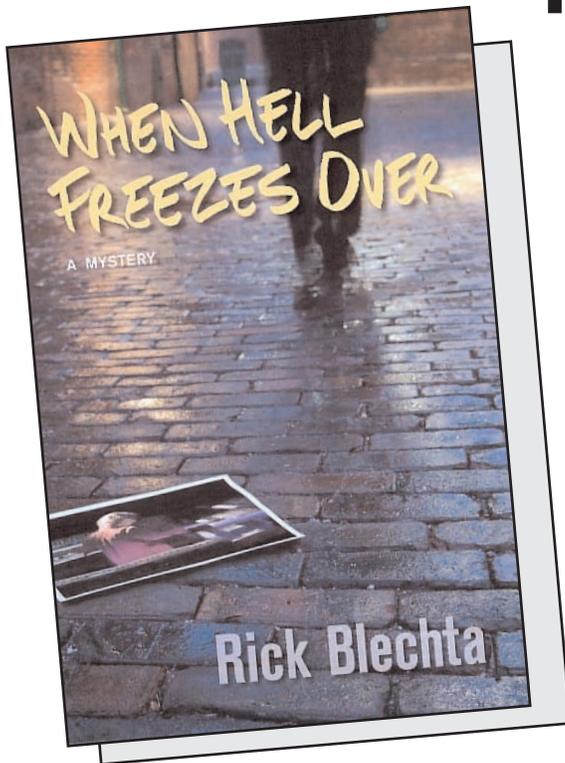


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When Hell Freezes Over

Rick Blechta

*You can't run away
forever...*

The protagonist of Rick Blechta's taut, new musical mystery is Michael Quinn, a former rock star. Twenty-four years earlier, he'd turned his back on a band which was on the verge of superstardom, and has spent his life since hiding from everything he'd been.

Stopped at a red light one night, his passenger door is wrenched open and a woman jumps in. Three thugs are pelting down the street after her. What can Michael do? He does "the right thing" and races off into the night.

But doing so sets in motion a chain of events which ultimately turns his and several other lives upside down. First, a close friend is brutally murdered and the girl disappears. Then he finds out

that everything she told him was a lie – or was it?

Michael hires a private investigator who picks up the girl's trail and begins to discover the quarry is not at all what she seems. The situation becomes deadly serious for them both when the thugs come looking for Michael. They want something the girl has and he is the last one to have seen her. What are they after? Only by finding her can that question be answered and maybe, just maybe, get Michael out of a hole that's getting bigger with every passing moment.

Now he's unwillingly thrust back into the spotlight and forced to confront what he was, what he is now and what he might have been. Will that moment of truth finally come when hell freezes over?

The third book in Blechta's Musical Mysteries series. RVC previously published Cemetery of the Nameless (©2005), which was nominated for an Arthur Ellis Award in the Best Novel category.

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