

The Lord of Death

Eliot Pattison

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You won't find more exotic characters and setting, or a more complex (and powerful) political theme, than Eliot Pattison serves up in *The Lord of Death* (Soho Crime, 978-1-56947-579-9). Its set in Tibet, where Shan Tao Yun, a former Chinese cop, must find a killer in order to save his imprisoned son.

The sixth in a series, *The Lord of Death* is beautifully written, full of intrigue, and INSIGHTFUL IN ITS FRAMING of the historical and contemporary issues between China and Tibet. Warning: some of the torture scenes are disturbing not only for their graphic depiction but also because they mirror what happens in present-day Tibet. DICK CADY (July / August 2009)

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