The 10 Most Prolific Serial Killers in Canadian History



In the history of **Canada**, a country renowned for its natural beauty and cultural diversity, a dark chapter has also been written by some of the most prolific serial killers. Their impact on society and citizens' sense of security still resonates today.

Here is an overview of the 10 most infamously known serial killers in Canadian history.

- Robert Pickton (1990-2002): Dubbed "The Vancouver Butcher," Pickton targeted marginalized women in Vancouver's Downtown Eastside neighborhood. He was convicted of killing six women, but the potential number of victims is much higher.
- Paul Bernardo and Karla Homolka (1987-1992): This killer couple, known as the "Scarborough Rapist" and "Ken and Barbie Killers," committed a series of brutal rapes and murders. Their horrifying crimes shocked the nation.
- Clifford Olson (1980-1981): Convicted of murdering children and adolescents, Olson killed 11 young victims.
 His cruelty and lack of remorse left an indelible mark on the collective memory.
- **Russell Williams** (2007-2010): A former Canadian Forces colonel, Williams was found guilty of murder and sexual assault. His crimes shook trust in security institutions.

- 5. **Bruce McArthur** (2010-2017): McArthur targeted gay men in Toronto. His crimes were uncovered in 2018 when remains of several victims were found in gardens.
- **Gilbert Paul Jordan (1965-1987):** Known as the "Shoe Fetish Killer," Jordan targeted Indigenous women. His method involved drugging them and allowing them to overdose.
- 7. **Peter Woodcock** (**1956-1991**): Dubbed the "under-the-bridge killer," Woodcock committed his first murder at the age of 17. He killed three children and is one of Canada's youngest serial killers.
- Michael Wayne McGray (1985-1998): McGray was convicted of several brutal murders and claimed to have killed up to 16 people. His crimes exposed flaws in the Canadian prison system.
- **Wayne Boden (1969-1971):** Known as the "Corset Killer," Boden murdered at least four women by using a corset to strangle them. His crimes instilled terror in the 1970s.
- John Martin Crawford (1981-1992): Crawford was convicted of killing four Indigenous women in Alberta. His story shed light on the unresolved disappearances of Indigenous women.

These serial killers have left a dark imprint on Canadian history. Their crimes shocked and disturbed the nation, becoming stark reminders of the human horrors that can occur even in the most peaceful places.

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