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### **True Crime Author James Renner to Visit DPL**

[DEFIANCE] – The 1990 unsolved murder of Lisa Pruitt in Shaker Heights, Ohio, is the subject of James Renner's newest true crime novel, "Little, Crazy Children." Renner will discuss this, and other Ohio cold cases he has investigated, during a visit to Defiance Public Library, 320 Fort St., on July 24 at 5:30 p.m.

Renner is mostly known for his true-crime journalism. As a reporter for *Cleveland Scene*, he uncovered new clues and suspects in the cold-case murder of Amy Mihaljevic, and his work led to the successful closure of the Tina Harmon case in 2009. His crime writing has been featured in the Best American Crime Reporting anthology.

Renner's debut novel, 2012's "The Man from Primrose Lane," blends mystery and science fiction, and is currently being adapted for television. He is also the founder of The Porchlight Project, a nonprofit raising money for new DNA testing in Ohio cold cases.

Renner will present in the Nellie Gary Reading Room. The program is free and open to all adults, sponsored by the Friends of Defiance Public Library. No registration is needed. Books will be available for sale and signing.

For more information, contact the library at 419-782-1456.

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