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Featured Books



Troy Denning *Star Wars Swarm War*

Jon Courtney Grimwood *9Tail Fox* out in both trade paperback and hardcover.

Sherrilyn Kenyon *Unleash the Night* out in both paperback and hardcover.

Karen Miller *Innocence Lost* the second and concluding novel of Kingmaker, Kingbreaker in paperback.

Naomi Novik *Temeraire* available in trade paperback and hardcover.

Alastair Reynolds *Pushing Ice* trade paperback.

Donna Maree Hanson *Australian Speculative Fiction: An Overview*

SL Viehl *Rebel Ice*



News

Aurealis Awards finalists have been announced for 2005. These are well established awards for Australian speculative fiction, however generally the nominations come from publishers and authors, rather than readers. The annual awards ceremony in Brisbane is a great event and recommended for writers with a professional approach to their work. <http://www.fantasticqueensland.com/~aurealisawards/Frame.html>

Robert Sheckley died 09-12-2005 at the age of 77. An American, he wrote novels and a great many science fiction short stories, some under pseudonyms. <http://www.sheckley.com/>

Kenneth Bulmer died 16-12-2005 at the age of 84. He was a prolific British science fiction writer, especially through the 1970's, using several pseudonyms. http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kenneth_Bulmer

Firefly fans may be amused that a US company has launched a solar powered audio video panel for a grave headstone, calling it the Serenity Panel. The funeral scene near the end of the Serenity movie may again be science fiction leading the way. <http://www.vidstone.com/products1.htm>

Wired Magazine has published their list of the 50 best robots. Good to see R2D2, the Liliput tinplate toy robot in our shop window, as well many movie robots and serious research tools. http://www.wired.com/wired/archive/14.01/robots.html?pg=1&topic=robots&topic_set=

Elizabeth Bear whose debut SF Jenny Casey trilogy *Hammered*, *Scardown* and *Worldwired* had such an impact in 2005 has more books coming out. Look out for new SF novels (unrelated to the Jenny Casey stories) *Carnival* this year and *Undertow* in 2007, also *The Chains That You Refuse*, a collection of short stories mid 2006, and a new dark modern fantasy series, *The Promethean Age: Blood & Iron* in 2006 and *Whiskey & Water* in 2007. These books will be listed on our website as publishing details and ISBNs become available.

Infinitas Top 25 Best Selling Books of 2005

1	<i>The Raft</i>	Alan Mills *	debut novel
2	<i>Harry Potter & the Half Blood Prince</i>	J K Rowling	
3	<i>Shaman's Crossing</i>	Robin Hobb	
4	<i>Knife of Dreams</i>	Robert Jordan	
5	<i>Crown of Slaves</i>	David Weber & Eric Flint	
6	<i>A Feast for Crows</i>	George R R Martin	
7	<i>Moving Target</i>	Elizabeth Moon	
8	<i>The Shadow of Saganami</i>	David Weber	
9	<i>Star Wars: The Unseen Queen</i>	Troy Denning	
10	<i>At All Costs</i>	David Weber	
11	<i>Star Wars: Revenge of the Sith</i>	Matthew Stover	
11	<i>Year's Best Australian Science Fiction and Fantasy Vol One</i>	Bill Congreve * & Michelle Marquardt * (editors)	
13	<i>Exile's Return</i>	Raymond E Feist	
13	<i>Flight of the Nighthawks</i>	Raymond E Feist	
13	<i>Thud!</i>	Terry Pratchett	
13	<i>Star Wars: The Joiner King</i>	Troy Denning	
17	<i>Hammered</i>	Elizabeth Bear	debut novel
18	<i>Going Postal</i>	Terry Pratchett	
19	<i>Ascent</i>	Sean Williams * & Shane Dix *	
19	<i>Star Wars: Yoda Dark Rendezvous</i>	Sean Stewart	
21	<i>Orphanage</i>	Robert Buettner	debut novel
21	<i>Seduced By Moonlight</i>	Laurell K Hamilton	
23	<i>The Innocent Mage</i>	Karen Miller *	debut novel
23	<i>Monument</i>	Ian Graham	debut novel
23	<i>Sliding Scales</i>	Alan Dean Foster	
23	<i>Star Wars: Labyrinth of Evil</i>	James Luceno	

* indicates an Australian Author

Infinitas Short Fiction

Of Bombs, Baths and Happy Toys by Naomi Hatchman

The heavies were already closing in at the Venusian sauna when the madwoman blocked Jonathan's path. She was nearly seven foot tall, with green dreadlocks and wild eyes.

"Cthulhu will get you," she sneered. "I've planted bombs. Everywhere. All your factories on every planet will go up at Midnight. Ka-boom!" She threw her hands upward and her anatomy did frightening things under her dark green shirt. "No more Happy Toys!"

Jonathan glanced behind him. The four heavies were wearing fogged up sunglasses and the black robes of the Church of Cthulhu. The steaming crowd of naked men and women parted before them.

Past the Amazon, Jonathan could see two outward-bound gates: the horned gate of Pluto that led to the cold swimming pools, and the winged gate of Mercury where the spas were. There was only one chance of escape.

He darted around the Amazon and jostled through the crowd, never stopping until he plunged through the Mercury gate. His skin tingled in the sudden darkness, and moments later, he tumbled out into Mercury's pink spa hall.

There were only a few people there, all having a quick soak before going to their Millennium parties. Jonathan headed for the dimly-lit private rooms and chose a spa that was particularly deep.

He dived in and hooked his hands and feet around the rails on the bottom, then sucked his mouth onto an air jet.

He hated the Church of Cthulhu. They'd already stolen every Gargantuan Happy Toy™ that he'd donated to the capital cities, and spirited them away to their underground bunkers. Jonathan had been a crusader for widespread happiness for two hundred years, and this was profoundly depressing.

Now they were after him.

It wouldn't be safe to surface again until Universal Midnight; by then, the heavies would be in their bunkers for the Cthulhu rituals. Of course, he'd miss the celebrity gala dinner on Mars. Why had he turned down the security escort? Why had he even come to the baths tonight?

The bomb threats were bad enough. His factories and offices had already been evacuated, but his insurance had been cancelled. Even if he survived, he would be a ruined man.

He tried not to think about it for the two hours that he stayed submerged. His lips were sore, and his muscles were beginning to cramp. His eyes burned whenever he checked his watch.

At last, at five minutes to Midnight, Jonathan surfaced. He climbed out stiffly and found a Travel Baths information panel.

"Help me," he said to the friendly AI head-image. "The Church of Cthulhu wants to sacrifice me."

"Certainly," the face said, without losing its perpetual grin. "We have a variety of comfortable safety chambers for legally-pursued individuals."

"Legally pursued?"

"Of course. The laws of interplanetary religious freedom state that members of a registered religion, such as the Church of Cthulhu, may legally pursue, capture and sacrifice at most one individual per registered ritual."

"What?"

"But of course, you have the right to flee if pursued, struggle if captured, escape if detained, and scream if sacrificed."

Despite his long dip, Jonathan's blood ran cold.

"Travel Baths values its customers, Sir, and our rooms are of excellent quality. We guarantee absolute secrecy, and provide facilities—"

"I'll take one," said Jonathan.

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He couldn't interest himself in the room's entertainment. With only three minutes to the destruction of his two-hundred-year empire, he couldn't sink into the oblivion of Healthy Neuro Drugs™, or connect the VR unit to his head socket.

He ignored the comfortable armchair and sat on the floor in front of the large vidscreen.

"One person has been taken for questioning after the suspicious disappearance of the Happy Toys president." The broadcast showed the same seven-foot green-haired madwoman being pushed inside a police aerochopper. A reporter poked a microphone at the Grand High Dreamer of Cthulhu himself.

"She had no right to get involved," he said. "She was excommunicated three years ago. She was already insane. And if you've already lost your sanity, then what do you have to offer our Lord of Impenetrable Darkness? Nothing!" Unlike me, Jonathan thought bitterly. Obviously this was a pre-recording; the Grand High Dreamer would be in his underground bunker by now.

His heart sank when the gate-spiced broadcast of the Martian gala dinner appeared. There was a wide shot inside the huge hall with its glass ceiling, and the terraformed-blue sky above. The compere, a vacuous young blond man, was poised in front of the camera with a champagne glass, talking about the great time that all the celebrities were having.

Abruptly, the vidscreen fizzed. Jonathan's heart missed a beat when the Grand High Dreamer appeared, holding a huge electric carving knife. Behind him were hundreds of chanting Cthulhu followers. And, hanging from the ceiling by its feet, was Jonathan's favorite Gargantuan Happy Toy™—a tall, smiling clown with a yellow suit and red hair. It had been one of his first designs, based on an ancient folk hero called Ronald, who entertained children and provided food for the masses. Jonathan wanted to cry.

He looked at his watch. Two seconds to ruin.

The carving knife screamed.

The vidscreen fizzed again, and showed the dizzy blond jumping around ecstatically.

"Happy New Millennium, everybodEEEE!"

The numbers '3001' exploded into the Martian sky in a spectacular display.

It took a few minutes for Jonathan to realise what had actually happened.

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The madwoman was quite charming when sedated and suitably restrained. She peered up at Jonathan from the padded floor.

"I've brought you a present," Jonathan said, wagging a fluffy Cthulhu doll so that the face tentacles bounced and twitched. She beamed. Once Jonathan left the asylum, they'd let her out of her strait jacket and she could bite the toy to her heart's content.

"I told you I planted bombs everywhere," she giggled, "but they weren't in your factories! So much for those awful Gargantuan Happy Toys, eh? Did I kill lots of people?"

Jonathan nodded.

"If I become sane," she continued, "I can get out of here and join the Church of Cthulhu again."

Jonathan paused. Should he tell her?

"Why don't you start a new church?"

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The books listed in this catalogue are listed to be released during this month. All books listed are available for order. If there is something that you want that you cannot find listed, or is not in the shop, please ask us to order it for you.

Many books have more extensive information available on our website.

Prices include GST and are correct at time of printing but may change without notice.

Legend: PB = paperback, HC = hardcover, TP = trade paperback, Cass = cassette, CD = CD, GN = Graphic Novel

Information on the Infinitas Groups

New members always welcome at all the groups, if interested just come along.

SF Discussion Group: Meets on the first Thursday of each month (excluding January) at 6.30pm in the shop. A topic is chosen each month by the attendees of the group for the following meeting. Contact the shop for the next topic. Always a lively discussion of science in the news, films, books and ideas. The next meeting is February 2nd with the topic of *‘The Best (and worst) of 2005’*.

Review Group: The review group meets on the third Thursday of each month at 6.30pm. Two books (usually one science fiction, one fantasy) are chosen by group members for each meeting with participants encouraged to have read at least one prior to the meeting and bring their review/s along for discussion. The discussion is generally serious and insightful.

Next meeting January 19th. All welcome.

January *The Screwtape Letters* C S Lewis
Undead and Unwed MaryJanice Davidson

Writers’ Group: The group is for people who are currently writing (or even trying to write) science fiction, fantasy and horror related stories and pieces. If you think this might describe you, and you’d like to get involved in a group with others who understand what the genre is about, why not come along. Meetings are the 3rd Saturday of each month. Check out the website for more details.

Bestsellers for December

General Release

Emerald Sea	John Ringo
Homeward Bound	Harry Turtledove
Crossroads and Other Tales of Valdemar	Mercedes Lackey
Worldwired	Elizabeth Bear
A World of Hurt	David Sherman & Dan Cragg
Undead and Unappreciated	MaryJanice Davidson
A Feast For Crows	George R R Martin
At All Costs	David Weber
<i>Innocence Lost</i>	<i>Karen Miller *Australian</i>
Flight of the Nighthawks	Raymond E Feist

Media and Games Related Titles

The Swarm War	Star Wars
Dark Lord: The Rise of Darth Vader	Star Wars
The Red King	Star Trek Titan
Atom Bomb Blues	Doctor Who
The Unseen Queen	Star Wars
Conquest For Armageddon	Warhammer 40K
Dawn of War Ascension	Warhammer 40K
Dead of Winter	CSI New York
Underworld	Star Wars
Traitor General	Warhammer 40K

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Kevin J Anderson, Janet Berliner, Matthew J Costello & F Paul Wilson

Artifact

Discovering four strange stones in an underwater cavern, oilman Frik van Alman realizes that their strange properties may solve the world's energy problems, and when the stones are stolen, he and his friends from the Daredevils Club risk their lives in a series of adventures. **PB \$17.95**

Kevin J Anderson & Alex Nino

The Orc's Treasure

Gree, a greedy, nasty, and ordinary Orc, stumbles upon a hidden treasure during a siege of a human castle, a precious cache that will transform his life forever. **HC \$51.95**

Piers Anthony

Pet Peeve (Xanth 29)

Unlikely Goblin hero Goody is instructed by the Good Magician Humfrey to find a suitable home for a foul-tempered bird, a quest that inadvertently triggers an invasion by an army of seemingly indestructible killer robots and forces Goody to enlist the aid of a host of supernatural denizens.

HC \$51.95

On A Pale Horse **PB \$17.95**

Bearing An Hourglass **PB \$17.95**

With A Tangled Skein **PB \$17.95**

Weilding A Red Sword **PB \$17.95**

Being A Green Mother **PB \$17.95**

For Love of Evil **PB \$19.95**

And Eternity **PB \$19.95**

The seven book in the *Incarnations of Immortality* series are now back in print.

Keri Arthur

Full Moon Rising

When her twin brother, Rhoan, an assassin assigned the task of protecting the innocent from evil supernatural beings, vanishes while on one of his missions, dhampire Riley Jensen--a young woman who is half werewolf, half vampire--joins forces with the sexy, and very disoriented, vampire who shows up on her doorstep. **HC \$30.95 CD \$58.95**

Sarah Ash

Children of the Serpent Gate (Tears of Artamon)

Releasing five dragon-demons called Drakhaouls in his efforts to seize control of an ancient empire, a man discovers that his hold over the empire is crumbling as a rival nation searches for a true innocent capable of banishing the dragon-demons. **HC \$47.95**

James Axler

Atlantis Reprise (Deathlands)

Ryan Cawdor and his band of post-apocalypse survivalists encounter a group of rebels in the Pine Barrens of what was once New Jersey who are determined to live in peace even if it means they have to fight to the death **PB \$16.95**

Kage Baker

In the Garden of Iden (Company 01)

Trained by the Company, a group of cultural preservationists from the twenty-fourth century, Mendoza is sent back in time to Shakespearean England to collect samples from the garden of Sir Walter Iden and meets a man who will change her destiny **TP \$30.95**

R Scott Bakker

The Thousandfold Thought (Prince of Nothing 03)

In a follow-up to *The Darkness That Comes Before*, warrior-philosopher Anasvrimbor Kelhus continues his quest to reunite with his father, reach the ancient city of Shimeh, and master ancient arts that will enable him to overcome his enemies. **HC \$54.95**

Tony Ballantyne

Capacity

All human life in the distant future is benignly monitored by the omnipresent watcher – but what if the watcher itself turns out to be a murderer? Society in the twenty-third century runs smoothly and peacefully with the aid of Social Care operatives such as Judy 3. Meanwhile benevolent AIs, under the control of the near mythical Watcher, seem to have solved all mankind's problems, and with their aid humans have begun to explore the surrounding universe.

But why does every AI that visits the planet Gateway commit suicide within just hours of arriving there? Justinian Sibelius has now himself arrived on the planet to try and find a reason. Yet how can someone with merely human intelligence solve a puzzle that has defeated minds far greater than his own – even that of the Watcher itself?

And what if it should turn out that the Watcher is not so benevolent as people believe? **TP \$32.95**

James Barclay

The Cry of the Newborn (Ascendants of Estorea 01)

The Emperor of Estorea is young and idealistic. The Empire he has inherited has never been more powerful, never been so large. He believes he can bring in a golden age. But his armies are stretched thin, the border provinces are reluctant to pay homage and, even in his own court, dissent and betrayal is in the air. And into this troubled world four children are born. They are the result of centuries of careful study and selective breeding. They are completely at one with the world, they can sense the elements, they can use them. They have magic at their fingertips. A world that has not known magic is about to discover its wonder and its terror. And an Empire is about to fall. **HC \$59.95 TP \$32.95**

John Gregory Betancourt*Shadows of Amber (Amber)*

The newly crowned King of Amber, Oberon becomes caught in the middle of dangerous political intrigue and upheaval as his father tries to transform him into a puppet ruler, his sister tries to marry him off to an ambitious would-be queen, two siblings are out for his blood, the entire Shadow universe is beginning to unravel, and rumors of an alternate universe ruler threaten to destroy his reign **HC \$39.95**

David Bishop*Operation Vampyr (Fiends of the Eastern Front 01)*

First of a bloody trilogy, Fiends of the Eastern Front features historical battles and all out bloodsucking action. **PB \$14**

Jim Brennan*Forester*

When a highway disturbs Forester's hibernation, he begins a wonderful journey of self-discovery. As events unfold, his intolerance turns to knowledge, and he develops a fuller grasp of being a bear. Forester learns that for all its brilliance, beardom is but one of the many ways to see the world, and his way is made richer through an understanding of others. **HC \$34.95**

Jim Butcher*Summer Knight (Dresden Files 04)*

Ever since his girlfriend left town to deal with her newly acquired taste for blood, Harry Dresden has been down and out in Chicago. He can't pay his rent. He's alienating his friends. He can't even recall the last time he took a shower. The only professional wizard in the phone book has become a desperate man. And just when it seems things can't get any worse, in saunters the Winter Queen of Faerie. She has an offer Harry can't refuse if he wants to free himself of the supernatural hold his faerie godmother has over him - and hopefully end his run of bad luck. All he has to do is find out who murdered the Summer Queen's right-hand man, the Summer Knight, and clear the Winter Queen's name.

It seems simple enough, but Harry knows better than to get caught in the middle of faerie politics. Until he finds out that the fate of the entire world rests on his solving this case. No pressure or anything . . . **PB \$19.95**

Orson Scott Card*Speaker For the Dead (Ender 02)* **CD (unabridged) \$95****Jonathan Carroll***Glass Soup*

Pregnant with Vincent Ettrich's child, who is destined to restore order to the mercurial worlds of the living and dead, Isabelle Neukor is targeted by the agents of Chaos who would trap her in the land of the dead **HC \$51.95**

Jay Caselberg Australian Author*The Star Tablet*

While searching for his sixteen-year-old ward, Billie, who vanished with Dr. Antille, a professor on a quest to find a tablet of alien origin, psychic investigator Jack Stein stumbles upon an alien conspiracy that may alter the future of humanity. **PB \$17.95**

P C Cast*Brighid's Quest (Goddess By Mistake)*

When she discovers her true destiny at the hands of the Great Goddess Epona, centaur Brighid Dhianna, heeding the call of her Shaman blood, must make a choice that could not only impact her friendship with the humans of Clan MacCallan, but affect her own centaur herd and the world.

TP \$28.95**Deborah Chester***The King Imperiled*

Queen Alexeika must break the hold that black magic has over her eldest daughter, while her husband, King Faldain, searching for the Chieftain who killed their young son, returns home to drink from the Chalice of Life and break a deadly curse, only to be betrayed by someone close to him.

PB \$19.95**Arthur C Clarke***Clarke's Universe*

A group of moon visitors is buried alive in the ultra-fine dust that covers the surface of the moon and must find a way out in A Fall of Moondust, and in The Lion of Comarre, a young man risks everything to search for the fabled Earth city of Comarre, in an omnibus edition containing two classic novels by the award-winning science fiction author **TP \$26.95**

Douglas Clegg*The Priest of Blood (Vampyricon 01)*

The bastard son of a whore, a predator trainer in the royal court, and a conscripted soldier serving in the Crusades against the Saracens, Falconer finds his true destiny when he is transformed into a vampire by a creature called Pythia. **HC \$40.95**

Hal Colebatch Australian Author & Matthew Harrington*Man-Kzin Wars XI*

In the latest installment in the series created by Larry Niven, the catlike kzin come up with an ingenious new scheme--enhanced by all new weapons, leaders, and strategies--to regain control of the galaxy from the human usurpers **HC \$45.95**

Dawn Cook*The Decoy Princess*

When Tess discovers that she is not a princess, but a beggar's child reared as a decoy, she uses the magical abilities she did not know she had to restore the real princess to the throne, while dealing with the amorous advances of a handsome, yet infuriating, Misdev captain **PB \$19.95**

Tim Curran*Hive*

A novel that explores the frozen caverns and underground lakes of Antarctica, and uncovers a mystery older than the Earth itself. When a research team awakens an ancient evil, strange events start to happen--things far more bizarre than the alien mummies they find at the bottom of the world.

TP \$32.95

Charles de Lint*Moonlight & Vines (Newford)*

A third collection of stories set in Newford, a gritty urban town swirling with a hidden magic perceptible to only a few, offers tales that walk the enchanting line between the real and the unreal, between necromancy and the mundane. **TP \$30.95**

William C Dietz*Runner*

Jak Rebo, an interstellar courier, is assigned the task of delivering a future religious leader to his people, a mission complicated by would-be assassins and by a young woman possessing the secret to instantaneous travel between star systems. **HC \$51.95**

Tristan Egolf*Kornwolf*

Blue Ball, a small community in rural Pennsylvania, is thrown into turmoil, thanks to the rampage of a teenage Amish werewolf, in an imaginative tale narrated by a young man who inexplicably wakes up naked in the field each morning. By the author of *Lord of the Barnyard*. **TP \$28.95**

John Farris*Phantom Nights*

In a psychic reinterpretation of *To Kill a Mockingbird*, teenage Alex Gambier, an outcast scarred from a childhood tragedy and mute from an early bout of diphtheria, conceives daredevil stunts that threaten his life and place him in the care of young black nurse Mally Shaw, with whom Alex forges an unlikely friendship **PB \$17.95**

Christine Feehan*Dark Desire (Carpathian)*

Drawn to the Carpathian mountains by a tormented stranger, American surgeon Shea O'Halloran finds an immortal being ravaged by loneliness and anguish and risks her life to heal his pain. **PB \$19.95**

Christine Feehan*Fever*

An omnibus edition containing two tales of romance and danger includes *Wild Rain*, in which Rachael, finding a haven in the rain forest from a relentless killer and armed with a new identity, has her peace shattered by Rio, an exotic native of the forest who harbors a dark secret that could plunge them both into a nightmarish realm of terror, as well as the novella "The Awakening." **TP \$28.95**

Kate Forsyth Australian Author*The Shining City (Rhiannon's Ride 02)*

Imprisoned in Sorrowgate Tower, Rhiannon awaits her trial for murder and treason, while the winged horse Blackthorn flies forlornly over the Shining City. Alone and in terrible fear for the future, Rhiannon is haunted by the malevolent ghost of a dead queen who has a hunger to live again. Meanwhile, Lewen must resume his studies at the Tower of Two Moons with the other apprentice-witches, among them the banprionnsa Olwynne NicCuinn, who desires more than friendship from Lewen. Drawn back into the intrigues of the court, Lewen finds his loyalty to Rhiannon tested to the utmost limit. Preoccupied with the upcoming wedding of the royal cousins, Donnacan and Bronwen, Isabeau the Keybearer fails to investigate Rhiannon's tale of necromancy and ghosts, to her cost. By the time she realises that dark spirits have indeed been disturbed, it is too late, and the royal family is brought face to face with *She Who Cuts The Thread*. **PB \$19.95**

Leo Frankowski & Dave Grossman*The Two-Space War*

Six hundred years into the future, humankind journeys between the stars by using Two-Space, a mysterious realm that uses sentient wooden ships to travel a universe hostile to technology, but Lt. Thomas Melville soon discovers that some of the alien races he encounters are none too friendly and could embroil Earth in a vast intergalactic war. **PB \$19.95**

Michael Jan Friedman*Wolf Man: Hunter's Moon*

A gripping novel based on the story of the legendary lycanthrope follows the adventures of Lawrence Talbot who, during a trip to Europe, is bitten by a werewolf, an encounter that transforms him into an immortal monster with a hunger for human flesh and makes him the target of a heretical cult of werewolf exterminators. **PB \$12.95**

Neil Gaiman & David McKean*The Alchemy of Mirrormask (Mirrormask)*

An illustrated, behind-the-scenes look at the Jim Henson Company film's production process outlines the ways in which designer and director Dave McKean combined animation and live-action technologies, in a volume complemented by color paintings, 3-D models, and texture maps. Movie tie-in. 40,000 first printing. **HC \$70**

Ray Garton*The Loveliest Dead*

The Kellar family finds their illusions of starting over shattered when they discover that their new home harbors an unimaginable evil as the dead, determined to destroy the living, come to life. **PB \$17.95**

Parke Godwin*Beloved Exile*

After the death of Arthur brings the hope of Camelot to an end, Guinevere struggles to keep the kingdom together in the face of traitors and usurpers, until a cruel betrayal condemns her to slavery under a Saxon warlord, in a historical fantasy. **TP \$28.95**

Christopher Golden*The Myth Hunters (Veil 01)*

A mysterious land in which the myths and legends of Earth actually come to life and the people who have vanished from our world continue to exist is slowly vanishing as our cities expand and the wilderness is consumed, and sends the legendary Jack Frost through the veil that separates the two worlds to enlist the help of Oliver Bascombe to heal both realities **TP \$24.95**

Terry Goodkind*Phantom (Sword of Truth)*

Richard desperately searches for his long-lost, amnesiac beloved, Kahlan Amnell, racing against time to find her before she can uncover the secrets of her lost identity, thereby making her vulnerable to evil **US HC \$60**

Adam Gopnick*The King In the Window*

Eleven-year-old Oliver, an American boy residing in Paris, discovers, much to his astonishment, that phantoms live within the windowpanes and have selected Oliver to lead a war against the "soul-stealers" that inhabit mirrors **HC \$40.95**

Jon Courtenay Grimwood*9Tail Fox*

A noir melding of ancient Chinese folklore, organised crime and cutting edge medical technology. A policeman is murdered in San Francisco. And spends the rest of the novel hunting down the man who did it. And trying to get the answer to some terrifying questions. Why is he in another man's body? Why is someone trying to kill him. Again. And why is he being haunted by a nine tailed albino fox? From the shell-shattered red streets of Stalingrad in 1942 to the back alleys of San Francisco's Chinatown, evocative of place, crystal clear in its depiction of character this is literary fantastic fiction at its most compelling from one of the most exciting writers working today. **HC \$49.95 TP \$29.95**

Stamping Butterflies

Stamping Butterflies tells the story of two dreamers. One, a would be assassin in tomorrow's Marrakech. He aims to kill the US President and holds in his head the secret to a faster-than-light drive. The other, a Chinese Emperor, ruler of 148 billion people on an immense Dyson sphere thousands of years in the future. Each believes they are dreaming the other. One must change the future, one must change the past. Both have only days to live. This is a fast moving unusually well written SF novel of ideas. Ideas that will change the reader's perception of time and fate. Ideas from the cutting edge of hard science. It is peopled with vivid characters and evocative of Marrakech, where the author has lived. **PB \$21.95**

Leathel Grody*Faith of the Unforgotten*

Death, war, and destruction--how could such devastations be for the good of mankind? This fast paced fantasy illustrates the answer to that question. Rebekah Ann Smith, a spirited, fifteen-year-old, along with a small, scattered group, is placed at the forefront of a new battle for humans to remain alive and free, with only the hope that the strange Gifts given to them by their God can save them from the impending human desolation. **HC \$43.95**

Elizabeth Haydon*The Assassin King*

As the dragons mourn the death of one of their own, a council of war--which includes the rulers of the alliance that protects the Middle Continent--gathers to discuss the inevitable: war, the likes of which the world has never known, is coming. **HC \$56.95**

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Frank Pollard awakens in an alley, knowing nothing but his name and that he is in danger. Over the next few days he develops a fear of sleep because when he wakes he finds blood on his hands and bizarre and terrifying objects in his pockets. Distraught and desperate, Frank begs husband-and-wife detective team Bobby and Julie Dakota to get the bottom of his mysterious, amnesiac fugues. It seems a simple job, but they are drawn into ever-darkening realms where they encounter the nightmare, hate-filled figure stalking Frank. And their lives are threatened, as is that of Julie's gentle, Down's-syndrome brother, Thomas. To Thomas, death is the 'bad place' from which there is no return. But as each of them ultimately learns, there are equally bad places in the world of the living, places so steeped in evil that, in contrast, death seems almost to be a relief. . . **PB \$19.95**

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It is 526 B.C. and the empire of the Pharaohs is dying, crushed by the weight of its own antiquity. Decay riddles its cities, infects its aristocracy, and weakens its armies. While across the expanse of Sinai, like jackals drawn to carrion, the forces of the King of Persia watch . . . and wait.

Leading the fight to preserve the soul of Egypt is Hasdrabal Barca, Pharaoh's deadliest killer. Possessed of a rage few men can fathom and fewer can withstand, Barca struggles each day to preserve the last sliver of his humanity. But, when one of Egypt's most celebrated generals, a Greek mercenary called Phanes, defects to the Persians, it triggers a savage war that will tax Barca's skills, and his humanity, to the limit. From the political wasteland of Palestine, to the searing deserts east of the Nile, to the streets of ancient Memphis, Barca and Phanes play a desperate game of cat-and-mouse -- a game culminating in the bloodiest battle of Egypt's history.

Caught in the midst of this violence is Jauharah, a slave in the House of Life. She is Arabian, dark-haired and proud -- a healer with gifts her blood, her station, and her gender overshadow. Though her hands tend to Barca's countless wounds, it is her spirit that heals and changes him. Once a fearsome demigod of war, Hasdrabal Barca becomes human again. A man now motivated as much by love as anger.

Nevertheless honor and duty have bound Barca to the fate of Egypt. A final conflict remains, a reckoning set to unfold in the dusty hills east of Pelusium. There, over the dead of two nations, Hasdrabal Barca will face the same choice as the heroes of old: Death and eternal fame . . .

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Some centuries from now, the exploration and exploitation of the Solar System is in full swing. On the cold edge of the system, Bella Lind, captain of the huge commercial spacecraft Rockhopper IV, helps fuel this new gold rush by attaching mass-driver motors to organic-rich water-ice comets to move them back to the inner worlds. Her crew are tough, blue-collar miners, engineers and demolition experts. Around Saturn, something inexplicable happens: one of the moons leaves its orbit and accelerates out of the Solar System. The icy mantle peels away to reveal that it was never a moon in the first place, just a parked spacecraft, millions of years old, that has now decided to move on. Rockhopper IV, trapped in the pull, is hurled across time and space into the deep, distant future, arriving in a vast, alien-constructed chamber. And the crew are not alone, for each chamber contains an alien culture dragged into this cosmic menagerie at the end of time. The crew of the Rockhopper IV know a lot about blowing up comets, but not much about first contact with ultra-advanced aliens. They have two things to worry about: can they (and their new alien allies) negotiate their way through each harrying contact? And can they assimilate the avalanche of knowledge about their own future - including all the glittering, dangerous technologies that are now theirs for the taking - without destroying themselves in the process? **TP \$32.95**

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J D Robb

Memory in Death (Eve Dallas 22)

Eve Dallas is one tough cop. She can take on purse snatchers, drug dealers, and worse. But when Trudy Lombard - a seemingly ordinary middle-aged lady - shows up at the station, it's all Eve can do to hold it together. Instantly, she is plunged back to the days when she was a vulnerable, traumatised young girl, trapped in foster care with the twisted woman who now sits smiling in front of her. . . Trudy claims she came all the way to New York just to see how Eve was doing. But Eve's fiercely protective husband Roarke suspects otherwise - and his suspicion proves correct when Trudy, rebuffed by Eve, shows up at his office demanding money in exchange for keeping the ugly details of Eve's childhood a secret. Using every ounce of willpower he has to restrain himself, he shows her the door - and makes it clear that she'd be wise to get out of the city and never bother them again. Eve and Roarke will be satisfied if Trudy Lombard just heads back to Texas. Somebody else, though, wants her dead - and just a few days later, she's found on the floor of her hotel room, a mess of faded bruises and fresh blood. A cop to the core, Eve is determined to solve the case. **HC \$55 TP \$32.95 MP3 CD \$51.95**

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The Dream Thief

Someone is murdering young, beautiful women in mid-sixteenth century Venice. Even the most formidable walls of the grandest villas cannot keep him out, for he steals into his victims' dreams. Holding his chosen prey captive in the night, he seduces them . . . to death.

Now Pina's cousin, Valeria, is found dead, her lovely body ravished. It is the final straw for Pina's overbearing fiance', Antonio, and he orders her confined within the walls of her mother's opulent villa on Venice's Grand Canal. It is a blow not only to Pina, but to the poor and downtrodden in the city's ghettos, to whom Pina has been an angel of charity and mercy. But Pina does not chafe long in her lavish prison, for soon she too begins to show symptoms of the midnight visitations; a waxen pallor and overwhelming lethargy.

Fearing for her daughter's life, Pina's mother removes her from the city to their estate in the country. Still, Pina is not safe. For Antonio's wealth and his family's power enable him to hide a deadly secret. And the murderer manages to find his intended victim. Not to steal into her dreams and steal away her life, however, but to save her. And to find his own salvation in the arms of the only woman who has ever shown him love. **PB \$17.95**

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Thraxas and the Dance of Death (Thraxas 06)

In the corrupt, magical city of Turai, portly private detective Thraxas embarks on a search to recover a missing magical jewel, only to come face to face with an insidious and mysterious death that is plaguing the city. **HC \$45.95**

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Tim Severin*King's Man Viking 03*

Constantinople, 1035: Thorgils has become a member of the Varangian lifeguard, which allows him to experience the glories of the richest city on earth. Under the leadership of warrior chief Harald Hardradi he witnesses a bloodthirsty battle with Arab pirates who are harassing the Byzantine shipping lanes in the Mediterranean and embarks upon a campaign launched to recover Sicily from the Saracens.

After years of travelling, Thorgils retreats to Sweden but is eventually summoned again to assist in coordinating the invasion of England together with William the Conqueror. In September 1066, a Norse fleet of three hundred ships sails towards England and the battle begins. A prophetic dream makes Thorgils warn the troops of the impending disaster at Stamford Bridge, but even he cannot turn aside what fate has decreed – the end of the Viking world has come. **HC \$45 TP \$30**

Susan Shwartz*Hostile Takeover*

Sent on a mission in deep space to recreate a cold audit trail, ambitious financial analyst CC hopes to prove her worth to her employers, but her subsequent discovery of numerous plots reveals a network of insider trading and fraud that threatens to crash Earth's entire monetary system. By the author of *Second Chances*. **PB \$17.95**

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In this alternate history novel, the Bubonic Plague sets the stage for a world where the West is powerless. After the Black Death has wiped out most of the European population, there is little defence against Turkish invasion and expansion, and by the 1980s, the major world powers are the Russians, the Turks, the Aztecs, the Incas, and the Japanese. However, the Turks have lost much of their territory, leaving England to self-rule in a delayed Industrial Revolution. Dan Beauchamp, a young Englishman whose heart longs for fortune and adventure, travels to industrial Mexico and discovers that he has a lot to learn. From the city of London - better known as New Istanbul - to the untamed wilderness of North America, here is a high adventure in an alternate history that is not to be missed. **TP \$19.95**

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The one person who does know is a disaffected teenager who calls herself Wednesday Shadowmist. But Wednesday has no idea where she might be hiding this significant information. Time is limited and if Rachel can't resolve this mystery it will mean annihilation of an entire world. **PB \$19.95**

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Teenager Annette Klein, known in the twenty-first-century Kingdom of Versailles as Khadija, and her family are secret agents of Crosstime Traffic, but during a trek to their home base in Marseilles, where the hidden portal will take them home, she is kidnapped by slave traders and taken to an unofficial crosstime portal that could separate her from her family forever. **HC \$47.95**

Lisa Tuttle*The Pillow Friend*

A lonely outcast growing up in 1960s Texas, Agnes is delighted when she receives an old-fashioned porcelain doll painted like an old-world gentleman--one that is similar to her Aunt Marjorie's childhood Pillow Friend--to whom she can tell her secrets and dreams, until the line between fantasy and reality begins to blur, in a chilling tale of the consequences of getting one's heart's desire. **TP \$24.95**

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Devoting his life to finding the missing, Ian Kennedy becomes embroiled in the most difficult case of his career when a woman asks him to find her lost daughter, Peri, missing for two years, and follows a trail from the alleys of London to the Scottish Highlands and to a discovery that the dark fables of the British Isles are all too alive. **TP \$24.95**

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Dayton Ward*The Genesis Protocol* **TP \$30.95**

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In *Mistress of Dragons* we were introduced to a world where political ambition and avarice had led to a violation of the 'hands off' policy of the Parliament of Dragons concerning the affairs of men. The violation threatens more than policy and order . . . it threatens the peaceful existence of the human race.

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Donna Maree Hanson Australian Author

Australian Speculative Fiction: A Genre Overview

In 1998 Melbourne University Press published The MUP Encyclopaedia of Australian Science Fiction and Fantasy (MUP, 1998) edited by Paul Collins. The MUP encyclopaedia documented the Australian genre scene from the 1950s to the date of publication. Then in 1999 came another academic work, *Strange Constellations: A History of Australian Science Fiction* (Greenwood Press, 1999), by Russell Blackford, Van Ikin and Sean McMullen, which covered the Australian scene from the early colonial days to the late nineties. Since that time there has not been a work dedicated to documenting the scene. This overview of the genre attempts to document the scene from a readers' perspective. These days the term 'speculative fiction' means more than just science fiction, fantasy, and horror; it has come to include cross-genre writing (such as science fiction romance or science fantasy or science fiction crossed with detective fiction), dark fantasy, the 'new weird', and sub-genres such as steam punk, cyberpunk, military sf, romantic fantasy, time slip, paranormal romance, space opera, ethnographic science fiction and ... the list goes on. The overview uses a journalistic approach, exploring what is out there, who is publishing what and where. It could be termed an Australian speculative fiction menu, providing a choice of courses—or it could be used as a map for discovering Australian Speculative Fiction. In his foreword to the work, Van Ikin says, "This book is a celebration of Australian speculative fiction, coming at a time when there is much to celebrate. Never before have so many Australians been writing speculative fiction, and never before have bookstore shelves displayed so many works by Australian writers. We're in the midst of a 'boom time' for Australian speculative fiction, and it comes at a time when many devoted readers can still remember the 'lean years'—the periods when it looked as if speculative fiction would never capture a popular readership in Australia. For those 'true believers', this book is a celebration and a vindication." **TP \$45**

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For the past twenty-five years, cinematic icon Jason Voorhees has terrified audiences around the world and generated more than \$500 million in box office receipts. Now, for the first time and in their own words, more than two hundred alumni of the series recall a quarter-century's worth of behind-the-scenes stories, struggles, controversies, and calamities. The ultimate oral and visual memoir of the most successful horror franchise in cinema history **HC \$78**

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Sleepers book 3

Christopher Priest

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Adam Beecham

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King Kong

Delos W Lovelace

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Marco Palmieri

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Troy Denning

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Gav Thorpe & Matt Ralphs

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Jonathan Green

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Races of the Dragon

Races of the Dragon provides D&D players and Dungeon Masters with an in-depth look at races descended from or related to dragons. In addition to exploring the fan-favorite kobold race, Races of the Dragon introduces two new races, dragonborn and spellscales, and provides information on half-dragons. The dragonborn are a transitive race, an exciting new concept that allows players to transform from their initial race into a new one. This book also includes a wealth of cultural information and new prestige classes, feats, equipment, spells, and magic items. **HC \$60**

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Spell Compendium provides players and Dungeon Masters with quick access to the D&D spells they need most. Drawing from a treasure trove of sources, Spell Compendium is the one place to find spells that are referenced time and again: the best, most iconic, most popular, and most frequently used. This convenient reference introduces a new spell format that includes descriptive text. **HC \$60**

Player's Guide to Eberron

The ultimate rules companion and gazetteer for Eberron players! The Player's Guide to Eberron contains everything a player needs to know about the Eberron campaign setting. Presenting information in an innovative spread format, this comprehensive gazetteer covers key topics a character should know about, from Aerenal to Zilargo, house politics to the Last War, dragons to the Lords of Dust, without revealing information meant for Dungeon Masters only. New feats, prestige classes, magic items, and spells are included in the relevant entries. **HC \$60**

Flames of War

Za Stalina

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Mage the Awakening: Sanctum and Sigil

A detailed look at mage society and its sectarian politics, from its Hierarchy leaders to its Sentinel enforcers, reveals the inner world of mage sanctums and demesnes and example sanctums for both Atlantean orders and their rivals. **HC \$54**

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Rennie Airth

The Blood-Dimmed Tide

It is 1932 and John Madden, former Scotland Yard Inspector, is now a farmer in the peaceful Surrey countryside. Peaceful, that is, until he discovers the mutilated body of a small girl, Alice Bridger, hidden in a wood.

Uneasy at the direction of police enquiries and convinced the killer has struck before, he quietly begins his own investigation. When a second body is found, Madden's instinct is proved right – there is a multiple killer at large, and he has been covering his tracks for a number of years.

The investigation leads Madden to Germany in the autumn of 1932. To a country where the Nazis are on the brink of power... **PB \$19.95**

Tasha Alexander

And Only to Deceive

Accepting a dashing viscount's marriage proposal as part of a plan to escape her overbearing mother, Emily finds herself widowed early after her marriage and subsequently learns that her husband was not who he professed to be, a discovery that prompts an investigation in the quiet corridors of the British Museum. **HC \$49.95**

Jeffrey Archer

False Impression

When an aristocratic old lady is brutally murdered in her country home the night before 9/11, it takes all the resources of the FBI and Interpol to work out the connection between her and the possible motive for her death – a priceless Van Gogh painting.

But in the end, it's a young woman in the North Tower when the first plane crashed into the building that has the courage and determination to take on both sides of the law and avenge the old lady's death.

Anna Petrescu is missing, presumed dead, after 9/11 and she uses her new status to escape from America, only to be pursued across the world from Toronto to London, to Hong Kong, Tokyo and Bucharest, but it is only when she returns to New York that the mystery unfolds.

False Impression is a classic Jeffrey Archer novel of twists and turns and heart-stopping intrigue. . . Why are so many people willing to risk their own lives and others to own the Van Gogh Self Portrait with the bandaged ear? **HC \$49.95**

Suzanne Arruda

Mark of the Lion (Jade del Cameron)

Still recovering from the trauma of the Great War, Jade del Cameron, a tough New Mexico rancher's daughter and former front-line ambulance driver, heads for Africa to help fulfill a man's dying wish, only to come face to face with murder and mystery. A first novel. **HC \$49.95**

Charles Atkins

The Cadaver's Ball

Traumatized by the accident that claimed the lives of his wife and unborn child, psychiatrist Peter Grainger is struggling to put his life back together and return to work, unaware that his old friend from medical school, Dr. Ed Tyson, a man with a longtime grudge against Peter, will do anything to have his revenge for an old slight **HC \$51.95**

Donald Bain

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Heading to San Miguel de Allende, Mexico, for a peaceful vacation and a visit with her close friends, Vaughan and Olga Buckley, mystery writer Jessica Fletcher once again is forced to draw on her powers of detection to save an old friend when Vaughan is kidnapped for a huge ransom.

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Linda Barnes

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Boston detective and part-time taxicab driver Carlotta Carlyle is drawn into the hunt for the source of a manuscript written by a young literary sensation who disappeared twenty-four years ago at the height of her fame. **PB \$17.95**

Mitchell Bartoy*The Devil's Own Rag Dog*

In Detroit at the height of World War II, the murder of a popular white heiress in the black part of town threatens to engulf the city in a wave of mob violence, imperiling the Allied war effort, and Pete Caudill, a new detective on the force, is charged with uncovering the truth in the interest of preserving civic peace **HC \$49.95**

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Confounded by the murder of Lochdubh writing circle's long-winded organizer, laconic police officer Hamish Macbeth investigates the victim's writings for clues and wonders at sinister themes within an unfinished soap opera script. By the author of *Death of a Village* **PB \$17.95**

Elizabeth Becka*Trace Evidence*

Evelyn James, forensic pathologist for the Cleveland Medical Examiner, is called out to the river's edge to take a look at the body of a girl, recently pulled from the water. A Caucasian, the dark marbling of decomposition had spread through her limbs like poison. After years in the job, Evelyn is used to such things - to the sight of victims washed up by poverty or grief - but this is quite different, and much nastier. Her feet had been encased in concrete, her body wrapped in chains. Every ounce of Evelyn's experience suggests this girl was alive when she went in - alive and terrified, clawing at the dark water. And she isn't alone - other girls have recently met a similar fate. Cleveland's mayor, Daryl Pierson, doesn't like the bad press, nor does he like coming into contact with Evelyn again - they were lovers once, a long time ago, and much has been left unsaid between them. Evelyn's hunt for the killer takes her into the highest and lowest levels of society and brings her face to face with a ghost from her past. But when the daughter of a prominent family disappears, she finds herself in a desperate bid to put the pieces of the puzzle together, before she is called, once again, to the water's edge. **TP \$29.95**

William Bernhardt*Capitol Murder*

When the senior senator from his native Oklahoma is accused of the murder of a female intern, the apparent victim of a ritual killing whose body is found in the tunnels leading from the Senate, crusading attorney Ben Kincaid heads for Washington, D.C., to take the case, but an incriminating videotape forces him to reevaluate his loyalty to an old friend. 50,000 first printing. **HC \$52.95**

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Homesick and longing for the company of handsome Jonathan Walkingstick, former Atlanta D.A. Mary Crow returns to North Carolina to open her own practice and finds herself taking on the case of Ridge Standingdeer, a young Cherokee farmhand accused of killing the local prom queen.

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Private detective Roscoe Polycrates and crossword editor Belle Graham are called in to investigate the disappearance of a valuable poem belonging to a local inn, a case that leads to the discovery of a handmade book of dessert recipes written in the form of crossword puzzles. **HC \$24.95**

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In the aftermath of murder convict Julian Vega's release on a technicality, detective Francis X. Laughlin is forced to enlist the man's assistance in a case involving baffling DNA evidence and tactics similar to Vega's. **HC \$51.95**

Giles Blunt*Black Fly Season*

Sacrifice for the spirits or brutal murder? Someone in Algonquin Bay is out for blood. A young woman has been shot in the head. She can't remember why anyone wants to hurt her, or even her own name. Then a body turns up - Wombat Guthrie, biker and drug dealer, has taken his last ride. It's unlikely that the two cases are linked, but detectives Cardinal and Delorme keep encountering a name - 'Red Bear'. A Chippewa shaman, Red Bear has recently moved into drugs and has enlisted the help of the spirit world. In return the 'spirits' demand sacrifice - human sacrifice. As the woman regains her memory, Cardinal suspects that she may not be as innocent as she appears. And what of Red Bear? Really a shaman? Or just another dealer with an appetite for murder? The truth must be found before the spirits claim another 'sacrifice'... **PB \$19.95**

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Islamic militants arise as Western technology obsoletes the Muslim strangle hold on oil. New democracies are toppled by terrorists who plan a diabolic Third Jihad nuclear assault on Western capitals. Vulnerable U.S. Carrier Battle Groups pull back from Mideast shores as mass missile sneak-attacks are imminent. With time running out, America launches the most powerful weapons platform ever devised--the world's first Submarine-Aircraft Carrier with Nuclear Fusion propulsion and armament--THE AMAZING AZ! **HC \$51.95**

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Twenty years ago Lucas Walker was seventeen, in love with Tansy Gerard, and framed for the murder of her twin brother.

Now Lucas is back in New York, an ex-con and worlds away from the lofts and park-view penthouses of Manhattan's elite—men like the rich and powerful Carlton Sanford... the man who framed him... and the man about to marry Tansy. Lucas can't let it happen. Tansy is reclusive, ethereal, lost in a world where her brother is still alive.

Secret meetings with Tansy are a balm to Lucas's sacred soul, yet his very presence could shatter the illusion that keeps Tansy safe. But Sanford is dangerous. Lucas must take the risk and prove what really happened that fateful night. Or Tansy will be lost to him forever... **PB \$14.95**

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Staying in a borrowed Malibu beach house while her best-selling novel is made into a Hollywood film, Rowan Smith, a former FBI agent haunted by her past, finds her life becoming a nightmare when a dismembered body is found in Colorado, a victim who bears an all too striking resemblance to a character in her novel. **PB \$17.95**

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Aided by his talented, sleuthing housekeeper, Mrs. Jeffries, Inspector Witherspoon is called in by the Home Secretary to uncover the truth about the bludgeoning murder of Sir George Braxton, an investigation complicated by the victim's three argumentative middle-aged daughters and their uncooperative holiday houseguests. **HC \$47.95**

Marshall Browne Australian Author

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Detective Aoki is devastated when influence and power undermine a major investigation. Unwilling to let go, he is sent to a remote Japanese retreat in the mountains for a vacation. His stay quickly becomes a hotbed of suspense as Aoki realizes that all the guests are harboring secrets. A sudden snowstorm traps everyone just as Aoki begins to piece together each guest's connection to an unsolved disappearance years prior. Trapped by the snow, the retreat becomes a maze of stone walls, a geisha's seduction, and bloody murders in the night. Before long, Aoki realizes that his earlier investigation and the unsolved disappearance are part of a larger scheme. **TP \$32.95**

Ken Bruen

Priest

Ireland is no longer the land of saints and scholars. Now, in an era of prosperity, the sexual scandals surrounding the church have caused its people to lose faith in the one institution that seemed invulnerable. But the decapitation of Father Joyce in a Galway church brings a gasp to the most hardened cynics. Not to Jack Taylor. Emotionally bruised, battered, and still struggling with the demon drink, he's back in town, trying to get his life on course after the traumatic trauma of personal loss. And it seems that Jack has a job: he's been asked to investigate the murder of Father Joyce, but to proceed with caution and discretion; no further scandals must destabilize the Roman Catholic Church. Discretion is not a word Jack understands however, especially when the dead priest has a long history of abusing small boys, and is responsible for a terrible crime. Bleak, unsettling and totally original, Ken Bruen's writing captures the brooding landscape of Irish society at a time of social and economic upheaval. Here is evidence of an unmistakable talent in the ascendant. **TP \$32.95**

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When the powerful Duke of Norfolk arranges a marriage between her daughter and an unsuitable man, Ursula Blanchard, a half-sister to Elizabeth I, uncovers a plot to overthrow the queen and begins to spy on one of the conspirators, only to discover another terrible truth that affects her personally.

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Alafair Burke

Missing Justice

Deputy DA Samantha Kincaid is back to work after an attempt on her life and a promotion into the Major Crimes Unit. When the husband of Portland judge Clarissa Easterbrook reports her missing, and Samantha is called out on the case, she assumes her only job is to make the district attorney look good until the judge reappears none the worse. When the police discover evidence of foul play, however, Samantha finds herself

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The first mistake. Dead: an ordinary man in a pressed suit and tie. Just the latest in a string of losers in the wrong place at the most disastrous time. Not the kind of case to yank New Orleans homicide detective Guy Gautreaux away from his leave in Toussaint, Louisiana—the only home to offer him a sense of purpose after a tragedy that nearly destroyed his life.

The second mistake. Also in Toussaint is someone Guy will do anything—even open up a dead cold case—to shelter... Jilly Gable is desperate to find the love of the family who abandoned her as a child, and when the wife of a powerful New Orleans antique dealer, loan shark and twisted degenerate, sweeps into town claiming to be her mother, Jilly is all too willing to love and forget.

The final reckoning. But slowly and methodically an evil envelops Jilly, and Guy must bare the truth to snatch her back from the edge. Joining the dots between Big Easy and Toussaint all but cinches his case, but Jilly and Guy are drawn deeper into corruption with only each other for protection. Will that be enough? **TP \$24.95**

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John Case

Murder Artist

There's nothing in the glorious summer's day to suggest anything even remotely sinister. In fact, Alex Callahan, a news correspondent, surprises himself by enjoying the Renaissance Faire that his six-year-old twins, Kevin and Sean, have dragged him to. The boys are delighted by the jugglers and magicians, jesters and food mongers dressed in full Elizabethan costume. But it's the joust that the boys have really been waiting to see. Alex takes a break and sits in the amphitheatre, watching the joust while keeping half an eye on the twins, who have clamoured to join the children assembled to cheer on the Green Knight. After watching the Green Knight despatch the Black Knight, he turns to see how the boys have enjoyed the joust, but he can't see them at first. And then: he really can't see them at all. The perfect day has turned into a nightmare. There's no sign of Sean and Kevin, and eventually the police arrive. They're initially suspicious of Alex - after all, it's common knowledge that most children are abducted by their fathers - but no one can explain the small origami figure he finds after he returns to his empty house. Or the bowl of water that has been left on the top shelf of the wardrobe. Or, more sinisterly, the t-shirt soaked in blood. Alex's investigations uncover a sinister, underground world that he never dreamed existed. A world where reality is portrayed as illusion, and where the reason behind the twins' disappearance is more terrifying than anything Alex can imagine. **PB \$19.95**

Lee Child

Without Fail (Jack Reacher)

Hired by the Secret Service to test their shield around the new vice president of the United States, ex-military cop Jack Reacher discovers that a team of assassins is already planning a hit on the vice president **TP \$26.95**

Richard A Clarke

The Scorpion's Gate

A debut novel by a noted counter-terrorism expert brings readers five years into the future, where faulty intelligence, hidden agendas, and a shaky Islamic government that has taken over the toppled sheiks of Saudi Arabia set the stage for a dangerous nuclear war between Asia and America. **HC \$51.95**

Blaize Clement

Curiosity Killed the Cat Sitter (Dixie Hemingway Mystery 01)

While going to the home of a vacationing client in Sarasota, Florida, professional pet-sitter Dixie Hemingway, a former sheriff's deputy, stumbles upon the corpse of a mysterious intruder, sending Dixie on a search for her missing client. **HC \$49.95**

The Inquisitor

When an increasing number of cancer patients begins to complain about their out-of-body experiences, Earl Garnet, the newly appointed VP of a SARS-infested hospital, becomes suspicious, but his investigation into the phenomenon uncovers dangerous secrets that he never expected. By the author of *Mortal Remains*. **PB \$17.95**

Harlan Coben

Back Spin / One False Move / No Second Chance

Back Spin- The search for a missing boy gives Myron Bolitar far more than he bargained for. When Myron investigates, he crashes through a crowd of low-lives, blue-bloods and liars on both sides of the social divide. And when family skeletons start coming out of the closet, Myron is about to find out just how deadly life can get. One False Move- Myron Bolitar might have a slightly dubious past, but he knows how to handle himself and is doing just fine as a sports agent. And then he meets Brenda Slaughter, one of the hottest female sports stars around. She's gorgeous, funny and single, and seems to have mislaid her agent. But when her father disappears, and the Mob starts leaning on her, it becomes apparent that potent forces are at work. And the more Myron tries to help, the closer he gets to losing his heart - and his life. . . No Second Chance- Marc Seidman's idyllic world is ripped apart when he is gunned down in his home. He wakes up in hospital to learn that his wife is dead and his baby daughter is missing. A ransom demand is made but something goes terribly wrong. The kidnappers escape, and Marc remembers the ransom note's ominous warning: there will be no second chance. Eighteen months later, when Marc has just about given up all hope of seeing his daughter again, a new note arrives: want a second chance? It will mean uncovering deadly secrets, but Marc vows to bring his daughter home. . . at any cost. **TP \$29.95**

Caroline Coe

Consolation for an Exile

After years with his mentor Isaac, Yusif, a young student, heads home to be reunited with his long-lost family, but two narrow escapes from danger send him fleeing for his life, while Isaac investigates the sudden death of one of his patients, in a mystery set in fourteenth-century Spain. **PB \$19.95**

Jan Coffey

Crash

There are no accidents...

A Porsche careens out of control in a crowded car park. A brand-new SUV smashes through a dealership's plate-glass window. A Mercedes races wildly down a pier before diving off the end onto the deck of a yacht. Then two more wrecks. Witnesses report the vehicles had 'a mind of their own' before each accident. Five in a row can't be a coincidence.

Computer guru Emily Doyle has become the single-minded focus of a hacker determined to capture her attention. She recognises the technology that is being used to gain control of the vehicles, and in some way she is connected to each of the victims.

Ben Colter is the investigator called in by the car makers to find the link, and as the casualties mount, Emily and Ben must unravel the puzzle of the seemingly random attacks... as a twisted mind moves from virtual reality to international terrorism. **PB \$14.95**

Nancy J Cohen

Dead Roots (Bad Hair Day Mystery)

While attending her family reunion at Florida's historic Sugar Crest Plantation Resort, Marla Shore, introducing her fiancé to her family for the first time, is faced with murder, mayhem, ghosts, and greed, all of which are linked to centuries-old treasure. **HC \$40.95**

Barbara Colley

Wiped Out (Charlotte LaRue Mystery)

When her new client, Mimi Adams, an avid gardener, meets her demise after a Horticultural Heritage Society meeting debacle, Charlotte LaRue must dig through a wealth of gossip, betrayals, and jealousy to catch a killer. **PB \$16.95**

Beverly Connor

Dead Secret (Diane Fallon Forensic Investigation)

When forensic anthropologist Diane Fallon finds three decades-old skeletons in different locations with desiccated bones, she is plunged into a seventy-year-old mystery of love, greed, and murder that someone would still kill to keep from being solved. Original. **PB \$19.95**

John Connor

The Playroom

The daughter of a Bradford judge is kidnapped and a massive, round-the-clock investigation begins. Knowing the chances of Sophie Kenyon surviving will diminish dramatically after the first twenty-four hours, Detective Chief Superintendent John Munro begins to crack under the pressure of holding together an enquiry swamped with leads. Meanwhile, DC Karen Sharpe is pursuing her own single-handed enquiry into historic child abuse allegations: Pamela Mathews says a local MP raped her ten years before. The task of finding corroboration looks hopeless, but Sharpe keeps at it - anything rather than face up to her own tangled personal life, living with a man she doesn't love and caring for a child who thinks she is her aunt. The truth is more complex and frightening, leading back to still unresolved events from a year before. Karen's enquiry uncovers connections with the kidnapping, and, in an explosion of violence and bloodshed, Karen is left fighting not just to find Sophie, but to save herself. **PB \$18.95**

Vena Cork

Art of Dying

Appearances are not what they seem. Rosa Thorn is enjoying the limelight at the opening of her late husband's memorial art exhibition, but what is about to happen is more traumatic than she could ever have anticipated. Friends emerge from the past offering something more sinister than goodwill. Behind the smiles lurk obsession and greed, and in the intensely personal and strange world of the Artist, old scores, rivalries and thwarted ambitions threaten Rosa's very existence. Who can she turn to when art and death embrace in the most chilling way imaginable? **HC \$55**

Patricia Cornwell

Predator (Scarpetta)

Kay Scarpetta and her colleague Pete Marino investigate the case of a man killed by a shotgun blast to the chest, while a woman is trapped in an abandoned house in the South after being kidnapped by an unknown captor, and on Cape Cod, Kay's niece Lucy Farinelli begins to suspect that she has made a terrible mistake. **HC \$51.95**

Trace (Scarpetta)

Since Postmortem garnered critical acclaim and a record-breaking five awards for a first crime novel, the Scarpetta novels have often been imitated, but never bettered. Against her own judgement and the advice of Benton Wesley and her niece, Lucy, Scarpetta agrees to return to Virginia as a consultant pathologist on a case involving the death of a fourteen-year-old girl. Accompanied by Pete Marino she finds the once familiar territory of her morgue and her department much changed, and the new Chief Medical Examiner treats her with disdain despite the obvious fact that he is in desperate need of her expertise. But professional as ever, she re-examines the evidence and proves the girl was murdered. She also finds trace evidence which matches that found on an accident victim and at the scene where one of Lucy's operatives was attacked. It is not only a forensic puzzle, but opens up the probability that someone is after those closest to Scarpetta. **PB \$19.95**

Martin Cruz Smith

Wolves Eat Dogs (Arkady Renko)

The iron curtain has fallen but the shadow remains. Chernobyl: the Zone of Exclusion. A ghostly place, deserted and forgotten for almost two decades; now inhabited by militia, shady scavengers, a few reckless scientists, and some elderly Ukrainian peasants This is the eerie and dangerous world Inspector Arkady Renko must navigate if he is to find out the truth behind the death of one of Russia's richest oligarchs.

Pasha Ivanov has been found dead on the pavement outside his luxury high-rise apartment in Moscow. It seems like a straightforward suicide, but Renko, never one to take evidence at face value, refuses to drop the case, and there is something puzzling him: a mountain of salt found in Ivanov's wardrobe. Determined to look deeper into the circumstances of Ivanov's demise, he acquaints himself with this wealthy businessman's powerful and corrupt circle, until his investigations lead him to Chernobyl's notorious Zone of Exclusion, where the body of Lev Timofeyev, Ivanov's former research partner, has been discovered in a contaminated cemetery.

TP \$28.95 PB \$19.95

Matthew d'Ancona

Going East

Her life of privilege devastated by a terrible crime, Mia Taylor struggles to come to terms with what has happened to her, remembering the men whom she once revered, and uncovering how corruption, bigotry, and class warfare contributed to her new status. A first novel. **TP \$30.95**

J Madison Davis*The Van Gogh Conspiracy*

The discovery in the barn of a rural French farm of a painting by Van Gogh unleashes an international storm when a Holocaust survivor claims that the painting is his, stolen from his family by the Nazis, a controversy that leads to the revelation that someone with access to artworks stolen by the Nazis is sending them to former Nazis so that they can sell them to make a fortune **HC \$47.95**

Phillip Depoy*A Minister Ghost Fever (Devilin Mystery)*

Witnessing a ghostly apparition, a traditional omen of evil, at a railroad crossing, during one of his folklore-collecting tips, folklorist Fever Devilin is shocked when his friend Lucinda's two nieces are killed in a suspicious accident and embarks on a difficult quest to uncover the truth. By the author of *The Witch's Grave*. **HC \$49.95**

Eric Dezenhall*Turnpike Flameout*

The crash of a private jet in the New Jersey Pine Barrens is just the beginning of problems for faded rock star Turnpike Bobby Chin, who somehow survives the crash, as a sculptor who created an unflattering statue of the star vanishes and Bobby becomes the prime suspect in the case, unless pollster Jonah Eastman can come up with an alternative **HC \$49.95**

Sarah Diamond*The Spider's House*

When Anna's husband tells her that he's been offered a job in a different part of the country, she's as happy to move as he is. While she enjoys city life, her second career as a novelist is going nowhere, and she hopes that in the small Dorset village inspiration might return. After the move, however, she finds it's quite a different story. With few ideas for her new novel and little else to do, life in the country isn't quite what Anna had imagined. But all that changes when Anna discovers something unexpected: Rebecca Fisher, the notorious child murderess of the 1960s, was the previous owner of their cottage. The more she learns about Rebecca Fisher, the more determined Anna becomes to reveal the truth, a truth which has remained unexplored for over thirty years. But someone else has other ideas - and an unseen enemy threatens her marriage, her safety and ultimately her life... **PB \$19.95**

Richard H Dickinson*The Warlord Jackson Monroe*

In an effort to promote his "heavy metal" wartime agenda, General Jackson Monroe, once the finest of military snipers, meets with Afghanistan's Northern Alliance warlords, a setup that turns into a deadly power play that leaves Monroe responsible for delivering his unit to safety. **TP \$28.95**

Michael DiMercurio*Vertical Michael*

When a band of Algerian terrorists hijacks France's new nuclear submarine, which can elude any radar system in the water, two NATO subs--the USS Hampton and the USS Texas--are called in to save the world from annihilation **PB \$19.95**

Craig Dirgo*Tremor*

When unusual electrical surges are discovered, emanating from the former nation of Yugoslavia, Special Agent John Taft of the National Intelligence Agency is sent to investigate and stumbles into the middle of a vast terrorist conspiracy, led by a fanatical Serbian nationalist in possession of a powerful machine capable of generating apocalyptic earthquakes on command anywhere in the world **TP \$28.95**

Paul Doherty*Cup of Ghosts*

By 1322, Mathilde of Westminster was considered the finest physician in London. But in her years as lady-in-waiting to Princess Isabella, who married the feckless Edward II, she was drawn into the murky politics of the English court, where sudden, mysterious death was part of the tapestry of life. Many years later, when the glory is gone and all that remains are bittersweet memories, Mathilde looks back and chronicles her turbulent life. She has a keen eye for symptoms and causes - and not just the medical kind. With her sharp, suspicious intellect ready to distinguish between a fatality and an unnatural death, Mathilde is confronted by a host of chilling murders, personal danger and the murky intrigue that lies at the heart of the English and French courts at the beginning of the fourteenth century. The source of these horrors is the fierce political rivalry between Philip of France and Edward of England which manifests itself in a series of gruesome killings, one of which actually takes place during Edward II's Coronation in January 1308, when a knight of the Royal Household, Sir John Baquelle, is crushed to death. **TP \$32.95 HC \$55**

Sean Doolittle*Rain Dogs*

After inheriting his grandfather's river-outfitting business in the country, former reporter Tom Coleman plans to sit back and enjoy rural life, if he can deal with the explosion of a nearby fishing cabin turned meth lab, a suspicious Sheriff's Department, a shady pothead employee, his ex-girlfriend's delinquent teenage son, and the FBI. Original. **PB \$17.95**

James D Doss*Shadow Man Charlie Moon Mystery*

When a local prosecutor is killed by a sniper while dining at an exclusive Granite Creek, Colorado, restaurant, a nearby witness who claims that the bullet had been intended for him hires Charlie Moon to uncover the truth. **HC \$49.95**

Shannon Drake*Reckless*

Kat Adair leaves London society behind and journeys to Egypt to be with the man she loves, Egyptologist David Turnberry, only to be met with animosity and distrust from David's best friend, archaeologist Hunter MacDonald. **HC \$34.95 TP \$24.95**

Joan Druett*Shark Island*

Encountering the wreck of a sealing ship on the shoals of remote, uninhabited Shark Island, Wiki Coffin, linguist and peace officer aboard the U.S. Exploring Expedition, is stunned to discover the body of the ship's murdered captain, a crime in which Wiki's colleague and nemesis, Lieutenant Forsythe, becomes the prime suspect **HC \$49.95**

Jack Du Brul*Vulcan's Forge*

When a volcano beneath the Pacific Ocean surges upward, carrying a mineral more powerful than uranium, America and other nations will battle to control what is known as Vulcan's Forge, a source of limitless clean, nuclear power **PB \$19.95**

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Investigating the 1940s Los Angeles murder of an unidentified victim whose case has been sensationalized by the media, homicide detective Tom Spellacy and his priest brother, Des, find their loyalties tested, in a new edition of a popular novel that became the basis of a Robert Duvall and Robert De Niro movie. **TP \$30.95**

Marjorie Eccles*The Shape of Sand*

Forty years after a woman vanishes from a seemingly idyllic Edwardian upper class family, a collection of notebooks and letters turn up that could offer her grown daughters answers to the riddle of her disappearance, but the discovery of a mummified body in the ruins of their old home complicates their quest for the truth. **HC \$49.95**

Martin Edwards*The Coffin Trail*

Purchasing Tarn Cottage in a remote village in England's Lake District, Oxford historian Daniel Kind and his lover Miranda find the evil of the past intruding when memories of a ritualistic murder, the death of the alleged killer--who once lived in Tarn Cottage--and DCI Hannah Scarlet's investigation into the cold case threaten to reveal dangerous old secrets. **TP \$30.95**

Anthony Eglin*The Blue Rose (English Garden Mystery)*

Believing they have found the home of their dreams in a beautiful English garden house, Alex and Kate Sheppard make a science-defying discovery in their garden and find their world unraveling in the wake of intrusive experiments, coded journals, and murderous adversaries. **PB \$17.95**

Howard Engel*Memory Book (Benny Cooperman Detective)*

Recovering in a Toronto hospital from a serious blow to the head, private investigator Benny Cooperman struggles with memory loss and a condition that has rendered him able to write but unable to read, a circumstance that compromises his ability to remember his attacker and the case he was on the brink of solving. **HC \$51.95 TP \$28.95**

Robert Eversz*Digging James Dean (Nino Zero)*

When the body of James Dean is stolen from an Indiana graveyard, tough-talking tabloid reporter Nina Zero pursues a wide range of possible suspects and wonders if a runaway aspiring actress may be risking her life in her affiliation with the responsible party, a case that is complicated by Nina's mother's suspicious death. **TP \$28.95**

Nancy Fairbanks*Three-Course Murder*

An omnibus edition containing the first three of the author's culinary mysteries featuring food writer Carolyn Blue includes Crime BrvITe, Truffled Feathers, and Death a l'Orange, in which Carolyn finds murder on the menu during a culinary tour of France. Original. **TP \$28.95**

Linda Fairstein*Death Dance*

Investigating the disappearance of a world-famous dancer who went missing during a Lincoln Center performance, investigator Alex Cooper and her colleagues find themselves drawn into the underworld of Manhattan's theatrical community and simultaneously pursuing a doctor who has been drugging and assaulting women. By the author of Entombed. **HC \$52.95**

Jerrilyn Farmer*The Flaming Luau of Death (Madeline Bean Culinary Mystery)*

Throwing a fashionable "destination" bridal shower in Hawaii when her beloved assistant becomes engaged, Madeline Bean investigates the discovery of a dead body at the height of the festivities and wonders if her assistant's sudden cold feet may be related to her mystery marriage ten years earlier. By the author of Mumbo Gumbo. **PB \$17.95**

Perfect Sax (Madeline Bean Culinary Mystery)

Hired to produce the Black & White Headliner's Ball, a trendy L.A. gala designed to raise funds for a prestigious music academy, party planner Madeline Bean and her friends, Holly and Wes, find their efforts undermined by the theft of a priceless saxophone, scandal, and murder. **PB \$17.95**

Jane Finniss*A Bitter Chill*

In December in 95 AD, as Roman settlers in Britannia prepare for the celebration of Saturnalia, innkeeper Aurelia Marcella discovers that an enemy in Rome is attempting to destroy her family by spreading rumors that they are plotting against Caesar, a situation complicated by a gang of native criminals and a murder in which Aurelia's sister Albia becomes a prime suspect. **HC \$51.95**

Joy Fielding*Lost*

When her estranged daughter Julia returns years after deciding to live with her father, Cindy finds her home life disrupted by Julia's willful behavior, but when Julia disappears, Cindy fears that the worst may have occurred. **PB \$19.95**

Puppet

Enjoying her career while avoiding an unhappy past, high-powered attorney Amanda Travis receives the alarming news that her mother has been charged with murdering a stranger in a Toronto hotel, a situation that forces Amanda to confront her old demons. **PB \$22.95**

Mad River Road

While an ex-con sets out to exact revenge against his former wife for her role in his imprisonment, a woman in Florida is convinced by a seductive stranger to quit her dead-end job and cut off her judgmental sister in order to pursue a more exciting life. By the author of *See Jane Run*. **HC \$51.95**

G M Ford

Red Tide

Frank Corso, disgraced journalist and successful true crime writer, finds himself evacuated from his friend Meg Dougherty's first photographic display when terrorists strike the Seattle bus tunnel.

As the city grinds to a halt, Corso is determined to find a way into the tunnel to discover for himself what has happened, and what he sees is more shocking than he could ever have imagined... Meanwhile Meg, unaware of the nightmare unfolding across town, suspects she is being pursued by her former lover, and returns home to a horrific scene of her own.

Corso soon pays the price for his snooping when he is hauled in by the police. Reunited in custody with the frightened Meg, he must elude the SPD and pursue the terrorists himself before an infinitely more devastating attack annihilates his city... **PB \$19.95**

Dick Francis

Come to Grief

Convinced that one of his closest friends, a renowned racer, is behind a series of violent acts, Sid Halley faces the most troubling case of his career and becomes the target of backlashing fans and media representatives. **PB \$19.95**

John Francome

Dead Weight

Left with a bad case of the jitters following a terrifying fall during a race, jump jockey Phil Nicholas finds it difficult to deal with the flashbacks and nightmares he experiences after returning to the sport, but when a colleague is viciously attacked, he must somehow overcome his fears to save the sport and the woman he loves. By the author of *Inside Track* **HC \$51.95**

Margaret Frazer

The Sempster's Tale Dame Frevisse Medieval Mystery

On behalf of her cousin, Dame Frevisse and her companions, seamstress Anne Blakehall and Anne's lover, a Jewish trader smuggling gold, head for London to recover some lost gold from the treasury of the murdered Duke of Suffolk, but their plans are threatened by the discovery of a crucified body, a crime the ignites dangerous anti-Semitic sentiment. **HC \$51.95**

Nicci French

Catch Me When I Fall

Hiding a side of her personality that enjoys life in the fast lane, successful businesswoman Holly Kraus commits a series of reckless mistakes that result in her being stalked and blackmailed, a situation that tests the limits of her sanity. **HC \$51.95**

Killing Me Softly

Alice Loudon impulsively casts aside the comforts of the life she knows to marry an exciting stranger, but she begins fearing for her safety after someone begins leaving her disturbing notes about her new husband's mysterious past. **TP \$26.95**

Stephen Frey

Silent Partner

When Angela Day is offered the opportunity of a lifetime by Jake Lawrence, one of the world's wealthiest entrepreneurs, she discovers the potential dangers of unlimited power, influence, and riches as enemies target him--and anyone around him--for death. **PB \$18.95**

The Chairman

Taking over the helm of Everest Capital after the death of its chairman, thirty-six-year-old Christian Gillette suddenly finds himself in the line of fire when he becomes the target of an unknown killer while trying to get ahead in the high-stakes world of big money. Reprint **PB \$19.95**

David Fulmer

Rampart Street

Reluctantly drawn into the investigation into a gentleman's murder on New Orleans's Rampart Street, Creole detective Valentin St. Cyr learns that the victim was acquainted years earlier with a second murder victim, a case with possible ties to the city's most powerful leaders and Valentin's ex-girlfriend's new lover. **HC \$51.95**

Jass

In the wake of four musicians' murders, Creole detective Valentin St. Cyr discovers that the only surviving member of their band has gone into hiding and suspects that a shadowy woman is the key to solving the mystery, which is complicated by local authorities who want him off the case. By the author of *Chasing the Devil's Tail*. Reprint. **TP \$28.95**

Tom Gabbay

The Berlin Conspiracy

Former spy Jack Teller finds himself back in the world of espionage, when, just days before President John F. Kennedy is scheduled to visit the city, a mysterious contact claims to have important information, and he wants to share it with Jack. **HC \$51.95**

Yasmine Galenorn

A Harvest of Bones Chintz'n China Mystery

Emerald O'Brien, a medium and the owner of the Chintz'n China Tea Room, stirs up supernatural forces when she stumbles upon the ruins of a fifty-year-old house, forcing her and her friends to unlock the secrets of the past so that the dead can finally rest. **PB \$17.95**

Ashley Gardner

A Body in Berkley Square

During a lavish ball at the Berkeley Square mansion of Lord Gillis, a heated argument over a woman leads to murder and Captain Gabriel Lacey discovers that his nemesis and former friend is accused of the crime, and wonders if his thirst for vengeance can finally be quenched. **PB \$19.95**

Lisa Gardner*Alone*

State Trooper Bobby Dodge watches a tense hostage stand-off unfold through the scope of his sniper rifle. An armed man has barricaded himself with his wife and child. His finger tightens on the trigger and Dodge has only a split second to react. . . and forever pay the consequences. Twenty-five years ago, Catherine Gagnon was buried underground during a month-long nightmare of abduction and abuse. Now, her husband has just been killed and her father-in-law, the powerful Judge Gagnon, blames Catherine. Mr Bosu was in a maximum security prison for the most sadistic of crimes. Now he's free . . . and filled with an unquenchable thirst for vengeance. A moment of violence brings Bobby and Catherine together - but what connects them is much more dangerous. A killer is loose. No one is beyond harm, and no one will see death coming until it has them cornered, helpless, and alone... **PB \$19.95**

Gone

When his partner and lover, Rainie Connor, vanishes during her investigation into the case of a foster child, who also has disappeared, private detective and former FBI profiler Pierce Quincy enlists the aid of his daughter Kimberly, a rookie FBI agent, to uncover the truth about the case, which may be linked to a series of brutal murders. **HC \$51.95**

Alison Gaylin*You Kill Me*

Usually submerged in a world of paranoia where she sees danger that isn't there, Samantha Leiffer discovers that she is not crazy when people vaguely connected to her begin dying after she receives a note from a nerdy stranger who warns her that bad things will happen unless she calls him. **PB \$17.95**

Brad Geagley*Day of the False King*

In the wake of Ramses IV's ascension and a series of disasters in Babylonia, Semerket, Egypt's Clerk of Investigations and Secrets, endeavors to rescue his beloved ex-wife Naia from her life in exile, an effort that is challenged by power-hungry tribes. By the author of Year of the Hyenas. **HC \$49.95**

Dave Gibbons*Atlantis*

Archaeologist Jack Howard is a brave but cautious man. When he embarked on a new search for buried treasure in the Mediterranean, he knew it was a long shot. When he uncovered a golden disc that spoke of a lost civilization more advanced than any in the ancient world, he started to get excited. But when Jack Howard and his intrepid crew finally got close to uncovering the secrets the sea had held for thousands of years, nothing could have prepared them for what they would find. . . **PB \$19.95**

Mark Gimenez*The Color of Law*

Lawyer Scott Fenney is not thrilled when he is appointed to defend Shawanda Jones, a prostitute accused of killing the son of Texas senator and presidential candidate, Mack McCall **HC \$40.95**

John J Gobbell*The Neptune Strategy John Ingram*

When his destroyer is attacked by Japanese dive bombers, Commander Todd Ingram is inadvertently thrown overboard and rescued by a Japanese submarine. By the author of When Duty Whispers Low and Code for Tomorrow. **PB \$17.95**

Robert Goddard*Into the Blue*

When a young woman who has befriended him disappears, Harry Barnett, the down-and-out caretaker of a villa on the island of Rhodes and a prime suspect in her disappearance, follows a sparse trail to England in search of her and into the heart of a dangerous mystery. **TP \$24.95**

Borrowed Time

After meeting Louise Paxton, a lovely young woman, just hours before she is found raped and murdered, Robin Timariot becomes obsessed with the dead woman and insinuates himself into the life of her family, embarking on his own quest to uncover the truth about her death. **TP \$24.95**

Jane R Goodall*Visitor*

It is 1974 and Detective Inspector Briony Williams, with her trademark directness and impatience with small talk, has just started a new job with the Thames Valley Police in Oxford. Briony and her team are called out to investigate the murder of a 17-year-old girl in whose hand she finds a stone carved with an ancient cryptic message that says 'the busie fiend control'. Convinced she has encountered no ordinary domestic crime, Briony finds herself in a world of vengeful gods, devilish creatures in search of prey, and curses of the evil eye. A serial killer is roaming the prehistoric landscapes of the White Horse Vale, inspired by local druid folklore about a demonic supernatural Visitor. The perpetrator is violently and systematically murdering people, the victims restrained or held down and killed with heavy blows from all angles. There are psychic girls, druid witches, and maybe even horned goats sitting on altars wearing fur-edged capes. Or are there? Briony, in her search for scientific evidence, needs to steer a dangerous course between rationality and superstition during the autumn equinox, when the spirits are said to wander between worlds. **PB \$19.95**

Carol Goodman*The Lake of Dead Languages*

Returning to the Heart Lake School for Girls as a Latin teacher to start a new life with her young daughter, Jane is haunted by past tragedy and terrifying memories when she is plagued by menacing messages, and when the pages of her missing journal resurface, dark secrets are revealed and young girls begin to die once again. A first novel. **PB \$19.95**

Ed Gorman & Martin H Greenberg *Editors**The Adventure of the Missing Detective and 25 of the Year's Finest Crime and Mystery Stories*

An anthology of short crime tales represents some of the past year's top genre offerings and includes contributions by such writers as Robert Barnard, Joyce Carol Oates, and Anne Perry. **TP \$34.95**

Judith Gould

Dreamboat

Determined to turn her life around, shy Crissy Gregory signs up for a month-long, trans-Atlantic cruise, only to find her voyage undermined by a shocking international conspiracy, betrayal, threats of violence, and murder. **HC \$49.95**

Chris Grabenstein

Tilt-A Whirl

Having recently joined the Sea Haven police department after his tour of duty in Iraq, former MP John Ceepak investigates the murder of a billionaire real estate tycoon at a seedy amusement park, a case that is complicated by an undedicated young partner. **HC \$49.95**

Deborah Grabien

Matty Groves

Reluctant to attend the Callowen House Arts festival because of his fear of ghosts, Ringan Laine and his lover, Penny Wintercraft-Hawkes, soon discover that, along with the benevolent spirits that haunt the house, is an evil ghost, recently awakened and seeking revenge for a lost lover, who is pursuing the band's flautist, Jane Castle, who resembles his lost love. **HC \$49.95**

Sue Grafton

S Is For Silence

Thirty-four years ago, Violet Sullivan put on her party finery and left for the annual Fourth of July fireworks display. She was never seen again. In the small Californian town of Serena Station, tongues wagged. Some said she'd run off with a lover. Some said she was murdered by her husband. But for the not-quite-seven-year-old daughter Daisy she left behind, Violet's absence has never been explained or forgotten.

Now, thirty-four years later, she wants the solace of closure.

In *S* is for Silence, Kinsey Millhone's nineteenth excursion into the world of suspense and misadventure, *S* is for surprises as Sue Grafton takes a whole new approach to telling the tale. And *S* is for superb: Kinsey and Grafton at their best. **TP \$32.95**

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Accepting a new posting within the CIA, military lawyer Sean Drummond oversees the investigation into the assassination of the White House chief of staff, whose killer has threatened to assassinate the president in three days, a situation complicated by a bounty on the president's head and a dangerous miscalculation on the part of law enforcement officials **PB \$19.95**

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When the ghost of his wife's late first husband begins appearing in their home, New Orleans restaurant owner Phil Randazzo turns for help to psychics, exorcists, and a legendary novelist and becomes increasingly fearful when he narrowly escapes a deadly accident. By the author of *The Worst Day of My Life, So Far*. Reprint. **TP \$28.95**

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When the maritime village of Bareneed is beset upon by mythic sea creatures, a bizarre suffocating plague, and other strange events, divorced father Joseph Blackwood works against time to save his only daughter. **HC \$51.95**

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When New York's Thanksgiving Day parade is torn apart by a gunman's rampage, private detective Fritz Malone, the son of the NYPD commissioner, discovers that the mayor had known about the shootout before it happened and sets out to uncover the truth about a possible conspiracy. **HC \$45.95**

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When a new owner of the local retirement home transforms it into an exclusive rehabilitation facility, the small town of Maggody is torn by rumors about displaced mental patients, a situation that culminates in the murder of a young receptionist and forces police chief Arly Hanks to disseminate truth from gossip **HC \$47.95**

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Using a grant to pursue her research into the devastating Spanish Flu epidemic of 1918, physician Laura Masterson journeys to Paradox, New Mexico, a coal-mining town devastated by the epidemic, where she discovers preserved specimens of the virus in the dry climate, but her research takes a dangerous turn when her mobile lab is raided and vials of the deadly virus are stolen. **HC \$47.95**

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To avoid an unwanted marriage, Merry Vance comes up with a scandalous scheme to break the rules of English society by posing nude for Nicholas Craven, London's most notorious artist, in *Beyond Seduction*, and in *Beyond Innocence*, to save his scandalous brother from ruin, Edward Burbrooke arranges a marriage between him and a beautiful orphan, but his plans to use the marriage to save his family are threatened by his own growing passion for his brother's betrothed. Original. **TP \$28.95**

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While appearing with Jack Donovan's orchestra at the 1940 World's Fair in San Francisco, jazz musician Ray Sherwood becomes caught up in a seductive mystery involving the death of a mysterious Frenchwoman, who plunges to her death shortly after propositioning him. **TP \$28.95**

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Resisting those who would use a revolutionary new technology for unethical purposes, doctor David Tennant and psychiatrist Rachel Weiss find themselves running for their lives from a ruthless team of NSA agents and turning to David's unusual dreams for guidance. **PB \$19.95**

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Experiencing panic attacks and blackouts at murder scenes, forensics expert Cat Ferry is suspended from her task force and returns to her Mississippi hometown, where she discovers disturbing information about her father's murder, which occurred when Cat had been eight years old. **PB \$22.95**

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Inspector Erlendur Sveinsson heads up the investigation into the killing of a solitary man, found murdered in his Reykjavik apartment, only to discover that the victim has only two friends, one in prison and one missing for twenty-five years, and that the dead man had been accused but not convicted of a rape forty years earlier **HC \$45.95**

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When an angry former student posts a nasty hip-hop diatribe about her on the local college Web site, fifty-something New Jersey community college professor Bel Barrett is extremely upset, a situation that worsens when the venomous poet turns up dead on the nearby subway tracks, and Bel is tapped as the chief suspect in his murder. **PB \$17.95**

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A blistering follow-up to Turf War opens with the release of criminal kingpin Big Ed Tatum from jail after the only witness to his crime is murdered, but complications arise when Peanut's adored little sister Crystal falls in love with Big Ed. **TP \$28.95**

Quintin Jardine

For the Death of Me

It's summertime in Monaco and Oz Blackstone is sitting on the verandah of his opulent mansion - one of three homes - idly gazing at Roman Abramovich's luxury yacht as it gently cruises into the harbour. Life doesn't get much better than this. But somebody knows where he lives. A struggling author sweet talks him into buying the movie rights to his latest novel for \$50,000, and a shocking trap is laid. The demons of the past begin to creep up on Oz's sunny life: blackmail and murder are lurking in the shadows. Oz travels all the way to Singapore to track down the owner of some incriminating photographs but he's in grave danger of over-exposure. And when organised crime muscles in on the picture, Oz is getting perilously close to losing a lot more than his wealth and reputation. . . **HC \$55 TP \$32.95**

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Butchers of St Peters

When a merchant in Exeter hears an intruder in his home one night, his first thought is to conceal his adulterous lover. But then he witnesses a sinister figure stooping over the bed of his only child, a figure who seems to almost vanish into thin air. Two years on and the identity of the intruder has become common knowledge: the idiot of the city who lost his own children many years ago, and who seems doomed to wander the town searching for them. But when a boy then disappears, suspicion immediately falls on him. The local constable is determined to solve the mystery, as his own son disappeared some years ago and he always suspected the fool. Sir Baldwin is asked to follow a lead to the manor of Bishop's Clyst to try and find out what has happened. While he is there a body is found under the stone bridge - the body of a boy, but not the one who recently went missing... **PB \$19.95**

Friar's Bloodfued

Bailiff Simon Puttock's servant, Hugh, has been granted leave to look after his wife Constance and help raise her child. One day she is attacked and raped by a gang of men at her home. She sees her son being murdered and then her man Hugh is struck down, before she is killed and the house set on fire. When Simon and Sir Baldwin Furnhill, Keeper of the King's Peace, arrive on the scene, the cottage has burned to the ground and the body of the child lies outside. Inside there is a woman's torso, badly burned, but no remains of Hugh. The fire raged so fiercely, all believe Hugh died inside. However, things are not so simple, and not only does Simon vow revenge, there are dark forces lurking which will cause no end of mischief and bloodshed. **HC \$55**

Liz Jenson

The Ninth Life of Louis Drax

Louis Draw has always been accident prone, with something violent befalling him every year, but when he falls of a cliff and into a coma on his ninth birthday, it may not have been an accident, and the only one with the key to the truth may be Louis himself. **TP \$30.95**

River Jordan

The Messenger of Magnolia Street

As something evil begins to threaten their peaceful way of life, three childhood friends--Trice, Billy, and Nehemiah--are reunited to fight an unnamed presence menacing the peace of what should be their idyllic Southern town of Shibboleth. **HC \$47.95**

Sharon Kahn

Which Big Giver Stole the Chopped Liver?

When Essie Sue, the Eternal thorn in Ruby's side, organizes a reunion of Temple Rita's Big Givers, Ruby, a rabbi's widow, finds herself immersed in mystery when Essie's prize-winning chopped liver mold in the shape of Texas is replaced by a dead body. **PB \$17.95**

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As Dead as It Gets

Hoping to establish herself as a screenwriter, Maggie Mars instead lands in the middle of a mystery when her mentor, the head of the Creative Artist's Union, is found dead under suspicious circumstances, an event for which she turns to two boyfriends and her professor father for help **HC \$49.95**

Stuart A Kaminsky

The Last Dark Place (Abe Lieberman Mystery)

When the target of an extradition case in Arizona is gunned down, detective Abe Lieberman works to prevent a gang war while pursuing the killer's identity, while priest Bill Hanrahan struggles with a racist and sexist colleague who thwarts a rape investigation. By the author of Not Quite Kosher **PB \$17.95**

Andrea Kane*Wrong Place, Wrong Time*

A novel that takes place in the world of competitive horse show jumping offers a tale of murder and suspense involving a former NYPD detective, his grown daughter, and his missing ex-wife, who is either an innocent victim or a suspect. **HC \$45.95**

H R F Keating*A Detective At Death's Door*

In her most dangerous case yet, Harriet Martens finds herself the victim of a cunning poisoner. Whilst relaxing with her husband at the Majestic pool one hot August Bank Holiday, Harriet does not expect the refreshing glass of Campari soda at her side to conceal a deadly drug. When she awakes from a doze she is no longer by the water, but in a hospital bed recovering from a near fatal dose of Aconitine. As Harriet makes her slow recovery, she tries to come to terms with the terrible fact that someone wanted to kill her. Even more difficult for her to face is the knowledge that she must find the person responsible, if only for her own peace of mind. But no sooner has she mustered enough energy to begin making tentative enquiries and initial investigations, than the poisoner strikes again. And this time he is successful. . . **PB \$22**

Faye Kellerman*False Prophet (Peter Decker & Rina Lazarus)*

Los Angeles detective Peter Decker is driven to his wit's end by the owner of a popular health spa, a self-proclaimed clairvoyant who is found beaten, raped, and robbed in her home, and her less-than-trustworthy family. Reprint. **PB \$19.95**

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When Carl, the boss she has secretly loved for years, goes missing during his annual visit to Mexico, Gloria Mendez begins a search for answers that reveals hidden, sinister aspects of her employer's life. By the winner of the 2003 Princess Grace Award. **HC \$51.95**

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A female therapist suddenly finds herself trapped in the middle of a complex and deadly cat-and-mouse game with an ingenious, cold-blooded killer, in a new thriller by the award-winning author of Every Step You Take. **HC \$51.95**

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After receiving the devastating news of her son's death, Sarah Spooner searches the dark corners and musty halls of Cromwell University for the truth behind the so-called suicides of eleven Cromwell students. **PB \$19.95**

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Accused of embezzling millions of dollars from her employer, a giant media conglomerate, and the prime suspect in the death of an FBI agent investigating the crime, Alex Bridge, a young, pregnant musician, joins forces with Faith Kelly of Department Thirty to uncover the truth, following a trail that leads to a vast conspiracy at the highest levels of American justice. **PB \$19.95**

Elsa Klensch*Shooting Script*

Covering the opening of a new luxury spa owned by the third wife of former network head Errol Swanson, Sonya Iverson oversees a volatile family reunion attended by the man's ex-wives and children, an event that offers numerous suspects when Swanson is found murdered. By the author of Live at 10:00, Dead at 10:15. **HC \$49.95**

Christine Kling*Bitter End*

The onboard murder of wealthy Nicholas Pontus, the ex-husband of her one-time best friend Molly, spells trouble for Seychelle Sullivan, skipper of the salvage tug, Gorda, when Molly is arrested for the crime **HC \$51.95**

Dean Koontz*Forever Odd (Odd thomas 02)*

Odd Thomas, that unlikely hero, once more stands between us and our worst fears. Odd never asked to communicate with the dead – they sought him out. As the unofficial goodwill ambassador between our world and theirs, he has a duty to do the right thing. That's the way Odd sees it, and that's why he has already won over hearts on both sides of the great divide. For Odd lives always between two worlds in the small desert town of Pico Mundo, which Odd can never leave, and where the heroic and the harrowing are everyday occurrences. A childhood friend of Odd's has disappeared and the worst is feared. But as Odd applies his unique talents to the task of finding the missing person, he discovers something worse than a dead body. New allies and new enemies gather around Odd, some living and some not. But the enemy he encounters is unspeakably cunning, and every sacrifice is needed to tip the balance between despair and hope as a life-changing revelation rushes towards us. In the battle to come, there can be no innocent bystanders ... **TP \$29.95**

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After she purchases a fixer-upper, professional psychic Abby Cooper, to rid the house of spectral tenants, must, with the help of her FBI agent boyfriend, solve the murder of a beautiful blonde woman, a case that is linked to World War II treasure and a dangerous killer. **PB \$17.95**

Danny Leigh*The Monsters of Gramercy Park*

Determined to revive her ailing career, celebrated crime novelist Lizbeth Greene comes up with a plan to write a book about Wilson Velez, a gang lord just removed from five years of solitary confinement, only to find herself drawn into the killer's sinister world as they engage in increasingly intimate and more dangerous exchanges. **HC \$51.95**

Patricia Lewin*Blind Run*

When his young son is murdered by a renegade assassin, who also threatens his unsuspecting wife, Ethan Decker, a former "Hunter" who specialized in tracking down ruthless international fugitives for the U.S. government, goes into self-imposed exile, until Anna Kelsey, a former member of his team, enlists his aid to protect two innocent children who have become pawns in a deadly conspiracy. **PB \$17.95**

Out of Time

Former CIA operative Erin Baker returns to action to go undercover within a medical aid group with possibly sinister ties, an organization headed by charismatic doctor Emilio Diaz, Erin's estranged father, journeying to Cuba to penetrate Castro's shadowy world and to investigate the strange disappearance of her former mentor. **PB \$17.95**

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Attending a conference in Rome, archaeologist Arnold Landon inadvertently stumbles on a revenge-motivated murder in the Etruscan city of the dead and finds the case intersecting with that of Northumberland's DCI O'Connor, who is working to stop an international smuggling ring.

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Sent to Moscow to work as an embassy "housekeeper," top-secret diplomat Ben Bassett falls in love with passionate Russian poet Aida Zavaskaya, with whom he is rendered a pawn by government agents who are obsessed with rekindling the Cold War. By the author of *The Company*. **HC \$51.95**

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Robert Ludlum*The Paris Option (Covert One)*

A fiery explosion shatters a laboratory building in Paris. Among the dead is Emile Chambord, one of the leaders in the global race to create a molecular - or DNA - computer. Unfortunately, Professor Chambord kept the details of his work secret, and his notes were apparently destroyed in the fire. Then suddenly US fighter jets disappear from radar screens for a full five minutes and there's no explanation; utilities cease to function; and all telecommunications abruptly stop, with devastating consequences. This is not the work of a clever hacker - only the enormous power and speed of a DNA computer could have caused such havoc. Covert-One agent Jon Smith flies to Paris to investigate. Following a trail that leads him across two continents, he uncovers a web of deception that threatens to re-shape the world for ever . . . **PB \$19.95**

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Assigned to monitor possible protest activities by Native Americans at Mount Rushmore, an FBI agent struggles to glean significant information from a series of spiritual ceremonies being conducted under the leadership of an ancient elder who would reclaim the mountain as a territory of sacred significance. By the author of Crazy Love **HC \$47.95**

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When two beautiful teenagers from a posh East Side girls' school suddenly turn up dead under suspicious circumstances, it falls to Melanie Vargas, a savvy federal prosecutor, to do anything possible to find answers and get to the truth. **HC \$49.95**

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Struggling with her husband's infidelity, rising Latina federal prosecutor Melanie Vargas stumbles onto a crime scene involving the murder of a wealthy former colleague and finds herself embroiled in a high-profile case that is further complicated by an attractive, secretive FBI agent.

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Struggling with a psychic client and a prejudiced next-door neighbor, Sarasota attorney Lillian Belle Rosemary Cleary unwittingly becomes embroiled in the investigation into the murder of an obnoxious firm partner in a case that pits her against a bizarre assortment of potential suspects. By the author of Skinny-dipping. **PB \$17.95**

Eric Mayer & Mary Reed

Four For a Boy (John the Eunuch Mystery)

In sixth-century Constantinople, John the Eunuch, Lord Chamberlain to the Byzantine emperor Justinian, is assigned to defend the empire by attempting the daring capture of a murderer responsible for the death of a philanthropist in the Great Church. **TP \$30.95**

Archer Mayor

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Intrepid detective Joe Gunther and the overworked Vermont Bureau of Investigation team is pushed to the limits by a string of serial arsons across the Green Mountain State that has culminated in a shocking series of murders. By the author of The Surrogate Thief. **HC \$51.95**

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Reluctantly working as a technical adviser for a western being filmed in New Mexico, Santa Fe police chief Kevin Kerney finds the murdered body of a young man near an isolated Mexican border crossing and discovers that a large-scale drug-smuggling operation may be responsible. **HC \$49.95**

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Detective Phil Knight teams up with his brother, Notre Dame professor Roger Knight, to investigate the theft of some valuable artifacts and the killing of a researcher, crimes that may be linked to a nineteenth-century theologian **HC \$49.95**

Hope McIntyre

How to Seduce a Ghost

While immersing herself in paranoia over a series of local arson fires, ghostwriter Lee Bartholomew undertakes the assignment of writing a soap star's autobiography, a job that prompts her to investigate the mysterious fires. **HC \$51.95**

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High Heels and Homicide

While in England to watch one of her novels being shot as a major motion picture, Maggie Kelly, along with her all-to-real hero Alexandre, becomes immersed in a murder mystery when the manor house they are staying at becomes the playground of a clever killer. **TP \$28.95**

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When a sexually driven university professor seduces a bartender into murdering a would-be robber and committing other violent acts, police detective Paris Murphy is forced to use herself as bait in order to stop a dangerous crime spree **PB \$19.95**

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Half Broken Things

A haunting novel of moral ambiguity looks at the nature of love and what a person will do in its name as it follows the lives of three strangers--an aging housesitter, a struggling con man, and a young pregnant woman--who seek refuge at Walden Manor, a remote country estate, as they attempt to rebuild their individual lives. **HC \$45.95**

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Attending a posh party at Florida Field, Zack Chasteen finds a fake bomb strapped beneath the chair of Darcy Whitehall and is hired by Monk DeVane, a former Miami Dolphins teammate and Darcy's employee, to find out who is responsible **HC \$47.95**

Tom Morrisey*Dark Fathom (Beck Eston)*

Beck Easton, a secret member of a paramilitary wing of the National Security Agency, is ready to retire, but his plans quickly change when a simple assignment--to follow the trail of an Al-Qaeda operative--leads him to a tangled thread of clues that interweave a top secret WWII mission, an ocean treasure, and a fanatic's plans that involve the World Trade Center in New York City. **TP \$26.95**

Margaret Murphy*Dispossessed*

Bled to death and left in a rubbish bin, the teenaged prostitute is just the first victim. DI Jeff Rickman's investigation into the Afghan refugee's sordid death leads first to the heart of a community who can't - or won't - talk to him. Then the investigation comes home to Rickman's own private life. As the body count starts rising he is framed for a crime he didn't commit. A murderer is trying to make things personal. Very personal. Is he on the trail of a serial killer? Or something even more sinister? **PB \$19.95**

Darkness Falls

A devoted mother and high-powered attorney, Clara Pascal is the envy of her peers, until she is kidnapped by an unknown assailant who has left her chained to a stone wall in a cold, dark cellar, the prisoner of a man who refuses to even tell her what he wants **PB \$17.95**

Bill Napier*Shattered Icon*

As an antique map dealer in a small English town, Harry Blake appreciates the quiet life. But when a local landowner asks him to value a 400 year old journal and twelve hours later he is brutally murdered, Harry's peace of mind is shattered. What does the dusty journal contain that is a matter of life or death? Why is someone prepared to pay Harry a fortune to steal it? He turns to marine historian Zola Khan to uncover the mysteries. The trail of the journal leads him into a world of deadly Elizabethan conspiracies, and the thread of history takes him through a thousand years of religious intrigue back to the blood-soaked Crusades. And he finally learns that at stake are millions of dollars and a plan to trigger nothing less than war... **PB \$19.95**

Kris Nelscott*War At Home*

Searching for a missing Yale student who never arrived for his 1969 spring semester, African-American private investigator Smokey Dalton, accompanied by his son, Jimmy, pursues leads between the New Haven slums and New York City only to discover a sinister side of the anti-war movement. Reprint. **TP \$30.95**

William Nicholson*The Society of Others*

A young man embarks on an aimless journey, hitchhiking across Europe without planned destinations, only to find himself caught up in a confusing, threatening, and surreal world of inexplicable violence and dark secrets. A first novel. **TP \$28.95**

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Sometimes you have to risk it all...

Emma Wright has finally escaped the dangerous man who's controlled her every move for the past six years. Taking her five-year-old son, Max, she has fled across the country seeking freedom, safety and a fresh start...

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When fate throws Preston and Emma together, the enigmatic stranger wants nothing much to do with her, or the boy who reminds him so much of his own child. Yet he can't abandon them by the roadside.

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Martin O'Brien*Jacquot and the Waterman (Jacquot)*

In the French port city of Marseilles, Chief Inspector Daniel Jacquot, a former rugby star with a taste for good food, wine, and the blues, investigates a series of terrifying murders in which the beautiful female victims are found beaten to death and submerged in water. A first novel. 15,000 first printing **HC \$51.95**

Rob Palmer*No Time To Hide*

When the CIA goes after one of his unofficial clients, a beautiful con artist named Patrice, Ben Tennant, a psychologist for the witness protection program, forms an alliance with this elusive and dangerous woman to expose a political conspiracy involving nuclear weapons. **PB \$17.95**

Robert B Parker*Double Play*

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Julie Parsons*The Hourglass*

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Virtually orphaned, he is raised by various mentors, who teach him the ancient ways and warn him of the invasion of the "White Christ" into the land of the "Old Gods". Thorgils is guided by a restless quest for adventure and the wanderlust of his favoured god, Odinn. His fortunes take him into many dangerous situations as well as to the brink of death by execution, in battle, disease and shipwreck. . .

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