

Praise for Anthony Bidulka and Sundowner Ubuntu:

"With his fifth in the series of Russell Quant mysteries, Saskatoon's Anthony Bidulka continues to serve up a blend of winning ingredients." – *The StarPhoenix (Saskatoon)*

"Bidulka builds engaging characters." – *The StarPhoenix (Saskatoon)*

"Truly amazing is Bidulka's sense of sights, sounds and smells. Like a good journalist, he gives exquisitely detailed descriptions of the settings and provides history lessons..." – *The StarPhoenix (Saskatoon)*

"...mixed tide of 'exhilaration, apprehension and appreciation'...a fitting description of what any reader will get out of this book." – *The StarPhoenix (Saskatoon)*

"The latest Russell Quant mystery is terrific, the best of the series." – *The Globe and Mail (Toronto)*

"This witty series is...very smart." – *The Globe and Mail (Toronto)*

"...another tale of intrigue, danger, international travel and culinary tidbits." – *Outlooks Magazine (Calgary)*

"Bidulka continues to gain strength as a writer, and with his mastery of the English language." – *Outlooks Magazine (Calgary)*

"...a treat for any reader." – *Outlooks Magazine (Calgary)*

"...decadent passions of travel, fine wines, and cuisine are woven into the narrative in an organic fashion that a lesser writer would have had difficulty with." – *Outlooks Magazine (Calgary)*

"Bidulka...keeps the danger and actions sequences choreographed in such a way as to keep you from putting the book down..." – *Outlooks Magazine (Calgary)*

"...an enjoyable read that keeps you hooked." – *Outlooks Magazine (Calgary)*

"Bidulka's books are almost giddily charming, and his latest, though it deals with serious subjects, is no exception." – *Calgary Herald (Calgary)*

"Quant's search takes him to places as beautiful as they are terrible, and as lethal as they are lovely." – *Calgary Herald (Calgary)*

"Even if you've never read a Russell Quant mystery, you'll feel like he's an old friend with the candid narrative and down to earth dialogue." – *The Yellowknifer (Yellowknife, NWT)*

"...believable, witty, and laugh out loud funny." – *The Yellowknifer (Yellowknife, NWT)*

"Anthony Bidulka's Russell Quant novels offer an engaging variation upon the pattern established by [Joseph] Hansen and extended by writers like Michael Nava in the Henry Rios series and Sue Grafton in the alphabet series." – *Gay and Lesbian Review Worldwide (Boston)*

"One of the most engaging features of the series is the shifting balance of...relationships as personal crises arise among his friends to which Russell must attend while working on a case." – *Gay and Lesbian Review Worldwide (Boston)*

"Much of the delight of the novel stems from Bidulka's juxtaposition of the 'local color' of the Canadian prairies with the steamy, exotic grasslands of South Africa..." – *Gay and Lesbian Review Worldwide (Boston)*

"Russell...is more likely to try to negotiate his way out of a tight situation with a quip than with fists." – *Gay and Lesbian Review Worldwide (Boston)*

"That Russell should be saved by an animal while on a case that has thrust him into a world where Westerners callously kill big game for sport is rich cosmic, rather than comic, irony." – *Gay and Lesbian Review Worldwide (Boston)*

"Anthony Bidulka is a larger-than-life, card-carrying bon vivant and eccentric." – *The Sherbrooke Record (Sherbrooke, QC)*

"The protagonist of Bidulka's crime novels, Russell Quant, is likewise a Canadian original." – *The Sherbrooke Record (Sherbrooke, QC)*

"...the Russell Quant mysteries are unmistakably stories for our times." – *The Sherbrooke Record (Sherbrooke, QC)*

"...Bidulka brings a fresh voice to Canadian crime fiction, with a sense of humour that is often outrageous and always original; he provides his readers with a cleverly-crafted tale full of twists and turns, and

challenges readers to broaden their perspectives.” – *The Sherbrooke Record (Sherbrooke, QC)*

"The ending...is as satisfactory as any I have recently encountered, but I was not expecting it. Yet the author plays scrupulously fair with the reader." – *reviewingtheevidence.com*

"If the mystery is totally engaging, Russell's personal development is as compelling." – *reviewingtheevidence.com*

"One senses this is the author's most personal novel to date." – *reviewingtheevidence.com*

"Despite all the darkness in the novel, this is the author's most joyful to date. It is also his finest, a work that radiates a deep sense of humanity and wisdom." – *reviewingtheevidence.com*

"Bidulka is an experienced writer...and it's apparent from the first three lines." – *Wayves (Halifax)*

"Fast-paced, somewhat slick (but in a positive way) this is not an easy book to put down." – *Wayves (Halifax)*

"The characters in Sundowner Ubuntu are deftly drawn, with even the minor characters coming to life in distinctively individual ways." – *Wayves (Halifax)*

"My first reaction in reaching the end of this book was to head to my computer to find how to get a hold of the four earlier books in the series..." – *Wayves (Halifax)*

"...a satisfying episode in Quant's ongoing professional saga." – *PGN (Philadelphia)*

"Not only (are) Anthony Bidulka's powers of observations such that easily translate into a gripping novel, but his sensitivity and willingness to work in gay issues makes his books riveting novels that can't be put down." – *Midwest Book Review*

"Russell Quant is a hero who is humble, vulnerable, but intelligent, resourceful, and all too human." – *Midwest Book Review*

"SUNDOWNER UBUNTU is a refreshing and original tale...Bidulka is a fantastic writer and his Russell Quant mystery series is a real winner." – *Midwest Book Review*

“All dangers aside, though, when you’re through with this riveting book, you might find yourself booking the first flight to Cape Town. See you on the plane!” – *Mystery Scene Magazine (New York)*

“Despite many reminders of how messy and even unpleasant human existence can be, there is a peacefulness about this novel that is new to the series.” – *Lambda Book Report (Los Angeles)*

“The novel is by all odds the author’s most masterful to date...” – *Lambda Book Report (Los Angeles)*

“...beautifully written and deeply wise.” – *Lambda Book Report (Los Angeles)*

"Bidulka pulls out all the stops to give the reader an exciting ride." – *Lavender Magazine (Minneapolis)*