

Author Bio

James Ponti is the *New York Times* and *USA Today* Bestselling author of four Middle Grade book series, including *City Spies* and *The Sherlock Society*. His novels have been named to forty-five state award lists, optioned by Hollywood, and translated into fifteen languages. He's a two-time Edgar Award-nominee, winning in 2018 for *Vanished*. He lives with his family in Orlando Florida.

Social Media

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Representation

Literary Agent – Rosemary Stimola, Stimola Literary Studio – stimolaliterarystudio.com

Film Agent – Jason Dravis – The Dravis Agency – thedravisagency.com

International Editions – Clementine Ahearne – ILA – ila-agency.co.uk

National Bestseller Lists

New York Times Bestseller – *City Spies*

Indie Booksellers Bestseller – *City Spies*

New York Times Bestseller – *Golden Gate*

New York Times Bestseller – *Forbidden City*

New York Times Bestseller – *City of the Dead*

New York Times Bestseller – *Mission Manhattan*

USA Today Bestseller – *Mission Manhattan*

New York Times Bestseller – *The Sherlock Society* - #2

Indie Booksellers Bestseller – *The Sherlock Society* - #1

USA Today Bestseller – *The Sherlock Society*

Awards

2016 – Florida Book Award – Bronze Medal – *Framed!*

2017 – Edgar Award Nominee – Mystery Writers of America – *Framed!*

2018 – Edgar Award – Mystery Writers of America – *Vanished!*

2019 – Mark Twain Reader's Award – Missouri State Readers' Choice – *Framed!*

2019 – Nevada Young Readers' Award – *Framed!*

2021 – Florida Sunshine State Young Readers Award – *City Spies*

2021 – Florida Book Award – Bronze Medal – *Golden Gate*

2022 – President's Award – Florida Association of Media Educators

2022 – Maryland Black-Eyed Susan Book Award – *City Spies*

2022 – Sakura Medal – International Schools of Japan Best Book Award - *City Spies*

2023 – Minnesota Youth Readers Award – *City Spies*

2023 – Nevada Young Readers' Award – *City Spies*

2023 – Young Hoosier Book Award – *City Spies*

2024 – Nēnē Award – Hawai'i's Children's Choice Book Award – *City Spies*

2024 – Charlie Mae Simon Children's Book Award – Arkansas – *City Spies*

Honors

2017 – Bank Street Best Children’s Books of the Year – *Vanished!*

2018 – Bank Street Best Children’s Books of the Year – *Trapped!*

2020 – Junior Library Guild Gold Standard – *City Spies*

2020 – New York Public Library Best Books of 2020 – *City Spies*

2020 – Parents’ Magazine Best Books of 2020 – *City Spies*

2020 – Parent’s Choice Recommended Books – *City Spies*

2021 – Indie Next – *Golden Gate*

2021 – Junior Library Guild Gold Standard – *Golden Gate*

2022 – Junior Library Guild Gold Standard – *Forbidden City*

2023 – Junior Library Guild Gold Standard – *City of the Dead*

2024 – Junior Library Guild Gold Standard – *Mission Manhattan*

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