



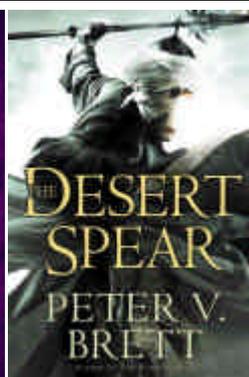
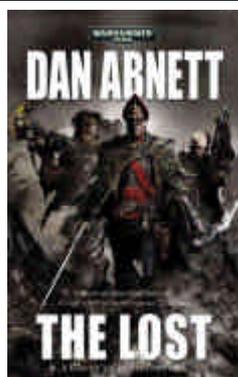
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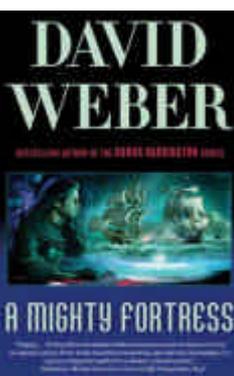
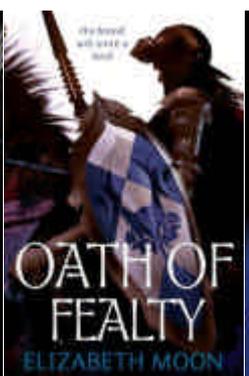
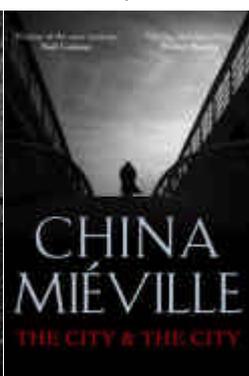
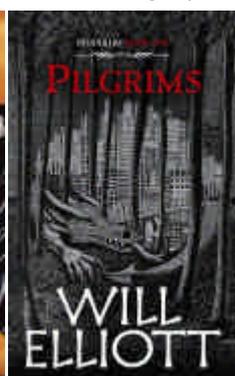
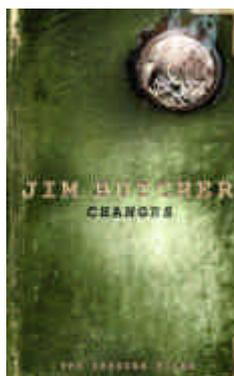
April 2010

Featured Books



Warhammer 40K
 Star Wars
 Taylor Anderson
 Anne Bishop
 Peter V Brett
 Patricia Briggs
 Jim Butcher
 Charlaine Harris
 Will Elliott
 China Mieville
 Elizabeth Moon
 David Weber

The Lost Gaunt's Ghosts omnibus in trade paperback..
Backlash Fate of the Jedi hardcover
Maelstrom Destroyermen 3 in paperback.
Shalador's Lady a *Black Jewels* paperback.
The Desert Spear book 2 in hardcover.
Silver Borne Mercy Thompson 5 in paperback.
Changes a new *Dresden Files* hardcover.
Dead and Gone Sookie Stackhouse 9 in A format paperback.
Pilgrims starting a new fantasy trilogy in paperback.
The City & The City in paperback.
Oath Of Fealty starting a new series in paperback.
A Mighty Fortress Safehold 4 in hardcover.



Author News

Patricia Wrightson OBE, author of childrens' fantasy novels died 15th March 2010. Born 1921, she lived much of her life in northern NSW. Her novels include *The Nargun and the Stars*.

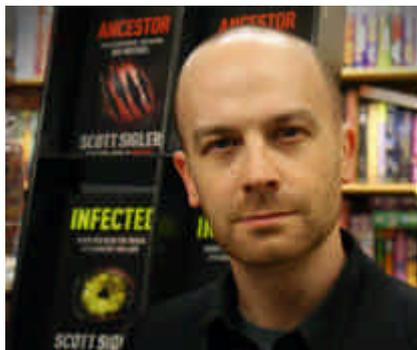
Neil Gaiman is to write an episode for the 2011 season of Doctor Who.

Terry Pratchett has an asteroid named after himself, well not arranged by Terry, but astronomers can be Discworld fans too. Asteriod 127005 is now named Pratchett.

Terry Dowling has sold a collection of stories to Subterranean Press titled *Amberjack: Tales of Fear & Wonder*, including a new Tom Rynosseros story. <http://www.terrydowling.com/>

Kylie Chan visited Infinitas back in December. We have finally uploaded photos of the event at: <http://www.infinitas.com.au/Gallery/KylieChan.php>

Author Visit: Scott Sigler



Scott Sigler visited Infinitas on Tuesday 30th March. He performed a reading from his new novel *Ancestor*, then answered many questions from the audience, followed by settling down and signing many books for readers. The shop filled with fans well before Scott arrived. He gave us all a great evening regaling us with anecdotes from his career. We continued the discussions at The Roxy (pub across the road) with food and drinks. Many photos were taken which are now online at: <http://www.infinitas.com.au/Gallery/ScottSigler.php> One fan recorded his reading and posted it as a podcast which can be found via our Facebook page. This was a very successful event, so thank you to Scott, A and Ashley for co-operation in arranging it. Scott's fans are certainly keen, travelling from as far as Orange, Maitland, Bulli, Gosford, as well as across Sydney.

Scott's book list: <http://www.infinitas.com.au/ProductsByAuthor.php?autid=29977>

Gaming at Infinitas



D&D Day celebrating the release of Player's Handbook 3 saw Infinitas host two large tables of D&D at the shop on Saturday 20th March. Pre-prepared 6th level characters entered the dungeon *Beneath the Lonely Tower* to release a captured dragon. No total party killed results, unlike earlier days. All had great fun.



D&D Delve Day: We had a successful launch of the new D&D Adventures: Undermountain on March 27th, with 2 tables running through the first 2 encounters. This is a week by week adventure for 1st level characters, with rewards for regular players! These are casual games – all welcome - bring your own character for extra reward point opportunities, or ask for one on the day. We hope to be able to run the adventure weekly after the Easter break, with our second batch of encounters being on Saturday April 10th.

Star Wars Miniatures Game at Infinitas: We ran a Star Wars minis games at the shop on Saturday 13th March at 9:30. This was a trial game and would love to make it regular, but we need more players . Contact the shop if interested.

Magic The Gathering: If you would be interested in playing Magic cards at the shop, let us know as we have been asked if we would hold games. If enough players can attend we would love to support them.

External Events

Aussiecon 4 will be the 68th World Science Fiction Convention and to be held in Melbourne over 2nd to 6th September 2010. Guests: Kim Stanley Robinson, Shaun Tan, Robin Johnson. Attending and supporting members can nominate and vote in the Hugo Awards, so be involved. <http://www.aussiecon4.org.au/>

Leviathan 2010 is a weekend of tabletop wargames, boardgames, painting competition, etc at Quakers Hill High School 70 Lalor Rd Quakers Hill on Saturday April 10th and Sunday 11th. Leviathan is run by the Western Suburbs Games Society. For details see: <http://www.westernsuburbsgamesociety.com> Infinitas will run a stall for Leviathan and will be supporting Leviathan again with voucher prizes. We have some of their entry forms at the shop.

Event organisers are welcome to contact us with information about their gaming or book event. We will try to include it here. Also feel welcome to post

Best Sellers for March 2010

<u>General Release</u>		<u>Media and Games Related Titles</u>	
<i>Ancestor</i>	Scott Sigler	<i>A Thousand Sons</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>Infected</i>	Scott Sigler	<i>Player's Handbook 3</i>	Dungeons & Dragons 4 th Edition
<i>Contagious</i>	Scott Sigler	<i>Soul Hunter</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>Oath of Fealty</i>	Elizabeth Moon	<i>Code of the Krillitanes</i>	Doctor Who
<i>The Rookie</i>	Scott Sigler	<i>Martial Power 2</i>	Dungeons & Dragons 4 th Edition
<i>By Heresies Distressed</i>	David Weber	<i>Call to Arms</i>	Warhammer
<i>Terminal World</i>	Alastair Reynolds	<i>The Lost</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>Turn Coat</i>	Jim Butcher	<i>Rynn's World</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>Earth Strike</i>	Ian Douglas	<i>Sorrows of Empire</i>	Star Trek
<i>Shalador's Lady</i>	Anne Bishop	<i>Air</i>	Stargate Universe
<i>Dragon Haven</i>	Robin Hobb	<i>Backlash</i>	Star Wars
<i>Black Magic Sanction</i>	Kim Harrison	<i>Stealth</i>	Star Wars

Book Reviews

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

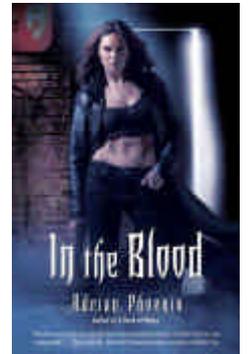
In the Blood by Adrian Phoenix reviewed by Julianne

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781439157251>

In the Blood is the second urban fantasy book by Adrian Phoenix. This story is still 'stand alone' and does not require the reader to have read the first book *Rush of Wings* first to pick up the story.

In the Blood is about FBI Agent Heather Wallace and a True Blood Vampire & Fallen Angel, Dante Bapiste. It follows the struggles that Dante has trying to remember anything from his past, when they used torture and mistreatment in an attempt to program his brain to other peoples bidding. Now, his past is out to neutralise the threat that he presents. Heather is also in trouble, as Dante has saved her once in the past, and now a hidden branch of the FBI, and instigators of the programming, are hunting for both Heather and Dante.

The book was an easy read; however, I have read better books within this genre. There will obviously be a third, and probably more books within the series. One thing that I liked about this book is that they only just succeed at the end. If you've enjoyed books by Richelle Mead and Kim Harrison, you may also enjoy this book.



Exultant by Stephen Baxter reviewed by Ralph Buttigieg

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575076556>

It is more than 20,000 years in the future. Humanity has been conquered, freed, then spread through the Galaxy. For the last 2000 years they have been fighting the mysterious Xeelee. Billions have died in this endless war. Through ideological regimentation, Earth has achieved a bloody stalemate, but the human race is becoming exhausted. This is the universe of Stephen Baxter's new book *Exultant*.

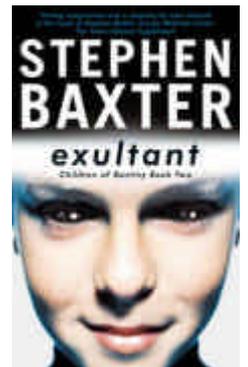
The story centers on young pilot Prius, who cheats death through an innovative time travel maneuver. However, in the stagnant culture he lives in, innovation is abhorred. His reward is imprisonment. It gets worse, because a younger version of Prius (I said there was time travel) is also arrested. Fortunately he is rescued by an elder who realises Prius may hold the key to victory.

Evolution, a popular Baxter theme, is at the heart of the novel. What happens when we breed people to fight and die young?

There's plenty of amazing super science, much based on the latest astronomical discoveries, but don't let it put you off. Baxter never lets it slow the pace. This novel is an exciting roller coaster ride through an amazing futuristic galaxy. Characters are well enough developed and you do care what happens to people.

The climax at the Galaxy's black hole core has all the excitement you could want with an ending left open for a sequel.

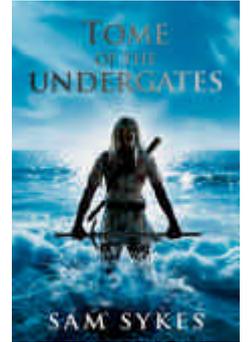
I did enjoy the book and I especially recommend it to hard SF readers. *Exultant* is the second of the *Destiny's Children* series, the first being *Coalescent*, but no prior knowledge of the previous book is required to enjoy this novel.



Tome of the Undergates by Sam Sykes reviewed by Jonathan Dean

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575090293>

Lenk is the leader of one of the most misbatched bands of adventurers ever seen, and it's doubtful whether leading is the best word for what he does. Trying to point all of them in the least dangerous direction at the same time might be a better description. When you're dealing regularly with a psychotic Shict who despises humans, a dragonman who only wants a real challenge to kill or be killed by, the teenage magician with an attitude the size of an elephant, a vicious, cowardly backstabbing rogue, a deserter warrior priestess and an incredibly painful religious zealot healer/priestess, attacks by pirates, demons, and vicious birds seem like a bit of relaxation & peace by comparison. Lenk's band have been hired by Miron Evenhands to escort him & the religious tome he is carrying, but others have different ideas. These include a race of psychotic purple skinned warrior women, an invincible demon with nihilistic tendencies, and beyond the gates, uncountable numbers of demons just salivating at the thought of the fresh, warm human meat just waiting beyond the Undergates.....

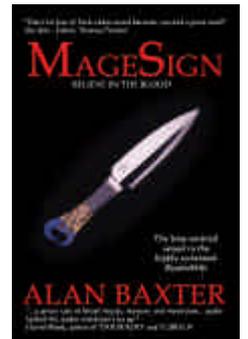


This is the first book by Sykes, and it's an interesting work, albeit bloody hard to describe as a whole. It feels almost like a parody of the classic heroic saga, but Sykes has tried to keep the element of reality including the violence, the gore and the social bickering of any close knit group of people. The adventurers hate & despise each other for various reasons, all of which they're quite happy to explain, and the bad guys have an air of seedy unpleasantness which makes the whole story so much more real to life. The language used in speech is often verbose or deliberately over elaborate, but the scene descriptions are definitely well done as the author has a gift for creating a visual image. Just be warned that it is long, with an incredibly convoluted plot, and there will be times that you will look at the book as you're reading and ask yourself "Where the HELL is he going with this?".

MageSign by Alan Baxter reviewed by Len Newland

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780980578218>

Dark fantasy, as in blood rites, otherwise characterised as human mages fighting each other and dealing with gods in a present day Earth setting without the rest of the human race knowing about it. That's all the gods ever known, including Jehovah; they're all subordinate to an automaton entity called The Balance, for whom the supermage hero works to maintain the balance between humans and gods. MageSign is the "long-awaited" sequel to RealmShift by the same author, which I haven't read, and presents an expansion of scope, the hero now fighting the original villain's supermage boss and his wider organisation.



For me, the highlights of MageSign are all at the end. The final identification of supermage boss's god is a twist for the boss as well as the hero and the reader, the battle of mages and gods in the final chapter is imaginative, and I liked the implications of the philosophy of a god being unbeatable in his own Realm, which gave extra meaning to the battle and made the final solution a neat one. I did, however, find this novel hard to get into: clumsy writing, seedy situation, and a hero likeable only for the villain being worse. Readers of RealmShift may ignore the first, lap up the second, and have picked up any hero character development that might have been in the original novel.

Two stars out of five. I think fans of dark fiction thrillers with a taste for blood and fights between mages and gods should enjoy this novel. I suspect you'll get the greater enjoyment if you've read the original novel first.



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

Information on the Infinitas Groups

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

SF Discussion Group: Meets on the first Thursday of each month (excluding January) at 6.30pm in the shop. A topic is chosen each month by the attendees of the group for the following meeting. Contact the shop for the next topic. Always a lively discussion of science in the news, films, books and ideas. Newcomers welcome. See our website for more info: <http://www.infinitas.com.au/ReadersGroup.php>

Thursday May 6th: Failed Predictions: Where's my Flying Car?

Review Group: The review group meets on the third Thursday of each month at 6.30pm. Two books (usually one science fiction, one fantasy) are chosen by group members for each meeting with participants encouraged to have read at least one prior to the meeting. The discussion is generally serious and insightful, we usually share a bottle or 2 of wine with cheese – contributions gratefully drunk. All welcome.

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

Thursday 15th April 2010:

The Whale's Tale by Edwina Harvey (Science Fiction)

Burning Water by Mercedes Lackey (Urban Fantasy)

Thursday 20th May 2010:

Infected by Scott Sigler (Science Fiction / Horror)

Graceling by Kristin Cahsore (Fantasy)

Writers' Group: The group is for people who are currently writing (or even trying to write) science fiction, fantasy and horror related stories and pieces. If you think this might describe you, and you'd like to get involved in a group with others who understand what the genre is about, why not come along. Meetings are the 3rd Saturday of each month.

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

Monsterpocalypse Gamers:

Monsterpocalypse is a tabletop miniature game for 2 players who each deploy their figurine army of giant monsters rampaging through a cityscape. It is very silly and often humans only rank as collateral damage. Games start 6pm the 2nd and 4th Thursday of most months. Register as a player for prize support from Privateer Press. Contact the shop for details.



Dungeon & Dragons Delve Days: Play a short game of 4th edition D&D, one or two encounters only. Adventures in Undermountain is for 1st level characters, you can bring your own, or ask for one on the day. Ask us at the shop for details. Saturday mornings starting at 10am.

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

Miniatures: We are toying with the idea of hosting D&D and or Star Wars minis games at the shop. Ideally we would find someone to lead/organise each group. If interested, talk to us. Next game: Saturday April 17th - but only if enough come.

Twitter: Keep up to date with the latest arrivals by following us on twitter www.twitter.com/InfinitasBooks

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Ann Aguirre

Hell Fire (Corine Solomon 02)

As a handler, Corine Solomon can touch any object and know its history. It's too bad she can't seem to forget her own. With her ex-boyfriend Chance in tow—lending his own supernatural brand of luck—Corine journeys back home to Kilmer, Georgia, in order to discover the truth behind her mother's death and the origins of "gift".

But while trying to uncover the secrets in her past, Corine and Chance find that something is rotten in the state of Georgia. Inside Kilmer's borders there are signs of a dark curse affecting the town and all its residents—and it can only be satisfied with death... **PB \$17.95**

Madelyn Alt

A Witch in Time (Bewitching Mystery)

Stony Mill, Indiana's newest witch, Maggie O'Neill, has been attached at the hip to the smoking-hot Marcus Quinn. Things couldn't get any better—until her sister Mel gives birth to not one, but two babies...

Maggie's visiting Mel in the hospital when a whispered conversation in a cafeteria sends chills down her spine. She can't make out what they're saying, but Maggie knows malice when she hears it. The next night, death visits the hospital...twice. Nobody bats an eye, but Maggie knows something sinister is haunting the hospital. Now she'll need help if she's going to tie two murders to one killer. **HC \$49.95**

Jessica Andersen

Demon Keepers (Final Prophecy)

According to Mayan doomsday prophecy, 12/21/12 marks the end of the world in a global cataclysm that can only be prevented by the Nightkeepers, magical warriors enlisted to fight the rise of the underworld demons. To fulfill the final prophecy the Nightkeepers must find their mates, but when Lucius and Jade are charged with rescuing the Mayan sun god, they try to ignore their growing attraction. Unless they can confront their own demons and accept that love isn't a weakness, even destiny might not be able to save them... **PB \$19.95**

Taylor Anderson

Maelstrom (Destroyermen 03)

The alternate history saga of The Destroyermen continues...

Lieutenant Commander Matthew Reddy, along with the men and women of the battleship Walker, are once again at war. Having sided with the peaceful Lemurians against the savage, reptilian Grik, they now find themselves scrambling to prepare for the attack that is sure to come. Meanwhile, the Japanese juggernaut Amagi, also trapped in this strange world, is under Grik control. Soon, they will have amassed a force that no amount of fire-power and technology will be able to stop. Reddy, his crew, his allies, and his loved ones face annihilation. But if there is one thing they have learned about their new world, it is that hope—and help—may just be over the horizon... **APB \$19.95**

Kelley Armstrong

Tales From The Otherworld (Otherworld)

Kelley Armstrong's gripping and imaginative short stories are brought together in a fantastic new collection. A young vampire learns the heavy price of his new existence; black witch Eve Levine meets Kristof Nast, her soul mate and her nemesis; Lucas Cortez, lawyer, sorcerer and unwilling heir to his father's Cabal, sets out on a case that will change his destiny; Paige Winterbourne discovers just how fraught a white (witch) wedding can be and Elena Michaels begins her unwitting journey to a new life - as the only female werewolf in the world... These brilliant, self-contained stories are a perfect introduction to the series and a wonderful addition to the existing novels. Tales From the Otherworld will delight fans and curious new readers alike. **APB \$19.99 HC \$51.95**

Jane Austen & Steve Hockensmith

Pride and Prejudice and Zombies: Dawn of the Dreadfuls (prequel)

In this terrifying and hilarious prequel, we witness the genesis of the zombie plague in early-nineteenth-century England. We watch Elizabeth Bennet evolve from a naive young teenager into a savage slayer of the undead. We laugh as she begins her first clumsy training with nunchucks and katana swords and cry when her first blush with romance goes tragically awry. Written by acclaimed novelist (and Edgar Award nominee) Steve Hockensmith, Dawn of the Dreadfuls invites Austen fans to step back into Regency England, Land of the Undead! **BPB \$24.95 MP3 CD \$51.95**

Pride and Prejudice and Zombies Journal **\$14.95**

Pride and Prejudice and Zombies Postcards **\$16.95**

L A Banks

Never Cry Werewolf (Crimson Moon 05)

The last fight between the werewolf clans spilled onto the streets of New Orleans—and now the whole city's on red alert. Martial law has gone into effect. Mediums, ghost hunters, and other supernatural pundits have taken over the media, swarming the Big Easy to expose the hard truth about lycanthropes. And to make matters worse, a beastly killer is clawing up humans...

Secret government operative Sasha Trudeau doesn't like what she's seeing—a series of brutal and bloody slayings that appear to be wolf-like attacks. It might be the work of a copy cat killer—vampire or Unseelie or some other enemy of the Seelie clan. But while Sasha races to find suspects and motives, the panic level is rising—and the city's human population is clamoring for an all-out wolf hunt... **APB \$19.95**

D D Barant

Death Blows (Bloodhound Files 02)

FBI profiler Jace Valchek, who works for the National Security Agency of the Unnatural States of America, must follow a trail of dead bodies into a dark underworld of black-market comics where a twisted madman has transformed himself into the ultimate super-villain. **PB \$19.95**

James Barclay

Elves: Once Walked With Gods

The elves have fled to Calius, seeking to escape the overwhelming power of the demonic Garonin. A desperate last stand in their own dimension saved the race, at the cost of 100 000 elves lost to the Garonin. The elf who led that fight, Takaar, is blamed for the losses and has gone into hiding. Now the weakened elf race is tearing itself apart in civil war, human mercenaries have arrived in Calius and are ripping the continent apart. Only one elf can unite the elves. And only one elf believes in him. A young warrior named Auum sets out to bring back the shamed hero and save the elven race. **HC \$59.99**

Clive Barker

Galilee

Every family has a secret. As rich as the Rockefellers, as glamorous as the Kennedys, the Geary dynasty has held subtle sway over American life since the Civil War, brilliantly concealing the depths of its corruption. All that is about to change. For the Gearys are still at war. Their enemies are another dynasty - the Barbarossas - whose origins lie not in history but in myth, whose influence is felt not in Washington but in the sensual exchanges of flesh and soul. When the prodigal prince of the Barbarossa clan, Galilee, falls in love with Rachael Geary, the pent - up loathing between the families erupts in a mutually destructive frenzy. Adulteries are laid bare. Secrets creep out. And insanity reigns. Galilee is a massive tale, mingling the sharp realism of Barker's bestseller *Sacrament* with the dark invention for which he's known worldwide. The magical eroticism of *Weaveworld*, the chilling rituals of *Hellraiser*, the grand metaphysical visions of the *Books of the Art* - Galilee has room for them all. **APB \$20.99**

Imajica

John Furie Zacharias, known as Gentle, a master forger whose life is a series of lies. Judith Odell, a beautiful woman desired by three powerful men, but belonging to none of them. Pieohpah, a mysterious assassin who deals in love as well as death. These three are united in a desperate search for the heart of a universal mystery, and will find the truth that lies in a place as mysterious as the face of God, and as secret as the human soul. They discover the Imajica. Imajica is many things: an epic novel of vast panoramas and intimate, obsessive passions, embracing ghosts and reflections as well as the human and the divine. **APB \$19.95**

Sacrament

Living and dying, we feed the fire. Will Rabjohns, perhaps the most famous wildlife photographer in the world, has made his reputation chronicling the fates of endangered species. But after a terrible accident, Will is left in a coma. And in its depths, he revisits the wildernesses of his youth and relives his life with a mysterious couple who have influenced his life as an artist and a man. **APB \$18.95**

John Barnes

Directive 51

The first book in a new post-apocalyptic trilogy from "a master of the genre"

Heather O'Grainne is the Assistant Secretary in the Office of Future Threat Assessment, investigating rumors surrounding something called "Daybreak." The group is diverse and radical, and its members have only one thing in common-their hatred for the "Big System" and their desire to take it down.

Now, seemingly random events simultaneously occurring around the world are in fact connected as part of Daybreak's plan to destroy modern civilization-a plan that will eliminate America's top government personnel, leaving the nation no choice but to implement its emergency contingency program...Directive 51. **HC \$52.95**

Sonya Bateman

Master of None

When he is rescued by a genie named "Ian" who hates him on the spot, Gavyn Donatti is drawn into a dangerous, high-stakes game involving his ruthless employer and dark magic, in which his ex-girlfriend and her young son get caught in the crossfire. **APB \$19.95**

Stephen Baxter

Xeelee (Xeelee 01, 02, 03, 04)

Stephen Baxter's epic sequence of Xeelee novels was introduced to a new generation of readers with his highly successful quartet, *Destiny's Children*, published by Gollancz between 2003 and 2006. But the sequence of novels began with *RAFT* in 1991. From there it built into perhaps the most ambitious fictitious universe ever created.

Beginning with the rise and fall of sub-quantum civilisations in the first nano-seconds after the Big Bang and ending with the heat death of the universe billions of years from now the series charts the story of mankind's epic war against the ancient and unknowable alien race the Xeelee. Along the way it examines questions of physics, the nature of reality, the evolution of mankind and its possible futures. It looks not just at the morality of war but at the morality of survival and our place in the universe. **HC \$59.99**

Greg Bear

Eternity (Eon 02)

Multiple Nebula and Hugo Award-winner Greg Bear returns to the Earth of his acclaimed novel *Eon*—a world devastated by nuclear war. The crew of the asteroid-starship *Thistledown* has thwarted an attack by the Jarts by severing their link to the Way, an endless corridor that spans universes. The asteroid settled into orbit around Earth and the tunnel snaked away, forming a contained universe of its own.

Forty years later, on Gaia, Rhita Vaskayza recklessly pursues her legacy, seeking an Earth once again threatened by forces from within and without. For physicist Konrad Korzenowski, murdered for creating *The Way*, and resurrected, is compelled by a faction determined to see it opened once more. And humankind will discover just how entirely they have underestimated their ancient adversaries. **PB \$19.95**

Laura Bickle

Embers

An arson investigator with the Detroit Fire Department, Anya Kalinczyk, who, along with an eccentric team of ghost hunters, pursues malicious spirits, goes up against a supernatural arsonist who is setting fires to summon an ancient entity that will burn Detroit to the ground. **APB \$19.95**

Anne Bishop

Shalador's Lady (Black Jewels)

The Black Widows see the warning in their tangled webs of dreams and visions: something is coming that will change the land forever. Cassidy, the new Queen of Dena Nehele, has taken the first steps to heal the rifts between Blood and landen, as well as heal the damage to land that had been long-neglected by the tainted Queens who had ruled. Despite the hope beginning to take root in her court and the rest of the people, Theran Grayhaven still believes that a different kind of Queen would serve Dena Nehele better. And when a rival Queen comes to Grayhaven for a visit, Cassidy has to decide if running away or staying to fight will give her people the best chance of surviving **APB \$22.99**

Sam Bowring Australian Author

Destiny's Rift (Broken Well 02)

The blue-haired man is prophesied to end the age-old conflict between the lands, but with his very soul divided in two, much remains uncertain. On the side of light, Bel sets forth on a journey to find the Stone of Evenings Mild, his only hope of reuniting with his darker half, Losara. But the Stone is lost, hidden away by an undead mage of mutable allegiance, in the lair of an insane dragon. Meanwhile Losara has his own problems. The Shadowdreamer wants him dead, but with war coming he must unite his people for the final battle. His plan is to build a weapon that is unstoppable. How can two men fulfil a fate meant for only one? Is hope lost, or is there a way to close destiny's rift? **APB \$19.99**

Ray Bradbury

The Stories of Ray Bradbury

A volume of 100 top-selected stories by the iconic writer includes Martian tales, pieces inspired by life in Mexico and offbeat reminiscences of a childhood in Green Town, Illinois. By the National Medal of Arts-winning author of Fahrenheit 451. **HC \$65**

Marion Zimmer Bradley

Ghostlight (Light 01)

Thirty years after an accident that left Truth's mother dead and prompted the disappearance of her magician father, the magician's scattered followers rally around a charismatic new leader, forcing Truth to return to the scene of the accident. **APB \$17.95**

Peter V Brett

The Desert Spear (Demon Cycle 02)

The Deliverer has returned, but who is he?

Arlen Bales, formerly of the small hamlet of Tippet's Brook, learnt harsh lessons about life as he grew up in a world where hungry demons stalk the night and humanity is trapped by its own fear. He chose a different path; chose to fight inherited apathy and the corelings, and eventually he became the Painted Man, a reluctant saviour.

But the figure emerging from the desert, calling himself the Deliverer, is not Arlen. He is a friend and betrayer, and though he carries the spear from the Deliverer's tomb, he also heads a vast army intent on a holy war against the demon plague... and anyone else who stands in his way.

TP \$29.99 HC \$52.95

Patricia Briggs

Silver Borne (Mercy Thompson 05)

When mechanic and shapeshifter Mercy Thompson attempts to return a powerful Fae book she'd previously borrowed in an act of desperation, she finds the bookstore locked up and closed down.

It seems the book contains secret knowledge-and the Fae will do just about anything to keep it out of the wrong hands. And if that doesn't take enough of Mercy's attention, her friend Samuel is struggling with his wolf side-leaving Mercy to cover for him, lest his own father declare Sam's life forfeit. **HC \$51.95 APB \$19.99**

Carla Buckley

The Things That Keep Us Here

Panic has gripped America. A deadly killer is moving across countries and oceans, a virus so deadly it kills every other person it infects. As society grinds to a halt and ordinary families quarantine themselves in their own homes, desperate to avoid its spread, Ann must face her worst fears. But how do you protect your family from a threat you cannot see? Sealed inside the family home she once loved, Ann, Maddie and Kate will have to battle the cold and the dark, food and water shortages and the greed and violence of their former neighbours if they're to make it through. Harrowing and deeply moving, Carla Buckley's debut novel sheds light on the choices we make in the darkest of times, a powerfully compelling thriller that is only too real. **TP \$32.99**

Jim Butcher

Turn Coat (Dresden Files 11)

Harry Dresden, professional wizard, has done his best to keep his nose clean where the White Council of Wizards is concerned. Even so, his past misdeeds have cast a constant shadow of suspicion over him in the eyes of the Wardens, those wizards responsible for enforcing the Laws of Magic. Now Dresden finds himself faced with a nightmarish dilemma: Morgan, formerly his chief persecutor among the Wardens, has been wrongly accused of treason against the White Council - and has come to Harry for help. Dresden faces a daunting task: clear Morgan's name while simultaneously hiding him from the Wardens and the supernatural bounty hunters sent to find him, discovering the identity of the true turncoat and, of course, avoiding accusations of treachery of his own. A single mistake may mean that heads - quite literally - will roll. And one of them could be his own. . . . **APB \$19.99**

Changes (Dresden Files 12)

I answered the phone, no big deal, until I heard the message: 'They've taken our daughter.' Harry Dresden, professional wizard, has never faced anything like this. Arianna Ortega, Red Court vampire, blames Harry for her husband's death - and she's out for revenge. So her discovery that Susan Rodriguez had borne Harry a daughter was an unexpected gift. Arianna's next step was to kidnap the girl and she plans to use her blood in a violent ritual sacrifice designed to kill Harry, Susan and their daughter. With the White Council of Wizards and the Red Court in a state of detente, Harry finds himself alone except for a handful of allies - resources utterly inadequate to challenging the Red King and his entire vampire Court. With the life of his child at stake, Susan's humanity hanging in precarious balance and with his own death looming, Dresden must find a new source of strength. In the past, there had always been a line Harry wouldn't cross, and though dark powers have tempted him time and again, he never gave in. But then, only his own life was at stake. **UK HC \$34.99 US HC \$52.95 CD - Unabridged \$90**

Rhyannon Byrd

Touch of Seduction (Primal Instinct 04)

APB \$19.95

Stella Cameron

Out of Mind (Court of Angels)

Linked to Benedict Fortune due to her paranormal talents, Willow Millet, the owner of a concierge we-can-do-anything service, is thrown together with him once again when dark forces target her and her clients. **PB \$19.95**

Ramsey Campbell

Creatures of the Pool

When his overly paranoid scientist father goes missing, Gavin Meadows looks at his research to find clues to his whereabouts and discovers a terrifying secret about the town in which they live. **APB \$19.95**

Jayne Castle

Dark Light

Reporter Sierra McIntyre's stories on Crystal City's ghost hunters - and their mysterious guild - have earned her tabloid a bit of respect. It helps that she has her incredible intuition to fall back on. Especially when she interviews Ghost Hunter Guild Boss John Fontana about the disappearances of retired, homeless hunters. Sierra doesn't want to trust the physically and psychically powerful man, but her senses - and her pet, Elvis - give her the green light. To uncover the conspiracy within his own organisation, Fontana proposes...marriage. And though it's purely a business arrangement, there is nothing pure about the attraction that sizzles between them. **APB \$22.99**

P C Cast, Cindy Dees, Merline Lovelace & Lindsay McKenna

Time Raiders (Time Raiders 01, 02, 03, 04)

The Seeker by Lindsay McKenna

Delia Sebastian is a trained historian and psychic. Former army captain Jake Tyler is her swaggering ex-lover, who can read her most intimate thoughts – and desires. Together they will make the risky leap back to 44 BC to infiltrate the court of Julius Caesar. But with assassins everywhere, will old passions reignite to undermine their cover?

The Slayer by Cindy Dees

Because of her uncanny ability to find lost objects, Tessa Marconi has been given the dangerous task of time-jumping back to the Persian Empire and ancient Greece to locate a precious medallion fragment. Trouble finds her in Xerxes' court – and so does the most beautiful man she's ever seen...

The Avenger by P. C. Cast

For Alexandra Patton, the Time Raiders project sends the reluctant psychic back to 60 AD Briton – a world where she can barely understand the accents, let alone its culture of brutality and superstition. Armed only with her “freakish” ability to talk to the dead, Alex must use all her gifts to entice Caradoc, a savagely sexy Druid warrior, into helping her succeed in her mission.

The Protector by Merline Lovelace

Max Brody's body tingles with it when he meets Cassandra Jones, the mission specialist with whom he'll jump back to 1600 AD China. Petite and guarded, Cassie may look like someone who needs Max's protection, but her essence whispers to him of untamed talents that could destroy as easily as seduce... **BPB \$22.99**

Simon Clark

Whitby Vampyrhic

In wartime Britain, vampires and an ancient curse rule the night . . . - Winter, 1942. Beth, Sally and Alec are the only guests in an eerie seaport hotel in Whitby with a peculiar subterranean tunnel linking it to the ocean. It is a hotel haunted by questions. What does Eleanor Charwood, the landlady, hide in her basement, and what caused the bite-marks on her reclusive brother, Theo? Can the trio survive a Viking curse and save their very souls?

HC \$58.95

Michael Cobley

Seeds of Earth (Humanity's Fire 01)

The first intelligent species to encounter mankind attacked without warning. Merciless. Relentless. Unstoppable. With little hope of halting the invasion, Earth's last roll of the dice was to dispatch three colony ships, seeds of Earth, to different parts of the galaxy. The human race would live on . . . somewhere. 150 years later, the planet Darien hosts a thriving human settlement, which enjoys a peaceful relationship with an indigenous race, the scholarly Uvovo. But there are secrets buried on Darien's forest moon. Secrets that go back to an apocalyptic battle fought between ancient races at the dawn of galactic civilisation. Unknown to its colonists Darien is about to become the focus of an intergalactic power struggle, where the true stakes are beyond their comprehension. And what choices will the Uvovo make when their true nature is revealed and the skies grow dark with the enemy? **APB \$19.99**

Kresley Cole

Pleasure of a Dark Prince

Can the beast seduce a beauty and make her love him. . . ?

A promise of pleasure . . . from a brutal warrior determined to protect her.

Never far from her bow, Lucia the Huntress is as mysterious as she is beautiful. But the secrets she harbors could destroy her-and those she loves-and every day brings more danger. It isn't safe for her to be with Garreth MacRieve, yet whenever she sees the fierce werewolf with his smoldering eyes, she finds herself surrendering to his kiss.

An uncontrollable need . . . that can only be sated with her touch.

From the shadows, Garreth, prince of the Lykæ, has long watched over Lucia, the lovely little Valkyrie who alternately maddens him and inflames his lust. He aches to claim the seductive creature as his own and keep her safe from harm, but first he must convince her to accept him as her guardian. To do that he'll exploit Lucia's greatest weakness-her desire for him. **PB \$14.99**

John Connolly

Gates

A strange novel for strange young people. Young Samuel Johnson and his dachshund Boswell are trying to show initiative by trick-or-treating a full three days before Hallowe'en. Which is how they come to witness strange goings-on at 666 Crowley Avenue. The Abernathys don't mean any harm by their flirtation with Satanism. But it just happens to coincide with a malfunction in the Large Hadron Collider that creates a gap in the universe. A gap in which there is a pair of enormous gates. The gates to Hell. And there are some pretty terrifying beings just itching to get out . . . Can Samuel persuade anyone to take this seriously? Can he harness the power of science to save the world as we know it? **APB \$16.99**

Carolyn Crane

Mind Games

With the help of Packard, the leader of a private crime-fighting team, Justine Jones, a hardcore hypochondriac, learns how to weaponize her neurosis to take down Midcity's most dangerous criminals, including a nymphomaniac husband-killer. **APB \$19.95**

Gwyn Cready

Flirting With Forever

Gwyn Cready has a BA in English literature and an MBA in marketing from the University of Chicago. She spent many years as a brand manager at a company as least as funny as Pilgrim Pharmaceuticals. She lives in Pittsburgh with her family and is the RITA®, A®-nominated author of two novels with two more on the way. **PB \$19.95**

Shirley Damsgaard

Seventh Witch (Ophelia and Abby Mystery 07)

Small-town librarian and psychic Ophelia Jensen hails from a long line of wise and wonderfully gifted women. There's her grandmother, Abby, a talented witch, and her great-aunt Mary, who's about to celebrate her 100th birthday. But as Ophelia learns, when she and Abby travel to North Carolina for the centennial celebration, their family secrets aren't just magical—they're murderous.

Someone in the sweet Southern town wants Abby dead. Could it be a rogue witch in Ophelia's own family? A vengeful local witch desperate to settle a bitter feud decades in the making? Ophelia must use all her talents to save her loved ones—before the witching hour comes upon them, and bad blood turns deadly. **APB \$14.99**

Richard E Dansky*Firefly Rain*

Returning from the big city to his late parents' home in a small North Carolina town, a prodigal son soon discovers that something in the town refuses to allow him to leave and that it will do anything—even bury him out back--to insure that he will remain forever. **TP \$30.95**

Thomas A Day*A Grey Moon Over China*

Caught up in the world's raging oil wars when he stumbles across plans for a quantum-energy battery, military engineer Eduardo Torres forms a private army that uses the device to revive an abandoned space-colonization effort in a distant solar system, a project that reveals lingering conflicts and pits the human race against hostile alien forces. **APB \$19.95**

Stephen Deas*The Adamantine Palace (01)*

The Adamantine Palace lies at the centre of an empire that grew out of ashes. Once dragons ruled the world and man was little more than prey. Then a way of subduing the dragons through alchemy was discovered and now the dragons are bred to be mere mounts for knights and highly valued tokens in the diplomatic power-players that underpin the rule of the competing aristocratic houses. The Empire has grown fat. And now one man wants it for himself. A man prepared to poison the king just as he has poisoned his own father. A man prepared to murder his own lover and then bed her daughter. A man fit to be king? But unknown to him there are flames on the way. A single dragon has gone missing. And even one dragon on the loose, unsubdued and returned to its full intelligence, its full fury, could spell disaster for the Empire. **PB \$24.99**

Anna Dusk Australian Author*In-human***TP \$29.95****Will Elliott Australian Author***Pilgrims (Pendulum 01)*

Eric Albright is leading a normal life until a small red door appears under a train bridge near his home. Then a ghostly being wakes him in the dead of night, with a message from another world: You are Shadow. In Levaal, the world between worlds, the dragon-gods grow restless in their sky prisons, and the Great Spirits struggle to contain them. Vous, the worlds Friend and Lord, simmers in madness as he schemes to join the ranks of gods. He and the Arch Mage have almost won their final victory over the Free Cities. A dark age dawns. But Eric and his friend Case are now Pilgrims, called to Levaal for a battle more ancient than the petty squabbles of men. And they will learn why some doors should not be opened ... **APB \$22.99**

Ian Cameron Esslemont*Return of the Crimson Guard (Malazan Empire 02)*

As the Crimson Guard marches toward Quon Tali, the heart of the Malazan Empire, many citizens, and even her own generals and mages, wonder whether Empress Laseen is losing her grip on power. **HC \$56.95**

S L Farrell*A Magic of Dawn (Nessantico Cycle 03)*

Kraljica Allesandra sits on the Sun Throne of a much-diminished Holdings empire, while her son Jan rules the rival Coalition of Firenzcia. The schism between them threatens to tear apart the realm when they need solidarity the most. Facing powerful threats, from the rising influence of the Numetodo sect to the fundamentalist preacher Nico Morel—as well as the army of Tehuantin from across the sea— Allesandra and Jan must each find a pathway to survival for themselves and their people. **HC \$51.95**

Eric Flint & Dave Freer*Slow Train to Arcturus*

The planet Miran had sent a spaceship to rendezvous with the enormous vessel that was approaching their star system. The vessel's design was odd—a multitude of separate globular habitats in a framework—and most of the alien team that entered one of the habitats were slaughtered by savage creatures called ?humans.? One alien had barely managed to escape to another habitat where the humans were more friendly, if rather technologically backward. But he needed to get back to his spaceship, and he would need one human's help to do that.

They would have to travel through several more habitats, each one isolated from the other, each with its own bizarre dangers and customs. And friendliness toward strangers was not one of those customs. . . **APB \$19.95**

Matt Forbeck*Amortals*

Today you die. Today you are reborn. Today you hunt the man who killed you.

It's Lee Child vs. Altered Carbon in a high-tech blast of tough-as-nails future thrills. Matt Forbeck arrives as the new king of high-concept - with a blockbuster action movie in a book.

In the near future, scientists solve the problem of mortality by learning how to backup and restore a person's memories into a vat-bred clone. When Secret Service agent Ronan "Methuselah" Dooley is brutally murdered, he's brought back from the dead to hunt his killer, and in doing so uncover a terrible conspiracy. **APB \$20.99**

Seressia Glass*Shadow Blade*

For Kira Solomon, normal was never an option.

Kira's day job is as an antiquities expert, but her true calling is as a Shadowchaser. Trained from youth to be one of the most lethal Chasers in existence, Kira serves the Gilead Commission, dispatching the Fallen who sow discord and chaos. Of course, sometimes Gilead bureaucracy is as much a thorn in her side as anything the Fallen can muster against her. Right now, though, she's got a bigger problem. Someone is turning the city of Atlanta upside down in search of a millennia-old Egyptian dagger that just happens to have fallen into Kira's hands.

Then there's Khefar, the dagger's true owner -- a near-immortal 4,000-year-old Nubian warrior who, Kira has to admit, looks pretty fine for his age. Joining forces is the only way to keep the weapon safe from the sinister Shadow forces, but now Kira is in deep with someone who holds more secrets than she does, the one person who knows just how treacherous this fight is. Because every step closer to destroying the enemy is a step closer to losing herself to Shadow forever.... **PB \$14.99**

Michael Flynn*Up Jim River*

Mearana enlists the help of Donovan, a scarred man with multiple personalities, to search for her missing mother, and they follow the women's trail to the raw worlds of the frontier, edging ever closer to the uncivilized and barbarian planets of the wild. **HC \$52.95**

Seth Grahame-Smith*Abraham Lincoln, Vampire Hunter*

Reveals the hidden life of the sixteenth U.S. president, who was actually a vampire-hunter obsessed with the complete elimination of the undead, and uncovers the role vampires played in the birth, growth, and near-death of the nation.

Seth Grahame-Smith's revision of a Jane Austen classic blew readers' minds and became an instant national bestseller. Now, he tackles our greatest president...

When Abraham Lincoln was nine years old, his mother died from an ailment called the "milk sickness." Only later did he learn that his mother's deadly affliction was actually the work of a local vampire, seeking to collect a debt owed by Lincoln's father. When Abe learned the truth, he vowed revenge and kept one passion hidden throughout his life: the brutal elimination of all vampires. His valiant, bloody fight against the undead was all but lost to history, until Grahame-Smith stumbled upon *The Secret Journal of Abraham Lincoln*. Using the journal as his guide, Seth reconstructs Lincoln's life story and uncovers the role vampires played in the birth, growth, and near-death of our nation.

You don't know Abe. Honest **HC \$43.95 CD \$54.95**

Talia Gryphon*Key to Justice (Gillian Key 04)*

While trying to bridge the growing distance between her and her lover, Aleksei Rachlav, Gillian Key, a healer and an expert in treating the psychological difficulties of the Paramortal community, helps a Vampire tormented by his past cruelties. **APB \$19.95**

Laurell K Hamilton*Laughing Corpse (Anita Blake 02)*

'The older the zombie, the bigger the death needed to raise it.' After a few centuries, the only death 'big enough' is a human sacrifice. I know because I'm an animator. My name is Anita Blake. Working for Animators, Inc. is just a job - like selling insurance. But all the money in the world wasn't enough for me to take on the particular job Harold Gaynor was offering. Somebody else did, though - a rogue animator. Now he's not just raising the dead... he's raising Hell. And it's up to me to stop it **BPB \$22.99**

Burnt Offerings (Anita Blake 07)

You can't trust anyone who sleeps with the monsters. That's what I've always said. That's what I've always believed. But now I'm the one sharing a bed with the Master Vampire of the City. I'm Anita Blake, the woman the vampires call the Executioner. From part of the solution, I've become part of the problem. So it hits close to home when an arsonist begins to target vampire-owned businesses all over town an arsonist who seems to want to destroy more than just property. It's the monsters who are in danger now. And it's up to the Executioner to save them from the inferno. **BPB \$22.99**

Blue Moon (Anita Blake 08)

Richard was an alpha werewolf. It was his only serious flaw. We'd broken up after I'd seen him eat somebody. You never forget your ex-fiance. And when the call came at three in the morning, I thought for a moment it was him. It wasn't. It was his brother. And it wasn't good news. Apparently the former love of my life had got himself thrown into jail for assaulting a woman. Since I make my living as a preternatural expert, I tend to believe almost anything s possible. But though he may be one of the monsters, Richard would never harm a woman. So it's Anita Blake to the rescue. I've got just a few days to spring Richard and find out who framed him and why. There's a full moon coming, and if my werewolf love is still behind bars when it rises, he ll be facing a lot worse than an assault charge... **BPB \$22.99**

Obsidian Butterfly (Anita Blake 09)

I was covered in blood, but it wasn't mine, so it was okay. Edward is a hit man. He specialises in monsters. Vampires, shape-shifters, anything and everything. There are people like me, Anita Blake, who do it legally, but Edward doesn't sweat the legalities or, hell, the ethics. He is an equal opportunity killer. I may be one of the few friends that Edward has, but it's like being friends with a tame leopard. It may curl on the foot of your bed and let you pet its head, but it can still eat your throat out... **BPB \$22.99**

Graham Hancock*Entangled*

When a drug overdose causes Leoni, a troubled teen from twenty-first-century Los Angeles, to have a near-death experience, her soul is lifted from the modern world and flung into a parallel time 24,000 years in the past. There her fate becomes entangled with that of Ria, a young Stone Age woman fighting for her life against the ferocious Illimani, an army of evil led by the vicious Sulpa, a powerful demon determined to destroy humanity. As the invaders annihilate Rias people, inflicting torture and human sacrifice, Sulpa moves ever closer to his ultimate goal: to manifest physically in the twenty-first century and doom all of mankind to perpetual slavery. The hour is late and all hope of stopping him seems lost. But there is still hope, if Leoni and Ria can rise to the challenge fate has set them. Uniting outside the flow of earth time, they must venture forth into regions of wonder, master their own deepest fears, and fight battles they could never have prepared for, if Sulpa is to be defeated **HC \$59.95**

Michele Hauf*Her Vampire Husband*

In this darkly erotic tale, an arranged marriage between a vampire and werewolf princess could unite their kinds, or ignite a war that could destroy them all. **APB \$19.95**

Elysa Hendricks*Star Raiders*

When an interstellar lawman and a smuggler's daughter, who had an explosive affair 10 years earlier, meet again, they fan the flames of the passion that lingers between them while trying to save humanity from their enemies. **PB \$17.95**

Rita Herron*Forbidden Passion (Demonborn)*

APB \$17.95

Charlaine Harris

Dead and Gone (Sookie Stackhouse 09)

When the weres and shifters finally come out, the residents of Bon Temps, Louisiana, must deal with the violent aftermath. But a far greater danger threatens. A race of unhuman beings-older, more powerful, and more secretive than vampires or werewolves-is preparing for war. And Sookie will find herself an all-too human pawn in their battle... **APB \$19.95 CD - Unabridged \$55**

Dead as A Doornail CD (Sookie Stackhouse 05)

Sookie Stackhouse enjoys her life, mostly. She's a great cocktail waitress in a fun bar; she has a love life, albeit a bit complicated and most people have come to terms with her telepathy. The problem is, Sookie wants a quiet life - but things just seem to happen to her and her friends. Now her brother Jason's eyes are starting to change: he's about to turn into a were-panther for the first time. She can deal with that, but her normal sisterly concern turns to cold fear when a sniper sets his deadly sights on the local changeling population. She's afraid not just because Jason's at risk, but because his new were-brethren suspect Jason may be the shooter. Sookie has until the next full moon to find out who's behind the attacks - unless the killer decides to find her first. **CD - Unabridged \$55**

Definitely Dead CD (Sookie Stackhouse 06)

Sookie doesn't have that many relations, so she hated to lose one - but of all the people to go, she didn't expect it to be her cousin Hadley, a consort of New Orleans' vampire queen - after all, Hadley was technically already dead. But she is gone, beyond recall and she's left Sookie an inheritance - one that comes with a bit of a risk - not least because someone doesn't want Sookie digging too deep into Hadley's past - or her possessions. Sookie's life is once again on the line and this time the suspects range from the rogue werewolves who have rejected Sookie as a friend of the pack to her first love, the vampire Bill. Sookie's got a lot to do if she's going to keep herself alive... **CD - Unabridged \$55**

All Together Dead CD (Sookie Stackhouse 07 CD)

Sookie's beginning to get used to being surrounded by all varieties of undead, changeling, shapeshifting and other supernatural beings - but even she has her limits... She'd really like to take a while to get over being betrayed by Bill, her long-time vampire lover and get used to her new relationship with the sexy shapeshifter Quinn - but instead, she finds herself attending the long-planned vampire summit, the destination of choice for every undead power player around, as a sort-of human 'Geiger counter' for Sophie-Anne Leclercq, vampire queen. But the job is fraught with difficulties. Sophie-Anne's power base has been severely weakened by Hurricane Katrina and she's about to be put on trial during the event for murdering her king. Sookie knows the queen is innocent, but she's hardly prepared for other shocking murders: it looks like there are some vamps who would like to finish what nature started. **CD - Unabridged \$55**

From dead to Worse CD (Sookie Stackhouse 08 CD)

The supernatural community in Bon Temps, Louisiana is reeling from two hard blows: the natural disaster of Hurricane Katrina and the manmade horror of the explosion at the vampire summit. Sookie Stackhouse is safe but dazed and she's yearning for things to get back to normal. But that's just not happening. Too many vampires - some friends, some not - were killed or injured and her were-tiger boyfriend Quinn is among the missing. It's clear that things are changing, whether the weres and vamps like it or not. And Sookie, Friend to the Pack, blood-bonded to the leader of the local vampire community, is caught up in those changes. She's about to find herself facing danger and death and, not for the first time, betrayal by someone she loves. And when the fur has finished flying and the cold blood has stopped flowing, Sookie's world will be forever altered.

CD - Unabridged \$55

Robert Holdstock

Ancient Echoes

Jack Chatwin has visions, which leave tangible evidence - sounds and smells, which linger afterwards. What he sees are two primitive figures, with painted faces - Greyface and Greenface, a brother and sister. He calls them bullrunners. John Garth is a city dowser, searching for the mythical pre-Roman city of Glanum. He hopes to find an entryway to the elusive city beneath Exburgh, Jack's home town. And he thinks Jack's bullrunners may be connected to Glanum... Years later, Jack, now grown up, agrees to take part in experiments to investigate his bullrunners - until Greyface, the male, breaks free of Jack and takes corporeal form. The bullrunner kidnaps Jack's young daughter so Jack will force Greenface to follow her brother-husband, even against her own wishes. Though Greyface returns the daughter, he keeps a shadow of her, which takes on a life of its own. If Jack refuses to co-operate, the shadow will drain his daughter's vitality and personality - and her very future. The story of Jack's search for Greenface is interwoven with the connections between the bullrunners and the mystical city of Glanum in this resonant tale of ancient mythic wonder.

BPB \$24.99

William Horwood

Spring (Hyddenworld 01)

The first in a brilliant new four-book fantasy series

The adventure of a lifetime is just beginning...

It has lain lost and forgotten for 1,500 years in the ancient heartland of England - a scrap of glass and metal melded by fierce fire. It is the lost core of a flawless Sphere made by the greatest of the Anglo-Saxon Craeff Lords in memory of the one he loved. Her name was Spring and contained in the very heart of this work is a spark from the Fires of Creation.

But while humans have lost their belief in such things, the Hydden - little people existing on the borders of our world - have not. Breaking the silence of centuries they send one of their own, a young boy, Jack, to live among humans in the hope that he may one day find what has been lost for so long. His journey leads him to Katherine, a girl he rescues from a tragic accident - it's a meeting that will change everything. It is only through their voyage into the dangerous Hyddenworld that they will realise their destiny, find love and complete the great quest that will save both their worlds from destruction.

Their journey begins with Spring... **TP \$32.99**

Robert E Howard

Conan's Brethren (Conan)

Robert E. Howard was a pulpwriter who turned his hand to everything from historical adventure and detective stories to Western and boxing fiction - and invented the genre now known as sword-and-sorcery: it is for these tales of heroic fantasy and horror that he is best remembered. His mighty heroes - including an English Puritan adventurer sent on redressing grievous wrongs, the king of a mythical, antediluvian empire contemporary with Atlantis, a Pictish warrior-king - all these brothers of the sword and more bestrode the pages of WEIRD TALES and the other pulp magazines of the twenties and thirties.

This companion volume follows on from the success of the first Gollancz Big Black Book featuring Howard's world-famous barbarian king, and contains all the stories featuring his brothers-in-arms, collected together in chronological order, as fresh and atmospheric today as when they were first published in the pulp magazines of more than eighty years ago. Compiled by and with an Afterword by award-winning writer and editor Stephen Jones, and with cover image, frontispiece and internal pictures by the award-winning artist Les Edwards. **TP \$35**

M K Hume *Australian author*

Dragon's Child (King Arthur 01)

The epic tale of the man destined to become Arthur, High King of the Britons. The Dark Ages: a time of chaos and bloodshed. The Roman legions have long deserted the Isles and the despotic Uther Pendragon, High King of Celtic Britain, is nearing death, his kingdom torn apart by the jostling for his throne. Of unknown parentage, Artorex is growing up in the household of his foster father Lord Ector. One day, three strangers arrive and arrange for Artorex to be taught the martial skills of the warrior; blade and shield, horse and fire, pain and bravery. When they return, years later, Artorex is trained in the arts of battle. The country is in desperate straits for the great cities of the east are falling to the menace of the Saxon hordes. Artorex becomes a war chieftain, and wins many battles that earns him the trust of his Celtic warriors. But if he is to fulfill his destiny and become the High King of the Britons, Artorex must find Uther's crown and sword. The future of Britain is at stake. **BPB \$22.99**

Warrior of the West (King Arthur 02)

Twelve long, blood-soaked years, have passed since Artor fulfilled his destiny and was crowned the High King of the Britons. Against all odds, Artor has united Celtic Britain and with a last great campaign, has banished the Saxon scourge. The legend of Camlann has begun. But even as Artor's kingdom is at its zenith, even as he has succeeded in conquering all external threats to his rule, his kingdom is being undermined from within. Not only is Artor betrayed by the one person he should be able to trust, he has also learned of appalling perversion at the heart of his kingdom. He must make a terrible choice. Does he commit a deed that leaves him open to comparison with the despotic Uther Pendragon, or does he let evil go unchecked? The burden of leadership, of power, now rests solely - and heavily - on Artor's shoulders for Myrddion Merlinus, master tactician, guiding light for so many years, has left Artor to his fate. Could all that Artor has fought for, the destiny of Britain, be lost? Will Britain be torn apart? **BPB \$22.99**

The Bloody Cup (King Arthur 03)

For many years, the people of Briton have enjoyed peace and prosperity under the reign of King Artor and the Union of Kings. Having spurned the despotism of his predecessor, Uther Pendragon, Arthur has ruled with a strong sense of duty, goodness and honour. Artor is now weakening with age, however, and the seeds of discontent are being sown. Seeking to cleanse the land of Christian belief, dissenters need a symbol with which to legitimise their pagan claim and gather malcontents together into a cohesive weapon. These shadowy, subversive elements seize upon the ancient cup of Bishop Lucius of Glastonbury as a way of fragmenting Artor's hard-fought-for kingdom. But first, they must lay their hands on the relic and, in doing so, unleash a force for evil from which murder and violent mayhem ensue. But it emerges that the ultimate threat to Artor's rule lies far closer to home; Artor is betrayed by kin. Celt will slay Celt and the river will run with blood. **TP \$32.99**

C C Humphreys

Vlad: The Last Confession

Dracula. The name conjurs images of horror, depravity and the darkest sensuality. Yet the real Dracula was just as alluring, just as terrifying - his tale not one of a monster but of a man and a contradiction. The one they called 'The Devil's Son' was both tyrant and lawgiver, crusader and mass slaughterer, torturer and hero, lover and murderer. In this epic novel, Dracula's tale is told by those who knew him best. The only woman he ever loved and whom he has to sacrifice. His closest comrade and traitor. And his priest, betraying the secrets of the confessional to reveal the mind of the man history would forever remember as Tepes - The Impaler. But Vlad's actions defy such labels. His extraordinary life burns with passion, taking him from his years as hostage to the Turk, through torture, battle, triumph and betrayal, ultimately to a last crusade to find redemption for his innumerable sins. **PB \$22.99**

William Irwin

Twilight and Philosophy: Vampires, Vegetarians and the Pursuit of Immortality

TP \$29.95

Alexandra Ivy

Beyond the Darkness

Searching for a pureblood werewolf female to save his people from extinction, Salvatore Giuliani finds what he is looking for in Harley, who refuses to become his mate until she discovers that he is her key to saving the family she never knew she had **PB \$17.95**

Kevin Jackson

Bite: A Vampire Handbook

Arm yourself with garlic, stake and crucifix, for the vampires are back in force - at the top of the best-seller lists, on your TV, on the web and lurking in darkened cinemas. But, where did they come from? Why have they come back now? And how can you tell if you are one? Beginning with the first sightings of bats and blood-sucking in the Romantic period, Bite will follow the undead's progress through the ages, right up to the present. Alongside mini essays, anecdotes, facts and figures, each section will be punctuated with lists, such as the best places around the world for vamp tourism; rock songs with vampire allusions; box-office revenues for vamp movies; the top 10 Vampire clubs, video-games, vampire brides, as well as reliable and unreliable methods of killing a vampire ... **HC \$24.99**

Jean Johnson

The Cat (Sons of Destiny 05)

The fifth-born son in exile, Trevan of Nightfall, needs to win over Amara of the Shifterai. Though he is the Cat, this outlander is a challenge. But if she weren't he wouldn't want to make her his Destined bride. **PB \$12.95**

J V Jones

Watcher of the Dead (Sword of Shadows 04)

In the frigid wasteland of the north, Raif Sevrance, Watcher of the Dead, has endured many trials to lay claim to the renowned sword known as Loss. But the price of wielding the legendary weapon is high, and Raif is unsure if he is willing to pay it. Ash Marsh, Daughter of the Sull, still struggles to come to terms with her heritage, and the knowledge that the Watcher, armed with Loss, could be the one who will save the Sull or end them. Raina Blackhail, widow of a murdered ruler and wife of his brutal successor, has seen her clan disgraced and has, herself, taken up the mantle of chief. But there are enemies both beyond her gates and within. And in the murky swamps of the Stillwater, two children will learn the secrets of the Marsh clan. Secrets so old they threaten everything . . . **TP \$32.99 HC \$56.95**

Karen Kelley

The Jaguar Prince

When Prince Rogar, a shapeshifter from another time and place, awakens her own shapeshifting abilities, zoo worker Callie Jordan soon discovers that he has come to take her back with him--and won't take no for an answer. **TP \$28.95**

Jesse Kellerman*The Executor*

Things aren't going well for Joseph Geist. He's broke. His graduate school advisor won't talk to him. And his girlfriend has kicked him out of her apartment, leaving him homeless and alone. It's a tough spot for a philosopher to be in, and he's ready to give up all hope of happiness when an ad in the local paper catches his eye. 'Conversationalist wanted', it reads. Which sounds perfect to Joseph. After all, he's never done anything in his life except talk. And the woman behind the ad turns out to be the perfect employer: brilliant, generous, and willing to pay him for making conversation. Before long, Joseph has moved in with her, and has begun to feel very comfortable in her big, beautiful house. So comfortable, in fact, that he would do anything to stay there forever. **TP \$32.99**

Sherrilyn Kenyon*Bad Moon Rising (Dark Hunter)*

Fang Kattalakis isn't just a wolf. He is the brother of two of the most powerful members of the Omegrion: the ruling council that enforces the laws of the Were-Hunters. When war erupts among the lycanthropes, sides must be chosen. Enemies must become allies. And Fang's one true passion is strictly forbidden...

When Aimee, the Arcadian huntress he loves, is accused of betraying her people, Fang is her last and only hope. But in order to save her, he must break the laws of his people and the trust of his brothers—a breach that could destroy both their races and change their world forever. The Were-Hunter's war begins... **PB \$19.95**

Daren King*Frightfully Friendly Ghosties*

Tabitha Tumbly, Charlie Vapour, Rusty Chains and friends can't understand why the still-alives in their house are so mean. When Pamela Fraidy gets locked in the attic by a still-alive, the ghosties are determined to make the still-alives like them.

When the family start putting nasty garlic around the house and then call in a priest, the ghostie gloves are off: Tabitha and Charlie decide to call in The Ghoul to sort out the still-alives once and for all: But could the terrifying Ghoul prove much more than even the ghosties bargained for?

PB \$12.95

Gini Koch*Touched By An Alien*

How can a sexy marketing manager join forces with an Alpha Centauri male in Armani to save the planet-using hairspray, a Mont Blanc pen, and rock n' roll?

Easy...

She's Touched by an Alien

Marketing manager Katherine "Kitty" Katt steps into the middle of what appears to be a domestic dispute turned ugly. And it only gets uglier when the man turns into a winged monster, straight out of a grade-Z horror movie, and goes on a killing spree. Though Kitty should probably run away, she springs into action to take the monster down.

In the middle of the chaos a handsome hunk named Jeff Martini appears, sent by the "agency" to perform crowd control. He's Kitty's kind of guy, no matter what planet he's from. And from now on, for Kitty, things are going to be sexy, dangerous, wild, and out of this world. **APB \$19.95**

Tom Kratman*The Lotus Eaters*

Sometimes paranoia is just a heightened state of awareness.

Carrera's won his war, and inflicted a horrific revenge upon his enemies. But there are wars after wars. The Tauran Union is planning an attack. The criminals of neighboring states are already attacking, and threatening to embroil him in a war with the planet's premier power. His only living son is under fire among the windswept mountains of Pashtia. An enemy fleet is hunting his submarines. His organization has been infiltrated by spies. One of the two governments of his adopted country, Balboa, is trying to destroy everything he's built and reinstitute rule by a corrupt oligarchy. Worst of all, perhaps, he, himself, bearing a crushing burden of guilt, isn't quite the man he once was.

Fortunately, the man he once was, was lucky enough to marry the right woman.... **HC \$49.95**

Jayne Ann Krentz*Running Hot (Arcane Society 05)*

Ex-cop Luther Malone and quirky librarian Grace Renquist are a strange partnership. Grace has been hired as an aura-reading consultant in the quest for a murder suspect, but has zero field experience. Her bodyguard, Luther, walks with a cane and isn't good with a gun! So the last thing they expect is for romantic sparks to fly between them at their hotel in Maui, where they're posing as honeymooners. However, when rogue operatives for an underground group pour into the luxury resort their attraction must be suppressed quickly. Grace recognises the dark spikes in their auras and understands how dangerous these people can be. While the pair's employers scramble to get them backup, Luther and Grace have to think on their feet but the criminals in their midst aren't just high-level sensitives - they've enhanced their talent with a potent and unpredictable drug. And as Grace knows all too well, if you don't control your powers, your powers will control you... **PB \$22.99**

Katherine Kurtz*Deryni Checkmate (Deryni)*

Threatened by King Kelson's trust in Duke Alaric Morgan, who boasts of his Deryni heritage, the priests of Gwynedd spread stories about Deryni atrocities and the race's inexplicable powers. Read by Jeff Woodman. **MP3 CD \$51.95**

Jon Land*Strong Enough (Caitlin Strong 01)*

Questioning her family's five-generation dedication to service as Texas Rangers in the aftermath of a deadly gunfight, Caitlin Strong struggles with guilt over the event that ended her career before uncovering a shocking truth about the incident, a finding for which she teams up with a dangerous outlaw who has reasons for wanting her dead. **APB \$19.95**

Lora Leigh*Lion's Heart (Breeds)*

The mating urge cannot be ignored...

Bad boy Jonas Wyatt knows it is fate that Rachel becomes his mate. He can sense it. He can also sense her reluctance. But she has little power over the mating heat of the Breeds. It is Jonas's destiny to claim her. And nothing will stop him from having his way. **PB \$19.95**

Sharon Lee & Steve Miller*Saltation (Liaden)*

Theo Waitley is a Nexus of Violence

Thrust mid-year into a school for pilots far from the safe haven of her birth home on scholarly Delgado, young Theo Waitley excels in hands-on flying while finding that she's behind the curve in social intricacies as well as in math.

After surviving a mid-air emergency with a spectacular mountain-top landing in her training soar plane Theo's notoriety brings her attention from local thugs as well as a gift from Win Ton, a scout pilot she enjoyed a flirtation with on her first space voyage. When Win Ton appears on campus Theo thrusts herself into a relationship even as he's on his way to a Liaden marriage-bed.

Meanwhile her mentors try to guide her studies and training into the channels best suited to her special abilities and inclinations, including suggesting that she should join in the off-world studenty association, a plan resulting in mixed success. After a series of confrontations, fights, and ultimately a riot after which she is thanked for not killing anyone, Theo is named a "nexus of violence" by the school's administration.

Facing suspension and carrying little more than hastily procured guild card, a pistol taken from an attacker, and the contents of her pants pockets, Theo must quickly decide if she's ready to return to Delgado in disgrace, or launch herself into the universe as a freelance pilot with credentials she's already earned. **HC \$49.95**

Kim Lenox*Darker the Night (Shadow Guard 03)*

Countess Selene is the Shadow Guard's only female member. She sacrificed herself to save the people of London and is now under a sleeping spell in the Tower of London, guarded by Raven warriors. When she awakens on a dark street with a blade in her hand and a dead prostitute at her feet, everything changes. Now she must face an ancient enemy, with only a reclusive, secretive warrior to trust... **PB \$17.95**

Anna Leonard*The Hunted***APB \$14.95****Cara Lockwood***Can't Teach an Old Demon New Tricks*

Get an east Texas girl good and mad, and there's going to be hell to pay!

Rachel Farnsworth doesn't believe in the paranormal—she can find plenty of evil forces right in Dogwood County, like the Mega-Mart that's driving her family's hardware store into the ground. Then there's her own little hell-raiser—a rowdy toddler who can turn his birthday candles into a blazing inferno with just one breath. But when her marriage goes up in smoke, Rachel discovers her husband, Kevin, isn't just a deadbeat, he's also a demon (a sloth demon, no less, which explains why he never helped around the house) with a renegade bounty hunter—a fallen angel named Sam—chasing down a powerful secret Kevin has kept for a millennium or two. Sam's downfall was a beautiful mortal woman . . . and now, the heavenly attraction zinging between them has down-to-earth Rachel believing in celestial magic. But will it be enough to save her and her son from the dark forces Kevin has unwittingly unleashed on Dogwood County? **APB \$14.99**

Karin Lowachee*The Gaslight Dogs*

In a world built on violence, technology and religious fanaticism, a young spirit walker of the Aniw and a captain in the Ciracusan army form a tentative alliance in hopes of turning the tide of the war, which could brand them both as outcasts—and change the fates of nations. **APB \$19.95**

Roger Ma*The Zombie Combat Manual*

During a zombie outbreak, 98% of individuals will have to destroy their undead opponent without the aid of a firearm. Will you be ready?

The Zombie Combat Manual is a comprehensive guide that demonstrates how anyone, from seasoned fighter to average citizen, can become an effective warrior in the inevitable battle against the undead.

With detailed illustrations and firsthand accounts from zombie combat veterans, this manual provides readers with the information they need to emerge victoriously from a close combat encounter with a walking corpse. Now is the time to learn how to survive a hand-to-hand battle against the advancing army of the undead—before humans fall prey to their growing ranks. **TP \$28.95**

Debbie Mazzuca*Lord of the Isles*

Transported back in time and into the arms of a wounded Scottish Highlander, Dr. Ali Graham nurses both his body and his heart back to health, forcing her to choose between love and returning to her own time. **PB \$13.95**

Sarah McCarty*Jared (Shadow Wranglers)*

Meet Jared—a cowboy with bit—in the latest paranormal romance from the national bestselling author.

Jared Johnson has always been a force to be reckoned with, first as an outlaw and now as a vampire. Caught in a war between immortals, he doesn't have time to waste, but when a female vampire is attacked, he can't just walk away. He expects a quick good-bye, but what he gets is a vulnerable woman who intrigues and seduces while giving away nothing of the secrets holding her hostage.

Raisa may not have extreme physical strength, but she's been able to survive as a vampire longer than most by keeping to herself. But that's about to change. Forced to accept Jared's protection, Raisa finds it increasingly hard to resist his forbidden allure while keeping the secret that could destroy them both. **TP \$30.95**

Fiona McIntosh Australia*Fields of Gold*

At the end of the Great War, two young men find themselves far from home, with everything to gain or everything to lose...

Charismatic womaniser Jack Bryant has the world at his feet, but when trouble catches up with him he's forced to flee Britain for good.

Handsome, honest Ned Sinclair is on a family adventure in Rangoon when he is dealt a bitter blow. With all the odds against him, he risks his life in a desperate bid to escape.

Both men hope to start their lives anew, seeking their fortune in India's fields of gold. Their paths collide in the colourful city of Bangalore, where they form a friendship like no other. In the years that follow, they remain inextricably bound by a dark secret, while their love for the same woman threatens to tear them apart.

From the windswept clifftops of the Cornish coast to the goldmines of southern India, this is a page-turning story of high adventure, devastating tragedy and enduring love. **TP \$32.95**

L J McDonald

The Shattered Sylph (Sylph 02)

Kidnapped by slavers, Lizzie Petrule is taken to the corrupt empire of Meridal where she is forced to quench the carnal thirst of gladiators, and three men, despite unimaginable odds, band together to save her. **APB \$19.95**

Paul McAuley

400 Billion Stars

Dorothy Yoshida is a telepath and a really rather good one at that. She's also a scientist and when a small planet begins to manifest some unusual signs she is sent to investigate. The planet is more than it seems and on further investigation the scientists begin to suspect it has been artificially altered. But despite their suspicions the only life they can detect is on the surface, none of which has advanced far above the level of animals. And despite the hopes of mankind to find something which will help them in a burgeoning war against other species, there seems to be nothing there to aid them. With Dorothy's arrival, however, they are in for some surprising discoveries. **BPB \$22.99**

Eternal Light

In the aftermath of an interstellar war an enigmatic star is discovered, travelling towards the Solar System from the galactic core. Its appearance adds a new and dangerous factor in the turbulent politics of the inhabited worlds as the rival factions - the power-holders of the ReUnited Nations, the rebels who secretly oppose their power and the Religious Witnesses - all see advantages to be gained. But what awesome technology started the star on its journey half a million years ago - and why? **BPB \$22.99**

Fairyland

The 21st century. Europe is divided between the First World bourgeoisie, made rich by nanotechnology and the cheap versatile slave labour of genetically engineered Dolls and the Fourth World of refugees and homeless displaced by war and economic upheaval. In London, Alex Sharkey is trying to make his mark as a designer of psychoactive viruses, whilst staying one step ahead of the police and the Triad gangs. At the cost of three hours of his life, he finds an unlikely ally in a scary, super-smart little girl called Milena, but his troubles really start when he helps Milena quicken intelligence in a Doll, turning it into the first of the fairies. Milena isn't sure if she's mad or if she's the only sane person left in the world; she only knows that she wants to escape to her own private Fairyland and live forever. Although Milena has created the fairies for her own ends, some of the Folk, as fey and dangerous as any in legend, have other ideas about her destiny... **BPB \$22.99**

Pasquale's Angel

Florence in the year 1518 is riven by scientific and sociological change caused by the wonderful devices of the Great Engineer, Leonardo da Vinci. Now he is old and lives as a recluse working behind the walls of his castle. The Raphaelites, artists and anti-technologists led by Raphael of Urbino, call for his excommunication. Pasquale di Cione fiesole, an apprentice painter witnesses an assassination attempt on Raphael at a Cathedral service. The weapon falls into his hands and he is soon on the run from engineers and artists, desperate to prove his innocence. **BPB \$22.99**

The Quiet War

Twenty-third century Earth, ravaged by climate change, looks backwards to the holy ideal of a pre-industrial Eden. Political power has been grabbed by a few powerful families and their green saints. Millions of people are imprisoned in teeming cities; millions more labour on Pharaonic projects to rebuild ruined ecosystems. On the moons of Jupiter and Saturn, the Outers, descendants of refugees from Earth's repressive regimes, have constructed a wild variety of self-sufficient cities and settlements: scientific utopias crammed with exuberant creations of the genetic arts; the last outposts of every kind of democratic tradition. The fragile detente between the Outer cities and the dynasties of Earth is threatened by the ambitions of the rising generation of Outers, who want to break free of their cosy, inward-looking pocket paradises, colonise the rest of the Solar System and drive human evolution in a hundred new directions. On Earth, many demand pre-emptive action against the Outers before it's too late; others want to exploit the talents of their scientists and gene wizards. Amid campaigns for peace and reconciliation, political machinations, crude displays of military might and espionage by cunningly wrought agents, the two branches of humanity edge towards war... **BPB \$22.99**

Red Dust

Mars, 600 years in the future, is dying. Five hundred years after the Chinese conquered the Red Planet, the great work of terraforming is failing. The human-machine Consensus of Earth had persuaded the AI Emperor to follow the Golden Path into a vast virtual reality universe, leaving behind an ungoverned planet swept by hunger riots and the beginnings of civil war. Enter Wei Lee, a lowly itinerant agricultural technician: rock 'n' roll fan, dupe, holy fool - and unlikely Messiah. After stumbling on an anarchist pilot hiding near the wreckage of her spacecraft, he's drawn into a revolutionary plot that has been spinning for decades. With the help of a ghost, the broadcasts of the King of the Cats, a Yankee yak herder and a little Girl God, Lee travels across the badlands, swampy waterways and vast dust seas to a showdown at the summit of the biggest volcano in the Solar System. Not even the God-like Consensus can predict the outcome of his struggle to define his own destiny... Epic in scope, Red Dust's spectacular, fast-paced story brilliantly brings to life the planet that has captured our imagination like no other. **BPB \$22.99**

Lindsay McKenna

Reunion (Warriors For The Light)

APB \$14.95

Eoin McNamee

The Ring of Five

The Ring of Five, ruthless leaders of the Lower World, are growing stronger. Wilsons spy academy is the only force left protecting the Upper World and its power is fading. They must find a spy to infiltrate the Ring, one who has the mark of the fifth, one who has treachery written on his heart. Danny is on the way to his new boarding school when he is kidnapped. He has been handpicked to join Wilsons, dedicated to the defeat of the ruthless Cherbs led by the Ring of Five. Danny makes friends and settles into his rigorous spy training. But with his different coloured eyes and his pointed features, he looks like a Cherb, attracting enemies and several attempts on his life. But no danger compares to the mission that Master Devoy sends him on: Danny must reach the Lower World to infiltrate the Ring. He is determined not only to be the best spy but to keep his friends. But he is soon to discover he can trust no one, not even himself. **BPB \$17.95**

Richelle Mead

Succubus Shadows (Georgina Kincaid 05)

While helping plan her ex-boyfriend Seth's wedding, Georgina, a drop-dead gorgeous shapeshifter, deals with sexual tension between her and her roommate Roman, and Simone, a new succubus in town who is determined to corrupt Seth. **TP \$30.95**

Matt Melvin

Dracula is A Racist: A Totally Factual Guide to Vampires

One of the creators of Explosm.net and the online comic Cyanide & Happiness presents this hilarious vampire handbook that exposes their true nature by asking such questions as Was Dracula really a racist? and Was Sesame Street ever truly safe from The Count? **TP \$21.95**

China Mieville

The City and the City

When the body of a murdered woman is found in the extraordinary, decaying city of Beszel, somewhere at the edge of Europe, it looks like a routine case for Inspector Tyador Borlu of the Extreme Crime Squad. But as he probes, the evidence begins to point to conspiracies far stranger, and more deadly, than anything he could have imagined. Soon his work puts him and those he cares for in danger. Borlu must travel to the only metropolis on Earth as strange as his own, across a border like no other. **BPB \$22.99**

Laura Miller

The Magician's Book (Narnia)

THE MAGICIAN'S BOOK is the story of one reader's long, tumultuous relationship with C.S. Lewis's *The Chronicles of Narnia*. Enchanted by its fantastic world as a child, prominent critic Laura Miller returns to the series as an adult to uncover the source of these small books' mysterious power by looking at their creator, Clive Staples Lewis. What she discovers is not the familiar, idealized image of the author, but a more interesting and ambiguous truth: Lewis's tragic and troubled childhood, his unconventional love life, and his intense but ultimately doomed friendship with J.R.R. Tolkien. Finally reclaiming Narnia 'for the rest of us', Miller casts the *Chronicles* as a profoundly literary creation, and the portal to a life-long adventure in books, art and the imagination. **BPB \$22.99**

L E Modesitt Jr

The Shadow Sorceress (Spellsong 04)

L.E. Modesitt, Jr. has developed a wide readership with his popular fantasy novels set in the universe of Recluce. With more than a million copies in print, he continues to build a substantial audience with each new volume. He widened that audience with the first three-volume *Spellsong Cycle* set in a compelling and imaginative world where music is the vehicle for the creation and wielding of magic. He now returns to that universe for a new cycle of tales starring a new heroine who must face a series of deadly political and military threats.

The Shadow Sorceress continues the story begun in the first *Spellsong Cycle* but focuses on the challenges facing Secca, now a young Sorceress. She is thrust into a position of power and responsibility when her mentor, Anna, the legendary Sorceress Protector of Defalk and the heroine of the original trilogy, dies unexpectedly before Secca's training as a master magic wielder is anywhere near complete.

Despite her reservations concerning the skills and strength of her ruler, Secca must immediately take command of all her magical resources to help suppress internal dissension in a neighboring province. Then she must rally potential allies to lift the naval siege laid on Nordwei by the Sea Priests, who bring with them a new kind of drumming magic that threatens the balance of power in the world, portending danger and destruction not imagined for decades.

Secca learns to fight battles effectively using sorcerous skills she has never used before, all while leading an army for the first time. She must master diplomacy in order to save her ruler and his kingdom, form alliances with unfriendly potential allies and mediate power struggles among ambitious and disparate societies. At the same time, she discovers the unexpected potential for love and companionship in a world where few men are wise enough to value women as anything more than wives, mistresses or mothers.

Coping with it all, Secca proves herself more than just a quick study, but a woman with a limitless capacity for courage, personal growth and fearless commitment to survival and fighting the good fight. **APB \$19.95**

Barbara Monajem

Sunrise in the Garden of Good and Evil

Leading a solitary existence due to her effect on men, Ophelia, an irresistible vampire, comes out of her self-imposed exile to stop a murderer from terrorizing the town of Bayou Gavotte, Louisiana, with the help of detective Gideon O'Toole. **PB \$19.95**

Elizabeth Moon

Deed of Paksenarrion (Deed of Paksenarrion 1, 2, 3)

Paksenarrion wasn't planning to submit to an unwelcome marriage and a lifetime of poverty, so she left her village with a plan and her grandfather's sword. And a few weeks later, she was installed as Duke Phelan's newest recruit in a company of soldiers for hire, her arms training about to begin. But when Paks sees combat, she's stabbed with an ensorcelled knife and barely survives. Then the near-misses start mounting up, raising questions about this young fighter. Is she attracting evil because she is a danger to them all? Or is there another reason malignant forces seek her life?

Paks will face the spider-minions of the Webmistress Achrya, orcs and the corrupted men who serve blood mage Liart, Master of Torments. She will also earn the gratitude of elves and of her Duke. And through conflict she will learn she has powers of her own and a destiny. To become a god-chosen Paladin of Gird, and a target for the ultimate torture. **BPB \$32.99**

Oath of Fealty (Paladin's Legacy 01)

A death has made Kieri Phelan king of Lyona. Here humans and elves live in uneasy peace, united only by their failure to see the dangers at their borders. Harmony has never been more important - or elusive. But will Kieri's soldier background allow him to navigate these difficult politics? And can he awaken the powers his mixed blood confers? An older evil also threatens, affecting not just Lyona but all surrounding kingdoms. The Verrakai family has been practicing forbidden blood magic for generations, and its scions are becoming bold. When they infiltrate a foreign court and assassinate key nobles, it's clear they must be controlled or eradicated. Phelan will send Dorrin, the only Verrakai he can truly trust, on this mission. She must overcome her abhorrence of the power that is her birthright and awaken her own hidden magic. This will lead to secrets and a mystery that neither Phelan nor Dorrin could have anticipated. **BPB \$22.99**

Christopher Moore

Fool

A man of infinite jest, Pocket has been Lear's cherished fool for years, from the time the king's grown daughters - selfish, scheming Goneril, sadistic but hot Regan, and sweet, loyal Cordelia - were mere girls. So he can see trouble brewing when Lear demands that his kids swear their undying love and devotion before a collection of assembled guests. Of course Goneril and Regan are only too happy to brownnose Dad. But Cordelia's blunt honesty ends up costing her her rightful share of the kingdom and earns her a banishment to boot. The only person who can possibly make things right is Pocket, who has already managed to sidestep catastrophe on numerous occasions, using his razor-sharp mind, rapier wit and the equally well-honed daggers he keeps conveniently hidden behind his back. He's going to have to do some very fancy maneuvering - cast some spells, incite a few assassinations, start a war or two (the usual stuff) - and shag every lusciously shaggable wench who's amenable along the way. Pocket may be a fool . . . but he's definitely not an idiot. **BPB \$22.99**

Lara Morgan Australian Author*Awakening (Twins of Saranthium 01)*

In the lands of Saranthium, the pact between human and serpent is failing. Rogue serpents are attacking villages, and in the city of Salmut rumours claim that the banished god, Azoth, has returned to resurrect his empire of slavery.

An orphan at five, a thief and a survivor, Shaan lives in a whorehouse and works in the serpent yards of Salmut. She dreams of joining the Riders, the elite warriors who patrol the skies from the backs of the serpents. But Shaan's dreams are haunted by visions of a burning city and a voice that whispers in an ancient tongue.

Meanwhile, in the harsh desert of the Clans, Tallis has grown up under the burden of his difference. When he faces being made an outcast, his mother reveals the truth of his birth – it is a secret that propels him away from all he has known and onto a journey to understand the unnatural power locked within him. Drawn together, Shaan and Tallis are ensnared in the resurrection of an ancient conflict. But on whose side? That of the serpents or the people? **APB \$21.95**

Betrayal (Twins of Saranthium 02)

Twins Shaan and Tallis have managed to escape from Azoth, but the lands of Saranthium are still under threat from the fallen god. He has enslaved the people of the Wild Lands and built an army led by hybrid human-serpent warriors he has created with the Birthstone.

Meanwhile, the city of Salmut is in turmoil, as the Council of Nine is determined to wage war on the Free Lands, ignoring the menace posed by Azoth. Shaan and Tallis must try to convince the people to unite against him, but each faces a battle of their own – Tallis to control the mighty power within him, and Shaan to resist the pull of Azoth, who reaches out to her in her dreams.

But there is an even greater peril. The Four Lost Gods have awoken and seek to recover the Birthstone and exert their terrible control over the people of Saranthium once more. Challenged from all sides, Shaan and Tallis fight against the odds, but victory may only be possible through a devastating act of betrayal... **TP \$32.99**

Edward Morris*There Was A Crooked Man (01)*

The first in a nine-volume alternate-history series. On an East Coast two centuries after Armageddon, a rogue soldier throws himself back in time to wreak havoc upon history and feed on the blood in the streets. He lands in the New World with the first white settlers. The Irrakwa try to stop him. And from two centuries ahead, the Law tries to follow him back. **PB \$19.95**

Patti O'Shea*In the Darkest Night (Light Warriors 04)*

Farran, on the run from the father she betrayed and the magical council she tried to steal from, turns to magical troubleshooted Kel Andrews for help, and as both demon and human enemies close in on them from every side, they must learn to trust each other in order to stay alive. **APB \$17.95**

Dexter Palmer*The Dream of Perpetual Motion*

With his only companions being his insane lover and her cryogenically frozen father, greeting card writer Harold Winslow must come to terms with the madness of a genius inventor and his quest to create a perpetual motion machine, in a story set in a fantastical future where nearly anything is possible. Unabridged Spoken Word Compact Disc **CD \$70**

Alexey Pehov*Shadow Prowler (Chronicles of Siala 01)*

After centuries of calm, the Nameless One is stirring. An army is gathering: giants, ogres and other creatures joining forces from across the Desolate Lands, united for the first time in history under one black banner. By the spring, or perhaps sooner, the Nameless One and his forces will be at the walls of the great city of Avendoom.

Unless Shadow Harold, master thief, can find some way to stop them.

Epic fantasy at its best, Shadow Prowler is the first in a trilogy that follows professional thief Shadow Harold on his quest for a magic Horn that will restore peace to the kingdom of Siala. Accompanied by an elfin princess, ten Wild Hearts - the most experienced and dangerous royal fighters - and the King's court jester (who may be more than he seems ... or less), Harold must outwit angry demons, escape the clutches of a band of hired murderers, survive ten bloody skirmishes ... and reach the burial grounds before dark. Can he escape a fate worse than death? **TP \$32.99**

Amanda Quick*Burning Lamp (Arcance Society 02)*

Hallucination-prone crime lord Griffin Winters believing he has been struck with the Winters Curse and engaging in a dangerous psychic experiment with the mysterious Adelaide Pyne, who holds Nicholas Winters's missing lamp. **HC \$52.95 MP3 CD \$51.95**

Robert Rankin*The Toyminator*

Somewhere over the rainbow and just off the Yellow Brick Road stands Toy City, formerly known as Toy Town. And things are not going well for the city's inhabitants. There have been outbreaks of STC - Spontaneous Toy Combustion - and there are strange signs and portents in the Heavens. Preachers of Toy City's many religions are predicting that the End Times are approaching and that a Toy City Apocalypse will soon come to pass. But can this possibly be true, or is there a simple explanation - an alien invasion, for instance. With the body count rising and the forces of law and order baffled, it is the time for a hero to step forward and attempt to save the day. Well, two heroes actually, Eddie Bear, Toy City Private Eye and his loyal sidekick, Jack: our courageous twosome are about to face their biggest challenge yet, to save not only toykind, but the world of mankind too. Which should keep them out of the pub for a while. **BPB \$22.99**

Eileen Rendahl*Don't Kill the Messenger (Messenger 01)*

The first in a fantastic new paranormal series about a messenger from the supernatural underworld.

Melina Markowitz is a Messenger, a go-between for paranormal forces and supernatural creatures. Problem is, when a girl's a go-between, it's hard not to get caught in the middle...

When ninjas steal an envelope from Melina, her search leads her to a Taoist temple in Old Sacramento, where the priests seem to practice Zen and the art of mayhem. Melina learns from the handsome ER doctor (and vampire) who gave her the envelope that it contained talismans created by the priests to control Chinese vampires, who are attacking gang members to spark a street war.

Although he may look more like a surfer than a cop, Ted Goodnight is dead serious about investigating the surge in gang violence. At every turn he runs into Melina, a very attractive-and very mysterious-young woman. Can Melina enlist his help to battle something he doesn't even believe in without blowing her cover? **TP \$30.95**

J D Robb*Kindred in Death (Eve Dallas 29)*

A phone call from up high interrupts Eve's plans to have a lazy day with her husband: The teenage daughter of Captain Jonah McMasters, head of the NYPD drug squad, has been found raped and strangled in her bedroom. A terrifying video of Deena, bloody and beaten beyond recognition, hints at a link between her death and a criminal in McMasters's own past, someone determined to exact revenge in the cruelest way possible. Searching through McMasters' cases leads Eve nowhere - until another rape-murder, and another video, reveals the killers deadly intent: to target every single person involved in his family's case over a decade ago. With barely anything to go on except a tangle of dead ends, Eve and her team must work fast to identify the next victim of a killer with who will stop at nothing ... **APB \$19.99**

Jeremy Robinson*Pulse*

Imagine a world where soldiers regenerate and continue fighting without pause, and where suicide bombers live to strike again. This is the dream of Richard Ridley, founder of Manifold Genetics, and he has discovered the key to eternal life: an ancient artefact buried beneath a Greek inscribed stone in the Peruvian desert.

When Manifold steals the artefact and abducts archaeologist Dr George Pierce, the United States Special Forces Delta operative, Jack Sigler, callsign King, and his Chess Team – Queen, Knight, Rook, Bishop and their handler, Deep Blue – give chase. They must save Pierce and stop Manifold before they change the face of genetics – and human history – forever. **APB \$16.99**

Justina Robson*Going Under (Quantum Gravity 03)*

Book three of the Quantum Gravity Series sees Lila Black back from her adventures in Demonica and struggling to cope with the even stranger world of Faerie. And these Faeries couldn't be less like Tinkerbell. These Faeries are capricious, unknowable and dangerous. And they will be Lila's toughest test yet. Lila may have reached some sort of peace over the fate of her parents, she may have built some bridges with her sister but when you're half cyborg, when you contain enough high-tech weaponry to win a small war, when you don't know your heart, still love an elf and don't trust your bosses you can be capricious unknowable and quite dangerous enough yourself. This is a fast moving SF fantasy full of thrills and adventures but informed with a ready wit and prepared to touch on serious themes of identity, reality and sexual politics. **BPB \$22.99**

Phil Rossi*Crescent*

Darkness has inspired fear since mankind first watched the sun go down. Bad things hide in the dark feral beasts with mouths full of razors waiting for a taste of flesh. But now, the darkness is stirring with a life of its own. Crescent Station is the last bastion of civilization, floating in the cold, outer systems where colonized space gives way to the sparser settlements of the Frontier. Like the boom towns of distant Earth's Old American West, Crescent Station is a gateway to power, wealth, and opportunity for anyone who isn't afraid to get his or her hands dirty. But deep within the station's bowels, in Crescent's darkest and most secret places, an ancient evil is awakening and hungry, and it threatens the very fabric of space and time. Will the residents of Crescent Station find a way to stop it before the terror drives them insane? Or is it already too late?

Print on demand. **PB \$39.95**

Carrie Ryan*The Dead-Tossed Waves (02)*

Gabry lives a quiet life, secure in her town next to the sea and behind the Barrier. She's content to let her friends dream of the Dark City up the coast while she watches from the top of her lighthouse. Home is all she's ever known and all she needs for happiness. But life after the Return is never safe and there are threats even the Barrier can't hold back. Gabry's mother thought she left her secrets behind in the Forest of Hands and Teeth, but, like the dead in their world, secrets don't stay buried. And now, Gabry's world is crumbling. One night beyond the Barrier... One boy Gabry's known forever and one veiled in mystery... One reckless moment and half of Gabry's generation is dead, the other half imprisoned. Now Gabry knows only one thing: if she has any hope of a future, she must face the forest of her mother's past... **TP \$29.99**

Brandon Sanderson*Hero of Ages (Final Empire 03)*

Tricked into releasing the evil spirit Ruin while attempting to close the Well of Ascension, new emperor Elend Venture and his wife, the assassin Vin, are now hard-pressed to save the world. This adventure brings the Mistborn epic fantasy trilogy to a dramatic and surprising climax as Sanderson's saga offers complex characters and a compelling plot, asking hard questions about loyalty, faith and responsibility. **BPB \$24.99**

Warbreaker

Two sisters who are princesses have different destinies as one, Siri, marries the God King, and the other, Vivienna, tries to save her people with the help of Vasher, the Warbreaker, as they all contend with the special powers contained in BioChromatic magic. **APB \$19.95**

Lynsay Sands*Single White Vampire (Argeneau 02)*

Roundhouse Publishing editor Kate C Leever's first letter to her new author was meant to impress upon him the growing demand for vampire romances. And even though he'd expressed little-to-no desire for any publicity, book tours, or similar, it was clear this was an author just waiting to be broken out - despite himself, if necessary. When she suggested attending a romance convention his response - unusually quick to arrive - was succinct: 'No.' But Kate was adamant: Mr Lucern Argeneau was going to attend a romance convention and meet his fans. By hook or by crook, despite his reclusive nature and odd sleep patterns, the surly yet handsome author would attend. And she was sure that, once there, he would reveal himself to be a true charmer. Of course, that was before she realised that his 'romances' were more like biographies and it's literally her neck on the line... **BPB \$22.99**

Robert J Sawyer*WWW: Watch (WWW 02)*

Webmind is an emerging consciousness that has befriended Caitlin Decter and grown eager to learn about her world. But Webmind has also come to the attention of WATCH - the secret government agency that monitors the Internet for any threat to the United States - and they're fully aware of Caitlin's involvement in its awakening.

WATCH is convinced that Webmind represents a risk to national security and wants it purged from cyberspace. But Caitlin believes in Webmind's capacity for compassion - and she will do anything and everything necessary to protect her friend. **HC \$51.95**

Johannes Selhofer *Australian Author*

Javelin

Javelin is the result of a four-year project dealing with an ancient icon once deemed of enormous spiritual and political significance. Spanning the better part of two millennia, the novel tracks the custodianship of the weapon, from Biblical Judaea under Roman occupation, through a string of Holy Roman Emperors, all the way to its final home; the Vienna Hofburg, presented to Adolf Hitler during the "Anschluss" ceremony in March 1938. The novel is meticulously researched and delves deeply into various metaphysical aspects pertaining to man; both ancient and modern. **\$43.95**

Darren Shan *Ireland*

City of Snakes (City 03)

'The Cardinal is dead - long live The Cardinal'

For ten years Capac Raimi has ruled the city as The Cardinal. Created by the first Cardinal to rule after him and continue his legacy, Capac cannot be killed. But that doesn't stop his enemies trying. And he has a lot of enemies.

In the past Capac's always been content to wait his adversaries out, safe in the knowledge that he can't lose playing a long game. But things are changing. Rival gangs are gaining power in the city. And figures from Capac's past are reappearing - people only he remembers, the first Cardinal's other creations, who disappeared with him ten years ago.

It can only mean one thing. The mysterious Incan priests, the ancient powers behind the City, have never been happy about ceding control to Capac. Now they have a plan to take the City back. And this time Capac really could have a fight to the death on his hands... **TP \$32.99**

Mary Sharratt

Daughters of the Witching Hill

A tale inspired by the Pendle witch hunt of 1612 finds the granddaughter of a folk healer targeted by an ambitious local magistrate who plays neighbors and family members against one another until paranoia reaches frenzied levels.

Daughters of the Witching Hill brings history to life in a vivid and wrenching account of a family sustained by love as they try to survive the hysteria of a witch-hunt.

Bess Southern, an impoverished widow living in Pendle Forest, is haunted by visions and gains a reputation as a cunning woman. Drawing on the Catholic folk magic of her youth, Bess heals the sick and foretells the future. As she ages, she instructs her granddaughter, Alizon, in her craft, as well as her best friend, who ultimately turns to dark magic.

When a peddler suffers a stroke after exchanging harsh words with Alizon, a local magistrate, eager to make his name as a witch finder, plays neighbors and family members against one another until suspicion and paranoia reach frenzied heights.

Sharratt interweaves well-researched historical details of the 1612 Pendle witch-hunt with a beautifully imagined story of strong women, family, and betrayal. Daughters of Witching Hill is a powerful novel of intrigue and revelation. **HC \$49.95**

Neal Shusterman

Everwild (02)

Nick the "chocolate ogre" wants to help the children of Everlost to reach the light at the end of the tunnel, and is slowly handing each child a coin which will release them from Everlost. But Mary Hightower wants to trap the children forever, and joins forces with Pugsy Capone, a death boss, who gains allies in a terrible way...Meanwhile, Allie has gone in search for her parents and joins up with a group of "skinjackers". But, as her search takes her further away from Nick and the children of Everlost, Allie uncovers a shocking secret...it seems that "skinjackers" are not actually dead...In this riveting sequel to the imaginative, supernatural thriller, Everlost, there is new dark force to be reckoned with. **BPB \$16.99**

Scott Sigler

Infected (Infected 01)

They dropped from the atmosphere like microscopic snow. Billions of seeds, smaller than specks of dust, spiralling down from the heavens. A few survived, and began to grow. Now three people face a race against time. Dew Phillips, an agent with a classified unit of the CIA, and Margaret Montoya, a government biologist, must try to stop a modern plague that drives its victims to insanity, murder and suicide. And Perry Dawsey, an ex-footballer in a dead-end job, must race to find a cure for the rash that has appeared on his arm. And his back. And his neck. And which is getting bigger. And then the voices start.

Scott Sigler is the new voice in new horror - his UK debut is a terrifying, menacing thriller about millions of alien parasites infecting the general population, driving the victims to murder and suicide...and waiting to hatch... **APB \$19.99**

The Rookie

Set in a lethal pro football league 700 years in the future, THE ROOKIE is a story that combines the intense gridiron action of "Any Given Sunday" with the space opera style of "Star Wars" and the criminal underworld of "The Godfather." Aliens and humans alike play positions based on physiology, creating receivers that jump 25 feet into the air, linemen that bench-press 1,200 pounds, and linebackers that literally want to eat you. Organized crime runs every franchise, games are fixed and rival players are assassinated. Follow the story of Quentin Barnes, a 19-year-old quarterback prodigy that has been raised all his life to hate, and kill, those aliens. Quentin must deal with his racism and learn to lead, or he'll wind up just another stat in the column marked "killed on the field." **HC \$44**

Linnea Sinclair

Hope's Folly (Dock Five 03)

Admiral Philip Guthrie is in an unprecedented position: on the wrong end of the law, leading a ragtag band of rebels against the oppressive Imperial forces. Or would be if he can get his command ship—the derelict cruiser called Hope's Folly—functioning. Not much can rattle Philip's legendary cool—but the woman who helps him foil an assassination attempt on Kirro Station will. She's the daughter of his best friend and first commander—a man who died while under Philip's command and whose death is on Philip's conscience.

Rya Bennton has been in love with Philip Guthrie since she was a girl. But can her childhood fantasies survive an encounter with the hardened man, and newly minted rebel leader, once she learns the truth about her father's death? Or will her passion for revenge put not only their hearts but their lives at risk? It's an impossible mission: A man who feels he can't love. A woman who believes she's unlovable. And an enemy who will stop at nothing to crush them both. **APB \$19.95**

Rebels and Lovers (Dock Five 04)

When his nephew goes missing after his bodyguard is murdered, Devin Guthrie, in a time of intergalactic upheaval, must turn to Captain Makaiden Griggs for help, and finds his loyalty to his family and government tested by his attraction to this woman he is forbidden to be with. **APB \$19.95**

Alexandra Sokoloff

The Harrowing

Baird College's Mendenhall echoes with the footsteps of students heading home for Thanksgiving break and Robin Stone, who won't be going home, swears she can feel the creepy, hundred-year-old residence hall breathe a sigh of relief for its long-awaited solitude. As a massive storm approaches, four other lonely students reveal themselves to Robin: Patrick, a handsome jock; Lisa, a manipulative tease; Cain, a brooding musician; and Martin, a scholarly eccentric. Each has forsaken a long weekend at home for their own secret reasons. The five unlikely companions establish a tentative rapport, but they soon become aware of another presence disturbing the building's ominous silence. Are they the victims of an elaborate prank, or is the energy evidence of something genuine - something intent on using them for its own terrifying ends? **PB \$22.99**

The Price

Boston District Attorney Will Sullivan dreams of becoming the next governor of Massachusetts. With his beautiful wife, Joanna, and adorable daughter, Sydney, Will seems destined for greatness - until Sydney becomes seriously ill. Now both parents resolve to do anything to save their daughter's life. But in the twilight world of the Briarwood Medical Center, nothing is as it seems. Patients on the brink of death are not only surviving but thriving, while others wither away - and the recoveries all revolve around the ministrings of a mysterious counselor, who takes an unsettling interest in Joanna. When Sydney's health miraculously improves, Will suspects that Joanna made a terrible bargain to save their child. Now Will must face a powerful, unknown evil before he loses - everything. **BPB \$22.99**

Jeff Strand

Dweller

A lonely, unhappy teenager without friends, Toby befriends a creature in the woods who, needing to feed, agrees to take care of the bullies who won't leave Toby alone, resulting in a macabre friendship that lasts for decades. **APB \$14.95**

Charles Stross

Trade of Queens (Merchant Princes 06)

A dissident faction of the Clan, the alternate universe group of families that has traded covertly with our world for a century or more, has carried nuclear devices between the worlds and exploded them in Washington, DC, killing the President of the United States. Now they will exterminate the rest of the Clan and keep Miriam alive only long enough to bear her child, the heir to the throne of their land in the Gruinmarkt world.

Mike Fleming, late of US intelligence, has just survived an attack on his life in Massachusetts and knows the worst and deepest secret: behind the horrifying plot is a faction of the US government itself, preparing for a political takeover in the aftermath of terrifying disaster. There is no safe place except, perhaps, in the third alternate world, New Britain - which has just had a revolution and a nuclear incident of its own. **HC \$45**

Steph Swainston

Above the Snowline (Castle)

This is Jant Shira's life before the drugs took over, as a hunter in the mountains. Awian exiles are building a stronghold in the Darkling mountains, where the Rhydanne hunt. Their clash of interests soon leads to bloodshed and Shira Dellin, a Rhydanne huntress, appeals to the immortal Circle for justice. The Emperor sends Jant, half-Rhydanne, half-Awian and all-confidence, to mediate. As Jant is drawn into the spiralling violence he is shaken into coming to terms with his own heritage and his feelings for the alien, intoxicating Dellin. ABOVE THE SNOWLINE tells the story of Jant's early years in the Circle and shows the Fourlands as you've never seen them before. **TP \$32.99**

Duane Swierczynski

Expiration Date

Chris Wade shifts between the present-day world, where he's broke and lives in a bad neighborhood, and 1959, where he lives the life of his private eye grandfather, "solving" cases by returning to the present-day to do research on the Internet, until he meets the 10-year-old kid in 1959 who will grow up to murder his father. **TP \$28.95**

Sam Sykes

Tome of the Undergates (Aeons Gate 01)

Lenk can barely keep control of his mismatched adventurer band at the best of times (Gariath the dragon man sees humans as little more than prey, Kataria the Shict despises most humans and the humans in the band are little better). When they're not insulting each other's religions they're arguing about pay and conditions. So when the ship they are travelling on is attacked by pirates things don't go very well. They go a whole lot worse when an invincible demon joins the fray. The demon steals the Tome of the Undergates - a manuscript that contains all you need to open the undergates. And whichever god you believe in, you don't want the undergates open. On the other side are countless more invincible demons, the manifestation of all the evil of the gods and they want out... **TP \$32.99**

Terrence Taylor

Blood Pressure (Vampire Testament)

The secret war between vampires and humans escalates and the world will never be the same again...

Christopher Jude Miller - fully grown and still human - has returned to New York to seek answers about his past. It is there he meets Joie, a young woman connected to his past, and falls into a twisted love triangle. He and Joie also realize that the magical forces that made both their lives possible have unexpected side effects, as they discover that united they have abilities neither knew of before - including the power to cure vampires.

Created after the incidents that brought in the National Guard to contain the vampire zombie plague on the Lower East Side, Clean Slate Global is a covert ops organization formed to rid the world of vampires, run by ex-deputy mayor Jonathan Richmond. But Richmond unleashes an ancient evil with darker motives. It plots to use Christopher and Joie's power to eliminate all vampires from the Earth...with the exception of its own new and improved indestructible army of the undead. **TP \$30.95**

Adrian Tchaikovsky

Salute the Dark (Shadows of the Apt 04)

The vampiric sorcerer Uctebri has at last got his hands on the Shadow Box and can finally begin his dark ritual - a ritual that the Wasp-kin Emperor believes will grant him immortality - but Uctebri has his own plans both for the Emperor and the Empire. The massed Wasp armies are on the march, and the spymaster Stenwold must see which of his allies will stand now that the war has finally arrived. This time the Empire will not stop until a black and gold flag waves over Stenwold's own home city of Collegium.

Tisamon the Weaponsmaster is faced with a terrible choice: a path that could lead him to abandon his friends and his daughter, to face degradation and loss, but that might possibly bring him before the Wasp Emperor with a blade in his hand - but is he being driven by Mantis-kin honour, or manipulated by something more sinister? **APB \$21.99**

J R R Tolkien

The Legend of Sigurd and Gudrun

Many years ago, J.R.R. Tolkien composed his own version, now published for the first time, of the great legend of Northern antiquity, in two closely related poems to which he gave the titles *The New Lay of the Volsungs* and *The New Lay of Gudrun*. In the *Lay of the Volsungs* is told the ancestry of the great hero Sigurd, the slayer of Fafnir most celebrated of dragons, whose treasure he took for his own; of his awakening of the Valkyrie Brynhild who slept surrounded by a wall of fire; and of his coming to the court of the great princes who were named the Niflungs (or Nibelungs), with whom he entered into blood-brotherhood. In that court there sprang great love but also great hate, brought about by the power of the enchantress, mother of the Niflungs, skilled in the arts of magic, of shape-changing and potions of forgetfulness. In scenes of dramatic intensity, of confusion of identity, thwarted passion, jealousy and bitter strife, the tragedy of Sigurd and Brynhild, and Gudrun his sister, mounts to its end in the murder of Sigurd at the hands of his blood-brothers, the suicide of Brynhild, and the despair of Gudrun. In the *Lay of Gudrun* her fate after the death of Sigurd is told, her marriage against her will to the mighty Atli, ruler of the Huns (the Attila of history), his murder of her brothers, and her hideous revenge. Deriving his version primarily from his close study of the ancient poetry of Norway and Iceland known as the Poetic Edda (and from the later prose work the *Volsunga Saga*), Tolkien employed **BPB \$24.99**

Danielle Trussoni

Angelology

The Nephilim were on the earth in those days
Genesis 6:4

When Sister Evangeline finds mysterious correspondence between Mother Innocenta of the Saint Rose Convent and legendary philanthropist Abigail Rockefeller, it confirms Angels walked among us - and their descendants, the cruel Nephilim, still do.

Indeed, the Nephilim are hunting for artefacts concealed by Abigail Rockefeller during the Second World War - objects that will ultimately allow them to enslave mankind - and have so far been prevented from reaching their apocalyptic goal by one, clandestine organisation: The Angelology Society.

And if the Angelologists are to stand any chance of winning this new battle in the ages-old war, they must find the artefacts first. But their fate rests in the hands of innocent Sister Evangeline, who holds the key to unlocking Abigail Rockefeller's hiding places - and whose own destiny may yet find her prey to the terrifying Nephilim army, with horrifying consequences for humanity. **TP \$32.95**

Jack Vance

Complete Lyonesse (Lyonesse)

Suldrun's Garden, The Green Pearl, Madouc

The Elder Isles - an ancient land where chivalry and the realm of fairie exist side by side. A land of mystery, strange beauty, high adventure and arcane magic. Kings are at war, opposing magicians devise ever more cunning stratagems. It is a land where princesses and changelings both can become embroiled in political rivalries and the quest for the grail. The Gollancz Black Books have proved to be an immensely successful formula for getting well loved stories into the hands of people who also love well made books. Jack Vance's *Complete Lyonesse* is a perfect addition to the series and contains Madouc the novel for which Vance won the World Fantasy Award. **HC \$59.99**

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Elizabeth Vaughan

Destiny's Star

A return to the world of the Warlands... Bethral, a beautiful warrior, and Ezren, a quick-witted storyteller, are confronted with a civil war and a tribe of warriors with their own code of honor and their own rules of pleasure and partnership. To stay alive they must learn new customs, confront their enemies, and conceal Ezren's fiery power. **PB \$19.95**

Carrie Vaughn

Kitty's House of Horrors (Kitty 07)

Talk radio host and celebrity werewolf Kitty Norville has agreed to appear on TV's first all-supernatural reality show. What she's expecting is cheesy competitions and manufactured drama starring shapeshifters, vampires and psychics. But what begins as a publicity stunt is all too quickly turning into a fight for her life. Kitty and her fellow housemates arrive at the remote mountain lodge where the show is set, but no sooner does filming start when violence erupts. It doesn't take Kitty long to suspect the show is nothing more than a cover for some nefarious plot. Then the cameras stop rolling, cast members start dying and Kitty learns she and her monster housemates are not battling for a prize: they are, ironically enough, themselves the ultimate prize, in a very different game. Stranded with no power, no phones and no way to know who can be trusted, she must find a way to defeat the evil closing in...before it kills them all. **BPB \$22.99**

Tim Waggoner

Dead Streets (Nekropolis 02)

Meet Matt Richter. Private Eye. Zombie. His mean streets are the city of the dead, the shadowy realm known as Nekropolis. Book two of the Nekropolis series sends Matt Richter out on another deathly adventure. More pulp than Pulp Fiction, more butt-kicking than Buffy, *Dead Streets* is the second in this deathly new series. **APB \$20.99**

David Weber

A Mighty Fortress (Safehold 04)

As a mighty fleet gathers to sail against Cayleb and the Charisian Empire, Merlin Athrawes and a handful of extraordinary humans stand in its path, ready for a battle that may hold the fate of Safehold, the last human planet, in the balance. **HC \$56.95**

David Wellington

23 Hours (04)

In the next 23 hours, there will be no reprieve, no mercy, and no time off for good behavior.

When vampire hunter Laura Caxton is locked up in a maximum-security prison, the cop-turned-con finds herself surrounded by countless murderers and death-row inmates with nothing to lose . . . and plenty of time to kill.

Caxton's always been able to watch her own back, even when it's against a cell-block wall, but soon she learns that an even greater threat has slithered behind the bars to join her. Justinia Malvern, the world's oldest living vampire, has taken up residence, and her strength grows by the moment as she raids the inmate population like an open bar with an all-you-can-drink supply of fresh blood. The crafty old vampire knows just how to pull Caxton's strings, too, and she's issued an ultimatum that Laura can't refuse.

Now Laura has just 23 hours to fight her way through a gauntlet of vampires, cons, and killers . . . 23 hours to make one last, desperate attempt at protecting the world from Justinia's evil. **BPB \$23.99**

Jaye Wells

The Mage in Black (Sabina Kane 02)

Sabina Kane doesn't have the best track record when it comes to family. After all, her own grandmother, leader of the vampire race, wants her dead. So when she arrives in New York to meet her mage relatives, the reunion puts the fun in dysfunctional. Not only is mage culture completely bizarre, but everyone seems to think she's some kind of Chosen who'll unite the dark races. Sabina doesn't care who chose her, she's not into destiny. But the mages aren't Sabina's only problem. In New York's Black Light District, she has run-ins with fighting demons, hostile werewolves and an opportunistic old flame. Sabina thought she'd take a bite out of the Big Apple - but it looks like it wants to bite back. **APB \$19.99**

Carole Wilkinson *Australian Author*

The Dragon Companion (Dragonkeeper)

People have been telling stories about dragons for more than 3000 years. Five-headed dragons, fire-breathing dragons. As big as mountains, as small as dogs. Dragons that can be moody and dragons that have secrets dragons that are brave or cowardly, smart or stupid, good or downright evil. In *The Dragon Companion*, Carole Wilkinson gives you an encyclopedia of the most amazing dragon stories ever told. Read everything about dragons from blood and claws to the wicked dragon king of Enoshima. It will take you round the world, back in time and into the fantastical. **PB \$19.99**

Gayle Ann Williams

Tsunami Blue

In the future where the US has been reduced to a series of island chains, Kathryn "Blue" O'Malley, who can predict tsunamis, becomes the target of ruthless pirates known as the Runners and her only hope for survival is the mysterious stranger who washed up on her beach. **APB \$14.95**

Bill Willingham

Peter and Max **HC \$45**

Meredith Woerner

Vampire Taxonomy

Now that millions have read and seen *Twilight*, where do they turn for vampire advice? This wry, witty, fully illustrated, and bloody essential guide. Vampires are all around-books, movies, TV, comics- infiltrating our culture like never before. But what happens if one should run into a real vamp on the street? *Vampire Taxonomy* is the best defense against a fatal encounter in the dark. For the reader's protection, Meredith Woerner reveals the truth about:

- Sunlight sensitivity-Do vamps venture out in the day or stick solely to the evening hours?
- Physiology-When ready to feed, do they change appearance or simply lure with the seductive flash of a fang?
- Dress-Are they decked out in leather with aspirations of becoming the first vampire rock stars or do they cling to Gothic robes and ruffled collars?
- Diet-Are they waging a never-ending struggle against the temptation of human blood or do they view the world as their personal blood buffet?

TP \$19.95

Gene Wolfe

The Sorcerer's House

The new Gene Wolfe fantasy novel is told entirely in a series of letters. Only Wolfe could have made this so gripping, a surprising page-turner of a book. In a contemporary town in the American mid-west where he has no connections, an educated man recently released from prison is staying in a motel. He writes letters to his brother and to others, including a friend still in jail. When he meets a real estate agent who tells him he is the heir to a huge old house, long empty, he moves in, though he is too broke even to buy furniture. He is immediately confronted by supernatural and fantastic creatures and events. His life is utterly transformed. We read on, because we must know more and we revise our opinions of him, and of others, with each letter. We learn things about magic, and another world, and about the sorcerer Mr Black who originally inhabited the house. And then, perhaps, we read it again. **HC \$45**

Stephen Woodworth

From Black Rooms (Violet Eyes 04)

Natalie Lindstrom has finally left the underworld behind for a new career in the art world. But there's one world she can't escape: the Other world of the dead. As a former Violet, an elite crime-fighter with the power to channel murder victims, Natalie is now using her paranormal gift to summon the spirits of legendary painters. But she's about to discover how far some people will go to keep their hold on her - and others like her. Evan Markham, her ex-lover-turned-Violet-killer, has escaped from prison and he's been made an offer he can't refuse: Natalie. But first he must help contact a deceased geneticist whose most intriguing experiment was brutally interrupted. To protect her young daughter and herself, Natalie must search for the scientist's only living test subject - a handsome but tortured artist who is caught in the grip of two opposing forces: one that wants his survival, another that wants him - and anyone connected with him - destroyed. **APB \$19.99**

John Wyndham

Plan For Chaos

In a city that could well be New York, a series of identical women are found dead in suspicious circumstances. Magazine photographer Johnny Farthing, who is reporting on the suspected murders, is chilled to discover that his fiancée looks identical to the victims too - and then she disappears. As his investigations spiral beyond his control, he finds himself at the heart of a sinister plot that uses cloning to revive the Nazi vision of a world-powerful master race.....

Part detective noir, part dystopic thriller, *Plan for Chaos* reveals the legendary science fiction novelist grappling with some of his most urgent and personal themes. **BPB \$24.95**

Chelsea Quinn Yarbro

A Dangerous Climate (Saint-Germaine)

The vampire Count Saint-Germain, disguised as a missing Hungarian nobleman, is on a spy mission in the heart of Czarist Russia.

Almost by the power of his will alone, it seems, Peter the Great is wrestling the city that will one day be St Petersburg out of swampland.

Representatives of the heads of all European states are living in tiny, frigid, wooden homes as they jockey for power and influence over the Czar.

When a man shows up claiming to be the Count Saint-Germain, the vampire must figure out how to protect his title and wealth without revealing either his true identity or his True Nature. **TP \$32.99**

Michele Young-Stone

The Handbook for Lightning Strike Survivors

Surviving two lightning strikes in childhood, a traumatized Becca Burke becomes isolated from her disbelieving family members and bonds with Buckley Pitank, who grieves the loss of the mother who died from a lightning strike. **HC \$51.95**

Anthologies

Bill Fawcett Editor

Nebula Awards Showcase 2010

An annual commemoration, the Nebula Awards are presented by the Science Fiction and Fantasy Writers of America to those members whose imaginations refine and re-define the infinite storytelling possibilities found within the genre. The Nebula Awards Showcase represents the best of the best in fantasy in one indispensable collection **TP \$32.95**

Emma Holly, Angela Knight, Lora Leigh & Diane Whiteside

Beyond the Dark: Four Stories of Limitless Desire

Lora Leigh does it...in the lair of a strange breed, part man, part wolf, on the hunt for the woman he craves-and needs-to fulfill a hunger clawing at him from within.

Angela Knight does it... in the psychic realm of a woman attuned to the touch of strangers-and the powerful temptations of a seductive and mysterious protector.

Emma Holly does it... in the fantastic Demon World where a powerful Queen rules-until she commits the sin of falling in love with the handsome son of her worst enemy.

Diane Whiteside does it...in an alternate universe of Regency magic where two lovers are threatened by a vicious mage, and swept up in a turbulent war off the Cornish cliffs. **APB \$14.95**

Darrell Schweitzer Editor

Cthulhu's Reign

All original stories about the return of Cthulhu and the Old Ones to Earth.

Some of the darkest hints in all of H.P. Lovecraft's Cthulhu Mythos relate to what will happen after the Old Ones return and take over the earth.

What happens when Cthulhu is unleashed upon the world? What happens when the other Old Ones, long since banished from our universe, break through and descend from the stars? What would the reign of Cthulhu be like on a totally transformed planet where mankind is no longer the master?

Find out in these exciting, brand-new stories. **APB \$19.95**

Tricia Telep Editor

The Mammoth Book of Paranormal Romance

Fall in love with someone out of this world.

If love transcends all boundaries then paranormal romance is its logical conclusion. From the biggest names around, here are 24 tales to take you to another time and place.

Let Alyssa Day, Sherrilyn Kenyon, Cheyenne McCray, Jeaniene Frost, Ilona Andrews, Kelley Armstrong, Maria V. Snyder, Carrie Vaughn, Allyson James Marland and others show you powers beyond your wildest imaginings.

Within these pages mythical beasts, magical creatures of all shapes and sizes, heart-stoppingly handsome ghosts, angels, and mortals with extra-sensitive sensory perception play out the themes of extraordinary desires. **TP \$28.95**

Young Adult

Hans Christian Andersen

Hans Andersen's Fairy Tales

This enchanting book contains twelve of Hans Christian Andersen's magnificent stories. It includes Thumbelina, about a little girl no more than a thumb-joint high, The Emperor's New Clothes, the tale of a man who cares only for his appearance, and The Little Mermaid, the story of a mermaid who longs to one day marry a human prince - making this a collection that no child should be without. **BPB \$9.95**

Pam Bachorz

Candor **PB \$14.95**

Jason Bradbury Australian Author

Atomic Swarm (Dot Robot)

Everything that happened this past summer, and every summer before it, has all led up to this. To now. **BPB \$16.95**

Dot Robot (Dot Robot)

'Congratulation, Jackson. Welcome to Mex.' Dot.com billionaire

Devlin Lear, founder of the top-secret defence force Mex, has been watching Jackson Farley. He knows he has found a digital genius. **BPB \$16.95**

Linda Buckley-Archer

Time Quake (03)

The catastrophic consequences of time travel are now impossible to ignore. Lord Luxon has set his sights on the ultimate prize: America, while, abducted to 1763, Peter and Kate begin to understand that history has arrived at a tipping point. Transformed into an oracle, Kate is able to see the future as easily as the past. Gideon does all he can to help, but he is tormented by the knowledge that The Tar Man, his nemesis, is also his brother. As they pursue him through the dark streets of eighteenth-century London, and the time quakes begin, Peter realises that this monster may hold the fate of us all in his hands. **BPB \$17.99**

Lewis Carroll*Through the Looking Glass and What Alice Found There (Alice in Wonderland)*

When Alice steps through the looking-glass, she enters a very strange world of chess pieces and nursery rhyme characters such as Humpty Dumpty, Tweedledee and Tweedledum and the angry Red Queen. Nothing is what it seems and, in fact, through the looking-glass, everything is distorted.

BPB \$9.95

The Complete Alice in Wonderland

Join Alice as she travels first to Wonderland and then through the looking-glass to an even stranger world. The stories of her surreal adventures and the bizarre characters she meets along the way from the White Rabbit to Tweedledum and Tweedledee are enduring classics, popular with children and adults alike. Now this gorgeous boxed set of full-colour paperbacks makes the perfect gift for a new generation of readers. **TP \$39.99**

Philip Caveney*Prince of Explorers (Sebastian Darke)*

Deep in the remote heart of the jungles of Mendip, Sebastian, Max and Cornelius are in search of a legendary lost city. On route, they encounter the Jilith, a race of warriors locked in a deadly struggle with their mortal enemies, the fierce and brutal Gograth. Can Cornelius train the Jilith to defeat their enemies? Why does jungle girl, Keera think she knows Sebastian? Can Max avoid being turned into spare ribs? And, if they ever find the Lost City, can the three friends survive the ravages of the Night Runners - terrifying creatures that are already dead . . . ? **BPB \$17.95**

Stephen Cole*The Robot Raiders (Astrosaurs 16)*

Captain Teggs is no ordinary dinosaur - he's an astrosaur! On the incredible spaceship DSS Sauropod, along with his faithful crew, Gypsy, Arx and Iggy, Teggs rights wrongs, fights evil and eats a lot of grass! The Astrosaurs zoom through space towards Metka an amazing new automatic, computer-controlled and robot-filled super-city. When the city robots start disappearing, their inventor needs the help of Teggs and the gang - what if somebody is stealing her secrets? But things get complicated when it seems Iggy's brother, Wimvis, and his band of normal dino-builders are to blame. Can they clear Wimvis's name and find out who is responsible? **BPB \$14.95**

Marianne Curley Australian Author*Old Magic*

His name is Jarrod Thornton. He has blond-red hair to his shoulders, nice clean skin and green eyes like fiery emeralds. But this is not why I can't drag my eyes off him. There's something else. Something almost disturbing ... **BPB \$16.99**

Glenn Dakin*Candle Man*

Thirteen-year-old Theo, who has lived in seclusion his entire life, discovers he is the descendant of the Candle Man, a Victorian vigilante with the ability to melt criminals with a single touch. **PB \$16.95**

James Dashner*The 13th Reality*

What if every time you made a choice that had a significant consequence, a new, alternate reality was created -- the life that would've been? What if those new Realities were in danger? What if it fell to you to save all the realities?

Atticus Higginbottom, a.k.a. Tick, is a regular thirteen-year-old boy living a regular life until the day a strange letter arrives in his mailbox. Postmarked from Alaska and cryptically signed with the initials "M.G.," the letter informs Tick that dangerous -- perhaps even deadly -- events have been set in motion that could result in the destruction of reality itself. M.G. promises to send Tick twelve riddles that will reveal that on a certain day, at a certain time, at a certain place, something extraordinary will happen.

Will Tick have the courage to follow the twelve clues M.G. sends to him? Will he be able to solve the riddles in time? As M.G. warns Tick, very frightening things are coming your way. Will you join Tick and his friends on an amazing journey through the Realities? What will your choice be?

BPB \$14.99

Melissa De La Cruz*The Van Alen Legacy (Blue Bloods 04)*

With the stunning revelation surrounding Bliss's true identity comes the growing threat of the sinister Silver Bloods. Once left to live the glamorous life in New York City, the Blue Bloods now find themselves in an epic battle for survival. Not to worry, love is still in the air for the young vampires of the Upper East Side. Or is it? Jack and Schuyler are over. Oliver's brokenhearted. And only the cunning Mimi seems to be happily engaged. Young, fabulous and fanged, Melissa de la Cruz's vampires unite in this highly anticipated fourth instalment of the Blue Bloods series.

BPB \$16.99

John Dickinson*The Fatal Child (03)*

He could see her, the woman the size of a mountain, weeping for a child lost. He could feel that weeping in his heart all the loss and pain and darkness of the world, on and on, dragging at him like weights that pulled him into deep water. Atti is the Fatal Child. Beautiful and adored, she is troubled by a recurring nightmare of violence and betrayal. She can love no one and trust no one, and she wakes screaming in the nights. Driven by his love for Atti, Ambrose, son of Phaedra, gives up his wandering existence and takes the throne. This is the story of his kingship and his attempts to remove the curse of Beyah, the weeping goddess, from his land. For while Beyah weeps, she poisons hearts, and only when the weeping stops can peace be restored to the kingdom. Seen through the eyes of Padry, close advisor to the king, and of Melissa, maid to the queen, this is a passionate story of love and betrayal, power and sacrifice, hope and loss. Prophecies are fulfilled and story threads are concluded as Ambrose and his mother struggle to come to terms with their destinies. **BPB \$19.95**

Jaclyn Dolamore*Magic Under Glass*

Nimira is a music-hall performer forced to dance for pennies to an audience of leering drunks. When wealthy sorcerer Hollin Parry hires her to do a special act - singing accompaniment to an exquisite piano-playing automaton, Nimira believes it is the start of a new life.

In Parry's world, however, buried secrets stir. Unsettling below-stairs rumours abound about ghosts, a mad woman roaming the halls, and of Parry's involvement in a gang of ruthless sorcerers who torture fairies for sport. When Nimira discovers the spirit of a dashing young fairy gentleman is trapped inside the automaton's stiff limbs, waiting for someone to break the curse and set him free, the two fall in love. But it is a love set against a dreadful race against time to save the entire fairy realm, which is in mortal peril. **PB \$16.99**

Ashley DuToit*Nemesis and the Fairy of Pure Heart (Nemesis 01)***PB \$19.95***Nemesis and the Troll King (Nemesis 02)***PB \$19.95****Anthony Eaton Australian Author***Daywards (Darklands 03)*

The city filled the horizon; shattered and fallen ... a desolate wasteland of tangled grey. Here and there the remains of skydomes still stood – towering impossibly above the surrounding ruins and throwing long, late afternoon shadows towards the hills.

When the skycity fell, most believed it took with it the last vestiges of humanity. Only a few escaped, led by a girl with a hidden destiny. Together, they fled into a hostile landscape where, without any technology or the ancient knowledge of their Darklander ancestors, they forged a new beginning.

But when the demons of the past come back to haunt them once more, Saria and her family must set out again, following an unmapped path across a dying land. Walking daywards.

Daywards, the powerful conclusion to The Darklands trilogy, plunges its characters into an unknown where the future of us all depends on the fragile memory of an almost-forgotten past. **TP \$24.95**

Kevin Emerson*The Eternal Tomb*

Oliver tries to avoid attending the Darkling Ball, at which he is to receive an important power to fulfill his destiny, and is forced to fight evil plots set against him.

Life-- and death-- is as complicated as ever for Oliver.

Emalie is planning to artificially kill herself so she can attend the Darkening Ball, where Oliver may have to ... dance with her.

And someone may be trying to blot out the sun forever. **PB \$15.95**

Steve Feasey*Blood Wolf (Changeling 03)*

The third ferociously fantastic book in the high-octane Changeling series.

Trey thought he was the only one.

It was a lie.

The last hereditary werewolf has found his pack – and they're vicious, bloodthirsty, and truly wild.

Trey has had enough of vampires, demons and sorcerers. He needs to get in touch with his real family – the ones with fur, fangs and killer instincts.

But the wolf pack howling at the moon in Canada is not what he expected. And without the protection of de-fanged vampire and demon-hunter Lucien Charron, the family secret is more dangerous than he ever knew. Trey's out of control. Can the werewolf be tamed? **BPB \$14.99**

L M Fuge Australian Author*When Courage Came to Call*

Everything changed when the first bomb fell. Now there is the Resistance. Now there are the rules. RULE ONE. We do our work under the cover of darkness. RULE TWO. If you trust me, I will trust you. RULE THREE. We work for the good and safety of Zamascus. This will include killing. Imm is about to find out if he has what it takes to survive - and what it will cost him. **BPB \$17.95**

Maurice Gee New Zealand Author*The Limping Man (Salt 03)*

The Limping Man is small, wizened and cruel, but his subjects worship him, chanting as he arrives for the burning of the witches. He holds all who come near him in his psychic web, making them bow down and serve his will. And he is raising an army to destroy the humans and Dwellers.

Hana escapes the Limping Man's henchmen as they come to take her mother. When she meets Ben, son of Lo, they set out on a dangerous quest to rid the world of the evil Limping Man. But first they must discover the secret to his power.

The Limping Man is the third book of the Salt Trilogy, a compelling fantasy adventure from one of New Zealand's finest writers. **BPB \$17.95**

Stephen M Giles*The Vulture of Sommerset (02)*

Evil Uncle Silas is dead, but his spirit still haunts Sommerset - even in death he will not let go of his nephew and nieces.

Milo is troubled by nightmares of the Uncle who tried to steal his body and a dark secret he must hide from his cousins; Adele is enthralled by the journals of Captain Bloom and his adventures in the jungles of Budatta, unaware of how important the Captain will become when tragedy strikes; and snooty Isabella is plotting her way to even greater fame and fortune.

A sudden disappearance will rock the cousins' world and each Winterbottom will have to battle old ghosts as they fight to save their Aunt Rosemary... And each other.

The action packed sequel to Silas and the Winterbottoms. **BPB \$14.99**

Rook Hastings*Nearly Departed*

Woodsville is not like other towns. Night falls a little earlier there, the shadows are darker and denser, and everyone knows it's a place where strange things happen. Even if they won't admit it.

Bethan would prefer to be anywhere but here. Jay has his theories, but isn't ready to share. Hashim sees more than he'll say, while Kelly's demons are all too flesh and blood. But Emily's freak-out brings them out of denial and face to face with the supernatural.

Anywhere else, Friday night would be date night. But not in Weirdsville... **BPB \$14.99**

Rachel Hawthorne*Shadow of the Moon (Dark Guardian)*

Hayden has the unique ability to feel the emotions of her fellow werewolves except for Daniel, an attractive and mysterious newcomer who she is not sure she can trust, especially when an ancient enemy targets the community, intent on killing Hayden. **PB \$21.95**

Karen Healey*Guardian of the Dead*

At her boarding school in New Zealand, Ellie Spencer is like any ordinary teen: she hangs out with her best friend, Kevin; obsesses over her crush on a mysterious boy; and her biggest worry is her essay deadline. Until everything changes...

In the foggy woods near the school, something ancient and deadly is waiting. **TP \$19.99**

John Heffernan Australian Author

Pup (Spud 03)

When Kylie and her mother leave the farm taking Spud and Chips with them, only one dog is left behind. Pup is that dog. At heart, Pup is bright and energetic. However, his spirit has been all but broken by the cruelty of his owner. It takes the love and bravery of a boy called Jack to bring this young kelpie back to his happy self. 'Pup' is the third book in the popular series by award-winning author John Heffernan. Look out for the earlier best-selling titles, 'Spud' and 'Chips'. **BPB \$16.99**

Tonya Hurley

Ghostgirl (Ghostgirl 01)

Charlotte Usher has always felt invisible at school. But now she has a plan to break into the popular crowd and nothing is going to stop her. Not even death. It's the first day of the rest of Charlotte's life. She isn't going to be invisible any more. And she's not going to stop at just getting noticed, she's determined that she'll be envied! Much to Charlotte's surprise her plan actually seems to be working: Petula, the most popular girl at school has finally acknowledged her existence and her lab partner for the rest of the term is none other than Damen Dylan, school heart-throb and object of Charlotte's desire. It's only a matter of time before she's accepted into their elite circle...that is until, in her excitement, Charlotte chokes on a gummy bear. So, OK, it's the first day of the rest of Charlotte's death - why should that change her plans? **PB \$17.99**

Brian Jacques

Eulalia! (Redwall)

The aged Badger Lord of Salamandastron sends a young haremmaid on a quest to find his successor Gorath - held captive by Vizka Longtooth and his scurrilous crew of Sea Raiders, bound for plunder and conquest. **APB \$19.95**

Great Redwall Feast (Redwall)

Relates in rhyme the riotous preparations for and celebration of the animals' surprise feast in honor of the abbot of the abbey of Redwall. **PB \$17.95**

Redwall Friend & Foe: With Giant Poster (Redwall)

An illustrated guide to the Redwall series contains a pull-out poster featuring Redwall's fiends and favorites, plus a booklet filled with puzzles, quizzes, information about key characters, and more. **PB \$20.95**

Redwall Map and Riddler (Redwall)

32 page booklet chock-full of riddles that refer to the famous landmarks, secret places and legendary battle grounds featured in the glorious full-colour fold-out map of the land that is Redwall. **PB \$16.95**

A Redwall Winter's Tale (Redwall)

A troupe of traveling players have promised the Redwallers an evening of entertainment in exchange for a grand feast. Late at night after the festivities have ended, Mighty Bulbrock Badger sends the little ones off to sleep with the tale of the giant Snow Badger who comes on the first night of winter, bringing snow across the land. The grown-up Redwallers chuckle at the fanciful tale, but is it only a tale? Bungo the mole-babe isn't so sure, and is determined to stay awake and find out! **TP \$19.95**

Tribes of Redwall : Badgers (Redwall)

The brave creatures who defend Redwall Abbey from the threat of evil hail from many different tribes throughout Mossflower and beyond. This exciting new series takes a closer look at these tribes - the characteristics that define them and the strong individuals within them - and at their place in Redwall legend. Badgers is the first in the series.

Wise and noble, yet with a vulnerability towards the terrible Bloodwrath, badgers are an integral part of life at Redwall. As well as the tradition of the badger mother at the Abbey, there are close links between Redwall and Salamandastron, the legendary mountain fortress of the Badger lords. Great badger heroes include Boar the Fighter, Sunflash the Mace, Lord Rawnblade, Widestripe, Constance, Lord Brocktree and many, many more. The Tribes of Redwall series will illustrate the heritage and traditions of the greatest Redwall creatures featuring a general section on the tribe, followed by profiles of the main players and a quiz, together with a magnificent colour poster. **PB \$16.95**

Tribes of Redwall Otters (Redwall)

The creatures of the Redwall sequence - from mice and badgers to stoats and weasels - hail from many different clans but it is not the vermin hordes that produce heroes of note; it is the tribes of valiant beasts that breed the likes of Martin the Warrior, Cregga Rose Eyes and Deyna, the legendary otter. Every book in this wonderful series reveals the secrets of the great Redwall creatures, tribe by tribe, and includes:

- a fantastic, full-colour, pull-out poster
- an introduction by Brian Jacques
- the tribes' traits -formidable and fallible!
- a close look at the greatest heroes
- a quiz to test the most ardent Redwall followers

making this a series that no true Redwall fan can afford to be without. The second book in the series reveals the secrets of that fun-loving, nautical, noble race -the Otters. Otters are fantastic fighters and swimmers and forge deep, tribal relationships that keep them fiercely loyal to their families, crews or holts. Whether sea or river otters, the clan's relationship with water is inherent in its every action, making otters unrivalled swimmers and shanty-singers!

Details of such legendary characters as Grath Longfletch, Rab Streambattle and Deyna, the fearsome Taggerung, are brought to light in this fascinating book and, for the first time, the secret recipe of that infamous otter delicacy, hotroot soup, is revealed! **PB \$16.95**

Catherine Jinks Australian Author

The Genius Wars (Genius 03)

In a thrilling conclusion to the Genius trilogy, Cadel must think like a criminal mastermind.

After abandoning a life of lies and mistrust, fifteen-year-old Cadel has finally found his niche. He has a proper home, good friends and loving parents. He's even studying at university.

But he's still not safe from Prosper English, who's now a fugitive from justice and determined to smash everything that Cadel has struggled to build. When Cadel's nearest and dearest are threatened, he must launch an all-out attack on the man he once viewed as his father.

Can he track down Prosper before it's too late? And what rules will they both have to break in the process? **PB \$18.99**

Carrie Jones

Need (01)

Zara collects phobias the way other high school girls collect Facebook friends. It's little wonder, since she's had a fairly rough life. Her father left when she was a baby, her stepfather just died and her mother's almost given up - in fact, she's sent her to live with her grandmother in cold and sleepy Maine to 'keep Zara safe'. Zara doesn't think she's in danger; she thinks her mother just can't cope.

Zara's wrong. The man she sees everywhere - the tall, creepy guy who points at her from the side of the road - is not a figment of her imagination. He's a pixie. But not the cute, sweet kind with little wings. Maine's got a whole assortment of unbelievable creatures. And they seem to need something - something from Zara... **BPB \$15.99**

Gordon Korman

The Emperor's Code (39 Clues 08)

Tensions run high in the explosive eighth book of The 39 Clues, the #1 New York Times bestselling series. As the race to find the 39 Clues builds to its explosive finish, Amy and Dan must explore the ancient culture of (SORRY-TOO TOP SECRET TO REVEAL) and steal a clue guarded by thousands of the world's best-trained soldiers. It's the most dangerous clue search yet . . . and it may mean the end for Amy and Dan. **HC \$17.99**

Kathryn Lasky

Wolves of the Beyond (Wolves of the Beyond 01)

A wolf mother has given birth, but the warm bundle snuffling next to her brings only anguish. The pup, otherwise healthy, has a twisted leg, and the mother knows what the harsh code of the pack demands. Her pup will be taken from her and abandoned on a desolate hill. The pack cannot have weakness—the wolf mother knows that her pup is condemned to die. But alone in the wilderness, the pup, Faolan, does not perish. This is his story - a story of survival, of courage, and of love triumphant. This is Faolan's story, the wolf pup who rose up to change forever the Wolves of the Beyond. **HC \$24.99**

Gabrielle Lord Australian Author

April (Conspiracy 365 04)

A high-speed chase gone wrong leaves Cal exposed to certain capture by Oriana's thugs. He knows if they succeed, any hope of seeing Gabbi alive again is remote. He has to get away, but how can he leave a man to drown? If Cal survives this, he must find a way to save his comatose sister, decipher the meaning of the precious Ormond Riddle and keep his friends and family safe. Even if he does make it to December 31, how will Cal ever have a normal life again? The clock is ticking. Any second could be his last. Callum Ormond has been warned. He has 275 days. The countdown continues . . . **PB \$14.99**

D J MacHale

The Lost City of Faar (Pendragon 02)

Fresh from his adventures on Denduron, Bobby Pendragon suddenly finds himself in the territory of Cloral, a vast world that is entirely covered by water. Cloral is nearing disaster of huge proportions and is on the brink of all-out war. Bobby and Uncle Press must struggle to locate the legendary lost land of Faar, which may hold the key to Clorals survival. **BPB \$16.99**

The Never War (Pendragon 03)

Bobby Pendragon isn't like other boys his age. Bobby is a Traveller and he's destined to save the world.

Bobby is now back on Earth - but something isn't quite right. This is First Earth, the year is 1937 and our 21st century hero finds himself out of his depth. While dodging New York gangsters, Bobby must uncover the evil that threatens this territory First Earth, but with war brewing, is he ready to fight for the salvation, not only of First Earth, but of everything he has ever know? **BPB \$16.99**

The Reality Bug (Pendragon 04)

The adventure continues as Bobby Pendragon hits the territory of Veelox and discovers the ultimate virtual reality. It appears that Veelox has achieved perfect harmony and all seems peaceful. But appearances can be deceptive - Veelox is dying and Bobby must wipe-out the pending disaster of the Reality Bug.

But once Bobby enters Veelox's virtual world - and sees his long-lost family - will he be able to resist the lure of the ultimate escape? **BPB \$16.99**

Soldiers of Halla (Pendragon 10)

Nine battles for nine territories have brought Bobby Pendragon to where he is now: The final showdown. Bobby and the rest of the travellers must join forces in an epic war against Saint Dane, not only for one last territory, but for all of Halla.

Every secret is at last revealed, the truth uncovered... But, is Bobby Pendragon ready to fight Saint Dane for everything that matters most in order to save all that was, is, and ever will be? **BPB \$16.99**

Eden Maguire

Beautiful Dead: Jonas

When her boyfriend becomes the fourth student at her high school to die over the course of a year, and Darina starts seeing the dead teenagers, she discovers that they have come back to deal with unresolved problems, and she begins helping them so they can go to their final rest. **TP \$21.95**

Richelle Mead

Blood Promise (Vampire Academy 04)

BOUND BY LOVE, BUT SWORN TO KILL . . .

GUARDIAN ROSE HATHAWAY'S LIFE WILL NEVER BE THE SAME.

The recent attack on St. Vladimir's Academy devastated the entire Moroi world. Many are dead. And, for the few victims carried off by Strigoi, their fates are even worse. A rare tattoo now adorns Rose's neck; a mark that says she's killed far too many Strigoi to count.

But only one victim matters . . . Dimitri Belikov. Rose must now choose one of two very different paths: honoring her life's vow to protect Lissa—her best friend and the last surviving Dragomir princess—or dropping out of the Academy to strike out on her own and hunt down the man she loves. She'll have to go to the ends of the earth to find Dimitri and keep the promise he begged her to make. But the question is, when the time comes, will he want to be saved?

Readers who fell in love with Rose, Lissa, and Dimitri won't want to miss Blood Promise, the much-anticipated, epic fourth novel in Richelle Mead's enthralling Vampire Academy series.

Love and Loyalty Run Deeper Than Blood **BPB \$16.95**

Foz Meadows

Solace and Grief

Solace Morgan was born a vampire. Raised in foster care, she has always tried to keep her abilities secret, until an eerie encounter with a faceless man prompts her to run away.

Finding others with similar gifts, Solace soon becomes caught up in a strange, more vibrant world than she ever knew existed. But when the mysterious Professor Lukin takes an interest in her friends, she is forced to start asking questions of her own.

What happened to her parents? Who is Sharpsoft? And since when has there been a medieval dungeon under Hyde Park? **BPB \$19.95**

Linda Newbery

Lob

Garden magic tingled through her, from her hair to her toe-nails. Lucy knew Lob was there, from the way she felt inside. There was a sparking of mischief in her head, a tingle of energy in her arms and legs. She wanted to run, jump, climb, be everywhere at once. You have to be a special person to see Lob, that's what Lucy's Grandpa Will says. Lucy's parents don't believe in him. But Lucy does. And then she finally catches sight of the Green Man in Grandpa's garden. Lob is here, and he is real, now and for ever and ever! **HC \$29.95**

Garth Nix Australian Author

The Old Kingdom Chronicles (Old Kingdom)

Only the Abhorsen can keep the living safe from the dead.

Sabriel: Every step she takes brings her closer to a battle that will pit her against the true forces of life and death - and bring her face-to-face with her own destiny.

Lirael: With only her faithful companion, the Disreputable Dog, Lirael must undertake a desperate mission under the growing shadow of an ancient evil, which threatens the fate of the Old Kingdom.

Abhorsen: The Abhorsen Sabriel and King Touchstone are missing, and Lirael must search in both Life and Death for some means to defeat the evil Destroyer - before it is too late. **TP \$35**

Brian Perro

The Mask Wearer (Amos Daragon 01)

PB \$14.99

The Key of Braha (Amos Daragon 02)

There's only one way to enter the city of the dead. With the help of the enigmatic warrior princess Lolya, Amos Daragon embarks upon an unearthly voyage. Armed with nothing but his cunning, he must retrieve the Key of Braha - and restore balance to the worlds of the living and the dead.

Amos Daragon is an ordinary boy with an extraordinary gift - he has been chosen to be the Mask Wearer. Join him and his friends Beorf and Medusa as they overcome the forces of evil and harness the awesome elemental powers of wind, earth, fire and water. This is a fast-paced fantasy tale of a young boy's battle with the forces of darkness. **PB \$15.99**

Christopher Pike

Thirst (02)

Tears roll over my face. I touch them with my quivering tongue. They are clear and salty, not dark and bloody. Another sign that I am human.

What Alisa has desired for five thousand years has finally come true: She is once again human. But now she is defenseless, vulnerable, and, for the first time in centuries, emotional. As she attempts to reconcile her actions as a vampire with her new connection to humanity, she begins to understand the weight of life-and-death decisions. Can Alisa resolve her past and build a new identity, or is she doomed to repeat her fatal mistakes?

BPB \$16.99

Michael P Spradlin Australian Author

Trail of Fate (Youngest Templar 02)

Having escaped the Holy Land, the young squire Tristan must cross Europe on his secret mission to save the Holy Grail. Together with his friends, the fiery archer Robard Hode and the courageous assassin Maryam, he immediately finds himself caught in the middle of a conflict between the French King and a heretical band of Cathars. And when Tristan falls for the beautiful leader of the Cathars, his devotion to the Grail wavers, which might have disastrous consequences. Meanwhile, in Calais, a new and powerful enemy awaits Tristan - with a life-threatening secret ... **BPB \$14.99**

Paul Stewart & Chris Riddell

The Immortals (Edge 10)

Five hundred years into the the third age of flight and mighty phraxships steam across the immensity of the Deepwoods, plying their lucrative trade between the three great cities. Nate Quarter, a young Lamplighter from the mines of the eastern woods is propelled on an epic journey of self-discovery that encompasses tournaments, battles, revolutions and a final encounter with the Immortals themselves. This is the final tale in the Edge Chronicles sequence and it's a fabulous climax to the most original and dramatic fantasy series being written today. Set years in the future, this book is ideal for new readers to discover the series before going back to read the 'history' of Twig, Rook and Quint. Packed with incredible illustrations from Chris Riddell, this is a wonderfully funny, moving and utterly inventive book. **BPB \$21.95**

R L Stine

Little Shop of Hamsters (Goosebumps Horrorland 14)

Sam Waters is desperate to have a pet. But his parents say that first, Sam must prove he's responsible. So he takes an after-school job in a pet store called Little Shop of Hamsters. To his horror, Sam soon finds that cute, little hamsters can become very UNCUTE monsters. Suddenly, Sam isn't fighting for a pet-he's fighting to survive! Could the souvenir he got in HorrorLand have anything to do with this? **PB \$9.99**

Tamara Summers

Never Bite a Boy on the First Date

Newly turned vampire Kira has earned a reputation for breaking rules. So when a student is murdered at her high school, all fingers point to Kira. In order to prove her innocence she has to show them that theres another vampire in town. Shes pretty sure its one of three new guys whove moved in recently.

Dating three cute boys may be fun, but which one is the murdering vampire? And what if hes the boy shes falling for...? Ages 13+ **BPB \$14.99**

Shaun Tan

Eric

Eric is eternally curious and effortlessly charming - a house guest whose approach to the world will capture your heart. This is a mini gift edition of one of the most loved stories from the multi-award-winning, internationally lauded masterpiece Tales from Outer Suburbia. **HC \$9.99**

Karen Tayleur *Editor*

Short and Scary

"Our favourite authors and illustrators, along with some of the newest and youngest talent in Australia, present to you 'Short & Scary', a whole lot of creepy stories and other chilling stuff from Shaun Tan, Carole Wilkinson, James Roy, Andy Griffiths, Terry Denton, Sally Rippin, Lili Wilkinson, Susanne Gervay, James Moloney, Sally Odgers, Gabrielle Wang and Chris Miles. Royalties will go to Big Brothers Big Sisters, mentors for young people." **PB \$19.99**

A G Taylor *Australian Author*

Meteorite Strike (Superhumans 01)

Sarah and Robert are sure their number is up when their aeroplane crashes over the Australian desert. But this is no ordinary air disaster. A meteorite strike has impacted Earth, bringing with it a deadly alien disease. Thousands fall victim to the virus, falling into a deep coma. Luckily, Robert and Sarah appear to be unaffected - until they begin to exhibit some extraordinary psychic side-effects. This quickly makes them a target for HIDRA, a rogue international agency determined to experiment on them like lab rats in an attempt to control their superpowers. Before long, the children are captured in HIDRA's secret desert HQ, a prison for superhuman kids who can control fire, create storms and tear steel with their minds. This new generation of superheroes must join forces if they are to escape HIDRA. But what kind of world awaits them outside?

The book is shortlisted for the Waterstone's Children's Book Prize 2010 **BPB \$14.99**

Megan Whalen Turner

A Conspiracy of Kings

Kidnapped and sold into slavery, Sophos, an unwilling prince, tries to save his country from being destroyed by rebellion and exploited by the conniving Mede Empire. By the author of *The King of Attolia*. **HC \$34.95**

Rachel Vincent

My Soul to Save (Soul Screammers 02)

"If she was going to die, I'd already be screaming. I'm a Banshee. That's what we do."

When Kaylee Cavanaugh screams, someone dies. So when teen pop star, Eden, croaks onstage and Kaylee doesn't wail, she knows something is dead wrong. She can't cry for someone who has no soul.

The last thing Kaylee needs right now is to be skipping school, breaking her dad's ironclad curfew and putting her too-hot-to-be-real boyfriend's loyalty to the test. But starry-eyed teens are trading their souls for a flickering lifetime of fame and fortune, ending up with eternity in the Netherworld — a consequence they can't possibly understand.

Kaylee can't let that happen, even if trying to save their souls means putting her own at risk... **BPB \$19.99**

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Television, Movie and Comic Related

The Making of Prince of Persia

When Walt Disney Pictures and Jerry Bruckheimer Productions unite to create a movie, the result is bound to be epic, magical, and full of adventure. In *Prince of Persia: Sands of Time*, Oscar-nominated actor Jake Gyllenhaal (*Brokeback Mountain*, *Rendition*, *Zodiac*, *Jarhead*, *Donnie Darko*) stars as a young prince who must prove his innocence with the reluctant help of a conquered princess. As he searches for a dangerous artifact that has the potential to prevent the unleashing of an Earth-shattering sandstorm, he'll face deceit, betrayal, and treacherous, black-cloaked Hassasins.

This beautifully designed narrative will describe in detail every aspect of the movie-making process, from casting to costumes to computer graphics. Author Michael Singer takes readers on an extraordinary journey, recounting the links in the *Prince of Persia* chain—from the wildly popular video game to a film project spearheaded by one of the world's most successful producers, Jerry Bruckheimer.

A veritable oasis of exclusive photos and insider information, the book includes information on the production, makeup, location filming, stunts, and special effects, as well as profiles on the films' incredible stars! **HC \$51.95**

Land of the Giants the Complete Series

Irwin Allen & Tom Gill **HC \$95**

The Wolfman

Jonathan Maberry

The Wolfman is one of the great classics of modern horror. Now, based on the upcoming film, here is a terrifying new novelisation novel written by Jonathan Maberry, based on the screenplay by Andrew Kevin Walker and David Self Based on a motion picture screenplay by Curt Siodmak.

Lawrence Talbot's childhood ended the night his mother died. After he left the sleepy Victorian hamlet of Blackmoor, he spent decades recovering and trying to forget. But when his brother's fiancée tracks him down to help find her missing love, Talbot returns home to join the search. He learns that something with brute strength and insatiable bloodlust has been killing the villagers, and that a suspicious Scotland Yard inspector has come to investigate.

As Talbot pieces together the gory puzzle, he hears of an ancient curse that turns the afflicted into werewolves when the moon is full. Now, if he has any chance at ending the slaughter and protecting the woman he has grown to love, Talbot must destroy the vicious creature that stalks the woods surrounding Blackmoor. But as he hunts for the nightmarish beast, a simple man with a tortured past will uncover a primal side to himself... one he never imagined existed. **A+ PB \$19.99**

Dry Season

Dan Smith

On the banks of a sprawling Brazilian river lies Sao Tiago. A place poised between the old ways and the new, fought over by gangsters and big business. It's a town for people with nowhere else to run; a place where Sam, a former priest, has ended up. He left England to help people, but what he's seen has scarred him and now he cares about nothing except drinking and fishing on the great river. But one night changes all that. When a man lies bleeding on a dirt floor, what starts as a fight to save a life becomes a battle with Sao Tiago's dark heart. Caught between friends and enemies and entangled in the affections of an ex-prostitute and a predatory landowner's wife, Sam realises that in a place where life is cheap, love can be deadly. As the long dry season stretches out ahead, Sam must face his past if he is to forge the chance of a future and survive in a town without a soul. **TP \$29.99**

Batman Graphic Novels

The Wrath

Tony Bedard

Batman and Nightwing become embroiled in the return of a major nemesis who was long believed to be dead: *The Wrath* has returned, and he knows too much about Batman -- and the deaths of his parents. **PB \$34.99**

Battle for the Cowl

Tony Daniel

"*Batman: R.I.P.*" and *FINAL CRISIS* saw the end of Batman. Now, months following the disappearance of her protector, Gotham City sits at a precipice and it may be too far gone for Nightwing, Robin, Commissioner Gordon and the rest of the city's heroes to save the day. Amid the fires, rioting, looting and gang warfare, one question rings out from the souls of Gotham's desperate citizens: Where is Batman?

With guest-stars galore, the destruction of a sacred Gotham City institution and an ending that will have everyone talking, this event written and drawn by Tony Daniel (*The Tenth*) and other top creators features the battle to take on the Mantle of the Bat. Who has earned the right? Who thinks they deserve it? Robin? Nightwing? Jason Todd? Two-Face? Catwoman? Batgirl?

Who will ultimately win the *BATTLE FOR THE COWL*? **HC \$44.95**

The Black Glove

Grant Morrison **PB \$39.99**

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Fabian Nicieza

Batgirl and Catwoman keep crossing paths and wrestling over a notebook stolen from Commissioner Gordon. But who's the mysterious third party involved? And why does he want the notebook so badly? It's up to his Super Hero daughter, Barbara Gordon (Batgirl) to keep the Commissioner's secrets out of the wrong hands. And to do that, she's have to wrestle her way through alleys, roof tops and even a nudist club to get the book back in her dad's hands! **PB \$29.99**

Gotham After Midnight

Steve Niles

Gotham City after dark is a dangerous place. Gotham City after midnight is hell on earth. There's a new kind of madman loose in Gotham and he's out to steal the city's heart. The monstrosity named *Midnight* is convinced that he's doing Batman's job, only better than Batman ever could. As the city descends into madness, it's Batman's duty to stop *Midnight*. But the newcomer has manipulated an exceptionally unstable Joker, a giant Clayface and others into destroying the Dark Knight for him! Can Batman restore peace to a city that's growing colder and more heartless by the minute? Or have the people forsaken their patron protector to live in the shadow of *Midnight*'s perpetual terror? **TP \$40.95**

Monsters

James Robinson

The villains of Gotham City are capable of truly horrendous things, but only a handful are absolutely monstrous! In three tales by all-star creators, an inexperienced Batman must face off against these unspeakable horrors ... **PB \$44.99**

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Kevin Smith

Will Batman be able to uncover the relationship between The Joker and Onomatopoeia in time to keep them from destroying Gotham City? Or are these villains too much for The Caped Crusader? The wild ride that caught Batman between The Joker and Onomatopoeia comes to a crashing halt as Batman is forced to choose between capturing Onomatopoeia and saving the Joker's life! Will Onomatopoeia have the final word with a deadly "Bang!?" Find out in this exciting conclusion! Includes Batman: Cacophony #'s 1-3. **HC \$44.99**

CSI

Crime Scene Investigation

CSI: Crime Scene Investigation is the ground-breaking long-running smash hit CBS crime drama series. Now in its tenth season, the multi-award-winning show has also spawned two further series, CSI: Miami and CSI: NY.

CSI follows the investigations - out in the field and in the lab - of a night shift team of Las Vegas forensic scientists as they uncover the circumstances behind a variety of serious crimes, including murder, in "Sin City". This companion features new season 10 material as well as interviews with the cast and crew, revealing behind the scenes secrets and real-life forensic practices! **TP \$30.95**

DC Universe

DC Universe Illustrated Volume 2

Neal Adams

Over the years, many artists have contributed to the look of comics but the most influential and popular may be Neal Adams, who in the late 1960s changed the look of comics forever with his photorealistic style that updated the image of Batman, Superman and the other DC Comics heroes for a new generation of fans.

Now, for the first time, all of Neal Adams's work -- covers and stories -- is being spotlighted in an extraordinary hardcover featuring commentary by the artist himself as well as his collaborator, contemporaries and the generation of writers and artists that he inspired.

Adams's contributions feature his illustrations of not only Batman but many other DC heroes, including Superman, The Flash, Aquaman, and The Teen Titans, as well as his signature character, Deadman.

When Adams burst onto the scene in the 1960s, his sense of design, color and realism helped influence a generation of artists and excited fans, and also inspired many writers to new heights of creativity -- which continues to this day. **HC \$80**

Doctor Who

Hornet's Nest 04: Sting in the Tail

Paul Magrs

A STING IN THE TAIL takes the Doctor back to the Middle Ages on his quest to trace the origins of the hornet menace. Why is the local abbey under continual siege from wild hounds, and what is the secret of the Mother Superior? Before long the Doctor is caught in a terrible trap of his own making... **CD \$24.99**

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Andrew Kreisberg

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John Broome

The 1960s adventures of Green Lantern continue in this new volume reprinting his stories in their original order of publication. Included are the Emerald Gladiator's battles with The Weaponers of Qward, renegade Green Lantern Sinestro, Hector Hammond, and introduces Tomar Re, an alien Green Lantern. **PB \$29.99**

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The Ultimate Guide to the Armoured Super Hero

Get under the armour of the Iron Man and find out everything you want to know about this billionaire, genius, super-hero. **HC \$35**

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Worlds Collide

Dwayne McDuffie

When the hero called Doctor Light goes missing, her former Justice League teammates set out to find the man responsible and make him pay, but before they do, they will have to get past his Shadow Cabinet of powerful superbeings. **HC \$29.99**

Merlin

A Fighting Chance

Merlin wants to help his new friend, Lancelot, become a Knight of Camelot but it's not as easy as he hopes. Then the Lady Morgana is struck down by a mystery illness. Gaius is baffled and a new physician arrives to help. He seems to have all the answers, but Merlin suspects that there's something sinister going on. With a graphic novel element to really bring the text to life, each book covers two TV episodes. **BPB \$12.95**

The Magic Begins

Merlin arrives in Camelot full of excitement and eager for adventure. But sorcery is outlawed in Camelot and so he must learn to hide his own unique magical talents. When a mysterious new knight arrives for the sword tournament, Merlin suspects that dark magic is afoot. He's determined to investigate, but soon finds that keeping the magic secret - and Prince Arthur alive - is much harder than he thought... **BPB \$12.95**

Merlin Mystery Activity Book

This Mystery Activity book sets a strange task for Merlin. A mysterious stranger has taken Arthur prisoner and Merlin has to find him and set him free. Join Merlin on a dangerous journey to save Arthur. Work through the puzzles, play the games and answer the riddles to help Merlin save his friend, the future king of Camelot. This activity book includes a free spell notebook! **PB \$9.95**

Merlin Quest Activity Book

This Quest Activity book sets the stage for tournament day in Camelot. But danger lurks around every corner. An evil knight threatens Arthur, can he defeat him in battle? Join Arthur and his friends on their adventure around Camelot. Solve the puzzles, play the games and answer the riddles to help Arthur defeat the evil knight and win the tournament. This activity book includes a free pull-out game! **PB \$9.95**

Potions and Poison

A deadly plague is sweeping through Camelot and Gwen is suspected of witchcraft. Somehow Merlin must help Gaius find a cure and save his friend. But before long Merlin is poisoned too! Prince Arthur sets off to find the antidote, but is he walking into a trap? **BPB \$12.95**

Sword and Sorcery

When Merlin and Morgana join forces to save a child the king has commanded to death, they soon discover that going against King Uther could prove fatal. Meanwhile, a mysterious black knight arrives to challenge the Knights of Camelot to mortal combat. Old secrets, long hidden, are stirring and the king is afraid for his only son. The black knight seems invincible and Merlin senses that only magic can stop him. With a graphic novel element to really bring the text to life, each book covers two TV episodes. **BPB \$12.95**

01: *The Dragon's Call*

Merlin arrives in bustling Camelot eager to make his way in the world and with a sense that some greater destiny is calling to him. But he soon finds that amidst the excitement there is a darker side to Camelot. Magic is outlawed here, so Merlin must keep his unique magical talents a closely guarded secret... **HC \$17.95**

02: *Valiant*

A mysterious new knight arrives in Camelot for the sword tournament. His fighting skills are impressive but Merlin suspects that dark magic is involved. With Prince Arthur next in line to fight, time is running out for Merlin to prove that evil is afoot... **HC \$17.95**

03: *The Mark of Nimueh*

A deadly plague is rife in Camelot and Gwen is suspected of witchcraft. Merlin must help Gaius find a cure and save his friend from execution... **HC \$17.95**

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Merlin is poisoned by the sorceress Nimueh and Arthur seeks the only antidote that can save him - but the prince is walking into a trap... **HC \$17.95**

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Neil Gaiman

From the pages of Neil Gaiman's SANDMAN comes the young, pale, perky, and genuinely likable Death. One day in every century, Death walks the Earth to better understand those to whom she will be the final visitor. Today is that day. As a young mortal girl named Didi, Death befriends a teenager and helps a 250-year old homeless woman find her missing heart. What follows is a sincere musing on love, life and (of course) death. A practical, honest, and intelligent story that illuminates "the miracle of death". **HC \$190**

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Neil Gaiman

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Marco Palmieri

The seven deadly sins are a human concept -- but we are not the only ones to whom they can apply. This collection of novellas explores seven of Star Trek's most intriguing alien civilizations from the point of view of the qualities that have shaped both their perspective and their history. Through characters who are as compelling as they are provocative we enter the world of the Borg (gluttony), the Klingons (wrath), the Romulans (pride), The Mirror Universe (lust), the Cardassians (envy), the Ferengi (greed) and the Pakleds (sloth).

Seven favourite alien races in the hands of seven different Star Trek authors make a feast of deadly sins for all Star Trek fans to enjoy! **TP \$24.99**

Inception

S D Perry & Britta Dennison

For each of us there is one person who has the power to change our lives for ever. For Carol Marcus and Leila Kalomi, those people are Kirk and Spock. Biologist Carol Marus is running a project that she is convinced can reshape planets, transforming an inhospitable world into a fruitful paradise. Her dream is shared by her lover, Starfleet officer James T. Kirk. Meanwhile her work inspires botanist Leila Kalomi, who is encouraged to join the team by Spock, science officer of the USS Enterprise. So begin the interlinked careers of four people who will rewrite the history of the exploration of space. **PB \$14.99**

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Joe Schreiber

When the Imperial prison barge Purge temporary home to five hundred of the galaxy's most ruthless killers, rebels, scoundrels, and thieves breaks down in a distant, uninhabited part of space, its only hope appears to lie with a Star Destroyer found drifting, derelict, and seemingly abandoned. But when a boarding party from the Purge is sent to scavenge for parts, only half of them come back bringing with them a horrific disease so lethal that within hours nearly all aboard the Purge die in ways too hideous to imagine. And death is only the beginning.

The Purge's half-dozen survivors: two teenage brothers, a sadistic captain of the guards, a couple of rogue smugglers, and the chief medical officer, the lone woman on board will do whatever it takes to stay alive. But nothing can prepare them for what lies waiting aboard the Star Destroyer amid its vast creaking emptiness that isn't really empty at all. For the dead are rising: soulless, unstoppable, and unspeakably hungry. **CD \$62.95**

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Aaron Allston

Three major storylines run through the Fate of the Jedi series. One is the odyssey of Jedi Grand-Master-in-Exile Luke Skywalker and his son Ben, as they travel from one world of non-Jedi Force-users to the next in search of clues as to what might have turned Jacen Solo to embrace the evil ways of the Sith Lords. The second is the attempts of Galactic Alliance Chief of State Natasi Daala to break the power of the Jedi Order, while young Jedi Knights on a variety of worlds are inexplicably going insane. And the third is the tale of a previously unknown lost tribe of Sith as they rejoin the known galaxy determined to kill Luke Skywalker, destroy all the Jedi, and reinstate the Sith as supreme rulers. In Backlash, Luke and Ben will visit the deadly world of Dathomir, home to the Night Sisters, otherwise known as the Dathomiri Witches, as an ancient evil, released from its prison, stretches its hungry tendrils ever farther through the galaxy... **HC \$55 CD - Unabridged \$78**

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Alex Wheeler

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Landry Walker

Super strength, the ability to fly and extra-speedy reflexes should make a girl's life easier, but they only seem to complicate things for Supergirl. Life gets a lot crazier, though, when Belinda Zee shows up. And with Belinda around, facing down Super-Villains doesn't seem so bad. **PB \$29.99**

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A tale of loyalty and unlikely friendship featuring two of the most recognizable and popular super-heroes on the planet pairs the Man of Steel with the Dark Knight when longtime Superman enemy Lex Luthor, now president of the United States, accuses Superman of a horrible act against mankind, and assembles a top-secret team of powerhouse heroes to bring Superman in--dead or alive. **PB \$30.95**

Superman / Supergirl

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Jimmy Palmiotti

A vicious Apokoliptian villain known as Maelstrom has arrived on Earth to kill Superman so that she might become The Bride of Darkseid! Superman and Supergirl join forces to battle the villain but at what cost to Metropolis? From Earth to Apokolips and beyond, Superman and Supergirl face unexpected challenges in this action-packed tale examining what it means to be a hero **PB \$24.99**

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Kate Stanley, Jennifer Lee Carrell's dauntless Shakespearean scholar- turned-director, made a memorable- and New York Times bestselling- debut in *Interred with Their Bones*. Having chased down her mother's killer (and recovering one of Shakespeare's lost plays in the process), Kate's fame as a director with an expertise in "occult Shakespeare" catapults her- and Ben Pearl, her partner in crime- solving- into a new production of *Macbeth*, showcasing a fabled collection of objects relating both to the play and the historical Scottish king for whom it is named.

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Kate has no memory of how she got there, but later that day a local woman is found dead on the hill in circumstances that suggest not just ritual murder but ancient pagan sacrifice. With the police more focused on Kate as a suspect than as a possible future victim, she and Ben find themselves in a desperate race to discover a lost version of *Macbeth*, said to contain rituals of witchcraft aimed at conjuring demonic forces to gain forbidden knowledge. However much Kate would like to dismiss such rituals as superstition, someone else appears willing to kill for them- and for the manuscript said to spell them out. **HC \$52.95**

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Sarah Challis

Love and Other Secrets

Florence has never forgiven Jane for the circumstances of her birth. She was an accident, the product of Jane's first and only one-night-stand, and Flo does not want to know how hard her teenage mother fought to keep her. When Flo's own, carefully planned, baby arrives, and her glossy, controlled world is turned upside down, for the first time in her life she turns to her mother for help. Holding her newborn grandson, Jane is suddenly overwhelmed by memories she's buried for decades of the tumultuous year when Flo was born: her parents' fury, the new freedoms of 1960s London passing her by, and the rash consequences of the overwhelming love for her child. **BPB \$22.99**

Lee Child

Killing Floor (Jack Reacher 01)

Margrave is a no-account little town in the Georgia Sunbelt. The busiest it ever gets is at the end of their schoolday. But there's something strange about Margrave: it's completely perfect. So perfect, it's frightening. The lawns are like velvet and the trees look like they've just had a manicure. And from the laid-back barbershop to Eno's state-of-the-art diner, the local businesses thrive without customers.

When drifter and ex-military policeman Jack Reacher hits town, he plans to be gone by Monday. But before then Margrave has its first recorded homicide in thirty years. As the only stranger in town the murder is pinned on Reacher. And so begins his nightmare .starting with a weekend on the killing floor among the jailhouse lifers.

If long-lost kin and a long-dead guitar hero could tell tales, Reacher would know just what kind of big operation he's walked into. But as the nasty secrets of the lethal conspiracy that keeps the whole town ticking starts to leak out, the body count mounts. And the killing turns into an epidemic.

Action-packed, fast moving and gritty, *Killing Floor* is a tautly plotted thriller by an outstanding British talent. **APB \$5**

Carol Higgins Clark

Wrecked (Regan Reilly 13)

A raucous family vacation on Cape Cod with her husband, his five siblings, and their children finds Regan Reilly challenged to apply her investigative skills in the wake of unexpected events. **HC \$51.95**

Cursed (Regan Reilly Mystery)

Receiving a frantic call from an eccentric former neighbor from the Los Angeles neighborhood where she once worked as a private investigator, Regan reluctantly traces the activities of the woman's ex-boyfriend, a con man with suspicious ties on both sides of the law. **PB \$19.95**

Mary Higgins Clark

I Heard That Song Before

When Kay Lansing marries wealthy widower Peter Carrington, she is well aware of the rumours surrounding the mysterious death of Peter's first wife Grace, who was found floating in the family pool ten years ago, pregnant at the time. Kay also discovers that Peter is a chronic sleepwalker who suffers from periodic nightmares.

When the police arrive at her doorstep with a warrant for Peter's arrest in connection with another murder - that of a woman Peter had escorted to a high school senior prom twenty-two years ago - Kay begins to fear that she has married a sleepwalking murderer, and she resolves to find out the truth behind the puzzling deaths. But are the two deaths linked? And why does a melody that Kay cannot identify keep playing in her head every time she approaches the family chapel? **PB \$19.99**

The Shadow of Your Smile

At age eighty-three and in failing health, Olivia Morrow knows she has little time left. The last of her line, she faces a momentous choice: expose a long-held family secret, or take it with her to her grave. Olivia has in her possession letters from her deceased cousin Catherine, a nun, now being considered for beatification by the Catholic Church.

These letters reveal that, at the age of seventeen, Catherine gave birth to a son and gave him up for adoption and they identify the father as Alex Gannon, a world-famous doctor, scientist and inventor of medical patents. Now, two generations later, thirty-one year old pediatrician, Dr. Monica Farrell, Catherine's granddaughter, stands as the rightful heir to what remains of the Gannon family fortune.

But in telling Monica who she really is and getting what is lawfully hers, Olivia would have to betray Catherine's wishes and reveal the story behind Monica's ancestry. But as the pressure of Olivia's impending choice weighs down on her, little does she realize that Alex Gannon's grand-nephews - who are currently exploiting the Gannon inheritance to fund their profligate lifestyles - will stop at nothing to silence Olivia and prevent Monica from learning the secret, even murder. **TP \$32.99 HC \$52.95**

Jane K Cleland

Silent Auction (Josie Prescott Antiques Mysteries)

After she finds the body of her friend's nephew inside a renovated lighthouse in Rocky Point, New Hampshire, Josie Prescott begins to suspect that a scrimshaw tooth from the lighthouse owners' collection may be the key to solving the crime. By the author of Killer Keepsakes. **HC \$51.95**

Alan Clements

Rogue Nation

The year is 2014. The Republicans have re-conquered the White House, the Conservatives have just won a second term at Westminster and hardliners dominate Russia. In a small corner of north-western Europe, the Scots have just narrowly voted for independence, a decision they immediately regret. Following the referendum, George Wallace, friend and Senior Special Adviser to Scotland's First Minister, is desperately struggling to stem financial meltdown and political turmoil when help appears from an unlikely source. He can save Scotland, but at what price for his family and his nation? As the 100-day countdown to independence accelerates to a shattering climax and the body count mounts, the action switches from the White House to the Kremlin and from Westminster to Holyrood. George is forced to choose between love and belief, and between loyalty and morality. He must also decide who he can really trust and which nation is really the rogue. **BPB \$27.95**

Harlan Coben

Caught

Harlan Coben returns with CAUGHT, a new pulse-pounding thriller that promises to keep his many fans compulsively turning the pages late into the night. Expect action, shocks, twists and turns like never before. This is Harlan Coben at his very best. **TP \$32.99**

Michael Connelly

Nine Dragons (Harry Bosch)

Harry Bosch is assigned a homicide call in South L.A. that takes him to Fortune Liquors, where the Chinese owner has been shot to death behind the counter in a robbery.

Joined by members of the department's Asian Crime Unit, Bosch relentlessly investigates the killing and soon identifies a suspect, a Los Angeles member of a Hong Kong triad. But before Harry can close in, he gets the word that his young daughter Maddie, who lives in Hong Kong with her mother, is missing.

Bosch drops everything to journey across the Pacific to find his daughter. Could her disappearance and the case be connected? With the stakes of the investigation so high and so personal, Bosch is up against the clock in a new city, where nothing is as it seems. **TP \$32.99**

Sheila Connolly

Red Delicious Death (Orchard Mystery)

Some baby-faced chefs, fresh out of cooking school, are looking to open a restaurant in Granford. They plan on using local foods-great news for city girl banker-turned orchard owner Meg Corey. Yet when one of the chefs is found dead, face-down in a farmer's pig wallow, plans come to a screeching halt. And Meg soon discovers they may have a locally grown killer on their hands. **PB \$17.95**

Beverly Connor

The Night Killer (Diane Fallon Forensic Investigation)

Forensic investigator Diane Fallon fights for her life in her eighth mystery

Diane is driving through a downpour on a windy mountain road after picking up a set of rare Indian artifacts when a tree suddenly slams across the hood of her car, revealing a human skeleton in its hollow trunk. As she starts to investigate, she's ambushed by a stranger and forced to run for her life. Stranded in the night with a killer, Diane must uncover a secret hidden away by time and distance-or she may not live to see another morning...

PB \$19.95

Jim Crace

All That Follows

British jazzman Leonard Lessing has spent a memorable yet unsuccessful few days in Austin, Texas, trying to seduce a woman he fancied. During his stay, he became caught up in her messy life, which included a new lover, a charismatic but carelessly violent man named Maxie.

Eighteen years later, Maxie enters Leonard's life again, but this time in England, where he is armed and holding hostages. Leonard must decide whether to sit silently by as the standoff unfolds or find the courage to go to the crime scene where he could potentially save lives, as only someone who knows Maxie can. The lives of two mothers and two daughters-all strikingly independent and spirited-hang in the balance. **HC \$52.95**

Neil Cross

Burial

Can your guiltiest secret ever be buried?

Nathan has never been able to forget the worst night of his life: the party that led to the sudden, shocking death of a young woman. Only he and Bob, an untrustworthy old acquaintance, know what really happened and they have resolved to keep it that way. But one rainy night, years later, Bob appears at Nathan's door with terrifying news, and old wounds are suddenly reopened, threatening to tear Nathan's whole world apart. Because Nathan has his own secrets now. Secrets that could destroy everything he has fought to build. And maybe Bob doesn't realise just how far Nathan will go to protect them... **BPB \$22.99**

Claire Curzon

Off Track (Superintendent Mike Yeadings Mysteries)

Two strangers, a research microbiologist and a commuter-line driver, both once fired by ambition but now disillusioned, encounter each other at a major crossroads in their lives. In a vicious and mistaken attack, one becomes a hapless victim of the other's desperation.

As the Thames Valley Serious Crimes Squad, headed by Mike Yeadings, investigates the disappearance of one of the men, grim secrets of national importance emerge. Involvement spreads beyond the men's families to a mysterious immigrant couple with a tragic past. Suspicion falls on Detective Superintendent Zyczynski's journalist lover as he is drawn in to counter the threat to a young child's life.

Clare Curzon has written a stunning police procedural with strong psychological depth and mesmerizing characters. **HC \$51.95**

K O Dahl

The Last Fix (Oslo Detective)

After recovering drug addict Katrine Bratterud is found dead on the shore of a serene lake, detectives FrÅ,lich and Gunnarstranda delve into the case, which holds a web of secrets and lies that stretches back generations. **HC \$52.95**

Lindsey Davis

A Body In the Bath House (Marcus Didius Falco)

In another classical crime romp — this time in Roman Britain — Falco investigates a spate of killings, only to find himself next on the assassins' list. Marcus Didius Falco, once a common informer, now middle class, discovers that newly acquired rank brings associated problems, the most gruesome of which is a corpse buried under the tiles of his new bath house. The contractors have fled to Britain where, as the Fates have it, Falco is ordered.

A local chief and ally of the Romans is having a palace built by the Emperor Vespasian. However, the project is running late, work is slipshod, and fatal accidents keep happening. Somewhere on the site are the murderers who may be behind this latest spate of killings. Somewhere in the forefront, troubleshooting for the Emperor, is Falco, without an ally and now next on the list for assassination. **PB \$24.95**

The Accusers

Fresh from his trip to Britain, Marcus Didius Falco needs to re-establish his presence in Rome. A minor role in the trial of a senator entangles him in the machinations of Silius Italicus and Paccius Africanus — two real-life lawyers at the top of their trade. These notorious ex-consuls play a dangerous game, where success brings rich pickings but a mistrial or a wrong verdict entails huge financial penalties.

The senator is convicted but then dies, apparently by suicide. It may be a legal move to protect his heirs, but Silius hires Falco and his young associates to prove it was murder. As Falco shows off his own talents in the role of advocate, he exposes himself to powerful elements in Roman law: offending the wrong people may lead to charges he has not bargained for, in a contest that threatens financial ruin for himself and his family. . .

PB \$24.95

Ted Dekker

The Bride Collector

FBI Special agent Brad Raines is facing his toughest case yet. A Denver serial killer has killed four beautiful young women, leaving a bridal veil at each crime scene, and he's picking up his pace. Unable to crack the case, Raines appeals for help from a most unusual source: residents of the Center for Wellness and Intelligence, a private psychiatric institution for mentally ill individuals whose are extraordinarily gifted.

It's there that he meets Paradise, a young woman who witnessed her father murder her family and barely escaped his hand. Diagnosed with schizophrenia, Paradise may also have an extrasensory gift: the ability to experience the final moments of a person's life when she touches the dead body.

In a desperate attempt to find the killer, Raines enlists Paradise's help. In an effort to win her trust, he befriends this strange young woman and begins to see in her qualities that most 'sane people' sorely lack. Gradually, he starts to question whether sanity resides outside the hospital walls...or inside.

As the Bride Collector picks up the pace-and volume-of his gruesome crucifixions, the case becomes even more personal to Raines when his friend and colleague, a beautiful young forensic psychologist, becomes the Bride Collector's next target.

The FBI believes that the killer plans to murder seven women. Can Paradise help before it's too late? **HC \$51.95**

Paul Doiron

The Poacher's Son (Mike Bowditch 01)

After his hard-drinking poacher father becomes the prime suspect in the murder of a beloved local cop, Mike Bowditch is one of the few who believes the violent womanizer didn't do it and, with the help of a retired pilot, journeys deep into the Maine wilderness to find his fugitive kin--and the real killer. **HC \$51.95**

Christy Evans

Lead-Pipe Cinch (Georgiana Neverall Mystery 02)

The second mystery featuring Georgiana Neverall, plumber's apprentice extraordinaire.

Georgiana Neverall never pictured herself knee-deep in a muddy trench building a moat-part of a state-of-the-art castle that would soon house a retired Microsoft engineer. She also never imagined being a murder suspect, but that's exactly what happens when a floater in the moat turns out to be her ex-boyfriend. **PB \$17.95**

Joseph Finder

Vanished

For Nick Heller, high-powered investigator with a private corporate intelligence firm, this time the investigation is personal. Nick's estranged brother has vanished and with his disappearance old wounds re-surface in Nick's life as he is pitted against one of the most powerful private military companies in the world. Those in control will stop at nothing to protect the secrets that Nick is determined to uncover to find his brother. Secrets that reach into the highest level of the government. Secrets that threaten to tear Nick's family apart for good if they don't get him killed first. This is the first book in a brand-new series by Joseph Finder, featuring a new ongoing series character, Nick Heller. **APB \$19.99**

John Francome

Deadly Finish

A gripping new racing thriller from John Francome...It's summer, Royal Ascot, and life is good for young trainer Simon Waterford. He has inherited his father's top-class yard, his brilliant two-year-old has just won the Coventry Stakes and he is soon to marry his beautiful half-Brazilian girlfriend. But Mariana has a secret which would wreck her hopes of marriage and which Simon's uncle Geoff has found out. And he has threatened to tell Simon. On their way back from the races, two rough-looking young men pass lewd comments about Mariana. There's not much of a brawl it's over too quickly and is hardly even-handed but it leaves Mariana in a sea of blood tending to Simon's wounded face, while Geoff lies dead on the floor. It's a tragedy, of course, but Mariana can't help but feel relieved. Her secret is safe, for now... **TP \$32.99**

Ariana Franklin

A Murderous Procession (Mistress of the Art of Death 04)

Adelia is back in this thrilling fourth installment of the Mistress of the Art of Death series.

In 1176, King Henry II sends his daughter Joanna to Palermo to marry his cousin, the king of Sicily. Henry chooses Adelia Aguilar, his Mistress of the Art of Death, to travel with the princess and safeguard her health. But when people in the wedding procession are murdered, Adelia and Rowley must discover the killer's identity . . . and whether he is stalking the princess or Adelia herself. **HC \$52.95**

Relics of the Dead

On hearing of this momentous discovery, King Henry II demands evidence that the legendary Arthur is dead. So he calls upon his Mistress of the Art of Death, anatomist Adelia Aguilar, to examine the bones. But someone doesn't want the skeletons identified and is prepared to kill in order to prevent it **BPB \$26.95**

Grave Goods

When a fire at Glastonbury Abbey reveals two skeletons, rumor has it they may belong to King Arthur and Queen Guinevere. King Henry II hopes so, for it would help him put down a rebellion in Wales, where the legend of Celtic savior Arthur is strong. To make certain, he sends Adelia Aguilar, his Mistress of the Art of Death, to Glastonbury to examine the skeletons.

At the same time, the investigation into the abbey fire will be overseen by the Bishop of St. Albans, father of Adelia's daughter. Trouble is, someone at Glastonbury doesn't want either mystery solved, and is prepared to kill to prevent it... **TP \$30.95**

Brian Freeman

In the Dark (Stride and Dial 04)

Having never completely forgotten the night his wife's sister was killed, Detective Stride finds the ghosts of the past resurfacing when a high school classmate returns to Duluth to write about the murder, a girl is found drowned in the river and a witness to the original killing attempts suicide. By the author of *Immoral*, an Edgar Award finalist. **PB \$19.95**

The Burying Place

One cold night. Two shocking mysteries.

In the quiet town of Grand Rapids, Minnesota, a baby vanishes from her bedroom in an opulent lakeside home. Was she abducted – or does her father have a terrible secret to hide?

That same night, a young policewoman gets lost in the fog and stumbles into the middle of a horrific crime. Now a sadistic killer wants her to play his deadly game.

Lieutenant Jonathan Stride and his team need to move fast to save a child and stop a vicious killing spree. As fear grips the frozen winter farm lands, Stride knows that every snow-covered field may be the next burying place.

Each twist in the investigation takes Stride into an elaborate web of deceit and desire. But his biggest obstacles may be the very people he's trying to help. With everything at risk and time running out, Stride worries how far a desperate mother will go to rescue her baby – and how far a desperate cop will go to save herself. **HC \$51.95**

Tess Gerritsen

Girl Missing

THE FIRST BODY IS A MYSTERY. She's young. She's beautiful. And her corpse, laid out in the office of Boston medical examiner Kat Novak, betrays no secrets - except for a matchbook clutched in one stiff hand, seven numbers scrawled inside. THE NEXT BODY IS A WARNING. When a second victim is discovered, Kat begins to fear that a serial killer is stalking the streets. The police are sceptical. The mayor won't listen. And Kat's chief suspect is one of the town's most prominent citizens. THE FINAL BODY . . . MIGHT BE HERS. With the death toll rising, Kat races to expose a deadly predator who is closer than she ever dreamt. And every move she makes could be her very last. **APB \$21.95**

Stephen Gore

Final Target

A man lies unconscious in a hospital bed, the victim of a violent assault the police are calling "road rage." If he recovers, prosecutors are waiting to indict him for conspiracy, eager to send him to prison for the rest of his life.

And he's the lucky one . . .

Private investigator Graham Gage believes the injured man—his closest friend Jack Burch—had no part in the ever-widening criminal conspiracy surrounding the collapse of defense contractor SatTek Industries. But Gage's search for the truth is rocketing him to hot spots around the globe—and dragging him into a deadly morass of lies, greed, and terror alongside traitors, killers, and international gangsters. As the plot slowly unravels the body count soars, and Gage finds himself in an impossible race to prevent the unimaginable.

Because the first target was his friend . . . but the final target is his country. **APB \$19.99**

Margaret Grace

Monster in Miniature

When Geraldine Porter and her granddaughter, Maddie, stumble upon a bloody corpse while searching for items to make a haunted dollhouse, Gerry is unwillingly drawn into the investigation when it is discovered that the dead body has ties to her late husband. **PB \$19.95**

Heather Graham

The Killing Edge

A psychologist specializing in art therapy to help traumatized victims, Chloe Marin, the survivor of a brutal attack 10-years-earlier, comes face-to-face with the killer from her past while investigating the disappearance of a young swimsuit model. **HC \$51.95**

Andrew Grant

Death in the Kingdom

British agent Daniel Swann fled Thailand after murdering the son of the Kingdom's top underworld boss. Now he is back, ordered by his government to recover a small black box from the bottom of the Andaman Sea. Business as usual, he doesn't ask questions. But as his friends are beheaded one by one and he is pursued by CIA agents, Swann realises his mission has become personal. Someone wants him dead.

Trying to stay alive on the streets of Bangkok, Swann engages in a deadly game of cat and mouse. When he finally discovers the contents of the black box, he is caught up in a government-level conspiracy. But with his enemy always one step ahead, Swann knows he is being betrayed. So he turns to the only people he can trust – the underworld. **BPB \$22.99**

Norman Green

Sick Like That (Alessandra Martillo 02)

PI Marty Stiles was shot and paralyzed and is now in rehab, trying to decide whether to fight to recover. Meanwhile, his agency is being run by two women: the street-smart and savvy Alessandra Martillo, who's the muscle, and Sarah Waters, a naïve, single mom, new to the job but who quickly becomes the brains. Though the two women grew up only a few miles from each other in Brooklyn, it might as well have been worlds apart. Now they're partners, and for all their differences, are committed to their joint venture. When Sarah's deadbeat ex-husband gets into trouble, Al would rather let him suffer, but she agrees to help Sarah figure out where he is and why another man has ended up dead.

This follow-up to *The Last Gig* features a tough and edgy, one-of-a-kind heroine—an entirely fresh take on the hardboiled women private investigators who dominate so many crime fiction classics. **HC \$51.95**

Martha Grimes

The Black Cat (Richard Jury)

Struggling with guilt three months after his lover's tragic auto accident, Richard Jury becomes deeply suspicious when he is requested for a murder case out of his jurisdiction involving a shy local librarian who is also recognized as a posh city escort. **HC \$52.95**

Peter Grimsdale

Just Watch Me

Dan Carter, his wife Sara and their two children are at Heathrow, about to get on a plane that will take them on their first vacation as a family when he discovers his passport's missing. Exasperated, Sara says she and the children will go on their own. You can't, he says. Just watch me, she replies. Hours later, Dan watches the newscast about the plane going down over the Atlantic and his life is shattered. But after the first explosion of grief, the questions start to haunt him. Was it an accident his passport got mislaid? Did Sara make sure he wasn't on the plane? Was he the intended target of a terrorist attack that lead back to his time as a sniper in Afghanistan? And how does that tie in with his wife's secret life that he gradually starts to uncover. Searching for answers will set him on a deadly trail of revenge that will not end until he has found the truth and meted out justice the only way only he knows how. **TP \$32.99**

David Hagberg

Burned

David Hagberg's new novel, *Burned*, is inspired by the true story of Australian, Yvonne Weinstock. Kidnapped in Russia in the 1990s by Islamic terrorists, she and her husband were held for ransom. During her captivity she was beaten, starved, and raped.

While the KGB and the Russian Spetsnaz were adept at hunting down kidnapers, the hostages seldom survived their rescue operations. Despite Cold War antagonisms, they invited the FBI to come to Moscow and assist. Yvonne's story and the rescue operation – conducted by two bitter international enemies – have inspired this new high-octane pulse-pounding David Hagberg thriller. **APB \$19.99**

Tarquin Hall

The Case of the Missing Servant (Vish Puri Mysteries 01)

A first installment in a new series by the author of *To the Elephant Graveyard* introduces mustachioed Vish Puri, a respectable family man who styles himself as India's forefront private investigator and who runs background checks for prospective brides and grooms until more sensational cases take him into India's increasingly divergent communities. **TP \$28.95**

M R Hall

The Disappeared

The second gripping novel from the author of *The Coroner*

Two young British students, Nazim Jamal and Rafi Hassan, vanish without a trace. The police tell their parents that the boys had been under surveillance, that it was likely they left the country to pursue their dangerous new ideals. Seven years later, Nazim's grief-stricken mother is still unconvinced. Jenny Cooper is her last hope. Jenny is finally beginning to settle into her role as Coroner for the Severn Valley; the ghosts of her past that threatened to topple her, banished to the sidelines once more. But as the inquest into Nazim's disappearance gets underway, the stink of corruption and conspiracy becomes clear... As the pressure from above increases, a code of silence is imposed on the inquest and events begin to spiral out of all control, pushing Jenny to breaking point. For how could she have known that by unravelling the mysteries of the disappeared, she would begin to unearth her own buried secrets? **TP \$32.99**

Steve Hamilton

The Lock Artist

Michael hit the headlines once before, a seven-year-old kid the papers called *The Miracle Boy* on account of how he survived the terrible incident that took his parents. But although his escape was miraculous, it left him unable to speak. Taunted as a freak, school becomes a fresh nightmare, until Michael discovers he has a special talent that makes people sit up and take notice: he can open locks. But a teenage prank burglarising the house of a rival school's quarterback lands him in hot water and despite his best intentions, Michael soon finds himself on a downward slope that ends with expert instruction on how to open safes. And unless he agrees to put his newfound skills to use, the mob are going to kill the father of the girl he now loves. So begins an extraordinary life of crime - at once terrifying and exhilarating - while all the while, Michael plots how to turn the tables on his employer, win back Amelia and find the key to unlocking his traumatic childhood memories. **TP \$32.99**

Irene Hannon

In Harm's Way (Heroes of Quantico 03)

FBI special agent Nick Bradley has seen his share of kooks during his fifteen years with the Bureau. But Rachel Sutton is an enigma. She seems normal when she shows up at the FBI office in St. Louis--until she produces a tattered Raggedy Ann doll she found and tells him she thinks something is wrong because of a strange feeling of terror it gives her when she touches it. Nick dismisses her, only to stumble across a link between the doll and an abducted child, setting in motion a chain of events that uncovers startling connections--and puts Rachel's life on the line. Filled with palpable suspense and a touch of romance, *In Harm's Way* is the final installment of the thrilling HEROES OF QUANTICO series **TP \$30.95**

Charlaine Harris *Editor**Crimes by Moonlight*

The best-selling author of the Sookie Stackhouse series, which inspired the HBO series True Blood, presents a new collection of crime tales by various authors. **HC \$51.95**

Carolyn Hart*Laughed 'Til He Died (Death on Demand 20)*

To vindicate an innocent woman after a trio of deaths is linked to a local youth center, Max and Annie Darling scramble to unravel three complex interlinked puzzles: the mystery of three guns, the pulled-out pant pockets of one victim and the disappearance of a teenager whose stepfather always had the last laugh--until he died. **HC \$51.95**

John Hart*Down River*

Going back is never easy . . . Adam Chase has spent the last five years in New York trying to forget. When he left North Carolina, Adam left for good. Now he has no choice but to return and being remembered as a murderer doesn't help. Within hours of arriving, Adam is beaten up, accosted and has to face the hostility of those closest to him, including Grace, the young woman he cannot forget. Nothing has changed. And then people start turning up dead. For a man only just acquitted of murder, Adam's homecoming does not go well. And he has a dark streak, a history of violence. Everyone doubts. No one trusts him. And as the past threatens to overshadow the present, Adam becomes the prime suspect for the new murders. He alone can clear his name . . . **BPB \$22.99**

King of Lies

Jackson Workman Pickens Work to his friends an unambitious lawyer in a small Southern town, has some serious baggage. His mother died a year ago from a fall down the family's colonial staircase and his father, Ezra, has been missing ever since. Work is left to deal with his psychologically damaged sister, his father's legal caseload and his own rocky marriage. Power and greed bring many enemies, especially for a man as cruel as Ezra Pickens, so when his body turns up pretty much everyone in town is a suspect but only one man is charged with the murder... With time, his wife and public opinion against him, Work embarks on his toughest case yet: proving his own innocence. His investigation will uncover a web of intrigue he could never have imagined and he soon realises that no one is above suspicion - even those he loves most. **BPB \$22.99**

Last Child

Thirteen-year-old Johnny Merrimon has to face things no boy his age should face. In the year since his twin sister's abduction his world has fallen apart: his father has disappeared and his fragile mother is spiralling into ever deeper despair. Johnny keeps strong. Armed with a map, a bike and a flashlight, he stalks the bad men of Raven County. The police might have given up on Alyssa; he never will. Someone, somewhere, knows something they're not telling. Only one person looks out for Johnny. Detective Clyde Hunt shares his obsession with the case. But when Johnny witnesses a hit-and-run and insists the victim was killed because he'd found Alyssa, even Hunt thinks he's lost it. And then another young girl goes missing... **BPB \$22.99**

Mo Hayder*The Devil of Nanking*

Tokyo, 1990 Grey Hutchins is in pursuit of an obsession. She is searching for a piece of film taken during the infamous Nanking massacre of 1937. Some say it never existed. Grey is certain that it does, and that it lies hidden - somewhere in Tokyo. Alone in an alien city, Grey becomes a hostess in an exclusive club catering for Japanese businessmen - and gangsters. One gangster dominates an old man in a wheelchair surrounded by a terrifying entourage who is rumoured to rely on a powerful elixir for his continued health. It is an elixir that others want - at any price. With its focus on 1990's Tokyo and Nanking in 1937, *The Devil of Nanking* is a literary thriller of the highest order. With its heady atmosphere of overt violence, lurking fear and sexual tension, this is a novel that takes hold of the reader and does not let go until its explosive final pages. **BPB \$24.95**

Pig Island

See Evil. Journalist Joe Oakes makes a living exposing supernatural hoaxes. But what he sees when he visits a secretive religious community on a remote Scottish island forces him to question everything he thought he knew. **HEAR EVIL.** Why have the islanders been accused of Satanism? What has happened to their leader? And why will no one discuss the strange creature seen wandering the lonely beaches of Pig Island? **READ EVIL.** In **PIG ISLAND**, Mo Hayder dares you to face your fears head on and to look at what lurks beneath the surface of everyday normality. It's about the unspeakable things people do to each other. Brace yourself for a terrifying read. **BPB \$24.95**

David Hewson*The Blue Demon (08)*

The eighth stunning novel in David Hewson's acclaimed crime series set in modern Rome

Twenty years ago, a mysterious group called the Butteri committed a series of bizarre crimes evoking the lost race of the Etruscans, and leaving in their wake a several bodies, a cryptic message, and a kidnapped child.

Now, the leaders of the G8 are descending on Rome for a summit at the Quirinale Palace. But when a politician is found ritually murdered, seemingly by a strange young man dressed as the Etruscan blue demon, detective Nic Costa suspects that the old case was never really solved. The Butteri have returned - and are planning to unleash a devastating sequence of attacks on the city.

Officially sidelined from the investigation but encouraged by the wily old Italian President, Dario Sordi, Costa and his team start to dig deeper into the past. There are still too many questions left unanswered - and much more to the history of the Butteri than anyone wants to admit... **TP \$32.99**

Jack Higgins*A Darker Place*

The elaborately planned defection of famous Russian writer and ex-paratrooper Alexander Kurbsky, coordinated by Charles Ferguson and Sean Dillon of the "Prime Minister's private army," appears to be a victory for Western interests until it is revealed that Kurbsky is a secret agent out to infiltrate British and American intelligence. **PB \$21.95**

Matt Hilton*Slash and Burn (Joe Hunter 03)*

Joe Hunter is enjoying some much needed R & R when a young woman approaches him to help find her missing sister. Kate Piers knows about Joe from her dead brother Jake, Hunter's former comrade in arms, and for that reason alone he feels obliged to help. The fact that Kate is very attractive doesn't hurt. Together they go to Imogen's Kentucky home where they are immediately attacked by a bunch of thugs, acting on behalf of local businessman Robert Huffman. Huffman is outwardly respectable but the psychotic twins he uses as his enforcers give the game away: he has links to organised crime and a deadly reputation with a blade. Huffman is also looking for Imogen, and kidnaps Kate to act as bait. Looks like Joe is in trouble again . . . **TP \$24.99**

Matt Hilton*Judgement and Wrath*

Joe Hunter doesn't like bullies. So his latest job - saving a young woman from her bully boyfriend - is a no-brainer. As it turns out, the vengeful father isn't the only one who wants the boyfriend dead. Soon Hunter is face-to-face with a contract killer who takes his work very seriously. Contract killer Dantalion has a talent for killing and keeps a list of his victims in a book chained to his waist. Each victim is numbered. And the body count is about to start rising . . . **PB \$19.99**

Tom Hinshelwood*The Killer*

After a routine job turns into a fight for his life, professional killer Victor races across Europe to find out who bought his services and why they now want him dead, a trip that causes him to stumble into an international conspiracy that spans four continents. **HC \$52.95**

Nancy Holder*Saving Grace: Tough Love (Saving Grace)*

When the Sons of Oklahoma, a group of white-supremacist vigilantes, wage war on black and Hispanic street gangs, police detective Grace Hanadarko feels the pressure especially when her best friend is targeted for protecting the runaway wife of the Sons' abusive leader. **PB \$19.95**

Kay Hooper*In Serena's Web*

When her father, a renowned computer magnate, fears for her safety and entrusts Brian Ashford, a colleague, to escort her across the county, Serena Jameson, a manipulative and impetuous woman naive in love, asks Brian to give her a crash course in seduction so that she can tame a notorious womanizer. **PB \$19.95**

David Hosp*Among Thieves*

On the night of the St Patrick celebrations in 1990, some of the world's most famous and valuable paintings were stolen from Boston's Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum. They were never recovered, and there were no clues as to their whereabouts - that is until now.

When Boston attorney Scott Finn takes on well-known thief Devon Malley as a client, he gets much more than he bargained for. Not only is he asked to care for Devon's teenage daughter, Sally, while Devon awaits bail, but his investigations into what he believed was a case of petty theft, lead him to the underworld of Boston's organised crime gangs, links with the IRA and the realisation that he may be close to solving the mystery of the stolen paintings all those years ago.

But, an Irishman who, at nine years old, saw his entire family murdered before his eyes is determined to avenge their deaths. His commitment to the cause is frightening and unrelenting, and he will not give up until the job is finished... **TP \$32.99**

Declan Hughes*City of Lost Girls*

After three female extras fail to show up on the Dublin set of director Jack Donovan's latest film, Ed Loy must return to L.A. to investigate the case's similarity to a serial killer's deadly spree, during which each of the killings occurred at a place where Jack was filming a movie. By the award-winning author of All the Dead Voices. **HC \$51.95**

Gabriel Hunt*Hunt: Beyond the Frozen Fire*

Armed with his trusty Colt revolver, Gabriel Hunt launches a search for Dr. Lawrence Silver, who vanished while researching a mysterious phenomenon near the South Pole, and stumbles upon something that could change the world forever. **APB \$17.95**

Lisa Jackson*Malice*

The scent is unmistakable: the perfume that his beautiful first wife Jennifer always wore. Opening his eyes in the hospital room, New Orleans detective Rick Bentz sees her standing in the doorway. But Jennifer died twelve years ago . . . Once out of the hospital, Bentz begins to see Jennifer everywhere, haunting and taunting him then vanishing without a trace. Could she still be alive? But it was Bentz who identified her body after the horrible car wreck. He s never doubted it until now. When a copy of Jennifer s death certificate arrives emblazoned with a red question mark Bentz follows the postmark trail to Los Angeles, straight into a killer s web. Each new discovery only serves as a chilling reminder of how little he really knew about his first wife. Then the murders begin, each victim a part of Jennifer s past, each grisly corpse pointing to Bentz as the prime suspect. A diabolical killer has been waiting patiently, silently. Soon it will be Bentz s turn to suffer for his sins. But he won t be the only one: now his new wife is the killer s prime target. **APB \$19.99**

Christian Jacq*Great Magician*

Thamos, Count of Thebes, is the last keeper of an eternal knowledge, keeping alive the secrets of the pharaohs. Now he has been entrusted with a vital mission. He must leave Egypt for the cold lands of Europe to find and protect the 'Great Magician', a genius whose works will save humanity from chaos. When he encounters a child prodigy, a six-year-old composer lauded throughout Prague, Vienna and Frankfurt, Thamos senses that he's found the one. Is this young musician really the 'Great Magician' foretold by Osiris, the one who can pass on the light of the East to humanity? And if he is, can Thamos succeed in saving the boy from the traps that lie in wait for him? **HC \$45**

P D James*The Murder Room*

Commander Adam Dalgliesh is already acquainted with the Dupayne Museum in Hampstead, and with its sinister murder room celebrating notorious crimes committed in the interwar years, when he is called to investigate the killing of one of the trustees. He soon discovers that the victim was seeking to close the museum against the wishes of both staff and fellow trustees. Everyone, it seems, has something to gain from the crime. When it becomes clear that the killer is prepared to kill again, inspired by the real-life crimes from the murder room, Dalgliesh knows that to solve this case he has to get into the mind of a ruthless killer. **BPB \$24.95**

Quintin Jardine

Skinner's Trail

Skinner is on the trail of organised crime and a cold-blooded killer in this gripping third novel in Quintin Jardine's bestselling crime series. First the joyous birth of Skinner's son...then the grim reality of murder in one of Edinburgh's prosperous suburbs. A man has been found knifed in a luxury villa. The victim had run a chain of laundrettes, saunas and pubs throughout the city, but for some time the police suspected these to be the front for a drug distribution network. Moving from Scotland to northern Spain, then back to a chilling climax in Edinburgh, this complex and suspenseful thriller follows a tortuous and bloodsoaked trail. **PB \$22.99**

Iris Johansen

Eight Days to Live (Eve Duncan 10)

After Eve Duncan's adopted daughter, Jane, paints a portrait called "Guilt," a mysterious cult targets the young artist, deciding that she only has eight days to live, during which time they plan on forcing her to lead them to priceless ancient treasure. **HC \$56.95**

J Sydney Jones

The Empty Mirror

It's the summer of 1898 and Austria is transfixed by a series of brutal murders. When renowned painter Gustav Klimt's female model becomes the fifth victim, the artist is fingered as the culprit.

Klimt's lawyer, Werthen and his friend, the famed criminologist Inspector Gross must delve into a nationwide conspiracy in order to acquit the unusual and unpredictable artiste.

With an unmatched knowledge of Vienna's history, culture, and politics, J Sydney Jones introduces a gripping new mystery series set in a cosmopolitan city at the height of its artistic and social importance. **BPB \$22.99**

Jonathan Kellerman

Conspiracy Club

When psychologist Dr Jeremy Carrier's romance with nurse Jocelyn Banks is cut short by her kidnapping and brutal murder, he is left emotionally devastated and being watched by police seeking a prime suspect in the unsolved killing. When more women turn up murdered in the same gruesome fashion, the only way for Jeremy to prove his innocence is to follow the trail of a cunning psychopath.

Spurring on Jeremy's investigation is Dr Arthur Chess, an enigmatic pathologist who draws Jeremy into the confidence of a cryptic society. But when Arthur suddenly slips away, Jeremy is left to contend with an onslaught of anonymous clues - and the growing realisation that a harrowing game of cat and mouse has been started. **PB \$19.99**

Jonathan Kellerman

Deception

Milo brings the DVD to Alex's house. A woman comes on screen and her narrative begins: "My name is Alice Freeman and I work as a substitute teacher at Oak Canyon Preparatory Academy." What follows is an account of sexual horror followed by list of offenders: a trio of fellow teachers at the prestigious school, a selective, affluent haven for some of L.A.'s most coddled offspring. Alice Freeman ends the tape by warning that if anything happens to her, Oak Canyon is the place to look for suspects. The next day she is found dead. With the stakes high and the players drawn from the highest echelons of L.A. society, this will be one of Alex and Milo's most perilous journeys, exposing them to unparalleled viciousness and premeditation. **TP \$32.99**

Evidence

Early one morning a foreman shows up at the building site of a mega-mansion. Proceeding up unfinished plank steps, he arrives at the master bedroom. There, lying on a blanket, are a man and a woman, stabbed and bludgeoned to death. Who are the lovers? Why have they chosen a construction site for their late-night tryst. Is the double murder simply a horrific example of wrong-place, wrong-time? Or were the victims stalked? And will the outrage be repeated? Alex and Milo are called in and as they struggle to make their way through the alternative universe that is the domain of the impossibly rich, they discover a scheme rooted in deception and evil beyond even their imaginations. **PB \$19.99**

Jesse Kellerman

The Executor

Unemployed and homeless after being dumped by his girlfriend, perpetual graduate student Joseph Geist answers a strange ad for a companion conversationalist and enters the old world of Alma Spielman, an intellectual soulmate who poses a fateful challenge. **HC \$52.95**

J A Kerley

Little Girls Lost

Children are disappearing in Mobile, Alabama, the latest snatched from her own bedroom. There are no clues - and, as yet, no bodies. Homicide Detective Carson Ryder is called in to investigate the abduction of little LaShelle Shearing only to find the case getting tangled up in murky departmental and civic politics. And with his partner Harry Nautilus fighting for his life after being viciously attacked, Carson is feeling increasingly isolated. Public rage is now reaching dangerous levels, and Rydber2s bosses turn for help to ex-Detective Conner Sandhill whose uncanny ability to spot connections and details missed by others is legendary - but who left the department under a cloud. Ryder and Sandhill form an uneasy alliance in the hunt for the missing children, a hunt which becomes all the more urgent for tragic personal reasons. But at the root of these disappearances is something truly evil... and its source is closer to home than either could have imagined. **BPB \$24.99**

Raymond Khoury

The Sign

A remote shelf in the Arctic circle. A small TV crew is braving the harsh conditions to film the breaking off of a major ice shelf - yet another nail in the planet's eco-coffin. Then someone calls out, pointing at something up in the sky overhead. The camera pans up and they look up to see a blazing symbol clear, burning high over the bleak, deserted terrain. Thus begins a series of strange events worldwide as the mysterious sign appears over the sites of conflict, natural disasters and terrorist atrocities. What can it portend? The world is wracked with both fear and hope. Suddenly, all this is focused onto one man. An obscure monk who recognises the symbol from the past and understands what it means for the future of humanity. But as he becomes the most sought-after man on the planet, the questions have to be asked: could this be the real deal or the most elaborate fake in world history? **PB \$22.99**

Diana Killian

Murder on the Eightfold Path (Mantra For Murder Mystery)

The owner of the Sacred Balance yoga studio, A. J. Alexander finds her core knocked off center when she literally trips over the dead body of her mother's current beau and must regain her balance by clearing her mother's name and figuring out where she stands with detective Jake Oberlin.

PB \$19.95

Camilla Lackberg

The Preacher

In the fishing community of Fjallbacka, life is remote, peaceful - and for some, tragically short.

Foul play was always suspected in the disappearance twenty years ago of two young holidaymakers in the area. Now a young boy out playing has confirmed this grim truth. Their remains, discovered with those of a fresh victim, send the town into shock.

Local detective Patrik Hedstrom, expecting a baby with his girlfriend Erica, can only imagine what it is like to lose a child. When a second young girl goes missing, Hedstrom's attention focuses on the Hults, a feuding clan of misfits, religious fanatics and criminals. The suspect list is long but time is short - which of this family's dark secrets will provide the vital clue? **BPB \$24.99**

Lucy Lawrence

Cut to the Corpse (Decoupage Mystery 02)

A sticky situation in the second Decoupage mystery.

Decoupage teacher Brenna Miller is in over her head when she finds bride-to-be Tara with her fiance's dead best friend-and Tara holding the murder weapon. It's up to Brenna to get to the truth before Tara's future turns to shreds. **PB \$17.95**

Jim Lehrer

Super

When three bizarre deaths occur aboard the "Super Chief" train out of 1956 Chicago, a dramatic investigation ensues involving a mysterious stowaway, a down-and-out director, Harry Truman, and other high-profile passengers. **HC \$51.95**

Brett Lewis

Wintermen

Written by Brett Lewis Art and cover by John Paul Leon Brett Lewis and John Paul Leon's carefully crafted, acclaimed epic reaches its oversized conclusion! Combining the Super Hero genre with a sociopolitical thrill ride, this finale will leave readers breathless! Who lives? Who dies? And what will befall the Wintermen? **PB \$39.99**

Ed Lin

Snakes Can't Run (02)

After two bodies of smuggled Chinese are found dead under the Brooklyn Bridge underpass in 1976, Robert Chow must navigate the back alleys of New York's Chinatown and take on the snakeheads, a new breed of ruthless human smugglers, in the sequel to This Is a Bust. **HC \$51.95**

Lisa Lutz

Revenge of the Spellmans (Spellmans 03)

Having been ordered into therapy after getting a little too close to her previous subject, former private investigator Izzy Spellman is wisely taking a break from Spellman Inc, having embarked on a less controversial career as a barmaid. But when her boss, Milo, simultaneously cuts her bartending hours and introduces her to a 'friend' looking for a private eye, Izzy reluctantly finds herself with a new client. A suspicious husband who wants his wife tailed, it would appear to be a routine case involving nothing more than that most boring of PI rituals: surveillance. But Izzy soon discovers that she's not the only person keeping a close eye on Mrs Ernie Black and with each passing hour the Case of the Wayward Wife throws up more questions than answers. **BPB \$22.99**

The Spellmans Strike Again (Spellmans 04)

AT THE RIPE OLD AGE OF THIRTY-TWO, FORMER WILD CHILD ISABEL "IZZY" SPELLMAN HAS FINALLY AGREED TO TAKE OVER THE FAMILY BUSINESS. AND THE TRANSITION WON'T BE A SMOOTH ONE.

First among her priorities as head of Spellman Investigations is to dig up some dirt on the competition, slippery ex-cop Rick Harkey -- a task she may enjoy a little too much. Next, faced with a baffling missing-persons case at the home of an aging millionaire, Izzy hires an actor friend, Len, to infiltrate the mansion as an undercover butler -- a role he may enjoy a little much.

Meanwhile, Izzy is being blackmailed by her mother (photographic evidence of Prom Night 1994) to commit to regular blind dates with promising professionals -- an arrangement that doesn't thrill Connor, an Irish bartender on the brink of becoming Ex-boyfriend #12.

At Spellman headquarters, it's business as unusual. Doorknobs and light fixtures are disappearing every day, Mom's been spotted crying in the pantry, and a series of increasingly demanding Spellman Rules (Rule #27: No Speaking Today) can't quite hold the family together. Izzy also has to decipher weekly "phone calls from the edge" from her octogenarian lawyer, Morty, as well as Detective Henry Stone's mysterious interest in rekindling their relationsh...well, whatever it was.

Just when it looks like things can't go more haywire, little sister Rae's internship researching pro bono legal cases leads the youngest Spellman to launch a grassroots campaign that could spring an innocent man from jail -- or land Rae in it.

The Spellmans Strike Again is hands down the most hilarious, thrilling, and moving book in this bestselling, award-nominated series. And it proves beyond a reasonable doubt that Isabel Spellman, no matter how much she matures, will never be able to follow Rule #1: Act Normal. **TP \$32.99**

Gayle Lynds

The Book of Spies

For centuries, emperors, historians, and even the Vatican have tried to locate Ivan the Terrible's magnificent Library of Gold - a long-missing archive containing gold-covered, bejeweled books dating all the way back to the ancient Greeks. Now one of the volumes, The Book of Spies, has surfaced, and along with it the highly secret book club that owns the Library of Gold. They form a cabal of the globe's most powerful men - men who will do anything to achieve their aims and protect their interests. When the CIA discovers a connection between the legendary library and a bank account linked to terrorists, they turn to rare books curator Eva Blake for help. Soon an attempt is made on Eva's life. Determined not only to survive but to uncover the truth, Eva turns to the only person she can trust-Judd Ryder, a former intelligence agent with his own agenda and a troubled past. Together, Judd and Eva embark on an international adventure from London to Rome, Istanbul, and Athens. Somehow they must do what no one else has been able to do - find the library and stay alive. **HC \$52.95**

Stuart MacBride

Blind Eye

Aberdeens growing Polish community is under attack from a serial offender who leaves mutilated victims to be discovered on building sites -- eyes gouged out and the sockets burned. Detective Sergeant Logan McRae is assigned to the investigation, codenamed Operation Oedipus, but with the victims too scared to talk, its going nowhere fast. When the next victim turns out to be not a newly arrived eastern european, but Simon McLeod, owner of the Turf n Track bookies, Logan suddenly finds himself caught up in a world of drug wars, prostitution rings and gun-running courtesy of Aberdeens oldest and most vicious crime lord. **BPB \$24.99**

John Macken*Control*

Two murders, days apart but clearly linked. Each victim has had the tips of their fingers removed with a hacksaw. The killer is sending a message and wants his next victim to know who they are and be very afraid. But beside the gruesome nature of their deaths there is no obvious connection between the two victims. Reuben Maitland, freshly returned to GeneCrime, must investigate the case. The forensics come in, DNA is sampled, the clues begin to mount up. Then the killer strikes again. Reuben's young son, Joshua, is snatched from his pram. The murderer sends Reuben a message: Stop hunting me. I will kill again, a third and final victim and you must not stop me. Come after me and your son will die. If your child was kidnapped, how far would you go to get them back? **TP \$32.95**

Henning Mankell*Depths*

October 1914: the destroyer Svea emerged from the Stockholm archipelago bearing south-south-east. On board was Lars Tobiasson-Svartman, a naval engineer charged with making depth soundings to find a navigable channel for the Swedish navy. As a child Tobiasson-Svartman was fascinated by measurement; nothing is as magical as exact knowledge. His instinct for his profession is reflected in the comfortable domesticity he enjoys with his wife - herself meticulous in every detail. Close to the waters where soundings are taken Tobiasson-Svartman alights on a barren skerry, presumed uninhabited, and is surprised to discover there a young woman, Sara Fredrika. Despite her almost feral appearance, something about her strikes him to the core. The mission is a success and the Svea returns to Gothenburg. Tobiasson-Svartman, however, remains haunted by this chance encounter; his equilibrium has been disturbed, and he is now compelled to find any pretence to return to the remote islet. **BPB \$24.95**

Evan Marshall*Dark Alley*

A thrilling tale of murder, Manhattan and murky pasts - When sanitation worker Garry Thomason vanishes on his way to collect the trash, he is the first in a series of people discovered brutally murdered in the middle of hidden mews in New York. As Anna, Garry's boss, works to expose this 'Mews Murderer', she first uncovers Garry's murky past of crime and drugs, and then becomes a target herself; for this cold-blooded killer will do anything to escape detection and keep hidden a shocking secret of his own . . . **HC \$56.95**

Cormac McCarthy*No Country for Old Men*

Llewelyn Moss, hunting antelope near the Rio Grande, stumbles upon a transaction gone horribly wrong. Finding bullet-ridden bodies, several kilos of heroin, and a caseload of cash, he faces a choice - leave the scene as he found it, or cut the money and run. Choosing the latter, he knows, will change everything. And so begins a terrifying chain of events, in which each participant seems determined to answer the question that one asks another: how does a man decide in what order to abandon his life? **BPB \$22.99**

Andy McDermott*Secret of Excalibur*

The third thrilling adventure thriller featuring archaeologist Nina Wilde, in which Nina must find Excalibur, King Arthur's beloved sword. Said to make whoever holds it unstoppable in battle, the sword Excalibur has been coveted across the ages, and thought lost for over a thousand years. With a cryptic message to archaeologist Nina Wilde, this may be about to change. Historian Bernd Rust believes he can locate Excalibur... and that the sword is the key to harnessing an incredible source of energy. Nina is sceptical until she and Rust are attacked by mercenaries determined to steal his research. Nina and her boyfriend, ex-SAS soldier Eddie Chase, are soon propelled into a deadly race to find Excalibur. From the deserts of Syria to the arctic wastes of Russia, Nina and Chase must battle a merciless enemy who plans to use the sword's powers to plunge the world into a new era of war... **PB \$19.99**

Nick McDonell*An Expensive Education*

Mike Teak has a classic Harvard profile. He's a twenty-five-year-old scholar/athlete from an upper-class family who was recruited by his godfather to work for a U.S. intelligence agency. On a covert mission in a Somali village, he delivers cash and cell phones to Hatashil, a legendary orphan warrior turned rebel leader. It's a routine assignment until, minutes after they meet, the village is decimated by a missile assault, and although Mike escapes, his life is changed forever.

Echoing across continents, the assault disrupts professor Susan Lowell, who has just won a Pulitzer Prize for her book celebrating Hatashil. Also shaken is Lowell's student,

David Ayan, who was born in the targeted village a world away from Harvard's most exclusive final club, the Porcellian, which is courting him and Jane, the smart, risk-taking daughter of East Coast money who's sleeping with him. David Ayan struggles with his identity and Susan Lowell struggles against rumors about her relationship with Hatashil, who has been accused of ordering the village massacre. But it is Mike Teak who faces a deadly struggle—because when he discovers a horrific conspiracy he immediately realizes that he has become expendable, with nowhere to run and no one to trust. **TP \$28.95**

Ralph McInerny*Sham Rock*

Brothers Roger and Philip Knight--a professor and semi-retired private investigator--probe the unsolved disappearance of a student after a fellow Notre Dame classmate confesses to the decades-old murder and a secret burial, in a case that is complicated by the lack of a body. **HC \$51.95**

Lindsay McKenna*Shadows From the Past*

When photojournalist Kamaria Trayhern goes undercover at the Mason family ranch, she's hoping to find her real father, not romance. But keeping everyone convinced she is who she claims to be will be harder than she expects—especially where one sexy ranch hand is concerned.

After all he's been through, there's no way Wesley Sheridan wants to tangle with more heartache and lies. So the last thing he needs is to be drawn to the pretty new caretaker. But with a jealous killer out to rewrite Mason family history forever, two lonely hearts must learn to trust each other...if they hope to survive the season. **APB \$16.99**

Fern Michaels*Game Over*

Attempting to secure the pardon promised to them by the new president, the women of the Sisterhood make plans to evade the Secret Service and infiltrate the White House. **HC \$56.95**

Jim Nisbet*Windward Passage*

In an alternate near-future world where a ship sinks into the Caribbean, the sister of the ship's doomed captain and his erstwhile employer embark on a cross-country mystery involving missing logbook pages, presidential DNA and a nearly completed novel. **HC \$52.95**

Gail Oust*'Til Dice Do Us Part (Bunco Babes Mystery)*

The Bunco Babes are a group of hip retirees who love to play bunco- and addictive game of luck.

But someone's luck is about to run out...

For good.

When Claudia Connors returns from Vegas with a new husband, actor Lance Ledeaux, Kate McCall and the other Bunco Babes are shocked. To make matters worse, Lance has plans to direct, produce, and star in a play he has written-and he wants all the Babes to participate.

When he's killed during rehearsal with a pistol, all eyes are on Claudia, who is literally holding the smoking gun. Anyone could have loaded the real bullets, but its up to Kate to prove Claudia's innocence-or her newly widowed friend will be throwing dice behind bars. **APB \$17.95**

S J Parris*Heresy*

England, 1583 A country awash with paranoia and conspiracy - but a safe haven for a radical monk on the run. Giordano Bruno, with his theories of astronomy and extraterrestrial life, has fled the Inquisition for the court of Elizabeth I. Here, he attracts the attention of Francis Walsingham, chief spymaster and sworn enemy of Catholic plotters. Bruno is sent undercover to Oxford, where the university is believed to be a hotbed of French dissent. Bruno quickly finds himself drawn into college intrigues, and distracted by a beautiful young woman. Before long, he is investigating a hideous series of murders, each linked by a letter offering clues. The letters suggest that each victim was guilty of heresy. But is Bruno being aided or misled - or is he himself the next target? Stalking a cunning and determined killer through the shadowy cloisters of Oxford, Bruno realizes that even the wise cannot always tell truth from heresy. But some are prepared to kill for it... **TP \$32.99**

James Patterson*9th Judgement (Women;s Murder Club 09)*

A psychopathic killer targets San Francisco's most innocent and vulnerable A young mother and her infant child are ruthlessly gunned down while returning to their car in the garage of a shopping mall. There are no witnesses, and Detective Lindsay Boxer is left with only one shred of evidence: a cryptic message scrawled across the windshield in blood-red lipstick. The same night, the wife of A-list actor Marcus Dowling walks in on a cat burglar who is about to steal millions of dollars worth of precious jewels. In just seconds there is an empty safe, a lifeless body, and another mystery that throws San Francisco into hysteria. Before Lindsay and her friends can piece together either case, one of the killers forces Lindsay to put her own life on the line but is it enough to save the city? **TP \$32.95**

Don Pendleton*Desperate Cargo (Executioner 377)*

A rash of killings among returning American soldiers puts Mack Bolan on the front line of a conspiracy to destabilize the U.S. military at home and abroad, forcing him to take down a corrupt media mogul who is looking to deliver the U.S. into the hands of the Communist Chinese. **PB \$13.95**

High Assault (Stony Man 106)

When a human trafficking sting goes horribly wrong, resulting in the death of two undercover agents, and the men responsible hide behind international law, Mack Bolan arrives in Holland to hunt these men down and bring them to swift--and deadly--justice. **PB \$17.95**

Sabotage (SuperBolan 133)

To stop a massive terrorist attack in America's heartland, the Able Team is sent to Venezuela to sever Iran's increasingly powerful narco-pipeline to the States, and the Phoenix Force is sent to Basra, where they face betrayal, but refuse to surrender. **PB \$17.95**

Jodi Picoult*House Rules*

When a teenage boy with Asperger's is arrested for murder, his family face a daunting task to prove his innocence.

Jacob Hunt is a teenage boy with Asperger's Syndrome. He's hopeless at reading social cues or expressing himself to others, and like many children with Asperger's, Jacob has an obsessive focus on one subject-in his case, forensic analysis. He's always showing up at crime scenes, thanks to the police scanner he keeps in his room, and telling the cops what they need to do-and he's usually right. But then one day his tutor is found dead, and the police come to question him. Reluctance to make eye contact, stimulatory tics and twitches, inappropriate gestures, all these can look a lot like guilt. Suddenly, Jacob finds himself accused of murder.

House Rules looks at what it means to be different in our society, and at the extremes of love and loyalty a family must call upon to help each other overcome impossible circumstances. **TP \$32.99**

Douglas Preston & Lincoln Child*Cemetery Dance*

Pendergast-the world's most enigmatic FBI Special Agent-returns to New York City to investigate a murderous cult.

William Smithback, a New York Times reporter, and his wife Nora Kelly, a Museum of Natural History archaeologist, are brutally attacked in their apartment on Manhattan's Upper West Side. Eyewitnesses claim, and the security camera confirms, that the assailant was their strange, sinister neighbor-a man who, by all reports, was already dead and buried weeks earlier. While Captain Laura Hayward leads the official investigation, Pendergast and Lieutenant Vincent D'Agosta undertake their own private-and decidedly unorthodox-quest for the truth. Their serpentine journey takes them to an enclave of Manhattan they never imagined could exist: a secretive, reclusive cult of Obeah and vodou which no outsiders have ever survived. **A+ PB \$21.95**

Sarah Rayne

Dark Dividing

'Something strange happened within that family, Harry. People died and people disappeared, and although most of us suspected something odd had occurred, no one ever got at the truth.'

Journalist Harry Fizglen is sceptical when his editor asks him to investigate the background of Simone Anderson, a new Bloomsbury artist. But once he's met the enigmatic Simone, Harry is intrigued.

Just what did happen to Simone's twin sister who disappeared without trace several years before? And what is the Anderson sisters' connection to another set of twin girls, Viola and Sorrel Quinton, born in London on 1st January 1900?

All Harry's lines of enquiry seem to lead to the small Shropshire village of Weston Fferna and the imposing ruin of Mortmain House, standing grim and forbidding on the Welsh borders. As Harry delves into the violent and terrible history of Mortmain, in an attempt to uncover what happened to Simone and Sonia, and, a century before them, to Viola and Sorrel Quinton, he finds himself drawn into a number of interlocking mysteries, each one more puzzling - and sinister - than the last. **PB \$19.99**

Ghost Song

The old Tarleton music hall on London's Bankside is the subject of a mysterious restraint order that has kept it closed for over ninety years. When Robert Fallon is asked to survey the building, he finds clues indicating that its long twilight sleep may contain a sinister secret.

Joining forces with researcher Hilary Bryant, Robert discovers the legend of the Tarleton's 'ghost' - a mysterious figure who was first glimpsed during the time of the charismatic performer Toby Chance, once the darling of Edwardian audiences until he vanished suddenly and inexplicably in the early 1900s.

After almost a century, the Tarleton's dark silence is about to end. But there are those who find its re-opening a threatening prospect and, as Robert and Hilary delve into the macabre history of one of London's oldest music halls, they both become menaced by the secrets of the past. **APB \$19.99**

House of the Lost

When novelist Theo Kendal inherits the remote Norfolk house in which his cousin Charmery was murdered, he believes it will bring him closer to the truth about her death. It will also be the ideal place to finish his new book.

But the bleak Fenn House is a lonely and sometimes uncomfortable place to spend the winter. And the strangest thing is that Theo's new novel seems to be writing itself - and heading in an unplanned direction. Theo finds himself describing a young boy called Matthew who lives in constant fear of a visit from the cold-eyed men. Struggling to understand the dangerous secrets that surround him and his family, Matthew inhabits a terrifying world where people die in macabre circumstances, where they can be imprisoned without trial or reason, their identities wiped from the world forever.

And then Theo discovers that Matthew and his family really existed, part of a dark and violent segment of recent history that threatens to reach across the years to tear his life apart.

And somehow it all connects to the death of his cousin Charmery. **TP \$32.99**

Roots of Evil

When schoolteacher Trixie Smith turns up asking questions about legendary film actress Lucretia von Wolff, Lucy Trent is not unduly alarmed. She rather enjoys the notoriety surrounding her glamorous but infamous grandmother, whose lovers were legion, whose scandals were numerous, whose life ended abruptly in a bizarre double murder and suicide at the Ashwood film studios in 1952.

Trixie Smith has uncovered information which she believes throws new light on the Ashwood case. In particular, she wants to know more about Alraune, the illegitimate child Lucretia was alleged to have borne at the outbreak of WWII. The child whose existence is surrounded in mystery. The child who may never have existed at all.

But Trixie Smith's enquiries are brought to an untimely end. Some days later, her mutilated corpse is discovered at the derelict site of the old Ashwood studios.

In the ensuing murder investigation, Lucy is to discover disturbing facts about her family's poignant and often tragic history - a history which stretches from the glittering concert halls of 1920s Vienna to the bleak environs of wartime Auschwitz - and at the heart of it all lies the shocking truth about the mysterious child called Alraune. **APB \$19.99**

Spider Light

"The dangerous thing about spider light is that it hides things - things you never knew existed. But once you have seen those things, you can never afterwards forget them ..."

Antonia Weston has come to the sleepy market town of Amberwood in search of peace and anonymity after a shattering and all-too-public tragedy in her life. But shortly after her arrival, a series of disturbing incidents occur - incidents that eerily echo a past she is trying to forget.

As Antonia struggles to re-build her life, she becomes increasingly fascinated by the macabre history surrounding her: the disused watermill, Twygrist, with its brooding darkness, and the now-vanished Latchkill Asylum. Memories of Latchkill still linger: memories of how, when the autumn dusk - the 'spider-light' - fell, no one would dare walk past its gates. Because a hundred years ago, people lost their identities inside Latchkill's walls. People such as the innocent Maud Lincoln, jolted out of that innocence by a brutal plot.

But Antonia's fascination with the linked histories of Latchkill and Twygrist has alerted someone from her own past. Someone who knows all about Twygrist's darkness. Someone prepared to use that knowledge in the most horrific way ... **APB \$19.99**

Tower of Silence

There were things at Teind House that strangers must never find; things that must be kept concealed from the prying world at all costs . . .

Selina March has lived in the remote Scottish hamlet of Inchcape, with its mysterious Round Tower, for nearly fifty years. Brought up by elderly relatives, long since dead, she now lives alone, shunning the outside world as much as she can.

But when she reluctantly accepts a paying guest, Selina's secluded life will change for ever. Crime writer Joanna Savile has come to Inchcape to research her latest novel by interviewing inmates at Moy, the asylum for the criminally insane situated nearby. Her secret aim is to question former child murderer, Mary Maskelyne, Moy's most infamous patient.

Joanna's prying will yield unexpected results. For, although they have never met, Selina March and Mary Maskelyne are connected by a shared family tragedy: a terrible act of unspeakable cruelty that took place in India fifty years before. And there are secrets in Selina's more recent past, too.

Secrets that are about to be uncovered with the most devastating and shocking consequences . . . **PB \$19.99**

Christopher Rice

The Moonlit Earth

The award-winning author of *A Destiny of Souls* finds recently fired Megan Reynolds recognizing her brother in news footage of a terrorist bombing for which he is wrongly accused, a situation that compels her to prove his innocence. **HC \$51.95**

Karen Robards*Shattered*

Nearly thirty years ago, a woman and her entire family went missing. Dead? No one knew. But they never, ever came back...When Lisa Grant is sent by her disagreeable but handsome boss, Scott, to help organize the courthouse basement, she finds a cold case file. And she is horrified by what she sees. Because the woman in the picture who went missing thirty years before looks just like she does now. Lisa is determined to find out if there's a link between them, and enlists Scott's help to do so. But before they can learn anything more, a series of catastrophes strike close to home, shattering everything Lisa holds dear. And, as they race to find out the truth about what really happened to the missing family, it becomes very clear that there's someone out there who will go to shocking lengths to make sure certain secrets stay completely buried... **TP \$32.99**

Michael Robotham Australian Author*Bleed For Me*

When Sienna Hegarty turns up at his family home one night, covered in blood and frozen in shock, psychologist Joe O'Loughlin finds himself drawn deep into her world, trying to unearth the dark secrets her mind has buried. The police find a major piece of the puzzle at Sienna's house: her father, a retired cop, is face-down in a pool of his own blood, his throat slashed and his skull caved in. The blood covering Sienna was his. The 14-year-old can't remember what happened that night but, at the same time, Sienna doesn't mourn her father's death. What was going on behind closed doors in the Hegarty household? Is Sienna guilty of brutal murder? And what part has her charismatic teacher Gordon Ellis played in this blood-soaked event? **TP \$32.99**

David Rollins Australian Author*The Zero Option*

The Cold War is going badly for President Reagan's administration. Support in Europe for the Soviet Union is on the rise while acceptance of the new US intermediate range nuclear missiles is waning. Enter Roy Garret, a bright young NSA analyst with a plan. It goes into effect on the morning of 1 September 1983 when Korean Air Lines flight 007 takes off from Anchorage, Alaska, heading for Seoul. The airliner rendezvous with a US spy plane over the Bearing Sea, overflies a top secret Soviet submarine base and is then shot down off Sakhalin Island... Or is it? No wreckage or bodies are recovered. And a radar tape that shows what really happened to KAL 007 has gone missing.

On board the downed airliner: 269 souls including one US Congressman with too many secrets. Thirty years later, the missing radar tape falls into the hands of the daughter of a KAL 007 passenger and the son of the US spy plane commander. Determined to keep the facts hidden after all these years is New Mexico Governor Roy Garret, who is now contesting the US presidency.

What follows is a desperate chase across Russia to bury the truth once and for all beneath the snows of Siberia. Can two young idealists outwit the forces ranged against them, or will Uncle Sam and the Russian Bear sweep history under the carpet again? **BPB \$22.99**

Karen Rose*Have You Seen Her?*

One by one, the girls disappear from their beds at night. Each one is pretty, with long dark hair. And each one is found brutally murdered. Special Agent Steven Thatcher has sworn to find the serial killer preying on this small town. As the investigation pulls him one way, his family pulls him in another. A widower haunted by loss, he now worries about his son Brad slipping away. But there's a bright light in his life: his son's teacher, Jenna Marshall, has reached out to help. She's beautiful, kind and considerate - and slowly, tentatively, she and Steven are starting to fall in love. But both have been hurt before - badly. And as the two try to find the courage to bare their souls, a murderer who has slain many looks for the real treasure he craves. He sets his traps. And waits. For Jenna... **TP \$32.99**

M J Rose*The Memorist*

Leaving the Phoenix Foundation, an institute dedicated to the recovery of past life memories, Meers Logan receives a mysterious drawing, Meers Logan is haunted by memories of another time and place and journeys to Vienna to find an 18th-century relic that is rumored to be a portal to the past, in an installment of a series that inspired the Fox series Past Life. **APB \$19.95**

Karen Rose*You Can't Hide*

A psychiatrist is bound to her patients by confidentiality but do ethics always override catching a murderer? **YOU DON'T KNOW WHO I AM.** Someone is tormenting psychiatrist Tess Ciccotelli's patients, pushing them to commit suicide, and setting her up to take the blame. But even police pressure won't make her break her oath to protect their secrets. **YOU CAN'T STOP WHAT I AM DOING.** Detective Aidan Reagan understands Tess's need to safeguard her clients but all the clues suggest that a nameless, faceless enemy is set on destroying her career, her family and, finally, Tess herself. **YOU CAN'T HIDE.** As Reagan and Tess race to stop the killer, one thing becomes clear the noose is tightening around Tess's neck and there is nowhere for her to go. **PB \$19.99**

Sara Rosett*Mint Juleps, Mayhem and Murder (Ellie Avery Mystery)*

While dealing with her professional organizing business, the Mom Stroller Brigade, and her husband Mitch's family reunion, Ellie Avery must stop a killer that is targeting members of Mitch's squadron before her husband is permanently grounded. **HC \$41.95**

Ann B Ross*Miss Julia Renews Her Vows*

Reluctantly attending a marriage enrichment class taught by dreaded psychologist Fred Fowler, Miss Julia investigates an attack on Francie Pitts that has placed the heavily perfumed Etta Mae Wiggins under suspicion. **HC \$51.95**

David Rotenberg*The Guilty Plea*

On the August morning his headline-grabbing divorce trial is due to begin, multi-millionaire Quentin Wyler is found dead on his kitchen floor. He's been stabbed seven times. But the dead man left a clue: a single word, spelled out in his four-year-old's letter magnets, is fixed to the fridge door. Detective Ari Greene arrives minutes before the international press, who are obsessed by Wyler's torrid affair with a young Hollywood starlet. The city's going through a crime wave and the heat is on Greene. Hours after the funeral, Wyler's ex-wife Tamar is charged with the murder. For veteran defence lawyer Ted DiPaulo, widowed and raising two teenagers, his biggest obstacle is his own client. Tamar Wyler is a strange, enigmatic beauty who comes from an old mining town in Northern Ontario. And DiPaulo's up against a determined prosecutor: Jennifer Raglan has recently stepped down as head crown and she's back with her husband - after an affair with Detective Greene...What should be a straight-forward guilty plea turns into a complex murder trial, and leaves a trail of unanswered questions in its aftermath. **TP \$32.99**

Penny Rudolph*Eye of the Mountain God*

After she moves to New Mexico with her deaf daughter, photographer Megan Montoya is thrown into chaos when she receives five emerald arrowheads in her morning paper, her house is searched, she realizes the archeologist she is dating may have ulterior motives and her daughter is kidnapped. **HC \$51.95**

Craig Russell*The Valkyrie Song*

Jan Fabel is a troubled man. His relationships with the women in his life are becoming increasingly complicated: his partner, Susanne, is looking for a deeper commitment. His daughter is considering joining the police and his ex-wife holds him responsible. If that weren't enough, after a gap of ten years, a female serial killer the Angel of St Pauli again makes the headlines when an English pop star is found in Hamburg's red-light district, dying of the most savage knife wounds. Links emerge with a series of apparently unrelated events. A journalist murdered in Norway. The death of a Serbian gangster. And a long-forgotten project by East Germany's Stasi conceived at the height of the Cold War, involving a highly-trained group of female assassins, known by the codename Valkyrie. Fabel's hunt for the truth will bring him up against the most terrifyingly efficient professional killer. The ultimate avenging angel. **BPB \$24.95**

Michele Scott*A Toast to Murder (Wine Lover's Mystery)*

When her close friend Simon is shot as he walks her down the aisle, Nikki Sands finds her impending nuptials to winery owner Derek Malveaux cursed by a matrimonial murderer on the loose, former flames, and frustrating family members. **PB \$19.95**

John Shannon*Palos Verdes Blue (Jack Liffey)*

In the latest Jack Liffey novel, L.A.'s most famous child-finder finds himself enmeshed in a race-fueled crime wave on Palos Verdes. Barely recovered after nearly losing his daughter to religious fanatics in Bakersfield, Jack is hired to find another girl, Blue, the missing teenage daughter of his ex-wife's best friend. The investigation leads him to discover an intense turf war on L.A.'s posh Palos Verdes peninsula. The feud will turn violent, drawing in arsonists, angry bikers, racist border vigilantes, and Jack's daughter Maeve, who once again puts herself at risk to help her father. **TP \$30.95**

Paige Shelton*Glazed Murder (Farmer's Market Mystery)*

When her donut shop becomes a crime scene after a dead body is dumped on her doorstep, Suzanne Hart, who finds sleuthing as addictive as her sugary baked goods, joins in the search for a killer. **PB \$19.95**

Stephen Solomita*Mercy Killing*

Death's not so simple when there's money involved . . . - When affluent New Yorker Joyce Hauptman dies suddenly, the investigator suspects something other than natural causes. Joyce's husband, Charles, stands to inherit her wealth and is the obvious suspect, but Detective Lenny Shaw quickly discovers that things aren't what they seem. As Charles maintains his innocence, and the influence of his powerful father-in-law intrudes, Lenny is hurled towards a conclusion that is as shocking as it is violent. **HC \$56.95**

Denise Swanson*Murder of a Wedding Belle (Scumble River Mystery)*

School psychologist Skye Denison reluctantly agrees to act as maid of honor in her California cousin's over-the-top platinum-style wedding- and is also expected to assist the control-freak wedding planner. But when Skye discovers the planner dead, just one week before the big event, Skye is suddenly working double-duty.

While overseeing every nuptial detail, she's also helping the police find out who hated the bridal consultant enough to kill her. Can Skye get her cousin to the church on time- and save herself from a killer who may actually be on the guest list? **PB \$17.95**

Keith Thomas*Once A Spy*

Discovering that his apartment has been blown up by would-be killers who subsequently target him with guns, gambler Charlie Clark figures out that his Alzheimer's patient father was once a legendary spy for the CIA and was part of an operation that sold faulty nuclear technology to terrorists.

HC \$52.95

Simon Tolkien*The Inheritance*

In order to exonerate the estranged son of a murdered World War II veteran, an ageing police inspector must investigate a priceless relic in order to figure out which of five other suspects was willing to kill for such a valuable artifact. By the acclaimed author of Final Witness, who is the grandson of J. R. R. Tolkien. **HC \$51.95**

Steven Torres*Blackout in Precinct Puerto Rico (Precinct Puerto Rico 05)*

After 16-year-old Luisa Ferra- naked, battered and so traumatized she won't say a word- stumbles into Sheriff Luis Gonzales's path, the list of suspects, fraught with rowdy partygoers and out-of-towners, begins to grow. By the author of Missing in Precinct Puerto Rico. **HC \$51.95**

Fred Vargas*The Chalk Circle Man*

Jean-Baptiste Adamsberg is not like other policemen. His methods appear unorthodox in the extreme: he doesn't search for clues; he ignores obvious suspects and arrests people with cast-iron alibis; he appears permanently distracted. In spite of all this his colleagues are forced to admit that he is highly successful a born cop. When strange blue chalk circles start appearing overnight on the pavements of Paris, the press take up the story with amusement and psychiatrists trot out their theories. Adamsberg is alone in thinking this is not a game and far from amusing. He insists on being kept informed of new circles and the increasingly bizarre objects which they contain: a pigeon's foot, four cigarette lighters, a badge proclaiming I Love Elvis, a hat, a doll's head. Adamsberg senses the cruelty that lies behind these seemingly random occurrences. Soon a circle with decidedly less banal contents is discovered: the body of a woman with her throat savagely cut. Adamsberg knows that other murders will follow. **BPB \$24.95**

Michael Walters*The Shadow Walker (Mongolian Mystery)*

A victim is found with no hands and no head, dumped in an unlit side street. This kind of crime is unheard of to authorities of Ulan Baatar, Mongolia. But it's not the last, and the Serious Crimes Team is no closer to catching the killer. That's why senior British investigating officer Drew McLeish is called in. Give thousand miles from home, McLeish may be a stranger to Ulan Baatar, but not to the savage side of human nature.

PB \$19.95

Michelle Wan*A Twist of Orchids (Death in the Dordogne 03)*

When Julian Wood, with his understanding of the orchid-lover's mind, thinks he has found the link between a killer and a local murder, it puts him in a dangerous situation where either he or his on-and-off lover Mara Dunn could die. **HC \$51.95**

Dan Wells*I Am Not a Serial Killer*

John Wayne Cheever keeps his obsession with serial killers in check by a set of rigid rules that he lives by, hoping to prevent himself from committing murder, but when a body turns up behind a Laundromat, John must confront a danger outside himself, a threat he can't control.

HC \$40.95

Louise Welsh*The Bullet Trick*

Magic is murder when dying is part of the act

Down-at-heel Glasgow conjurer William Wilson is booked for a string of cabaret shows in Berlin and hopes his luck is on the turn-it surely needs to be. Once there, amid the showgirls and shysters of the city, he intends to abandon his heart, his head and, most importantly, his past. But secrets have a habit of catching up with William, and the line between his act and reality begins to blur.

Louise Welsh's deft contemporary tale moves from Glasgow drinking dens and Soho clubs to Berlin burlesque, bringing all its seedy glamour vividly to life.

The Bullet Trick is a thundering thriller and adults-only drama that is guaranteed to keep you entranced until the curtain comes down. **BPB \$23.95**

The Cutting Room

An auctioneer by profession, Rilke is an acknowledged expert in antiques but also considers himself something of an expert in many other fields.

When he comes upon a hidden collection of violent, and highly disturbing, erotic photographs, Rilke feels compelled to unearth more about the deceased owner who coveted them. What follows is a compulsive journey of discovery, decadence and deviousness.

With echoes of the great novels of Hammett and Chandler, and yet in a voice very much her own, Louise Welsh has produced a glittering debut with the widest appeal; and in her hero, Rilke, one of the most interesting characters in contemporary fiction. **BPB \$23.95**

Naming the Bones

Some secrets are best left buried...

Knee-deep in the mud of an ancient burial ground, a winter storm raging around him and at least one person intent on his death: how did Murray Watson end up here?

His quiet life researching the lives of writers in university libraries seems a world away. And yet it is because of the mysterious poet Archie Lunan, dead for thirty years, that Murray now finds himself scrabbling in the dirt on the remote island of Lismore.

Loaded with Welsh's trademark wit, insight and gothic charisma, Naming the Bones weaves the lives of Murray and Archie together in a tale of literature, obsession and dark magic. **TP \$32.95**

Tamburlaine Must Die

A sumptuous and thrilling historical murder mystery from a prize-winning and bestselling author. One day this city must surely combust London, 1593. A city on edge. Under threat from plague and war, strangers are unwelcome, suspicion is wholesale, severed heads grin from the spikes on Tower Bridge. Playwright, poet and spy, Christopher Marlowe walks the city's mean streets with just three days to find the murderous Tamburlaine, a killer escaped from the pages of his most violent play. **Tamburlaine Must Die BPB \$23.95**

Donald E Westlake*Memory*

Paul Cole must rebuild his shattered life after an affair with another man's wife ends in violence and robs him of his memory, in this never-before-published noir novel by a three-time Edgar Award winner. **PB \$19.95**

Jenny White*The Winter Thief (Kamil Pasha)*

December 1888. Vera Arti carries The Communist Manifesto in Armenian through Istanbul's streets, unaware of the men following her. When the police discover a shipload of guns and the Imperial Ottoman Bank is blown up, suspicion falls on a socialist commune Arti's friends organized in the eastern mountains. Special Prosecutor Kamil Pasha is called in to investigate. He soon encounters his most ruthless adversary to date: Vahid, head of a special branch of the secret police, who has convinced the sultan that the commune is leading a secessionist movement and should be destroyed--along with surrounding villages. Kamil must stop the massacre, but he finds himself on the wrong side of the law, framed for murder and accused of treason, his family and the woman he loves threatened.

Exploring the dark obsessions of the most powerful and dangerous men of the dying Ottoman Empire, The Winter Thief also reflects the mad idealism of those turbulent times. **HC \$51.95**

Robert Wilson*The Ignorance of Blood*

A spectacular car crash in the sweltering Seville summer accidentally brings to light a suitcase filled with millions in cash -- and the prospect of a serious mafia presence on Inspector Jefe Javier Falcón's beat.

As a turf war erupts, Falcón finds himself and those closest to him personally targeted by the lethal forces suddenly unleashed. In the face of attack, Falcón decides to retaliate with a ruthlessness that surprises him as much as his adversaries.

But there is a terrible price to pay.

The final, stunning chapter in the critically acclaimed Javier Falcón series. **BPB \$24.99**

Jacqueline Winspear

The Mapping of Love and Death (Maisie Dobbs 07)

In 1932 London, Maisie Dobbs must unravel a case of wartime love and deathâ€™an investigation that leads her to a doomed affair between a young cartographer and a mysterious nurse. (Historical mystery). By the Agatha Award-winning author of *Among the Mad*. **HC \$52.95**

Stuart Woods

Lucid Intervals (Stone Barrington)

After a former client, Herbie Fisher, waltzes into their favorite eatery with \$14 million, claiming to have won the lottery and saying he needs a lawyer, Stone Barrington and ex-partner Dino also recognize the need for a bodyguard when a bullet crashes through the window. **HC \$52.95**

Nancy Means Wright

Midnight Fires (Mary Wollstonecraft)

A Mystery With Mary Wollstonecraft

In 1786 a new young governess, Mary Wollstonecraft, witnesses a stabbing when she attends a pagan bonfire at which an illegitimate son of the nobility is killed, and when the young Irishman Liam Donovan becomes the prime suspect, Mary, susceptible to Liam's charm, determines to prove him innocent. **TP \$30.95**

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Other Books

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Back to Basics: Endings

An abundance of information is provided on the end game, the crucial stage of a chess game when it is all or nothing, in a book that looks at end games involving every type of chess piece. **TP \$47.95**

Chess For Everyone

Chess is a refreshing pastime for most players, and an all-encompassing obsession for a few. And yet much of chess literature—heavy on notation, low on useful illustrations, frustrating for the beginner—is directed at those already in the know. Knack Chess for Everyone provides an alternative: a clear, understandable, and fun entry into chess that doesn't ignore the complexities and challenges. Photographs of actual game boards, often paired with a diagram, represent the perspective of the player looking at the pieces. The book clearly explains the rules of play and movement of pieces, and then gradually introduces various tactics and strategies. **TP \$40.95**

Cupcakes Pack

Make the ideal gift, tea-time treat or a special surprise in next to no time at all with this complete kit for the perfect cupcake. From Quick & Easy everyday treats and Dark & Delicious indulgences to Celebration Cupcakes for festive fun, there is something here for all ages and occasions. Including simple step-by-step instructions and 9 reusable silicone cupcake cases so that you can start creating your own cute cakes right away, The Cupcakes Pack is all you need to ensure the sweetest results every time. **PB \$24.99**

Malt Whiskey Companion

Michael Jackson's essential read for the whisky connoisseur - fully updated 6th edition

Discover all about whisky from this new and updated edition of the classic, definitive guide to malt whiskies, by the late Michael Jackson. You'll learn everything you wanted to know about your favourite tipple. From why you should choose Islay, the Islands, or the Highlands, to which whiskies are light and flowery, or rich and treacly.

Find whisky tasting notes on over 1,000 malts arranged from A-Z, including vintages from 1926 onwards. Over 500 new bottlings are reviewed and scored - plus hundreds of revised entries. Packed with the latest releases and brand new tasting notes from every distillery in Scotland. Plus, reviews of malts from around the world, including Ireland, Japan and newer producers from California to the Czech Republic.

Updated by whisky experts Dominic Roskrow, Gavin Smith and William Meyers. **\$45**

Maori Arts of the Gods

Traditional objects of great beauty, made of wood, bone, greenstone, feathers and fibre, are collected in this sumptuous pictorial guide to Maori art. Deidre Brown has selected the finest of Brain Brake's photo's and adds interesting and informed commentary on the Maori gods and legends that inspired these works. **TP \$26.95**

Woodwork: Complete Step-By-Step Manual

Woodwork know-how with step-by-step show-how for success every time. **HC \$69.95**

Nicole Alexander

The Bark Cutters

Sarah Gordon knows what she wants: the family homestead, Wangallon. When it comes to working the homestead shes a natural but as a woman, its not her birthright. Even when her beloved brother, Cameron James, first born and heir, is killed in a tragic accident, nobody looks to Sarah to inherit. Instead her grandfather passes management to the one man she truly loves. Feeling betrayed she runs away to Sydney to try to put Wangallon, behind her, but its in her blood. She is constantly drawn back to Wangallon but when will she finally admit that its not just Wangallon she longs for but the stations manager, Anthony. THE BARK CUTTERS is an Australian family saga that centres around the family property, Wangallon. Past and present interweave in a story that traces the Gordon family from the arrival of Scottish immigrant Hamish Gordon in Australia in the 1850s to the life of his great granddaughter, Sarah, in the 1980s. Full of action, romance, tragedy, family secrets and misunderstandings this novel has a bit of something for everyone but particularly the discerning commercial womens fiction reader. **TP \$32.95**

Michael Ashcroft

Special Forces Heroes

This book tells the stories of forty heroes, all awarded bravery medals for their conduct during Special Forces missions over the last 150 years. Often covert hit-and-run operations involving very small numbers of highly skilled men, those who partake in these missions know that their goals involve a high level of risk. They are men who would die for their country, no questions asked. With many incredible stories, particularly from the Second World War, including the Cockleshell Heroes, and other conflicts from the twentieth century, such as the Iranian Embassy siege, this collection of real-life action adventure brings the bravery of Britain's heroes to life. Every medal in Lord Ashcroft's extensive collection tells a story and these are some of the most thrilling. **PB \$24.99**

Sam Barone

Conflict of Empires

The beginning of civilization is fraught with war, invasion, plunder and rapine. The little city state of Akkad is carving out a mini Empire on the banks of the mighty Tigris river -- prosperity has returned after the bloody pitched battles waged by Akkads ruler Eskkar and his beautiful wife Trella. But now comes Akkads greatest threat from the south: Akkads rival Sumer, a port city at the hub of the great sea trade routes. Sumer is poised to give birth to the mightiest empire in history. It is ruled by an incestuous parricide and his power hungry sister who are determined to crush and enslave the nation state on their northern borders. Esskar and Trella must prepare their fledgling nation for total war before it is too late. This time it will be a battle not of villages or of roving warrior bands, but a battle for Empire, for the known world, with no quarter given. As ever Eskkar, the ultimate warrior and battle tactician, must pit his wits against a vastly superior force in a battle to the death. **TP \$34.95**

Ben Bova

The Hittite

Lukka, a Hittite soldier bent on revenge, travels across ancient Greece, proves himself as a warrior in the Battle of Troy, builds the Trojan Horse, topples the walls of Jericho for the Israelites, and casts his eye on the beautiful Helen. **HC \$52.95**

Harvey Broadbent Australian Author

Gallipoli: The Fatal Shore

IT WAS AN ADVENTURE to die for. A daring attempt to force the Dardanelles and capture the Turkish capital Constantinople. For the Allies it was the Trojan War and crusade combined. Once again Europe would prevail over an ancient enemy.

History records otherwise. The Gallipoli Campaign was to become one of the most savagely contested for the First World War and end in defeat and controversy. Over 400 000 Allied troops were killed and wounded as the Peninsula became a killing ground as deadly as any on the Western Front.

The raging battles of the landing, the defeats at Krithia and on the Suvla plain, the desperate Australian assaults on Lone Pine and the Nek, the heroism of the Gurkhas at Sari Bair, and of the New Zealanders at Chunuk Bair resonate down the years in many nations.

Written by Harvey Broadbent, a leading authority, *Gallipoli: The Fatal Shore* situates this remarkable story within its multinational context.

Illustrated with over 100 photographs and artworks from collections in Australia, Britain, New Zealand and Turkey, this is a fascinating insight into the campaign in which national identity was forged. **TP \$35**

Barry Brunonia

The Lace Reader

Would knowing the future be a gift or a burden? Or even a curse...?

The Whitney women of Salem, Massachusetts are renowned for reading the future in the patterns of lace. But the future doesn't always bring good news - as Towner Whitney knows all too well. When she was just fifteen her gift sent her whole world crashing to pieces. She predicted - and then witnessed - something so horrific that she vowed never to read lace again, and fled her home and family for good. Salem is a place of ghosts for Towner, and she swore she would never return.

Yet family is a powerful tie. So it is that fifteen years later, Towner finds herself back in Salem. Her beloved Great Aunt Eva has suddenly disappeared - and when you've lived a life like Eva's, that could mean real trouble. But Salem is wreathed in sickly shadows and whispered half-memories. It's fast becoming clear that the ghosts of Towner's fractured past have not been brought fully into the light. And with them comes the threat of terrifying new disaster. **BPB \$24.99**

Christian Cameron

Tyrant (Funeral Games 03)

Satyrus and Melitta, twin heirs to a rich kingdom on the Black Sea, become desperate fugitives when their mother, the Scythian warrior-princess Srayanka, is cut down in a savage act of betrayal. Accompanied by their tutor, the Spartan Philokles, they must make a perilous journey west, pursued by ruthless assassins, to find sanctuary with the army of their father's closest friend, Diodorus. But Diodorus is caught up in the tangled web of alliances, betrayals and intrigue that followed Alexander the Great's death, as his generals fought over the huge empire he had created - and soon the twins will have their first taste of real battle as two Macedonian warlords clash. In this violent and unstable world, they must choose sides carefully, as Antigonos One-Eye and his brilliant son Demetrius, prepare to take on the might of Ptolemy's Egypt and the forces gather for the biggest and most spectacular battle the world had ever seen - Gaza. **TP \$32.99**

Les Carlyon Australian Author

Gallipoli

Les Carlyon's *Gallipoli* is one of the most successful, and critically acclaimed, works of Australian non-fiction published in the last decade. In hardback we sold almost 60,000 copies in the first four months of publication. The paperback has become one of our core backlist titles, with sales of well over 100,000 copies to date. This new edition places the book in Picador for the first time, and is designed to sit alongside a new edition of *The Great War*. Carlyon's book brilliantly captures the tragedy of the Gallipoli campaign, and grippingly tells the story of what was to become our national myth. It is the product of meticulous scholarship and research, it is writing of the highest quality, but above all else it is a work of extraordinary storytelling that has the reader gripped from the very first page until the last (over 600 odd pages). As one of the reviews has pointed out, *Gallipoli* is the definitive history for whole new generation of readers. **TP \$34.99**

The Great War

Winner of the inaugural Prime Minister's Prize for History, 2007

The Great War is Les Carlyon's extraordinary account of the Anzacs on the Western Front from 1916 to 1918. This new Picador edition is designed to sit alongside a matching edition of *Gallipoli*, his other classic work on Australia's involvement in the First World War. **TP \$34.99**

Michael Caulfield Australian Author

War Behind the Wire

Australia has a long history of private sadness and quiet courage arising from her men and women being taken as prisoners of war. More than 34 000 have so far ended up in captivity; over 100 in the Boer War, more than 4 000 in WWI, just 30 during the Korean War, none in Vietnam - and the biggest of them all, WWII, when 30 560 Australian men and women were taken prisoner - more than all the Australians killed in action during the entire six years of the war. The total number of Australian deaths during WWII, nearly thirty per cent, one in every three, were prisoners. Many of these men and women lost years of their lives, wasting away behind the wire. They endured a world where only the basics mattered - food, discipline, some small skerrick of hope...and survival. These are their stories. **BPB \$27**

Voices of War

Drawn from engagements ranging from World War I through to operations in East Timor and Iraq, the stories are taken from the Australians at War Film Archive, a collection of the memories of over two thousand Australians who have served, both on the front line and at home. Some are unbelievably, unbearably tragic, even after sixty or seventy years, others are the golden memories of happy, albeit unusual, times. And, more often than not, they are stories which have never been shared with others, even family members. There are stories from winners of the Victoria Cross; stories from the POW camps of Asia and Europe; from the patrols of Vietnam, through to those who served as peacekeepers in Rwanda and Somalia. There are stories from nurses, from those who have volunteered to serve with aid agencies and stories of ordinary Australians caught up by circumstances and by duty, in wartime. These are their words. **BPB \$27**

Michael Chabon

Maps and Legends

Michael Chabon's sparkling first book of nonfiction is a love song in 16 parts - a series of linked essays in praise of reading and writing, with subjects running from ghost stories to comic books, Sherlock Holmes to Cormac McCarthy. Throughout, Chabon energetically argues for a return to the thrilling, chilling origins of storytelling, rejecting the walls around 'serious' literature in favor of a wide-ranging affection. His own fiction, meanwhile, is explored from the perspective of personal history: post-collegiate desperation sparks his debut, *THE MYSTERIES OF PITTSBURGH*; procrastination and doubt reveal the way toward *WONDER BOYS*; a love of comics and a basement golem combine to create the Pulitzer Prize-winning *THE AMAZING ADVENTURES OF KAVALIER AND CLAY*; and an enigmatic Yiddish phrasebook unfurls into *THE YIDDISH POLICEMAN'S UNION*. **BPB \$24.99**

Michael Challerger*Anzacs in Arkhangel***TP \$35****Chris Clark** *Australian Author**The Encyclopaedia of Australia's Battles*

The Encyclopaedia of Australia's Battles contains concise descriptions of all the major battles that have taken place in Australia or in which Australians have been involved over more than 200 years - from frontier clashes between Aborigines and Europeans, participation by colonial forces in Britain's small wars in the 19th century, through to the World Wars and other conflicts of the 20th century, up to and including involvement in East Timor.

Arranged chronologically, over 300 battles are detailed - at sea, on the ground and in the air. A ready reference is provided, listing the date and location of each event, and the main units and commanders involved. Based on studies of historical records and first-hand accounts, and illustrated with explanatory maps, contemporary drawings and photographs of the fighting in progress, a concise and readable account of the course of the battle and its outcome is given.

Compiled by one of Australia's leading historians, The Encyclopaedia of Australia's Battles is both an invaluable reference for the military specialist and an illuminating guide for general readers unaware of the breadth and history of the Australian experience of combat. **TP \$35**

Thomas Cleary*Training the Samurai Mind*

A unique treasury of writings spanning four hundred years on the ethos, training, and education of the Japanese warrior, compiled by the premier translator of Asian texts

Honor, fearlessness, calm, decisive action, strategic thinking, and martial prowess have been the hallmarks of the Japanese samurai culture through the ages. The ethos of the samurai is known as bushido, or the way of the warrior-knight. Here is an insiders view of the samurais moral and psychological development; the ethical standards they strive to uphold; their training in both martial arts and strategy; and the enormous role that the traditions of Shintoism, Buddhism, Confucianism, and Taoism have had in influencing their noble ideals. **TP \$39.95**

Paul Davies*The Eerie Silence*

In this exhilarating new book Paul Davies, bestselling author of *The Mind of God* and *The Goldilocks Enigma*, reveals the very latest findings in our search for alien life in the universe.

On April 8, 1960, a young American astronomer, Frank Drake, turned a radio telescope toward the star Tau Ceti and listened for several hours to see if he could detect any artificial radio signals. With this modest start began a worldwide project of potentially momentous significance. Known as SETI—Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence—it is an amalgam of science, technology, adventure, curiosity and a bold vision of humanity's destiny. Drake has said that SETI is really a search for ourselves—who we are and what our place might be in the grand cosmic scheme of things.

Yet with one tantalizing exception, SETI has produced only negative results. After millions of hours spent eavesdropping on the cosmos astronomers have detected only the eerie sound of silence. Paul Davies asks, what does that mean? Are we in fact alone in the vastness of the universe? Is ET out there, but not sending any messages our way? Might we be surrounded by messages we simply don't recognize? Is SETI a waste of time and money, or should we press ahead with new and more sensitive antennas? Or look somewhere else? And if a signal were to be received, what then? How would we—or even should we—respond?

The Eerie Silence takes us on a journey through close encounters past and present, looks towards the future, and examines the foundations of carbon-based life on this planet to question whether we will ever find it anywhere else. **HC \$49.99**

Don De Lillo*Point Omega*

In the middle of a desert somewhere south of nowhere, to a forlorn house made of metal and clapboard, a secret war advisor has gone in search of space and time. Richard Elster, 73, was a scholar – an outsider – when he was called to a meeting with government war planners. They asked Elster to conceptualise their efforts – to form an intellectual framework for their troop deployments, counterinsurgency, orders for rendition. For two years he read their classified documents and attended secret meetings. He was to map the reality these men were trying to create. Bulk and swagger, he called it.

At the end of his service, Elster retreats to the desert, where he is joined by a young filmmaker intent on documenting his experience. Jim Finley wants to make a one-take film, Elster its single character – Just a man against a wall.

The two men sit on the deck, drinking and talking. Finley makes the case for his film. Weeks go by. And then Elster's daughter Jessie visits – an otherworldly woman from New York – who dramatically alters the dynamic of the story. When a devastating event follows, all the men's talk, the accumulated meaning of conversation and isolation, is thrown into question. What is left is loss, fierce and incomprehensible. Point Omega is a deeply unnerving and brilliant work from one of our greatest living writers. **TP \$32.99**

David Downing*Sealing Their Fate*

It took the Japanese fleet twenty-two days to sail from Japan to Pearl Harbor, the same twenty-two days that witnessed the German assault on Moscow and the Crusader battles in North Africa. The Germans failed to knock the Soviets out; the Japanese succeeded in bringing the Americans in. These twenty-two days sealed their mutual fate.

With each chapter structured around one of the twenty-two days leading up to Pearl Harbor, SEALING THEIR FATE narrates the battles, the preparations for battle, the diplomatic manoeuvres and the intelligence wars. The story shifts from snowbound Russian villages to the stormy northern Pacific, from the North African desert to Europe's warring capitals, and from Tokyo to Washington. The book features a host of ordinary soldiers, sailors and airmen, and those political and military figures who played a key role in the war. Taking the momentum of the Japanese fleet, SEALING THEIR FATE works as an exciting countdown. Other countdowns -- the gradual halting of the German advance in Russia, the erosion of Rommel's resources in North Africa, the institutionalization of the Holocaust -- is worked into this basic structure. As Winston Churchill memorably remarked 'Hitler's fate was sealed. Mussolini's fate was sealed. As for the Japanese, they would be ground to powder. All the rest was merely the proper application of overwhelming force.' **BPB \$22.99**

Jean Hannah Edelstein

Himglisch and Femalese

As we tumble headlong into the second decade of the third millennium, we are in an era of unprecedented freedom to be whatever we want to be, in defiance of fusty old gender stereotypes. But while the women revel in ruling the boardroom, the men make magic in the kitchen, and everyone does rather unusual things in the bedroom, all of this freedom does have its downside: without understanding the fundamental differences between the genders, we're in for an era of dire confusion when it comes to living with the other half of humanity. But don't furrow your brow. Jean Hannah Edelstein is here to lead you through the perplexing questions of what it means to be a man or a woman in the twenty-first century. With a spectacular talent for unpicking social trends, Edelstein draws equally on experiential and anecdotal evidence, as well as the latest scientific studies, delivering a witty, edgy and definitive manual to understanding your partner/husband/boyfriend/girlfriend. Welcome a fresh new expert on men and women and the contradictory languages they speak. But don't furrow your brow. Jean Hannah Edelstein is here to lead you through the perplexing questions of what it means to be a man or a woman in the twenty-first century. With a spectacular talent for unpicking social trends, Edelstein draws equally on experiential and anecdotal evidence, as well as the latest scientific studies, delivering a witty, edgy and definitive manual to understanding your partner/husband/boyfriend/girlfriend. **BPB \$24.95**

Ashley Ekins Australian Author

1918 Year of Victory

'The Great War' involved the mobilisation of 70 million soldiers worldwide. It produced images of such pervasive horror on the Western Front that it defined warfare in human memory long into the twentieth century. The war also left a grim legacy.

Thirteen million people died, nine million of them combatants. Over one-third of those who died were 'missing', having no known graves. The war changed the world irrevocably.

It marked the birth of the modern era, in attitudes, social relations, art and culture. Old empires disintegrated and new nations emerged in the maelstrom of the war and its aftermath. The peace settlements reshaped national boundaries, leaving tensions and rivalries between nation states and people that resonate to the present day.

In just over a decade, the victory of 1918 was eroded by the apparent failure of the Versailles peace settlement, the rise of Nazism and the approach of the Second World War. Scholars continue to explore and challenge many of the assumptions and common perceptions surrounding the conflict, from its origins and causes, to the responsibility for its conduct, the reasons for Allied victory over the Central Powers, and the consequences and long-term outcomes of that victory. The chapters in this book had their origins in an international conference, 1918 Year of Victory, convened by the Australian War Memorial in Canberra in November 2008 to mark the ninetieth anniversary of the end of the Great War.

First World War scholars from a number of nations, many of them renowned specialists in their field, gathered to present their research findings and to share their insights into issues surrounding the ending of the Great War, its memory and continuing impact. The presentations were lively, authoritative and wide-ranging, spanning the themes of war strategy and planning; the problems of raising, training and maintaining armies in the field; developments in technology and weapons systems; the role of command; the evolution of tactics and the use of combined arms; the development of war economies through control of industrial and agricultural production; and the exploitation of human and material resources in war on the home front, on land, at sea and in the air. This highly readable book is a collection of these presentations. **HC \$49.99**

Brian Farrell & Sandy Hunter Editor

A Great Betrayal

Professors of history and military history experts present their analyses and impressions about the Fall of Singapore in 1942.

- Features first-person 'narrated' accounts including graphic recollections from Japanese soldiers fighting on the frontlines

- 15 chapters that thoroughly covers a wide range of issues surrounding the fall of Singapore.

- Each individually contributed by a different (but no less distinguished) professor/scholar of history.

Across 15 chapters, professors of history and military history experts present their analyses and impressions about the Fall of Singapore in 1942, which was even described by Winston Churchill himself as 'the greatest disaster in British military history'. Discussed at length is the Malayan Campaign and the 'Singapore Strategy', with problems and events related to the pre-war period as well as the conduct of the campaign itself. Highlights include extensive discussions on the reasons for Japanese success and British failure as well as Ground Zero perspectives from Japanese soldiers fighting on the island and civilians facing evacuation. What follows is a more complete and comprehensive picture painted of this turbulent period in Singapore's history. **TP \$29.95**

Iain Gale

Alamein

Following the same formula in both style and packaging as *FOUR DAYS IN JUNE*, Iain Gale has yet again delved deep into the annals of history to bring us another page-turning novel of great British Victory. The battle at Alamein involved several different nationalities including the British, Australians, NZ, South African, Indian, Italian and German and was fought both on the ground and in the air. The battle centred around several small actions within the overall bigger picture of the Second World War, particularly that known as the action at Snipe when a small fore of the Rifles held off a Division of panzers. In this novel, Iain Gale recreates this great battle as seen through the eyes of commanders and junior officers on all three sides: German, Italian and allied. **TP \$32.99**

Bill Gammage

The Broken Years

We just fell down and slept, rain and all, and shells falling all about us, but we were too exhausted to bother; we didn't mind if we were killed; it was terrible.

We thought we knew something of the horrors of war, but we were mere recruits, and have had our full education in one day.

These are the words of men responding to the grotesque realities of war. When the Great War started in 1914, most Australians believed in patriotism, military heroism and loyalty to the British Empire. As the war dragged on, as the horrors intensified and the casualty lists grew, patriotism gave way to cynicism and courage to despair. By the time the conflict ended, basic changes had taken place in the minds of many fighting men and their lives were never the same again.

In *The Broken Years*, using the diaries and letters of 1000 Australian soldiers, Bill Gammage reconstructs with great sensitivity the valour and the tragedy of their experience. He shows how and why the Great War had profound effects on the attitudes and ideals of Australia as a nation. First published in 1974, *The Broken Years* has been a widely read classic ever since. **Quarto \$49.99**

Lori Gottlieb

Marry Him: The Case for Settling for Mr Good Enough

Wonder why you're still single? Had you imagined you'd be settled down with the perfect man and family by now? Afraid time is running out? You might want to listen to what Lori Gottlieb has to say. **TP \$34.95**

Paul Ham Australian Author

Kokoda (Tv-tie in)

'Never in my life ... had I seen soldiers who looked so shocked and so tired and so utterly weary as those men' Brigadier John Rogers, Australia's Director of Military Intelligence, 1942

Now a major two-part ABC documentary series produced with Screen Australia's Making History, Paul Ham's KOKODA is the bestselling history of the crucial battles in Papua New Guinea that saved Australia from the threat of Japanese attack.

In this acclaimed account, Ham describes both sides of the appalling struggle along the Kokoda Track in 1942 when a few badly trained Australian troops confronted the Imperial Japanese Army in the worst terrain imaginable.

Few of us know the true story behind that legend; few know the guts inside the myth. Kokoda was a war without mercy; a predatory war, where men hunted down men like wild animals. No army had fought in such conditions; no Allied general believed it possible.

Yet Kokoda was a vital struggle; undoubtedly a turning point in the Pacific War. Had the Japanese captured Port Moresby, Australia would surely have been bombed and cut off as the only base in the South West Pacific for the Allied counter-offensive.

The diggers were fighting for their very country's survival as the last free nation in Asia. **TP \$35**

Richard Hammond

Or Is That Just Me?

More of the wry, honest and often hilarious chronicles of Richard Hammond - TV presenter, adventurer and general drawer of the Short Straw. Continuing where AS YOU DO left off, DID I SAY THAT? focuses on just a few of the many hair-raising stunts, expeditions and encounters experienced by Richard Hammond over the last eventful year. **TP \$35**

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Fantastic experiments, thrilling things to make and do and reusable stickers from Richard Hammond's TV series Blast Lab on ABC3. **\$35**

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John Heffernan Australian Author

Chips (Spud 02)

Chips is half dingo. He is Spud's only surviving puppy, saved from a cruel death. A new life in the city with Kylie and her mother promises safety for them all. But as Chips grows, his wild dingo blood begins to stir and he hears a call he cannot resist. This moving and powerful book is the sequel to 'Spud', which was not only highly successful, but also a Children's Book Council of Australia 'Notable Book'.

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Kumiko Kakesha

Letters from Iwo Jima

Clint Eastwood was so moved by this account of the Japanese defence of Iwo Jima that he ended up making two films in 2006. Flags of Our Fathers, based on the bestselling book of the same name, tells the story of the US Marines who raised the flag on the island in what became the iconic photograph of the war with Japan. His other film, Letter From Iwo Jima is based on Kumiko Kakehashi's heart-rending story. Her account is based on the letters written home by the doomed soldiers on the island, mostly family men, conscripted late in the war. At the heart of the story is the maverick general Kuriyabashi, devoted family man, humanitarian and brilliant commander and the first man on the island to know they were all going to die. He fought and died to delay the Americans for as long as he could. He knew that once the island fell, it would be used as an airbase by US bombers to strike at Tokyo. **BPB \$24.99**

Jack Kent

There's No Such Thing As A Dragon

When Billy Bixbee finds a tiny dragon in his bedroom, his mom tells him, There's no such thing as a dragon! This only makes the dragon get bigger. He grows, and grows, and grows, until he's bigger than Billy's house and that's just the beginning! Charming text and playful illustrations by well-known author-illustrator Jack Kent pair in a terrific story that demonstrates how a little attention can make a big difference, no matter what size the problem. **Picture Book \$12.95**

Jonathan King

Western Front Diaries

Hidden under the shadow of Gallipoli for decades, the breathtaking story of what really happened on the Western Front has finally been brought into the bright light of day.

Five times greater than Gallipoli, the Western Front had (Australian figures):

- * five times more soldiers (250 000 rather than 50 000)
- * more than five times the amount of men killed (46 000 compared to 8709)
- * more than five times as many battles, with troops serving there for four times longer, and
- * five times the sum of Victoria Crosses earned (a total of 53).

Thankfully, the diggers serving in this first Australian Army Corps and under an Australian commander for the first time, actually helped win the war. Using hundreds of brutally honest and extraordinary eyewitness accounts of the diggers in the muddy and bloody trenches, Western Front Diaries reproduces their private diaries, letters and postcards to tell of their heart-rending experiences, battle by bloody battle. With its gallery of unpublished photographs, Western Front Diaries tells without embellishment the stories of the Australian soldiers and finally puts the Western Front on the map. **TP \$35**

Paula Kluth

The Autism Checklist

PB \$27.95

Roy Kyle

An Anzac's Story

Many books have been written by officers, historians and military experts on the part the Anzacs played in the Dardanelles campaign during the First World War. There are very few by the ordinary soldier.

Roy Kyle started writing this memoir at the age of 89 and almost completed it before he died. A typical Anzac, fiercely patriotic, he enlisted in the A.I.F. in 1915, several months under-age. He spent his eighteenth birthday in the terrible trenches of Gallipoli and then went on to serve on the Western Front.

An Anzac's Story is an honest, poignant account of a young man's experience of war. It is much more than this, though, for Roy Kyle's story begins with his colourful, classic Australian childhood in country New South Wales and Victoria in the early years of last century. Bryce Courtenay, who helped get Roy Kyle's memoirs published, has provided a moving introduction to his life and times. **HC \$29.95**

Joe Maiolo

Cry Havoc: The Arms Race and the Second World War 1931-41

The arms race, on the run up to the Second World War, followed the faultless logic of paranoia. Before the First World War, the Great Powers measured the strength of their rivals by comparing the size of armies and navies, and the money spent on them. Afterwards, having learned the lessons of 'total war', they looked at the capacity of nations to mobilise their economies and populations for war. Deep planning, they realised, was necessary to prepare for potential conflicts; but with this attitude came a sense that society might need to be in a state of perpetual readiness for conflict, and a potential openness to totalitarian levels of state control in ensuring that readiness. In Cry Havoc Joe Maiolo shows, in rich and fascinating detail, how the arms race between the Great Powers developed. Where previous histories have looked at how individual nations responded to the challenges of the time, Maiolo reveals the full complexity of the arms race by looking at competition between nations, at how nations reacted to the moves of their rivals. Maiolo provides a vivid portrait of the thinking of those making the key decisions - of the thinking of Hitler, Mussolini, Chamberlain, Stalin, Roosevelt - and reveals the full extent of the dilemmas confronted by the leaders of the western democracies, who seemed at times to be faced with a choice between defending their nations and preserving the essential democratic nature of the societies they sought to defend. Cry Havoc is an absorbing account of a time of extreme tension **HC \$75**

James May

Car Fever

Top Gear's James May has an opinion on most things. As well as writing about his first love, cars, James has a go at political correctness, the endless rules and regulations of modern life, motorway service stations and personalised licence plates. He discusses his flamboyant shirts and the trials of modern man. His highly entertaining observations from behind the wheel will have you laughing out loud, whether you share his opinions, or not. Car Fever is an indispensable guide to life for the modern driver. **TP \$35**

James May's 20th Century

The twentieth century was a time of extraordinary change as new technologies and new inventions emerged at a bewildering rate. Our world was transformed beyond recognition, and so were our lives and our aspirations. INVENTING THE TWENTIETH CENTURY is an entertaining, informative and insightful look at the marvels of the twentieth century. James May and Phil Dolling explore the iconic themes of the century: flight, space travel, television, mechanised war, medicine, video games, electronic music, skyscrapers, electronic espionage and much more. But they also lead us down blind alleys to discover the hidden story behind why some inventions like the Zeppelin, the hovercraft or the Theremin struggled to make their mark. They examine the tipping points when technologies such as the car or the internet became unstoppable and get up close by looking at the nuts and bolt of remarkable inventions. Packed with surprising statistics and intriguing facts, this is the ideal book for anyone who wants to know how stuff works and why some stuff didn't make it. **PB \$35**

James May's Magnificent Machines

Our world has been transformed beyond recognition, particularly in the twentieth century, and so were our lives and our aspirations. Throughout JAMES MAY'S MAGNIFICENT MACHINES James May explores the iconic themes of the past hundred years: flight, space travel, television, mechanised war, medicine, computers, electronic music, skyscrapers, electronic espionage and much more. But he also reveals the hidden story behind why some inventions like the Zeppelin, the hovercraft or the Theremin struggled to make their mark. He examines the tipping points when technologies such as the car or the internet became unstoppable and gets up close to the nuts and bolt of remarkable inventions. Packed with surprising statistics and intriguing facts, this is the ideal book for anyone who wants to know how stuff works and why some stuff didn't make it. **BPB \$24.99**

Cormac McCarthy

All the Pretty Horses

John Grady Cole is the last bewildered survivor of long generations of Texas ranchers. Finding himself cut off from the only life he has ever wanted, he sets out for Mexico with his friend Lacey Rawlins. Befriending a third boy on the way, they find a country beyond their imagining: barren and beautiful, rugged yet cruelly civilised; a place where dreams are paid for in blood. All the Pretty Horses is an acknowledged masterpiece and a grand love story: a novel about childhood passing, along with innocence and a vanished American age. Steeped in the wisdom that comes only from loss, it is a magnificent parable of responsibility, revenge and survival. **BPB \$22.99**

Blood Meridian

Blood Meridian is an epic novel of the violence and depravity that attended America's westward expansion, brilliantly subverting the conventions of the Western novel and the mythology of the Wild West. Based on historical events that took place on the Texas-Mexico border in the 1850s, it traces the fortunes of the Kid, a 14-year-old Tennessean who stumbles into a nightmarish world where Indians are being murdered and the market for their scalps is thriving. **BPB \$22.99**

Child of God

By the author of the critically acclaimed Border Trilogy, Child of God is a taut, chilling novel that plumbs the depths of human degradation. Lester Ballard, a violent, solitary and introverted young backwoodsman dispossessed on his ancestral land, is released from jail and allowed to haunt the hill country of East Tennessee, preying on the population with his strange lusts. McCarthy transforms commonplace brushes with humanity – in homesteads, stores and in the woods – into stunning scenes of the comic and the grotesque, and as the story hurtles toward its unforgettable conclusion, depicts the most sordid aspects of life with dignity, humour, and characteristic lyrical brilliance. **BPB \$22.99**

Cities of the Plain

In Cities of the Plain, two men marked by the boyhood adventures of All the Pretty Horses and The Crossing now stand together, between their vivid pasts and uncertain futures, to confront a country changing beyond recognition. In the fall of 1952, John Grady Cole and Billy Parham are cowboys on a New Mexico ranch encroached upon from the north by the military. On the southern horizon are the mountains of Mexico, where one of the men is drawn again and again, in this story of friendships and passion, to a love as dangerous as it is inevitable. **BPB \$22.99**

Cormac McCarthy

The Crossing

Set on the south-western ranches in the years before the Second World War, *The Crossing* follows the fortunes of 16-year-old Billy and his younger brother Boyd. Fascinated by an elusive wolf that has been marauding his family's property, Billy captures the animal – but rather than kill it, sets out impulsively for the mountains of Mexico to return it to where it came from.

When Billy comes back to his own home he finds himself and his world irrevocably changed. His loss of innocence has come at a price, and once again the border beckons with its desolate beauty and cruel promise. **BPB \$22.99**

The Orchard Keeper

Set in a small, remote community in rural Tennessee in the years between the two world wars, *The Orchard Keeper* is an early classic from one of America's finest and most celebrated authors. It tells of John Wesley Rattner, a young boy, and Marion Sylder, an outlaw and bootlegger who, unbeknownst to either of them, has killed the boy's father. Cormac McCarthy's debut novel is a magnificent evocation of an American landscape, and of a lost American time. **BPB \$22.99**

Outer Dark

By the author of the critically acclaimed Border Trilogy, *Outer Dark* is a novel at once mythic and starkly evocative, set in an unspecified place in Appalachia sometime around the turn of the century. A woman bears her brother's child, a boy; the brother leaves the baby in the woods and tells her he died of natural causes. Discovering her brother's lie, she sets forth alone to find her son. Both brother and sister wander separately through a countryside being scourged by three terrifying and elusive strangers, headlong toward an eerie, apocalyptic resolution. **BPB \$22.99**

The Road

A father and his young son walk alone through burned America, heading slowly for the coast. Nothing moves in the ravaged landscape save the ash on the wind. They have nothing but a pistol to defend themselves against the men who stalk the road, the clothes they are wearing, a cart of scavenged food – and each other. **BPB \$22.99**

Suttree

This compelling novel has as its protagonist Cornelius Suttree, living alone and in exile in a disintegrating houseboat on the wrong side of the Tennessee River close by Knoxville. He stays at the edge of an outcast community inhabited by eccentrics, criminals and the poverty-stricken. Rising above the physical and human squalor around him, his detachment and wry humour enable him to survive dereliction and destitution with dignity.

"Suttree" contains a humour that is Faulknerian in its gentle wryness, and a freakish imaginative flair reminiscent of Flannery O'Connor' - "Times Literary Supplement". "Suttree" marks McCarthy's closest approach to autobiography and is probably the funniest and most unbearably sad of his books' - Stanley Booth. The book comes at us like a horrifying flood. **BPB \$22.99**

Fleur McDonald

Blue Skies

In the tradition of Rachael Treasure and from the bestselling author of *Red Dust*, *Blue Skies* tells the inspirational story of a young woman battling to save the family farm no matter what it takes.

Armed with an honours degree in Agribusiness, Amanda Greenfield dreams of employing all the skills she's learnt at college to help her father turn the family farm from a debt-ridden, run-down basket case into a thriving enterprise.

Then tragedy strikes with the death of Amanda's mother in a car accident. Wracked by grief and guilt, and wearied by the long struggle to keep Kyleena a going concern, Amanda's father argues that they should sell up and get on with their lives away from the vagaries of drought and fluctuating stock and crop yields.

Having inherited half the farm from her beloved mother, whom she also grieves for, Amanda determines to summon all her strength, grit and know how to save Kyleena. Along the way she faces mixed fortunes in both love and life... **TP \$32.99**

Leo McKinstry

Lancaster

The Spitfire and the Lancaster were the two RAF weapons of victory in the Second World War, but the glamour of the fighter has tended to overshadow the performance of the heavy bomber. Yet without the Lancaster, Britain would never have been able to take the fight to the German homeland. *Lancaster* highlights the scale of the bomber's achievements, including the famous Dambusters attacks. With its vast bomb bay, ease of handling and surprising speed, the mighty Lancaster transformed the effectiveness of the Bomber Command. Whilst addressing the political controversy surrounding the bombing offensive against Germany, Leo McKinstry also weaves individual tales into this compelling narrative. Rich characters are brought to life, such as Roy Chadwick the designer, who taught himself engineering at night school and Sir Arthur Harris, the austere head of the Bomber Command. This is a rich saga, a story of triumph over disaster and the history of an iconic plane. **TP \$35**

Fern Michaels

Deadly Deals (Sisterhood)

When Rachel Dawson and her husband Thomas adopt twin babies only to have them taken away, along with their money, the Sisterhood is called in to make the perpetrators pay. **PB \$19.95**

Lieutenant Commander John Moffat with Mike Rossiter

I Sank The Bismarck

In the early hours of the 27th of May, 1941, the German warship *Bismarck* scourge of the Atlantic ocean was sailing towards a fateful encounter. Two days previously, Prime Minister Winston Churchill had issued the order to "Sink the Bismarck". High winds and low visibility added to the atrocious morning weather as Fleet Air Arm pilot, John Moffat, took to the air in his open cockpit bomber. Along with twelve other brave pilots, John Moffat took down the largest warship of its time. A warship that had destroyed the famed HMS Hood within minutes, and was able to withstand anything the British military threw at them. These men, in their Swordfish, managed to avoid the fearful anti-aircraft fire and launched their torpedoes. One of them hit, holing the German warship. This is his story - of how as a young man he experienced first-hand the titanic struggle for naval supremacy, the cramped-cabins and meagre rations of WW2, the mind-numbing patrols over hundreds of miles of ocean and the adrenalin and fear of being in a fragile aircraft sought out by gunfire. As the only surviving member of his fellow pilots, John Moffat tells of everything that led him to be able to say, "I sank the Bismarck". **BPB \$24.95**

Sir Keith Murdoch *Australian Author*

The Gallipoli Letter

In September 1915, Keith Murdoch, then a young war journalist, wrote an 8000-word letter to the Prime Minister, Andrew Fisher. 'The Gallipoli Letter', as it came to be known, changed the course of the Gallipoli campaign.

The letter, protesting against the conduct of the campaign and describing conditions at the front, is both intimate and conversational: 'I shall talk to you as if you were by my side.' It is also at times angry, passionate, vivid and very moving: 'Then in the early hours came the landing, when the life of man is at its lowest.' At times, it is simply heartbreaking: 'The heroic Fourth Brigade was reduced in three day's fighting to little more than 1000 strong. You will be glad to know that the men died well.'

The letter changed the course of the campaign: Hamilton, the general in charge of the campaign, was sent home, and the Allies were withdrawn in December of the same year.

The Gallipoli Letter is an inspiring document. It speaks directly to us about war, our history and the indomitable Australian spirit. Accessible and compelling, it should be read by everyone - it is a vital part of our history and the enduring ANZAC legend. **HC \$29.99**

Peter Pedersen

Anzacs At War

When the ANZAC (Australian and New Zealand Army Corps) forces landed at Gallipoli in 1915 they had no idea that they had taken their first steps in creating what would become known as the Australian and New Zealand national character and a legend that would forever define them.

Through over 15 beautifully recreated facsimile documents, including maps, diaries, official reports, telegrams and personal letters, ANZACS at War shows why, more than any other fighting force in history, ANZACs have been praised for their courage, endurance, skill, good humour and comradeship. Beginning with the bloody battles of the First World War, and continuing through the Second World War, Korea, Vietnam and the Gulf War, up to the present century's War on Terror, this book explores how bitter conflicts shaped the national character and reveals the vital nature of the ANZAC's role in all the major conflicts of the twentieth century and beyond. **HC \$49.99**

The Anzacs: From Gallipoli to the Western Front

1918 on the Western Front. At no other time has Australia so influenced the course of world history. In the worst crisis of World War I the Germans had a cut a wide swathe through the British line. The Australians knew their hour had come. 'Fini retreat', they boldly announced as they marched to a halt the Germans at Amiens. Then it was their turn to advance, driving the enemy remorselessly before them, as the shock troops of the British Army. **TP \$35**

Amanda Quick

The Perfect Poison (Arcane Society)

Consulting on the investigation into a lord's murder, botanist Lucinda Bromley realizes that a poison can be traced back to her, prompting her to hire fellow Arcane Society member Caleb Jones to keep her name out of the investigation and to find the murderer. **PB \$19.95**

Anthony Riches

Wounds of Honour (Empire 01)

Marcus Valerius Aquila has scarcely landed in Britannia when he has to run for his life - condemned to dishonorable death by power-crazed emperor Commodus. The plan is to take a new name, serve in an obscure regiment on Hadrian's Wall and lie low until he can hope for justice. Then a rebel army sweeps down from the wastes north of the Wall, and Marcus has to prove he's hard enough to lead a century in the front line of a brutal, violent war. **BPB \$22.99**

Niki Savva

So Greek: Confessions of a Conservative Leftie

Most books on politics are written by outsiders. Even if they are written by politicians, a lot of the intrigue and detail seems to be missing. It usually is. This is one of the few books on politics and political journalism written by an insider and one with decades of experience in federal politics.

It is often hilarious, occasionally sad, sometimes infuriating, but endlessly fascinating and illuminating as it takes us on a life journey: from one country to another, from one culture to another, from one career to another, from one philosophy to another. **TP \$35**

Simon Scarrow

Gladiator (09)

While centurions Macro and Cato are returning to Rome from a harrowing campaign against the Parthians, their transport ship is almost capsized by a tidal wave. They barely make it to the port of Matala in Crete where they are stunned to find a devastated town. An earthquake has struck the island, destroying its cities and killing thousands. In the chaotic aftermath, large bands of the island's slaves begin to revolt and local bandits, taking advantage of the slave rebellion, urge the Cretans to overthrow the Roman administration. With many of the island's troops either killed or wounded during the earthquake, the governor of the province calls on Macro and Cato for help. Can they move swiftly enough to counter the rebellion before it sweeps the Romans from the island? **PB \$19.99**

Richard Schickel

Clint: A Retrospective

This will make your day!

A richly illustrated authorized retrospective celebrating the life and films of Clint Eastwood—written by renowned Time magazine film critic Richard Schickel and with an introduction by the legend himself.

Clint Eastwood is a Hollywood—and American—icon: beloved by critics and audiences alike, he has successfully carved out a unique career that's spanned more than half a century and sixty movies. Acclaimed as both actor and director, as well as for his musical compositions, he's won multiple Oscars for his achievements in front of and behind the camera.

This stunning volume presents a chronological look at his astonishing body of work, with special emphasis on Dirty Harry (1971), The Outlaw Josie Wales (1976), Tightrope (1984), Bird (1988), Unforgiven (1992), Mystic River (2003), Million Dollar Baby (2004), Gran Torino (2008), and his newest, Invictus, starring Matt Damon and Morgan Freeman, and set for a December 2009 release. Movie stills from memorable screen performances and revealing behind-the-scenes photos that show the filmmaker on the set are accompanied by Richard Schickel's incisive commentary. **HC + DVD \$70**

Tim Severin

Sea Robber (03)

Ambushed by a gang of hardened sea robbers headed for the South Sea, Hector Lynch, pirate and fugitive, is obliged to navigate their vessel on a nightmarish journey through the stormy seas off Cape Horn and when his ruthless shipmates abandon him in Peru, he learns that Maria, the young Spanish woman who stole his heart and whose false testimony saved him from the gallows, is now living on the remote Ladrões, the Thief Islands, on the far side of the Pacific Ocean.

His epic voyage to reach her will bring him face to face with a Japanese warlord who submits trespassers to his island to a deadly duel and with a naked Stone Age tribe who file their teeth to sharp points and sail boats that outpace the fastest galleon. **BPB \$22.99**

Wilbur Smith

Assegai

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

Just prior to the outbreak of World War I, Leon is recruited by his uncle, Penrod Ballantyne, Commander of the British Forces in East Africa, to gather information from Von Meerbach. He stumbles on a plot against the British involving the disenfranchised survivors of the Boer War, but it is only when Eva and Von Meerbach return to Africa that Leon finds out who and what is really behind the conspiracy. **PB \$19.99**

Tony Stephens & Steven Stewert *Australian Authors*

The Last Anzacs

More than 75,000 Australians and New Zealanders went to war on the Gallipoli Peninsula in 1915. They shared a horror, but their courage on a battlefield of tragic errors and unimaginable suffering helped build a legend, the legend of the Anzacs. The Anzacs lost more men on the Western Front than they did against the Turks at Gallipoli. Yet, rightly or wrongly, Gallipoli is etched deepest into the Australian and New Zealand psyches.

Now, all the original Anzacs, the men of Gallipoli, are gone. This book records the lives of the last of them. The legend will live on. **HC \$35**

Jim Supica

Handguns

Examines the history and evolution of handguns, from early Chinese hand cannons to the high-tech versions of today, and includes a detailed look at some of the most famous models of all time, including Smith & Wesson's Model 29.

The notorious outlaws of the Wild West used them with devastating effect. Pirates threatened prisoners with them. Soldiers still take them into battle. Police officers, security guards, and private citizens carry them. Designed to be fired with just one hand, handguns revolutionized the art of war. Discover the fascinating history of handguns in this comprehensive new title. Handguns takes aim at the history and evolution of handguns, from early Chinese hand canons to today's high-tech weapons. This fascinating book features more than 200 full-color photographs of the world's most celebrated handguns from key manufacturers. Look down the barrel at some of the most celebrated models of all time, including Smith & Wesson's Model 29 made famous by Dirty Harry. Discover top handgun manufacturers like Smith and Wesson, Beretta, Heckler and Koch, Inc., Springfield Armory, and Taurus International. Learn about different types of handguns, including single-shot pistols, multi-barreled pistols, revolvers, lever-action pistols, and semi-automatic pistols. **HC \$40.95**

Shotguns

Shotguns have a long, rich history in the United States. They were used by both Union and Confederate cavalymen during the Civil War, and helped defend the Alamo during the Mexican-American War. Soldiers during WWI preferred shotguns for trench warfare, and many heroes of the Wild West were rarely seen without their double-barrels. Today, shotguns are used by target sports enthusiasts, law enforcement, and armed forces.

Discover the fascinating history of the shotgun in this wide-ranging new book. Shotguns explores the exciting history and development of the shotgun with engaging text and more than 200 full-color photographs of guns, including iconic models by Winchester. Best used for hitting smaller targets at closer range, shotguns became the weapon of choice for soldiers, hunters, and sportsmen. Learn about key innovations, including double-barrels, interchangeable chokes, and subgauge inserts. Learn about different shotgun mechanisms, including breech-loading, double-barrel, pump-action, bolt-action, semi-automatic, and fully automatic weapons. **HC \$40.95**

Peter Thompson *Australia / UK Author*

Anzac Fury

ANZAC FURY commemorates the 65th anniversary of the end of World War II in Europe when 8900 Anzac prisoners of war captured in Greece and Crete were released from captivity. In 2010 it will be exactly 70 years since the 2nd AIF arrived in the Middle East to begin their extraordinary adventures in battles against the German and Italian armies in North Africa, mainland Greece and Crete prior to the outbreak of the Pacific War. Written by a brilliant storyteller, ANZAC FURY tells the riveting story of how the legendary Anzac Corps was reformed in the heat of battle during World War II to fight a powerful and merciless foe. Dramatically combining personal memories with combat action, ANZAC FURY gives voice to the experiences of young Australians and New Zealanders who were sent on Churchill's orders from the victorious battlefields of Libya on a disastrous mission to Greece and Crete. A companion volume to the acclaimed 2008 publication PACIFIC FURY, this book celebrates the Anzac spirit of sacrifice, mateship, courage and endurance that sustained the new Anzacs during the darkest days of the war. **HC \$49.95**

John Thompson

Australian Voices

"Australian Voices, 1788 1918 presents a broad social history of colonial, predominantly European, Australian life, focusing on the ordinary and the every day, through the words of contemporary Australians, and a handful of visitors. This atmospheric anthology comprises letters and diary entries, memoirs and reminiscences supported by photographs, etchings and paintings drawn from the period between the arrival of the First Fleet to the end of First World War. The extracts presented here provide the reader with a window into the ways many Australians lived and thought during their country's pioneering days: their first person accounts are often emotional, sometimes humorous, occasionally idealistic, frequently cynical and critical. These Australian voices are presented chronologically, in chapters covering first impressions; life on the land; life in the towns and cities; home life; children; leisure and entertainment; and the home front in wartime. Throughout, there is evidence of a developing sense of Australianness and a growing understanding of the uniqueness and character of the land and its people." **HC \$49.95**

Carole Wilkinson *Australian Author*

Sugar, Sugar

Jackie has left Australia with a psychedelic suitcase and a dream to become a world-famous fashion designer. She knows exactly where she's going and how she's going to get there. So how does a weekend in Paris send her spinning off-course? How does she end up somewhere she couldn't even find on a map? Jackie's misadventures on the road turn into a mind-blowing trip of a lifetime. For all the millions of readers all over the world who have loved Carole Wilkinson's multi-award-winning Dragonkeeper series, Sugar Sugar is exactly what they will want next. **TP \$18.95**

Robert Winston

Bad Ideas? An Arresting History of Our Inventions

We are born with the instinct to create and invent. Indeed our ability to do so is what separates us humans from the rest of the animal world. The moment man first converted a stone to a useful tool set him on a relentless path toward greater control and power over his environment. But have our creative ideas always produced desirable results in line with their original good intention? How many ill-effects and dangers have they brought about along the way? And have they really served us well? *BAD IDEAS?* traces the fascinating history of our attempts at self-improvement but also questions their value. The dubious consequences of the development of weaponry, for example, is self-evident from the primitive but lethal sling to the devastating nuclear bomb. But what of apparently more innocuous inventions such as farming, writing or medicine? All were initiated for the greater good but have nonetheless produced unforeseen fallout that continues to this day. What are their undesirable side-effects, how did they emerge over the years and where will they take us in the future? Written against a huge historical canvas, we join Robert Winston on a thrilling and inspiring journey from our earliest days to the present. We learn about the history of modern science, engineering, IT and much more, following the unexpected twists and turns of their progress. We meet the individuals who played a key role in their development, and share quirky anecdotes about their lives and brainwaves. **TP \$35**

Bob Wurth

1942: Australia's Greatest Peril

This is the real story of the genuine and terrifying threat the Imperial Japanese Navy posed to Australia in 1942.

On the beautiful Inland Sea of Japan – the heartland of the Imperial Navy – and in frenetic wartime Tokyo, zealous staff officers and their illogical admirals debated the invasion of an almost defenceless nation. While Allied defence chiefs all but dismissed the chances of holding Darwin, fierce arguments flared as the Imperial Army opposed the attack, foreseeing a looming military quagmire. Emperor Hirohito, though, approved consideration of a future temporary invasion of Darwin.

1942 is a story of desperate bravery and criminal stupidity. Most of all, it is the story of Australians left high and dry, expecting attack, and the steps that an inexperienced leader, John Curtin, took to save his country in its darkest days. **BPB \$24.99**