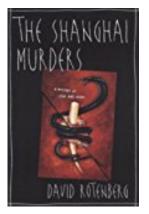
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## **Description:**

The ingredients of this first thriller by Canadian acting teacher David Rotenberg are so unusualeverything from the techniques of putting on a production of Shakespeare's in China to the connection between a sliced-up corpse and the art of making *dim sum*--that you might miss a basic fact: Rotenberg is a sly, masterful storyteller who knows that having fun is an important part of the job. His local color is splendid, and his cast of lead characters (a very smart cop named Zhong Fong, an expert killer known as Mr. Lo, a Canadian producer with more than a few similarities to the author) come to full-size life very quickly. And the motives for the death by filleting knife of a New Orleans policeman and an African diplomat turn out to be understandable, if not entirely logical--a condition that seems to describe most of Zhong Fong's life. --*Dick Adler* --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

From Publishers Weekly Irresistibly exotic, this dark thriller pits love and justice against sinister agendas in fast-changing Shanghai. Inspector Zhong Fong investigates the murder and dismemberment of American Richard Fallon. Within days, the Consul of Zaire meets a similar, brutal end. Fong wonders what Fallon, a New Orleans cop, could have in common with an African diplomat. The puzzle deepens when Fong's boss, Commissioner Hu, and the American Consul hint that something more than murder is afoot. As Fong investigates, he remains haunted by the death of his wife, actress Fu Tsong, four years ago and by the recent return to Shanghai of her lover, Canadian stage director Geoffrey Hyland. With help from Fallon's widow, Fong draws out the killer, but police bosses resist his solution. While the murders seem somewhat implausible, people and place, not plot, are the strengths in this debut by a Canadian acting instructor. Mystery conventionsAe.g, the independent hero, the world-weary sidekick, cynical power brokersAring true in this most unconventional setting, a city of 14,000,000 people making the tricky transition to capitalism. Rotenberg's ShanghaiAwhere historic charm mingles with modern energy, Chinese actors learn Shakespeare, assassins are trained from childhood and cobras rise up in shop windows to startle unwary passersbyAis a place full of effective, unexpected entertainment. Copyright 1998 Reed Business Information, Inc. -- This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

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