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The third adventures of Detective Martel, a noir series that critics adore!

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August 30, 2014, Old Port of Montreal. End-of-summer fireworks act as a diversion from the kidnapping of a five-year-old little girl: the daughter of Montreal's Russian mafia godfather. When, a few minutes later, the body of a Russian national is found in a container at Maisonneuve Terminal, the authorities surmise that this is no accident & that the city's fireworks are just beginning.

In Quebec City, Detective Xavier Martel is called on to figure out why the man in the container was headed to the Port of Montreal. The authorities are worried because the body bears an unusual tattoo, raising fears that a nightmarish drug has arrived in the country: Krokodil.

Dirty money, human trafficking, pitiless acts of violence, betrayals: is Xavier Martel's autumn in fact going to be worse than already expected?

Strong points

- Volumes are independent of each other.
- A thriller unfolding at breakneck pace, well thought out and full of twists and turns.
- Action and violence worthy of a crime novel; in-depth psychological character development.
- A meticulous and effective style; caustic humour.

Steve Laflamme teaches literature (detective, among others), as well as being a singer and guitarist in a blues band. He has given himself the goal of writing, writing, writing... always in shades of black on black.

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