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## Featured Books



**Stargate SG-1**  
**Dungeons & Dragons**  
**Warhammer 40 000**  
**Warhammer 40 000**  
**Trent Jamieson**  
**Mercedes Lackey**  
**Juliet Marillier**  
**Beven McGuiness**  
**Richelle Mead**  
**Vernor Vinge**  
**Timothy Zahn**  
**Paolo Bacigalupi**

*Transitions* in paperback.  
*Beholder Collector's Set* a set of 4 miniatures.  
*Emperor's Finest* Ciaphas Cain 7 in hardcover.  
*Garro Oath of Moment* a *Horus Heresy* audio CD.  
*Managing Death* *Death Works 2* in paperback  
*Finding the Way* a Valdemar anthology in paperback.  
*Seer of Sevenwaters* in trade paperback.  
*Slave of Sondelle* in paperback.  
*Last Sacrifice* *Vampire Academy 6* in paperback.  
*Zones of Thought* in trade paperback.  
*Cobra Alliance* in paperback.  
*The Windup Girl* in paperback.



## News

**Christmas Trading Hours:** We will be following our normal trading hours leading up to Christmas, close for all the public holidays, operate on short hours (10am to 4pm) between Christmas and New Year, then back to normal hours from 4<sup>th</sup> January 2011.

**Christmas Wish Lists.** If your loved ones normally give you books for Christmas, tell us which books you would like and send them to us. This way we can keep them in stock and give them good advice on what you would like.

**D&D Thursday evenings:** We have a DM offering to run some Dungeons & Dragons games regularly of a Thursday evening

**John Steakley** died 27<sup>th</sup> November. His military SF novel *Armor* has been popular with many Infinitas readers.

## Best Sellers for November 2010

### General Release

<i>Towers of Midnight</i>	Robert Jordan & Brandon Sanderson
<i>Kris Longknife: Redoubtable</i>	Mike Shepherd
<i>Cryoburn</i>	Lois McMaster Bujold
<i>Live Free or Die</i>	John Ringo
<i>The Emperor of Nihon-Ja</i>	John Flanagan *
<i>Destroyer of Worlds</i>	Larry Niven
<i>Side Jobs</i>	Jim Butcher
<i>Behemoth</i>	Scott Westerfeld *
<i>Heaven's Spite</i>	Lilith Saintcrow
<i>Death Most Definite</i>	Trent Jamieson *

(\* = Australian Author)

### Media and Games Related Titles

<i>Scars of Mirrodin Booster Pack</i>	MTG
<i>The First Heretic</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>Firedrake</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>Sabbat Worlds</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>Dungeon Tiles Master Set - The City</i>	D&D
<i>Starship Battles Huge Booster Pack</i>	Star Wars
<i>Nemesis</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>Gauntlgrym</i>	Forgotten Realms
<i>Gamma World Roleplaying Game</i>	
<i>Darth Bane Dynasty of Evil</i>	Star Wars

## External Events

**Winterfest 2011:** Winterfest is a medieval fair with re-enactments, archery, full contact jousting, falconry, sword play, fight scenes, craft displays, clothing, food, knights, knaves and lots of fun. It will be held the weekend of 2<sup>nd</sup> + 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2011 at Parramatta park (north of the river.). Winterfest 2010 was great fun with Infinitas running a stall. <http://www.winterfest.com.au/>

**Manuscript Competition:** IP Picks 2011 opens for entries on 1 October. This national competition for unpublished manuscripts offers awards in five categories: Best Fiction, Best Creative Non-fiction, Best Poetry, Best Junior Prose and Best First Book. For further details and entry forms: [http://ipoz.biz/IP/IP\\_picks.htm](http://ipoz.biz/IP/IP_picks.htm)

**Nullus Anxietas 3** is a Discworld convention to be held At Panthers Penrith 8th – 10th April 2011. Terry Pratchett will be attending! <http://ausdwcon.org/>

**Gate to the Sanctuary** is an event run by Culture Shock Events at The Sebal Parramatta (Hotel) 11-12-2010. Guests include Amanda Tapping and Chuck Campbell from Stargate. [http://www.cultureshockevents.com/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=140&Itemid=300088](http://www.cultureshockevents.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=140&Itemid=300088)

**Event organisers** are welcome to contact us with information about their gaming or book event. We will try to include it here. We apologise to anyone who tells us of their event and we fail get it into our newsletter. Please post your news on our forums, which is where we look for listings in the newsletter, and all our customers and visitors can see it regardless of our editorial slip-ups.

## Gadgets and Gifts

Remember we have a shop full of potential gifts. Check out: <http://www.blokeystuff.com.au/>



## Author Visit

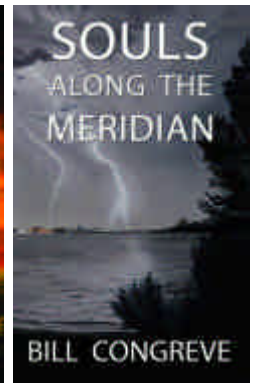
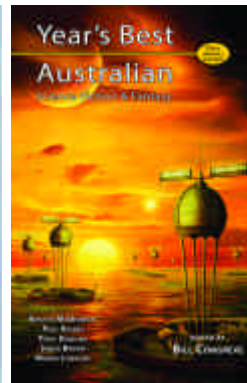
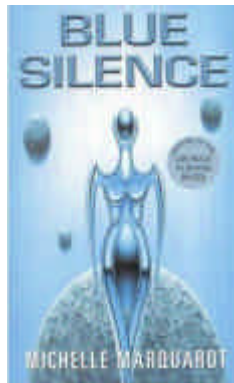
Bill Congreve and Michelle Marquardt visited Infinitas Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> November.

Bill is the editor and publisher of annual *Year's Best Australian Science Fiction & Fantasy* anthology and was promoting the latest, volume five. He also has a recently released collection of his short stories, *Souls Along The Meridian*.

Michelle Marquardt co-edited earlier editions of *Year's Best Australian Science Fiction & Fantasy* and also has a science fiction novel *Blue Silence*.

Following their visit, we currently have signed copies of their books, but these are selling out to website orders.

Bill's book list: <http://www.infinitas.com.au/ProductsByAuthor.php?autid=20920>



## 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.

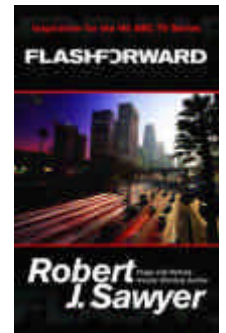
### *Flashforward* by Robert J Sawyer, reviewed by Len Newland

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575091016>

What if all people on Earth saw two minutes of themselves twenty-one years into the future? *Flashforward* shows two characters (Lloyd and Theo) in some depth and other characters in cameo, with news reports to cover the rest of humanity. Storywise, Theo investigates his own death due the day before the vision moment, while Lloyd dithers over marrying his fiance knowing he will be married to someone else. Mystery and morals here; also the determinism versus free will question with interesting arguments.

*Flashforward* is hard science fiction, based on the quantum nature of consciousness according to Roger Penrose, described by Penrose (with equations) in 'The Emperor's New Mind' (1990). I haven't read it, but after reading *Flashforward*, I'm tempted. While I'm on the dates, *Flashforward* was originally published in 1999 with a setting of 2009; and there are minor variations from the actual 2009 world. Author Sayer's English is good, the only consistent error being the contraction "anymore". I appreciate authors who know both their story backgrounds and English.

I'd give *Flashforward* four stars out of the five in my system, which is based entirely on my own consciousness, quantum or not. My main reservations are that Lloyd doesn't feature in the crisis and Theo doesn't feature in the finale, while the novel's middle seemed a little drawn out; also, it isn't clear to me how the narrator would know all the points of view, particularly that of the close-mouthed Beranger. Otherwise, the novel is well written and easy to read. The 2009 cover calls it "the novel behind the hit new TV series" and refers to "the thrilling TV adaptation". I shudder to think. Of course, you might like adapted TV thrillers, but I found this mostly non-thriller novel quite satisfactory and recommendable as it is.



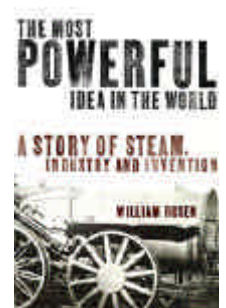
### *Most Powerful Idea In The World* by William Rosen, reviewed by Andrew Wilson

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780224082259>

It is rare that you hear a new take on an old event that strikes you as so true that you will revise your opinion. We have all heard the story of the industrial revolution but not like this.

William Rosen makes a most compelling argument. That is; with the introduction of patent law the basic dynamic of industrial invention was changed. Before patent law, if you invented a device for making something better, it normally paid you to do your utmost to keep your idea out of the hands of your competitors. Where as once you have the patent, that is you own the idea, then it pays you to introduce your method to the world. When combined with purely scientific research institutions, like the Royal Society, making underlying principles available to the world, it created a powerful new dynamic for the creation of material wealth. This is Mr Rosen's story.

He takes us back to when in the Spanish-English war, famous for the defeat of the Spanish Armada, the English government started to issue "patents". Very different from the patents we know. These were simply the Queen running money and saying, normally to a rich courtier, "I will sell you the monopoly right to produce and sell something in return for" a sum of money. Playing cards, as an example, were subject to such a patent.



In the realm anybody else selling or producing those items was charged with a criminal offense under the law. The war ended and Elizabeth died. Then somebody took the Government to court. The judge ruled that you could not issue patents on established products but you could get a patent for something you had invented. This was followed up by an act of parliament. These patents normally lasting for the term of two apprenticeships normally fourteen years. At the time England was running out of forests and wood for heating was becoming expensive. So London swapped to coal fires. After a while a new problem arose - the coal mines would fill with water faster than humans and horses could remove the water. Then Thomas Savery came up with a fairly impractical means of "raising water by the use of fire" but managed to talk the government into giving him an extended patent of an extra 21 years. Newcomen invented the first really practical, though energy intensive, mechanical pump. Savery's patent covered all engines that "raised water by fire" and Newcomen was forced to go into partnership with Savery. However in one case a colliery paid the Proprietors £200 per year and half their net profits "in return for their services in keeping the engine going". Newcomen made a fortune for turning heat into work.

This is where the book really heats up too. Mr Rosen traces the development of industry up to the first practical steam train with the launch of Stephenson's rocket. It is a marvellous story of the inventiveness of the human race. A story of overwhelming achievement with many set backs and much drama. Craftsmen could become very wealthy on the strength of their ideas. The whole science of measuring had to get better. It is no good making a machine, say 2%, better if you can't prove it is better to a purchaser. Practical inventors were chasing each other in a remorseless hunt for a competitive advantage. "See that worked, why?" Science was spurred ever harder to explain the underlying principles.

The background of the problem, "The Malthusian trap", facing the human race is briefly touched on. But I will quote Wikipedia's take on the problem.

It was Thomas Malthus who first made the argument that in "every age and in every state" that population increases are limited by the means of subsistence, and that when the means of subsistence increases, population will also increase, and that the population increase will be limited by "misery and vice." This pessimistic view on the impossibility of real progress was first made in 1798. In accordance with the theory, cross-country evidence indicates that technological superiority and higher land productivity had significant positive effects on population density but insignificant effects on the standard of living, during the time period 1-1500 A.D.

In addition, scholars have reported on the lack of a significant trend of wages in various places over the world for very long stretches of time. In Babylonia during the period 1800 to 1600 BC, for example, the daily wage for a common labourer was enough to buy about 15 pounds of wheat. In Classical Athens in about 328 BC, the corresponding wage could buy about 24 pounds of wheat. In England in 1800 AD the wage was about 13 pounds of wheat. In spite of the technological developments across these societies, the daily wage hardly varied. In Britain between 1200 and 1800, only relatively minor fluctuations from the mean (less than a factor of two) in real wages occurred in Britain. They peaked at around 1450 and in 1800 they were actually significantly worse".

Mr Rosen also points out that essentially that human economic production tended to rise with population growth. That is population grows at say 3% so the country is 3% richer but the productivity per person remains the same. The position of Malthus is the human race is doomed to over reach itself seemed self evident at the dawn of the industrial revolution. What was the effect of getting more than muscle power and flour mills to work for us? Well the figures are rubbery as Mr Rosen admits and are subject to substantial variation from place to place. It strikes me for instance that the purchasing power of Mongol hordes went up rather dramatically at one point. However over time the effect is clear. Instead of rising at the rate of 3% the human race's productivity rose at around 5% (and more) and those increases compounded. So the output of a renaissance peasant and a Roman peasant produced was about \$500 (US 1991) per year each. Today each Australian has an average GDP of \$40,000 and in the USA per capita income is \$46,000 (2009 dollars). I think of the statues raised to warriors and peace activists, to musicians and diplomats, religious leaders and politicians. Undoubtedly many have made great contributions to mankind. But the Roman and Chinese Empires had great thinkers too. The real work of raising the human race up from grinding poverty was done by a group of men from mostly middle class backgrounds seeking only to improve their own families lives. For all the admitted flaws of our industrial world, which must be addressed, a trip to the third world shows the stark alternative that faced the human race until we adopted a new law that let you own, and profit by spreading, original practical ideas. It is a good argument that this was the greatest idea ever. It is great story that never forgets the human element. I can recommend this book to anyone.

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## ***Horns* by Joe Hill, reviewed by Jonathan Dean**

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575079168>

Ignatius Perrish (Ig to everyone) has had a really bad time of things recently, and it really doesn't look like it's getting better. His girlfriend was found raped & murdered, and all he can remember is getting drunk & passing out in his car. The evidence that might have cleared him was destroyed when a mysterious fire burnt down the police lab, and now he's a person of interest to the Police, especially since he was never tried. What more could happen to screw up his life even more? Then he woke up & found horns growing from his forehead.....

Hill has created a character that you can identify with, or at least understand. Ig has been a good boy all his life, praying for the best, and trying to understand why things go wrong. Then his horns start growing, and he finds that they come with powers, powers that he is only starting to understand & be able to use. People start telling him their deepest, darkest thoughts, the ones that are never spoken, and he finds that people can be controlled, manipulated & used. The question that Ig now faces is:- Is being the Devil as bad as it has been made out to be?

The author speculates on the concept of the Devil, and how we react to it, in a way that is intriguing, fascinating, horrific at times, and always manages to keep you fixated. Reading this, I found that Hill has managed to depict some of the most unpleasant parts of human behaviour, and do it in such a way as that it makes sense, in a twisted, abusive way. But he has also managed to describe the good in humans, which can be even more contradictory as a species. Personally, I found the whole book almost impossible to put down until I finished it, as I HAD to know what was going to happen next, and where the story was going. Hill brings up the question of what is evil, and forces us to look at ourselves, making us explain & justify our actions to ourselves, as you read. The book also looks at how demons are perceived - whether they are intrinsically evil, or whether they are responding to how they are viewed & treated. Overall, fascinating, creepy, and disturbing, yet engrossing, and definitely worth reading. The only concern I had was the manner in which the author uses large flashbacks to tell the reader past events, which can leave you wondering where in the story line that it all fits.

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## ***Spirit Gate* by Kate Elliott, reviewed by Len Newland**

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781841492742>

Taking this 630-page book alone, the cover accolades aptly call it a fantasy epic: the multiple point-of-view characters are mainly just acting out the prophecy revealed to the reader in the last chapter (54). This book, however, is only volume 1 of a serial trilogy. The setting is a fantasy country called The Hundred [cities], where law and order have been established by the Guardians, now apparently vanished leaving matters in the hands of a policing group called reeves. The problem is general social breakdown with mysterious takeover forces setting up armies and targetting the reeves. The purported Guardians and their flying horses are supernatural, there are semi-intelligent lizards, the reeves fly around on giant eagles while everyone else goes by regular horse, a few people see ghosts that don't affect the action, and others see demons that might be just superstition. Otherwise, the novel involves only ordinary people in a bows-and-arrows age. I thought the social setup and military descriptions were good, and readers who like lots of detailed scene descriptions and multiple character feelings should enjoy this book.

I appreciated the map of The Hundred placed, rightly, ahead of the text, but place names are small and you need to transpose Gold Hall and Iron Hall. The opening with an eagle and a reeve, both female, in flight suggested "reeve" in the bird sense (sandpiper family), but it quickly turned out to be in the legal sense (arbitrating magistrate). The dialogue English suits the characters, but the narrative English is average with a predilection for pronouns where names would have been clearer. I felt a feminist bent: men generally are slaves of the penis while social and religious groups are distinguished primarily by their treatment of women; also much of the book focusses on one POV character's astonished realisation that the husband who's bought her isn't going to beat and rape her. Two POV characters die with the reader in their heads, one of them the opening character, which drew me out of the characters leaving my interest mainly in the political development. The last sentence of the cover blurb may relate to the full trilogy, but it's irrelevant within this volume. I'd expect the later volumes to expand on the scope of the novel: overcoming the social breakdown has begun in this first volume, but merely pushing on from there to completion would be mechanical. Regardless, this volume is long and drawn out, so the entire trilogy will keep fantasy epic readers occupied on their way to and from work for many months.





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### New Release Information

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

Many books have more extensive information available on our website.

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

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

### Information on the Infinitas Groups

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

**SF Discussion Group:** Meets on the first Thursday of each month (excluding January) at 6.30pm in the shop. Always a lively discussion of science in the news, films, books and ideas. <http://www.infinitas.com.au/ReadersGroup.php>

No January meeting.

Thursday 3rd Feb: The best and worst of 2010

**Urban Fantasy Book Club:** Meets on the second Thursday of each month at 6:30pm. A title is selected to start the discussion Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2010:

*Storm Born* by Richelle Mead

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2010:

*Neverwhere* by Neal Gaiman

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2010:

*Grave Witch* by Kalayna Price

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2010:

*Black Wings* by Christina Henry

**Review Group:** The review group meets on the third Thursday of each month at 6.30pm. Two books are chosen by group members for each meeting with participants encouraged to have read at least one prior to the meeting. The discussion is generally serious and insightful, we usually share a bottle or 2 of wine with cheese – contributions gratefully drunk. All welcome. <http://www.infinitas.com.au/ReviewGroup.php>

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2010:

*Death Most Definite* by Trent Jamieson (Urban Fantasy)

*The Chrysalids* by John Wyndham (SF)

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2010:

*Wraith* by Phaedra Weldon

*Dream Archipelago* by Christopher Priest

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2010:

*Time* by Stephen Baxter

*Working for the Devil* by Lilith Saintcrow

**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. Meetings are the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of most months - get on the email list to confirm meetings.

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

### Monsterpocalypse Gamers:

Monsterpocalypse is a tabletop miniature game for 2 players who each deploy their figurine army of giant monsters rampaging through a cityscape. It is very silly and often humans only rank as collateral damage. Games start 6pm the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of most months. Register as a player for prize support from Privateer Press. Contact the shop for details.



**Dungeon & Dragons Delve Days:** Play a short game of 4<sup>th</sup> edition D&D, one or two encounters only. Every second Saturday morning starting at 9:30am. Next session 8<sup>th</sup> Jan 2011

**Pathfinder:** Casual games occasional Saturdays, ask for dates.

**Magic the Gathering:** Play Magic Cards at the shop. Current schedule is a limited booster draft on the fourth Thursday of the Month at 5.30pm (not Dec). Please contact us if you are running late. Next MTG game 27<sup>th</sup> Jan 2011.

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

## *Exotique 6 (Exotique)*

The EXOTIQUE series has grown to become the largest and most diverse source of new character art in print.

EXOTIQUE 6 showcases Ballistic's largest collection of high-quality characters from more artists and in more genres than ever before.

Every year, Ballistic Publishing invites the world's best artists to submit their finest digital character creations to its EXOTIQUE series. Like each book before it, EXOTIQUE 6 received a record number of entries from artists in more countries than ever before—3,000 entries from 823 artists in 71 countries! Drawing from such a vibrant community of artists, EXOTIQUE 6 stands apart as the best collection of new character art with almost half of the artists being published for the first time.

Like all Ballistic Publishing books, the artists and art in EXOTIQUE 6 are the heroes. Every image is carefully color-corrected to ensure that it's as vibrant and detailed as the artist's original vision. Each layout is assembled to show off the artwork at its best with sympathetic styles and color palettes, and when the artwork demands a full-spread or full-page, it is given its rightful space. EXOTIQUE 6 features eleven amazing double-page spreads and 93 full-page images, showing the artwork in its best possible light. **TP \$60**

## **Rachel Aaron**

### *Spirit Eater (Legend of Eli Monpress 03)*

Souls are at stake, demons are about to escape, and the fate of the world hangs in the balance in the third riproaring adventure in the Eli Monpress series.

With the pressure on after his success in Gaol, Eli Monpress, professional thief and degenerate, decides it's time to lie low for a bit. Taking up residence in a tiny seaside village, Eli and his companions seize the chance for some fun and relaxation. Nico, however, is finding it a bit hard. Plagued by a demon's voice in her head and feeling powerless, she only sees herself as a burden. Everyone's holiday comes to an untimely close, though, when Pele arrives to beg Eli's help for finding her missing father. But there are larger plans afoot than even Eli can see, and the real danger, and the solution, may lie with one of his own and her forgotten past. If only Nico could remember whose side she's on. **BPB \$22.99**

## **Peter Ackroyd**

### *Death of King Arthur*

The timeless story of love, enchantment, adventure, heroism and betrayal, brought to new life for our times.

Born with the help of Merlin's magic, blessed with the sword of Excalibur, Arthur becomes King of a troubled, leaderless England, beginning a golden age of chivalry at the court of Camelot.

But the reign of Arthur is soon to be torn apart. As whispers of his wife Guinevere's infidelity with Arthur's favoured knight, Sir Lancelot, intensify, loyalties become divided. Gradually, the fellowship of the Round Table is broken. And when Arthur's treacherous son, Mordred, plots against his own father, a bloody cycle of violence, revenge and tragedy ensues.

Sir Thomas Malory's *Le Morte d'Arthur* made the legend of King Arthur, immortal. Peter Ackroyd's new retelling transforms this richly inventive medieval epic into a dramatic modern story. Bringing to life a world of bravery and majesty, yet imbued with a sense of fate and loss, this is a magical and moving evocation of humanity's endless search for perfection. **HC \$49.95**

## **Tim Akers**

### *The Horns of Ruin*

When a series of kidnappings and murders makes it clear that someone is trying to dispose of the cult of the long-dead god Morgan, Eva Forge must seek out unexpected allies and unwelcome answers in the city of Ash, all while trying to save the metropolis from an ancient conspiracy. **TP \$32.95**

## **Hans Christian Andersen**

### *Best Loved Stories*

A collection of classic fairy tales for the whole family.

Hans Christian Andersen made the literary fairy tale so much his own that even today no writer has surpassed him. This collection, with sparkling new renderings of the tales by Neil Philip, includes stories such as *Thumbelina*, *Little Ida's Flowers*, *The Snow Queen*, *In a Thousand Year's Time*, *The Nightingale* and *The Wild Swans*, all beautifully illustrated by Isabelle Brent.

Some lesser-known tales such as *The Shepherdess and the Chimney Sweep* and *The Gardener and His Master* have also been included by Philip to showcase the different facets of Andersen's genius. Brent's luminous paintings, finished with a metallic gold detailing, bring a fresh perspective to these timeless fairy tales, making this edition irresistible to those who have loved the stories over the years, and offers the perfect introduction for readers lucky enough to discover the stories for the first time. **HC \$29.99**

## **Poul Anderson** *America*

### *The Last Knight of Terra (Technic Civilization 06 Flandry)*

Captain Dominic Flandry has been knighted for his many services to the Terran Empire—an Empire which is old, jaded, and corrupt, as Flandry well knows. And while that “Sir” before his name may be an added attraction to comely ladies (not that he has ever lacked for the pleasant company of the same), he expects that it will also bring him less welcome attention from envious “colleagues” within the empire. What it is not likely to do is make him more of an object of interest to the Merseians, whose plots he has repeatedly foiled and who are much too aware of how much simpler their plans to replace the Empire would be if he were the late Sir Dominic Flandry.

Flandry himself has come to understand that there may be no more point to all his victories than that a few trillion of his fellow creatures may live out their lives before the inevitable coming of the Long Night of galactic barbarism. At best, he may have postponed its coming and shortened its duration. But if that is the most he can achieve, so be it—he'll keep on fighting, hoping that the barbarians too will pass, followed by a new round of civilization. **TP \$28.95**

## **Ilona Andrews**

### *Magic Burns (Kate Daniels 02)*

Down in Atlanta, tempers - and temperatures - are about to flare...As a mercenary who cleans up after magic gone wrong, Kate Daniels has seen her share of occupational hazards. Normally, waves of paranormal energy ebb and flow across Atlanta like a tide. But once every seven years, a flare comes, a time when magic runs rampant. Now Kate's going to have to deal with problems on a much bigger scale: a divine one. When Kate sets out to retrieve a set of stolen maps for the Pack, Atlanta's paramilitary clan of shapeshifters, she quickly realises much more is at stake. During a flare, gods and goddesses can manifest - and battle for power. The stolen maps are only the opening gambit in an epic tug-of-war between two gods hoping for rebirth. And if Kate can't stop the cataclysmic showdown, the city may not survive... **BPB \$22.99**

**Zoe Archer***Stranger*

Protecting the world's magic with his science, eccentric genius Catullus Graves meets his match in an overly curious flame-haired reporter who likes to stick her nose where it doesn't belong. **PB \$17.95**

**Isaac Asimov***Foundation / Foundation and Empire / Second Foundation (Foundation 01, 02, 03)*

Isaac Asimov's seminal Foundation trilogy—one of the cornerstones of modern speculative fiction—in a single hardcover volume.

It is the saga of the Galactic Empire, crumbling after twelve thousand years of rule. And it is the particular story of psychohistorian Hari Seldon, the only man who can see the horrors the future has in store—a dark age of ignorance, barbarism, and violence that will last for thirty thousand years. Gathering a band of courageous men and women, Seldon leads them to a hidden location at the edge of the galaxy, where he hopes they can preserve human knowledge and wisdom through the age of darkness.

In 1966, the Foundation trilogy received a Hugo Award for Best All-Time Series, and it remains the only fiction series to have been so honored. More than fifty years after their original publication, the three Foundation novels stand as classics of thrilling, provocative, and inspired world-building. **HC \$59.95**

**Robert Asprin & Jody Lynn Nye***Dragons Deal (Dragon 03)*

As head dragon and owner of a successful gambling operation in New Orleans, Griffen McCandles has a lot on his plate. Especially since the Krewe of Fafnir—a society of dragons—has asked him to be the king of their Mardi Gras parade. Being the king is a huge honor, and despite the extra responsibilities, Griffen can't resist the Krewe's offer to lead the biggest party of the year. But not everyone is happy with Griffen's new leadership status. A group of powerful dragons is out to bankrupt his business, from the inside out. And when a young dragon in Griffen's employ is murdered, it becomes clear that certain dragons will stop at nothing to dethrone the new king... **TP \$30.95**

**Margaret Atwood***Handmaid's Tale***BPB \$24.95****Paolo Bacigalupi***Windup Girl*

In Thailand, Anderson Lake is a calorie company man working for big business. Under cover as a factory manager, he combs Bangkok's street markets in search of near-extinct foodstuffs. And there he meets the Windup Girl, the beautiful and enigmatic Emiko - now abandoned to the streets. She is one of the underclass of New People, creche-grown and bred to suit the whims of the rich. Engineered as slaves, soldiers and toys, they are seen as soulless by some and as devils by others. As Lake becomes more drawn to Emiko, conspiracies breed within his working life becomes and the politics of a troubled age threaten to spiral out of control. The pressures mount as what he should do conflicts with what he wants to do, threatening to bring down his world. So what happens when bio-terrorism becomes a tool for corporate profits? And could bio-terrorism's genetic drift force mankind to the cusp of post-human evolution? **BPB \$21.99**

*Pump Six and Other Stories*

The stories in Pump Six chart the evolution of Paolo Bacigalupi's work, including the Hugo nominated "Yellow Card Man," and the Sturgeon Award-winning story "The Calorie Man," both set in the world of his novel The Windup Girl.

This collection also demonstrates the power and reach of the science fiction short story. Social criticism, political parable, and environmental advocacy lie at the center of Bacigalupi's work. Each of the stories herein is at once a warning and a celebration of the tragic comedy of the human experience.

Paolo Bacigalupi has won the Nebula Award, the Theodore Sturgeon Award, the John W. Campbell Award, the Compton Crook Award, the Locus Award, and the Hugo Award. Between his award-winning debut novel and this landmark collection of short fiction, Paolo Bacigalupi demonstrates why he is one of the most celebrated science fiction writers of the twenty-first century. **TP \$30.95**

**Peter M Ball Australian Author***Bleed (Miriam Aster 02)*

For ten years ex-cop Miriam Aster has been living with her one big mistake – agreeing to kill three men for the exiled Queen of Faerie. But when an old case comes back to haunt her it brings a spectre of the past with it, forcing Aster to ally herself with a stuntwoman and a magic cat in order to rescue a kidnapped TV star from the land of Faerie and stop the half-breed sorcerer who needs Aster's blood.

Ten years ago Miriam Aster learnt a simple lesson: when a faerie asks you to kill someone, the worst thing you can say is sure. Today she's about to learn that worse things can happen when the past refuses to stay behind you. **BPB \$12**

**L A Banks***Minion (Vampire Huntress 01)*

Blade meets Buffy the Vampire Slayer in a stunning Urban Fantasy series.

A Vampire Huntress is born every thousand years - someone to lead the Warriors of Light as they fight against the Dark Realms. Damali Richards, born on to the streets of L.A., brought up in the Projects, is our Huntress. The Hunters and the Vampires are fighting in hell and on our streets and Damali will lead the Hunters in the Final War. L.A Banks' novels are steeped in both vampire lore and hip-hop culture and feature a vivid cast of black heroines and heroes. This is dark fantasy for the hip-hop generation. **BPB \$19.99**

**T A Barron***Doomraga's Revenge (merlin's Dragon 02)*

The most powerful dragon of all time, Basil, is the loyal friend of the great wizard Merlin. Together, they serve as courageous defenders of the mystical lands of Avalon—now threatened by a creature determined to pitch the realm into darkness . . . **APB \$17.95**

**Gerry Bartlett***Real Vampires Have More to Love (Real Vampires 06)*

Dangerous curves lie ahead in the latest hilarious novel from the national bestselling author of Real Vampires Hate Their Thighs.

Glory St. Clair is a vampire with man trouble. Between her on-again, off-again lover Jeremy Blade, smoking hot rock star Ray Caine, and former bodyguard turned apartment mate Valdez, there's enough man-candy around to make even a gal with a liquid diet feel a sugar rush.

Glory's got no time to enjoy it, though, considering that she's in the middle of planning her best friend's wedding. And let's not forget that there happens to be a hit on her head, thanks to when she took out a techno-freak billionaire. Now, between planning a bachelorette party and dodging stakes, Glory has to decide which man she really wants, before her love life meets an early grave... **TP \$30.95**



### **Amelia Beamer**

#### *The Loving Dead*

Girls! Zombies! Zeppelins!

If Chuck Palahniuk and Christopher Moore had a zombie love child, it would look like THE LOVING DEAD, a darkly comic debut novel by Amelia Beamer.

Kate and Michael, twenty-something housemates working at the same Trader Joe's supermarket, are thoroughly screwed when people start turning into zombies at their house party in the Oakland hills. The zombie plague is a sexually transmitted disease, turning its victims into shambling, horny, voracious killers after an incubation period where they become increasingly promiscuous.

Thrust into extremes by the unfolding tragedy, Kate and Michael are forced to confront the decisions they've made, and their fears of commitment, while trying to stay alive. Kate tries to escape on a Zeppelin ride with her secret sugar daddy -- but people keep turning into zombies, forcing her to fight for her life, never mind the avalanche of trouble that develops from a few too many innocent lies. Michael convinces Kate to meet him in the one place in the Bay Area that's likely to be safe and secure from the zombie hordes: Alcatraz. But can they stay human long enough? **TP \$30.95**

### **Alden Bell**

#### *The Reapers Are Angels*

A stunning apocalyptic novel told through the voice of a young woman

God is a slick god. Temple knows. She knows because of all the crackerjack miracles still to be seen on this ruined globe...

Older than her years and completely alone, Temple is just trying to live one day at a time in a post-apocalyptic world, where the undead roam endlessly, and the remnant of mankind who have survived, at times, seem to retain little humanity themselves.

This is the world she was born into. Temple has known nothing else. Her journey takes her to far-flung places, to people struggling to maintain some semblance of civilization – and to those who have created a new world order for themselves.

When she comes across the helpless Maury, she attempts to set one thing right, if she can just get him back to his family in Texas then maybe it will bring redemption for some of the terrible things she's done in her past. Because Temple has had to fight to survive, has done things that she's not proud of and, along the road, she's made enemies. Now one vengeful man is determined that, in a world gone mad, killing her is the one thing that makes sense... **TP \$32.99**

### **Beth Bernobich**

#### *Passion Play*

finally Zhalina is the daughter of one of Melnek's more prominent merchants. She has lived most of her life surrounded by the trappings of wealth and privilege. Many would consider hers a happy lot. But there are dark secrets, especially in the best of families. Isle has learned that for a young woman of her beauty and social station, to be passive and silent is the best way to survive.

When Ilse fianlly meets the older man she is to marry, she realizes he is far crueller and more deadly than her father could ever be. Isle chooses to run. This choice will change her life forever.

And it will lead her to Raul Kosenmark, master of one of the land's most notorious pleasure houses...and who is, as Ilse discovers, a puppetmaster of a different sort altogether. Ilse discovers a world where every pleasure has a price and there are levels of magic and intrigue she once thought unimaginable. She also finds the other half of her heart.

Lush fantasy. Wild magic. Intrigue, seduction, and treachery, with a kingdom at stake. Passion Play is the journey of a woman who must conquer her passions in order to win all that she desires. **HC \$52.95**

### **Steven R Boyett**

#### *Elegy Beach (Ariel 02)*

Twenty-seven years ago, technology died. The fundamental laws of the universe had inexplicably changed. Now, Fred Garey's best friend Yan believes he's found a way to reverse the Change. But Fred fears the repercussions of such drastic, irreversible steps. **PB \$19.95**

### **John Brown**

#### *Servant of a Dark God*

The stunning epic fantasy debut!

Young Talen lives in a world where the days of a person's life can be harvested, bought, and stolen. Only the great Divines, who rule every land, and the human soul-eaters, dark ones who steal days from man and beast, know the secrets of this power.

Now a being of awesome power, whose Mothers once ranched human subjects like cattle, feeding on their souls, has arisen in secret. And her monstrous, murderous pawn, a soul-bound creature created of wood and grass and rock roams the land. A massive and mis-directed hunt for soul-eaters is launched and Talen finds himself a target. Trapped in a web of lies and secrets, Talen must identify his true enemy before the new Mother takes back what is rightfully hers. **PB \$19.95**

### **Derren Brown**

#### *Confessions of a Conjurer*

The inside of Derren Brown's head is a strange and mysterious place. Now you can climb inside and wander around. Find out just how Derren's mind works, see what motivates him and discover what made him the weird and wonderful person he is today.

Obsessed with magic and illusions since childhood, Derren's life to date has been an extraordinary journey and here, in *Memoirs of a Mentalist*, he allows us all to join him on a magical mystery tour - to the centre of his brain... **TP \$35**

### **Eric Brown**

#### *Guardians of the Phoenix*

Global warming has taken its terrible toll. The seas have dried up and deserts cover much of the Earth's surface. Humankind has been annihilated by drought and the nuclear and biological conflicts following the Great Breakdown. Desperate bands of humans still survive. Some live far underground, away from the searing temperatures and ongoing conflicts on the surface; others scrape a living in the remains of shattered cities above ground. In Paris, Pierre lives like an animal among the sand-drifted ruins of the once great city. Near death, he faces a choice: join the strangers heading south in search of water, or remain in the city and perish. Guardians of the Phoenix tells the story of the last survivors on planet Earth, their desperate fight for survival and their last hope to save the world. **APB \$19.95**

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## **Charles Burns**

### *X'ed Out*

Meet Doug, aspiring young artist. He's having a strange night. A weird buzzing noise on the other side of the wall has woken him up, and there across the room, next to a huge hole torn out of the bricks, sits his beloved cat Inky. Who died years ago. But that's no longer the case, as he slinks through the hole, beckoning Doug to follow. So he does. Now there's no turning back. What the heck is going on? To say much more would spoil the creepy, Burnsian fun, especially since - unlike Black Hole - X'ed Out has not been previously serialised anywhere and will have readers guessing at every unnervingly meticulous panel.

Drawing inspiration from such diverse influences as Herge and William Burroughs, X'ed Out is an engrossing new comic book fever-dream, from a true master of the form at the height of his powers. **HC \$35**

## **Jim Butcher**

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For Gaius Octavian, life has been one long battle. Now, the end of all he fought for is close at hand. The brutal, dreaded Vord are on the march against Alera. And perhaps for the final time, Gaius Octavian and his legions must stand against the enemies of his people. And it will take all his intelligence, ingenuity, and furycraft to save their world from eternal darkness. **A+ PB \$21.95**

### *Maelstrom (Dreden Files 01 Graphic novel)*

**HC \$51.95**

## **P C Cast**

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The new Goddess Summoning novel from the author of the multimillion-selling House of Night phenomenon.

After her car plummets off a bridge, Isabel, a world-weary photojournalist, struggles between life and death when she's saved by the Water Goddess—with one tiny caveat: Isabel must travel to another time to seduce the legendary Lancelot du Lac away from Queen Guinevere.

The handsome knight is a dream for any woman in any century. But Isabel is the one who's seduced by King Arthur. For Isabel, a deal is a deal. Now, the King watches as fate takes from him the mysterious beauty he has come to worship, knowing all too well that any interference on his part could destroy the kingdom he loves. **TP \$30.95 PB \$22.99**

## **C J Cherryh**

### *Conspirator (Foreigner 10)*

First in a brand-new Foreigner trilogy

Cajeiri is the young son of the powerful leader of the Western Association—and he has become a target for forces bent on destroying his father's rule. For Cajeiri is the first ateva to understand the humans living among them—an understanding that threatens his own race. **APB \$19.95**

## **Nancy A Collins**

### *Right Hand Magic (Golgotham 01)*

Like most Manhattanites, aspiring artist Tate can't resist a good rental deal—even if it's in the city's strangest neighborhood, Golgotham, where for centuries werewolves, centaurs, and countless other creatures have roamed the streets.

Her new landlord is a sorcerer name Hexe, who is determined to build his reputation without using dark, left-hand magic. As Tate is drawn into Hexe's fascinating world, they both find that the right hand does not always know what the left hand is doing—and avoiding darkness is no easy trick... **PB \$17.95**

## **Glen Cook**

### *Surrender to the Will of the Night (Instrumentalities of the Night 03)*

Piper Hecht's first and greatest secret is that he knows how to kill gods. What's not a secret is that he knows how to win wars

Piper Hecht's secrets make him dangerous, but his skill and his reputation put him in danger—from his enemies, who fear what he might do, or who want revenge for what he has already done; and from his friends, who want to use his military gifts for their own purposes. His sister Heris and his living ancestor Cloven Februaren, the Ninth Unknown, have made Hecht part of their fight against the return of the dark god Kharoulke the Windwalker. At the same time, the half-mad Empress Katrin wants him to lead the armies of the Grail Empire eastward on a crusade against his old coreligionists the Praman.

Meanwhile, all around them, the world is changing. The winters are growing longer and harder every year, and the seas are getting shallower. The far north and the high mountain ranges are going under the ice, and fast. The Wells of Power, everywhere, keep getting weaker. And the old evils, the Instrumentalities from the Time Before Time, have begun to ooze back into the world. As ever, the genius of Glen Cook's storytelling lies in his common touch: in soldiers who are like real soldiers, in men and women who love and laugh and sweat, with real hopes and real fears, united only in their determination to face the oncoming night. **HC \$54.95**

### *Star's End (Starfisher's 03)*

At the edge of the galaxy lay the Fortress known as Stars' End, a mysterious planet bristling with deadly automated weapons systems, programmed to slaughter anyone fool enough to come within range. But who built this strange planet of death, placing it within view of the Milky Way's great lens... and tantalizingly close to the hydrogen-filled feeding grounds of the interstellar dragons known as Starfish and the priceless ambergris they create?

Should the harvestships of the High Seiners, known as Starfishers, gain control of that arsenal, they need never fear the Confederation's navy nor the armies of the human-like Sangaree again. But intelligent life everywhere now needs the might of Stars' End—and the expertise of agents Mouse Storm and Moyshe benRabi. For in the midst of the Sangaree wars, a far more sinister enemy approaches, coming from the depths of the galaxy, in hordes larger than a solar system.

From Glen Cook, the Master of Modern Heroic Fantasy, comes Stars' End, the final novel in the Starfishers Trilogy, a seamless blend of ancient myth, political intrigue, and scintillating futuristic combat action. **TP \$30.95**

## **Robin Cook**

### *Intervention*

After performing a post-mortem on a young college student who'd been recently treated by a chiropractor, Jack Stapleton, a New York City medical examiner, decides to explore alternative medicine. What makes people seek help from Eastern philosophies or even faith healers to cure their illnesses? Meanwhile his old college friend, Shawn Doherty, a renowned archaeologist involved in a dig at St Peter's in Rome has made a startling discovery with huge ecclesiastical and medical implications.

When Kevin Murray, another old colleague, and now Roman Catholic Bishop of New York, gets wind of Shawn's findings he's desperate to keep them from the public and to disassociate himself from Shawn. Kevin turns to his old friend Jack to help protect this explosive secret—one with the power to change lives forever. **APB \$19.99**

**A Mateo Cruz***Helix Bound*

TP \$32.95

**Marianne de Pierres** *Australian Author**Transformation Space (Sentients of Orion 04)*

The dazzling conclusion to Marianne de Pierres' critically acclaimed space opera sequence.

Mira Fedor and her friends stand in the eye of the hurricane. Everything is in flux and nothing is as it appears to be. Mira's pregnancy seems to be proceeding at an inhuman pace and the sedate acceptance of this state of affairs by her biozoon, Insigna, is as much an irritation as it is comfort. It seems clear that the extropists' procedures have had an unforeseen effect - but will her child be more than human? Or less? Meanwhile, the galaxy-wide conspiracy that has plagued the Orion League for so long is blown wide open. The conspirators stand unmasked, but is there time to prevent their carefully laid plans coming to fruition? And even if there is, how many of the Orion Worlds will pay the price for their leaders blindness? The pieces are all in play; all that remains is for each side to commit to its end game. But there's one question nobody has thought to ask: will god play by the rules...? **APB \$19.99**

*Glitter Rose*

The Glitter Rose Collection features five short stories by Marianne de Pierres – four previously published and one new story. Each copy of this limited edition print run is signed and presented in a beautiful hardbound cover, with internal black and white illustrations.

The Glitter Rose stories are set against the background of Carmine Island (an island reminiscent of Stradbroke Island, Queensland) where a decade ago spores from deep in the ocean blew in, by a freak of nature, and settled on the island. These spores bring fierce allergies to the inhabitants of the island. And maybe other, more sinister effects. As we follow Tinashi's journey of moving to and settling into island life, we get a clearer picture of just what is happening on Carmine Island.

Glitter Rose is named after the glitter rose dusks that happen at certain tides on the island – when the last of sunset has fallen, a strange phosphorescence can be seen on the sands of the beaches. Colourless at first, it rapidly changes to a “carpet of tiny, shining, rose-coloured grains” as the sky darkens. **HC \$35**

**Marianne Delacourt** *Australian Author**Sharp Turn (Tara Sharp 02)*

Tara Sharp is at it again! Things are finally looking up on the work front, which may just mean she'll be able to escape living in her parent's garage.

Not only has the owner of a motorcycle racing team put her on retainer to find out who's sabotaging his bikes, but a wealthy 'madam' (of the bordello variety) wants her 'girls' coached on how to read their clients more astutely.

But dark clouds are gathering. The word is that local gang lord, Johnny Viaspa, has engaged a hitman known as 'the Finisher' to clean up some 'unfinished business'. And given her previous history with Viaspa, Tara has reason to be concerned... As if that weren't bad enough, Wal, her narcoleptic security chief is suddenly homeless and is eyeing off the couch in Tara's digs while talking about 'keeping an eye on her'. **TP \$29.99**

**Delilah Devlin***Darkness Captured*

A werewolf enters hell to rescue a princess captured by the Master of Demons. Cold-as-ice, Guntram Brandt, sergeant-at-arms for the contingent of werewolves sent to guard their emissary to the vampires, Gabriella, is through waiting for her return. Although sworn not to reveal their presence in New Orleans, he confronts their prince, demanding her return only to discover that she's disappeared through a portal into The Land of the Dead. Suspicious, because he's only too aware of her previous relationship to the prince, he agrees to accompany the prince's mage on a rescue mission. Headstrong and proud, Gabriella couldn't resist the sensual pull of the demon she glimpsed on the other side of the magical mirror, but once he dragged her through, she's thrust into an existence that is filled with her worst nightmares. When the demon forces her to submit to his will, she's tempted by his sweet tortures because she's discovered the secret to her passion. When Guntram offers her escape, she's torn between her sweet obsession with the dark lord and her fierce attraction to the one wolf who could ever master her. **BPB \$24.99**

**Philip K Dick***World Jones Made*

Floyd Jones is sullen, ungainly and quite possibly mad, but he really can see exactly one year into the future. And this talent means that in a very short time he rises from being a disgruntled carnival fortune-teller to convulse an entire planet. For Jones becomes a demagogue, whipping up the ideal-starved population into a frenzy against the threat of the 'drifters', enormous single-cell protoplasm that may be landing on Earth soon. But, in a world of engineered mutants, hermaphrodite sex performers in drug-fuelled nightclubs, Jones is a tragic messiah. His limited precognition renders him helpless because he cannot bring himself to fight against what he knows will happen... **BPB \$22.99**

**William C Dietz***At Empire's Edge (Jack Cato 01)*

Zak Cato is a xenocop. He's returning a fugitive shape-shifting Sagathi when things go horribly awry. Saved from being slaughtered with the rest of his men because he is drunk, Cato must now become the hero he was created to be, recapture the Sagathi, and exact revenge. **APB \$19.95**

*When Duty Calls (Legion of the Damned)***PB \$19.95****Carole Nelson Douglas***Silver Zombie (Delilah Street Paranormal Investigator 04)*

Fleeing back home to Kansas after a run-in with Sin City's vampire and werewolf mobs, paranormal investigator Delilah Street, while dealing with zombie cowboys, weather girl witches, and a Hollywood fanatic, comes face to face with her dangerous doppelganger. **APB \$19.95**

**Sara Douglass** *Australian Author**Beyond the Hanging Wall*

Joseph Baxtor and his son Garth are gifted physicians in the Kingdom of Escator and have the ability to assist healing through the 'Touch'. Joseph has been called to do his annual duty in the gloam mines, to heal the wounds of those who will never see the light of day again. Garth is sickened by the mines, and horrified by what he finds on the arm of a prisoner. Scar tissue cannot hide from Garth the fact that this man had had the blue Manteceros, the symbol of the Royal House of Escator, tattooed on his arm. The same one that Garth had seen and felt with his Touch only days before on the arm of the King of Escator. Garth knows then that this prisoner must be Maximilian, the young Crown Prince who disappeared while hunting some 17 years ago. Garth seeks help from the priests of the Order of Persimius, and from Ravenna, she who guards the border of the lands between dream and reality. The mysteries only increase for Garth as he is led deeper and deeper into the inexplicable worlds, just as Maximilian was taken deep into the earth to mine beneath the Hanging Wall. But Maximilian remembers nothing **APB \$20.99**

**Terry Dowling** *Australian Author*  
*Make Believe*                   **\$49.95**

**Amanda Downum**

*Bone Palace (Necromancer 02)*

A powerful adventure set in a mesmerising world of political intrigue, espionage and assassins.

Death is no stranger in the city of Eris n, but some deaths attract more attention than others. When a prostitute dies carrying a royal signet, Isyllt Iskaldur, necromancer and agent of the Crown, is called to investigate. Her search leads to desecrated tombs below the palace, and the lightless vaults of the vampiric vrykoloi. But worse things than vampires are plotting in Eris n - a long-dead sorceress is making a bid not only for renewed life but for the throne as well, and Isyllt's former lover is caught in her schemes. As a sorcerous plague sweeps the city, Isyllt must decide who she's prepared to betray - the man she still loves, or the royal family she's sworn to defend. **PB \$19.99**

**Dave Duncan**

*Pock's World*                   **TP \$30.95**

**Thoraiya Dyer & Matthew Chrulew** *Australian Authors*

*The Company Articles of Edward Teach / The Angaelien Apocalypse*

Two novelettes – published in tête-bêche format from the second Twelfth Planet Press Double.

Cover Art by Dion Hamill and Cover Design by Amanda Rainey.

The Company Articles of Edward Teach – Learning to live inside your own skin is hard enough, but what if you were thrown back in time, to another body; a different world...?

I was dead and now I'm alive, a stolen soul from a different world, but there seems to be another mind sharing the body with me and I really don't want to go mad.

The body of Blackbeard the pirate surfaces beside me, bleeding, and I want to laugh. I've been sent back three centuries. The clash between my two sets of memories makes me want to throw up. All the safety I took for granted is gone.

The Angaelien Apocalypse

An alien story you've never seen before ...

Reports had come in as the revolution erupted: a myriad of rotating discs approached Earth at speed. Panic and joy spread around the planet in viral waves. Few needed any help to identify these flying objects. They were the angælic vehicles.

And at the helm of the lead saucer was the Man himself. Jesus Christ. **BPB \$12**

**Cynthia Eden**

*Eternal Flame (Night Watch 03)*

A tracker of lethal criminals, hybrid demon Zane Wynter must bring Jana Carter, an Ignitor who can conjure and control fire, to justice until she convinces him that she has been framed for a crime she didn't commit by a group that plans to rid the world of paranormals. **TP \$28.95**

**Will Elliott** *Australian Author*

*Shadow (Pendulum 02)*

The Wall at World's End has been destroyed and Levaal stands naked again before its twin world. The Arch Mage seeks to unseat Vous before he joins the gods, but loyalties are fractured, within the Castle and among the Free Cities, as war and chaos looms. And a dragon may have escaped its sky prison, while a new alien force is rising by the name of Shadow.

When Eric Albright opened a door and entered Levaal he was truly a stranger in a strange land. Now the Pilgrim seeks answers, on the dragons, the gods, the demon being called Tormentors, and on the disturbing link between himself and the being known as Shadow ... between our world and Levaal ... **APB \$22.99**

**Jack Finney**

*The Body Snatchers*

Originally published in 1955 Jack Finney's sinister SF tale has outgrown the initial debate about whether it satirized Communism or the conformity of US society at the time, to become a classic of paranoia; an examination of our fear of 'the other'. Most people know the story from seeing THE INVASION OF THE BODY SNATCHERS, the classic 1978 remake (one of the few Hollywood remakes said to better than the original, made in 1956) starring Donald Sutherland. Here's your chance to read the original source; a story that has resonated with readers and viewers for more than 50 years. **BPB \$22.99**

**Pamela Freeman** *Australian Author*

*The Castings Trilogy (Castings 01, 02, 03)*

An omnibus edition of this sweeping fantasy - set in a troubled land of warlords and outcasts, where the echoes of past atrocities taint the present.

Bramble is impetuous with a talent for trouble, and she finds it when an accident brands her a criminal. But she expects no mercy with her Traveller blood - so when the village gods tell her to flee, she hits the road. In ghost-ridden Turvite, Ash leaves the road for an apprenticeship, the only one available for a Traveller such as himself. Then his employer trains him to kill on demand and his future looks bleak. But the gods have deeper plans for both Ash and Bramble. Their shared heritage grants them hidden strengths, which are needed to combat a new evil. Saker also remembers Travellers once owned this land. But he intends to take it back in vengeance, using enchantment and the blood of innocents. This omnibus edition contains: BLOOD TIES, DEEP WATER and FULL CIRCLE. **BPB \$29.99**

**R J Frith**

*The Nemesis List*

From the winning author of the War of the Words competition hosted by Tor UK and Sci Fi Now magazine...

Humanity has expanded into the stars but at the price of its freedom. An autocratic and overbearing Government now rigidly controls every technical and scientific advancement. Deviation is punishable by death.

Out on the edges of space, criminals thwart the law, making money out of illegal tech, their ships jumping from galaxy to galaxy to avoid detection. Ex-soldier Frank Pak doesn't care about politics or breaking the law, he just wants to keep his ship running. When he's offered a contract to escort a runaway back home to his loving family – he doesn't ask questions.

But his cargo is more dangerous than he realizes. Jeven Jones is no ordinary passenger. A result of illegal human experimentation, he's a fast-tracked evolutionary leap into future. Thanks to his ability for perfect recall and a series of mental skills that he has no control over, Jones is a wanted man. The Government wants him dead. A fledgling revolution want to use him to unlock every advancement the Government has ever denied them.

If Jones lives he'll start a war. If he dies the entire future of humanity dies with him... **HC \$44.99**

**Brian Froud***Good Faeries, Bad Faeries*

In this richly imagined book, celebrated artist Brian Froud reveals the secrets he has learned from the faeries - what their noses and shoes look like, what mischief and what gentle assistance they can give, and what their souls and dreams are like. The faery kingdom, we find, is as subject to good and evil as the human realm. Brilliantly documenting both the dark and the light, *Good Faeries/Bad Faeries* presents a world of enchantment and magic that deeply compels the imagination. Crammed with Froud's full-colour paintings, and bound in a reversible format with good faeries on one side and bad on the other, this is an attractive gift book sure to delight any fan of fantasy art. **HC \$29.99**

**Mary E Frusher***I Am Always With You***TP \$49.95****Neil Gaiman***Neil Gaiman Audio Collection*

Hours of listening pleasure are to be had with this audio collection of works by Neil Gaiman. Neil himself reads 'Blueberry Girl', 'The Graveyard Book', 'The Wolves in the Walls', 'Odd and the Frost Giants', 'Crazy Hair' and 'The Day I Swapped my Dad for Two Goldfish' and Dawn French reads 'Coraline'. This collection consists of 13 unabridged CDs with a running time of 13 hours and 38 minutes. **CD \$79.99**

**Harrison Geillor***The Zombies of Lake Wobegotten*

The town of Lake Wobegotten, Minnesota, is a small town, filled with ordinary (yet above average) people, leading ordinary lives. Ordinary, that is, until the dead start coming back to life, with the intent to feast upon the living. Now this small town of above average citizens must overcome their petty rivalries and hidden secrets in order to survive an onslaught of the dead"--Publisher. This parody of Garrison Keillor's Lake Wobegon stories includes some of Keillor's characters. **TP \$30.95**

**Heather Graham***Night of the Vampires*

As a soldier, Cole Granger fights to restore peace to a world divided by war and evil. His extraordinary talents are enlisted to prevent the president's horrific premonition from becoming reality. Nothing—and no one—will stop him from fulfilling his duty. Especially the mysterious young woman who claims to be his comrade's sister. Enemy or ally, he can't yet determine. But one thing he knows for certain is that he must keep her close. Very close.

Megan Fox's quest to uncover a family secret leads her to the center of vampire riots in West Virginia. To find the answers she needs—and clear herself of suspicion—she must join forces with Cole. They work undercover to bring justice, but they can't disguise the potent attraction and need that draw them together. Yet trust doesn't come easily for Cole...and when Megan unearths the grim, dark truth, can she trust him to believe her?

**APB \$19.95****Jonathan Green***Dark Side (Pax Britannia Ulysees Quicksilver 06)***START A NEW LIFE ON THE MOON!**

Yes, incredible opportunities await you on Earth's most popular emigration destination. Let us bring you to the moon in style. Our weekly flights depart from all the major London spaceports. From the architectural splendor of Luna Prime to Serenity City, there really is something for everyone. Or if it's adventure you're looking for, why not seek out old enemies and win new allies as you hunt for the killer of your nearest and dearest? So what are you waiting for? Murder and mayhem await you on the dark side of the moon. But remember, in space no one can hear you hullabaloo!

**BPB \$21.95****Laurell K Hamilton***Bullet (Anita Blake 17)*

The sensational new novel from the New York Times bestselling author featuring her vampire-hunting heroine Anita Blake. I am back in St Louis and trying to live a normal life as normal as possible for someone who is a legal vampire executioner and a US Marshal. I have my lovers, my friends and their children, school programs to attend. In the midst of all this ordinary happiness a vampire from my past reaches out. She was supposed to be dead, but the Mother of All Darkness is the first vampire, and it's hard to kill a god. The Mother of All Darkness believes that the triumvirate created by master vampire Jean-Claude with me and the werewolf Richard Zeeman has enough power for her to regain a body and to emigrate to the New World. But the body she wants to possess is already taken... And if the Mother of All Darkness can't succeed in taking over my body for herself, she means to see that no one else has the use of it, ever again. **BPB \$22.99**

*Divine Misdemeanors (Merry Gentry 08)*

Having turned down the throne of Faerie, and pregnant at last with twins by the men she loves, ex-princess Meredith Gentry should be living happily-ever-after. But the exiles of Faerie have other ideas - they want Meredith to be their princess, whether she likes it or not. And the new political party in England, the Fey Independence Party, want the lands of Faerie back, and they've asked Meredith to come home to be their faerie Prime Minister. They won't give up without a fight. With the government of the two countries blaming her for political unrest, happy ever after for half-human, half-faerie Meredith is going to have to wait, as she is caught in a struggle that threatens her life and the lives of those she holds dear. But she's a fighter, and she wields a wild magic... **APB \$21.95**

**M L N Hanover***Unclean Spirits (Black Sun's Daughter 01)*

In a world where magic walks and demons ride, you can't always play by the rules.

Jayné Heller thinks of herself as a realist, until she discovers reality isn't quite what she thought it was. When her uncle Eric is murdered, Jayné travels to Denver to settle his estate, only to learn that it's all hers -- and vaster than she ever imagined. And along with properties across the world and an inexhaustible fortune, Eric left her a legacy of a different kind: his unfinished business with a cabal of wizards known as the Invisible College.

Led by the ruthless Randolph Coin, the Invisible College harnesses demon spirits for their own ends of power and domination. Jayné finds it difficult to believe magic and demons can even exist, let alone be responsible for the death of her uncle. But Coin sees Eric's heir as a threat to be eliminated by any means -- magical or mundane -- so Jayné had better start believing in something to save her own life.

Aided in her mission by a group of unlikely companions -- Aubrey, Eric's devastatingly attractive assistant; Ex, a former Jesuit with a lethal agenda; Midian, a two-hundred-year-old man who claims to be under a curse from Randolph Coin himself; and Chogyi Jake, a self-styled Buddhist with mystical abilities -- Jayné finds that her new reality is not only unexpected, but often unexplainable. And if she hopes to survive, she'll have to learn the new rules fast -- or break them completely.... **APB \$19.95**

## **M L N Hanover**

### *Darker Angels (Black Sun's Daughter 02)*

In the battle between good and evil, there's no such thing as a fair fight.

When Jayné Heller's uncle Eric died, she inherited a fortune beyond all her expectations -- and a dangerous mission in a world she never knew existed. Reining in demons and supernatural foes is a formidable task, but thankfully Jayné has vast resources and loyal allies to rely on. She'll need both to tackle a bodyswitching serial killer who's taken up residence in New Orleans, a city rich in voodoo lore and dark magic.

Working alongside Karen Black, a highly confident and enigmatic ex-FBI agent, Jayné races to track down the demon's next intended host. But the closer she gets, the more convinced she becomes that nothing in this beautiful, wounded city is exactly as it seems. When shocking secrets come to light, and jealousy and betrayal turn trusted friends into adversaries, Jayné will soon come face-to-face with an enemy that knows her all too well, and won't rest until it has destroyed everything she loves most.... **APB \$19.95**

### *Vicious Grace (Black Sun's Daughter 03)*

When something buried under Grace Memorial Hospital tries to get free, Jayne Heller is ready to take on whatever's about to be let loose until she discovers that the greatest danger has been hiding in plain sight all along. **APB \$19.95**

## **Traci Harding Australian Author**

### *The Universe Parallel (Triad of Being 02)*

In the Universe Parallel, Taren Lenox and Lucian Gervaise land on a utopian planet of immortal psychics. It shares an orbit with their lost planet, Maladaan -- inhabited by a race that cannot abide psychism. Their saviours believe Taren and Lucian to be incarnations of their great ancestors, come to help them remove the alien planet from their star system.

Aided by her new allies, Taren moves to retrieve her lost memories from the Maladaan Secret Service's memory bank in Esponisa. She discovers that the way to return Maladaan to its rightful universe and future, lies ten years in her past ...

Superb storytelling and grand adventure from this best-selling and ever-popular author **TP \$32.99**

## **Charlaine Harris**

### *Aurora Teagarden: First Omnibus (Aurora Teagarden 01, 02, 03, 04)*

A mystery series from uber-selling author of the True Blood novels, Charlaine Harris.

THE AURORA TEAGARDEN MYSTERIES: An omnibus edition of Roe Teagarden's adventures! Aurora Teagarden loves reading about famous murderers - until she finds herself investigating a real-life killing spree! Lawrenceton, Georgia, may be a growing suburb of Atlanta, but it's still a small town at heart. Librarian Aurora Teagarden - Roe - grew up there and she reckons she knows everything about her fellow townsfolk, including which ones share her interest in the darker side of human nature... **TP \$35**

### *Lily Bard Mysteries (Lily Bard 01, 02, 03, 04, 05)*

Lily Bard just wanted to start life over - but life had different ideas. A thrilling crime series from an international bestseller.

Lily Bard is starting over again. She's disguised herself as much as she can, cutting her hair short and wearing baggy clothes and she's moved to Shakespeare, Arkansas, where, working as a cleaning lady, she can sweep away the secrets of her dark, violent past. But Shakespeare is not the peaceful little community Lily had hoped for and her idea of just fading into the background looks like it's doomed right from the beginning, when she discovers the dead body of her landlord... Before long, everyone is going to know Lily Bard's name. **HC \$59.99**

## **A J Hartley**

### *Act of Will (Will Hawthorne 01)*

Act of Will is a boisterous fantasy adventure that introduces us to Will Hawthorne, a medieval actor and playwright who flees the authorities only to find himself inextricably bound to a group of high-minded adventurers on a deadly mission. Will travels with them to a distant land where they are charged with the investigation and defeat of a ruthless army of mystical horsemen, who appear out of the mist leaving death and devastation in their wake.

In the course of Will's uneasy alliance with his new protectors, he has to get his pragmatic mind to accept selfless heroism (which he thinks is absurd) and magic (which he doesn't believe in). Will must eventually decide where his loyalties really lie and how much he is prepared to do--and believe--to stand up for them. **PB \$19.95**

## **Barb Hendee**

### *Hunting Memories (Vampire Memories 02)*

Vampire Eleisha Clevon has learned a way to draw blood from her victims without killing them--and she wants to share this knowledge with like-minded vampires and forge a united front against Julian Ashton, a vampire who preys on his own kind. **PB \$19.95**

### *Memories of Envy (Vampire Memories 03)*

A reluctant predator, Eleisha Clevon is determined to locate all vampires still existing in isolation, so she might offer them sanctuary at her home in Portland--and more importantly, so she can teach them to feed without killing.

But the beautiful and delicate Simone Stratford doesn't want to be saved. Made into a vampire in the Roaring Twenties, she enjoys playing her own elaborate games with mortals, stoking their passion for her before finally draining them of their blood. And soon Eleisha and her protector, Philip Brant, find themselves caught up in one of Simone's games, which turns into a battle for Eleisha's life and Philip's soul... **TP \$30.95**

## **Christina Henry**

### *Black Wings*

When tall, dark and handsome Gabriel Angeloscuro rents out the empty apartment in her building, Madeline Black, an agent of death, thinks things are looking up until demons appear on the front lawn and an unholy monster is unleashed upon the streets of Chicago. **APB \$19.95**

## **Paul Hoffman**

### *Left Hand of God (01)*

His name is Cale.

They told him he could destroy the world.

Maybe he will.

To read *The Left Hand of God* is to discover a world of wonder and cruelty, epic grandeur and unspeakable tragedy. It is Thomas Cale's story and before it is done he will have loved, killed, outwitted, saved or betrayed those who cross his path. He will have no choice . . . the fate of the world lies in his hands. **BPB \$24.95**

## **Hannah Howell**

### *Highland Beast*

FORBIDDEN LOVE IS ETERNAL . . .

'The Beast Within' by Hannah Howell

Gybbon MacNachton spends his days searching for the Lost Ones - demons with the powerful MacNachton bloodline who are being hunted. When he stumbles upon Alice Boyd, living like a wild animal in the forest, she stirs a primitive lust deep within him - a lust that can only be sated by their explosive union . . .

'The Vampire Hunter' by Heather Grothaus

As the last survivor of her family of witches, Beatrix Levenach must protect the townspeople from vampires. But when her life is in danger, she is forced to accept help from Alder the White - a vampire from the clan who wiped out her ancestors. And when they discover an all-consuming passion, they must make the ultimate sacrifice for eternal love . . .

'Laird of Midnight' by Victoria Dahl

For fifty years, Finlay Maclain has hunted the vampire clan who murdered his family and made him one of them. Now, he's sitting in a tavern, waiting for the last vampire he must kill. But a beautiful wench is distracting him beyond reason - and all he can think of is teasing her until she begs him to take her again and again . . . **PB \$17.95**

## **M K Hume Australian Author**

### *The Bloody Cup (King Arthur 03)*

For many years, the people of Briton have enjoyed peace and prosperity under the reign of King Artor and the Union of Kings. Having spurned the despotism of his predecessor, Uther Pendragon, Arthur has ruled with a strong sense of duty, goodness and honour. Artor is now weakening with age, however, and the seeds of discontent are being sown. Seeking to cleanse the land of Christian belief, dissenters need a symbol with which to legitimise their pagan claim and gather malcontents together into a cohesive weapon. These shadowy, subversive elements seize upon the ancient cup of Bishop Lucius of Glastonbury as a way of fragmenting Artor's hard-fought-for kingdom. But first, they must lay their hands on the relic and, in doing so, unleash a force for evil from which murder and violent mayhem ensue. But it emerges that the ultimate threat to Artor's rule lies far closer to home; Artor is betrayed by kin. Celt will slay Celt and the river will run with blood. **BPB \$22.99**

## **Shaun Hutson**

### *Last Rites*

A compelling blend of visceral horror and thriller set in a boarding school where all is not as it seems...

Almost beaten to death by a gang of violent teenagers, schoolmaster Peter Mason wants nothing more than to escape the simmering violence of London, his broken marriage and the memories of his daughter's death. The perfect chance comes in the form of a position at a prestigious boarding school in the heart of the Buckinghamshire countryside. But the past is always lurking in the background. Not just his own past but that of the school and its former staff. Mason becomes obsessed with discovering what became of his predecessor. The man's mysterious disappearance remains unexplained, leaving a chilling legacy behind. Mason finds that there are strange events occurring at the school - violent and sinister events that have happened before and will, if he cannot stop them, happen again... **PB \$19.99**

## **Alexandra Ivy**

### *Devoured by Darkness (Guardians of Eternity)*

Laylah, a half-human, half-demon jinn who is trying to protect a child who may be the catalyst in a war between good and evil, binds herself to Tane, a Charon sworn to hunt and kill rogue vampires, who has been hired to capture her. **PB \$17.95**

## **Kevin Jackson**

### *Bite: A Vampire Handbook*

Arm yourself with garlic, stake and crucifix, for the vampires are back in force - at the top of the best-seller lists, on your TV, on the web and lurking in darkened cinemas. But, where did they come from? Why have they come back now? And how can you tell if you are one?

Beginning with the first sightings of bats and blood-sucking in the Romantic period, Bite follows the undead's progress through the ages, right up to the present. Alongside mini essays, anecdotes, facts and figures, each section is punctuated with lists, such as the best places around the world for vamp tourism; rock songs with vampire allusions; box-office revenues for vamp movies; the top 10 Vampire clubs, video-games, vampire brides, as well as reliable and unreliable methods of killing a vampire ... **PB \$19.99**

## **Trent Jamieson Australian Author**

### *Managing Death (Death Works 02)*

Steven and Lissa may have stopped a Regional Apocalypse, but that's only the beginning. People are dying in the brutal summer heat. Stirrers are on the rise as their dark god draws near. And someone is trying to kill Steven de Selby. It's less than a month until the Death Moot, a meeting of the thirteen Deaths of the world - all in one room, and Steven's in charge. If it doesn't go smoothly mass extinctions are certain, and a unified front is the only way to destroy the Stirrer God and save humanity. Now, if only Steven would face up to his responsibilities as Australia's Death. It's not easy. There's a darkness within him called the Hungry Death and it's waking up. Steven has no idea what it will do to him, but he's sure he'll never be the same again. With Lissa Jones - the woman he snatched from Hell - at his side and his surly cousin Tim, he may yet uncover the secret of the Stirrer God, and the deep darkness at work within him. That is, if he doesn't drive everyone he loves away first. Steven must start managing Death before the Hungry Death starts managing him, or this time the Apocalypse will be more than regional. **APB \$19.99**

## **Alaya Dawn Johnson**

### *The Burning City*

In *The Burning City*, Alaya Dawn Johnson continues the trilogy begun with her debut, *Racing the Dark*, delving deeper into the world of magic wielded by women who understand the dark trade-offs of power and sacrifice. Lana, the heroine, has become the black ange l — a harbinger of destruction unheard of in the islands for 500 years. Nui'ahi, the sleeping volcano of the great city Essel, has erupted. In the chaos, the city is reshaping itself and violence threatens from all corners. A rebel movement has formed in the destroyed heart of the city, determined to oust Kohaku, the mad Mo'i of Essel. Lana wants no part of the rebels' cause — the death spirit still chases her, and the great witch Akua has kidnapped Lana's mother. But the more Lana looks for her mother, the more she is drawn into the city's political conflicts.

As Kohaku descends deeper into madness, determined to subdue the city by any means necessary, his wife has run away to the fire temple, where she too is slowly converted to the rebel's cause. When long-running tensions spill over into civil war, Lana must make her hardest decision yet: her mother's life, or a city's freedom? **TP \$30.95**

**Linda O Johnston***Alaskan Wolf*

When naturalist Mariah Garvey travels to the remote Alaska glacier region, she finds an abundance of beauty unparalleled in the Lower 48. The stark landscape, the vivid life force—and the powerful appeal of her rugged new guide, Patrick Worley.

For Patrick, the beautiful nature writer is an unwelcome distraction. His job at the Great Glacier Dog Ranch is only a cover for his classified work with Alpha Force. He is on a mission to uncover the truth behind a series of deadly explosions, and her presence hinders his ability to shape-shift and to hunt—as only a werewolf can. Even if he, too, feels an animal lust hot enough to melt the Alaskan ice, he knows their desire cannot be satisfied. Nor can it be denied. **PB \$14.95**

**Scott Kenemore***The Code of the Zombie Pirate***PB \$17.95****Jasper Kent***Thirteen Years Later (02)*

Aleksandr wanted a silent promise to the Lord. God would deliver him – would deliver Russia – and he would make Russia into the country that the Almighty wanted it to be. He would be delivered from the destruction that wasteth at noonday, and from the pestilence that walketh in darkness – the terror by night...

1825, Europe – and Russia – have been at peace for a decade. Bonaparte is long dead and the threat of invasion is no more. For Colonel Aleksei Ivanovich Danilov, life is peaceful. The French have been defeated, as have the twelve monstrous creatures he once fought alongside, and then against, all those years before. His duty is still to his tsar, Aleksandr the First, but today the enemy is merely human.

But the tsar himself knows he can never be at peace. He is well aware of the uprising fermenting within his own army, but his true fear is of something far more terrible – something that threatens to bring damnation down upon him, his family and his country. Aleksandr cannot forget a promise: a promise sealed in blood ... and broken a hundred years before.

Now the victim of the Romanovs' betrayal has returned to demand what is his. The knowledge chills Aleksandr's very soul. And for Aleksei, it seems the vile pestilence that once threatened all he held dear has returned, thirteen years later... **BPB \$24.95**

**Stephen King***Full Dark, No Stars*

'I believe there is another man inside every man, a stranger...' writes Wilfred Leland James in the early pages of the riveting confession that makes up '1992', the first in this pitch-black quartet of mesmerising tales from Stephen King, linked by the theme of retribution. For James, that stranger is awakened when his wife Arlette proposes selling off the family homestead and moving to Omaha, setting in motion a gruesome train of murder and madness. In 'Big Driver', a cozy-mystery writer named Tess encounters the stranger is along a back road in Massachusetts when she takes a shortcut home after a book-club engagement. Violated and left for dead, Tess plots a revenge that will bring her face to face with another stranger: the one inside herself. 'Fair Extension', the shortest of these tales, is perhaps the nastiest and certainly the funniest. Making a deal with the devil not only saves Harry Streeter from a fatal cancer but provides rich recompense for a lifetime of resentment.

When her husband of more than twenty years is away on one of his business trips, Darcy Anderson looks for batteries in the garage. Her toe knocks up against a box under a worktable and she discovers the stranger inside her husband. It's a horrifying discovery, rendered with bristling intensity, and it definitively ends 'A Good Marriage'. **HC \$60**

**Caitlin Kittredge***Bone Gods (Black London 03)*

To end the supernatural war raging through Black London, Pete Caldecott is ordered to kill the crow-mage, which, plunging her into a moral quandary, forces her to turn to an unholy source for help. **APB \$19.95**

**E E Knight***Dragon Champion (Age of Fire 01)*

After escaping those who killed his siblings, Young Auron, a rare, defenseless gray dragon, might be the last of his breed. Armed with nothing but his claws and a determination to survive, he sets off in search of his kind. But to find other dragons-or, at least, find out who's killing them off-Auron will have to search a world of mercenary elves, vicious humans, and dangers of all kinds. Finding allies in the strangest places-and himself along the way-Auron is about to make the trek of a lifetime... **PB \$19.95**

*Winter Duty (Vampire Earth 08)*

Major David Valentine and his fugitive battalion are the remnants of an expeditionary force shattered in its long retreat from disaster in the Appalachians. And Valentine is losing allies fast. Some of the clans in the region have declared themselves in favor of the vampiric Kurians, throwing Kentucky into civil war. But instead of retaking the region, the Kurian overlords have ordered the extermination of every human living there... **PB \$19.95**

**Gini Koch***Alien Tango (Kitty Katt 02)*

It's been five months since marketing manager Katherine "Kitty" Katt started working with the aliens from Alpha Centauri, and she and Jeff Martini are getting closer. But when an experimental spacecraft is mysteriously returned to the Kennedy Space Center, Kitty and the rest of her team are called in to investigate. Now the team must survive murderous attacks, remove a space entity from a group of astronauts, and avoid an unhinged woman with a serious crush on Kitty's high school boyfriend. And that's all before evil masterminds decide Kitty's extermination is vital. **PB \$19.95**

**Mercedes Lackey Editor***Finding the Way and Other Tales of Valdemar (Valdemar anthology)*

In March 1987, a young author from Oklahoma published her first novel, Arrows of the Queen. This modest book about a magical land called Valdemar was the beginning of a fantasy masterwork series that would span decades and include more than two dozen titles. Now readers can take a journey to the world of Valdemar-including Tanya Huff, Mickey Zucker Reichert, Fiona Patton, and Judith Tarr-each adding their own special touches. **PB \$19.95**



## **John Langan**

### *House of Windows*

When a young writer finds himself cornered by a beautiful widow in the waning hours of a late-night cocktail party, he seeks at first to escape, to return to his wife and infant son. But the tale she weaves, of her missing husband, a renowned English professor, and her lost stepson, a soldier killed on a battlefield on the other side of the world, and of phantasmal visions, a family curse, and a house... the Belvedere House, a striking mansion whose features suggest a face hidden just out of view, draws him in, capturing him.

What follows is a deeply psychological ghost story of memory and malediction, loss and remorse. This unnerving tour de force, exploring the literary haunted house, from Charles Dickens, Edgar Allan Poe, and H. P. Lovecraft to today, incorporates family trauma, abstract art, literary criticism, the occult Dickens, and the war in Afghanistan. From John Langan (Mr. Gaunt and Other Uneasy Encounters) comes *House of Windows*, a chilling novel in the tradition of Peter Straub, Joe Hill, and Laird Barron. **TP \$30.95**

## **Joe R Lansdale**

### *Flaming Zeppelins (Ned the Seal)*

What do the disembodied head of Buffalo Bill Cody, Annie Oakley, Frankenstein, the Tin Man, Captain Nemo, the Flying Dutchman, and the inestimable Ned the Seal, have in common? Find out as they embark upon a spectacular set of non-stop Steampunk adventures. For the first time, two epic chronicles, *Zeppelins West* and *Flaming London*, inscribed by a courageous young seal on his trusty notepad, are collected together in one volume.

So leap from a flaming zeppelin with the stars of the Wild West Show in a desperate escape from an imperial Japanese enclave. Wash up upon the island of Doctor Moreau, in mortal danger from his unnatural experiments (ignorant that Dracula approaches by sea). Unite with Jules Verne, Passpartout, and Mark Twain on a desperate voyage to the burning streets of London, which are infested with killer squid from outer space courtesy of H. G. Wells' time machine. It's a raucous steam-powered locomotive of shoot-'em-up westerns, dime novels, comic books, and pulp fiction, as only Lansdale, the high-priest of Texan weirdness, could tell. **TP \$30.95**

### *The Best of Joe R Lansdale*

Gathers stories combining horror with Westerns, mysteries, and satire that reveal the Texas author's distinctive perspective, as well as an autobiographical work. **TP \$32.95**

## **Joe R Lansdale & Michael Moorcock**

### *Sojan the Swordsman / Under the Warrior Star*

Moorcock's Sojan the Swordsman revisits the author's very first published character, the original incarnation of the Eternal Champion. Rewritten and expanded from its original appearance, this is the tale of the hero Sojan Shieldbearer as he travels across the planet Zylor encountering strange races and even stranger monsters in a fast-paced adventure in the tradition of Edgar Rice Burroughs and Leigh Brackett.

In Lansdale's never-before-published novella *Under the Warrior Star*, Olympic fencing contender Braxton Booker is hurtled into universe in miniature, where he must lead the inhabitants of the forest world of Juna against their oppressive overlord—a tentacled, mind-probing monstrosity known only as The One. **TP \$32.95**

## **Ursula K Le Guin**

### *The Word for the World is Forest*

The award-winning masterpiece by one of today's most honored writers!

The Word for World is Forest

When the inhabitants of a peaceful world are conquered by the bloodthirsty yumens, their existence is irrevocably altered. Forced into servitude, the Athsheans find themselves at the mercy of their brutal masters.

Desperation causes the Athsheans, led by Selver, to retaliate against their captors, abandoning their strictures against violence. But in defending their lives, they have endangered the very foundations of their society. For every blow against the invaders is a blow to the humanity of the Athsheans.

And once the killing starts, there is no turning back. **TP \$24.95**

## **Deborah LeBlanc**

### *The Wolven*

Someone—or something—is systematically murdering the members of Danyon Stone's werewolf pack. As Alpha, he knows that finding and punishing the murderous entity is his responsibility, and he's not about to rest until he sees justice done. But to stop the slayings he has to accept help from the most unlikely source—a wickedly sensual mortal woman.

Mystic-shop owner Shauna MacDonald has a special interest in the recent string of otherworldly deaths. As the Keeper of the werewolves, it's her duty to guard and protect the packs. Working by Danyon's side to stop an unknown killer—and trying to deny the potency of their illicit attraction—poses a threat to her heart unlike any she's ever known, and if she becomes the killer's next target, it could be the death of her.... **PB \$14.95**

## **Fritz Leiber**

### *Our Lady of Darkness*

Middle-aged San Francisco horror writer Franz Westen is rediscovering ordinary life following a long alcoholic binge. Then one day, peering at his apartment window from atop a nearby hill, he sees a pale brown thing lean out his window...and wave.

This encounter sends Westen on a quest through ancient books and modern streets, for the dark forces and paramental entities that thrive amidst the towering skyscrapers of modern urban life...and meanwhile, the entities are also looking for him.

A pioneering work of modern urban fantasy, *Our Lady of Darkness* is perhaps Fritz Leiber's greatest novel. **TP \$32.95**

### *Fritz Leiber Selected Stories*

Presents seventeen short stories that showcase the author's literary range in the genres of fantasy, horror, and science fiction. **HC \$51.95**

## **Lora Leigh**

### *Megan's Mark (01)*

In the first book of her erotic new series, Lora Leigh invites you to an intriguing world where genetically altered Breeds and the humans who created them commingle—and sometimes cross the boundaries of desire...

Cursed with the extraordinary power to feel other peoples' emotions, Megan Fields has tucked herself away in a remote corner of New Mexico, working as a small-town sheriff's deputy. She finds solace in the silence and heat of the desert. But when Breeds begin dying on her watch, Megan realizes that the secrets from her past can't stay buried forever. Someone is out for blood—her blood.

An arrogant Feline Breed, Braden Arness broods with feral intensity. His mission to solve the mysterious murders brings him to Megan, a woman who accosts his senses like no other. Only with him can she let down her guard—and surrender to the insatiable hunger that wracks her body. But as they team up to hunt the elusive killers, Braden and Megan find themselves becoming the prey... **PB \$17.95**

## Lora Leigh

### *Mercury's War (16)*

Nothing matches Lora Leigh's latest entry in the series about genetically altered Breeds with feline DNA—and the humans who awaken their desire. Someone has been slipping the Sanctuary's secure information to a pharmaceutical company. Now it's up to Ria Rodriguez to pose as a clerk and uncover the leak. Yet she has no idea of the danger she's about to encounter—or the passion she's about to ignite in one of the greatest Breeds ever created. **PB \$14.95**

## Marjorie M Liu

### *In the Dark of Dreams (Dirk & Steele)*

She could never forget the boy with the ice blue eyes . . .

She was only twelve when she saw the silver boy on the beach, but Jenny has never stopped dreaming about him. Now she is grown, a marine biologist charting her own course in the family business—a corporation that covertly crosses the boundaries of science into realms of the unknown . . . and the incredible.

And now he has found her again, her boy grown into a man: Perrin, powerful and masculine, and so much more than human, leaving Jenny weak with desire and aching for his touch.

But with their reunion comes danger. For Perrin and Jenny—and all living creatures—their only hope for preventing the unthinkable lies in a mysterious empire far beneath the sea . . . and in the power of their dreams. **PB \$19.95**

## Paul Magrs

### *Bride that Time Forgot (Brenda 05)*

Something is biting people on the streets of Whitby. In an ordinary town, this would be worrying. Here, it's disastrous, and only Brenda has guessed why. She's also trying to prepare for a packed festive break at her B&B, but her best friend Effie is in a distracted mood: she just hasn't been the same since her suave gentleman friend Alucard reappeared. Meanwhile, Penny has joined a book group in the new mystery bookstore, the Spooky Finger. As she is drawn into the strange and fantastic works of Edwardian lady novelist Beatrice Mapp, she makes some very surprising discoveries. Discoveries that will soon impact upon the lives of all the ladies of Whitby. When unexpected help from the shadows of the past arrives to illuminate the dangers awaiting them all, Brenda realises that unless she can find a way to save Effie, the consequences may be eternal. **TP \$32.99**

## Gregory Maguire

### *Matchless*

With *Matchless*, Gregory Maguire has reinvented the Hans Christian Andersen classic *The Little Match Girl* for a new time and new audiences. Originally asked by National Public Radio to write an original story with a Christmas theme, the New York Times bestselling author of *Wicked* and *A Lion Among Men* was once again inspired by the fairy tales we all loved in childhood—and he composed a poignant and enchanting tale of transcendence. A lovely and beautifully illustrated gift, *Matchless* places Andersen's pitiful waif in the august company of Maguire's previously reimagined *Snow White* (*Mirror, Mirror*), *Cinderella* (*Confessions of an Ugly Stepsister*), and, of course, the *Wicked Witch* and other denizens of Oz. **BPB \$24.99**

## Michael Maraviglia

### *Futurity*

**TP \$28.95**

## Juliet Marillier *Australian Author/New Zealand*

### *Seer of Sevenwaters (Sevenwaters)*

Sibéal has always known that she is destined for a spiritual life, and is committed to it with all her heart. The only thing left for her to do before she enters the nemetons is to spend the summer visiting her sisters, Muirrin and Clodagh, on the northern island of Inis Eala.

But Sibéal has barely set foot on the island before a freak storm out at sea sinks a ship before her eyes. In spite of frantic efforts, only three survivors are fished alive from the water, and one of them, a man Sibéal names Ardal, clings to life by the merest thread.

Life continues on the island, as it must, and Sibéal befriends Ardal as he begins to regain his health. But it becomes clear there is something unusual about the three shipwrecked strangers. Why won't the beautiful Svala speak? And what is it that the gravely ill Ardal can't remember – or won't tell? When a visiting warrior is found dead at the bottom of a cliff, and an attempt is made on Ardal's life, Sibéal finds herself a pawn in a deadly game. The truth will be far more astonishing than she could ever have believed – and the consequences for Sibéal unimaginable. **TP \$32.99**

## Isaac Marion

### *Warm Bodies*

"R" is a zombie. He has no name, no memories, and no pulse, but he has dreams. He is different from his fellow Dead.

Amongst the ruins of an abandoned city, R meets a girl. Warm and fierce and very much alive, Julie is a blast of colour in a dreary grey landscape; she means more than flesh and blood. Something imperceptible shifts, a switch is flicked, and R suddenly finds he wants to save Julie instead of eating her; he wants to protect her, whatever happens.

This has never happened before. This is against all the rules and beyond all expectations. R begins to have new thoughts and feelings and powerful longings, and together he and Julie attempt to bring the whole decaying world back from the dead. **BPB \$24.95**

## Graham Masterton

### *Demon's Door (Jim Rook 07)*

The seventh Jim Rook novel from the master of supernatural horror - Remedial English teacher and psychic Jim Rook has been feeling out of sorts all summer, and on the first day of the Fall semester he runs over and kills his pet cat, Tiddles. But halfway through his first class, enigmatic new Korean student Kim Dong Wook arrives . . . with a gift: a basket containing Tiddles, alive once more. The Korean spirit Kwisin, Jim is told, is saying "thank you" in advance. But what for? Jim can't help but feel deeply uneasy . . . **HC \$54.95**

## Christmas wish lists

If you would like to receive the correct books as gifts this Christmas, let us know your wish list so we can keep them in stock and listed for you. Then you can send your loved ones to us for accurate advice on what you really would like.

## **Anne McCaffrey**

### *Catalyst (Barque Cats 01)*

Pilot, navigator, engineer, doctor, scientist—ship's cat? All are essential to the well-staffed space vessel. Since the early days of interstellar travel, when Tuxedo Thomas, a Maine coon cat, showed what a cat could do for a ship and its crew, the so-called Barque Cats have become highly prized crew members. Thomas's carefully bred progeny, ably assisted by humans—Cat Persons—with whom they share a deep and loving bond, now travel the galaxy, responsible for keeping spacecraft free of vermin, for alerting human crews to potential environmental hazards, and for acting as morale officers.

Even among Barque Cats, Chessie is something special. Her pedigree, skills, and intelligence, as well as the close rapport she has with her human, Janina, make her the most valuable crew member aboard the Molly Daise. And the litter of kittens in her belly only adds to her value.

Then the unthinkable happens. Chessie is kidnapped—er, catnapped—from Dr. Jared Vlast's vet clinic at Hood Station by a grizzled spacer named Carl Poindexter. But Chessie's newborn kittens turn out to be even more extraordinary than their mother. For while Chessie's connection to Janina is close and intuitive, the bond that the kitten Chester forms with Carl's son, Jubal, is downright telepathic. And when Chester is sent into space to learn his trade, neither he nor Jubal will rest until they're reunited.

But the announcement of a widespread epidemic affecting livestock on numerous planets throws their future into doubt. Suddenly the galactic government announces a plan to impound and possibly destroy all exposed animals. Not even the Barque Cats will be spared.

With the clock racing against them, Janina, Jubal, Dr. Vlast, and a handful of very special kittens will join forces with the mysterious Pshaw-Ra—an alien-looking cat with a hidden agenda—to save the Barque Cats, other animals, and quite possibly the universe as they know it from total destruction. **TP \$28.95**

### *Catacombs (Barque Cats 02)*

#### A Tale of the Barque Cats

A sequel to *Catalyst* continues the efforts of young spacefarer Jubal and his telepathic cat Chester, who follow the enigmatic feline Pshaw-Ra on a journey to his cat-worshipping home planet, where the Barque Cats seek sanctuary. Co-written by the Nebula Award-winning author of *The Healer's War*. **HC \$49.95**

## **Cheyenne McCray**

### *Vampires Not Invited (Night Tracker)*

Vampire attacks are on the rise in the city that never sleeps. So why is half-human, half-Drow private eye Nyx tracking down Sprites? Sure, these "young bloods" are causing mischief all over town—like painting the Statue of Liberty's toenails neon pink. But it's not until Nyx finds herself at the Pit, Manhattan's hottest nightclub for paranorms, that she understands what she's really up against...

Seems Master Vampire Volod has a plan—and the Sprites are in on it. By targeting the weaknesses of every paranorm in the city, from Elves to Shifters to Zombies, Volod and his fang gang aim to rule the night once and for all. Over Nyx's dead body. She loves a good challenge—and she will seduce danger at every turn to throw Volod off course. It's time for Nyx to enter the beating heart of this dark conspiracy...before driving a stake through it. **APB \$19.95**

## **Bevan McGuinness Australian Author**

### *Slave of Sondelle (Eleven Kingdoms 01)*

Slave has been owned by Sondelle since he was a child. Finally escaping through the catacombs, Slave is almost killed by a revenant warrior spirit. He gains his freedom only by swearing fealty to this dangerous creature.

Befriended by Ileki, Slave begins to learn about the world outside. However, Sondelle's hired hunters track the escapee and in a fight to the death, Slave discovers that the revenant warrior has given him a 'blessing' ... a form of berserk rage that makes him virtually unbeatable in combat, but also makes him lethal to anyone in the immediate area, friends and foes alike. Ileki is killed and Slave heads for his friend's home city to make amends and seek help. Also heading for the same city are a number of other desperate: a woman who has fled her persecutors and a pair of outlaws from society amongst others.

Meanwhile, a city which has kept an evil spirit imprisoned for centuries, wakes one day to find it has escaped confinement. **APB \$22.99**

## **Patricia A McKillip**

### *Bards of Bone Plain*

Scholar Phelan Cle is researching Bone Plain—which has been studied for the last 500 years, though no one has been able to locate it as a real place. Archaeologist Jonah Cle, Phelan's father, is also hunting through time, piecing history together from forgotten trinkets. His most eager disciple is Princess Beatrice, the king's youngest daughter. When they unearth a disk marked with ancient runes, Beatrice pursues the secrets of a lost language that she suddenly notices all around her, hidden in plain sight. **HC \$51.95**

## **Joe McKinney**

### *Dead City*

#### TEXAS? TOAST.

Battered by five cataclysmic hurricanes in three weeks, the Texas Gulf Coast and half of the Lone Star State is reeling from the worst devastation in history. Thousands are dead or dying—but the worst is only beginning. Amid the wreckage, something unimaginable is happening: a deadly virus has broken out, returning the dead to life—with an insatiable hunger for human flesh . . .

#### THE NIGHTMARE BEGINS

Within hours, the plague has spread all over Texas. San Antonio police officer Eddie Hudson finds his city overrun by a voracious army of the living dead. Along with a small group of survivors, Eddie must fight off the savage horde in a race to save his family . . .

#### HELL ON EARTH

There's no place to run. No place to hide. The zombie horde is growing as the virus runs rampant. Eddie knows he has to find a way to destroy these walking horrors . . . but he doesn't know the price he will have to pay . . . **APB \$14.95**

## **Linda Medley**

### *Castle Waiting Volume 2 (02)*

With its long-awaited second volume, Linda Medley's witty and sublimely drawn fantasy eases into a relaxed comedy of manners as Lady Jain settles into her new life in Castle Waiting.

Unexpected visitors result in the discovery and exploration of a secret passageway, not to mention an epic bowling tournament. A quest for ladies' underpants, the identity of Pindar's father, the education of Simon, Rackhamand Chess arguing about the "manly arts," and an escape-prone goat are just a few of the elements in this delightful new volume.

The book also includes many flashbacks that deepen the stories behind the characters, including Jain's earliest romantic entanglements and conflicts with her bratty older sisters, the horrific past of the enigmatic Dr. Fell, and more. **HC \$60**

## **Fern Michaels**

### *Crossroads*

#### **THE SISTERHOOD WILL NOT BE BROKEN**

It's been a year and a half since the women of the Sisterhood received their presidential pardons, but the freedom they craved has come at a high price. The impossibly lucrative positions handed out to them by the mysterious Global Securities company have turned out to be golden handcuffs-scattering them around the world, cutting off communication, and leaving them in miserable isolation. But a happy homecoming at the old Virginia farmhouse is marred by the hijacking of Nikki and Kathryn's private jet. It seems their few fellow passengers are not ordinary travellers - they're an elite group of Interpol agents who urgently need the Sisterhood's help. Now the ladies face a stark choice: resume their vigilante status for one of their most hazardous assignments yet, or try to outwit a group of powerful adversaries willing to use truly desperate measures. This time, everything is in the balance-their lives, their friendship, and the freedom they fought so hard to gain. **APB \$14.95**

## **Walter Moers**

### *The Alchemaster's Apprentice*

Malaisea, the unhealthiest town in the whole of Zamonia, is home to Echo the Crat, a multitalented creature resembling a cat in appearance but capable of speaking any language under the sun, human or animal. When his mistress dies, Echo finds himself out on the street. Dying of starvation, he is compelled to sign a contract with Ghoolion the Alchemaster, Malaisea's evil alchemist-in-chief. This fateful document gives Ghoolion the right to kill Echo at the next full moon and render him down for his fat, with which he hopes to brew an alchemical concoction that will make him immortal. In return, he promises to regale the little Crat with the most exquisite gastronomic delicacies until his time is up. But Ghoolion has reckoned without Echo's talent for survival and his ability to make new friends. These include the Leathermice, the Cogitating Eggs, the Golden Squirrel, the Cooked Ghost, Theodore T. Theodore the one-eyed Tuwituwu, and, above all, Izanuela Anazazi, the last Uggly in Malaisea.

Walter Moers's magnificent translation of Optimus Yarnspinner's novel introduces us to yet another of Zamonia's hotbeds of adventure: Malaisea, a place where sick is healthy, up is down, right is wrong, and Ghoolion the Alchemaster reigns supreme - until Echo crosses his path. **TP \$32.95**

## **Elizabeth Moon**

### *A Legacy of Honour (Gird 01, 02)*

In a future age, Gird will be known as the patron saint of warriors. And although he inspired legend, he was once just a man with a cause. Poverty, fear and anger shaped Gird, as he struggled to survive under an oppressive aristocracy of mageborn magic-wielders. His innate hunger for justice and love for his people have taken him from humble beginnings to leadership of a peasant army. Where reason has failed, it seems the only way to end tyranny is rebellion, with perhaps some help from the gods. But Gird's fondness for drink threatens his mission and his life, as his strengths are tempered with weakness. In his passion to achieve his goals, Gird has also overlooked a great danger in his own camp. He knows his follower Luap is the bastard son of a king. But in spite of Luap's oath to seek no throne and to renounce his mage heritage, he cannot forget his past. And this will shape the Fellowship of Gird in a way no one wanted or predicted. **BPB \$32.99**

## **Michael Moorcock**

### *Hawkmoon: The Runestaff (Eternal Champion Hawkmoon)*

A final installment in the series that includes *The Jewel in the Skull* finds Eternal Champion Dorian Hawkmoon pulled unwittingly into a war that eventually pits him against the ruthless Baron Meliadus and the armies of the Dark Empire. **TP \$30.95**

### *The Sword of the Dawn (Hawkmoon)*

In Michael Moorcock's vast and imaginative multiverse, Law and Chaos wage war in a never-ending struggling over the fundamental rules of existence. Here in this universe, Dorian Hawkmoon traverses a world of antique cities, scientific sorcery, and crystalline machines as he pulled unwillingly into a war that pits him against the ruthless and dominating armies of Granbretan.

In *The Sword of the Dawn*, Dorian Hawkmoon's quest to destroy the Dark Empire of Granbretan leads him onto the path of a man who possess a rare ring that allows men to travel through time. Hawkmoon uses this ring to travel to a far future New Orleans, where he must battle the Pirate Lords who possess the Great Sword of the Dawn, which can end the Dark Empire once and for all. **TP \$32.95**

## **Rachel Neumeier**

### *Law of the Broken Earth (Griffin Mage 03)*

Griffins and humans will meet for their final battle in the epic conclusion to the Griffin Mage Trilogy.

Six years ago, the king of Casmantium's schemes shattered the balance between griffins and humans, and nearly led to disaster for both. Now the balance may be tipping once more - and this time neither courage nor sacrifice may be enough to repair what should never have been broken. Mienthe, the Lord of the Delta's young ward, knows only that her own peaceful life has been shaken. But when a spy brings a deadly secret from a neighboring country, she sees three kingdoms move towards war and two species toward destruction. Trapped between the secret many would kill to preserve and the desperate ferocity of the griffins, could Mienthe herself hold the key to preventing the atrocities to come? **PB \$19.99**

## **Stan Nicholls**

### *Army of Shadows (Orcs Bad Blood 02)*

Fantasy's favourite anti-heroes are back with a new bestselling series!

Stryke and the Wolverines returned in 2008 in *ORCS BAD BLOOD 1: WEAPONS OF MAGICAL DESTRUCTION*, taking their quest to save the Orc race from both man and the sorceress Jennesta across the dimensions. Now they are back in another volume of frenetic action, nail-biting adventure and black humour. Orcs warband the Wolverines are stranded in a parallel world. Their only means of escape, the mysterious instrumentalities, have been seized by their nemesis, the depraved sorceress Jennesta. But regaining the artefacts is only one of their problems. To ignite an uprising in the face of ruthless human oppressors commanding magic, Stryke and his band must reawaken the lost martial spirit of the world's indigenous orcs. You'll never look at an Orc again in the same way. **BPB \$22.99**

## **James O'Neal**

### *The Human Disguise*

The world has been shattered. Disease and war have ravaged the earth. A resurgent Germany once again threatens Europe, the United States is engaged in the Middle East, and New York has been left an empty, radioactive ruin. The city of Miami has become a virtual prison, home to the worst life has to offer. Tom Wilner lives on the outskirts of this forsaken realm. He's what passes for a police officer in this world.

With his family shattered, Wilner is just a pale version of the police hero he once was. And when a chance encounter in a rundown roadhouse erupts in violence, Wilner is forced to step in. His exploration into the violence of that evening leads him onto the path of two warring ancient races--beings that have been manipulating power and control on Earth for centuries, and are about to enter into a battle for ultimate supremacy.

Unless Tom Wilner puts an end to their fury. **PB \$19.95**

**Robin D Owens***Heart Fate (Celta 07)*

Married as a girl, Lahsin Yew decides to run away from her abusive older husband to find a new life on her terms. She's about to enter her Second Passage, which is when her HeartMate will be revealed. She meets Tinne Holly, who must hide that he's her HeartMate. But when the truth is revealed, can she forgive his deception, and learn to trust in her destiny? **PB \$19.95**

**Graham Sharp Paul Australian Author***The Battle for Commitment Planet (Helfort's War 04)*

Issued a brutal ultimatum by the Hammer Worlds, Helfort along with his crew, refuses to comply and embarks on a dangerous rescue mission to liberate the only woman he has ever loved and the rest of the POWs held captive on the Hammer's stronghold Commitment Planet. **APB \$19.95**

**Beatrice Phillpots***The Faeryland Companion*

From folk mythology and classical theatre to contemporary film and dance, the mischievous and playful fairy has fascinated mankind for thousands of years. These intriguing and ethereal creatures, with the myths and legends that surround them, have never ceased to provide inspiration for artists and illustrators. From Puck to Peter Pan, children and adults alike have never really stopped believing in fairies. The earliest religions and superstitions had spirits and hobgoblins symbolizing the forces of nature, or watching over human infidelities. Although based on earlier myths and traditions, Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream" was a huge influence on the fantasies of generations of artists. Highly fashionable in the 18th century, fairy paintings were a foil for desecrating eroticism in a time of prudity, and captured the spirit of national pride in their portrayal of an idealized English landscape. With the invention of photographic techniques came the opportunity to create realistic "spirit" photographs and elaborate hoaxes which captivated many respected figures. Accompanying the wide selection of bewitching paintings and engravings, fairy expert Beatrice Phillpots follows the story of fairies from ancient mythology, through Shakespeare and Victorian art, to modern manifestations of fairy stories in the Disney films and beyond. **HC \$35**

**Terry Pratchett***Illustrated Eric (Discworld)*

Eric calls up a demon to grant him three wishes - but what he gets is the Discworld's most incompetent wizard...

Eric is the Discworld's only demonology hacker. The trouble is, he's not very good at it. All he wants is the usual three wishes: to be immortal, rule the world and have the most beautiful woman fall madly in love with him. The usual stuff. But what he gets is Rincewind, the Disc's most incompetent wizard and Rincewind's Luggage (the world's most dangerous travel accessory) into the bargain. Terry Pratchett's hilarious take on the Faust legend stars many of the Discworld's most popular characters in an outrageous adventure that will leave Eric wishing once more - this time, quite fervently - that he'd never been born. **HC \$55**

**Kevin Priestley***Date With the Devil***TP \$30.95****Hannu Rajaniemi***Quantum Thief*

Jean le Flambeur is a post-human criminal, mind burglar, confidence artist and trickster. His origins are shrouded in mystery, but his exploits are known throughout the Hierarchy - from breaking into the vast Zeusbrains of the Inner System to steal their thoughts, to stealing rare Earth antiques from the aristocrats of the Moving Cities of Mars. Except that Jean made one mistake. Now he is condemned to play endless variations of a game-theoretic riddle in the vast virtual jail of the Axelrod Archons - the Dilemma Prison - against countless copies of himself. Jean's routine of death, defection and cooperation is upset by the arrival of Mieli and her spidership, Perhonen. She offers him a chance to win back his freedom and the powers of his old self - in exchange for finishing the one heist he never quite managed...

This book was highly recommended by Charles Stross when he visited us in 2010. **TP \$32.99**

**Robert Rankin***Witches of Chiswick*

Have you ever wondered how Victorians dreamed up all that fantastic futuristic fiction? Did it ever occur to you that it might just have been based upon fact? That THE WAR OF THE WORLDS was a true account of real events? That Captain Nemo's Nautilus even now lies rusting at the bottom of the North Sea? That there really was an invisible man? And what about the other stuff? Did you know that Queen Victoria had a sexual relationship with Dr Watson? Or that the elephant man was a product of an ET/human hybridisation programme? Or that Jack the Ripper was a terminator robot sent from the future? Read on and learn how a cabal of Victorian Witches from the Chiswick Townswomen's Guild, working with advanced Babbage super-computers, rewrote 19th Century history and how a 23rd Century boy called Will Starling uncovered the truth about everything. **BPB \$22.99**

**Jennifer Rardin***Once Bitten, Twice Shy (Jaz Parks 01)*

I'm Jaz Parks. My boss is Vayl, born in Romania in 1744. Died there too, at the hand of his vampire wife, Liliana. But that's ancient history. For the moment Vayl works for the C.I.A. doing what he does best--assassination. And I help. You could say I'm an Assistant Assassin. But then I'd have to kick your ass.

Vayl and I have to take out a Miami plastic surgeon with ties to terrorism. But the assignment gets complicated when it turns out he's in cahoots with a supernatural nasty powerful enough to bring America to her knees. **APB \$19.95**

**Jennifer Rardin***Bitten in Two (Jaz Parks 07)*

After the Oversight Committee begins to adversely affect Vayl's perceptions, Jaz Parks and her crew must journey to Hell one last time in order to set things right. By the author of Biting the Bullet. **PB \$19.99**

**Robert V S Redick***The Rats and the Ruling Sea (Chathrand 02)*

THE RATS AND THE RULING SEA begins where THE RED WOLF CONSPIRACY ended; Thasha's wedding is hours away. It is a wedding that will both fulfil the promise of a mad god's return and see her murdered. Pazel has thwarted the sorcerer who would bring back the god but both sides now face deadlock. Can Thasha be saved? Can the war between two Empires be stopped? THE RATS AND THE RULING SEA is, once again, focused on the giant ancient ship, the Chathrand, but now she must brave the terrors of the uncharted seas; the massive storms and the ship swallowing whirlpools and explore lands forgotten by the Northern world, all the time involved in a vicious running battle with a ship half her size but nearly her match. **BPB \$22.99**

**Mike Resnick***The Buntline Special (Weird West)*

In a steampunk-style alternate-history fantasy tale, America's only hope for expansion past the Mississippi River in 1881 is a mission to Tombstone, Arizona, headed by Thomas Edison, whose protectors include Wyatt Earp, Doc Holliday and the zombie Bat Masterson and whose enemies include the Apache wizard Geronimo, the Clanton gang and an undead Johnny Ringo. **TP \$32.95**

**Kim Stanley Robinson***The Best of Kim Stanley Robinson*

Adventurers, scientists, artists, workers, and visionaries--these are the men and women you will encounter in the short fiction of Kim Stanley Robinson. In settings ranging from the sunken ruins of Venice to the upper reaches of the Himalayas to the terraformed surface of Mars itself, and through themes of environmental sustainability, social justice, personal responsibility, sports, adventure and fun, Robinson's protagonists explore a world which stands in sharp contrast to many of the traditional locales and mores of science fiction, presenting instead a world in which Utopia rests within our grasp.

From Kim Stanley Robinson, award-winning author of the Mars Trilogy (Red Mars, Green Mars, Blue Mars), the Three Californias Trilogy (The Wild Shore, The Gold Coast, Pacific Edge), the Science in the Capital series (Forty Signs of Rain, Fifty Degrees Below, Sixty Days and Counting), The Martians, and The Years of Rice and Salt, comes The Best of Kim Stanley Robinson. These twenty-two stories, including the Nebula Award-winning "The Blind Geometer," and World Fantasy Award winner "Black Air" represent The Best of Kim Stanley Robinson. **HC \$54.95**

**Justina Robson***Chasing the Dragon (Quantum Gravity 04)*

Lila Black returns in the fourth volume of high-octane, high-magic, high-tech adventures. For ten years now mankind has lived in Otopia - our world, but our world changed. Ever since the Quantum Bomb our dimension and realms of faerie, demonia, of the elementals and of death have been intermingled. We live alongside creatures from our myths, dreams and nightmares. Lila Black, half-robot, all attitude works for Otopia's secret service. In love with a half-elf, half-demon and carrying the spirit of another elf inside her, her life is quite complicated enough already. But other complications, other loves, other fears, other deaths wait just around the next dimensional corner. **BPB \$22.99**

**Christopher Rowley***Money Shot (Netherworld 03)*

Detective Rook Venner was a successful investigating officer for the Hudson Valley Police Department-until the General Sangacha murder case came across his desk and his world exploded.

Now after being dragged through hell and back, Rook is on the run with Plesur, a Pleasure Model who is the one eyewitness to the murder. Plesur carries a secret in her brain that terrifies the powers-that-be. A secret that they will do anything to destroy -even bring in a Tactical Robotic Regiment to track Rook and Plesur down and annihilate them.

The only choice the two have is to locate the coordinates that were planted in the pleasure mod's head to the isolated mountain ridge where it all began. Deep underground, in a warren of machine halls and ice caves, something so horrific is happening that just knowing three code words is enough to get you killed: Operation Taste Imperative.

Rook and Plesur have no way back and no way out. If they want to survive and have any kind of life together, they must uncover the terrifying secret that lies deep inside the mountain. **TP \$32.99**

**Salman Rushdie***Midnight's Children*

## INCLUDES A READING GUIDE

Born at the stroke of midnight at the exact moment of India's independence, Saleem Sinai is a special child. However, this coincidence of birth has consequences he is not prepared for: telepathic powers connect him with 1,000 other 'midnight's children' all of whom are endowed with unusual gifts. Inextricably linked to his nation, Saleem's story is a whirlwind of disasters and triumphs that mirrors the course of modern India at its most impossible and glorious. **BPB \$24.95**

**Lynsay Sands***Hungry for You (Argeneau)*

This vampire has been alone for far too long . . .

As one of the most ancient in the Argeneau clan, Cale Valens has given up on finding a life mate. His friends and family, however, have not. In fact, they believe they've finally found his perfect match. Getting them together, however, requires one little white lie . . .

Alexandra Willan is in a panic. Her restaurant is due to open in two weeks, but her chef just walked out. Then a highly recommended replacement arrives, an impossibly handsome culinary genius who sends electric tingles racing through her body . . .

Except he can't cook. In fact, Cale hasn't eaten real food in two thousand years. Yet he's determined to prove to Alex his prowess in the kitchen . . . and elsewhere.

Because never has he hungered so for any mortal woman. And not just for a taste of her, but for the whole delicious feast! **APB \$19.95**

**Pamela Sargent***Seed Seeker*

Several hundred years ago, Ship, a sentient starship, settled humans on the planet Home before leaving to colonize other worlds, promising to return one day. Over time, the colony on Home divided into those who live in the original domed buildings of the colony, who maintain the library and technology of Ship, and those who live by the river, farming and hunting to survive. The Dome Dwellers consider themselves the protectors of true humanity and the River People contaminated, and the two sides interact solely through ritualized trade: food and goods from the River People in exchange for repairs and recharges by the Dome Dwellers.

Then a new light appears in the night sky. The River People believe it might be Ship, keeping its promise to return, but the Dome Dwellers, who have a radio to communicate with Ship, are silent. So Bian, a seventeen-year-old girl from a small village, travels upriver to learn what they know. As she travels through the colony of Home, gaining companions and gathering news, Bian ponders why the Dome Dwellers have said nothing. Has Ship commanded them to be silent, in preparation for some judgment on the River People? Or are the Dome Dwellers lying to Ship, turning Ship against their rivals?

Whatever the answer, life is about to change radically on both sides of the divide. **HC \$45.99**

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**John Saul***House of Reckoning*

For more than three decades John Saul has haunted the New York Times bestseller list—and readers' imaginations—with his chilling tales of psychological suspense and supernatural horror. His instinct for striking the deepest chords of fear in our hearts and minds is unerring, and his gift for steering a tale from the light of day into the darkest depths of nightmare is at its harrowing best in *House of Reckoning*.

After the untimely death of her mother, fourteen-year-old Sarah Crane is forced to grow up quickly in order to help tend her family's Vermont farm and look after her grieving father, who's drowning his sorrow in alcohol. But their quiet life together is shattered when her father is jailed for killing another man in a barroom brawl and injuring Sarah in a drunken car crash. Left in the cold care of a loveless foster family and alienated at school, Sarah finds a kindred spirit in classmate Nick Dunnigan, a former mental patient still plagued by voices and visions. And in eccentric art instructor Bettina Phillips, Sarah finds a mentor eager to nurture her talent for painting.

But within the walls of Bettina's ancestral home, the mansion called Shutters, Sarah finds something altogether different and disturbing. Monstrous images from the house's dark history seem to flow unbidden from Sarah's paintbrush—images echoed by Nick's chilling hallucinations. Trapped for ages in the shadowy rooms of Shutters, the violence and fury of long-dead generations have finally found a gateway from the grave into the world of the living. And Sarah and Nick have found a power they never had: to take control, and take revenge. **PB \$19.95**

**Robert J Sawyer***Wake (WWW 01)*

What happens when the internet comes alive? An SF thriller of terrifying possibilities.

Caitlin Decter is young, pretty, feisty, a mathematics genius—and blind. Still, she can surf the net with the best of them, following its complex paths clearly in her mind. But Caitlin's brain long ago co-opted her primary visual cortex to help her navigate online. So when she receives an implant to restore her sight, instead of seeing reality, the landscape of the World Wide Web explodes into her consciousness, spreading out all around her in a riot of colors and shapes. While exploring this amazing realm, she discovers something—some other—lurking in the background. And it's getting more and more intelligent with each passing day. The first of a spellbinding future history trilogy that charts what will happen when the world's first first and superior, artificial-intelligence is born in the web. **BPB \$22.99**

**John Scalzi***Agent to the Stars*

The space-faring Yherajk have come to Earth to meet us and to begin humanity's first interstellar friendship. There's just one problem: They're hideously ugly and they smell like rotting fish. So getting humanity's trust is a challenge. The Yherajk need someone who can help them close the deal. Enter Thomas Stein, who knows something about closing deals. He's one of Hollywood's hottest young agents. But although Stein may have just concluded the biggest deal of his career, it's quite another thing to negotiate for an entire alien race. To earn his percentage this time, he's going to need all the smarts, skills, and wits he can muster. **APB \$19.95**

**Karl Schroeder***Pirate Sun (Virga 03)*

Chaison Fanning, the admiral of a fleet of warships introduced in the first book, has been captured and imprisoned by his enemies, but is now rescued and set free. He must flee to his home city to confront the ruler who betrayed him. Perhaps while there he will also regain his lovely, powerful, and subversive wife, Venera. He has not seen her since she fled, careening off into the air of Virga, with the key to the artificial sun, Candesce, at the center of Virga. In *Pirate Sun*, Schroeder sets a whole new standard for hard SF space opera. **TP \$32.95**

**Maggie Shayne***Blue Twilight*

Endover, New Hampshire, looks innocent. But below its surface an ancient and powerful thirst boils fiercely. When two girls go missing, only one person can find them: private investigator Maxine Stuart.

No other living mortal knows as much about the undead as "Mad Maxie." But the dark force controlling Endover will use that knowledge to strengthen his hold on the town—and on her. Not even Lou Malone, the man Maxie most desires, can convince her to abandon her crusade against a madman's yearning for power...and resurrected love. **PB \$19.95**

**Sharon Shinn***Quatrain*

Collects four novellas set in four different worlds, including "Flight," in which a woman with a past is chosen as an angel's lover, and "Flame," in which a mystic discovers her power to control fire. **PB \$19.95**

**Eve Silver***Sins of the Heart*

Half human, half god, Dagan Krayl is the Underworld's most powerful soul reaper. When one of his brothers is murdered, Dagan must use every ounce of his power to hunt down those responsible for his brutal death. But he must move swiftly—and carefully—if he's to have any chance of resurrecting his brother.

Yet that resurrection could wreak havoc on the mortal world. As an Otherkin, Roxy Tam has sworn to protect the human race, and it's her mission to stop Dagan. But when she sees him face-to-face, she realizes that she has encountered him once before—a meeting that changed her life forever.

Neither Dagan nor Roxy expect to join forces for the sake of mankind. Or to have their loyalties tested as they struggle against the potent desire that threatens to consume them both... **BPB \$22.99**

**Terry Spear***Wolf Fever (Heart of the Wolf 06)*

Sixth in the hugely popular paranormal series featuring real-life wolf behavior from award-winning author

Fate turned nurse Carol Woods into a wolf, but she refuses to let being a lupus garou define her life. Ordered by her pack leader to find a mate and commit to shifting, there is only one gray wolf that catches Carol's interest; but Chaz McKinley makes it very clear that unless she's willing to accept what she is, he wants nothing to do with her. When a virus outbreak leaves local pack members trapped in their wolf form, will Chaz and Carol learn to trust each other before it's too late for the pack and their one chance at true love? **PB \$19.95**

**Michael P Spradlin Australian Author***Every Zombie Eats Somebody Someday*

Zombies have feelings, too... Sure, losing a limb doesn't faze them in the slightest, but a zombie's rotting heart can still break just like anybody else's. Yes, it's true: Zombies need loving! And this soul-stirring collection of more than two dozen classic love songs is just the ticket for zombie romantics everywhere. **PB \$17.99**

## **Michael A Stackpole**

### *At the Queen's Command (Crown Colonies 01)*

1763: The Crown Colonies of Mystria are in turmoil, trapped between warring empires and facing insurrection from natives and colonists alike...

Captain Owen Strake, a wounded and battle-weary Redcoat of the Queen's Own Wurms, has come to this untamed land. At the Queen's command, Owen's mission is to survey this vast, uncharted territory, performing reconnaissance of rival Tharyngians and the savage Twilight People of the wilderness.

Prince Vladimir is a Norillian noble, nephew to the Queen. Though he has little real political power, he struggles to ensure the colonists' interests are represented back in Norisle. The one thing he does have is a worm... one of the few existing "dragons" from a clutch of eggs discovered in the old world, hundreds of years ago.

As Mystria swirls into chaos, Owen becomes prisoner of a Tharyngian necromancer. Meanwhile, Vlad is to be married off to an old world princess, an alliance supposed to help supply money and mercenaries to put down the various insurrections. But, nobody suspects that Vlad's worm is about to undergo a change that will impact the world's delicate political balance... **TP \$30.95**

## **Bram Stoker**

### *Dracula*

The door is shut, and the chains rattle; there is a grinding of the key in the lock; I hear the creaking of lock and bolt...I shall not remain alone with them. I may find a way from this dreadful place, away from this cursed spot, from this cursed land, where the devil and his children still walk with earthly feet!

Young lawyer Jonathan Harker travels to Transylvania on business for a mysterious Count. Months later in England, beautiful Lucy Westenra falls ill and dies, inexplicably, as if from a severe loss of blood. Lucy's friends, including Jonathan's fiancée Mina and the intrepid doctor Van Helsing, must begin a desperate battle against a powerful, ancient evil, in Bram Stoker's definitive gothic tale. **BPB \$24.95**

## **Tricia Sullivan**

### *Lightborn*

Cutting-edge science fiction from the Arthur C. Clarke Award-winning author of MAUL.

Lightborn, better known as 'shine', is a mind-altering technology that has revolutionised the modern world. It is the ultimate in education, self-improvement and entertainment - beamed directly into the brain of anyone who can meet the asking price. But in the city of Los Sombres, renegade shine has attacked the adult population, resulting in social chaos and widespread insanity in everyone past the age of puberty. The only solution has been to turn off the Field and isolate the city. Trapped within the quarantine perimeter, fourteen-year-old Xavier just wants to find the drug that can keep his own physical maturity at bay until the army shuts down the shine. That's how he meets Roksana, mysteriously impervious to shine and devoted to helping the stricken. As the military invades street by street, Xavier and Roksana discover that there could be hope for Los Sombres - but only if Xavier will allow a lightborn cure to enter his mind. What he doesn't know is that the shine in question has a mind of its own... **BPB \$22.99**

## **Daniel Tatarsky**

### *Dan Dare, Pilot of the Future, A Biography (Dan Dare)*

Dan Dare, pilot of the future, was the creation of Frank Hampson, a young artist who cut his teeth on Meccano Magazine. Beginning in April 1950, Dan Dare was the lead strip in the hugely successful Eagle magazine. The strip would only run to a couple of pages, but stories (and their weekly cliffhangers) could run for over a year. The majority of the strips involved Dan, a suave, natural leader, doing battle with all manner of alien lifeform to preserve the future wellbeing of Earth. Hampson's bold use of colour and figurative style (he used real-life models) were groundbreaking in post-war austerity Britain. In this book, Daniel Tatarsky researches the adventures of Dan Dare (and his co-pilots) and brings Britain's favourite space hero to life. Talking to the original writers and illustrators, Tatarsky tells the story of Dare and Eagle magazine and paints a portrait of a nation emerging from world war II, ready for life on other planets. **HC \$45**

## **Travis S Taylor**

### *One Good Soldier (Mars 03)*

One Good Soldier is the third book in the rapid-fire hard science military SF series of One Day on Mars and The Tau Ceti Agenda. In another 24-like narrative set six years after the events in The Tau Ceti Agenda, this exciting action story unfolds in a single critical day in the history of the United States of the Sol System, the extra-solar colonies, the Separatist Revolutionaries of the Tau Ceti system, and all of mankind.

As another of Earth's colonies, Ross 128, secedes from the union, the President of the United States, former marine major Alexander Moore, takes swift action to prevent a second American Civil War, this time on an interstellar scale. He sends the flagship of the U.S. Naval fleet through the Quantum Membrane Teleporter based in the Oort Cloud to the seceding colony. But the Tau Ceti Separatists have stationed their own teleporter there and the flagship will be met with heavy resistance from the Separatist Navy.

And, unknown to the president and first lady, their eighteen year old military school cadet daughter has been kidnapped and whisked away to the Separatist leader's house on Tau Ceti.

Only the heroics and sacrifices of one good soldier after another can save the flagship, the Union, and the first daughter in an all-out winner-take-all showdown that reaches its final climax with frenzied hand-to-hand combat in the Oval Office itself. **APB \$19.95**

## **Travis S Taylor & Les Johnson**

### *Walk to the Moon*

As a U.S. mission to the moon prepares to lift off decades after the 1969 lunar mission, a secret Chinese trip to the moon is revealed when a distress signal is received, prompting the U.S. team to turn a journey of discovery into a desperate rescue mission. **HC \$51.95**

## **Paul Tobin New Zealand**

### *White Cloud Worlds*

White Cloud Worlds is a never-before-seen collection of stunning science fiction and fantasy artwork from Aotearoa New Zealand, 'The Land of the Long White Cloud'.

Embark upon a journey of exploration into a wealth of visually rich worlds and imaginings, conjured to life by 27 established and emerging artists. The artists are profiled with a selection of their art accompanied by text written in their own unique voice, sharing their origins, inspirations and a rare glimpse into how they work.

White Cloud Worlds includes written contributions from some of the world's most celebrated leaders in the field of science fiction and fantasy art, such as Guillermo Del Toro, Richard Taylor, Alan Lee and John Howe.

This book honours the imaginations of the artists it showcases and gives readers a unique opportunity to be a part of their worlds. Go on, be inspired. Each copy of this limited, slipcase edition comes with a signed limited edition print from one of the artists. **HC \$74.99 Slipcase HC \$139.99**



## Harry Turtledove

### *Liberating Atlantis (Atlantis 03)*

Frederick, a descendent of the family that founded the first settlement in Atlantis, must work as a slave when he is unable to prove his lineage, and becomes the leader of a revolutionary army of freedom fighters. **APB \$19.95**

### *The Golden Shrine (Gap 03)*

Continuing the alternate-Bronze-Age epic begun in *Beyond the Gap*:

The glaciers came and covered the world with ice. Now they are in retreat. North of the city of Nidaros, north of the forest, north of the steppes where the nomadic Bizogots hunt, a gap has opened in the ice-wall. And down through that gap come the men who call themselves "Rulers."

Their terrifying cavalry rides woolly mammoths. Their bows can shoot arrows farther than those of the southerners. Their wizards wield power that neither the shamans of the Bizogots nor the wizards of Raumsdalian Empire can match, a magic that can melt the stone beneath a man's feet, call down blasting fire from the sky, or decimate a tribe with plagues that have no cure. Scattered survivors of the Bizogot tribes hide from the Rulers. The Empire is shattered. The feckless Emperor Sigvat II is in hiding.

Against the Rulers stands Count Hamnet Thyssen and his small band of friends. Jarl Trasamund of the Three Tusk Bizogots. The adventurer Ulric Skakki. And, most important, Marcovefa, the female shaman of a cannibal tribe that lives atop the Glacier itself. Marcovefa has magic that the Rulers cannot counter.

But there are many Rulers, and they have many wizards. Marcovefa is but one.

Perhaps Hamnet and his allies can save their lands from the Rulers. But first they must seek out the legendary Golden Shrine – and the Golden Shrine has not been seen by human eyes since the time before the glaciers came. **PB \$19.95**

### *Atlantis and Other Places: Stories of Alternate History*

A famous naturalist seeks a near-extinct species of bird found only on the rarest of lands in "Audubon in Atlantis." A young American on a European holiday finds himself storming an enchanted German castle in "The Catcher in the Rhine." The philosopher Sokrates plays a key role in the Athenian victory over the Spartans in "The Daimon." Centaurs take a sea voyage aboard "The Horse of Bronze" to a land where they encounter a strange and frightening tribe of creatures known as man. London's most famous detective, Athelstan Helms, and his assistant Dr. James Walton are in Atlantis investigating a series of murders in "The Scarlet Band."

This collection includes these and seven more amazing stories of ancient eras, historical figures, mysterious events, and out-of-this-world adventure from the incomparable Harry Turtledove. **HC \$51.95**

## Catherynne Valente

### *A Habitation of the Blessed (Dirge for Prester John 01)*

This is the story of a place that never was: the kingdom of Prester John, the utopia described by an anonymous, twelfth-century document which captured the imagination of the medieval world and drove hundreds of lost souls to seek out its secrets, inspiring explorers, missionaries, and kings for centuries. But what if it were all true? What if there was such a place, and a poor, broken priest once stumbled past its borders, discovering, not a Christian paradise, but a country where everything is possible, immortality is easily had, and the Western world is nothing but a dim and distant dream?

Brother Hiob of Luzerne, on missionary work in the Himalayan wilderness on the eve of the eighteenth century, discovers a village guarding a miraculous tree whose branches sprout books instead of fruit. These strange books chronicle the history of the kingdom of Prester John, and Hiob becomes obsessed with the tales they tell. *The Habitation of the Blessed* recounts the fragmented narratives found within these living volumes, revealing the life of a priest named John, and his rise to power in this country of impossible richness. John's tale weaves together with the confessions of his wife Hagia, a blemmye—a headless creature who carried her face on her chest—as well as the tender, jeweled nursery stories of Imthital, nanny to the royal family. Hugo and World Fantasy award nominee Catherynne M. Valente reimagines the legends of Prester John in this stunning tour de force. **TP \$30.95**

## Jeff Vandermeer

### *The Third Bear*

Compared by critics to Borges, Nabokov, and Kafka, inventive contemporary fantasist Jeff VanderMeer continues to amaze with this surreal, innovative, and absurdist gathering of award-winning short fiction. Exotic beasts and improbable travelers roam restlessly through these darkly diverting and finely-honed tales.

Highlights include "The Situation," in which a beleaguered office worker creates a child-swallowing manta-ray to be used for educational purposes (once described as Dilbert meets Gormenghast); "Three Days in a Border Town," where a sharpshooter seeks the truth about her husband in an elusive floating City beyond a far-future horizon; "Errata," following an oddly-familiar writer who has marshaled a penguin, a shaman, and two pearl-handled pistols with which to plot the end of the world. Also included are two stories original to this collection, including "The Quickening," in which a lonely child is torn between familial obligation and a wounded talking rabbit.

Chimerical and hypnotic, VanderMeer leads readers through the postmodern into a new literature of the imagination. **TP \$30.95**

## Vernor Vinge

### *Zones of Thought (01, 02)*

Vinge's masterpieces together at last, in one epic volume.

A FIRE UPON THE DEEP is both a vision of the far future, of a universe so enormous that one can barely conceive its size and power and a tale of galactic war played out on an epic scale.

A DEEPNESS IN THE SKY is the prequel to A FIRE UPON THE DEEP. This is the story of Pham Nuwen, a small cog in the interstellar trading fleet of the Queng Ho. Both they and the Emergents are orbiting Arachna, a dormant planet which will shortly wake up when it's On/Off star relights after decades of darkness. Both groups hope to exploit the coming age of technology and commerce on Arachna. But while the Queng Ho seek only to trade aggressively, the Emergents plans are far more sinister, amounting to little short of genocide... **TP \$45**

## J R Ward

### *Lover Awakened (Black Dagger 03)*

In the shadows of the night in Caldwell, New York, there's a deadly war raging between vampires and their slayers. And there exists a secret band of brothers like no other - six vampire warriors, defenders of their race. Of these, Zsadist is the most terrifying member of the Black Dagger Brotherhood. A former blood slave, the vampire Zsadist still bears the scars from a past filled with suffering and humiliation. Renowned for his unquenchable fury and sinister deeds, he is a savage feared by humans and vampires alike. Anger is his only companion, and terror is his only passion - until he rescues a beautiful aristocrat from the evil Lessening Society. Bella is instantly entranced by the seething power Zsadist possesses. But even as their desire for one another begins to overtake them both, Zsadist's thirst for vengeance against Bella's tormentors drives him to the brink of madness. Now, Bella must help her lover overcome the wounds of his tortured past, and find a future with her. **BPB \$19.99**

## **Freda Warrington**

### *Midsummer Night*

A sensuous, suspenseful modern fantasy of love, betrayal, and redemption

Decades ago, in a place where the veil between our world and the world of the Aetherials—the fair folk—is too easily breached, three young people tricked their uncle by dressing as the fey. But their joke took a deadly turn when true Aetherials crossed into our world, took one of the pranksters, and literally scared their uncle to death.

Many years later, at the place of this capture lies a vast country estate that holds a renowned art facility owned by a visionary sculptor. One day, during a violent storm, a young woman studying art at the estate stumbles upon a portal to the Otherworld. A handsome young man comes through the portal and seeks shelter with her. Though he can tell her nothing of his past, his innocence and charm capture her heart. But he becomes the focus of increasingly violent arguments among the residents of the estate. Is he as innocent as he seems? Or is he hiding his true identity so that he can seek some terrible vengeance, bringing death and heartbreak to this place that stands between two worlds? Who is this young man?

The forces of magic and the power of love contend for the soul of this man, in this magical romantic story of loss and redemption. **HC \$56.95**

## **Lawrence Watt-Evans**

### *Above His Proper Station*

Anrel Murau, a simple scholar, is secretly the notorious revolutionary Alvos the Orator—the Empire's most wanted man. On the run and nearly penniless, Anrel finds himself forced to seek refuge in the capital city's Pensioner's Quarter, a den of thieves, murderers, and con men. Barely scraping out an existence on the fringe of respectable society, Anrel never forgets his demands for justice, nor the love of the woman he left behind.

The civil unrest that has long been simmering in the Empire is beginning to boil over into violent protests and Anrel's enemy, Lord Allutar, continues to corrupt the Grand Council.

But Anrel's alter-ego, Alvos the Orator, has taken on a life of his own and many factions of the Grand Council seek a way to harness his followers' political might for their own ends. Which means they need Anrel to take on a surprising new role and gain access to one of the Empire's greatest secrets to stop the rampant evil.

The adventure of Alvos the Orator continues with more action, more intrigue, and more suspense than ever before as Anrel seeks to at last clear his name and seek retribution against his old enemy once and for all. **HC \$54.95**

## **H G Wells & Eric Brown**

### *War of the Worlds, Plus Blood, Guts and Zombies*

A whimsical mash-up in the tradition of the best-selling *Pride and Prejudice* and *Zombies* depicts the human race's struggle for survival during an apocalyptic alien invasion, which is bizarrely complicated by a zombie uprising. **TP \$30.95**

## **Skyler White**

### *In Dreams Begin*

In a Victorian Ireland of magic, poetry, and rebellion, Ida Jameson, an amateur occultist, reaches out for power—but captures Laura Armstrong, a modern-day graphic artist, instead. When Ida channels Laura into the body of celebrated beauty and Irish freedom-fighter Maud Gonne, Laura falls in love with the young poet W. B. Yeats. Their love affair entwines with Irish history and weaves through Yeats' poetry - until Ida discovers something she wants more than magic in the subterranean spaces between Laura's time and her own. With Laura's Irish past threatening her orderly present, she and Yeats must find a way to make their love last over time, in changing bodies...or lose each other forever. **TP \$30.95**

## **Tad Williams**

### *Shadowheart (Shadowmarch 04)*

The concluding volume of master storyteller Tad Williams' long-awaited return to epic fantasy.

Barrick Eddon, prince of Southmarch, is no longer entirely human. He has vowed to safeguard the legacy of the dark Qar race, and must now decide where his loyalties lie. His twin sister Briony has a difficult choice of her own. Her father, King Olin, is held captive by the Autarch, a mad god-king who plans to use Olin's blood to gain unlimited power. And the castle of Southmarch still remains in the possession of Hendon Tolly, Briony's murderous relative. As time runs out, will Briony decide to save her father's kingdom...or her father? As the foretold Great Defeat draws near, history is stripped of its costume of lies. Poets and players, mortals and fairies, warriors and gods, all will have their roles to play as the fate of the known world hangs in the balance. **TP \$32.99**

## **Clare Willis**

### *Biting The Bride*

When she discovers that her best friend's fiancée is a vampire who has made a centuries-long career of marrying wealthy women and then killing them off, attorney Sunni Marquette, who has the ability to read minds, turns to the star witness in her latest case, whom she believes is also a vampire, for help. **PB \$17.95**

## **Anna Windsor**

### *Captive Spirit (Dark Crescent Sisterhood)*

Trapped by temptation, bound by desire

Saving humanity from the supernatural has been challenging lately—even for a well-trained earth Sybil like Bela Argos, who must harness the magic of a fractious group of warrior sisters and battle a new wave of paranormal attacks. Another challenge is Duncan Sharp, the hunky NYPD detective who might turn into a demon overnight and devour Bela in her sleep. Still, the darkness taking over Duncan's body can't stop the molten heat unleashed by the intense attraction between them.

Duncan has two major problems: First, he has the soul of a suspected serial killer hitching a ride on his vibe. Worse (yes, worse) he's got a demonic fever raging inside that promises a world of hurt for everybody, especially Bela. Now he's all about getting even with the demons that put this freak curse in his blood—satanic forces that dare to unleash their savage lust on Duncan's soul, his city, and the woman he loves. **APB \$19.95**

## **S L Wright**

### *Demon Underground (Allay 02)*

Half-human and half-demon, Allay has finally warmed up to her new life feeding off the customers at her downtown bar when she finds herself brokering a truce between New York City's most powerful demons. But when she senses assassins around every corner, Allay hides out of sight and underground—until combatants in the growing war tempt her back above the surface... **PB \$19.95**

## **Rebecca York**

### *Day of the Dragon*

When a brutal attack at her dig site forces her to reconsider announcing her career-making findings at a Las Vegas archaeology summit, Dr. Madison Dartmoor falls under the protection of the mysterious man who saved her life—and who, unbeknownst to her, has a hidden agenda. **PB \$19.95**

## Charles Yu

### *How to Live Safely in a Science Fictional Universe*

With only TAMMY - a slightly tearful computer - and an imaginary dog called Ed for company, fixing time machines is a lonely business and Charles Yu is stuck in a rut. He's spent the better part of a decade navel-gazing, spying on 39 different versions of himself in alternate universes (35 of them are total jerks). And he's kind of fallen in love with TAMMY, which is bad because she doesn't have a module for that.

With all that's on his mind, perhaps it's no surprise that when he meets his future self, he shoots him in the stomach. And that's a beginner's mistake for a time machine repairman. Now he's stuck in a time loop, going in circles forever. All he has is the book his future self was trying to press into his hands. It's called *How to Live Safely in a Science Fictional Universe*. And he's the author. And somewhere inside it is the information that could save him.' **HC \$39.99**

## Timothy Zahn

### *Cobra Alliance (Cobra War 01)*

Earth had won its war with the Troft because of the Cobras, a guerilla force whose weapons were surgically implanted, invisible to the unsuspecting eye, yet undeniably deadly. The Moreau family were the most famous of the Cobra warriors, but their descendent, Jasmine "Jin" Moreau Broom, is worried about the current attitudes of the Cobra worlds and their leaders. Generations after the planets were settled, not everyone on the Cobra worlds thinks that the Cobras are worth their high cost, and favor cutting their funding.

Then a new factor is thrown into the mix. Jin receives a message, sender unknown, delivered by a Troft messenger:

To the Demon Warrior Jasmine Jin Moreau:

Urgent you return at once to Qasama. Crisis situation requires your personal attention.

Years ago, a Cobra team, including Jin, had gone to Qasama at the urging of the Troft to counter a threat to other planets, both human and Troft. Jin and her family cannot think of a reason why any Qasaman would want Jin or any other Cobra to return to their planet. Moreover, the Cobra worlds have prohibited any of their citizens from traveling to Qasama, and backed up the prohibition with stiff prison sentences.

But the possibility of danger to the Cobra worlds is too important for Jin to ignore the message. She and her son Merrick, also a Cobra, book passage on a Troft ship to Qasama. But are they really going where their help is needed—or are they walking into a trap? **APB \$19.95**

# Anthologies

## *Pan Book of Horror Stories*

A reissue of the finest collection of horror stories

Fifty years ago Pan launched a series of books that were to delight and disgust – sometimes even on the same page – readers for thirty years. From classics in the genre to scraping-the-barrel nastiness, the Pan Books of Horror had them all and they continue to be a major influence in published anthologies to the present day.

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Stories of the uncanny jostle with tales of the macabre. Stories of subtle beastliness--like *Raspberry Jam*; of sickening horror--like *The Fly or His Beautiful Hands*; and of utter chilling terror--like *The Horror of the Museum*!

The perfect bedside book--for those with nerves of steel! **BPB \$22.99**

## *Tesseract 14*

**TP \$36.95**

## John Joseph Adams *Editor*

### *The Living Dead 2*

"When there's no more room in hell, the dead will walk the earth."

From *White Zombie* to *Dawn of the Dead*; from *Resident Evil* to *World War Z*, zombies have invaded popular culture, becoming the monsters that best express the fears and anxieties of the modern west. The ultimate consumers, zombies rise from the dead and feed upon the living, their teeming masses ever hungry, ever seeking to devour or convert, like mindless, faceless eating machines. Zombies have been depicted as mind-controlled minions, the shambling infected, the disintegrating dead, the ultimate lumpenproletariat, but in all cases, they reflect us, mere mortals afraid of death in a society on the verge of collapse.

Gathering together the best zombie literature of the last three decades from many of today's most renowned authors of fantasy, speculative fiction, and horror, including Stephen King, Harlan Ellison, Robert Silverberg, George R. R. Martin, Clive Barker, Poppy Z. Brite, Neil Gaiman, Joe Hill, Laurell K. Hamilton, and Joe R. Lansdale, *The Living Dead*, covers the broad spectrum of zombie fiction. The zombies of *The Living Dead* range from Romero-style zombies to reanimated corpses to voodoo zombies and beyond.

Edited by John Joseph Adams (*Wastelands*), *The Living Dead* is 230,000 words of zombie fiction (34 stories!), collecting the best tales from *Book of the Dead*, *Still Dead*, and *Mondo Zombie*, along with the best zombie fiction from other sources.

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Those Who Seek Forgiveness - Laurell K. Hamilton

In Beauty, Like the Night - Norman Partridge

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Everything is Better With Zombies - Hannah Wolf Bowen

Home Delivery - Stephen King

Less Than Zombie - Douglas E. Winter

Sparks Fly Upward - Lisa Morton

Meathouse Man - George R. R. Martin

Deadman's Road - Joe Lansdale

The Skull-Faced Boy - David Barr Kirtley

The Age of Sorrow - Nancy Kilpatrick

Bitter Grounds - Neil Gaiman

She's Taking Her Tits to the Grave - Catherine Cheek

Dead Like Me - Adam-Troy Castro

Zora and the Zombie - Andy Duncan

Calcutta, Lord of Nerves - Poppy Z. Brite

Followed - Will McIntosh

The Song the Zombie Sang - Harlan Ellison and Robert Silverberg

Passion Play - Nancy Holder

Almost the Last Story by Almost the Last Man - Scott Edelman

How the Day Runs Down - John Langan **TP \$32.95**

**Mike Ashley Editor**

*Steampunk Prime*

Collects fourteen original Victorian and Edwardian steampunk stories, including tales of steam-powered automobiles, submarines, and robots in futuristic worlds. **TP \$32.95**

**P C Cast, Rhyannon Byrd, Maggie Shayne & Gena Showalter**

*Darkness Divine*

Enter a world where darkness rules and love must stand the tests of war...

Join four favourite authors, including P.C. Cast, bestselling author of the House Of Night series, on a deadly journey where love and survival are intertwined.

In Divine Beginnings, healer Aine must choose between treating an enigmatic enemy and letting him die, whilst The Amazon's Curse could kill the passion that Nola and vampire warrior Zane share.

Toying with New Orleans Voodoo leaves Tessa haunted by a sinfully sexy man, while last scion of the dragon clan Rhys is tormented by his desire for Aila as he struggles to fight the Edge Of Craving. **BPB \$22.99**

**Christopher Conlon Editor**

*He Is Legend*

Richard Matheson, the New York Times bestselling author of I Am Legend, has inspired a generation of storytellers. Now, an outstanding cast of top writers pays tribute to his legacy with an all-new collection of original stories set in Matheson's own fictional universes, including sequels, prequels, and companion stories to I Am Legend, Hell House, The Incredible Shrinking Man, Somewhere in Time, "Duel," and "Button, Button." Among the highlights of this one-of-a-kind anthology is the first ever collaboration between Stephen King and his son, bestselling horror writer Joe Hill. Other notable contributors include Nancy A. Collins, Joe R. Lansdale, William F. Nolan, Whitley Strieber, F. Paul Wilson, and Matheson's son, Richard Christian Matheson. Previously published as a limited edition by Gauntlet Press in 2009, He Is Legend is now available to Matheson's many fans, as well as all lovers of gripping horror and suspense. **TP \$32.95**

**Ellen Datlow & Nick Mamatas Editors**

*Haunted Legends*

Darkly thrilling, these twenty new ghost stories have all the chills and power of traditional ghost stories, but each tale is a unique retelling of an urban legend from the world over.

Multiple award-winning editor Ellen Datlow and award-nominated author and editor Nick Mamatas recruited Jeffrey Ford, Ramsey Campbell, Joe R. Lansdale, Caitlin Kiernan, Catherynne M. Valente, Kit Reed, Ekaterina Sedia, and thirteen other fine writers to create stories unlike any they've written before. Tales to make readers shiver with fear, jump at noises in the night, keep the lights on.

These twenty nightmares, brought together by two renowned editors of the dark fantastic, are delightful visions sure to send shivers down the spines of horror readers. **TP \$32.95**

**Gardner Dozois & George R R Martin Editors**

*Songs of the Dying*

To honor the magnificent career of Jack Vance, one unparalleled in achievement and impact, George R.R. Martin and Gardner Dozois, with the full cooperation of Vance, his family, and his agents, have created a Jack Vance tribute anthology: Songs of the Dying Earth. The best of today's fantasy writers to return to the unique and evocative milieu of The Dying Earth, from which they and so many others have drawn so much inspiration, to create their own brand-new adventures in the world of Jack Vance's greatest novel.

Half a century ago, Jack Vance created the world of the Dying Earth, and fantasy has never been the same. Now, for the first time ever, Jack has agreed to open this bizarre and darkly beautiful world to other fantasists, to play in as their very own. To say that other fantasy writers are excited by this prospect is a gross understatement; one has told us that he'd crawl through broken glass for the chance to write for the anthology, another that he'd gladly give up his right arm for the privilege. That's the kind of regard in which Jack Vance and The Dying Earth are held by generations of his peers.

This book contains original stories from George R. R. Martin, Neil Gaiman, Dan Simmons, Elizabeth Moon, Tanith Lee, Tad Williams, Kage Baker, and Robert Silverberg, along with fifteen others--as well as an introduction by Dean Koontz. **HC \$54.95**

**Cynthia Eden, Shelly Laurenston & Sherrill Quinn**

*Belong to the Night*

THE WOLF, THE WITCH, AND HER LACK OF WARDROBE by Shelly Laurenston

Jamie Meacham has enough trouble controlling her supernatural abilities. There's no time for lust, or for Tully Smith, even with his smoldering amber eyes. But Tully's grappling with his own animal instincts as a powerful shifter-wolf, trying to protect all his territory...

IN THE DARK by Cynthia Eden

FBI agent and leopard shifter Sadie James' undead ex, Liam, still arouses her deepest desires. By teaming up with Liam, Sadie has a better chance of tracking the brutal rogue shifter who is terrorizing Miami, but as passion consumes them, she stands to lose more than just her heart.

CITY OF THE DEAD by Sherrill Quinn

Dori Falcon is a witch with a plan: get to New Orleans, locate her missing brother, and recover a mysterious and powerful amulet. Her plan never included falling for sexy Cajun cop Jake Boudreau; but without his help, she may never find the key to her family's survival. **APB \$14.95**

**Esther Friesner Editor**

*Chicks Ahoy (Chicks 01, 02, 03)*

Here they come, and they're out for blood. For too long, they say, have hot blooded babes in brass bras and chain link bikinis been held up to scorn as the embodiment of male fantasy wish-fulfillment and non-fictionality. You think their swords won't cut, their clubs won't crush? You think they look cute? It's time to take sword-swinging amazons more seriously. Well, maybe not too seriously. After all, the popular Chicks in Chainmail series wasn't known for stark drama and solemn think-pieces. In fact, they made a lot of people laugh. And now the first three books in the series are combined in one attractively-priced Omni-Trade Paperback volume.

Chicks in Chainmail (The look at the lighter side of amazons that started it all.)

Did You Say Chicks? (Smile when you say that, you wimpy noncombatant!)

Chicks ?n Chained Males (Those men just can't take care of themselves, so send in the amazons!)

It's all right to have a laugh or two. The swordswomen like a good laugh as much as the next amazon. Just don't let them get the idea that you're laughing at them, instead of with them—if you know what's good for you . . .

Stories of fierce female fighters by Harry Turtledove, Roger Zelazny, Elizabeth Moon, Jan and S.M. Stirling, K. D. Wentworth, Lawrence Watt-Evans and more—including Esther Friesner herself. **PB \$24.95**

**Martin H Greenberg** *Editor*

*Love and Rockets*

Space...the final frontier. Or is it? Many say there's no frontier more forbidding than a romantic relationship between a man and a woman. But what if one's a human, and the other's an alien? Here is an original collection of space opera stories where authors take love (unrequited or not), on a spaceship, space station, or planetary colony, and add enough drama, confusion and mayhem to ensure that the path to true love-or short-term infatuation-is seldom free of obstacles. **PB \$19.95**

*Best Paranormal Crime Stories Ever Told*

A massive, monumental volume of paranormal crime fiction by bestselling authors. Gripping tales of mayhem include both novellas and short stories like "Restoration of Faith" by Jim Butcher, "The Judgment" by the famous murderess Anne Perry, "Grey Eminence" by Mercedes Lackey, "The Ghost Patrol" by Ron Goulart, "Road Dogs" by Norman Partridge, "The Hex Is In" by Mike Resnick, "Doppelgangster" by Laura Resnick, "The Hundredth Kill" by John Marco, the chilling "If Vanity Doesn't Kill Me" by Michael A. Stackpole, and many, many, more.

Compiled and edited by the world's most prolific anthologist—the award-winning Martin H. Greenberg—this is the biggest paranormal crime book on the market and the ultimate collection for crime lovers, ghost hunters, and thrill seekers everywhere. Also included are multiple stories by New York Times bestselling authors. The Best Paranormal Crime Stories Ever Told is a new book in the series, which includes The Best Hunting Stories Ever Told and The Best Fishing Stories Ever Told. **TP \$24.95**

**Charlaine Harris & Toni L Kelner** *Editor*

*Wolfsbane and Mistletoe*

The holiday season can bring out the beast in anyone - literally! Fifteen werewolf tales from an all-star line up.

We all know the holiday season can bring out the beast in anyone - but it's especially hard if you're a lycanthrope! Gathered here together is a veritable feast of fears and tears: fifteen of the scariest, saddest, funniest werewolf tales, by an outstanding pack of authors, best read by the light of the full moon, and with a silver bullet close at hand. Sookie Stackhouse is feeling mighty sorry for herself, all alone for Christmas - until she meets someone with bigger problems than loneliness; lone wolf David Christiansen needs to mend fences with his daughter, before it's too late; Hannah gets an unmerry and potentially life-threatening Christmas present when the hunky werewolf who dumped her last Christmas Eve turns up as her partner on the hunt for a vampire serial killer. All these and more feature in WOLFSBANE AND MISTLETOE, the perfect antidote to Christmas mawkishness! **TP \$29.99**

**Stephen Jones** *Editor*

*Mammoth Book of Zombie Apocalypse*

A collection of stories on a single theme: worldwide calamity has led to an outbreak of zombies! Disaster and chaos reign, and over the course of a year from initial outbreak, the stories recount planes full of zombies, travel restrictions too late to save Europe, and zombies come to LA. Written to appear as factual accounts, these zombie stories will have your blood running cold! **TP \$28.95**

*Visitants: Stories of Fallen Angels and Heavenly Hosts*

Swooping in from both heaven and hell, the new generation of angels portrayed in Visitants is youthful, immortal and powerful. These ultimate bad beings, capable of both immense destruction and heavenly acts, will captivate fans of this new paranormal fiction phenomenon.

Visitants offers a wide-ranging collection of various authors' stories about the new angels, including romantic entanglements with winged bad boys, devilish interventions with evil messengers, and bloody battles against ravaging demons. Far from the old sappy TV melodramas where angels touch people's lives, these stories will challenge readers to reimagine the very idea of how cast-out heavenly spirits would interact with the humans they are now forced to live among. **TP \$30.95**

**Alisa Krasnostein** *Australian Authors Editor*

*Sprawl*

Sprawl is an exciting new original anthology, edited by Alisa Krasnostein and published by Twelfth Planet Press, that will give readers from around the world a unique glimpse into the strange, dark, and often wondrous magics that fill the days and nights of Australia's dreaming cities and towns, homes and parks, and most of all, its endlessly stretching suburbs. Table of Contents

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- Kaaron Warren – Loss
- Sean Williams – Parched (poem) **BPB \$29.95**

**Otto Penzler** *Editor*

*Coffins (Vampire Archives 03)*

This ultimate anthology of vampire tales, culled from the world-renowned Vampire Archives, includes stories by genre masters such as Harlan Ellison, Robert Bloch, and Edgar Allan Poe. **APB \$19.95**

**Tim Pratt** *Editor**Sympathy for the Devil*

The Devil is known by many names: Serpent, Tempter, Beast, Adversary, Wanderer, Dragon, Rebel. His traps and machinations are the stuff of legends. His faces are legion. No matter what face the devil wears, SYMPATHY FOR THE DEVIL has them all.

Edited by Tim Pratt (HART & BOOT & OTHER STORIES, THE STRANGE ADVENTURES OF RANGERGIRL, BLOOD ENGINES), SYMPATHY FOR THE DEVIL collects the best Satanic short stories by Neil Gaiman, Holly Black, Stephen King, Kage Baker, Charles Stross, Elizabeth Bear, Jay Lake, Kelly Link, China Mieville, Michael Chabon, and many others, revealing His Grand Infernal Majesty, in all his forms. Thirty-five stories, from classics to the cutting edge, exploring the many sides of Satan, Lucifer, the Lord of the Flies, the Father of Lies, the Prince of the Powers of the Air and Darkness, the First of the Fallen... and a Man of Wealth and Taste. Sit down and spend a little time with the Devil.

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Wadsworth Longfellow) **TP \$32.95****J D Robb, Mar y Blayne, Patricia Gaffney, Ruth Ryan Langan & Mary Kay McComas***The Other Side*

Five New York Times bestselling authors cross over to a realm where suspense, desire, and love have no bounds.

J.D. Robb: Lieutenant Eve Dallas has always sought justice for the dead, but now, a victim will seek her own vengeance-through Eve.

Mary Blayne: An earl and his countess struggle to understand one another, until they spend a day in each other's shoes-and bodies.

Patricia Gaffney: To prove her ancestral home is haunted, a woman hires a spirit investigator, but they end up debunking the mystery of love.

Ruth Ryan Langan: A couple who dies in a car accident struggles to stay in their daughter's life to save her from the wrong man.

Mary Kay McComas: A practical woman is faced with the most impractical ghosts, who can't rest in peace until they find what they have lost.

**APB \$19.95****Jonathan Strahan & Marianne S Jablon** *Editor**Wings of Fire*

Dragons: Fearsome fire-breathing foes, scaled adversaries, legendary lizards, ancient hoarders of priceless treasure, serpentine sages with the ages' wisdom, and winged weapons of war...

Wings of Fire brings you all these dragons, and more, seen clearly through the eyes of many of today's most popular authors, including Peter S. Beagle, Elizabeth Bear, Holly Black, Orson Scott Card, Charles de Lint, Ursula K. Le Guin, Tanith Lee, George R. R. Martin, Anne McCaffrey, Micheal Swanwick, and many others. **TP \$32.95**

**James L Sutter** *Editor**Before they Were Giants*

See Where it all Began!

Nobody starts at the top. Long before they were household names, all of the superstar science fiction and fantasy authors in this anthology were just fans with stories and dreams. Now, for the first time ever, fifteen of the genre's most important authors have come together to show off their first published SF stories, many of them rare and never before collected. All fifteen stories come complete with brand-new retrospective critiques and interviews from the authors themselves, discussing the stories' geneses, humorous anecdotes surrounding the stories' publication, and what the authors know now about writing that they wish they'd known then. An invaluable look at the origins of speculative fiction's greatest minds, and bursting with insightful advice for beginning writers, this book is a must for any science fiction or fantasy fan, aspiring author, or teacher.

Stories include:

Piers Anthony: "Possible to Rue"

Greg Bear: "Destroyers"

Ben Bova: "A Long Way Back"

David Brin: "Just a Hint"

Cory Doctorow: "Craphound"

William Gibson: "Fragments of a Hologram Rose"

Nicola Griffith: "Mirrors and Burnstone"

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Charles Stross: "The Boys"

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**Jeff Vandermeer & Ann Vandermeer** *Editor*

*Steampunk II*

William Gibson / Gail Carriger / Cherie Priest / Jake von Slatt / Cathrynne M. Valente / Steven Baxter / Daniel Abraham / Caitlin Kiernan / The Mecha-Ostrich / And More

Gentle Readers, after the outraged letters following our first volume, I would be remiss not to warn you. The handsome tome of classic and original fiction, nonfiction, and illustrations, is perhaps even more shocking than its predecessor. And yet, I see that your curiosity is piqued, so...

Enter the Scintillating Clockpunk Gear-o-Torium: Herein dwell the breathless adventures that you secretly seek. Gaze upon the rebellious Mecha-Ostrich, the seductive Steam Dancer, the intrepid Mssrs. Balfour & Meriwether, and the hithertofore undefeated Cast-Iron Kid.

Experience the Delights of the Chrononaut Odditorium: An esteemed panel of self-appointed experts, under pain of ridicule, will reveal Top Secret Historical Enticements. Be dazzled by the first English translation of the quintessential Steampunk story: "Flying Fish Prometheus" by Vilhelm Bergsoe.

Oooh & Ahhh at the Sub-Culture Contraptor Lounge: Authoress of the Parasol Protectorate Gail Carriger gaily holds forth with on the fashionable subjects of fashion, fiction, and more. The Steampunk Workshop founder Jake von Slatt's "Steampunk Manifesto," shares his musings amusing and profound on the future of Steam.

Look Upon our Brass-Plated Wonders: From the rough streets of modern-day Manchester, world-famous adventurer John Coulthart provides the near-tactile visual experience of this elaborative tome. He is joined by the likes of the artistes Secret Agent Ramona Szczerba (a.k.a. Winona Cookie), and Lovereaftian maestro Eric Orchard.

Meet the Masterminds: Editors Extraordinaire Ann and Jeff VanderMeer, the well-known literary vagabonds and mesmerists, do fully guarantee your satisfaction. However, the publisher does regret that the VanderMeers have become mysteriously unavailable to respond to any grievances.

It's Steampunk - and it's Reloaded. **TP \$30.95**

*Weird*

From Lovecraft to Borges to Gaiman, a century of intrepid literary experimentation has created a corpus of dark and strange stories that transcend all known genre boundaries. Together these stories form The Weird and amongst its practitioners number some of the greatest names in twentieth and twenty-first century literature.

Exotic and esoteric, Weird plunges you into dark domains and brings you face-to-face with surreal monstrosities; you won't find any elves or wizards here ... but you will find the biggest, boldest and downright most peculiar stories from the last hundred years bound together in the biggest Weird collection ever assembled.

Weird features an all-star-cast of authors, from classics to international bestsellers to Booker Prize winners. Here are Ben Okri, Stephen King, George R.R. Martin, Gabriel Garcia Marquez, Angela Carter, Franz Kafka, Clive Barker, Haruki Murakami, M.R. James, Neil Gaiman, Mervyn Peake and Michael Chabon. **TP \$45**

**Tehani Wessely** *Australian Authors Editor*

*Australis Imaginarium*

Boasting original cover art by Shaun Tan and containing twelve all-Australian, award-winning stories by some of the island continent's finest speculative fiction writers, Australis Imaginarium challenges you to reconsider what you think you know about Australia and its inhabitants, old and new. Australis Imaginarium collects work from across the past two decades, showcasing Australian storytelling at its very best.

Contents:

"Once a Month, on a Sunday" by Ian McHugh

"Night Heron's Curse" by Thoraiya Dyer

"Hunter of Darkness, Hunter of Light" by Michael Pryor

"A Pig's Whisper" by Margo Lanagan

"Stealing Free" by Deborah Biancotti

"Suffer the Little Children" by Rowena Cory Daniells

"Virgin Jackson" by Marianne de Pierres

"The Claws of Native Ghosts" by Lee Battersby

"The Jacaranda Wife" by Angela Slatter

"The Dark Under the Skin" by Dirk Strasser

"Red Ochre" by Lucy Sussex

"Passing the Bone" by Sean Williams **PB \$24.95**

*Worlds Next Door*

A brilliant new collection of speculative fiction stories for 9-13 year olds. Worlds Next Door has its own website containing lesson plans and ideas, free downloads of individual stories, podcasts and lots of other great material for use in the classroom.

There are worlds where ships take travellers through space like taxis. Worlds where your worst nightmare destroys your greatest dreams. Worlds where magic makes the rules.

What you have here is not a book, but a key to worlds that exist under your bed, in your cupboard, in the dark of night when you're sure you're being watched. what you have is a passport to the worlds next door.

Containing 25 bite-sized stories by Australian authors including Paul Collins, Michael Pryor, Pamela Freeman, Dirk Flinthart, Tansy Rayner Roberts and Jenny Blackford, Worlds Next Door is perfect for the budding reader. **PB \$19.95**

## *A Zombie's Guide to the Human Body*

Who knows more about the human body than a zombie? All of the critical information kids need to know about the human body, with a zombie twist! From head to toe, every human body part will be explored and explained with a combination of illustrated zombies and full-colour photographs throughout. Learn how many bones are in the human body, what blood's made up of, how fast fingernails grow, where your dinner goes after you eat it, plus lots of fun zombie facts and tips so you can avoid losing your head (and brains) to one! **TP \$14.99**

## **Richard Argent**

### *Winter's Knight*

As a boy, Andrew was touched by the otherworld when the ghost of a dead murderer sought out his village, showing him his fate. And though his father is just a blacksmith, nothing will keep Andrew from riding to the Crusades to seek the honours he has been promised. He lives battles of the imagination, seeing harsh midday sun glint off sword and armour, where he rides his horse into war in a riot of colour and noise. But dead men keep secrets, and much of the future has been kept from him. Andrew may find the glory of the Crusades and skirmish with Saladin's most powerful warriors. Or he may become entangled in Templar politics and wander in the desert haunted by jinn and demons. What is certain is that Andrew will face tests of blade and spirit. And his dreams will be measured in blood before he sees home again. **PB \$18.99**

## **Fleur Beale** *New Zealand*

### *Fierce September (Taris 02)*

**PB \$17.95**

## **Holly Black & Justine Larbalestier** *Editor*

### *Zombies vs Unicorn*

It's a question as old as time itself: which reigns supreme, the zombie or the unicorn?

'For too long, the zombie has dominated the public consciousness, but the reign of the unicorn is at hand!' Holly Black - Team Unicorn

'I think that posterity will look upon this as the moment when zombies took their rightful place at the top of the food chain.' Justine Larbalestier - Team Zombie

Contributors to this unique collection include bestselling teen and YA authors, Garth Nix, Meg Cabot, Scott Westerfeld, Cassandra Clare, Libba Bray, Maureen Johnson and Margo Lanagan.

Zombie vs Unicorns challenges you to pick a team, and stick to it. But be warned, these are stellar story-tellers, and they can be very convincing...

**BPB \$18.99**

## **Francesca Lia Block**

### *Pretty Dead*

Even if I wanted to die for someone, it wouldn't be that easy. They just keep dying for me.

Something is happening to Charlotte Emerson. Like the fires that are ravaging the hills of L.A., it consumes her from the inside out.

Something to do with the tear in her enviably perfect nails. The way she feels when she's with the brooding, magnetic Jared. The blood rushing once again to her cheeks and throughout her veins. For Charlotte is a vampire, witness to almost a century's worth of death and destruction. But not since she was a human girl has mortality touched her. Until now. **BPB \$14.99**

## **Caitlin Brennan**

### *House of the Star*

Elen is a princess of the kingdom of Ymbria. Her greatest wish is to become a rider of worldrunners: the magical horses that are the only safe way to travel the roads through the worlds of Faerie. Now Elen has the chance to fulfill her dream at last, but the price is much too high.

To become a worldrider, Elen must journey to the House of the Star on Earth, the Arizona ranch where the worldrunners live and breed. There, she must try to forge a peace with her people's worst enemy—a traitor from the world of Caledon—and end the war that has been tearing their worlds apart for centuries. If Elen doesn't succeed, the Master of the House of the Star will close both Ymbria and Caledon off from the worldroads forever. Can the wisdom of a worldrunner named Blanca help Elen in her quest to save her world?

Caitlin Brennan's first novel for young readers is an enchanting tale of a very special breed of horses, the tribe of horse girls, and faerie magic.

**HC \$36.95**

## **Sue Burtsztynski**

### *Wolfborn*

Etienne, son of a lord in the kingdom of Armorique, goes to train as a knight with Geraint of Lucanne. Geraint is brave and kind, a good teacher and master - but he has a secret that he has kept from his family. He is bisclavret, a born werewolf. When Geraint is betrayed, Etienne must ally with the local wise-woman and her daughter, themselves bisclavret, to save his lord. But time is running out. If Geraint's enemies have their way, Geraint will soon be trapped in his wolf form. And Etienne has his own secret. The decisions he makes will change his life forever . . .

Inspired by a medieval romance, this engaging novel forces us to question everything we thought we knew about werewolves. **TP \$18.95**

## **Meg Cabot**

### *Grave Doubts / Heaven Sent (Mediator)*

The original sassy and spooky series from the queen of teen, Meg Cabot. Now with vamped-up covers – appealing to fans of paranormal romance.

Meet Susannah Simon: she's a typical teenage girl who just happens to be a ghost-hunter... oh, and she's also dead-over-heels for Jesse – the sexiest spook ever! But can this girl get her ghost?

In *Grave Doubts* Suze has to contend with fellow ghost-hunter, Paul Slater, who gives her a deadly ultimatum. Unless she dates him, he'll send Jesse into the afterlife – for good. Paul may be totally hot, but Susannah Simon WILL NOT be bossed around. Let the games begin...

In *Heaven Sent* all Suze's dreams have come true – she's finally dating the most gorgeous ghost of all time, Jesse! But when her creepy admirer threatens to travel back in time and stop Jesse from dying, Suze is distraught. Will her new boyfriend choose life or love? **BPB \$16.99**

### *Vanished*

A gift...or a curse?

Jessica Mastriani has never liked attention. All she wants is to make it to high school graduation like any ordinary girl. But when Jess is struck by lightning, she becomes anything but ordinary: suddenly she has the ability to locate missing children.

Now Jess is getting noticed in all the wrong ways and by all the wrong people. The media is obsessed with her and her story. The FBI is tapping her phone. And what's going on with sexy senior Rob? Soon Jess learns the hard way that not everyone who is lost wants to be found....

With no one to trust, it's up to Jess to decide what to do with her new power—before it's decided for her. **BPB \$14.99**



**Neil Cameron***Mo-Bot High*

Asha's new school is insane. Everyone has giant robots that launch out of their mobile phones!

She's only been there five minutes when the school bully challenges her to a fight. So now it's not just about figuring out who's cool and who isn't. She has to learn to pilot her Mo-bot. And fast.

But while Asha gets to grips with her Mo-bot's moves and customises her DMC, she's being watched... Her piloting skills are about to be put to the ultimate test, and there's nothing her new friends can do to help.

Thrilling titanic battles from the DFC Library **HC \$26.95**

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Thirteen-year-old Rigg has a secret ability to see the paths of others' pasts, but revelations after his father's death set him on a dangerous quest that brings new threats from those who would either control his destiny or kill him. **HC \$38.95**

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Here are the nonsense classics and the unforgettable characters created by that witty, enigmatic mathematician who wrote under the name of Lewis Carroll. This omnibus edition contains a treasure-house of stories, poems, games and puzzles, many of which were originally devised for children but are irresistible to readers of all ages.

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When sixteen-year-old Rose Perrault wakes to find herself in hospital, she has little memory of her life before the coma that put her there. Her awakening is welcomed with relief and joy by her aunts, whose faces are the only familiar sights that greet her. She knows they are her caretakers, and that they all come from France, but otherwise her memory is a blur.

Yet as she recovers, there is something that troubles Rose about her aunts. They seem to be hiding something, and afraid of something as well, as though they fear that they -- and Rose -- are in danger. Her aunts seem, at times, to be able to do things that are simply impossible, like moving from one place to another without crossing the distance between. Their luck is extraordinary -- almost magical.

And when she dreams, Rose has nightmares of fairy tales gone horribly wrong.

Soon, she learns the story of Sleeping Beauty, and as events unfold and her aunts' fears become greater . . . and a dark, mysterious woman begins to follow her . . . Rose begins to believe that the story of Sleeping Beauty is real, and that the princess in the tale is herself. And now that she has awakened, she is in terrible, terrible danger. **BPB \$16.99**

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The Van Helsing family has been hunting vampires for over one hundred years, but sixteen-year-old Daphne wishes her parents would take up an occupation that doesn't involve decapitating vamps for cash. All Daphne wants is to settle down in one place, attend an actual school, and finally find a BFF to go to the mall with. Instead, Daphne has resigned herself to a life of fast food, cheap motels and buying garlic in bulk.

But when the Van Helsing family is called to a coastal town in Maine, Daphne's world is turned upside down. Not only do the Van Helsing family find themselves hunting a terrifying new kind of vampire (one without fangs but with a taste for kindergarten cuisine), Daphne meets her first potential BF! The hitch? Her new crush is none other than Tyler Harker, AKA, the son of the rival slayer family.

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When Toby and Huon's cousin Jared comes to visit, he brings freshly caught fish from Dolphin Bay and his latest invention, an invisibility sheet, which he tries out on the Doofuzz family with hilarious results. However, the Dudes are dismayed when Mrs. Doofuzz serves the fish at dinner and almost chokes on a ring. The ring is one of two rings presented to Toby by Moondrooth at the Anacanda Sea. Toby wears one and Zarundok wears the other. Is this, then, a message from Zarundok for the Dudes? Is he in some awful trouble? To find Zarundok, the Dudes must hasten to the amazing Planet Zok, the birthplace of all Moondarians. But what is the connection between Zarundok's rescue and the contents of the velvet pouch also given to Toby by Moondrooth? Who is the mysterious blind man called Tarlock? What is the Dobbie Bird? Who is the Majestic Queen Charlotte? And who are the Wizends? Read The Doofuzz Dudes and The Planet Zok to find the answers to these questions and more! **BPB \$17.95**

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However, not all dreams are pleasant ones. Recently the Emerald Nightmare, an area of corruption within the Emerald Dream, began growing in size, transforming the Dream into a realm of unimaginable horror. Green dragons have been unexpectedly caught up in the Nightmare, emerging from it with shattered minds and twisted bodies. Druids who have entered the darkening Dream lately have found it difficult -- sometimes even impossible -- to escape.

Nor are these the Nightmare's only victims: more and more people are being affected. Even Malfurion Stormrage, first and foremost of the druids on Azeroth, may have fallen victim to this growing threat. As uncontrollable nightmares spread across the world, a desperate quest begins to find and free the archdruid.

Soon nature's enemies will learn the true meaning of the name **APB \$12.99**

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### **d20 Dungeons & Dragons 4E**

#### ***Beholder Set***

Evil is in the Eye of the Beholder...

Beholder Collector's Set

The beholder is one of the most iconic and terrifying monsters of the Dungeons & Dragons Fantasy Roleplaying Game. This tyrannical abomination haunts the darkest dungeons of the D&D world, destroying enemies with its eye rays.

Inside this limited-edition box set, you will find four varieties of beholder, each one a deadly match for an experienced band of adventurers.

Each box contains four non-random, pre-painted, durable plastic miniatures for use in the Dungeons & Dragons Roleplaying Game: a Beholder Eye of Frost, a Ghost Beholder, an Eye of Shadow, and a Beholder Eye Tyrant. The set also contains full-color Dungeon Delve stat cards that contain game stats for each of these terrifying creatures. **Figurine \$50**

#### ***Monster Vault***

Iconic Dungeons & Dragons monsters that are easy to run and fun to fight.

This essential product for Dungeon Masters collects the most iconic monsters of the Dungeons & Dragons world in one handy box and presents all-new variants, including new spins on such beloved monsters as dragons, orcs, and vampires. The monsters described herein are designed to be easy for Dungeon Masters to use and fun for players to fight. In addition to combat statistics, each monster entry comes with story information to help DMs incorporate the monsters into their adventures and campaigns.

In addition to a comprehensive collection of iconic Dungeons & Dragons monsters, this box contains die-cut tokens for the monsters that appear within, as well as a 32-page adventure that showcases several of the monsters. Dungeon Masters can easily incorporate the adventure into their ongoing campaigns.

Game components:

- 160-page book of monsters
- 32-page adventure
- 10 sheets of die-cut monster tokens **Box \$45**

#### ***Essentials: Heroes of the Forgotten Kingdoms***

Exciting new builds and character options for the cleric, druid, paladin, ranger, and warlock classes.

This essential supplement for the 4th Edition Dungeons & Dragons Fantasy Roleplaying Game presents exciting new builds for the game's most popular classes: the cleric, the druid, the paladin, the ranger, and the warlock. Each class comes with a set of new powers, class features, paragon paths, epic destinies, and more that beginning players can use to build the characters they want to play and experienced players can plunder for existing 4th Edition characters.

In addition to new builds, this book presents expanded information and racial traits for some of the game's most popular races, including dragonborn, drow, half-elves, half-orcs, and tieflings. **TP \$30**

#### ***Essentials: Dungeon Tiles Master Set: The Wilderness***

Illustrated urban terrain tiles for use with the Dungeons & Dragons Fantasy Roleplaying Game

The Dungeon Tiles Master Sets are designed to give Dungeon Masters the tiles they need to build Dungeons & Dragons adventure maps, including maps appearing in published adventures.

With this box of customizable terrain tiles, Dungeon Masters can add new dimension to their Dungeons & Dragons tabletop experience. Easy to set up and infinitely expandable, this Dungeon Tiles set allows DMs to create the adventures they want to play.

This box contains 10 double-sided sheets of illustrated, die-cut terrain tiles printed on heavy cardstock. The tiles feature wilderness sites and terrain elements that Dungeon Masters can use to build exciting encounters set in the outdoors. **Box \$30**

### **Deathwatch RPG**

#### ***The Emperor Protects***

On the savage Feral World of Aurum, a proud colony of warriors resists the pull of the Imperium, and their assistance is vital in the face of new foes. Meanwhile, a city beneath the sea might hold the answers needed to uncover the mystery behind a missing Inquisitor. The Deathwatch is needed.

The Emperor Protects contains three separate adventures for the Deathwatch roleplaying game set among the war-torn front lines of an Imperial crusade. Can your imposing Space Marines convince the warrior colony of the Feral World Aurum to join the Imperium? Or will they meet their demise upon the surface of a corrupted Forge World?

Featuring three new adventures, The Emperor Protects is a great way to begin your campaigns in the Deathwatch.

The Price of Hubris—The Kill-team travels to the Feral World of Aurum to win over a fierce and proud warrior culture to join the Imperium.

However, alien forces stand between the Space Marines and any hope of victory.

A Stony Sleep—On the hunt for a missing Inquisitor, the Kill-team faces dark enemies and a mysterious city beneath the sea. Can the Kill-team solve the riddle in time to save the heart of the Crusade itself?

The Vigilant Sword—The Deathwatch has discovered a sinister conspiracy with dire consequences for the Jericho Reach. Now, they must prevail upon a corrupted Forge World! **HC \$64**

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The endless struggle between the spirits of light and the forces of darkness is escalating. Mighty heroes are called to choose their alignment and fight to prove themselves worthy...

The Sacred Pool, an expansion for the classic board game Talisman, brings new excitement and tension to your quest for the Crown of Command! Four new playable characters join the race for power, and never-before-seen Alternate Ending cards ensure ample replayability. Meanwhile, Stable cards bring you useful equestrian followers, and Quest Reward cards give new incentives to complete the perilous Warlock Quests! In addition, The Sacred Pool presents new reasons to watch your character's alignment. The inclusion of Neutral Alignment cards allow you to follow new paths in Talisman and possibly receive greater rewards...if you choose the right side.

The Sacred Pool comes with 4 new characters, 72 new Adventure cards, 16 new Spell cards, 24 Quest Reward cards, and much more! **Game \$40**

## **Warhammer 40,000**

### **Necrons**

*Necron Destroyer Lord*                      **Figurine \$41**

*Necron Heavy Destroyer*                **Figurine \$38**

*Necron Monolith*                              **Figurine \$103**

## **Warhammer 40,000: Space Hulk**

### **Space Hulk: Death Angel**

Space Hulk: Death Angel The Card Game is a cooperative card game set in the grim darkness of Warhammer 40,000. Players must work together as an alien menace threatens to devour their hopes of survival. If all Space Marines perish, the players collectively lose. Likewise, if at least one of the surviving Space Marines completes the objective, the players all win!

Playable in under an hour, Death Angel takes 1 to 6 players straight into the action. Each player takes control of a combat team (or two combat teams if playing with less than four players). If playing solo, the single player controls three combat teams. Combat teams are made up of two unique Space Marines, each with their own flavor and style. **Game \$40**

### **Warhammer 40 000 Dark Tarot Cards Bonus !**

Warhammer 40 000 players take note! At the shop we have cards to give away to help you win your battles. These cards give bonus options for your armies, and are available only as a purchase bonus. Simply spend \$65 on Games Workshop product during November and December and you will receive one of the 4 cards for that month. Once you've collected all 8 cards, show them to us in January and we'll give you the ninth one for free. By buying your GW product from Infinitas, you also get rewards points for earning your next set of Rewards Vouchers (for more GW minis of course)!

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### Will Adams

#### *The Eden Legacy*

Welcome to Eden. Population: Zero.

After she finds out her estranged father and sister are missing from their coastal nature reserve in Madagascar, TV zoologist Rebecca Kirkpatrick is on the first flight home. Underwater archaeologist Daniel Knox is searching for a sunken Chinese treasure ship when he hears of the disappearances and ventures to The Eden Reserve to investigate.

Still with a vendetta to settle, Georgian gangster dynasty the Nergadzes send a hitman to hunt down Knox and avenge them. As Knox chases answers he realizes that the idyllic coral reef of Eden hides an ugly truth - someone is willing to kill and exploit people for a secret that will rewrite the history of the New World... **TP \$24.99**

### Douglas Alan

#### *Circle of Lies*

Circle of Lies is a hot new thriller from newcomer Douglas Alan, featuring John Delaney, an ex-NYPD detective turned lawyer and his lovely wife Katherine Adams, a tough but sexy Atlanta lawyer who gives as good as she gets. They're an unstoppable team with a love of adventure but no love for the bad guys.

Delaney is asked to defend Ted Jordan, a childhood friend who has been arrested for the torture and murder of his law partner. Jordan adamantly maintains his innocence but the police have traced his fingerprints to the dead man's house and a half-million dollars to his bank account. On his way to interview Jordan at the jail, Delaney is approached by a mysterious woman who identifies herself as Ted's friend. She offers to post his bond and warns Delaney to be careful if anyone from the Tissinger Corporation contacts him in connection with the case.

Ted insists he has been set up by Tissinger because he accidentally stumbled onto data showing they deliberately concealed information about suicides in a test group for their latest depression medication.

As Delaney and Adams start to dig, they are confronted by an NSA agent who tries to warn them off. When a second dead body is found in Jordan's condominium and Jordan disappears they are left with more questions than answers. But Delaney isn't someone who takes no for an answer and he and Katherine will stop at nothing to find the truth. **HC \$51.95**

### Glen Scott Allen

#### *The Shadow War*

Colonial historian Benjamin Wainwright is summoned to a think tank in western Massachusetts by an old school friend who researches war-game theory. He discovers upon arrival that his friend is dead—and that the security analyst hired to investigate his death has seemingly been murdered.

A series of codes, forged documents, and secret family histories all point to the existence of a centuries-old militaristic conspiracy, and Benjamin teams up with a beautiful Russian cultural attaché to unravel the truth. They set off on a dangerous mission that stretches from Washington, D.C., to the French Riviera, to deep within the Siberian wilderness. Together, they discover the sinister forces that have been pulling the strings ever since the very founding of America. With a gripping pace and enigmatic plot that drives the reader from one page to the next, *The Shadow War* is a highly intelligent thriller that asks: Was the Cold War one vast, international ruse? Who really runs the country, and to what lengths will they go to conceal their hidden agendas? **HC \$52.95**

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A latest entry in the series featuring the enigmatic and charming freelance investigator for the Paris police finds Aristide Ravel combing through the pre-Revolutionary atmosphere of distrust and anxiety when a ruthless killer begins terrorizing the city. By the author of *Cavalier of the Apocalypse*. **HC \$52.95**

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#### *No Mercy (Mercy Gunderson 01)*

The story of former Army sniper Mercy Gunderson, who returns to her struggling South Dakota ranch and investigates the suspicious death of a Native American child, a killing that is met with indifference by local authorities. **PB \$19.95**

### Mignon F Ballard

#### *Miss Dimple Disappears (Charlie Carr 01)*

It's 1942, almost a year since the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor, and the residents of the small town of Elderberry, Georgia, have been rattled down to their worn, rationed shoes. For young teacher Charlie Carr, life and love aren't going exactly as planned—her head dictates loyalty to the handsome corpsman, Hugh, but whenever she thinks of her best friend's beau, Will, her heart does the Jersey Bounce. Charlie is doubly troubled by the disappearance of beloved schoolmistress Miss Dimple Kilpatrick one frosty November morning just before Thanksgiving. Miss Dimple, who has taught the town's first graders—including Charlie—for almost forty years, would never just skip town in the middle of the school year, and Charlie and her best friend, Annie, are determined to prove it. **HC \$51.95**

### Maggie Barbieri

#### *Third Degree Murder (Murder 101)*

On her way to meet her boyfriend's parents, college professor Alison Bergeron stops by a coffee shop to steel her resolve. Not only is it the first time she's met NYPD Detective Bobby Crawford's family, but it's coming on the heels of a wedding proposal that she has left unanswered. Then as she steps into the shop, a brawl breaks out that ends in the death of Carter Willmott, a merciless and loathed local blogger. The case couldn't be any simpler, and Alison witnessed the whole thing, but when Willmott's car explodes in the aftermath, what looked to be a crime of passion becomes something far more premeditated.

Romance and mystery are sure to mingle whenever Alison and Bobby team up, making for another outstanding addition to Maggie Barbieri's beloved Murder 101 series. **HC \$51.95**

**Simon Beaufort**

*The Bloodstained Throne (Sir Geoffrey Mappestone)*

The new 'Sir Geoffrey Mappestone' mystery - When the former crusader knight Geoffrey Mappestone and his friend Roger of Durham try to slip out of England to the Holy Land, a ferocious storm destroys the ship they are on and casts them ashore. The two knights are unwillingly thrust into the company of other shipwrecked passengers, and while attempting to evade the unwelcome attention of the more dangerous members of the group, they become unwillingly drawn into a plot to overthrow the king and return England to Saxon rule . . . **HC \$58.95**

**Jessica Beck**

*Sinister Sprinkles (Donut Shop Mysteries)*

When Darlene Higgins, her ex's ex-girlfriend, is murdered, and he is suspected of the crime, donut shop owner Suzanne Hart gets mixed up in the investigation as she sifts through the clues to catch the real killer. **PB \$19.95**

**Steve Berry**

*Emperor's Tomb (Cotton Malone)*

A new Cotton Malone adventure that takes our hero from Europe to the Far East and a race to unlock the mystery of an ancient tomb.

Hearing that his old friend Cassiopeia Vitt is in trouble, Malone follows the few clues he has and realises that they are in the middle of something huge, involving Russian and US oil interests and a centuries-old secret. After stumbling across two dead bodies and into the crosshairs of his former boss, Malone finds himself in a race to unravel the mystery of an emperor's tomb, a sinister society, and a deadly battle between two ruthless men for supremacy in China and the world. **TP \$32.99**

**Juliet Blackwell**

*If Walls Could Talk (Haunted Home Renovation Mysteries 01)*

Melanie Turner has made quite a name for herself remodeling historic houses in the San Francisco Bay Area. But now her reputation may be on the line. At her newest project, a run-down Pacific Heights mansion, Mel is visited by the ghost of a colleague who recently met a bad end with power tools. Mel hopes that by nailing the killer, she can rid herself of the ghostly presence of the murdered man-and not end up a construction casualty herself... **PB \$17.95**

**Alafair Burke**

*City of Lies*

In New York City nights are dangerous. Days are numbered.

When New York University student Megan Gunther is murdered in a vicious attack after receiving threats posted on a campus website, NYPD Detective Ellie Hatcher is convinced there is a link.

With straight-talking partner J. J. Rogan at her side, Ellie tries to identify Megan's enemies, but she begins to wonder if the girl's murder was more than just the culmination of a cyber obsession.

Then phone records reveal a link between Megan and a murdered real-estate agent who was living a dangerous double life.

Even more suspiciously, the detectives also learn that the dead real-estate agent shared a secret connection to a celebrity mogul whose bodyguard was mysteriously killed a few months earlier.

And when Megan's roommate suddenly disappears, they know they have to find her before it's too late...

With fans including everyone from Michael Connelly, Harlan Coben, and Lee Child to Tess Gerritsen, Lisa Gardner and Kathy Reichs, Alafair Burke gives us another nail-biting thriller to keep us on the edge of our seats. **APB \$19.99**

**Milton T Burton**

*Nights of the Red Moon*

Small town, meet big crime.

It's not hard for longtime Sheriff Bo Handel to keep Texas' Caddo County in line. He handles petty crimes and rabble rousers, runs a competent police force and maintains a relationship with his steady girlfriend while keeping things quiet.

But when the local minister's wife, Amanda Twiller, is murdered and dumped on the church's front, Bo suddenly finds himself with his hands full.

Unfortunately for Bo, finding Amanda's killer won't be as easy as rounding up the town's usual suspects. He'll have to get past sleazy attorneys and drug lords first. When he discovers that Amanda was not only addicted to narcotics but also having an affair with one of the roughest men in town, the lazy days of his past are a distant memory.

Soon, Bo realizes there are only so many cocaine kings and Mob bosses that one man can juggle. But the murderer is out there, and it's up to Bo to find out who it is. This small town sheriff is used to a light workload. So what happens when heavy crime comes to town? **HC \$51.95**

**J L Carrell**

*Shakespeare Curse*

The gripping new thriller from the SUNDAY TIMES bestselling author of THE BIRTHING HOUSE.

James Hastings wife is dead - her life snuffed out in a horrific accident that leaves her husband shattered. Dizzy with grief and guilt, James withdraws into his sprawling mansion, losing himself in liquor...and memories of Stacey. Until the day two women enter his life. One is Annette, a gorgeous stranger with a dark past. The other is not a stranger, and her past is all too familiar. First her voice echoes through the phone lines, and from behind the ballroom doors...Then her shoes reappear, streaked with mud and grime, as though unearthed from the grave...And soon Annette begins saying things only Stacey could know, enveloping James in a spiral of terror and violence that threatens to destroy his home, his sanity, and his soul. For death is only the beginning of his nightmare. And the haunting of James Hastings might just be the end of him. **BPB \$22.99**

**Henry Chang**

*Red Jade (Detective Jack Yu Investigation)*

Two bodies are discovered at an address on the Bloody Angle, Chinatown's historic Tong battleground. NYPD Detective Jack Yu's investigation takes him across the country to another Chinatown, this one in Seattle, in pursuit of a cold-blooded Chinese American gangster and a mysterious Hong Kong femme fatale. **HC \$52.95**

**Laura Childs**

*Bedeveled Eggs (Cackleberry Club Mysteries 03)*

The ladies at the Cackleberry Club cafe are busy preparing for Halloween. But someone's jumped the gun on the tricks. As mayoral candidate Chuck Peebler leaves the cafe, he gets struck with a crossbow arrow and is killed instantly. And when another murder occurs on the historical society's Quilt Trail, the Cackleberry Club needs to sniff out the bad egg-before he strikes again. **PB \$19.95**

**Sam Christer***Stonehenge Legacy*

Eight days after the summer solstice, a man's corpse is discovered on the grounds of Stonehenge, strange symbols carved into the flesh. Amid a media frenzy, the case falls to Wiltshire policewoman Meg Redfern, who in turn appeals to young Cambridge historian Gideon Chase, an expert on ancient British archaeology. Their investigation threatens to expose a secret society - an ancient international legion devoted for thousands of years to Stonehenge. With a charismatic and ruthless new leader at the helm, the cult is now performing ritual human sacrifices in a terrifying bid to unlock the secret of the stones. Packed with codes, symbology, relentless suspense, and fascinating detail about the history of one of the world's most iconic, beloved, and mysterious places. **TP \$32.99**

**Tom Clancy with Grant Blackwood***Dead or Alive*

For years, Jack Ryan, Jr. and his colleagues at the Campus have waged an unofficial and highly effective campaign against the terrorists who threaten western civilization. The most dangerous of these is the Emir. This sadistic killer has masterminded the most vicious attacks on the west and has eluded capture by the world's law enforcement agencies.

Now the Campus is on his trail. Joined by their latest recruits, John Clark and Ding Chavez, Jack Ryan, Jr. and his cousins, Dominick and Brian Caruso, are determined to catch the Emir and they will bring him in . . . dead or alive. **HC \$49.95**

**Alys Clare***Music of the Distant Stars (Lassair)*

The new 'Lassair' mystery from the author of the 'Hawkenlye' books - Very early one summer morning, Lassair slips out of her Fenland village on a deeply personal mission and discovers the body of a young woman, hidden where it has no place to be. The girl's identity is quickly discovered but, as she wonders who killed her and why, Lassair swiftly becomes mystified and frightened. Why did a sweet-natured seamstress have to die? Suspicion soon creeps uncomfortably close to home; then another body is found . . . **HC \$58.95**

**Michael Connelly***Three Great Novels*

The Poet: Jack McEvoy's brother, a homicide detective, has just killed himself. Or so it would appear. When Jack, a Rocky Mountain beat reporter, begins to investigate the phenomenon of police suicides, a disturbing pattern emerges, and he soon suspects that a serial murderer is at work.

Blood Work: Thanks to a heart transplant, former FBI agent Terry McCaleb is enjoying a quiet retirement. And then he learns that the previous owner of his heart was not - as he'd been told - killed in an accident, but murdered. Reactivating his connections and his expertise, McCaleb embarks on a private investigation of his donor's murder, leading to a killer as audacious as himself.

Void Moon: Cassie Black is lured back to robbing casino gamblers by a set-up that is too good to ignore. Soon she finds herself running from a stone cold killer who somehow knows her every move in advance, and who appears to be closing in on Cassie's most closely guarded secret - the one she will do anything to protect. **TP \$35**

**Sheila Connolly***A Killer Crop (Orcahrd Mysteries 04)*

When her mother arrives unannounced during harvest season, apple orchard owner Meg Corey finds things taking a turn for the worse when an old friend of her mother's is found dead on her property and her mother stands accused of the crime. **PB \$19.95**

**Beverly Connor***One Grave Less (Diane Fallon Investigations 09)*

Forensic anthropologist Diane Fallon has tried to put the past behind her, establishing herself as head of the River Trail Museum of Natural History. Late one night at the museum, Diane hears terrified cries and finds an injured man - a former coworker from her time as a human rights activist in South America.

Left with a body, a bone, and a cryptic message, Diane has to dig back into her past with World Account International, before the next human rights abuses are hers... **PB \$19.95**

**Michael Crichton***Pirate Latitudes*

The Caribbean, 1665. The island of Jamaica is a rough outpost of the English crown, a minor colony holding out against the vast supremacy of the Spanish empire. Port Royal, Jamaica's capital, a cut-throat town of taverns, grog shops, and bawdy houses, is devoid of London's luxuries; life here can end swiftly with dysentery or a dagger in your back.

But for Captain Charles Hunter it is a life that can also lead to riches, if he abides by the island's code. In the name of His Majesty King Charles II of England, gold in Spanish hands is gold for the taking.

Word in port is that the Spanish treasure galleon El Trinidad, fresh from New Spain, is stalled in nearby Matanceros harbour awaiting repairs. With the help of his cunning crew, Hunter hijacks El Trinidad and escapes the deadly clutches of its commander, the blood-swilling Cazalla, leaving plenty of carnage in his wake. But his troubles have only just begun ... **APB \$19.99**

**Krista Davis***The Diva Cooks a Goose (Domestic Goddess Mysteries 04)*

A Scrooge steals presents right from under Sophie Winston's family Christmas tree. Then her sister-in-law's father shows up with a diva girlfriend just a month after his separation. More than one person is thinking of committing a merry murder - until it actually happens! With many under suspicion for the deadly deed, can Sophie find the murderer and restore the Christmas spirit before it's too late? **PB \$19.95**

**Vicki Delany***Negative Image (Constable Molly Smith)*

Famous photographer Rudolph Steiner, accompanied by his young wife, visits Trafalgar, British Columbia, to do a feature on mountain tourism. Steiner also plans to re-connect with Eliza Winters, who left him twenty-five years ago to marry Trafalgar City Police Sergeant John Winters. When Steiner is found dead, suspicion falls upon Eliza, and John Winters is forced to decide between loyalty to his job or his wife. Unable to help, Constable Molly Smith has her own troubles: a series of B&Es, her overprotective Mountie boyfriend, and a vengeful stalker watching her every move. **HC \$51.95**

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## **Loren D Estleman**

### *The Left-Handed Dollar (Amos Walker)*

Joseph Michael Ballista—"Joey Ballistic" to his mob buddies—knows most of the ways to make an illegal buck, or "a lefthanded dollar." That's why he's in trouble again. But his crafty lawyer, Lucille Lettermore—"Lefty Lucy" to just about every prosecutor she's ever humiliated in court—is determined to free him by getting all his previous convictions set aside, beginning with one for attempted murder.

She hires Detroit private detective Amos Walker to investigate the old crime. Walker's first problem? The intended victim was investigative reporter Barry Stackpole, Walker's only true friend. Walker's not thrilled to help get his buddy's would-be killer off the hook. But money's money, so he takes the case, though it won't be easy. For starters, the creep's ex-wives grudgingly talk to Walker, but he knows they're not leveling with him. And two new murders tied to the case aren't likely to make them any chattier.

Walker, friendless and desperate for answers, follows a string of leads old and new straight into a war of nerves and bullets in Detroit's seedy, crime-ridden underbelly. **HC \$51.95**

## **Monica Ferris**

### *Buttons and Bones*

Owner of the Crewel World needlework shop and part-time sleuth Betsy Devonshire heads for the Minnesota north woods to renovate an old cabin. But beneath the awful linoleum is something even uglier- the skeleton of a Nazi. Betsy's investigation yields the site of a former German POW camp, a mysterious crocheted rug, and an intricately designed pattern of clues to a decades-old crime. **HC \$51.95**

## **Allan Folsom Australian Author**

### *The Hadrian Memorandum*

When a Texas oil exploration company discovers a massive oil reserve off the Equatorial Guinea coast, the company plots an overthrow of the region's government, a situation that is countered by U.S. President John Henry Harry and former LAPD homicide detective Nicholas Marten.

**PB \$21.95**

## **Leighton Gage**

### *Every Bitter Thing (Chief Inspector Mario Silva)*

The son of the Foreign Minister of Venezuela is found dead in his apartment in Brasilia. Due to the political nature of the crime, Chief Inspector Mario Silva of Brazil's Federal Police is called in to investigate. As he delves deeper into the murder, he discovers that a chain of murders have occurred throughout Brazil, all with the same MO: victims are first shot in the stomach, then brutally beaten to death, and, even more puzzling, they were all passengers on TAB flight 8101 from Miami to São Paulo. What sinister motive connects these killings? And why does it appear one passenger on that flight, a fifteen-year-old boy who was later raped and killed in prison, is at the heart of it all? **HC \$52.95**

## **Lee Goldberg**

### *Mr Monk is Cleaned Out (Monk)*

California and Adrian Monk are in a financial crisis when he's fired by the SFPD and finds his savings are gone. Bob Sebes, the leader of Reinier Investments, swindled his clients, including Monk. When a key witness is killed, Monk is convince that Sebes, under house-arrest, did it. Being jobless and broke, Monk can devote all of his obsessive energy to solving this latest mystery. **PB \$19.95**

## **Kerry Greenwood Australian Author**

### *Introducing the Honourable Phryne Fisher (Phryne Fisher 01, 02, 03)*

Our unflappable, unconventional and uninhibited heroine, The Honourable Phryne Fisher, leaves the tedium of English high society for Melbourne, Australia, and never looks back. In her first three adventures, she encounters communism, cocaine, kidnappers and murderers. Phryne handles everything- danger, excitement and love – with her inimitable panache and flair, and still finds a little time for discreet dalliances and delicious diversions. In Cocaine Blues, the London season is in full fling at the end of the 1920s, but the Hon. Phryne cannot face any more flower arranging, polite conversation with retired Colonels or dancing with weak-chinned men - and decides it might be rather amusing to try her hand at being a lady detective in Melbourne, Australia. From the time she books into the Windsor Hotel, Phryne is immediately embroiled in exotic and erotic mystery.

Phryne steps up again in Flying Too High, handling a murder, a kidnapping and the usual array of beautiful young men who cluster around her with style and consummate ease - and all before it's time to adjourn to the Queenscliff Hotel for breakfast. Whether she's flying planes, trying to clear a friend of homicide charges or searching for a kidnapped child, she employs the same dash and elan with which she drives her beloved red Hispano-Suiza.

In Murder on the Ballarat Train, the glamorous Phryne, accompanied by her loyal maid, Dot Williams, decides to travel to the country by train, but the last thing she expects is to have to use her trusty Beretta .32 to save their lives. What was planned as a restful country sojourn turns into the stuff of nightmares: a young girl who can't remember anything, rumours of vile white slavery and the body of an old woman missing her emerald rings.

**TP \$29.99**

## **J M Gregson**

### *In Vino Veritas (Lambert and Hook)*

The new Lambert and Hook mystery - Martin Beaumont is the uncompromising owner of a successful Gloucestershire vineyard. He has built the company steadily over the years, with a small but dedicated team by his side. However, he sees Abbey Vineyards as his company, to do with as he pleases, much to the chagrin of his senior staff members. So when he is found dead in his car, Chief Superintendent Lambert and DS Hook don't have to look very far to find people with strong motives for the murder . . . **HC \$58.95**

## **Laura Griffin**

### *Unforgiveable (Tracers)*

When she is forced to destroy her reputation and let a killer walk free to save the people she loves most, DNA expert Mia Voss, with the help of Detective Ric Santos, must catch a twisted madman who is linked to a long-buried cold case that has haunted her for years. **PB \$19.95**

**Eric L Haney***Low Country (Tanner 02)*

Kennesaw Tanner used to be a shadow operative. Now, he operates on his own.

Tanner is in the coastal swamps of Georgia, hunting for the man who may have killed his friend. But he soon finds himself caught up in a running battle against a ring of brutal sex slavers for whom human life is a cheap commodity. Tanner must overcome soul-blackening corruption and confront the most inhuman degradation if he's going to make them pay. **PB \$19.95**

**Ellen Hart***The Cruel Ever After (Jane Lawless)*

The intrepid Jane Lawless tackles a personally complicated case when her ex-husband returns to Minneapolis and wakes up next to the dead body of an art collector. By the author of *The Mirror and the Mask*. **HC \$52.95**

**Keith Hollihan***The Four Stages of Cruelty*

Resolving to follow the law in spite of the illicit activities of corrupt peers at maximum security Ditmarsh Penitentiary, corrections officer Kali Williams learns about a missing inmate's creation of an elaborate comic book that reveals the covert workings of the prison's criminal operations. **HC \$52.95**

**Arnaldur Indridason***Operation Napoleon*

1945: a German bomber flies over Iceland in a blizzard; the crew have lost their way and eventually crash on the Vatnajökull glacier, the largest in Europe. Puzzlingly, there are both German and American officers on board. One of the senior German officers claims that their best chance of survival is to try to walk to the nearest farm and sets off, a briefcase handcuffed to his wrist. He soon disappears into the white vastness.

1999, mid-winter, and the US Army is secretly trying to remove an aeroplane from the Vatnajökull glacier. By coincidence two young Icelanders become involved – but will pay with their lives. Before they are captured, one of the two contacts his sister, Kristin, who will not rest until she discovers the truth of her brother's fate. Her pursuit puts her in great danger, leading her on a long and hazardous journey in search of the key to the riddle about Operation Napoleon. **TP \$32.95**

**Peter James***Dead Like You*

Detective Superintendent Roy Grace is forever haunted by the unexplained disappearance of his wife, Sandy, nearly ten years ago. Ever since she went missing, he's been consumed with finding out what happened to her. Finally, he may be moving on. He has fallen in love and is going to marry his girlfriend, Cleo, who is pregnant with their child.

But his life is put on hold when, after a wild New Year's Eve ball, a woman is brutally raped as she returns to her hotel room. A week later, another woman is attacked. Both victims' shoes are taken by their attacker. Grace soon realizes that these new cases bear remarkable similarities to an unsolved series of crimes in the city back in 1997. The perpetrator had been dubbed "Shoe Man" and was believed to have raped four women before murdering his fifth victim and vanishing. Could this be a copycat, or has Shoe Man resurfaced?

When more women are assaulted, Grace becomes increasingly certain that they are dealing with the same man. By delving back into the past—a time when Sandy was still in his life—he may find the key to unlocking the current mystery. Soon Grace and his team find themselves in a desperate race against the clock to identify and save the life of the new sixth victim, as he struggles with a chapter in his life he thought he had put behind him at last. **HC \$52.95**

**William W Johnstone & J A Johnstone***Home Invasion*

When the US president bans all guns in Home, Texas, the town's residents, unarmed and defenseless, become easy targets for the Mexican drug cartels who cross the border every day until they discover a secret military arsenal that will finally allow them to fight back. **PB \$17.95**

**Ismail Kadare***The Accident*

From Man Booker International Prize winner Ismail Kadare comes a dizzying psychological thriller of twisted passions, dual identities, and political subterfuge. Set against the tumultuous backdrop of the war in the Balkans, *The Accident* closely documents an affair between two young lovers.

On a rainy morning in Vienna, a taxi pulls onto the autobahn only to crash into the median barrier moments later, hurling its two passengers—a man and a woman—from the backseat as it spins through the air. The driver cannot explain why he lost control; he only says that the mysterious couple seemed to be about to kiss.

As the investigation into their deaths deepens, a lonely researcher will uncover a mutually destructive relationship that blurs the line between fact and fiction, fear and desire, and love and fixation over the course of twelve years. An alluring mixture of vivid hallucination and cold reality, *The Accident* is a fever dream of a novel that marks a bold and fascinating departure from Kadare's previous work. **HC \$49.95**

**Ben Kay***Instinct*

Hidden in a remote corner of the South American jungle is a clandestine research facility known simply as MEROS. Here, working in laboratories buried a thousand feet underground, military scientists have developed the most astonishing and deadly weapon known to man . . .

Meanwhile, on the other side of the globe, a Chinook helicopter lands a highly trained squad of special forces soldiers deep in hostile territory – their mission: to clean up a black-ops killzone. As they enter the cave, they hear the faint buzz of the weapon – like the beating of a thousand pairs of insect wings. **APB \$19.95**

**J A Kerley***Buried Alive*

When police detective Carson Ryder wins a free vacation to the isolated Appalachian mountains, he welcomes the chance to take a well-deserved rest. But all too soon an anonymous phone-call summons him to the scene of grisly torture.

This is just the first of a series of increasingly savage murders and Ryder finds himself helping overstretched local detective Donna Cherry and forest ranger Lee McCoy sift through the bizarre clues. And, adding to the confusion, his disturbed brother Jeremy has settled in the area.

Meanwhile back home in Alabama, the ill-advised hypnotic regression of ex-professional fighter Bobby Lee Crayline has led to his escape. With several malevolent killers on the loose, it is Ryder's death-defying challenge to unearth horrors others wished were buried years ago. **BPB \$24.99**

### **Nicholas Kilmer**

#### *A Butterfly in Flame (Fred Taylor Art Mysteries 07)*

Stillton Academy, a small art college on the New England coast north of Boston, is in financial trouble, and its days are numbered unless someone provides extraordinary help. The final straw may be the sudden disappearance of an instructor with a female student, daughter of the Academy's only significant donor.

Fred Taylor, called in to trouble-shoot, goes undercover as a member of the faculty and shortly finds himself enmeshed in the conflicting motives and designs of faculty and students, as well as those of a board of trustees whose interest in the long-term survival of the operation seems lazy, misguided or – perhaps – a good deal more sinister.

Meanwhile, as the town of Stillton, Massachusetts, is visited by murder, the motives of Fred's employer, the collector Clayton Reed, remain obscure. What is there in the town, or at the college, that whets his acute acquisitive instincts? He will not say, beyond his hermetic instructions, "Trust no one. Look at everything."

And everyone. Fred's assignment takes him to the Life Room, where his students sometimes moonlight as life models. Are his temporary colleagues on the faculty eccentrics or just artists?

Clayton Reed collects art. That's what he lives for. In sleepy Stillton, a town ripe for development, though suspiciously backward and un-exploited, what hidden treasure is Clayton hoping for? And can Fred find it before the college goes up in flames? **HC \$51.95**

### **Laurie R King**

#### *The Art of Detection*

In this thrilling new crime novel that ingeniously bridges Laurie R. King's Edgar and Creasey Awards—winning Kate Martinelli series and her bestselling series starring Mary Russell, San Francisco homicide detective Kate Martinelli crosses paths with Sherlock Holmes—in a spellbinding dual mystery that could come only from the "intelligent, witty, and complex" mind of New York Times bestselling author Laurie R. King....

Kate Martinelli has seen her share of peculiar things as a San Francisco cop, but never anything quite like this: an ornate Victorian sitting room straight out of a Sherlock Holmes story—complete with violin, tobacco-filled Persian slipper, and gunshots in the wallpaper that spell out the initials of the late queen.

Philip Gilbert was a true Holmes fanatic, from his antiquated décor to his vintage wardrobe. And no mere fan of fiction's great detective, but a leading expert with a collection of priceless memorabilia—a collection some would kill for.

And perhaps someone did: In his collection is a century-old manuscript purportedly written by Holmes himself—a manuscript that eerily echoes details of Gilbert's own murder.

Now, with the help of her partner, Al Hawkin, Kate must follow the convoluted trail of a killer—one who may have trained at the feet of the greatest mind of all times. **APB \$18.95**

### **Bernard Knight**

#### *The Tinner's Corpse (Crown John Mystery)*

A decapitated body, a missing tinner, a disgruntled band of miners and a mad Saxon intent on destroying all things Norman are to be found in this medieval mystery featuring Crown John. It seems only Gwyn, Crown John's right-hand man can be of any help at all, until he's arrested for murder. **APB \$18.95**

#### *The Grim Reaper (Crown John Mystery)*

May 1195, and Sir John de Wolfe is faced with a strange series of murders. The common factor is that an appropriate Biblical text is left at the murder scene, reflecting the alleged sin of the victim. Since only one per cent of the population can read, de Wolfe believes the killer to be a priest.

**APB \$18.95**

#### *Fear in the Forest (Crown John Mystery)*

In 12th-century Devon, a mare gallops into a sleepy village, its rider dragged by the stirrup, the broken shaft of an arrow protruding from his back. When a second forest officer is violently attacked, Sir John de Wolfe begins to uncover evidence of a sinister conspiracy. **APB \$18.95**

### **Dean Koontz**

#### *What the Night Knows*

Billy Lucas confesses to a shocking crime. He's only fourteen years old but he's a sadistic killer and proud of it. He's in the secure wing of the state hospital but ... he seems too wise for his age, not crazy, too knowing. About the nature of evil, and whether it lives on beyond death. Too knowing about other crimes that took place before he was born ...

Other murders from twenty years ago surface in the mind of Detective John Calvino as he interviews young Billy Lucas. Calvino carries away a signed confession ... and a sense of great danger. That night he feels that somehow Billy has come home with him, to his family.

Over the next weeks, this haunted feeling does not go away. It only gets worse. Then another killing spree happens, just as and when John Calvino dreaded it would. Billy is safely locked away, but not the ghost, if the ghost exists, that links these murders with past crimes, and with John Calvino.

Anything could happen, and surely will ... again. **TP \$32.99**

### **Mike Lawson**

#### *Dead Man's Dust*

When Joe DeMarco is sent to investigate the death of reporter Terry Finley, it appears to be nothing more than a tragic accident. However, DeMarco's suspicions are aroused when he discovers Finley was investigating Senator Paul Morelli, considered a shoe-in for his party's presidential nomination.

Morelli's luck is famous, even by a politician's standards, and whilst his past has already been thoroughly scrutinized, looks can be deceptive. DeMarco's search leads him into a world of dirty secrets, beltway politics and divided loyalties.

And as two rogue agents freelancing for the CIA begin to follow him, he finds the deeper he digs, the more deadly and out of control his pursuit for justice becomes. **BPB \$24.99**

### **Adam Levin**

#### *The Instructions*

Beginning with a chance encounter with the beautiful Eliza June Watermark and ending, four days and 900 pages later, with the Events of November 17, this is the story of Gurion Maccabee, age ten: a lover, a fighter, a scholar, and a truly spectacular talker. Ejected from three Jewish day-schools for acts of violence and messianic tendencies, Gurion ends up in the Cage, a special lockdown program for the most hopeless cases of Aptakistic Junior High. Separated from his scholarly followers, Gurion becomes a leader of a very different sort, with righteous aims building to a revolution of troubling intensity. The Instructions is an absolutely singular work of fiction by an important new talent. Combining the crackling voice of Philip Roth with the encyclopedic mind of David Foster Wallace, Adam Levin has shaped a world driven equally by moral fervor and slapstick comedy—a novel that is muscular and verbose, troubling and empathetic, monumental, breakneck, romantic, and unforgettable. **HC \$58.95**

**Dick Lochte & Al Roker***The Midnight Show Murders*

Beloved TV personality, trusted weathercaster, and all-around Renaissance man Al Roker continues his newest successful career with the thrilling sequel to his dynamite mystery debut, *The Morning Show Murders*. Professional chef turned amateur sleuth Billy Blessing once again finds himself in hot water, when a brutal killing cancels a TV show—and its host—during its debut.

Billy has never liked going to the West Coast, but when he runs into high-energy comic Desmond O'Day, he reluctantly agrees to play second banana on the funnyman's new late-night talk show. Los Angeles holds bad—and bloody—memories for Billy. Twenty years ago, he had suspected obnoxious chef Roger Charbonnet of murdering his ex-starlet girlfriend there, and told the cops. A tricked-up alibi freed Roger, who vowed vengeance. And now Billy might be on the verge of getting burned.

After a horrifying explosion during a TV taping kills more than Desmond O'Day's chance at high ratings, Billy believes that he was the intended target—and that Roger Charbonnet was somehow involved. And when politics, infidelity, and high finance are sprinkled in, the case turns out to have more ingredients than Billy could ever have imagined. Soon a beautiful female TV producer convinces Billy to find the culprit himself—on camera. And the table's set for a conspiracy with too many cooks and far too many killers. **HC \$52.95**

**Evan Marshall***City in Shadow*

A Hidden Manhattan Mystery - A frightened woman leaves a note reading HELP ME outside Sanitation supervisor Anna Winthrop's apartment . . . A career-making story leads a journalist to a human-trafficking ring . . . A woman acts as bait in an effort to track down her missing sister . . . and Anna's visiting cousin Patti prowls New York's dark streets, but won't say why. All roads lead to the Kirkmore, a sinister apartment tower harboring a secret more horrifying than anyone could ever have imagined. **HC \$54.95**

**Cortright McMeel***Short*

When Joe Gallagher goes to work for an energy trading company in Boston, he soon finds that pursuit of his ambition to strike it rich in the markets will plunge him into a whirlwind, literally. As the firm's traders jockey to make bets on the effects of an upcoming hurricane, Gallagher must choose between following the careful dictates of his old school veteran mentor, Andrews... Or become a disciple of The Ghost, a newly-hired boss whose maverick trading methods push the envelope, a binary trader's code of supreme wealth or complete ruin...

A voyeuristic tour through the fascinating subculture of high-powered energy traders, Short introduces us to the larger-than-life men and women who run our markets— people who inhabit a world of intense stress, unbelievable gluttony, and the consequences of making and losing tens of millions of dollars in a single day. **HC \$51.95**

**Graham Moore***Sherlockian*

When literary researcher Harold White is inducted into the preeminent Sherlock Holmes enthusiast society, The Baker Street Irregulars, he expects good sherry and stimulating conversation. He receives a bonus: the world's leading expert on Sir Arthur Conan Doyle announces that he's found the author's fabled "missing diary." But when the man is found murdered in his hotel room - it is Harold who must take up the search: both for the killer, and for the invaluable missing diary.

With only his immense knowledge of the Doylean canon and the help of a beautiful young journalist-Harold embarks on a dangerous transatlantic investigation, making deductions worthy of his literary idol.

At the same time, author Graham Moore tells the story of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle himself, a story which has remained hidden in Conan Doyle's missing diary for a hundred years. In an attempt to prove himself the better of his most famous character, Conan Doyle hunts a serial killer through the streets of 1890's London. But what he finds is that in a world of real crime, and real evil, the world does not need Arthur Conan Doyle - the world needs Sherlock Holmes. **HC \$51.95**

**Kaye Morgan***Celebrity Sudoku (Sudoku Mysteries 06)*

Sudoku expert for the Oregon Daily, Liza Kelly must solve her most puzzling case yet when, while working on the hit show D-Kodas during celebrity week, the catfiest of the B-list celebs is murdered. **PB \$17.95**

**Boyd Morrison***Rogue Wave*

When a mysterious explosion unleashes a series of massive waves destined to obliterate Hawaii, Kai Tanaka, acting director of the Pacific Tsunami Warning Center in Honolulu, must race against time to save those that he loves from nature's most destructive force. **PB \$15.95**

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

Love—and murder—are in the air . . .

It took Joe Grey's human, Clyde Damen, nearly forever to pop the question to his girlfriend, Ryan Flannery, and what more romantic time to tie the knot than on Valentine's Day? But dark secrets from the past soon threaten to destroy everyone's happiness.

First, a body discovered many miles away reopens a ten-year-old cold case involving a man who disappeared days before his own wedding. Then another body is found closer to home on the grounds of a ruined estate, deserted save for a band of unusual feral cats.

Though the police investigate, only Joe Grey suspects that the crimes are related. And when he barely escapes alive from a deadly chase, Joe and his friends, Dulcie and Kit, know they'll need to use their powers of feline perception to bring justice to the small town of Molena Point . . . and save Valentine's Day! **PB \$19.95**

*Cat Striking Back (Joe Grey Mysteries 15)*

"Why is it, Joe, that you are always the one to find the body?"

On a lovely moonlit night, while carrying a gift of mice to a litter of kittens, Joe Grey stumbles upon a murder scene. Behind an empty house, in an empty swimming pool, there's blood, the smell of human death, and drag marks. But there's no victim—and it's hard to prove a crime without a corpse.

Driven by stubborn feline curiosity, Joe Grey sets out to investigate. With Dulcie and Kit following him along a killer's trail, Joe discovers evidence of conflict among the residents of this seemingly peaceful neighborhood—multiple signs of breaking-and-entering, with nothing of value stolen. And they find something far worse: hints of violence yet to come . . . and more planned murder.

With the help of two local ferals, Joe, Kit, and Dulcie must now thwart a killer using the most unorthodox means at their disposal: a criminal's unnatural yet powerful fear of cats. **PB \$19.95**

## **James Patterson & Michael Ledwidge**

### *Worst Case*

The son of one of New York's wealthiest families is snatched off the street and held hostage. His parents can't save him, because this kidnapper isn't demanding money. Instead, he quizzes his prisoner on the price others pay for his life of luxury. In this exam, wrong answers are fatal.

Detective Michael Bennett leads the investigation. With ten kids of his own, he can't begin to understand what could lead someone to target anyone's children. As another student disappears, one powerful family after another uses their leverage and connections to turn up the heat on the mayor, the press, anyone who will listen, to stop this killer. Their reach extends all the way to the FBI, who send their top Abduction Specialist, Agent Emily Parker. Bennett's work life – and love life – suddenly get even more complicated.

Before Bennett has a chance to protest the FBI's intrusion on his case, the mastermind changes his routine. His plan leads up to the most deadly demonstration yet – one that could bring cataclysmic devastation to every inch of New York. **APB \$14.95**

## **Michael Pearce**

### *A Dead Man in Malta (Dead Man 07)*

A latest entry in the popular series finds Sandor Seymour of the Foreign Office traveling from early 20th-century London to Malta, where he investigates a possible link between a hot air balloon crash and a string of suspicious deaths. **HC \$51.95**

## **Otto Penzler Editor**

### *The Greatest Russian Stories of Crime and Suspense*

Many of the greatest Russian authors, including Dostoevsky, Tolstoy, Chekhov and Pushkin, produced crime and mystery fiction, a type of literature that was largely suppressed during the Soviet era because it did not glorify the state but, instead, gave individual characters the significance that the U.S.S.R. despised. With the fall of the Soviet Union, mystery writers have become some of the most successful novelists in Russia, and there is a renewed interest in, and appreciation of, the great crime classics of an earlier era.

There have been few policemen, and virtually no private detectives or amateur sleuths, in Russian history worthy of approbation, and in consequence its literature is dramatically different from its Western counterparts. Criminals in Mother Russia tend to be caught or punished by their own consciences or by ghosts, and the notion of a criminal trial as we know it is utterly alien. Nonetheless, the enormous talent and passion of Russian authors has long been justly acclaimed, and the rare forays they made into the loosely defined genre of mystery fiction rank among the world's classics. This volume is the first collection ever devoted entirely to Russian crime fiction.

Among the esteemed contributors are Anton Chekhov, Fyodor Dostoevsky, Nicolai Gogol, Maxim Gorky, Vladimir Nabokov, Vilipitov, Alexander Pushkin, Lev Sheinen, Boris Sokoloff and Leo Tolstoy. **HC \$52.95**

## **Ann Purser**

### *Threats at Three*

From the author of *Tragedy at Two*—the latest Lois Meade mystery in which timing is everything.

Lois Meade has worked through all the days of the week, turning up clues and scrubbing up both messes and murderers in the village of Long Farnden. But crime is a persistent stain...

When a dead body is found in a canal, Detective Cowgill believes the murder is connected to a suspicious fire and a heated dispute over saving the local village hall. Time to turn to the ever reliable Lois Meade to sort out the culprits and pick up the loose ends—before their village hall turns into a funeral hall... **HC \$49.95**

## **Tara Taylor Quinn**

### *The Fourth Victim (Chapman Files 04)*

Kelly Chapman, psychologist and expert witness. She's unattached, but 100 percent committed to her clients, her foster child, her friends.

Clay Thatcher, FBI special agent: Missing Persons. A loner and, like Kelly, he too is unattached but 100 percent committed to his job—and only his job. That's why he's in Chandler, Ohio. Kelly Chapman has disappeared. Is it because she testified against someone who now wants revenge? Or is she the fourth victim of a killer responsible for three recent deaths?

Searching for her, Clay has to work against the clock. And Kelly soon becomes more than just another case to him.... **PB \$19.95**

## **Mario Reading**

### *The Nostradamus Prophecies*

An ancient secret...A deadly conspiracy.

For readers of Raymond Khoury's *The Last Templar*, or the works of Dan Brown, this high-octane commercial thriller tells of a hunt for the lost prophecies of Nostradamus and the two men who will do anything to discover their secrets. Nostradamus wrote a thousand prophecies. Only 942 have survived. What happened to the missing quatrains? What secrets did they contain to make it necessary for them to remain hidden? And why did Nostradamus leave his daughter a sealed container in his will? These questions drive two men with very different desires. Adam Sabir is a writer desperate to revive his flagging career; Achor Bale is a member of an ancient secret society that has dedicated itself to the protection and support of the "Three Antichrists" foretold in Nostradamus's verses—Napoleon, Adolf Hitler, and the "one still to come"...The pair embark on a terrifying chase through the ancient Romany encampments of France in a quest to locate the missing verses. **HC \$52.95**

## **Kathy Reichs**

### *Fatal Voyage (Temperance Brennan 04)*

When a plane crashes high in the mountains of North Carolina, Tempe Brennan is one of the first on the scene. As a forensic anthropologist for the state, she serves on the region's disaster response team. The task that confronts her is a sad and sickening one. Putting normal life on hold, she and her colleagues must painstakingly identify the victims.

A chance discovery concerns her: a severed foot, well away from the main crash site. A deserted house close by is buried so deep in the woods that locals claim to know nothing of its existence. And her examination of the foot throws up more questions than it answers.

Before she can make any progress, an anonymous accusation is levelled against her. Tempe must fight to save her professional standing. But she fears that, air tragedy aside, another corpse lies somewhere in the woods. Putting herself against a conspiracy of silence, Tempe vows to bring justice for her mystery victim. .. **APB \$21.95**

### *Grave Secrets (Temperance Brennan 05)*

Dr. Temperance Brennan, forensic anthropologist for the medical examiners in Montreal and North Carolina, departs from home turf to journey to Guatemala, where her skills will be tested to the limit. It was a summer morning in 1982 when soldiers entered the village of Chupan Ya and rounded up the women and children. Families and neighbors refer to their lost members as the disappeared. The bodies are said to lie in a mass grave. Tempe brings all her skill to uncover the savagery of the past. But something savage is happening today. Four girls are missing from Guatemala City, including the daughter of a high-ranking government official. When a young archaeologist is brutally murdered, Tempe realizes that she may be the next victim in a web of intrigue that connects the historical and contemporary murders. **APB \$21.95**

**Priscilla Royal***Valley of Dry Bones*

In the late summer of 1274, King Edward has finally been anointed England's ruler, and his queen contemplates a pilgrimage in gratitude for their safe return from Outremer, a journey that will include a stay at Tyndal Priory. Envoys are sent to confirm that everything will be suitable for the king's wife, and Prioress Eleanor nervously awaits them, knowing that regal visits bring along expense and honor. The cost is higher than expected, however, when Death arrives as the unexpected emissary. One of the courtiers is murdered near the hut where Brother Thomas now lives as a hermit. Each member of the party has reason to hate the dead man, including Crouner Ralf's eldest brother, Sir Fulke, and the prioress's nemesis, the man in black. Soon Eleanor is embroiled in the dangerous world of power games, both secular and religious. Indeed, England's future under a new king may offer hope and relief, but skeletons from the past can come back to life like those in the biblical valley of dry bones.

Which had cause enough to kill? **HC \$51.95**

**Jeffrey Siger***Murder in Mykonos*

Mykonos has always had a romantic reputation, until the body of a blonde female tourist is discovered on a pile of bones under the floor of a remote mountain church. When the island's new police chief - the young, politically incorrect, former Athens homicide detective Andreas Kaldis - starts finding bodies, bones and suspects almost everywhere he looks, he's forced to admit that the island paradise is harbouring a ritualistic serial killer. Mykonos's character is at stake, but political niceties no longer matter when another blonde vanishes. Andreas must delve into ancient myths and forgotten island hideaways as he races against a killer intent on claiming a new victim - who is herself determined to out step him... **PB \$22.99**

**Erica Spindler***Bone Cold*

Twenty-three years ago Anna North survived a living nightmare. A madman kidnapped her, cut off her pinkie, then vanished. Today Anna lives in New Orleans, writing dark thrillers under another name. She finally feels safe.

Suddenly Anna's quiet life takes a frightening turn. Letters start to arrive from a disturbed fan. Anna is followed, her apartment broken into. Then a close friend disappears.

Anna turns to homicide detective Quentin Malone, but Malone's more concerned with the recent murders of two women in the French Quarter. But after a third victim is found—a redhead like Anna, her pinkie severed—Malone is forced to acknowledge that Anna is his link to the killer...and could be the next target.

Now Anna must face the horrifying truth—her past has caught up with her. The nightmare has begun again. **PB \$19.95**

**Gerard Stembridge***Counting Down*

Meet Joe Power, approaching forty and counting down . . .

Counting the days until he next sees his son,

Counting the good years before his marriage fell apart,

Counting the fools telling him to get his act together,

Counting the hours until he takes one of his exhilarating night-walks and encounters . . . well, who knows what, but one thing is sure, he'll be the one to come out of it alive.

Counting down every moment knowing that one day soon, it will be his last . . . **BPB \$24.95**

**James Thompson***Snow Angels*

Kaamos: Just before Christmas, the bleakest time of the year in Lapland. The unrelenting darkness and extreme cold above the Arctic Circle drive everyone just a little insane . . . perhaps enough to kill.

A beautiful Somali immigrant is found dead in a snowfield, her body gruesomely mutilated, a racial slur carved into her chest. Heading the murder investigation is Inspector Kari Vaara, the lead detective of the small-town police force. The vicious killing may have been a hate crime, a sex crime or one and the same. Vaara knows he must keep this potentially explosive case out of the national headlines or else it will send shock waves across Finland, an insular nation afraid to face its own xenophobia.

The demands of the investigation begin to take their toll on Vaara and his marriage. His young American wife, Kate, newly pregnant with their first child, is struggling to adapt to both the unforgiving Arctic climate and the Finnish culture of silence and isolation. Meanwhile Vaara himself, haunted by his rough childhood and failed first marriage, discovers that the past keeps biting at his heels: He suspects that the rich man for whom his ex-wife left him years ago may be the killer.

Endless night can drive anyone to murder. **TP \$32.99**

**Brad Thor***The Athena Project*

Tucked away in a remote corner of North Carolina's Fort Bragg, behind rows of razor wire and heavily armed guards, lies the headquarters of the nation's most elite counter-terrorism unit - the United States Army's 1st Special Forces Operational Detachment Delta. Here, a brilliant new approach to combating terrorism has just been born. Its codename: The Athena Project. The novels will follow an elite team of female warriors from their recruitment as top-level athletes, through their training, to their deployment on some of the most exciting and dangerous international assignments the fiction world has ever seen. Brad Thor's readers will be electrified as he employs his vast knowledge of covert operations and military intrigue to bring to life his most heart-pounding, globe-trotting thrillers yet. **HC \$54.95**

**Ian Vasquez***Mr Hooligan*

Riley James was small-time, just a kid running messages and money for the Monsanto Brothers, the real players in Belize City. Then one slip in judgment left two men dead. The Monsantos handled the situation for their young protégé---but accepting this favor put Riley inescapably in their debt.

Now, years later, he's a pro picking up drug drops under the Coast Guard's nose and guiding boats through the reefs, which was something he wanted as a kid but not anymore. He wants out once and for all, and to cancel his debt, he makes a deal with the Monsantos to do one last run. It's Riley's last chance to scrape back to even, to nothing, to a place where he hasn't been since he was just a kid.

Shamus Award winner Ian Vasquez is a rising star in the world of noir, and he reaches new heights with Mr. Hooligan, a gripping, hardboiled story of a man fighting to escape to a new life---or die trying. **HC \$52.95**

**David J Walker***Too Many Clients (Wild Onions Ltd)*

The new novel in the acclaimed 'Wild Onion Ltd.' mystery series - Private eye Kirsten and her lawyer husband Dugan have a problem. A tarnished Chicago cop has been murdered, and Dugan's foolish flouting of certain rules has ensured his place on the list of suspects. Kirsten knows it's unwise to have her own husband as a client, but doesn't trust his freedom with anyone else. Soon, though, she has two more clients, who both want her to find the real killer - or at least they say they do . . . **HC \$58.95**

**Livia J Washburn***Killer on a Hot Tin Roof (Delilah Dickinson Literary Tour 03)*

While attending the annual Tennessee Williams Literary Festival in New Orleans, Delilah Dickinson becomes immersed in a murder investigation when one of the professors claims he can prove Williams didn't write *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof* and the supposed real author turns up dead. **HC \$45.95**

**Stuart Woods***Lucid Intervals (Stone Barrington)*

It seems like just another quiet night at Elaine's. Stone Barrington and his former cop partner, Dino, are enjoying some pasta when in walks former client-and all around sad sack-Herbie Fisher...with a briefcase containing \$14 million in cash.

Herbie claims to have won the money on a lucky lotto ticket, but he also says he needs a lawyer-and after a single gunshot breaks the window above his head and send diners scrambling, Stone and Dino suspect Herbie might need a bodyguard and a private investigator, too. **PB \$21.95**

## Other Books

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

*Rupert Companion (Rupert Bear)* **HC \$29.95**

*Top Gear: 100 Fastest Cars (Top Gear)*

With supercharged supercars, roadster rockets and futuristic freaks, Gear for the ride of your life, through awesome Audis and ferocious Ferraris, to the utterly crazy Koenigsegg CCX and the insanely fast Pagani Zonda F Roadster.

With facts and stats on all your favourite fastest cars, this book is packed with POWER!

Top's 100 Fastest Cars will leave you gasping for breath! Strap yourself in **HC \$19.95**

*The Tea Rose*

Fiona Finnegan is the spirited, ambitious daughter of an Irish dock worker. She longs to break free from the squalid lanes and alleys of Whitechapel, where she has a job in a tea factory. With the love of her life, Joe Bristow, she dreams of escaping the poverty and opening her own tea shop. But one by one her dreams fall apart as her father is killed in a dock accident, Joe is seduced by another woman, and her mother is viciously murdered - a suspected victim of Jack the Ripper.

Devastated, her life in tatters, Fiona flees to New York where she sets up home with her alcoholic uncle. Slowly she builds his small grocery shop into a thriving tea house, and her new life flourishes. After years of hard work, she establishes herself as the head of her own powerful tea empire. But she cannot forget London - or Joe. Convinced that her father was murdered by his brutal employer, Fiona vows to seek revenge and ruin him once and for all. Making her way back to the streets of her impoverished childhood, Fiona must start her fight again.

From the bleak poverty and filthy back streets of London to the glossy sophistication of Fifth Avenue, from East End dock workers to New York socialites, *The Tea Rose* is a charming, heart warming and ultimately life-affirming novel. **BPB \$22.99**

*The Whoopie Pie Book*

Dark chocolate with salted caramel.

Raspberry and nectarine with vanilla bean.

Red velvet with buttercream

Welcome to the irresistible world of the whoopie pie.

Whoopie pies are two discs of sponge cake sandwiching a thick buttercream filling. Like cupcakes, they come from America, where they were originally baked by the Amish community. These melt-in-the-mouth treats are a sup rise hit in Britain, where they are outselling cupcakes, donuts and macarons.

With over 60 mouthwatering recipes this is a Whoopie-baker's bible. It has treats for every occasion including seasonal flavours like Easter rhubarb with vanilla custard, indulgent treats like pumpkin with cream cheese, and cute party snacks like mocha-orange with espresso whipped cream. There are even alternative cake-cookie recipes such as oreo cookies and easy macarons.

Find out what all the fuss is about with *The Whoopie Pie Book*. **HC \$35**

*Wildlife Photographer of the Year: portfolio 20*

This is the latest memorable collection of images from the prestigious annual Wildlife Photographer of the Year competition - the international showcase for the very best photography featuring natural subjects. Portfolio 20 features all winning and commended photographs from the Wildlife Photographer of the Year 2010 competition. **HC \$49.95**

*Sing! 2011*

For more than 40 years, *Sing!* has been the leading resource for music educators throughout Australia and New Zealand. The *Sing! Book 2011* is jam-packed with 48 songs for primary school students to listen to, learn, and sing along with. This vibrant collection includes an exciting variety of song categories, which include Popular, Country, Environment, Speech Rhymes & Rap, Show Tunes, World Music, Choir . . . and much more! This year's theme is 'Special Occasions'. Songs in this special section are: 'Birthday', 'Earth Day Every Day', 'Grandparents' Song', 'The Man in the Picture' (Father's Day), 'Because They're Cute' (Mother's Day) and 'In Flanders Fields' (Anzac Day). **TP \$14.99**

*Machine Tool Builders: Eli Whitney, JR., Joseph Whitworth, Marc Isambard Brunel, James Nasmyth, Henry Maudslay, Ralph Flanders, James Hartness* **PB \$50**

## *Dinosaurs*

Help your child learn about dinosaurs with this fact-packed guide, giant wallchart, interactive clip-art CD and dedicated website.

From how dino fossils were made to how a Dryosaurus used its tail to dodge predators; let your child discover all about dinosaurs, the creatures who have been dead for millions of years but we still want to know all about today.

They'll discover more about dinosaurs by downloading 100s of amazing images from the clip-art CD. Then use the giant pull-out wallchart to decorate their room. Great for projects or just for fun, ensure your child learns everything they need to know about dinosaurs. **TP \$19.95**

## *Space: From Earth to the Edge of the Universe*

Take an incredible journey through Space, starting from a launchpad on earth, to the solar system, the Milky Way and beyond, and finally to the very edges of the visible universe. Spectacular NASA imagery showcasing the most recent and dramatic images from the NASA archive make this a journey of a lifetime.

Discover the technology and spacecrafts behind these extraordinary journeys, learn more about planets, asteroids, and galaxies as they are introduced and supported with explanatory artworks and find out about the important discoveries that have been made. **HC \$49.95**

## *Great Migrations*

At a riverbank in Africa's Serengeti, thousands of migrating wildebeest try desperately to cross as terrifying crocs feast on the galloping herds--which must attempt the river for a chance at survival. In the Falkland Islands, the albatross--king of migrations--journeys thousands of miles to nest despite the deadly cara cara, a predatory raptor. For countless animals species, migration is a dramatic, dangerous, and crucial undertaking...one that is portrayed in vivid color and unflinching candor in this magnificent book, companion to the 7hour HD epic television event from National Geographic.

The book follows the sequence of the film, with each section highlighting a factor that makes these epic journeys essential.

"The Need for Speed" documents migration as a race against time, in which freezing temperatures or scorching heat usher in a crisis. Incredible photographs document activity along the Mississippi Flyway, which teems with long-distance travelers: red-winged blackbirds, white pelicans, tundra swans, and the birds of prey that patrol the skies.

In "The Need to Feed," the annual search for greener pastures means life must go on the march as hungry predators lie in wait. Dramatic stills show as many as 40,000 walrus trying to evade 200 polar bears...and a jungle terrorized by nature's perfect killer: millions of voracious ants that work as one to overwhelm other species.

"The Need to Lead" explains that migrations need generals, admirals and pioneers. How well the leaders keep their charges in line and on track will determine a species' fate.

And in "The Need to Breed," the drive to renew the species forces every generation to risk it all. We experience the Falkland Islands, where aggressive, multi-ton elephant seals battle for the right to breed, and the lush rain forest canopy, where primates gather to feed and mate while smaller creatures glide from tree to tree. In every instance, both the migrating herds and the predators they sustain are faced with a new threat: global climate shift. Safe havens are vanishing, and migrating animals must stay one step ahead of a changing planet. Their struggle to survive despite mounting odds, set against the incomparable beauty of the natural world, fills this magnificently photographed book with drama, fascination, and beauty. **HC \$49.95**

## *Mysterios's Encyclopedia of Magic and Conjuring*

Here are illustrated step-by-step instructions for rope tricks, money magic, mind-reading effects, stage illusions, everyday magic, and plenty of all-new card tricks. Readers will learn how to bend spoons, stretch handkerchiefs, levitate glassware, make small children disappear, shuffle playing cards with aplomb, and much more—everything from simple street magic effects to epic on-stage illusions. Mysterio's Encyclopedia of Magic and Conjuring is a beautifully designed reference for magicians of all ages and abilities. **PB \$24.95**

## *Sound of Pictures: Listening to the Movies From Hitchcock to High Fidelity*

The Sound of Pictures is an illuminating journey through the soundtracks of more than 400 films. How do filmmakers play with sound? And how does that affect the way we watch their movies? Whether pop or classical, sweeping or sparse, music plays a crucial role in our cinematic experience. Other sounds can be even more evocative: the sounds of nature, of cities and of voices.

In The Sound of Pictures, Andrew Ford listens to the movies. He speaks to acclaimed directors and composers, discovering radically different views about how much music to use and when. And he explores some of cinema's most curious sonic moments. How did Alfred Hitchcock use music to plant clues in his films? Why do some 'mix-tape' soundtracks work brilliantly and others fall flat? How do classics from A Clockwork Orange to The Godfather, Cinema Paradiso to High Noon, use music and sound effects to enhance what we see on screen?

Whether you're a film-buff or a music lover, The Sound of Pictures will enrich your experience of the movies. **TP \$32.95**

## **Harold Bagust**

### *The Greater Genius?: A Biography of Marc Isambard Brunel*

Whilst Isambard Kingdom Brunel has rightly been lauded and is the subject of countless biographies over the years, Sir Marc Brunel's pivotal role has been overlooked. This is his first major biography. It traces his life from his birth through his struggle for recognition in Britain to his ultimate acceptance and success. Based on a wide range of sources including Sir Marc's impressive range of patent applications, the book helps to show that while IKB was an undoubted genius he owed much to the role of involvement of his father in many of his projects. **HC \$70**

## **Danny Beck**

### *Weird Animal Almanac*

Our planet is a veritable cornucopia of wondrous life, popping at the seams with marvellous and peculiar creatures. Life has wriggled its way into every conceivable nook and cranny, and nature has belched out organisms in even the most inhospitable environments. The Weird Animal Almanac is a compendium of 100 of these most curious of creatures. From beasts that could fit on a pinhead and survive a saunter into space, to sea creatures just waiting for an excuse to smash a ship into smithereens. Not to mention the remarkable tongue-eating louse, bone-eating snout flower, Namibian fog-basking beetle, and star-nosed mole. This beautifully illustrated collection will delight and bedazzle in equal measure.

Written by the affable eccentric Sir Pilkington-Smythe, each entry is an enlightening foray into our world and all its wonders...topped off with a soup on of silliness. **HC \$24.95**

## **Elizabeth Beresford**

### *The Wombles (Wombles 01)*

The Wombles is the first ever Wombles book and introduces the stern but kindly Great Uncle Bulgaria; Orinoco, who is particularly fond of his food and a subsequent forty winks; general handyman extraordinaire Tobermory, who can turn almost anything that the Wombles retrieve from Wimbledon Common into something useful; Madame Cholet, who cooks the most delicious and natural foods to keep the Wombles happy and contented; and last but not least, Bungo, one of the youngest and cheekiest Wombles of all, who has much to learn and is due to venture out on to the common on his own for the very first time... **PB \$13.99**



### **Elizabeth Beresford**

*The Wandering Wombles (Wombles 02)*

The Wombles' peaceful and harmonious existence is suddenly under threat. The heavy lorries that thunder along the roads near the common make the burrow shake and tremble so much that it is no longer safe for the Wombles to live there. With a heavy heart, Great Uncle Bulgaria decides that the Wombles will have to move from the burrow that they have lived in for many, many years. And it is up to young Bungo and Orinoco to bravely sally forth and try to locate a new home for the Wombles... **PB \$13.99**

### **John Birmingham Australian Author**

*Leviathan*

**BPB \$27.95**

### **Taylor Caldwell**

*Dear and Glorious Physician*

The story of Lucanus (St Luke of the gospel of Luke), a great doctor in ancient Greece, and how he came to write of his experiences with Christ.

**TP \$39.95**

### **Jerome Clark & Loren Coleman**

*Cryptozoology A To Z*

The Encyclopedia Of Loch Monsters Sasquatch Chupacabras And Other Authentic Mysteries of Nature

The Loch Ness Monster, Bigfoot, the Abominable Snowman -- these are the names of the elusive beasts that have caught the eye and captured the imaginations of people around the world for centuries. Recently, tales of these "monsters" have been corroborated by an increase in sightings, and out of these legends a new science has been born: cryptozoology -- the study of hidden animals.

Cryptozoology A to Z, the first encyclopedia of its kind, contains nearly two hundred entries, including cryptids (the name given to these unusual beasts), new animal finds, and the explorers and scientists who search for them. Loren Coleman, one of the world's leading cryptozoologists, teams up with Jerome Clark, editor and author of several encyclopedias, to provide these definitive descriptions and many never-before-published drawings and photographs from eyewitnesses' detailed accounts. Full of insights into the methods of these scientists, exciting tales of discovery, and the history and evolution of this field, *Cryptozoology A to Z* is the most complete reference ever of the newest zoological science. **TP \$24.95**

### **Stuart Clark**

*Voyager*

Voyager takes the reader on a visually stunning grand tour of the universe. We blast off from Earth and into space at the speed of light, reaching the moon in just 1.3 seconds, the Sun in eight minutes and Saturn in an hour. Every page turned takes the reader deeper into the Universe.

The cycles of stellar life unfold before our eyes: we traverse clouds of dust and gas in which clusters of embryonic stars are incubating, we discover spectacular nebulae blazing in the fierce radiation of stellar new-borns, we watch dying stars blossom and expire - ore xplode, with a luminosity that can outshine a galaxy, in the stellar last hurrah of a supernova. 100,000 light years out, we cross into intergalactic space, sailing on threads of 'dark matter' that weave through the cosmos like cobwebs encrusted with a glittering menagerie of galaxies. From here we can discern the large-scale anatomy of the Universe, its history and perhaps even its future.

Every object visited on this extraordinary journey - planet, comet, star, nebula, white dwarf, black hole, pulsar or quasar - is accompanied by an awe-inspiring full-page image and a concise but enlightening text. **HC \$49.99**

### **Jeremy Clarkson**

*I Know You Got Soul*

It will come as no surprise to anyone that Jeremy Clarkson loves machines. But it's not just any old bucket of bolts, cogs and bearings that puts that rings his bell. In fact, he's scoured the length and breadth of the land, plunged into oceans and taken to the skies in search of those rare machines with that elusive certain something. And along the way he's discovered: The safest place to be in the event of nuclear war; who would win if Superman, James Bond and The Terminator had a fight; the stupidest person he's ever met; what an old Cornish institution called Arthur has to do with 0898 chat lines; and how Jean Claude Van Damme might get eaten by a lion . . .

In *I Know You Got Soul*, Jeremy Clarkson tells the stories of the geniuses, innovators and crackpots who put the ghost in the machine. From Brunel's SS Great Britain to the awesome Blackbird spy plane and from the woeful - but inspiring - Graf Zeppelin to Han Solo's Millennium Falcon, they were built by people who love them - and we can't help but love them in return. **BPB \$26.95**

### **Brian Clegg**

*Armageddon Science*

The commissioning of the Large Hadron Collider (LHC) at CERN in Geneva, Switzerland, was the biggest science news story of 2008. The countdown to the switch on of this vast device that would recreate the environment moments after the Big Bang generated extensive news coverage. What really sparked press attention was the suggestion that the LHC could end the world.

There were even lawsuits, trying to stop the collider and save humanity. As it happens a technical failure put the vast machine out of action before it could be used in anger, so we are still waiting for that heart-stopping moment. But it emphasizes how much we still believe the image of the mad scientist, recklessly putting the world at risk in the pursuit of knowledge or personal gain.

This book explores the reality of the dangers that science poses to the human race, from the classic fear of nuclear destruction to the latest possibilities for annihilation. It combines the science behind those threats with an understanding of the real people responsible and an assessment of the likelihood of the end of the world. **HC \$44.99**

### **Jay Dale & Elizabeth Dobbie-O'Hanrahan**

*My Number Scrapbook for New South Wales*

This handy scrapbook has been designed to help children explore the numbers 0-20.

The activities have the children counting, comparing and ordering combinations of numbers to 20. Ordinal numbers are introduced and related to the cardinal numbers. **TP \$12.99**

### **Iain Gale**

*Alamein: The Turning Point of World War*

There are some battles that, had the other side won, would have totally altered the course of history. This is one of those battles ...

October 1942, and Britain and its allies were in trouble. Germany and its Axis partners seemed to be triumphant everywhere, and were already almost within reach of the Suez Canal.

America had not yet decided to join the war, and Churchill needed a victory to survive.

In this novel, Iain Gale tells the story of those extraordinary eleven days from the viewpoints of seven of those who took part, on both sides as the stand was made, and the tide of war began to turn ..... **BPB \$24.99**

## **Donna Grant**

### *Wicked Highlander*

The Dark Sword series unleashes the magic, passion, and fury of three legendary brothers-cursed by fate but bound by desire for the women they love...

#### **A HEART IN CHAINS**

The most reckless and fierce of the MacLeod brothers, Quinn is a prisoner of the god inside him, tormented by his inability to save his family from slaughter. His fury governs him, and day by day he loses himself to the darkness in his soul. But Quinn has a profound yearning for a woman's love....

#### **A PASSION UNBOUND**

Raised by Druids, the achingly beautiful Marcail is as spellbinding as the ancient magic that surges through her body. To Quinn, she is most desirable woman he has ever known. But to his enemy Deirdre, she is the perfect bait to lure Quinn into her trap. Once the two lovers are in her wicked grasp, their passion will be put to the ultimate test... **PB \$16.99**

## **Linda Howard**

### *Ice*

'Tis the season for mistletoe and holly, Santa . . . and suspense. And the gift that keeps on giving is Ice: premier thriller author Linda Howard's breathless tale of a man, a woman, and a battle for survival against an unforgiving winter—and an unrelenting killer. Oh what fun it is to read.

Gabriel McQueen has only just arrived home on holiday leave from the service when his county-sheriff father sends him back out again with new marching orders. A brewing ice storm, and a distant neighbor who's fallen out of contact, have the local lawman concerned. So he enlists Gabriel to make the long haul to the middle of nowhere, and make sure Lolly Helton is safe and sound. It's a trip the younger McQueen would rather not make given the bitter winter weather—and the icy conditions that have always existed between him and Lolly.

But there's no talking back when your dad is the town's top cop. And there's no turning back when night falls just as Gabriel arrives—and discovers that the weather outside isn't the only thing that's frightful. Spotting strangers in Lolly's home—one of them packing a weapon—is all it takes to kick Gabriel into combat mode. And his stealth training is all he needs to extract Lolly from the house without alerting her captors. But when the escape is discovered, the heat—and the hunt—are on. And the winter woods are nowhere to be once the ice storm touches down, dropping trees, blocking roads, and trapping the fleeing pair in the freezing dark. **PB \$19.95**

## **Andrew Howey**

### *Aussie Slang Pictorial*

A popular combination of Aussie Slang quotes, sayings and full colour photography make up this humorous book. Each photograph depicts and illustrates the accompanying Australian slang saying in a fun and intriguing way. Including some gems like:

- Raining cats and dogs
- Like a bandicoot on a burnt bridge
- All alone like a country dunny
- Buckley's chance
- A fly in the ointment

and many more... **PB \$17.99**

## **Christian Jacq**

### *Great Magician*

Thamos, Count of Thebes, is the last keeper of an eternal knowledge, keeping alive the secrets of the pharaohs. Now he has been entrusted with a vital mission. He must leave Egypt for the cold lands of Europe to find and protect the 'Great Magician', a genius whose works will save humanity from chaos. When he encounters a child prodigy, a six-year-old composer lauded throughout Prague, Vienna and Frankfurt, Thamos senses that he's found the one. Is this young musician really the 'Great Magician' foretold by Osiris, the one who can pass on the light of the East to humanity? And if he is, can Thamos succeed in saving the boy from the traps that lie in wait for him? **APB \$19.99**

## **Tove Jansson**

### *Moominland Midwinter (Moomin)*

'This is snow.'

Moomintroll whispered to himself.

'I've heard about it from Mother,

and it's called snow.'

And off he plodded,

making his first little tracks

into this strange new world . . . **HC \$24.95**

## **Laurie R King**

### *Touchstone*

Once studied by British intelligence for his excruciating sensitivity to the world's turmoil, Bennett Grey has withdrawn from the world—until an American Bureau of Investigation agent comes to assess Grey's potential as a weapon in a new kind of warfare.

Agent Harris Stuyvesant needs Grey's help to enter a realm where the rich and the radical exist side by side—a heady mix of power, celebrity, and sexuality that conceals the free world's deadliest enemy. Soon Stuyvesant finds himself dangerously seduced by one woman and—even more dangerously—falling in love with another. As he sifts through secrets divulged and kept, he uncovers the target of a horrifying conspiracy, and wonders if he can trust anyone, even his touchstone. **\$29.95**

## **Hugh Mackay**

### *What Makes Us Tick?*

Why do we talk as if we're rational, but act as if we're not? Why do some people always want to take control? What is the true role of religion? Why do we seek change, yet resist it? Why do we want more of the things that have failed to satisfy us? Why are we so passionate about sport? Why do we fall out of love?

As Australia's leading social researcher, Hugh Mackay has spent a lifetime of listening to people talk about their dreams, their fears, their hopes, their disappointments and their passions. In a series of bestselling books, he has documented the impact of the changes that have been radically reshaping our society. Now, he reflects on some of the things that don't change and identifies ten desires that drive us all. Insightful and engaging, **WHAT MAKES US TICK?** reveals Mackay's formidable skills as a chronicler and interpreter of our motivations. In his exploration of why we do the things we do, he goes to the heart of some of life's big questions. **TP \$35**

**Debbie Macomber***Back on Blossom Street*

There's a new shop on Seattle's Blossom Street—a flower store called Susannah's Garden, right next door to A Good Yarn. Susannah Nelson, the owner, has just hired an assistant named Colette Blake, a young widow who's obviously hiding a secret—or two.

When Susannah and Colette both join Lydia Goetz's new knitting class, they discover that Lydia and her sister, Margaret, have worries of their own. Margaret's daughter, Julia, is the victim of a random carjacking, and the entire family is thrown into emotional chaos.

Then there's Alix Townsend, whose wedding is only months away. She's not sure she can go through with it, though. A reception at the country club, with hundreds of guests she's never met—it's just not Alix. But, like everyone else in Lydia's knitting class, she knows there's a solution to every problem... and that another woman can usually help you find it! **PB \$19.95**

**Jose Marechal***Secrets of Macarons*

Now a worldwide symbol of sweet indulgence, macarons seduce the senses with their delicate crunch and velvet filling. In this book French chef José Maréchal discloses the secrets of macarons, including the tips and techniques required to make these little treats. This book equips the reader with the skills to master nine classic flavours, and create their own signature macarons. **HC \$19.95**

**Philip Matyszak***Legionary: The Roman Soldier's Unofficial Manual*

This carefully researched yet entertainingly unacademic book tells you how to join the Roman legions, the best places to serve, and how to keep your armor from getting rusty. Learn to march under the eagles of Rome, from training, campaigns, and battle to the glory of a Roman Triumph and retirement with a pension plan.

Every aspect of army life is discussed, from drill to diet, with handy tips on topics such as how to select the best boots, or how to avoid being skewered by enemy spears. **HC \$51.95**

**Lindsay McKenna***Deadly Identity*

One tragic decision dashed Rachel Carson's plans and made her scared of her own shadow. Now on the run, she must forever give up the hope of love—or a baby. But with her new identity, she can help care for a motherless little girl, left in the protection of handsome Sheriff Cade Garner.

As tough as his Wyoming mountains, Cade takes his responsibilities seriously. He will do whatever is necessary to protect baby Jenny and give her the life she should have had. But his sharp instincts tell him something is up with the mysterious nanny who swept into their lives. The alluring blonde has roused his senses...and his heart. As a lawman, he seeks to uncover her secrets. He knows he can protect her and the baby, if only she will dare to trust again. **PB \$19.95**

**Richard Overly***The Battle of Britain Experience*

On 18 June 1940 Churchill declared in the Commons - 'The Battle of France is over...the Battle for Britain is about to begin'. With the fall of France, Great Britain was Hitler's last remaining stepping-stone to European domination. In July Hitler told his commanders to prepare for the invasion of England. To do this they would have to destroy the RAF - Britain's last line of defence. As such the Battle of Britain was without doubt one of, if not the, most important victories in British history. At the end of it Hitler cancelled all plans to invade England and the Allies maintained a European stronghold from which to launch the eventual operation to recapture mainland Europe. This book is the story of that battle: the machines which took to the air; the tactics employed by each side; gripping accounts of the action; the people who took part from the Commanders, to the pilots to ground crew and plotters. Fascinating facsimile documents brings this great battle to life as never before. Documents to provisionally include: Churchill's notes for his famous 'never in the field of human conflict was so much owed by so many to so few'; the order and plans for Germany's invasion of Great Britain - Operation 'Sealion; and, log books of pilots who flew in the Battle. **HC \$69.99**

**Alex Palmer Australian Author***Literary Miscellany: Everything You Always Wanted to Know About Literature***HC \$19.95****Don Pendleton***Recovery Force (Executioner 385)*

An increase in deadly kidnappings puts the residents of Phoenix, Arizona, in a state of panic. Dangerous and brutal, the Sinaloa drug cartel has set up shop in the region. But the abductions are only the beginning. Determined to take over the drug pipeline between Nogales and Phoenix, a merciless Mexican drug lord will stop at nothing to gain control—no matter how many innocent people die along the way.

With the city under siege and local law enforcement rendered powerless, Mack Bolan must find a way to stop the cartel's operation. But it's going to take more than brawn and firepower to win this battle. The Executioner must conduct a spectacular blitz to destroy the crime ring and restore order in Sun City. **PB \$13.95**

*Unified Action (Stony man 110)*

When a situation calls for an immediate response and an enemy must be found and neutralized, a team of special operators under presidential directive moves in. Stony Man cyber specialists stay close to ground events in real time, while direct action units engage the combatants with precision and lethal force.

Two red-hot situations a world apart put the Stony Man strike teams on separate hunter-killer operations in unstable regions. In the urban hellgrounds of Dominican Republic, Able Team follows the blood trail of mysterious military contractors. Across the globe in Kyrgyzstan, Phoenix Force stalks a group of dangerous extremists with terrorist connections. But a stunning link between the two operations puts the Stony Man teams on the hunt for a ruthless financier who is plotting a massive wave of terror for profit. **PB \$17.95**

*Devil's Mark (SuperBolan 138)*

Trouble on the U.S. border with Mexico puts Mack Bolan in the middle of a DEA counter-narcotics operation that's been compromised in the worst way. The mission takes a bizarre and unexpected twist when headless corpses from both sides of the cartel wars indicate a new player has entered the game. The mysterious figure is spoken of in terrified whispers as "The Beast." All knowing, all seeing, his ruthless henchmen appear out of nowhere, spreading slaughter and commanding deathly silence.

Bolan has seen enough evil in the world to know monsters exist—but in his experience they are all too human, preying on the innocent and the weak. And he is determined that whoever or whatever is behind the biggest coup of Mexico's drug trade will face his retribution. **PB \$17.95**

**Roland Perry Australian Author***Australian Light Horse***TP \$35**

### **Michael Prestwich**

#### *Knight: A Medieval Warrior's Unofficial Manual*

The knight is the supreme warrior of the Middle Ages. Fully armored and mounted on a magnificent charger, he seems invincible. Honor and glory await him as, guided by the chivalric code, he fights with lance and sword.

This carefully researched yet entertaining book provides all the essential information you need to become a successful knight in the later Middle Ages, during the period of the Hundred Years' War. Should you go on a Crusade? Which order of chivalry might you consider joining? What is required when you go through the ceremony of knighthood?

Here are the answers to these and many more questions plus practical advice on topics such as equipment, fighting methods, and the conventions of warfare. But the knightly life is not all battles and sieges: there are also tournaments and jousts to enjoy and the world of courtly love.

Based on contemporary lives and descriptions, this book—written by a leading medieval historian—paints a vivid picture of what it was like to be a medieval knight. **HC \$51.95**

### **Chuck Sambuchino**

#### *How to Survive a Garden Gnome Attack*

Move over zombies and adolescent vampires.

There's a new threat in town—and it's only twelve inches tall. *How to Survive a Garden Gnome Attack* is the only comprehensive survival guide that will help you prevent, prepare for, and ward off an imminent home invasion by the common garden gnome. Once thought of as harmless yard decorations, evidence is mounting that these smiling lawn statues are poised and ready to wreck havoc. The danger is real. And it's here.

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