



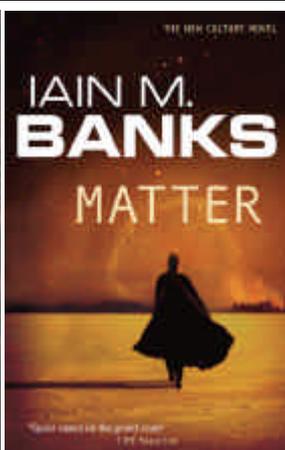
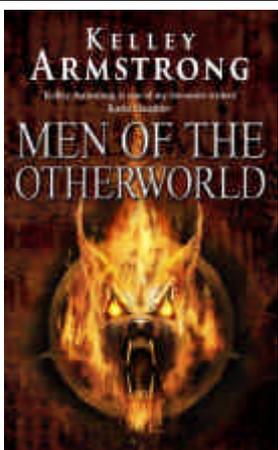
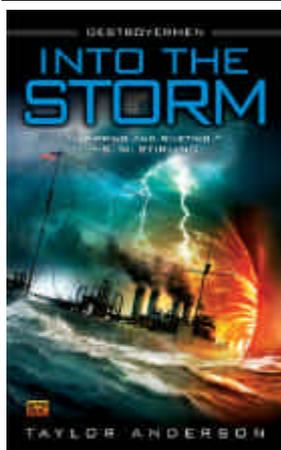
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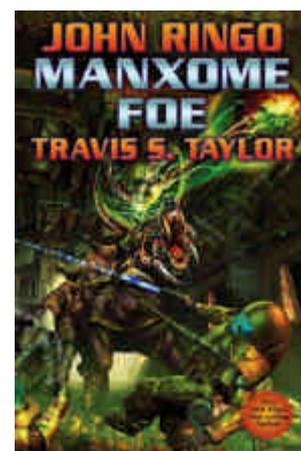
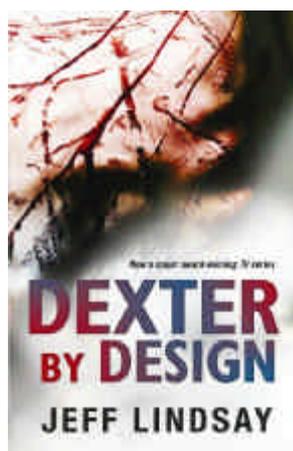
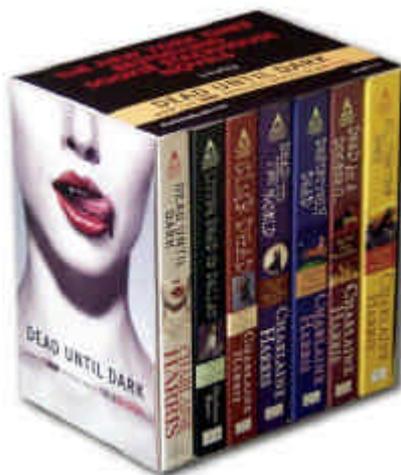
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## Featured Books



**Taylor Anderson**  
**Kelley Armstrong,**  
**Iain M Banks**  
**Patricia Briggs**  
**Lois McMaster Bujold**  
**Eric Flint**  
**Charlaine Harris**  
**Jeff Lindsay**  
**John Ringo & Travis S Taylor**

*Into The Storm* in paperback.  
*Men of the Otherworld*, Otherworld 10 in paperback.  
*Matter*, a Culture paperback.  
*Bone Crossed*, Mercy Thompson 4 in paperback.  
*Horizon*, The Sharing Knife 4 in hardcover.  
*Ring of Fire II* in paperback.  
*Sookie Stackhouse Boxed Set*, paperbacks 1 to 7.  
*Dexter By Design* Dexter 4 in trade paperback.  
*Manxome Foe*, Looking Glass 3 in paperback.



## News

**2008 Aurealis Awards** were announced in Brisbane over the Australia Day weekend. Best science fiction novel went to *Time Machines Repaired While-U-Wait* by K A Bedford. Best fantasy novel went to *The Two Pearls of Wisdom* by Alison Goodman. For a full list visit: <http://www.aurealisawards.com/Winners.htm>

**Peter Davidson**, who played the fifth Doctor Who will be attending Doctor Downunder at The Sebel Parramatta 22<sup>nd</sup> March. Details at: [http://www.cultureshockevents.com/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=85&Itemid=80](http://www.cultureshockevents.com/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=85&Itemid=80)

## 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.

### *K-Pax Omnibus* by Gene Brewer, reviewed by Sue Waters

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780747566953>

This is a trilogy of stories revolving around two main characters - prot (deliberately not capitalised) and Dr Gene Brewer, a psychiatrist at the Manhattan Psychiatric Institute, who receives prot as a patient after he mysteriously appears at a New York railway station and is briefly suspected of being the assailant in a mugging. After police question him, they find his conversation so bizarre that he is referred to the Institute for treatment.

Prot's claim to be an alien from the planet K-PAX is given no credence by Dr Brewer, who believes him to be a normal person with a traumatic past, that has caused him to lose his identity and take on an alter-ego in the persona of this alien. As prot has stated he will be returning to K-PAX on a specific date at a specific time, Dr Brewer begins seeking clues based on hypnosis with prot, wherein he speaks of a friend who calls him from K-PAX when in need. Eventually the doctor concludes that the "friend"/prot is in fact Robert Porter, a man whose wife and daughter were raped and murdered by an ex-convict, who was still in Porter's home when he arrived home from work. In his terrible grief and rage, Porter had snapped the killers neck, stripped off and apparently entered the river to drown himself, although his body was never found.

Through a series of clues and coincidences the reader is led to believe that this scenario is entirely possible. However, there is just as much evidence to suggest that prot is really an alien. For instance, he claims to see light in different frequencies to normal humans, and his claim is proven correct. As well, the doctor has an astronomer relative, and in questioning prot about the supposed location and orbital path of K-PAX and its suns, the astronomer and his colleagues find that what was a little known and recent discovery with some anomalous features is well known to prot and he is able to set them straight on some of their erroneous suppositions about how the suns orbit around this planet. Prot also demonstrates an ability to communicate with animals, and has talents in early diagnosis of illness.

Prot is a charismatic and intelligent being who connects with other patients at the Institute and in some cases helps them towards curing themselves. Dr Brewer and his family also feel prot's charm, as does a young journalist/writer, Giselle, to whom Dr Brewer allows some access to prot in return for her promise to help find his "real" identity. Giselle eventually falls in love with prot/Robert, a situation which Dr Brewer foresees will cause her great grief if and when prot redeems his promise to "return" to K-PAX. Prot claims to journey via light-travel, using mirrors, and states he will take one person back with him, which causes great excitement among the patients at the Institute. On the day of his "return", despite the room being watched from the doorway, prot/Robert disappears, as does another patient, Bess. Bess is never seen again, and was not seen to leave. However, Robert Porter's catatonic form is found in another room, and he remains at the Institute, with the doctor expressing the hope that one day he will come out of his protective state and be himself again. This is basically the plot of K-PAX, which was turned into a film starring Jeff Bridges as the doctor and Kevin Spacey as prot.

The second book, K-PAX II - On a Beam of Light, details prot's return (to Robert Porter's body), as he had promised, about five years after his "departure", and the slow and gradual process using hypnosis used by Dr Brewer to bring the personality of Robert further and further into the open. When two more personalities emerge, Dr Brewer thinks that Robert's diagnosis is a simple one of multiple-personality disorder, and that prot was merely the dominant personality. As Robert is brought out more and more often, Dr Brewer helps him cope with the terrible event of his past and eventually prot's personality retires and Robert's stay out in the open. With his marriage to Giselle, Dr Brewer is left hoping that Robert is effectively cured.

However, in book 3, K-PAX - The Worlds of prot, prot returns suddenly one day while Robert is bathing his baby son. Dr Brewer takes him back as a patient and again painstakingly works to discover what events in Robert's past have triggered this new crisis, eventually uncovering a shocking tale of abuse and the truth about Robert's father's death. Meanwhile prot prepares for his final journey home (while astounding scientific researchers when the results of various DNA and other tests are revealed). At the conclusion, prot has promised to return to K-PAX and take 100 other beings with him. I won't spoil the ending...

The most amazing thing about these books is that all the way through the author gives the impression that you are in fact reading a biography, not a series of novels. Apart from using his own name for his narrator, reference is made to the movie K-PAX, and the patient histories given are so realistic and ordinary that anyone could be forgiven for believing that these events actually took place. There is even a list of suggested additional readings, including a book about prot written by Giselle which is mentioned in the novels; its placement among a list of real books cleverly suggests that it is an actual book and therefore prot and Giselle are actual people. A little further research reveals that no such book exists, and the inclusion of this non-existent work in a list of real books is a clever ploy to add to the realism of the novels. Not until the very last page is reached do you discover that Gene Brewer was previously a scientific researcher studying DNA replication and cell division, before becoming a novelist.



Basically, the K-PAX omnibus is series of moving, interesting and well-written novels that not only detail the life of one main character (prot) but also delve into the lives of the people he in some way touched. Prot's report on the state of the EARTH is a bonus inclusion and gives one of the very few clues that this is a work of fiction - the supposed use by K-PAXians of our EARTH alphabet. But the big question to be answered by the reader is this: Was prot really an alien, or just an alter-ego of Robert Porter? Decide for yourself. But whatever you decide, this is well worth the price and is likely to appeal to readers with a wide range of interests, not just science fiction. And like me, you will probably want to order the next book in the series. My research indicates that Book V may be underway also. My only gripe with the omnibus is the inclusion on both the front and back covers of a quote from Esquire, describing K-PAX as "...a gloriously off-beat comedy...", because in fact it reads as a quite serious, though at times amusing work. I would wholeheartedly recommend this book to just about any open-minded adult reader.

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***Victory of Eagles* by Naomi Novik, reviewed by Andrew**

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780007259151>

I enjoy this series. Again I couldn't put the book down it is filled with so much action.

As the name implies in this book the French start with a strong victory. The French take London and all the southern English ports. For those of you who know the history of the Napoleonic wars and the position of London in the economy will realise that is essentially game over. From her description of the events it seems clear the British navy will never recover in Ms Novik's world. This book should be subtitled how the British lost the Napoleonic wars. Fortunately even an enthusiast like myself is so quickly lifted from scene to scene to worry about consequences like this.

The book starts very earthy and realistically with Laurence, Temeraire's captain, thrown into a prison ship for having provided a cure for the enemy French dragons' illness. It then races away in a flurry of action. Plot wise MS Novik's intellectual honesty in facing the consequences of the last books' ending really makes the book. Many fantasy authors should learn from Ms Novik. This is a much darker book. The much of the joy of the previous books is not here. The story reeks of the harsh necessities in battling a foreign invader on your own soil. Laurence is emotionally tortured through the whole book by the underlying responsibility for the actions he took in the last book. He was successful in giving the French the cure to the Dragon flu that had put Napoleon's dragons out of action in the previous book. Those cured dragons have now been the major reason the French have been able to cross the channel.

Ms Novik has obviously been reading something on the Napoleonic wars and has included a number of details that add depth to the story. I was disappointed at her portrait of Wellington. She didn't use the marvellous meeting between Nelson and Wellington (in the foreign office I think?). Castlereagh is mentioned but makes no appearance. Unlike the crew of Temeraire and other acquaintances many of the historical characters seem to lack depth.

Previously I criticised her for going too much into the mechanics of dragon flight. This time I found the lack of logistical realism a little disturbing. She has already made it a given that the dragons get tired. Clearly the British dragons would have the advantage as the French dragons attack across the channel. Still I would recommend this book to anybody. In my opinion Ms Novik improves in skill and style with each book even if her later books lack the striking originality of the first book. I love the series.

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***Hitchhikers Guide to the Galaxy* by Douglas Adams, reviewed by Stuart Wark**

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780345453747>

I recently spoke with a fellow book lover who confessed that they had never read The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy, the first novel in Douglas Adams' five book series. This astounded me, as it is simply one of those books that I assume everyone has read. This prompted me to re-read it again, for about the 20th time.

Hitchhikers revolves around the main character, Arthur Dent. The book commences with Arthur waking up to unexpectedly find a bulldozer ready to demolish his house for an essential bypass. While this fact is disturbing enough, Ford Prefect, an old friend of Arthur's, turns up and explains things are much worse than that, as the world is about to be destroyed. They escape by hitching a ride on a spaceship, and armed with only a towel, Arthur begins his adventures across the known universe.

Douglas Adams's humor shines throughout the book. Not many authors are able to make the reader laugh, but Adams was capable of achieving it multiple times in the one novel. Adams once commented that he simply wrote, and was never entirely sure where the story would go. This style of writing is evidenced in some chapters where Adams gets sidetracked onto a completely irrelevant subject area, before suddenly resuming the story again. None of this diminishes from the story, and in fact, could probably be seen as an essential component of its overall success.

Adams' version of comedy entails turning the expected upside down, shaking it hard, and then giving it a good beating with a pointy stick. However, very few humourous books are seen as classics of literature. Where Adams has managed to achieve true greatness is through the occasional serious or sad moments that are written with a poignancy that underlines his true skill as an author. Hitchhikers also features some fascinating philosophical concepts regarding physics, revealing Adams' understanding of real world science.

In 2004, Hitchhikers was rated 8th in Australia's all time list of favourite books (just behind Orwell's 1984 and in front of Catch 22 and, sigh, The Da Vinci Code). It fully deserves its place in this esteemed company, as it has managed to remain fresh and current. It is essential reading for any real lover of literature.

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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>

No January meeting  
Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2009: Superheroes

**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 19<sup>th</sup> February 2009

*Debatable Space* by Philip Palmer (SF)  
*The Way of Shadows* by Brent Weeks (F)

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2009  
*The Lies of Locke Lamora* by Scott Lynch (F)  
*Event* by David Lynn Golemon (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 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month. <http://www.infinitas.com.au/WritersGroup.php>

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### Bestsellers for January

#### General Release

<i>Passage</i>	Lois McMaster Bujold
<i>Dragon Harper</i>	Anne & Todd McCaffrey
<i>Unnatural Inquirer</i>	Simon R Green
<i>Tales of Beedle the Bard</i>	J K Rowling
<i>Way of Shadows</i>	Brent Weeks
<i>Sister Time</i>	John Ringo & Julie Cochrane
<i>Manxome Foe</i>	John Ringo & Travis S Taylor
<i>Lord of Misrule</i>	Rachel Caine
<i>At Grave's End</i>	Jeaniene Frost
<i>Murder Game</i>	Christine Feehan

#### Media and Games Related Titles

<i>Malekith</i>	Warhammer
<i>Hydra</i>	Stargate SG-1
<i>Mechanicum</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>The Story of Martha</i>	Doctor Who
<i>Beautiful Chaos</i>	Doctor Who
<i>The Eyeless</i>	Doctor Who
<i>Invincible</i>	Star Wars
<i>Martial Power</i>	Dungeons & Dragons 4E
<i>Player's Handbook I</i>	Dungeons & Dragons 4E
<i>Mere Mortals</i>	Star Trek

# Science Fiction, Fantasy and Horror

## **Douglas Adams**

### *Long Dark Tea-Time of the Soul (Dirk Gently 01)*

Following on from Dirk Gently's Holistic Detective Agency, this six-part serial finds Dirk investigating the strange case of a passenger check-in desk at Terminal Two of Heathrow Airport. When it's shot up through the roof, engulfed in a ball of orange flame, no-one can find the cause. Was it an Act of God - and if so, which God, and why? **CD \$35**

## **Cat Adams**

### *Magic's Design*

A magic wielder born into the mage guild of firecrafters and an agent of the Overworld Police, Talos comes to Earth to protect it from magicians intent on enslaving all humanity and meets Mila, a woman gifted with a mystical talent for healing, and together they struggle to protect the Tree of Life while dealing with their own incendiary passion. **APB \$17.95**

## **Taylor Anderson**

### *Into the Storm (Destroyermen 01)*

Pursued by Japanese battleships, the USS Walker, a destroyer under the command of Lieutenant Commander Matthew Patrick Reddy, tries to lose the enemy by heading into a storm, only to become trapped in a primitive alternate world, populated by strange creatures. **APB \$19.95**

## **Iona Andrews**

### *Magic Burns CD*

Mercenary Kate Daniels cleans up after magic gone wrong. She is hired to retrieve a set of stolen maps for the Pack, Atlanta's paramilitary clan of shapeshifters, she is plunged into the middle of an epic battle between two gods hoping for rebirth. Read by Renae Raudman. **MP3 CD \$51.95**

## **V C Andrews**

### *Delia's Gift*

In the conclusion of the series that began with Delia's Heart and Delia's Crossing, in the wake of Adam's death, Delia and her baby are endangered by Bovio, Adam's father, who will do anything to gain control of his grandson, and finds herself trapped in the battle of her life for her own safety and that of her son. **HC \$52.95 APB \$19.95**

## **Piers Anthony**

### *DoOon Mode (Mode)*

In the conclusion of the Mode saga, Colleen must journey back to her harsh home reality to face her most devastating fears and to preserve the multiverse from the tyranny of an evil warlord who threatens to bend her powers to his will. **MP3 CD \$51.95**

## **Christopher Anvil**

### *Rx for Chaos*

Science and technology have made our lives easier, cured diseases, with achievements that an earlier age would have considered impossible. But once in a while, the law of unintended consequences breaks loose. Christopher Anvil considers the two faces of technological innovation: Sometimes the result is a literal life-saver; but at other times a breakthrough may not break quite the way it was supposed to.

· A new wonder drug has the unexpected side effect of making people happy. Not a problem—everybody should want to be happy, right? But should people be happy all of the time? Suppose being happy required you never to disappoint anyone, no matter what they're requesting. . . .

· Then there was the energy source for every home that would free the country from its dependence on foreign oil—except that the prototype was rushed into production a bit too fast.

· Back on the bright side, another device not only couldn't possibly work by every known law of science, but didn't have any obvious uses. Then alien invaders landed and suddenly the crackpot device was the world's only hope.

The upside and downside of marvelous new gadgets, as told by a master of science fiction adventure with a prescription for fun. **TP \$24.95**

## **Kelley Armstrong**

### *Men of the Otherworld (Otherworld 10)*

'I don't remember the first time I changed into a wolf. One night I passed out, and awoke to find my body covered in yellow fur. My brain was beyond reacting. It took this in its stride, as it had everything else in my new life. I got to my feet and went in search of food.' As a curious and independent six-year-old, Clayton didn't resist the bite - he asked for it. But as a lone child werewolf his life is under constant threat. So when enigmatic Pack member Jeremy Danvers saves him, Clayton is determined to protect his adoptive father, no matter what the cost. So begins this gripping collection of four tales chronicling the bloody feuds of the American Pack, and the coming of age of Clay Danvers, a very powerful - and very singular - werewolf. **APB \$19.99 HC \$41.95**

## **Keri Arthur Australian Author**

### *Chasing the Shadows (Nikki and Michael 03)*

Private Investigator Nikki James is in San Francisco at the request of her business partner and best friend, Jake. His friend's wife is missing, and he is determined to find her. The authorities believe the kidnapping is the work of a sick mind - Nikki knows it is something much worse. Vampires. Michael Kelly has returned from a vampire hunting exhibition in his homeland and wants to relax. When he discovers Nikki's gone to San Francisco he has no choice but to follow - not only to keep her safe from the vampire gang, but because he fears the psychic talents she's beginning to develop. As the body count begins to rise, so too does the danger. Soon Nikki becomes a target but she has no intention of obeying Michael's demands that she leave. She's tired of playing it safe and wants him to realise it's all or nothing... **APB \$19.99**

### *Kiss the Night Goodbye (Nikki and Michael 04)*

Nikki James wants nothing more than to pass the Circle's strict entry exams so she can begin to plan her wedding to Michael Kelly. But when one of the testers attempts to kill her, she realises buying a wedding dress is the least of her worries. Especially when Michael is shot and kidnapped. The trail leads her to the ghost-town where Michael once killed a murderer. She's not surprised to discover that Weylin Dunleavy, the brother of that long ago sorcerer, has set out to raise his brother's spirit from hell. With a barrier of magic surrounding the old town, Nikki must battle Weylin with only her wits, strength and the one psychic gift she cannot fully control. **APB \$19.99**

**Sarah Ash**

*Flight into Darkness (Alchemists Legacy 02)*

The conclusion of a duology that began with *Tracing the Shadow* follows celebrated singer Celestine de Joyeuse as she struggles to deal with the grief over the death of her first love, seek revenge on those who had killed him, uncover the secrets of her birth, and cope with the powers granted to her upon her father's death. **HC \$49.95**

**Amanda Ashley**

*Night's Pleasure*

Vampire hunter Savannah Gentry places the lives of those she cares for in mortal danger when she succumbs to forbidden passion with the enemy. **APB \$17.95**

**Sharon Ashwood**

*Ravenous (Dark Forgotten)*

When her unpredictable magic garners the attention of the wrong people, small-time witch Holly Carver turns to her Undead business associate Alessandro Caravelli for protection only to find herself and her heart in even more danger. **APB \$17.95**

**Robert Asprin & Jody Lynn Nye**

*Myth-Chief (Myth)*

When Skeeve the Magnificent Magician comes out of retirement and sets up shop in the Bazaar, his former coworker Aahz the Pervect, unhappy with the competition, bets that he is a better performer, putting the leadership of M.Y.T.H., Inc. and the kingdom at stake. **APB \$19.95**

**James Axler**

*Serpent's Tooth (Outlanders 48)*

Overlords and humanity battle to claim Earth in a war as old as the alien domination of the planet. Yet with each new offensive comes stunning new revelations—exposing mysteries that were unfathomable before *Skydark* but are now quite real and deadly. Still, hope lies in the brilliant counteroffensive led by the Cerberus rebels, for whom success means nothing less than returning Earth to mankind.

An exotic combination of reptilian and human DNA, the Najah are the revitalized original foot soldiers of the Earth's ancient alien masters, the Annunaki. Having survived the megacull of humanity, these half-cobra warriors vow to avenge their near extinction and usher in a new age on Earth. From a massive, underground war base in northern India, this monstrous force launches its cleansing fire. Kane and his allies have one hope—a renegade female Najah, reptilian and ruthless, whose alliance is both a promise...and a threat. **APB \$17.95**

**R Scott Bakker**

*The Judging Eye (Aspect Emperor 01)*

A latest work set in The Prince of Nothing world is set twenty years after the end of *The Thousandfold Thought* and expands on the parameters of the series' myth, violence, and sorcery. By the author of *The Darkness That Comes Before*. **HC \$52.95**

**Iain M Banks**

*Matter (Culture 07)*

In a world renowned within a galaxy full of wonders, a crime within a war. For one man it means a desperate flight, and a search for the one - maybe two - people who could clear his name. For his brother it means a life lived under constant threat of treachery and murder. And for their sister, it means returning to a place she'd thought abandoned forever. Only the sister is not what she once was; Djan Seriy Anaplian has become an agent of the Culture's Special Circumstances section, charged with high-level interference in civilisations throughout the greater galaxy. Concealing her new identity - and her particular set of abilities - might be a dangerous strategy. In the world to which Anaplian returns, nothing is quite as it seems; and determining the appropriate level of interference in someone else's war is never a simple matter. **BPB \$24.99**

**L A Banks**

*The Thirteenth (Vampire Huntress)*

In the conclusion of the Vampire Huntress Legends series, the entire Neteru Guardian team, labeled as terrorists following a horrific demon battle, is on the run as Vampire Hunters Carlos and Denali await the birth of their first child, the Anti-Christ is poised for emergence, and the powers of darkness unleash the beginnings of an apocalypse. **TP \$30.95**

**James Barclay**

*Shadowheart (Legends of the Raven 02)*

James Barclay has rapidly established himself as one of the leading lights of the genre with his two linked trilogies starring fantasy's most popular new heroes in many years: *The Raven*. The first trilogy was the *CHRONICLES OF THE RAVEN* and introduced the heroes and the world of Balaia. The second trilogy, *THE LEGENDS OF THE RAVEN*, began with *Elfsorrow* which served as an introduction for new readers. Now, with his fifth book, he tests *The Raven* to the point of destruction and unleashes a savage war across his world as the magical colleges of Balaia tear the land apart in their struggle for supremacy. Barclay has never been scared of killing off favourite characters and this has given his books their unique edge. Now he threatens to destroy everything they have known. Can *The Raven* even survive, let alone triumph? **BPB \$22.99**

**Stephen Baxter**

*Weaver*

The Weaver of Time's Tapestry has finally succeeded in twisting the threads of history into a new shape; the Luftwaffe have pushed the RAF to the brink and the invasion barges have reached the beaches of Sussex and Kent. Britain wakes up to the nightmare of the Wehrmacht unleashed in Southern England. As the desperate battle to hold up the invasion rages it is left to a few individuals caught up in the panic and chaos to piece together what has really happened - is this the culmination of a plan that has taken centuries to play out, a plot from the future to change the past forever?

Stephen Baxter's historical thriller series crashes into the 20th century with a terrifying vision of mechanised war and political atrocity unleashed on English soil. This is the climax of one of the most thoughtful and involving series of novels that have brought history alive like no other. **PB \$22.99**

**K A Bedford Australian Author**

*Time Machines Repaired While-U-Wait*

Best Science Fiction Novel, 2008 Aurealis awards. **TP \$36.95**

**John Birmingham Australian Author***Without Warning (CD)*

When an inexplicable miles-high energy wave wipes out ninety-nine percent of the U.S. population, the survivors struggle to meet the unimaginable challenges--including James Kipper, chief engineer of Seattle; agent Caitlin Monroe, on the trail of a deadly Muslim fanatic; and General Tusk Musso and Admiral James Ritchie, racing against time to preserve world peace. **MP3 CD \$90**

**Anne Bishop***Dreams Made Flesh*

Return to the realm of the Blood in *Dreams Made Flesh* featuring four revelatory adventures of Jaenelle and her kindred ... Jaenelle is the most powerful Witch ever known centuries of hopes and dreams made flesh at last. She has forged ties with three of the realms mightiest Blood warriors: Saetan the High Lord of Hell who trains Jaenelle in magic and adopts her as his daughter; Lucivar the winged Eyrien warlord who becomes her protector; and the nearimmortal Daemon born to be Witch's lover. Jaenelle has assumed her rightful place as Queen of the Darkness and restored order and peace to the realms ... but at a terrible cost. In *Dreams Made Flesh* discover the origin of the mystical Jewels and witness the clash between Saetan and a Priestess that may forever change reality. And has the sacrifice of Jaenelle's magic destroyed any hope of happiness for her and Daemon ... **PB \$20.99**

**Annette Blair***Never Been Witched*

When her meditative stay alone at her sister's lighthouse is interrupted by paranormal debunker Morgan Jarvis, psychic Destiny Cartwright, with the help of some ghostly inhabitants, discovers that opposites really do attract. **APB \$19.95**

**Ray Bradbury***The Martian Chronicles*

The classic work that transformed Ray Bradbury into a household name. Written in the age of the atom when America and Europe optimistically viewed the discovery of life on Mars as inevitable, Bradbury's 1940s short stories of a brutal, stark and unforgiving martian landscape were as shocking and visionary as they were insightful. 'The Martian Chronicles' tells the story of humanity's repeated attempts to colonize the red planet.

The first men were few. Most succumbed to a disease they called the Great Loneliness when they saw their home planet dwindle to the size of a pin dot. Those few that survived found no welcome.

The shape-changing Martians thought they were native lunatics and duly locked them up. More rockets arrived from Earth, piercing the hallucinations projected by the Martians. People brought their old prejudices with them -- and their desires and fantasies, tainted dreams.

These were soon inhabited by the strange native beings, with their caged flowers and birds of flame. **PB \$22.95**

*Ray Bradbury Stories Volume 1*

Since the beginning of his career as a pulp writer in the 1940s Ray Bradbury has become synonymous with great science fiction both from the pulp comic books of his early work to his adaptations on television and film alongside most notably with his masterpiece *Fahrenheit 451*. Bradbury has done a rare thing; to capture both the popular and literary imagination inspiring a generation of young fans throughout America where he has become the staple diet in literature classes and across the Atlantic in Europe where his place in the science fiction canon has been cemented through Francois Truffaut's 1966 cinematic incarnation of Bradbury's most famous work. The result is this the first in a two volumes offering the very best of his short stories including *The Garbage Collector* *The Illustrated Man* and *Zero Hour*. Within these pages the reader will be transported to foreign and remarkable worlds become transfixed by the future past and present and above all else be left humbled and inspired by one of most absorbing and engaging writers of this century and the last. **TP \$35**

**Patricia Briggs***Bone Crossed (Mercy Thompson 04)*

Car mechanic and sometime shapeshifter Mercy Thompson has learned, the hard way, why her race was almost exterminated. When European vampires immigrated to North America, they found Mercy's people had a hidden talent - for vampire slaying. Unfortunately for Mercy, the queen of the local vampire seethe has discovered her true identity. She's also furious when she learns Mercy has crossed her and killed one of her vampires. Mercy may be protected from direct reprisals by the werewolf pack (and her interesting relationship with its Alpha), but that just means Marsilia will come after Mercy some other way. So Mercy had better prepare to watch her back. **PB \$19.99 HC \$51.95**

**Connie Brockway***So Enchanting*

When Lord Greyson Sheffield, the very same man who had ruined her reputation and sent her into exile in the Scottish Highlands, arrives on her doorstep, Francesca Walcott, a mysteriously gifted medium, discovers magic in his arms amidst peril and evil. **APB \$19.95**

**Lois McMaster Bujold***Horizon (Sharing Knife 04)*

The conclusion to the series that includes *Passage* finds Dag, Fawn, and their motley companions approaching the end of their river journey in the wake of Dag's growing magical abilities, as he becomes apprenticed to a master groundsetter at a rigid Lakewalker camp. **HC \$54.95**

**Emma Bull***Territory*

A historical fantasy by the author of *War of the Oaks* finds late-nineteenth-century college student Jesse Fox summoned by a magician friend to the western city of Tombstone, where he witnesses the supernatural powers of such figures as Doc Holliday and Wyatt Earp. **APB \$19.95**

**Rachel Caine***Undone (Outcast Season 01)*

Cursed to live among mortals, Cassiel, a once powerful Djinn, finds refuge among the Weather Wardens until she encounters an evil force that threatens the family she has become closest to, forcing her to realize that her perceived human weaknesses may be her greatest strengths.

**APB \$19.95**

**Barbara Campbell***Foxfire (Trickster's Game 03)*

When his daughter, a rebel leader, seeks his help in reclaiming their lands, legendary hero Darak, who, along with his wife and family, has been in exile for years, worries that trouble will find them, while his son, Rigat, discovers his true heritage and heads down the path of Chaos. **APB \$19.95**

**Trudi Canavan** *Australian Author*

*The Magician's Apprentice (Black Magician 00)*

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. **TP \$29.99 HC \$49.99**

**Jacqueline Carey**

*Kushiel's Justice CD (Kushiel 05 CD)*

A second volume in a fantasy trilogy that began with Kushiel's Avatar follows the forbidden love affair between Prince Imriel of Terre d'Ange and his cousin, Sidonie, whom he is forced to leave behind in order to join the princess he must marry, an arrangement that places his throne in jeopardy. Read by Simon Vance. **MP3 CD \$78**

**Paul Chafe, Hal Colebatch & Matthew Harrington**

*Man-Kzin Wars XII (Man-Kzin)*

The kzin, formerly invincible conquerors of all they encountered, had a hard time dealing with their ignominious defeat by the leaf-eating humans. Some secretly hatched schemes for a rematch, others concentrated on gathering power within the kzin hierarchy, and some shamefully cooperated with the contemptible humans, though often for hidden motives. In war and in uneasy peace, kzin and humans continue their adventures, as told by Hal Colebatch, Paul Chafe, and Michael Joseph Harrington, expanding on the concepts created by New York Times best-selling writer Larry Niven.

· A human secret agent and her hired kzin companion infiltrate a planet newly occupied by the kzin, and discover that humans were on the planet before the dawn of space travel, and claim to be part of the Roman Empire. Where did they come from—and can they survive the inevitable kzin attack?

· A man wakes up with over a month's gap in his memory. He remembers being hired by a mysterious woman for a job with the condition that his memory would be scrubbed afterward. Obviously, the scrub worked, but now the police suspect him of murdering the missing woman. And a kzin is threatening him with much worse than anything the police would do.

· The Protectors—powerful ancestors of the human race who live only to guard it and destroy all its enemies—have learned that the kzin have discovered a rich cache of anti-matter in deep space. One Protector brings a human out of stasis-sleep and enlists his involuntary help in her desperate mission to stop the kzin from gaining this source of unimaginable power.

These stories and more fill an exciting volume of human/alien conflict. Once again, it's howling time in Known Space! **HC \$47.95**

**David B Coe**

*The Sorcerers's Plague (Blood of the Southlands 01)*

After winning the war of the Forelands, Grinsa, an exiled Weaver and magic wielder, and his family seek refuge on the distant southern continent, only to become caught up in the tensions between the magical folk and the non-magical Eandi in a land torn apart by racial tension, clan rivalries, war, and a plague that targets Qirsi power. **APB \$19.95**

**Kresley Cole**

*Kiss of the Demon King*

HIS OBSESSION...Sabine, Sorceress of Illusions: the evil beauty who surrenders her body, but not her heart.

HER DOWNFALL...Rydstrom Woede: the ruthless warrior who vows to keep her at all costs.

THEY WERE NEVER SUPPOSED TO WANT EACH OTHER THIS MUCH...With each smoldering encounter, their shared hunger only increases. If they can defeat the sinister enemy that stands between them, will Sabine make the ultimate sacrifice for her demon? Or will the proud king lay down his crown and arms to save his sorceress? **APB \$12.95**

**Deborah Cooke**

*Kiss of Fate (Dragonfire 03)*

When Erik Sorensson, a shape-shifting dragon warrior, attempts to retrieve an ancient relic needed to win the battle against the Slayers from human Eileen Grosvenor, he must choose between duty and love as passion explodes between them. **APB \$19.95**

**Brian Cullen**

*Seekers of the Chalice*

When Bricriu Poison tongue steals the Chalice of Fire, a powerful symbol of peace for all Ulster, from the Red Branch, a small band of Seekers--elves Bern and Lorges; Cumac, son of the great Red Branch warrior Cucullen; Fedelm of the Sidhe; Tarin, the Swordwanderer; and the wizard-druid Seanchen--battle the creatures of darkness to regain the Chalice. **APB \$19.95**

**M F W Curran**

*The Hoard of Mhorrer (Secret War)*

Prepare to confront the incarnation of evil. It is 1820 and the world is on the brink of destruction.

A fearless cohort of soldier-monks, led by Lieutenant William Saxon, has been dispatched to Egypt on the most important mission in history. For thousands of years a great secret has been kept: a stockpile of appalling malevolence, which, if let loose, will plunge the world into eternal damnation. This is the Hoard of Mhorrer. The soldiers must find and destroy the Hoard before the daemonic agents of the evil Count Ordrane of Draak locate it.

In a heart-stopping race against time, ranging from Papal Rome to the desolate heart of Egypt's Sinai peninsula, the soldiers must battle murderous militiamen and pitiless daemons, and finally, terrifyingly, the bloodthirsty Guardians of the Horde.

If William and his men succeed, the clandestine war between Heaven and Hell will at last begin to favour the forces of light. But if they fail, and the agents of Hell claim the Hoard, then they will unleash an army of invincible daemons, and humankind - what is left of it - will come to know the true meaning of evil. **HC \$44.99**

**Mark del Franco**

*Unfallen Dead*

Connor Grey, after losing his abilities, helps the Boston P.D. deal with outcasts in the Weird and must choose between trusting his friends or his enemies when a revenge killing turns into something more sinister, tearing apart the city of Boston. **APB \$19.95**

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**Hal Duncan***Escape from Hell***PB \$22.95****S L Farrell***A Magic of Twilight (Nessantico Cycle 01)*

On the fiftieth anniversary of the reign of Kraljica (empress) Marguerite ca'Ludovici, the city of Nessantico is threatened from dissension within the ConcĀgenzia Faith by religious extremists and others who wish to overthrow the peaceful rule of Marguerite. **APB \$19.95**

**John Farris***You Don't Scare Me*

Ten years after the death of her stepfather, Crow Tillman, the epitome of pure evil, twenty-four-year-old Chase Emrick remains haunted by the horrors of her past, with everyone she has ever been close to suffering a horrific fate, until she meets campus cop Adam Cameron, but to beat Crow once and for all they both must confront a netherworld of horror, evil, and death. **APB \$17.95**

**Eric Flint Editor***Ring of Fire II (Ring Of Fire)*

A mysterious cosmic force—the “Ring of Fire”—has hurled the town of Grantville from 20th century West Virginia back to 17th century Europe, and into the heart of the Thirty Years War. With their seemingly magical technology, and their radical ideas of freedom and justice, the time-lost West Virginians have allied with Gustavus Adolphus, King of Sweden, to form the Confederated Principalities of Europe, changing the course of history—in ways both small and large. The saga begun in 1632 continues with all-new stories by New York Times best-selling authors Eric Flint and Andrew Dennis, plus Dave Freer, K. D. Wentworth, and other top writers, as the time-lost Americans attempt an underwater salvage operation to raise the sunken Swedish flagship, the uprising known as the Ram Rebellion continues, Cardinal Richelieu plots to destroy Grantville and its allies, an American prisoner of war carries on a dangerous romance with the Danish King's daughter, and more in a volume that no fan of the Ring of Fire series will want to be without. **APB \$19.95**

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Welcome to the many worlds of Eric Flint. Known for his New York Times best-selling alternate history novels, Flint is equally a master of shorter forms, and this large volume gathers the best of Flint's shorter works. This generous selection includes: several stories and short novels set in Flint's celebrated Ring of Fire alternate history series; two stories from Flint's Joe's World humorous fantasy series; a story with Dave Freer, set in their popular rats, bats and vats series; a short novel set in Flint and David Drake's Belisarius series; and several shared-universe stories set in David Drake's Foreign Legions universe, and a story set in David Weber's best-selling Honor Harrington universe. In addition to the fiction, Eric Flint has written an overall introduction, plus an introduction for each story, telling how it came to be written, which will make this an irresistible book for the thousands of Eric Flint fans. **HC \$51.95**

**Daniel Fox***Dragon in Chains*

Escaping to the island of Taishu after being deposed by a usurper, young Chien, the rightful emperor, finds a magical piece of jade that imbues him with superhuman abilities, while a ruthless pirate slaughters a community of monks, and a boy slave must keep a great dragon imprisoned beneath the waters that separate Taishu from the mainland. **TP \$30.95**

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Bibi (it means princess) is the sole survivor of a massacre. Lady Nef, the General's wife, stops the General taking her as a concubine, winning Bibi's eternal and passionate devotion. Years later, a diplomatic mission to a supposedly friendly planet ends in disaster. Bibi, now a junior officer in Lady Nef's household, is incarcerated with her mistress in the notorious high-security prison on Fenmu. Lady Nef, 150 years old when arrested, dies in prison; she bequeaths to Bibi her rank, her level of access to the AI systems that permeate the Diaspora of inhabited planets and a highly secret set of 4-space co-ordinates. Bibi uses Lady Nef's death to escape from Fenmu, finds Spirit, an instantaneous-transit space pod and follows Lady Nef's co-ordinates to a treasure beyond price: a virgin, perfect, uninhabited planet. Soon after this, the mysterious, fantastically wealthy Princess of Bois Dormant makes her debut in the high society of Speranza, the Diaspora's capital city. Thus disguised, Bibi sets out to discover why she and her mistress were condemned to a living hell; and to punish the guilty. Twenty years have passed: Lady Nef's enemies now rule Speranza. As she uncovers a forgotten, ruthless and far-reaching conspiracy, Bibi's vengeance is transformed into a project of world-changing reparation. **TP \$35**

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When a group of people come to a lush, deserted island to compete on a popular reality TV show, they soon discover that they are being eliminated from the game permanently and violently when they fall victim to the monstrous half-human creatures that live in the jungle. **APB \$14.95**

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The son of Warcraft and Hate, Cratus has spent eternity battling for the ancient gods who birthed him. He is death. Now that an ancient enemy has been unleashed, Cratus's task is to destroy it. Delphine Toussaint is a philanthropist whose passion is for world peace. When a chance meeting brings her together with Cratus, the two develop a striking bond. Cratus is at first baffled by this human and her open nature...but soon he realises that Delphine is the key to completing his mission. Delphine, meanwhile, is troubled by nightmares that are starting to become a reality. The only comfort she can find is around Cratus. But she refuses to give in to war, and he refuses to lay down his arms. Yet one of them must give in, or humanity will pay the price... **APB \$19.99**

## **Gregory J Keyes**

### *The Born Queen (Kingdoms of Thorn and Bone 04)*

In *The Kingdoms of Thorn and Bone*, Greg Keyes has crafted a brilliant saga of magic, adventure, and love set against a backdrop of clashing empires and an ancient, reawakened evil. Now, with *The Born Queen*, Keyes brings his epic to a masterly close, gathering the strands of plot and character into a stunning climax that both completes and transcends all that has gone before.

The Briar King is dead, and the world itself follows him to ruin. Aspar White, wounded and tired, must embark on one last quest to save the forest and the people he loves, but he has little hope of success.

Anne Dare at last sits on the throne of Crotheny, but for how long? The Church, now led by the corrupt and powerful Marché Hespero, has declared a holy war against her, giving the king of Hansa the pretext he needs to unleash his vast might on the young queen and her unready army.

But Hansa is the least of Anne's worries. The Hellrune, war seer of Hansa, strikes at her through vision and prophecy. The Kept—last of the elder Skasloi lords—weaves his own dark webs. Anne's teacher and ally in the sedos world might also be her worst enemy, and Anne's own mounting strength compels her toward madness.

Surviving these dangers and mastering her eldritch abilities are merely prelude to the real struggle. There are many—some with power matching or even exceeding Anne's own—who are willing to kill in order to seize control. For whoever sits upon the throne will have the ultimate command to bring about the world's salvation—or its apocalypse. **APB \$19.95**

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Lonely and reluctant psychic Raine Tallentyre is targeted for recruitment into the secret Arcane Society by fellow psychic Zack Jones, an effort that is complicated by Raine's painful memories of how the organization shattered her family through an act of betrayal. **APB \$21.99**

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Responding to a fantastical invitation that most of humanity disregards as a joke, three volunteers travel to other planets at the behest of the Atoners, who claim that they have wronged humanity and would convey understanding of the past. **HC \$52.95**

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Aleksia, Queen of the Northern Lights, is mysterious, beautiful and widely known to have a heart of ice. But when she's falsely accused of unleashing evil on nearby villages, she realizes there's an impostor out there far more heartless than she could ever be.

And when a young warrior disappears, Aleksia's powers are needed as never before. Now, on a journey through a realm of perpetual winter, it will take all her skills, a mother's faith and a little magic to face down an enemy more formidable than any she has ever known.... **APB \$19.95**

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Despite the fact that Del-Rey Delgado, the genetically altered rebel known as the Coyote Ghost, betrayed her during a rescue mission, Anya Korbin, an altered Coyote breed, is unable to deny the animalistic desire known as the mating heat between them. **APB \$19.95**

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A collection of short stories includes "The Wrong Grave," in which a boy digs up his girlfriend's corpse in order to retrieve the poems that he buried with her, and "Monster," in which a monster uses a cell phone to lure its prey. **HC \$40.95**

**Tom Lloyd***The Grave Thief (Twilight Reign 03)*

Scree has been wiped from the face of the Land in a brutal demonstration of intent. While those responsible scatter to work on the next step in their plan, the stakes are raised - all the way to the heavens - as the Gods themselves enter the fray. Returning home to a nation divided by fanaticism, Lord Isak is haunted both by the consequences of his actions in Scree and by visions of his own impending death. As the full extent of Azaer's schemes become clearer, he realises prophecy and zealotry must play their part in his battle-plans if there is to be any chance of surviving the coming years. As a white-eye, Isak has had to embrace the darker parts of his own soul, but now the savage religious fervour sweeping his nation must also be accepted and turned to purpose, in the name of survival. With the battle lines vague and allegiances uncertain, the time for heartless decisions and ruthless action has come. Two figures oppose Isak and his allies: the greatest warrior in history, who dreams of empire and Godhood and a newborn baby whose dreams have no limit. **TP \$35**

**Katie MacAlister***Sex, Lies and Vampires (Dark Ones 03)*

Amongst the Dark Ones there is one they call The Betrayer, one who is doomed to hand his own kind over to a demon lord for eternity. But now a small boy has been kidnapped, and it's up to Nell Harris a Charmer (no, literally, that's her job) to rescue him. Problem is, she can't help but find The Betrayer a tiny bit attractive... is it possible he is not as soul-less as he seems, or has her penchant for bad-boys just gone into overdrive? **APB \$19.99**

**Jenna Maclaine***Gave Sins (Cin Craven)*

As a member of the Righteous, a band of slayers given the task of hunting down evil vampires, Cin Craven-witch, vampire, and warrior-and her lover, Michael, take on Marrakesh, a beautiful, half-mad vampire queen accused of slaughtering humans, a task that tests the lovers as they seek someone out to steel the queen's throne. **APB \$17.95**

**Gail Z Martin***Dark Haven (Necromancer 03)*

While Matris Drayke, king of Margolan, struggles to rebuild his shattered kingdom and to punish those responsible for the atrocities against his people, his ally Jonmarc Vahanian, Lord of Dark Haven, takes on the Blood Council, and the Flow, the vast river of power damaged by Arontala's theft of the Soulcatcher, is becoming dangerously unstable. **APB \$19.95**

**A Lee Martinez***The Automatic Detective*

When his neighbors are kidnapped, robot Mack Megaton wanders the dark alleys and glittering high-rises of Empire City, taking on a talking gorilla, a clever dame, a mutant lowlife, a little green mob boss, and a dark conspiracy at the heart of the city to find the missing family, a quest in which the fate of Empire City is at stake. **APB \$17.95**

**David Marusek***Mind over Ship*

In a twenty-second-century world around which greedy power brokers are establishing space condos, a woman struggles to regenerate from a devastating accident in time to save her mother's empire, artificial intelligences endeavor to join the human race, and a group of sisters plans to leave the planet. **TP \$51.95**

**Misty Massey***Mad Kestrel*

Hiding her magical talent for controlling the wind from the powerful Danisoba who have a monopoly on her world's magic and who had been responsible for the deaths of her parents, Kestrel has grown up to become the quartermaster of a pirate ship, but when her captain is captured, she must use her secret gifts to rescue him. **APB \$19.95**

**Richelle Mead***Succubus Dreams (Georgina Kincaid 03)*

Some days, a girl just can't catch a break.

Especially when the girl in question is Georgina Kincaid, a shape-shifting succubus who gets her energy from seducing men. First there's her relationship with gorgeous bestselling writer Seth Mortensen, which is unsatisfying on a number of levels. It's not just that they can't have sex in case Georgina inadvertently kills him (generally a turn-off for most guys). Lately, even spending time together is a challenge. Seth's obsessed with finishing his latest novel, and Georgina's under demonic orders to mentor the new (and surprisingly inept) succubus on the block.

Then there are the dreams. Someone, or something, is preying on Georgina at night, draining her energy, and supplying eerie visions of her future. Georgina seeks answers from Dante, a dream interpreter with ties to the underworld, but his flirtatious charm only leaves her more confused-especially as the situation with Seth reaches crisis point. Now Georgina faces a double challenge-rein in her out-of-control love life, and go toe-to-toe with an enemy capable of wreaking serious havoc among mankind. Otherwise, Georgina, and the entire mortal world, may never sleep easy again. **APB \$21.95**

**Abraham Merritt***The Moon Pool*

Returning to New York following a botanical expedition to the South Seas, Dr. Walter T. Goodwin encounters an old friend who relates a strange story of an exotic island, a strange stone door, and a hypnotic, mysterious light, but when he investigates the tale, he discovers more than he had bargained for. **APB \$14.95**

## **Devon Monk**

### *Magic to the Bone*

Using magic meant it used you back. Forget the fairytale hocuspocus wave a wand and blingo sparkles and pixie dust crap. Magic like booze sex and drugs gave as good as it got." Everything has a cost. And every act of magic exacts a price from its user maybe a twoday migraine or losing the memory of your first kiss. But some people want to use magic without paying and they Offload the cost onto innocents. It falls to a Hound to identify the spells caster and Allison Beckstrom is the best Hound there is. Daughter of a prominent Portland businessman Allie would rather moonlight as a Hound than accept the family fortune and the strings that come with it. But when she discovers a little boy dying from a magical Offload that has her fathers signature all over it Allie is thrown back into the highstakes world of corporate espionage and black magic. Allie wants the truth and she must call upon forces that will challenge and change her in ways she could never imagine ... and make her capable of things that powerful people will do anything to control. **APB \$20.99**

## **Elizabeth Moon**

### *Victory Conditions (CD) (Vatta's War 05 CD)*

Moon's thrilling Vatta's War series, featuring the no-holds-barred space-faring heroine Kylara Vatta, has secured her reputation as a master of first-rate military science fiction. Now Commander Vatta is back---locked and loaded and ready to win the fight against the marauding forces of ruthless space pirate Gammis Turek. **MP3 CD \$60**

## **Christopher Moore**

### *The Stupidest Angel*

'Twas the night (okay, more like the week) before Christmas and little Joshua Barker is in desperate need of a Christmas miracle. Josh is sure he saw Santa take a shovel to the head and now the seven year old has only one prayer: Please Santa, come back from the dead! But coming to Earth, seeking a small child whose wish needs granting, is none other than Archangel Raziel. Unfortunately, he's not sporting the brightest halo in the bunch and before you can say 'Kris Kringle,' he's botched his sacred mission and sent the residents of Pine Cove headlong into Christmas chaos, culminating in the most hilarious and horrifying holiday party the town has ever seen. **PB \$22.99**

## **Alexis Morgan**

### *Darkness Unknown (Paladins of Darkness 05)*

Alexis Morgan's seductive Paladin series continues with a red-hot romance between a powerful warrior sworn to secrecy and the irresistible woman who makes him lose control....

Gwen Mosely's life changes forever when she stumbles across a handsome stranger, bleeding and left for dead in the woods behind her farm. But the real shock is how his wounds heal overnight -- a trait he shares with Gwen's teenaged half-brother Chase.

Jarvis Donahue can't keep his eyes -- or his hands -- off the sexy redhead who rescued him. Gwen's warm smile and lust-filled eyes are impossible to resist...but Jarvis immediately recognizes Chase as a fellow Paladin, a warrior born to defend mankind in the relentless battle against the Others. Although Gwen may hate Jarvis for it, he is dutybound to introduce Chase to the Paladins' dangerous lifestyle.

As the barrier between the two worlds weakens, the threat grows perilously close to Gwen's farm. Jarvis is determined to protect his lover -- but if he reveals his identity, he not only betrays his people's secret, he risks losing her forever.... **APB \$12.95**

## **Susan Morris**

### *A Practical Guide to Wizardry*

So, you want to be a wizard? How do you make a magic wand? Why does a wizard wear robes? What goes into a potion of invisibility? Arch Mage Lowadar invites you to join his school for talented young wizards and explore the magical world of wizardry. In this fully illustrated guide, readers will learn all about what it takes to become a great wizard--from the gear and magic items you need to the secrets of writing your own spells in the language of magic. **PB \$22.95**

## **John J Myers & Gary K Wolf**

### *Space Vultures*

In the farthest reaches of the galaxy, a space pirate known as the Space Vulture terrorizes the local colonists, and the only hope of stopping his predations is lawman Marshal Victor Corsaire, in an action-packed science fiction adventure. **APB \$16.99**

## **Stan Nicholls**

### *Orcs Bad Blood (Orcs)*

The original Orcs trilogy ended with Stryke and his band of Orcs finding the ancestral Orc home hidden in another dimension. Orcs Bad Blood will tell the story of their hectic adventures in the other dimensions as they attempt to find peace for their race and escape the ever greedy, savage expansion of mankind. Fast moving, tongue-in-cheek and full of sorcery and bloodshed these are the perfect reads for the fantasy reader who wants a little fresh perspective on the endless war between good and evil. **TP \$32.99**

## **Larry Niven & Jerry Pournelle**

### *Escape From Hell*

Having recently escaped from hell, Allan Carpenter is haunted by the imprisonment of unfairly tortured souls and partners with suicide-victim poet Sylvia Plath for a mission to return to hell and rescue the damned. By the co-authors of Inferno. **HC \$51.95**

## **Andre Norton**

### *From the Sea to the Stars*

Two complete novels of courageous men and women struggling to survive in worlds of unknown dangers and implacable enemies:

Sea Siege—The nuclear war had come at last and the research team on an island in the West Indies thought they had been lucky to survive. But survival was going to require more than luck, when they found themselves under attack by sea creatures out of darkest legend, directed by a previously unknown intelligence from the depths of the sea which was determined to eliminate mankind as a competitor and seize what was left of the world for itself.

Star Gate—Long ago, the Star Lords had come from a dying Earth and settled on the Earthlike planet Gorth where they found a primitive society and helped the inhabitants to rise to civilization. But now the native folk of Gorth have grown resentful and jealous of the Star Lords, who have refused to share their secrets of immortality and their powerful weapons—technology which led to the loss of Earth. Though some of the Star Lords are preparing to resume wandering among the stars, others cannot bear to leave their adopted world and instead travel through an interdimensional gate to another Gorth in a parallel universe. And when they find that in this universe the Star Lords from Earth came as conquerors and enslaved the people of Gorth, their course is clear. They must battle their counterparts to free Gorth—even if it means their own destruction..

Publisher's Note: From the Sea to the Stars was originally published in parts as Sea Siege and Star Gate. This is the first time both novels have appeared in one mass market volume. **APB \$19.95**

**Eric S Nylund***Mortal Coils*

Longing to escape their grandmother's fierce control, fifteen-year-old California twins Eliot and Fiona discover their secret demonic parentage and that their existence is a threat to an ancient treaty between gods and fallen angels, forcing them to undergo three dangerous trials inspired by urban legends. **TP \$30.95**

**Dale Peck***Body Surfing*

In a small town in upstate New York, best friends Q. and Jasper live typical high school lives filled with parties and girls. When Q. starts acting recklessly, defacing lockers and misusing Bunsen burners, Jasper thinks his buddy is just letting off steam. But when his actions put both of their lives in danger, it's clear that Q. is possessed by something far more sinister than mere teenage high spirits.

Meanwhile, halfway around the world in Khartoum, Ileana Magdalen is tracking an elusive man who has left a trail of blood and bodies behind him, bringing strife, war, and genocide wherever he goes. It is Ileana's mission to stop him, for she is a member of an elite group of hunters initiated into a mystery that plagues humanity and drives men and women to commit unspeakable crimes.

When Ileana, Q., and Jasper are brought together, the loyalties of friendship are tested in unimaginable ways, and the living, the dead, and those who are beyond death become entangled in a violent battle as old as mankind itself.

In *Body Surfing*, celebrated author Dale Peck presents a beautifully written page-turner of a literary thriller. It is a mesmerizing tale in which a complete parallel universe is filled with shockingly dark corners where the secrets of human nature wait to be discovered. **HC \$52.95**

**Marcus Pelegrinas***Blood Blade (Skinners 01)*

In the first volume in a new horror series, Cole Wickstrom finds himself swept into the dark and dangerous world of the Skinners, a special group of hunters and guardians whose destined task is to protect the world from all kinds of savage monsters menacing the mortal realm. **APB \$19.95**

**Robert Rankin***Necrophenia*

ONE IN EVERY THREE PEOPLE LIVING IS ACTUALLY DEAD! It is a matter of historical record that during the latter part of World War II, England's top-secret Ministry of Serendipity enlisted the services of arch-magician Aleister Crowley to create a Homunculus. Why? Well that's a long story, spanning almost seven decades as it follows the life and career of Tyler, rock star, private eye - and notable for the fact that he almost saved Mankind. The cast of millions also includes ukulele maestro George Formby, Mick Jagger, Mama Cass, Elvis Presley and Lazlo Woodbine. And Tyler's brother, Andy, who impersonates animals (and who single-handedly brought about the Swinging Sixties). And a lady named Clara from Croydon, who unlocked the meta-phenomena of the Multiverse. And a corner shopkeeper from Brentford, who created a sitting room for God. And a great many living dead. Oh yes, it also involves a monster in human form whose intention it is to turn the Earth into a Necrosphere, a planet totally devoid of life... **TP \$35**

**Kit Reed***Enclave*

In a near-future world beset by war, plague, and ecological collapse, one hundred overindulged children of protective wealthy parents find safety at Clothos Academy, where the mysterious Sarge manufactures disasters for the outside world. **HC \$52.95**

**Andy Remic***BioHell (Combat-K 02)*

On a planet teeming with corruption, a global technology corporation manufactures the Biomod Human Upgrade. However, when hackers break the code it heads onto the black market, creating a zombie population packed with hardcore weaponry. The Combat-K squad must uncover what's really turned this planet into a wasteland of murder and mutations, and they focus on the darkness at the heart of the corporation that created the upgrade... **APB \$17**

**Alastair Reynolds***House of Suns*

Six million years ago, at the very dawn of the starfaring era, Abigail Gention fractured herself into a thousand male and female clones: the shatterlings. Sent out into the galaxy, these shatterlings have stood aloof as they document the rise and fall of countless human empires. They meet every two hundred thousand years, to exchange news and memories of their travels with their siblings. Campion and Purslane are not only late for their thirty-second reunion, but they have brought along an amnesiac golden robot for a guest. But the wayward shatterlings get more than the scolding they expect: they face the discovery that someone has a very serious grudge against the Gention line and there is a very real possibility of traitors in their midst. The surviving shatterlings have to dodge exotic weapons while they regroup to try to solve the mystery of who is persecuting them and why - before their ancient line is wiped out of existence, for ever. **PB \$24.99**

**John Ringo & Travis S Taylor***Manxome Foe (Looking Glass 03)*

In the midst of recovering from their successful if casualty prone first mission, the crew of the Alliance Space Ship Vorpal Blade are suddenly scrambled back into action. All other priorities take second place as word arrives on earth of a gate colony which has fallen to an unidentified alien assault. As the only space ship currently available to the Human-Adar Alliance, the Vorpal Blade is dispatched to find out what happened to the colony, rescue any survivors and learn the identity of the attackers.

With new complexities added to the universe started in the novel *Into the Looking Glass* and continued in *Vorpal Blade*, *Manxome Foe* continues the tradition of non-stop action, valorous if quirky characters and rigorous science drawn from the frontiers of current theory. The odd-ball crew of the Vorpal Blade is an unlikely savior of earth, but none dare say they quail at engaging the *Manxome Foe*. **APB \$19.95**

**J D Robb***Promises in Death (Eve Dallas 28)*

Every cop gets angry when a police officer is killed. And Lieutenant Eve Dallas is no exception. But Amarylis Coltraine was also in a relationship with one of Eve's colleagues, so after Eve has delivered the terrible news to him, she throws every resource she has into finding the killer. When she finds a link to the son of a criminal she and her husband Roarke had put behind bars, the case heats up even further. Alex Ricker was romantically involved with Amarylis - did she leak information to him and then have a change of heart? Eve puts herself in danger to get to the truth - but she can't prevent another death before she learns who betrayed both the criminal's son and the police officer he loved... **TP \$32.99**

**Chris Roberson***Three Unbroken (Celestial Empire)*

In a novel based on the sixty-four elements of the I-Ching that follows the lives of three soldiers from their induction into the military to their battle for survival on the frontline, the Chinese and Aztec empires battle for control of the red planet, Fire Star. **APB \$19.95**

*The Dragon's Nine Sons (Celestial Empire)*

It is the age of the Celestial Empire, and the epic civilizations of Imperial China and Mexica have taken their ancient war into space. A disgraced Chinese naval captain and a commando who knows secrets he should never have learned, are picked to lead a suicide mission. They must pilot a salvaged Mexica spacecraft to Xolotl, the asteroid stronghold of their enemies, armed with enough explosive to reduce the Mexica base to dust. But when they arrive to find dozens of Chinese prisoners destined to be used as human sacrifices, their suicide mission suddenly turns into a rescue operation. **APB \$16**

**Margaret Ronald***Spiral Hunt*

Using her unique supernatural sense to track everything from long-lost family heirlooms to missing people, Evie receives a midnight phone call from a long-vanished lover that will draw her into a shadowy world of magic, where she encounters betrayal, conspiracy, and revelations that will destroy everything she believes about herself. **APB \$19.95**

**Rudy Rucker***Postsingular*

After a bizarre scheme on the part of a ruthless computer billionaire and a wacky U.S. president to radically alter the world through sentient nanotechnology goes awry thanks to an autistic boy, mysterious giant humanoids from another quantum universe arrive on Earth with plans to tidy up humankind's mess. **TP \$32.95**

**Kristine Kathryn Rusch***Duplicate Effort (Retrieval Artist 07)*

When a journalist working with him is murdered and his daughter Talia goes missing, Retrieval Artist Miles Flint, on a mission to destroy a corrupt law firm, discovers that Talia's quest to find her other five clones and his search for a killer are somehow connected. **APB \$19.95**

**Jaime Rush***A Perfect Darkness*

When Lucas Vanderwyck, a sexy stranger, shares a secret that shatters her safe, secure world forever, Amy Shane finds herself caught in a web of passion with a man with whom she shares a psychic gift, the target of a shadowy conspiracy that seeks to destroy them both. **APB \$17.95**

**Lynsay Sands***Single White Vampire (Argeneau)*

Kate Leever, an editor for Roundhouse Publishing, tries to break Lucern Argeneau, a nationally bestselling author, out of his shell by attending a romance convention to meet his fans. **APB \$14.95**

**Michael Schiefelbein***The Vampire Maker*

A latest installment of the series that includes Vampire Now and Vampire Thrall finds two-thousand-year-old vampire Victor Decimus defiantly walking a fine line between a New Orleans priest and the vengeful Dark Kingdom. **HC \$51.95**

**Ken Scholes***Lamentation CD*

While a young survivor struggles with the devastating destruction of the city of Windwir, Rudolfo, Lord of the Nine Forest Houses, realizes that war is approaching the Named Lands and witnesses the chaotic dissolution of alliances throughout the Kingdoms. **CD \$90**

**Karl Schroeder***Queen of Candesce (Virga 02)*

Venera Fanning was last seen falling into nothingness at the end of Sun of Suns. Now, in Queen of Candesce, Venera finds herself plunging through the air among the artificial worlds of Virga, far from home and her husband, who may or may not be alive. Landing in the ancient nation of Spyre, Venera encounters new enemies and new friends (or at least convenient allies). She must quickly learn who she can trust, and who she must manipulate, in order to survive.

Survival isn't her only goal: with the powerful Key of Candesce in her hands, she can control the fate of the entire world of Virga, yet something even more pressing is driving her – the all-consuming need for revenge. **APB \$16.99**

**Eddy Shah***Second World*

Lured from his birthday celebrations by a Marilyn Monroe avatar, the US president finds himself abducted into cyberspace by a mysterious presence called The Voice. With only 24 hours before it will become impossible to return his consciousness to his body, the secret services are thrown into panic. The one called in to solve the mystery of his disappearance is Conor Smith, a disillusioned GameMaster, who enlists the help of Andi and Tebor, two young people who are permanently "missing in the Web". Soon they are investigating every corner of the overcrowded area of WebWorld known as the Brick.

Meanwhile a couple of mysterious murders escalates the tension, both in VR and Reality, and paranoia reigns as the hero gradually tracks down the mysterious forces that always seem a couple of steps ahead. **APB \$21.99**

**Eve Silver***Demon's Hunger*

Anthropologist Vivien Cairn has always been fascinated by bones. When she was a little girl, before her father took off, he left her a red velvet bag filled with bones and she's been randomly finding these red velvet bags ever since. She can't help but collect them, not having any idea what they mean. But lately the strangest things have been happening to Vivien. Her sexual libido has kicked into overdrive and she's losing hours and hours of her life at a time. Terrified that she's losing her mind, she's relieved when salvation knocks at her door in the form of sexy Dain Hawkins. But can she trust a man with eyes as dark as sin, a man who makes her feel desire like nothing she's ever known before, and a man who tells her he's a demon, a sorcerer looking for answers only she can give? **PB \$14.99**

**Dan Simmons***Drood*

On June 9, 1865, while traveling by train to London with his secret mistress, 53-year-old Charles Dickens—at the height of his powers and popularity, the most famous and successful novelist in the world and perhaps in the history of the world—hurtled into a disaster that changed his life forever. Did Dickens begin living a dark double life after the accident? Were his nightly forays into the worst slums of London and his deepening obsession with corpses, crypts, murder, opium dens, the use of lime pits to dissolve bodies, and a hidden subterranean London mere research . . . or something more terrifying? **HC \$54.95 CD \$70**

**Susan Sizemore***Primal Needs*

Sidonie Wolf never wanted the traditional life of a female vampire -- with her favors fought over by powerful Prime males -- but she must accept her duty to her kind, even if she's already given her heart to a werewolf she can never have. Erasing Joe Bleythin's memories of their blistering affair was necessary to keep him safe, but he sees her betrayal as unforgivable. So Sid's new assignment to work with Joe to track down supernatural terrorists is sheer torture...a shockingly delicious torture.

Joe can't believe his new role with an elite military team known as the Dark Angels has drawn him into an uneasy alliance with the woman who deceived him. Ignoring Sid, even hating her, should be easy. Instead, he wants her more fiercely than ever. Now, partnered with Sid on a dangerous mission, he'll discover just how deep desire can be -- and just how far he'll go to keep her.... **APB \$14.95**

**E E 'Doc' Smith***Triplanetary (Lensmen Saga 01)*

Earth becomes the ultimate prize in an interstellar war in which the Arisians, the elder race of the galaxy, use their advanced mental science to embark on a breeding program throughout the galaxy to produce super warriors who can repel evil Eddorian invaders. **APB \$14.95**

**Bryan Smith***Soultaker*

Myra, a beautiful, shape-shifting creature, arrives in the town of Rockville, harvesting the souls of young men through seduction and manipulation until she meets the one man who can resist her sensual evil. **APB \$14.95**

**S M Stirling***In the Courts of the Crimson Kings (Sky People 02)*

American archaeologist Jeremy Wainman journeys to Mars to explore the long-dead cities of the Deep Beyond, joined by Martian mercenary Teyud Zha-Zhalt, linked to a deadly secret of a mysterious city where the last aging descendant of the Tollamune emperors holds the key to the Ancients that had created Martian civilization millions of years earlier. **APB \$19.95**

**Lisa Trutkoff Trumbauer***A Practical Guide to Dragon Riding*

How do you hatch a dragon egg? Do dragon riders need reins? How do you say fly in Draconic? Once again, Sindri Suncatcher opens up his notebooks to share with us more wonders of dragonkind. In this fully illustrated guide, readers will learn how to raise a baby dragon, discover step-by-step how to train it, and take flight on the wings of your very own dragon mount. **HC \$22.95**

**Carrie Vaughn***Kitty and the Dead Man's Hand (Kitty 05)*

The alpha pair in their Denver werewolf pack, Kitty and Ben elope to Las Vegas with the intention of tying the knot human-style, but their plans are interrupted by a hotel full of werewolf-hating bounty hunters, an old-school magician with unusual powers, a secretive vampire community, and a rival plotting to seduce Kitty. **APB \$17.95**

**Rachel Vincent***Pride*

I'm on trial for my life. Falsely accused of infecting my human ex-boyfriend—and killing him to cover up the crime. Infecting a human is one of three capital offenses recognized by the Pride—along with murder and disclosure of our existence to a human. I'm two for three. A goner. Now we've discovered a rogue stray terrorizing the mountainside, hunting a wild teenage tabbycat. It's up to us to find and stop him before a human discovers us. With my lover Marc's help, I think I can protect the vulnerable girl from both the ambitious rogue and the scheming of the territorial council. If I survive my own trial... **APB \$17.95**

**Peter Watts***Maelstrom*

An enormous tidal wave on the west coast of North America has just killed millions. Lenie Clarke, in a black wetsuit, walks out of the ocean onto a Pacific Northwest beach filled with the oppressed and drugged homeless of the Asian world, who have gotten only this far in their attempt to reach America. Is she a monster or a goddess? One thing is for sure: all hell is breaking loose. This dark, fast-paced SF novel returns to the story begun in *Starfish*: all human life is threatened by a disease (actually a primeval form of life) from the distant pre-human past. It survived only in the deep ocean rift where Clarke and her companions were stationed before the corporation that employed them tried to sterilise the threat with a secret underwater nuclear strike. But Clarke was far enough away that she was able to survive and tough enough to walk home, three hundred kilometres across the ocean floor. She arrives carrying with her the potential death of the human race, and is possessed by a desire for revenge. **TP \$24.99**

**Eileen Wilks***Mortal Sins (Moon Children 05)*

While in North Carolina to help her lover take custody of his son, FBI agent Lily Yu becomes involved in an investigation involving death magic, and as the violence escalates, Lily goes up against a killer not of this world. **APB \$19.95**

**David J Williams***The Mirrored Heavens*

In the 22nd century, the first wonder of a brave new world is the Phoenix Space Elevator, designed to give mankind greater access to the frontier beyond Earth. Cooperatively built by the United States and the Eurasian Coalition, the Elevator is also a grand symbol of superpower alliance following a second cold war. And it's just been destroyed. With suspicions rampant, armies and espionage teams are mobilized across the globe and beyond. Enter Claire Haskell and Jason Marlowe, U.S. counterintelligence agents and former lovers—though their memories may only be constructs implanted by their spymaster. Now their agenda is to trust no one. For as the crisis mounts, the lives of all involved will converge in one explosive finale—and a startling aftermath that will rewrite everything they've ever known—about their mission, their world, and themselves. **APB \$17.95**

**Chelsea Quinn Yarbro***Borne in Blood (Saint Germaine)*

In 1817 Switzerland, the Count Saint-Germain is living peacefully with his widowed lover Hero, whose husband had died battling Napoleon, until he encounters an Austrian aristocrat researching the properties of blood and the noble's beautiful ward, who becomes obsessed with the immortal vampire, in the twentieth volume in the continuing saga. **TP \$32.95**

**Anne Zouroudi***The Taint of Midas (Mysteries of the Greek Detective 02)*

For over half a century the beautiful, ruined Temple of Apollo has been in the care of the old beekeeper Gabrilis. But when the value of the land soars, he is persuaded through unscrupulous means to sign away his interests - and hours later he meets a violent, lonely death. When Hermes Diaktoros finds his friend's battered body by a dusty roadside, the police quickly make him the prime suspect. But with rapacious developers threatening Arcadia's most ancient sites, there are many who stand to gain from Gabrilis's death. Hermes resolves to avenge his old friend and find the true culprit, but his methods are, as ever, unorthodox ... **TP \$32.95**

**Robert Zubrin***How to Live on Mars: A Trusty Guidebook to Surviving and Thriving on the Red Planet*

A leading authority on Mars exploration and terraformation offers a speculative look at the Red Planet and witty advice on how to travel to and live on Mars, covering everything from budget travel, to how to select a habitat, how to protect one's home from radiation, and how to choose a space suit and life-support system.

Thinking about moving to mars?

Well, why not? Mars, after all, is the planet that holds the greatest promise for human colonization. But why speculate about the possibilities when you can get the real scientific scoop from someone who's been happily living and working there for years? Straight from the not-so-distant future, this intrepid pioneer's tips for physical, financial, and social survival on the Red Planet cover:

- How to get to Mars (Cycling spacecraft offer cheap rides, but the smell is not for everyone.)
- Choosing a spacesuit (The old-fashioned but reliable pneumatic Neil Armstrong style versus the sleek new—but anatomically unforgiving—elastic "skinsuit.")
- Selecting a habitat (Just like on Earth: location, location, location.)
- Finding a job that pays well and doesn't kill you (This is not a metaphor on Mars.)
- How to meet the opposite sex (Master more than forty Mars-centric pickup lines.)

With more than twenty original illustrations by Michael Carroll, Robert Murray, and other renowned space artists, *How to Live on Mars* seamlessly blends humor and real science, and is a practical and exhilarating guide to life on our first extraterrestrial home. **TP \$28.95**

## Anthologies

**Ray Bradbury***We'll Always Have Paris*

A volume of previously unpublished short works includes pieces spanning a range of genres and themes, from the bizarre and nostalgic to the bittersweet and speculative. **HC \$51.95**

**Martin H Greenberg & Loren L Coleman** *Editor**Crime Spells*

Featuring contributions from Phaedra Weldon, Mike Resnick, Kristine Kathryn Rusch, and Steve Perry, this collection of original tales centers around magical crimes and those who commit them, investigate them, and/or prosecute sorcerer offenders. **APB \$19.95**

**Charlaine Harris & Toni L Kelner** *Editor**Many Bloody Returns*

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Jason and his sister have just moved to Malibu - to a town full of beautiful rich kids whose lives revolve around money, fashion, cars and parties. But these teens hide a dark - and dangerous secret . . .

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Jason gets swept along by the excitement of his new crowd and is flattered to be included - and also very flattered by the apparent interest of the stunning Sienna. But when he finds out the truth behind his new friends, Jason has to decide if he can accept the status quo. Everyone else seems to be able to - and it might just mean he could get closer to Sienna . . .

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Something happens to take Jason's mind of the gorgeous Sienna when he realises that there's something weird going on in De Vere Heights. Could his Aunt Megan be involved somehow? And when his old friend Tyler turns up too, and starts to mess with the wrong people, Jason starts to understand that they're all playing with something much more dangerous than it first seemed . . . **PB \$21.95**

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Jason and his sister have just moved to Malibu - to a town full of beautiful rich kids whose lives revolve around money, fashion, cars and parties. But these teens hide a dark - and dangerous secret . . .

#### **Ritual**

Jason takes his sister to a New Age fair - and they visit a psychic. Jason is given a warning of great danger - and sure enough, he is soon after attacked by a mysterious assailant. When he wakes up in hospital he discovers that he's been shot with a crossbow. Who would use such a weapon - possibly some kind of vampire hunter? Could Sienna be the one who's really in danger?

#### **Legacy**

Jason's new-found happiness with Sienna is under threat when her parents find out. They don't believe a human-vampire relationship can work and forbid Sienna from seeing Jason. Jason's vampire aunt Bianca has a suggestion that might solve the problem - for ever . . . Jason has to make a decision that could change his life completely. There are exciting new possibilities right at his fingertips, but what hidden dangers lurk beneath the glamorous surface? **PB \$21.95**

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Nobody Owens, known to his friends as Bod, is a normal boy.

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## **May Gibbs Australian Author**

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Salamandastron, under the guardianship of old Lord Stonepaw, is under threat from an enemy of immense and terrifying power. Ungatt Trunn, the wildcat who can make the stars fall from the sky, has attacked with his Blue Hordes and is determined that the fortress should be his. The mountain's defences are weak and it seems that nothing can stand in his way. Nothing, that is, but the badger Lord Brocktree, who is drawn to Salamandastron by an undeniable sense of destiny. But if he is to rescue the mountain from Trunn and his verminous hordes, he must gather about him an army capable of defeating them in battle. Together with the irrepressible harem, Dotti, and a host of brave creatures, Brocktree journeys to Salamandastron to fulfil his destiny.

A captivating blend of heroism and adventure set against a backdrop of the legendary mountain fortress of Salamandastron. **BPB \$19.95**

## **L M Moriarty**

### *The Shocking Trouble on the Planet of Shobble*

The Space Brigade are relaxing after their spectacular triumph over Princess Petronella and her evil plans to destroy Earth, when they receive an intriguing letter. The planet of Shobble wants to employ their services. Should they accept this new mission? After all, the letter mentions grave danger. On the other hand, the people of Shobble are apparently the nicest in the galaxy. As leader of the Brigade, Nicola Berry puts it to the vote and the decision is made. It's time to unpack the spaceship for another intergalactic adventure!

When the Space Brigade land on the planet of Shobble they soon discover this beautiful planet has a dark secret. Most of the population are virtually slaves, forced to mine for marshmallow and drill for chocolate (the ingredients of Shobble-Choc, the most divine chocolate in the galaxy). Led by a teenage girl called Topaz, the workers are beginning to rebel. The commander-in-chief wants the Space Brigade to squash the rebellion.

At first Nicola refuses to be involved but then something shocking happens that leaves her with no choice. Now the Space Brigade are on an incredible journey that will take them across infested rivers, snowy swamplands and frozen seas. Along the way they'll learn new skills, make new friends - and they might just change this planet's history forever. **BPB \$14.99**

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### *Inheritance Cycle: Ergon, Eldest, Brisingr (Inheritance 01, 02, 03)*

Follows Eragon as he grows from a poor farm boy into an amazing swordsman, fighting alongside his dragon, Saphira, to help save the Empire from evil and darkness. **HC \$125**

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#### *The Dangerous Days of Daniel X*

Fifteen-year-old alien hunter Daniel X is on a mission to finish the job that killed his parents - to wipe out the world's most bloodthirsty aliens on The List. At the number-one spot, The Prayer is Daniel's ultimate target. With mind-blowing skills like telepathy and the ability to transform and create, Daniel's got more than a few tricks up his sleeve.

Along with his friends Willy, Joe-Joe, Emma and Dana, Daniel hunts down the aliens on The List one by one. But as he battles towards his top target he can't forget one thing: he's got a host of aliens to fight, but on their lists there's only one name at the top . . . and that's his. **PB \$19.95**

### **Thomas Pendleton & Stephan Petrucha**

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The recurring series story involves four ghost girls Daphne Anne Shirley and Mary who are trapped in an abandoned orphanage. As they "roll the bones" to determine wholl tell the evenings scary tale they must also watch out for the evil Headmistress who terrifies them. Book 2: TORN focuses on 17-year-old Devin whose garage band "Torn" is about to hit the big time. But Devins pleasant world is ripped apart when a deadly creature appears as though summoned by the bands new song. It violently kills first one then another of Devins bandmates and now his girlfriend Cheryl the groups drummer is next unless Devin can find a way to stop it. **PB \$14.99**

### **Guillaume Prevost**

#### *The Gate of Days (Book of Time 02)*

Sam Faulkner now knows his father is trapped in Vlad Tepes's castle, but he can't save him without the seven coins that will allow him to direct his travel to the right year in Time. So he sets off on a desperate journey through the ages to collect the coins - to the oracle at Delphi, Pompeii before the Mt Vesuvius eruption - even Chicago in 1932, where he meets his seven-year-old grandfather. But things get wilder still when he finally finds his father, who is sick, dying, raving . . . and who insists they must rescue Sam's dead mother from Time! **PB \$24.99**

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#### *Killer Cruise*

Ashley Bishop is enjoying her cruise in the Bahamas with her friends, especially after she meets the handsome Logan, but then she starts having life-threatening accidents and suspects that someone is trying to kill her. **APB \$14.99**

### **Thomas E Sniegoski**

#### *The Shroud of A'Ranka (Brimstone Network 02)*

Bram Stone and the other young teens he has recruited to join the BRIMSTONE NETWORK are still learning about their powers. When the telekinetic Dez gets angry, there's little that can stop the damage. Emily can barely control the wolf inside, and after her parents finally discover her secret, she isn't sure she wants to. Bram himself knows he still needs to master his specter half. But the group is going to have to learn fast. Terrifying SUPERNATURAL beings continue to make their presence known on earth, including one the new network can't even imagine how to stop: Vladek, a VAMPIRE who can't be killed.

As Vladek gains power, Bram and rest of his new network race to learn how to stop the vampire prince before he can fulfill his devastating agenda and plunge humanity into total darkness forever. **PB \$9.95**

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When adults are stricken by a devastating virus that is introduced into the atmosphere by a passing comet, a crew of teenagers is sent away to a distant solar system in order to save the human race, an effort that is threatened by a saboteur and defended by 16yr old Triana Martell. **HC \$26.99**

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## **Fantastic Four**

### ***Doomgate***

*Jeffrey Lang*

Deep beneath the Empire State University library, a frustrated student finds the lost legacy of ESU's most infamous alumnus. Victor Von Doom's lab notebooks -- instructions for how to build a machine that can pierce the veil between Earth and the netherworld -- have fallen into the wrong hands. A gate is opened where none should exist, and someone -- or something -- has invaded our world.

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### ***Mirror Universe 03: Shards and Shadows***

*Marco Palmieri*

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*Daniel Wallace & Jason Fry*

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## Games Related

### Forgotten Realms

#### *Unholy*

*Richard Lee Byers*

With once verdant fields and towns in ruins and most of the living inhabitants transformed into the undead, the necromancer who masterminded the civil war that had driven the ruling council into exile has apparently gone insane, but the survivors of Thay have one final chance to rally their forces to defeat the evil. **APB \$17**

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*R A Salvatore*

In the further adventures of Drizzt Do'Urden, the dark elf must confront the power of the evil-spewing crystal artifact called Crenshinibon while Wulfgar escapes from the demon Errtu, and Drizzt's worst nemesis, master assassin Artemis Entreri returns to the streets of Calimport, in a new edition of the classic fantasy. **APB \$17**

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## Roleplaying Games & Boardgames

### *No Quarter 22 January 2009*

Issue 22 features a warjack versus infantry battle report, a look inside Iron Kingdoms 'jack factories, and the final preview for HORDES: Metamorphosis. **Magazine \$12**

### *Pillars of the Earth*

England at the beginning of the 12th Century...

Prior Phillip of Kingsbridge has a glorious vision. To build the largest, most beautiful cathedral in England. To accomplish the task, Phillip recruits the most renowned builders in the country. However, the fate of the Cathedral is constantly threatened by all manner of catastrophes and oppositions. The Pillars of the Earth is based on Ken Follett's best-selling novel. Players join together to help build Kingsbridge Cathedral. Using your workmen and resources, you must wisely deploy assets to overcome unexpected difficulties and shortages to prove yourself the greatest builder of them all!

Will your efforts be recognized when the Great Cathedral at Kingsbridge is complete?

Contains:

1 game board

1 cathedral (6-piece)

12 master builder figures

75 cards

35 worker figures

82 building material cubes

9 indicator pieces

1 die

1 bag

game rules

- Players: 2-4

- Ages: 12+

- Playing Time: 90-120 minutes

- Designers: Michael Rieneck

and Stefan Stadler **Game \$91**

### ***Pillars of the Earth Expansion***

The Pillars of the Earth Expansion Set

Adding more variety for 3 to 4 players and expanding the game for 5 or 6 players - making the popular game based on the international best-seller even better!

Discover even more about the 12th Century history of Kingsbridge Cathedral!

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Contains:

1 game board (1/2 board extension)

7 master builder figures

36 cards

16 worker figures

10 building material cubes

4 indicator pieces

1 game rules **Game \$58**

### **d20 Pathfinder**

#### ***17 Second Darkness 05: A Memory of Darkness***

Armed with the knowledge that an elven traitor supplied the drow with the magical means to call down the stars and devastate Golarion, the PCs arrive at the elven nation of Kyonin to find their claims falling on deaf ears. Courtly intrigue leads to a confrontation with a mysterious elven order called the Winter Council, deep in the demon-haunted shadows of the legendary forest known as the Tanglebriar. Yet one final tragic and horrific secret awaits them as they discover the true source of the dark elves' curse.

This volume of Pathfinder also features an exploration of the faith of Calistria (goddess of lust, revenge, and trickery), a gazetteer of the elven nation of Kyonin and demon-haunted Tanglebriar, a bonus adventure detailing the lair of a powerful demon, and several new monsters that lurk in this dangerous realm. **TP \$45**

### **Exalted**

#### ***Scroll of the Fallen Races***

Character sourcebook contains everything players and Storytellers need to generate Mountain Folk characters, including their Charms and Dragon King characters, including their Paths. **TP \$55**

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#### ***Map pack: Ancient Forest***

Contains 18 full-colour 5 x 8-inch map tiles that unite to form several locations within an ancient forest. **\$0**

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Examines the magical and religious viewpoints of the Dragon, Mantis, and Phoenix Clans, complete with new Advantages, Schools, Paths, and Dojo plus updated spell casting mechanics including new spells. **\$64**

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### **Will Adams**

#### *The Exodus Quest*

On the trail of a Dead Sea Scroll Daniel Knox finds himself at an excavation just outside Alexandria where an evangelical Christian archaeologist has just discovered an undeclared Jewish Temple. Knox takes photographs and sends them to his partner Gaille. Moments later Knox's jeep is forced off the road killing his friend and head of the SCA Omar. Meanwhile in Egypt Gaille is babysitting a television documentary crew. When she receives Dans pictures she quickly realises that one of them has a link to the Copper Scroll one of the Dead Sea Scrolls. But more importantly the link is also attached to the one time Pharaoh Akheneaten in Amaran the very place the crew are filming. Whilst following up the connections Gaille unwittingly draws the attention of Khaled a tomb robber and army officer. Khaled soon realises that Gaille has what he wants and suddenly she and the television crew are in mortal danger from a greedy and deranged individual. Back in Alexandria Knox is under investigation for the murder of his colleague and then sees a broadcast showing a kidnapped Gaille. Its obvious only to him that Gaille is trying to send him a coded message but Knox is now imprisoned and Gaille's time is running out. Whats worse a new and even more dangerous foe is about to make its mark... **TP \$32.99**

### **Alma Alexander**

#### *Bikini Diaries*

Noticing a sexy woman while on vacation in Florida, Wendy decides she wants a sultry style and so buys a new bikini to fit her new attitude, but when she gets what she is after, the reality between who she really is and the person she is playing becomes blurred as important decisions loom in the evening air. **TP \$30.95**

### **Stephen Amidon**

#### *Security*

The sleepy mountain community of Stoneleigh, Massachusetts, is turned upside-down by a local student's claims that she had been sexually assaulted by a wealthy resident, an accusation that prompts an investigation by security company head Edward Inman. **HC \$52.95**

### **Jeffrey Archer**

#### *A Prisoner of Birth*

The new blockbuster from one of the bestselling authors of all time. Danny Cartwright and Spencer Craig were born on different sides of the track. Danny, an East End Cockney, leaves Clement Attlee Comprehensive School at the age of 15 to take up a job at a local garage. He falls in love with Beth, the boss daughter, and asks her to marry him. Spencer Craig resides in the West End, a graduate of an English public school and Cambridge University. After leaving university he becomes a criminal barrister and is soon tipped to be the youngest Queen's Counsel of his generation. Danny and Beth travel up to the West End to celebrate their engagement. They end the evening in a wine bar where Spencer Craig is also celebrating – his 30th birthday, along with a select group of university chums. Although the two young men don't meet, their lives will never be the same again. For, an hour later, one of them is arrested for murder, while the other ends up as the Prosecution's chief witness in an Old Bailey trial. **APB \$19.99**

### **Nancy Atherton**

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Her paranoia regarding her preschooler twins' safety erupting in the face of tales about a pale, blood-stained figure lurking in the nearby woods, Lori consults with her not-quite-departed Aunt Dimity and eventually stumbles upon a charismatic vagabond, a bitter old woman, and the truth about a forty-year-old murder. **APB \$19.95**

#### *Aunt Dimity Slays the Dragon (Aunt Dimity)*

Her eighth summer in the small English village of Finch happily brightened by the opening of a nearby Renaissance fair, Lori Shepherd finds the revelries shattered by dark undercurrents, including a madrigal singer's stalker, a knight's saboteur rival, and a would-be assassin who is targeting Good King Wilfred. **HC \$51.95**

### **Deborah Turrell Atkinson**

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In Kahului to assist Lara Farrell set up her new dive shop, attorney Storm Kayama begins to suspect that something is wrong in paradise when a bomb destroys a nearby restaurant and one of Lara's employees kills himself and one of his young daughters, as his personal investigation begins to point fingers at the machinations of the Japanese Yakuza. **HC \$51.95**

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### **Hilary Bailey**

#### *Fifty-First State*

A political thriller from a popular author - 2013. Britain is in chaos. Following a severe recession and a succession of short-lived hung parliaments, an election is called. Lord Gott, Treasurer of the Conservative Party, receives large sums of money from supposedly legitimate sources, which helps secure a majority. But someone took payments as a bribe to secure victory, and that someone might have won the most powerful position in Britain. Gott steps in to investigate. **HC \$58.95**

### **Ray Banks**

#### *Saturday's Child (Cal Innes 01)*

Working as an unlicensed PI after getting out of prison, Cal Innes suddenly finds himself working reluctantly for a former associate, local gang lord "Uncle" Morris Tiernan, when he is ordered to track down a rogue casino dealer who has absconded with a fortune, dodging Tiernan's psychotic son, Mo, and a Manchester cop determined to return Innes to prison. **TP \$28.95**

#### *Sucker Punch (Cal Innes)*

Still working as an unlicensed PI but finally off paroll, Cal Innes is given the assignment to accompany a talented amateur boxer to his first major tournament in Los Angeles, but his simple babysitting job soon turns deadly, thanks to rumors of a rigged bout, Liam's explosive temper, and a codeine habit. **HC \$51.95**

**Leslie Esdaile Banks***Blind Trust*

Taking down one of Philadelphia's most corrupt families, financial whiz Laura Caldwell retires to the Cayman Islands with her new boyfriend, detective James Carter, but their newfound happiness is shattered when enemies from her past, bent on revenge, enter the picture. **APB \$17.95**

**Lorna Barrett***Bookmarked for Death (Booktown Mystery)*

When a bestselling author is found murdered in her bookstore, and the police and media demand answers, Tricia Miles must read between the lines to solve this mystery before it's too late. **APB \$17.95**

**Jefferson Bass***Bones of Betrayal (Body Farm)*

When a renowned Manhattan Project scientist is found dead from radiation poisoning, Body Farm founder Bill Brockton, aided by graduate assistant Miranda Lovelady, is frustrated in the investigation when the only person with knowledge of what may have happened is an elderly woman with a floundering grasp on lucidity. **HC \$51.95**

**M C Beaton***Death of a Witch (Hamish MacBeth)*

Returning from a foreign holiday, Hamish Macbeth is worried because he senses a dark cloud of evil hanging over the Highland village of Lochdubh. He learns that a newcomer, Catriona Beldame, is regarded as a witch and various men have been seen visiting her. Hamish himself is charmed by her until he finds out she has been supplying dangerous potions. At first the villagers won't listen to him, saying that the loveless Hamish has turned against all women. He threatens to kill her so that when she is found murdered, he must clear his name and then work to solve yet another murder to bring peace and quiet back to his beloved village. His investigations are complicated by a romance with a female forensic expert. Perhaps he'll get married at last! **HC \$51.95**

**Simon Beckett***Whispers of the Dark*

Skin is a work of art, a nest of capillaries, glands and nerves that both regulates and protects. It is our sensory interface with the outside world, the barrier at which our individuality - our self - ends. And even in death, something of that individuality remains...

Still suffering the physical and emotional effects of a near fatal attack, David Hunter takes a research trip to the Body Farm in Tennessee, the world famous facility where he first learned his trade as a forensic anthropologist. He wants to re-hone his skills after his enforced convalescence, but he also needs to prove to himself that he's still up to the demands of his work.

Then he's contacted by an old friend who's investigating a sadistic murder. Bound and tortured, the victim's body has decomposed beyond recognition - far more so than it should be. Fingerprints found at the scene appear to identify the killer, but it quickly becomes clear that nothing about this case is as it seems. Despite misgivings about his readiness, Hunter is intrigued and agrees to help. However some resent his presence on the investigation and Hunter begins to wonder if this entire trip hasn't been a mistake. But then a second body is found and suddenly his involvement is no longer a matter of choice. The trail left by the killer begins to point to an impossible conclusion and Hunter finds that nothing he's experienced before has prepared him for where it will lead... **TP \$32.95**

**Alex Berenson***The Silent Man*

Haunted by his harrowing recent missions, CIA agent John Wells is devastated by an attack on Washington that kills his fiancée, an event that takes him to Russia, where he uncovers a devastating plot. By the author of *The Ghost War*. **HC \$52.95**

*The Ghost War*

Returning to Washington after a harrowing case in the Middle East, CIA agent and al-Qaeda infiltrator John Wells is selected to investigate a surge in Taliban activity with possible Asian ties. **APB \$21.95**

**D V Bernard***The Raw Essentials of Human Sexuality*

Abandoning mercenary pursuits in the wake of an increasingly risky affair, a power-hungry detective finds himself caught up by his own family's tragic history, his sexual passions, and a paranormal encounter involving the plight of Civil War-era slaves. **TP \$21.95**

**Jebediah Berry***The Manual of Detection*

Unexpectedly promoted to detective when his predecessor goes missing and a supervisor is killed, agency clerk Charles Unwin struggles with inexperience, nerves, and a perpetually sleepy assistant during a case in which he encounters bizarre clues and is framed for murder. **HC \$52.95**

**Tanya Biank***Army Wives: The Unwritten Code of a Military Marriage*

Traces the true account of four Fort Bragg Army wives who struggle with personal demons as well as the often outdated roles expected of them by the military, in an account that considers married life in war-ready homes, the importance of appearance and everyday tasks on a husband's military career, and the impact of rank among military families. **TP \$28.95**

**Benjamin Black***The Silver Swan*

With his personal life in turmoil, irascible Dublin pathologist Quirke gets in over his head once again when an old acquaintance asks him to investigate the apparent suicide of his young wife, Deirdre Hunt, and Quirke uncovers some dangerous secrets that had been better off hidden and that pose a grave danger to his loved ones. **TP \$28.95**

**Terri Blackstock***Double Minds*

Struggling to succeed in the Nashville music scene, talented singer/songwriter Parker James finds the competition fierce - even deadly. A young woman's murder, industry corruption, and a menacing stalker draw Parker into danger and intrigue. Nothing is as it appears, and unraveling the truth challenges everything Parker believes about her talent, her future, and her faith. **TP \$30.95**

**Steve Blake & Scott Lloyd***Pendragon: The Definitive Account of the Origins of Arthur*

Plumbs the Arthurian legends for evidence of the real King Arthur, casting his glance back to sixth-century Britain--an era of chaos and war that was much more primitive than even the medieval Arthurian legends depicted **TP \$33**

**Lawrence Block***Hit Man (John Keller 01)*

Keller is your basic urban Lonely Guy. He makes a decent wage, lives in a nice apartment. Works the crossword puzzle. Watches a little TV. Until the phone rings and he packs a suitcase, gets on a plane, flies halfway across the country...and kills somebody. It's a living. But is it a life? Keller's not sure. He goes to a shrink, but it doesn't work out the way he planned. He gets a dog, he gets a girlfriend. He gets along. **APB \$19.95**

**Karna Small Bodman***Gambit*

Dr. Cammy Talbot, a leading expert on missile defense systems, is called in to investigate when three commercial American jetliners are shot out of the sky by unknown weaponry and finds herself in mortal jeopardy, stalked by unknown assassins, as she races against time to stop a ruthless mastermind with an ambitious campaign of global conquest. **APB \$19.95**

**Stephen Booth***Dying to Sin*

Building work at an isolated farm has unearthed more than just the usual remains... two human are discovered seemingly buried years apart. With little forensic evidence to go on Detectives Diane Fry and Ben Cooper have to look back into the farms history where they uncover decades of abuse of migrant workers. Is the truth to be found somewhere in this piteous history Or does the answer lie elsewhere hidden in the ground and still waiting to be discovered. **APB \$19.99**

**John Boyne***Next of Kin*

In 1936 London, Owen Montignac, the charismatic scion of a wealthy family, awaits the reading of his late uncle's will in the hopes that his legacy will alleviate his gambling debt to ruthless casino boss Nicholas Delfy, but when he discovers that he has been disinherited, he comes up with a desperate and murderous scheme to escape his troubles. **TP \$32.95**

**Ray Bradbury***Dandelion Wine*

He stood at the open window in the dark took a deep breath and exhaled. The street lights like candles on a black cake went out. He exhaled again and again and the stars began to vanish. Douglas smiled. He pointed a finger. There and there. Now over here and here... Yellow squares were cut in the dim morning earth as house lights winked slowly on. A sprinkle of windows came suddenly alight miles off in dawn country. Everyone yawn. Everyone up." In the backwaters of Illinois Douglas Spauldings grandfather makes an intoxicating brew from harvested dandelions. Dandelion Wine is a quirky breathtaking comingofage story from one of science fictions greatest writers. Distilling his experiences into "Rites & Ceremonies" and "Discoveries & Revelations" the young Spaulding wistfully ponders over magical tennis shoes and machines for every purpose from time travel to happiness and silent travel. Based upon Bradburys own experiences growing up in Waukegan in the 1920s Dandelion Wine is a heady mixture of fond memory forgiveness magic the imagination and above all of summers that seemed to go on forever. **BPB \$22.99**

*Farewell Summer*

In Green Town Illinois Douglas Spaulding is in the midst of a small civil war with the old pitted against the young in this the second book in Bradburys semfictionalised account of his childhood. As the school boards figure of authority Mr Calvin C. Quartermain attempts to outwit the boys at every turn their antics increase and become ever more daring and mischevious. Once the shadow of winter draws across Green Town the boys quickly realise that their enemy is not so much the senior members of their own community but rather time itself which is ever ebbing away just beyond the reach of their most daring trick yet: a bold attempt to sabotage the towns clock. **BPB \$22.99**

**Allison Brennan***Playing Dead (Prison Break 03)*

Every man on death row claims he's innocent... Only in Thomas O'Brien s case, it s true. Having spent twenty years behind bars for the double murder of his wife and her lover, he s now escaped and is determined to earn his shot at redemption. He wants to find what's left of his family - his estranged daughter, Claire, who was the primary witness for the prosecution, decades before. But the killer who was responsible for the gruesome death of O'Brien's wife doesn't have any intentions of letting O'Brien clear his name. In fact, his blood is boiling at the thought of a loose end coming back to haunt him after all these years...and his fingers are twitching to torment again. Now, with a murderer harboring a secret vendetta close on his heels, and FBI Agent Mitch Bianchi hot on his trail, O'Brien must earn his daughter's trust, even as he races to prove his innocence, before the real killer strikes again. **TP \$32.99**

**Constance Briscoe***Beyond Ugly*

It was Constance's mother who told her she was ugly. Over and over again. And that was just one strand of a childhood blighted by physical and emotional abuse. But the young girl had a strength and resilience beyond her years. She put herself through university, financing her studies with several jobs - including one caring for the terminally ill in a hospice - and then fulfilled a lifelong ambition by joining a prestigious set of legal chambers. But Constance's troubles were not over . . . **TP \$35**

**Andrew Britton***The Invisible*

Recently retired CIA operative Ryan Kealey heads back into action when the president asks for his assistance to help resolve the brutal hijacking of a busload of Western adventurers in Pakistan, followed by the abduction of the U.S. Secretary of State. **APB \$17.95**

## **Suzanne Brockmann**

### *Into the Fire*

Suspense doesn't burn any brighter and desire doesn't run any deeper than when Suzanne Brockmann takes the helm, opens the throttle, and takes readers along for a breathless ride as she breaks the thrill barrier—again and again. With *Into the Fire*, Brockmann lights the fuse on her most explosive story yet.

Vinh Murphy—ex-Marine and onetime operative for the elite security firm Troubleshooters Incorporated—has been MIA ever since his wife, Angelina, was caught in a crossfire and killed during what should have been a routine bodyguard assignment. Overcome with grief, Murphy blames the neo-Nazi group known as the Freedom Network for her death. Now, years later, Freedom Network leader Tim Ebersole has been murdered—and the FBI suspects Murphy may have pulled the trigger. To prevent further bloodshed, Murphy's friends at Troubleshooters scramble to find him and convince him to surrender peacefully.

Murphy himself can't be sure what he did or didn't do during the years he spent mourning and lost in an alcohol-induced fog. He does know he occasionally sought solace from Hannah Whitfield, a former police officer and the very friend who'd introduced him to his beloved late wife.

But Hannah, still grappling with the deafness that resulted from an injury sustained while on duty, was fighting her own battles. For years Hannah had feelings for Murphy, and one painful night their suffering brought them together in a way neither expected—and both regretted.

Murphy is ready to rejoin the living. As always, he finds himself knocking on Hannah's door, and as always, his longtime friend welcomes him back into her home. Yet even as Murphy slowly rebuilds his splintered life, he continues to fight his growing feelings for Hannah.

Then he learns of Ebersole's murder and comes to believe that the Freedom Network has targeted him—and Hannah—to avenge their leader's death to violence. Now Murphy must face the terrifying prospect of losing another woman he loves.

As the Troubleshooters desperately search for him, Murphy races toward a deadly confrontation with the Freedom Network and ultimate choice: surrender his life in hopes that Hannah will be spared, or risk everything to salvage whatever future they may have together. **APB \$17.95**

## **Rita Mae Brown & Sneaky Pie Brown**

### *The Purrfect Murder (Mrs Murphy Mystery)*

It's autumn in cozy, idyllic Crozet, Virginia—a time for golden days, crisp nights...and murder. Mrs. Carla Paulson is one of the diamond-encrusted "come-here" set who has descended on Crozet with plenty of wealth and no feeling for country ways. She's determined to make her new house the envy of all her well-heeled friends—and enemies—and she's hired architect Tazio Chappers to build it. From the start, the project—and Mrs. Paulson—are a major headache for all involved. But no one could foresee that it would end with Mrs. Paulson stabbed to death at a gala fund-raiser with Harry's friend Tazio standing over her, holding the knife. Now Harry must solve what seems to everyone else an open-and-shut case. Her four-legged partners—sleuthing cats Mrs. Murphy and Pewter and corgi Tee Tucker—see it Harry's way. But will they have to choose between catching the purrfect killer and saving Harry? **APB \$18.95**

## **Robert Gregory Browne**

### *Whisper in the Dark*

Stumbling upon a naked, bloody amnesiac brandishing a pair of scissors near the scene of a brutal murder, Detective Frank Blackburn believes that "Jane Doe" could hold the key to identifying a twisted serial killer known as "Vincent Van Gogh" and enlists the aid of psychiatrist Dr. Michael Tolan, whose own wife had fallen victim to the killer. **APB \$19.95**

## **Alafair Burke**

### *City of Fear*

In a city full of victims its murder to choose just one... Chelsea Hart a freshfaced Indiana college student spends the final night of her spring break in the VIP room of an elite New York City nightclub with her girlfriends and a fake ID. The next morning joggers find her in East River Park her celebrated blonde hair hacked off. NYPD Detective Ellie Hatcher catches the case and quickly homes in on a group of privileged men who were last seen partying with Chelsea. When a tight case is built against a young hedge fund manager the department and the district attorneys office are elated. But Ellie has her doubts. Chelseas murder is eerily similar to three other deaths that occurred a decade ago: the victims were young female and in each case the killer had taken her hair as a souvenir. Ellies search for the truth pits her against her fellow cops and places her under the watchful eye of a psychopath eager to add the prideful young detective to his list... **TP \$24.99**

## **John Burnside**

### *The Devil's Footprints*

Michael Gardiner has lived in Coldhaven all his life yet still feels like an outsider. Married but distant from his wife, he discovers that a school friend, Moira Birnie, has killed herself and her two sons by setting their car ablaze. However, she spared her fourteen-year-old daughter, Hazel. As teenagers, Michael and Moira had a brief romance, yet more troubling is the fact that Michael was responsible for the death of Moira's brother, the town bully. In the wake of this most recent tragedy, Michael becomes obsessed with Hazel, and she convinces him to take her away from the village and her abusive father, with devastating consequences. **TP \$30.95**

## **Nancy Bush & Lisa Jackson**

### *Wicked Game*

When the body of her childhood friend Jessie Brentwood is found twenty years after her disappearance, Becca Sutcliff, haunted for years by unsettling visions of Jessie, must go up against an evil force when the rest of Jessie's old friends begin to die in horrible, freak accidents. **APB \$19.95**

## **Tom Cain**

### *The Survivor*

Samuel Carver makes bad accidents happen to worse people. He's very good at his job. But nobody's perfect. And one of Carver's targets has got away. Now the world faces a new age of conflict driven by religious fanaticism. In Russia, the government have admitted they no longer know the whereabouts of one hundred small-scale 'suitcase nukes'. In Afghanistan and Kosovo, ruthless terrorists plot the downfall of their hated enemies. In Texas, a dying billionaire plots his own personal Armageddon. And Carver can do nothing to stop them. He was beaten and tortured and left to die, but Samuel Carver is a hard man to kill. When he awakes in a Swiss sanatorium from weeks of torment, he discovers that the woman he loves has vanished. Somehow he must find the strength to track her down. Carver's hunt will take him deep into the heart of a conspiracy in which the lives of millions are at stake. He must confront an agonizing choice between his duty and his heart, and face the ultimate sacrifice. As the clock ticks down to doomsday, who will survive the final, explosive conflagration? In *The Survivor* the worlds of fact and fiction collide in a thriller that grips from the first page to the last. **PB \$21.95**

### *The Accident Man*

Hired to orchestrate a fatal accident in a Paris tunnel, hired killer Samuel Carver finds himself targeted by the forces that hired him when the job goes terribly wrong, a circumstance that compels him to execute the most daring feat of his career. A first novel. **TP \$28.95**

## **Gordon Campbell**

### *Missing Witness*

The case is seemingly a slam dunk. A beautiful woman with a gun in her purse and accompanied by her teenaged daughter walks into a house. Shots are fired and the woman's husband lies dead on the floor. She did it right. But her wealthy father-in-law, the murdered man's father, seems not to think so. Right away he hires the best lawyer in Phoenix to defend her. That lawyer is Dan Morgan, a legendary criminal attorney who rarely loses a case. Morgan and his green young assistant Doug go to trial. And they pull off a miracle. But wait, that is just the beginning. This is a big, full-bodied riveting, beautifully written novel with a plot that hangs together brilliantly and with characters that fascinate. **APB \$16.99**

## **Kate Carlisle**

### *Homicide in Hardcover (Bibliophile Mystery)*

When she finds her mentor lying in a pool of blood, clutching a priceless and supposedly cursed copy of Goethe's Faust, book restorer Brooklyn Wainwright is accused of murder and theft by an annoyingly attractive British security officer. **APB \$17.95**

## **Allison Chase**

### *Dark Temptation (Blackheath Moor)*

Exiled to her aunt's estate in Cornwall, Sophie St. Clair investigates the strange going-ons in the village of Penhollow, where she finds help and passion in the arms of a rakish nobleman who helps her uncover the secrets of both the past and present to solve an old mystery. **APB \$12.95**

## **Rowena Cherry**

### *Forced Mate*

With his reputation as a skilled lover on the line, Prince Tarrant-Arragon, extremely gifted in the art of seduction, will stop at nothing to win the hand of his virgin Earthling bride, but courting his chosen mate becomes harder than he could have ever imagined. **APB \$17.95**

### *Insufficient Mating Material*

When he is unable to mate in public, Prince Djeth is shot down and stranded on a desert island where he must hide his true identity from a beautiful and mysterious fashionista who could be his soulmate. **APB \$17.95**

### *Knight's Fork*

When the Queen Consort of the Volnoth asks him to father her child, not realizing that he is the son of her enemy and that he has taken a vow of chastity, the Saurian Knight is torn between his father and a married Princess who will stop at nothing to make him bend to her will. **APB \$17.95**

## **Susan Choi**

### *A Person of Interest*

Wrongfully implicated when a mail bomb claims the life of a beloved computer scientist, math professor Lee receives a threatening letter that compels him to confront key events in his life, an exercise that inadvertently renders him all the more suspicious. By the Pulitzer Prize-nominated author of *American Woman*. **TP \$30.95**

## **Agatha Christie**

### *Hercule Poirot: Complete Short Stories (Hercule Poirot)*

All 51 Hercule Poirot short stories presented in chronological order in a single volume - plus a bonus story not seen for more than 70 years. 'My name is Hercule Poirot and I am probably the greatest detective in the world.' The dapper, moustache-twirling little Belgian with the egg-shaped head, curious mannerisms and inordinate respect for his own 'little grey cells' has solved some of the most puzzling crimes of the century. Appearing in Agatha Christie's very first novel in 1920 and her very last in 1975, Hercule Poirot became the most celebrated detective since Sherlock Holmes, appearing in 33 novels, a play, and these 51 short stories.

Arranged in their original publication order, these short stories provide a feast for hardened Agatha Christie addicts as well as those who have grown to love the detective through his many film and television appearances. This new edition now also includes Poirot and the Regatta Mystery, an early version of an Agatha Christie story not published since 1936! **BPB \$39.99**

### *Miss Marple and Mystery: Complete Short Stories (Miss Marple)*

A brand new omnibus of 55 short stories, presented for the first time in chronological order. Described by her friend Dolly Bantry as 'the typical old maid of fiction', Miss Marple has lived almost her entire life in the sleepy hamlet of St Mary Mead. Yet, by observing village life she has gained an unparalleled insight into human nature -- and used it to devastating effect.

As her friend Sir Henry Clithering, the ex-Commissioner of Scotland Yard has been heard to say: 'She's just the finest detective God ever made.' -- and many Agatha Christie fans would agree. Appearing for the first time in *The Murder at The Vicarage* (1930) her crime-fighting career spanned over forty years when she solved her final case in 1977 in *Sleeping Murder*. With every tale flawlessly plotted by the Queen of Crime herself, these short stories provide a feast for hardened Agatha Christie addicts as well as those who have grown to love the detective through her many film and television appearances.

Here, for the first time, more than 50 of Agatha Christie's mini masterpieces have been collected together in one volume, perfectly illustrating the true breadth of her talent. As well as every story featuring Miss Marple, the book includes additional stand-alone tales, from macabre tales of the supernatural, through suspense-ridden mysteries, to heart-stopping cases of murder. **BPB \$39.99**

## **Alys Clare**

### *The Joys of My Life (Hawkenlye Mystery)*

May 1199. Abbess Helewise has been summoned by Queen Eleanor to discuss the building of a chapel at Hawkenlye Abbey. Meanwhile, Sir Josse d'Acquin is on the trail of a group of mysterious knights rumored to be devil worshippers. As Helewise heads for home, Josse follows his quarry to Chartres, where he meets the last person he expects: Joanna. And she has grave problems of her own. **HC \$56.95**

**Carol Higgins Clark***Zapped (Regan Reilly Mystery)*

A New York City resident for many years, Carol Higgins Clark was there during the blackout of 2003. Not surprisingly, she felt that Regan and Jack Reilly should one day share the experience!

As *Zapped* begins, the Reillys return home from a summer weekend to the loft in Tribeca they are in the agonizing process of renovating and expanding. They are looking forward to a quiet supper on their newly acquired rooftop terrace. But it's not meant to be. While Jack goes to pick up Chinese food, Regan enters their apartment, unaware that a nervous thief, who preceded her by minutes, is hiding in the front closet. A thief who knows about a hidden safe that Regan and Jack have yet to discover. Minutes later, the blackout strikes, and both Reillys are called into action.

A new gallery in SoHo, featuring treasured glass sculptures from all over the world, has been burglarized. As head of the NYPD Major Case Squad, Jack oversees several departments. Art theft is one of them.

PI Regan hears from her best friend, Kit, who is in Manhattan on business. She's been abandoned at a comedy club by a colleague from an insurance convention, Georgina Mathieson, who ran out for a cigarette moments before the blackout struck and never came back. Kit gets a call that Georgina is disturbed and dangerous. Fueled by her rage at a college boyfriend who dumped her, Georgina seeks revenge on unsuspecting young blond men. She was last seen getting into a cab outside the club -- with a tall blond. Regan heads the search for Georgina and her potential victim.

Meanwhile, Lorraine Lily, an almost famous actress, returns to New York City the night of the blackout, after spending three months in England doing a play, and is informed by her estranged husband, Conrad Spreckles, that he'd sold his loft to their next-door neighbors, the Reillys. Lorraine had never told him about the hidden safe she'd had installed in the closet. If she doesn't get back what's in there, she's sure her budding career will be ruined.

In *Zapped*, Clark takes readers on a tour of the city they won't forget and introduces them to a wonderful cast of colorful, eccentric characters whose stories intersect in precarious and often humorous ways during one very dark and hot summer night. **APB \$19.95**

**Cassandra Clark***Hangman Blind*

Hoping to secure the future of her priory, Abbess Hildegard makes a perilous solo journey from the Abbey of Meaux to York, only to encounter a series of brutal murders that threaten her, her family and friends, and her country, in a debut mystery set against the backdrop of fourteenth-century England. **HC \$51.95**

**Stephen Clarke***Dial M For Merde*

Paul West has received an offer he can't refuse: two weeks in the sun with a beautiful blonde. M, as she likes to be known, is down south to report on caviar trafficking - or is she? Meanwhile, Paul's friend Elodie is marrying an aristocrat, and Paul has been asked to do the catering. Although cooking for the French is always a risky assignment ... As Paul is sexually harassed by a hen party, picked on by French commandos and arrested by excitable gendarmes, events start spiralling out of control. And when he discovers that M's real target is France's new President - and that he's coming to Elodie's wedding - Paul realises the merde really is about to hit the fan... **PB \$23.95**

**Meredith Cole***Posed for Murder*

During her first one-woman show, an exhibition that pictures murders from the city's past, photographer Lydia McKenzie becomes the target of a police investigation when one of her models turns up dead, sending Lydia on a quest to identify the killer. **HC \$51.95**

**Kate Collins***Evil in Carnations (Flower Shop Mystery)*

When her roommate Nikki's speed dating choice, Jonas Treat--aka "Treat the Cheat"--is found murdered, Abby Knight enlists the help of her boyfriend Marco, an ex-Army Ranger, to clear Nikki's name, but when Marco's family arrives, things get even messier. **APB \$17.95**

**Susan Conant & Jessica Conant-Park***Turn up the Heat (Gourmet Girl Mystery)*

Supporting her chef boyfriend as he works to get Simmer, his fledgling trendy restaurant, up and running, Chloe Carter must take time out of her busy schedule when Leandra, an unpopular waitress at the restaurant, turns up murdered in a fish truck. **APB \$19.95**

*Fed Up (Gourmet Girl Mystery)*

As her chef boyfriend, Josh, competes to star in a new TV series by ambushing unsuspecting grocery shoppers and preparing them gourmet dinners, Chloe Carter turns sleuth when one shopper unexpectedly drops dead and she sets out to find the culprit among a host of potential suspects. By the authors of *Turn Up the Heat*. **HC \$49.95**

**Beverly Connor***Scattered Graves (Diane Fallon Forensic Investigation)*

When the newly appointed chief of police and the new mayor are shot dead, forensic anthropologist Diana Fallon is back on the job and must sift through the evidence to identify the shooter, an investigation fraught with corruption and treachery that places her own life in danger. **APB \$19.95**

**Stephen Coonts & William H Keith Jr***Arctic Gold (Deep Black)*

When two American intelligence operatives are abducted during a mission to observe Russian submarines, ex-Marine Charlie Dean and the Desk Three team ventures deep into the Arctic to stop a plot by the Russian mafiya to gain control of the region's massive oil reserves. **APB \$19.95**

**Susan Rogers Cooper***Shotgun Wedding (Wilt Kovak Mystery)*

Longbranch, Oklahoma. On the happy occasion of the wedding between Chief Deputy Emmett Hopkins and Deputy Jasmine Bodine, all hell breaks loose: the town bank is robbed, a sheriff's deputy is murdered, and a city police officer is left for dead. Sheriff Milt Kovak sends the happy couple off on their honeymoon to escape the carnage, little suspecting that it will be complicated by a hurricane, psychotic pirates, and semi-naked hotel employees. **HC \$56.95**

**Michael Craven***Body Copy*

When a beautiful woman requests his help in solving her uncle's long-baffling murder, private investigator and former surfer Donald Tremaine is puzzled by the case's numerous innocent suspects and the victim's many complicated secrets. **TP \$28.95**

**Bill Crider***Murder in Four Parts (Dan Rhodes Mystery)*

When he is asked to join the Clearview Barbershop Chorus, Sheriff Dan Rhodes suspects that there may be an ulterior motive behind the invitation, a suspicion that finds him sorting through the mysteries of barbershop singing and bizarre clues with the help of a number of offbeat local characters.

**HC \$51.95**

**Jennifer Crusie, Lani Diane Rich & Anne Stuart***Dogs and Goddesses*

Three women-Abby, Daisy, and Shar-and their very different canine companions become caught up in the battle against an ancient goddess who has seized control of southern Ohio as part of a plan to regain her powers and enslave all humankind, in an entertaining three-in-one novel written by three popular romance authors. **APB \$19.95**

**Claudia Dain***The Courtesan's Wager*

In order to find herself a husband, Lady Amelia enlists the aid of notorious courtesan-turned-matchmaker Sophia Dalby, who comes up with a plan to hold interviews with the ton's eligible dukes for the position of husband, but hopeful suitor Lord Cranleigh comes up with his own scheme to woo the lady of his choice. **TP \$30.95**

**Jordan Dane***Evil Without A Face*

Bounty hunter Jessica Beckett, a woman hiding a dangerous secret, joins forces with former NFL quarterback Payton Archer to rescue his naïve teenage sister who has been abducted by a vicious online predator with ties to a terrifying global conspiracy. **APB \$19.95**

**Lacy Danes***Being Wicked*

In "Willful Surrender," Lilly, stowing away in her brother's carriage, stumbles into a world of pure carnal pleasure with the help of a notorious rake, and in "Willing Seduction," a lonely widow, disguised as a courtesan, engages in a torrid affair with her brother's best friend. **TP \$28.95**

**Ted Dekker & Erin Healy***Kiss*

When Shauna McAllister returns to her childhood home to recover from a car accident that left her in a coma and wiped out six months of her memory, her estranged father and abusive stepmother blame her for the tragedy, which has left her beloved brother severely brain damaged, but Shauna leans on Wayne Spade, a forgotten but hopeful lover who stays by her side, as she attempts to sort out what happened that night. **HC \$51.95**

**Vicki Delany***Valley of the Lost*

When a young woman turns up dead of a heroin overdose, her three-month-old baby by her side, Probationary Constable Molly Smith and Sergeant John Winters find clues that the death may not have been accidental, while conflict over a neighboring resort development begins to rip apart the close-knit British Columbia community. **HC \$51.95**

**Jana DeLeon***Trouble in Mudbug (Ghost-In-Law Mystery)*

While being haunted by the ghost of her obnoxious and rude mother-in-law, Maryse Robicheaux, on the verge of making a huge medical breakthrough, is distracted by her sexy new officemate who is hiding something. **APB \$17.95**

**William Dietrich***The Rosetta Key*

Catapulted into Jerusalem in dogged pursuit of an ancient Egyptian scroll reputed to have magical properties, American adventurer Ethan Gage is forced to apply all his wits and archaeological prowess to prevent dark powers from falling into the wrong hands. By the author of Napoleon's Pyramids. **APB \$19.95**

**Michael Dobbs***Goodfellowe MP*

Tom Goodfellowe is not like other MPs.

His private life is a mess, his love life is abysmal, he has an overdraft and a drink-driving conviction. He also has a talent for getting into trouble. He lives in London's Chinatown, and when he is asked to help a young Chinese girl, he has no idea he's heading into conflict with the Prime Minister, the police and the press -- particularly Freddy Corsa, a newspaper proprietor who sets out to ruin Goodfellowe financially, politically and sexually.

Goodfellowe is one man against the system, and he is about to be destroyed in tomorrow's newspaper. **APB \$19.99**

*The Buddha of Brewer Street*

Backbench MP Tom Goodfellowe is caught up in the search for the new Dalai Lama in this highly original and compelling thriller from the author of GOODFELLOWE MP and HOUSE OF CARDS -- now reissued in new cover style. Tom Goodfellowe is the unlikeliest of political heroes. An MP whose career has already been consigned to the scrapheap of history, with a private life that staggers between confusion and chaos! And it's all about to get worse.

A new Dalai Lama is born. The infant god-king of Tibet. And around the child explodes an international conspiracy that will carve a trail of death from the slopes of Mount Everest right to the heart of London's Chinatown.

Goodfellowe becomes drawn into a murderous race against time and against sinister sources within his own government. On the outcome will hang the fate of one of the world's great religions -- and Goodfellowe's turbulent personal life. Because someone, someone very close, is betraying him at every turn. **APB \$19.99**

*Whispers of Betrayal*

Colonel Peter Amadeus is an old soldier with a grievance. He wants an apology from the Prime Minister. But this Prime Minister does not believe in apologizing for anything. For Amadeus it becomes a matter of honour and retribution. Soon London is a city under siege its lifelines cut. Then comes his ultimatum: the Prime Minister must resign or London will be destroyed. Only one man stands between the capital and disaster Tom Goodfellowe a backbench MP who cant even sort out his own life let alone save the lives of others. He is a man torn between ambition honour and love with the fate of London slipping swiftly through his fingers. **APB \$19.99**

**Carola Dunn***The Bloody Tower (Daisy Dalrymple Mystery)*

In 1925, the Honourable Daisy Dalrymple Fletcher, a new mother of twins, resumes her career as a journalist by undertaking an article on the Tower of London, but during her research, she stumbles upon the corpse of one of the Yeoman Warders. **APB \$17.95**

**Liam Durcan***Garcia's Heart*

Traveling to the Hague to witness the war crimes trial of his mentor, who has been accused of involvement in the Honduras torture and interrogation program, neurologist Patrick Lazerenko witnesses the unfolding of seemingly unbelievable events while hoping to exonerate his colleague. A first novel. **TP \$30.95**

**Robert Ellis***The Lost Witness*

Punished by her superiors following the explosive end to her previous case, Detective Lena Gamble realizes that she has been set up for another fall when she is assigned the case of an unidentified victim whose body has been dismembered and tossed into a dumpster. **HC \$52.95**

**Dianne Emley***Cut to the Quick*

The crime scene was like something out of a horror movie. Billboard tycoon Oliver Mercer has been brutally slain in his home in the Pasadena hills, joined in death by his long-legged trophy girlfriend—both of their bodies displayed in a chilling tableau. The murder scene reawakens terrible memories for homicide detective Nan Vining, who survived her own harrowing attack a year earlier. While tracking the taunting gameplayer her daughter Emily dubbed T. B. Mann—The Bad Man—she is now working the Mercer case alongside her ex-flame Jim Kissick, stirring up conflicted feelings in her. From the ritzy estates of L.A.'s Lamborghini-driving set to a rocky desert outpost where rattlesnakes whisper murder, Nan will risk both her badge and her heart on a case that cuts close to the bone. **APB \$17.95**

**Brian Evenson***Last Days*

Forcibly recruited into an underground religious cult in order to solve a murder, detective Kline weaves through a maze of lies, threats, and misinformation involving stakes that are much higher than he anticipated. By the author of *The Wavering Knife*. **TP \$26.95**

**Adele Faber & Elaine Mazlish***How to Talk So Kids Will Listen and Listen So Kids Will Talk*

*How to Talk So Kids Will Listen and Listen So Kids Will Talk* is an excellent communication tool kit based on a series of workshops developed by Adele Faber and Elaine Mazlish. Faber and Mazlish (coauthors of *Siblings Without Rivalry*) provide a step-by-step approach to improving relationships in your house. The "Reminder" pages, helpful cartoon illustrations, and excellent exercises will improve your ability as a parent to talk and problem-solve with your children. The book can be used alone or in parenting groups, and the solid tools provided are appropriate for kids of all ages. **PB \$41.95**

**Linda Fairstein***Lethal Legacy*

When Assistant District Attorney Alex Cooper is summoned to Tina Barr's apartment on Manhattan's Upper East Side, she finds a neighbor convinced that the young woman was assaulted. But the terrified victim, a conservator of rare books and maps, refuses to cooperate with investigators. Then another woman is found murdered in that same apartment with an extremely valuable book, believed to have been stolen. As Alex pursues the murderer, she is drawn into the strange and privileged world of the Hunt family, major benefactors of the New York Public Library and passionate rare book collectors.

Eventually Alex connects their internal family rivalries to a priceless edition of *Alice in Wonderland*, which also contains the world's oldest map. Would one of the well-bred Hunts be willing to kill for the treasures? The search for the answer takes Alex and her team on a breathtaking chase from Manhattan's grandest apartments to the secret tunnels and chambers of the New York Public Library, and finally to a nineteenth-century underground vault. There, in the pitch-black darkness, Alex comes face-to-face with the killer who values money more than life. **HC \$52.95**

**Cherie Feather***Submission*

Obsessed by a series of century-old letters recording every detail of a love affair between a home's late occupants, Ethan Tierney, an artist notorious for his infamous and shocking paintings, and Kiki Dion, an art historian with her own kinky fantasies, are drawn into a seductive partnership with two ghosts out to teach Kiki and Ethan the meaning of true ecstasy. **TP \$28.95**

**Charlotte Featherstone***Addicted*

Friends since childhood, Anais Darnby and Lindsay Markham have long harbored a secret passion for one another. When they finally confess their love, their future together seems assured, sealed with their searing embrace.

But when a debauched Lindsay is seduced by a scheming socialite, a devastated Anais seeks refuge in another man's bed while Lindsay retreats to the exotic East. There, he is seduced again—this time by the alluring red smoke and sinister beauty of opium.

Back home, Lindsay's addiction is fed by the vogue for all things Oriental—especially its sensual pleasures—in fashionable London society. In his lucid moments, Lindsay still lusts after Anais, who can neither allow him near nor forget his smoldering touch. Tortured by two obsessions—opium and Anais—Lindsay must ultimately decide which is the one he truly cannot live without. **TP \$28.95**

**Robert Ferrigno***Sins of the Assassin (Assassin 02)*

In the second book of Ferrigno's spectacular Assassin Trilogy, Rakkim Epps battles radical fundamentalist forces in a futuristic America, now a divided blood-soaked dystopia. Will he survive? Can America ever be unified again?

The year is 2043. New York and Washington, D.C., have been leveled by nuclear bombs. New Orleans is submerged beneath fifty feet of water and treasure hunters scavenge its watery ruins. The United States no longer exists, and in its place two new nations maintain an uneasy coexistence.

To the west stretches the Islamic Republic, seemingly governed by a moderate president but hollowed from within by the violent, repressive Black Robes, a shadowy fundamentalist group intent on crushing all those who do not follow Allah's path. In this frightening world, freedom is controlled by the state, and non-Muslims are either second-class citizens, hidden underground, exiled, or executed.

To the east and south lies the Christian Bible Belt, itself torn by conflict from warring factions, each claiming to be more righteous than the others. Meanwhile the former United States is being nibbled away at the edges: South Florida, known as "Nuevo Florida," is independent; the Aztlán Empire, formerly Mexico, encroaches from the south; and Canada has laid claim to huge swaths of territory along the United States's former northern border.

What stability exists between the warring empires is threatened when the president of the Islamic Republic discovers that a Bible Belt warlord, known simply as the Colonel, is searching for a superweapon hidden inside a remote mountain decades earlier by the old United States regime. Rakkim Epps, retired shadow warrior, is sent on a perilous mission to infiltrate the Belt and steal or destroy the weapon. Accompanying Rakkim is Leo, a naive nineteen-year-old whose technologically enhanced brain is crucial to their success. Together they sneak through the Belt, a lawless territory where a bloodthirsty, drug-addled militia prepares for the End-Times.

When Rakkim and Leo finally reach the Colonel's mountain, Epps is forced to rely on his shadow warrior's ability to kill any and all who would halt his quest. Opposing him is the Colonel's enforcer, a sadistic, carbon-skinned killer named Gravenholtz, and the Colonel's wife, the alluring, sexually rapacious Baby, who wants -- and gets -- more of everything. Meanwhile, the Old One, the ancient and immensely rich Muslim fanatic who seeks to rule both American nations, plots his attack from the safety of his ocean liner. Rakkim Epps, he realizes, must be stopped, controlled, or killed.

A terrific stand-alone read, *Sins of the Assassin* is a cinematic feast of action and plot, and verifies Robert Ferrigno's Assassin Trilogy as a monumental imaginative work of suspense. **APB \$19.95**

**Jeffrey Fleishman***Promised Virgins*

Hearing rumors about a mysterious bearded foreigner who has been stirring up Kosovo rebels with jihad prophecies, veteran journalist Jay Morgan and his war victim translator, Alija, set out to interview the self-appointed prophet and search for Alija's missing brother. **HC \$51.95**

**Joanne Fluke***Carrot Cake Murder (Hannah Swenson Mystery with Recipes)*

Murder comes to town when, during her business partner's family reunion, a long-lost uncle is found dead with two slices of Hannah's infamous carrot cake next to his body, a discovery that soon becomes a recipe for disaster. **APB \$17.95**

**G M Ford***Nameless Night*

Spending seven years in a home for adults with disabilities after an accident that renders him incapable of communication, Paul Hardy awakens in the hospital with his mental capacity restored and a certainty that he is not the man everyone believes him to be. **APB \$19.95**

**Steven M Forman***Boca Knights*

Retiring to Florida after a long career as a Boston police officer, Eddie Perlmutter encounters the dark side of his new home and is tempted to use his crime-fighting prowess, with unexpected and often humorous results. A first novel. **HC \$51.95**

**Lori Foster***My Man Michael*

When a car accident destroys his dream of becoming an SBC fighting champion, Michael "Mallet" Manchester believes that his life is over until Kaylie Raine appears, offering him an extraordinary challenge. **APB \$19.95**

**Stephen Frey***The Fourth Order*

National security, terrorism, and human rights—these explosive issues lie at the heart of Stephen Frey's riveting new thriller, a high-octane novel of suspense, revenge, and intrigue.

Dynamic chief financial officer Michael Rose is looking to add an exciting and profitable new dimension to energy conglomerate Trafalgar Industries via the major acquisition of CIS, a global information technology company. But it's far from a done deal, thanks to fierce resistance from CIS, and from certain members of Trafalgar's own board, to Rose's takeover proposal. But Rose isn't about to sacrifice his best shot at the score that could land him in the CEO's chair. While swiftly scaling the corporate ladder, Rose has played the big business power game expertly enough to know he has the moves to outmaneuver the opposition. But what Rose doesn't know is the truth about his latest adversaries at CIS—that they are linked to an organization hell-bent on a twisted mission and are lethal to anyone who stands in their way.

The Order, an ultra-secret shadow government agency, was founded by high-level administration officials in reaction to the assassination of President Lincoln. Nearly 150 years later, the group was galvanized anew by the worst act of terror ever perpetrated on American soil—and pushed to dangerous extremes by the specter of fear . . . and the taste of power. The Order had always been sanctioned to manage national security at all costs, by any and all means, without consequences. But behind the sleek veneer of CIS Technologies, the fourth and newest incarnation of The Order not only maintains the ultimate nationwide surveillance and intelligence-gathering system, but conducts officially licensed covert operations rife with torture and murder—all in the name of freedom. The mission cannot and will not be jeopardized, even if innocent lives must be sacrificed. Unfortunately Michael Rose doesn't yet realize that his hardball tactics have made him the Order's number one hard target, and his penchant for playing to win has brought him unwittingly into a deadly duel with an enemy more powerful than he can imagine. In a world where the rule is kill or be killed, Rose's rep for sealing deals might just seal his fate. **APB \$19.95**

**Katherine Garbera***Bare Nerve*

When she discovers a black-market gun-running operation, formidable hacker Anna, an agent with Liberty Investigations, teams up with ex-mercenary Jack Savage to track down the enemy, a mission that leads to danger and explosive passion. **TP \$28.95**

## **Lawrence Goldstone**

### *Anatomy of Deception*

The year is 1889. In the morgue of a Philadelphia hospital, physicians uncover the corpse of a beautiful young woman. What they see takes their breath away. Within days, one doctor, Ephraim Carroll, strongly suspects that he knows the woman's identity...and the horrifying events that led to her death.

Dr. Carroll came to Philadelphia to study with a leading professor, the brilliant William Osler, believing that he would gain the power to save countless lives. But Carroll and his mentor are at odds over what they glimpsed that morning in the hospital's Dead House. And when a second mysterious death is determined to have been a ruthless murder, Carroll can feel the darkness gathering around him—and he ignites an investigation of his own. Soon he is moving between the realm of elite medicine, Philadelphia high society, and a teeming badlands of criminality and sexual depravity along the city's fetid waterfront. With a wealthy, seductive woman clouding his vision, the controversial artist Thomas Eakins sowing scandal, and the secrets of the nation's powerful surgeons unraveling around him, Carroll is forced to confront an agonizing moral choice—between exposing a killer, undoing a wrong, and, quite possibly, protecting the future of medicine itself. **TP \$28.95**

## **Margaret Grace**

### *Malice in Miniature (Miniature Mystery)*

While teaching her granddaughter, Maddie, the art of creating miniatures, Gerry Porter comes to the aid of her neighbor's friend June who has been wrongfully accused of murder and discovers that sticking her nose where it doesn't belong can be deadly. **APB \$19.95**

## **Benjamin Graham**

### *The Intelligent Investor*

The Classic Text Annotated to Update Graham's Timeless Wisdom for Today's Market Conditions

The greatest investment advisor of the twentieth century, Benjamin Graham taught and inspired people worldwide. Graham's philosophy of "value investing" -- which shields investors from substantial error and teaches them to develop long-term strategies -- has made *The Intelligent Investor* the stock market bible ever since its original publication in 1949.

Over the years, market developments have proven the wisdom of Graham's strategies. While preserving the integrity of Graham's original text, this revised edition includes updated commentary by noted financial journalist Jason Zweig, whose perspective incorporates the realities of today's market, draws parallels between Graham's examples and today's financial headlines, and gives readers a more thorough understanding of how to apply Graham's principles.

Vital and indispensable, this HarperBusiness Essentials edition of *The Intelligent Investor* is the most important book you will ever read on how to reach your financial goals. **BPB \$45**

## **Susan Grant**

### *The Warlord's Daughter (Borderlands)*

The war is finally over. But Wren's life is in tatters. The only living offspring of the notorious Drakken Warlord, her genes could very well start a new dynasty of terror. And the Coalition can't have that.

She alone holds the key to finding a legendary treasure. Having seen enough bloodshed, shy, petite Wren vows to destroy it before anyone, Drakken, Coalition or Earth, can get their hands on it—but she'll need help.

The Drakken's ruthless evil turned Aral toward the Coalition years ago. War is all he knows, until he finds passion and love in the most unlikely of women—the Warlord's daughter. But will trusting each other with their secrets risk not only their hearts, but their lives? **APB \$17.95**

## **Ginna Gray**

### *The Prime Objective*

Feisty Kate Mahaffey doesn't need anyone looking out for her—until the night she receives a hysterical phone call from her sister Colleen. Something about two men, a murder and a plea to run, hide and, above all, don't contact the police.

Terrified and alone, Kate reaches out to the one man who can help her—one with every reason to refuse. Her ex-husband, Jackson Prime, is a CIA operative whose shadowy life eclipsed their marriage. Jack may have signed divorce papers, but his heart still belongs to Kate. He'll do anything to keep her safe...and win her back.

Dodging hit men and bullets, the former lovers must track down Colleen before their mission changes from run-and-hide to turn-and-fight—for their love and their lives. **APB \$17.95**

## **Andrew M Greeley**

### *Irish Tweed (Nuala Anne McGrail Mystery)*

While Nuala Anne and her daughter take karate classes to protect themselves from bullies, shy nanny Julie is courted by a new beau, and Dermot examines a famine refugee's memoir for clues about the mysterious fever that killed his family. **HC \$51.95**

### *Irish Tiger (Nuala Anne McGrail)*

Psychic sleuth Nuala Anne McGrail and her husband, Dermot, come to the aid of two senior citizens, John Patrick Donlan and Maria Angelica Connors, whose unexpected, late-in-life romance is threatened by the animosity of Donlan's daughters and in-laws and by an unknown enemy who will stop at nothing to destroy their marriage, their careers, and their lives. **APB \$19.95**

## **Tim Green**

### *Above the Law (Casey Jordan)*

When an illegal Mexican immigrant is shot on a ranch outside Dallas, it makes the news, not because of the immigrant, but because of the shooter, Senator Tucker Dean. It looks like a hunting accident, and the well-loved young Senator spins the disaster artfully with his tearful press conference. . . until the sister in law of the victim steps forward with another tale.

The senator's wife was regularly visiting the victim, so Casey theorizes he was shot by the husband for revenge. When INS takes the victim's daughter away and tries to deport his wife, it looks like a cover-up of epic proportions. Casey approaches the D.A.'s office with information, only to discover that no prosecutor will take on this case. The senator is powerful and on track for a presidential nomination in a few years, so no one wants to tangle with him.

Casey is determined to see the truth come out. If the state won't prosecute a murderer, she will sue him in civil court on behalf of the mother. But this popular senator is wily, vindictive, and dangerous. What will happen to Casey when she goes up against a man who seems above the law?

**HC \$51.95**

## **Gayle Greene**

### *Insomniac*

Gayle Greene has suffered from chronic insomnia all her life. She has explored an astonishing array of remedies, from hardcore sleeping pills to alternative therapies, and has found ways of coping, but never a cure. This book is written for and about the silent multitude of people who suffer from chronic insomnia, and whose lives are permanently distorted by it. In *INSOMNIAC*, Gayle travels the world in a quest for answers, interviewing neurologists, sleep researchers, doctors, psychotherapists and insomniacs of all sorts. What comes of her journey is an up-to-date account of what is known about insomnia, providing the information every insomniac needs to know to make intelligent choices amongst the vast selection of medicines and therapies. It is a fascinating account of Gayle's struggle, but it is also a timely and much-needed call to arms for more research into what really causes insomnia - so that the patient isn't automatically considered to be the one to blame. **TP \$35**

## **Martha Grimes**

### *Dakota*

A sequel to *Biting the Moon* finds amnesiac drifter Andi Oliver moving between waitressing jobs throughout the country until a discovery at a livestock facility renders her a target of two men, including a hired gunman and a pursuer who would claim something from her forgotten past. By the author of *Dust*. **TP \$32.95**

## **James Grippando**

### *Last Call (Jack Swytek 07)*

Miami criminal defense lawyer Jack Swytek doesn't exactly have it all but life's good. If it weren't for his best friend bar owner Theo Knight Jack would have nothing to worry about. Theo grew up in Miami's roughest neighborhood. His Uncle Cy tried his best to raise him right but Theo ended up a teenager on Florida's death row for a murder he didn't commit. Jack was the lawyer who proved him innocent. A phone call at 3 a.m. reminds Jack that the past is never that far away. Theo has been ambushed by a punk from the old neighborhood. Up until two hours before Isaac Reems had been in prison. He's now a fugitive and promises that if Theo will help him elude the manhunt he will name the guy who killed Theo's momma. Theo's mother died when he was a boy brutally murdered. The crime was never solved. It's clear from the getgo that it wasn't a lowlife from the old hood who slit his mother's throat. Someone has a very dark secret one that he will stop at nothing to protect. Jack and Theo's search will take them right up to the doors of Miami's elite but for Theo the danger is personal. Jack's friend doesn't want justice. He needs revenge. As the two men draw closer to the truth the twists and turns along a twenty-year-old trail of evidence seem to point in a direction that chills even Theo. **APB \$14.99**

## **John Grisham**

### *The Associate*

A rock, a hard place and the biggest legal battle the planet has ever seen.

Kyle McAvoy is one of the outstanding legal students of his generation: he's good looking, has a brilliant mind and a glittering future ahead of him. But he has a secret from his past, a secret that threatens to destroy his fledgling career and, possibly, his entire life.

One night that secret catches up with him in the form of some bad men in a dark alley -- they have a deeply compromising video of the incident that haunts him. The men make it clear to Kyle that he no longer owns his own future -- that he must do as they tell him, or the video will be made public knowledge, with all the unpleasant consequences.

What price do they demand for Kyle's secret? Strangely, it is for Kyle to do exactly what any ambitious young lawyer would want to do: take a job in New York as an associate at the largest law firm in the world, a job that is incredibly well paid and, with mammoth hours and outrageous billing, could lead to partnership and a fortune.

But Kyle won't be working for the company, but against it - passing on the secrets of the company's biggest trial to date, a dispute between two defense contractors worth billions of dollars to the victor. Now Kyle is caught between the criminal forces manipulating him and the FBI, who would love to unmask the conspiracy. Will his intellect, cunning and bravery be enough to extricate him from an impossible dilemma? **HC \$49.95**

### *The Broker*

In his final hours in the Oval Office the outgoing President grants a controversial last minute pardon to Joel Backman, a notorious Washington power broker who has spent the last six years hidden away in a federal prison. What no one knows is that the President issues the pardon only after receiving enormous pressure from the CIA. It seems that Backman, in his power broker heyday, may have obtained secrets that compromise the world's most sophisticated satellite surveillance system.

Backman is quietly smuggled out of the country in a military cargo plane, given a new name, a new identity, and a new home in Italy. Eventually, after he has settled into his new life, the CIA will leak his whereabouts to the Israelis, the Russians, the Chinese and the Saudis. Then the CIA will do what it does best: sit back and watch. The question is not whether Backman will survive - there's no chance of that. The question the CIA needs answered is, who will kill him? **TP \$22.95**

### *The Firm*

When Mitchell McDeere qualified third in his class at Harvard, offers poured in from every law firm in America.

The firm he chose was small, but well respected. They were prepared to match, and then exceed Mitch's wildest dreams: eighty thousand a year, a BMW and a low-interest mortgage.

Now the house, the car and the job are his. Then the nightmares begin: the secret files, the bugs in the new bedroom, the mysterious deaths of colleagues, and the millions of dollars of mob money pouring through the office into the Cayman Islands, dollars that the FBI would do anything to trace.

Now Mitch is in the place where dreams end and nightmares begin... **TP \$22.95**

### *A Time to Kill*

When Carl Lee Hailey guns down the hoodlums who have raped his ten-year-old child, the people of Clanton see it as a crime of blood and call for his acquittal.

But when extremists outside Clanton hear that a black man has killed two white men, they invade the town, determined to destroy anything and anyone that opposes their sense of justice.

Jake Brigance has been hired to defend Hailey. It's the kind of case that can make or break a young lawyer. But in the maelstrom of Clanton, it is also the kind of case that could get a young lawyer killed. **TP \$22.95 HC \$60**

### *The Client*

A US state senator is dead, and a young boy is told the name of the killer - a mafia hitman, Danny "The Blade" Muldano - by Muldano's lawyer. After the lawyer's suicide, Muldano and the boy are the only people who know the killer's identity. By the author of *THE FIRM* and *THE PELICAN BRIEF*. **TP \$22.95**

**Peter Grose***An Awkward Truth*

Darwin was a battle Australia would rather forget. Yet the Japanese attack on 19 February 1942 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. There was a difference. More bombs fell on Darwin, more civilians were killed, and more ships were sunk.

The raid led to the worst death toll from any event in Australia. The attackers bombed and strafed three hospitals, flattened shops, offices and the police barracks, shattered the Post Office and communications centre, wrecked Government House, and left the harbour and airfields burning and ruined. The people of Darwin abandoned their town, leaving it to looters, a few anti-aircraft batteries and a handful of dogged defenders with 303 rifles.

Yet the story has remained in the shadows. Drawing on long-hidden documents and first-person accounts, Peter Grose tells what really happened and takes us into the lives of the people who were there. There was much to be proud of in Darwin that day: courage, mateship, determination and improvisation. But the dark side of the story involves looting, desertion and a calamitous failure of leadership. Australians ran away because they did not know what else to do.

Absorbing, spirited and fast-paced, *An Awkward Truth* is a compelling and revealing story of the day war really came to Australia, and the motley bunch of soldiers and civilians who were left to defend the nation. **TP \$32.95**

**Andrew Gross***The Dark Tide*

When her husband becomes one of dozens of commuters who are killed in a tragic Grand Central Station accident, Karen Friedman struggles to rebuild her life with her two teenage children, until a pair of strangers arrives demanding large funds from her late husband's investment business. **APB \$19.95**

**John Gunnell***Standard Catalog of American Muscle Cars: 1973-2006*

A guide to muscle cars manufactured between 1973 and 2006 provides information on each car's engine, chassis, VIN, options, and price. **\$56.95**

**Charlaine Harris***A Fool and His Honey (Aurora Teagarden 06)*

When her husband's young niece arrives on the doorstep with a new, unexpected baby in tow, Roe is surprised, but the girl's equally sudden disappearance in the wake of a killing drags the reluctant couple into a murder investigation. **APB \$19.95**

**Rosemary Harris***The Big Dirt Nap (Dirty Business Mystery)*

Accompanying her friend Lucy on an all-expense-paid trip to the Titans Hotel, gardener Paula Holliday is delighted to get the opportunity to write an article on the rare titan arum flower on display at the hotel, but her trip goes awry when Lucy is detained, the corpse flower refuses to bloom, and a would-be suitor turns up dead. **HC \$51.95**

**Rosemary Harris***Pushing up Daisies (Dirty Business Mystery)*

Moving from New York City to suburban Connecticut to start a landscaping business, former media executive Paula Holliday stumbles upon a mummified corpse on a wealthy dowager's overgrown estate and joins forces with an ex-colleague, an aging rocker who owns the local greasy spoon, and a sexy but secretive Mexican laborer to solve the crime. A first novel. **APB \$17.95**

**John Harwood Australian Author***The Séance*

Growing up with a distant father and a mother in perpetual mourning for a lost child, Constance Langton takes her mother to a seance in the hope of helping her find peace, only to confront the tragic consequences of that decision as she is left alone to deal with a legacy of a decaying mansion in rural England and the mysterious disappearance of a family at the estate. **HC \$51.95**

**Joan Hess***Mummy Dearest (Claire Malloy Mystery)*

On a honeymoon trip to Luxor, Egypt, with her new husband, Lt. Peter Rosen, teenage daughter Caron, and Caron's best friend Inez, Arkansas bookseller Claire Malloy suddenly finds her honeymoon turned upside down when the two girls are chased through back alleys by unknown pursuers and a blonde college student is kidnapped by two young men on horseback. **APB \$17.95**

**Jack Higgins***A Darker Place*

The elaborately planned defection of famous Russian writer and ex-paratrooper Alexander Kurbsky, coordinated by Charles Ferguson and Sean Dillon of the "Prime Minister's private army," appears to be a victory for Western interests until it is revealed that Kurbsky is a secret agent out to infiltrate British and American intelligence. **HC \$54.95**

**Reginald Hill***The Roar of the Butterflies (Joe Sixsmith)*

A sweltering summer spells bad news for the private detective business. Thieves and philanderers take the month off and the only swingers in town are the ones to be found on the 19th hole of the Royal Hoo Golf Course. The civilized reputation of the Hoo is in trouble however. Shocking allegations of cheating have been directed at one of its leading members Chris Porphyry. When Chris turns to Joe Sixsmith PI he's more than willing to help well he hasn't got any other clients only Joe hadn't counted on being Frenchkissed then dangled out of a window on the same day. Before long though Joes on the trail of a conspiracy that starts with missing balls and ends with murder... **BPB \$24.99**

## **Craig Holden**

### *Matala*

Darcy Arlen, a beautiful young American, is dangerously bored. Though she's on a very pricey tour of Europe, she's already sick of museums and ruins, and eager for distraction. After slipping away from the group one afternoon, she meets Will, an attractive young drifter who carries about him the scent of true adventure.

Will invites Darcy back to the hostel where he's been staying and introduces her to Justine, his darkly seductive lover and mentor. Justine, a master of the con, senses a grand opportunity in this amenable blonde. She and Will manage to turn things so that Darcy not only accompanies them to Venice, but finances the trip as well. There they meet Maurice, a shady figure who offers them a job smuggling an important package to Greece.

As the threesome travels across Europe toward the island of Crete, what unfolds is an astonishing tale of shifting alliances and shocking betrayals, of sexual obsession and mercenary enterprise, of conflicting passions and fateful choices. When the adventurers finally reach the village of Matala with the package in hand, they learn that what they have delivered is more valuable, and the repercussions of their involvement more terrifying, than they ever could have imagined.

Endlessly surprising and altogether riveting, *Matala* is an unforgettable novel about the intersection of love and ruthlessness. **TP \$28.95**

## **Thomas Holland**

### *K.I.A. (Army CIL)*

Dedicated military forensics investigator Kel McKelvey is called upon to apply his exhaustive scrutiny in a case involving suspicious coroners and desperate criminals after the remains of a soldier who disappeared in Saigon in 1970 are discovered. **APB \$19.95**

## **Gwen Hunter**

### *Rapid Descent*

The kayak trip was supposed to be a honeymoon. But when Nell and Joe Stevens are caught in a flash flood, Nell is swept under, trapped and loses consciousness. When she awakes, safe on shore, she finds a note from Joe, explaining that he has gone for help. He never returns.

The search that follows raises more questions than it answers. About the family he never mentioned, who arrive in Nell's sleepy hometown. The enormous inheritance. And worse, the question whispered by the locals: is Nell responsible?

Always hoping for Joe's return, Nell tries to put the rumors behind her. But as years slip past, Nell craves answers. She takes to the river again in search of the truth and finds that jealousy, desperation and deception can pull you under faster than churning water—and you may never resurface.

**APB \$17.95**

## **Greg Iles**

### *The Devil's Punchbowl*

**TP \$32.99**

## **Sue Ann Jaffarian**

### *Booby Trap*

Plus-sized, middle-aged sleuth Odelia Grey launches a personal probe when she begins to suspect Dr. Brian Eddy, plastic surgeon to the rich and famous, of being the Blond Bombshell serial killer, but she soon discovers that, even with the help of her husband Greg, dog Wainwright, friends Zee and Seth, Detective Dev Frye, and her boss Mike Steele, how dangerous the case can be. **TP \$28.95**

## **Pam Jenoff**

### *Almost Home*

Ten years ago, American Jordan Weiss's idyllic experience as a graduate student and coxswain at Cambridge was shattered when her boyfriend and fellow crewmember, Jared Short, drowned in the River Cam the night before the biggest race of the year. Since that time, Jordan, a State Department intelligence officer, has traveled the world on dangerous assignments but has managed to avoid returning to face her painful memories in England. When her terminally ill friend Sarah asks her to come to London, though, Jordan finds herself requesting a transfer to the one place she swore she'd never go again.

In London, Jordan attempts to settle into her new life, pushing aside her haunting memories and taking on an urgent mission beside rakish agent Sebastian Hodges. Shortly after her arrival, just when she thinks there's hope for a fresh start in England, she is approached by a former college classmate who makes a startling assertion. He tells her that Jared's death was not an accident, but that he was murdered.

Jordan quickly learns that Jared's death was indeed not an accident, and that his research on World War II had uncovered a shameful secret. But powerful forces with everything to lose will stop at nothing to keep the past buried. Soon, Jordan finds herself in grave peril as she struggles to find the answers that lie treacherously close to home, the truth that threatens to change her life forever, and the love that makes it all worth fighting for.

It is a journey that sweeps readers across England and back in time to reveal the incalculable dangers that lie in the wake of war. **HC \$51.95**

## **Chris Jordan**

### *Torn*

In a small New York town, a deranged man holds over one hundred schoolchildren hostage...

With the SWAT team about to go in, the gymnasium suddenly explodes in flames. Fortunately, all the students escape—except ten-year-old Noah Corbin. Noah's mother, Haley, is frantic. Was her son killed in the explosion? Did he somehow wander away from the scene, hurt and confused?

Or did someone take him?

Haley hires ex-FBI agent Randall Shane because she needs the truth. Their investigation leads them to a desolate area of the Rocky Mountains, and into the resort compound of a notoriously secretive cult ruled by the rich and powerful.

Haley knows they have something to do with Noah's disappearance. But they will protect their secrets. No matter what. **APB \$17.95**

## **Hugh Kennedy**

### *Great Arab Conquests*

Today's Arab world was created at breathtaking speed. Where the Roman Empire took over 200 years to reach its full extent, the Arab armies overran the whole Middle East, North Africa and Spain within a generation. They annihilated the thousand-year-old Persian Empire and reduced the Byzantine Empire to little more than a city-state based around Constantinople. Within a hundred years of the Prophet's death, Muslim armies destroyed the Visigoth kingdom of Spain and crossed the Pyrenees to occupy southern France. This is the first popular English language account of this astonishing remaking of the political and religious map of the world. Hugh Kennedy's sweeping narrative reveals how the Arab armies conquered almost everything in their path. One of the few academic historians with a genuine talent for storytelling, he offers a compelling mix of larger-than-life characters, battles, treachery and the clash of civilisations. **BPB \$35**

**Philip Kerr***The One from the Other*

A four-part anthology of Bernie Gunther mysteries finds a former police officer struggling with his notions of justice in 1930s Germany, in a collection that is complemented by a fourth work, *The One from the Other*, in which Gunther finds unexpected danger while trying to confirm the death of a war criminal. **TP \$30.95**

**William Lashner***Blood and Bone*

Enjoying a life of minimal responsibility after botching a promising athletic career, Kyle is wrongfully implicated in the murder of his father's former law partner and finds himself questioned about his father's own death twelve years earlier, pitting him against powerful forces in his efforts to clear his name. **HC \$51.95**

**Chris Lavers***The Natural History of Unicorns*

For two and a half thousand years, unicorns have inspired, enchanted and eluded humanity. The beast appears in the Old Testament texts and Greek and Roman natural histories; Christians adopted it as a symbol of Christ, the middle ages as a symbol of courtly love. A brisk trade was had in unicorn parts in Medieval and Renaissance times, and travellers regularly reported sightings into the modern era. But by the early twentieth century the last physical evidence of the beast had been dismissed, and scientists conceded that the unicorn never existed. It turns out they were a little hasty. Where do unicorns come from, and how was it accepted as a part of the animal kingdom for so long? In this lively and vivid exploration of the natural world, Chris Lavers follows the beast's trail to the plateaus of India and into the jungles of Africa to unearth the flesh and blood ancestors of our iconic unicorn, finding traces of it in a hotchpotch of existing species. He shows that the unicorn's changing status - from one-horned ass, to religious symbol, to pure myth - is also a reflection of man's journey from superstition to scientific understanding. **TP \$35**

**Lisa Lawrence***Sexile*

There's a voyeur in each of us—and Teresa Knight is no exception

Somebody's shadowing Teresa Knight, watching the part-time investigator's every move. And she's about to find out why: tapped for an undercover assignment that takes her into the steamy world of erotic films, Teresa lands a job at Silky Pictures—and within weeks she's directing the action, conjuring her own wildest fantasies onto film. But her employer is dabbling in something far beyond hard-core porn. And when the case culminates in murder, Teresa is at the center of the storm.

Framed for a crime she didn't commit, Teresa's on the run from Paris to Rio...and soon she's playing hardball with the boys from Brazil while tangling with crime lords, terrorists, and one sexually adventurous clandestine agent. As she moves closer to the truth—and deeper into the erotic throes of her own unbridled sensuality—she's following a trail that leads to the highest reaches of international government. Unable to trust anyone, caught in a tangled web of obsession and eroticism, suddenly she's both hunter and prey in a deadly conspiracy that's taking sex and power to a whole new level.... **TP \$26.95**

**Stephen Leather***Live Fire (Dan Shepherd)*

Mickey and Mark Moore are Ordinary Decent Criminals hard men who live by their own code and leaders of a gang that has made millions at the point of a gun. But when Dan Spider Shepherd is sent to infiltrate the tightly-knit team of bank robbers, he discovers that he has more in common with them than he first thought. And that perhaps being a career criminal isn't the worst thing in the world. As Shepherd and his Serious Organised Crime Agency colleagues plot the downfall of the Moore brothers, a more sinister threat stalks the streets of London. A group of home-grown Islamic fundamentalist fanatics embark on a campaign of terror the like of which Britain has never seen. Car bombs and beheadings are only the prelude of what they have planned. And Shepherd is the only man who can stop them. **TP \$32.99**

**Michael Ledwidge & James Patterson***Run For Your Life (Michael Bennett)*

A calculating killer who calls himself The Teacher is taking on New York City, killing the powerful and the arrogant. His message is clear: remember your manners or suffer the consequences! For some, it seems that the rich are finally getting what they deserve. For New York's elite, it is a call to terror.

Only one man can tackle such a high-profile case: Detective Mike Bennett. The pressure is enough for anyone, but Mike also has to care for his 10 children—all of whom have come down with virulent flu at once!

Discovering a secret pattern in The Teacher's lessons, Detective Bennett realizes he has just hours to save New York from the greatest disaster in its history. From the #1 bestselling author comes BE AFRAID, the continuation of his newest, electrifying series. **HC \$56.95**

**Jeff Lindsay***Dexter By Design (Dexter 04)*

Being a blood spatter analyst who hates the sight of blood has always made Dexter's work for the Miami PD tough. But it means he's very neat when it comes to his out-of-hours hobby: murder. Of course, the fact Dexter only kills bad people helps too. Now Dex is facing a disturbing situation. He's used to blood at work and blood when he's out with the dark passenger (the voice that guides him on his deadly outings). But he's not sure what to make of the man who says blood is art. Using bodies as his canvas, someone is out there expressing themselves in the most lethal and painful of ways and if Dexter's to escape the scalpel and avoid becoming the latest exhibit, he needs somewhere to run...and he might just have found the perfect place. With his wedding looming, completing his nice-guy disguise, Dexter's honeymoon might just save his skin. From the most original voice in crime fiction, DEXTER BY DESIGN is an enthralling, macabre and gruesomely entertaining thriller. **TP \$32.99**

**Emily Listfield***The Last Good Night*

Laura Barrett has it all -- a supportive husband, a beautiful baby daughter, and a career in television that has made her face familiar to millions. But there's a shadow over Laura's happiness. And when a man approaches her after she leaves work and calls her "Marta," Laura knows that what she's feared for so long has finally arrived. The postcard with the coffin on it confirms that her idyll is over.

Marta was a teenager, growing up on the wrong side of the tracks, when she did something terrible one night in a run-down motel, and she's been running from it ever since. For twenty years, Laura has been trying to erase Marta from her memory. Now a man from her past is confronting her, demanding answers. At first, Laura thinks she can control the situation. But suddenly, she's facing every mother's nightmare: her daughter is kidnapped. To get her baby back, Laura's going to have to risk her marriage, her career, and her life, and finally face up to what happened that night so long ago. **TP \$30.95**

**Lisa Lutz***The Spellman Files*

Meet Isabel "Izzy" Spellman, private investigator. This twenty-eight-year-old may have a checkered past littered with romantic mistakes, excessive drinking, and creative vandalism; she may be addicted to Get Smart reruns and prefer entering homes through windows rather than doors -- but the upshot is she's good at her job as a licensed private investigator with her family's firm, Spellman Investigations. Invading people's privacy comes naturally to Izzy. In fact, it comes naturally to all the Spellmans. If only they could leave their work at the office. To be a Spellman is to snoop on a Spellman; tail a Spellman; dig up dirt on, blackmail, and wiretap a Spellman.

Part Nancy Drew, part Dirty Harry, Izzy walks an indistinguishable line between Spellman family member and Spellman employee. Duties include: completing assignments from the bosses, aka Mom and Dad (preferably without scrutiny); appeasing her chronically perfect lawyer brother (often under duress); setting an example for her fourteen-year-old sister, Rae (who's become addicted to "recreational surveillance"); and tracking down her uncle (who randomly disappears on benders dubbed "Lost Weekends"). But when Izzy's parents hire Rae to follow her (for the purpose of ascertaining the identity of Izzy's new boyfriend), Izzy snaps and decides that the only way she will ever be normal is if she gets out of the family business. But there's a hitch: she must take one last job before they'll let her go -- a fifteen-year-old, ice-cold missing person case. She accepts, only to experience a disappearance far closer to home, which becomes the most important case of her life.

The Spellman Files is the first novel in a winning and hilarious new series featuring the Spellman family in all its lovable chaos. **APB \$19.95**

**C J Lyons***Warning Signs*

When mysterious symptoms that defy diagnosis affect her performance, Amanda Mason, struggling to finish medical school, stumbles upon a medical murder mystery and calls upon her friends to help her solve it before she becomes the next victim. **APB \$19.95**

**Jeff Mac***Manslations*

DECODING THE SECRET LANGUAGE OF MEN ...

More than just a handbook for figuring out if a guy likes you, this hilarious guide will help women understand all kinds of male behaviour - and how to get him to understand you, too (because he so doesn't). And it's advice straight from the source: comedian Jeff Mac has been the guy who 'disappeared'; the guy who 'didn't call'; even the guy who 'won't ask for directions', and he knows WHY guys do all these things - and much, much more. He is happy to betray his fellow males for the greater good, just as he's been doing on his website of the same name.

Manslations reveals the golden rule of what never to worry about (and what to lose sleep over), plus the two keys that will unlock the meaning behind even the most confusing male actions. It covers everything from basic manslation theory (Consider the Jack Bauer Principle: deep down, every man feels he might be called on to save the world at any moment) and common 'mythunderstandings' to first date dos and don'ts, post date debriefing, Men and their Things, Manslating Pop Culture (or why nobody in the real world ends up with Dr McDreamy); Manslations for the top 13 male conundrums, plus a handy man-to-woman phrase book. For instance:

He says: 'I'm not looking for a relationship right now.'

Manslation: 'I'm not looking for a relationship with you right now.'

Whether she is looking for Mr Right, or already in a relationship, every woman needs this book! **TP \$24.95**

**Peter May***Snakehead*

Finally back on her own soil, American pathologist Margaret Campbell once again joins forces with Beijing detective Li Yan, now based at the Chinese embassy in Washington, to uncover the truth about a truck load of dead Chinese and a multi-million-dollar trade in illegal Chinese immigrants. **HC \$51.95**

**Melissa Mayhue***A Highlander of Her Own*

TEXAS, PRESENT DAY. Ellie Denton's world has spiraled out of control. A strange new birthmark, animals talking to her, and her mother's ex-husband laying claim to the family ranch have her thinking life can't get more complicated. But Ellie doesn't know the birthmark's connection to her Faerie ancestors. Complicated takes on a whole new meaning with her innocent wish to find her true love.

SCOTLAND, 1304. Caden MacAlister has more trouble than he can handle. With his brother held for ransom and the laird missing, the last thing he needs is another problem. But the Fae have other plans. A mysterious woman shows up in his stables, sent by Faerie Magic to find her true love. Fighting his attraction, Caden insists she's meant for one of his brothers. With his history, he has no desire for a woman in his life -- especially a woman sent by the Fae.

Only the magic of the Fae can determine whether Ellie will find a Highlander of her own... **APB \$17.95**

**Cheyenne McCray***The First Sin*

An agent for the NSA's clandestine Recovery Enforcement Division, Alexi Steele is given the assignment to infiltrate Boston's exclusive S&M clubs to save thirteen innocent young women about to be auctioned off to the highest bidder, but her mission is complicated by her new partner, Nicholas Donovan, whose sister has been kidnapped by the billionaire sex-ring mastermind. **APB \$19.95**

**Val McDermid***A Darker Domain*

More than twenty years after the 1984 national miners' strike in Scotland, Cold Case Review Team Inspector Karen Pirie stumbles across dramatic new evidence that links the cases of a missing strikebreaker and a kidnapping gone wrong. **HC \$51.95**

**David E Meadows***Echo Class*

In June of 1967, the USS Dale, commanded by Captain Danny MacDonald, is ordered to hunt down and track a Soviet sub that is following an American aircraft carrier, a dangerous mission that could spark World War III. **APB \$19.95**

**Barbara Michaels***Houses of Stone*

Aspiring literary scholar Karen Holloway's discovery of a barely legible, nineteenth-century volume of verse by a poet called Ismene encourages her to unlock its mysteries, discovering her own past wrapped up in the manuscript. **APB \$19.95**

**David Moody***Hater*

When ordinary people throughout the world suddenly transform into violent killers, an everyday man struggles to retain normalcy and recognize who is trustworthy in a society escalating out of control. A first novel. **HC \$45.95**

**Christopher G Moore***The Risk of Infidelity Index (Vincent Calvino)*

A disbarred lawyer eeking out a precarious living as a P.I. in the Thai capital of Bangkok, Vincent Calvino is about to close the books on a major drug piracy ring, until his client dies of a heart attack, he stumbles upon the body of a massage girl, and he is forced to take on the task of trailing errant spouses for three expatriate housewives. **TP \$28.95**

*Fool*

In 1288, as King Lear watches his kingdom descend into chaos, the king's fool, Pocket, and Pocket's apprentice, Drool, take it upon themselves to restore order amidst the mayhem, and in the process make a surprising discovery about their own heritage. **HC \$54.95 CD \$78**

**Shirley R Murphy***Cat Playing Cupid (Joe Grey Mystery)*

When the Valentine's Day wedding of his reluctant human, Clyde, is disrupted by the discovery of a murdered body, feline investigator Joe Grey and his companions learn that the killing is connected to a ten-year-old case involving the bride's father's romantic past. **HC \$34.95**

**Tamar Myers***Batter off Dead (Pennsylvania Dutch Mystery)*

When Minerva J. Jay, a local lady known for her prodigious appetite, collapses after consuming her pancakes at a church breakfast, Police Chief Chris Ackerman enlists the aid of a pregnant Magdalena Yoder to investigate the case, which is soon complicated by the death of their prime suspect. **HC \$47.95**

**Julia Navarro***The Bible of Clay*

In St. Peter's Basilica, a man sits in a confessional asking forgiveness for a murder he's about to commit. And a young priest begins a desperate journey to stop him.

It's the beginning of a ruthless race to find a rumored cache of sacred texts that could be one of the most explosive discoveries of all time. For as Clara Tannenberg and a team of renegade archaeologists journey deep into an Iraq on the brink of war, another far more sinister group is determined to get there first. Sweeping from the time of the biblical patriarchs to the front lines of the Iraqi conflict, from the horrors of Nazi Germany to the back rooms of Washington, D.C., *The Bible of Clay* is a novel of unrelenting, thought-provoking, and all-too-plausible suspense. **APB \$18.95**

**Richard North Patterson***Eclipse*

In a novel of international intrigue, an American lawyer, Damon Pierce, attempts to save Bobby Okari, the West African leader of a protest movement, from execution by the country's corrupt and autocratic leader. Complicating matters further is Okari's wife, Marissa Brand, with whom Pierce had a relationship years before that he's never quite forgotten; in fact, she persuaded him to take the case in the first place, and it is who she plays a crucial role in the eventual outcome...

Culminating in a dramatic show trial and a desperate race against time, *Eclipse* combines a thrilling narrative with a vivid look at the human cost of the global lust for oil. **TP \$32.99**

**G J A O'Toole***The Cosgrove Report*

When private investigator Michael Croft gets his hands on a nineteenth-century manuscript, written by Pinkerton detective Nicholas Cosgrove, that reveals the incredible cover-up of Lincoln's assassination, Croft is sent back in time to review the evidence, follow the clues, and get to the bottom of the mystery. **TP \$30.95**

**Robert B Parker***Stranger in Paradise (Jesse Stone)*

Ten years after hit man Crow Cromartie escapes with the spoils of a lucrative heist, Massachusetts police officer Jesse Stone is astonished when the fugitive enlists his cooperation with a job gone bad involving a young woman whose father wants her killed. **APB \$21.95**

**T Jefferson Parker***LA Outlaws*

Investigating the latest crime scene of a celebrity thief who has been staging lucrative heists and donating the spoils to charity, rookie deputy Charlie Hood is forced to make an ethics-testing decision when the thief is targeted by a professional killer. **APB \$21.99**

*The Renegades*

Patrolling a section of America's West that he finds just as untamed as those depicted in early pulp novels, Charlie Hood finds his preference for working alone overruled when he is assigned to partner with a popular county veteran whose subsequent murder reveals sinister truths behind the man's stellar reputation. **HC \$54.95**

**J J Partridge***Straight Pool*

When a body is discovered in the ashes of Westerly's swank Haversham Golf Club, Algy Temple, the pool playing sleuth, uncovers a complex criminal conspiracy with its roots in casino gambling and ethnic tensions. Meanwhile, Temple, as legal counsel to Ivy League Carter University, clashes with the mendacious mayor of Providence, a fierce practitioner of poisonous politics. With psychologist Nadie Winokur, Algy Temple faces his greatest challenge in a game of straight pool. **TP \$28.95**

**David Peace***Nineteen Seventy-Four (Red Riding Quartet 01)*

The first installment of David Peace's electrifying Red Riding Quartet vividly brings to life a gritty, dangerous working class city tormented by a series of brutal murders.

Nineteen Seventy-Four follows Eddie Dunford, the newly minted crime correspondent for the Yorkshire Post. His first story is about Clare Kemplay, a young girl recently found brutally murdered. While the police department and other crime reporters at the newspaper believe it's an isolated incident, Eddie finds a pattern between Clare's disappearance and those of other girls from a few years earlier. Despite his better judgment, and against the advice of others, he starts to dig deep. What he finds is a nightmare of corruption, violence, blackmail, and obsession that ultimately leads to a shocking, explosive conclusion. **TP \$28.95**

**Don Pendleton***Face of Terror (Executioner 363)*

A cadre of violent bank robbers is wreaking havoc in the Midwestern states, amassing a small fortune and a large body count. Covered faces, jungle fatigues and foreign accents have everyone—from their victims to the government—thinking an Arab terror cell is to blame. But the appearance of the criminals is deceiving. While tracking them, Mack Bolan discovers he is fighting an enemy nobody wants to suspect—American soldiers.

As the reign of terror escalates, Bolan realizes the group's ultimate objective is to destroy a major American city unless the federal government pays an exorbitant sum. As the deadline approaches, the Executioner decides it's payoff time, handing the traitors the ransom they deserve. **APB \$13.95**

*Shadow War (Stony Man 099)*

The war against terror is played by a different set of rules for the men and women of the elite unit known as Stony Man. On the record, they don't exist, and plausible deniability is the first mandate if a mission goes sour. Off the books, the cyberteam and field commandos understand the risk...and accept America's dirtiest missions without hesitation.

Intelligence has picked up chatter of the launch of an imminent strike of unknown origin and scope against the U.S. Code-named Bellicose Dawn, it involves Mexican drug runners, jihadists and international funding. Stony Man must navigate an unknown strike point, fragmented information and a brewing political firestorm. But soon it's enough to unleash the ultimate nightmare—men down, missing, maybe dead, and things going so bad so fast that the day every Stony Man member prayed would never happen may have arrived. **APB \$17.95**

**Kate Perry***Marked by Passion*

When she stumbles upon an ancient Chinese scroll, Gabrielle Sansouchi Chin, a painter, bartender, and destined guardian, realizes that her father is dead and that she must take up arms to protect the scroll from those out to possess its powers, with the help of sexy British bad boy Rhys Llewellyn. **APB \$17.95**

**Cathy Pickens***Can't Never Tell (Southern Fried Mystery)*

The discovery of a real skeleton inside a carnival fright-house mannequin and the seemingly accidental death of a local faculty wife during a picnic send attorney Avery Andrews on a quest to unravel a very cold homicide case and a recent murder. **HC \$51.95**

**Spencer Quinn***Dog On It (Chet and Bernie Mystery)*

In this, their first adventure, Chet and Bernie investigate the disappearance of Madison, a teenage girl who may or may not have been kidnapped, but who has definitely gotten mixed up with some very unsavory characters. A well-behaved, gifted student, she didn't arrive home after school and her divorced mother is frantic. Bernie is quick to take the case -- something about a cash flow problem that Chet's not all that clear about -- and he's relieved, if vaguely suspicious, when Madison turns up unharmed with a story that doesn't add up. But when she disappears for a second time in a week, Bernie and Chet aren't taking any chances; they launch a full-blown investigation. Without a ransom demand, they're not convinced it's a kidnapping, but they are sure of one thing: something smells funny.

Their search for clues takes them into the desert to biker bars and other exotic locals, with Chet's highly trained nose leading the way. Both Chet and Bernie bring their own special skills to the hunt, one that puts each of them in peril. But even as the bad guys try to turn the tables, this duo is nothing if not resourceful, and the result is an uncommonly satisfying adventure.

With his doggy ways and his endearingly hardboiled voice, Chet is full of heart and occasionally prone to mischief. He is intensely loyal to Bernie, who, though distracted by issues that Chet has difficulty understanding -- like divorce, child custody, and other peculiar human concerns -- is enormously likable himself, in his flawed, all-too-human way. **HC \$51.95**

**Deanna Raybourn***Silent in the Sanctuary*

Fresh from a six-month sojourn in Italy, Lady Julia returns home to Sussex to find her father's estate crowded with family and friends. Much to her surprise, the one man she had hoped to forget—the enigmatic and compelling Nicholas Brisbane—is among her father's houseguests...and he is not alone. Not to be outdone, Julia shows him that two can play at flirtation and promptly introduces him to her devoted, younger, titled Italian count.

But the homecoming celebrations quickly take a ghastly turn when one of the guests is found brutally murdered in the chapel. Lady Julia resumes her unlikely and deliciously intriguing partnership with Nicholas Brisbane, setting out to unravel a tangle of deceit before the killer can strike again. **APB \$17.95**

**Emilie Richards***The Lie for A Lie*

When pastor's wife Aggie Sloan-Wilcox is asked to babysit a narcissistic actor who has arrived in the town of Emerald Springs to judge the local talent show, she gets more than she bargained for when he is murdered and his ex-wife, a woman surrounded by controversy, is accused of the crime. **APB \$19.95**

## **Joan Rivers**

### *Murder at the Academy Awards (Red Carpet Mystery)*

The Academy Awards®. It's Hollywood's biggest night, and there's no star better equipped than the tart-tongued Max Taylor to hold court on the glamorous Red Carpet. Sharing the dish with her daughter, Drew, the calls-it-as-she-sees-it entertainer has parlayed this star-studded annual gig into television's most-watched pre-show event. And tonight, Max has landed a real coup -- an exclusive interview with Halsey Hamilton, a fabulous, young, paparazzi-trailed Oscar nominee. But not even Max, who's seen her share of celebrity train wrecks, is prepared for an incoherent Halsey, straight out of rehab, to stumble up to the mic, slur a few cryptic words, and drop dead at the hem of Max's stunning Michael Kors gown.

To Hollywood, the starlet's demise was tragic but inevitable. To Max, it looks more like a perfectly calculated crime. After all, she alone heard Halsey's final whisper -- a clue that leads Max to the pricey rehab clinic Wonders. With a weakness for nothing more disturbing than artificial sweeteners, Max nonetheless goes undercover and embarks on a twelve-step investigation into murder. Once inside the luxury clinic, Max's list of suspicious players expands faster than the Jolie-Pitt family: Burke Norris, a professional cad and Drew's ex-fiancé; Halsey's father, who is still making money off his dead daughter's fame; Halsey's jealous younger sister; and Rojo Bernstein, a tattooed karate hipster who knew the troubled fallen star much better than anyone suspected.

Now it's left to Max to unravel the sordid motives and find Halsey's killer while upstaging an over-the-top Hollywood memorial service and funeral where the ill-fated actress was buried in, of all things, a tacky designer knockoff! And you thought the Oscars were all swag bags and Jimmy Choos? Hah! Honey, it's murder. In *Murder at the Academy Awards®*, Joan Rivers delivers a very smart, bracingly funny, and pitch-perfect reflection of a Hollywood only she would dare to reveal -- all seen through the eyes of an indomitable, high-end amateur sleuth who isn't asking "Who are you wearing?" but rather "Whodunit?" **HC \$49.95**

## **David A Rollins**

### *The Death Trust*

As shocking as today's headlines... In this no-holds-barred thriller, David Rollins plunges readers deep into the heart of a terrifying conspiracy of absolute power at its absolute worst. Who can you trust when those you're taught to trust are perpetrating the ultimate act of betrayal?

As evil as your worst fears...

For Special Investigator Major Vin Cooper, it begins with a sniper's bullet that claims the life of a young G.I. on a routine patrol in Iraq. It's an all-too-familiar tragedy, not a crime, until it's linked to the bizarre death of a four-star general...who just happens to be the dead soldier's father and the son-in-law of a powerful U.S. vice president. Cooper's investigation will uncover a trail of "accidental" deaths that leads from the war-torn streets of Baghdad to sex slavery in Latvia to a celebrated political marriage that began in the White House Rose Garden. But as he pieces together the most shocking conspiracy in history, Cooper begins to wonder if his superiors really want him to uncover the truth...or become the next victim of the most murderous lie of all. **APB \$18.95**

## **Karen Rose**

### *Kill for Me*

Five teenage girls have been murdered. One survived, and only she can reveal the secrets of a disturbing ring of people who kidnap and sell teenage girls on the black market. But those responsible for the crimes will do whatever it takes to maintain her silence.

Susannah Vartanian and Luke Papadopoulos have both sworn to stop the murderers for their own reasons. Susannah, the sister of the hero in *SCREAM FOR ME*, suffers from a mysterious past that is connected to the sinister black market. Luke is an investigative agent and a computer expert who refuses to let another child predator get away.

Susannah and Luke are instantly attracted to each other, but their troubled pasts prevent them from immediately acting upon their feelings. The case will lead them to the shady realm of Internet chat rooms, where anyone can mask their identity. As Susannah and Luke draw closer to the criminals, they discover a chain of deception so intricate they don't know who to trust. Susannah and Luke find comfort in one another's arms, but the killers are ruthless and determined, and will take extreme measures to insure their anonymity and keep their business intact. **HC \$34.95**

## **S J Rozan**

### *The Shanghai Moon (Lydia Chin / Bill Smith)*

Estranged from fellow sleuth Bill Smith, Chinese-American P.I. Lydia Chin is called in by former mentor Joel Pilarsky to help recover a cache of stolen jewelry belonging to Jewish refugees from the Holocaust, only to discover that a priceless missing gem may be among the jewels, but her case is complicated by Joel's murder and the return of Bill Smith. **HC \$51.95**

## **Lynsay Sands**

### *The Devil of the Highlands*

Seeking an escape from her cruel stepmother, Evelinde braves the rumors about the notorious Cullen, Laird of Donnachaidh, when she agrees to wed him, but the unlikely pair of strangers soon find themselves prisoners of a mutual passion, in a romantic saga set in the Scottish highlands.

**APB \$19.95**

## **C J Sansom**

### *Revelation (Matthew Shardlake Mystery)*

Defending a young religious zealot who is being held in the infamous Bedlam hospital for the insane, Matthew Shardlake investigates a series of murders with disturbing ties to Lady Catherine Parr, a reform sympathizer and future wife of Henry VIII. **HC \$54.95**

## **Thomas B Sawyer**

### *No Place to Run*

When her attorney father and mother are killed in a car bomb less than a day after entering the witness protection program for their possession of documents linked to the September 11 attacks, Claudia and her twelve-year-old brother become wanted fugitives and set out to find evidence of a dire conspiracy. **TP \$30.95**

## **Michele Scott**

### *Corked by Cabernet (Wine Lover's Mystery)*

When an outing on the famous Napa Valley Wine Train results in the demise of a member of her tour group, vineyard manager Nikki Sands must stop a cunning killer who has a penchant for fine wines and murder. **APB \$17.95**

**Kelly Simmons***Standing Still*

Journalist and suburban mom Claire Cooper suffers from panic disorder. Most of her anxieties seem irrational, nothing that can't be fixed with the help of some Xanax. But late one stormy summer night, when her husband, Sam, is away on one of his frequent business trips, Claire's fears come to life. She discovers an intruder has broken into her young daughter's bedroom. She watches helplessly as he picks up her sleeping child from her bed. Desperate to protect her family, Claire puts herself in the line of fire and utters the plea that will undo her: "Take me instead."

As she drives away in the kidnapper's car, Claire fears for her children, but not for herself. And she can't help noticing the reversal in her marriage -- for the first time in ten years, Sam will not know where she is.

For the next week, Claire is tied to a bed in a strange motel room, the intruder her only com-panion. She is forced to lie still and contemplate the reasons for this assault on her family. Is this just a random crime, or something more sinister? Has the shadowy past that she tried so hard to leave behind finally caught up with her? Day after day, she goes deeper into herself, reevaluating her marriage and her role as a mother, and unburying the source of her crippling anxiety. In seven days she will step out to the very brink of her soul -- perhaps never to return.

A riveting debut novel that will appeal to fans of Sue Miller and Janet Fitch, *Standing Still* is a powerful exploration of the darker side of motherhood and marriage. **TP \$30.95**

**Randy Singer***By Reason of Insanity*

After sharing her disturbing dreams that detail each crime in a series of murders in Virginia Beach with a confidential source, reporter Catherine O'Rourke immediately becomes a prime suspect, and when scientific evidence corroborates her guilt and she is charged with murder, Catherine turns to Las Vegas Lawyer Quinn Newberg, a high-priced specialist in the insanity defense. **TP \$26.95**

**April Smith***Judas Horse (Ana Grey Mystery)*

FBI Agent Ana Grey returns to infiltrate the volatile core of an eco-terrorist cell in the Pacific Northwest.

Only months after a traumatic shooting incident, Ana is still emotionally unstable when she returns to work and learns that a fellow agent—and former lover—was killed by a group of terrorists operating under the name of FAN (Free Animals Now). To find the murderer and prevent any further killing, Ana goes undercover as an animal activist. In the course of her investigation, Ana encounters Julius Emerson Phelps, the charismatic leader of a "family" of anarchists in rural Oregon, whose secret past could blow the Bureau to pieces. To matters worse, Ana learns that Phelps is preparing a cataclysmic act of terrorism. With time ticking away and her undercover identity in jeopardy, Ana must find a way to solve her case and foil Phelps's bloody plot. **TP \$28.95**

*North of Montana (Ana Grey Mystery)*

FBI Special Agent Ana Grey debuts in this electrifying thriller marked by psychological acuity and unflinching suspense.

After Ana Grey pulls off "the most amazing arrest of the year," the squad supervisor—who doesn't like irreverent, tough-minded young women—gives her a reprimand instead of the promotion she deserves. As a test, she is assigned a high-profile case involving a beloved Hollywood movie star and an illegal supply of prescription drugs. It doesn't take Ana and her partner, Mike Donnato, long to realize "this is not a case" but "a political situation waiting to explode"—and they're holding the bomb. As the boundary between her private and professional lives begins to blur, Ana's own world collides with her investigation, and she is forced to confront the searing truth about the nature of power and identity, and the mystery of her past. **TP \$28.95**

**Dana Stabenow***Whisper to the Blood*

The inhabitants of Niniltna, inside Alaska's largest national park, are uneasy about the gold-mining company buying up tracts of land around the park, an unease shared by P.I. Kate Shugak as she probes the killings of a long-time mine opponent and a popular ski champion turned company spokesperson, attacks on local snow mobilers, and the still-open homicide of Louis Deem. **HC \$51.95**

*Prepared for Rage*

A renegade terrorist with a personal and vindictive grudge against all things American targets the Space Shuttle as NASA prepares to launch an important mission with a high-profile payload and a wealthy visitor on board, while astronaut Kenai Munro, FBI agent Patrick Chisholm, and U.S. Coast Guard Captain Cal Schyler risk everything to stop him. **APB \$19.95**

**Linda Stewart***Aussie Slang Dictionary*

Bursting with even more definitions of Australia's varied language, the bestselling Aussie Slang Dictionary has been updated with over 50 more entries adding to the existing 1200!

You'll never be lost for words with this collection of colourful sayings. From aerial ping-pong (AFL) to on the wrong tram (to be following the wrong train of thought) and finishing up with some verbal diarrhoea (never-ending blather), your mind will be brimming with useful (and not so useful!) sayings for your next run-in with a true Aussie character.

Learn to decipher, speak and enjoy the very-changing and continually expanding Australian language with this great dictionary compiled by Lolla Stewart. **BPB \$17.99**

**Leda Swann***Captive*

A proper British governess, Louisa Clemens knows her place—and it certainly is not with the wild and exotic stranger she meets in Naples. Still, this commanding, mesmerizing man inflames her imagination in a most improper manner. When the magnificent Khair Bey steals into her bedroom, Louisa is transported to a breathtaking realm of sensual pleasure she had only previously imagined. And now she must flee his kisses and hot, demanding touch or she will be lost forever.

But on her journey home, Louisa is captured by pirates and spirited away to be auctioned off to the highest bidder—a bitter fate that turns shockingly sweet when she is purchased by the very man who has awakened her slumbering desires. Now she belongs to Khair Bey, body and soul—his mistress, his concubine, the most favored beauty in his harem. But as he initiates her into the art of lovemaking, Khair is enchanted by the powerful erotic charms and indomitable will of his captive English rose. And soon it will be the prisoner who possesses the master, passionately and completely . . . **TP \$28.95**

**Helen Scott Taylor***The Magic Knot*

Searching for her father, Rosenwyn Tremain, gifted with magical powers, refuses to be distracted by a gorgeous Irishman whom her tarot cards have warned her against, especially when a fairy queen threatens to destroy both of their families. **APB \$17.95**

**Tawny Taylor***Wicked Beast*

Terrified of felines in all forms, Cailey Holm is suddenly overcome with fear and desire when the dangerous, domineering alpha-cat of her darkest dreams becomes a reality and takes her back to his world where he demands her total submission. **TP \$26.95**

**Andrew Taylor***The Judgement of Strangers*

The "prequel" to *The Four Last Things* journeys back in time a generation to 1970 to chronicle Angel's childhood in a village near London, in a mystery that explores the events that cause a beautiful young girl to grow up to become a serial killer. **TP \$32.95**

**Charles Todd***A Pale Horse*

Late on a spring night in 1920 five boys cross the Yorkshire dales to the ruins of Fountains Abbey intent on raising the Devil. Instead they stumble over the Devil himself sitting there watching them. Terrified they run for their lives leaving behind a book on alchemy stolen from their schoolmaster. The next morning a body is discovered in the cloisters of the abbey a man swathed in a hooded cloak and wearing a gas mask. There are no clues other than the leftbehind book. In an effort to uncover the dead mans identity one of the police constables who fancies himself a portraitist sketches a likeness to send to other police stations. It turns out theres a strong chance the man worked on poisoned gases for the British government after the Germans had used them at Ypres during the late war. Scotland Yard dispatches Inspector Rutledge to confirm the ID and to find out why the man died in such mysterious circumstances. Rutledge begins his investigation dealing with villagers who clearly have something to hide and trying to decipher if the death links back to the Great War. And what does the huge chalk sculpture of a pale horse of the Apocalypse have to do with the crime. **BPB \$22.99**

**Peter Tonkin***The Coffin Ship*

The reluctant captain of "Prometheus," a supertanker carrying a full load of crude oil, Richard Mariner is unaware that his vessel is the target of an insurance scam that could cost him his life. **APB \$19.95**

**J D Tynan***Charlie Ford Meets the Mole*

America's sexiest nanny Charlie Ford is back! Fresh from her latest venture in *Charlie Ford Meets Secret Agent Man*, our favorite nanny finds herself once again up to her, well, up to 'there' in the world of spies, counterspies, and counter-counter spies. Her new-found lover is once more in the midst of evil plots and schemes and drags Charlie and her teen-aged charge into harm's way yet again. **TP \$40.95**

**Fred Vargas***The Chalk Circle Man*

Jean-Baptiste Adamsberg is not like other policemen. His methods appear unorthodox in the extreme: he doesn't search for clues; he ignores obvious suspects and arrests people with cast-iron alibis; he appears permanently distracted. In spite of all this his colleagues are forced to admit that he is highly successful - a born cop.

When strange blue chalk circles start appearing overnight on the pavements of Paris, the press take up the story with amusement and psychiatrists trot out their theories. Adamsberg is alone in thinking this is not a game and far from amusing. He insists on being kept informed of new circles and the increasingly bizarre objects which they contain: a pigeon's foot, four cigarette lighters, a badge proclaiming 'I Love Elvis', a hat, a doll's head. Adamsberg senses the cruelty that lies behind these seemingly random occurrences. Soon a circle with decidedly less banal contents is discovered: the body of a woman with her throat savagely cut. Adamsberg knows that other murders will follow.

The Chalk Circle Man is the first book featuring Jean-Baptiste Adamsberg, one of the most engaging characters in contemporary detective fiction. **TP \$32.95**

**Michael Veitch Australian Author***Flak: True Stories from the Men who Flew in World War Two*

Michael Veitch's life-long obsession with the aircraft of the Second World War led him to conclude that every single person who flew, or flew in them has at least one extraordinary story to tell. With most of these veterans in their eighties, he knew that it was a matter of urgency to find them now, before their personal stories disappear for ever.

So, over the course of a year, Veitch interviewed over 50 former aircrew across Australia, many of whom had never spoken about their experiences before, even to their families. The result is *Flak* – a collection of vivid, unforgettable stories from RAAF veterans about their experiences of combat in World War II. It is also an account of the strange, sometimes obsessive journey of the author himself, as he explores a passion held since childhood.

From bomber pilots to fighter aces, from rear gunners to bomb aimers, from stories of death and fear to tales of humour and comradeship, Michael has helped unearth the extraordinary stories of ordinary men living and fighting in extraordinary times. **BPB \$24.95**

**Shiloh Walker***Fragile*

Despite his heartbreak over treating the abused children that come into the hospital where he works, Luke Rafferty finds himself drawn to Devon Manning, the social worker who rescues the youngsters, but before they can build a life together, Luke must find a way to break through Devon's own emotional barriers. **TP \$30.95**

### **Shiloh Walker, Madison Hayes & T J Michaels**

#### *Doing it the Hard Way*

When it comes to seducing their sexy ladies for a lifetime, these three gorgeous guys wonder why anyone would want it easy, when the hard way is oh-so-much more fun....

T. J. MICHAELS

#### Jaguar's Rule

After an irresistible night of passion with Reya, muscle-bound Aaron longs to hold her close forever. Little does he know that the tall, sleek beauty has a carnal secret -- and he's the one who needs protection.

#### SHILOH WALKER

#### One Night with You

When the deliciously sexy girl of Logan's dreams, Bo, gets engaged to another man, the hard-bodied hunk kidnaps her to a remote cabin hideaway for a red-hot weekend that is sure to set her heart on fire.

#### MADISON HAYES

#### Miss October

Tavia doesn't pick up hitchhikers -- until towering alpha male Bolt Hardin makes her a deal she can't refuse. He stakes his claim on her luscious body, and opens her mind to a scorching new world of kinky possibilities. **TP \$28.95**

### **David Kenyon Webster**

#### *Parachute Infantry: An American Paratrooper's Memoir of D-day and the Fall of the Third Reich*

In a fascinating memoir of life as a paratrooper during World War II, the author describes his career with the 101st Airborne Division, drawing on the letters he sent home during the war and personal reminiscences to offer vivid portraits of his fellow soldiers and the harsh realities and tragedies of war. **APB \$19.95**

### **Melinda Wells**

#### *Death Takes the Cake (Delia Cooks Mystery)*

When cooking school owner and cable TV star Della Carmichael agrees to enter a televised cake competition, she doesn't realize that people would actually kill to win until she stumbles upon a competitor drowned in a mixing bowl full of cake batter. **APB \$19.95**

### **R D Wingfield**

#### *A Killing Frost (Jack Frost)*

The discovery of two young girls' bodies leaves Detective Inspector Jack Frost in a race to hunt down the killer before he, or she, can strike again. At the same time he faces a crisis at Denton police station which could result in him being sacked.

Jack Frost, brought to magnificent life by David Jason in the TV series, staggers from crisis to crisis, his bumbling modus operandi disguising his extraordinary powers of detection. **PB \$21.95**

### **Jacqueline Winspear**

#### *Among the Dead (Maisie Dobbs)*

Having witnessed a suicide on a busy London street, Maisie Dobbs learns that she has been mentioned in a threatening letter to the prime minister and is subsequently recruited by Scotland Yard, while her assistant, Billy, watches his wife slip further into depression. **HC \$51.95**

### **Inger Ash Wolfe**

#### *The Calling*

Detective Inspector Hazel Micallef of Port Dundas, Ontario is making her way toward retirement with something less than grace. Hobbled by a bad back and a dependence on painkillers, and blindsided by her recent divorce, sixty-one-year-old Hazel has only the constructive criticism of her old goat of a mother to buoy her.

But when a Port Dundas woman is found murdered in her home - with no sign of resistance and her mouth sculpted into a strangely meaningful shape - Hazel's bickering department springs to life. And as more bodies are found, Hazel must confront a clamoring press and the town's rumour mill whilst she edges ever closer to this terrifying, gruesomely inventive serial killer. **PB \$21.95**

### **Lee Wood**

#### *Kingdom of Silence*

When a U.S. marshal and her prisoner, who had been due to testify against a ruthless animal rights group, are murdered in the midst of an outbreak of foot and mouth disease, Detective Keen Dunliffe joins forces with an inexperienced officer to uncover the truth about the killings. **HC \$51.95**

### **James B Woulfe**

#### *Against All Enemies*

The Special Forces and Navy SEALs are sent by the U.S. to the South American country of San Selva to regain the upper hand in an unexpected war that is raging out of control. **APB \$19.95**

### **Qiu Xiaolong**

#### *Red Mandarin Dress (Inspector Cheb)*

Taking heat from officials because of his probe into a sensitive corruption case, Chief Inspector Chen Cao of the Shanghai Police Department finds himself caught up in what could be the most dangerous case of his career when the bodies of two young women dressed in identical red mandarin dresses turn up, igniting fears of the city's first sexual serial killer **TP \$28.95**

### **Roger Zelazny**

#### *The Dead Man's Hand*

Ovid Wiley, an art smuggler-turned-respectable art dealer, is forced to help the CIA find a renegade priest who has gone missing with millions in church funds along with a woman from Ovid's past. **APB \$17.95**