he was up to no good. What’s the story behind the antique equine, and could a strange bubblegum-chewing woman with fiery hair have something to do with the crime? Guided by her gift and O’Ryan, her wise tabby cat, Lee’s set on catching the murderer . . . before she’s sent on the darkest ride of her life.

### Praise for The Witch City Mysteries

“Perfectly relaxing and readable.” —*Kirkus Reviews*

“This rewarding paranormal cozy series debut will have Victoria Laurie fans lining up to follow.” —*Library Journal*

“[A]n entertaining story that keeps readers guessing until the very twisted and eerie end.” —*RT Book Reviews*

### Murder Go Round Details

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### **Karen says**

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### **Juli says**

Maralee Barrett and her Aunt Ibby go to a storage locker auction. They win the contents of one locker, finding all sorts of treasures including a silver samovar, a beautiful quilt, and a faded but beautifully carved carousel horse. Almost as soon as they take the items home, strange things start happening. Someone takes their trash. Strangers show up at Goodwill to rifle through the boxes of items they donated. And, after being taken to a local craftsman to be restored, the carousel horse is broken into pieces at the man's shop by an unknown intruder. Maralee's strange ESP visions start warning her of murder and danger, and her cat O'Ryan starts dropping clues to the mystery as well. Soon they discover that the mystery dates back to 1915 when six Russian immigrants came to the United States with some items entrusted to them by Czar Nicholas himself. Maralee and her aunt must sift through the clues, along with Maralee's policeman boyfriend, Pete, to discover the truth behind the items in the storage locker. It's a secret worth killing for in the past and the present, putting them all in danger.

Murder Go Round is the fourth book in the Witch City Mystery series. I enjoy this series because each book is so different. This time the mystery revolves around Russian history and relics from the last days of Czar Nicholas and his family. The mystery was intriguing, well-paced and very interesting. Maralee's ESP visions are a vital part of the plot, but not presented in an over-the-top cheesy manner. And the cat, O'Ryan's special qualities are also understated, not over-done. I enjoy Maralee as a main character, and the supporting cast (Aunt Ibby, O'Ryan, Pete, River) are all wonderful, interesting, eccentric characters. The books are always a nice mix of humor and mystery with a touch of supernatural.

A 5th book in the series, Grave Errors, is coming out this fall.

All in all, an enjoyable, fun cozy mystery. I highly recommend the Witch City Mystery series for mystery lovers who enjoy cozies with a touch of supernatural and cute humor. Fun read! It isn't necessary to read the books in order. A reader could jump in and start with book 4 and not have a hard time figuring out the characters.

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### **Sabine says**

I love each and everyone of Carol J. Perry's books. They pull me into the story that I feel like watching a movie. This one wasn't any different.

The mystery starts with Aunt Ibby and Lee winning the content of a unit at a storage war type auction and hooked me right there. When the wooden carousel horse from this auction is destroyed by an intruder in the night and a dead person found at the crime scene the trouble begins. Aunt Ibby and Lee start digging in the Russian past of the auction items to find the killer. There is some interesting history to be discovered and the mystery is solved with the help of some interesting but not overpowering paranormal elements. A fast paced and well told story.

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### **Melanie says**

Sometimes, I select cozy mysteries because of a plot point. I chose this one because of the carousel horse on the cover. I adore carousel horses. The book did not disappoint.

Carousel horses, a doll, a crazy quilt, pastries, and a silver urn -- plus a retired librarian and intelligent dialogue. Most excellent! ??????

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### **Lisa Morin says**

I am a huge fan of this series. Every time there is a new book by this author, I get excited to see what will happen.

This book told an intriguing story that kept me guessing until the very end.

Lee and Aunt Ibby venture out to a storage facility auction and end up with more than a locker full of interesting items.

The item that sparks Aunt Ibby's interest is a Russian Samovar, well hidden in a box that know one else sees. Lee is taken with a wooden carousel horse. She see beneath the chipped paint and can't wait to see it restored to it's glorious wonder.

What neither of them expect to be is involved in a mystery.

I love this series and can't wait ti read the next one. Ms. Perry is a wonderful story teller and her cast of colorful characters adds such fun to the story.

I voluntarily read an ARC of this book provided by the publisher and NetGalley.

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### **Samantha says**

Having not read any books from this author, and with loving stories involving ghosts, I was really looking forward this book and it didn't disappoint.

Lee Barret and her Aunt Ibby have purchased an abandoned storage locker and ever since then, the strangest things have been happening to them. Their garbage was stolen, an old carousel horse that was at a restoration shop, was broken apart, and Lee has been having tons of visions (she's a scryer - she sees visions of the past, present, or future in shiny surfaces.) Soon, the ladies, along with Lee's policeman boyfriend, Pete, find themselves right in the middle of a murder mystery.

This book was really cute. Yep, cute. It's not by any means, one of those edge of the seat who dunnit mysteries, that keep you up long past everyone else in the house going to bed. It's more so of a feel good mystery with a dash of intrigue. The characters don't really evolve much which is why I put it down to 4 stars rather than 5. Read this because you enjoy whimsical ghostly stories, just don't go into it expecting a James Patterson-esque novel. Totally worth the read and seeing that this is a series, I look forward to the next one!

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### **Janet Robel says**

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A solid cozy mystery set in Salem and featuring amateur sleuth Lee Barrett is back. Of course, we mustn't forget O'Ryan the cat, who plays his part in helping to solve cases. Lee and her Aunt Ibby bid on a storage locker and trouble soon follows shortly after. This is a fun series to delve into, especially if you love these type of mysteries. I'm keeping my eye out for the next book.

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### **Doward Wilson says**

Lee Barrett is living in Salem, Massachusetts with her aunt, Isobel Russell. She is the young widow of a NASCAR driver and has ESP abilities. When the ladies attend a storage rental auction they acquire some junk and some treasures, including an antique wooden carousel horse. Leaving the horse with an expert repairman, Lee has a vision of a murder. When a body is discovered outside the repair shop, Lee knows her vision is coming to life. With the help of her aunt, the policeman she dates and her amazing cat Lee jumps into finding out who did it and why! With the aid of her psychic abilities she starts learning the history of the carousel horse and who might want it for the treasure it is rumored to contain.

I have really enjoyed the previous three books in this series and this is the best one yet. The characters are realistic and using the background of the city of Salem and the psychic abilities really add to the storyline. Any cozy mystery fan will enjoy this entertaining series. Even if you don't usually read books with paranormal activities, you should try this.

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### **Delitealex says**

Lee and her aunt Ibby buy a locker at a storage auction and end up with some surprise treasures. Strange things start to happen that involve the items from the auction. Lee ends up having a vision of a murder victim then things get complicated.

I'm jumping into this series on this fourth book I didn't feel lost at all. I do want to go back to the beginning to see when Lee got her ability. I loved the characters they worked together so well. Especially Ibby the reference librarian. All the research into the Russian royalty was interesting. I also loved how O'Ryan the cat played a big role in helping them solve the mystery. I will be continuing on with this series.

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### **Linda says**

This was a fun read of a book in a cozy mystery series, although there is the bit of paranormal. This is book #4. I haven't read the first 3 books but I was totally able to get into the story without the background of the other books. The subject was very interesting to me. Lee and her Aunt Ibby go to an auction for storage lockers and win one of the auctions. There's lots of junk but they also find some Russian "treasures" including an exquisite quilt, a samovar, and a wooden carousel horse. Immediately strange things start to happen and Lee realizes that someone is looking for something valuable. She tracks the belongings to 1915 when 5 men arrived in the USA from Russia. They all had held jobs in the court of the doomed Czar Nicholas. Some of these men had been murdered.

I love all things about the Romanovs and really enjoyed this book.

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### **Karen says**

January has some exciting releases for you and this is one I was so excited for. I love Carol J. Perry's Witch City Mysteries and it was such a pleasure to read Murder Go Round this last night.

Carol writes one of my most favorite characters, Lee is a wonderful character. She is in her 30's a Nascar Widow and has a touch of paranormal visions that help her unwillingly solve murders in Salem MA. She lives with her aunt in a beautiful home and is starting to come into her own as a teacher as well as a student. This was a fun Russian themed mystery. I love books about the Romanov Dynasty and this was a well planned mystery based on Russian crafts people who were sent to America before the revolution to be in place should the family need to flee. I enjoyed this plausible mystery and theories of long lost treasure seemly hidden in plain sight all these years later.

If you have not yet discovered this series this is a good one! I love the covers on these cozies and Book 4 is fantastic but Book 1 still holds my heart! Be sure to order and be one of the first people to read this January 31st release.

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### **Lynn says**

Aunt Libby thought it would be fun to go to a storage unit auction and asks her niece Lee to go with her, Lee lives on the third floor of her aunt's house. When the unit is opened to view, Aunt Libby spots an item that she wants. At first viewing, it looks like house hold junk. They win the bid at a low price but it appears that some one else should have bid on it too. Some one is following them and trying to retrieve items that were in the auction. They did find a few nice historical or antique items amongst the "junk". A murder soon follows and Lee and her Aunt become involved in finding answers to solve the crime.

Lee is a scryer who sees visions in reflective objects. She does not embrace this but is starting to understand it. This cozy series has a lot going for it. The location is Salem Ma.. The characters are likable. There are several things I like that Carol Perry has done with the characters. First on all, Aunt Libby is really interesting, lively and a lot of fun. She is somewhere in her sixties. Some young authors have a person in their 50s to 70s with one foot in the nursing home and make caricatures of them.

The other thing I like about a character is that she uses Lee's cat O'Ryan as a contributing part of the story. Many put a cat on the cover to sell books and barely mention the cat in the book.. This is the fourth book and each has been different. They are well written and have unique plots. This was a fast enjoyable light paranormal cozy read.

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### **Betty says**

An excellent paranormal mystery. On a whim, Lee Barrett and Aunt Libby attend a storage locker auction. Surprise they bid and win a unit. As they remove and separate the items Lee sees a version in a vase that upset her. One of the items is a carved merry go round horse. Lee takes the item to a repair shop. That evening the police are called to the shop. The horse had been dismantled and outside the shop is a dead man exactly as Lee saw it in the earlier vision. Lee and Aunt Abby begin to search the horse and other objects in the unit and find information that leads to an early arrival of six Russian families to America in 1915. I like how O'Ryan leads Lee to her mirror as more vision help her solve the mystery. Will she succeed in finding the answer before a major disaster occurs?

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### **Mystereity Reviews says**

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3.5 stars

After a "Storage Wars" type auction, Aunt Libby and Lee bid on a locker full of boxes after Aunt Libby thinks she sees some promising items. After winning the locker and hauling the contents home, they discover several historical items - and a mystery!

An enjoyable tale, this series always features original storylines, and *Murder Go Round* was no different. The intrigue kept me turning pages, and the sprinkle of Russian history added flavor (the descriptions of the Russian pastries, especially!) I loved Stasia, her colorful antics added a lot to the book. I hope she's in later books, she was a real hoot.

Some elements in the book just didn't do it for me, so I had to reduce my rating. I'm not going to outline them here, because it would give too much away and perhaps (hopefully) those elements will be changed before the book is released.

Overall, this is a cute series, and the book was entertaining and enjoyable but not without a few issues.

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## **Storm Reads says**

Storage auctions are all the rage it seems to have hit here in Book Four of the Witch City Mysteries. Lee agrees to go with her Aunt to a storage auction and when her Aunt bids on a storage unit Lee is a bit skeptic. It really doesn't look like anything but a bunch of junk but her Aunt seen something she really wanted and it does seem like that among the junk are some really cool pieces. The thing is someone else wants something that is in that storage unit. Lee finds a lovely wooden carousel horse and she falls in love with it, it needs restored but she knows it will look lovely. Before she leaves though she catches a glimpse of something horrible as her psychic powers are awaken again.

Soon they hear about a man who was murdered and Lee is sure it's the guy she seen in her vision. She can see visions in shiny objects and it had started out small but it seems her gift is growing and at times it scares her. Soon she gets involved in the mystery involving Russians and some very expensive things from a long time ago. With the help of your policeman boyfriend Pete, her unusual cat O'Ryan, she uses her gifts to help them catch a killer.

I like Lee and I think her gift is cool but also a bit freaky. I don't think I would like to look into a mirror or something shiny and see something I don't want to see. It helps her with her sleuthing but she is also really good at it too, so much that her boyfriend who is a cop keeps telling her she should have been a cop but she is fine being a journalism teacher. I also like Pete, though he doesn't like her putting herself in danger he doesn't dismiss her strange gift or the ways of her cat and sort of goes with the flow. Her Aunt is pretty cool as well!

I thought this one had a really good mystery ingrained in some history about Russian Czars. I never was exactly sure who had done it though I was suspects. :)

If you like cozies then you should give this series a try!

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