



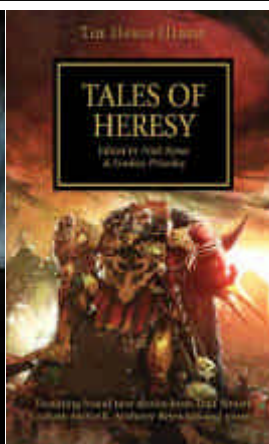
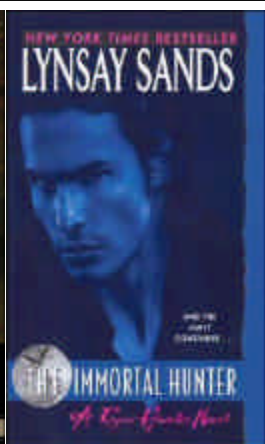
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science fiction, fantasy & horror

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Featured Books



Seth Grahame-Smith & Jane Austen

Lynsay Sands

Keri Arthur

Warhammer 40K

Dungeons & Dragons

Star Wars

Star Trek

Ilona Andrews

Jim Butcher

David Drake

Pride and Prejudice and Zombies

The Immortal Hunter in paperback.

Deadly Desire in paperback.

Tales of Heresy a new paperback.

Arcane Power a new 4th edition rulebook.

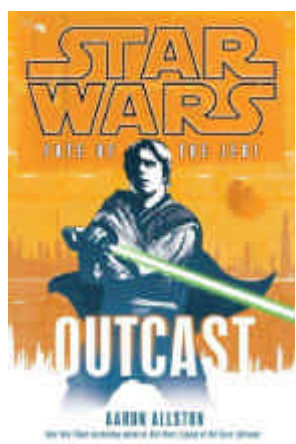
Outcast in hardcover.

Over A Torrent Sea a new Titan paperback.

Magic Strikes in paperback.

Turn Coat a new Dresden Files hardcover.

When the Tide Rises, a Lt Leary paperback.



News

Robert Jordan's Wheel of Time has a release date for the next volume. Brandon Sanderson has announced the final book will be too long for one volume and so will be released in three, with the first due 3rd November 2009. http://www.dragonmount.com/Books/Memory_of_Light/

Hugo Award nominations for 2009 have been announced. The nominations for best novel are; *Anathem* by **Neal Stephenson**, *The Graveyard Book* by **Neil Gaiman**, *Little Brother* by **Cory Doctorow**, *Saturn's Children* by **Charles Stross**, and *Zoe's Tale* by **John Scalzi**. For a full listing of all award categories visit: <http://www.thehugoawards.org/>

Leviathan 2009, is an weekend event of miniature wargames and boardgames on 19th and 20th April at Quakers Hill High School. Infinitas will run a stall at Leviathan (but possibly only one day), so drop by and say hello. Western Suburbs Games Society has details and the entry form on their website: <http://www.westernsuburbsgamesociety.com/>

D&D day was held at the shop on Saturday 21st March went well, with 3 parties of 5 players adventuring through the 11th level dungeon. All were a bit surprised at how long the module took to complete, but enjoyed the adventure.

Easter Trading: Infinitas will be closed on Easter Saturday as well as the public holidays. That is, we will close at 8pm Thursday and reopen 9am Tuesday, being closed 10th to 13th April 2009 inclusive. Also note, we will be closed on Anzac Day which is the following Saturday, 25th April.

Author Visit



Trudi Canavan visited Infinitas on Thursday 5th March. She was on a publicity tour promoting her new novel, *The Magician's Apprentice*. This is set in the same world as her Black Magician Trilogy, but hundreds of years before those events.

She signed many copies of her books, but they are fast selling, so if you want a signed one let us know promptly.

We have photos of her visit online:

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Gallery/TrudiCanavan.php>

Trudi's book listing:

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/ProductsByAuthor.php?autid=20689>



Book Reviews

Feel welcome to submit a book review for us to publish here. If you have read a book and have an opinion on it share it with the other readers in our community. Also, in the shop we have several books for which we are seeking reviewers, and would exchange for a review.

The Devil You Know by Mike Carey, reviewed by Jonathan Dean

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781841494135>

Recently the dead have started to rise, and they're not going away. Enter Felix Castor, freelance exorcist for hire, who does for exorcists and London what Harry Dresden did for wizardry in Chicago. Bitter, cynical, and trying just to make enough to pay the rent, Felix is hired to remove a ghost haunting the Bonnington Archives. But what he doesn't know is the other games and players involved, and just how hard they'll try to kill him.

Carey paints a fascinating portrait of a man who can make the dead and supernatural respond to music. He has also forced us to look hard at an every day world, and to see into the shadowy corners and dark areas, where we normally avert our gaze, so we don't see the demons, succubi, weres & ghosts which haunt us without our knowledge. Starting from an ordinary, everyday exorcism, Felix is drawn deeper and deeper into the dark world of London, it's passions & perversities, and must find out why this ghost has appeared, in order to save himself. Can he get through the lies, threats, beatings, attempted assassinations & the confused mess that is his life and make sense of it all, before it's too late?



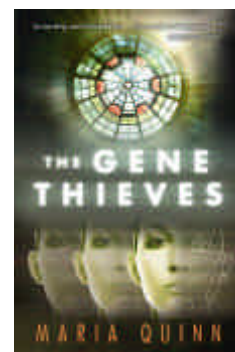
The Gene Thieves by Mike Carey, reviewed by Jonathan Dean

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780732287177>

Welcome to the future Australia, or is it just around the corner? Genetic modification and surrogate parents are the norm in this view of society to come, but even Paradise has problems. Dr Mitchell Brown, known as Piggy because of his appearance, wants a child, but there are major legal obstacles to his desire, so he gets Dancer, a lawyer, to assist in drawing up the Conjugal Contract.

But Piggy is a genius, and has managed to isolate and control the human ageing process. This has brought him to the attention of the UN Ethical Science Council, who want to control his discoveries for the sake of humanity. Other parties also want to take over, and Piggy's desire for a child leaves him vulnerable and open to be blackmailed or worse.....

A fascinating book, which speculates about where we will go in terms of social & technological change, based on current capabilities. The characters are a little two dimensional, but the plot is well developed, the storyline flows and drags you into the middle of these people, making you feel like part of the whole scenario. I enjoyed it overall, and found that while the story is set in the future, the issues raised, including cloning, genetic selection and modification, and surrogate parenting, are increasingly relevant today.



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For the men in your life, or the boy within.



Blokey Stuff Newsletter (extract only)

Recent Deliveries

April 2009



Leatherman: Bit Kit for Charge / New Wave

So, you have the fabulous multi-tool, now get extra bits to boost your tool's capabilities. Upgrade your leatherman! 21 double ended driver bits in 2 holders. Comes with a nylon belt sheath. Suits Charge Ti, Charge Xti, Charge AL, New Wave and Surge. \$49.95

Poker Chip 300 Set

Weighted poker chips. Numbered. Set of 300 chips in aluminium carry case with two decks of poker sized playing cards and 5 dice. \$89.95



Shirt: Periodic Table

Cool, in a very geeky way. Great for scientists and students. Will the examiners let you wear it into the chemistry exam room? Black T-Shirt

colour printed with the Periodic Table of Elements. The colour printing is crisp and clear to read. 100% cotton shirt. \$24.95

Alcohol Breath Tester

Don't get behind the wheel if you're over the limit. Test yourself first with your own breathalyser. It takes a reading in less than five seconds and can sound an alarm at a preset level. \$69.95



Apple Peeling Machine

This is an amazing machine. The design is well over a century old.

Spike an apple onto the right place and wind the handle. The apple is peeled, cored and sliced into a helix. Apple slinkies increase the popularity of apples amongst children. Popular tool for school canteens. \$29.95

Wood Kit: Pteranodon

Stencil cut plywood kits to make up a Pteranodon skeleton. Easy to assemble kit, suitable for children 6+ years. Tyrannosaurus Rex also available. \$7.50



Australian Military History

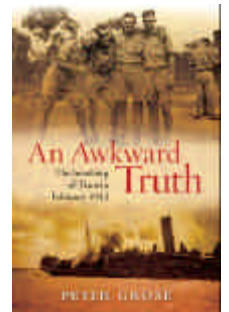
The Vietnam Years



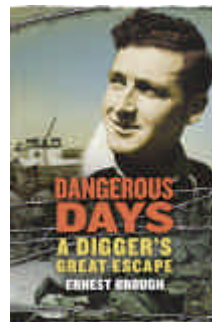
This is the story of the Vietnam War, a chronological military history. What hasn't been told so far is what really happened on patrols: how men fought, died and came back damaged in some way. It also tells the story of those who stayed at home - the Army wives who had to cope then and now, and the wave of political protest at home. \$24.99

An Awkward Truth: The Bombing of Darwin, February 1942

Darwin was a battle Australia would rather forget. Yet the Japanese attack was the first wartime assault on Australian soil. The Japanese struck with the same carrier-borne force that devastated Pearl Harbor only ten weeks earlier. More bombs fell on Darwin, more civilians were killed, and more ships were sunk. \$32.95



Dangerous Days: A Digger's Great Escape



After joining up alongside his mates from country Victoria at 22 Ernest Brough fought and was wounded at Tobruk and at El Alamein in World War II. But neither he nor his humanity died. This is the story of an incredible POW escape and journey that earned Brough the Military Medal and the actions at home that have since made him a local hero. \$35.00

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Saturday 9am to 2pm
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New Release Information

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 (C format)
Cass = cassette
CD = compact disc
GN = Graphic Novel, usually TP or BPB
APB = mass market paperback (A format paperback)
BPB = B format paperback approx 20cm x 13cm

Information on the Infinitas Groups

New members always welcome at all the groups, if interested just come along. For current detailed information on these groups, visit our forums.

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. Newcomers welcome. See our website for more info: <http://www.infinitas.com.au/ReadersGroup.php> and <http://www.infinitas.com.au/forums/viewforum.php?f=3>
Thursday 7th May 2009: Sex in Science Fiction

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. All welcome. <http://www.infinitas.com.au/ReviewGroup.php>
Thursday 16th April 2009

Dawnthief by James Barclay (Fantasy)
Ill Wind by Rachel Caine (Urban Fantasy)

Thursday 21st May 2009

Dead Until Dark by Charlaine Harris (F)
Make Room Make Room by Harry Harrison (SF)

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.
<http://www.infinitas.com.au/WritersGroup.php>

Infinitas Forums: Visit the forums behind our website to read or post genre news, gossip, find role playing games, or just meet other fans.
forums.infinitas.com.au

Bestsellers for March

General Release

<i>Storm From the Shadows</i>	David Weber
<i>Kitty Raises Hell</i>	Carrie Vaughn
<i>Small Favor</i>	Jim Butcher
<i>From Dead to Worse</i>	Charlaine Harris
<i>Wrath of a Mad God</i>	Raymond E Feist
<i>White Witch, Black Curse</i>	Kim Harrison
<i>Rides a Dread Legion</i>	Raymond E Feist
<i>When the Tide Rises</i>	David Drake
<i>Magic Strikes</i>	Iлона Andrews

Media and Games Related Titles

<i>Player's Handbook 2 (4E)</i>	Dungeons & Dragons 4E
<i>Tales of Heresy</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>Dawn of War II: Extermination</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>Hellforged</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>Sontaren Games</i>	Doctor Who
<i>Gunheads</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>A Singular Destiny</i>	Star Trek
<i>Exterminatus</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>Mechanicum</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>Nightfall</i>	Stargate Atlantis

Shana Abe

The Treasure Keeper

With such novels as *Queen of Dragons* and *The Dream Thief*, Shana Abé has created a unique and vividly imagined world that exists side by side with our own—a realm populated by a race of supersensual men and women whose power to change shape permits them unlimited acts of pleasure...and ever-present danger. Now the survival of the drákon rests in the hands of a young woman with untried and unexpected powers—and the powerful Alpha male she must break every drákon law to save.

The drákon are at war, surrounded by an enemy they have every reason to fear. The sanf inimicus are no ordinary human beings but the most dangerous of hunters. They've sworn to exterminate the shape-shifters whose presence they now can detect, and they've already claimed a prize prisoner: Lord Rhys Langford.

It's a blow the drákon clans feel from Darkfrith, England, all the way to the Carpathian Mountains of Transylvania. But it strikes no one harder than Zoe Cyprienne Lane. A mere seamstress's daughter, Zoe isn't even in the same league as Rhys. In fact, as an unwed male in the Alpha line, according to drákon custom, he owns her. So nothing could be more outrageous—or personally ruinous—than the mere notion that she might set out on her own to find her childhood friend...and first true love.

But the unexpected is exactly what Zoe intends to do. For years she's been hiding two extraordinary Gifts that have set her apart from other drákon females: the power to become invisible and the power to feel others' emotions. Now, guided by a link to Rhys—his presence and touch as electric as if he were beside her in the flesh—Zoe uses both Gifts to infiltrate the sanf inimicus. And for Rhys, whose time is running out, Zoe is his last lifeline to a world—and a love—he never thought he'd regain. Only together again, hunter and huntress, can they save the drákon from the traitor in their midst who would destroy them all. **HC \$45.95**

Ann Aguirre

Blue Diablo (Corine Solomon)

Hiding out in Mexico City, Corine Solomon, a handler who can touch something and know its history—and sometimes, its future—must help her ex Chance find someone dear to both of them who has gone missing in a strange, dark world of demons, witchcraft, and black magic. **APB \$17.95**

Katherine Allred

Close Encounters (Alien Affairs)

At the behest of the Bureau of Alien Affairs, Kiera, a special GEP agent with "superhero" strength, must protect a race of beautiful, exotic aliens—including their magnetic ruler—from extinction and discover what there is on Orpheus Two that the powerful Dynatec corporation feels is worth killing for. **APB \$19.95**

Iona Andrews

Magic Strikes

When her werewolf friend Derek is attacked and left for dead, mercenary Kate Daniels investigates and stumbles upon a dark plot, involving a secret no-holds-barred, ultimate preternatural fighting tournament—a discovery that could forever alter the face of Atlanta's shapeshifting community.

APB \$19.95

Keri Arthur Australian Author

Deadly Desire (Riley Jenson Guardian 07)

Guardian Riley Jenson always seems to face the worst villains. And this time is no different. For it is no ordinary sorceress who can raise the dead to do her killing. But that is exactly what Riley expects to find at the end of a trail of female corpses used - and discarded - in a bizarre ritual of evil. With pressure mounting to catch the fiend, the last thing Riley needs is the heat of the upcoming full moon bringing her werewolf hormones to a boil - or the reappearance of a sexy bounty hunter, the rogue wolf Kye Murphy. Riley has threatened Murphy with arrest if he doesn't back off the investigation, but it is Riley who feels handcuffed by Kye's lupine charm. Torn between her vamp and wolf natures, between her love for Quinn and her attraction to Kye, Riley knows she is courting danger and indulging the deadliest desires. For her hunt through the supernatural underworld will bring her face-to-face with what lurks in a darkness where even monsters fear to tread. **APB \$19.99**

Catherine Asaro

The Ruby Dice (Skolian Empire 12)

Two men, two empires. Jaibriol ruled the Eubian Concord: over two trillion people across more than a thousand worlds and habitats. Kelric ruled the Skolian Imperialate. War had come before—and it might come again, devastating vast swathes of the galaxy. Neither Jaibriol nor Kelric wanted war, but neither was complete master of his realm. And each hid a secret that, if revealed, might be his downfall. Jaibriol was a secret psion, with telepathic abilities, and to be a psion in the Eubian Concord was to be a contemptible slave, eventually to be tortured for the pleasure of the slave's owner. Kelric, years ago, had disappeared for nearly two decades. He had been a prisoner and slave on the planet Coban, part of neither empire, until he had managed to escape. And if the Skolian Imperialate knew of his captivity, there would be demands for vengeance, ravaging Coban—and killing the wife and children Kelric had left behind when he escaped.

Neither man knew how much longer he could keep his secret—nor how much longer they could hold back the threat of a war that could incinerate hundreds of inhabited worlds. **APB \$19.95**

Robert Asprin

Dragons Luck (Dragon 02)

Put in charge of an important gambling operation in the French Quarter and becoming the new head dragon, Griffen McCandles becomes a target of others who wish to take his place; but when the ghost of a voodoo queen gives him an important task, Griffen knows that this will be the perfect opportunity to put the other dragons in their place once and for all. **TP \$30.95**

L A Banks

Undead on Arrival (Crimson Moon 03)

As a poisonous virus runs through the veins of her mate and fellow Shadow Wolf, making him unpredictable and dangerous, secret government operative Sasha Trudeau must choose between duty and love as she races against time to find the cure. **APB \$19.95**

Jonathan Barnes

The Domino Men

A young man discovers a manuscript and so begins a bizarre tale that brings together his grandfather, every conspiracy theory you've ever heard about the royal family and the true story about where the power of Number 10 really lies. Readers of *The Somnambulist* may well recognise the characters kept within a chalk circle in a cellar beneath Downing Street. With a gallery of vividly grotesque characters, a gleefully satiric take on modern life and a playful and highly literate style, this is an amazingly readable literary fantasy. In his sequel to the crazed Victoriana of *The Somnambulist*, Jonathan Barnes brings his invention, reality, grotesquerie and curiosities bang-up-to-date. **PB \$22.99**

Alan Baxter Australian Author

RealmShift (Samuel Harrigan 01)

Isiah is having a tough time. The Devil is making his job very difficult.

Samuel Harrigan is a murdering lowlife. He used ancient blood magic to escape a deal with the Devil and now he's on the trail of a crystal skull that he believes will complete his efforts to evade Lucifer. But Lucifer wants Samuel's soul for eternity and refuses to wait a second longer for it. Isiah needs Samuel to keep looking for the crystal skull, so he has to protect Sam and keep the Devil at bay. Not for Samuel's sake, but for all of humanity. *RealmShift* is an engrossing Dark Fantasy thriller; a fascinating exploration of the nature of people's beliefs and their effect on the world around them. Magic, action and intrigue, from dank city streets to the depths of Hell and beyond. **TP \$19.95**

MageSign (Samuel Harrigan 02)

Three years have passed since Isiah's run in with Samuel Harrigan and the Devil. He has some time on his hands - a perfect opportunity to track down the evil Sorcerer, Harrigan's mentor. It should have been a simple enough task, but the Sorcerer has more followers than Isiah ever imagined, and a plan bigger than anyone could have dreamed.

With the help of some powerful new friends Isiah desperately tries to track down the Sorcerer and his cult of blood before they manage to change the world forever. **TP \$19.95**

Chris Beckett

The Holy Machine

When Illyria, a scientific utopia founded as a refuge from a wave of religious fundamentalism sweeping the planet, starts becoming as closed-minded and stifling as the religion-dominated world outside, George Simling, the son of a former geneticist, must find a way to stop it. **APB \$14.95**

Anne Bishop

The Shadow Queen (Black jewels)

What if you need the impossible in order to save your people - and you get it? What if what you get isn't what you want, but it is everything you need?

That is the problem Theran faces as he tries to save the remaining Blood living in Dena Nehele, a Territory in the Realm of Terreille.

Theran is a descendant of Jared and Lia, the last Gray Lady to rule Dena Nehele. Living in the mountains with the rogues and raised on stories told by Talon, a demon-dead Warlord Prince who lived - and fought - with Jared and Lia, he wants to restore his land and people. But without a strong Queen who remembers the Old Ways, the Blood will never shake off the lingering influence of Dorothea SaDiablo, the infamous High Priestess of Hayll, and the young Dena Nehele Queens will have no one to teach them.

There are no Queens in Terreille who can give Dena Nehele what it needs. But Theran has a marker he can call in, thanks to his ancestor Jared. He goes to Kaeleer - and to Daemon Sadi - to ask for a Queen who is willing to come to Terreille and rule Dena Nehele.

What he expects is a young, pretty, dark-Jeweled Queen with social flair - a witch who will dazzle the Blood with her vivacity and power. What he gets is Cassidy, a shy, plain-looking, Rose-Jeweled Queen from Dharo who has lost her court to stronger, more vivacious Queens. Socially awkward and an outsider even among the Blood who make up her new court, Cassidy must find a way to put aside her own past in order to give Dena Nehele a future.

Will Theran be able to see beyond his disappointed expectations and help this Queen save his people? What happens when you get a Queen who lacks the desired veneer but has the heart - and the courage - to rule?

Theran is about to find out. **APB \$20.99**

Algernon Blackwood

Incredible Adventures

PB \$39.95

Lost Valley and Other Stories

Included in this volume of tales of terror are the classic Blackwood stories, *The Lost Valley*, *The Wendigo*, *Old Clothes*, *Perspective*, *The Terror of the Twins*, *The Man from the 'Gods*, *The Man Who Played upon the Leaf*, *The Price of Wiggins's Orgy*, *Carlton's Drive*, and *The Eccentricity of Simon Parnacute*. **PB \$39.95**

Roberto Bolana

2666

Written in the last years of Roberto Bolaño's life, *2666* was greeted across Europe and Latin America as the great writer's masterpiece, surpassing even his previous work in imagination, beauty, and scope.

At the centre of the book is the fictional city of Santa Teresa on the Mexico-US border. It is an urban sprawl that draws in lost souls like a vortex: convicts and academics, an American sportswriter, a teenage student with her widowed father, and a reclusive, "missing" writer. But there is a darker side still. As in the real town of Juárez, on which Santa Teresa is based, girls and women are disappearing at an alarming rate...

A creeping sense of conspiracy permeates *2666*, from the apocalyptic overtones of its title, to the ways in which Santa Teresa becomes an emblem of the corruption, violence and decadence of 20th century European history. This is a novel on an astonishing scale from a passionate, visionary writer, one who unerringly "adjusts your angle of view on the world". **HC \$59.99**

Ben Bova

The Sam Gunn Omnibus (Sam Gunn)

An omnibus anthology brings together the complete adventures of Sam Gunn, a visionary astronaut, scoundrel, and venture capitalist, as he comes to the aid of twin sisters trapped in the "virtual sex" trade, prepares to sue the Pope, and goes on trial for his life on charges of interplanetary genocide, in a volume that includes three tales never-before-collected in book form. **TP \$40.95**

The Immortality Factor

When breakthroughs in stem-cell research open the possibility of enabling immortality, a pair of physician brothers stand on opposing sides of a debate between scientific progress and religious fundamentalism, a conflict that is further complicated by a remarkable woman who claims both of their hearts. **HC \$52.95**

Marion Zimmer Bradley*The Firebrand*

After spending a year riding with the Amazon tribes, Cassandra, royal princess of Troy, returns to her city to dedicate herself to being a priestess of Apollo, in this retelling of the story of the Trojan War. **APB \$19.95**

Gene Brewer*K-Pax IV: A New Visitor from the Constellation Lyra (K-Pax 04)***TP \$59.95****Eric Brown***Kethani*

It takes an alien race to show us what humanity truly is. This is the irony faced by a group of friends whose lives are changed forever when the mysterious alien race known as the Kethani come to Earth bearing a dubious but amazing gift: immortality. This superbly crafted novel deals with real human emotions in the face of the vast consequences of the alien arrival, and show how people across the world react to this benign invasion - how ultimately we must evolve as we gain the stars. **APB \$16**

Chris Bunch & Allan Cole*Kingdoms of the Night (03)*

In the third book in the fantasy-adventure series, a beautiful stranger brings Amalric Antero news of the Kingdoms of the Night, the last bulwark between civilization and evil powers from an alien world. **APB \$19.95**

Jim Butcher*Dresden Files Boxed (Dresden Files)***APB \$49.95***Small Favour (Dresden Files 10)*

Harry Dresden is feeling happy. No one's tried to kill him in nearly a year, and the worst problem he's had lately is trying to remove the stains his apprentice bungled into his carpeting. The future looks fairly bright. Unfortunately, the past isn't nearly so optimistic. An old bargain placed Harry in debt to Mab, faerie monarch of the Winter Court and the Queen of Air and Darkness. Harry still owes the Winter Queen two favours, and it's time to pay one of them off. It's a small favour that he really can't refuse, but it will trap Harry between a nightmarish foe and an equally deadly ally, stretching his skills and loyalties to their very limits. It figures. Everything was going too well to last. **PB \$19.99**

Turn Coat (Dresden Files 11)

Harry Dresden, professional wizard, has done his best to keep his nose clean where the White Council of Wizards is concerned. Even so, his past misdeeds have cast a constant shadow of suspicion over him in the eyes of the Wardens, those wizards responsible for enforcing the Laws of Magic. Now Dresden finds himself faced with a nightmarish dilemma: Morgan, formerly his chief persecutor among the Wardens, has been wrongly accused of treason against the White Council - and has come to Harry for help. Dresden faces a daunting task: clear Morgan's name while simultaneously hiding him from the Wardens and the supernatural bounty hunters sent to find him, discover the identity of the true turncoat and, of course, avoid accusations of treachery of his own. A single mistake may mean that heads - quite literally - will roll. And one of them could be his own... **UK HC \$34.99 US HC \$52.95**

Rhyannon Byrd*Edge of Hunger*

Ian Buchanan has always felt the unknown—the deep, impenetrable darkness that lives within him. Yet he is determined to lead a "normal" life, ignoring the unsettling dreams in which he succumbs to his wildest desires.... Until psychic Molly Stratton tracks him down, claiming to share his sensual nightmares.

The petite Molly even has the bite marks to prove it. And she's also received a message from Ian's deceased mother: an enemy is near. And it's time for the creature inside Ian to finally awaken. A creature with an insatiable hunger that must be controlled before it overtakes them both.. **APB \$17.95**

Trudi Canavan Australian Author*The Magician's Apprentice (CD)*

Set hundreds of years before the events of The Magicians' Guild, THE MAGICIAN'S APPRENTICE is the new novel set in the world of Trudi Canavan's Black Magician Trilogy. In the remote village of Mandryn, Tessia serves as assistant to her father, the village Healer. Her mother would rather she found a husband. But her life is about to take a very unexpected turn. When the advances of a visiting Sachakan mage get violent, Tessia unconsciously taps unknown reserves of magic to defend herself. Lord Dakon, the local magician, takes Tessia under his wing as an apprentice. The long hours of study and self-discipline also offer more opportunities than she had ever hoped for, and an exciting new world opens up to her. There are fine clothes and servants - and, to Tessia's delight - regular trips to the great city of Imardin. But along with the excitement and privilege, Tessia is about to discover that her magical gifts bring with them a great deal of responsibility. For great danger looms on the horizon for Tessia and her world. **CD \$45**

Karen Chance*Curse the Dawn (Cassandra Palmer 04)*

When most of the supernatural power players--including her creator Apollo--want to see her six feet under, Cassandra Palmer, an all-powerful Pythia and chief clairvoyant, needs the protection of the Vampire Senate, which forces her into an alliance with sexy master vampire Mircea. **APB \$19.95**

Cassandra Clare*City of Glass (Mortal Instruments 03)*

To save her mother's life, Clary must travel to the City of Glass, the ancestral home of the Shadowhunters -- never mind that entering the city without permission is against the Law, and breaking the Law could mean death. To make things worse, she learns that Jace does not want her there, and Simon has been thrown in prison by the Shadowhunters, who are deeply suspicious of a vampire who can withstand sunlight.

As Clary uncovers more about her family's past, she finds an ally in mysterious Shadow-hunter Sebastian. With Valentine mustering the full force of his power to destroy all Shadow-hunters forever, their only chance to defeat him is to fight alongside their eternal enemies. But can Downworlders and Shadowhunters put aside their hatred to work together? While Jace realizes exactly how much he's willing to risk for Clary, can she harness her newfound powers to help save the Glass City -- whatever the cost? **HC \$36.95**

Gordon Dahlquist*The Dark Volume (02)*

Awakening from a fevered delirium, Celeste Temple finds herself in a fishing village on the remote Iron Coast. She has no idea where her companions, Cardinal Chang and Doctor Svenson, might be—nor whether any of her enemies survived the dirigible crash that marked her last conscious moment. And while her body seems intact, she cannot say the same for her mind. For she must contend not only with the possibility that peril awaits her but with the memory of her traitorous fiancé's murder at sea...along with thousands of other memories that now live within her—courtesy of a bewitching glass book. Hunted by murderous opportunists and cruel mercenaries of every kind, Miss Temple, Chang, and the Doctor are soon propelled into a quest that will draw them one by one into a realm of reckless, lawless terror. At every turn lies another enigma—and the stench of indigo clay, the raw material used to enslave even the most steadfast soul. Now they alone stand in the path of a diabolical conspiracy involving the books—one that will mean an alarming new world where once-free-roaming minds are wiped completely clean... if they live long enough. As Miss Temple, Cardinal Chang and Dr. Svenson uncover the devilish schemes of their deadly enemies, the terrifying secrets contained in *The Dark Volume* will be revealed one by one. For the blue glass is more lethal than they'd ever imagined—and those who possess it, as well as those who pursue it, are playing with fire. **HC \$52.95**

Brian D'Amato*In the Courts of the Sun*

A tale inspired by near-future apocalypse prophecies finds math prodigy and Maya descendant Jed DeLanda invited by his former mentor, Taro, to travel back in time into another person's life more than thirteen centuries earlier to learn about a "sacrifice game" that has been described in a newly discovered Mayan codex. **HC \$58.95**

Lexi Davis*The After Wife*

Unaware of her supernatural destiny as a daughter of a witch and a holy person, twenty-four-year-old Nia Youngblood plans to marry her fiancé, David, and is covertly pursued by demon lord Rephraim, who would eliminate David and marry Nia in order to increase his dark power. **TP \$30.95**

David Drake*When the Tide Rises (Lt Leary 06)*

Unable to field enough battleships to deal with all the crises in its wars with the Alliance, the Republic of Cinnabar sends Commander Daniel Leary and his friend, spy Adele Mundy, to the Bagarian cluster to assist in its rebellion against the Alliance, but the pair soon discovers that the worst threat to the rebellion is the treacherous politicians leading it. **APB \$19.95**

Cynthia Eden*Immortal Danger*

Cop-turned-vampire, Maya Black, keeping the city safe from demons, werewolves, and other creatures, agrees to help Adam Brody rescue his niece from a bloodthirsty gang of vamps in exchange for both his heart and soul. **TP \$28.95**

Annalise Evans*Night's Rose*

While trying to stop the ogre tribe from performing a spell that will destroy the scourge of their kind, a woman they call Briar Rose, Rosemarie Edenberg is torn between her fey advisor Ambrose and a vampire earl of scandalous reputation and appetites **APB \$17.95**

Max Frei*The Stranger (Labyrinths of Eho 01)*

A first installment of a best-selling series in Russia follows the adventures of a vice-driven loafer who becomes a celebrity in a magical parallel universe because of his membership in an enchanted secret agent organization and his talent for solving extravagant and imaginative cases. **HC \$60**

Maggie Furey*Heritage of The Xandim (Chronicles of Xandim 01)*

This series returns to the lands of Aurian, and is set in the distant past of the Magefolk, when even the land was a different shape, and the sea between the northlands and the south did not exist. This was the time when the Artefacts of Power were created, and lives were torn apart by the Mage Wars. In those days, the Magefolk were comprised of four disparate races: the human Wizards, masters of earth magic; the winged Skyfolk, who controlled the magic of air; the Leviathan, who ruled the powers of the watery realms; and the great Dragonfolk, whose province was the magic of fire. But while the four races of the Magefolk strove and vied amongst themselves to master the powers of magic both good and evil, a new race was emerging, who would come to play a vital part in these phenomenal events. As the story opens, the Xandim are little more than simple beasts. Enslaved by the fey and powerful Phaerie, masters of the Old Magic, they have been trapped in their horse forms for so long that they have forgotten they once held a human shape. Only one of the tribe knows better: the Windeye, the shaman of the Xandim. This is the story of his epic quest to free his people. **TP \$35**

Ray Garton*Bestial*

When werewolves take over the town of Big Rock in California, tearing apart its residents, the remaining humans must band together to fight back. **APB \$14.95**

Molly Harper*Nice Girls Don't Have Fangs*

Turned into a vampire by a handsome stranger at the peak of a cascade of misfortunes that includes the loss of her librarian job and her unlucky shooting by a drunken hunter, Jane struggles to adjust to her new nature while working to find employment and clear her name for a murder rap. **APB \$19.95**

Charlaine Harris

Living Dead in Dallas (Sookie Stackhouse 02)

All it takes is one delicious blonde and one small mistake for things to turn deadly: Sookie Stackhouse is in trouble again! Cocktail waitress Sookie Stackhouse is having a streak of bad luck. First her co-worker is killed and no one seems to care. Then she comes face-to-face with a beastly creature which gives her a painful and poisonous lashing. Enter the vampires, who graciously suck the poison from her veins (like they didn't enjoy it). The point is: they saved her life. So when one of the bloodsuckers asks for a favour, she obliges - and soon Sookie's in Dallas, using her telepathic skills to search for a missing vampire. She's supposed to interview certain humans involved, but she makes one condition: the vampires must promise to behave and let the humans go unharmed. But that's easier said than done and all it takes is one delicious blonde and one small mistake for things to turn deadly... **PB \$22.99**

From Dead to Worse (Sookie Stackhouse 08)

In the wake of hurricane Katrina and the explosion at the vampire summit, Louisiana cocktail waitress Sookie Stackhouse confronts the disappearance of her boyfriend Quinn, dramatic changes in the paranormal world of the vampires and weres, danger, and betrayal. **APB \$19.95**

Robert Harris

Fatherland

April, 1964. The naked body of an old man floats in a lake on the outskirts of Berlin. In one week it will be Adolph Hitler's 75th birthday. A terrible conspiracy is starting to unravel. . . So begins one of the most gripping and original thrillers for years. Fatherland is set in a world that almost existed but never was : the Berlin that Hitler's architect, Albert Speer, planned to build - the hub of a victorious Third Reich extending from the Rhine to the Urals. Among its 10 million citizens is Xavier March, investigator with Berlin's criminal police, the Kripo. March is a brilliant loner, driven by a hunger to discover more about the world in which he lives. Assigned to the case of the old man in the lake, he embarks on a trail which leads him through love and danger, wartime corruption and Swiss bank vaults, to the black heart of the Nazi state. Fatherland is a remarkable novel. The portrait of a modern German super-state under Hitler's rule is stunningly authentic. The sweep of historical detail is compelling. But it is the depth of characterisation and the sheer suspense of the narrative that will hold the reader mesmerised from the first page to the last. **PB \$21.95 TP \$28.95**

Harry Harrison

Make Room! Make Room!

It is 1999 and the planet's population has exploded. The 35 million inhabitants of New York City run their TVs off pedal power, riot for water, loot and trample for lentil 'steaks', and are controlled by sinister barbed wire dropped from the sky. When a gangster is murdered during a blistering Manhattan heat wave, city cop Andy Rusch is under pressure to solve the crime, but also captivated by the victim's beautiful girlfriend. It is going to be difficult to catch a killer, let alone get the girl, in the crazy streets crammed full of people, and a world going into meltdown.

Written in 1966 and made into the science-fiction film *Soylent Green*, *Make Room! Make Room!* Is a witty and unnerving story about stretching the earth's resources, and the human spirit, to breaking point. **BPB \$24.95**

Hannah Howell, Jackie Kessler, Richelle Mead & Lynsay Sands

Eternal Lover

Four passionate stories take readers to a world of ancient desires and forbidden pleasures, and include Hannah Howell's "The Yearning," in which Alpin finally finds the only woman who can quench his centuries-old thirst for lust and everlasting love, as well as works by Lynsay Sands, Jackie Kessler, and Richelle Mead. **APB \$17.95**

Larissa Ione

Desire Unchained (Demonica 02)

Shade is a demon with heart, but like his brothers he's harboring a dark secret, one that brings him, and his lovers, to their knees. As a Seminus demon he's destined to bed as many women as he can - unless he bonds with a life mate, a situation that his nemesis uses to great advantage. Determined to make Shade pay for a wrong he didn't commit, his evil brother Roag kidnaps him and forces him to bond with the one woman Shade never thought he'd see again. The one woman who has the ability to steal his heart. The one woman who will never understand the darkness that lives within him. Runa succumbed to Shade's charms a year ago, and she thought he was the perfect guy - until she found him in bed with two other women. In her haste to escape the mortifying scene, Runa found herself on the darkened New York City streets where she was attacked. Her attacker didn't kill her, but he did mark her forever - he was a werewolf, and now, so is she. To make their escape and race to warn others about Roag's evil plans, Runa and Shade must find a way to save themselves before their destiny, and Roag's vengeance, destroys them all. **APB \$14.99**

Alexander C Irvine

Buyout

In the over-crowded jails of a near-future America, life-term criminals are offered "buyouts," or the opportunity to choose death in exchange for a payment made to family or friends, but when the process hits buyout organizer Martin Kindred a little too close to home, he is drawn into a scheme that will rip back the curtain who makes the laws and why. **TP \$28.95**

Jean Johnson

The Mage (Sons of Destiny)

In this final addition to the Sons of Destiny series, Johnson and his bride-to-be must work together to resolve the greatest problem his family has ever faced in this fantastic thriller filled with curses, dark prophecies, magic, and fated mates. **TP \$30.95**

Katharine Kerr

The Shadow Isle (Dragon Mage 06)

As the tale of Deverry and her people draws near to its close, questions will be answered and mysteries uncovered...

The wild Northlands hold many secrets, among them the mysterious dweomer island of Haen Marn, the mountain settlements of Dwarvholt, and the fortified city of Cerr Cawnen, built long ago by escaping bondmen from Deverry itself. And just who or what are the mysterious Dwgi folk?

Thanks to the Horsekin, who continue to push their religious crusade south toward the borders of the kingdom, the human beings of Deverry and their elven allies realize that the fate of the Northlands lies tangled with their own. Although the dwarven race holds strong, the island of Haen Marn has fled and Cerr Cawnen seems doomed. Only the magic of Dallandra and Valandario and the might of the powerful dragons, Arzosah and Rori, can reveal the secrets and save the Northlands from conquest. **APB \$20.99**

Caitlin Kittredge

Second Skin (Nocturne City 03) **APB \$17.95**

Dani Kollin & Eytan Kollin

The Unincorporated Man

The Unincorporated Man is a provocative social/political/economic novel that takes place in the future, after civilisation has fallen into complete economic collapse. This reborn civilisation is one in which every individual is incorporated at birth, and spends many years trying to attain control over his or her own life by getting a majority of his or her own shares. Life extension has made life very long indeed.

Now the incredible has happened: a billionaire businessman from our time, frozen in secret in the early 21st century, is discovered and resurrected, given health and a vigorous younger body. Justin Cord is the only unincorporated man in the world, a true stranger in this strange land. Justin survived because he is tough and smart. He cannot accept only part ownership of himself, even if that places him in conflict with a civilisation that extends outside the solar system to the Oort Cloud. People will be arguing about this novel and this world for decades. **HC \$45**

Susan Krinard

Lord of Legends

He is Arion, King of the Unicorns. Powerful, seductive, he could possess any female he desired—until now. He is condemned to live as a man, and it is only the enchanting Lady Mariah Donnington's innocence that can release him from his curse.

Abandoned on her wedding night, frightened of her hidden, otherworldly heritage, Mariah is instinctively drawn to the mysterious stranger she discovers imprisoned on her husband's estate. But as the secret of Arion's magical identity unfolds, their friendship burns into a passion that cannot, must not, be consummated. For to do so would destroy them both.... **APB \$17.95**

Jay Lake

Escapement (Mainspring 02)

Genius sorceress Paolina Barthes, a shipwreck survivor who has grown up on an isolated island, sets out in the hopes of acquiring an education, only to be exploited by those who would use her powers for their own means. **APB \$19.95**

Stephen Lawhead

Tuck (King Raven 03)

As King Raven, Bran is Lord of the Forest. But his true crown seems out of reach. Bran is still fighting to bring his people justice from the shadows of the green wood. But Abbot Hugo is used to playing the long game and has been watching - and learning. Abbot Hugo plans to bring the invading Norman marchogi to the forest in force, heralding the start of a campaign to wipe out King Raven and his band once and for all. Their merciless attack, the first of many, marks a dark day for the realm. And the dream of seeing a true king take the throne of Elfael seems increasingly remote. Bran and his few stalwarts desperately need encouragement and reinforcement if they are to survive. But Friar Tuck, a most unconventional priest, may just have a solution to their dilemma... **TP \$24.99**

Ursula K Le Guin

Lavinia

In The Aeneid, Vergil's hero fights to claim the king's daughter, Lavinia, with whom he is destined to found an empire. Lavinia herself never speaks a word. Now, Ursula K. Le Guin gives Lavinia a voice in a novel that takes us to the half-wild world of ancient Italy, when Rome was a muddy village near seven hills. Lavinia grows up knowing nothing but peace and freedom, until suitors come. Her mother wants her to marry handsome, ambitious Turnus. But omens and prophecies spoken by the sacred springs say she must marry a foreigner—that she will be the cause of a bitter war—and that her husband will not live long. When a fleet of Trojan ships sails up the Tiber, Lavinia decides to take her destiny into her own hands. And so she tells us what Vergil did not: the story of her life, and of the love of her life.

Lavinia is a book of passion and war, generous and austere beautiful, from a writer working at the height of her powers. **TP \$30.95**

Sharon Lee & Steve Miller

Longeye (02)

Hidden from the human-inhabited world by the inimical magical device known as the keleigh, the Vaitura has become a subtle battleground where the once all-powerful Elder Fey strive against each other and the upstart Queen to regain ascendancy. Of all the Elder Fey it is Altimere who is strongest in magical keist and Altimere who is most devious. Pitted against Zaldore and her group seeking to manipulate the convelescing Ranger known as Longeye to foil the Queen and rule the world, Altimere dares to utilize the untested powers of half-human, half-Fey Rebecca Beauvally, recognized by the elemental denizens of the Vaitura as The Gardener.

Now all plans must be rewritten: Becca breaks Altimere's capricious dominion with the dangerous herbal help of Duainfey, but, weakened by the effort, is held against her will in service to the Queen by Meripen's mysterious sea-lord cousin, Sian. Becca must escape the Queen's retainers to regain control of her own fate. With the magics of the Vaitura, and Altimere's retribution arrayed against her, she escapes with only her horse, a mad forest-living Brethren, and her freed magical servant Nancy at her side. Worse, the recovered legendary hero Longeye, long beloved of the Vaitura's forest folk and creatures, has re-armed at Sian's bidding, and knows most of all about Becca that she is both dangerous, and of the same folk who cruelly tortured him and slew his lover before his eyes. **HC \$49.95**

Jade Lee

Dragonbound

As the fate of three kingdoms hangs in the balance, Sabina, a Dragonmaid and caregiver to the copper dragon of her nation's tyrant king, and Dag Racho, a dethroned king, form a passionate alliance that is fraught with revenge, treachery, and salvation. **APB \$14.95**

Edward Lee

The Golem

When four barrels of clay from the riverbed in Prague that created the legendary golem, a servant of evil, are discovered in the US, deadly creatures are unleashed and terrorize a young couple in Maryland, turning their dream home into a slaughterhouse. **APB \$19.95**

Lora Leigh

Maverick

The men of Elite Ops know the darkness of betrayal. The fire of vengeance. And the price of passion...

Micah Sloane knows almost everything there is to know about Risa Clay, including the vicious betrayal she endured years ago and the distrust she's harboured ever since. The only way for the Elite Ops agent to uncover an assassin – and banish the ghosts of his own dark past – is to use Risa as bait. But nothing has prepared him for her disarming blend of innocence and sensuality, or for his overwhelming need to protect her...

Risa has spent six years rebuilding her life. And now, to save it, she must pose as Micah's lover and draw a killer into the open. It's a risky plan – especially with a man as powerfully seductive as Micah. But, as their charade becomes reality, Risa realises the greatest danger may lie in losing her heart forever... **APB \$17.95**

Cara Lockwood

Every Demon has His Day

Whipping up prize-winning chicken fried steak...fighting demonic forces...East Texas gals can do it all!

In her wildest dreams, Constance Plyd never thought she'd see dead people. Then again, she never thought she'd be hit on by her ex-husband at his own funeral...or be the prime suspect in his murder. Fortunately for Constance, irresistibly sexy sheriff Nathan Garrett wants to believe her explanation -- that a card-carrying demon in a black suit killed Jimmy in the garage -- or maybe he wants something more. Either way, all signs are leading to a showdown of hellish proportions, with Constance at the heart of the battle, when the Devil and would-be mother of the Antichrist (a pop princess wannabe) descends on Crockett County. Sure, she'd rather be cooking up a storm for the next state fair, but if she's going to be the Chosen One, at least Constance can give a few demons a Texas-style butt kicking.... **TP \$30.95**

Brian Lumley

The Touch (Necroscope)

Malevolent aliens, the Mordri Three decide to become so evil that God himself will have to stop them. They can alter flesh with a simple touch, literally turning people inside out or seeding them with cancer. The Three have already destroyed an entire solar system and most of their own race. Their next targets: mankind and Earth!

On Earth, Scott St. John is mourning his beloved wife when he is struck by a golden arrow of light—a fragment of the soul of Harry Keogh, the original Necroscope—and gains powers he does not understand. A mysterious, beautiful woman appears, desperately trying to warn Scott about something . . . then vanishes mid-word. Scott dreams of a very unusual Wolf, who begs him—in human speech—for rescue.

A fledgling Necroscope, a telepathic Wolf, a beautiful woman from beyond the stars, the ghost of Harry Keogh, the best of E-Branch's psychic fighting forces, and a dead girl who is not yet ready to seek her just reward must defeat three impossibly strong, psychically gifted monsters whose touch literally melts flesh from bone. **APB \$19.95**

Scott Lynch

Red Seas Under Red Skies (Locke Lamora 02)

After a brutal battle with the underworld that nearly destroyed him, Locke and his trusted sidekick, Jean, fled the island city of their birth and landed on the exotic shores of Tal Verrar to nurse their wounds. But even at this westernmost edge of civilization, they can't rest for long—and are soon back to what they do best: stealing from the undeserving rich and pocketing the proceeds for themselves.

This time, however, they have targeted the grandest prize of all: the Sinspire, the most exclusive and heavily guarded gambling house in the world. Its nine floors attract the wealthiest clientele—and to rise to the top, one must impress with good credit, amusing behavior...and excruciatingly impeccable play. For there is one cardinal rule, enforced by Requin, the house's cold-blooded master: it is death to cheat at any game at the Sinspire. Brazenly undeterred, Locke and Jean have orchestrated an elaborate plan to lie, trick, and swindle their way up the nine floors...straight to Requin's teeming vault. Under the cloak of false identities, they meticulously make their climb—until they are closer to the spoils than ever.

But someone in Tal Verrar has uncovered the duo's secret. Someone from their past who has every intention of making the impudent criminals pay for their sins. Now it will take every ounce of cunning to save their mercenary souls. And even that may not be enough.... **APB \$17.95**

Jonathan Maberry

Patient Zero

'When you have to kill the same terrorist twice in one week, then there's either something wrong with your skills or something wrong with your world. And there's nothing wrong with my skills.' Police officer Joe Ledger, martial arts expert, ex-army, self-confessed brutal warrior is scared. The man he's just killed is the same man he killed a week ago. He never expected to see the man again, definitely not alive and definitely not as part of the recruitment process for the hyper-secret government agency the Department for Military Sciences. But the DMS are scared too - they have word of a terrorist plot straight from a nightmare - a bid to spread a plague through America - a plague that kills its victims and turns them into zombies. Time is running out and Joe has shown he has the abilities they need to lead one of their field teams. And so begins a desperate three mission - to contain the zombie outbreaks, to break the terrorist cell responsible and to find the man in their own team who is selling them out to the terrorists. PATIENT ZERO is astonishingly fast moving, incredibly violent and down-right terrifying thriller - a new breed of thriller of techno-thriller that plays on our fears of mad science. **TP \$32.99**

Ian McDonald

Cyberabad Days

The world: 'Cyberabad' is the India of 2047, a new, muscular superpower of one and a half billion people in an age of artificial intelligences, climate-change induced drought, water-wars, strange new genders, genetically improved children that age at half the rate of baseline humanity and a population where males outnumber females four to one. India herself has fractured into a dozen states from Kerala to the headwaters of the Ganges in the Himalayas. Cyberabad is a collection of 7 stories: The Little Goddess. The Djinn's Wife. The Dust Assassin. Jasbir and Sujay go Shaadi. Sanjeev and Robotwallah. Kyle meets the River. Vishnu at the Cat Circus. **TP \$35**

Fiona McIntosh Australian Author

Beautiful Death

A man walking his dog by the River Lea in London makes a grisly discovery and soon DCI Jack Hawksworth is in the grip of a confounding case. Londoners have become the target of a calculating killer, who 'trophy' the faces of his victims.

Jack and his team, under enormous pressure from politicians and the public, begin their investigation, which takes them into the murky world of human organ trading. But when the murderer strikes closer to home than Jack could ever have imagined possible, the case becomes a personal crusade - and a race against time. Can the killer be brought to justice before Jack is removed from the operation?

From London's backstreets to the dangerous frontiers of medicine, Beautiful Death will keep you reading late into the night. **TP \$32.99**

Juliet McKenna

Irons in the Fire (Lescari Revolution 01)

The start of a brand new epic fantasy series from well known author Juliet McKenna. Irons in the Fire tells of political upheaval born of civil war in the country of Lescar. Carved out of the collapse of the Old Tormalin Empire, the land has long been laid waste by its rival dukes, while bordering nations look on with indifference or exploit its misery. A mismatched band of exiles and rebels are agreed that the time has come for change. Full of rich characters and high adventure, this new trilogy marks the next stage in the career of this popular writer. **TP \$30**

K E Mills *Australian Author*

Witches Incorporated (Rogue Agent 02)

Gerald is deep in training for his first official assignment -- a case of espionage with international consequences. Melissande, meanwhile, has gone into business ... she's opened a new witching locum agency. A one-stop shop where magical problems are solved -- for a reasonable price. Managing her own business should be a breeze after negotiating the rough tides of New Ottosland politics. The future is looking good. Good, that is, until Witches Incorporated is offered a job that puts Melissande on a collision course with Gerald. Before long, any kind of future is looking increasingly unlikely. **TP \$24.99**

L E Modesitt Jr

Imager (Imager Portfolio 01)

A new series by the author of the Saga of Recluse tales finds aspiring master artist Rhenn discovering that he possesses the skills of an imager who can visualize things and make them real, a talent for which he is forced to leave his home and join others of his kind in a distant region where he secretly practices magic. **HC \$52.95**

Mage-Guard of Hamor (Recluce 15)

Young mage Rahl, who has continued his magical education in exile on the distant continent of Hamor, struggles to adapt to the culture of his new home, where an increase in his powers attracts more trouble. **APB \$19.95**

Viewpoints Critical: Selected Stories

Spanning the full career of the acclaimed fantasy and science fiction author, a collection of short fiction, written from the 1970s to the present day, includes early tales from Analog and other period journals, as well as three never-before-published works--"Black Ordermage" from the Recluse universe, "Beyond the Obvious Wind", and "Always Outside the Lines". **TP \$32.95**

Sarah Monette

Corambis

A thrilling conclusion to this fantasy series as Melusine returns to Corambis to face his judgment while Kay ventures to Summerdown to find an ancient magical device in the hope of restoring the monarchy to his country. **HC \$51.95**

David Moody

Hater

REMAIN CALM. DO NOT PANIC. TAKE SHELTER. WAIT FOR FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS. THE SITUATION IS UNDER CONTROL. Society is rocked by a sudden increase in the number of violent assaults on individuals. Christened 'Haters' by the media, the attackers strike without warning. The assaults are brutal, remorseless and extreme: within seconds, normally rational, self-controlled people are becoming maddened, vicious killers. There are no apparent links as a hundred random attacks become a thousand and then thousands, right across the country. Everyone, irrespective of gender, age, race, sexuality or any other difference, has the potential to become a victim - or a Hater. People are afraid to go to work, afraid to leave their homes and, increasingly, afraid that at any moment their friends, even their closest family, could turn on them with murderous intent. By the end of today you could be dead. By the end of today you could be a killer. Attack first, ask questions later...but the answer might not be what you expect... **TP \$29.99**

Michael Moorcock

Duke Elric (Chronicles of the Last Emperor of Melnibone 04)

The fourth of six illustrated compilations of classic adventures featuring Elric, Last Emperor of Melnibone, includes the novel The Sailor on the Seas of Fate, the comic book script "Duke Elric," a selection of classic artwork that appeared on early editions of Elric novels, and a foreword by Michael Chabon. **TP \$30.95**

Chloe Neill

Some Girls Bite (Chicagoland Vampires)

When graduate student Merit was attacked by a vampire, her life was saved by yet another who decided to turn her into the walking dead, yet trying to figure out her place at Hyde Park mansion amongst her new vampire friends is becoming quite challenging, especially after she determines that she is still being targeted by an unknown entity. **TP \$28.95**

Andre Norton & Jean Rabe

Dragon Mage

Orphaned teenager Shilo stumbles upon a set of dragon puzzles that could hold the key to her father's tales of dragons and magic, but when she mixes and matches the pieces of the puzzle, she is whisked back to ancient Babylon. **PB \$19.95**

Andre Norton

The Game of Stars and Comets

Four novels of rapid-fire interstellar adventure, set in a common universe, by the Grand Master of the form:

- The X Factor: Only Diskan Fentress's mutant powers had a chance of stopping the looting of his new world.
- Voorloper: Three those survivors - an embittered wanderer, his son, and a young girl with a healing power - know they have nothing to lose and set out to find the secret of the Shadow Death that blights the planet Voor.
- The Eye of the Monster: Rees Naper had survived the onslaught of the alien Ishkurian "croc," but had to cover miles of jungle and pass through croc armies to reach safety. To do that, he would have to think like a croc, move like a croc... and see through the eye of the monster.
- The Sioux Spaceman: Kade Whitehawk chose to join the battle for Ikkinni freedom, even though that choice made him a renegade to his own people, and would almost certainly mean his death.

Publisher's Note: The Game of Stars and Comets was originally published in parts as The X-Factor, The Sioux Spaceman, Eye of the Monster and Voorloper. This is the first time these novels have appeared in one volume. **TP \$28.95**

Jody Lynn Nye

A Forthcoming Wizard (Apprentice 02)

Forced to fulfill her late brother's apprenticeship to a great wizard, halfling Tildi Summerbee is assigned to protect a magical book that has changed the existences of everything Tildi has known in accordance with written revisions. By the author of An Unexpected Apprentice. **HC \$56.95**

Frederik Pohl

Beyond the Blue Event Horizon (Gateway 02)

A Hugo Award-finalist sequel to Gateway finds its protagonist financing a deep-space expedition in the hopes of ending a humanity-threatening famine, a journey that is complicated by a human child and a threatening alien civilization that is headed toward Earth. **HC \$30.95**

Terry Pratchett

Going Postal Anniversary Edition (Discworld 29)

Moist von Lipwig was a con artist and a fraud and a man faced with a life choice: be hanged, or put Ankh-Morpork's ailing postal service back on its feet. It was a tough decision.

But he's got to see that the mail gets through, come rain, hail, sleet, dogs, the Post Office Workers Friendly and Benevolent Society, the evil chairman of the Grand Trunk Semaphore Company, and a midnight killer. Getting a date with Adora Bell Dearheart would be nice, too.

Maybe it'll take a criminal to succeed where honest men have failed, or maybe it's a death sentence either way. Or perhaps there's a shot at redemption in the mad world of the mail, waiting for a man who's prepared to push the envelope... **BPB \$24.95**

Thud! Anniversary Edition (Discworld 30)

Koom Valley? That was where the trolls ambushed the dwarfs, or the dwarfs ambushed the trolls. It was far away. It was a long time ago.

But if he doesn't solve the murder of just one dwarf, Commander Sam Vimes of Ankh-Morpork City Watch is going to see it fought again, right outside his office. With his beloved Watch crumbling around him and war-drums sounding, he must unravel every clue, outwit every assassin and brave any darkness to find the solution. And darkness is following him. Oh . . . and at six o'clock every day, without fail, with no excuses, he must go home to read 'Where's My Cow?', with all the right farmyard noises, to his little boy. There are some things you have to do. **BPB \$24.95**

T A Pratt

Spell Games (Marla Mason 04)

Brain-eating fungi, wannabe sorcerers, long-lost relations—does even a hard-core witch stand a chance?

Mad sorcerers, psychic vampires, an army of vengeful demons, Marla Mason would rather face them all than a flesh-and-blood ghost from her dysfunctional family past: her con artist brother, Jason. As Felport's chief sorcerer, Marla would ordinarily consider it her duty to protect her town from such an unscrupulous ne'er-do-well. As his sister, things are a lot...trickier. Now, as Marla attempts to train an apprentice oracle whose magical wires have gotten crossed, Jason is setting up an elaborate sting and drawing her ever-so-corruptible partner Rondeau into the ruse.

Their patsy is a filthy-rich wannabe mage and their bait is something so valuable, so dangerous, so sought after, it probably doesn't exist. But now word's gotten out that the Borrichius spores do exist and instead of a sucker Jason and Rondeau have a much bigger—and much deadlier—fish on their line: a reclusive sorcerer whose devotion to the mushroom god and command of vegetal magic could bring a fungal apocalypse to Felport. It'll be the mother of all bad trips unless Marla can pull off the ultimate magical switcheroo...and somehow live to tell about it. **APB \$17.95**

Amanda Quick

The Third Circle

Attempting to claim a crystal of mysterious power that has been stolen from her family, gifted crystal worker Leona Hewitt unknowingly captures the heart of psychic Thaddeus Ware, an Arcane Society member who is out to protect Leona from the murderous Lord Delbridge. **PB \$21.95**

Jennifer Rardin

One More Bite (Jaz Parks 05)

I've already smoked the guy who was the pain in the CIA's you-know-what for the past few years. But now, in the power vacuum left by the death of Edward The Raptor Samos, a struggle for supremacy has begun between his former allies. The CIA feels the balance must be maintained. So when a Valencian Were agent discovers a plot to assassinate the Coven of Inverness leader, me and my vampire hottie (and boss), are drafted in. Our mission - to take out the woman hired to do the deed, a killer who might be as wily and Gifted as ourselves. So it's off to the Scottish Highlands for some twisted fun among murderers, demons and half-crazed relatives.

Sometimes being a top-secret CIA assassin isn't all it's cracked up to be. **APB \$19.99**

Ranit Ratnaik

Saradashi TP \$29.95

Melanie Rawn

Fire Raiser (Spellbinder)

Relocating to Holly's ancestral home in Pocahontas County to raise their children, manipulative Spellbinder Holly McClure and sheriff Evan Lachlan investigate magically set church arson fires that Evan suspects are linked to the new owners of an upscale inn. **HC \$51.95**

Alastair Reynolds

Century Rain

Three hundred years in the future, Verity Auger is a specialist in the archaeological exploration of Earth, rendered uninhabitable after the technological catastrophe known as the Nanocaust. After a field-trip to go badly wrong, Verity is forced to redeem herself by participating in a dangerous mission, for which her expertise is invaluable. Using a backdoor into an unstable alien transit system, Auger's faction has discovered something astonishing at the far end of a wormhole: mid twentieth-century Earth, preserved like a fly in amber. Is it a window into the past, a simulation, or something else entirely? CENTURY RAIN is not just a time-travel story, nor a tale of alternate history. Part hard SF thriller, part interstellar adventure, part noir romance, CENTURY RAIN is something altogether stranger. **BPB \$24.99**

Anne Rice

Road to Cana (Christ the Lord)

Herod Antipas rules Galilee, Pontius Pilate is the new Roman governor of Judea, and the Roman Empire rules the world. These are turbulent times for Israel, a troubled land of turmoil and insurrection.

Now in his thirtieth year, Jesus and his tight-knit family endure a long, dusty winter of disruption and chaos. Whispers of his virgin birth still persist, and while he struggles with the demands of his family and the weight of his great destiny, those around him wait for some sign of the path he will take.

But this quiet man of Nazareth is instead called upon to found a ministry which will utterly transform an unsuspecting world. **BPB \$24.95**

J D Robb

Promises in Death (Eve Dallas)

Determined to capture whomever is responsible for murdering an experienced colleague who recently transferred to New York, Lieutenant Eve Dallas investigates the victim's life in her former precinct and uncovers unsettling links to her own painful past. **CD \$80**

J D Robb*Salvation in Death (Eve Dallas 27)*

A priest is conducting the funeral service for a beloved member of his congregation. But when he lifts the chalice to his lips, he dies suddenly and horribly - poisoned by the blood of Christ. Who would want to murder a parish priest in such a way? And who could get access to the closely guarded communion wine? Lieutenant Eve Dallas is called to the scene to investigate. Although initially there seems to have been nothing out of the ordinary about the priest's life, there is something about the situation that just doesn't add up. And then she starts to uncover the evil lurking behind the ceremonial robes. The dead priest was not who he seemed to be - he harboured a dark, deadly secret that could bring Eve's own demons rushing back. **APB \$19.99**

Lynsay Sands*The Immortal Hunter (Rogue Hunter)*

When vampire Decker Argeneau saves the life of Danielle McGill, who is the target of a group of rogue vampires, he must convince the beautiful doctor that he is her immortal soulmate who is destined to love her forever. **APB \$19.95**

Love Bites

After Rachel Garrett, a gorgeous coroner, saves his life, vampire Etienne Argeneau returns the favor by giving her the gift of immortality and his eternal love. **APB \$19.95**

Jose Saramago*Death At Intervals*

On the first day of the New Year, no one dies.

This understandably causes great consternation amongst religious leaders - if there's no death, there can be no resurrection and therefore no reason for religion - and what will be the effect on pensions, the social services, hospitals? Funeral directors are reduced to arranging funerals for dogs, cats, hamsters and parrots. Life insurance policies become meaningless. Amid the general public, on the other hand, there is initially celebration: flags are hung out on balconies and people dance in the streets. They have achieved the great goal of humanity - eternal life.

But will death's disappearance benefit the human race, or will this sudden abeyance backfire? How long can families cope with malingering elderly relatives who scratch at death's door while the portal remains firmly shut?

Then, seven months later, death returns, heralded by purple envelopes informing the recipients that their time is up. Death herself is now writing personal notes giving one week's notice. However, when an envelope is unexpectedly returned to her, death begins to experience strange, almost human emotions. **BPB \$24.95**

Robert J Sawyer*WWW: Wake*

Receiving an implant to restore her sight, math genius Caitlin's life is changed in ways she could have never imagined when she suddenly begins to see a world beyond reality and an incredible realm that others cannot. **HC \$51.95**

Bertrice Small*The Shadow Queen*

Mourn me but briefly.

Then find your destiny, Lara, my love, my life.

Now let me go.

With those words, the spirit of Magnus Hauk, Dominus of Terah, leaves his body—and thus the fate of a nation rests upon the faerie woman Lara's shoulders.

While Lara's son Prince Taj is well loved by the people of Terah, he is too young to rule, and Lara must obey Magnus's dying command and govern in his stead. Thankfully, she has a powerful ally in Prince Kaliq of the Shadows, though never was there a more seductive friend or foe. Yet some in Terah still believe that a female must never wear the crown...and Lara and her daughters will face old enemies who escaped the wrath of Magnus but are not yet finished with their schemes for power and revenge. **TP \$28.95**

Kathryn Smith*Night After Night (Brotherhood of the Blood)*

Temple is the leader of the Brotherhood of the Blood. He appointed himself protector of the Blood Grail the cup that turned him and his brethren into vampires. Now the Order of the Silver Palm is after the Grail and Temple. Vivian has been an outsider all her life until the Order took her in. They transformed her from a poor farm girl to a woman who is as comfortable with a blade as well as a tea cup. Now she is their assassin and they've sent her after Temple. Neither could have imagined the attraction to one another. They were on different sides fighting for different things and yet they are drawn to each other. Has the assassin fallen in love with her target? Does her target have an ulterior motive? Or was their love destined to be... **APB \$14.99**

Jeri Smith-Ready*Wicked Game (Ciara Griffin 01)*

Recovering con artist Ciara Griffin is trying to live the straight life, even if it means finding a (shudder!) real job. She takes an internship at a local radio station, whose late-night time-warp format features 1940s blues, '60s psychedelia, '80s goth, and more, all with an uncannily authentic flair. Ciara soon discovers just how the DJs maintain their cred: they're vampires, stuck forever in the eras in which they were turned.

Ciara's first instinct, as always, is to cut and run. But communications giant Skywave wants to buy WVMP and turn it into just another hit-playing clone. Without the station -- and the link it provides to their original Life Times -- the vampires would "fade," becoming little more than mindless ghosts of the past. Suddenly a routine corporate takeover is a matter of life and undeath.

To boost ratings and save the lives of her strange new friends, Ciara rebrands the station as "WVMP, the Lifeblood of Rock 'n' Roll." In the ultimate con, she hides the DJs' vampire nature in plain sight, disguising the bloody truth as a marketing gimmick. WVMP becomes the hottest thing around -- next to Ciara's complicated affair with grunge vamp Shane McAllister. But the "gimmick" enrages a posse of ancient and powerful vampires who aren't so eager to be brought into the light. Soon the stakes are higher -- and the perils graver -- than any con game Ciara's ever played.... **APB \$19.95**

Thomas E Sniegoski*Dancing on the Head of A Pin (Remy Chandler)*

When a large collection of ancient weaponry with special powers is stolen from a dubious collector, fallen angel Remy Chandler races into action to get them back before they fall into the wrong hands and puts the future of both Heaven and Earth in jeopardy. **TP \$28.95**

Thomas E Sniegowski

A Kiss Before the Apocalypse (Remy Chandler)

An angel who has chosen to renounce Heaven to live on Earth, Boston private detective Remy Chandler must put his unique talents to work when his angelic former colleagues enlist his assistance to help find a missing Angel of Death, and he uncovers a conspiracy aimed at destroying the entire human race. **APB \$17.95**

Kerrelyn Sparks

Secret Life of a Vampire

When a bachelor party he is throwing gets wildly out of hand and the cops show up, Jack, a vampire and the illegitimate son of the legendary Casanova, finds himself enamored with Officer Lara Boucher. Trying to make detective, she will do anything to expose his secrets. **APB \$19.95**

Jennifer St Giles

Kiss of Darkness

A third installment in the popular series finds Sam succumbing to an attack by the dark forces of Cinatas and Emerald enlisting the help of their friends and a pair of Shadowmen shape-shifters in order to save Sam's life. **APB \$17.95**

Jory Strong

Ghostland

Summoning the powerful Djinn prince Zurael en Caym in the hopes of saving a wealthy man's mistress in a mystical world, Aisling's life becomes endangered when he plots to use her as bait to secure an ancient tablet for himself. **TP \$30.95**

Charles Stross

The Revolution Business (Merchant Princes 05)

A latest installment in the series that includes The Merchants' War and The Clan Corporate finds the army of the Clan locked in a fortress under siege that coexists in two parallel universes--a situation that is further complicated by Miriam's prospects for succeeding the fallen Duke Angbard. **HC \$51.95**

Adrian Tchaikovsky

Dragonfly Falling (Shadows of the Apt 02)

Two young companions, Totho and Salma, arrive at Tark to spy on the menacing Wasp army, but are there mistakenly apprehended as enemy agents. By the time they are freed, the city is already under siege. Over in the imperial capital the young emperor, Alvdan, is becoming captivated by a remarkable slave, the vampiric Uctebri, who claims he knows of magic that can grant eternal life. In Collegium, meanwhile, Stenwold is still trying to persuade the city magnates to take seriously the Wasp Empire's imminent threat to their survival.

In a colourful drama involving mass warfare and personal combat, a small group of heroes must stand up against what seems like an unstoppable force. This volume continues the story that so brilliantly unfolded in *Empire in Black and Gold* – and the action is still non-stop. **APB \$21.99**

Harry Turtledove

The Valley-Westside War

In an alternate-reality tale in which the merchants of our world secretly visit parallel universes to trade for much-needed resources, the discovery of a universe beset by a 1967 atomic war prompts an investigation into what went wrong. **APB \$17.95**

Give Me Back My Legions

While a politician battles on the Roman frontier to subdue barbarian invaders, a Cherusci prince practices the arts of Roman war and policy in order to bring vital information back to Germany, in a tale inspired by the historic Battle of the Teutoberg Forest. **HC \$51.95**

Elizabeth Vaughan

White Star

When Orrin Blackhart, the Scourge of the Palins, takes Lady High Priestess Evelyn, a gentle healer, prisoner during the war, these enemies discover that there is more to the other than they expected as their destinies become forged together in desire, salvation, and honor. **APB \$19.95**

Kurt Vonnegutt

Armageddon in Retrospect

Twelve previously unpublished writings on war and peace, released to commemorate the first anniversary of the author's death, include such pieces as an essay on the destruction of Dresden, a story about the first-meal fantasies of three army soldiers, and a meditation on the impossibility of shielding children from the temptations of violence. **TP \$30.95**

Christine Warren

You're So Vein

While searching for a murderous vampire fugitive, Vladimir Rurikovich saves Ava Markham from the clutches of death and realizes that he cannot live another day without her in his immortal life until he discovers a secret about her bloodline that could change everything. **APB \$17.95**

Tad Williams

The Dragonbone Chair (Memory, Sorrow and Thorn 01)

A thrilling, heartstopping quest that blends the machinations of a king gone mad with the politics of empire, breathtaking suspense with the pity of war, a brilliantly conceived world of ancient days with the joys - and terrors - of magic... **APB \$22.99**

Stone of Farewell (Memory, Sorrow and Thorn 02)

In *Osten Ard*, the evil of the Storm King covers the land and the country is riven by war. Nature, unbalanced by the tide of evil, slips into a permanent winter. Simon, once a kitchen boy, now a hero hiding in the troll stronghold of Yiquanuc, has prophetic dreams. Only he and his companions can save the land, but to do this he must embark on the second part of his quest...to the Stone of Farewell. **PB \$22.99**

Siege: To Green Angel Tower (Memory, Sorrow and Thorn 03)

Simon Snowlock and Prince Josua's band of allies gather at the Stone of Farewell. King Elias is drawn ever deeper into the dark sorceries of Ineluki, the Storm King. The badly depleted League of the Scroll searches for age-old knowledge with which to aid Josua's much-outnumbered army. Across the face of *Osten Ard* lines are drawn as the final battle approaches, and the struggle between Light and Dark reaches a climax. *SIEGE* is the first half of *TO GREEN ANGEL TOWER* - an international hardback bestseller - the final volume of Tad Williams' highly acclaimed trilogy *Memory, Sorrow and Thorn*. **PB \$22.99**

Tad Williams

Storm (To Green Angel Tower Part 2) (Memory, Sorrow and Thorn 04)

Memory, Sorrow and Thorn: The three swords which seem inextricably linked to the fate of both Simon, the ex-kitchen boy and now Knight, and the land of Osten Ard itself. As their enigma unfolds, new horrors of war and dark sorcery draw the land and its people to an unimaginably powerful climax, in this final volume of Tad Williams' landmark series. **APB \$22.99**

Walter Jon Williams

This Is Not A Game

Once upon a time, there were four of them. And though each was good at a number of things, all of them were very good at games...

Dagmar is a game designer trapped in Jakarta in the middle of a revolution. The city is tearing itself apart around her and she needs to get out. Her boss Charlie has his own problems -- 4.3 billion of them, to be precise, hidden in an off-shore account. Austin is the businessman -- the VC. He's the one with the plan and the one to keep the geeks in line. BJ was there from the start, but while Charlie's star rose, BJ sank into the depths of customer service. He pads his hours at the call-center slaying on-line orcs, stealing your loot, and selling it on the internet.

But when one of them is gunned down in a parking lot, the survivors become players in a very different kind of game. Caught between the dangerous worlds of the Russian Mafia and international finance, Dagmar must draw on all her resources -- not least millions of online gamers-- to track down the killer. In this near-future thriller, Walter Jon Williams weaves a pulse-pounding tale of intrigue, murder, and games where you don't get an extra life. **HC \$51.95**

Michael Z Williamson

Contact With Chaos (Freehold 03)

When an exploration ship from Freehold discovered a planet with intelligent lifeforms—the first which humans had ever encountered—it should have been the most important event in history. And it might be—for all the wrong reasons.

Corporations on Freehold were eager to sell high-tech toys to the Ithkuil, as the inhabitants called themselves, which had the potential to disrupt their society. Then there was the U.N., which controlled the planet Earth. Earth and Freehold were not on good terms, to put it mildly, and the U.N. immediately sent its own ship to make contact with the Ithkuil. If the authoritarians from Earth started throwing their weight around, Freehold would have to push back, causing anything from a diplomatic incident to outright war. And then another ship arrived, full of idealistic do-gooders determined to keep the Ithkuil in their unspoiled state of nature . . .

The whole thing was turning into a cross between a Marx Brothers farce and a Kafkaesque nightmare, with a potential for Greek tragedy. Contact with a more advanced civilization might pose a danger to the Ithkuil, but it definitely was becoming more dangerous to the human factions, and the situation was a powder keg just waiting for a spark to cause a very deadly explosion. . . . **HC \$49.95**

F Paul Wilson

Aftershock and Others: 19 Oddities

A third collection of short works by the best-selling author of the Repairman Jack series features the Bram Stoker Award-winning title novelette and additional stories including "Aryans and Absinthe," "When He Was Fab," and "The November Game." **HC \$52.95**

Gene Wolfe

The Best of Gene Wolfe

An anthology of thirty-one signature short works by the World Fantasy Award for Life Achievement-winning writer includes "Petting Zoo," "The Tree Is My Hat," and "The Island of Dr. Death and Other Stories." **HC \$56.95**

Rebecca York

Eternal Moon

PI Renata Cordona, while on the trail of a serial killer, meets her lifemate in Jacob Marshall, a werewolf who has come to protect her, but a twisted madman, determined to destroy them both, threatens to tear them apart. **APB \$19.95**

John Zakour & Lawrence Ganem

Ballistic Babes (Zach Johnson 03, 04)

This omnibus edition features two Zachary Nixon Johnson, the last freelance P.I. on Earth, stories--"The Radioactive Redhead" and "The Frost-Haired Vixen," in which Johnson, in the year 2061, is hired by Santana Clausa, the mutant CEO of the North Pole Organization, to find a not-so-nice killer who is trying to sabotage the winter holidays. **APB \$20.95**

Anthologies

Ellen Datlow Editor

Nebula Award Showcase 2009

Presents a collection of the best of this year's science fiction and fantasy tales, including the Nebula-award-winning novella and several runner-up stories, along with essays, commentaries, and predictions about the genre. **TP \$34.95**

Inferno

A chilling anthology of twenty original tales of horror and the macabre features contributions from distinguished authors in the field, including Joyce Carol Oates, Pat Cadigan, K. W. Jeter, Terry Dowling, Jeffrey Ford, Lucius Shepard, Christopher Fowler, and Glen Hirshberg. **TP \$32.95**

Nick Gevers & Jay Lake Editor

Other Earths

With contributions from Stephen Baxter, Liz Williams, and Alastair Reynolds, this collection of eleven original stories explores the many possible directions our world could follow if certain key events never happened or were changed in a way that would impact our history. **APB \$19.95**

Mark L van Name & T K F Weisskopf Editor

Transhuman

The rate of technological development today is exploding. Such diverse technologies as computing, communications, genetics, biology, and nanotechnology are rapidly pushing humanity to a new singularity, a point at which all the rules change and everything we assume about what it means to be human may no longer apply. Leading science fiction writers such as Wil McCarthy, Esther Friesner, James P. Hogan, Hugo-winner David D. Levine, Dave Freer, Wen Spencer, Mark L. Van Name, and others explore this strangest of new frontiers. From a criminal given a last chance at life in a very new kind of existence to a man struggling to claim his own humanity, from battles in the depths of very strange spaces to an amazing new version of keeping up with the Joneses, the stories in Transhuman take you where no human has gone before--but where many of us might one day go. **APB \$19.95**

Young Adult

Jennifer Lynn Barnes

Golden (Golden 01)

THE O.C. meets CHARMED in this spooky, cool debut novel!

When Lissy James moves from California to Oklahoma, she finds herself in the middle of a teenage nightmare: a social scene to rival a Hollywood movie. And if understanding the hierarchy of the Golden vs. the Nons isn't hard enough, Lissy's ever growing Aura Vision is getting harder and harder to hide, and if she's not careful, she's going to become a Non faster than you can say 'freak'.

But it's becoming clear that Emory High has a few secrets of its own. Around the halls, the term "special powers" goes way beyond one's ability to attract the opposite sex, and there may be something more evil than the A-crowd lurking in the classrooms. Lissy can see a lot more than the average girl, but she's about to learn the hard way that things aren't always as they appear and you can't always judge a girl by her lip gloss. **PB \$17.95**

Platinum (Golden 02)

She who has the boys, makes the rules.

Among the Golden at Emory high, Lilah Covington is Platinum - the hottest of the hot. She's popular, beautiful, and much smarter than she looks. But most importantly to Lilah, she's in complete control of her own destiny - if only someone would tell that to the mysterious ghost boy roaming the halls.

Ever since Lissy and Lexie James arrived in town, Lilah's perfect world has been coming unhinged. No-one else can see the ghost who's trailing her around campus, and - forget the rumour mill - her memories have her more sidetracked than any gossip could. It looks as if the James family legacy of supernatural sight might be contagious. And to make matters worse, mutiny is brewing among the Golden, and if Lilah isn't careful, she may just lose her top-tier boyfriend to her second-in-command.

Lilah knows the rules better than anyone, but between her newfound visions, an absolutely fatal attraction to a boy who isn't real, and the threat of a supernatural enemy with a sting deadlier than any Queen Bee, it's going to take everything Lilah has to stay on top at Emory. And to prove once and for all that those who make the rules are the only ones who can break them. **PB \$17.95**

Tattoo

Four friends, four tattoos, one ancient evil.

Bailey Morgan isn't the type of girl who shows a lot of skin, but somehow, she ends up in a dressing room at the mall with her friend Delia applying a strange temporary tattoo to the centre of her lower back. Never one to suffer fashion doubt, trendsetter Delia knows exactly where she wants her own tattoo: on her stomach, right where her shirt ends. Annabelle, the quiet friend, chooses the back of her neck, and tomboy Zo plasters hers on the top of her foot. The tattoos will last for three days, and Delia's sure that with them, the four friends will absolutely kill at the school dance.

Unfortunately, killing is just what someone has in mind, and Bailey, Delia, Annabelle, and Zo are in for the battle of their lives. Along with her tattoo, each girl receives a gift - a supernatural power to help them in their fight. As Bailey's increasingly frightening dreams reveal the nature of their enemy, it becomes clear to the girls that it's up to them to save the world. And if they can get Delia to stop using her newfound power to turn gum wrappers into Prada pumps, they might actually stand a chance. **once upon a time PB \$17.95**

Fate

It's been a year since Bailey, Delia, Annabelle, and Zo bought a set of enchanted temporary tattoos at the mall, and life is proceeding as usual. Almost. As the third Fate, Bailey has the lives of the world in her hands, and even though she's gotten used to weaving lives, she's not at all prepared when her own life - and the lives of her friends - take some unexpected turns. Delia sets out on a crusade to find a geeky boyfriend, and for the first time in her life, she finds herself being turned down. Meanwhile, Zo's mother reappears after a twelve year absence, and Bailey, suddenly immersed in a world in which the Furies are catty Sidhe teenagers and Aphrodite, the Love Sidhe has a strange obsession with Annabelle, is helpless to get her friends' lives back on track. But when Aphrodite possesses Annabelle, the friends must set aside their individual problems and work together to save their world - and their friend - once more. **PB \$17.95**

Maite Carranza

The War of the Witches (01)

When Anaid wakes to find her mother has disappeared, she discovers why she's always felt different from everyone else. She's a witch, but not just any witch. . . she is the daughter of the chosen, prophesised to end a bloody war with the cruel Odish clans who are intent on attaining eternal life, at whatever cost. As Anaid struggles with this discovery and develops new powers, she will set out on a dangerous journey to rescue her mother and, ultimately, herself. **BPB \$17.99**

Philip Caveney

Prince of Pirates (Sebastian Darke 02)

Sebastian, Max and Cornelius are ready for another adventure and heading to the bustling port of Ramalat. Once there they intend to embark on a perilous sea journey in search of the fabled lost treasure of the pirate King, Captain Calinestra.

But first, they must make it through the dark and mysterious forest of Geltane and survive an encounter with Leonora; a powerful enchantress, with a terrifying secret and a magical hold over Sebastian's senses.

And as if that wasn't bad enough, when they finally reach Ramalat, a feisty female sea captain; an infamous young pirate; ravenous sea creatures, giant lizards; furious sea battles and breathtaking action await them.

Will they discover the lost treasure? Will Sebastian live to tell the tale? Will Cornelius be beaten in armed combat? And will Max EVER stop moaning? **BPB \$17.95**

Prince of Explorers (Sebastian Darke 03)

Sebastian, Max and Cornelius are off on their most hazardous adventure yet. Deep in the dense jungles of the south they are searching for the legendary lost city of Mendip when their quest is rudely interrupted by a savage attack by a band of Gogroth - armoured apelike beasts.

Rescued by jungle girl Keera, they are taken to the village of the Jilith, a primitive tribe of warriors, who are themselves locked in a grim struggle for survival with the Gogroth. Sebastian's arrival has been foretold in an ancient prophesy which states that the elf-Lord and his two companions will rid the Jilith of the curse of the Gogroth forever. And if Sebastian, Max and Cornelius can achieve this Keera herself will guide them to the Lost City.

But first our heroic trio must brave savage battles, hazardous journeys, attacks by fierce beasts and some of the worst jokes in history. And what's more when they finally reach their destination, they have to contend with The Night Runners - the most terrifying foe they have ever encountered; a foe that simply cannot be killed . . . because they are already dead. **TP \$24.95**

Stephen Cole

Jungle Horror (Astrosaurs Academy 04)

Teggs and the gang are shocked when all the teachers at Astrosaurs Academy disappear suddenly. Apparently they're on an emergency conference in a safari park and have left the fierce Commodore Kallos and her team in charge. Lessons with them are really odd - the new teachers are super-strict and the cadets are being taught different facts to the ones they've learned before. The Daring Dinosaurs are suspicious so they decide to sneak off to the safari park, find Colonel Gruff and the rest of the staff and discover the truth behind their disappearance. **BPB \$14.95**

Nancy A Collins

Night Life (Vamps)

Vampire heiress Lilith Todd is dropdead gorgeous and she wants the world to know it! She's on the fast track to becoming a supermodel. If only there weren't that pesky vampire law that forbids being photographed.... Meanwhile Lilith's rival Cally Monture is in a different kind of hot water. Her boyfriend Peter is a vampire hunter, a sexy sensitive soulmate who just happens to be sworn to destroy her entire race. With the Rauhacht Grand Ball fast approaching both girls need the same things: a father to present them, a handsome escort and a dress to die for. But in a sea of shifting and dangerous loyalties there's no telling who they can trust or who will betray them next. **BPB \$14.99**

Terry Deary

Fire Thief Fights Back (Fire Thief 03)

The final book in the critically acclaimed Fire Thief trilogy concludes the story of Prometheus, who stole fire from the gods. Forced to travel through time to escape Zeus avenging eagle, Prometheus arrives in 1785 Eden City and befriends a boy named Sam. Together, Prometheus and Sam must defend Eden City from seven terrifying mythological monsters.

Packed full of wry puns, wisecracking gods, and sarcastic footnotes, this action-packed story pokes fun at narrative tradition and takes readers on a wild ride through Greek mythology. Fans who have followed Prometheus' flight through the trilogy's first two adventures will be dazzled by the very surprising ending. **APB \$14.99**

Vincent Ford

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But when good intentions bring calamity, Lavena and Riker are cut off from the crew and feared lost. Troi must face a life-changing event without her husband, while the crew must brave the crushing pressures of the deep to undo the global chaos they have triggered. Stranded with her injured captain, Lavena must win the trust of the beings who control their fate -- but the price for Riker's survival may be the loss of everything he holds dear. **APB \$14.95**

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Meanwhile, a Matoran villager named Takua has stumbled upon the long-hidden Mask of Light. He and his best friend, Jaller, are sent by the village elders, the Turaga, to find the Toa to whom the mask is destined to belong. But Makuta unleashes twisted creatures called Rahkshi against the island in an effort to stop the Toa of Light from coming into being.

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Arthas

Christie Golden

Frostmourne.

It was caught in a hovering, jagged chunk of ice, the runes that ran the length of its blade glowing a cool blue. Below it was a dais of some sort, standing on a large gently raised mound that was covered in a dusting of snow. A soft light, coming from somewhere high above where the cavern was open to daylight, shone down on the runeblade. The icy prison hid some details of the sword's shape and form, exaggerated others. It was revealed and concealed at the same time, and all the more tempting, like a new lover imperfectly glimpsed through a gauzy curtain. Arthas knew the blade -- it was the selfsame sword he had seen in his dream when he first arrived. The sword that had not killed Invincible, but that had brought him back healed and healthy. He'd thought it a good omen then, but now he knew it was a true sign. This was what he had come to find. This sword would change everything. Arthas stared raptly at it, his hands almost physically aching to grasp it, his fingers to wrap themselves around the hilt, his arms to feel the weapon swinging smoothly in the blow that would end Mal'Ganis, end the torment he had visited upon the people of Lordaeron, end this lust for revenge. Drawn, he stepped forward.

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d20 Pathfinder

18 Second Darkness 06: *Descent into Midnight*

The Second Darkness Adventure Path comes to its explosive conclusion as the heroes travel into a forgotten world hidden deep underground—the Land of Black Blood. There, they must contend with the region's monstrous guardians and defeat the drow who would use ancient magic to call down a star from the sky to destroy their enemies on the world above.

This volume of Pathfinder also includes a gazetteer of the deadly Land of Black Blood, an exploration of the demon lords of Golarion, a bonus adventure set in the deepest reaches of the underground world, and several new monsters from these dark depths.

Pathfinder is Paizo Publishing's 96-page, perfect-bound, full-color softcover Adventure Path book printed on high-quality paper that releases in a monthly volume. Each volume is brought to you by the same staff which brought you Dragon and Dungeon magazines for over five years. It contains an in-depth Adventure Path scenario, stats for about a half-dozen new monsters, and several support articles meant to give Game Masters additional material to expand their campaign. Because Pathfinder uses the Open Game License, it is 100% compatible with the 3.5 edition of the world's most popular fantasy roleplaying game. **TP \$45**

Exalted

Art of Exalted

Follow the artistic development of Exalted from its earliest concept art to its current second edition splendor. Along the way, you'll see the world of Exalted come alive through the talents of the industry's best artists, including Chris Stevens, Hyung-Tae Kim, Adam Warren and many, many more.

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The Monsterpocalypse Series 2: I Chomp NY Strategy Guide contains tips and tactics, spoilers, and commentary on every figure, faction, map, and format in the new set, all in 64 full-color pages. Also included is an EXCLUSIVE double-sided battle map. It also contains an updated reference sheet with all of the new abilities from I Chomp NY. A valuable resource for players and tournament organizers **TP \$31**

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Warhammer Fantasy Role Play

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The Career Compendium is an invaluable resource for anyone who plays Warhammer Fantasy Roleplay. Capture the rich, vibrant life of the Old World through the eyes of your Warhammer Fantasy Roleplay characters. **TP \$80**

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Jeff Abbott

Fear

I killed my best friend. I didn't mean to, but I did. This is my story. Miles Kendrick is in a witness protection program, hiding from the mob and constantly haunted by his best friend's death. With the aid of psychiatrist Allison Vance, Miles is trying to hold onto his sanity and to recall the events of that tragic night. But when Allison is blown to pieces by a bomb planted in her office, Miles becomes caught up in a deadly conspiracy way beyond his worst nightmares. Pursued by an ex-FBI detective turned hitman and helped by a mentally broken ex-soldier and a reclusive woman whose life has been destroyed by violence, Miles is in a battle to get his life back - or just stay alive. A gripping, breakneck-paced thriller, FEAR will not let you go until the last bullet flies. **PB \$19.99**

Panic

Things are going well for young film-maker Evan Casher - until he receives an urgent phonecall from his mother, summoning him home. He arrives to find her brutally murdered body on the kitchen floor and a hitman lying in wait for him. It is then he realises his whole life has been a lie. His parents are not who he thought they were, his girlfriend is not who he thought she was, his entire existence an ingeniously constructed sham. And now that he knows it, he is in terrible danger. So he is catapulted into a violent world of mercenaries, spies and terrorists. Pursued by a ruthless band of killers who will stop at nothing to keep old secrets buried, Evan's only hope for survival is to discover the truth behind his past. An absolute page-turner, Panic has been acclaimed as one of the most exciting thrillers of recent years. **PB \$19.99**

Run

One balmy Texas evening, widowed financier Ben Fosberg answers the door to two Homeland Security agents. From the minute he lets them in, his life spirals out of control. A businessman has been killed in a hit gone wrong and Ben's card is in the dead hitman's pocket. The agents have a thousand questions for which he has no answers, but the evidence is still piling up against him when a mysterious stranger, known as Pilgrim, snatches him away from the agents and sets them both on a dangerous journey. Pilgrim's boss has been abducted by a man to whom destroying Ben's life is merely a task for the day. Ben and Pilgrim flee across the US with a hoard of agents and killers on their trail. Ben is still mourning his wife, cruelly murdered two years ago on their honeymoon. He is about to get answers to his questions about Emily's death - but they won't be the ones he was expecting. As betrayal and danger dog them at every turn, Ben and Pilgrim have to uncover a deadly plan and save their own lives - before it's too late... **PB \$19.99**

Trust Me

Luke Dantry's stepfather Henry is the only family he has left. So he's pleased to be helping Henry with his work, even if it means the project he's assigned to is profiling online extremists and collecting data on them. When Luke is abducted in bizarre circumstances, he expects Henry to come through with the ransom - but Henry is in way over his head and unable to help. So Luke has to make his own escape from the right-wing fanatics on his tail, the authorities who think he's a wanted man, and various mysterious organisations who are missing ten million dollars. **TP \$32.99**

Peter Abrahams

Delusion

Twenty years after her testimony results in a conviction and leads to her marriage to the case's detective, Nell Jarreau is shocked to learn that new evidence has exonerated the man she had helped send to prison, a situation that overwhelms her with guilt. **APB \$19.95**

Will Adams

The Alexander Cipher

Workers in Alexandria are excavating for a new building when they discover the ruins of an old tomb, and all work crashes to a halt. According to federal law in Egypt, all discoveries must be properly catalogued by archeologists and this tomb has unusual relics and representations, apparently contemporary with Alexander the Great.

Daniel Knox's first love is history and archeology, specifically on Alexander the Great. When he pisses off a local mobster on the coast of Egypt, he heads to Alexandria to an archaeology colleague's apartment to hide out for a while. He learns his friend is getting to participate on the dig for this newly discovered tomb. Sneaking in with his friend, Daniel sees signs that the find is far bigger than anyone realizes and might hold clues to finally unravelling one of the world's greatest mysteries: Where is Alexander the Great buried?

In his lifetime, Alexander was loved as a god, everyone wanted to be close to him. Upon his death, there was a mad scabbling among his former allies to secure his empire for themselves. Even now, nearly 2500 years later, Alexander is still being fought over. With the discovery of this tomb and the revelation of its relics, the race is on to find Alexander. Rival archeologists, Egyptian officials, and Macedonian nationalists all scurry and scramble, attacking each other along the way as they hunt for a glorious prize, the body of Alexander the Great. **HC \$51.95**

Boris Akunin

The Coronation (07)

Grand Duke Georgii Alexandrovich arrives in Moscow for the coronation, accompanied by three of his children and their alluring governess, Mademoiselle Declique. During an afternoon stroll, daughter Xenia is dragged away by bandits, only to be rescued by an elegant gentleman and his oriental sidekick. The passing heroes introduce themselves as Fandorin and Masa, but panic ensues when they realise that four-year old Mikhail has been snatched in the confusion. A ransom letter arrives from Dr Lind, an international criminal and the Moriarty to Fandorin's Sherlock Holmes. The letter demands the handover of the Count Orlov, an enormous diamond on the royal sceptre which is due to play a part in the coronation. Fandorin suggests that the value of the stone is paid in 'installments', buying the party a week to ensure the young boy's safe return. But can the gentleman detective find Mikhail in time, or will the Grand Duke's son meet with the same gruesome fate as Lind's last abductee - whom Fandorin could do nothing to save? Will Fandorin succumb to the affections of Xenia? And why is he falling to his death on the very first page? Our inimitable hero returns in a tantalisingly closely-matched battle of wills and of wiles. **TP \$32.99**

Susan Wittig Albert*Nightshade*

With her half-brother Miles and her husband determined to investigate the circumstances surrounding her father's death, herbalist China Bayles reluctantly joins in to uncover the truth, but she and McQuaid soon discover that Miles may be hiding more secrets than he apparently is willing to reveal. **APB \$19.95**

Wormwood

Fleeing to a Shaker village in rural Kentucky for some much-needed rest and relaxation, China quickly discovers that the tourist attraction isn't as picturesque as it looks. A shocking death takes place, forcing her to delve into old secrets to find the culprit of the modern-day murder. **HC \$51.95**

Patrick Andrews*Lock and Load (The Unit)*

While smuggling a Palestinian defector, who claims he has vital information for the USA's Homeland Security, through some of the tightest spots in the Middle East, the Unit goes up against a traitor in their own government who wants to destroy this elite counterterrorist team. **APB \$19.95**

Anne Argula*Krapp's Last Cassette*

Quinn, a sharp-tongued private investigator in Seattle who's been busy waving goodbye to her philandering husband while fanning her hot flashes with her other hand, has just bumped into a case that threatens to expose the compassionate heart beneath her hard-boiled exterior.

A fifteen-year-old named Danny has suffered hideous abuse at the hands of his twisted parents, and now he's battling a life-threatening illness. Danny's saga has been turned into a bestselling memoir that is about to be adapted into a made-for-TV movie. The screenwriter, Alex Krapp, has talked to the weak, reclusive Danny only over the phone. But now a cynical reporter who believes that the kid doesn't exist is about to put his suspicions in print. Can Quinn find and vindicate Danny before he dies?

Quinn is not only moved by the tale but a little attracted to Krapp himself. And yet something seems strange. Why does the story have so many similarities to her high-profile murder case, and why has Krapp hired her? While Quinn gets in touch with her feminine side, her suspicions force her to keep one hand on her Smith & Wesson LadySmith. **TP \$30.95**

Ace Atkins*Devil's Garden*

When silent-film star Roscoe Arbuckle is accused of crushing an actress to death during a wild 1920s party, Pinkerton agent Dashiell Hammett struggles to sort out fact from fiction in an array of conflicting witnesses testimonies; a case that is further complicated by an influential newspaper's demand for a guilty verdict. **HC \$51.95**

Donald Bain*Madison Avenue Short (Murder She Wrote)*

While starring in a commercial as a favour to her nephew, Grady, Jessica's trip to New York City becomes eventful when a major star is found murdered on set. She herself involved in examining the celebrity's long list of suspects to determine who is to blame for the deadly deed. **HC \$47.95**

Sam Baker*This Year's Model*

When Lou McCartney, fashion reporter on The Post, finds out that her estranged half-sister Scarlett has gone missing in Japan, she's left guilt-ridden and reeling. Lou and Scarlett have been estranged since Lou's father dumped her mother for a younger model and Scarlett was catapulted to fame as a child model. Ten years later Scarlett's career has stalled. In a desperate bid for work, Scarlett decamps to Tokyo, the toughest assignment in the already tough world of international modelling. And then she vanishes. Faced with Scarlett's disappearance, Lou turns to her best friend, Annie Anderson. A former investigative reporter Annie now works for the fashion bible, Handbag magazine. Giving Lou's knowledge of the fashion world and Annie's nose for trouble, it's only a matter of time before they begin chasing down what really happened to Scarlett. It's a dangerous hunt. One that forces Lou to face up to her past and takes Annie from London to New York and Tokyo. In the hard-nosed world of modelling, sometimes the best look is the one that lets you come out of it alive... **PB \$22.99**

Nevada Barr*Winter Study (Anna Pigeon)*

Visiting an isolated Lake Superior isle to study wolf behavior, ranger Anna Pigeon joins a scientific group that subsequently discovers unusual DNA evidence suggesting that a giant and dangerous wolf hybrid has been introduced by an unknown source. **PB \$21.95**

Beverly Barton*Coldhearted*

Beware the Black Widow. To love her is to die! The spiningling new thriller about a depraved female serial killer from the Sunday Times and New York Times bestselling author. **APB \$18.99**

Alex Berenson*The Silent Man*

After two high-risk missions, CIA special agent John Wells is a man living on the edge, his nights filled with disturbing dreams. But he knows he has no time for that. He has made many enemies, and the world won't stay quiet for long.

Nevertheless, Wells is not prepared for what is about to happen. He and Jennifer Exley, his fiancée and colleague, find themselves targeted by assassins sent by a psychotic arms dealer who is out for revenge. The attack leaves many dead and injured - Exley among them. When Wells discovers the assailants are Russian, he immediately leaves for Moscow to seek vengeance. But what Wells finds there is far from what he expected.

A plan of unimaginable consequences has been set in motion - terrorists are attempting to steal warheads from the heart of Russia's nuclear complex. If Wells is to stand any chance of saving the West from certain annihilation, he mustn't let a personal vendetta get in his way - the future of mankind depends upon it. **TP \$32.95**

S J Bolton*Awakening*

How did it all begin? I suppose it would be the day I rescued a new-born baby from a poisonous snake, heard the news of my mother's death and encountered my first ghost . . .

Veterinary surgeon Clara Benning is young and intelligent, but practically a recluse. Disfigured by a childhood accident, she lives alone and shies away from human contact wherever possible. But when a man dies following a supposed snake bite, the victim's post mortem shows a higher concentration of venom than could ever be found in a single snake.

Assisted by her softly spoken neighbour and an eccentric reptile expert, Clara unravels sinister links to a barbaric ancient ritual, an abandoned house and a 50-year-old tragedy that left the survivors fiercely secretive. Then the village's inventive attacker strikes again, and Clara's own solitary existence is brutally invaded.

For someone the truth must remain buried in the past . . . even if they have to kill to keep it there. **TP \$32.95**

Stephanie Bond*4 Bodies and A Funeral*

Ever had one of those days? A surprise visit from her father—who's on the run from the law—has given Carlotta Wren a lot to think about. Should she join her former fiancé, Peter, in proving her father is innocent? If she does, are her body-moving days over?

And then...

A close friend's behavior begins to spin out of control...

The cops turn up the heat on her father's case...

Carlotta discovers that her brother Wesley's gambling debts are child's play compared to his new vice...

And the Charmed Killer, a serial murderer, unleashes his wrath on Atlanta.

Now the bodies are piling up—and Carlotta's father is the number one suspect! **PB \$17.95**

Gary Braver*Skin Deep*

Homicide detective Steve Abbot investigates a series of killings that have targeted plastic surgery patients, while his beloved wife, a prospective plastic surgery client, finds herself targeted by a seductive stranger who reminds her of Steve. **APB \$19.95**

Dan Brown*Angels and Demons (Film Tie-In)*

When a world renowned scientist is found brutally murdered in a Swiss research facility, a Harvard professor, Robert Langdon, is summoned to identify the mysterious symbol seared onto the dead man's chest. His baffling conclusion: that it is the work of the Illuminati, a secret brotherhood presumed extinct for nearly four hundred years - reborn to continue their bitter vendetta against their most hated enemy, the Catholic church.

In Rome, the college of cardinals assembles to elect a new pope. Yet somewhere within the walls of the Vatican, an unstoppable bomb of terrifying power relentlessly counts down to oblivion. While the minutes tick away, Langdon joins forces with Vittoria Vetra, a beautiful and mysterious Italian scientist, to decipher the labyrinthine trail of ancient symbols that snakes across Rome to the long-forgotten Illuminati lair - a secret refuge wherein lies the only hope for the Vatican.

But, with each revelation comes another twist, another turn in the plot, which leaves Langdon and Vetra reeling and at the mercy of a seemingly invisible enemy. **APB \$21.95**

Ken Bruen*Cross*

With his surrogate son, Cody, in a hospital in a coma, a troubled Jack Taylor takes the opportunity to assist Ridge, his old friend from the guards, with a horrific case involving the crucifixion slaying of a boy in Galway, in an investigation that brings him face to face with old ghosts and leads to a second killing, the burning death of the murdered boy's sister. **TP \$28.95**

Claudia Mair Burney*Deadly Charm (Amanda Bell Brown Mystery)*

Reluctantly agreeing to attend a revival meeting featuring a former healing evangelist and his conniving wife, Bell unexpectedly falls for the man's young son in spite of her suspicions that his parents are fleecing their supporters. This is further complicated by a terrible accident. **TP \$28.95**

Nancy Bush*Unseen*

Unable to remember the events leading up to her accident, Gemma La Porte must discover, with the help of policeman Deputy Will Tanning, if she is responsible for a fatal hit-and-run. **APB \$17.95**

Michael Byrnes*The Sacred Blood*

When an American geneticist is miraculously healed from cancer by bones she believes to be the remains of Jesus, an Israeli archaeologist and a noted Egyptologist team up to outmaneuver the Vatican, who would prevent the geneticist's findings from becoming public, and a dangerous adversary who would use the bones to trigger Armageddon. By the author of *The Sacred Bones*. **HC \$51.95**

Chelsea Cain*Sweetheart*

"I want you," Gretchen said. "I've always wanted you."

Investigative journalist Susan Ward is about to print the story of her career – proving long-rumoured allegations about a respected senator's affair with a young girl. But the day before her story is published, the senator is killed in a car crash.

Detective Archie Sheridan is trying to rebuild a life with his family. But he remains haunted by beautiful, ruthless serial killer Gretchen Lowell – the woman who tortured him then saved his life. Now that she is safely behind bars, Archie is determined to stay away from her. And when a mysterious child leads him to two bodies in Forest Park, Archie must focus his attention on the case.

But then the unthinkable happens: Gretchen escapes. The only thing this gorgeous psychopath cares about is Archie – and with her on the loose, everyone he loves has become a target... **APB \$19.99**

Haggai Carmon

The Chameleon Conspiracy

Unable to rest until he captures the Chameleon, a master criminal, con man, and sleeper agent, Dan Gordon, an experienced hunter trained by the Mossad who now works for the CIA, must go undercover in Iran where he stumbles upon a conspiracy that could affect the world's balance of power. **APB \$19.95**

Alex Carr

Prince of Bagram Prison

Army Intelligence reservist Kat Caldwell is teaching Arabic at a military college in Virginia when the order comes: retired spy chief Dick Morrow needs to find a CIA informant who has slipped away from his handler in Spain and may be heading to Morocco. Jamal was a prisoner whom Kat interrogated when she worked at Bagram Airbase in Afghanistan. Having gained his trust, she is now expected to discover his whereabouts on a treacherous trail that leads from Madrid's red-light district to the slums of Casablanca. But when a British soldier is murdered just as he is about to give testimony on the death of a Bagram detainee, Kat begins to suspect that the real story here is of the cover-up of US-sanctioned torture. And when in desperation Jamal contacts his former CIA handler, he unwittingly rekindles a bitter struggle between the one man who can save him and the one who wants him dead. **PB \$19.99**

Rayo Casablanca

Very Mercenary

When Leigh Tiller, a beautiful New York socialite, is kidnapped by a group of mentally unstable terrorists, she discovers that her father wants her dead and finds an unlikely savior in Laser Mechanic, the brilliant leader of the guerrilla art collective who takes her on the ride of her life. **TP \$30.95**

Lee Child

Gone Tomorrow (Jack Reacher)

Suicide bombers are easy to spot. They give out all kinds of tell-tale signs. Mostly because they're nervous. By definition they're all first-timers. Riding the subway in New York at two o'clock in the morning, Reacher knows the twelve giveaway signs to look out for. Watching one of his fellow-passengers, he becomes sharply aware: one by one, she ticks off every bulletpoint on his list.

So begins the new heartstopping new thriller starring today's most admired action hero, the gallant and enigmatic loner Jack Reacher. **TP \$32.95**

Nothing to Lose (Jack Reacher)

Two small towns in Colorado: Hope and Despair. Between them, nothing but twelve miles of empty road. Jack Reacher can't find a ride, so he walks. All he wants is a cup of coffee. What he gets are four redneck deputies who want to run him out of town.

Mistake. They're picking on the wrong guy. Jack Reacher is a big man, and he's in shape. No job, no address, no baggage. Nothing, except bloody-minded curiosity. What is the secret the locals seem so keen to hide?

A hard man is good to find. Ex-military cop Reacher is today's most addictive hero. Now he pulls on a tiny loose thread, to unravel conspiracies that expose the most shocking truths. Because, after all, Jack Reacher has nothing to lose. **PB \$21.95**

Carol Higgins Clark

Cursed (Regan Reilly)

Cursed opens on a cold and gray January morning. Sleet and snow are swirling as Regan arrives at a warehouse in Long Island City with a trunk full of her old case files from Los Angeles. After carting all her boxes into a storage unit, she heads back out into the snow, and her cell phone rings.

Abigail Feeney, a young woman who had lived across the hall from Regan in an apartment complex in the Hollywood Hills, is on the line. Abigail believes her life has been cursed since birth. She was born on Friday the 13th of January, and her parents gave her a name with 13 letters. A hairdresser on movie sets, Abigail was recently injured at work when a piece of scaffolding fell and knocked her over, and her arm was broken in two places. But that isn't why she is calling. "Regan!" she exclaims. "The 'no good bum' has been spotted in town. I desperately need the money he owes me. Can you please come out here and help me find him?"

Regan immediately knows the identity of the "no good bum." From her L.A. apartment, Regan had often seen Abigail's ex, Cody Castle, sitting by the pool, bent over his cell phone, text messaging nonstop. Before he disappeared three months ago, he borrowed \$100,000 from Abigail. He promised to pay her back in three months.

"Find him?" Regan asks.

"Yes! My grandmother is flying here tomorrow. There's a condo she wants to buy me. But we need that money. She can't find out I don't have it. Regan, can't you spend a few days with me?"

If Regan weren't freezing, she might have made an excuse. But Jack was away at a seminar, Regan had never liked the "no good bum," and Abigail had brought her chicken soup when she'd had the flu last winter. Within hours Regan is on a flight to Los Angeles where her adventure with Abigail will take her from the beaches of Malibu, to the mountains north of the city, to the renovated lofts of downtown L.A.

Regan starts to feel Abigail's curse is contagious as she encounters a cast of characters who aren't always welcoming. Some are downright dangerous. And there's one who is the most dangerous of all... **HC \$51.95**

Mary Higgins Clark

Just take My Heart

Natalie Raines, one of Broadway's brightest stars, accidentally discovers who killed her former roommate and sets in motion a series of shocking events that puts more than one life in extreme peril.

While Natalie and her roommate, Jamie Evans, were both struggling young actresses, Jamie had been involved with a mysterious married man to whom she referred only by nickname. Natalie comes face to face with him years later and inadvertently addresses him by the nickname Jamie had used. A few days later, Natalie is found in her home in Closter, New Jersey, dying from a gunshot wound.

Immediately the police suspect Natalie's theatrical agent and soon-to-be-ex-husband, Gregg Aldrich. He had long been a "person of interest" and was known to have stalked Natalie to find out if she was seeing another man. But no charges are brought against him until two years later, when Jimmy Easton, a career criminal, suddenly comes forward to claim that Aldrich had tried to hire him to kill his wife. Easton knows details about the Aldrich home that only someone who had been there -- to plan a murder, for instance -- could possibly know.

The case is a plum assignment for Emily Wallace, an attractive thirty-two-year-old assistant prosecutor. As she spends increasingly long hours preparing for the trial, a seemingly well-meaning neighbor offers to take care of her dog in her absence. Unaware of his violent past, she gives him a key to her home...

As Aldrich's trial is making headlines, her boss warns Emily that this high-profile case will reveal personal matters about her, such as the fact that she had a heart transplant. And, during the trial, Emily experiences sentiments that defy all reason and continue after Gregg Aldrich's fate is decided by the jury.

In the meantime, she does not realize that her own life is now at risk. **HC \$52.95**

Mary Higgins Clark

Where Are You now?

It has been ten years since twenty-one-year-old Charles MacKenzie Jr. ("Mack") went missing. A Columbia University senior, about to graduate and already accepted at Duke University Law School, he walked out of his apartment on Manhattan's Upper West Side without a word to his college roommates and has never been seen again. However, he does make one ritual phone call to his mother every year: on Mother's Day. Each time, he assures her he is fine, refuses to answer her frantic questions, then hangs up. Even the death of his father, a corporate lawyer, in the tragedy of 9/11 does not bring him home or break the pattern of his calls.

Mack's sister, Carolyn, is now twenty-six, a law school graduate, and has just finished her clerkship for a civil court judge in Manhattan. She has endured two family tragedies, yet she realizes that she will never be able to have closure and get on with her life until she finds her brother. She resolves to discover what happened to Mack and why he has found it necessary to hide from them. So this year when Mack makes his annual Mother's Day call, Carolyn interrupts to announce her intention to track him down, no matter what it takes. The next morning after Mass, her uncle, Monsignor Devon MacKenzie, receives a scrawled message left in the collection basket: "Uncle Devon, tell Carolyn she must not look for me."

Mack's cryptic warning does nothing to deter his sister from taking up the search, despite the angry reaction of her mother, Olivia, and the polite disapproval of Elliott Wallace, Carolyn's honorary uncle, who is clearly in love with Olivia.

Carolyn's pursuit of the truth about Mack's disappearance swiftly plunges her into a world of unexpected danger and unanswered questions. What is the secret that Gus and Lil Kramer, the superintendents of the building in which Mack was living, have to hide? What do Mack's old roommates, the charismatic club owner Nick DeMarco and the cold and wealthy real estate tycoon Bruce Galbraith, know about Mack's disappearance? Is Nick connected to the disappearance of Leeseey Andrews, who had last been seen in his trendy club? Can the police possibly believe that Mack is not only alive, but a serial killer, a shadowy predator of young women? Was Mack also guilty of the brutal murder of his drama teacher and the theft of his taped sessions with her?

Carolyn's passionate search for the truth about her brother -- and for her brother himself -- leads her into a deadly confrontation with someone close to her whose secret he cannot allow her to reveal. **PB \$19.95**

Ann Cleeves

Red Bones

When a young archaeologist studying on a site at Lerwick discovers a set of human remains, the island community is intrigued. Is it an ancient find, or a more contemporary mystery?

Then an elderly woman is shot on her land in a tragic accident and Jimmy Perez is called in by her grandson – his own colleague Sandy Wilson. He finds two feuding families whose envy, greed and bitterness has divided the surrounding community.

With Fran in London, and surrounded by people he doesn't know and a community he has no links with, Jimmy finds himself out of depth. Then another woman dies and as the spring weather wraps the island in claustrophobic mists, the two deaths remain shrouded in mystery. **TP \$32.99**

Harlan Coben

Long Lost (Miron Bolitar)

Harlan Coben's millions of fans have waited three long years for a new Myron Bolitar novel and soon their patience will be rewarded in spectacular fashion. Myron hasn't heard from Terese Collins in years. Not since their affair ended with no explanation. There had been no contact since, so her call catches him off guard. She's in Paris, she says, in trouble and only Myron can help. She tells him a sad story she's never before revealed: a good marriage, her struggles to get pregnant, the happiest moment of her life when her only child was born, the day everything she'd ever loved was taken from her. In the years since, Terese has had no contact with her ex-husband, until the phone call that brought her to Paris. When she gets there he's been murdered and she's a suspect. But then comes a startling piece of evidence that turns the entire case upside down, laying bare Terese's long-buried family secrets in a most shocking way and leaving Myron nowhere to turn for help. Caught in a foreign landscape where nothing is as it seems, he must tear apart the city - and eventually the globe - fighting for answers to unfathomable questions that will take Myron and Harlan Coben's readers, where they have never gone before. **TP \$32.99 HC \$56.95**

Patricia Cornwell

At Risk

Moving between the chill of Cambridge, Massachusetts and the sultry humidity of Knoxville, Tennessee, Winston Garano, a police investigator, is instructed to look into a twenty-year-old murder case. Although Win reckons there are many more pressing current cases which should have higher priority, he gets on with the task, unaware of the can of worms he will prise open. With her hallmark qualities of deft characterisation, perfect research and tense story-telling, Patricia Cornwell has created a novel which entertains, intrigues and satisfies. **PB \$19.99**

The Front

Massachusetts State Investigator Win Garano is given one of his most challenging cases yet when he is asked to investigate the death of a young British woman murdered more than forty years ago. Assumed to be a victim of the Boston Strangler, blind Janie Brolin was raped and left for dead in 1962. With no DNA and sketchy police records, this is a case that will test Garano to his limits. It will take him on a journey through the archives, into the latest innovations in forensic technology, and into partnership with senior officers at London's New Scotland Yard. And as Garano unearths deadly secrets from the past, his hard-nosed boss Monique Lamont is putting both their lives in jeopardy with her lust for power and success. With past and present colliding, the tension mounts with every page... **APB \$19.99**

Peter Corris Australian Author

Deep Water

Stripped of his private detective licence and devastated by the murder of his partner Lily Truscott, Cliff Hardy travels to the US to help Lily's brother's tilt for a world boxing title. In San Diego he suffers a heart attack and undergoes a quadruple bypass. He meets nurse Margaret McKinley, an expatriate Australian who is concerned about the disappearance in Sydney of her father - renowned geologist Dr Henry McKinley.

Hardy undertakes to investigate in association with Hank Bachelor, his former associate who now runs his own agency. It turns out that McKinley had discovered a way to tap into the massive Sydney basin aquifer, a possible solution to the city's water problems. Working with Margaret who visits Sydney, Bachelor, and his daughter, Megan, Hardy confronts an old enemy and contending forces bent on exploiting the discovery and prepared to kill for it.

Energised by the case and by his attachment to Margaret, Hardy obeys the strict rules for the restoration of his health - but in pursuing the truth and the malefactors, he makes his own rules. **BPB \$22.99**

David Cristofano*The Girl She Used to Be*

When Melody Grace McCartney was six years old, she and her parents witnessed an act of violence so brutal that it changed their lives forever. The federal government lured them into the Witness Protection Program with the promise of safety, and they went gratefully. But the program took Melody's name, her home, her innocence, and, ultimately, her family. She's been May Adams, Karen Smith, Anne Johnson, and countless others--everyone but the one person she longs to be: herself. So when the feds spirit her off to begin yet another new life in another town, she's stunned when a man confronts her and calls her by her real name. Jonathan Bovaro, the mafioso sent to hunt her down, knows her, the real her, and it's a dangerous thrill that Melody can't resist. He's insistent that she's just a pawn in the government's war against the Bovaro family. But can she trust her life and her identity to this vicious stranger whose acts of violence are legendary? **HC \$47.95**

Kathleen Dante*Endangered*

Unwilling to make a commitment, homicide detective Cyn Malva's attitude toward special-ops sniper Rio Rafael changes when she becomes the target of a serial killer and the two are bound to one another in ways she could have never imagined. **TP \$30.95**

Diane Mott Davidson*Fatally Flaky*

A latest installment in a recipe-enhanced series that includes the best-selling Sweet Revenge and Dark Tort finds Colorado caterer Goldy Schulz endeavoring to solve a murder that has overshadowed a spoiled bride's nuptial plans. **HC \$52.95**

Lindsey Davis*Alexandria*

For Marcus Didius Falco, agent to the Emperor Vespasian, Alexandria holds fascination and a hint of fear. Beautiful, historic and famously unruly, the great cosmopolitan city wears Roman rule lightly. While his wife, Helena Justina, wants to see the Lighthouse and the Pyramids, Falco has a mission at the Great Library that soon turns out to involve much more than stock-taking its innumerable scrolls.

A mysterious death in the world-famous library bring him into immediate conflict with the darker side of academic life. With forensic science in its infancy, even an illegal autopsy fails to find real answers. To solve the crime for the Roman Prefect - if indeed it is a crime - Falco will have to draw on his own doggedness and intuition, at first supported only by Helena's commonsense and the loyal backup of her brother Aulus, who goes under cover as a student among the in-fighting academics. The philosophers lust after fame and fortune so ruthlessly there is soon another terrifying death, this time at the royal zoo.

At the same time, his original innocent mission is overshadowed by the machinations of his Uncle Fulvius, who is living in Alexandria with his partner Cassius for obscure reasons. Their involvement in local affairs already seems shady when they are joined by their crony, Falco's father, Geminus, a man well known for disreputable business practices. If the irrepressible Pa has had any hand in what has gone wrong at the Library, Falco knows he stands no chance... **TP \$32.95**

Ode to a Banker

In the long, hot Roman Summer of AD74, Marcus Didius Falco, private informer and spare-time poet, gives a reading for his family and friends. Things get out of hand as usual. The event is taken over by Aurelius Chrysippus, a wealthy Greek banker and patron to a group of struggling writers, who offers to publish Falco's work - a golden opportunity that rapidly palls. A visit to the Chrysippus scriptorium implicates him in a gruesome literary murder so when Petronius Longus, the over-worked vigiles enquiry chief, commissions him to investigate, Falco is forced to accept.

Lindsey Davis' twelfth novel wittily explores Roman publishing and banking, taking us from the jealousies of authorship and the mire of patronage, to the darker financial world, where default can have fatal consequences... **BPB \$23.95**

One Virgin Too Many

A frightened child approaches Roman informer Marcus Didius Falco, pleading for help. Nobody believes Gaia's story that a relation wants to kill her- and neither does he. Beset by his own family troubles, by his new responsibilities as Procurator of the Sacred Poultry, and by the continuing search for a new partner, he turns her away. Immediately he regrets it. Gaia has been selected as the new Vestal Virgin, and when she disappears Falco is officially asked to investigate. Finding Gaia is then a race against time, ending in Falco's most terrifying exploit yet... **BPB \$23.95**

Three Hands in the Fountain

'The fountain was not working. Nothing unusual in that...'

Marcus Didius Falco and his laddish friend Petronius find their local fountain has been blocked- by a gruesomely severed human hand.

Soon other body parts are being found in the aqueducts and sewers. Public panic overcomes official indifference, and the Aventine partners are commissioned to investigate. Women are being abducted during festivals, with the next Games only days away. As the heat rises in the Circus Maximus, they face a race against time and a strong test of their friendship. They know the sadistic killer lurks somewhere on the festive streets of Rome- preparing to strike again. **BPB \$23.95**

Two For the Lions

Lumbered with working alongside reptilian Chief Spy Anacrites, Marcus Didius Falco has the perfect plan to make money- he will assist Vespasian in the Emperor's 'Great Census' of AD73. His potential fee could finally allow him to join the middle ranks and be worthy of long-suffering Helena Justina.

Unexpectedly confronted with the murder of a man-eating lion, Falco is distracted from his original task, uncovering a bitter rivalry between the gladiators' trainers. With one star gladiator dead, Falco is forced to investigate and the trails leads from Rome to the blood-soaked sand of the arena in North Africa. **BPB \$23.95**

Jeffrey Deaver

The Broken Window (Lincoln Rhyme)

Lincoln Rhyme and partner/paramour Amelia Sachs return to face a criminal whose ingenious staging of crimes is enabled by a terrifying access to information....

When Lincoln's estranged cousin Arthur Rhyme is arrested on murder charges, the case is perfect -- too perfect. Forensic evidence from Arthur's home is found all over the scene of the crime, and it looks like the fate of Lincoln's relative is sealed.

At the behest of Arthur's wife, Judy, Lincoln grudgingly agrees to investigate the case. Soon Lincoln and Amelia uncover a string of similar murders and rapes with perpetrators claiming innocence and ignorance -- despite ironclad evidence at the scenes of the crime. Rhyme's team realizes this "perfect" evidence may actually be the result of masterful identity theft and manipulation.

An information service company -- the huge data miner Strategic Systems Datacorp -- seems to have all the answers but is reluctant to help the police. Still, Rhyme and Sachs and their assembled team begin uncovering a chilling pattern of vicious crimes and coverups, and their investigation points to one master criminal, whom they dub "522."

When "522" learns the identities of the crime-fighting team, the hunters become the hunted. Full of Deaver's trademark plot twists, *The Broken Window* will put the partnership of Lincoln Rhyme and Amelia Sachs to the ultimate test. **APB \$21.95**

Jim DeFelice

Soul of the Assassin (Larry Bond's First Team)

Learning that one of the CIA's most-wanted figures is going to be in Italy, officer Bob Ferguson and the First Team set out to apprehend him at any cost, a situation that is complicated by the killer's long-time absence and the discovery of a much bigger plot. **APB \$19.95**

Ted Dekker

Adam

Rendered famous for his anti-religion stance, FBI behavioral psychologist Daniel Clark has a near-death experience when a mysterious serial killer attempts to murder him. This forces Daniel to re-create his death and challenge his belief system in order to identify his would-be killer. **HC \$52.95**

Daniel Depp

Loser's Town

In Hollywood, you're not made until you've made a movie.

First-time author Daniel Depp introduces private investigator David Spandau, an ex-stuntman familiar with the ins and outs of Hollywood -- a smart, tough, and wickedly funny observer of la vie L.A. -- whose patience is almost sapped when he's hired to protect actor Bobby Dye from a blackmailing scheme gone wrong. Dye -- young, brash, and on the verge of becoming a major star -- has been set up by gangster Richie Stella, a nightclub owner and drug dealer with dreams of becoming a Hollywood producer. And he has a movie perfect for Bobby; problem is, it's the worst script anyone's ever read. But Richie is not easy to say no to, and when he retaliates, the game gets a little more deadly for more than a few of its players. A Hollywood insider himself, Depp is no stranger to the temptations and illusions of the City of Angels and its ambitious, cutthroat denizens. *Loser's Town* is charged with the elements of all great L.A. noir -- crackling dialogue, fast-paced plot, and seedy, jaded characters -- and Depp brings a few new tricks to the genre with sadistic talent agents, washed-up actors looking for their second coming, and small-time hustlers just trying to make a modest living outside the limelight. *Loser's Town* is a deftly written thriller -- a gruesomely hilarious, occasionally wistful depiction of what goes on beneath those white letters on the mountainside. **HC \$51.95**

Alex Dryden

Red to Black

At the dawn of the new millennium, Finn, an MI6 spy, and Anna, a colonel of the KGB, have been sent to spy on each other. Instead they find a love that becomes the only truth they can trust. A source deep within the Kremlin tells Finn of a plan, hatched in the depths of the Cold War, to dismantle the edifice of the communist state and to bring about the rise of a new imperium within Russia: a plan to control the whole of Europe. Finn's masters in London are blinded by the new wealth pouring out of Russia and he must leave the Service and work in secrecy to uncover the deadly threat it poses to the freedom of every one of us. **PB \$22.99**

Robert Dugoni

Wrongful Death

Just minutes after winning a \$1.6 million wrongful-death verdict, attorney David Sloane confronts the one case that threatens to blemish his unbeaten record in the courtroom. Beverly Ford wants Sloane to sue the United States government and military in the mysterious death of her husband, James, a national guardsman killed in Iraq. While a decades-old military doctrine might make Ford's case impossible to win, Sloane, a former soldier himself, is compelled to find justice for the widow and her four children in what is certain to become the biggest challenge of his career.

With little hard evidence to go on, Sloane calls on his friend, reclusive former CIA agent turned private investigator Charles Jenkins, to track down the other men serving with Ford the night he died. Alarmingly, two of the four who returned home alive didn't stay that way for long, and though the mission's wheelchairbound commander now works for a civilian contractor, he refuses to talk. The final -- and youngest -- soldier is also the most elusive, but he's their only shot at discovering the truth -- if Sloane and Jenkins can keep him alive long enough to tell it.

Meanwhile, Sloane isn't the only one on a manhunt. As he propels his case into a federal courtroom, those seeking to hide the truth threaten Sloane's family, forcing his new wife Tina and stepson Jake into hiding, where they become the targets of a relentless killer. Now Sloane must race to uncover what really happened on that fatal mission, not only to bring justice to a family wronged but to keep himself and the people closest to him from becoming the next casualties.... **HC \$51.95**

Robert Ellis

The Lost Witness

Detective Lena Gamble has been hailed as a hero by her colleagues for catching a killer, but held in disgrace by LAPD higher-ups for the explosive way the Romeo case in City of Fire played out. She hasn't been allowed to handle a real murder investigation in eight months. When the chief finally tosses her a case, Lena quickly suspects she is being set up for another public fall.

The victim is a beautiful young woman with no identity. There are no witnesses and no leads. Just her nude body, chopped into pieces and dropped in a dumpster in Hollywood -- gruesome enough to ensure that, once again, the media will be following Lena's every move...

Desperate to prove her abilities as a cop, the young detective teams up with colleague Stan Rhodes and together they follow the little evidence they have. Finally, they get a tip which leads them to ID the girl: Jennifer McBride was a 25-year-old prostitute with a wealthy clientele. A review of recent phone calls points Lena and Rhodes towards a rich and famous paediatrician with offices in Beverly Hills... One lead after another uncovers a city overrun with corruption, personal greed and savagery. And then, in the blink of an eye, Lena discovers something about Jennifer McBride's identity no one else could have imagined. As dead bodies begin turning up all over Los Angeles, Lena understands that the killer is cleaning house. The big question is why? And will Lena survive long enough to find the shocking answer? **HC \$54.99**

Loren D Estleman*Gas City*

In the wake of a serial killer's brutal rampage, a power struggle--among a police chief who has looked the other way for too long, a powerful Mafia boss, and media reporters in search of a big story--turns a blue-collar city dominated by an oil company upside down as local greed, corruption, ambition, and desire spiral out of control. **TP \$28.95**

Joy Fielding*Still Life*

Beautiful, happily married, and the owner of a successful interior design business, Casey Marshall couldn't be more content with her life, until a car slams into her at almost fifty miles an hour, breaking nearly every bone in her body and plunging her into a coma. Lying in her hospital bed, Casey realizes that although she is unable to see or communicate, she can hear everything. She quickly discovers that her friends aren't necessarily the people she thought them to be -- and that her accident might not have been an accident at all. As she struggles to break free from her living death, she begins to wonder if what lies ahead could be even worse. **HC \$51.95**

Steven Galloway*The Cellist of Sarajevo*

While a cellist plays at the site of a mortar attack to commemorate the deaths of twenty-two friends and neighbors, two other men set out in search of bread and water to keep themselves alive, and a woman sniper secretly protects the life of the cellist as her army becomes increasingly threatening. **TP \$30.95**

Lisa Gardner*Hide*

From the age of ten, Annabelle moved from city to city with her father, changing names, houses and histories every few months. But she never knew what they were running from. Now with both parents dead, she's settled in Boston. But old habits die hard and she still looks over her shoulder when she leaves her apartment, and still blends in with the crowd on the subway. Then at the Boston State Mental Hospital a multiple grave is discovered: six young girls left to die in an underground chamber decades ago, while their captor looked on. When her original name appears in the paper, wrongly identifying her as one of the dead girls, Annabelle finally realises what her father was trying to save her from. But the killer is still on the loose and he's still looking for her... **PB \$19.99**

Say Goodbye

Afraid of spiders...? You should be. Creepy crawlies take on a whole new meaning for the working girls of Sandy Springs, Atlanta, when a client comes to the red light district looking for something different. He wants girls to let his pet spiders walk all over them. Seems like a simple, if strange, request - but not all the girls come back. When FBI field officer Kimberly Quincy gets called out to talk to one of the girls, she's already got enough on her mind. What was a routine evidence-tagging session at the scene of a cargo plane crash has gone horribly wrong. Just when they'd recovered all the crew bodies, they get an unwelcome surprise...an extra body caught in a tree. Without a head. When Kimberly finally gets home to think it all through and climbs into bed next to her husband Mac, a phone call shatters the peace and proves that the nightmare is only just beginning. On the other end of the line is a muffled cry and the sound of metal on flesh... **APB \$19.99**

Elizabeth George *Editor**Two of the Deadliest*

Anger, jealousy, gluttony, sloth, lust, greed and pride. The Seven Deadly sins. Doesn't every major crime have one of these deadly sins at its root? This volume selects two of them, lust and greed, as the inspiration for a selection of brand new stories, chosen and edited by internationally bestselling author Elizabeth George. All of the contributors have taken a different look at what constitutes lust and greed and at where submitting to the calls of these sins can lead a person. You'll find good guys, bad guys and in-between guys. You'll find mystery, mistakes, misunderstandings, and murder, generated from the minds of a group of terrific women writers. In all cases, I hope you enjoy. **TP \$32.99**

Mark Gimenez*The Common Lawyer*

Andy Prescott is the most laid-back young lawyer in Austin, Texas. Specialising in traffic law, he operates from a small room above a ramshackle tattoo parlour. He rides a trail bike and spends way too much time drinking beer in the sunshine. Ambition has never been Andy's strong point - he prefers to take it easy. That is, until one of Texas's wealthiest men walks into his office. On the spot, billionaire Russell Reeves retains Andy as his lawyer and, in exchange for some easy legal work, pays him more money than he has ever earned before. Andy's life is transformed. But nothing comes for free. Russell is a desperate man whose sole aim is to save his eight-year-old son, Zach, who is dying from leukemia. He is prepared to do anything - even if it means putting Andy's life in danger... **TP \$32.99**

Joel Goldman*The Dead Man*

When former FBI agent Jack Davis agrees to help Milo Harper discover why the people in his study of the human brain are dying, he finds himself on a controversial case that places him on both sides of the law. **APB \$17.95**

Matthew Aaron Goodman*Hold Love Strong*

In this poignant tale of self-discovery, a young man struggles to survive the New York City housing projects in the face of familial, communal, and personal devastation.

Born to a thirteen-year-old in the bathroom of his family's small apartment, Abraham Singleton enters a world laden with the obstacles inherent in an impoverished community. In spite of the crack epidemic and the HIV crisis that ravage their neighborhood, the Singleton family -- cousins, an uncle, an aunt, Abraham, and his mother -- is held together by Abraham's heroic grandmother, whose deep faith and stoic nature have always given them a sense of wholeness and hope. But when the family goes through several harrowing losses, not even his grandmother may be strong enough to lead them through.

At the center of this story is Abraham, the youngest of the Singletons. Deeply intuitive and cerebral, he is determined to thrive in a place that has destroyed the dreams of those around him. College means opportunity, yet it also means leaving behind those he loves. Abraham's journey into adulthood will break his heart but ultimately offer the possibility of redemption.

In this haunting, lyrical, and evocative novel, Matthew Goodman composes a paean to the power of family and belonging in the African-American community. *Hold Love Strong* is a spellbinding coming-of-age tale about love, hope, and the will to survive, and a stunning universal story about the incredible capacity of the human spirit. **HC \$51.95**

Heather Graham*Nightwalker*

Jessy Sparhawk has seen firsthand how gambling can ruin people's lives. But one night, desperate for money, she places the bet that will change her life forever. Just as she's collecting her winnings, a man stumbles through the crowd, a knife protruding from his back, and crashes into her, pinning her to the craps table. Hired to investigate the murder, private detective Dillon Wolf finds himself fascinated by the gorgeous redhead who'd been trapped beneath the victim—and by the single word the dying man had whispered in her ear. Indigo.

What neither of them realizes is that the nightmare is only just beginning. Because bodyguard Tanner Green may have been killed by that knife, but his angry ghost isn't going anywhere—not without vengeance. Now, literally caught between the living and the dead, Dillon and Jessy have no choice but to forge ahead together. Their investigation will take them from the glitz of the Vegas strip into the dealings of casino magnate Emil Landon, the man who signs both their paychecks, and out into the desert to a ghost town called Indigo, where past and present come together in a search for gold. Years ago, blood was shed on that very ground, and now it looks as if history is about to repeat itself, with the living and the dead facing off for possession of a fortune, and Dillon and Jessy fighting not only to stay alive but for the chance to build a future. **HC \$51.95**

Andrew M Greeley*The Cardinal Sins*

A re-release of a best-selling work follows the decades-long friendship of two very different Catholic priests whose disparate challenges separate them after seminary school, prompting one to clash with his superiors and the other to struggle with his feelings for a former sweetheart. **TP \$30.95**

Lois Greiman*One Hot Mess*

In southern California it's raining crime—and psychologist Christina McMullen could use an umbrella. Her clients are crazy, her on-again-off-again relationship with LAPD lieutenant Jack Rivera has just started heating up again, and now Rivera's womanizing dad has come calling—asking Chrissy to investigate a mysterious death that might haunt his next campaign: for president of the United States. Soon Chrissy is investigating not one “accidental” death, but two—until she stumbles on a trail of bodies littering Senator Rivera's distinguished career. As she untangles a web of high-stakes lies, Chrissy believes that she's found the secret to a serial killer's underground campaign. The killer has a list, a motive, and the perfect disguise—the only question is: who's next? **APB \$17.95**

Aaron Gwyn*The World Beneath*

In the wake of a troubled teen's disappearance, Oklahoma sheriff Jerry Martin finds the investigation reopening wounds from a traumatic event in the officer's past, a case that bizarrely parallels a war veteran's increasing obsession with a seemingly bottomless crevice in his back yard. **HC \$49.95**

Derek Haas*Silver Bear*

When you need to get rid of a Presidential candidate, you need THE SILVER BEAR. Columbus, the most respected and feared hitman in the criminal underworld, has killed many times using many weapons, including his bare hands. An assassin at the top of his profession, immune to the pressure of his chosen life, gliding silently beneath the view of law enforcement, he is what the Russians call a Silver Bear. When Columbus takes the contract on a congressman running for President, he discovers that his quarry is tied to his own mysterious past. Soon, he's fighting to stay alive - and to make sure his target does not... **PB \$19.99**

Jane Haddam*Cheating at Solitaire (Gregor Demarkian Mystery)*

Former FBI agent Gregor Demarkian is asked to investigate the murder of the latest boy toy of aging teen idol Arrow Normand, a crime in which Normand is the prime suspect, and finds himself dealing with a morass of motives and little real evidence. **APB \$19.95**

June Hampson*Damaged Goods*

Things have been going too well for Daisy Lane. Her murdered lover, Eddie Lane, has left her comfortably off and his son little Eddie is adorable and a constant reminder of his father. The new man in her life, South London gangster Roy Kemp, looks out for her and is kind to little Eddie. But someone is watching Daisy's every movement, like a predator choosing the perfect moment to pounce. He is a man with murder in his heart - a man obsessed with Daisy and enraged that she turned to Roy Kemp for love instead of him. He plans to teach Daisy a lesson she will never forget. Set in 1966, DAMAGED GOODS re-acquaints us with several memorable characters from the previous books - notably Daisy's friend Vera, queen of her massage parlour and the best mate a girl ever had and Gosport policeman DS Vinnie Endersby who puts his job on the line for Daisy. **PB \$19.99**

Paul Harris*The Secret Keeper*

Four years after an affair with a woman who ran an orphanage for former child soldiers in Sierra Leone, British war correspondent Danny Kellerman receives an urgent message from the woman, whose subsequent murder prompts Danny's determined investigation for the truth. **HC \$52.95**

Carolyn Hart*Dare to Die (Death on Demand Mystery)*

When the arrival of a mysterious former Broward's Rock resident sparks a town-wide feud that pits neighbor against neighbor, Annie and Max Darling find their own circumstances affected by a murder that takes place at a pavilion party that the newcomer attends. By the author of *Death Walked In*. **HC \$51.95**

Death Walked In (Death on Demand Mystery)

In the aftermath of a million-dollar coin collection theft, bookstore owner Annie Darling and her private-investigator husband Max are further perplexed by a client's untimely murder in an antebellum home that the Darlings are restoring. **APB \$19.95**

Sam Hayes*Unspoken*

A secret is about to destroy a family...Mary Marshall would do anything for her daughter Julia. A devoted grandmother to Julia's children, she's always been the rock her family can rely on. Until now. Mary has a past Julia knows nothing about, and it's come back to haunt her. Murray French is walking a tightrope. A solicitor struggling with an alcohol problem, he's about to lose his wife Julia and his children to another man: someone successful, someone they deserve. Someone who's everything he's not. Can he ever get his family back? Just when Julia Marshall thinks life is starting to turn around, she stumbles upon the brutalised body of a girl she teaches. And as the terrible present starts to shed light on her mother's past, Julia realises her family's nightmare is only just beginning... **PB \$22.99**

Tony Hays*The Killing Way*

When Merlin is implicated in the brutal murder of a young woman, his charge, Arthur, a young warrior who is favored to become the next king of Britain, finds his reputation at stake; a situation for which he turns for help to a wise man who blames Arthur for the death of his wife. **HC \$51.95**

Sue Henry*Degrees of Separation (Jessie Arnold Mystery)*

After several years spent recovering from a devastating knee injury, champion musher Jessie Arnold is working to get back into shape for the Iditarod, but when she stumbles upon a corpse during a practice run down a local trail, she is sidetracked by the hunt for a killer. **APB \$17.95**

Jane Hill*Can't Let Go*

I'm watching you. I know everywhere you go.

When Beth Stephens opens the first mysterious note, she is terrified. Someone out there, someone who seems to be stalking her every footstep, has prised open the terrible secret she's been hiding for over a decade. And he is threatening to exact revenge.

All these years, Beth has carefully built her life on a lie, kept to herself, been wary of close relationships and protective of her privacy. And now, just when she finally thinks herself safe, her days filled with new friendships, a boyfriend and a steady job as a teacher, everything starts to unravel. Suddenly, she can trust no one, seeing danger everywhere, and she realises that she has to find the stalker before he closes in on her. **BPB \$23.95**

Ginnah Howard*Night Navigation*

The house is cold. He doesn't look at her, just sits hunched at the kitchen table, with the hood of his sweatshirt up: under cover. Her son. He is even thinner than when she left.

Night Navigation opens on a freezing-rain night in upstate New York: the kindling gone; the fire in the wood stove out. Del's 37 year old manic-depressive son Mark is already in withdrawal and Del's afraid to make the long drive north to the only detox that has a bed.

Through the four seasons, Night Navigation takes us into the deranged, darkly humorous world of the addict -- from gun-toting dealers, to boot camp rehabs, to Koan-spouting NA sponsors. It also takes us into the repeating nightmare of a mother's anger, worry, despair, and hope. Mark cannot find a way to live in this world. Del cannot stop trying to rescue him. Through this long year's night, as Mark fitfully, painfully tries to steer toward the light, the steadfast love of mother and son is their sole sustaining grace. **HC \$49.95**

E Howard Hunt*House Dick*

This powerful crime drama, written by an award-winning novelist involved in the Watergate conspiracy, follows a detective in a Washington, D.C. hotel as he, investigating a burglary and murder, discovers the price you pay when you trust the wrong people. **APB \$17.95**

Graham Hurley*No Lovelier Death*

A judge and his wife go away on holiday and lose everything. While they are away their 17-year-old daughter throws a party which gets out of control and she and her boyfriend are murdered. A massive police investigation, stretching the force's resources to breaking point, is launched with D/I Faraday in charge. The judge's neighbour who has promised to keep a eye on things while he was away feels he owes the man a debt. And he has his own reputation to think about. He wants the name of the killer. The neighbour? Bazza McKenzie, a man who made his fortune supplying the city with class-A drugs. The man in his organisation charged with getting the job done? Ex D/C Paul Winter. In Graham Hurley's gripping new crime thriller Faraday and Winter are finally on the opposite sides of the law. But they're both after the same thing. Paul Winter is treading his most dangerous line yet. **TP \$32.99**

The Price of Darkness

D/C Winter has gone undercover - but, isolated from his colleagues, resenting the way his superiors have presented him the job as a fait accompli and abroad in a world where money is easy and respect is earned in brutally straightforward ways, DC Winter is in his element. Worryingly so...Concerns that Winter may succumb to temptation are soon supplanted by two vicious murders: a high-profile property developer is shot in his own bed and, a few days later, a government minister is assassinated by two helmeted motorcyclists while his car is stuck in traffic. D/I Faraday investigates, but with clues hard to come by, the government panicking and the anti-terrorist branch circling, Faraday is shoved off the case and left in charge just of the investigation into the property developer's murder. With more time on his hands Faraday is also tasked with keeping track of Winter - and he soon discovers that Winter, the arch-conspirator, has been set up. And as Winter begins to realise what his bosses had in mind for him, Faraday puts together the pieces of a heartbreaking story of personal and political betrayal... **PB \$19.99**

Lisa Jackson*Lost Souls*

Three girls have disappeared from a New Orleans university and the police think they are runaways. But Kristi Bentz - a cop's daughter who has faced murderers and survived - thinks there is a more deadly explanation. She goes back to All Saints, where she discovers a sinister death cult which she knows she must investigate. But she soon finds herself out of her depth, stalked by a killer more cunning and bloodthirsty than anyone can imagine. **PB \$19.99**

Malice

New Orleans detective Rick Bentz first spots his wife Jennifer when he's recovering from a life-threatening accident. But Jennifer has been dead for twelve long years, and Bentz identified her body himself. Terrified he is losing his mind, he follows the trail of the mystery woman to Los Angeles - and walks straight into a killer's web. People from Jennifer's past begin to die, each grisly corpse pointing to Bentz himself as the murderer. Will he be the next to die - or will the next victim be his new wife? **TP \$32.99 HC \$49.95**

Linda O Johnstone*Never Say Sty (Kendra Ballantyne, Pet-Sitter Mystery)*

When wealthy hunk and pet-supply magnate Dante DeFrancisco sets his sights on her new reality show--and her--Kendra Ballantyne is in heaven until a murder occurs on the set and the suspects include Kendra's cop friend Ned, his sister, and Dante. **APB \$19.95**

Jonathan Kellerman

True Detectives (Alex Delaware)

TRUE DETECTIVES follows Moe Reed and Aaron Fox on the twisted trail of a missing girl, a dark, baffling whodunit that forces the brothers to put aside their mutual animus and to confront the unresolved family mystery that turned them into enemies. PIs can do things, legally, that cops can't. And cops have access to resources denied their private counterparts. Only by pooling their efforts and by consulting a man both brothers respect, psychologist Alex Delaware, do Fox and Reed stand a chance of peeling back the secrets in high places that explain the fate of an outwardly innocent young woman. And, by doing so, the brothers learn about much more than murder. **TP \$32.99 HC \$54.95**

Billy Straight

When beautiful Lisa Boehlinger Ramsey is found brutally stabbed to death in LA's Griffin Park, Detective Petra Connor and her partner Stu Bishop investigate. Lisa had publicly revealed that her ex-husband, millionaire TV star Cart Ramsey had beaten her, making him the prime suspect. Still, Petra and Stu must tread carefully; the top brass don't want a repeat of the OJ Simpson scenario on their hands. But there's a witness. Twelve-year-old Billy Straight, too frightened to come forward. And when Lisa's parents put a reward out on Billy, only Petra realises the true extent of the danger he is in. She must act quickly if this little boy is not to be wiped out **PB \$19.99**

Bones

A woman's body is found in marshland outside LA. By the next morning the police have discovered the decaying corpses of three more women. They were all prostitutes except for the most recent victim; a classically trained pianist employed by a wealthy family, Selena Bass seems out of place in the grim tableau. Psychologist Alex Delaware is drafted in by homicide detective Milo Sturgis to help with the case. Details of the crimes suggest a serial killer is prowling LA's gritty streets. But when a new murder deviates from the pattern, derailing a possible profile, Alex and Milo must look beyond the suspicion of madness and consider an even more sinister mind at work. There are no easy answers, for the darkest of drives and desires will fuel the most devious of foes. **PB \$19.99**

Jesse Kellerman

The Brutal Art

Ethan Muller is struggling to establish his reputation as a dealer in the cut-throat world of contemporary art when he is alerted to a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity: in a decaying New York slum, an elderly tenant has disappeared, leaving behind a staggeringly large trove of original drawings and paintings. Nobody can tell Ethan much about the old man, except that he came and went in solitude for nearly forty years, his genius hidden and unacknowledged. Despite the fact that, strictly speaking, the artwork doesn't belong to him, Ethan takes the challenge and makes a name for the old man - and himself. Soon Ethan has to congratulate himself on his own genius: for storytelling and salesmanship. But suddenly the police are interested in talking to him. It seems that the missing artist had a nasty past, and the drawings hanging in the Muller Gallery have begun to look a lot less like art and a lot more like evidence. Sucked into an investigation four decades cold, Ethan will uncover a secret legacy of shame and death, one that will touch horrifyingly close to home - and leave him fearing for his own life. **PB \$22.99**

The Genius

Making an ethically precarious decision to establish himself in the art world by illegally selling works by a missing genius, Ethan Muller finds himself targeted when it is revealed that the pieces contain clues about the artist's role in a forty-year-old murder case. **APB \$21.99**

Rebecca Kent

Finished Off

When Headmistress Meredith Llewellyn has the gift of the second sight--and the ability to turn the most incorrigible tomboy into a refined young lady. She sees the ghost of a little girl and discovers that the grounds of Bellehaven Finishing School are harbouring some sinister secrets. **PB \$17.95**

Simon Kernick

The Business of Dying

The explosive first novel by the bestselling author of *Relentless*

It's a cold November night, and DS Dennis Milne is waiting to kill three unarmed men. Cynical and jaded, Milne earns money on the side by doing what he does best: punishing the bad guys. But he's been set up. This time, instead of shooting drug dealers, he kills two customs officers and an accountant. The hunter has become the hunted. With his colleagues and his enemies closing in on him, Milne must use all of his skills, just to stay alive. **APB \$21.95**

J Robert Lennon

Castle

Purchasing hundreds of acres of farmland near his childhood home in upstate New York, Eric Loesch embarks on a renovation project that is halted when he discovers a section of land in the middle of his woods that he does not own, a finding with links to an eighteenth-century Native American massacre, a luminous white deer, and community paranoia. **HC \$45.95**

Donna Leon

About Face

The wonderful new Commissario Brunetti novel, from Sunday Times Bestselling author Donna Leon

At a dinner party given by his parents-in-law Commissario Brunetti meets Franca Marinello, the wife of a prosperous Venetian businessman. He's charmed - perhaps too charmed, suggests his wife Paola - by her love of Virgil and Cicero, but shocked by her appearance.

A few days later, Brunetti is visited by Carabinieri Maggiore Filippo Guarino from the nearby district of Marghera. As part of a wider investigation into Mafia takeovers of businesses in the region, Guarino wants information about the owner of a trucking company found murdered in his offices. He believes his death is connected to the illegal transportation of refuse - and more sinister material - in the company trucks. No stranger to mutual suspicion and competition between rival Italian police departments, Brunetti is nevertheless puzzled by the younger man's paranoid behaviour.

Eventually Guarino agrees to email a photo of his suspect, but by the time the photograph arrives, he himself is dead. Was he killed because he got too close? And how is it that Franca Marinello has often been seen in company of the suspect, a vulgar man with Mafia connections and a violent past? **TP \$32.95**

Margaret Leroy

Yes, My Darling Daughter

A young mother is astounded by her four-year-old's increasingly bizarre behavior, which is marked by night terrors, a deathly fear of water, and a fixation with a photo of an Irish seaside town where she claims she used to live. **HC \$51.95**

Thomas Leveritt*The Exchange Rate Between Love and Money*

Sarajevo, 2003. Frito and Bannerman, business partners and best friends, roll into town looking to soak up a dose of Reconstruction Money and make an easy killing. Easy until they realize that Clare Leischman, a prosecutor with the international war crimes tribunal, is the best girl either of them has ever met, and that they can't both have her as much as they would each, ideally, like.

Meanwhile the city is awash with UN programmes, black marketeers, lawyers, soldiers both salaried and self-employed, poker hustlers, Machiavellian intelligence officers and expat hedonists all high on Dayton money. And by the time Frito and Bannerman have started hunting men accused of war crimes, their own lives have taken on all the risk, craziness and emotional upheaval -- but very little of the money -- that they'd bargained for.

Warmhearted and wildly funny, *The Exchange-Rate Between Love and Money* tackles love and war and the brutal costs of both in all their madness, hilarity and hurt. It is an unforgettable first novel. **HC \$30.95**

Laura Levine*Killing Bridezilla (Jane Austin Mystery)*

Jaine Austen is hired by her high school nemesis, Patti, to rewrite the ending of "Romeo and Juliet" for her wedding, but she gets more than she had bargained for when Patti falls to her death from the balcony during the ceremony. **APB \$17.95**

Paul Levine*Illegal*

Haunted by a tragedy in his past and wanted by the cops for his latest malfeasance, trial lawyer Jimmy "Royal" Payne needs to skip town. That's when he crosses paths with twelve-year-old Tino Perez, newly arrived from Mexico with no money and no papers. The gutsy kid first robs Payne, then pleads for his help. Marisol, the boy's mother, is missing, after crossing the border with a vicious coyote.

Payne doesn't go out of his way for anyone. But ex-wife Sharon, the L.A.P.D. detective he still loves, gives him a choice: help the boy or go to jail.

Following a chain of greed, corruption, and betrayal, Payne traces Marisol's steps from Mexicali to California's Hellhole Canyon, swept into the dark current of illegal immigration, human trafficking, and sexual slavery. Soon the cynical lawyer and the savvy kid are bonding...and battling cunning predators on both sides of the border. It's the two of them against an army of cops, coyotes, vigilantes, and sex slavers. Most dangerous of all is Simeon Rutledge, a wealthy grower and the biggest employer of farm workers in California.

Just why is Rutledge willing to bribe Payne—or kill him—to keep Marisol under wraps? Will Payne's quest redeem his mistakes and resurrect his dead marriage—or get him buried in a shallow grave? Either way, he'll find out there's no escaping his past...

From the shadows of migrant stash houses to the fertile fields of the San Joaquin Valley, *Illegal* delivers a searing mix of live-wire prose, shattering violence, and rich characterization. Set against a backdrop of larger social issues, this is a masterful tale from one of the most skillful practitioners of the contemporary thriller. **HC \$45.95**

Chuck Logan*South of Shiloh*

When her husband is accidentally killed by a sniper's bullet intended for another, Jenny Edin enlists the help of news photographer John Rane, who during a subsequent investigation in the Tennessee-Mississippi border country uncovers a murderous plot by greedy land developers. **PB \$19.95**

Elizabeth Lowell*Blue Smoke and Murder*

Protecting a river guide with ties to the art world, private information collector and reluctant bodyguard Zach Balfour realizes his charge is in more danger than previously known, a situation that pits them against the ruthless multi-million-dollar Western art circuit. **APB \$19.95**

Charles Maclean*Home Before Dark*

It's the news every parent dreads: Ed Lister's world changes forever the day he hears his art-student daughter has been brutally murdered in Florence. A year later, frustrated with the police inquiry, Ed vows to find Sophie's killer. His quest leads to a mysterious website and its owner, Ward, a charming, brilliant psychopath. But as the search for Ward follows a trail of bodies across Europe to America, some of Ed's own secrets begin to emerge. And the question arises: is Ed the hunter, or the hunted? **PB \$19.99**

Henning Mankell*The Man Who Smiled*

After killing a man in the line of duty, Inspector Kurt Wallander finds himself spiralling into an alcohol-fuelled depression. He has just decided to leave the police when an old friend approaches him for help investigating his father's suspicious death. Kurt doesn't want to know. But then his friend is found shot dead. Against his better judgment, he returns to work to head what may now have become a double murder case. But while Wallander is on the trail of the killer, somebody is on the trail of Wallander, and closing in fast. **PB \$23.95**

John Manning*All the Pretty Dead Girls*

When several of her classmates at Wilbourne College disappear, Sue Barlow becomes a pawn in a serial killer's twisted game. **APB \$17.95**

Steve Martini*Shadow of Power (Paul Madriani)*

A hate crime involving the murder of a legal scholar noted for penning controversial works places defense attorney Paul Madriani in a media spotlight that compromises his investigation. **APB \$19.95**

Charles McCarry*Shelley's Heart*

When a bitterly contested presidential election between two men who are both political rivals and personal friends is won through an act of computer fraud, the incumbent refuses to take office in spite of dangerous risks to himself, his party, and the constitution. By the author of *The Tears of Autumn*. **HC \$52.95**

Patrick McGrath*Trauma*

Growing up in a severely dysfunctional family, Charlie Weir builds a career as a psychiatrist in New York City, working with victims of trauma including veterans returning from Vietnam, but the suicide of a patient, the breakup of his marriage, the growing turmoil of the city around him, and a volatile other woman lead Charlie to question everything, even his own sanity. **TP \$30.95**

Leslie Meier*Mother's Day Murder (Lucy Stone Mystery)*

Local reporter Lucy Stone finds her swanky Mother's Day brunch with her brood marred by two mean moms--Barbara and Tina--who use their teenage daughters in elaborate games of one-upmanship that go too far when Tina is shot to death. **HC \$45.95**

Kate Morton Australian Author*The Forgotten Garden*

A lost child

On the eve of the first world war, a little girl is found abandoned on a ship to Australia. A mysterious woman called the Authoress had promised to look after her - but the Authoress has disappeared without a trace.

A terrible secret

On the night of her twenty-first birthday, Nell O'Connor learns a secret that will change her life forever. Decades later, she embarks upon a search for the truth that leads her to the windswept Cornish coast and the strange and beautiful Blackhurst Manor, once owned by the aristocratic Mountrachet family.

A mysterious inheritance

On Nell's death, her grand-daughter, Cassandra, comes into an unexpected inheritance. Cliff Cottage and its forgotten garden are notorious amongst the Cornish locals for the secrets they hold - secrets about the doomed Mountrachet family and their ward Eliza Makepeace, a writer of dark Victorian fairytales. It is here that Cassandra will finally uncover the truth about the family, and solve the century-old mystery of a little girl lost.

A captivating and atmospheric story of secrets, family and memory from the international bestselling author Kate Morton. **BPB \$23.99**

Walter Mosley*The Long Fall (Leonid McGill 01)*

Getting by as an old-school private investigator in spite of Manhattan's increasingly sophisticated culture, Leonid McGill finds his commitment to living a straight-and-narrow life repeatedly tested when he attempts to obtain seemingly harmless information for a high-paying client. **HC \$52.95**

Blonde Faith

Easy Rawlins comes home one day to find Easter, the daughter of his friend Christmas Black, left on his doorstep. Easy knows that this could only mean that the ex-marine Black is probably dead, or will be soon. Easter's appearance is only the beginning, as Easy is immersed in a sea of problems. The love of his life is marrying another man and his friend Mouse is wanted for murder. As he's searching for a clue to Christmas Black's whereabouts, two suspicious MPs hire him to find his friend Black on behalf of the US Army. Easy's investigation brings him to Faith Laneer, a blonde woman with a dark past. As Easy begins to put the pieces together, he realises that Black's disappearance has its roots in Vietnam and that Faith might be in a world of danger. **PB \$22.99**

Natasha Mostert*Keeper of Light and Dark*

Hiding the truth about her identity as a magical warrior, Mia Lockheart shares a romance with a childhood friend unaware that she is being watched by a sinister adversary, a scientist and vampire who works to seduce Mia as part of a plan to make her boyfriend his next victim. By the author of Season of the Witch. **HC \$52.95**

Bill Myers*Angel of Wrath*

Thirteen-year-old Jazmin, her ex-Special Ops uncle Charlie, and former FBI agent Lisa are reunited in the second of the Voice of God series to stop an assassin driven to murder members of a megachurch led by Lisa's brother. This assassin has drawn in a coven of teens toying with satanic practices to support his efforts. The naive youth engage in ceremonies that appear to usher in the death of each of his victims. When their rituals open a portal into the spiritual realm, a terrifying and mysterious entity crosses over to our world.

The battle culminates with the capture of Lisa's father as the next target and a Black Mass requiring both their deaths as a sacrifice. The team will, once again, have to rely on all their wits, strength, and faith to survive in this action-packed, unearthly warfare. **TP \$28.95**

Catherine O'Connell*Well Read and Dead*

Returning from a disastrous European love affair to find her finances depleted, her co-op in shambles, and her best friend missing, Pauline Cook suspects that her friend's husband may be responsible, following clues to an unusual book club she embarks on a search in Thailand. **TP \$28.95**

James Patterson*8th Confession (Women's Murder Club 08)*

Behind the closed doors of San Francisco's grandest mansions, beautiful people party the nights away in a heady mix of money, drugs, drink and sex. But the rich and famous aren't the only ones with the keys to these most exclusive of addresses, someone else is intent on crashing the party.

A rock star, a fashion designer, a software tycoon and a millionaire heiress. Each is glamorous, stunningly attractive and incredibly rich, but their similarities don't end there, they have something else in common too. They are all dead.

Just as the rich and famous are the talk of the town when they're alive, interest in them certainly doesn't die when they do, and Detective Lindsay Boxer is quickly assigned to the case. In stark contrast, few people seem as interested when a local hero, Bagman Jesus, is brutally murdered. Reporter Cindy Thomas soon becomes interested in his story: his work with the homeless of San Francisco was admirable. He was loved by so many - who would want to kill him? Could the down-and-out Samaritan have been hiding a dark secret?

It isn't just Cindy who has questions that need answering, Lindsay fiercely depends on Claire's help to crack her case. Both seek guidance from their friends, but in doing so, they are forced to confront feelings they'd buried away. Things aren't so simple for Yuki either, as she falls quite literally head over heels in love; but the man of her dreams isn't quite who he seems.

The Women's Murder Club need each other more than ever but with tensions running high will the friends be strong enough to stick together or will the strain tear them apart? **TP \$32.95**

Mark Pearson*Hard Evidence*

Jackie Malone has been murdered. Her body lies in a pool of blood in the north London flat where she worked as a prostitute. Deep knife wounds have been gouged into her corpse and her hands and feet are tied with coat hanger wire.

For Detective Inspector Jack Delaney this is no ordinary case. He was a friend of Jackie's and she left desperate messages on his answer phone just hours before she was killed. Despite no immediate leads and no obvious suspects, the fear in her voice tells him that this was not a random act of violence.

Just as Delaney begins his investigation, a young girl is reported missing, feared abducted, and he is immediately tasked with finding her. Delaney knows he must act quickly if there is any chance of finding her alive, but he is also determined to track down Jackie's killer before the trail goes cold. However, his tough and uncompromising attitude has made him some powerful enemies on the force, and Delaney soon finds that this case may provide the perfect opportunity for them to dispose of him, once and for all. **APB \$21.95**

Don Pendleton*Collision Course (Executioner 365)*

Countdown to war.

The global trade in prohibited weapons has reached terrifying proportions. First it was illegal handguns in the control of bikers. Then the pistols were being exchanged by Mob bosses for tiny microprocessors that could turn an average SCUD missile into a weapon of mass destruction. As Mack Bolan digs deeper, he realizes it adds up to only one outcome: war. But Bolan faces a painful certainty. The entire situation was engineered by a traitor- an American traitor.

Now the U.S. is on the brink of disaster ... and the Executioner is running out of time. **APB \$13.95**

Anne Perry*Execution Dock*

Readers of Anne Perry's bestselling William Monk novels feel as if they've experienced the many shades of Victorian London, from Belgravia to Limehouse, from drawing room to brothel. In Execution Dock, Perry's first Monk novel in three years, we find ourselves on the bustling docks along the River Thames. Here the empire's great merchant ships unload the treasures of the world. And here, in dank and sinister alleys, sex merchants ply their lucrative trade. The dreaded kingpin of this dark realm is Jericho Phillips. On his floating brothel, sex slaves are forced to endure unspeakable acts. Now one such soul, thirteen-year-old Fig, is found with his throat cut, his tortured body tossed into the river.

Commander William Monk of the River Police swears that Phillips will hang for this abomination. But the miscreant is as wily as he is monstrous, and his wealthy clients seem far beyond the reach of the law. Monk's attempt to bring about justice becomes the first electrifying episode in a nightmare that will test his courage and integrity.

However, reinforcements are on the way. Monk's wife, Hester, who runs a free clinic for abused women, draws a highly unusual guerrilla force to her husband's cause—a canny ratcatcher, a retired brothel keeper, a fearless street urchin, and a rebellious society lady. To one as criminally minded as Phillips, these folks are mere mosquitoes, to be sure. But as he will soon discover, some mosquitoes can have a deadly sting.

This gripping, terrifying story hurtles toward to a denouement that will leave the reader breathless but cheering. Execution Dock is Anne Perry at her incomparable, magnificent best. **HC \$52.95**

Terri Persons*Blind Rage*

A series of suicides involving troubled young women haunts the Twin Cities. FBI Agent Bernadette Saint Clare begins to believe that the women are not dying by their own hand and probes the background of the uncooperative psychiatrist who had treated one of the victims. **APB \$19.95**

Douglas Preston & Lincoln Child*Cemetery Dance*

Pendergast-the world's most enigmatic FBI Special Agent-returns to New York City to investigate a murderous cult. William Smithback, a New York Times reporter, and his wife Nora Kelly, a Museum of Natural History archaeologist, are brutally attacked in their apartment on Manhattan's Upper West Side. Eyewitnesses claim, and the security camera confirms, that the assailant was their strange, sinister neighbor-a man who, by all reports, was already dead and buried weeks earlier. While Captain Laura Hayward leads the official investigation, Pendergast and Lieutenant Vincent D'Agosta undertake their own private-and decidedly unorthodox-quest for the truth. Their serpentine journey takes them to an enclave of Manhattan they never imagined could exist: a secretive, reclusive cult of Obeah and vodou which no outsiders have ever survived. **HC \$54.95**

Suzanne Price*Notoriously Neat (Grime Solvers Mystery)*

When Pigeon Cove's veterinarian is murdered and all of the animals boarded at her clinic are released, professional cleaner Sky Taylor scrubs the crime scene for clues only to find herself faced with another murder. **APB \$17.95**

Bill Pronzini*Schemers*

Reluctantly agreeing to investigate the bizarre theft of a valuable rare mystery book collection, Nameless finds the heist inexplicably tied to a stalking case involving a pair of brothers who are being hounded by a twisted adversary who has decimated their father's grave. By the author of Savages. **HC \$51.95**

James Wesley Rawles*Patriots*

A tale by the creator of SurvivalBlog.com imagines a world in which a cataclysmic financial crisis prompts a total collapse of American society and forces people to fend for themselves, in a story that follows a group of protagonists who make their way to a shared secure ranch in northern Idaho, where they struggle to survive against violent looting and natural hazards. **TP \$30.95**

Martina Reilly*Second Chances*

Lizzie Walsh has moved to Dublin to start her life again - she has a great job as a fundraiser, a boyfriend she s crazy about and friends she loves. Until, leaving work late one evening, she runs into the one person she just can t run away from.Lizzie was only a teenager when, ten years ago, her sister Megan drowned. A local boy, Joe, was sentenced to life imprisonment for murder. Now Joe is back, released from prison on good behaviour, and he, too, wants to put the past to rest. But Lizzie can t stop thinking about the pain he s caused her family - it doesn t seem fair that he should be able to let go. Then, as Lizzie slowly gains his confidence, her own falters: Joe isn t quite what she expected. Can she find the strength to let old wounds heal? **TP \$22.99**

Martina Reilly*Something Borrowed*

Vicky McCarthy's curiosity has finally got the better of her. Adopted as a baby, she is now determined to trace her birth mother. Her family wish she would leave the past alone, which is just as well: Vicky is in danger of uncovering some shocking secrets. But, hoping that the past will help her determine the future, she sets out to find the truth. And if that doesn't cause friction enough, there's trouble at work when a new face appears: Ed O'Neill, whom Vicky is convinced is being groomed for her job. The spark between them is instant - they can't stand each other. Yet it's a thin line between love and hate, and Vicky is learning that people aren't always what they seem. **PB \$22.99**

Wedded Bliss

Warring spouses, embarrassing parents and the battle of the hairdressing salons... When Dublin girl Jane married local boy Jim, she thought it was for ever. But now there are cracks in their marriage that they just can't seem to fix. When Jim announces he's moving out, Jane is left to pick up the pieces of their family life. And then her mother decides to visit...Determined to remain upbeat, Jane plans to make a real success of her work, only to discover that Cutting Edge, the hairdressing empire, is opening a shop yards away from her own humble salon. With her staff in uproar and customers deserting them in droves, Jane decides to play Cutting Edge at their own game. Then life deals Jane and Jim one dreadful blow, past hurts rush to the surface, and they are forced to confront what drove them apart in the first place. **PB \$22.99**

Wish Upon a Star

Lucy Gleeson almost had it all - until she fell pregnant. While she loves her daughter Fainne with all her heart, she didn't quite imagine she'd be a single mum at twenty-eight - especially when her supermodel sister is living it up in Hollywood. It seems life as she'd imagined it is over. But life is about to change again for Lucy, and with it things become rather more complicated. Fainne wants to get to know her father - only Lucy never told him she was pregnant. Against the advice of everyone she knows, Lucy sets out to find the boy buried deep in her past, and to confront the truths she's tried so hard to forget... **PB \$22.99**

Karen Robards*Pursuit*

Directed by her inebriated boss to meet with the first lady in Washington, D.C., rookie lawyer Jessica Monaghan barely survives a high-speed car crash in which the first lady is killed; a tragedy after which amnesia-stricken Jessica begins to suspect that the crash was not an accident. By the author of *Guilty*. **HC \$51.95**

David Robbins*Endworld: Doomsday*

When the world is destroyed in a nuclear holocaust, filmmaker Kurt Carpenter and the remaining survivors, believing that they are the only ones left, discover they are not alone and must fight for a place in America's wasteland. **APB \$17.95**

Nora Roberts*Tribute*

Working to restore a family farmhouse, Cilla McGowan remembers her grandmother's fatal overdose years earlier before meeting a handsome neighbor and discovering a cache of letters that suggests her grandmother had been pregnant at the time of her death. **PB \$19.95**

Peter Robinson*All the Colours of Darkness*

A beautiful June day in the Yorkshire Dales, and a group of children are spending the last of their half-term freedom swimming in the river near Hindswell Woods. But the idyll is shattered by their discovery of a man's body, hanging from a tree. DI Annie Cabott soon discovers he is Mark Hardcastle, the well-liked and successful set designer for the Eastvale Theatre's current production of *Othello*. Everything points to suicide, and Annie is mystified. Why would such a man want to take his own life? Then Annie's investigation leads to another shattering discovery, and DCI Alan Banks is called back from the idyllic weekend he had planned with his new girlfriend. Banks soon finds himself plunged into a shadow-world where nothing is what it seems, where secrets and deceit are the norm, and where murder is seen as the solution to a problem. The deeper he digs the more he discovers that the monster he has awakened will extend its deadly reach to his friends and family. Nobody is safe. **PB \$19.95**

David Rollins Australian Author*A Knife Edge*

In this latest internationally bestselling thriller from David Rollins, author of *The Death Trust*, a bizarre murder leads an ex-Air Force special investigator into a shadow world of conspiracy, cover-up, and military secrecy where the difference between friend or foe is thin as...

A scientist meets a grisly end when he falls from a military research ship and is attacked by a two-ton white shark off the Japanese coast. By the time Special Investigator Vin Cooper reaches the scene, there's literally very little left to prove that the death wasn't an accident. But Cooper's instincts tell him that he's looking at murder and that in assigning him to this case someone might just as well have shoved him, too, into shark-infested waters.

What kind of top secret project could the military be engaged in that would require the services of a foremost marine biologist and a genetic researcher? The possibilities are ominous, but not as ominous as the truth. And then the unthinkable tragedy that everyone feared since 9/11 explodes with a terrifying sense of déjà vu—in San Francisco.

Suddenly, with a second scientist presumed dead, an unidentified charred body in the morgue, and the "accidental" parachute death of a friend in a Florida training field, Cooper is following a trail as narrow and as dangerous as a knife-edge—a trail that leads to what we all fear most: a secret "government" within our government whose sworn duty is to kill anyone who opposes them. **HC \$51.95**

Sara Rosett*Magnolias, Moonlight and Murder (Mom Zone Mystery)*

When military wife, mom, and professional organizer Ellie Avery stumbles upon a dead body while walking her dog, she unwittingly unleashes a deadly secret involving the town's most prominent citizens that could end her own life. **HC \$45.95**

Steven Saylor*Murder on the Appian Way*

When a political feud leads to murder and the city of Rome explodes with riots and arson attacks, Gordianus the Finder is asked to investigate the killing of populist politician Publius Clodius, a crime in which his arch-rival Titus Milo has become the prime suspect. **TP \$30.95**

Yrsa Sigurdardottir

Last Rituals

Enlisted by a murder victim's family to discern the truth about who was really responsible, attorney Thara Guomundsdottir and her new partner, Matthew Reich, journey to a remote corner of Iceland, where they discover that the victim had recently joined a secret group of occultists. **TP \$28.95**

Karin Slaughter

Fractured

When Atlanta housewife Abigail Campano comes home unexpectedly one afternoon, she walks into a nightmare. A broken window, a bloody footprint on the stairs and, most devastating of all, the horrifying sight of her teenage daughter lying dead on the landing, a man standing over her with a bloody knife. The struggle which follows changes Abigail's life forever.

When the local police make a misjudgement which not only threatens the investigation but places a young girl's life in danger, the case is handed over to Special Agent Will Trent of the Criminal Apprehension Team - paired with detective Faith Mitchell, a woman who resents him from their first meeting.

But in the relentless heat of a Georgia summer, Will and Faith realise that they must work together to find the brutal killer who has targeted one of Atlanta's wealthiest, most privileged communities - before it's too late. **APB \$21.95**

Roger Smith

Mixed Blood

Reluctant bank robber Jack Burn is on the run after a heist in the United States that left \$3 million missing and one cop dead. Hiding out in Cape Town, South Africa, he is desperate to build a new life for his pregnant wife and young son. But on a tranquil evening in their new suburban neighbourhood they are the victims of a random gangland assault that changes everything.

Benny Mongrel, an ex-con night watchman guarding a building site next to Burn's home, is another man desperate to escape his past. After years in the ghetto gangs of Cape Town, he knows who went into Burn's house. And what the American did to them. He also knows his only chance to save his own brown skin is to forget what he saw.

Burn's actions on that night trap them both in a cat-and-mouse game with Rudi "Gatsby" Barnard – a corrupt Afrikaner cop who loves killing almost as much as he loves Jesus Christ – and Disaster Zondi, a fastidious Zulu detective who wishes to settle an old score. Once Gatsby smells those missing American millions, the four men are drawn into a web of murder and vengeance that builds to an unforgettable conclusion. **TP \$32.99**

Wendy Corsi Staub

In the Blink of An Eye

After blind, six-year-old Dulcie returns to live in the house where her mother Kristin had witnessed a horrifying event fifteen years earlier, Julie becomes the child's protector and determines to expose the house's secrets. **APB \$13.95**

David Stone

The Orpheus Deception

CIA agent Micah Dalton challenges a powerful Serbian warlord after a daring assassination attempt in Venice, during which he uncovers a conspiracy linking an act of piracy, a missing agent, and a hospital ship's covert agenda. **PB \$21.99**

Mark T Sullivan

Triple Cross

When his team is killed by a paramilitary force that has taken as hostages the A-list members of an elite resort, Mickey Hennessy, a former U.S. special agent, makes it out alive but resolves to risk his life in order to rescue his three children, who are among the hostages. By the author of Purification Ceremony. **HC \$51.95**

Paul Sussman

Hidden Oasis, The

2152 BC, Egypt: as the Old Kingdom disintegrates and anarchy slowly engulfs the Nile valley, fifty priests set out under cover of darkness into the Western Desert, dragging with them a sled on which rests a mysterious object swathed in cloth. Weeks later, having reached their destination, they calmly commit mass ritual suicide...

1988, Georgia USSR: a plane takes off from an airfield near the recently decommissioned nuclear facility of Mtskheta. Its cargo will fundamentally alter the balance of power in the Gulf. Bound for the Sudan, it disappears somewhere over Egypt's western desert...

The present day, Egypt: a group of Bedouin travelling near the edge of the Great Sand Sea stumble across a desiccated corpse, half buried in the dunes. With it are a compass, a camera and a notebook, its pages covered in an indecipherable jumble of jottings and figures. A short time later, Dr Freya Hannan will land at Luxor airport. She's coming to Egypt to attend the funeral of her estranged sister, Alex - an explorer who'd spent the past 15 years in the Middle East, and who'd seemingly taken her own life. For Freya, this marks the beginning of an extraordinary adventure - as she is swept up in the search - sometimes violent, often dangerous, always thrilling - for the answer to one of archaeology's greatest mysteries: the location of the legendary lost oasis of Zerzura, and the key to the astonishing, terrifying secret that lies at its heart... **TP \$32.95**

Denise Swanson

Murder of a Royal Pain (Scumble River Mystery)

When school psychologist Skye Denison finds the body of pushy Promfest chairperson and prom mom Annette Paine, who was desperate to see her daughter crowned queen, she decides to investigate and discovers that she might have been the intended victim, not Annette. **APB \$17.95**

Joseph Teller

Bronx Justice (Jaywalker Case)

It is the late 1970s and criminal defense attorney Harrison J. Walker, better known as Jaywalker for his rebellious tactics, is struggling to build his own practice when he receives a call from a desperate mother. Her son, Darren Kingston, has been arrested for raping five white women in Castle Hill, an area of the Bronx long forgotten by the city.

A young, good-looking black man, Darren is positively identified by four of the victims as the fifth prepares to do the same. Everyone—from the prosecution to the community at large—sees this as an open-and-shut case with solid eyewitness testimony. Everyone, that is, except Jaywalker.

The young attorney looks deep into the crimes, studying both the characters involved and the character of our society. What he finds will haunt him for the rest of his career. **APB \$19.95**

Aline Templeton

Lamb to the Slaughter

A sunny evening, a tranquil garden and an old man brutally gunned down on his doorstep. In the pretty and tranquil market town of Kirkluce a proposed superstore development has divided the population in an increasingly bitter war. The low-level aggression of bored youth that is generally tolerated has become sinister. The bloodied carcass of a sheep abandoned in the streets is more than just unpleasant vandalism and teenage bikers, terrorising a woman to breaking point, are impossible to control. When a second victim is killed in what seems a random shooting, the fear in the town becomes tangible. DI Fleming will not accept that the crimes are motiveless, but she struggles to make sense of the two murders, when nothing makes sense any more and no one will believe anything. Not even the truth. **PB \$19.99**

Peter Tremayne

Council of the Cursed (Sister Fidelma 20)

When Bishop Leodegar of Autun calls upon the church leaders from western Europe to attend a council, it is to be a meeting haunted by sudden death and intrigue. It's AD 670, and the Council of Autun is meeting to discuss serving a final devastating blow to the Celtic Church. But when a conflict between two delegate results in the murder of the chief delegate from Hibernia, the entire Council is in danger. Sister Fidelma and her companion, Brother Eadulf, arrive in Autun to act as advisors to the Irish delegation. Between the autocratic Bishop Leodegar and the malignant abbess, Mother Audofleda, a web of sinister intrigue soon spreads. The theft of a priceless reliquary box, the disappearance of women and children and rumours of a slave trade make this one of the most sinister puzzles that Fidelma and Eadulf have ever faced... **PB \$19.99**

Louise Ure

Liars Anonymous

HC \$52.95

Fred Vargas

This Night's Foul Work

On the outskirts of Paris, two men have been found with their throats cut. It is assumed that this is a drug-related incident of the kind so often uncovered in that area of town. But Adamsberg is convinced that there is more to it. Anxious to keep control of the case, he must call in a favour from the pathologist Ariane Lagarde, someone he had come up against twenty-three years previously.

The trail also leads Adamsberg to a cemetery, where a grave has been disturbed with no apparent motive. Could this be the work of the elderly nurse - a serial killer caught by Adamsberg two years ago and recently escaped from prison?

Meanwhile a new lieutenant has been assigned to the team. There is something disquieting about him, not least when it emerges that he is from a neighbouring village in the Pyrenees, known for its feuds with Adamsberg's own childhood home.

This Night's Foul Work is another riveting case for that most engaging of contemporary detectives, Jean-Baptiste Adamsberg, and another triumph from the redoubtable Fred Vargas. **PB \$24.95**

Martin Walker

Bruno, Chief of Police (01)

The first installment in a wonderful new series that follows the exploits of Benoît Courrèges, a policeman in a small French village where the rituals of the café still rule. Bruno—as he is affectionately nicknamed—may be the town's only municipal policeman, but in the hearts and minds of its denizens, he is chief of police.

Bruno is a former soldier who has embraced the pleasures and slow rhythms of country life—living in his restored shepherd's cottage; patronizing the weekly market; sparring with, and basically ignoring, the European Union bureaucrats from Brussels. He has a gun but never wears it; he has the power to arrest but never uses it. But then the murder of an elderly North African who fought in the French army changes everything and galvanizes Bruno's attention: the man was found with a swastika carved into his chest.

Because of the case's potential political ramifications, a young policewoman is sent from Paris to aid Bruno with his investigation. The two immediately suspect militants from the anti-immigrant National Front, but when a visiting scholar helps to untangle the dead man's past, Bruno's suspicions turn toward a more complex motive. His investigation draws him into one of the darkest chapters of French history—World War II, a time of terror and betrayal that set brother against brother. Bruno soon discovers that even his seemingly perfect corner of la belle France is not exempt from that period's sinister legacy.

Bruno, Chief of Police is deftly dark, mesmerizing, and totally engaging. **HC \$49.95**

Dan Wells

I Am Not a Serial Killer

John works in his family's mortuary and has an obsession with serial killers. He wants to be a good person, but fears he is a sociopath, and for years he has suppressed his dark side through a strict system of rules designed to mimic normal behavior. Then a demon begins stalking his small town and killing people one by one, and John is forced to give in to his darker nature in order to save them. As he struggles to understand the demon and find a way to kill it, his own mind begins to unravel until he fears he may never regain control. Faced with the reality that he is, perhaps, more monstrous than the monster he is fighting, John must make a final stand against the horrors of both the demon and himself. **PB \$19.99**

Other Books

Books in this section are unlikely to be held as stock, but are available by request.

101st Airborne: The Screaming Eagles at Normandy

This unprecedented look at the 101st Airborne contains photographs so rare, you won't believe your eyes! Mark Bando made an incredible find when he unearthed 50 color images of the Screaming Eagles taken at Normandy. These photographs, together with firsthand accounts and day-to-day, minute-by-minute history of the 101st Airborne, tell the story of this elite fighting group.

These extremely rare images, together with more than 200 previously unpublished archival photographs from the author's own collection, provide a dynamic look at these daring World War II paratroopers. **HC \$70**

I Wish I'd Been There

"What is the moment in history that you would like to have witnessed; and why?" This is the thought-provoking question that Theodore Rabb and Byron Hollinshead posed to 20 of our finest historians. Their answers can be found in this fascinating and thoroughly readable book, which trains a lens on crucial moments of our past and brings them to vivid life.

Contributors include Tom Holland, John Elliott, John Julius Norwich, Margaret MacMillan and John Keegan and with these – and other – peerless scholars as their guides, readers will be transported to the death of Alexander the Great, Christmas 800CE when Charlemagne was crowned Holy Roman Emperor, Hannibal's legendary crossing of the Alps, Runnymede where King John was forced to sign Magna Carta, the Spanish Armada, the Battle of the Nile, Paris 1919, the German surrender in 1945 and the end of the First Gulf War. Imaginatively executed and vividly written, the result is a pageant of character and event that will attract and delight readers of history. **BPB \$26.99**

Muscles: Testing And Function With Posture And Pain

This renowned classic provides unparalleled coverage of manual muscle testing, plus evaluation and treatment of faulty and painful postural conditions. The thoroughly updated Fifth Edition is completely reorganized and has new, expanded treatment and exercise sections in each chapter. Other features include a new section on post-polio syndrome, additional case studies comparing Guillain-Barré to polio muscle tests, a new full-color design, and a first-of-its-kind chart of upper extremity articulations.

A bonus Primal Anatomy CD-ROM contains a three-dimensional interactive model of the human body. Students can rotate the model and add or subtract layers of anatomy to strengthen their knowledge. **HC \$170**

C E W Bean *Australian Author*

Bean's Gallipoli

The diaries of Australia's official war correspondent

Probably no person saw more of the Anzacs in battle on Gallipoli than C.E.W. Bean. After sailing with the first convoy, he landed with them on that fateful first morning of 25 April 1915, and remained on Gallipoli until the evacuation, despite being wounded.

No other pressman dared to go ashore at the first landings. Even in the fiercest battles, Bean would sit in the frontline trenches taking notes or making sketches.

In his dugout at night he would record everything he had seen and done in his diary. Its pages flow with powerful descriptions of battle, touching eulogies to the common soldier, and scathing criticisms of senior officers whose mistakes cost men their lives. Bean's photographs, over 80 of which are reproduced here, flesh out his graphic personal account of Gallipoli. **PB \$29.99**

Eric Beecher

The Best Australian Political Writing 2009

The Best Australian Political Writing 2009 brings together the most incisive and entertaining analysis of the past year in politics.

Edited by Crikey Publisher Eric Beecher, this collection includes razor-sharp commentary on Labor's first year in power; the rise and rise of Malcolm Turnbull, the Apology, the controversy over the Henson case, climate change and the economic crisis, among others.

Here, some of our leading commentators dissect the names, the events and the ideas that shaped an historic year. **PB \$32.99**

John Birmingham *Australian Author*

Off Ones Tits

In OFF ONE'S TITS, hilarious social observer and fearless investigator John Birmingham turns his attention to what has made this country great - its men and women - and what has made it an embarrassment - its politicians, big business and law enforcement agencies.

Half the book is an exploration and celebration of the wonderful world of men and the things they hold dear: booze, badness, bachelorhood, boxing, grog, misbehaving, masculinity, alcohol, footy, pork, piss and women. Scary stuff.

The other half is a sobering, hard-hitting, searing account of injustice of the worst kind, police violence, political inertia, political slime and political evil. REALLY scary stuff.

Intoxicatingly funny and soberingly compelling writing from both sides of one of our best and most surprising writers - enjoy! **PB \$24.95**

Michael Caulfield *Australian Author*

The Vietnam Years

Updated Edition

The Vietnam War was the longest and most divisive war in Australian history. Between 1962 and 1972, 59 000 Australian men and women served there; 520 were killed and over 2 500 wounded. Many of the veterans still bear the scars - physically and mentally - from their time there. This is the story of the Vietnam War - not a chronological military history. It was an asymmetric war and this is an asymmetric story. A patrol on the last day was the same as a patrol on the first day - what hasn't been told so far is what really happened on patrols: how men fought, died and came back damaged in some way. It ranges from a superb and moving account of the Battle of Long Tan to the effect of a war where a man could come off a patrol in the morning - and that evening be back in Australia, discharged from the Army and drunk in the Bourbon and Beefsteak. We hear these men speak and tell of what it was really like. And it tells the story of those who stayed at home - the Army wives who had to cope then and now, veterans scarred emotionally and physically and the wave of political protest at home that was such a part of this turbulent era. **BPB \$24.99**

Peter Collier*Medal of Honor: Portraits of Valor Beyond the Call of Duty*

First published on Veteran's Day 2003 to glowing reviews, energetic cross-country events, and instant national bestseller status, Medal of Honor has now been revised, updated, and augmented into an even more important and newsworthy second edition. New features include:

A multimedia DVD rich in historical footage and first-person reflections of these ultimate acts of courage

Full coverage of 22 additional Medal recipients by National Book Award nominee Peter Collier

Heart-rending new portraits by award-winning photographer Nick Del Calzo

Introductory essay by Victor Davis Hanson, military history scholar and author of *A War Like No Other*, *The Western Way of War*, and *The Soul of Battle*

The 116 living Medal of Honor recipients fought in conflicts from World War II to Vietnam, serving in every branch of the armed services, and here is their ultimate record—the only book sponsored and endorsed by the Congressional Medal of Honor Foundation. **HC \$90**

Sam de Brito *Australian Author**The Lost Boys*

Ned is 15. He and his friends while away their days smoking dope, trying to root chicks and surfing at Maroubra. Ned's life is only just beginning – tomorrow, some time.

Ned is 35. He and his mates drift through the days snorting cocaine, trying to root chicks, clinging to the pub and surfing at Bondi. For Ned, this is it – tomorrow never came.

What happens when life passes you by? When the drugs no longer work and the promise of the future has become the wreckage of the past? What happens when a generation of men lose their way? **BPB \$22.99**

J F Englert*A Dog About Town***PB \$17.95****Jennifer Fleming & Shannon Lush** *Australian Authors**Spotless 2*

The must-have companion to *Spotless*, packed with hundreds of new household problems and simple solutions from the domestic gurus Shannon Lush and Jennifer Fleming.

Following the phenomenal success of *Spotless* comes an all-new, indispensable guide to dealing with common domestic disasters.

Taking you through your home room by room, *Spotless 2* provides simple and environmentally friendly solutions to hundreds of new stains, smells and scratches. It answers the real-life questions of readers and ABC Radio listeners, and includes many updated stain-removal techniques. There's also a brand new chapter devoted to 'Clothing and Shoes' and a super-comprehensive guide to removing carpet stains.

Spotless was the original problem-solver, *Spotless 2* is the grime-fighting follow-up no home should be without. **APB \$19.95**

William Fowler*We Gave Our Today: Burma 1941-1945*

Nearly a million strong by 1944, the British 14th Army fought and ultimately defeated the Japanese forces that invaded Burma and strove to breakthrough into India. It was a near run thing, as the title of its commander's famous memoir, *DEFEAT INTO VICTORY* suggests. The Japanese routed the British forces in Malaya and Burma in 1941-2. The surrender of Singapore is the greatest defeat ever suffered by the British Army. The fight back was long and difficult, not the least because our forces in Burma and India were last in the queue for men and equipment as priority went to defeating Germany. The soldiers joked about being 'The Forgotten Army', although General Bill Slim famously told them. 'what do you mean, forgotten? No-one's f---ing heard of you.' Slim, who rose from private soldier to field marshal, proved to be one of the greatest soldiers of the war. This is the story of his remarkable army, the largest army fielded by Britain and the Commonwealth during World War II. From the brink of total defeat in 1942, the British rallied and ultimately liberated Burma and Malaya in summer 1945. Their monument at Kohima reads: When You Go Home, Tell Them Of Us And Say, For Their Tomorrow, We Gave Our Today. **HC \$55**

Iain Gale*Brothers in Arms (Jack Steel)*

England 1708 and Jack Steel returns to Flanders from England a married man. But his wife Lady Henrietta Vaughan is proving expensive and Jack must look for a promotion. As the battle of Oudenarde Steel is sent in to stem off the French attack and wins a glorious victory for Marlborough. The allies eyes' turn from Paris to Lille, where the Dutch have recommenced a siege. Unbeknownst to them, Marlborough sends Steel, his trusted envoy to Paris to broker a deal with a man who has the ear of the French King.

Disguised, in danger of exposure and in fear of his life, Steel accomplishes his mission and makes it back to the bloody, mud-logged siege of Lille—a victory for the British in the end, but at huge cost of human life. As Steel desperately tries to open supply lines to his troops, he discovers that his wife has been unfaithful to him, though he has risked all to rescue her from the besieged town of Leffinghe.

Jack returns to England covered in glory from Lille, and with the promotion that he desired. Although he has lost his reason for desiring money and honour he is now even more determined to win further military accolades in order to outshine his wife's new lover. **HC \$55**

Kathleen O'Neal Gear & W Michael Gear*The Betrayal*

There is an alternate story of the life of Jesus. One the early Church fathers found so menacing they outlawed the books that documented it, ordered them burned, and threatened anyone found copying them with death. International bestselling authors and award-winning archaeologists Kathleen O'Neal Gear and W Michael Gear put more than 30 years of exhaustive research into this fascinating novel.

In AD 325, Brother Barnabas is a student of the ancient holy texts. These books paint a portrait of Jesus that is radical, heretical, and irresistible. In the writings of Mary Magdalene, Phillip, and James, Barnabas finds clues to a secret he must protect at all costs. But the Ecumenical Council of Bishops has just declared his cherished books a hotbed of manifold perversity. Emperor Constantine has decreed that the documents must be burned and that anyone found copying them will be executed as a heretic.

Barnabas monastery is attacked. Brother Barnabas flees with his trusted companions, but they are being followed, for the True Church cannot allow them to find the most sacred place on Earth. In fact, it will do anything to stop them... **APB \$19.99**

Jo Graham*Hand of Isis*

Serving as a handmaiden to Queen Cleopatra, Charmain, the queen's half-sister and a daughter to one of the pharaoh's slave women, taps into ancient memories using oracle powers that also provide her with clues on how to save Alexandria from a devastating war. **TP \$30.95**

Paul R Gregory

Terror by Quota

State Security from Lenin to Stalin (An Archival Study)

This original analysis of the workings of Soviet state security organs under Lenin and Stalin addresses a series of questions that have long resisted satisfactory answers. Why did political repression affect so many people, most of them ordinary citizens? Why did repression come in waves or cycles? Why were economic and petty crimes regarded as political crimes? What was the reason for relying on extra-judicial tribunals? And what motivated the extreme harshness of punishments, including the widespread use of the death penalty?

Through an approach that synthesizes history and economics, Paul Gregory develops systematic explanations for the way terror was applied, how terror agents were recruited, how they carried out their jobs, and how they were motivated. The book draws on extensive, recently opened archives of the Gulag administration, the Politburo, and state security agencies themselves to illuminate in new ways terror and repression in the Soviet Union as well as dictatorships in other times and places. **HC \$95**

Charles Happell

The Bone Man of Kokoda

Kokichi Nishimura was a member of the 2nd battalion, 144th Regiment of the Japanese Imperial Army. In 1942 he fought along every foot of Kokoda as the Japanese attempted to take Port Moresby. He was the only man from his company to survive the campaign. As he was evacuated to safety he made a promise that one day he would return to his comrades and bring them home to Japan for proper burial.

After the war, Nishimura prospered. But under the surface, the driving ambition of his life was to fulfil his promise. In 1979, he shocked his family by returning to New Guinea to search for the remains of Japanese soldiers. For the next 25 years, Nishimura lived alone along the Kokoda Track. Armed only with a metal detector, a mattock and a shovel, he searched for his dead comrades. Over the years he found hundreds of them – some he was able to identify and return their bones to their families; others were unknown, and their remains were sent to Japan's official shrine for its war dead in Tokyo.

In 2005 Nishimura, now in his mid-eighties and seriously ill, was forced to return to Japan. His story is an incredible adventure that gives us a radically different viewpoint on a battle that has become part of our national myth. Nishimura's life and quest above all offer a poignant reminder of the futility of war. **BPB \$24.99**

Gary Hayden & Michael Picard

This Book Does Not Exist: Adventures in the Paradoxical

Welcome to the perplexing world of the paradoxical. Prepare to stretch your mind and challenge everything you think you think you know as This Book Does Not Exist unveils how weird a world of thought can be.

Filled with philosophical and mathematical problems to baffle and delight you This Book Does Not Exist is packed with thought experiments, real-life examples and puzzles for you to try. It also introduces you to some of the great names in the field of paradoxes, from ancient Greece to Albert Einstein.

This Book Does Not Exist takes you a breathtaking journey from the counterintuitive to the downright absurd. On the way it will introduce you to topics such as impossible objects, how to expect the unexpected, and the trouble with time travel - this is a book that will change the way you think.

PB \$19.99

Lolo Houbein Australian Author

One Magic Square

Grow your own food on one square metre

One Magic Square shows how, with a ten-minute effort, you can start your own productive food garden on a single square metre. By following these plot designs you can keep your labour pleasurable as your self-sufficiency increases. Take control of your own fresh food supply! Food gardening is the most intelligent adult endeavour on earth - Lolo Houbein shows you how to do it, and why you should.. **TP \$45**

Garry Kilworth

Kiwi Wars (Fancy Jack Crossman)

A Captain Jack Crossman Adventure - Captain Fancy Jack Crossman has been sent to New Zealand, where the Maori Wars are in progress. His remit is to map the bush country and to set up a network of spies. During conflict he finds that the Maori are an honourable people. However, nefarious Europeans are at work, enriching themselves as land agents. Jack realizes just how heinous these crimes are, and he must hunt down and destroy these monstrous elements . . . **HC \$56.95**

Rogue Officer (Fancy Jack Crossman)

The Indian Mutiny has almost run its course. Lieutenant Jack Crossman finds himself plagued by one Captain Deighton, and the roots of Deightons animosity appear to run deep. When Jack is abducted following the Battle of Bareilly, and accused in his absence of desertion, he has to fight to clear his name only to find Deighton waiting for yet another, perhaps final, duel . . . **HC \$56.95**

Robert Lyman

The Longest Siege

The gripping history of one of the Second World War's pivotal battles

Beginning on 10th April 1941, and lasting for 240 days, the siege of Tobruk is a mesmerising tale of human endurance and heroism. It is an epic story of extraordinary resilience as the Libyan port's 24,000 defenders met increasingly desperate attempts by Rommel's Panzer divisions to break through the hurriedly thrown-up defences. It was a battle of bayonets and grenades against tanks, of David versus Goliath.

The eventual allied victory came against overwhelming odds, plus the morale sapping knowledge that the defenders were surrounded on one side by the sea, and on the other by Hitler's men and machines (who, only the year before, had brought Western Europe to its knees). Tobruk was defended in the main by the Australian 9th Division, followed by the British 70th Infantry Division who then linked up with the advancing 8th Army. The Royal Navy also played an important role in Tobruk's defence. By December 1941 Rommel had been beaten and forced to withdraw his forces from Cyrenaica. The siege was lifted and the exhausted, gallant defenders able to march out in triumph. **TP \$34.99**

Paul Magrs

Conjugal Rites (Brenda 03)

No matter what she tries to do, trouble has a way of finding Brenda. It s hardly surprising with secrets like hers. When her old adversary Mr Danby starts filling the airwaves with his late night phone in show it can only mean one thing and sure enough best friend Effie soon finds herself up to her neck in it. But that is only the beginning; fate has an even bigger surprise in store. Romance is in the air for Brenda and, do what she will, she cannot deny that she and her man were made for each other literally. But as usual, Brenda and Effie will face up to whatever dangers come their way with fortitude and grace: even if that means journeying to places beyond their wildest dreams. **BPB \$22.99**

Roger Maynard

Hell's Heroes

Hell's Heroes is the story of the POW camp that never was - so dubbed by one old soldier because the atrocities that occurred there went largely unreported at the time. For while the Burma-Thai railway, the Bataan death march and events at Changi and in many other parts of Asia became synonymous with Japanese brutality, most of the camps which were set up to provide slave labour for the enemy military machine at home were slowly forgotten in the aftermath of World War II. Yet the experiences of those who found themselves imprisoned in Japanese camps like the notorious 4- B provided a measure of horror to match some of the world's most notorious war crimes.

Nestled by the riverside in the west- coast Japanese town of Naoetsu, camp 4- B was the prison for some 300 Australian soldiers, collectively known as C Force, who spent nearly three years of their life there after being taken prisoner in Singapore in February '42 and enduring a spell at the notorious Changi Barracks. Most of them were from the 2/20th Battalion. Sixty of the 300 died in captivity - more men per capita than at any other Japanese POW camp. And after the war, eight guards were executed for their reign of terror at Naoetsu, a figure that is again more than for any other camp in Japan.

In his gripping history of the men who spent the war in Naoetsu, Roger Maynard draws on the diaries and memories of those who survived. Their recollections make compelling reading, but more than that, they demonstrate a strength and inner determination that seems impossible to comprehend today. How could these blokes endure such physical deprivation and discomfort for so long? What happens to men when death is all around them? How do they keep hope alive? **TP \$32.99**

James Patterson

Sundays At Tiffanys

'When you grow up, you won't remember me'

Jane Margaux was never supposed to remember her imaginary friend when he vanished from her life but he was the best friend she'd ever had and she could never let his memory fade.

Jane was a sweet, funny, chubby seven-year-old, Desperately seeking love from her self-obsessed mother, Vivienne and a father who was wrapped up in a new life with his beautiful young girlfriend. Jane's only friend was handsome, funny, thirty-something Michael. Michael was different; no one else could see him, nor did they believe he existed beyond the realms of Jane's very creative imagination. They would talk from morning until night. As Jane grew older though, the time came for Michael to leave Jane's side his work was done.

Jane couldn't forget him though, isolated and lonely, she is living in the shadows of her dramatic and over-powering mother. Over twenty years since Michael said goodbye, Jane catches a glimpse of that unforgotten face, her heart pounding, she can't believe it could be true - could it really be Michael?

This time though Michael isn't just a figment of her imagination. But will the path of true love be a smooth one? And will Jane get her happy ever after?

Sundays at Tiffany's is a heart-warming romance about a girl who until now has lived her life on the sidelines, about what it feels like to fall in love, a tale of soulmates. **PB \$19.95**

Guy Pearse Australian Author

Quarry Vision: Coal, Climate Change and the End of the Resources Boom (Quarterly Essay 33)

Australia's response to climate change must truly baffle outsiders. Why do our leaders pretend that they are leading the world in the battle against global warming? When do environmental risks outweigh economic benefits? Why dig deeper when the rest of the world is looking for alternatives to coal?

This is an essay about 'quarry vision,' the belief that Australia's greatest asset is its mineral and energy resources – coal above all. How has this distorted our national politics and stymied action on climate change? In this powerful essay about the national interest, Guy Pearse dissects the Rudd government's climate change response: from the Garnaut report to the silver bullet of 'clean coal' and beyond. He exposes the shadowy world of the carbon lobbyists; how they think, operate and advance their agenda. He discusses the future of the coal industry and challenges the economic orthodoxy. Quarry vision, he argues, is a trap and a blind faith we can no longer afford.

'A generation ago, our leaders showed courage and vision in pushing for unilateral trade liberalisation – they knew it was good for Australia no matter how fast others acted. They were right to turn Australia's economy outward, and the establishment they challenged was wrong. Today the generation that was right on trade liberalisation has much of it wrong on climate change. They now wear the establishment mantle, and it is their turn to be challenged.' **TP \$16.95**

David Rollins Australian Author

Hard Rain

When the US Attaché to Turkey, Colonel Emmet Portman, is found butchered in his Istanbul residence, Special Agents Vin Cooper and Anna Masters are sent to investigate. Within days of their arrival, Portman's associates begin to die gruesomely.

There's a serial killer at large.

But there are inconsistencies. Why does one murder appear to have religious symbolism, while the next doesn't? Why do the slayings appear to have been executed with military precision? And why has Portman's email inbox been tampered with and whole days worth of communications apparently wiped out?

Nothing is making a hell of a lot of sense to Cooper – not least, Anna's plan to marry JAG lawyer Colonel Richard Wadding, known to everyone who has ever come into contact with him as Colonel Dick Wad.

Cooper and Masters find themselves hunted, smacked around, shot at, buried alive and blown up from Turkey to Iraq, to Egypt to Oak Ridge. It would be helpful if they were on speaking terms. **APB \$19.99**

Wilbur Smith

Assegai

It is 1913 and ex-soldier turned professional big game hunter, Leon Courtney, is in British East Africa guiding rich and powerful men from America and Europe on safaris in the Masai tribe territories. One of his clients, German industrialist Count Otto Von Meerbach, has a company which builds aircraft and vehicles for the Kaiser's burgeoning army. But Leon had not bargained on falling passionately in love with Eva, the Count's beautiful and enigmatic mistress.

Just prior to the outbreak of World War I, Leon is recruited by his uncle, Penrod Ballantyne, Commander of the British Forces in East Africa, to gather information from Von Meerbach. He stumbles on a plot against the British involving the disenfranchised survivors of the Boer War, but it is only when Eva and Von Meerbach return to Africa that Leon finds out who and what is really behind the conspiracy. **HC \$49.99**

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Susan Wyndham

Life in His Hands

Charlie Teo is one of Australia's most celebrated yet controversial neurosurgeons. His pioneering "keyhole" techniques have earned him praise around the world, but in his home country he is regarded by some in the profession as reckless and even dangerous. His stock in trade is "inoperable" brain tumours – those malignant cancers that others don't dare treat – and by any estimation he is incredibly successful. In over 5000 operations, he has never lost a patient on the table.

He has treated the young and the old, the rich and the poor. His more famous cases have included talkback radio shock jock, Stan Zemanek, the wives of cricketers Steve Waugh and Glenn McGrath, the cancer specialist Dr Chris O'Brien, and the young classical pianist, Aaron McMillan. In 2001, at the age of 24, McMillan was diagnosed with a rare and aggressive brain tumour. He underwent 12 hours of surgery. Two days later he was back playing the piano, preparing to record and perform.

Life In His Hands is the remarkable true story of a medical maverick and one of his most high-profile and tragic cases. It is a book full of heartache and hope and scientific marvels. Ultimately, it is a testament to the strength of the human spirit. **BPB \$24.99**