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## **Visit with mystery writer Shirley Tallman**

Join mystery writer Shirley Tallman at the Olympia Timberland Library on Wednesday, April 14 from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Tallman will read from, discuss and sign copies of *Scandal on Rincon Hill*, her fourth historical mystery novel set in 1880s San Francisco. Copies of the book will be available for purchase.

Tallman's protagonist is intelligent and feisty attorney, Sarah Woolson. A murder near her Rincon Hill neighborhood home is followed by a series of gruesome crimes that take Sarah into some of San Francisco's most exotic and dangerous spots. Alongside the mystery, history and romance in Tallman's novel lie themes of anti-Chinese prejudice and the plight of women who were pressured to marry.

*Scandal on Rincon Hill* was released on March 30 to bouquets of positive reviews. Previous titles in the popular series are *Murder on Nob Hill*, *The Russian Hill Murders*, and *The Cliff House Strangler*, all set in San Francisco. The first hardcover editions of the second and third titles sold out in less than two months.

Tallman has also published ten contemporary novels and has written and sold television scripts to NBC, CBS and ABC. She grew up in San Francisco and now lives in Oregon and Nevada. Her Web site is <http://shirleytallman.com>.



The Olympia Timberland Library is at 313 8th Avenue SE. For more information, call (360) 352-0595 or go to [www.TRL.org](http://www.TRL.org).

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