

LOCAL AUTHOR BOOK RELEASE NOTICE



Dear Bookseller,

I am reaching out to introduce a trilogy that offers something rare in historical fiction: a story rooted in an actual documented American mystery — with real letters, real figures, and an ending that genuinely happened. The Wizard Clip Haunting Trilogy by Stanley D. Williams is a three-volume series releasing in June 2026, and it is poised to appeal to readers across multiple strong-selling categories.

A Story Built for Your Shelves

The Wizard Clip Haunting is one of early America's most remarkable recorded events — a years-long supernatural disturbance in Smithfield, Virginia (now West Virginia), investigated by the future first Catholic bishop of the United States and ultimately exorcised by a circuit-riding Irish priest. Williams brings this story to life with vivid historical fiction, drawing on primary sources, real correspondence, and a cast of figures that includes John Adams, Bishop John Carroll, and a Russian prince turned frontier priest.

The trilogy spans the founding era of American Catholicism, the post-Revolutionary frontier, and the raw collision of Old World faith with New World skepticism. It will resonate with readers of Ken Follett, Hilary Mantel, and James Michener — and with anyone drawn to American history, spiritual mystery, or richly drawn historical characters.

Publication Details

Three volumes release on consecutive Thursdays in June 2026:

Book 1 — Passages (June 4)	eBook: 978-1-966625-90-2	Paperback: 978-1-966625-93-3
Book 2 — Strangers (June 11)	eBook: 978-1-966625-91-9	Paperback: 978-1-966625-94-0
Book 3 — Ministers (June 18)	eBook: 978-1-966625-92-6	Paperback: 978-1-966625-95-7

Publisher: Defiance Press & Publishing, LLC

Ordering Information

All three titles are available through Ingram, making ordering simple for your existing workflows. The weekly staggered release schedule creates a natural opportunity to build momentum in your store — hand-selling one volume to a customer who will return for the next.

Drive Traffic with Author Events

Stanley Williams is eager to support independent and local booksellers with in-person and virtual engagement. He is available for:

- In-store book signings
- Author readings

- Speaking engagements and presentations
- Book club author visits (in person or via video call) (Book Club Kit Available)
- Local author spotlights and media appearances

Events tied to new releases are a proven way to drive foot traffic and build customer loyalty — and a trilogy launch gives you three opportunities in three weeks.

Get in Touch

To discuss an author event, or request additional information, please contact Stanley Williams directly:

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Titles available through: Ingram

Thank you for considering the Wizard Clip Haunting Trilogy for your shelves. This is the kind of story that starts conversations — and conversation is what great bookstores are built on.

With appreciation,

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