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*Knife* went on to win Killer Nashville's 2019 Silver Falchion as Best Mystery. The audio book, narrated by former Royal Shakespearean actor Matthew Lloyd Davies, won Audiofile Magazine's 2019 Earphone award for Best Mystery and Suspense. The book is also available in Japan via Hayakawa Publishing.

His second novel, *Queen's Gambit*, involving a fictional assassination attempt on Queen Victoria, Won Killer Nashville's 2020 Silver Falchion Award both for Best Suspense and Book of the Year.

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