

suspect list

tara miller

Tara is a library regular, but is not a local – in fact, she spends her entire day in the library researching.... well, no one really knows what she is researching! A mysterious person, Tara keeps to herself, but was recently joined by Julian Lynch. Tara is quiet and respects most library rules, although she is never seen without a cup of coffee at her side – a transgression the library staff tend to overlook, considering the generous donations she has made to the library since she started her daily research.

natalya hall

Presumably a patron of the library, Natalya is a mystery. She has been at the library all day, and her reasons for being there are unknown. Natalya is precise in her movements, and her clothes and demeanour indicate that she is classy woman of the world. She keeps to herself, and when she does answer questions, she tends to keep her answers vague.

paige zimmerman

A reporter for a local news and interests blog called City Beat, Paige is a woman who always gets her story! Her articles and content appeal to the more intellectual in the city, however her readership is not restricted to local readers; she has many readers world-wide, thanks to her gripping and far-reaching theories. Tenacious and outgoing, Paige keeps her blog posts focused on positive, and occasionally mysterious, happenings in the city and around the world.

cat gruen

Mild-mannered and easy going, Cat (short for Catharina) Gruen takes everything in stride – she has to, or she would go mad, working with the ensemble of characters she does. Thanks to them and her eccentric patrons, the life of a library director is never dull! Having been in the director position for a few years now, Cat runs a tight ship, making her library one of the best around for miles. She is rarely seen without a clip-board that holds a lengthy to-do list.

beatrice farmsworth

Childrens author Beatrice Farmsworth is a local celebrity. Having written and illustrated over 20 children's books over the past ten years, Beatrice's creations have struck a cord with children worldwide. Luckily for this library, she is fiercely loyal to her home town, and comes in at least once every few months to read her books aloud in the kids section of the library. The events that feature Beatrice Farmsworth draw quite the crowd! Beatrice is a happy-go-lucky author who loves meeting her fans, however she is a bit territorial about the library, and has requested that library director Cat Gruen not allow any other authors inside the library on the days when Beatrice is in attendance.

gavin slythe

Library patron Gavin Slythe is the brother of Charlie Slythe. He is young, outgoing and very intelligent, and knows a lot about the missing Sardonic Manuscript. He claims he is in the library to discover new literature and refresh his bedside reading pile.

julian lynch

Self-proclaimed psychic Julian Lynch runs a business giving intuitive readings. While some are skeptical of his abilities, Julian's skills are recognized world-wide, and he is one of the most reputable psychics in the business. He also lends his services to the police for missing persons cases – a fact that lends credibility to his "gift", as he has helped the police close three of the four cases on which he consulted. Julian is a peaceful man with a kind smile and loves helping others. He is not a local, and just flew into town yesterday on "private business".

clinton weaver

Head librarian Clinton Weaver works in the library, as he has for many years now. A strict, hard-nosed man, Clinton is a stickler for the rules, and is quick to eject any "troublemakers" or "hooligans" from the library when called for. There is not much that goes on in the library that Clinton doesn't know about, and he is as much a fixture in the library as the shelves of books.

carson vulpes

Historical author Carson Vulpes is visiting the library on a book tour, promoting his book, titled "The Way of the Antiquities". While he isn't actually booked in for a reading and signing today, he has come to the library to speak with the patrons one-on-one. According to the bio on the dust jacket of his book, Carson is a writer, historian and philanthropist, raising money and helping children all over the world. He also has a PhD in medicine, and while he does not regularly practice medicine, he does work with Doctors Without Borders in his spare time. Carson, is outgoing and charismatic, and carries a copy of his book.

spencer williams

Cafe manager Spencer Williams is outgoing and charismatic. He spends his day slinging coffee for local residents and patrons of the library, and over the years has become good friends with the library staff and regulars alike. A pillar of the community, Spencer hosts a monthly fundraising evening in the cafe with live music and varying themes, with all proceeds going to help fund library initiatives. Spencer spends a lot of his free time inside the library, claiming it is his place of solace – where he comes to recharge. He is charming and intelligent, and his kind demeanour instantly puts those he meets at ease.

charlie slythe

A patron and avid reader, Charlie came to the library today to do what most people do: check out some books. He is friendly and charismatic and excited to be part of the investigation. Charlie knows a lot about literature, and specifically the missing Sardonic Manuscript.

colum gravenhurst

Local museum curator Colum Gravenhurst is a serious man who enjoys peace, quiet and intellectual conversation. When he wants to 'cut loose', he spends an afternoon at the library, which, for him, is a wild change of pace. Colum is soft-spoken, but when he does speak it's in a deep voice and he usually looks at people over the rims of his glasses.