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Fiona McIntosh Signing



We had another successful author signing on 4th Dec. Boosted by the visits Fiona has made to Infinitas, several of her books made our bestsellers list.

Harry Potter

The next Harry Potter book has been announced: *Harry Potter and the Half Blood Prince*. Due out on 16th July at 9:01am, HC \$45. Rumour has it that neither Harry nor Lord Voldemort is the half blood prince, Dan suspects it might be Neville. We are taking pre-orders now. Keep tuned for a special offer and competition.

Discworld

Terry Pratchett's next three Discworld novels have been announced during his recent Australian tour: *Wintersmith*, a new Tiffany novel, *Thud*, a Guards novel, and *When I am Older I Will Wear Midnight*, another Tiffany novel.

McCaffrey & Scarborough

Random House/Delrey Books has announced that Anne McCaffrey and Elizabeth Ann Scarborough have submitted the first manuscript in a new trilogy set in their Powers That Be universe.

Role Playing Gamers

Are there any RPG players looking for games, or games needing new players out there? Email the shop with details to be put in touch.

Leviathan 2005

For tabletop wargamers into WH40K, WH, HeroClicks and others, Leviathan 2005 will be held 23rd & 24th April, at (unconfirmed)Quakers Hill High School. Contact the shop for more information. Infinitas will be providing prizes.

Eragon Film

Later this year we should see the cinema release by Fox 2000 of the Eragon film based on Christopher Paolini's book

Book Addict's Email

We would like to share an amusing response from a customer after being told about a new book in the series they had been buying:

Thanks Dan...

more money...

see you tomorrow

It is Xmas I have no money

You people will be the death of me

Christmas

Christmas sales figures were significantly better than the previous year, though in many ways it's nice to have the rush over.

Tsunami

Web blogs report Arthur C Clarke has lost his seaside holiday home, diving station and various boats in the recent tsunami disaster. Worse, some of the diving station staff are missing. In his 1957 book *Reefs of Taprobane : Underwater Adventures Around Ceylon* he described a tsunami following the 1883 eruption of Kratatoa reaching Galle harbour. Our sympathy is with all affected.

Aurealis Award Finalists

Novels and short stories short listed for the awards have been announced. Congratulations to all the authors who have got this far. The winners are to be announced at a ceremony on Jan 22nd in Brisbane. Click through the News page on our website for the full listing.

Seduced By Moonlight

by **Laurell K Hamilton**

The third Merry Gentry book is out.

See inside for details.



The Ethos Effect

by **L. E. Modesitt, Jr.**

A blend of space battles, political and economic intrigue, issues of race and religion, ethics and self interest.

See inside for more...





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

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

Science Fiction, Fantasy and Horror

C J Adams & Cathy Clamp

Hunter's Moon

Desperate and at the end of her rope, Sue Quentin hires Tony, a mysterious hitman and werewolf, never expecting to find herself falling for the man she has paid to kill her or that she will become the target of Tony's bizarre enemies, not all of whom are human. **PB \$17.95**

Robert Asprin & Eric Del Carlo

War Torn: Resurrection

Resurrected and placed inside a host body by the scheming magic ian Matokin, the legendary warlord Dardas, who died more than two centuries earlier, leads an unstoppable army of conquest against the city-states of Isthmus, unless the warrior-priests of the Temple of the Green Men are willing to forsake their vows of noninterference to stop him. **PB \$17.95**

James Axler

Shaking Earth

In the crumbling ruins of what was once Mexico City, Ryan and his group ally themselves with a fair and just baron caught in a treacherous power struggle with a dangerous enemy, and an internecine war foreshadows ultimate destruction of the valley at a time when unity of command and purpose offers the only hope against a terrible fate. **PB \$16.95**

Kage Baker

The Anvil of the World

A fantasy debut by the author of *In the Garden of Eden* finds former assassin Smith of the Children of the Sun people looking forward to his retirement and overseeing an endangered sea caravan in the wake of those who would kill him for his past deeds. **PB \$17.95**

R Scott Bakker

The Warrior Prophet

A sequel to *The Darkness That Comes Before* continues the story of powerful logician-monk Anasvimbor Kellhus and his witness to the apocalyptic Holy War that threatens his world. **HC \$52.95**

L A Banks

The Awakening

Spoken-word artist by day and vampire hunter at night, Damali Richards matches wits with master vampire Fallon Nuit, who wants her to launch his empire, a goal that could ignite a bloody civil war among the vampire ranks that only Damali can stop, but her quest is threatened by the return of her ex-lover turned vampire who has his own agenda. **PB \$17.95**

Elizabeth Bear

Hammered

A former Canadian special forces warrior artificially engineered for combat, Jenny Casey spends her days hiding from the government she once served, but now she has become a pawn in a high-stakes battle for power as a ruthless scientist sets his sights on Jenny and her unique talents. A first novel. **PB \$17.95**



Stephen Baxter

The Hunters of Pangaea

The Boskone 41 GoH book containing 18 short stories and 5 essays. **HC \$56.95**

Ted Besser

Swjiz Sjet

A unique perspective on a fictional spacecraft, the Swjiz Sjet. Part operating manual and part Swjiz history, each chapter gives a rudimentary description of what the Swjiz Sjet does, where it goes, and what it can do when it gets there. **TP \$23.95**

Lucy Blue

My Demon's Kiss

Transformed into a vampire while en route home to Ireland from the Crusades, Simon, Knight of Lyan, discovers that his only chance for redemption lies in finding a legendary treasure that can restore his humanity and embarks on a desperate quest that leads him to the catacombs of Castle Charmot and to the beautiful Isabel. **PB \$17.95**

Marion Zimmer Bradley

To Save A World

An omnibus edition of the best-selling author's Darkover novels features *World Wreckers*, in which Darkover becomes the target of an intergalactic company that destroys the ecology and economy of a planet, and *Planet Savers*, in which a Terran doctor journeys to the unexplored regions of the Darkovan mountains in search of a cure for a devastating plague. Also includes *The Waterfall*. **PB \$19.95**

Caitlin Brennan

The Mountain's Call

Gifted with a magical horse sense, Valeria disguises herself as a boy and is called to the Mountain of the gods where she endures many trials to become a Rider with the help of a barbarian prince, but when her secret is revealed, she loses everything until she gets one last chance to prove herself. **PB \$18.95**

Mike Brotherton

Star Dragon

The discovery by an interstellar probe of a mysterious alien dragon made of the very essence of stars sends Captain Lena Fang, exobiologist Samuel Fisher, and the rest of the crew of the Karamojo on a difficult journey to SS Cygni, a world some 250 light years from Earth, to uncover the truth about the star dragon. A first novel. **PB \$17.95**

Lois McMaster Bujold

Ethan of Athos

HC \$52.95

Falling Free

HC \$52.95

The first generally available printing of these books in hard cover.

Suzy McKee Charnas

Stagestruck Vampires and Other Phantasms

A retrospective collection of frightening, sensuous tales by the author of *The Vampire Tapestry* and *The Ruby Tear* presents such classic works as *The Unicorn Tapestry*, about a therapist transformed by an encounter with a client who just might be a vampire, as well as *Peregrines*, *Boobs*, and *Beauty and the OpTra* or *The Phantom Beast*. **HC \$51.95**

C J Cherryh, Mercedes Lackey, Leslie Fish & Nancy Asire

The Sword of Knowledge

A three-in-one volume of the fantasy novels A Dirge for Sabis, Wizard Spawn, and Reap the Whirlwind. **HC \$49.95**

C J Cherryh

Foreigner 10th Anniversary Edition

Two hundred years after a group of humans had lost a war to the atevi, Bren Cameron, the only human allowed into the atevi society, realizes that he must forge a bond between the seemingly incompatible species. **PB \$19.95**

Deborah Chester

The Queen's Knight

As Peresa, rightful Queen of Mandria, is ready to claim her crown, a deadly mist fills the cathedral and she vanishes, and only Sir Talmor, her sworn protector, can find and save her by revealing the magical powers that will bring scorn upon him. **PB \$17.95**

Lincoln Child & Douglas Preston

Brimstone

In the wake of series of bizarre murders in which claw prints are found near each of the victims, agent Pendergast teams up with officer Vincent d'Agosta in an investigation with apparent ties to the supernatural that takes them from the luxury estates of Long Island to the castles of Italy. **HC \$52.95**

Douglas Clegg

Afterlife

A school for special children, an unsolved murder, a terrified widow, a dream of murder and lost souls, and a mysterious stranger coalesce into a nightmare of unspeakable secrets that one stranger will do anything—even breach the boundaries of life and death—to keep hidden forever. **PB \$17.95**

Dawn Cook

Lost Truth

When Alissa's dreams lead her to a distant island where she discovers countless Masters alive and part of a flourishing magical society, she finds that she may need to be rescued as she rebels against the Master's leader Keribdis, endangering not only her magic but her life. **PB \$19.95**

Dan Cragg & David Sherman

A World of Hurt

Suspecting the alien Skinks in a series of fatal incidents plaguing the colony world of Maugham's Station, the 34th FIST is sent in to investigate, but the team gets more than they had bargained for when they uncover a predatory life form even stranger than the Skinks and a secret war between two human worlds. **HC \$40.95 CASS \$22.95**

Mary Janice Davidson

Derik's Bane

In order to save the world, werewolf Derik Gardner is given the task of heading to sunny California to destroy the reincarnation of the powerful sorceress Morgan Le Fay, only to find himself falling for Morgan's modern-day persona, the beautiful and ditzy Dr. Sara Gunn. **PB \$16.95**

Carole Nelson Douglas

Good Night, Mr Holmes

Her mission on behalf of Oscar Wilde, her discovery of Marie Antoinette's Zone of Diamonds, her capture of a murderer in Bohemia, her insights into Bram Stoker's tea party, and her battle with Sherlock Holmes, all demonstrate the genius of Miss Irene Adler, the beautiful and mysterious American opera singer. Reissue. **PB \$19.95**

Shannon Drake

Dead by Dusk

Stephanie Cahill believes that beautiful Bella Vista offers her a chance to put her painful past behind her and to build a new life, but her powerful attraction to sexy archaeologist Grant Peterson and a series of brutal murders of young women near his excavation site draw them both into a dangerous search to uncover the truth about an ancient and evil legend, before it is too late. **PB \$17.95**

S L Farrell

Mage of Clouds

Jenna MaEagan, the First Holder of the mystical stone known as Lamh Shabhala, finds her life hanging in the balance when her mother dies and the future of Ri Ard is threatened, forcing her to send her beloved daughter Meriel to the Order of Inishfeirm where she will fulfill her destiny as the next First Holder. **PB \$17.95**

Heir of Stone

Seve and her twin brother Kayne, the oldest of Meriel's children, are faced with a new challenge as their treacherous uncle Doyle and his allies launch an attack on Jenna, Meriel, and their entire family, cutting each twin off from the members of their family, with the fate of their youngest brother Ennis unknown, as they individually work to defeat the enemies who have stolen their birthright. **HC \$49.95**

Robert Farrell

Alien Log

In a secret military base, astrophysicist Dr. Corey Newton and linguist Dr. Wendy Ahearn are brought together under the direction of Colonel Pete Mitchell. Their mission: to unlock the secrets contained in an alien artifact. This artifact, found at a UFO crash site, is thought to be the ship's log. Unlocking the Alien Log could be key to the survival of humankind. But will they succeed? **TP \$28.95**

Kate Forsyth Australian Author

The Tower of Ravens



One-Horn's daughter is not like the other satyricorns. Born of a human father, she has failed to grow the horns so prized by her kind. Travelling with a group of apprentice-witches through a land where the dead walk and ghosts haunt the living, Rhiannon can sense what her human companions cannot: there are dark walkers about, and those who would wish ill upon Eileanan. But can the humans trust the word of a satyricorn girl? **PB \$19.95**

Alan Dean Foster

The Hour of the Gate

Jon-Tom and his otter companion Mudge join the wizard Clothahump in a campaign to protect themselves from an invasion of the insectoid Plated Folk. Reprint. **PB \$17.95**

Diana Pharaoh Francis

Path of Honor

A year after Reisel arrived in Koduteel she is met with suspicion and fear from the nobility who fear her power as well as fellow ahalad-kaaslane who doubt her loyalty, and now, at a time when Kodu Riik needs a healer, she is filled with the ability to destroy. **PB \$17.95**

Cheryl J Franklin

Tales of Taormin

An omnibus of the first two novels in the Taormin series features Fire Get, in which Lady Rhianna hides her magic powers and flees an arranged marriage to accompany Lord Venkarel on his quest for the legendary Power focus, and Fire Lord, in which Evaric, ignorant of his magical legacy, must confront his hidden past to gain control of the Taormin. **TP \$28.95**

Leo Frankowski & Dave Grossman

The War With Earth

A planet rich in heavy metals but poor in most other resources, the colony world of New Kashubia has supported itself by sending out its people as mercenaries to fight in tanks in symbiosis with an Artificial Intelligence, only to discover that they had been fighting only in virtual reality, but a real war is threatening, one that cannot be settled in cyberspace. **PB \$17.95**

David Gerrold

Alternate Gerrolds

A collection of short stories features alternative histories based on such everyday themes as diverse as exploration, the fight against evil, laboratory experiments, and self-improvement, in an anthology that includes such works as Franz Kafka, Superhero!, The Firebringers, and Digging in Gehenna. **TP \$30.95**

Rob Grant

Incompetence

Bad is the new good. In the not too distant future the European Union enacts its most far reaching human rights legislation ever. The incompetent have been persecuted for too long. After all it's not their fault they can't do it right, is it? Now it's illegal to sack or otherwise discriminate against anyone for being incompetent. And now a murder has been committed and our possibly incompetent detective must find out who the murderer is. As long as he can find directions to get him through the mean streets. **PB \$18.95**

Jon Courtenay Grimwood

Stamping Butterflies

The story of two dreamers. One, a would-be assassin in tomorrow's Marrakech, he aims to kill the US President and holds in his head the secret to a faster-than-light drive. The other, a Chinese Emperor, ruler of 148 billion people on an immense Dyson sphere thousands of years in the future. Each believes they are dreaming the other. One must change the future, one must change the past. Both have only days to live. **HC \$45 TP \$29.95**

Laurell K Hamilton*Seduced By Midnight*

When her aunt, the sadistic Queen of Air and Darkness, becomes obsessed with securing the birth of an heir to the Fairie throne, Meredith, who hides among humans in Los Angeles, spends unfruitful evenings with the Queen's immortal guards and finds her magical powers evolving in unexpected ways. **PB \$18.95**

John Harwood*Ghost Writer*

Plagued with unpleasant memories of his mother's death, shy Gerard Freeman is obsessed with the manuscript of a century-old ghost story written by his great-grandmother and entrusted to his care. **HC \$51.95**

Elizabeth Haydon*Requiem for The Sun*

The continuing adventures of Rhapsody, The Brother and Grunthor. **PB \$17.95**

Elegy For A Lost Star

With the rise of new leaders, good and evil, the long-awaited birth of the Child of Time, the dark plans of assassins and rulers, a confrontation that shakes the relationship of the Three, and a battle to the death between two dragons of unimaginable elemental power, the seeds of chaos are planted for a war that will, by its end, consume half of the world.

HC \$45 TP \$29.95

Lian Hearn Australian Author*Brilliance of the Moon*

Otori Takeo and Shirakawa Kaede are now married and more resolved than ever to strengthen their domains. Yet their hasty marriage has enraged Arai Daiichi, the warlord who controls most of the Three Countries, and has insulted the nobleman Lod Fujiwara.

PB \$19.95 CD \$29.95

Robert A Heinlein*Rocket Ship Galileo*

Three high school students join forces with an older nuclear physicist to develop their own atomic rocket, solve their own space problems and blast off for the moon in spite of a series of mysterious setbacks, in a new edition of the classic science fiction novel, first published in 1947. **PB \$17.95**

For Us, The Living: A Comedy of Customs

After crashing his car in 1939, Naval Airman Perry Nelson awakens to find the radically different world of 2086, one marked by a United Europe, the destruction of Manhattan island by two helicopters in 2003, and other changes in the economy, legal system, and the relationships between men and women, in a remarkable, long-lost first novel by the late master of speculative fiction. **PB \$19.95**

Barb Hendee & J C Hendee*Sister of the Dead*

Magiere the dhampir--a half-human, half-vampire sired for the purpose of killing the undead--and her half-elf partner, Leesil, journey to the village of Chemest k, where Magiere searches for the secrets of her past, and confront an evil creature of unimaginable power that holds the inhabitants of the town in the grasp of a terrible curse. **PB \$17.95**

James P Hogan*The Anguished Dawn*

After Earth is devastated by a near miss from a protoplanet that destroys civilization, leaving survivors on the edge of barbarism, technology, culture, and knowledge are preserved only in the Kronian colony near Saturn that sends Landen Keene to help rebuild Earth's civilization, but others will do anything to regain their former privileges and power, in the sequel to Cradle of Sature. **PB \$19.95**

Robert Holdstock*Iron Grail*

In the sequel to Celtika, the enchanter Merlin returns to Alba--only to be confronted by three dire warnings--accompanied by Urtha, High King of the Cornovidi, who seeks to reclaim his stronghold from the warriors of Ghostland, and Jason, out to find his younger son, hiding somewhere in the kingdom. **PB \$17.95**

Emma Holly*Demon's Daughter*

Spurned by both worlds, Inspector Adrian Philips, whose strength has been enhanced by demon technology, finds his duty of keeping the peace between demons and humans in the city of Avvar thwarted by forbidden desire when he meets Roxanne McAllister, a fellow outcast. **PB \$17.95**

Tom Holt*Fishy Wishes: Omnibus 7*

Omnibus of Wish You Were Here & Djinn Rummy **PB \$26.95**

L Ron Hubbard*To The Stars*

In an uncertain future when the first space explorers are traveling through the galaxy, engineer Alan Corday is forced onto one of the starships against his will and must serve both the ship and Earth's struggling space colonies. **HC \$51.95**

Sherrilyn Kenyon*Seize the Night*

An immortal renegade Dark-Hunter, Valerius Magnus, once a powerful Roman soldier, finds himself torn between his duty to protect humankind from the evil that plagues it and his growing feelings for Tabitha Deveraux, the sister-in-law of the Dark-Hunter's mortal enemy and a young woman stalked by a dark power out to destroy everyone she loves.

PB \$17.95

Dean Koontz*Cold Fire*

Attraction and fascination draw reporter Holly Thorne to Jim Ironheart, a strange and quiet man who is compelled to save twelve lives in three months, driven by the conviction that an evil being will soon arrive on Earth. Reissue. **PB \$19.95**

Katherine Kurtz*In the King's Service*

The first volume in a new Deryni trilogy journeys back in time to a world ruled by a man named Donal in which the magical Deryni blood was sought by the most powerful men and women in the kingdom of Gwynedd.

PB \$19.95

John Jetty Australian Author*The Blessings of Stefan*

A thousand years hence lovers will still have to fight to be free. There is still conspiracy, murder and betrayal. A thousand years hence is a city, deep underground where every single person is blind. Except for Thurii Brook of Summerisland. This is the story of Thurii and Corinth, eldest daughter of the Lords Spiritual. What terrible tragedy had happened all those years ago so frightening the Church that it had closed ranks and engaged in a massive cover-up? Corinth's search for the truth leads to a tumultuous final battle in which she and Thurii have to fight for survival, not just their survival but that of the entire city.

PB \$19.95

Review by Tim

This is the story of a young gardener, Thurii, who is supported and protected by his family. He was born different, disabled, with learning difficulties and subnormal hearing and touch skills, but with surprising talents. In the teeming, subterranean, technologically advanced warren of a city which is their world, he alone can see.

Rebellion is brewing amongst the proud and educated miners against the unforgiving Church of Stefan, who rule with an iron fist. Long buried scandals come to light.

Thurii finds first love in Corinth, a wealthy, powerful, high ranking young church official. Thurii, Corinth and their families become the catalyst for action and symbolic focus of cynical machiavellian politicians.

This is a novel and interesting book, but be warned, it is a self published first novel. It contains frequent grammatical errors and should have tried to engage the reader's imagination more rather than overly explain character motive and actions. This leads to a rather slow pace to the love story.

Do not be put off by the frequent references to church. This book is not theological or moralising. It is a well conceived futuristic story of people stumbling with a new technology, sight and all it allows, verses old technologies based upon touch, sound and smell. However, this is mostly a story of politics, and of young people discovering the world is worse than they had hoped, but finding love regardless.

Joe R Lansdale*Sunset and Sawdust*

Overturing the reign of a misogynist local lawman to become the new constable of sawmill settlement Camp Rapture, Sunset Jones investigates the murder of a pregnant woman, the truth about which forces her to draw on an inner strength she never knew she possessed. **TP \$26.95**

Stephen Laws*Fear Me*

After three women band together to destroy a sadistic seducer named Gideon, they feel certain they are safe from his depravity, but Gideon does not die so easily. **PB \$17.95**



Susan Krinard*Shield of the Sky*

Ever since witnessing a sacred ritual, Rhenna of the Free People has been isolated. Now she walks alone guarding the land's borders, growing more troubled by the changes in the wind. Anger and war are rising. The mountain-dwelling shape shifters are disappearing, and word has come of an evil new god whose followers are known by the red stones they hold and the chaos that accompanies them. **PB \$18.95**

Review by Lynn T

The Shield of the Sky is home to the Free People: Amazons, the Sisterhood. It is also home to the Ailu people, a shape-shifter race descended from the ancient gods themselves. Rhenna of the Free People, not quite an outcast of her tribe and her companions, Tahvo of the North (a seer) and Cian of the Ailu meet on a journey to the Karchedon, the heart of the Empire, to save their world as they know it. Along the way they meet Quinn, a Tiberian rebel and Philokrates, the scholar - allies but perhaps with agendas of their own.

Their world with its devas and spirits is changing, not for the better, as the Stone God and its zealot priests use the emperor's power to spread their religion throughout the world.

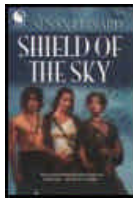
Their quest has many goals; to prevent the slaughter of innocents, to prevent the capture of the Ailu, to free those already taken and to end the reign of the Stone God.

As Rhenna and her companions travel on, they discover facets of themselves they would not have known if their lives had been ordinary. The extraordinary circumstances and their dire necessity to succeed in their quest to save the world leaves the reader wanting to see them succeed.

This story is an intriguing mix of history and fantasy - combining the Amazons, religion and the supernatural in one blend.

Similar in style to Steven Pressfield's 'Last of the Amazons', this is a fairly easy read and one you can pick up and put down when time is short.

Definitely looking forward to the next instalment of Rhenna and her friends' journey.

**Jeff Long***The Reckoning*

Assigned to cover an army search for a thirty-years-missing military plane and its pilot in the former killing fields of Cambodia, photojournalist Molly is warned by a local overseer to avoid ghostly wanderers who appear to move within the pictures Molly takes. **HC \$51.95**

Brandon Massey*Dark Corner*

After the tragic death of his father, David Hunter arrives in Mason's Corner, to learn more about this man he never really knew and soon discovers that this quiet and friendly town is not what it seems when an ancient evil with an unquenchable thirst for blood and revenge, takes up residence. **PB \$17.95**

Alex McDonough*Scorpio*

Jumping through time to escape the genocide on his home planet, Scorpio lands on Earth in 1351, finding an ally in the Leah de Bernay, a beautiful young woman with her own enemies, as they flee from the vicious Hunters who drove Scorpio from his own world and now seek to seize the glowing orb of power that brought him to Earth. **PB \$17.95**

Patricia A McKillip*Something Rich and Strange*

When a mysterious artist comes to Megan's and Jonah's seaside art shop, strange clues begin to appear in Megan's seascapes, Jonah is seduced into the sea, and Megan must find a way into the secret lands of the ocean. **PB \$24.95**

John Meaney*Resolution*

The war against The Blight is over, and the subterranean realms of Nulapeiron have a chance for peace. But Tom Corcorigan, revolutionary and war hero, newly married and longing for the quiet life, knows that a greater force threatens his world: the planet-consuming Anomaly, which has absorbed billions of humans and alien beings into itself. **HC \$57.95**

R M Meluch*The Myriad*

The forces of Earth and their long-time enemies, the Palatine Empire, are forced into an uneasy and fragile alliance to stop the Hive, an alien life-form that is devouring its way across the galaxy, and Captain Farragut and the crew of the Merrimack find themselves on the front lines when they stumble upon three mysterious colonized worlds that have escaped the Hive. **HC \$49.95**

L E Modesitt Jr*Ordermaster*

In a sequel to Wellspring of Chaos, Kharl is recalled to the capital to assist the lord-chancellor Hagen in dealing with rebellious nobles and protect his homeland from Hamorian expansion, conflicts during which Kharl is forced to use extreme magical measures. **HC \$56.95**

The Ethos Effect

Seriously injured while preventing an assassination, Commander Van C. Albert of the Republic Space Force of Taran is forced unwillingly into retirement and takes a job with a mysterious, non-aligned foundation, Integrated Information Systems, a powerful organization dedicated to preventing a coming interstellar war. **PB \$19.95**

Thomas F Monteleone*The Reckoning*

Peter Carezza, a miracle-working product of a secret Vatican experiment, has become the new Pope, but instead of becoming the savior his creators hoped, he has become the Anti-Christ and begins a mad quest to destroy the world. Reissue. **PB \$19.95**

Warren Murphy*No Contest*

Remo and Chiun take their own individual approaches to an investigation into the Extreme Sports Network, a reality television station catering to America's lust for blood, guts, and sex that has a suspicious number of deaths among its European contestants. **PB \$16.95**

John Myers Myers*Silverlock*

Silverlock tells the story of A. Clarence Shandon's peregrinations through the Commonwealth of Letters. He encounters many well-known and obscure characters from literature. A key is appended for those whose readings do not yet extend to the entire corpus of world literature. **HC \$57.95**

E Nesbit*Five Children and It*

When five siblings discover a Psammead, or sand-fairy, in the gravel pit near the country house where they are staying, they have no way of knowing all the adventures and consequences that its ability to grant wishes will bring. **TP \$22.95**

Stan Nicholls*The Covenant Rising*

Cursed with episodes of a blind berserker rage that endanger all those around him, Reeth Caldason, one of the last members of a warrior race massacred decades earlier, wanders the world seeking revenge for his people and seeking a curing for his affliction, joining forces with Kutch, a young sorcerer's apprentice, to find a secret magical society known as the Covenant. **TP \$30.95**

Constance O'Day-Flannery*Shifting Love*

A successful businesswoman, and shapeshifter, Maggie O'Shea uses her unique talents to help others, until she meets the wealthy and cynical Julian McDonald, an entrepreneur who holds the fate of the world in his hands, in a magical, supernatural romance. **PB \$17.95**

Chad Oliver

A Star Above It: Selected Stories Volume 1
HC \$54.95

Far From This Earth: Selected Stories Volume 2
HC \$54.95

Richard Laymon*The Lake*

Leigh is young, rebellious and beautiful, and she yearns for a summer of excitement by the lake. But instead she stumbles into a legacy of terror which will shatter her life. Eighteen years on, Deana has no knowledge of her mother's troubled past. But when the horrors of the past meet the perils of the present, both mother and daughter are plunged into a nightmare of blood and terror from which there is no escape. **PB \$18.95**

Rachel Lee*Shadows of Myth*

Archer Blackcloak assembles a small band of rebels, comprised of warriors and powerful magicians with hidden talents and undying loyalty, to destroy the Ilduin Bane, assassin mages who revel in death and control, and restore peace to their village. **TP \$28.95**

Patti O'Shea*Power of Two*

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Review by Liam (age 10 1/2)

Drowned Wednesday is the third book in the Keys to the Kingdom series, which have been a great success I might add. In this story Lord Arthur continues in his quest for the Keys and to free all the seven parts of the Will in the Border Sea.

This book and the others in the Keys to the Kingdom series are similar in style to the Seventh Tower series also written by Garth Nix.

This story has lots of magic (with help from more Nothing), many more creepy characters and strange friends to help. Drowned Wednesday is suited to children about twelve years old and also can be enjoyed by adults as well.

I myself have been eagerly waiting for this book to come into my life and it certainly was worth the wait.

Christopher Paolini

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When Eragon finds a polished blue stone in the forest, he thinks it is the lucky discovery of a poor farm boy; perhaps it will buy his family meat for the winter. But when the stone brings a dragon hatchling, Eragon realizes he has stumbled upon a legacy nearly as old as the Empire itself. Overnight his simple life is shattered, and he is thrust into a perilous new world of destiny, magic, and power. With only an ancient sword and the advice of an old storyteller for guidance, Eragon and the fledgling dragon must navigate the dangerous

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Black Hearts 1: Valnir's Bane

Nathan Long

Given a choice between execution or volunteering for a suicide mission, a disreputable band of convicts is assigned to journey deep into enemy-held territory to retrieve an ancient relic that could change the course of the war. **PB \$17.95**

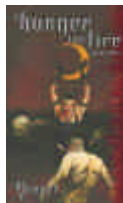
World of Darkness

Vampire the Requiem 1:

A Hunger Like Fire

Greg Stolze

In this first novel join the danse macabre of Chicago's undead. Persephone sees the city as a banquet and opportunity, but with every night she feels herself grow a little colder, a little more monstrous. Will she survive her unlife? **PB \$14**



Role Playing Games

A/State

The Lostfinders Guide to Mire End

Come wander down the flooded lanes and dank alleys of Mire End, and meet the people and organisations that inhabit this impoverished, benighted burgh. This supplement for A/State features a host of NPCs, background essays, a full map of Mire End, and stacks of adventure nuggets just waiting to be run. **\$20**

Babylon 5

The Psi Corps

Telepathy is fundamentally communication - a bridging of thoughts. Each new medium of communication brings upheaval in society. The Psi Corps holds telepathy in trust, protecting it from abuse and finding the best possible path for it. Full history, rules and prestige classes for playing in the Corps. **\$50**

Conan

Across the Thunder River

This book is intended to give Games Masters the resources to bring the terrible Picts of Hyboria to life and break their misconception as idiotic savages who whoop and jump around a lot, flinging arrows and tomahawks at people. **HC \$70**

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Map Folio 3D

This product contains everything necessary to construct a deluxe, threedimensional building that can be the centerpiece of any RPG. **TP \$17**

Advanced Bestiary

This is the first of Green Ronin's Advanced Rulebooks. The essential supplements for d20 System experts. The Advanced Bestiary features over 100 new templates. These templates can be combined with monsters from any other source to create an endless variety of new creatures. In addition, each template includes a sample creature, showing ways to overlay templates on a variety of creatures, while giving monster stats to start play. **\$74**

Slayers Guide Compendium Volume 1

This volume brings eight great slayer's guide titles together for the first time. This may be your last opportunity to get hold of these hard to find releases, all of which have been thoroughly revised and updated. Includes Hobgoblins, Gnolls, Troglodytes, Bugbears, Trolls, Orcs & Doppelgangers. **HC \$70**

Hamunaptra

Three mighty pharaohs, kings and gods, rule over a land divided. Priests of mighty deities guide the lives of peasants and nobles alike, as all struggle to make the most of the fertile lands lining the might river Yor. Welcome to Hamunaptra. Inside this box set you will find, three sourcebooks, fully detailing a complete campaign setting inspired by the myths, legends, and culture of Ancient Egypt, Adaptations for all the core classes, new feats, spells and domains, new secret societies and dozens of new magic items plus a beautiful map of the lands of Khemti. **\$80**

d20 Dungeons & Dragons:

Races of the Wild

There is extensive information on the classic races of elves and halflings, including new rules, information for interaction, new spells, and new magic items attuned to each race and a new race is introduced. **HC \$50**

Races of Destiny

This sourcebook includes brand new races, new rules, feats, spells, and magic items attuned to each race. The book contains material for players and DMs alike, including new prestige classes. **HC \$50**

d20 Ravenloft: Legacy of the Blood

This book explores the histories of some of the Core's most powerful families. In addition to a history of each family, it also contains prestige classes, family feats and special requirements for playing individuals whose names carry great weight in Ravenloft. **\$46**

d20 Scarred Lands: Strange Lands: Lost Tribes of the Scarred Lands

Whether used as a launching point for campaigns to explore the lost continents of the Scarred Lands or as a toolkit for playing unique characters from harsh and exotic environs, this sourcebook offers new and interesting spells, monsters, magical items, feats and prestige classes. **HC \$70**

d20 Sword & Sorcery: The Book of Iron Might

This book contains a whole new way to look at combat, allowing you to create mechanics for called shots, daredevil stunts, and other thrilling actions on the fly. It also includes three new types of feats, new uses for skills, and an exciting new race, the ironborn. **TP \$28**

d20 Warcraft: Shadows & Light

Delve into new planes of reality, from the magical Twisting nether to the mysterious Emerald Dream and much more. Be careful, however - the entities who dwell in these otherworldly places are not to be trifled with! Includes epic classes and feats, templates, NPCs, spells, magic items, powerful artifacts. Plus an in-depth look at the Warcraft cosmology. **TP \$50**

d20 Wild West: Sidewinder: Recoiled
Sidewinder Recoiled takes the d20 modern rules and customises them for Wild West action. This rulebook contains everything you need such as complete basic classes, skills, and feats, weapons and equipment like tomahawks and dynamite, 19 new advanced classes, like bounty hunter, desperado, maverick, plus complete rules for combat and critters. \$70

Exalted

The Fair Folk

This hardcover provides detailed rules for roleplaying nobles and commoners in the faerie courts on the edges of Creation. Trapped between the hostile reality of Creation and the impending rush of the Faerie host, the Fair Folk must make their own fate as the Time of Tumult unfolds around them. HC \$60

Fireborn

Fireborn Gamemasters Handbook

The heroes of the past have awoken to carry on the fight, and the world is yours to bring them. Will the scions usher in a new age of magic and light, or will mankind's arrogance bring the world to ruin by fire and flood. HC \$60

GURPS

GURPS Fantasy

From the basics of the landscape itself, through its inhabitants and cultures, to the details of believable histories and politics. It also examines the nature of supernatural forces, and discusses the impact of wizards, monsters, and gods. And, of course, it looks at the many different ways that magic and users of magic can work in a fantasy world. HC \$70



GURPS Magic

Players can create any sort of wizard they can imagine. GM's can adapt the system to fit their own campaign or set adventures in the world of their favourite fantasy author. The rules can be modified to fit almost any world or wizard. With hundreds of new spells and several alternate magic systems, including improvisational magic, symbol magic, clerical magic, ritual magic, and alchemy. \$70

Heroquest

Men of the Sea

Men of the Sea explores the seas, coasts, and islands of Glorantha through the eyes of sailor heroes. It introduces eight new homelands for heroes, explores life as a sailor, and provides full rules for applying the HeroQuest rules to sea-borne contests. These sailors ply the seas in search of fame, fortune, and knowledge. \$40

Legend of the Five Rings

Way of the Thief

Way of the Thief explores the heretofore hidden criminal societies that exist in Rokugan. It contains all the information needed to run a dishonourable campaign, or it can be used to provide truly developed and unique opponents for magistrates and honourable samurai. \$50

Lone Wolf OGL

Magic of Magnamund

It contains new character classes, spells, magical powers, equipment and even creatures

drawn from or expanded out of the Lone Wolf setting. \$44

Warhammer Historical

Chariot Wars

Chariot Wars contains army lists for use with Warhammer Ancient Battles. Seven detailed lists cover the greatest empires of the ancient Middle East 2500 BC to 500 BC: the age of chariot warfare. \$40

Fall of the West

It contains information, rules and army lists covering the period that marked the end of the Western Roman Empire and the start of the Dark Ages. \$50

English Civil War

In England 1642 the land is torn by internal conflict. All men must rally to the banner of the righteous. \$52

Shieldwall

It contains a historical background and chronology outlining the important events as well as 28 detailed regional army lists for the Viking Age. \$60

El Cid

One of the most famous warriors of the Middle Ages. His deeds are legendary and his adventures in a world of Moors and Christians, castillos and caballeros, provide ideal territory for games of Warhammer Ancient Battles. \$52

Alexander the Great

This source book contains a detailed historical overview of the period outlining the important events and battles of Alexander's Age up until his death. \$70

Armies of Chivalry

The lists will enable players to recreate battles for some of the greatest conflicts of the Age including The Hundred Years War, The War of the Roses, The Burgundian Wars, The Ottoman expansion, The Northern Crusades and The Wars in Eastern Europe. \$60

Spartacus

Army lists for the Slave and Roman armies, as well as a linear campaign for leading the slaves to freedom. \$52

Legends of the Old West

This lavish, full-colour manual contains all the rules you need to gather your posse and play games set on the harsh American frontier. New tabletop miniatures system that will entertain you players for many a game night. HC \$76

Armies of Antiquities

contains army lists for use with the Warhammer Ancient Battle rules. The lists cover all of the most famous armies of the ancient world, from the chariot armies of ancient Egypt through to armies of crusading knights. \$32

Warhammer Ancient Battles

Rules for playing wargames set in the ancient world, utilising armies of model warriors, terrain and dice. \$60

World of Darkness

Antagonists

Antagonists provides systems and information on beings for use as foes and foils for your storytelling characters. Zombies, monster

hunters, cultists and stranger things await. Do you stand against them, or do you have something more devious in mind? \$50

Vampire the Requiem: Nomads

A guide to survival outside protected cities, Nomads offers vampires a chance to leave their old domains behind and begin a new Requiem, or to simply go abroad and return home to the evils they know all too well. \$50

Rites of the Dragon

Rites of the Dragon is the testament of Dracula himself, written in his own words. Within you learn the story of his transformation and quest to unlock the secrets of his undead existence. Beautiful red suede hard cover. HC \$50

Popular Blokey Stuff

Steve Biddulph Australian Author

Manhood

An action plan for changing men's lives. Biddulph uses stories and humour to tackle the critical social issues of creating healthy masculinity and freeing men from crippling and outdated roles. TP \$22.95

John Birmingham & Dirk Flinthart Australian Authors

How to Be a Man

This book will answer all your dilemmas about important issues such as how to clean your house, impress a woman, get your foot in the bedroom door, the manly art of biff, land a jumbo, spot a cheap suit and ask for a raise. PB \$19.95

Macarthur Job Australian Author

Air Disaster Vol 1

Written by an West Australian pilot, this book examines the causes and sequences of actual airliner crashes in detail. Forensic engineering! Great stories. TP \$21.95

Peter Clack Australian Author

Firestorm

The firestorm that devastated Canberra in the summer of 2003 should not have been allowed to happen. This is a controversial examination of our nation's approach to bushfires. TP \$26.95

John Marsden Australian Author

Boy You Brought Home

A single mother's guide to raising boys. Full of easy to read advice given with humour and insight. PB \$14.95

Tim O'Brien Australian Author

Exploiting the Internet

With an Australian viewpoint, this provides comprehensive, easy to understand explanations of the issues and decisions related to the use of internet technology, especially for a growing business. PB \$34.95

Sun Tzu

SunTzu's The Art of War

Wisdom from the famous ancient Chinese general. Apply these principles to corporate workplaces, business plans, the football field, etc. PB \$14.95

Bestsellers for December

General Release

Bridge of Souls Fiona McIntosh *
Acorna's Triumph Anne McCaffrey
& Elizabeth Ann Scarborough
Dragon's Kin Anne & Todd McCaffrey
The Algebrast Iain M Banks
The Iron Tree Cecilia Dart-Thornton *
Fairy Godmother Mercedes Lackey
Traitor's Knot Janny Wurts
Far Side of the Stars David Drake

Media & Gaming Products

Star Wars Clone Wars: Jedi Trial
Star Trek Voyager: Enemy of My Enemy
CSI: Grave Matters
Star Trek Deep Space 9: Unity
Warhammer 40,000: Dawn of War
Warhammer 40,000: Dead Sky, Black Sun
Angel: Love and Death

Information on the Infinitas Groups

New members always welcome at all the groups, if interested come and try.

Readers' Group: The readers group meets on the first Thursday of each month (excluding January) at 6.30pm in the shop. A topic is chosen each month by the attendees of the group for the following meeting. The next meeting will be Thursday February 3rd and the topic is *Best Books of 2004*.

Review Group: The review group meets on the third Thursday of each month. Two books (one science fiction, one fantasy) are chosen by group members for each meeting with participants encouraged to have read at least one prior to the meeting and bring their review/s along for discussion. Upcoming meetings are:
Thursday January 20th 6:30pm: *Shards of Honor* (SF), *The Curse of Chalion* (F), both by Lois McMaster-Bujold
Thursday February 17th 6.30pm: *Jack McDevitt's Engine of God* (SF) and *Raymond E Feist's Talon of a Silver Hawk* (F)

Writers' Group: Infinitas has been host to a writers group for over 8 years now. In 2002 *Passing Strange*, an anthology of short stories by members of the group was published by Mirrordanse Books. The group is for people who are currently writing (or even trying to write) science fiction, fantasy and horror related stories and pieces. If you think this might describe you, and you'd like to get involved in a group with others who understand what the genre is about, contact the shop or check out the website for more details.

2004 Bestsellers List Top 50

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| 1 | <i>Heirs of Earth</i> | Sean Williams & Shane Dix * |
| 1 | Cyteen | C J Cherryh |
| 1 | Dragon's Kin | Anne & Todd McCaffrey |
| 4 | A Hat Full of Sky | Terry Pratchett |
| 5 | March to the Stars | David Weber & John Ringo |
| 6 | Incubus Dreams | Laurell K Hamilton |
| 7 | New Spring | Robert Jordan |
| 8 | Going Postal | Terry Pratchett |
| 8 | Star Wars: Battle Surgeons | Michael Reaves & Steve Perry |
| 8 | Star Wars: Jedi Healer | Michael Reaves & Steve Perry |
| 8 | The Wee Free Men | Terry Pratchett |
| 12 | The Swords of Night and Day | David Gemmell |
| 13 | Exile's Valor | Mercedes Lackey |
| 13 | The Service of the Sword | David Weber et al |
| 15 | <i>Bridge of Souls</i> | Fiona McIntosh * |
| 15 | Kushiel's Avatar | Jacqueline Carey |
| 15 | Star Wars: Tatooine Ghost | Troy Denning |
| 15 | The Shadow of Saganami | David Weber |
| 19 | Forgotten Realms: The Lone Drow | R A Salvatore |
| 19 | Hell's Faire | John Ringo |
| 19 | Star Trek New Frontier: Stone and Anvil | Peter David |
| 19 | Star Wars: Survivor's Quest | Timothy Zahn |
| 23 | <i>Blood & Memory</i> | Fiona McIntosh * |
| 23 | <i>Ninety East Ridge</i> | Stephen Reilly * |
| 23 | <i>Wolfblade</i> | Jennifer Fallon * |
| 23 | Cerulean Sins | Laurell K Hamilton |
| 23 | Exile's Return | Raymond E Feist |
| 23 | Jimmy the Hand | Raymond E Feist |
| 23 | Legends II | Robert Silverberg (editor) |
| 23 | Trading in Danger | Elizabeth Moon |
| 23 | Star Trek Next Gen: A Time To Die | John Vornholt |
| 23 | Star Trek Next Gen: A Time to Harvest | Dayton Ward & Kevin Dilmore |
| 23 | Star Trek Next Gen: A Time to Heal | David Mack |
| 23 | Star Trek Next Gen: A Time To Sow | Dayton Ward & Kevin Dilmore |
| 23 | Star Trek Voyager: Old Wounds | Christie Golden |
| 36 | Joust | Mercedes Lackey |
| 36 | King Of Foxes | Raymond E Feist |
| 36 | Monstrous Regiment | Terry Pratchett |
| 36 | Pandora's Star | Peter F Hamilton |
| 36 | Star Trek Next Gen: A Time To Hate | Robert Greenberger |
| 36 | Star Wars: The Cestus Deception | Steven Barnes |
| 42 | <i>Across The Face of The World</i> | Russell Kirkpatrick (New Zealand) |
| 42 | <i>Betrayal</i> | Fiona McIntosh * |
| 42 | <i>Forever Shores</i> | Peter McNamara & Margaret Winch (editors) * |
| 42 | <i>Killswitch</i> | Joel Shepard * |
| 42 | No Phule Like an Old Phule | Robert Asprin & Peter J Heck |
| 42 | Star Trek Next Generation: A Time for War, A Time For Peace | Keith R A deCandido |
| 42 | Star Trek Next Gen: A Time To Be Born | John Vornholt |
| 42 | Star Trek Next Gen: A Time To Kill | David Mack |
| 42 | Star Trek Stargazer: Maker | Michael Jan Friedamn |

*Australian Authors Check the website for a longer list.