

The Wolfe Pack & AHMM

Proudly Announce

the First Annual Black Orchid Novella Award

Are you the next Rex Stout?



Portrait of Nero Wolfe by Kevin I. Gordon

Each entry must be an original unpublished work of fiction that conforms to the tradition of the Nero Wolfe series, and:

- ☉ Contains no overt sex or violence
- ☉ Emphasizes the deductive skills of the sleuth
- ☉ Does not include characters from the original series

First prize: \$1,000 . . . and publication in **ALFRED MYSTERY MAGAZINE** *
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Entries must be 15,000 to 20,000 words in length, and *must be postmarked by May 31, 2007* ☉ The winner will be announced at The Wolfe Pack's Annual **Black Orchid Banquet** in New York City, December 1, 2007 ☉ Please visit www.nerowolfe.org for official rules and procedures to submit your novella ☉ For questions, contact Jane K. Cleland, Chair, BlackOrchidNovellaAward@janeclerland.net

* If no acceptable candidates are received, AHMM and The Wolfe Pack reserve the right to declare no winner in any given year.