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ABOUT KARAOKE CRIMINALS - A NOVEL

BACK COVER TEXT

In *Music, Musica*, a karaoke bar on the Spanish riviera, Roxi is about to discover that her dreams may come true when Brian Ferguson offers to hook her up with his connections back in London. Roxi has no idea of the price attached to this offer; Brian doesn't do anything without good reason.

And for Miles Ashley, who thought he'd escaped Brian's clutches years earlier, a single phone call is enough to stop the song, rewinding the tape to zero.

Throw in an A&R rep under threat of castration and an exquisitely dangerous hood on the verge of a nervous breakdown and it's time to make music; gunfire drumbeats, filter sweep of cordite.

As the double-crosses, gang wars, reclaimed favours and challenged loyalties intertwine, it's clear that only blood spilled in revenge can clean the slate ready for Roxi's success.

In this part of the world, this is how business gets done.

Even the music business.

'*Karaoke Criminals*' is a fast-paced contemporary novel, the bastard offspring of '*The Commitments*' and '*Lock, Stock and Two Smoking Barrels*'. Music has never been this dangerous.

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ABOUT VINCENT TUCKWOOD



Vincent Tuckwood is a story-teller working in fiction, song and verse. At any given point in time, he's proud to be a father, husband, son, brother, cousin and friend to the people who mean the world to him.

He is the author of the novels *Escalation*, *Family Rules*, *Karaoke Criminals* and *Do Sparrows Eat Butterflies?*, as well as the 2010 poetry collection, *Garbled Glittering Glamours*. His screenplays are *Team Building*, and the screen adaptation of *Family Rules*, *Inventing Kenny*.

Vince regularly connects with his audience at VinceT.net and at his story-teller page on Facebook, often writing poetry in response to their prompts, and encourages everyone to get in touch there.

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'ESCALATION – A Novel' - Published 2011 - Shocked by the violent beating of their popular high-school quarterback, a small New England town immediately calls for justice, and for police chief Jack Baker to restore order. Caught in the political spiral of the town elders, Baker has no choice but to place one of his most trusted officers, Charlene Goodlow, in the school. As Baker manages the 'grown-ups' of the town, Charlene's long-buried high school anxieties return to gnaw at her and, increasingly isolated and frightened, she finds herself at the corner of a vicious triangle of lust and animosity. As the violence and tension escalate, she slips further down the rabbit-hole, until she is left with a teenage boy in the sights of her police issue revolver and the singular decision of whether or not she will pull the trigger.



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'DO SPARROWS EAT BUTTERFLIES? – A Novel' (2003) - Published 2003 - In a moving tale of one man's search for meaning in an increasingly lonely and depressing life, a washed up seaside painter embarks on a journey that will change him forever. As his unusual, traumatic rebirth unfolds, Ray discovers the horror of an inferno he has denied for years. To save the love that can provide true meaning in his life, he has no choice but to answer that one, repeating question: do sparrows eat butterflies?



'GARbled GLITTERING GLAMOURS' - Published 2011 - *Garbled Glittering Glamours* is a collection of poetry, often written in response to prompts from readers, and published at VinceT.net and elsewhere in 2010.