

FAQ 48
(July 7, 2007)

48.1

Pompidou Centre PowerPoint Lecture
Paris, France, June, 2006
(Streaming video—2 hours)

Link to video lecture- <http://www.centrepompidou.fr/streaming/hodel/index.htm>

In the summer of 2006, I was honored with the privilege of being invited to lecture at the Pompidou Centre in Paris, France. Six months prior to going to Paris, I had given a PowerPoint presentation to the annual **California Association of Criminalists, hosted by LAPD's SID (Scientific Investigation Division) Unit**. For the Pompidou presentation I modified my talk (which had stressed the forensics,) and focused more on the **WHY** (the motive) of my father's murder --as it relates to ART.

Pompidou Art Centre Paris, France



For those interested in watching the on-line two-hour streaming video (graciously made available by the Pompidou Centre) a couple of observations:

- 1) The first five minutes (introductions etc.) are in French, then my lecture/ slide presentation in English which runs about forty-five minutes.
- 2) The Q&A follows and runs another forty-five minutes or so. Questions are in French and I use a simultaneous translator headset (just like the U.N., very cool) so, while you may not understand the question (unless you are fluent in French) you will hear my answers in English, which reveal the question.
- 3) Several corrections: On the subject of Tamar's daughter, Deborah, and the photo showing her with eyes closed. Since the lecture I learned that Tamar was mistaken, and that photo was NOT taken by our father, so disregard.

Also, though at the time of the lecture (June, 2006) BDA film rights had not been optioned; they have now by--NEW LINE CINEMA.

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48.2

Q: A chronology of Elizabeth’s Short’s movements lists different hotels she lived in. Most are known, but one is new to me. I read on another website that the DA Files indicate “Elizabeth stayed with her boyfriend, Lt. Gordon Fickling at the Brevoort Hotel in Hollywood, from Aug. 20-27, 1946.” Does this hotel still exist?

Yes, the Brevoort Hotel built in the 1920s is still standing. (Located at Lexington & Vine Sts.) But, as far as my own research goes, there is nothing documented indicating Elizabeth ever stayed at the Brevoort. (**See updated correction below) The hotel referenced in the DA files for those dates is- “**The Brevn Hotel**” I found no listing in Los Angeles under that name, but did not research Long Beach or other nearby communities. Two of the Hollywood hotels known to be 1946 residences of Elizabeth Short are shown below. (Both pictures taken by me in 2007)

Elizabeth Short’s Hollywood Apartments 1946



Chancellor Apts 1842 N. Cherokee Ave #501



Guardian Apts 5217 Hollywood # 726

******* AUG 22 2007 UPDATE & CORRECTION*******

In a recent review of the DA Files I have discovered your original information was in fact CORRECT. The chronology was not a part of the 1949 DA investigation, but rather included in a summary report prepared by LAPD and given to DA Lt. Jemison as part of his initial "briefing". The excerpted LAPD chronology reads as follows:

8/20/46- --- She (Elizabeth Short) went with Flickling (sic) and lived with him at the Brevort Hotel, Hollywood.

8/27/46 At 11:30 p.m. she checked out of the Brevort Hotel.



Brevort Hotel, near Lexington & Vine, Hollywood
(Photos taken by author August 2007)

L.A. Times May 16, 1937

HOTELS	251
Hollywood	
HOLLYWOOD	
St. Francis Hotel	
AND	
APARTMENTS	
HOTEL RATES	
\$2 DAY UP.	\$30 MO. UP.
With private bath & shower.	
APARTMENT RATES	
\$40 SINGLES UP.	\$85 DOUBLES UP.
No extra. 24-hour switchboard service.	
6633 Hollywood Blvd. Hillside 1131.	
Hotel Brevoort	
Smart studio room with private bath.	
Large lounge. Beautiful gardens. Free	
swimming pool. Sun bathing & parking.	
RATES FROM:	
\$2 a day or \$10 a week.	
AMERICAN PLAN	
\$3 a day or \$17.50 week, meals included.	
LEXINGTON AT VINE	
Hillside 1171.	
\$6 WK. Attractive mo. rates every rm. Priv.	
bath. convenient location. Hotel Harvey,	
5840 Santa Monica Blvd.	
IN HOLLYWOOD	IT'S THE
CHRISTIE HOTEL	

1937 ad for Brevoort Studio Apts for "\$2.00 a day"