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## Sherlock star Mark Gatiss writes foreword for Catching Bullets: Memoirs of a Bond Fan

Writer and actor **Mark Gatiss**, star of the BBC drama **Sherlock**, has penned the foreword to Splendid Books' forthcoming title *Catching Bullets: Memoirs of a Bond Fan*.

"We are absolutely delighted that Mark Gatiss, who is a huge Bond fan, has written a superbly witty and incisive foreword," says Shoba Vazirani, Editorial Director at Splendid Books. "Author Mark O'Connell has penned a very funny, interesting and poignant book in *Catching Bullets: Memoirs of a Bond Fan* and Mark Gatiss' foreword complements it perfectly."

In addition former Bond girl **Maud Adams**, who starred with Roger Moore in the 007 film *Octopussy* has contributed an afterword to the book. "To have Mark Gatiss and Maud Adams flanking the shoulders of *Catching Bullets: Memoirs of a Bond Fan* is a true honour," says Mark O'Connell.

Published by Splendid Books, *Catching Bullets: Memoirs of a Bond Fan* is from the offbeat vantage point of a gay teenager whose grandfather was chauffeur to legendary 007 producer Cubby Broccoli. It is a love-letter to James Bond, Duran Duran title songs and bolting down your tea quick enough to watch Roger Moore falling out of a plane without a parachute.

Mark Gatiss is one of the co-creators and stars of award-winning *Sherlock*, a regular contributor on *Doctor Who*, starred in and co-wrote *The League of Gentlemen* and is the cape-twirling force behind BBC Four's *A History of Horror* and its imminent bloody sequel. Maud Adams starred in cult favourites *Rollerball* and *Tattoo*, Arthur Miller's *Playing For Time*, as well as 1974's *The Man with the Golden Gun* and the title role in 1983's *Octopussy*.

Catching Bullets: Memoirs of a Bond Fan is available now to pre-order direct from www.splendidbooks.co.uk

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