



Wonderland

Dublin's gangland erupts with a vicious double murder of two Albanian men on a Dublin street in broad daylight. A Dublin crime boss becomes more uneasy over his alliance with Belfast politicians who helped place him near the top of Ireland's drug smuggling industry. A teenaged school girl dead of an overdose in a park in a swanky Dublin suburb. Inspector Minogue is going off the rails after a suspect he was interviewing in a routine fraud investigation kills herself.

Welcome to interesting times in Dublin. You'll be in a city roaring, spinning and racing full throttle to the future, a place where the tiger economy sends seismic shocks through every level of society. Minogue's

adopted eternal city is a place of wealth and runaway heroin addiction, of movie stars, rock idols and gangster chic. By day the din of construction rings out over the crush of traffic; by night, the crowds spill into the streets, alight with the glitter of high-end restaurants and the glare of all-night clubs. The Irish have arrived, Dublin seems to shout. The bad times are gone and the future's arrived brighter and better than anyone could have imagined. Welcome to Wonderland.

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- ❑ 'If there are authors better at chronicling the events of modern Ireland, I haven't yet read them. Brady's best so far'. (Globe and Mail Canada. Also Globe's best mystery of the year 2005)

