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***American Roulette* Authors Sign with WGM Atlantic Talent & Literary Group**

Groundbreaking Novel on America's Gun Violence Crisis Secures International Agent  
for Film Representation

**CARLISLE, Pa. (March 2, 2026)** — The ten collaborators behind *American Roulette*, the groundbreaking novel that vividly depicts a fictionalized account of a horrifyingly typical and uniquely American phenomenon—the daily mass shooting—have officially signed with WGM Atlantic Talent & Literary Group for film representation.

Based in London and New York, WGM Atlantic Group represents internationally recognized acting and literary talent and has been associated with major global productions including *Peaky Blinders*, *The Crown* and *Wednesday*.

Madeleine Cotter, co-founder of WGM Atlantic Group, personally signed the writing team after recognizing the novel's cinematic scope and emotional impact. In early discussions, Cotter praised the book's captivating storyline and well-developed characters, noting its strong potential as a feature film. She highlighted the authors' abilities to establish a sense of normalcy in the characters' lives before the tragic event unfolds—an approach that deepens the emotional resonance while building tension and momentum throughout the narrative.

*American Roulette* explores the intersecting lives of eight diverse characters whose ordinary day at a suburban mall turns into an unthinkable tragedy. By grounding the story in relatable, everyday moments, the novel forces readers to confront the unsettling reality that mass shootings in America have become both shocking and disturbingly routine.

*American Roulette* was created by ten authors—Pat LaMarche, Sherry Knowlton, J.M. West, Matthew Best, Robert Bradshaw, Phyllis Orenyo, Andy Carey and James Dodds—with an introduction by historian Cheryl Woodruff Brooks and creative consultation by Cheryl Dunn Bychek. Each author crafted a protagonist whose life is forever changed by violence, weaving a tapestry of stories that culminates in a powerful reflection on tragedy, resilience and choice.

Since the 2017 Las Vegas massacre—the deadliest mass shooting in modern U.S. history—more than 300,000 Americans have died by firearm. Against this stark backdrop, the authors created *American Roulette* not as political commentary, but as a catalyst for conversation. Recognizing that many Americans struggle to engage in direct discussions about gun violence, the writing team chose fiction as a powerful vehicle to humanize the statistics and give voice to victims, families and communities forever altered by tragedy.

In October 2025, the authors expanded access to the story by releasing a free audiobook edition, available at [americanroulettebook.com](http://americanroulettebook.com) and on YouTube, ensuring that cost would not be a barrier to engaging with the narrative.

With representation now secured through WGM Atlantic Group, the authors are exploring opportunities to bring *American Roulette* to the screen, further amplifying its message and reach.

### **About *American Roulette***

*American Roulette*, published by Sunbury Press, is a collaborative novel written by a ten-member team of authors from diverse professional and creative backgrounds. United by a shared commitment to sparking dialogue around America's gun violence crisis, the team crafted a suspenseful, character-driven story that examines how lives intersect in moments of unimaginable crisis. For more information about the novel and the authors, visit [here](#).

### **About WGM Atlantic Talent & Literary Group**

WGM Atlantic Group is an international talent and literary agency with offices in London and New York, representing leading voices across film, television and publishing. For more information, visit [here](#).

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