

Night Jazz

by Jill Shure

STORY SYNOPSIS

". . .gangster's moll, a bitch-kitty, a floozy or a flapper. Or maybe just a woman in love. I was all of these in 1929."

New York City, 1929. The economy is booming, prohibition is widely ignored, high fashion is sexy and life is very good. Pink Ladies and Tom Collins happily wet the whistles of guys and dolls in smoke-filled underground speakeasies and playing jazz is a nighttime fancy. But in October 1929, something big is about to happen: the arrival of Miss Jeri Devlin and the Stock Market Crash.

Jill Shure's time-bending love story, **Night Jazz**, is magnificently described as *The Great Gatsby-meet-Somewhere In Time*. Jeri Devlin, a 25 year-old advertising executive, is falling apart. The mysterious disappearance of her brother is keeping her from doing her job. Urged by her brazen boss to grab life by its feet and look for her brother, Jeri leaves Los Angeles and sets out for New York.

Jeri's stay in the city that never sleeps is a short visit, and much to her surprise, she awakens in what appears to be an unfamiliar hotel room -- with all of her personal belongings still in place. This room, however, contains an old-fashioned phone, an antique radio and a newspaper that reads *October 24, 1929!*

Jeri has been transported back seventy years to a magical time when the black cloud of the Great Depression was just beginning to swoop over America. From smoky speakeasies to gilded mansions, Jeri pursues her brother, who no longer knows her. During her journey, Jeri meets charming, blue-eyed Lex Rose, a heartbreaker and a gangster who sweeps Jeri off her feet and seduces her into his underworld life.

Jeri soon loses sight of the Nineties woman she was and becomes the most beautiful doll in New York. What Jeri doesn't know is that handsome Lex Rose has secrets that Jeri must unravel if their love is to survive.

In the midst of all the corruption and chaos, a true romance blossoms as their two worlds collide.