

Waterside Press, Hampshire

Distributed By Gardners Books Ltd., 1 Whittle Drive, Eastbourne, BN23 6QH. Tel: (01323) 521555

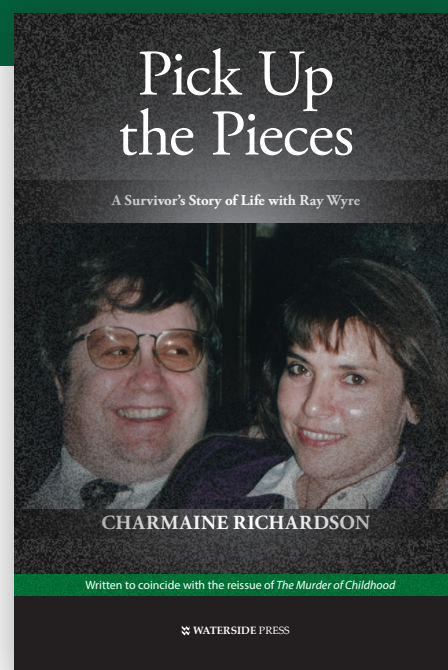
Publisher address Sherfield Gables, Sherfield-on-Loddon, Hook, Hampshire, RG27 0JG, United Kingdom.

Tel +44 (0)1256 882250, Fax +44 (0)1256 883987, enquiries@watersidepress.co.uk, WatersidePress.co.uk

Advance Information

Title	Pick Up the Pieces	
Subtitle	A Survivor's Story of Life with Ray Wyre	
Author	Charmaine Richardson	
Publisher	Waterside Press Ltd	
Format	Paperback 234x156mm, 144 pages	
ISBN	978-1-909976-63-4	
Price	£16.50	Rights Worldwide
Publication	10 October 2018	Edition 1st
Category	Child abuse; therapy	
Subjects	MMZ=Therapy and therapeutics; LNFX1=Sentencing and punishment.	

Who will buy it? Criminologists; psychologists; therapists; prisons; people interested in crime and punishment, human rights; colleges; researchers; students; and libraries.



Charmaine Richardson's highly personal and revealing account describes how she was abused as a child within her comfortable, middle-class London home. It describes the 'time bomb' for her and her family, something that led to depression, counselling and a chance meeting with sex-offender expert Ray Wyre, who she married in 1999.

A large part of the book is given over to her life with Ray, his work at the Gracewell Clinic and an analysis of his book, *The Murder of Childhood* (2nd Edn., Waterside Press, 2018) and the failure of politicians to heed his warnings about how we need to understand and deal with perpetrators.

The book also contains the author's own views on bringing-up children to feel safe, comfortable and resistant to the devious ways in which paedophiles operate, including by the language we use with 'little people'.

Key Selling Points

- **An exclusive insight into the mind, thinking and ground-breaking work of sex-offender expert Ray Wyre (1951-2008).**
- **Contains an analysis of and insights concerning**

his book with Tim Tate, *The Murder of Childhood* (Waterside Press, 2018, ISBN 978-1-909976-62-7).

- **Explains why we should listen to children and how we can increase the chances of making them safe.**
- **Shows how the author was left to unpick the chaos of Wyre's personal life, his debts incurred in pursuit of his mission, gambling and the free-spending lifestyle that stood at odds with and was an escape from his intense professional commitment.**

Reviews

'One of the many strengths of [this] touching memoir... is that [the author] gives us an insight into what made this extraordinary, vital crusader on behalf of children tick...!'—*Tim Tate.*

Author

Charmaine Richardson is a survivor of childhood sexual abuse who has pursued a variety of careers: counselling, home tutoring and funeral celebrant. She met and married Ray Wyre—the nationally acknowledged expert in the sexual crime field—in the late-1990s.



Bertrams



WATERSIDE PRESS
Putting justice into words