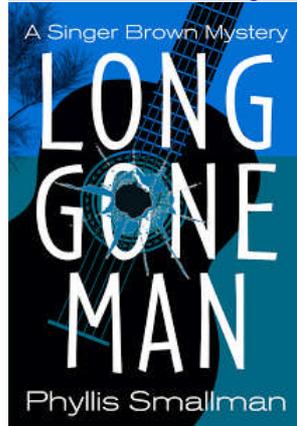


[Book Review: Long Gone Man by Phyllis Smallman](#)



Title: Long Gone Man

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Set on Glenphiddie Island, near Vancouver, Phyllis Smallman's new mysteries series tells the story of Singer Brown, who twenty years later is looking to avenge the death of her lover, Michael, a roadie for a rock band called Vortex. After Michael's death, Singer dropped out of the band and has led a lonely life as a homeless person, making money where she can by singing for change. Singer is determined to find the man that murdered Michael and ruined her life, but she arrives too late and discovers Vortex's lead singer, Johnny Vibes, dead. More determined than ever Singer tries to solve the mystery behind their deaths and save herself from becoming the next victim.

I'm a big fan of Phyllis Smallman's long standing series surrounding Sherri Travis. The first book in the Sherri Travis mysteries is Margarita Nights. I was pleased to hear that Phyllis was writing a new series, featuring Singer Brown. With my husband working in the music industry I was excited to see a series featuring a rock band.

Long Gone Man is a beautifully written mystery that took me on a thrilling ride. Right from the beginning as Singer makes her way to Glenphiddie Island, amidst fog and danger, to the satisfying ending as the killer is revealed, I absolutely loved every second of it. Phyllis Smallman has a way of wrapping the reader up in a plot so tempting that you simply can't put the book down - and I didn't want to, not even for a second.

I quickly warmed to Singer Brown. She's had a hard life since Michael's death, living on the streets. Yet, she still has a compassionate nature and believes in the good in people. With more than a handful of suspects that wanted to see Johnny dead, she certainly has her work cut out for her, and I found myself rooting for her, hoping she'd solve the murder.

Long Gone Man was a great introduction to this new series and I'm looking forward to seeing where Phyllis Smallman takes Singer Brown and this series next.
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