

Podtalk Part Two: Eddie Muller of 'Noir City: Chicago 2022'

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CHICAGO – Eddie Muller, the film historian known as the “Czar of Noir,” is about to prove his point. In about 20 minutes of PART TWO to an interview conducted a couple weeks ago, Muller shares his rich knowledge about all things shadowy in the 1940s/50s era of film noir. This coincides with the last two days of “Noir City: Chicago 2022, click [NOIR CITY](#) [24] for more info.

“Noir City: Chicago 2022” is a program of screenings, hosted by Muller last weekend, and through Alan K. Rode of the Film Noir Foundation for the rest of the event. This dark category of film drama are usually set at night, and features a rogues gallery of dames, gumshoes, coppers and crooks.



At the Music Box Theatre, with Eddie Muller (inset)

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Eddie Muller is the recognized world expert on film noir, nicknamed the “Czar of Noir” by James McEllroy, author of “L.A. Confidential.” His father, also named Eddie Muller, was a renown sports writer for the San Francisco Examiner, covering the golden age of the underbelly in the boxing world. Eddie the Second followed in his father’s footsteps, beginning his career as a journalist. While plying that trade, he attended film

school in the late 1970s, garnering a finalist nod for a student Academy Award in 1979 for “Bay City Blues,” his homage to literary noir-ist Raymond Chandler.

From there, he delved into the noir world in both film and design, and has written novels and film books like “Dark City: The Lost World of Film Noir.” Besides programming the traveling Noir City film screenings for the past ten years, he is host on Turner Classic Movies Noir Alley, every Sunday morning. He also co-wrote the Hollywood biography “Tab Hunter Confidential: The Making of a Movie Star,” and was friends with the actor until his passing in 2018.

In a Part Two Podtalk with Patrick McDonald of HollywoodChicago.com, the Czar of Noir Eddie Muller expands on all things “film noir” ...

In continuing the conversation, Eddie talks about his father’s history as an old timey sports reporter in San Francisco ...

For the PART ONE interview with Eddie Muller by Patrick McDonald of HollywoodChicago.com, click [ONE NOIR CITY](#) [25].

The Music Box Theatre – 3733 North Southport Avenue in Chicago – Eddie Muller, Alan Rode and the Film Noir Foundation presents “Noir City 2022” through September 1st, 2022. For more information on the world of Eddie Muller, [click here](#). [26]



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