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Dr. S. Lee Funk's *How Rampage Killers Interpret Their Worlds* Receives PenCraft Award for Literary Excellence in Non-Fiction

The latest honor adds to the book's International Firebird Book Awards first-place win and American Legacy Book Awards finalist recognition.

Sacramento, Calif. — October 29, 2026 — *How Rampage Killers Interpret Their Worlds* by Dr. S. Lee Funk has received the **PenCraft Award for Literary Excellence in Non-Fiction**, adding to a series of honors for its examination of the inner narratives and interpretive frameworks of individuals who commit rampage violence.

The PenCraft recognition follows the book's **First Place** award in the **Crime** category of the **International Firebird Book Awards** and **Finalist** honors in the **True Crime** category of the **American Legacy Book Awards**.

Dr. Funk's work examines the cognitive patterns, personal narratives, and social meanings that shape how rampage killers understand themselves and the world around them. The book explores how grievance, identity, isolation, and distorted interpretations of experience can contribute to the formation of a dangerous worldview.

"This recognition is meaningful because the book was written to deepen public understanding of a very difficult subject," said Dr. Funk. "If we want to better understand these tragedies, we must examine not only what offenders do, but how they interpret their lives, their grievances, and their place in the world."

In addition to its literary honors, *How Rampage Killers Interpret Their Worlds* received a favorable review from **The Chrysalis BREW Project**. The book addresses questions of interest to scholars, mental health professionals, criminologists, educators, law enforcement professionals, and readers seeking a deeper understanding of the psychological and social dimensions of extreme violence.

[Read the review at The Chrysalis BREW Project.](#)

About the Author

Dr. S. Lee Funk is the author of *How Rampage Killers Interpret Their Worlds*, a scholarly work examining the psychological, social, and interpretive processes that contribute to acts of rampage violence. His work focuses on understanding the internal narratives and worldview formation that can precede catastrophic acts.

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