

Praise for Anthony Bidulka and Amuse Bouche:

“Off to Paris goes the ever debonair Quant on what turns out to be a first rate goose chase.”

– *Quill & Quire (Toronto)*

“Bidulka’s Amuse Bouche is an effervescent first novel that is much like the tasty French hors d’oeuvres from which it takes its name.”

– *Quill & Quire (Toronto)*

“It’s an amusing, entertaining, and sometimes titillating story with a lively supporting cast of characters.”

– *Quill & Quire (Toronto)*

“What really stands out here is the subtle way that Bidulka comments on the ordinary lives of the gays and lesbians in Russell’s world. Bidulka touches on a variety of serious issues...while neatly weaving these strands into an engaging mystery.”

– *Quill & Quire (Toronto)*

“Along the way we meet some colourful characters, and are drawn into a fascinating milieu.”

– *The StarPhoenix (Saskatoon)*

“First-rate mystery...by any standards.”

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“Bidulka unravels his tale with skill and gentle humour but his real strength lies in his characters and his evocation of...community in a smaller city.”

– *The Voice (Ottawa)*

“Amuse Bouche...is an aptly named auspicious debut.”

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“Amuse Bouche is a novel that entertains and broadens horizons; something...all literature should do.”

– *NewWinnipeg (Winnipeg)*

“Bidulka’s Quant is a wonderfully “comfortable” raconteur.”

– *Outlooks (Calgary)*

“The ease with which [Bidulka] tells his tale makes the pages slide by almost imperceptively as the story unfolds.”

– *Outlooks (Calgary)*

“Amuse Bouche is a fun, quick (and best of all), Canadian-friendly read—great for lazy summer days.”

– *Outlooks (Calgary)*

“Anthony Bidulka’s doing his bit to support and promote Canadian culture.”

– *Outlooks (Calgary)*

“Suspense, humour, and ambiguity surround the colourful characters that meander throughout the pages of [Amuse Bouche], taunting and teasing you to dare to guess “who did it?”

– *Swerve (Winnipeg)*

“If Bidulka’s take on detective work is anything but glamorous, the settings make up for it. Amuse Bouche is...packed with many colourful characters.”

– *Prairie Dog (Regina)*

“The real charm of this debut comes...from its savory good cheer.”

– *GMax*

“Novice author Anthony Bidulka scores a hit.”

– *FFWD (Calgary)*

“[Amuse Bouche] is populated with a broad variety of interesting and very human characters, written with warmth and a genuine sense of humour.”

– *FFWD (Calgary)*

“Prairie noir—author Anthony Bidulka defies cliches with Amuse Bouche, his stylish new murder mystery set in Saskatchewan.”

– *FFWD (Calgary)*

“Bidulka could have a winning series.”

– *Calgary Herald (Calgary)*

‘Choice of the Week’ – “Anthony Bidulka paints the Prairies a lighter shade of noir with Amuse Bouche.”

– *The Georgia Straight (Vancouver)*

“In Amuse Bouche Bidulka exhibits that intangible quality of the great mystery writer to offer his audience enough to keep them interested without giving the entire package away.”

– *The Ultimate Hallucination*

“Bidulka has written a first-class mystery.”

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“Bidulka has talent and this Amuse Bouche promises lots of tasty things to come.”

– *The Globe and Mail (Toronto)*

“Bidulka serves up strong characters and an intriguing plot...one hopes this book itself is only an amuse bouche...for those that are to follow.”

– *Lavender Magazine (Minneapolis/St. Paul)*

“Bidulka is so entertaining that he makes you consider a visit to that prairie province once famed for wheat.”

– *The Blade (Laguna Beach, California)*

“With first novel ‘Amuse Bouche’, Anthony Bidulka shows a certain je ne sais quoi.”

– *in newsweekly (Boston)*