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Discover Oregon's most historic, eccentric, and ghoulish cemeteries with forthcoming book from Ashland Creek Press

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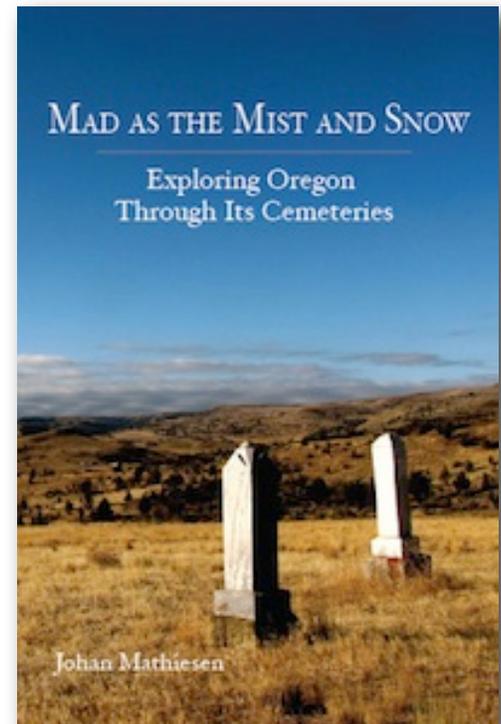
(ASHLAND, OR — June 28, 2011) — Oregon's cemeteries tell the stories of pioneers, Native Americans, boom towns, and ghost towns. And many of these stories have long gone unheard.

Until now.

Mad as the Mist and Snow is a traveler's guide to Oregon's most celebrated and unique cemeteries. Organized into 18 regions covering the state, this book profiles more than 200 cemeteries, including such legendary cemeteries as Lone Fir, Jacksonville, and Willamette National.

Much more than a travel guide, this book illustrates how cemeteries have evolved and how Oregon's cemeteries are still evolving.

Author Johan Mathiesen has traveled to each and every one of these cemeteries and provides profiles that highlight unique historical events, famous residents, and the evolution



of headstone designs.

Discover which cemeteries offer the best view, are the most ghoulish, are best preserved

Mathiesen highlights which cemeteries around the state should be on every traveler's and historian's "must visit" list — and why. Also included are hundreds of the most touching, humorous, inspirational, and just plain curious epitaphs collected from graves across the state.

Mad as the Mist and Snow, written for anyone interested in history, cemeteries, and Pacific Northwest culture, is the perfect guide for both day trips as well extended explorations of Oregon's eclectic and historic cemeteries.

About the author: Portland resident Johan Mathiesen (pronounced "ma-tee'-sen") is an expert on Oregon cemeteries, having visited and documented nearly every cemetery in the state. His cemetery photos have appeared in the ASG (Association of Gravestone Studies) Quarterly as well as in two books: *Grave Humor* and *Weird Oregon*. He writes the popular blog *Blogging the Dead Horse*.

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