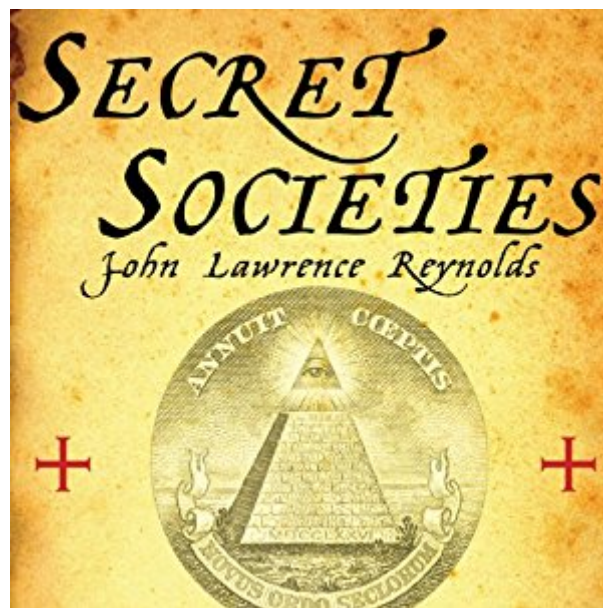


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# Secret Societies: Inside The Freemasons, The Yakuza, Skull And Bones, And The World's Most Notorious Secret Organizations



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This book brings out all the grit and secrecy that has given life to these organizations. They are a link to the past but an evidence of the potential of groups willing to have a secret agenda in today's society. Based on fear and shameless promise, there will always be an attraction for some individuals' membership.

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