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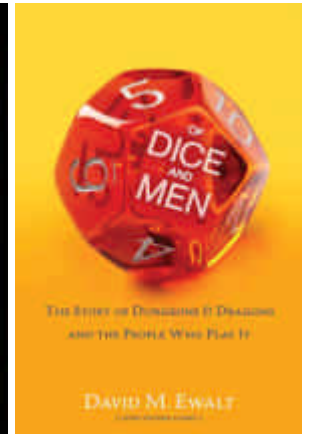
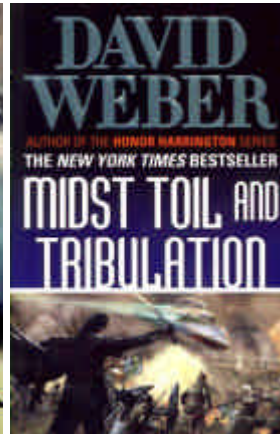
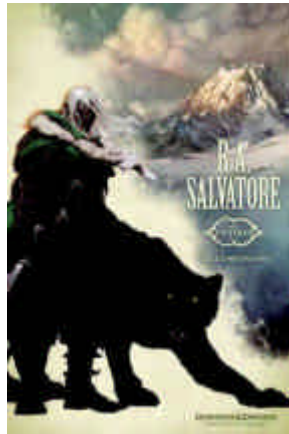
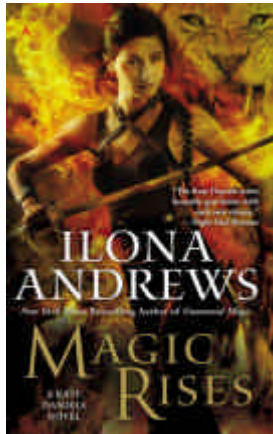
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The bookshop has closed but Infinitas continues online

Yes, the bookshop in Parramatta has closed permanently, alas. However, Infinitas Bookshop continues to provide readers with books via website and email orders.

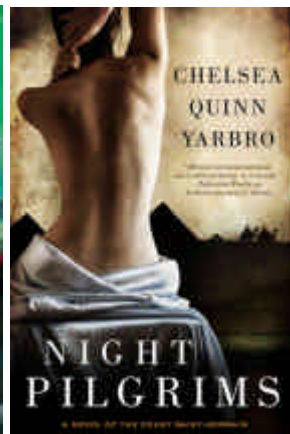
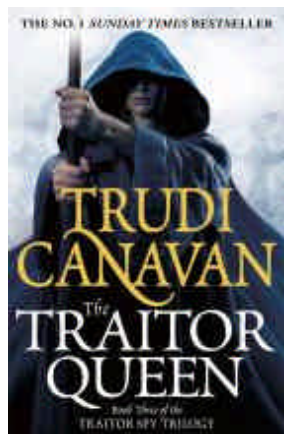
Scan through this newsletter and allow yourself to be tempted by books.

Featured Books



Ilona Andrews
R A Salvatore
David Weber
David Weber & Jane Lindskold
David M Ewalt
Trudi Canavan
Larry Correia
Jack McDevitt
Chelsea Quinn Yarbro
Andrzej Sapkowski

Magic Rises Kate Daniels 6 in paperback.
The Companions Sundering 1 in hardcover.
Midst Toil and Tribulation *Safehold* 6 in paperback.
Fire Season *Star Kingdom* 2 in trade paperback.
Of Dice and Men D&D non fiction in hardcover.
The Traitor Queen *Traitor Spy* 3 in paperback.
Warbound *Grimoire Chronicles* 3 in hardcover.
Firebird an Alex Benedict novel in paperback.
Night Pilgrims *Saint-Germain* novel in hardcover.
The Time of Contempt *Witcher* 3 in trade paperback.



Infinitas Groups

Review Group: The Urban Fantasy Book Club and the Review Group have combined. We now meet at Mars Hill Café in George St Parramatta, near the Lennox Bridge over the river, at 6:30pm on the third Thursday of each month. We use their basement which has great ambiance. Author of discussion for August is Lois Macmaster Bujold.

Dungeons & Dragons: Includes Pathfinder, 1st 2nd and 4th edition D&D and other games depending upon willing leaders. The Infinitas Gaming Group has a new venue: Parramatta Council Library, Retro Room. This is on the mezzanine level off the stairwell and suits gaming well with soundproofing, kitchenette and tables. Games are on fortnightly Saturday mornings starting at 10am, finishing up around 2pm. Bring your own dice. See: <http://www.infinitas.com.au/DungeonsAndDragonsAtInfinitas.php>

We could use another DM to run a low level table, preferably Pathfinder or 1st edition – any keen volunteers? You would need to bring prepared characters and module as until players join a game they would not be able to generate their character.

To co-ordinate attendance and games some players have set up: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/157405127769146/>

Writers' Group: The Infinitas Writers' Group has a new website at <http://www.infinitaswriters.com/> to encourage communication and new recruits. There is a forum for discussing their writing. They have a new venue for meetings the Shakespeare Hotel in Surry Hills, the previous pub proved unsuitable. Meetings are every second month, on even months. The next meeting will be Saturday 17th August, 2013 at noon.

Readers' Reviews

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

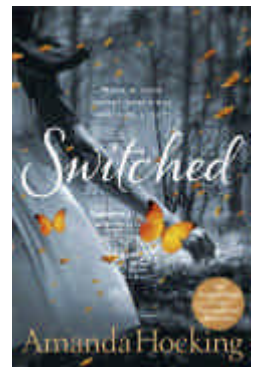
Switched by Amanda Hocking, reviewed by Len Newland

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781447205692>

Book One of the Trylle Trilogy. The Trylle are trolls who aren't nasty green monsters under bridges but humans with some psychic abilities. First person Wendy knows nothing about the Trylle, but she does feel different from everyone else. Then someone even more different appears at her high school, and whoosh, she's off to the Trylle world.

The seventeen-year-old female protagonist suggests intended readership of mid-teens girls. Focus is on Wendy's feelings and the limitations of being seventeen, particularly re who is warm to her and who isn't. Wendy is continually harassed for getting things wrong, which she does because no one tells her what she's supposed to do and why, even when she asks directly. Not getting clear direction from adults is a major frustration for mid-teens, and the young reader's sharing of Wendy's frustration is arguably the power of this book, albeit tiresome to an adult reader seeking story. Re story, there's a little mild romance and hero rescue, but generally the plot can be characterised as "My week in a motel room until the TV went on the blink" – we have character feelings and partial story world rather than resolved story or sub story. Among my reservations on presentation, Wendy and the reader quickly lose sympathy for the Trylle and their plans, but that's after Wendy does the dirty on her family, limiting reader sympathy for her. The English is more average than I would prefer, especially for young readers, although coarseness is limited and the f-word is used just once.

The complete trilogy is formally published in 2012 following original self-publication on Internet. I'd say Book One suits mid-teen female readers seeking assurance that they're not alone in their frustrations rather than a story that takes them anywhere in particular, although the full trilogy may develop that way as a serial.



Spirit Walker by Michelle Paver, reviewed by Josephine Crowley

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781842551134>

"Spirit Walker" by Michelle Paver

"The Aurock appeared quite suddenly from the trees on the other side of the stream."

From this first sentence of Spirit Walker by Michelle Paver I was held spell bound. It is a story of action and adventure aplenty, one that will hold both young and old readers enthralled. Some of the action is gory and bloody and some young readers could be quite scared, but it really adds up to a great novel.

Spirit Walker is number two in Chronicles of Darkness and follows Torak as he travels alone but sometimes with his faithful wolf and his friend Renn through the dark forests and evil world of ancient times.



Short Story: The Time Mirrors by David Farmer

I sat at my desk and picked up the piece of meteorite while I waited for Dr Gordon to arrive. The rock was the size of my fist, and it was heavy and jagged and glittered darkly, but one face of it had been ground down to a flat surface, and that surface was so shiny it mirrored everything in the room. I looked into it, then waved my hand in front of it, then I tapped it with a pencil. And every movement, every gesture, was absorbed by the rock and reflected back to me roughly three seconds after it had happened. I stared, fascinated as always, wondering how it worked. It was a real reflection, with everything reversed. Somehow I thought it would make more sense if it wasn't reversed, if it worked like a camera and played back what it saw. And I was struck by the fact that I found it just as fascinating every time I looked at it.

There was a knock, and Dr Gordon came bustling in. 'Hello Ray,' he said, in that overly familiar style that he used to deflect attention when things were serious.

'Hello Mike,' I said. He winced a bit. I was supposed to call him Dr Gordon. But he rallied, and looked at the meteorite, and said: 'Enthralling, isn't it? How long has that stuff been flying around the solar system? And how did you think of grinding one surface flat just to see what would happen?'

I nodded, accepting the compliment, but declining to be drawn on the issue. I placed the ancient stone carefully between us, with the mirrored surface flat on the desk. I looked him in the eye, and said: 'We have a problem.'

He seemed a little worried. 'Oh? Nothing serious I expect.'

I went on: 'I understand one of your staff has called in sick today.'

'Richard Grey. He said he wasn't very well. Did he ring you too?'

I ignored the question. 'Dr Gordon,' I said. 'Can you tell me about your experiments?'

He laughed, nervously, and seemed unsure how much information to volunteer. 'We've set up two mirrors, facing each other. We have a digital clock facing one of them. You get a lot of images reflected backwards and forwards, one inside the other. But once you work out which is which, you can see that the reflection of the clock in the first mirror is three seconds slow, and the reflection of that image in the second mirror shows the clock as six seconds slow. And the reflection of THAT image in the first mirror is nine seconds slow. And so on. Actually, we thought it might double each time, but no, it just adds three seconds in each reflection.' He stopped. 'Was that all?'

'No that's not all. You were using lasers, weren't you?'

He looked a little guilty. He would use any excuse to fire up a laser. 'Yes, we were. We noticed something odd. If you fire a beam of light into a mirror, it shines back on your shirt straight away. But it's three seconds

later before the blob of light appears on the reflection of your shirt in the mirror.' He trailed off.

'Very odd.'

'Yes, but it sort of makes sense. Anyway, that got us experimenting with lasers. We've been bouncing the beams between the two mirrors to see what would happen. When we fire a laser at a mirror it bounces off straight away, but then, three seconds later, the reflection of the laser in the mirror fires a beam, and if the angle is right both those beams bounce off the other mirror. We get some pretty complicated patterns, with multiple beams going backwards and forwards. And we found we could use higher intensities without the mirrors being damaged.' He trailed off again.

I took a deep breath. 'When you put those mirrors together, did it occur to you that everything those mirrors have seen appears in a reflection somewhere?'

'Everything?'

I closed my eyes for a moment. Then I said: 'When they are first put together, the first mirror reflects what it was looking at before the mirrors were set facing each other. Correct?'

'Yes, because there's a delay of three seconds.'

'So the second mirror grabs that image, goes back another three seconds, and reflects that back. Then the first mirror goes back another three seconds and sends that back. And so on. They are all images from before the mirrors were put together, going back further and further.'

'Look,' he said. 'I know it's theoretically interesting that you can see into the past, but there are so many images you'd be hard put to see back very far. When you place the mirrors together you get a quick flash of whatever each mirror was looking at, and then it disappears into the distance. It's something we will look at, but not right now.'

'But all those reflections are still in there, right back to when the mirror was made.'

'Yes I guess so.'

'Richard Grey was working with those mirrors three days ago.'

'Oh, yes?' he said cheerfully. 'Glad to hear it. That's his job.'

'He did ring me earlier. He suddenly has a burn mark in the middle of his forehead. And the thing is, the burn has started healing, as if it's a few days old.'

Dr Gordon went pale. He opened his mouth and nearly said something but couldn't.

'You could have killed him,' I went on. 'You could have killed anyone who'd looked into either of those mirrors. And it would have happened in the past. Richard Grey is talking to lawyers. Can you go back to the lab and wait until I decide what to do next?'

I got up and went over to the window and wondered what to do. When I heard the door close behind him I turned round and then stared at the desk, vaguely aware there was something wrong with it. The piece of meteorite that I had looked into just ten minutes ago was nowhere to be found.

Science Fiction, Fantasy, Urban Fantasy and Horror

Ben Aaronovitch

Broken Homes Folly 04 Trade Paperback \$29.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575132474

Ben Aaronovitch has stormed the bestseller list with his superb London crime series. A unique blend of police procedural, loving detail about the greatest character of all, London, and a dash of the supernatural.

In the new novel PC Peter Grant must head south of the river to the alien environs of Elephant and Castle. There's a murderer abroad and, as always when Grant's department are reluctantly called in by CID, there is more than a whiff of the supernatural in the darkness.

Full of warmth, sly humour and a rich cornucopia of things you never knew about London, Aaronovitch's series has swiftly added Grant's magical London to Rebus' Edinburgh and Morse's Oxford as a destination of choice for those who love their crime with something a little extra.

Daniel Abraham

The Tyrant's Law Dagger and the Coin 03 Trade Paperback \$29.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781841498928

The great war cannot be stopped. The tyrant Geder Palliako begins a conquest aimed at bringing peace to the world, though his resources are stretched too thin. When things go poorly, he finds a convenient target among the thirteen races and sparks a genocide. Clara Kalliam, freed by having fallen from grace, remakes herself as a "loyal traitor" and starts building an underground resistance movement that seeks to undermine Geder through those closest to him. Cithrin bel Sarcour is apprenticing in a city that's taken over by Antea, and uses her status as Geder's one-time lover to cover up an underground railroad smuggling refugees to safety. And Marcus Wester and Master Kit race against time and Geder Palliako's men in an attempt to awaken a force that could change the fate of the world.

Marta Acosta

The She-Hulk Diaries Trade Paperback \$19.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781401311018

JANUARY 1, CURRENT STATUS: No job, no boyfriend, no permanent place to live, no car, and most of my clothes are held together with staples and duct tape. Bank account almost wiped out. Many of my former associates have expressed a desire that I never darken their doorways again for legal and financial reasons.

She-Hulk got us got us kicked out of the Avengers Mansion. People keep posting videos online of her New Year's Eve shenanigans: twirling, flaming telephone poles in Times Square, climbing the Empire State Building while dangling Anderson Cooper, dancing wildly at parties, and commandeering a motorcycle cop's ride to do wheelies across the Brooklyn Bridge.

Saying there are two sides to Jennifer Walters's personality is an understatement. When she hasn't morphed into a 650-pound, crime-fighting, hard-partying superhero, she's a single lawyer trying to get her act together. Hilarious and action-packed, *The She-Hulk Diaries* tells her story, as she juggles looking for Mr. Right and climbing the corporate ladder by day with battling villains and saving the world by night. Maybe she'll finally take on a case that will define her career. Maybe she won't meet one Mr. Right, but two, and she'll have to choose. Maybe bad guys will stop trying to destroy the planet so she can read her Perez Hilton in peace.

Steve Alten

The Omega Project Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780765336323

On the brink of a disaster that could end all human life on earth, tech genius Robert Eisenbraun joins a team of scientists in Antarctica on a mission to Jupiter's moon Europa to mine a rare ore that would provide for Earth's long-term energy needs. But as he and the rest of the team train under the ice shelf in preparation for the long journey, trouble erupts, and before they embark Eisenbraun is the odd man out, put into cold sleep against his will.

When Robert wakes, he finds the ship deserted and not functional. He escapes to the surface of an Earth terribly changed. The plan has gone horribly wrong, but as he adapts to a hostile environment, he realizes that there is still a way to accomplish what his mission had set out to achieve. But he also discovers that he faces a new adversary of the most unlikely sort. For now, his own survival and that of the woman whose love has sustained him in his darkest hours depend on the defeat of a technological colossus partly of his own making. Confronting a foe that knows him almost as well as he knows himself, he faces the prospect of depending on resources that he has reason to believe will be available on one particular night of a full moon, a night foretold by a mysterious unseen ally to be a pivotal moment for the fate of the earth. The game has changed, and Earth's future depends on him and him alone.

The Omega Project is yet another edge-of-your-seat thriller by bestselling author, Steve Alten, leaving readers looking for more.

Taylor Anderson

Iron Gray Sea Destroyermen 07 A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780451414236

A parallel universe adds an extraordinary layer to the drama of World War II.

Now, Lieutenant Commander Matthew Reddy, the crew of USS Walker, and their allies battle an ever-growing host of enemies across the globe in a desperate battle for freedom.

War has engulfed the other earth. With every hard-won victory and painful defeat, Matt Reddy and the Allies encounter more friends and even more diabolical enemies. Even, at last, in the arms of the woman he loves, there is little peace for Reddy. The vast sea, and the scope of the conflict, have trapped him too far away to help on either front, but that doesn't mean he and Walker can rest.

Cutting short his honeymoon, Reddy sails off in pursuit of Hidoiame, a rogue Japanese destroyer that is wreaking havoc in Allied seas. Now that Walker is armed with the latest new technology, he hopes his battle-tested four-stacker has an even chance in a straight-up fight against the bigger ship and he means to take her on.

Elsewhere, the long-awaited invasion of Grik India has begun, and the Human-Lemurian Alliance is pushing back against the twisted might of the Dominion. The diplomatic waters seethe with treachery and a final, terrible plot explodes in the Empire of New Britain Isles. Worse, the savage Grik have also mastered new technologies and strategies. Their fleet of monstrous ironclads and an army two years in the making are finally massing to strike...

Ilna Andrews

Magic Rises Kate Daniels 06 A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781937007584

Atlanta is a city plagued by magical problems. Kate Daniels will fight to solve them - no matter the cost.

Mercenary Kate Daniels and her mate, Curran, the Beast Lord, are struggling to solve a heartbreaking crisis. Unable to control their beasts, many of the Pack's shapeshifting children fail to survive to adulthood. While there is a medicine that can help, the secret to its making is closely guarded by the European packs, and there's little available in Atlanta.

Kate can't bear to watch innocents suffer, but the solution she and Curran have found threatens to be even more painful. The European shapeshifters who once outmaneuvered the Beast Lord have asked him to arbitrate a dispute - and they'll pay him in medicine. With the young people's survival and the Pack's future at stake, Kate and Curran know they must accept the offer - but they have little doubt that they're heading straight into a trap...

Taylor Anderson

Storm Surge Destroyermen 08 Hardcover \$39.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780451465139

In Taylor Anderson's acclaimed Destroyermen series, a parallel universe adds an extraordinary layer to the drama of World War II, as Lieutenant Commander Matthew Reddy and the crew of USS Walker, cast into that alternate earth, continue to fight the war that rages across the globe.

In the Pacific, as USS Walker is repaired and updated after a previous battle and Reddy is healing from his wounds, planning begins for a bold raid on the very heart of the Grik Empire.

But time is running out for the Alliance army in India, and the Allied forces in the west must gather in an unprecedented land, air, and sea campaign to destroy the mighty Grik battle fleet and break through to their relief. All other plans go on hold when the attempt proves more difficult - and more heartbreakingly costly - than anyone imagined.

Meanwhile, the struggle continues on other fronts near and far: in the jungles of Borno in distant Southern Africa and in the Americas, where the allies are finally learning the terrible truth about the twisted Dominion.

The Alliance is on the offensive everywhere, but their enemies have a few surprises, including new weaponry and new tactics...and a stunning geographic advantage that Reddy never suspected.

Until now.

Kelley Armstrong

Omens Cainsville 01 Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780525953043

Kelley Armstrong begins her new series with Omens, featuring a compelling new heroine thrust into a decades-old murder case and the dark mysteries surrounding her strange new home.

Twenty-four-year-old Olivia Taylor Jones has the perfect life. The only daughter of a wealthy, prominent Chicago family, she has an Ivy League education, pursues volunteerism and philanthropy, and is engaged to a handsome young tech firm CEO with political ambitions.

But Olivia's world is shattered when she learns that she's adopted. Her real parents? Todd and Pamela Larsen, notorious serial killers serving a life sentence. When the news brings a maelstrom of unwanted publicity to her adopted family and fiancé, Olivia decides to find out the truth about the Larsens.

Olivia ends up in the small town of Cainsville, Illinois, an old and cloistered community that takes a particular interest in both Olivia and her efforts to uncover her birth parents' past.

Aided by her mother's former lawyer, Gabriel Walsh, Olivia focuses on the Larsens' last crime, the one her birth mother swears will prove their innocence. But as she and Gabriel start investigating the case, Olivia finds herself drawing on abilities that have remained hidden since her childhood, gifts that make her both a valuable addition to Cainsville and deeply vulnerable to unknown enemies. Because there are darker secrets behind her new home and powers lurking in the shadows that have their own plans for her.

Pierdomenico Baccalario

Dragon of Seas Century 04 Hardcover \$24.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780375858987

In the fourth installment of the Century Quartet, Italian author P. D. Baccalario concludes the mystery that took four cities and four extraordinary kids to solve.

SHANGHAI, SEPTEMBER 19.

As the equinox approaches, Sheng, Elettra, Harvey, and Mistral know they must come together one last time. Armed with only a map and a top that seem to be broken, a collection of old coins, and a tile with four knives painted on it, the four kids meet in Shanghai to try to make sense of clues that their predecessors couldn't decipher. Meanwhile Sheng is haunted by a dream and by visions of a young boy who seems to understand their quest. The visions send the kids all over Shanghai, through abandoned water ducts and ancient tea houses, in search of the Pearl of the Sea Dragon, an ancient stone that they're sure is the last piece of the puzzle. But a germophobic supercriminal who never leaves his sterile Shanghai skyscraper will do anything to learn their secrets. . . .

Fans of Blue Balliet, Trenton Lee Stewart, and Michael Scott will be drawn to this Da Vinci Code-like adventure for kids.

Philippa Ballantine

Kindred and Wings Shifted World Trade Paperback \$24.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781616147792

On the back of the dragon Wahirangi, Finn the Fox flees the world he has known. As he sets out to find the brother he never knew of, he still holds in his heart the memory of the Hunter. He has denied his love for her, but he cannot deny it forever. In the halls of the Last Believers, Talyn begins to uncover her own mysteries, but her lust for the death of the Caisah is still strong and clouds her vision. She must choose her path, as the Seer of her people or as the assassin of the overlord. Meanwhile, Byre, Talyn's brother, must venture into the fiery world of the Kindred, to rebuild the pact that his ancestors made. He will risk everything he is as he forms a new pact that will change his people forever. Dragons and myths will be reborn, as the Hunter and her Fox face each other once more.

Samit Basu

Turbulence Trade Paperback \$22.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781781161197

Aman Sen is smart, young, ambitious and going nowhere. He thinks this is because he doesn't have the right connections--but then he gets off a plane from London to Delhi and discovers that he has turned into a communications demigod. Indeed, everyone on Aman's flight now has extraordinary abilities corresponding to their innermost desires.

Vir, a pilot, can now fly.

Uzma, an aspiring Bollywood actress, now possesses infinite charisma.

And then there's Jai, an indestructible one-man army with a good old-fashioned goal -- to rule the world!

Aman wants to ensure that their new powers aren't wasted on costumed crime-fighting, celebrity endorsements, or reality television. He wants to heal the planet but with each step he takes, he finds helping some means harming others. Will it all end, as 80 years of superhero fiction suggest, in a meaningless, explosive slugfest?

Turbulence features the 21st-century Indian subcontinent in all its insane glory--F-16s, Bollywood, radical religious parties, nuclear plants, cricket, terrorists, luxury resorts, crazy TV shows -- but it is essentially about two very human questions. How would you feel if you actually got what you wanted? And what would you do if you could really change the world?

Phillipa Bornikova

Box Office Poison Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780765326836

What happens when exquisitely beautiful elves start getting all the roles in Hollywood? Human actors sue, that's what. In a desperate attempt to keep the squabbling inside the Screen Actors Guild from going public, the president of SAG forces the two sides into arbitration.

Enter Linnet Ellery, a human lawyer working for a vampire law firm, to serve as arbitrator. Linnet discovers that there are sinister forces at work in Tinsel Town determined to shatter the fragile peace between elves, vampires, werewolves, and humans. Someone has been coercing famous elven actors into committing sudden and terrible acts of violence against humans in a series of tragedies that could turn the tide of public opinion against all the supernatural Powers.

During the course of her investigations Linnet realizes that a puzzling secret surrounds her, and that a strange power has been affecting the very course of her life. . . .

Ben Bova

New Earth Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780765330185

The entire world is thrilled by the discovery of a new Earthlike planet. Advance imaging shows that the planet has oceans of liquid water and a breathable oxygen-rich atmosphere. Eager to gain more information, a human exploration team is soon dispatched to explore the planet, now nicknamed New Earth. All of the explorers understand that they are essentially on a one-way mission. The trip takes eighty years each way, so even if they are able to get back to Earth, nearly 200 years will have elapsed. They will have aged only a dozen years thanks to cryonic suspension, but their friends and family will be gone and the very society that they once knew will have changed beyond recognition. The explorers are going into exile, and they know it. They are on this mission not because they were the best available, but because they were expendable.

Upon landing on the planet they discover something unexpected: New Earth is inhabited by a small group of intelligent creatures who look very much like human beings.

Who are these people? Are they native to this world, or invaders from elsewhere? While they may seem inordinately friendly to the human explorers, what are their real motivations? What do they want? Moreover, the scientists begin to realize that this planet cannot possibly be natural. They face a startling and nearly unthinkable question: Could New Earth be an artifact?

Chris Bradford

Young Samurai: The Ring of Earth Young Samurai 04 B Paperback \$16.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780141332536

Jack Fletcher is in mortal danger. With no sensei to protect him, Jack is on the run with just his wits and his swords against new and unknown enemies on the treacherous road to Nagasaki and home . . .

But the Shogun's samurai are hot on his trail. Barely escaping their clutches, Jack runs headlong into a trap. Kidnapped by ninja and led to their village deep in the mountains, Jack has no means of escape.

Discovering his fate is now bound by the Five Rings – Earth, Water, Fire, Wind and Sky – Jack must learn all he can from his sworn enemy.

The only question is who will kill him first – ninja or samurai?

Terry Brooks

Witch Wraith (Dark Legacy

Dark Legacy of Shannara 03 Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780345523532

For centuries the Four Lands enjoyed freedom from its demon-haunted past, protected by magic-enhanced borders from the dark dimension known as the Forbidding and the profound evil imprisoned there. But now the unthinkable is happening: The ancient wards securing the barrier between order and mayhem have begun to erode - and generations of bloodthirsty, monstrous creatures, fueled by a rage thousands of years in the making, are poised to spill forth, seeking revenge for what was done to them.

Young Elf Arling Elesedil possesses the enchanted means to close the breach and once more seal the denizens of the Forbidding in their prison. But when she falls into the hands of the powerful Federation's diabolical Prime Minister, her efforts may be doomed. Only her determined sister, Aphen, who bears the Elfstones and commands their magic, has any hope of saving Arling from the hideous fate her captor has in store.

Meanwhile, Railing Ohmsford - desperate to save his imprisoned brother - seeks to discover if his famed but ill-fated ancestor Grianne is still alive and willing to help him save the world . . . no matter the odds or the consequences.

Eric Brown

Satan's Reach Weird Space 02 A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781781081310

Satan's Reach is the second volume in the Weird Space series, a fast-paced action-adventure that pits humanity against the unimaginable Terror from Beyond. A thrilling Space Opera series created by master SF author Eric Brown.

Telepath Den Harper did the dirty work for the authoritarian Expansion, reading the minds of criminals, spies and undesirables. Unable to take the strain, he stole a starship and headed into the unknown, a sector of lawless space known as Satan's Reach. For five years he worked as a trader among the stars - then discovered that the Expansion had set a bounty hunter on his trail. But what does the Expansion want with a lowly telepath like Harper? Is there validity in the rumours that human space is being invaded by aliens from another realm? Harper finds out the answer to both these questions when he rescues an orphan girl from certain death - and comes face to face with the dreaded aliens known as the Weird. Satan's Reach is the second volume in the Weird Space series, a fast-paced action-adventure that pits humanity against the unimaginable Terror from Beyond.

Sam Cabot

Blood of the Lamb Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780399162954

The Historian meets The Da Vinci Code in this exhilarating supernatural thriller set in Rome, where rival groups are searching for a document that holds a secret that could shatter the Catholic Church.

This document, dear friend, will shatter the Church?..

Reading these words in a letter in a dusty archive, Thomas Kelly is skeptical. The papers to which they refer have vanished, but Father Kelly, a Jesuit priest, doubts that anything could ever have had that power?until the Vatican suddenly calls him to Rome to begin a desperate search for that very document. Meanwhile, standing before a council of her people, Livia Pietro receives instructions: she must find a Jesuit priest who has recently arrived in Rome and join his search for a document that contains a secret so shocking it has the power to destroy not only the Catholic Church, but Livia's people as well.

As cryptic messages from the past throw Thomas and Livia into a treacherous world of art, religion, and conspiracy, they are pursued by those who would cross any line to obtain the document for themselves. Thomas and Livia must race to stop the chaos and destruction that the revelation of these secrets would create. Livia, though, has a secret of her own: She and her people are vampires.

In a sprawling tapestry that combines the religious intrigue of Dan Brown with the otherworldly terror of Stephenie Meyer, Blood of the Lamb is an unforgettable journey into an unthinkable past.

Rachel Caine

Terminated Revivalist 03 A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780451465153

Already addicted to the pharmaceutical drug that keeps her body from decomposing, Bryn has to stop a secretive group of rich and powerful investors from eliminating the existing Returné addicts altogether. To ensure their plan to launch a new, military-grade strain of nanotech, the investors' undead assassin - who just happens to be the ex-wife of Bryn's lover Patrick - is on the hunt for anyone that stands in their way.

And while Bryn's allies aren't about to go down without a fight, the secret she's been keeping threatens to put those closest to her in even more danger. Poised to become a monster that her own side - and her own lover - will have to trap and kill, Bryn needs to find the cure to have any hope of preserving the lives of her friends, and her own dwindling humanity...

Fall of Night Morganville Vampires 14 B Paperback \$16.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781921880230

Thanks to its unique mix of human and vampire residents, Morganville is a small college town with big-time problems. But it isn't the only town with vampire trouble...

Claire never thought she'd leave Morganville, but when she gets accepted into the graduate course at MIT, she can't pass up the opportunity. Saying goodbye to her firends, especially her boyfriend, Shane, is bittersweet, and her new life at MIT is both scary and exciting. Entrolled in a special advanced study programme with Professor Irene Anderson, former Morganville native, Claire is able to work on VLAD, her machine designed to cancel the mental abilities of vampires.

But Morganville and its inhabitants are never really far from Claire's mind. When she begins testing her machine on live subjects, things quickly spiral out of control, and Claire begins to wonder whether leaving Morganville was the last mistake she'll ever make...

Trudi Canavan Australian Author

The Traitor Queen Traitor Spy 03 B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781841495965

The gripping final instalment in Trudi Canavan's latest epic series, the bestselling Traitor Spy trilogy.

Events are building to a climax in Sachaka as Lorkin returns from his exile with the Traitor rebels.

The Traitor Queen has given Lorkin the huge task of brokering an alliance between his people and the Traitors. Lorkin has also had to become a feared black magician in order to harness the power of an entirely new kind of gemstone magic. This knowledge could transform the Guild of Magicians - or make Lorkin an outcast forever.

Isobelle Carmody Australian Author

The Cloud Road Kingdom of the Lost Book 02 Hardcover \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780670075188

Adventure and danger follow Bily, Zluty, Redwing and the Monster as they cross a desert and journey through high stony mountains in search of a new home.

A magical new series for younger readers from the award-winning author of Little Fur.

Rae Carson

Crown of Embers 02 Paperback \$19.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780062026538

She does not know what awaits her at the enemy's gate.

Elisa led her people to victory over a terrifying, sorcerous army. Her place as queen should be secure. But it isn't. Her enemies come at her like ghosts in a dream, from foreign realms and even from within her own court. And her destiny as the chosen one has not yet been fulfilled. To conquer the power she bears, once and for all, Elisa must journey from the hidden catacombs beneath her own city to treacherous seas and a long-forgotten island. With her go a one-eyed spy, a traitor, and the man whom - despite everything - she is falling in love with. If she's lucky, she'll return. But there will be a cost.

Michael Cassutt & David S Goyer

Heaven's Fall Heaven's 03 Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780441020935

Mankind's first contact with extraterrestrial life led to an incredible revelation. Their last may lead them to extinction.

Twenty years have passed since the mysterious Near-Earth Object nicknamed Keanu appeared in the night sky and transported an assortment of humans from all over Earth into its interior. There they discovered that Keanu was an immense long-range spaceship and they were not its only inhabitants. They joined forces with the aliens called the Architects, who had come from a distant galaxy to seek help in fighting the vicious Reivers. And they defeated them or so they thought.

Now Keanu has reestablished contact with Earth and discovered that the Reivers have, in fact, taken over the planet, placing most of the population under their dominion. A few scattered pockets of humanity, constantly in danger of being assimilated, have mounted a resistance.

As the Reivers prepare a devastating strike against the Architects, Rachel Stewart, who grew up in Keanu, leads a small band of human survivors in an attempt to infiltrate the massive Reiver fortress in the American West. But their only hope for victory may yet be somewhere inside the NEO.

If the men and women still in Keanu cannot find it, humanity will be finished. And the galaxy will be next.

Yangsze Choo

The Ghost Bride Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780062227324

Yangsze Choo's stunning debut, The Ghost Bride, is a startlingly original novel infused with Chinese folklore, romantic intrigue, and unexpected supernatural twists.

Li Lan, the daughter of a respectable Chinese family in colonial Malaysia, hopes for a favorable marriage, but her father has lost his fortune, and she has few suitors. Instead, the wealthy Lim family urges her to become a 'ghost bride' for their son, who has recently died under mysterious circumstances. Rarely practiced, a traditional ghost marriage is used to placate a restless spirit. Such a union would guarantee Li Lan a home for the rest of her days, but at what price?

Night after night, Li Lan is drawn into the shadowy parallel world of the Chinese afterlife, where she must uncover the Lim family's darkest secrets - and the truth about her own family.

Reminiscent of Lisa See's Peony in Love and Amy Tan's The Bonesetter's Daughter, The Ghost Bride is a wondrous coming-of-age story and from a remarkable new voice in fiction.

Arthur C Clarke

First Men In The Moon SF Masterworks Hardcover \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575115385

The classic science fiction novel rejoins the Masterworks list in an affordable hardback format and a new introduction by Lisa Tuttle.

Published over 100 years ago, this is one of Wells's greatest novels, and the only one of his scientific romances to embrace space travel. Thanks to the discovery of an anti-gravity metal, Cavorite, two Victorian Englishmen travel to the Moon, where they encounter the extraordinary underground world of the Selenites, insect-like aliens living in a rigidly organised hive society.

Cassandra Clare

Clockwork Prince The Infernal Devices 02 B Paperback \$19.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781406330366

Love and lies can corrupt even the purest heart... In the magical underworld of Victorian London, Tessa Gray finds her heart drawn more and more to Jem, while her longing for Will, despite his dark moods, continues to unsettle her. But something is changing in Will - the wall he has built around himself is crumbling. Could finding the Magister free Will from his secrets and give Tessa the answers to who she is and what she was born to do? As their search for the truth leads the three friends into peril, Tessa's heart is increasingly torn, especially when one of their own betrays them

City of Fallen Angels Mortal Instruments 04 Paperback \$19.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781442403550

The Mortal War is over, and sixteen-year-old Clary Fray is back home in New York, excited about all the possibilities before her. She's training to become a Shadowhunter and to use her unique power. Her mother is getting married to the love of her life. Downworlders and Shadowhunters are at peace at last. And - most importantly of all - she can finally call Jace her boyfriend.

But nothing comes without a price.

Someone is murdering Shadowhunters, provoking tensions between Downworlders and Shadowhunters that could lead to a second, bloody war. Clary's best friend, Simon, can't help her - his mother just found out that he's a vampire, and now he's homeless. When Jace begins to pull away from her without explaining why, Clary is forced to delve into the heart of a mystery whose solution reveals her worst nightmare: she herself has set in motion a terrible chain of events that could lead to her losing everything she loves. Even Jace.

The stakes are higher than ever in the #1 New York Times bestselling fourth installment of the Mortal Instruments series.

City of Lost Souls Mortal Instruments 05 B Paperback \$19.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781406351880

Mortal Instruments continues -- and so do the thrills and danger for Jace, Clary and Simon Clary and the Shadowhunters struggle to piece together their shattered world after a betrayal by one of their own leaves them reeling.

Elsbeth Cooper

Trinity Rising Wild Hunt 02 B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575096202

The extraordinary new fantasy series which began with Songs of the Earth continues - ideal for fans of Patrick Rothfuss, Joe Abercrombie and Robin Hobb.

The future holds nothing but blood and death. . . and Teia fears there is nothing she can do about it. Her clan is riding to war, but her secret, untrained gift of foretelling has shown her they are riding to their doom. If she cannot turn them from their course, her only hope of saving them will be to betray them to their sworn enemies.

Gair is mourning his past. . . but there is no time to dwell on his grief or hunger for revenge. Pursuing an artefact from the Founding Wars, he travels deep into the hostile southern deserts. As religious tensions erupt into bloody violence around him, he must make an impossible choice: save innocent lives or sacrifice them in the hope that thousands more can be saved later. And all the while, his grip on his powers is failing.

Larry Correia

Warbound Grimoire Chronicles 03 Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781451639087

Warbound (Signed Limited Edition) Grimoire Chronicles 03 Hardcover \$49.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781451639261

Gritty urban fantasy adventure set in an alternate noir 1930s, Book Three in the Grimnoir chronicles.

Only a handful of people in the world know that mankind's magic comes from a living creature, and it is a refugee from another universe. The Power showed up here in the 1850s because it was running from something. Now it is 1933, and the Power's hiding place has been discovered.

It is a predator that eats magic and leaves destroyed worlds in its wake. Earth is next.

Former private eye, Jake Sullivan, knows the score. The problem is hardly anyone believes him. The world's most capable Active, Faye Vierra, could back him up, but she is hiding from the forces that think she is too dangerous to let live. So Jake has put together a ragtag crew of airship pirates and Grimnoir knights, and set out on a suicide mission to stop the predator before it is too late.

Kady Cross

Girl With The Iron Touch Steampunk Chronicles 03 B Paperback \$16.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781743562659

When mechanical genius Emily is kidnapped by rogue automatons, Finley Jayne and her fellow misfits fear the worst. What's left of their archenemy, The Machinist, hungers to be resurrected, and Emily must transplant his consciousness into one of his automatons — or forfeit her friends' lives.

With Griffin being tormented by the Aether, Finley turns to Jack Dandy, but trusting the master criminal is as dangerous as controlling her dark side. When Jack kisses her, Finley must finally face her true feelings for him...and for Griffin.

To save those she cares about, Emily confronts The Machinist's ultimate creation — an automaton more human than machine. Can Emily summon the strength she needs to gain her chance at triumph?

Bailey Cunningham

Pile of Bones Paralell Parks 01 A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780425261064

In one world, they're ordinary university students. In another world, they are a company of heroes in a place of magic and myth called Anfractus?

The Cree called the area Oscana, 'pile of bones', a fertile hunting ground where game abounded. The white settlers changed that to Wascana. And centuries later, it became Wascana Park, a wooded retreat in the midst of the urban sprawl of Regina.

For a select few, who stay in the park until midnight, the land reverts into a magical kingdom, populated by heroes and monsters. They become warriors, bards, archers, gladiators. In the city called Anfractus, they live out a real-life role playing game.

All harmless fun?until they find themselves in the middle of an assassination plot which threatens to upset the balance of everything. Politics are changing, and old borders are about to disappear. The magic of Anfractus is bleeding into the real world?an incursion far more dangerous than the students suspect. Only they know what is happening?and only they can stop it...

MaryJanice Davidson

Undead and Unsure Undead 12 Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780425263433

It's no surprise to Betsy that her trip to Hell with her sister Laura landed them in hot water. Betsy isn't exactly sorry she killed the Devil but it's put Laura in a damnable position: assuming the role of Satan (she may not have the training but she looks great in red) and in charge of billions of souls as she moves up in the world. Or is that down?

But Betsy herself is in an odd new position as well?that of being a responsible monarch suddenly in charge of all things more earth-bound: like her vampire husband Sinclair who has gone from relieved to ecstatic to downright reckless now that he can tolerate sunlight. And if Sinclair isn't enough to contend with, Betsy's best friend Jessica is in her sixth (and hopefully last) trimester. Considering she's been pregnant for eighteen months, she's become a veritable encyclopedia of what not to expect when you're expecting. Oh, the horror?

And speaking of growing pains, Betsy and Sinclair's adopted little BabyJon is finally starting to walk. And if the increasingly unpredictable toddler is anything like his extended family, precisely where he's headed is anyone's guess.

Melissa De La Cruz

Winds of Salem Witches of the East End Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781401324704

Transported back in time where she is forced to relive the horrors of Salem, Freya Beauchamp must find a way to survive the witch-burning hysteria, while her family, stuck in the present, must confront their nemesis, the trickster god Loki, to save Freya before it's too late.

Joseph Delaney

Spook's: Slither's Tale Wardstone Chronicles 11 B Paperback \$17.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781849416368

Far from the Wardstone, a new darkness is rising . . . Slither is a haizda mage who preys upon humans, drinking their blood to feed his dark urges. So when a local farmer dies, it's only natural that Slither should want to feast on his lovely daughters. But then the farmer offers him a deal, and extracts from Slither a promise that will take him on a journey to the City of the Petrified Tree, to a fallen star-stone that holds great power, and straight into the path of Grimalkin, the Witch Assassin.

The series that inspired the forthcoming movie *The Seventh Son*, starring Jeff Bridges, Ben Barnes and Julianne Moore.

Spook's: Alice Wardstone Chronicles 12 Trade Paperback \$21.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780370332468

A lot of dark stuff happened when I was young that I've never even told to my dearest friend, Tom Ward. Dark and scary things I hoped I had left behind for ever . . . Over the years, Alice has fought evil side by side with the Spook and his apprentice, Thomas Ward. But now Alice is alone - in the realm of the dark. And the creatures she has helped to banish there, now have the chance to take their revenge. Alice must seek the final weapon needed to destroy the Fiend for good. If she fails, the world will fall into despair and darkness. If she succeeds, it means facing her own death at the hands of her dearest friend. But can she prevent the darkness from overtaking her over completely . . . ? The penultimate instalment of the *Wardstone Chronicles* follows Alice, Thomas Ward's loyal companion, to the most terrifying place of all.

Susan Ee

Angelfall B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781444778519

An action-packed and genuinely terrifying fantasy epic novel set six weeks after the world has succumbed to the angel apocalypse.

It's been six weeks after angels of the apocalypse have destroyed the world as we know it. When enemy angels fly away with 17-year-old Penryn's little sister, Penryn is forced to team up with Raffie, an injured angel who wants his wings back. Together, they will journey to the heart of San Francisco and the angels' stronghold, where an unimaginable horror awaits them.

James Enge

Wrath-Bearing Tree Trade Paperback \$24.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781616147815

Gods Clash with Gods, and the powers beyond gods, as the origin story of Morlock Ambrosius continues!

The masked powers of Fate and Chaos are killing gods in the land of Kaen, facing the Wardlands across the Narrow Sea. Vocates Aloã Oaij and Morlock Ambrosius cross into the unguarded lands, seeking to uncover the reasons for the godslaying, and to avert any threat to the lands the Graith of Guardians has sworn to protect. After crash-landing on the hostile coast of Kaen, the two Guardians confront vengeful frightened gods, a calmly murderous dragon, a demon called Andhrakar, and a bitter old necromancer named Merlin Ambrosius. Amid these dangers they find that they can trust no one but themselves -and each other.

Raymond E Feist

A Crown Imperilled Chaoswar 02 B Paperback \$17.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780007264834

War rages in Midkemia but behind the chaos there is disquieting evidence of dark forces at work. Jim Dasher's usually infallible intelligence network has been cleverly dismantled; nowhere is safe. He feels that the world is coming apart at the seams and is helpless to protect his nation. Quiet palace coups are underway in Roldem and Rillanon; and King Gregory of the Isles has yet to produce an heir. In each kingdom a single petty noble has risen from obscurity to threaten the throne. Lord Hal of Crydee and his great friend Ty Hawkins, champion swordsman of the Masters' Court, are entrusted with the task of smuggling Princess Stephané and her lady-in-waiting, the lovely but mysterious Lady Gabriella, out of Roldem to a place of greater safety. But is there any safe haven to be found? Meanwhile, Hal's younger brothers Martin and Brendan are attempting to hold the strategic city of Ylith against an onslaught of Keshian Dog Soldiers, and a mysterious force from beneath the sea. The Kingdom might lose Crydee and recover; but if Ylith falls, all is lost. An unknown player appears to orchestrating these conflicts. Can Pug and the Conclave of Shadows track down this source before Midkemia is destroyed?

At the Gates of Darkness Demonwar 02 A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780061468384

After Jim Dasher, agent of the Conclave of Shadows, finds evidence of the summoning of an ancient evil, the magician Pug must put aside personal pain as he leads the Conclave and their allies against this latest threat to their world.

Neil Gaiman

The Ocean at the End of the Lane Trade Paperback \$27.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781472200327

THE OCEAN AT THE END OF THE LANE is a novel about memory and magic and survival, about the power of stories and the darkness inside each of us, created by the unparalleled imaginative power of Neil Gaiman. It is a fable that reshapes modern fantasy: moving, terrifying and elegiac - as pure as a dream, as delicate as a butterfly's wing, as dangerous as a knife in the dark, from storytelling genius Neil Gaiman.

It began for our narrator forty years ago when the family lodger stole their car and committed suicide in it, stirring up ancient powers best left undisturbed. Dark creatures from beyond the world are on the loose, and it will take everything our narrator has just to stay alive: there is primal horror here, and menace unleashed - within his family and from the forces that have gathered to destroy it. His only defence is three women, on a farm at the end of the lane. The youngest of them claims that her duckpond is ocean. The oldest can remember the Big Bang.

Neil Gaiman, Micheal Reaves & Mallory Reaves

The Silver Dream Interworld 02 Hardcover \$29.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780062067968

Neil Gaiman and Michael Reaves deliver a thrilling sequel to the science fiction novel *InterWorld*, full of riveting interdimensional battles and alternate realities.

After mastering the ability to walk between dimensions, Joey Harker and his fellow *InterWorld* freedom fighters are now on a mission to maintain peace between the rival powers of magic and science who seek to control all worlds.

When a stranger named Acacia somehow follows Joey back to *InterWorld*'s base, things get complicated. No one knows who she is or where she's from - or how she knows so much about *InterWorld*.

Dangerous times lie ahead for Joey and the mission. There's a traitor hidden among them, and if Joey has any hope of saving *InterWorld*, the multiverse, and the mission, he's going to have to rely on his wits - and, just possibly, on the mysterious Acacia Jones.

With a story conceived by Neil Gaiman and Michael Reaves and written by Michael and Mallory Reaves, this mind-bending follow-up to the exciting science fiction novel *InterWorld* is a compelling fantasy adventure through time and space, in which the future depends on a young man who is more powerful than he realizes.

Neil Gaiman, Dave McKean (Illustrator)

Black Orchid Trade Paperback \$22.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781401240356

Before introducing the modern version of The Sandman, Neil Gaiman wrote this dark tale that reinvented a strange DC Comics super hero in the Vertigo mold. Featuring spectacular art by Gaiman's frequent collaborator, Dave McKean, BLACK ORCHID is now collected in a deluxe trade paperback

After being viciously murdered, Susan Linden is reborn fully grown as the Black Orchid, a hybrid of plant and human, destined to avenge her own death. Now, as this demigoddess attempts to reconcile human memory and botanical origins, she must untangle the webs of deception and secrets that led to her death. Beginning in the cold streets of a heartless metropolis and ending in the Amazon rainforest, this book takes the reader on a journey through secrets, suffering and self-rediscovery.

David Lynn Golemon

Legacy Event Group 06 A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781250008657

The New York Times bestselling author of Leviathan and Primeval is back at full throttle with an adrenaline-pumping addition to the Event Group Thriller Series.

The United States is ready to make a triumphant return to the moon, striking out boldly into the solar system in an attempt to regain the confidence of the heady days of the Apollo program. The first of what are to be many missions to the lunar surface was designed to find the frozen water needed to prepare to build a base to launch an assault on Mars.

But a shocking discovery at Shackleton Crater brings the first Prometheus mission to an abrupt halt. Remote robots uncover human skeletal remains and a base that had been destroyed countless millennia ago. The information is sent back to earth where forensic analysis at NASA reveals the corpse to be over seven hundred million years old.

A secret this devastating cannot be kept forever, and the news is leaked to the world. Soon nations are thrown into a head-long collision, pitting governments against their own citizens as the flames of fundamentalism start a conflagration that threatens to engulf the world as a race to return the moon is on.

The Event Group is tasked to unravel the mystery and to offer something that can either explain our ancient visitor or, at least, keep the world from descending into chaos. Colonel Jack Collins once again leads a team of the world's greatest scientists and philosophers on a journey that will take the Event Group to the airless world of space. But while a battle rages over the truth of our heritage, the Event Group realizes that this may not be humanity's war alone. Could something else—someone else—be coming to finish a war that they started almost a billion years ago?

Carpathian Event Group 08 Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781250013002

Perfect for fans of Clive Cussler, James Rollins, and Matthew Reilly, the latest gripping thriller from David L. Golemon takes the Event Group---the USA's most secret agency---to the brink in a heart-stopping race against time.

Rumors of the seemingly magical victory that allowed the Exodus of Israelites from Egypt have resonated through the archaeological world for decades. Now evidence has been discovered that points to a new explanation of how the ancient Hebrews destroyed the unstoppable army of Pharaoh with a tribe of warriors who disappeared a generation later, after the destruction of the City of Jericho, taking with them the most valued treasures of a people without a homeland.

Today a treasure of a different kind is unearthed at the lost ruins of Jericho, one that will change the history of God's Chosen People for all time - the petrified remains of an animal that could not exist. Enter the Event Group. Led by Col. Jack Collins, the Group's brilliant men and women gather to discover the truth behind not only the Exodus, but also the magnificent animals that led the defeat of Pharaoh's army. On a whirlwind race to save the most valuable treasure and artifacts in the history of the world from those who would destroy them, the Event Group will come face-to-face with every myth, legend, and historical truth that has ever unfolded in the mythic and larger-than-life Carpathians---or as the area was once known, Transylvania, the land of Vlad the Impaler.

The newest pulse-pounding installment in the New York Times bestselling Event Group Series, Carpathian pushes the limits of suspense, where every chapter contains new twists and revelations in this exciting, page-turning read.

Terry Goodkind

The Third Kingdom Richard and Kahlan Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780765335999

Terry Goodkind returns to the lives of Richard Rahl and Kahlan Amnell - in the direct sequel to his #1 New York Times bestseller The Omen Machine.

Richard saw the point of a sword blade sticking out from between the man's shoulder blades. He spun back toward Richard after throwing the woman out the opening, ready to attack. It seemed impossible, but the man looked unaffected by the blade that had impaled him through the chest.

It was then, in the weak light from the fire pit off to the side, that Richard got his first good look at the killer.

Three knives were buried up to their brass cross-guards in the man's chest. Only the handles were showing. Richard saw, too, the broken end of a sword blade jutting out from the center of the man's chest. The point of that same blade stuck out from the man's back.

Richard recognized the knife handles. All three were the style carried by the men of the First File.

He looked from those blades that should have killed the big man, up into his face.

That was when he realized the true horror of the situation, and the reason for the unbearable stench of death.

Sara Grant

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The gripping tale of Icie and Beckett - a girl and a boy, separated by time but connected by a dangerous secret that both must protect.

Present day: Icie is a typical high school teenager - until disaster strikes and her parents send her to find shelter inside a mountain near Las Vegas.

The future: Beckett lives on The Mountain - a sacred place devoted to the Great I AM. He must soon become the leader of his people. But Beckett is forced to break one of the sacred laws, and when the Great I AM does not strike him down, Beckett finds himself starting to question his beliefs.

As Beckett investigates The Mountain's history, Icie's story is revealed - along with the terrifying truth of what lies at the heart of The Mountain.

A gripping tale of two people separated by time but connected by a story - and by the dark secret the story was meant to protect.

Laurell K Hamilton

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The sensational new novel in the ANITA BLAKE, VAMPIRE HUNTER series from the New York Times bestselling author Laurell K. Hamilton.

Some zombies are raised. Others must be put down. Just ask Anita Blake.

Before now, she would have considered them merely off-putting, never dangerous. Before now, she had never heard of any of them causing human beings to perish in agony. But that's all changed.

Micah's estranged father lies dying, rotting away inside from some strange ailment that has his doctors whispering about zombie disease.

Anita makes her living off of zombies but these aren't the kind she knows so well. These creatures hunt in daylight, and are as fast and strong as vampires. If they bite you, you become just like them. And round and round it goes... Where will it stop? Even Anita Blake doesn't know.

Linda Grimes

Quick Fix Fix 02 Trade Paperback \$22.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780765331816

Ciel Halligan, an aura adaptor with a chameleon-like ability to step into the lives of her clients and fix their problems for them--as them--is working a job at the National Zoo with her boyfriend, Billy, and his ten-year-old sister, Molly. It's supposed to be a quick fix, giving her time to decide if it's wise to pursue the romantic relationship her charming scoundrel of a best friend wants, or if she should give Mark, the CIA spook she's crushed on since hormones first rattled her pubescent brain, a chance to step up to the plate. Molly has already begun to show signs of being an adaptor herself. She's young for it, but she's always been precocious, so it's not impossible. What is impossible is her taking on the form of the baby orangutan she touches--adaptors can only project human auras. Until now, apparently. Worse, Molly is stuck in ape form. She can't change herself back. Escaping from the zoo with their new baby orang, Ciel and Billy head for New York City and the only person they know can help: Ciel's brother James, a non-adaptor scientist who's determined to crack the aura adaptor genetic code. But when Billy winds up in jail, accused of attempted murder, Ciel begins to suspect Molly's unusual adapting ability is more than just a fluke. Who's been experimenting on Molly, and what do they hope to gain? And will Ciel survive to find out?

Charlaine Harris

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Love, lies, mystery and danger, the final Sookie Stackhouse novel pulls all the punches!

Sookie Stackhouse has one last adventure in store.

Life has taken her from a waitress in Merlotte's Bar, Bon Temps, to part owner; from social outcast to the heart of her community; from a vampire's girlfriend to the wife of one of the most powerful vampires in the state.

She has survived explosions, revolutions and attempts on her life. Sookie has endured betrayal, heartbreak and grief. . . and she has emerged a little stronger, and little wiser, every time.

But with life comes new trials. The question is, in the end: who will love, who will live, and who will be dead ever after?

M John Harrison

Climbers B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575092174

The only novel ever to win the Boardman Taster Prize, now with a brand new introduction by Robert Macfarlane, author of *THE OLD WAYS*.

One of M. John Harrison's most acclaimed novels in a career of near universal acclaim, *CLIMBERS* is, perhaps, the least fantastical of his novels. Yet it carries life-changing moments, descriptions of landscape bordering on the hallucinogenic and flights of pure fictive power that leave any notion of the divide between realistic and unrealistic fiction far behind. First published in 1989, *CLIMBERS* has remained a strong favourite with fans and reviewers alike.

A young man seeks to get a grip on his life by taking up rock-climbing. He hopes that by engaging with the hard realities of the rock and the fall he can grasp what is important about life. But as he is drawn into the obsessive world of climbing he learns that taking things to the edge comes with its own price. Retreating from his failed marriage to Pauline, Mike leaves London for the Yorkshire moors, where he meets Normal and his entourage, busy pursuing their own dreams of escape. Travelling from crag to crag throughout the country, they are searching for the unattainable: the perfect climb. Through rock-climbing Mike discovers an intensity of experience - a wash of pain, fear and excitement - that obliterates the rest of his world. Increasingly addicted to the adrenaline, folklore and camaraderie of the sport, he finds, for a time, a genuine escape. But it is gained at a price. . .

This dark, witty and poetic novel is full of the rugged beauty of nature, of the human drive to test oneself against extremes, and of the elation such escape can bring.

Jim C Hines

Codex Born Magic Ex Libris 02 Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780756408169

Five hundred years ago, Johannes Gutenberg discovered the art of libriomancy, allowing him to reach into books to create things from their pages. Gutenberg's power brought him many enemies, and some of those enemies have waited centuries for revenge. Revenge which begins with the brutal slaughter of a wendigo in the northern Michigan town of Tamarack, a long-established werewolf territory.

Libriomancer Isaac Vainio is part of Die Zwelf Porten, better known as the Porters, the organization founded by Gutenberg to protect the world from magical threats. Isaac is called in to investigate the killing, along with Porter psychiatrist Nidhi Shah and their dryad bodyguard and lover, Lena Greenwood. Born decades ago from the pages of a pulp fantasy novel, Lena was created to be the ultimate fantasy woman, strong and deadly, but shaped by the needs and desires of her companions. Her powers are unique, and Gutenberg's enemies hope to use those powers for themselves. But their plan could unleash a far darker evil?

Mark Hodder

Secret of Abdu El Yezdi Burton & Swinburne Adventures 01 Trade Paperback \$24.95

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Burton & Swinburne return in a new series! The Beast is coming. History will be remade. Since the assassination of Queen Victoria in 1840, a cabal of prominent men-including King George V, HRH Prince Albert, Benjamin Disraeli, and Isambard Kingdom Brunel-has received guidance from the Afterlife. The spirit of a dead mystic, Abdu El Yezdi, has helped them to steer the empire into a period of unprecedented peace and creativity. But on the eve of a groundbreaking alliance with the newly formed Greater German Confederation, scientists, surgeons, and engineers are being abducted-including Brunel! The government, in search of answers, turns to the Afterlife, only to find that Abdu El Yezdi is now refusing to speak with the living. Enter the newly-knighted Sir Richard Francis Burton, fresh from his discovery of the source of the Nile. Appointed the king's agent, he must trace the missing luminaries and solve the mystery of Abdu El Yezdi's silence. But the Beast has been summoned. How can the famous explorer fulfill his mission when his friends and loved ones are being picked off, one by one, by what appears to be a supernatural entity -by, perhaps, Abdu El Yezdi himself?

Paul Hoffman

The Beating of his Wings Thomas Cale 03 Trade Paperback \$29.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780718155230

'Your joy is all in laying waste to things - blight and desolation is what makes your soul glad.'

Thomas Cale has been running from the truth. Since discovering that his brutal military training has been for one purpose - to destroy God's greatest mistake, mankind itself - Cale has been hunted by the very man who made him into the Angel of Death: Pope Redeemer Bosco.

Cale is a paradox: arrogant and innocent, generous and pitiless. Feared and revered by those who created him, he has already used his breathtaking talent for violence and destruction to bring down the most powerful civilisation in the world.

But Thomas Cale is weak. His soul is dying. As his body is wracked with convulsions he knows that the final judgment will not wait for a sick boy. As the day of reckoning draws close, Cale's sense of vengeance leads him back to the heart of darkness - the Sanctuary - and to confront the person he hates most in the world.

Finally Cale must recognise that he is the incarnation of God's rage and decide if he will stand against the Sanctuary of the Redeemers and use his unique skill of laying waste to all things. The fate of mankind rests on Cale's decision.

Chris F Holm

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Meet Sam Thornton, Collector of Souls.

Because of his efforts to avert the Apocalypse, Sam Thornton has been given a second chance - provided he can stick to the straight and narrow. Which sounds all well and good, but when the soul Sam's sent to collect goes missing, Sam finds himself off the straight-and-narrow pretty quick.

Jason M Hough

The Darwin Elevator A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780345537126

In the mid-23rd century, Darwin, Australia, stands as the last human city on Earth. The world has succumbed to an alien plague, with most of the population transformed into mindless, savage creatures. The planet's refugees flock to Darwin, where a space elevator -created by the architects of this apocalypse, the Builders -emits a plague-suppressing aura.

Skyler Luiken has a rare immunity to the plague. Backed by an international crew of fellow 'immunes', he leads missions into the dangerous wasteland beyond the aura's edge to find the resources Darwin needs to stave off collapse. But when the Elevator starts to malfunction, Skyler is tapped -along with the brilliant scientist, Dr. Tania Sharma -to solve the mystery of the failing alien technology and save the ragged remnants of humanity.

M K Hume Australian Author

Hunting with Gods Merlin 03 Trade Paperback \$22.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781476715162

Disappointed after meeting his father in Constantinople, Merlin returns home to find Britain is engaged in a bloodthirsty war against the Saxons. Spared by the king of the Britons, he begins to train other healers across the land. But the king's untimely death puts Merlin under the grip of Uther Pendragon, an evil war leader.

Uther orders Merlin to use his magical powers to help him seduce the young wife of King Gorlois. The healer is horrified by the High King's demands but realizes that many others will suffer at Uther's hands if he disobeys. Can Merlin survive Uther's madness and enable good to overcome evil? In *Hunting with Gods*, Merlin's morality is challenged as never before.

Stephen Hunt

Jack Cloudie Jackelian 05 Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780765333209

Jack Cloudie is a tale of high adventure and derring-do set in the same Victorian-style steampunk world as Stephen Hunt's acclaimed *The Court of the Air and The Secrets of the Fire Sea*.

Thanks to his father's gambling debts, young Jack Keats finds himself on the streets and trying to survive as a pickpocket. Following a daring bank robbery gone badly awry, Jack narrowly escapes the scaffold, only to be pressed into the Royal Aerostatical Navy. Assigned to the most useless airship in the fleet, serving under a captain who is most probably mad, Jack seems to be bound for almost certain death in the faraway deserts of Cassarabia. Meanwhile, on the other side of the world, the slave Omar ibn Barir finds his life turned upside down when his master's religious sect is banned. Unexpectedly freed, he joins the Caliph's military forces - just as war is brewing.

Two very similar young men prepare to face each other across a field of battle. But is Omar the enemy, or is Jack's true nemesis the sickness at the heart of the Caliph's court?

Faith Hunter

Blood Trade Jane Yellowrock 06 A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780451465061

Jane Yellowrock is a shape-shifting skinwalker who's always up for a fight - even if it means putting her life on the line...

The Master of Natchez, Mississippi has a nasty problem on his hands. Rogue vampires - those who follow the *Naturaleza* and believe that humans should be nothing more than prey to be hunted - are terrorizing his city. Luckily, he knows the perfect skinwalker to call in to take back the streets. But what he doesn't tell Jane is that there's something different about these vamps. Something that makes them harder to kill - even for a pro like Jane. Now, her simple job has turned into a fight to stay alive - and to protect the desperately ill child left in her care.

Jean Johnson

Hellfire Theirs Not to Reason Why 03 A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780425256503

Her story began in the national bestsellers *A Soldier's Duty* and *An Officer's Duty*. Now Ia is captain and commander at the helm of *Hellfire*, where she is finally free to chart the course for the fulfillment of her destiny.

As captain, Ia must now assemble a crew that can rise to the ultimate challenge of saving the galaxy. The hardest part will be getting them to believe her, to trust in her prophecies. If they don't, her own crew will end up being the biggest obstacle in her race against time.

The Salik are breaking through the Blockade, plunging the known galaxy into war. Ia cannot stop it this time, nor does she want to. This is the terrible price she has seen all along - that some must pay with their lives so that others might live. Now only time itself can prove whether each member of her crew is merely a soldier or truly one of Ia's Damned.

Suzanne Johnson

Elysian Fields Sentinels of New Orleans 03 Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780765333193

Elysian Fields by Suzanne Johnson is the fun, fast-paced third book in the *Sentinels of New Orleans*, a series of urban fantasy novels filled with wizards, mermen, and pirates. In the tradition of the *Sookie Stackhouse* books, these novels are perfect for readers of paranormal fiction and "fans of Charlaine Harris and Cat Adams." (Booklist) The mer feud has been settled, but life in South Louisiana still has more twists and turns than the muddy Mississippi. New Orleanians are under attack from a copycatkiller mimicking the crimes of a 1918 serial murderer known as the Axeman of New Orleans. Thanks to a tip from the undead pirate Jean Lafitte, DJ Jaco knows the attacks aren't random--an unknown necromancer has resurrected the original Axeman of New Orleans, and his ultimate target is a certain blonde wizard. Namely, DJ. Combating an undead serial killer as troubles pile up around her isn't easy. Jake Warin's loup-garou nature is spiraling downward, enigmatic neighbor Quince Randolph is acting weirder than ever, the Elders are insisting on lessons in elven magic from the world's most annoying wizard, and former partner Alex Warin just turned up on DJ's to-do list. Not to mention big maneuvers are afoot in the halls of preternatural power. Suddenly, moving to the Beyond as Jean Lafitte's pirate wench could be DJ's best option.

Richard Kadrey

Kill City Blues Sandman Slim 05 Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780062094599

Another day, another apocalypse. James Stark, aka Sandman Slim, has managed to get out of Hell, renounce his title as the new Lucifer, and settle back into life in L.A. But he also lost the Qomrama Om Ya, an all-powerful weapon from the banished older gods. Older gods who are returning and searching for their lost power. The hunt leads Stark to an abandoned shopping mall - a global shopping paradise infested with Lurkers and wretched bottom-feeding Sub Rosa families, squatters who have formed tight tribes to guard their tiny patches of retail wasteland. Somewhere in this kill zone is a dead man with the answers Stark needs. All Stark has to do is find the dead man, recover the artifact, and outwit and outrun the angry old gods - and natural-born killers - on his tail. But not even Sandman Slim is infallible, and any mistakes will cost him dearly.

Drew Karpyshyn

Children of Fire Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780345542236

Drew Karpyshyn has made his mark with imaginative, action-packed work on several acclaimed videogames, including Mass Effect and Star Wars: Knights of the Old Republic, as well as in a succession of New York Times bestselling tie-in novels. Now Karpyshyn introduces a brilliantly innovative epic fantasy of perilous quests, tormented heroes, and darkest sorcery--a thrilling adventure that vaults him into the company of such authors as Terry Goodkind, Brandon Sanderson, and Peter V. Brett. Long ago the gods chose a great hero to act as their agent in the mortal world and to stand against the demonic spawn of Chaos. The gods gifted their champion, Daemron, with three magical Talismans: a sword, a ring, and a crown. But the awesome power at his command corrupted Daemron, turning him from savior to destroyer. Filled with pride, he dared to challenge the gods themselves. Siding with the Chaos spawn, Daemron waged a titanic battle against the Immortals. In the end, Daemron was defeated, the Talismans were lost, and Chaos was sealed off behind the Legacy--a magical barrier the gods sacrificed themselves to create. Now the Legacy is fading. On the other side, the banished Daemron stirs. And across the scattered corners of the land, four children are born of suffering and strife, each touched by one aspect of Daemron himself--wizard, warrior, prophet, king. Bound by a connection deeper than blood, the Children of Fire will either restore the Legacy or bring it crashing down, freeing Daemron to wreak his vengeance upon the mortal world

Stephen Kiernan

The Curiosity Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780062221063

Dr. Kate Philo and her scientific exploration team make a breathtaking discovery in the Arctic: the body of a man buried deep in the ice. As a scientist in a groundbreaking project run by the egocentric and paranoid Erastus Carthage, Kate has brought small creatures - plankton, krill, shrimp - back to life for short periods of time. But the team's methods have never been attempted on larger life-forms.

Heedless of the potential consequences, Carthage orders that the frozen man be brought back to the lab in Boston and reanimated. The endeavor is named "The Lazarus Project." As the man begins to regain his memories, the team learns that he was - is - a judge, Jeremiah Rice, and the last thing he remembers is falling overboard into the Arctic Ocean in 1906. When news of the project and Jeremiah Rice breaks, it ignites a media firestorm and protests by religious fundamentalists.

Thrown together by fate, Kate and Jeremiah grow closer. But the clock is ticking and Jeremiah's new life is slipping away. With Carthage planning to exploit Jeremiah while he can, Kate must decide how far she is willing to go to protect the man she has come to love.

A gripping, poignant, and thoroughly original thriller, Stephen P. Kiernan's provocative debut novel raises disturbing questions about the very nature of life and humanity - man as a scientific subject, as a tabloid novelty, as a living being: a curiosity.

Susan Krinard

Mist 01 Trade Paperback \$22.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780765332080

Mist lives a normal life. She has a normal job, a normal boyfriend, and a normal apartment in San Francisco. She never thinks about her past if she can help it. She survived. That's the end of it. But then a snowy winter descends upon San Francisco. In June. And in quick succession, Mist is attacked by a frost giant in a public park and runs into an elf disguised as a homeless person on the streets...and then the man Mist believed was her mortal boyfriend reveals himself to be the trickster god, Loki, alive and well after all these years. Mist's normal world is falling apart. But thankfully, Mist isn't quite so normal herself. She's a Valkyrie, and she's going to need all her skill to thwart Loki's schemes and save modern Earth from the ravages of a battle of the gods.

Derek Landy

Last Stand of Dead Men Skulduggery Pleasant 08 Trade Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780007489220

War has finally come.

But it's not a war between good and evil, or light and dark - it's a war between Sanctuaries. For too long, the Irish Sanctuary has teetered on the brink of world-ending disaster, and the other Sanctuaries around the world have had enough. Allies turn to enemies, friends turn to foes, and Skulduggery and Valkyrie must team up with the rest of the Dead Men if they're going to have any chance at all of maintaining the balance of power and getting to the root of a vast conspiracy that has been years in the making.

But while this war is only beginning, another war rages within Valkyrie herself. Her own dark side, the insanely powerful being known as Darquesse, is on the verge of rising to the surface. And if Valkyrie slips, even for a moment, then Darquesse will burn the world and everyone in it.

Ages 9+

Mark Lawrence

Emperor of Thorns Broken Empire 03 Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780425256855

Mark Lawrence brings to a thrilling close his epic trilogy of a boy who would be king, a king who would desire an empire?and an empire on the edge of destruction.

King Jorg Ancrath is twenty now and king of seven nations.

His goal - revenge against his father - has not yet been realized, and the demons that haunt him have only grown stronger. Yet no matter how tortured his path, he intends to take the next step in his upward climb.

For there is only one power worth wielding - absolute power.

Jorg would be emperor. It is a position not to be gained by the sword but rather by vote. And never in living memory has anyone secured a majority of the vote, leaving the Broken Empire long without a leader. Jorg has plans to change that?one way or the other. He's uncovered even more of the lost technology of the land, and he won't hesitate to use it.

But he soon finds an adversary standing in his way, a necromancer unlike any he has ever faced - a figure hated and feared even more than himself: the Dead King.

The boy who would rule all may have finally met his match...

Edward Lazellari

The Lost Prince Awakenings 02 Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780765327888

Edward Lazellari brings you The Lost Prince, and the race to find the missing prince is on. In Lazellari's debut fantasy, Awakenings, New York City cop Cal MacDonnell and photographer Seth Raincrest found themselves stalked by otherworldly beings intent on killing them. The two had to accept the aid of a mysterious woman to unlock their hidden pasts, and what they discovered changed their lives. Everything they knew about their lives was an illusion. They had in fact travelled to our dimension from the medieval reality of Aandor to hide their infant prince from assassins, but upon arriving, a freak mishap wiped their memories. Cal, Seth, and the rest of their party were incapacitated, and the infant prince was lost. Thirteen years later, that prince, Daniel Hauer, is unaware of his origins--or that he has become the prize in a race between two powerful opposing factions. Cal and Seth's group want to keep Daniel safe. The other wants Daniel dead--by any means necessary. From the streets of New York City to the back roads of rural North Carolina, the search for the prince sets powerful forces against each other in a do-or-die battle for the rule of the kingdom of Aandor. Against a backdrop of murder, magic, and mayhem on the streets of New York City, victory goes to the swiftest and the truest of hearts. "Combines crossover fantasy in the style of Charles de Lint and Mercedes Lackey with urban fantasy reminiscent of Jim Butcher in a hard knocks action tale.

Douglas Lian

Billy Moon Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780765321725

A Transcendent Novel Reimagining the Life of Christopher Robin Milne

In Douglas Lian's debut novel set during the turbulent year of 1968, Christopher Robin Milne, the inspiration for his father's fictional creation, struggles to emerge from a manufactured life, in a story of hope and transcendence.

Billy Moon was Christopher Robin Milne, the son of A. A. Milne, the world-famous author of Winnie the Pooh and other beloved children's classics. Billy's life was no fairy-tale, though. Being the son of a famous author meant being ignored and even mistreated by famous parents; he had to make his own way in the world, define himself, and reconcile his self-image with the image of him known to millions of children. A veteran of World War II, a husband and father, he is jolted out of midlife ennui when a French college student revolutionary asks him to come to the chaos of Paris in revolt. Against a backdrop of the apocalyptic student protests and general strike that forced France to a standstill that spring, Milne's new French friend is a wild card, able to experience alternate realities of the past and present. Through him, Milne's life is illuminated and transformed, as are the world-altering events of that year.

In a time when the Occupy movement eerily mirrors the political turbulence of 1968, this magic realist novel is an especially relevant and important book.

James Lovegrove

Sherlock Holmes: The Stuff of Nightmares *Sherlock Holmes* Trade Paperback \$22.95

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It's the autumn of 1890, and a spate of bombings has hit London. The newspapers are full of fevered speculation about anarchists, anti-monarchists and Fenians. But one man suspects an even more sinister hand behind the violence. Sherlock Holmes believes Professor Moriarty is orchestrating a nationwide campaign of terror, but to what end? At the same time, a bizarrely garbed figure has been spotted on the rooftops and in the grimy back alleys of the capital. He moves with the extraordinary agility of a latter-day Spring-heeled Jack. He possesses weaponry and armour of unprecedented sophistication. He is known only by the name Baron Cauchemar, and he appears to be a scourge of crime and villainy. But is this masked man truly the force for good that he seems? Is he connected somehow to the bombings? Holmes and his faithful companion Dr. Watson are about to embark on one of their strangest and most exhilarating adventures yet.

Jonathan Maberry

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When Joe Ledger and Echo Team rescue a group of American college kids held hostage in Iran, the Iranian government then asks them to help find six nuclear bombs planted in the Mideast oil fields. These stolen WMDs will lead Joe and Echo Team into hidden vaults of forbidden knowledge, mass-murder, betrayal, and a brotherhood of genetically-engineered killers with a thirst for blood. Accompanied by the beautiful assassin called Violin, Joe follows a series of clues to find the Book of Shadows, which contains a horrifying truth that threatens to shatter his entire worldview. They say the truth will set you free... Not this time. The secrets of the Assassin's Code will set the world ablaze.

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The President of the United States vanishes from the White House.

A top-secret prototype stealth fighter is destroyed during a test flight. Witnesses on the ground say that it was shot down by a craft that immediately vanished at impossible speeds.

All over the world reports of UFOs are increasing at an alarming rate.

And in a remote fossil dig in China dinosaur hunters have found something that is definitely not of this earth. There are rumors of alien-human hybrids living among us.

Joe Ledger and the Department of Military Sciences rush headlong into the heat of the world's strangest and deadliest arms race, because the global race to recover and retro-engineer alien technologies has just hit a snag. Someone - or something - wants that technology back.

George MacDonald & Ursula K Le Guin (Introduction by)

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Climb the mysterious stairway with Princess Irene . . .

Princess Irene has discovered a secret winding stairway in the castle. It leads to a bewildering labyrinth of unknown passages with closed doors - and a further stairway. What lies at the top? Meanwhile, the miner's son Curdie overhears a fiendish plot by the goblins that live below the mountain. But with the help of Irene's magic ring, can they stop the goblins terrifying plans in time?

A Lee Martinez

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Jack McDevitt

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Eccentric Sunset Tuttle spent his life searching in vain for forms of alien life. Thirty years after his death, a stone tablet inscribed with cryptic, indecipherable symbols is found in the possession of Tuttle's onetime lover, and antiquities dealer Alex Benedict is anxious to discover what secret the tablet holds. It could be proof that Tuttle had found what he was looking for. To find out, Benedict and his assistant embark on their own voyage of discovery - one that will lead them directly into the path of a very determined assassin who doesn't want those secrets revealed.

Michael Moorcock

Elric of Melniboné and Other Stories *Elric* B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575113091

Moorcock's Multiverse presents for the first time definitive editions of Michael Moorcock's most influential work, fully revised and updated by the author.

Gollancz is very proud to present the author's definitive editions of the saga of Elric, the last emperor of Melniboné. Michael Moorcock and his long-time friend and bibliographer John Davey have collaborated to produce the most consistent and coherent narrative from the disparate novels, novellas, short stories and non-fiction about Elric. From his early life in Melniboné all the way through to his final days, these seven volumes will be the definitive telling of the albino prince's story.

Elric is one of the great creations of modern fantasy, and has inspired legions of imitators. If you know his story already, then this definitive edition will finally let you read the entire saga in the author's preferred order. If you've never experienced the chronicles of the albino with the soul-sucking sword, then this is the perfect place to start.

Richelle Mead

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When Eugenie Markham, a powerful shaman and mercenary, is hired to find a teenager who has been taken to the Otherworld, she, while dealing with demon assassins, a seductive fairy king, and a gorgeous shape-shifter, uncovers dark secrets about her past that could destroy the world.

The Golden Lily Bloodlines 02 Trade Paperback \$19.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781595146021

Sydney Sage is an Alchemist, one of a group of humans who dabble in magic and serve to bridge the worlds of humans and vampires. They protect vampire secrets - and human lives.

Sydney would love to go to college, but instead, she's been sent into hiding at a posh boarding school in Palm Springs, California - tasked with protecting Moroi princess Jill Dragomir from assassins who want to throw the Moroi court into civil war. Formerly in disgrace, Sydney is now praised for her loyalty and obedience, and held up as the model of an exemplary Alchemist.

But the closer she grows to Jill, Eddie, and especially Adrian, the more she finds herself questioning her age-old Alchemist beliefs, her idea of family, and the sense of what it means to truly belong. Her world becomes even more complicated when magical experiments show Sydney may hold the key to prevent becoming Strigoi - the fiercest vampires, the ones who don't die. But it's her fear of being just that - special, magical, powerful - that scares her more than anything. Equally daunting is her new romance with Brayden, a cute, brainy guy who seems to be her match in every way. Yet, as perfect as he seems, Sydney finds herself being drawn to someone else - someone forbidden to her.

When a shocking secret threatens to tear the vampire world apart, Sydney's loyalties are suddenly tested more than ever before. She wonders how she's supposed to strike a balance between the principles and dogmas she's been taught, and what her instincts are now telling her.

Should she trust the Alchemists - or her heart?

The Indigo Spell Bloodlines 03 Trade Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781921518911

The Indigo Spell Bloodlines 03 Hardcover \$29.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781595143198

Sydney Sage is an Alchemist, one of a group of humans who dabble in magic and serve to bridge the worlds of humans and vampires. They protect vampire secrets - human lives.

In the aftermath of a forbidden moment that rocked Sydney to her core, she finds herself struggling to draw the line between her Alchemist teachings and what her heart is urging her to do. Then she meets alluring, rebellious Marcus Finch - a former Alchemist who escaped against all odds, and is now on the run. Marcus wants to teach Sydney the secrets he claims the Alchemists are hiding from her. But as he pushes her to rebel against the people who raised her, Sydney finds that breaking free is harder than she thought. There is an old and mysterious magic rooted deeply within her. And as she searches for an evil magic user targeting powerful young witches, she realizes that her only hope is to embrace her magical blood - or else she might be next.

Lou Morgan

Blood and Feathers Blood and Feathers 01 Trade Paperback \$19.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781781080191

"What's the first thing you think of when I say 'angel'?" asked Mallory. Alice shrugged. "I don't know... guns?"

Alice isn't having the best of days. She was late for work, she missed her bus, and now she's getting rained on. What she doesn't know is that her day's about to get worse: the epic, grand-scale kind of worse that comes from the arrival of two angels who claim everything about her life is a lie.

The war between the angels and the Fallen is escalating; the age-old balance is tipping, and innocent civilians are getting caught in the cross-fire. If the balance is to be restored, the angels must act - or risk the Fallen taking control. Forever.

That's where Alice comes in. Hunted by the Fallen and guided by Mallory - a disgraced angel with a drinking problem and a whole load of secrets - Alice will learn the truth about her own history - and why the angels want to send her to hell.

What do the Fallen want from her? How does Mallory know so much about her past? What is it the angels are hiding - and can she trust either side?

Caught between the power plays of the angels and Lucifer himself, it isn't just hell's demons that Alice will have to defeat...

Rebellion Blood and Feathers 02 Trade Paperback \$19.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781781081235

This is the thrilling follow-up to *Blood and Feathers*, one of the most highly-regarded debuts of 2012. The battle between the Fallen and the Angels has turned into open warfare, on the streets of London.

"This is a war. The war. There is no stopping; no getting out. You're in this - just like the rest of us - to the end." "Driven out of hell and with nothing to lose, the Fallen wage open warfare against the angels on the streets. And they're winning." As the balance tips towards the darkness, Alice - barely recovered from her own ordeal in hell and struggling to start over - once again finds herself in the eye of the storm. But with the chaos spreading and the Archangel Michael determined to destroy Lucifer whatever the cost, is the price simply too high - and what sacrifices will Alice and the angels have to make in order to pay it? The Fallen will rise. Trust will be betrayed. And all hell breaks loose...

Chloe Neill

Biting Bad Chicagoland Vampires 07 Trade Paperback \$22.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780451415189

Merit has been a vampire for only a short while, but she's already seen a lifetime's worth of trouble. She and her Master, centuries-old Ethan Sullivan, have risked their lives time and again to save the city they love. But not all of Chicago is loving them back.

Anti-vampire riots are erupting all over town, striking vampires where it hurts the most. A splinter group armed with Molotov cocktails and deep-seated hate is intent on clearing the fanged from the Windy City come hell or high water.

Merit and her allies rush to figure out who's behind the attacks, who will be targeted next, and whether there's any way to stop the wanton destruction. The battle for Chicago is just beginning, and Merit is running out of time.

Naomi Novik

Blood of Tyrants Temeraire 08 Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780345522894

Naomi Novik's beloved *Temeraire* series, a brilliant combination of fantasy and history that reimagines the Napoleonic wars as fought with the aid of intelligent dragons, is a twenty-first-century classic. From the first volume, *His Majesty's Dragon*, readers have been entranced by the globe-spanning adventures of the resolute Capt. William Laurence and his brave but impulsive dragon, *Temeraire*. Now, in *Blood of Tyrants*, the penultimate volume of the series, Novik is at the very height of her powers as she brings her story to its widest, most colorful canvas yet.

Shipwrecked and cast ashore in Japan with no memory of *Temeraire* or his own experiences as an English aviator, Laurence finds himself tangled in deadly political intrigues that threaten not only his own life but England's already precarious position in the Far East. Age-old enmities and suspicions have turned the entire region into a powder keg ready to erupt at the slightest spark - a spark that Laurence and *Temeraire* may unwittingly provide, leaving Britain faced with new enemies just when they most desperately need allies instead.

For to the west, another, wider conflagration looms. Napoleon has turned on his former ally, the emperor Alexander of Russia, and is even now leading the largest army the world has ever seen to add that country to his list of conquests. It is there, outside the gates of Moscow, that a reunited Laurence and *Temeraire* - along with some unexpected allies and old friends - will face their ultimate challenge . . . and learn whether or not there are stronger ties than memory.

Daniel O'Malley Australian Author

The Rook B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781908800985

'The body you are wearing used to be mine.'

So begins the letter Myfanwy Thomas is holding when she awakes in a London park surrounded by bodies all wearing latex gloves. With no recollection of who she is, Myfanwy must follow the instructions in a series of letters her former self left behind to discover her identity and track down the agents who want to destroy her.

She soon learns that she is a Rook, a high-ranking member of an MI5ish secret organisation called the Checquy that battles the many supernatural forces at work in Britain (who knew?). She also discovers that she possesses a rare, potentially deadly supernatural ability of her own.

In her quest to uncover which member of the Checquy betrayed her and why, Myfanwy encounters such wacky folk as a person with four bodies, an aristocratic woman who can enter her dreams, a secret training facility where children with bizarre traits are transformed into Checquy operatives, and a conspiracy more vast than she ever could have imagined.

Filled with fantastical characters and over-the-top action, **THE ROOK** is a richly inventive, suspenseful, and often wry thriller that marks an ambitious debut from a promising young writer.

James O'Neal

The Human Disguise Human 01 Paperback \$22.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780765320148

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.

Emma Pass

Acid Paperback \$17.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780552566148

2113. In Jenna Strong's world, ACID - the most brutal, controlling police force in history - rule supreme. No throwaway comment or muttered dissent goes unnoticed - or unpunished. And it was ACID agents who locked Jenna away for life, for a bloody crime she struggles to remember. The only female inmate in a violent high-security prison, Jenna has learned to survive by any means necessary. And when a mysterious rebel group breaks her out, she must use her strength, speed and skill to stay one step ahead of ACID - and to uncover the truth about what really happened on that dark night two years ago.

Sarah Pinborough

The Shadow of the Soul Dog-Faced Gods 02 (Forgotten Gods 02) Trade Paperback \$22.95

www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780425258484

A devastating terrorist attack has crippled London. To find a perpetrator who is more than human, Special Branch turns to Detective Inspector Cass Jones.

Cass is already investigating a series of student suicides, but saying no to Special Branch isn't an option - even when he's hit with a much more personal and deeply disturbing mystery: a message left for him by his murdered brother revealing that Cass's nephew was stolen at birth.

Cass's investigations and his search for the boy lead him down a dark labyrinth to the shadowy Mr. Bright and his otherworldly allies?and into the middle of an ancient and deadly feud, with no less than the fate of humanity hanging in the balance?

Daniel Polansky

Tomorrow, the Killing Low Town 02 B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781444721362

TOMORROW, THE KILLING is Daniel Polansky's astonishing return to Low Town, the fantasy ghetto he created in THE STRAIGHT RAZOR CURE.

Once he was a hero of the Great War, and then a member of the dreaded Black House. Now he is the criminal linchpin of Low Town. His name is Warden.

He thought he had left the war behind him, but a summons from up above brings the past sharply, uncomfortably, back into focus. General Montgomery's daughter is missing somewhere in Low Town, searching for clues about her brother's murder. The General wants her found, before the stinking streets can lay claim to her, too.

James Wesley Rawles

Founders Coming Collapse 03 A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781439172834

The world as we know it is gone.

It's the near future, and thanks to a perfect storm of reckless banking practices, hyper-inflation, a stock market gone mad, and the negligence of our elected officials, the entire social, political, and economic infrastructure of America has collapsed. Chaos reigns in the streets, medical treatment is no longer available, and a silent coup has placed a dangerous group of men at the helm of a false government. America's fate is in the hands of those few individuals who have the survival skills, the faith, and the forethought to return this country to the state its founding fathers intended.

Mickey Zucker Reichert

To Obey Isaac Asimov's I Robot Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780451464828

2. A robot must obey any orders given to it by human beings, except where such orders would conflict with the First Law.

2036: Robotic technology has evolved into the realm of self-aware, sentient mechanical entities. But even as humanity contends with the consequences of its most brilliant creation, there are those who have their own designs for the robots: enslavement - or annihilation.

Susan Calvin is about to enter her second year as a psych resident at the Manhattan Hasbro teaching hospital when a violent crime strikes her very close to home.

When she was young, Susan lost her mother in a terrible car wreck that also badly injured her father. She now believes the accident was an attempted murder by government powers who wanted her parents dead. Susan has always known that there was a faction of the U.S. government that wanted to hijack her father's work for military use. Now, it seems that faction is back.

As she struggles to overcome her pain and confusion as well as deal with her studies, Susan finds herself hunted by violent anti-tech vigilantes who would revert mankind to the dark ages - and at the same time watched very closely by extremists who want high-tech genocide. Somehow she must find a way to stop them both.

D L Richardson Australian Author

The Bird with the Broken Wing Paperback \$20.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781939194084

Angels may not reveal themselves to mortals...but when the mortal Rachael's watching over is hurting, how can she stay hidden in the shadows? Guardian angel Rachael becomes trapped with the mortal she's been assigned to watch over. Unable to watch him suffer, she decides the only way to free him of his inner demons is to break the rules about becoming involved, revealing her true identity, and applying divine intervention. But what choice does she have? Without her help, his soul will be trapped forever. Then a stranger appears, giving Rachael reason to wonder if his is the only soul in need of saving...

Feedback Paperback \$23.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781939194831

Listening to your inner voice can get you killed. Ethan James, Florida Bowman, and Jake Inala are three teenagers who receive much-needed organ transplants. Two weeks later they are inadvertently recruited by the CIA when a spy dies halfway through his mission. Three bacteria bombs are set to detonate, spreading illness and death across the planet, and it's up to Ethan, Florida, and Jake to deactivate them. Except that they have no idea where the bombs are located. Kidnapped for information they can't possibly know, and fuelled by the spirit of a dead CIA agent, Ethan, Florida, and Jake must look deep inside themselves if they are to finish the mission and save millions of lives. But they're being held captive in a strange place by a man who believes in Feedback, the theory that information is retained in the memory of organs--in this case those of a certain dead CIA agent donor. And their captor will stop at nothing to get the information retained in their newly transplanted organs.

Kat Richardson

Seawitch Greywalker 07 A Paperback \$17.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780451415455

Harper Blaine was your average small-time PI until she died - for two minutes. Now Harper is a Greywalker, treading the thin line between the living world and the paranormal realm. And she's discovering that her new abilities are landing her all sorts of strange cases.

A quarter century ago, the Seawitch cruised away from her dock and disappeared with everyone on board. Now, the boat has mysteriously returned to her old berth in Seattle and the insurance company has hired Harper to find out what happened.

But Harper is not the only one investigating. Seattle Police Detective Rey Solis is a good cop, albeit one who isn't comfortable with the creepy cases that always seem to end up in Harper's lap. As they explore the abandoned vessel, Harper and Solis discover a cabin containing symbols drawn in human blood, revealing the ghost ship's grave history.

As Solis focuses on the possible murder of a passenger's wife, Harper's investigation leads her to a powerful being who may be responsible for the disappearance of the Seawitch's passengers and crew. And while their searches lead Harper and Solis in different directions, they will need to put aside their differences to solve a deadly mystery twenty-five years in the making.

Possession Greywalker 08 Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780451465122

Harper Blaine was your average small-time PI until she died - for two minutes. Now Harper is a Greywalker, treading the thin line between the living world and the paranormal realm. And she's discovering that her new abilities are landing her all sorts of - strange - cases.

When a comatose woman suddenly wakes up and starts painting scenes she's never witnessed, with a skill she's never had, medical science has no explanation. As more bizarre phenomena manifest, including mysterious writing appearing on the patient's skin and strange voices issuing from her mouth, even her doctors start to wonder whether the woman may be possessed.

Frustrated, frightened, and at the end of her rope, the patient's sister reluctantly turns to Harper Blaine to discover who - or what - is occupying her sister's body. As Harper digs into this case of apparent possession, she discovers other patients struck with the same mystifying afflictions and a disturbing connection to one of the most gruesome episodes in Washington's history....

J D Robb

Calculated in Death Eve Dallas 35 A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780425250730

In her years at the NYPSD, Eve Dallas has solved some truly appalling homicides. But some cases are worse than others.

On Manhattan's East Side a woman lies dead at the bottom of the stairs, stripped of all her valuables. Most cops might call it a mugging gone wrong, but Lieutenant Eve Dallas knows better.

A well-off accountant and a beloved wife and mother, Marta Dickenson doesn't seem the type to be on anyone's hit list. But when Eve and her partner, Peabody, find blood inside the building, the lieutenant knows Marta's murder was the work of a killer who's trained, but not professional or smart enough to remove all the evidence.

But when someone steals the files out of Marta's office, Eve must immerse herself in her billionaire husband Roarke's world of big business to figure out who's cruel and callous enough to hire a hit on an innocent woman. And as the killer's violent streak begins to escalate, Eve knows she has to draw him out, even if it means using herself as bait.

Adam Roberts

Jack Glass B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575127647

Golden Age SF meets Golden Age Crime from the author Kim Stanley Robinson thinks should have won the Booker.

Jack Glass is the murderer. We know this from the start. Yet as this extraordinary novel tells the story of three murders committed by Glass the reader will be surprised to find out that it was Glass who was the killer and how he did it. And by the end of the book our sympathies for the killer are fully engaged.

Riffing on the tropes of crime fiction (the country house murder, the locked room mystery) and imbued with the feel of golden age SF, JACK GLASS is another bravura performance from Roberts. Whatever games he plays with the genre, whatever questions he asks of the reader, Roberts never loses sight of the need to entertain and JACK GLASS has some wonderfully gruesome moments, is built around three gripping HowDunnits and comes with liberal doses of sly humour.

Roberts invites us to have fun and tricks us into thinking about both crime and SF via a beautifully structured novel set in a society whose depiction challenges notions of crime, punishment, power and freedom. It is an extraordinary novel.

Kim Stanley Robinson

2312 B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781841499987

A thrilling new space opera series from the bestselling and multiple award-winning author Kim Stanley Robinson.

The year is 2312. Scientific advances have opened gateways to an extraordinary future. Earth is no longer our only home; new habitats have been created throughout the solar system, on moons, planets and in between. But in 2312, a sequence of events will force humanity to confront our past, present and future.

The first event takes place on Mercury, in the city of Terminator, itself a miracle of engineering on an unprecedented scale. For Swan Er Hong, it will change her life. Once a designer of worlds, now Swan will be led into a plot to destroy them.

2312 is a bold vision of humanity's future and a compelling portrait of those individuals who will shape its events.

Michelle Rowen

Reign Fall Demon Princess 03 Paperback \$19.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781468064001

Prophesies, demon slayers, dragons, homework... It's going to be a hell of a week! It's been a dangerous ride for Nikki Donovan since she first learned she's a demon princess. And the ride isn't over yet! She's just found out that her best friend is a demon slayer in training, one who doesn't know that Nikki is exactly the prey she's sworn to hunt. Nikki's demon king father has signed her up for lessons on how to master her erratic half-demon powers, and that's on top of her regular homework! Also, she's torn between two boys-Rhys, the faery king she's prophesied to marry, and Michael, a Shadow whom she's forbidden to love. To top it all off, a dark force is haunting Nikki, something mysterious and evil that wants the demon princess dead...but who-or what-is it? *Reign Fall* is Book #3 in the *Demon Princess* series.

Eric Frank Russell

Wasp SF Masterworks B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575129047

The classic novel of urban terrorism.

The war had been going on for nearly a year and the Sirian Empire had a huge advantage in personnel and equipment. Earth needed an edge. Which was where James Mowry came in.

If a small insect buzzing around in a car could so distract the driver as to cause that vehicle to crash, think what havoc one properly trained operative could wreak on an unsuspecting enemy. Intensively trained, his appearance surgically altered, James Mowry is landed on Jaimec, the 94th planet of the Sirian Empire. His mission is simple: sap morale, cause mayhem, tie up resources, wage a one-man war on a planet of eighty million.

In short, be a wasp.

First published in 1957, *WASP* is generally regarded as Eric Frank Russell's finest novel, a witty and exciting account of a covert war in the heart of enemy territory.

Andrzej Sapkowski

The Time of Contempt Witcher 03 Trade Paperback \$22.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780316219136

Time of Contempt Witcher 03 Trade Paperback \$29.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575085084

Geralt was always going to stand out, with his white hair and piercing eyes, his cynicism and lack of respect for authority --- but he is far more than just a striking-looking man. He's a witcher; his sorcerous powers, enhanced by elixirs and long training, have made him a brilliant fighter and a merciless assassin. Yet he is no ordinary murderer; his targets are the vile fiends and demons that ravage the land. But first appearance can often be deceptive; not everything monstrous-looking is a monster --- and even the fairest can have a bite!

Liesel Schwarz

A Clockwork Heart Chronicles of Light and Shadow 02 Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780345545084

A follow-up to *A Conspiracy of Alchemists* pits spunky dirigible pilot Elle Chance and the handsome warlock Marsh against a mad scientist who kidnaps Marsh as part of a plot to create an army of clockwork zombies.

FOR BETTER OR CURSE. That might as well have been the wedding vow of Elle Chance and her new husband, the ex-Warlock Hugh Marsh in the second book of this edgy new series that transforms elements of urban fantasy, historical adventure, and paranormal romance into storytelling magic.

As Elle devotes herself to her duties as the Oracle - who alone has the power to keep the dark designs of Shadow at bay - Marsh finds himself missing the excitement of his former life as a Warlock. So when Commissioner Willoughby of the London Metropolitan police seeks his help in solving a magical mystery, Marsh is only too happy to oblige. But in doing so, Marsh loses his heart . . . literally.

In place of the flesh-and-blood organ is a clockwork device - a device that makes Marsh a kind of zombie. Nor is he the only one. A plague of clockwork zombies is afflicting London, sowing panic and whispers of revolution. Now Elle must join forces with her husband's old friend, the Nightwalker Loisa Beladodia, to track down Marsh's heart and restore it to his chest before time runs out.

Michael Scott

The Enchantress Nicholas Flamel 06 B Paperback \$17.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780552562577

The two that are one must become the one that is all. One to save the world, one to destroy it. San Francisco: Nicholas and Perenelle Flamel have one day left to live, and one job left to do. They must defend San Francisco. The monsters gathered on Alcatraz Island have been released and are heading toward the city. If they are not stopped, they will destroy everyone and everything in their path. But even with the help of two of the greatest warriors from history and myth, will the Sorceress and the legendary Alchemist be able to defend the city? Or is it the beginning of the end of the human race? Danu Talis: Sophie and Josh Newman travelled ten thousand years into the past to Danu Talis when they followed Dr. John Dee and Virginia Dare. And it's on this legendary island that the battle for the world begins and ends. Scathach, Prometheus, Palamedes, Shakespeare, Saint-Germain, and Joan of Arc are also on the island. And no one is sure what - or who - the twins will be fighting for. Today the battle for Danu Talis will be won or lost. But will the twins of legend stand together? Or will they stand apart - one to save the world and one to destroy it?

Samantha Shannon

The Bone Season 01 Hardcover \$34.95

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It is the year 2059. Several major world cities are under the control of a security force called Scion. Paige Mahoney works in the criminal underworld of Scion London, part of a secret cell known as the Seven Seals. The work she does is unusual: scouting for information by breaking into others' minds. Paige is a dreamwalker, a rare kind of clairvoyant, and in this world, the voyants commit treason simply by breathing.

But when Paige is captured and arrested, she encounters a power more sinister even than Scion. The voyant prison is a separate city - Oxford, erased from the map two centuries ago and now controlled by a powerful, otherworldly race. These creatures, the Rephaim, value the voyants highly - as soldiers in their army.

Paige is assigned to a Rephaite keeper, Warden, who will be in charge of her care and training. He is her master. Her natural enemy. But if she wants to regain her freedom, Paige will have to learn something of his mind and his own mysterious motives.

The Bone Season introduces a compelling heroine - a young woman learning to harness her powers in a world where everything has been taken from her. It also introduces an extraordinary young writer, with huge ambition and a teeming imagination. Samantha Shannon has created a bold new reality in this riveting debut.

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Michael Shea

Assault on Sunrise Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780765324368

Less than a hundred years in the future, pollution, economic disaster, and the rapacious greed of the corporate oligarchy has brought America to its knees and created dystopian urban nightmares, of which L.A. may be the worst.

Curtis, Japh, and Jool are film extras, who -with the help of a couple of very gutsy women - survived being anonymous players in a 'live-action'film in which getting killed on-screen meant getting killed for real. Surviving the shoot made them rich enough to escape the post-apocalyptic Hell that L.A. has become. But their survival was not what Panoply Studios' CEO Val Margolian had in mind, especially since it cost his company millions. Now he's taking his revenge. After several plainclothes police are found dead in the former extras' new home, the bucolic, peaceful town of Sunrise, California, the entire town is subjected to Margolian's invidious plan to punish the entire town -and make a fortune doing it. Margolian has created toxic, murderous wasp-like mechanical creatures to set upon the people of Sunrise, while his film crew captures the carnage in what promises to be the bloodiest 'live-action'film yet. With their haven from L.A. besieged by the deadly assault, the former extras -and their fellow townspeople -are faced with a grim task: to defeat the creatures and take back their town and their freedom. Michael Shea's *Assault on Sunrise* is a saga of courage and sacrifice in a world gone mad.

J M Sidorova

The Age of Ice Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781451692716

The Empress Anna Ioannovna has issued her latest eccentric order: construct a palace out of ice blocks. Inside its walls her slaves build a wedding chamber, a canopy bed on a dais, heavy drapes cascading to the floor—all made of ice. Sealed inside are a disgraced nobleman and a deformed female jester. On the empress's command—for her entertainment—these two are to be married, the relationship consummated inside this frozen prison. In the morning, guards enter to find them half-dead. Nine months later, two boys are born.

Surrounded by servants and animals, Prince Alexander Velitzyn and his twin brother, Andrei, have an idyllic childhood on the family's large country estate. But as they approach manhood, stark differences coalesce. Andrei is daring and ambitious; Alexander is tentative and adrift. One frigid winter night on the road between St. Petersburg and Moscow, as he flees his army post, Alexander comes to a horrifying revelation: his body is immune to cold.

J. M. Sidorova's boldly original and genrebending novel takes readers from the grisly fields of the Napoleonic Wars to the blazing heat of Afghanistan, from the outer reaches of Siberia to the cacophonous streets of nineteenth-century Paris. The adventures of its protagonist, Prince Alexander Velitzyn—on a lifelong quest for the truth behind his strange physiology—will span three continents and two centuries and bring him into contact with an incredible range of real historical figures, from Mary Shelley, the author of *Frankenstein*, to the licentious Russian empress Elizaveta and Arctic explorer Joseph Billings.

The Age of Ice is one of the most enchanting and inventive debut novels of the year.

Sherwood Smith

Banner of the Damned Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780756406776

Banner of the Damned A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780756408046

Princess Lasva is about to be named heir to her childless sister, the queen. But, when the queen finally bears an heir, Lasva's future is shattered. Grief-stricken, she leaves her country of Colend and falls into the arms of Prince Ivandred of Marloven Hesea. His people are utterly different—with their expertise in riding, weaponry, and magic— and the two soon marry.

When the sensational news makes its way to Lasva's sister, the queen worries for Lasva at the hands of the Marlovens, whose king's mage is in league with the magical land of Norsunder—considered by Colendi to be their enemy. The queen orders Emras, a scribe, to guard Lasva.

But it may be too late—Lasva is already deeply involved with the Marlovens and their magic. War wages on, and all are forced to redefine love, loyalty, and power...

Emras, a scribe assigned to the intelligent and beautiful Princess Lasva of Colend, is on trial. But why? Emras had accompanied Lasva to the barbaric, martial land of Marloven Hesea years before so Lasva could join her betrothed, a Marloven prince. But before Emras left Colend, she was charged with a secret mission from her queen: to monitor her new home for signs of the insidious and dangerous influence of Norsunder - a magical land once thought to be legend, but now known to exist.

What went wrong? If Emras was acting on orders from her queen, why is she on trial now?

Thomas E Sniegoski

Walking in the Midst of Fire Remy Chandler 05 Trade Paperback \$22.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780451465115

Remy Chandler, angel private investigator, is trying his damndest to lead a normal life in a world on the verge of supernatural change. He's found a new love—a woman his dog, Marlowe, approves of—and his best human friend is reluctantly coming to grips with how...unusual...Remy's actions can be. And he's finally reached a kind of peace between his true angelic nature and the human persona he created for himself so very long ago.

But that peace can't last?Heaven and the Legions of the Fallen still stand on the brink of war. Then one of Heaven's greatest generals is murdered, and it falls to Remy to discover who?or what?might be responsible for the death, which could trigger the final conflict...a conflict in which Earth will most certainly be the beachhead.

The deeper he digs, the further he goes into a dark world of demonic assassins, secret brothels, and things that are unsettling even to a being who has lived since time began. But it is not in his nature - angelic or human - to stop until he has found the killer, no matter the personal price....

Jo Spurrier Australian Author

Black Sun Light My Way Children of the Black Sun 02 Trade Paperback \$29.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780732292546

Return to the wintry landscape of Ricalan and the magnificent storytelling of Jo Spurrier, in *BLACK SUN LIGHT MY WAY* Sierra has always battled to control her powers, but now her life and Isidro's depend on keeping her skills hidden from the Akharians as they draw closer to Demon's Spire. In the relics left by Ricalan's last great mage, Isidro hopes to find the knowledge Sierra needs to master her powers, but instead uncovers his own long-buried talent for magecraft. When Sierra's untrainable powers turn destructive, she has nowhere to turn for help but to the uncertain mercy of an old enemy. What will Rasten do when she returns to his hands at last? When Isidro believes he has lost all he loves, he finds comfort in the arms of the Akharian mage Delphine. But soon he is called into battle once again to stand against the greatest evil the north has ever known.

Peter Stenson

Fiend Hardcover \$29.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780770436315

There's more than one kind of monster.

When Chase Daniels first sees the little girl in umbrella socks tearing open the Rottweiler, he's not too concerned. As a longtime meth addict, he's no stranger to horrifying, drug-fueled hallucinations.

But as he and his fellow junkies soon discover, the little girl is no illusion. The end of the world really has arrived.

The funny thing is, Chase's life was over long before the apocalypse got here, his existence already reduced to a stinking basement apartment and a filthy mattress and an endless grind of buying and selling and using. He's lied and cheated and stolen and broken his parents' hearts a thousand times. And he threw away his only shot at sobriety a long time ago, when he chose the embrace of the drug over the woman he still loves.

And if your life's already shattered beyond any normal hopes of redemption - well, maybe the end of the world is an opportunity. Maybe it's a last chance for Chase to hit restart and become the man he once dreamed of being. Soon he's fighting to reconnect with his lost love and dreaming of becoming her hero among civilization's ruins.

But is salvation just another pipe dream?

Propelled by a blistering first-person voice and featuring a powerfully compelling antihero, *Fiend* is at once a riveting portrait of addiction, a pitch-black love story, and a meditation on hope, redemption, and delusion - not to mention one hell of a zombie novel.

Whitley Strieber

Alien Hunter Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780765331533

A young wife disappears in the night, never to be seen again. There is no evidence of kidnapping -in fact, every thing indicates that she left on purpose. Her husband, a brilliant police detective, cannot believe this -but he also can't find her.

Flynn Carroll's lost love becomes his obsession. He begins amassing a file of similar cases nationwide. His conclusion is unavoidable: somebody is taking people and making it look like they walked out on their own. As Flynn's case files grow, his work comes to the attention of Special Agent Diana Glass, a member of the most secret police unit on the planet. This police force seeks the most brilliant and lethal criminals who have ever walked free -thieves and murderers from another world.

Without fully understanding what Glass and her team are doing, Flynn steps into a hidden world of extraordinary challenge and lethal danger. The job is the most difficult police assignment ever known to man, but the idea is the same -find the bad guys. Stop them.

Charles Stross

Neptune's Brood Hardcover \$32.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780356500997

Brand new space opera from science fiction legend Charles Stross.

'My friend has discovered faster-than-light travel! If we get in now, we can make it rich! Just send us your bank details today. . .'

Krina Alizond-114 is a bookish historian of accountancy practices and a metahuman in a universe where the last natural humans went extinct 5000 years ago. When a letter from her sister goes missing Krina embarks on a dangerous journey across the star systems to find her, along the way getting caught up in an elegant and unprecedented financial scam that involves the mystery of the missing space colony - Atlantis.

Charles Stross & Cory Doctorow

The Rapture of the Nerds Paperback \$19.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781781167441

Welcome to the fractured future, at the dusk of the 21st century. Earth has a population of roughly a billion, living in a preserve at the bottom of a gravity well. Young Huw has been selected for Tech Jury Service, a task he does his best to perform despite an itchy technovirus, and some truly awful moments on bathroom floors.

Carsten Stroud

The Homecoming Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780307700964

From its explosive opening to its eerie climax, *The Homecoming* is a page-turning, labyrinthine thrill ride that returns to Niceville . . . where evil lives far longer than men do.

When two plane crashes set off a spellbinding chain reaction of murder, inadvertent kidnapping, corporate corruption, and financial double-dealing, it's not enough that Niceville detective Nick Kavanaugh (ex - Special Forces) has to investigate. He and his wife, family lawyer Kate, have also just taken in brutally orphaned Rainey Teague. Something bothers Nick about Rainey - and it isn't just that the woman in charge of attendance at Rainey's prep school has disappeared. In fact, people have long been disappearing from seemingly placid Niceville, including, most disturbingly, Kate's father. Using his files, Kate and Nick start to unearth Niceville's blood stained history, but something (or is it Nothing?) stands in their way.

Once again, Carsten Stroud gives us unforgettable characters, including Coker, the steely, amoral police sniper, and Harvill Endicott, an urbanely manipulative psychopath, not to mention Warren Smoles, the most conniving lawyer you will ever meet. Stroud's unique storytelling gifts bring us into a world where protecting your family from the unknown becomes almost impossible but essential for survival.

Anything is possible in *The Homecoming*.

Michael J Sullivan

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Thieving assassin Royce Melborn and warrior Hadrian Blackwater are forced to work together to steal a treasure that no one can reach in the Crown Tower, an impregnable fortress that houses the realm's most prized possessions.

Amy Tintera

Reboot Trade Paperback \$17.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781743315507

Reboot Hardcover \$24.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780062217073

'5 years ago, I died. 178 minutes later, I woke up.' In this post-apocalyptic thriller a deadly virus mutation sees teenagers raised from the dead and trained to be vicious soldiers until Wren, the deadliest Reboot, joins forces with Callum, the most innocent, to try to overthrow the organisation that has corrupted their world.

Five years ago, Wren Connolly was shot three times in the chest. After 178 minutes she came back as a Reboot: stronger, faster, able to heal, and less emotional. The longer Reboots are dead, the less human they are when they return. Wren 178 is the deadliest Reboot in the Republic of Texas. Now seventeen years old, she serves as a soldier for HARC (Human Advancement and Repopulation Corporation). Wren's favorite part of the job is training new Reboots, but her latest newbie is the worst she's ever seen. As a 22, Callum Reyes is practically human. His reflexes are too slow, he's always asking questions, and his ever-present smile is freaking her out. Yet there's something about him she can't ignore. When Callum refuses to follow an order, Wren is given one last chance to get him in line - or she'll have to eliminate him. Wren has never disobeyed before and knows if she does, she'll be eliminated, too. But she has also never felt as alive as she does around Callum. The perfect soldier is done taking orders.

Wren's captivating voice and unlikely romance with Callum will keep readers glued to the page in Amy Tintera's high-stakes alternate reality ideal for fans of *The Hunger Games*, *Legend*, and *Divergent*.

Ian Tregillis

Necessary Evil Milkweed 03 B Paperback \$22.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780356501710

Superhumans and dark magic collide in secret supernatural history of Twentieth Century events - the final book in this landmark series.

The history of the Twentieth Century has been shaped by a secret conflict between technology and magic. When a twisted Nazi scientist devised a way to imbue ordinary humans with supernatural abilities - to walk through walls, throw fire and see the future - his work became the prized possession of first the Third Reich, then the Soviet Army. Only Britain's warlocks, and the dark magics they yield, have successfully countered the threat posed by these superhuman armies.

But for decades, this conflict has been manipulated by Gretel, the mad seer. And now her long plan has come to fruition. And with it, a danger vastly greater than anything the world has known. Now British Intelligence officer Raybould Marsh must make a last-ditch effort to change the course of history - if his nation, and those he loves, are to survive.

Harry Turtledove

Two Fronts War That Came Early 05 Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780345524683

In 1942, two nations switch sides - and World War II takes a horrifying new course.

In the real world, England and France allowed Adolf Hitler to gobble up the Sudetenland in 1938. Once Hitler finished dismembering Czechoslovakia, he was ready to go to war over Poland a year later. But Hitler had always been eager to seize Czechoslovakia, no matter the consequences. So what if England and France had stood up to the Nazis from the start, and not eleven months later? That is the question behind the War That Came Early series.

Four years later, the civil war in Spain drags on, even after General Franco's death. The United States, still neutral in Europe, fights the Japanese in the Pacific. Russia and Germany go toe-to-toe in Eastern Europe - yet while Hitler stares east, not everything behind him is going as well as he would like. But nothing feeds ingenuity like the fear of losing. The Germans wheel out new tanks and planes, Japan deploys weapons of a very different sort against China, and the United States, England, and France do what they can to strengthen themselves against imminent danger.

Seen through the eyes of ordinary citizens caught in the maelstrom, this is a you-are-there chronicle of battle on land and sea and in the air. Here are terrifying bombing raids that shatter homes, businesses, and the rule of law. Here are commanders issuing orders that, once given, cannot be taken back. And here are the seeds of rebellion sown in blood-soaked soil.

In a war in which sides are switched and allies trust one another only slightly more than they trust their mortal enemies, Nazi Germany has yet to send its Jews to death camps, and dangerous new nationalist powers arise in Eastern Europe. From thrilling submarine battles to the horror of men fighting men and machines all through Europe, Two Fronts captures every aspect of a brilliantly reimagined conflict: the strategic, the political, and the personal force of leaders bending nations to their wills.

Carrie Vaughn

Kitty in the Underworld Kitty A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780765368683

As Denver adjusts to a new master vampire, Kitty gets word of an intruder in the Denver werewolf pack's territory, and she investigates the challenge to her authority. She follows the scent of the lycanthrope through the mountains where she is lured into a trap, tranquilized, and captured. When she wakes up, she finds herself in a defunct silver mine: the perfect cage for a werewolf. Her captors are a mysterious cult seeking to induct Kitty into their ranks in a ritual they hope will put an end to Dux Bellorum. Though skeptical of their power, even Kitty finds herself struggling to resist joining their cause. Whatever she decides, they expect Kitty to join them in their plot . . . willingly or otherwise.

David Weber

Midst Toil and Tribulation Safehold 06 A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780765361264

WAR AND FAMINE

Once the Church of God Awaiting dominated all the kingdoms of Safehold. Then, after centuries of stasis, the island kingdom of Charis began to defy the edicts of Mother Church-egged on, some say, by the mysterious warrior-monk Merlin Athrawes, who enjoys the Charisian royal family's absolute trust.

What vanishingly few people know is that Merlin is the cybernetic avatar of a young woman a thousand years dead, felled in the war in which aliens destroyed Earth...and that since awakening, his task has been to restart the history of the long-hidden human race.

Now, reeling from the wars and intrigues that have cascaded from Charis's declaration of independence, the Republic of Siddermark slides into chaos. The Church has engineered a rebellion, and Siddermark's all-important harvest is at risk. King Cayleb and Queen Sharleyan struggle to stabilize their ally, which will mean sending troops-but, even more importantly, preventing famine. For mass starvation in Safehold's breadbasket is a threat even more ominous than civil war...

David Weber & Jane Lindskold

Fire Season Honorverse Star Kingdom 02 Trade Paperback \$19.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781451639216

LOYALTIES TESTED BY FIRE

Fire weather... That's what the treecats call those rare seasons when the slightest spark can set aflame the vast green reaches they call home.

Teenager Stephanie Harrington rapidly learns just how deadly those fires can be. Guided by her treecat companion, Lionheart, Stephanie and her good friend Karl Zivonik venture into the heart of a raging inferno to rescue twin treecats put at risk by human carelessness. Only the trio's absolute trust for each other stands between them and disaster.

But Sphinx isn't the only thing ripe for burning. Stephanie has fallen hard for new arrival to Sphinx, Anders Whittaker. When Anders vanishes without a trace, Stephanie is at the forefront of the search. Then a lightning strike sets the Copperwall Mountains aflame and as a provisional ranger she is ordered to her post.

Will Stephanie choose to honor the claims of her planet or those of her heart?

Helene Wecker

The Golem and the Djinni Trade Paperback \$24.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780007480166

Chava is a golem, a creature made of clay, brought to life by a disgraced rabbi who dabbles in dark Kabbalistic magic. When her master, the husband who commissioned her, dies at sea on the voyage from Poland, she is unmoored and adrift as the ship arrives in New York in 1899. Ahmad is a djinni, a being of fire, born in the ancient Syrian desert. Trapped in an old copper flask by a Bedouin wizard centuries ago, he is released accidentally by a tinsmith in a Lower Manhattan shop. Though he is no longer imprisoned, Ahmad is not entirely free - an unbreakable band of iron binds him to the physical world. The Golem & The Djinni is their magical, unforgettable story; unlikely friends whose tenuous attachment challenges their opposing natures - until the night a terrifying incident drives them back into their separate worlds. But a powerful threat will soon bring Chava and Ahmad together again, challenging their existence and forcing them to make a fateful choice.

Margaret Weis & Robert Krammes

Storm Riders Dragon Brigades 02 Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780765333490

In a world where magic is intrinsic to the fabric of everyday life, two kingdoms, centuries-long enemies, have long sought a powerful magical weapon that will win them lasting dominance. But neither realm is ready when they are both attacked by the Bottom-Dwellers, a bitter people whose own land was destroyed, and who now live only to take vengeance on those they blame for a wretched life in the storm-tossed abyss they inhabit. Using contramagic strengthened by blood sacrifice to attack the world above, they threaten to bring down whole cities, or even the island kingdoms themselves. Freya and Rosia are forced to put aside their age-old conflict to defend themselves, or risk losing everything.

As the Bottom-Dwellers' contramagic eats away at the magic of the dragons that helps protect the world above, a former dragon-riding hero gathers a ragtag group to form a new dragon brigade, the one desperate hope of the two kingdoms to defeat the fiends who threaten their world. As the effects of contramagic bring the world ever closer to disaster, the new dragon brigade fight the vengeful adversary. Their high-flying heroics will be to no avail, though, unless they can somehow uncover forbidden knowledge, long hidden by the Church, without which they will never be able to prevent the world's destruction.

Margaret Weis and Robert Krammes deliver yet another exciting dragon brigade adventure in Storm Riders.

Steve White

Pirates of the Timestream TRA 03 Trade Paperback \$22.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781451639094

Pirates of the Caribbean meets times traveling heroes and godlike aliens. Sequel to *Sunset of the Gods* and *Blood of Heroes*.

Special operations officer Jason Thanou of the Temporal Regulatory Authority must once again plunge into Old Earth's blood-drenched past to combat the plots of the Transhumanist underground to subvert that past and create a secret history leading up to the fulfillment of their mad dream of transforming humanity into a race of gods and monsters.

Jason and his companions travel to the seventeenth century to encounter the real pirates of the Caribbean - including a beautiful she-pirate who turns out to be Transhumanist renegade. To Jason's horror, he also learns that the Teloi aliens who were the grim reality behind the pagan pantheons of antiquity - aliens Jason believed he'd successfully destroyed - are still active, and aiding the Transhumanists in founding an unspeakable cult. What's more, these are a different - and far more dangerous - breed of Teloi than before.

Jason must somehow thwart the plans of the sinister allies while at the same time preventing reality itself from falling into chaos. In the end he finds himself venturing into space with a totally unexpected ally: Henry Morgan.

Sequel to *Sunset of the Gods* and *Blood of Heroes*. Don Maitz cover (Captain Morgan's Rum artist).

Tad Williams

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BOBBY DOLLAR ISN'T YOUR AVERAGE ANGEL.

Sure, he takes the occasional trip to Heaven, but his job as an advocate - arguing the fate of the recently deceased - keeps him pretty busy on Earth, and he's more than happy to spend the rest of his time propping up the bar with his fellow immortals.

Until the day a soul goes missing, presumed stolen by 'the other side'.

A new chapter in the war between heaven and hell is about to open. And Bobby is right in the middle of it, with only a desirable but deadly demon to aid him.

Michael Z Williamson

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It's a tough universe out there. A hard-hitting collection of the best fiction of Michael Z. Williamson, creator of the popular Freehold military SF saga, along with a helping of truth-telling nonfiction by a guy who has been there and done that, both at home and abroad.

Duty in the face of danger on a planetary scale. Pride and competence in the face of idiotic clients who hate that that they need your services, and an enemy who wants to make your bad day even worse. These are stories of the warriors and civilians who get things done in extreme situations, whether it's rescue from a ship broken in space and leaking air and radiation, hard choices by a brigade of mercenary swords in a world of blood and magic, or scramble and response by troops in the Sandbox doing what it takes to make it through another scorching, rocket-filled day.

When Diplomacy Fails Freehold 05 A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781451639117

Alex Marlow and Ripple Creek Security's best personal security detail return to action. This time, they really don't like their principal, World Bureau of State Minister Joy Herman Highland - a highly-placed bureaucrat with aspirations to elected office. Even worse, Highland's assistant wants to publicize every movement and action for her boss's pending campaign, which is anathema to good security.

With a person of this status, it's not a case of someone wanting her dead. The only question is how many people want her dead, and what are they bringing to the fight?

The enemies are from without, within and all over. They have resources, funding and political cover. Ripple Creek needs to be cautious.

But the enemy also needs to worry. They're going to be getting in each others' way in the process of carrying out their plans. And Ripple Creek has no qualms about explosions on galactic news. In fact, they enjoy it.

Chelsea Quinn Yarbro

Night Pilgrims Saint-Germain Hardcover \$34.95

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Chelsea Quinn Yarbro's first Saint-Germain novel, *Hotel Transylvania*, was recently nominated as Vampire Novel of the Century. Her Saint-Germain cycle, now comprised of more than twenty-five books, is a masterwork of historical horror fiction. The vampire Count Saint-Germain has crisscrossed the world many times, seeking love and the blood of life and seeing humanity at its best and worst. In *Night Pilgrims*, Saint-Germain is living in a monastery in Egypt when he is hired to guide a group of pilgrims to underground churches in southern Egypt. The vampire finds a companion in a lovely widow who later fears that her dalliance with the Count will prevent her from reaching Heaven. The pilgrims begin to fall prey to the trials of travel in the Holy Lands; some see visions and hear the word of God; others are seduced by desires for riches and power. A visit to the Chapel of the Holy Grail brings many quarrels to a head; Saint-Germain must use all his diplomacy and a good deal of his strength to keep the pilgrims from slaughtering one another.

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Marion Zimmer Bradley (Inspired by) & Elisabeth Waters (Editor)

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Rachel Caine, Rob Thurman, Seanan McGuire, Kevin Hearne, Jennifer Estep, et al

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With *Parlor Tricks*, JENNIFER ESTEP pits Gin Blanco, the Elemental Assassin, against the Wheel of Death and some dangerously creepy clowns.

SEANAN MCGUIRE narrates a poignant, ethereal tale of a mysterious carnival that returns to a dangerous town after twenty years in *Daughter of the Midway*, the Mermaid, and the Open, Lonely Sea.

KEVIN HEARNE's Iron Druid and his wisecracking Irish wolfhound discover in *The Demon Barker of Wheat Street* that the impossibly wholesome sounding Kansas Wheat Festival is actually not a healthy place to hang out.

With an eerie, unpredictable twist, ROB THURMAN reveals the fate of a psychopath stalking two young carnies in *Painted Love*.

Gardner Dozois (Editor)

Year's Best Science Fiction: Thirtieth Annual Collection Trade Paperback \$29.95

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In the new millennium, what secrets lay beyond the far reaches of the universe? What mysteries belie the truths we once held to be self evident? The world of science fiction has long been a porthole into the realities of tomorrow, blurring the line between life and art. Now, in *The Year's Best Science Fiction: Thirtieth Annual Collection* the very best SF authors explore ideas of a new world through their short stories. This venerable collection brings together award winning authors and masters of the field such as Robert Reed, Alastair Reynolds, Damien Broderick, Elizabeth Bear, Paul McAuley and John Barnes. And with an extensive recommended reading guide and a summation of the year in science fiction, this annual compilation has become the definitive must-read anthology for all science fiction fans and readers interested in breaking into the genre.

Neil Gaiman (Introduction by)

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The 16 stories in this menagerie will introduce teen readers to a host of strange, wondrous beings that have never existed anywhere but in the richness of the imagination. *Unnatural Creatures* is a collection of short stories about the fantastical things that exist only in our minds - collected and introduced by beloved New York Times bestselling author Neil Gaiman.

The sixteen stories gathered by Gaiman, winner of the Hugo and Nebula Awards, range from the whimsical to the terrifying. The magical creatures range from werewolves to sunbirds to beings never before classified. E. Nesbit, Diana Wynne Jones, Gahan Wilson, and other literary luminaries contribute to the anthology.

Sales of *Unnatural Creatures* benefit 826DC, a nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting students in their creative and expository writing, and to helping teachers inspire their students to write. Proceeds will benefit the literacy non-profit 826DC.

Paula Guran (Editor), George R R Martin, Caitlin Kiernan, Neil Gaiman, Charles de Lint, Joyce Carol Oates, et al

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Mercedes Lackey, Larry Dixon, Cody Martin, Dennis Lee

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From New York Times best-seller and science fiction and fantasy mistress of adventure Mercedes Lackey, #2 in a new pulse-pounding saga of modern-day humans with superpowers. After turning back an invasion of super-science power Nazi war machines, the heroes go on the hunt for the Nazi masters and take the battle to the bad guys.

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After an Earth-scarring apocalyptic battle, humanity's meta-heroes must take the fight to the enemy. Their task: hunt down the secret puppetmasters behind the Nazi robot invasion, the Thule Society, and cut off the multi-universe plague the Thulians have unleashed. It's go time once again for the meta-heroes including fire-bender John Murdock, hacker-witch Vikki Nagy, healer Belladonna Blue, super-quick Mercurye - and most of all for their ghostly ally, Seraphym, the spirit of the world who uses her secret influence to direct the fight against a Thulian-based tyranny of evil that is fast descending upon the entire universe!

From New York Times best-seller and science fiction and fantasy mistress of adventure Mercedes Lackey together with a team of topnotch collaborators, the second entry in the blockbuster saga of superpowers - and the very human men and women who must learn to wield them.

Connie Willis

Best of Connie Willis: Award-Winning Stories, Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780345540645

Few authors have had careers as successful as that of Connie Willis. Inducted into the Science Fiction Hall of Fame and recently awarded the title of Grand Master by the Science Fiction and Fantasy Writers of America, Willis is still going strong. Her smart, heartfelt fiction runs the gamut from screwball comedy to profound tragedy, combining dazzling plot twists, cutting-edge science, and unforgettable characters.

From a near future mourning the extinction of dogs to an alternate history in which invading aliens were defeated by none other than Emily Dickinson; from a madcap convention of bumbling quantum physicists in Hollywood to a London whose Underground has become a storehouse of intangible memories both foul and fair - here are the greatest stories of one of the greatest writers working in any genre today.

All ten of the stories gathered here are Hugo or Nebula award winners - some even have the distinction of winning both. With a new Introduction by the author and personal afterwords to each story - plus a special look at three of Willis's unique public speeches - this is unquestionably the collection of the season, a book that every Connie Willis fan will treasure, and, to those unfamiliar with her work, the perfect introduction to one of the most accomplished and best-loved writers of our time.

Gene Wolfe, Bill Fawcett (Editor), Neil Gaiman, David Brin, Nancy Kress, Timothy Zahn, J E Mooney, et al

Shadows of the New Sun: Stories in Honor of Gene Wolfe Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780765334589

Perhaps no living author of imaginative fiction has earned the awards, accolades, respect, and literary reputation of Gene Wolfe. His prose has been called subtle and brilliant, inspiring not just lovers of fantasy and science fiction, but readers of every stripe, transcending genre and defying preconceptions.

In this volume, a select group of Wolfe's fellow authors pay tribute to the award-winning creator of *The Book of the New Sun*, *The Fifth Head of Cerberus*, *Soldier of the Mist*, *The Wizard Knight* and many others, with entirely new stories written specifically to honor the writer hailed by *The Washington Post* as 'one of America's finest.'

Shadows of the New Sun features contributions by Neil Gaiman, David Brin, David Drake, Nancy Kress, and many others, plus two new short stories by Gene Wolfe himself.

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Lara Parker

The first all-new Dark Shadows novel in years, written by Lara Parker, one of the stars of the cult classic TV show!

When a portrait is lost that has maintained Quentin Collins's youthful appearance for over a century - and has also kept his werewolf curse at bay - Quentin begins to dread the full moon.

Meanwhile, David, the sixteen-year-old heir to the Collins fortune, has fallen in love with Jacqueline, a young girl living at the Old House who is the reincarnation of Angelique. David and Jacqueline are swept back in time to the prohibition era of the Twenties, where David uncovers the dark secrets of the Collins family history.

Most threatening of all, Dr. Nathaniel Blair, an expert in the paranormal, has come to Collinwood because he suspects they are harboring a vampire. Fortunately, Barnabas Collins has returned to his coffin after a disastrous flirtation with life as a human. Nevertheless, what Blair discovers places the entire Collins family in jeopardy.

Doctor Who

The Wheel of Ice B Paperback \$19.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781849901833

Stephen Baxter

The Wheel. A ring of ice and steel around a moon of Saturn, and home to a mining colony supplying Earth. It's a bad place to grow up. The colony has been plagued by problems and there are stories of mysterious creatures glimpsed aboard the Wheel. Many of the younger workers refuse to go down the warren-like mines anymore. And then young Phee Laws, surfing Saturn's rings, saves an enigmatic blue box from destruction. Aboard the Wheel, the Doctor, Jamie and Zoe find themselves caught in a mystery that goes right back to the creation of the solar system. A mystery that could kill them all.

Star Trek Original Series

From History's Shadow A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781476719009

Dayton Ward

2268: Following the encounter with the mysterious Gary Seven in the twentieth century, the crew of the U.S.S. Enterprise is startled by two intruders who have transported through space and time from Earth circa 1968. Incredibly, one of the infiltrators is a Vulcan, who asserts that he's lived among Earth's population for over a decade. The other represents a little-known race, and reveals to Captain James T. Kirk that she has spent the last twenty years working to bring about humanity's destruction. It is then that Gary Seven's young protégée, Roberta Lincoln, arrives seeking Kirk's help. . . .

1947: In the wake of the infamous 'Roswell Incident' involving a crashed alien craft and beings from another world, Captain James Wainwright finds himself recruited as one of the first members of Majestic 12, a secret organization with two goals: Collect evidence of extraterrestrial activity on Earth, and develop strategies to combat alien invaders. And it is this very mission that will consume Wainwright's life for the next two decades, driven by the knowledge that the danger is as real as the aliens living among us. . . .

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The Republic has fallen. Sith Lords rule the galaxy. Jedi Master Obi-Wan Kenobi has lost everything. Everything but hope.

Tatooine - a harsh desert world where farmers toil in the heat of two suns while trying to protect themselves and their loved ones from the marauding Tusken Raiders. A backwater planet on the edge of civilized space. And an unlikely place to find a Jedi Master in hiding, or an orphaned infant boy on whose tiny shoulders rests the future of a galaxy.

Known to locals only as 'Ben', the bearded and robed offworlder is an enigmatic stranger who keeps to himself, shares nothing of his past, and goes to great pains to remain an outsider. But as tensions escalate between the farmers and a tribe of Sand People led by a ruthless war chief, Ben finds himself drawn into the fight, endangering the very mission that brought him to Tatooine.

Ben - Jedi Master Obi-Wan Kenobi, hero of the Clone Wars, traitor to the Empire, and protector of the galaxy's last hope - can no more turn his back on evil than he can reject his Jedi training. And when blood is unjustly spilled, innocent lives threatened, and a ruthless opponent unmasked, Ben has no choice but to call on the wisdom of the Jedi - and the formidable power of the Force - in his never-ending fight for justice.

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In a run-down apartment Tempe makes a ghastly discovery: the decomposing bodies of three infants. According to the landlord, a woman named Alma Rogers lives there. Then a man shows up looking for Alva Rodriguez. Are Amy Roberts, Alma Rogers, and Alva Rodriguez the same person? Did she kill her own babies? And where is she now?

Heading up the investigation is Tempe's old flame, homicide detective Andrew Ryan. His counterpart from the Royal Canadian Mounted Police is sergeant Ollie Hasty, who happens to have a little history with Tempe himself, which she regrets. This unlikely trio follows the woman's trail, first to Edmonton and then to Yellowknife. What they find in Yellowknife is more sinister than they ever could have imagined -

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In *Of Dice and Men*, David Ewalt recounts the development of Dungeons & Dragons from the game's roots on the battlefields of ancient Europe, through the hysteria that linked it to satanic rituals and teen suicides, to its apotheosis as father of the modern video-game industry. As he chronicles the surprising history of the game's origins (a history largely unknown even to hardcore players) and examines D&D's profound impact, Ewalt weaves laser-sharp subculture analysis with his own present-day gaming experiences. An enticing blend of history, journalism, narrative, and memoir, *Of Dice and Men* sheds light on America's most popular (and widely misunderstood) form of collaborative entertainment.

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The *Skullport* expansion adds a new resource to the game: Corruption. The *Undermountain* expansion features bigger quests and more ways to get adventures. *Scoundrels of Skullport* also includes new Lords, new Buildings, and set-up materials for a sixth player.

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While taping an episode of Chasing History's Monsters, TV host and archaeologist Annja Creed learns that her sometime friend and protector Garin has acquired an ancient butterfly key artifact, the kind once used to wind automatons, clockwork-style devices. Except, this key comes with a rumor attached, a story that it once worked a god-touched device both rare and unbelievably powerful.

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Neil Gaiman & Chip Kidd

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The book *Make Good Art*, designed by renowned graphic artist Chip Kidd, contains the full text of Gaiman's inspiring speech.

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William Dampier, (1651-1715), was an English adventurer and pirate who preyed on ships on the Spanish Main. Poor and ill-educated and determined to make his fortune, he nonetheless had a passion for exploration and scientific research. Dampier was the first to map the winds and currents of the world's oceans; led the first recorded party of Englishmen to set foot on Australia - 80 years before Cook; wrote about Galapagos wildlife 150 years before Darwin, who drew on Dampier's notes in his own work; was the first travel writer: A NEW VOYAGE AROUND THE WORLD was instant bestseller when it was published in 1697 - said to have influenced the novels of Swift and Defoe. A man full of contradictions: he who achieved so much 'blew it' later in life, declining into scandal, failure and even farce. A unique man ahead of his time, he lived a large part of his life among pirates yet managed to preserve what Coleridge called his 'exquisite refinement of mind'. A classic example of the best narrative history.

Dennis Showalter

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One of America's most distinguished military historians offers the definitive account of the greatest tank battle of World War II - an epic clash of machines and men that matched the indomitable will of the Soviet Red Army against the awesome might of the Nazi Wehrmacht.

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In *Armor and Blood*, Showalter re-creates every aspect of this dramatic struggle. He offers expert perspective on strategy and tactics at the highest levels, from the halls of power in Moscow and Berlin to the battlefield command posts on both sides. But it is the author's exploration of the human dimension of armored combat that truly distinguishes this book. In the classic tradition of John Keegan's *The Face of Battle*, Showalter's narrative crackles with insight into the unique dynamics of tank warfare - its effect on men's minds as well as their bodies. Scrupulously researched, exhaustively documented, and vividly illustrated, this book is a chilling testament to man's ability to build and to destroy.

When the dust settled, the field at Kursk was nothing more than a wasteland of steel carcasses, dead soldiers, and smoking debris. The Soviet victory ended German hopes of restoring their position on the Eastern Front, and put the Red Army on the road to Berlin. *Armor and Blood* presents readers with what will likely be the authoritative study of Kursk for decades to come.

Pam Withers & Cynthia Gill

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Everyone knows that boys are falling behind in education. Largely left out of the discussion are parents of boys, who are most aware that their bright, eager sons hit an invisible wall somewhere in their mid teens, after which they become disengaged, discouraged, and disaffected. There are dozens of books on underachieving boys, but most parents brave enough to lift one off the shelf are instantly intimidated by the footnotes, graphs, case studies, and academic-speak addressed almost entirely to educators. What about the average guilt-ridden, frustrated mother or father of an underachieving boy? *Jump-Starting Boys* is the first book on the market that empowers parents, helping them reclaim the duties and rewards of raising their children and navigate the influences of school and media. Filled with reassurance and support, the authors turn fear and guilt into can-do confidence. Through easy tips and action list sidebars, this is the most practical, readable book on the topic.



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