



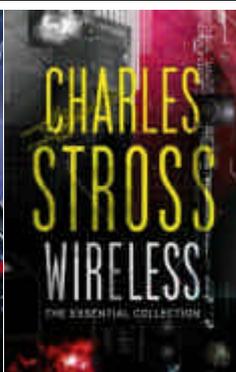
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## Featured Books



**Timothy Zahn**

**Brent Weeks**

**Charles Stross**

**S M Stirling**

**Brandon Sanderson**

**Simon R Green**

**Terry Pratchett**

**Warhammer 40K**

**Terry Brooks**

**Raymond E Feist**

**Eric Flint & Virginia DeMarce**

**William Gibson**

*Domino Pattern* a new *Quadrail* paperback.

*The Black Prism* start of a new series in trade paperback.

*Wireless* a paperback anthology (with Hugo winning story).

*The High King of Montival* *Change 7* in hardcover

*The Way of Kings* start of a new series in trade & hardcover.

*Ghost of a Chance* starting a new series in paperback.

*I Shall Wear Midnight* a new *Tiffany* story in hardcover.

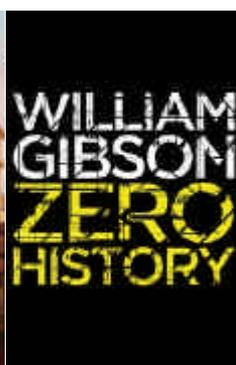
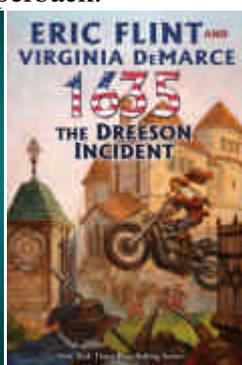
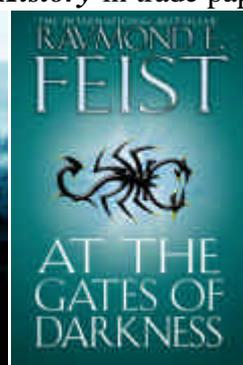
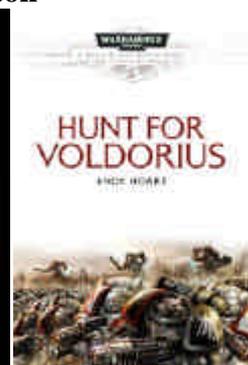
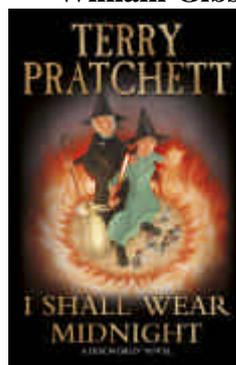
*Hunt for Voldorius* a new *Space Marines Battles* novel.

*Bearers of the Black Staff* in trade paperback.

*At the Gates of Darkness* in trade paperback.

*1635: The Dreeson Incident* in paperback.

*Zero History* in trade paperback.



## News

**Hugo Awards 2010** were announced at AussieCon last week in Melbourne. Best novel was a tie between *The City & The City* by China Miéville and *The Windup Girl* by Paolo Bacigalupi. Charles Stross won best novella with *Palimpsest* in his collection *Wireless*. A full listing of winners is at: <http://www.aussiecon4.org.au/index.php?page=66>

**Worldcon 2012** will be in Chicago USA. This was also announced at Worldcon 2010 (Aussiecon 4).

**Tracey O'Hara** won Romantic Book of the Year for her novel *Night's Cold Kiss* at the romance writers convention recently held in Sydney.

**Trent Jamieson** will be visiting Infinitas 28<sup>th</sup> September at 12:30 for a book signing promoting his new urban fantasy series set in Brisbane.

**Urban Fantasy** fans are welcome to join our new book club discussing paranormal romance over wine and cheese on Thursday evening of each month. Next meeting 6:30pm Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> October. Please come.

## Recent Author Visits

**Nalini Singh** visited Infinitas on Monday August 16th at 1pm. There were lots of books for her to sign, left by fans who could not attend and fans who came in.

**Erica Hayes** visited at the same time as Nalini promoting her Shadowfae urban fantasy series. Erica has participated in our writers' group, it's nice for us to see her published. Left to right in the photo is Tracey, Nalini, and Erica.



**Tracey O'Hara** also visit with Nalini and Erica. For photos of their visit see: <http://www.infinitas.com.au/Gallery/NaliniSinghTraceyOHaraEricaHayes.php>

**Keri Arthur** visited Infinitas at noon on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> August for a book signing. Keri writes urban fantasy stories set in Australia.

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Gallery/KeriArthur.php>



**Charles Stross** visited on 25th August at 5pm. He answered questions for almost an hour before doing a reading from *The Fuller Memorandum* and signed many books for keen fans. He is working on Laundry book 4 (before it's even contracted for!), and a sort-of-sequel to *Halting State*. He has ideas for a sequel to *Saturn's Children*, and is working on a collaboration with Cory Doctorow. Don't expect any more Merchant Princes titles in the short term, as the series is on hiatus, but may return in a "next generation" series. During conversations on ebooks, Charles showed off his shiny iPad with copies of the new books by Greg Bear and Vernor Vinge (which none of us lesser beings are allowed for another 6 months!). <http://www.infinitas.com.au/Gallery/CharlesStross2010.php>



**Kate Elliott** visited on Monday evening 30<sup>th</sup> August at 5pm. After (mis)adventures with the ferry (it was low tide and the bus driver was late), Kate chatted with customers and signed books until almost 8.30pm. She had intended to use the first person style of *Cold Magic* (this month's release) to help her keep her world building under control, but apparently book 2 is already substantially longer and isn't finished yet. Kate enjoys writing about the consequences of actions, such as what happens after the war is over and the menfolk and horses have been killed or wounded and no-one is left to till the fields. She has plans for a second trilogy as well as a stand-alone title in the Spirit Gate world, and has "about 17" novels that need writing at the moment.

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Gallery/KateElliott.php>



**Alastair Reynolds** visited Infinitas lunchtime Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> September. He signed many books and chatted with fans. Amongst the news he shared is that his next books will be a trilogy of mankind returning to the Moon, getting to Mars and expanding into the solar system. Set over generations approximately 150 years into the future, it will be an extended family saga, starting in Africa with the advantage of the Sahara Sun Belt generating electricity, a space elevator on the equator and a slingshot launcher on Mount Kilimanjaro. This trilogy will be more optimistic than Revelation Space.

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Gallery/AlastairReynoldsSept2010.php>



**Signed books** are nice to collect and as gifts. Obviously, we currently have signed books of the above authors, ask us now if you want one for they are selling well.

## Best Sellers for August 2010

### General Release

<i>Hell to Heaven</i>	Kylie Chan *
<i>Radiant Child, The</i>	Duncan Lay *
<i>I Shall Wear Midnight</i>	Terry Pratchett
<i>Wireless</i>	Charles Stross
<i>In the Stormy Red Sky</i>	David Drake
<i>First Lord's Fury</i>	Jim Butcher
<i>The Fuller Memorandum</i>	Charles Stross
<i>Dream Called Time</i>	S L Viehl
<i>Night's Cold Kiss</i>	Tracey O'Hara *
<i>Slave to Sensation</i>	Nalini Singh

\* Australian Authors

### Media and Games Related Titles

<i>Nemesis</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>Allies</i>	Star Wars
<i>Valhalla</i>	Stargate SG1
<i>Enforcer</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>Path of the Warrior</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>Throne of Lies</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>The Glamour Chase</i>	Doctor Who
<i>The King's Dragon</i>	Doctor Who
<i>Nuclear Time</i>	Doctor Who
<i>Unspoken Truth</i>	Star Trek

## 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.

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### *The Passage* by Justin Cronin, reviewed by Kirsty

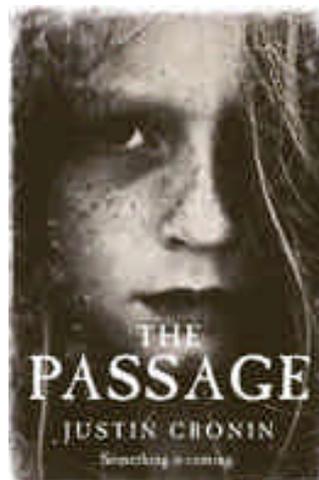
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If you're thinking this is just another vampire novel think again. This book is an apocalyptic journey spanning a century about fall of American society when a virus turns a group of prisoners into virals (aka vampires).

At 766 pages it seems daunting when you pick this book up. Its broken down into 11 parts and told from multiple points of view. The first third of the book relates to pre-apocalyptic time. Basically a team of scientists develop an experimental drug from a rare virus to make human weapons. They test it on prisoners and then decided to test it on a child. This child is Amy. Amy is an orphan and FBI Special Agent Brad Wolgast is in charge of getting Amy to Colorado. The virals escape and cause havoc.

The other two thirds of the book is post-apocalyptic set about a century into the future. Its set in the First Colony where humans live and try to survive the increasing packs of virals who come for them. When an expedition to a power plant by the colonist finds a 92 year old Amy a quest begins to find where she came from. There are amazing action sequences which are scary and sometimes brutal.

If you liked *The Stand* you should like the *Passage*. The ending was left wide open and it is the first book in a trilogy with the second book to be titled *The Twelve*.



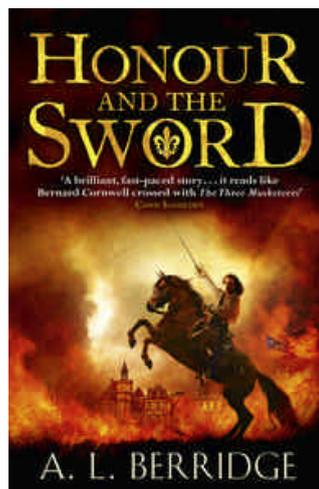
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### *Honour and the Sword* by A L Berridge reviewed by Jonathan Dean

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780718155469>

It's 1636, and the middle of one of the most destructive periods of the Thirty years War. The Spanish have come marching out of the Netherlands, and are invading the neighbouring region of Dax-en-Roi, on the French border. The Chevalier de Roland fights hard to resist them, but he and his family are slain, all bar his son & heir Andre de Roland, who escapes during the sack on the Chevalier's mansion. But the French are in no condition to retake the area, especially after years of unsuccessful war. Roland has to escape capture, recruit & inspire troops to form his own army, train them, and then fight back as guerillas and saboteurs, to prevent the Spanish taking control for ever. His troops are the peasants & tradesmen of the local villages, his honour his guide, and his swordmanship lethal, but can he build an army, fight the Spanish invaders & hinder them enough that when the French army returns to reclaim the area, they are ready to revolt, and throw out the invaders?

Written ostensibly as a series of interviews with various parties on both sides after the event, it's an intriguing novel, particularly when you try to reconcile the various perspectives on events as described by different characters within the story. In style, it's similar to Cornwell or Iggulden, but in my view the author tends to be a touch simplistic in the characterisations & personality depictions. Good are good, bad are bad, etc., which makes the plotline somewhat straightforward & predictable, albeit entertaining. The battle scenes are well written, and the descriptions of fighting feel realistic, but there's also an element of Hollywood involved, in that you could see this being turned into a movie quite easily. The author has managed to include some more mature elements, in terms of people & their behaviour, which increases the sophistication of the plot, but I'm not sure if the result is entirely what they were hoping for. Definitely a well written novel, which distracts, amuses & gets the reader involved, but a little more grittiness would be nice, especially when you consider the chaos so prevalent at the time. I did enjoy some of the characters, however, and their behaviours were in period for the time, but the author's restraint about the practices in war & conflict were a touch sanitised. Overall, a decent novel, but it will be interesting to see how the characters & the author develops with time & seasoning in the next books.



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## *Claire de Lune* by Christine Johnson, reviewed by Chantelle

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781847389282>

In the clutch of a heatwave, during the party for her 16th birthday, Claire Benoit develops a small rash. Thankfully, the cute guy from school, Matthew, fails to notice and before the party is abruptly cancelled, he asks Claire out. But there's a werewolf out there attacking humans and Hanover Falls is a city in the grips of a panic.

As it happens, that rash was Claire's body changing - now that she is reaching her maturity, her birthright is making itself known. Claire is just the latest in a long line of werewolves.

So now, not only does she have to try to be a good friend to her bestest bud Emily (who has been forced by her parents to move to the country because of the werewolf attacks) and get around the moratorium her mother placed on her seeing Matthew but she also has to come to terms with her new status as non-human. All that and help deal with the rogue werewolf that is terrorising her home town all the while hoping her crush's militant dad doesn't find out about her and her pack. Sometimes a girl just can't catch a break.

The first thing I noticed about this book was its tone. The words were that of a 16 year old safe in the knowledge that she was the centre of the universe. This annoyed me at first. More on that later.

The next thing I noticed was a decided lack of details bordering on a glitch in continuity. I don't think the copy I read was an ARC, so it annoyed me rather a lot to the point where I had to stop noticing them. The crunch point came when the protagonist heard her own bare feet slap against tiles in the kitchen, but then left a few minutes later. I can only assume she took her house keys and put on a pair of shoes, but until I forced myself to stop thinking about it, I wanted to know why her feet weren't burning on the concrete outside and wondering how she'd get back inside her house. There were decided dearth of explanations about werewolf history and why they worship a female deity.

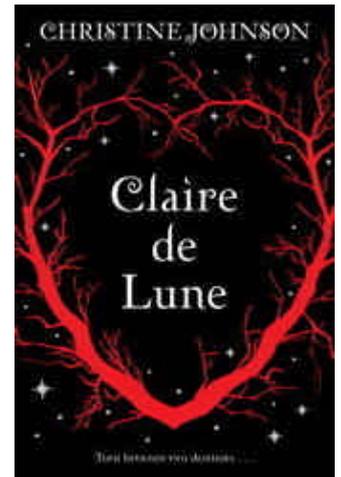
Another thing was there was a bad guy and an obvious fall guy. It didn't take me long to work out who was who which made the Big Reveal not as big as it could have been, but I was keen to know if my assumption about the fall guy was correct. It was.

The plot twists were more like meandering country bends. No warning of whiplash required. That is not to say it was an unpleasant read, it just didn't take too long to work out where the story was headed. Except for one bit at the end that I didn't see coming, but it made perfect sense and was in keeping with the protagonist. I won't say what it is because it would spoil the story, but I will say it was a really good idea - it not only solved a potential problem but also helped to protect the anonymity of the pack.

Getting back to the point of tone, Claire's 'voice' did annoy me at first. I was truly worried it was going to be a book about teen angst and a whole lot of whining about how much she hated being a werewolf. Half-way through the book, her focus changed. She started to come to terms with her new life. She was looking outside of herself at the bigger picture and how dangerous the situation really was. By the end of the book, Claire had become as grown up as a 16 year old could be. Sure, she was worried about what the kids would say at school about how a nobody like her was going out with one of the popular kids and how to keep her real identity a secret from the world at large. However, there were other emotions there too, like worry for the health of individuals of her pack, the developing bond between herself and her mother, the excitement of finally learning about being a werewolf, the acceptance of being who she is and the very real feelings she has for a guy who looks like he'd grow into a great man.

The character arc of the protagonist was obvious and logical and is by far the best selling point of an otherwise predictable novel. Unfortunately, the same cannot be said for the secondary characters, which is a real shame. Johnson came up with some great, strong older female characters who were all enigmatic, adroit and loving (in their way). Matthew, the love interest, is definitely a Beta male - not necessarily likely to set hearts racing, but the stalwart and capable one whom we'd all like to marry. We are never told why Matthew's father is so aggressively against werewolves (save for a very superficial reason given by Matthew) and why his mother is never in the picture. There is so much history to be explored around the other characters I would have liked to get to know them all better.

Unlike a lot of others in the Young Adult genre, this book doesn't really live up to adult expectations. I'd recommend it to anyone who wants something a really light read or a teen who needs something to read after "Twilight".





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TP = trade paperback (C format)  
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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. <http://www.infinitas.com.au/ReadersGroup.php>  
Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September: Cancelled as several members will be attending AussieCon4 in Melbourne.  
Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> Oct: Stories that initially excite then disappoint

**Urban Fantasy Book Club:** Meets on the second Thursday of each month at 6:30pm. A title is selected to start the discussion Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2010:  
*Circle of Fire* by Keri Arthur

**Review Group:** The review group meets on the third Thursday of each month at 6.30pm. Two books are chosen by group members for each meeting with participants encouraged to have read at least one prior to the meeting. The discussion is generally serious and insightful, we usually share a bottle or 2 of wine with cheese – contributions gratefully drunk. All welcome. <http://www.infinitas.com.au/ReviewGroup.php>  
Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2010:  
*Born of Night* by Sherrilyn Kenyon (SF Romance)  
*Shadow of the Scorpion* by Neal Asher (SF)

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

### Monsterpocalypse Gamers:

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



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

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

**Magic the Gathering:** Play Magic Cards at the shop. Current schedule is a limited booster draft on the fourth Thursday of the Month at 5.30pm. Please contact us if you are running late.

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*Calendar 2011: Zombie Survival Guide (day to day)*

**Calendar \$24.99**

## *When Werewolves Attack*

On those full-moon nights when ordinary humans morph into frightening, savage fiends, the threat to humanity from werewolves eclipses that of zombies, ninjas, or even vampires. Walking city streets from restaurant to bar, shopping at 24-hour supermarkets, or commuting home late from the office, unsuspecting humans make perfect prey for these flesh-devouring beasts. Fortunately, *When Werewolves Attack* offers the vital life-saving information needed to counter the rising tide of werewolf attacks. From highly effective self-defense moves to shrewd techniques for outwitting and killing werewolves, this book can transform anyone into an awesome werewolf hunter. A comprehensive guide to all aspects of werewolf existence, this informative handbook traces the origins of the werewolf "disease" and shows how to spot the telltale signs that indicate who among us will transform hideously come the next full moon. For those who are attracted to these seductively dangerous creatures, this book offers helpful advice on befriending and even sleeping with a werewolf. **Paperback \$22.99**

## **Lara Adrian**

### *Taken By Midnight (Midnight Breed 08)*

In the frozen Alaskan wilderness, former state trooper Jenna Darrow survives an unspeakable breach of body and soul. But with her narrow escape comes an even greater challenge. For strange changes are taking place within her, as she struggles to understand—and control—a new hunger. To do so, she will seek shelter in the Boston compound of the Order, an ancient race of vampire warriors whose very existence is shrouded in mystery. Perhaps the most mysterious of them all is Brock, a brooding, dark-eyed alpha male whose hands hold the power to comfort, heal . . . and arouse. As she recovers under Brock's care, Jenna finds herself drawn to the Order's mission: to stop a ruthless enemy and its army of assassins from subjecting Earth to a reign of terror. Yet in spite of their resolve, a purely physical relationship without strings soon binds Brock and Jenna together with a desire fiercer than life and stronger than death itself—until a secret from Brock's past and Jenna's own mortality challenges their forbidden love to the ultimate trial by fire. **Paperback \$19.95**

## **Ann Aguirre**

### *Killbox (Jax 04)*

A "jumper" who can navigate faster-than-light ships through grimspace, Sirantha Jax, going against government orders, recruits a militia, comprised of the galaxy's worst criminals and mercenaries, to help defend the frontiers from flesh-eating aliens. **A Paperback \$19.95**

## **G A Aiken**

### *Last Dragon Standing*

When she meets the one man who is immune to her considerable charms, a beautiful dragoness, bred from the most powerful of royal bloodlines, will stop at nothing to bend barbarian warlord Ragnar the Cunning to her will. **A Paperback \$19.95**

## **Poul Anderson**

### *The High Crusade (50th Anniversary)*

In the year of grace 1345, as Sir Roger Baron de Tourneville is gathering an army to join King Edward III in the war against France, a most astonishing event occurs: a huge silver ship descends through the sky and lands in a pasture beside the little village of Ansby in northeastern Lincolnshire. The Wersgorix, whose scouting ship it is, are quite expert at taking over planets, and having determined from orbit that this one was suitable, they initiate standard world-conquering procedure. Ah, but this time it's no mere primitives the Wersgorix seek to enslave—they've launched their invasion against free Englishmen! In the end, only one alien is left alive—and Sir Roger's grand vision is born. He intends for the creature to fly the ship first to France to aid his King, then on to the Holy Land to vanquish the infidel. Unfortunately, he has not allowed for the treachery of the alien pilot, who instead takes the craft to his home planet, where, he thinks, these upstart barbarians will have no choice but to surrender. But that knavish alien little understands the indomitable will and clever resourcefulness of Englishmen, no matter how great the odds against them. . . **Trade Paperback \$24.95**

## **Lin Anderson**

### *Reborn*

The clown suddenly appeared beside a group of kids at the candy floss van, bringing Kira to an abrupt halt. Then it began. The rapid heartbeat, the burst of perspiration, the gasping breath. The baby lurched inside her, as though sharing her panic. When the body of a pregnant teenager is found in a Hall of Mirrors with the full-term foetus surgically removed, forensic scientist Rhona MacLeod is called in to assist the police. Suspicion falls on Jeff Coulter, a psychotic inmate at a nearby hospital whose hobby is making Reborns - chillingly realistic baby dolls intended for bereaved parents or those unable to conceive. But how could he have orchestrated the murder from a secure mental facility? The investigation leads to a group of teenage girls who seem to have all got pregnant at the same time. Then a Reborn doll is discovered near the crime scene and a second girl from the group is found dead... **Trade Paperback \$32.99**

## **James Axler**

### *Doom Helix (Deathlands 94)*

The Deathlands feudal system may be hell on earth but it must be protected from invaders from Shadow Earth, a parallel world stripped clean of its resources by the ruling conglomerate and its white coats. Ryan and his band had a near-fatal encounter with these genetically enhanced aggressors and their advanced weaponry and wags once before. Only a fatal chink in enemy armor saved planet Earth from plunder. Now, these superhuman predators are back, ready to topple the hellscape's baronies one by one. **Paperback \$17.95**

## **Nina Bangs**

### *An Original Sin*

**Paperback \$14.95**

## **Dakota Banks**

### *Sacrifice (Mortal Path 02)*

A demon's enslaved executioner—a ravager of lives and souls—Maliha Crayne has been reborn, willing to sacrifice her immortality for a chance at freedom . . . and salvation. Now she has an opportunity to prevent the death of thousands—perhaps tens of thousands—to make up for the countless lives she has obliterated over the centuries. To do so, she must locate and destroy an evil cabal of madmen in possession of a weapon of unspeakable power—and survive the immortal assassins who are now after her blood. But it means reverting to the old ways and surrendering once more to the darkness. And if Maliha dies before the mission is accomplished, the hell she once knew will seem like a picnic compared to the eternal torments awaiting her. **A Paperback \$19.95**

## Iain Banks

### *Transition*

Imagine a world that is one of infinite parallel worlds, that hangs suspended between triumph and catastrophe, the dismantling of the Wall and the fall of the Twin Towers, in the shadow of suicide terrorism and global financial collapse. Presiding over this world is the Concern, an all-powerful organisation whose operatives possess extraordinary powers. There is Temudjin Oh, an unkillable assassin who journeys between the high passes of Nepal, a version of Victorian London and a wintry Venice; Adrian Cubbish, restlessly greedy City trader; and the Philosopher, a state-sponsored torturer who moves between the time zones with sinister ease.

*Transition* is a high-definition, hyper-real apocalyptic fable for terrible times. **B Paperback \$24.99**

## Adrienne Barbeau

### *Love Bites (Vampyres of Hollywood)*

Ovsanna Moore is a Hollywood siren, horror film legend, and cut throat producer. She also happens to be a 450-year-old vampyre. In the follow-up to the much acclaimed *Vampyres of Hollywood*, Adrienne Barbeau paints a wonderfully sly portrait of cinematic vampyres, as well as the nature of celebrity, and the entertainment industry. Her "Scream Queen" credentials make her the only author who could combine such a fastpaced, edgy plot with tongue-in-cheek references to the inner workings and vanity of Hollywood. A whirlwind of action, *Love Bites* is a clever take on vampyres readers will never forget. **Hardcover \$51.95**

## Michele Bardsley

### *Cross Your Heart (Broken Heart 07)*

Even vampires can be afraid of ghosts...

After the death of her husband-and her dreams of motherhood-Elizabeth Bretton returned to the family estate in Broken Heart, Oklahoma. Little did she know she would also give up her life as the Silverstone heiress.

But escaping the past isn't that easy-especially with a vengeful ghost trying to kill her, a 150-year-old mystery to solve, and an outrageously hot were-jaguar named "Tez" trying to get into her boudoir... **A Paperback \$19.95**

## Anya Bast

### *Cruel Enchantment (Dark Magick 02)*

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For five hundred years the immortal Children of the Light, einherjar and valkyrie, have lived together in the North of Valdyrgard. They were born out of the Sea, each with a shining crystal sword in his or her hand; they are Angels of Light created in the formation of a new world. But three have come before them, from the death-throes of the old world, Midgard: the world-girdling Serpent, Bearer of Burdens; the Wolf Fenris, eater of the Sun, who now takes the form of an einherjar; and his demon sister, stealer of souls.

The Children spend their days feasting, fighting, hunting, and guarding their human charges. But one dreadful day a woman is washed up from the sea, a Lady who is no mortal, though she is not valkyrie either. Thus begins the breaking of the Children of the Light, the tarnishing of their power, and the death of Valdyrgard.

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In 1666, a Great Fire burned four-fifths of London to the ground. The calamity was caused by a great Dragon—an elemental beast of flame. Incapable of destroying something so powerful, the fae of London banished it to a comet moments before the comet's light disappeared from the sky. Now the calculations of Sir Edmond Halley have predicted its return in 1759.

So begins their race against time. Soon the Dragon's gaze will fall upon London and it will return to the city it ravaged once before. The fae will have to answer the question that defeated them a century before: How can they kill a being more powerful than all their magic combined? It will take both magic and science to save London—but reconciling the two carries its own danger... **Trade Paperback \$32.95**

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Recently named the world's chief clairvoyant, Cassandra Palmer still has a thorn in her side. As long as Cassie and a certain master vampire - the sizzling-hot Mircea - are magically bound to each other, her life will never be her own.

The spell that binds them can be broken only with an incantation found in the Codex Merlini, an ancient grimoire. The Codex's location has been lost in the present day, so Cassie will have to seek it out in the only place it can still be found-the past.

But Cassie soon realizes the Codex is missing for a reason. The book is rumoured to contain some seriously dangerous spells, and while retrieving it may help Cassie deal with Mircea, it could also endanger the world . . . **B Paperback \$19.95**

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Cassandra Palmer may be the all-powerful Pythia now, but that doesn't mean people have stopped trying to kill her. Most of the supernatural powers players don't want independent-minded Cassie as chief clairvoyant - and they'll stop at nothing to see her six feet under.

The Vampire Senate does support Cassie in her position, but their protection comes with a price: an alliance with the sexy master vampire Mircea, who has claimed Cassie as his own.

But even the vampires will have trouble keeping Cassie alive now that the self-styled god Apollo, the source of the Pythia's power, has it in for her in a big way. To save her life - and the world - Cassie's going to have to face down her creator once and for all . . . **B Paperback \$19.95**

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It's cold. The wells of power are weakening and the forces of Night grow strong. The gods are real, and still have some power, mostly to do harm. The Instrumentalities of the Night are the worst of these.

Piper Hecht, born Else Tage, survived a battle with the Instrumentalities. Now he's Captain-General of the armies fighting a crusade for Patriarch Sublime V. Intrigues swirl around the throne of the Grail Empire, as the imperial family's enemy Anne of Menand raises money to help the perpetually indebted Patriarch finance his crusades. To reduce his own vulnerability, sickly young Emperor Lothar assigns his two half-sisters—his immediate heirs—to their own realms.

Now Piper Hecht learns that the legendary sorcerer Cloven Februaren, referred to as the Ninth Unknown, is still alive, more than 100 years old, and on Piper's side. As the dynastic politics of the Empire become even more convoluted, it's clear that while the old gods may be fading, they're determined to do everything they can to bend the doings of men to their own advantage.

Sieges, explosions, betrayals, Anti-Patriarchs, and suspicious deaths will ensue as the great chess game plays itself out, with Piper Hecht at the center of it all... **Trade Paperback \$32.95**

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All his life, Drew has been haunted by visions of death. Now, unless he can stop it, Laura will die as an ancient blood prophecy comes full circle. But Laura's return stirs something deep inside him. Can Drew again vanquish the evil that demands Laura's sacrifice- or will the demon haunting them take all? **Paperback \$14.95**

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On the outskirts of Newport, on the US East Coast, lies an abandoned housing project: the Levels. Inhabited by Newport's homeless population, the Levels are run by the all-powerful Sorrow. As THE LEVELS opens, ex-CIA agent Nate Turner, who is in the Levels to find out who has just tried to kill him, meets a 14-year-old girl Ghost. Ghost is a Fury, one of Sorrow's trained, teenage assassins looking for a way back to her normal life. Also in the Levels is Kate, a suspended cop, who has been told that she has only days to live after being attacked, and infected, by the Beast, a serial killer working the streets. The Beast is out for revenge on Kate's new employer, who he believes created the infection that's killing him, an infection that has also been released into the Levels. Now Ghost is trying to escape Sorrow, Kate is looking for the Beast and Turner is looking for answers. One thing's for sure, some people aren't going to survive the fallout... **B Paperback \$22.99**

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Now a slave, Piro finds herself in the Merofynian Palace where, if her real identity is discovered, she will be executed. Meanwhile, Fyn is desperate to help his brother, Bryen, who is now the uncrowned King. Bryen never sought power but now he finds himself at the centre of a dangerous resistance movement as the people of Rolencia flee vicious invaders. How can Bryen defeat the invaders, when half his warriors are women and children, and the other half are untrained boys and old men? **A Paperback \$19.95**

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Ever since their failed elopement years ago, Prisca Hawthorne has taunted, insulted, and in every way tried to push him away. If only her heart didn't break every time Lord William Westfield left her...

But staying apart is even worse...

Lord William throws himself into drinking, gambling, and debauchery and pretends not to care about Prisca at all. But when he returns to find a rival werewolf vying for her hand, he'll stop at nothing to claim the woman who should have been his all along.

Can Prisca forgive the unforgivable, or are the moon-crossed lovers going to be forced into a battle of wills that could be fatal? **Paperback \$14.99**

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What could Christophe, powerful Warrior of Poseidon, have in common with Fiona Campbell, the notorious jewel thief known as the Scarlet Ninja? Answer: The Siren, a legendary Crown Jewel that Fiona has targeted for her next heist. It's said to be worth millions, but to Christophe it's invaluable. For the Siren also happens to be one of the missing jewels from Poseidon's trident. But breaking into the Tower of London is a two-person job, and Christophe and Fiona must team up to commit the crime of the century. **A Paperback \$19.95**

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Jerry Sharpe is an ex-marine and, for him, survival means protecting his family by any means necessary. Susan is learning just how far a mother will go for her children. But how far will she go for a man she doubted before the bombs fell? As Jerry's training and instincts take over, she is certain of one thing - her children need her. Melanie was going to go to college. Now, she is struggling to find a way to live in a world gone mad without losing sight of what she believes in. Scotty has a new mission - more than survival. He was saved, and he'll be damned if he won't fight for what's right. And Bill - Bill was locked up, but the power went out and the guards left. Now he and his fellow inmates have realised that everything is free for the taking...if you're strong enough to hold on to it. **B Paperback \$19.99**

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Having sacrificed his wings in a bid save humanity, fallen angel Armand has a bold plan to assassinate Presidential candidate Maximilian Blackstone. When things go awry and his partner Baruch is gravely injured, Armand fears that he will fail in his task and forever lose the chance to rejoin the angels in Heaven.

Theodora is a wraith, a woman who officially doesn't exist. She lives in the shadows, taking risks to earn the bounty placed on dangerous assassinations-bounty that buys the chance at a new life for those she loves. Captured when her latest hit goes horribly wrong, Theodora finds herself the prisoner of a strong, arrogant stranger.

Soon enough, these two solitary souls find their missions-and their hearts-entwined. But in their desperate attempt to save the world, will they be able to save each other? **Paperback \$17.95**

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A young man arrives in the anarchic city of Bellona, in a near future USA. This world has two moons but could otherwise be our own. The man, known only as 'the Kid', begins to write a novel called Dhalgren that begins where it ends. Dhalgren is about the possibilities of fiction and about the special demands and pleasures of youth culture. **B Paperback \$27.99**

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Jules is a young man barely a century old. He's lived long enough to see the cure for death and the end of scarcity, to learn ten languages and compose three symphonies ... and to realize his boyhood dream of taking up residence in Disney World.

Disney World! The greatest artistic achievement of the long-ago twentieth century. Now overseen by a network of 'ad hocs' who keep the classic attractions running as they always have, enhanced with only the smallest high-tech touches.

But the ad hocs are under attack. A new group has taken over the Hall of Presidents and is replacing its venerable audioanimatronics with new, immersive direct-to-brain interfaces that give guests the illusion of being Washington, Lincoln and all the others. For Jules, this is an attack on the artistic purity of Disney World itself. Worse: it appears that this new group has had Jules killed. This upsets him. (It's only his fourth death and revival after all.) Now it's war. **B Paperback \$24.99**

### *Eastern Standard Tribe*

Art is an up-and-coming interface designer, working on the management of data flow along the Massachusetts Turnpike. He's doing the best work of his career and can guarantee that the system will be, without question, the most counterintuitive, user-hostile piece of software ever pushed forth into the world.

Why? Because Art is an industrial saboteur. He may live in London and work for an EU telecommunications mega-corp, but Art's real home is the Eastern Standard Tribe.

Instant wireless communication puts everyone in touch with everyone else, twenty-four hours a day. But one thing hasn't changed: the need for sleep. The world is slowly splintering into tribes held together by a common time zone, less than family and more than nations. Art is working to humiliate the Greenwich Mean Tribe to the benefit of his own people. But in a world without boundaries, nothing can be taken for granted -- not happiness, not money, certainly not love.

Which might explain why Art finds himself stranded on the roof of an insane asylum outside Boston, debating whether to push a pencil into his brain... **B Paperback \$24.99**

### *Makers*

Perry and Lester invent things. All sorts of things. Seashell robots that make toast, Boogie Woogie Elmo dolls that drive cars. They also invent an entirely new economic system. 'New Work' is a New Deal for the technological era. Soon barefoot bankers are criss-crossing the nation, microinvesting in high-tech communal start-ups like Perry and Lester's. Together they transform a country, and journalist Suzanne Church is there to document it.

But a new economic system requires a whole new belief system -- and there are plenty of non-believers out there. The New Work bust puts the dot.com-bomb to shame and soon Perry and Lester are out of funds and out of business. Down but not out, they go back to what they do best - making stuff. But when a rogue Disney executive grows jealous of their once more soaring popularity and convinces the police that their amazing 3-D printers are being used to run off AK-47s, things get very dark very quickly ...

This brilliantly entertaining and original novel from the visionary author of *Little Brother* fizzles with bold ideas about the future and how our lives will look as part of it. But at its heart are three characters, Perry, Lester and Suzanne, on an unforgettable journey that will bring them together only to break them apart as they each try to discover how to live meaningfully in an ever-changing world filled with both beauty and horror -- where some things really are immutable ... **B Paperback \$24.99**

### *Someone Comes to Town, Someone Leaves Town*

Alan is a middle-aged entrepreneur who has devoted himself to fixing up a house in a bohemian neighbourhood of Toronto. This naturally brings him into contact with the house full of students and layabouts next door, including a young woman who, in a moment of stress, reveals to him that she has wings -- wings, moreover, which grow back after each attempt to cut them off.

Alan understands. He himself has a secret or two. His father is a mountain, his mother a washing machine, and among his brothers are a set of Russian nesting dolls.

Now two of the three nesting dolls, Edward and Frederick are on his doorstep -- well on their way to starvation because their innermost member, George, has vanished. It appears that yet another brother, Davey, whom Alan and his other siblings killed years ago, may have returned ... bent on revenge.

Under such circumstances it seems only reasonable for Alan to involve himself with a visionary scheme to blanket Toronto with free wireless Internet connectivity, a conspiracy spearheaded by a brilliant technopunk who builds miracles of hardware from parts scavenged from the city's dumpsters. But Alan's past won't leave him alone -- and Davey is only one of the powers gunning for him and his friends. **B Paperback \$24.99**

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### *Chains of Fire (Chosen Ones 04)*

Samuel Faa is a Gypsy lawyer with the power to control minds. Isabelle Mason is wealthy, privileged, and refined, and has the gift for healing. Two of the Chosen Ones, they share a past filled with love and betrayal, and a future denied by fate-until the day they're trapped underground. No way out. No way to deny the passion that still burns beneath the surface. And when danger threatens, Isabelle has only one choice: to place her trust in the power of the one man she could never forgive...or forget. **Paperback \$19.95**

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When the innocent souls of animals are invaded by a powerful demon, Ginny Jones joins forces with Alton, a warrior not of her world, to battle against evil while succumbing to the passion that rages between them. **Paperback \$17.95**

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NO REST FOR THE WEARY. Captain Daniel Leary and his friend, the spy Adele Mundy, have been in the front lines of Cinnabar's struggle against the totalitarian Alliance. Now these galactic superpowers have signed a peace of mutual exhaustion--

But the jackals are moving in!  
The Republic of Cinnabar was on the verge of collapse under the weight of taxes, casualties, and war's disruption of trade. That the Alliance of Free Stars was in even worse condition helped only because it has made peace possible.

Years of war have been hard on Daniel and harder still on Adele, whose life outside information-gathering is a tightrope between despair and deadly violence. Their masters in the RCN and the Republic's intelligence service have sent them to the fringes of human space to relax away from danger.

But the barbarians of the outer reaches have their own plans, plans which will bring down both Cinnabar and the Alliance. The enemies of peace include traitors, giant reptiles, and barbarian pirates whose ships can outsail even Daniel Leary's splendid corvette, the Princess Cecile.

Unless Daniel, Adele, and their unlikely allies succeed, galactic civilization will disintegrate into blood and chaos.

So they will succeed—or they'll die trying! **Hardcover \$51.95**

### **Kate Elliott**

#### *Cold Magic (Spiritwalker 01)*

As they approach adulthood, Cat Barahal and her cousin Bee think they understand the society they live in and their place within it. At a select academy they study new airship technologies and the dawning Industrial Revolution, but magical forces still rule. And the cousins are about to discover the full ruthlessness of this rule. Drawn into a labyrinth of politics involving blood and old feuds, Cat is betrayed by her family and forced to marry a powerful Cold Mage. As she is carried away to live a new life, fresh dangers threaten her every move and secrets form a language she cannot read. At least, not yet. But both cousins carry their own hidden gifts and these will shape great changes to come. For in the depths of this treacherous world, the Wild Hunt stirs in darkness and dragons are waking from their sleep. **Trade Paperback \$32.99**

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#### *Dracula in Love*

From the shadowy banks of the River Thames to the wild and windswept coast of Yorkshire, the quintessential Victorian virgin Mina Murray vividly recounts in the pages of her private diary the intimate details of what transpired between her and Count Dracula—the joys and terrors of a passionate affair and her rebellion against a force of evil that has pursued her through time.

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Bram Stoker's classic novel was only one side of the story. Now, for the first time, Dracula's eternal muse reveals all. What she has to say is more sensual, more devious, and more enthralling than ever imagined. The result is a scintillating gothic novel that reinvents the tragic heroine Mina as a modern woman tormented by desire. **Hardcover \$52.95**

### **Christine Feehan**

#### *Dark Slayer (Carpathian 17)*

A rumour has persisted in the vampire world of a dark slayer - mysterious, elusive and seemingly impossible to kill, she is the one hunter who strikes terror into the hearts of the undead. She is Ivory Malinov. Her only brethren the wolves. Long ago betrayed by her people, abandoned by her family, Ivory has lived centuries without companionship or love. She has sustained her sanity by preparing for one purpose - to destroy her greatest enemy. Until the night she picks up the scent of a man, her unexpected salvation. Her lifemate. The curse of all Carpathian women. He is Razvan. Branded a criminal, detested and feared, he is a dragonseeker borne of one of the greatest Carpathian lineages, only to be raised as its most despised - and captive - enemy. Fleeing from his lifetime of imprisonment, Razvan now seeks the dawn to end his terrible existence. Instead he has found his deliverance in the Dark Slayer. In spirit, in flesh and blood, in love, and in war, Ivory and Razvan are made for each other. For as long as they dare to live. **A Paperback \$19.99**

#### *Dark Peril (Carpathian 18)*

Dominic of the Dragonseeker lineage - one of the most powerful lines the Carpathian people has - ingests vampire blood laced with parasites in order to infiltrate the heart of the enemy camp and learn their plans. This is a one-way mission. He plans to get in fast, relay the information to the leader of the Carpathians living in the area and go out fighting - an honourable way to end his life. Solange Sangria is one of the last of the jaguar people, a royal pure-blood. Her people, once many, are now nearly extinct. She has long been alone fighting to save the remaining women who are able to shift from the hands of Brodrick the Terrible, her own father who slaughtered everyone she loved. Wounded, weary, she plans one last battle, hoping to stop the man who has made an alliance with the vampires, accepting she will not come out alive. They are two warriors who have lived their lives alone. Now, at the end of their time, they find each other, a complication neither sees coming. **Trade Paperback \$32.99**

### **Raymond E Feist**

#### *At the Gates of Darkness (Demonwar 02)*

Recent events have devastated the Conclave of Shadows; the discovery of the Demon horde on the heels of the taredhel invasion of Midkemia, the threat of the star elves themselves, and the terrible personal cost paid by Pug and his family.

But grieving must wait. At a deserted fortress in the Valley of Lost Men, the Conclave's agents witness horror beyond their imagination, orchestrated by a familiar enemy. But Belasco's motives are as yet unclear. The Conclave must regroup and discover the true meaning behind the chaos seeded by the evil magician if they are ever to find a way to stop the destruction of Triagia before the demon horde even arrives. **Trade Paperback \$32.99**

### **Jaine Fenn**

#### *Consorts of Heaven*

When a naked, amnesiac stranger is found outside a remote highland village, he is taken in by Kerin, a widow whose unconventional ways are tolerated because her son Damaru is 'skytouched' - he appears simple, but he is able to affect matter. All skytouched are tested by the Beloved Daughter, the living goddess who rules the world from the City of Light. If he's found worthy, Damaru will become a Consort of the skymothers, the Gods of this world. Kerin and the stranger, nicknamed Sais, accompany Damaru to the City, in the company of a priest who's helping Sais to get back his missing past - but as Sais recovers his memory, he realises that the world does not work the way he assumed - and everyone believes - it does. Worse still, the hierarchy which has kept society stable for thousands of years is rotten to the core. Then Kerin and Sais uncover the true nature of the world and the unimaginable fate of the Consorts - a fate Kerin will do anything to stop her son sharing. **Paperback \$22.99**

### **Cathy Fenner & Arnie Fenner**

#### *Spectrum 6*

Spectrum 6 includes work by sci-fi genre favorites Michael Whelan (Art of Michael Whelan), Don Maitz, Jim Burns, James Gurney (from the forthcoming Dinotopia Book 3), Donato Giancola, Bob Eggleton (The Book of Sea Monsters), Stephen Hickman, comic artists Alex Ross (Kingdom Come), Charles Vess (Sandman), and Joseph Michael Linsner, along with mainstream work by Kinuko Craft, Peter de Sève (The New Yorker), Thom Ang (The X-Files for Fox TV), and David Bowers, and fine art by Kent Williams, Greg Spalenka, Dave McKean, and Jeffrey Jones, among many others. The cover art is by Jim Burns (Hugo Award-winning British artist). **Trade Paperback \$56.95**

**Eric Flint & Virginia Easley DeMarce***1635: The Dreeson Incident (Ring of Fire)*

The Thirty Years War continues to ravage 17th century Europe, but a new force is gathering power and influence: the United States of Europe, a new nation led by Gustavus Adolphus, King of Sweden, and the West Virginians from the 20th century led by Mike Stearns who were hurled centuries into the past by a mysterious cosmic accident.

While the old entrenched rulers and manipulators continue to plot against this new upstart nation, everyday life goes on in Grantville, the town lost in time, with librarians, firefighters, and garbage collectors trying to make do under unusual circumstances. And what better place for an undercover spy from France than working with the garbage collectors, examining 20th century machines that others throw out, and copying the technology (though he wishes one device—the paper shredder—had been left behind in the future).

There are more sinister agents at work, however. One of them, Ducos, almost succeeded in assassinating the Pope, but his plan was ruined by quick action by a few Americans. Now, the would-be assassin not only has a score to settle, but has also decided on two excellent targets: Grantville's leader Mike Stearns and his wife Rebecca. . . . **A Paperback \$19.95**

**Cathryn Fox***Instinctive (Eternal Pleasure 01)*

Free spirited Jaclyn Vasenty is about to inherit a cosmetics empire, yet her scandalous personal history may ruin her chance for a corporate takeover. Saying goodbye to her naughty ways, she moves into a quaint gated community in Serene, New Hampshire. But these gates are locked at sunset...

The town's dark sensuality rocks Jaclyn's insatiable appetite to the core—and stirs desires that are... inhuman. That's because Serene is home to demons, witches, vampires, lycans, and panthers, for whom primal exploration comes naturally. Especially for shape shifter Slyck, the cunning panther who's pushing Jaclyn to the brink of erotic possibilities and making her feel wildly...feral. As tension between species rises, Jaclyn learns she must draw on all her feminine wiles and join forces with Slyck if she wants to make it out alive. **Paperback \$19.95**

*Impulsive (Eternal Pleasure 02)*

She's fled her alpha wolf-and the entire paranormal community of Serene. A free woman-wolf, Sunray returns to Chicago-and the last thing she expects to find there is her reincarnated lover, who died the night she was changed into a lycan a century ago. Still, Sunray knows they can never revive their passion. Because now he's a lycan hunter-and she, his prey...

Kane doesn't believe this beautiful lycan's story. Still, he recognizes Sunray as the sexy woman in his recurring dreams. For now, prey and predator have forged an uneasy truce as they join forces to capture a rogue shifter. But after their work is done, will either be able to resist a passion that could consume them? **Paperback \$19.95**

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Immortal warrior Kane Montague is as lethal as the Scorpion that makes his powerful form. As an assassin for MI-6, he's an ace gun-for-hire. After being double-crossed on a mission, Kane knows all too well who's to blame: a sexy, secretive agent named Ilsa who may be even deadlier than he is... **Paperback \$19.95**

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Magic takes flight

Tess Noncoire, a successful fantasy writer, is in Vegas for a writers' conference. Of all its sights, the most surprising is a group of faeries kidnapped to perform in a casino. If Tess and her sidekick, Scrap, don't return these winged dancers to their home, their dimension may be erased forever. **A Paperback \$12.95**

**Diana Gabaldon***An Echo in the Bone*

In the wake of a devastating fire in the mountains of North Carolina, Highlander Jamie Fraser and his English wife, Claire, find themselves homeless and without family, in the midst of the gathering storm of revolution. And thanks to his time-travelling wife's information, he knows what the coming spring of 1778 will bring. But then Jamie's illegitimate son, William, arrives in North Carolina, a young officer in King George's army. Jamie has sworn two things to himself: his son will never know his true paternity - and he himself will never face his son across the barrel of a gun. The Frasers' daughter and her family have returned safely through the standing stones that guard the passage through time and to Scotland. But something mysterious looms over their new home. Something whose secret may draw them back to what they fled from... **B Paperback \$24.99**

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It takes a strong woman to keep the peace in a city of endless night. . . .

Deep beneath Underground, a cunning bid for power and revenge has begun—one that threatens to make Atlanta the new battleground in the ultimate confrontation between good and evil. The powers of hellish Charbydon have the upper hand after plunging the city into primordial night. And under the cover of darkness, a serial killer targets the most powerful Elysians in the city, the angelic Adonai. For Detective Charlie Madigan and her siren partner Hank, tracking deadly predators is all in a day's work . . . but this case will test the limits of their strength and friendship as it draws them into a deadly world of power plays, ancient myths, explosive secrets, and a race against time that risks all that Charlie holds dear.

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## **Gary Gibson**

### *Nova War (Shoal 02)*

In *Stealing Light*, Dakota discovered the Shoal's dark and dangerous secret, now she works towards stopping not only the spread of this knowledge, but also the onset of the Nova war.

Found adrift near a Bandati colony world far away from Consortium space, Dakota and Corso find themselves prisoners of the Bandati.

It becomes rapidly clear to them, that the humanity's limited knowledge of the rest of the galaxy – filtered through the Shoal – is direly inaccurate.

The Shoal have been fighting a frontier war with a rival species, the Emissaries, with their own FTL technology for over fifteen thousand years.

Realising that the Shoal may be the Galaxy's one chance at sustained peace, Dakota is forced to work with Trader to prevent the spread of deadly knowledge carried on board the Magi ships. But it seems that the Nova War is inevitable... **A Paperback \$21.99**

### *Empire of Light (Shoal 03)*

The nova war has begun to spread as the Emissaries wage a fierce and reckless campaign, encroaching on the area of space occupied by humanity and forcing the Shoal into a desperate retreat. While Dakota goes in search of the entity responsible for creating the Maker caches, Corso, left in charge of a fleet of human-piloted Magi ships, finds his authority crumbling in the face of assassination attempts and politically-motivated sabotage.

If any hope exists at all, it lies in an abandoned asteroid a thousand light-years beyond the Consortium's borders, and with Ty Whitecloud, the only man alive with the skill to decipher the messages left behind by an ancient race of star travellers. Unfortunately Whitecloud is locked in a prison cell aboard a dying coeship adrift in space, awaiting execution for war crimes against Corso's own people. But if humanity has any hope of survival,

Corso is going to have to find some way to keep him alive – and that's only if Dakota doesn't kill him first... **Hardcover \$49.99**

## **William Gibson**

### *Zero History*

Whatever you do, because you are an artist, will bring you to the next thing of your own...

When she sang for *The Curfew*, Hollis Henry's face was known worldwide. She still runs into people who remember the poster. Unfortunately, in the post-crash economy, cult memorabilia doesn't pay the rent, and right now she's a journalist in need of a job. The last person she wants to work for is Hubertus Bigend, twisted genius of global marketing; but there's no way to tell an entity like Bigend that you want nothing more to do with him. That simply brings you more firmly to his attention.

Milgrim is clean, drug-free for the first time in a decade. It took eight months in a clinic in Basel. Fifteen complete changes of his blood. Bigend paid for all that. Milgrim's idiomatic Russian is superb, and he notices things. Meanwhile no one notices Milgrim. That makes him worth every penny, though it cost Bigend more than his cartel-grade custom-armored truck.

The culture of the military has trickled down to the street- Bigend knows that, and he'll find a way to take a cut. What surprises him though is that someone else seems to be on top of that situation in a way that Bigend associates only with himself. Bigend loves staring into the abyss of the global market; he's just not used to it staring back. **Hardcover \$54.95 Trade Paperback \$32.95**

## **Christopher Golden**

### *Of Saints and Shadows (Shadow Saga 01)*

A secret sect of the Catholic Church, armed with an ancient book of the undead called *The Gospel of Shadows*, has been slowly destroying vampires for centuries. Now the book has been stolen, and the sect races to retrieve it before their purpose is discovered: a final purge of all vampires. As the line between saints and shadows grows ominously faint, private eye Peter Octavian is drawn into the search. And he'll do anything to find the book ... for Peter Octavian is also a vampire.

Ostracized by his kindred for refusing to take part in the 'blood song', he cannot stand by and watch while they are destroyed. In a deadly game with a driven, sadistic assassin, the trail leads to Venice at the time of carnival, where the Defiant Ones, as the vampires are known, are engaged in a savage battle for their lives. Filled with plot twists, mystery, sex and violent death, *Of Saints and Shadows* is a spine-tingling thriller which opens the door to the world of *The Shadow Saga*. **B Paperback \$22.99**

## **Terry Goodkind**

### *Law of Nines*

Turning twenty-seven may be terrifying for some, but for Alex, a struggling artist living in the Midwest, it is cataclysmic. Something about this birthday, his name, and the beautiful woman whose life he has just saved has suddenly made him-and everyone he loves-a target. A target for extreme and uncompromising violence... **Paperback \$21.95**

## **Heather Graham**

### *Ghost Moon (Bone Island 03)*

Reclusive collector Cutter Merlin is seldom seen in Key West—lately, not at all. Officer Liam Beckett visits Merlin's curious house and discovers the gentleman in his study. In his death grip: a volume of occult lore and a reliquary. His eyes are wide with fright, his mouth a horrified rictus where spiders now dwell.

Kelsey Donovan returns to the old house to catalog her estranged grandfather's collection of artifacts and antiquities, vowing to see his treasures divested properly. But she cannot ignore the sense that she's being watched, the reports of malevolent black figures, the pervasive smell of death.

Is the Merlin house haunted, even cursed? Liam knows well that some ghost stories are true and he swears to protect Kelsey. But there are forces at work for whom one more life is a pittance to pay for their deepest desire.... **Paperback \$19.95**

## **Sarah Gray**

### *Wuthering Bites*

As Heathcliff, the son of a vampire slayer and vampire, roams the moors to protect his love, the beautiful Catherine Earnshaw, from the undead, Catherine, who loves Heathcliff, but is afraid of the vampire within, must choose between a life of danger and marriage to the wealthy, refined Edgar. **Trade Paperback \$32.95**

## **Simon R Green**

### *Ghost of a Chance (Ghost Finders 01)*

The Carnacki Institute exists to "Do Something" about Ghosts-and agents JC Chance, Melody Chambers, and Happy Jack Palmer will either lay them to rest, send them packing, or kick their nasty ectoplasmic arses with extreme prejudice. **A Paperback \$19.95**

## **Cameron Haley**

### *Mob Rules*

I'm Domino Riley, an enforcer for Shanar Rashan.

Like most mob bosses in L.A., he's a powerful sorcerer, battling for control of the city, gathering up the magic of violent and powerful emotions and storing it for his own use. Back in the day, Rashan saved me from the streets and made me his lieutenant. You could say I'm his go-to girl.

When a fellow gangster is ritually executed, I have to find out which of Rashan's enemies was behind it—and why. The cryptic messages I'm getting from the Beyond tell me it wasn't a simple hit.

With the bodies piling up, I need to win an occult gang war, take out the supernatural traitor within our outfit and, oh yeah, deal with the mixed messages I'm getting from the boss's son.... **Trade Paperback \$30.95**

## **Peter F Hamilton**

### *The Evolutionary Void (Void 03)*

Exposed as the Second Dreamer, Araminta has become the target of a galaxywide search by government agent Paula Myo and the psychopath known as the Cat, along with others equally determined to prevent—or facilitate—the pilgrimage of the Living Dream cult into the heart of the Void. An indestructible microuniverse, the Void may contain paradise, as the cultists believe, but it is also a deadly threat. For the miraculous reality that exists inside its boundaries demands energy—energy drawn from everything outside those boundaries: from planets, stars, galaxies . . . from everything that lives.

Meanwhile, the parallel story of Edeard, the Waterwalker—as told through a series of addictive dreams communicated to the giasphere via Inigo, the First Dreamer—continues to unfold. But now the inspirational tale of this idealistic young man takes a darker and more troubling turn as he finds himself faced with powerful new enemies—and temptations more powerful still.

With time running out, a repentant Inigo must decide whether to release Edeard's final dream: a dream whose message is scarcely less dangerous than the pilgrimage promises to be. And Araminta must choose whether to run from her unwanted responsibilities or face them down, with no guarantee of success or survival. But all these choices may be for naught if the monomaniacal Ilanthe, leader of the breakaway Accelerator Faction, is able to enter the Void. For it is not paradise she seeks there, but dominion. **Hardcover \$56.95 MP3 CD \$78**

## **Charlaine Harris**

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

Aurora Teagarden loves reading about famous murderers - until she finds herself investigating a real-life killing spree! Lawrenceton, Georgia, may be a growing suburb of Atlanta, but it's still a small town at heart. Librarian Aurora Teagarden - Roe - grew up there and she reckons she knows everything about her fellow townfolk, including which ones share her interest in the darker side of human nature. This is omnibus edition contains the first four novels in the series: Real Murders; A Bone to Pick; Three Bedrooms, One Corpse; and The Julius House. **Hardcover \$59.99**

### *A Touch of Dead (Sookie Stackhouse anthology)*

Sookie Stackhouse enjoys her job as a cocktail waitress in Merlotte's, a small-town bar in small-town Bon Temps, deep in Louisiana. She's funny and pretty and, thanks to her grandmother, she's very well-mannered - but since not many people truly appreciate her ability to read their minds, the guys haven't exactly been beating down her door... And then along came Bill, tall, dark and handsome - and Sookie couldn't 'hear' a word he was thinking. He was exactly the type of guy she'd been waiting all her life for. Of course, Bill had a disability of his own: fussy about his food, not into suntans, bit of a night person: yep, Bill was a vampire. But at least now Sookie knows there \*are\* guys she can date who won't worry about her catching them thinking about other women - and that's going to make Sookie's life really interesting! **B Paperback \$22.99**

## **A J Hartley**

### *Will Power*

While on the run from Empire guards, Will Hawthorne and his band of thieves are transported to a mysterious land that none of them recognize or know how to get home from. Turns out that they've landed right in the middle of a battle between goblins and humans. Their human allies are practically storybook counterparts to the rough sorts they knew in Stavis, speaking in high-flown prose, dressed to the height of fashion, and dripping with wealth and social propriety. Will's companions are quite taken by these fine folks, but the Fair Folk are appalled by Will's unorthodoxy.

At first Will does whatever he can to try to squirm into their good graces, but just when his efforts are feeling totally futile, he begins to wonder if these too-perfect courtiers and warriors have anything to offer beyond their glamour and their burning hatred of the goblins. But is there any recourse for Will and his friends once it turns out that the humans who are sheltering them may not be on the right side of their eternal conflict?

Will Power is a funny and fleet-footed stand-alone fantasy featuring the characters readers grew to love in Act of Will in an all-new adventure about the danger of first impressions. **Hardcover \$52.95**

## **M K Hobson**

### *The Native Star*

In the tradition of Jonathan Strange & Mr. Norrell, this brilliant first novel fuses history, fantasy, and romance. Prepare to be enchanted by M. K. Hobson's captivating take on the Wild, Wild West.

The year is 1876. In the small Sierra Nevada settlement of Lost Pine, the town witch, Emily Edwards, is being run out of business by an influx of mail-order patent magics. Attempting to solve her problem with a love spell, Emily only makes things worse. But before she can undo the damage, an enchanted artifact falls into her possession—and suddenly Emily must flee for her life, pursued by evil warlocks who want the object for themselves.

Dreadnought Stanton, a warlock from New York City whose personality is as pompous and abrasive as his name, has been exiled to Lost Pine for mysterious reasons. Now he finds himself involuntarily allied with Emily in a race against time—and across the United States by horse, train, and biomechanical flying machine—in quest of the great Professor Mirabilis, who alone can unlock the secret of the coveted artifact.

But along the way, Emily and Stanton will be forced to contend with the most powerful and unpredictable magic of all—the magic of the human heart. **A Paperback \$19.95**

## **P C Hodgell**

### *Seeker's Bane (Kencyr 03, 04)*

Two epic novels of fantasy adventure in one volume:

*Seeker's Mask:* After an epic adventure that will become the stuff of legend, Jame has been reunited with her older brother Torisen and with her people, the Kencyrath. But when she is placed in the Women's Halls and expected to become a normal, quiet Kencyr lady, normal and quiet are not what the Women's Halls are going to get. Shadow Guild Assassins, ghosts, and other strange beings are soon after her, sprung not only from her own adventurous past but from the tragic, mysterious events that nearly annihilated her family in her father's time.

*To Ride a Rathorn:* Jame's adventures continue as she arrives at the random military college Tentir to face cut-throat competition and find even more buried, poisonous family secrets. The Kencyr have a phrase, 'to ride a rathorn,' referring to a task too dangerous either to accomplish or to give up. This is true for Jame both figuratively, given her military career in a college which no Highborn girl has ever attended before, and literally, in that she is being stalked by one of these murderous, ivory-clad creatures whose mother she killed and who is now after her blood.

All in all, Jame's school days are shaping up to be anything but golden. **A Paperback \$19.95**

## **Hannah Howell**

### *If He's Wild*

Lady Alethea Vaughn Channing is haunted by a vision of a man in danger - the same man who she has seen in dreams time and time again. She doesn't even know his name, and yet she feels the connection between them, knows she is the only one standing between him and disaster. But rakish Lord Hartley Greville is capable of protecting himself, as he has proven more than once in his perilous work as a spy for the crown. If he's to carry out his duty, he'll need to put aside the achingly beautiful woman with the strange gift.

And yet, when Alethea's visions reveal a plot that could endanger children, Hartley will not be able to ignore the destiny that binds them together - or resist the passion burning between them. **Paperback \$12.95**

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This hot collection, centering around three insatiable--and irresistible--vampires, features "Highland Blood," by Hannah Howell, "Taken by Darkness" by Alexandra Ivy and "Immortal Dreams" by Kaitlin O'Riley. **Trade Paperback \$30.95**

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### *Truth of Valor (Valor)*

Former Marine Gunnery Sergeant Torin Kerr is attempting to build a new life with salvage operator Craig Ryder on his ship, the Promise. Turns out civilian life is a lot rougher than she'd imagined - salvage operators are losing both cargo and lives to pirates. And when they attack the Promise, Craig is taken prisoner and Torin is left for dead.

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The city of Isca is set like a dark jewel in the crown of the Duchy of Stonehold. In this sprawling landscape, the monsters one sees are nothing compared to what's living in the city's sewers.

Twenty-three-year-old Caliph Howl is Stonehold's reluctant High King. Thrust onto the throne, Caliph has inherited Stonehold's dirtiest court secrets. He also faces a brewing civil war that he is unprepared to fight. After months alone amid a swirl of gossip and political machinations, the sudden reappearance of his old lover, Sena, is a welcome bit of relief. But Sena has her own legacy to claim: she has been trained from birth by the Shradnae witchocracy - adept in espionage and the art of magical equations writ in blood - and she has been sent to spy on the High King. Yet there are magics that demand a higher price than blood.

Sena secretly plots to unlock the Cisrym Ta, an arcane text whose pages contain the power to destroy worlds. The key to opening the book lies in Caliph's veins, forcing Sena to decide if her obsession for power is greater than her love for Caliph. Meanwhile, a fleet of airships creeps ever closer to Isca. As the final battle in a devastating civil war looms and the last page of the Cisrym Ta waits to be read, Caliph and Sena must face the deadly consequences of their decisions. And the blood of these conflicts will stain this and other worlds forever. **Hardcover \$49.99**

## **Larissa Ione**

### *Sin Undone*

#### **HER TOUCH IS DEADLY**

As the only female Seminus demon ever born, master assassin Sinead Donnelly is used to being treated like an outcast. She spent decades enslaved, and now vows she'll die before she'll relinquish her freedom again. Then Sin's innate ability to kill her enemies goes awry: She creates a lethal new werewolf virus that sparks a firestorm of panic and violence.

#### **HIS HUNGER CAN'T BE DENIED**

Half-werewolf, half-vampire Conall Dearghul is charged with bringing in Sin to face punishment for the plague. And she's no stranger: He's bound to her by blood, and the one sexual encounter they shared has left him hungering for her raw sensuality. Worse, Sin is the underworld's most wanted and Con soon learns he's the only one who can help her . . . and that saving her life might mean sacrificing his own. **Paperback \$17.95**

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**Jack Ketchum***Joyride***Paperback \$14.95****Caitlin Kiernan***The Red Tree*

Sarah Crowe left Atlanta to live alone in an old house in rural Rhode Island. Within its walls she discovers an unfinished manuscript written by the house's former tenant—an anthropologist obsessed with the ancient oak growing on the property. And as the gnarled tree takes root in her imagination, Sarah risks everything to unearth a revelation planted centuries ago... **Paperback \$19.95**

**Caitlin Kittredge & Jackie Kessler***Shades of Night (02)*

When Jet and Iridium - best friends turned enemies - came together to bring down a supervillain, they inadvertently destroyed the secret Corp-Co transmitter, whose frequency kept the New Chicago's heroes of in-line - and sane. Now the city is plunged into chaos as these heroes are suddenly the biggest threat. Corp-Co brings in a new Squadron from India - but when heroes are tied into a system of sponsorship, only money, and not a sense of duty, can persuade them to save the day. As they haggle, Everyman sets out to destroy the powers with a group of enhanced super-soldiers, and the mysterious villain Doctor Hypnotic is lulling heroes and supervillains alike into his seductive web - a dream-world where everything is perfect, but nothing is real. Once again Jet and Iridium are forced to set aside their hatred of each other to do what they were born to do: save the world. **Paperback \$19.99**

**Caitlin Kittredge***Pure Blood (Nocturne City 02)*

In the shadows of Nocturne City, witches lurk and demons prowl and homicide detective Luna Wilder must keep the peace - while living life as a werewolf. Now bodies are turning up all over town, the brutal murders linked by a cryptic message: We see with empty eyes... To make matters worse for Luna, she can't get wolfishly handsome Dmitri Sandovsky out of her mind. The last time he helped her with a case, Dmitri suffered a demon bite that infected him with a mysterious illness and now his pack elders have forbidden him from associating with Luna. But she'll need his help when high-level witches start turning up slaughtered. Because a war is brewing between rival clans of blood witches and caster witches - a magical gang war with the power to burn Nocturne City to the ground. **B Paperback \$22.99**

**Mary Robinette Kowal***Shades of Milk and Honey*

Shades of Milk and Honey is exactly what we could expect from Jane Austen if she had been a fantasy writer: Pride and Prejudice meets Jonathan Strange & Mr Norrell. It is an intimate portrait of a woman, Jane, and her quest for love in a world where the manipulation of glamour is considered an essential skill for a lady of quality.

Jane and her sister Melody vie for the attentions of eligible men, and while Jane's skill with glamour is remarkable, it is her sister who is fair of face. When Jane realises that one of Melody's suitors is set on taking advantage of her sister for the sake of her dowry, she pushes her skills to the limit of what her body can withstand in order to set things right – and, in the process, accidentally wanders into a love story of her own. **Hardcover \$44.99**

**Jayne Ann Krentz***Midnight Crystal (Dreamlight 03)*

The new head of the local Ghost Hunter Guild, Adam Winters finds an unexpected ally in Marlowe Jones, a psychic private investigator and dreamlight reader who, from a rival family, is the only one who can help him break a legendary curse and save the underworld. Read by Joyce Bean.

**MP3 CD \$51.95 Paperback \$19.95**

**James Howard Kunstler***World Made by Hand (World Made By hand 01)*

In *The Long Emergency* celebrated social commentator James Howard Kunstler explored how the terminal decline of oil production, combined with climate change, had the potential to put industrial civilization out of business. In *World Made by Hand*, an astonishing work of speculative fiction, Kunstler brings to life what America might be, a few decades hence, after these catastrophes converge. For the townspeople of Union Grove, New York, the future is nothing like they thought it would be. Transportation is slow and dangerous, so food is grown locally at great expense of time and energy, and the outside world is largely unknown. There may be a president, and he may be in Minneapolis now, but people aren't sure. Their challenges play out in a dazzling, fully realized world of abandoned highways and empty houses, horses working the fields and rivers, no longer polluted, and replenished with fish. With the cost of oil skyrocketing—and with it the price of food—Kunstler's extraordinary book, full of love and loss, violence and power, sex and drugs, depression and desperation, but also plenty of hope, is more relevant than ever. **Trade Paperback \$30.95**

*The Witch of Hebron (World Made By Hand 02)*

In a post-oil America, there is no electricity, no Internet, people travel by horse and buggy, the government is little more than a rumor, wars are fought over dwindling resources and illness is a constant presence; and in the little town of Union Grove, New York, the people must deal with roving bandits and a sinister cult that threatens to shatter the hamlet's stability. **Hardcover \$49.95**

**Mercedes Lackey & James Mallory***The Phoenix Transformed (Enduring Flame 03)*

In *The Enduring Flame* trilogy, Mercedes Lackey and James Mallory have given readers a new view of the complex and fascinating world they originally created for *The Obsidian Trilogy*. Jumping one thousand years in time, Lackey and Mallory have told the compelling story of Harrier Gillain, the first Knight-Mage in a thousand years; Tiercel Rolfort, the first High Mage in hundreds of years; and Shaiara, the young leader of a desert tribe who takes both boys under her wing but finds that she has a special affection for Harrier.

These three young people are their world's main defense against the evil called up by the rogue Wild Mage, Bisochim. Bisochim's conviction that he was restoring the balance was shattered the moment Ahairan took her first breath. Now, in *The Phoenix Transformed*, Bisochim joins forces with Harrier and Tiercel and the three mages search desperately for a way to destroy Ahairan as she sends her magical forces against them and the desert nomads under their protection.

With more than one twist in the telling, centering on a magic-plagued journey across a blistering desert, *The Phoenix Transformed* is the stunning conclusion to *The Enduring Flame*. **A Paperback \$20.95**

**L Jagi Lamplighter***Prospero in Hell*

The exciting, suspenseful story of Miranda's search for Prospero, the fabled sorcerer of *The Tempest*

The search of a daughter for her father is but the beginning of this robust fantasy adventure. For five hundred years since the events of William Shakespeare's *The Tempest*, Miranda has run Prospero, Inc., protecting an unknowing world from disasters both natural and man-made. Now her father has been taken prisoner of dark spirits in a place she could only guess. Piecing together clues about her father's whereabouts and discovering secrets of her shrouded past, she comes to an inescapable conclusion she has dreaded since Prospero was lost. **Hardcover \$44.99**

**Michelle Lang***Lady Lazarus*

With the romance of *Twilight*, the suspense of *The Dresden Files*, and the delicious thrills of *True Blood*, the enthralling saga of Magdalena Lazarus unfolds. Descended from the legendary witch of Ein Dor, she alone holds the power to summon the angel Raziel and stop Hitler and his supernatural minions from unleashing total war in Europe. The Nazis have fighters more fearsome than soldiers, weapons more terrifying than missiles, and allies that even they are afraid of SS werewolves; the demon Asmodel who possesses a willing Adolf Hitler, and other supernatural creatures all are literally hell-bent on preventing Magda from possessing the Book of Raziel, a magical text with the power to turn the tide against Hitler's vast war machine.

Magda, young and rebellious, grew up in the cosmopolitan city of Budapest, unaware of her family's heritage. When her mother dies, Magda—ready or not—is the Lazarus, who must face the evil that holds Europe in an iron grip. Unready to assume the mantle of her ancient birthright, but knowing that she must fight, she sets out across Europe searching for the Book. Magda is desperate enough to endanger her soul by summoning the avenging angel Raziel. When she sees him in the glory of his celestial presence, her heart is utterly, completely lost... **Trade Paperback \$30.95**

**Rosemary Laurey***Love Me Forever*

All single mother Stella Schwartz meant to do was let her son, Sam, browse through books at Dixie's Vampire Emporium. She hadn't counted on the shop assistant, Justin Corvis, being a dark-eyed super-hunk with the kind of charismatic English accent that would make her heart skip a beat. And she couldn't know how close to the truth that was. When Justin smiles at her, it's as if he's known her forever. And when he asks for her phone number - Stella can't help wanting the thrill to last for eternity. For there's something dangerously different about Justin Corvus...different and irresistible. **Paperback \$12.95**

**Bentley Little***The Disappearance*

When Gary's girlfriend Joan vanishes, calls to her parents' home yield only dead air. Her school records are gone. There is no longer any evidence that she even existed. Most disturbing of all is what Gary does find: a warning and a tantalizing clue, leading to a mysterious backward cult known as the Homesteaders. Now Gary may be the next to disappear. **A Paperback \$19.95**

## **Tom Lloyd**

### *The Ragged Man (Twilight Reign 04)*

Continuing the powerful epic that started with THE STORMCALLER; the Lord Isak is dead, his armies and entire tribe in disarray. It falls to King Emin to continue the war alone and the Menin are only too happy to meet his challenge. In Byora, Ruhen is developing his 'Saviour' persona. The Harlequins start preaching in his name and many of the pilgrims who flock to him are recruited to be 'Children', disciples who spread Ruhen's message. All over the Land people are starting to see Ruhen as the answer to their troubles. A showdown is coming: battle lines are finally drawn and the atrocities quickly mount. The spectre of the Great War looms, but in this age the Gods cannot and will not come to King Emin's aid. With the peoples of the Land turning against Emin and his few remaining allies, their only chance for survival lies in the hands of a dead man.

**Hardcover \$59.99**

## **Trish J MacGregor**

### *Esperanza*

Tess Livingston met Ian Ritter at a roadside stop high in the Andes, waiting for a bus to the mysterious town of Esperanza.

Tess is an FBI agent who remembers being on the track of a group of international counterfeiters. But she doesn't remember booking a trip to Esperanza. Ian is a journalist who was planning to vacation to the Galapagos Islands. He, too, isn't quite sure why he has a ticket to Esperanza.

Their meeting will change their lives forever. For they have been brought together because they hold the key in a mystical war between the kind spirits of the dead who guard humanity, and the hungry ghosts who exist only to possess living human bodies, and return however briefly to life.

In the midst of this war, Tess and Ian will find a love that can transcend time, and a cause that not even death will overcome. **Hardcover \$51.95**

## **Violette Malan**

### *Storm Witch (Dhulynd and Parno 03)*

Mercenary Partners Dhulynd and Parno have returned to their Mercenary House to clear themselves of accusations of kidnapping and murder. But before they can resolve these charges, old friends are taken hostage by the Long Ocean Nomads, and they are forced to come to the rescue, agreeing to trade their services for the release of their friends. **A Paperback \$19.95**

## **Menton Matthews**

### *Zombies vs Robots Adventure*

Collects a four-part Zombies vs Robots series, with scripts by Chris Ryall, covers by Ashley Wood and a cadre of new artists tackling three serialized tales, including Menton Matthews III, Paul McCaffrey and Gabriel Hernandez. **Hardcover \$51.95**

## **Seanan McGuire**

### *An Artificial Night (October Daye 03)*

October "Toby" Daye is a changeling-half human and half fae-and the only one who has earned knighthood. Now she must take on a nightmarish new challenge. Someone is stealing the children of the fae as well as mortal children, and all signs point to Blind Michael. Toby has no choice but to track the villain down-even when there are only three magical roads by which to reach Blind Michael's realm, home of the Wild Hunt-and no road may be taken more than once. If Toby cannot escape with the children, she will fall prey to the Wild Hunt and Blind Michael's inescapable power.

**A Paperback \$19.95**

## **Fiona McIntosh Australian Author**

### *The King's Wrath (Valisar 03)*

Alliances shift as decades-old secrets can no longer be hidden. The revelation that Emperor Loethar and his enemy, King Leonel, share the same paternal royal blood destroys previous loyalties. And it seems that Piven is no longer the helpless orphan everyone believed him to be. Perhaps most startling of all is the discovery that the first Valisar princess to survive in centuries is returning to the world and may well wield the famed Valisar Enchantment.

As the empire threatens to tear itself to pieces, former enemies must now work on the same side and friends become the hunted to protect the imperial line.

At all costs royal blood must prevail ... even when it pitches Valisar against Valisar. **Trade Paperback \$32.99**

## **Suzanne McLeod**

### *The Cold Kiss of Death (Spellcrackers.com 02)*

All Genny wants is to live the quiet life and to do her job at Spellcrackers.com, but there's her tangled personal life to sort out first. She's being haunted by ghosts who want her help. Her witch neighbours want her evicted. Genny's sort-of-Ex - and now her new boss - can't decide whether he wants their relationship to be business or pleasure. And then there's the queue of vampires all wanting her to paint the town red - how long will it be before they stop taking no for an answer? But when one of her human friends is murdered by sidhe magic, Genny is determined to find the killer. She needs help to find the real murderer and that means calling on some of the most capricious and seductive fae - but her search is hindered by the vampires, who have their own political agenda. All the evidence points to Genny - she's the only sidhe fae in London - and she's named the main suspect; it's not long before she's on the run and not just from the police... **Paperback \$19.99**

## **Liane Merciel**

### *The River King's Road*

In the wake of a border village's massacre, divinely blessed Knight of the Sun Kelland realizes that a Maimed Witch committed the killings and is plotting to murder the infant heir to the kingdom, an act that threatens to destabilize peace. **MP3 CD \$60**

## **China Mieville**

### *Kraken*

Deep in the research wing of the Natural History Museum is a prize specimen, something that comes along much less often than once in a lifetime: a perfect, and perfectly preserved, giant squid. But what does it mean when the creature suddenly and impossibly disappears?

For curator Billy Harrow it's the start of a headlong pitch into a London of warring cults, surreal magic, apostates and assassins. It might just be that the creature he's been preserving is more than a biological rarity: there are those who are sure it's a god.

A god that someone is hoping will end the world. **Hardcover \$54.99**

## **Walter Moers**

### *The Alchemaster's Apprentice (Zamonia 04)*

Echo is forced into an agreement with Ghoolion the Alchemaster that dooms Echo to die at the next full moon. **Trade Paperback \$34.95**

## **C E Murphy**

### *Truthseeker*

#### ACROSS TWO EXTRAORDINARY WORLDS, TRUTH IS THE DEADLIEST MAGIC

Gifted with an uncanny intuition, Lara Jansen nonetheless thinks there is nothing particularly special about her. All that changes when a handsome but mysterious man enters her quiet Boston tailor shop and reveals himself to be a prince of Faerie. What's more, Dafydd ap Caerwyn claims that Lara is a truthseeker, a person with the rare talent of being able to tell truth from falsehood. Dafydd begs Lara to help solve his brother's murder, of which Dafydd himself is the only suspect.

Acting against her practical nature, Lara agrees to step through a window into another world. Caught between bitterly opposed Seelie forces and Dafydd's secrets, which are as perilous as he is irresistible, Lara finds that her abilities are increasing in unexpected and uncontrollable ways. With the fate of two worlds at stake and a malevolent entity wielding the darkest of magic, Lara and Dafydd will risk everything on a love that may be their salvation—or the most treacherous illusion of all. **Trade Paperback \$30.95**

## **Larry Niven**

### *Stars and Gods*

Niven returns with the sequel to his most recent collection, Scatterbrain, which gathers an equally engaging assortment of Niven's latest work, all in one captivating volume. Here are choice excerpts from his most recent novels, including Ringworld's Child, as well as short stories, nonfiction, interviews, editorials, collaborations, and correspondence. Stars and Gods roams through a wide variety of fascinating topics, from space stations to conventional etiquette.

Give yourself a treat and pick the brain of one of modern science fiction's most fascinating thinkers. **Hardcover \$44.99**

## **William Patterson**

### *Robert A Heinlein: Learning Curve*

The first volume of a two-volume biography explores author Robert A. Heinlein's life up to the end of the 1940s, including his time in the Navy, his struggle with tuberculosis, and his involvement in left-wing politics, as well as the mid-life crisis that changed him.

Robert A. Heinlein (1907-1988) is generally considered the greatest American SF writer of the 20th century. A famous and bestselling author in later life, he started as a navy man and graduate of Annapolis who was forced to retire because of tuberculosis. A left wing politician in the 1930s, he became one of the sources of Libertarian politics in the USA in his later years. His most famous works include the Future History series (stories and novels collected in The Past Through Tomorrow and continued in later novels), Starship Troopers, Stranger in a Strange Land, and The Moon is a Harsh Mistress.

Given his desire for privacy in the later decades of his life, he was both stranger and more interesting than one could ever have known. This is the first of two volumes of a major American biography. This volume is about Robert A. Heinlein's life up to the end of the 1940s and the mid-life crisis that changed him forever. **Hardcover \$60**

## **Ralph Peters**

### *The War After Armageddon*

Shocking scenes of battle...unforgettable soldiers...heartbreaking betrayals.... In this stunning, fast-paced novel, a ruthless future war unfolds in a 21st century nightmare: Los Angeles is a radioactive ruin; Europe lies bleeding; and Israel has been destroyed...with millions slaughtered. A furious America fights to reclaim the devastated Holy Land.

The Marines storm ashore; the U.S. Army does battle in a Biblical landscape. Hi-tech weaponry is useless and primitive hatreds flare. Lt. Gen. Gary "Flintlock" Harris and his courageous warriors struggle for America's survival—with ruthless enemies to their front and treachery at their rear. Islamist fanatics, crusading Christians, and unscrupulous politicians open the door to genocide.

The War After Armageddon thrusts the reader into a terrifying future in which all that remains is the horror of war—and the inspiration of individual heroism. A master at bringing to life "the eternal soldier," Ralph Peters tells a riveting tale that honors those Americans who fight and sacrifice all for a dream of freedom. **Paperback \$21.95**

## **Jesse Peterson**

### *Married With Zombies*

A heartwarming tale of terror in the middle of the zombie apocalypse.

Meet Sarah and David.

Once upon a time they met and fell in love. But now they're on the verge of divorce and going to couples' counseling. On a routine trip to their counselor, they notice a few odd things - the lack of cars on the highway, the missing security guard, and the fact that their counselor, Dr. Kelly, is ripping out her previous client's throat.

Meet the Zombies.

Now, Sarah and David are fighting for survival in the middle of the zombie apocalypse. But, just because there are zombies, doesn't mean your other problems go away. If the zombies don't eat their brains, they might just kill each other. **Paperback \$19.95**

## **Paul K Pettangale**

### *Orchestrator*

**Trade Paperback \$34.95**

## **Remy Porter Australian Author**

### *Dead Beat*

Haven, Population: 2000.

A place where Johnny sleepwalks the beat, counting down the hours to the end of another police shift. Burying the secret deeper.

But this is the day the world ends. The infection has spread unchecked, and now the dead have domain. Johnny is thrown into a fight to survive. The shattered community around him willing to do anything to stay alive.

But as putrefacted bodies close in, it's the villager's rotten hearts he begins to fear the most ...And beyond them the puppetmasters who started it all.

**Paperback \$34.95**

## **Terry Pratchett**

### *I Shall Wear Midnight (Discworld Tiffany 04)*

Tiffany Aching, the young witch from *The Wee Free Men*, *A Hat Full of Sky* and *Wintersmith* is back in a new adventure featuring Discworld characters both familiar to fans (like Granny Weatherwax) and new (meet Wee Mad Arthur, the Nac Mac Feegle on the City Watch). Oh, and there's a shambles, a twist through time, a Cunning Man - and a Giant Man of chalk... **Hardcover \$49.95 CD \$32.95**

### *Calendar 2011: Discworld Collector's (Discworld Calendar)*

The 2011 DISCWORLD CALENDAR is an inspired collection of paintings by illustrator Josh Kirby, who gives his own unique interpretations of Terry Pratchett's phenomenal Discworld. Each full-page illustration also appears as a thumbnail image on the back. The calendar dates are exhaustively researched and include major real-time calendrical data for the UK, Australia, New Zealand, Canada and the United States. It also includes notable Discworld dates like the Creator's Birthday, Samedi Nuite Morte and the Uberwald League of Temperance Day (Remember: Not One Drop!). **Calendar \$29.99**

## **Robert Rankin**

### *The Hollow Chocolate Bunnies of the Apocalypse*

Once upon a time Jack set out to find his fortune in the big city. But the big city is Toy City, formerly known as Toy Town and it has grown considerably since the good old days and isn't all that jolly any more. And there is a serial killer loose on the streets. The old, rich nursery rhyme characters are being slaughtered one by one and the Toy City police are getting nowhere in their investigations. Meanwhile, Private Eye Bill Winkie has gone missing, leaving behind his sidekick Eddie Bear to take care of things. Eddie may be a battered teddy with an identity crisis, but someone's got to stop the killer. When he teams up with Jack, the two are ready for the challenge. Not to mention the heavy drinking, bad behaviour, car chases, gratuitous sex and violence, toy fetishism and all-round grossness along the way. It's going to be an epic adventure! **B Paperback \$22.99**

## **Alastair Reynolds**

### *Redemption Ark (Revelation Space)*

The Inhibitors are back and Humanity is doomed! Many, many millennia ago, the Inhibitors seeded the universe with machines designed to detect intelligent life - and then to suppress it. But after hundreds of millions of years, the machines started to fail and intelligent cultures started to emerge. Then Dr Dan Sylveste and the crew of Infinity discovered what had happened to the long-vanished Amarantin race...and awakened the Inhibitors. On Yellowstone, where no one is quite who they appear, the Inquisitor and the planet's Most Wanted War Criminal are watching as the Inhibitors turn a small group of planets into raw materials. Whatever they are building with those materials is not going to be good for Humanity. Once again, Al Reynolds has produced a stunning, universe-spanning space opera of mind-blowing proportions. Big in size, big in concepts, REDEMPTION ARK will leave you gasping at its audacity and breathless at its conclusion.

This is British SF at its absolute best. **B Paperback \$24.95**

### *Pushing Ice*

Some centuries from now, the exploration and exploitation of the Solar System is in full swing. On the cold edge of the system, Bella Lind, captain of the huge commercial spacecraft Rockhopper IV, helps fuel this new gold rush by attaching mass-driver motors to organic-rich water-ice comets to move them back to the inner worlds. Her crew are tough, blue-collar miners, engineers and demolition experts. Around Saturn, something inexplicable happens: one of the moons leaves its orbit and accelerates out of the Solar System. The icy mantle peels away to reveal that it was never a moon in the first place, just a parked spacecraft, millions of years old, that has now decided to move on. Rockhopper IV, trapped in the pull, is hurled across time and space into the deep, distant future, arriving in a vast, alien-constructed chamber. And the crew are not alone, for each chamber contains an alien culture dragged into this cosmic menagerie at the end of time. **B Paperback \$24.99**

### *Diamond Dogs, Turquoise Days*

Just when you thought it was safe to go back into interstellar space... Alastair Reynolds burst onto the SF scene with the Arthur C Clarke Award-shortlisted REVELATION SPACE, British Science Fiction Award-winning CHASM CITY and REDEMPTION ARK. Now experience the phenomenal imagination and breathtaking vision of 'The most exciting space opera writer working today' (Locus) in these two tales of high adventure set in the same universe as his novels. The title story, Diamond Dogs, tells of a group of mercenaries trying to unravel the mystery of a particularly inhospitable alien tower on a distant world; Turquoise Days is about Naqi, who has devoted her life to studying the alien Pattern Jugglers. **Paperback \$24.99**

## **Anne Rice**

### *Angel Time*

Toby O'Dare Lucky the Fox is a contract killer of underground fame. In his youth Lucky had dreamt of being a priest, instead he fell into a life of danger and violence. Living under a series of aliases he long ago lost any sense of his true self, becoming a pawn to The Right Man, a contractor of dark and unknown allegiances. Lucky has one place where he can be without disguise, but his latest assignment is at this sanctuary, The Mission Inn. And it is an order to kill. Into this nightmarish world of lone and lethal missions, comes a mysterious stranger, a seraph, who offers him a chance to save lives, rather than destroy them. Now he has his chance to repair the damage of his past. **B Paperback \$24.95**

## **Gary W Roberto**

### *Gort*

**Trade Paperback \$40.95**

## **Michelle Rowen**

### *Bitten and Smitten (Immortality Bites 01)*

Blind dates can be bad, but Sarah Dearly's date is a true contender for worst ever. His neck nibbling didn't just leave a bruise; it turns her into a vampire - and the newest target for a pack of zealot vampire hunters. With her date now their latest victim, Sarah runs for her immortal life, straight into Thierry de Bennicoeur, a master vampire who is just a wee bit suicidal. Thierry can't resist a damsel in distress and agrees to teach Sarah how to live the vampire life if she'll help him end his own. But as it turns out, Sarah may be his best reason for living. **Paperback \$22.99**

### *Lady and the Vamp (Immortality Bites 03)*

She fights. He bites. Janie Parker's a supernatural assassin - not by choice, but what's a girl gonna do? The only thing standing between her and decapitation at the hands of her hellish boss is a magical artifact called The Eye. To get it, all Janie has to do is find a dark, broody vampire named Michael Quinn and take it. Easy, right? Except if Quinn keeps kissing her that way, she just might lose her head...n more ways than one. Former vampire hunter Michael Quinn is determined to become human again. If he grabs hold of The Eye and makes a wish - then boom, everything's good with the world. But now Quinn has a sassy tagalong with a long, delectable neck and orders to stake him on sight. He just hopes his first bite won't be Janie's last moment on earth... **Paperback \$22.99**

## **Rob Sacchetto**

### *Zombiewood*

What's it like when the public's insatiable lust for gossip turns its focus on the grotesque, flesh-eating habits of celebrities? Hilarious mayhem, that's what. In this paparazzi-inspired collection of images, America's bad and beautiful are revealed as never before — in their undisguised, flesh-rotting, zombified, day-to-day existence. Fans of TMZ, US Weekly, and other star-chasing rags will love the imaginative presentation of their favorite subjects — including undead versions of Brangelina, Lindsay Lohan, Kanye West, Michael Phelps, and even Glenn Beck (yes, he gets even scarier!). The vivid full-color portraits pair the smiling faces of today's most famous stars with the horrid features of their true zombie forms. Laugh-out-loud descriptions deliver detailed information on these flesh-feasting personalities, including their favorite eats and secret haunts.

**Trade Paperback \$29.99**

## **R A Salvatore**

### *The Dame (Saga of the First King)*

The vast road network of Honce, completed a decade before, had brought great optimism to the people of the land. Commerce could travel more freely and so could armies, and those armies, it was hoped, would rid the land at long last of the vicious, bloody cap dwarfs and goblins. For the first time, the many individual kingdoms, the holdings of Honce, would be brought closer together, perhaps even united. For the last few years, those promises had become a nightmare to the folk, as two powerful lairds fought for supremacy of a hoped-for united kingdom. Bransen Garibond, the Highwayman, held little real interest in that fight. To him the warring lairds were two sides of the same coin.

Whichever side won, the outcome for the people of Honce would be the same, Bransen believed. A journey north, however, taught Bransen that his views were simplistic at best, and that some things — like honour and true friendship — might truly matter.

In *The Dame*, Bransen's road becomes a quest for the truth, of Honce and of himself, a quest to put right over wrong. That path is fraught with confusion and fraud, and a purposeful blurring of morality by those who would seek to use the Highwayman's extraordinary battle skills and popularity among the commonfolk for their own nefarious ends. **A Paperback \$16.99**

## **Brandon Sanderson**

### *The Way of Kings (Stormlight Archive 01)*

According to mythology mankind used to live in The Tranquiline Halls. Heaven. But then the Voidbringers assaulted and captured heaven, casting out God and men. Men took root on Roshar, the world of storms. And the Voidbringers followed . . . They came against man ten thousand times. To help them cope, the Almighty gave men powerful suits of armor and mystical weapons, known as Shardblades. Led by ten angelic Heralds and ten orders of knights known as Radiants, mankind finally won. Or so the legends say. Today, the only remnants of those supposed battles are the Shardblades, the possession of which makes a man nearly invincible on the battlefield. The entire world is at war with itself — and has been for centuries since the Radiants turned against mankind. Kings strive to win more Shardblades, each secretly wishing to be the one who will finally unite all of mankind under a single throne. On a world scoured down to the rock by terrifying hurricanes that blow through every few days a young spearman forced into the army of a Shardbearer, led to war against an enemy he doesn't understand and doesn't really want to fight. What happened deep in mankind's past? Why did the Radiants turn against mankind, and what happened to the magic they used to wield?

**Trade Paperback \$29.99 CD - Unabridged \$120**

## **Lynsay Sands**

### *Born to Bite (Argeneau)*

When enforcer Eshe d'Aureus is charged to investigate the untimely deaths of the vampire Armand's three wives, she begins to fall reluctantly in love with him, and puts herself in danger in the process.

Legend has it that Armand Argeneau is a killer in the bedroom . . .

But with all three of his late wives meeting unfortunate and untimely ends, is this sexy immortal a lover or a murderer? That's what Eshe d'Aureus intends to find out. As an enforcer, it's her job to bring rogue vampires to justice, even if the rogue in question makes her blood race red hot.

Armand knew she was trouble the moment Eshe roared into town on her motorcycle, clad in tight black leather. She claims she's hiding from dangerous fiends, though he suspects something more. But after three wives who've all had trouble remaining, well, undead, Armand is reluctant to open his heart again. Then strange accidents start to happen, each deadlier than the last, and Armand realizes he may not have much time to prove he's a lover, not a slayer. **A Paperback \$19.95**

## **Ken Scholes**

### *Canticle (Named Lands 02)*

A sequel to *Lamentation* finds the noble allies of General Rudolfo gathering for a feast in honor of his first child, a celebration that is attacked by invisible assassins who murder all of the guests and deliver an ominous message for the Hidden Pope Petronus. **A Paperback \$19.95**

### *Antiphon*

Nothing is as it seems to be.

The ancient past is not dead. The hand of the Wizard Kings still reaches out to challenge the Androfrancine Order, to control the magick and technology that they sought to understand and claim for their own.

Nebios, the boy who watched the destruction of the city of Windwir, now runs the vast deserts of the world, far from his beloved Marsh Queen. He is being hunted by strange women warriors, while his dreams are invaded by warnings from his dead father.

Jin Li Tam, queen of the Ninefold Forest, guards her son as best she can against both murderous threats, and the usurper queen and her evangelists. They bring a message: Jakob is the child of promise of their Gospel, and the Crimson Empress is on her way.

And in hidden places, the remnants of the Androfrancine order formulate their response to the song pouring out of a silver crescent that was found in the wastes. **Hardcover \$52.95**

## **Andre Schwarze-Bart**

### *The Morning Star*

After descendants of the survivors of a nuclear holocaust on Earth return to their home planet in an attempt to reconstruct the past of the people who lived there, they discover the records of the wandering Jews of Judea, Palestine and Israel and an accounting of the Holocaust during World War II. A posthumous publication by the acclaimed author of *The Last of the Just*. **Hardcover \$49.95**

## **Eve Silver**

### *Sins of the Soul (Otherkin 02)*

Alastor Krayl's world shattered when he learned that his father was the Underworld god of chaos and evil. All that saved him from self-destruction were his newfound brothers and the bond they shared as soul reapers. So when one of his brothers is murdered, vengeance becomes Alastor's obsession. And the enigmatic Naphré Kurata, a witness—or is she the killer?—has the answers he seeks.

A reluctant Underworld enforcer, Naphré trusts no one, especially not a seductive soul reaper who makes her burn with lust. Torn between duty and desire, she fights to keep her secrets safe from Alastor, even as she longs to surrender. **Paperback \$19.95**

## **Susan Sizemore**

### *Primal Instincts (Primes)*

Tobias Strahan leads the elite vampire squad known as the Dark Angels, protecting the city's paranormal denizens. It's the perfect job for an Übermacho Prime . . . until clan heiress Flare Reynard stirs an obsession in him that refuses to fade. Flare's mother—desperate for a grandchild—has made Tobias an intriguing proposition, and it's soon clear to Tobias that Flare is nothing like the spoiled princess he'd assumed her to be. She's smart as hell, wickedly funny, and loyal, and Tobias knows deep within that she is his bondmate—the bondmate every Prime searches for.

Flare has every intention of providing her clan with children—but on her own terms. That means a donor and a clinic, not a wild tumble with the most potent Prime of them all. Flare knows it's a mistake to get close to a warrior like Tobias, since their searing connection puts her heart, his loved ones, their entire world at risk. But logic is no match for fierce, instinctive desire. . . . **Paperback \$14.95**

## **Bryan Smith**

### *The Killing Kind*

**Paperback \$14.95**

## **Susan Squires**

### *The Mists of Time (Da Vince Time Travel)*

Diana Dearborn knows all about romance, at least in the books she writes. But passion eludes her in real life—until she's offered the chance to travel back in time to Camelot. The world of King Arthur and Guinevere is nothing like she pictured, neither is the knight she encounters on her return to San Francisco: Gawain, the hero of her current project. He's complicated, mysterious, and sexier than anything her imagination could conjure. And he's been waiting for her...

Now, joined together in a desperate race, Diana and Gawain must prevent an ancient, evil force from wreaking mayhem in the all-too-real present. Diana must learn to trust Gawain—even while she encounters secrets about her own past. But even if their mission succeeds, does Diana's destiny lie with this man from another time—and will their love alter history forever? **Paperback \$19.95**

## **Jeanne C Stein**

### *Chosen (Anna Strong 06)*

Anna Strong's primitive vampire instincts are getting harder to control. And a new enemy wants to take advantage of that fact, for Anna has been chosen to shape the destiny of all vampires—and all humans. **A Paperback \$19.95**

## **S M Stirling**

### *The Sword of the Lady (Change 06)*

Rudi Mackenzie's quest to find the source of the world-altering event known as The Change ends in Nantucket, an island overrun with forest and inhabited by a mere 200 people who claim to have been transported there from out of time. Only one odd stone house remains standing. Within it, Rudi finds a beautifully made sword seemingly waiting for him. And once he takes it up, nothing for Rudi or for the world that he knows will ever be the same... **A+ Paperback \$21.95**

### *High King of Montival (Change 07)*

With The Sword of the Lady, Rudi Mackenzie's destiny was determined. Now he returns to Montival in the Pacific Northwest, where he will face the legions of the Prophet. To achieve victory, Rudi must assemble a coalition of those who had been his enemies a few months before and forge them into an army that will rescue his homeland.

Only then will Rudi be able to come to terms with how the Sword has changed him, as well as the world, and assume his place as Artos, High King of Montival... **Hardcover \$52.95**

## **S M Stirling & Jerry Pournelle**

### *The Prince*

Tired of the tyrannical rule of Earth, the colonists on the planet Sparta have revolted and hire John Christian Falkenberg and his mercenary legion to train them how to fight, but Grand Senator Bronson, one of Earth's most powerful rulers, will do anything to stop Falkenberg and crush Spartan independence. **Hardcover \$56.95**

## **Jory Strong**

### *Healer's Choice (Ghostland 03)*

Born into a world of violence and paid-for sex, Rebekka longs for a family of her own and dreams of freeing those trapped in the shapeshifter brothels of the red zone. A witch's prophecy claims she'll one day use her gift to heal the Weres made outcast by their mixed human-animal forms.

But Rebekka knows that everything comes at a cost. A plea to save five children sends her into the arms of Aryck, a Jaguar enforcer—and into territory controlled by pure Weres. It's a place where humans and outcasts aren't welcomed, where plague threatens and the fate of the Weres hangs in the balance. And where the choices Rebekka and Aryck make are paid for with their hearts...if not their souls. **Trade Paperback \$30.95**

## **Charles Stross**

### *Wireless*

It has been said that the natural state of science fiction is the short story. If that is so, you won't find a better exploration of that state than Charles Stross's new collection. Centred around an original and previously unpublished novella, 'Palimpsest', WIRELESS is a showcase of some of the best short SF of the 21st century. With an introduction from the author and containing hitherto uncollected works such as 'Missile Gap', 'Trunk and Disorderly' and 'Rogue Farm', and some gems previously available only in small press publications, such as 'A Colder War' and 'Antibodies', WIRELESS will illustrate perfectly why award-winning editor and anthologist, Gardner Dozois, once declared: 'Where Charles Stross goes today, the rest of science fiction will follow tomorrow.' **B Paperback \$19.99**

**Dianne Sylvan***Queen of Shadows (Shadow Worlds 01)*

Meet Miranda Grey -music and magic are in her blood.

Overwhelmed by her uncanny ability to manipulate people's emotions through her music, Miranda Grey comes to the attention of vampire lord David Solomon. Believing he can help bring her magic under control, David discovers that Miranda's powers may affect the vampire world too...

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**K J Taylor Australian Author***The Griffin's War (Fallen Moon 03)*

A man falls. A monster rises.

War is on the horizon. Rebels are on the move. The monstrous griffin Skandar roams the land, searching for his human.

Trapped in a cell and facing justice at last, mass murderer Arenadd Taranisäii knows the truth. He has found a new and savage purpose, and a different master now commands him. He must lead his people to freedom ... and commit three more murders. Can anyone finally stop him?

A giant griffin called the Mighty Kraal believes he has the answer, but in the war that will soon begin, even he may not survive.

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**Sheri S Tepper***The Waters Rising*

Long ago was the Big Kill, a time when the slaughterers walked the earth unseen, killing, departing, returning to kill again and again. Since then mountains have risen, deserts have fallen, the last of humankind has scattered; myth, superstition, and legend have replaced knowledge; and the great waters rising are changing the world.

In the west, the people of Norland live in small kingdoms, unaware that a hideous evil from ages past has been revived. Powers are being used. Curses are being laid . . . and the waters are rising as never before.

As forests drown, swamps become lakes, and roads disappear, houses—whole towns—are hitched to teams of oxen and moved upward. Misery is compounded when the Sea King declares war. No ships may sail on the new, growing oceans, and refugees from sunken islands continue to arrive.

And in Norland a cursed princess fights death, awaiting the one who can save not her, but perhaps humanity. She is tended by one fearful young girl, her servant and soul carrier, Xulai, a child of her own kind from the mystical kingdom of Tingawa. Upon her mistress's death, Xulai must return to their homeland to fulfill a sacred mission.

Accompanied by her protectors, Great Bear and Precious Wind, and guided by the mysterious wanderer Abasio and his talking horse, Big Blue, the band begins a journey to this land across the western sea where the waters' rising has long been expected. Their odyssey, fraught with peril and wonder, is long enough for plans to be made that are so strange, so audacious, that they are instantly dismissed; plans so potentially successful that an ancient killer must be awakened to stop their fulfillment.

Deeply original in scope and vision, *The Waters Rising* is a daring and remarkable work of fiction from a master of the craft. **Hardcover \$54.95**

**Rob Thurman***The Grimrose Path (Trickster 02)*

Bar owner Triva Iktomi knows that inhuman creatures of light and darkness roam Las Vegas-especially since she's a bit more than human herself. She's just been approached with an unusual proposition. Something has slaughtered almost one thousand demons in six months. And the killing isn't going to stop unless Trixa and her friends step into the fight... **A Paperback \$19.95**

**J R R Tolkien***Calendar 2011: Tolkien*

The official Tolkien calendar, this year containing 13 paintings inspired by 'The Lord of the Rings', and featuring many previously unseen works of art. The Official Tolkien Calendar has become an established publishing event, eagerly looked forward to by Tolkien fans the world over; there is much demand for the annual calendar, with Tolkien calendars from the past 30 years becoming collectors' items. This year's continues in that tradition and is the perfect Christmas gift for lovers of fine fantasy art.

The Tolkien Calendar 2011 features 13 paintings by the Dutch artist, Cor Blok. Cor Blok is the only artist ever to have met JRR Tolkien, and the only artist Tolkien admired enough to purchase some of his work. The paintings are inspired by Tolkien's classic masterpiece, *The Lord of the Rings* and were completed during the early 1960s when the young artist was attempting to create a Bayeux tapestry approach to illustrating this monumental book.

Many of this paintings included here have never been seen before. This delightful collection of scenes takes the reader on a unique journey through the beauty and drama of Middle-earth. It represents a truly charming addition to the series of official calendars by a gifted artist, and promises to be a memorable calendar for fans. **Calendar \$22.99**

*Hobbit (Audio)*

Bilbo Baggins enjoys a quiet and contented life, with no desire to travel far from the comforts of home; then one day the wizard Gandalf and a band of dwarves arrive unexpectedly and enlist his services - as a burglar - on a dangerous expedition to raid the treasure-hoard of Smaug the dragon. Bilbo's life is never to be the same again. *The Hobbit* became an instant success when it was first published in 1937, and more than 60 years later Tolkien's epic tale of elves, dwarves, trolls, goblins, myth, magic and adventure, with its reluctant hero Bilbo Baggins, has lost none of its appeal.

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**Coco Tralla***Energy Grid (Simultaneous Dimension 02)*

In the second of a seven book series, Walker McSky unravels the secrets of a new, yet ancient, occult energy that reverse the aging process through altering currents of frequency and vibration. This occult energy enables us to naturally grow young and stay healthy at any age we so desire. When McSky reveals the reality of time travel in the crop circles of England, he opens a portal for the return of King Arthur as the Son of Orion and creates the dawn of a new day. With the return of King Arthur we soon discover. We are not supposed to die, We are not supposed to be sick or diseased and We are supposed to "grow young," stay healthy and live forever More revelations follow when a Priestess in Arthur's entourage claims Avalon is exists in America today, and McSky's life is forever changed by us from the future heralding a Golden Age in the now. **Hardcover \$65**

**M J Trow***A Brief History of Vampires*

Where do vampires come from? Why do they have so much appeal today? This book looks at the story of vampires and charts its origins a long way from the shopping mall in the story of the warrior prince, Vlad of Wallachia. It presents a historical journey in pursuit of the history, legend and lore of vampires. **Paperback \$24.99**

## Joan Frances Turner

### *Dust*

Nine years ago, Jessie was in a car crash and died. After she was buried she awoke and tore through the earth to arise, reborn, as a zombie. Now she and her zombie gang, the Fly-by-Nights, roam the Indiana woods. When a mysterious illness threatens the existence of both zombies and humans, Jessie must choose between looking away or staring down the madness-and hanging on to everything she now knows as life...

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### *Adventures of Tom Sawyer and the Undead*

A modern author takes Mark Twain's coming-of-age classic and infuses it with a taste of the macabre, as the world of Tom Sawyer becomes overrun with zombies, chief among them being the Zombie Injun' Joe. **Trade Paperback \$28.95**

## Jack Vance

### *Complete Lyonesse (Lyonesse)*

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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.

**Hardcover \$59.99 Trade Paperback \$45**

## Patrick A Vanner

### *Ragnarok*

Captain Alexandra 'Alex' McLaughlin is not a woman to be underestimated. Under her petite exterior is a spine of solid steel and a disposition to laugh in the face of impending death. A former member of the Terran Navy's elite force, the Dead Jokers, electronic-warfare pilots with a mortality rate to match that of old Japan's Kamikazes, Alex is a born survivor. But sometimes survival can be a curse.

Humanity is locked in a war of survival with the Xan-Sskarn, an alien race that refuses to acknowledge the rights of 'weaker' creatures to live. It is a war that will not end with a peace treaty, but only the complete subjugation of one species to the other. And right now, the alien side is winning.

However, the enemy on the outside is not the only one to be faced. As the battles take on an eerily familiar pattern of no-win scenarios, Alex realized the horrifying truth; humanity has a traitor, and it's somebody close. As each battle brings more death, Alex's ghosts grow and so does her desire for vengeance. There is only one way for this to end, and Alex is just the human to take it there—to Ragnarok. **Trade Paperback \$28.95**

## Jules Verne

### *The Castle in Transylvania*

This never-before translated tale by Jules Verne, the master of science fiction, is one of his few writings about the supernatural. This eerie gothic story set in a forgotten valley in the mountains of Transylvania, where demons and vampires menace the populace, pits a young stranger against the forces of evil and superstition. **Trade Paperback \$29.95**

## Rachel Vincent

### *Rogue (Shifters 02)*

Okay, so cats don't always land on their feet. I know that better than most.

Since rejoining the Pride, I've made big decisions and even bigger mistakes the kind paid with innocent lives. As the first and only female enforcer, I have plenty to prove to my father, the Pride and myself. And with murdered toms turning up in our territory, I'm working harder than ever, though I always find the energy for a little after-hours recreation with Marc, my partner both on and off duty.

But not all my mistakes are behind me. We're beginning to suspect that the dead are connected to a series of missing human women and that they can all be laid at my feet. And one horrible indiscretion may yet cost me more than I can bear... **Paperback \$22.99**

## Shiloh Walker

### *Veil of Shadows (Veil)*

A rebel army has been established to win back the land from demons-and a soldier named Xan has appeared out of nowhere to join them. Beautiful army captain Laisyn Caar is shocked by the powerful, all-consuming desire she feels in his presence, but when she discovers the dark secrets of Xan's agenda, she'll have to determine whether the man she's starting to love is a friend of her people-or a dreaded enemy. **A Paperback \$19.95**

## Brent Weeks

### *Black Prism (01)*

The start of a brand new trilogy from the New York Times bestselling author of THE WAY OF SHADOWS. Gavin Guile is the Prism, the most powerful man in the world. He is high priest and emperor, a man whose power, wit, and charm are all that preserves a tenuous peace. But Prisms never last, and Guile knows exactly how long he has left to live: Five years to achieve five impossible goals. But when Guile discovers he has a son, born in a far kingdom after the war that put him in power, he must decide how much he's willing to pay to protect a secret that could tear his world apart. **Trade Paperback \$32.99 Hardcover \$52.95**

## H G Wells

### *The Time Machine (SF Masterworks)*

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## Connie Willis

### *Blackout*

Stranded in the past during World War II, three researchers from the future investigate period behavior and seek each other out in a shared effort to return to their own time. By the multiple Nebula and Hugo Award-winning author of The Doomsday Book. **MP3 CD \$60**

## **Tom Wood**

### *Hellfire: Plague of Dragons*

In the fourteenth century, a horrific plague swept out from the barbaric East to decimate the great nations of Europe. This killer that spared no man, woman, or child—the Black Death—is well-known and documented. But there was also a second disaster that occurred at the same time, no less brutal than the Black Death, a living plague that killed without mercy which has gone untold and unrecorded—until now. A plague consisting of a horde of monstrous beasts unlike any seen before, or since: a plague of dragons.

This lavishly illustrated volume tells the story through a lost manuscript and accompanying artwork by fourteenth-century French wine merchant and confidant of popes and kings, Robertus of Avignon (1320–1387), found in the Historical Museum of New York in 2005. Discovered in a box of artifacts, historical documents, and original illustrations purchased by the museum in 1922, his illuminated manuscript and more than two dozen illustrations are reproduced in this spectacular volume that brings to life in great detail the majestic, domineering, and dangerous qualities of dragons. Featuring the breathtaking images of best-selling fantasy art illustrator Tom Wood and written by prolific author Robert Weinberg, this vibrant and remarkably original book is sure to be a must-have for dragon lovers and historical fantasy fans alike. **Hardcover \$39.95**

## **Chris Wooding**

### *The Black Lung Captain (Ketty Jay 02)*

Darian Frey is down on his luck. He can barely keep his squabbling crew fed and his rickety aircraft in the sky. Even the simplest robberies seem to go wrong. It's getting so a man can't make a dishonest living any more. Enter Captain Grist. He's heard about a crashed aircraft laden with the treasures of a lost civilisation and he needs Frey's help to get it. There's only one problem. The craft is lying in the trackless heart of a remote island, populated by giant beasts and subhuman monsters. Dangerous, yes. Suicidal, perhaps. Still, Frey's never let commonsense get in the way of a fortune before. But there's something other than treasure on board that aircraft. Something that a lot of important people would kill for. And it's going to take all of Frey's considerable skill at lying, cheating and stealing if he wants to get his hands on it... **Trade Paperback \$32.99**

## **Charles Yu**

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

Minor Universe 31 is a vast story-space on the outskirts of fiction, where paradox fluctuates like the stock market, lonely sexbots beckon failed protagonists, and time-travel is serious business. Every day, people get into time machines and try to do the one thing they should never do: change the past. That's where Charles Yu, time travel technician—part counselor, part gadget repair man—steps in. He helps save people from themselves. Literally. When he's not taking client calls, Yu visits his mother (stuck in a onehour cycle, she makes dinner over and over and over) and searches for his father, who invented time travel and then vanished. Accompanied by TAMMY, an operating system with low self-esteem, and a nonexistent but ontologically valid dog named Ed, and using a book titled *How to Live Safely in a Science Fictional Universe* as his guide, Yu sets out, and back, and beyond, in order to find the one day where he and his father can meet in memory.

With echoes of both Mark Danielewski and Douglas Adams, yet altogether wildly new and adventurous, Yu's debut is certain to send shock waves of wonder through literary space-time. **Hardcover \$49.95**

## **Timothy Zahn**

### *The Domino Pattern (Quadrail 04)*

Frank Compton used to be an agent for the security forces of Earth, but that was a piece of cake compared to what he's had to deal with working for the aliens who run the Quadrail, an interstellar transportation system connecting a dozen civilizations across the galaxy.

He's been trying to end the domination of an alien lifeform called the Modhri. This enormously powerful creature wants to rule the galaxy by controlling the thoughts of all its citizens. It does so by having parts of itself "infect" others on contact, and act as agents for it without them being aware they're being manipulated. When Frank and his assistant Bayta journey to investigate a connection between the Modhri and the Filaelians, they come up against a conspiracy on the Quadrail.

Passengers are being murdered...but something besides murder haunts the Quadrail. A plot is brewing that even the Modhri fears. And once again, Frank and Bayta may be the only ones who can stop it. **A Paperback \$19.95**

# Anthologies

**Ilona Andrews, Meljean Brook, Charlaine Harris & Nalini Singh**

*Must Love Hellhounds*

In these four original novellas, readers follow paranormal bodyguards into Lucifer's realm, where they'll encounter his fearsome four-legged pets; seek out a traitor in the midst of a guild of non-lethal vampire trackers, one who intends to eradicate the entire species of bloodsuckers; find out why the giant three-headed dog that guards the gates of Hades has left the underworld for the real world; and embark on a perilous search for the kidnapped niece of a powerful vampire alongside her blind-and damn sexy -companion and a hellhound. **A Paperback \$19.95**

**Kelley Armstrong, Francesca Lia Block, Kristen Cast, Richelle Mead & Alyson Noel**

*Kisses From Hell*

What's hotter than the roster of authors for our fourth Hell collection? Teen vampire romances. *KISSES FROM HELL* brings it all together with five sexy, sweet, witty and wild short stories featuring teen vampires in this exciting anthology. Richelle Mead offers her many fans the legendary love story of Eric and Rhea Dragomir, parents of Vampire Academy main character Lissa Dragomir. In Kelly Armstrong's *Hunting Kat*, reluctant vampire Katiana finds love while escaping from a group bent on her destruction. In *Lilith*, Francesca Lia Block introduces a sexy, powerful social outcast, who turns out to be more than she seems.

Written by authors who consistently top the New York Times bestseller list (plus one cult favorite in a decidedly more commercial turn), *Kisses From Hell* offers five stories about the one topic teens can't get enough of: vampires. Age 13+ **B Paperback \$16.99**

**Peter S Beagle** *Editor*

*The Secret History of Fantasy*

A contemporary collection of fantasy stories from the past 30 years includes imaginative takes by some of the top authors in the genre, including Stephen King, Octavia E. Butler, Gregory Maguire, Aimee Bender, Yann Martel, T. C. Boyle, Jonathan Lethem and many more. Edited by a Hugo and Nebula Award winner. **Trade Paperback \$32.95**

**Christopher Conlon** *Editor*

*He Is Legend, An Anthology Celebrating Richard Matheson*

Richard Matheson, the New York Times bestselling author of *I Am Legend*, has inspired a generation of storytellers. Now an outstanding cast of top writers pays tribute to his legacy with an all-new collection of original stories set in Matheson's own fictional universes, including sequels, prequels, and companion stories to *I Am Legend*, *Hell House*, *The Incredible Shrinking Man*, *Somewhere in Time*, "Duel," and "Button, Button." Among the highlights of this one-of-a-kind anthology is the first ever collaboration between Stephen King and his son, bestselling horror writer Joe Hill. Other notable contributors include Nancy A. Collins, Joe R. Lansdale, William F. Nolan, Whitley Strieber, F. Paul Wilson, and Matheson's son, Richard Christian Matheson. Previously published as a limited edition by Gauntlet Press in 2009, *He Is Legend* is now available to Matheson's many fans, as well as all lovers of gripping horror and suspense. **Hardcover \$52.95**

**Ellen Datlow & Nick Mamatas** *Editor*

*Haunted Legends*

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

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

These twenty nightmares, brought together by two renowned editors of the dark fantastic, are delightful visions sure to send shivers down the spines of horror readers. **Hardcover \$52.95**

**Kate Douglas, Jacquelyn Frank, Jess Haines & Clare Willis**

*Nocturnal*

This quartet of paranormal romances includes Jacquelyn Frank's "The Phoenix Project," in which Amara, subjected to bizarre experiments that test the limits of her sanity, is locked in a room with a gorgeous ex-cop after they have both been given drugs that increase their sexual appetite. **Paperback \$17.95**

**Michael Sims** *Editor*

*Dracula's Guest*

Before *Twilight* and *True Blood*, even before *Buffy* and *Anne Rice* and *Bela Lugosi*, vampires haunted the nineteenth century, when brilliant writers everywhere indulged their blood thirsty imaginations, culminating in Bram Stoker's legendary 1897 novel, *Dracula*.

Michael Sims brings together the very best vampire stories of the Victorian era-from England, America, France, Germany, Transylvania, and even Japan - into a unique collection that highlights their cultural variety. Beginning with the supposedly true accounts that captivated Byron and Shelley, the stories range from Edgar Allan Poe's *The Oval Portrait* and Sheridan Le Fanu's *Camilla* to Guy de Maupassant's *The Horla* and Mary Elizabeth Braddon's *Good Lady Ducayne*. Sims also includes a nineteenth century tour of Transylvanian superstitions, and rounds out the collection with Stoker's own *Dracula's Guest* - a chapter omitted from his landmark novel.

Vampires captivated the Victorians, as Sims reveals in his insightful introduction: In 1867, Karl Marx described capitalism as 'dead labour, which, vampire-like, lives only by sucking living labour', while in 1888 a London newspaper invoked vampires in trying to explain Jack the Ripper's predations. At a time when vampires have been re-created in a modern context, *Dracula's Guest* will remind readers, young, old and inbetween of why the undead won't let go of our imagination. **Hardcover \$39.99**

## Sale Books

We have filled our throw table with books that we have discounted to clear. Now is a good time to visit and rummage through for some bargains.

# Young Adult

*Vampireology (Ology)* **Hardcover \$29.95**

*Alienology* **Hardcover \$29.95**

**Van Badham** *Australian Author*

*Burnt Snow*

Sophie is in the last term of Year 11. She's used to moving around with her accountant father and free-spirited mother, so the move to a small town on the South Coast in NSW doesn't seem too out of the ordinary - at first.

But things are changing around Sophie. A new school means a new start - and she's tired of her mother's superstitions and control. When she's recruited to the ranks of the school's popular girls, Sophie seizes the opportunity to remake herself... and unleashes forces a lot more threatening than whether she can hide her true nerd nature from the high school bitch brigade.

As Sophie negotiates teenage preoccupations with overprotective parents, whether her pyjamas are cool enough for a sleepover and the school-ground politics of secrets, lies and faithless boyfriends, something dark is hovering on the edge of her vision. The school Goth delivers her an ominous warning, strange birds seem to be following her... and fate keeps reuniting her with the dangerous bad boy with a past that nobody wants to talk about: Brody Meine.

Violent storms suddenly erupt, windows explode in the classroom, and a fire engulfs an entire street. And all these escalating, demonic happenings seem to take place when Sophie and Brody Meine are together... **B Paperback \$24.99**

**Heather Brewer**

*Tenth Grade Bleeds (Vladimir Tod 03)*

It's another awful year at Bathory High for Vladimir Tod. The evil vampire D'Ablo is hunting for a ritual that could steal Vlad's powers. His best friend, Henry, doesn't want to be his drudge anymore and it's getting harder for Vlad to resist feeding on the people around him. With the threat of D'Ablo looming closer and nightmares haunting him each night, Vlad realises that having a normal high school year is the least of his concerns. He needs to act fast, and even his Pravus powers won't save him this time. **Paperback \$14.95**

*Eleventh Grade Burns (Vladimir Tod 04)*

Things are looking dark this year for Vladimir Tod. With Uncle Otis awaiting trial for crimes against vampirekind, Vlad seeks the help of a mysterious and powerful vampire, Dorian. Unfortunately, Dorian has his own agenda and Vlad is about to be the main item on it. Beset on all sides, from former friend and current foe alike, Vlad will have to use all his skill and training just to survive his junior year. **Paperback \$14.95**

**Kevin Brooks**

*iBoy*

Before the attack, sixteen-year-old Tom Harvey was just an ordinary boy.

But now fragments of a shattered iPhone are embedded in his brain and it's having an extraordinary effect . . .

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After the death of her soulmate Kay by her very own sword, Billi SanGreal has thrown herself into the brutal regime of Templar duties with utter abandon. There is no room for feelings any more - her life is now about hunting down the Unholy.

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Twin brother and sister, Leni and Missy, are slaves aboard the powerful airship the Hiryu - but when the airship is stolen on its maiden voyage, they find themselves working for a captain whose noble quest seems to make no sense. Relentlessly pursued by the Emperor's own airships, they fly over the perilous Wasteland, where corrupted Demons lie in wait. When Leni dreams of Apsilla, the Blue Dragon of the East, the captain decides to help the twins find Apsilla's daughter. The survival of the last Totem may be their only hope - but will they find Apsilla's egg in time, or will their enemies find them first? **Trade Paperback \$17.95**

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Feathers unfurl from my skin. My plummet curves into a swoop, and I tuck my talons beneath my body. From girl to great horned owl in about a second. Pretty good, huh?

Gwen Williams is like any other modern teenager with one exception: she's a shapeshifter. Never having known her Pooka-spirit father, Gwen must struggle with the wild, wonderful magic inside of her alone—and in secret. While society may tolerate vampires, centaurs, and "Others" like Gwen, there are plenty of folks in Klikamuks, Washington, who don't care for her kind.

Now there's a new werewolf pack in town, and Others are getting killed, including Gwen's dryad friend. The police are doing zilch. In the midst of terrible loss and danger, Gwen meets a cute Japanese fox spirit who's refreshingly comfortable with his Otherness. Can Gwen find the courage to embrace her true self and find the killer-before she becomes the next victim? **B Paperback \$21.99**

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Skulduggery Pleasant is back, and reunited with his original head. But all is not well in the magical world - for one thing, foreign powers are conspiring to take over the Irish Sanctuary, and for another thing, Valkyrie has discovered she might be the sorceress set to destroy the world. The problem is, she doesn't feel she can tell Skulduggery what she's learned... and that's how all the trouble starts.

With Valkyrie on a quest of her own, to seal her name and prevent her evil destiny from coming to pass, Skulduggery and the gang are even more vulnerable. Which is a shame, because remember those thousands of remnants, imprisoned in the Midnight Hotel? Well, now they're out. Not only that but they believe Valkyrie is their messiah. And that means thousands of wicked souls, desperate to get to Valkyrie, willing to kill anyone in their way... Oh, and because they can possess any body, they could be ANYONE.

Now Skulduggery, Valkyrie, Ghastly and Tanith can trust no one. Not even each other...

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We were nine, three are dead, I am number four.

Nine teenagers and their guardians are hiding on Earth ... protected by a charm that means they can only be killed in numeric order, three are already dead. John Smith is Number Four. And his mortal enemies are hunting him down.

The only way to keep off radar is to keep moving, never staying in one place for long. Finally in the firing line, all he can do is adopt the guise of a student and pray his unusual gifts – his legacies – stay hidden long enough for him to settle into this new community.

But others seem to sense his otherness and when small-town life sucks him into its intrigues, it's only a matter of time before his true nature is revealed. And that means there's no space for love, friendship or a future if it means protecting not only himself, but the other five ...

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When Charlie, Violet and Theodore embark on a routine test in the Nether, they don't expect Violet to be abducted by demonic, kangaroo-like Dangerous and they really don't expect to end up in the middle of an all-out breakout attempt by the remaining Named monsters.

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Mirasol is a beekeeper, a honey-gatherer, with an ability to speak to the "earthlines" the sentient parts of Willowlands, where she lives. The concerns of Master, Chalice, and Circle, who govern Willowlands, have nothing to do with her, until the current Master and Chalice die in a fire and leave no heirs to take their places. The Master's closest relative has been a priest of Fire for the past seven years; he is not quite human anymore. And then the Circle comes to Mirasol and tells her that she is the new Chalice, and it will be up to her to bind the land and its people with a Master, the touch of whose hand can burn human flesh to the bone. . . . **Paperback \$19.95**

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Haven Moore has always known she's different: there are the talents that can't be explained; the knowledge of places she's never been; and then there are the visions that overwhelm her - terrifying visions of a life that ended tragically two decades earlier and more than a thousand miles away in New York City. The citizens of Haven's rural, highly religious community, believe that she's been possessed by a demon. But this is no demon: it's reincarnation.

Haven journeys all the way to Manhattan in search of clues about her past life and a decades-old murder. One wrong move could lead her into the clutches of the sinister villain at the center of a conspiracy much larger than she could have ever imagined. But if she makes the right choices, Haven will find the answers she's been seeking her entire life.

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When Edsel Grizzler left Verdada, longing for a normal home life, he was told he could never return. But when he receives a desperate note from Verdada, pleading for his help, Edsel must embark on another, greater adventure - a rescue mission.

Back in Verdada, the rules have changed. The Mira are gone, the kids are alone and fending for themselves. Things are chaotic and Ben is struggling to maintain order. It's up to Edsel to step in before it is too late.

Is Jacq the key to their survival? Will Edsel's bold mission be a success? Or will Verdada - and the children - be lost forever?

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Liam O'Connor should have died at sea in 1912.

Maddy Carter should have died on a plane in 2010.

Sal Vikram should have died in a fire in 2029.

But all three have been given a second chance - to work for an agency that no-one knows exists. Its purpose - to prevent time travel destroying history ...

When Maddy mistakenly opens a time window where and when she shouldn't have, Liam is marooned sixty-five million years ago in the hunting ground of a deadly - and until now - undiscovered species of predator.

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Welcome to Wyldcliffe, the place that haunts my present, my past, and my future.

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Evie's only lifeline is Sebastian, a mysterious and attractive young man she meets by chance. As Evie's feelings for Sebastian blaze with each secret meeting, she begins to fear that he is hiding something about his past. And she is haunted by glimpses of a strange, ghostly girl—a girl who is so eerily like Evie she could be a sister. Evie is slowly drawn into a tangled web of past and present that she cannot control. As the extraordinary, elemental forces of Wyldcliffe rise up like the mighty sea, Evie is faced with an astounding truth about Sebastian, and her own incredible fate.

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She'd much rather the ghosts left her alone so she could spend time with her boyfriend, Logan. But when Logan dies suddenly and unexpectedly, Aura is forced to reconsider her connections with the dead...and, the living. Surely a violet-hued spirit Logan is better than no Logan at all, isn't it?

And things are complicated further when new exchange student, Zachary, is paired with Aura for a class project researching the 'Shift phenomenon'. Zach is so understanding - and so very alive. His support and friendship means more to Aura than she cares to admit. And, as Aura's relationships with both the dead, and the living, become more complicated, so do her feelings for both Logan and Zach.

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*Joe Dever*

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The LONE WOLF adventures are a unique interactive fantasy series each episode can be played separately or you can combine them all to create a fantastic roleplaying epic.

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Today, forensic scientist Theresa MacLean is called to an abandoned building where a desiccated, decapitated body has been found in a room that's been sealed off for years. Although there's no immediate proof, everyone assumes the same thing: that the newly discovered corpse was a Torso Killer victim. The body has decayed beyond recognition, leaving few forensic clues, but Theresa sees this as an opportunity to shed some light on a big piece of Cleveland's past that until now has been shrouded in mystery.

But then another body—this one recently deceased—turns up, and all signs at the scene seem to indicate the work of a new Torso Killer. Suddenly, Theresa's investigation takes on a whole new meaning. Her examination of the old body has opened a door to the past—a door someone wanted to keep closed—and she shifts her focus from solving a historical puzzle to catching a very dangerous, present-day psychopath.

But as the body count rises, Theresa finds herself nearer to danger than she ever imagined. For the killer is keeping a watchful eye on Theresa, and she begins to feel his presence everywhere. Each step brings them closer and closer to each other—at one point separated by no more than a speeding train in a railroad switchyard—as Theresa scours the city in her hunt for a murderous lunatic intent on reliving a terrifying past. **Hardcover \$51.95**

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Jillian Perry has been found dead in the woods, leaving behind a husband of three weeks and a young daughter. Her body shows no visible marks, and the autopsy reveals no sign of foul play. Apparently it was a suicide—Jillian purposely wandered into the forest and succumbed to the freezing weather. But something doesn't feel right to forensic investigator Theresa MacLean, and she can't let it go.

Still emotionally shattered by a devastating loss months ago, Theresa focuses all her attention on the case—one that gets stranger with the appearance of the dead woman's ex-boyfriend seeking custody of Jillian's little girl. Every twist the investigation takes raises the stakes lethally higher. And unless Theresa can find evidence of murder—evidence that doesn't seem to exist—someone may soon share Jillian's ghastly fate.

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There's nowhere for William and Annie to hide. And no one they can trust.

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The trap has been set. The Bureau's best agents attempt to follow the detailed demands of the blackmailers, only to be drawn into intricate mazes which are ingeniously riddled with hazards, ensuring that no one will emerge alive. The FBI has used every technological secret at their disposal to beat the killers at their game—and they have failed.

The clock is ticking. Deputy Assistant Director Kate Bannon knows that the solution will not be found by following the rules. It's time to call in someone from her past, someone who has routinely handled the impossible—a loose cannon ex-agent fired for insubordination but still the very best she has ever seen.

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Thomas Lourds ventures to Istanbul University in Turkey to examine artifacts never before seen by Western scholars. He's barely off the plane before he's kidnapped by ruthless people who leave a string of dead bodies in their wake. They want Lourds to translate coded writings that they hope will lead them to a lost scroll authored by John of Patmos—the same John who wrote the Book of Revelation in the Bible.

The writings on the scroll might bring about the end of the world—or might stop it. They might even raise the Devil himself—but there are signs that the Devil has already risen and that he is very interested in Thomas Lourds. No one knows for sure what will happen if the scroll is found, decoded, and translated, but several powerful men are seeking it, and they will stop at nothing to get it. And one of those people has ties to the US government, ties that lead directly to the White House.

Before he knows it, Thomas Lourds is in over his head, dodging spies, crooks, and bullets. He needs help to stay alive—and he has it in the form of a beautiful but deadly Irish Republican Army operative, and in his old flame, Olympia Adnan. Can they navigate the secrets hidden in ancient Istanbul's most secret depths before they are killed? Or will they be too late to stop the terrible workings of the Devil himself before he can bring the world down around them? **Hardcover \$52.95**

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Paco, a gypsy, has just been released from prison where he served a sentence for murdering his wife. He heads home to his cave in the rural Sacromonte Valley outside Granada. The next day, Max Romero, half-Scottish, half-Spanish, and a sub-inspector in the Spanish National Police, is out for a hike with his sister when he is summoned by a passerby who has found a dead body. The officer in charge of the investigation has no time to waste on another dead gypsy, but Max and a brand new judge think that even an ex-convict gypsy is entitled to justice.

P.J. Brooke is the pseudonym of husband and wife writing team Philip O'Brien and Jane Brooke. They live part of the year in Scotland and part of the year in the Moorish district of Granada. Their first novel, *Blood Wedding*, was published to acclaim. **Hardcover \$51.95**

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With the ruins of her high-powered Wall Street job now far in the rearview mirror of her rented silver Camaro, thirty-two-year-old Mags Rogers arrives at her great-aunt Jeep's sprawling Wings Ranch to reassemble her life. In the passenger seat, with his suspicious nose to a cracked window, is Mags's beloved wirehaired dachshund, the urbane Baxter.

Mags was named for her great-aunt, Magdalena—though everyone calls the spry octogenarian rancher Jeep. From piloting planes in World War II to discovering one of America's largest gold deposits, Jeep has enjoyed a lifetime jam-packed with love and adventure, and she's not done yet. At her side-to Baxter's low-down distress-is Jeep's loyal German Shepherd mix, King. The growlings are mutual: King sniffs that Baxter is a "fuzzy sausage."

Meanwhile, someone pipe-bombs Red Rock Valley's pumping station, endangering the water supply near and far. Deputy Pete Meadows links the sabotage to a string of local murders, but he doesn't yet know if it's a corporate plot or twisted eco-terrorism. He's also called out to Wings Ranch when human bones are dug up in Jeep's barn; the dead man's ring identifies him as an elite Russian military officer from the late 1800s, apparently knifed to death. In her search to find out whodunit, Mags uncovers fascinating history about Jeep's ranch, including an intriguing connection to Buffalo Bill.

Mags and Pete have mysteries to solve, among them why they are so drawn to each other. Baxter and King team up when it comes time to protect their humans. And all the while, Jeep Reed, the sassiest wit in the West, has a bold plan for Red Rock Valley in which they all will play a part. **Hardcover \$51.95**

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But when he's called to investigate a student murder—connected to an elusive Mr. K—he remembers the man from the airport. Is the stranger really is who he says he is? With the help of the Jameson, Jack struggles to make sense of it all. After several more murders and too many coincidental encounters, Jack believes he may have met his nemesis. But why has he been chosen? And could he really have taken on the devil himself?

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Eliza Blake, co-anchor of the popular morning television show KEY to America, is present when the party is cut short by the host's sudden, macabre death—and she's the first to discover that Pentimento is a giant "puzzle house." But each piece is leading Eliza and her KEY News colleagues—producer Annabelle Murphy, cameraman B. J. D'Elia, and psychiatrist Margo Gonzalez—deeper into darkness, toward a killer who believes that some puzzles must never be solved. And it soon becomes shockingly clear that no amount of wealth or privilege can keep the residents of Tuxedo Park safe . . . and alive. **Paperback \$19.95**

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The home was top-notch New Jersey suburban. The living room was Martha Stewart. The basement was Legos-and blood. For sports agent Myron Bolitar, the disappearance of a man he'd once competed against was bringing back memories-of the sport he and Greg Downing had both played and the woman they both loved. Now, among the stars, the wanna-bes, the gamblers and groupies, Myron is unraveling the strange, violent life of a sports hero gone wrong, and coming face-to-face with a past he can't relive, and a present he may not survive. **Paperback \$21.95**

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If there were a God, he would have stopped me.

That's the message discovered atop an elementary school in downtown Atlanta. Across the street are the bodies of fourteen innocent men and women, each quickly and cleanly murdered. The sniper Galileo is on the loose. He can end a human life from hundreds of yards away. And he is just getting started.

Where others see puzzles, Esme Stuart sees patterns, and these outside-the-box inductive skills made her one of the FBI's top field operatives. But she turned her back on all that eight years ago to start a family and live a normal life. She now has a husband and a daughter and a Long Island home to call her own, far removed from the bloody streets of Atlanta.

But Galileo's murders escalate and her beleaguered old boss needs the help of his former protégée. But how can she turn her back on her well-earned quiet life? How would she ever be able to justify such a choice to her husband? To her daughter?

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The new stunning thriller from the author of Gorky Park and Stalin's Ghost

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Increasingly disillusioned with the workings of Moscow's Prosecution Service, Arkady Renko is teetering on the brink of resignation when; trying to save the skin of his vodka-loving detective friend Victor Orlov - he becomes drawn into a strange new case. A prostitute has been found dead in a trailer in Three Stations, without a mark on her. With the local police keen to dismiss the death as a mere overdose - Renko's curiosity is piqued. And soon, as he is drawn into the extraordinary world of Moscow's super-rich, Renko will discover that nothing is quite as it seems...

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## **Clive Cussler & Grant Blackwood**

### *Lost Empire*

An ancient relic belonging to a long-lost Confederate ship named the Shenandoah find itself in the hands of treasure hunters Sam and Remi Fargo. But there is something strange about this artefact, and so the Fargos set off on a race to uncover the mysterious wreck and with it, the truth.

Unknown to them, a much more powerful force is engaged in the same chase. A fast-rising Mexican political party, whose members are directly descended from Aztec royalty, is intent on finding that ship as well. Legend has it that somewhere aboard is a secret. A secret that will either guarantee their success, or destroy them forever.

From Africa, to England, to the rainforests of New Guinea, to the windswept Kuril Islands, to the legendary site of the 1883 Krakatoa explosion, to the heart of the Mexican jungles, the Fargos and their ruthless opponents pursue the hunt - but only one of them can win.

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### *The Navigator*

Years ago, an ancient Phoenician statue known as the Navigator was stolen from the Baghdad Iraq, 2003: in the post-war looting of the treasures from Baghdad's antiquities museum, a legendary Phoenician statue is stolen . . .

Known as the Navigator, the statue points back to the days of King Solomon and is the vital clue to a secret of unimaginable power. Lucky then that UN investigator Carina Mechadi recovers it quickly. But a daring raid by helicopter in Iceberg Alley off Newfoundland and the statue is gone again - while Carina is only saved by the timely intervention of Kurt Austin of NUMA.

Now Austin and Carina are scouring the globe. Firstly, to track down the statue as it leaves a trail of murder and mayhem in its wake. And, secondly, to beat the thieves to the secret of the Navigator - for if it falls into the wrong hands, the world could be changed for ever. **Paperback \$19.95**

## **Lindsey Davis**

### *Nemesis (Marcus Didius Falco)*

In the high summer of A.D. 77, Roman informer Marcus Didius Falco is beset by personal problems. Newly bereaved and facing unexpected upheavals in his life, it is a relief for him to consider someone else's misfortunes. A middle-aged couple who supplied statues to his father, Geminus, have disappeared under mysterious circumstances. They had an old feud with a bunch of notorious freedmen, the Claudii, who live rough in the pestilential Pontine Marshes, terrorizing the neighborhood.

When a mutilated corpse turns up near Rome, Falco and his vigiles friend Petronius investigate, even though it means traveling in the dread marshes. But just as they are making progress, the Chief Spy, Anacrites, snatches their case away from them. As his rivalry with Falco escalates, he makes false overtures of friendship, but fails to cover up the fact that the violent Claudii have acquired corrupt protection at the highest level. Making further enquiries after they have been warned off can only be dangerous—but when did that stop Falco and Petronius?

Egged on by the slippery bureaucrats who hate Anacrites, the dogged friends dig deeper while a psychotic killer keeps taking more victims, and the shocking truth creeps closer and closer to home. **Hardcover \$51.95**

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An irresistible treasure, two master thieves, and a secret as old as mankind . . .

Michael St. Pierre, a reformed master thief, thinks he has left his criminal days far behind him, when he receives word that his best friend, Simon, has been locked up and sentenced to die in a brutal desert prison. Breaking into jail for the first time in his checkered career, Michael is stunned to discover that his new girlfriend, KC, is connected to Simon's case.

With a madman on their heels, the three adventurers make their way to Istanbul in search of the mysterious artifact that landed Simon behind bars in the first place: a map containing the location of a holy place lost to the mists of time, a repository of knowledge and treasure predating Judaism, Christianity, and Islam. Testing their courage and wits, Michael and his team are forced to plot a series of daring thefts that take them inside some of the city's most celebrated (and heavily guarded) sanctums, from the imperial harem of Topkapi Palace to the tombs of the Hagia Sophia itself. More than priceless artifacts are at stake—the lives of loved ones and perhaps the fate of humanity itself hang in the balance. **Hardcover \$51.95**

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### *Danse Macabre*

Daniel Jacobus, reclusive blind concert master and amateur sleuth, returns to solve a most despicable crime and to clear an innocent man. Just after his Carnegie Hall swansong and before his imminent departure for retirement in France, beloved violinist and humanitarian Rene Allard is brutally murdered with a mysterious weapon. His young African American rival, crossover artist BTower, is spotted at the scene of the crime hovering over the contorted body of Allard with blood on his hands. In short order the aloof and arrogant BTower is convicted and sentenced to death, in part the result of the testimony of blind and curmudgeonly violin pedagogue Daniel Jacobus, like millions of others, an ardent admirer of Allard. Justice has been served...or has it? Jacobus is dragged back into the case kicking and screaming, and reluctantly follows a trail of broken violins and broken lives as it leads inexorably to the truth, and to his own mortal peril. **Hardcover \$51.95**

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### *The Anniversary Man*

Twenty years ago John Costello's life, as he knew it, ended. He and his beautiful girlfriend, Nadia, were victims of the deranged 'Hammer of God' killer who terrorised New Jersey City throughout the summer of 1984. Nadia was killed instantly. John survived, but withdrew from society, emerging only to work as a crime researcher for a major newspaper. Damaged he may be, but no one in New Jersey knows more about serial killers than John Costello. Then a new spate of murders starts - all seemingly random and unrelated - until John discovers a complex pattern that links them. But could this dark knowledge be about to threaten his life? **B Paperback \$22.99**

### *Saints of New York*

The death of a young heroin dealer occasions no great concern for New York PD Detective Frank Parrish, but when the dealer's teenage sister winds up dead, questions are raised that have no clear answers. Parrish, already under investigation by Internal Affairs for repeatedly challenging his superiors, is committed to daily interviews with a Police Department counsellor. As the homicides continue - and a disturbing pattern emerges - Frank tries desperately to make some sense of the deaths, while battling with his own demons. Trying to live up to the reputation of his father, John - not only a legendary NYPD Detective, but also one of the original 'Saints of New York', the crew who worked hand-in-glove with the authorities to rid New York of the final vestiges of Mafia control in the 1980s - Parrish struggles to come to terms with the broken pieces of his own life. But, as the murder rate escalates, he must discover the truth behind them before there are further innocent victims. **Trade Paperback \$32.99**

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Enter Valentino, a mild-mannered UCLA film archivist. In the surreal world of Hollywood filmdom, truth is often stranger than celluloid fiction. When Valentino buys a decrepit movie palace and uncovers a skeleton in the secret Prohibition basement, he's not really surprised. But he's staggered by a second discovery: long-lost, priceless reels of film: Erich von Stroheim's infamous Greed. The LAPD wants to take the reels as evidence, jeopardizing the precious old film. If Valentino wants to save his find, he has only one choice: solve the murder within 72 hours with the help of his mentor, the noted film scholar Broadhead, and Fanta, a feisty if slightly flaky young law student. Between a budding romance with a beautiful forensics investigator and visions of Von Stroheim's ghost, Valentino's madcap race to save the flick is as fast and frenetic as a classic screwball comedy. A quirky cast of characters, smart dialogue and a touch of romance make this Estleman's most engaging and accessible novel to date. **Trade Paperback \$30.95**

## **Janet Evanovich**

### *Wicked Appetite (Elizabeth Tucker 01)*

Number one bestselling author Janet Evanovich has created a brand-new heroine in Elizabeth Tucker: Marblehead resident, bakery worker, unlucky in love... and descendant of witches. Life has had a pleasant predictability to it for Lizzy. That is until a tall, black-haired, dark eyed man shows up in a black sports car, touches her hand and leaves a burn mark. His name is Gerwulf Grimoire, also known as Wulf. And he wants what Lizzy has: knowledge. Almost simultaneously comes another man, a different man, but this one just as dangerous in his own way. His name is Diesel. And he wants several things Lizzy has, only one of them being knowledge. Unbeknownst to Lizzy, she has the ability to find 'empowered objects'. Turns out, a collection of stones that represent the seven deadly sins have made their way to Marblehead. Nothing bad can happen if the stones are all separated. But if they are grouped together, they have the power to unleash hell on earth. Wulf wants them. Diesel wants to stop him. And Lizzy is the key to all of it. **Trade Paperback \$32.99**

### *Wicked Appetite*

Life in Marblehead has had a pleasant predictability, until Diesel arrives. Rumor has it that a collection of priceless ancient relics representing the Seven Deadly Sins have made their way to Boston's North Shore. Partnered with pastry chef Lizzie Tucker, Diesel bullies and charms his way through historic Salem to track them down—and his criminal mastermind cousin Gerewulf Grimorie. The black-haired, black-hearted Wulf is on the hunt for the relic representing gluttony. Caught in a race against time, Diesel and Lizzie soon find out that more isn't always better, as they battle Wulf and the first of the deadly sins. With delectable characters and non-stop thrills that have made Janet Evanovich a household name, *Wicked Appetite* will leave you hungry for more. **Hardcover \$56.95**

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Eager to exploit a potentially highly-lucrative energy source, billionaire Dennis Cavendish has begun to tap the crystalline methane under the floor of the Atlantic Ocean. Eco-terrorism kills his science team and releases gigatons of poisonous methane into the water and atmosphere, causing untold deaths. If the release isn't stopped, all life on Earth will soon disappear. Suspected of the sabotage and far from home, Cavendish's beautiful and brainy security chief, Victoria Clark, along with methane expert Dr. Sam Briscoe and the US government, must find a way to seal the break in the ocean floor and nullify the methane that is already poisoning the planet. **Paperback \$21.95**

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London, December 1563. England is a troubled nation. Catholic plots against the young Queen Elizabeth spring up all over the country. At his house in the parish of St Bride, the herald William Harley - known to everyone as Clarenceux - receives a book from his friend and fellow Catholic, Henry Machyn. But Machyn is in fear of his life, claiming that the book is deadly... What secret can it hold? And then Clarenceux is visited by the State in the form of Francis Walsingham and his ruthless enforcers, who will stop at nothing to gain possession of it. If Clarenceux and his family are to survive the terror of Walsingham, and to plead with the queen's Secretary of State Sir William Cecil for their lives, Clarenceux must solve the clues contained in the book to unlock its dangerous secrets before it's too late. And when he does, he realises that it's not only his life and the lives of those most dear to him that are at stake... **Trade Paperback \$32.99**

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Early one September three friends spend the weekend at a remote cabin by Dead Water Lake. With only a pale moon to light their way, they row across the water in the middle of the night. But only two of them return, and they make a pact not to call for help until the following morning.

Inspector Sejer leads the investigation when the body is discovered. He is troubled by the apparent suicide and has an overwhelming sense that the surviving pair has something to hide. Weeks pass without further clues, and then in a nearby lake the body of a teenage boy floats to the surface.

**Trade Paperback \$32.95****Christopher Fowler***Bryant and May on the Loose (Bryant and May)*

Long regarded an anachronism and a thorn in the side of its superiors, the Peculiar Crimes Unit is to be disbanded. For octogenarian detectives Arthur Bryant and John May, it seems retirement is now the only option. But then a headless body is found in a freezer, and on the perimeter of a massive construction site near King's Cross, a gigantic figure has been spotted - dressed in deerskin and sporting antlers made of knives and suddenly, with limited resources and very little time, the PCU are back in business... **B Paperback \$24.95**

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**Ariana Franklin***The Assassin's Prayer*

The King of England has ordered his Mistress of the Art of Death - anatomist and doctor Adelia Aguilar - to accompany 10-year-old Princess Joanna on her thousand-mile journey to marry the King of Sicily. They must take with them the legendary sword Excalibur.

And so Adelia sets sail with the golden princess and her lavish procession of nobles, musicians, servants, laundresses, grooms, luggage and treasure. But when members of the procession begin to die and it looks as though Adelia is to blame, there are dangerous accusations of witchcraft.

Meanwhile one traveller, armed with a brilliant disguise and a personal vendetta, has been watching Adelia all too closely. He wants Adelia dead . . . but he wants her to suffer first. **Trade Paperback \$32.95**

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Bruner, Wisconsin, is really two different towns. On one side are the magnificent summer estates of wealthy families who value their privacy and privilege above all else. A few miles away, but a world apart, are the homes of the working men and women who cook, clean, and tend to the needs of the summer visitors. It's a place of staggering natural beauty, but where death can come unexpectedly and with no regard for a person's bank account or family tree. A place of steadfast loyalties and friendships, but where the long and brutal winter can make even the most intimate friends turn on each other with frightening intensity.

This is the place where Sheriff Paul Summers finds himself grasping for answers when the wild, unpredictable woman who captured his heart years ago is discovered brutally and spectacularly murdered inside her family's snowbound estate. As the last person to see her alive, and given his complicated history with the victim, Paul is not only lead investigator on the case but, in the eyes of many in Bruner, the prime suspect in her killing. Battling rumors of an evil cult's being formed just outside of town, the disappearance of another citizen, and a wife whose grasp of reality is quickly slipping away, Paul must race to find the true guilty party before a massive winter storm leaves them all cut off from the outside world and at the mercy of a remorseless killer. As the approaching storm gathers in intensity, so do the twists and turns that bring Paul ever closer to unraveling the big secrets that haunt this small town. In a stunning conclusion, Paul witnesses firsthand the startling power and beauty of heaven's fury.

**Hardcover \$52.95**

**Frances Fyfield***Cold to the Touch*

Beautiful, volatile Jessica has long since burned her boats in the village by the sea where she was born. She longs to return, but first she needs to secure the love of the powerful man who has spurned her obsessive adoration. Sarah Fortune, her older, cynical friend, is keen to distance herself from her usual haunts and welcomes the chance to leave London in the hope that she might be able to effect a reconciliation between Jessica and her mother. Pennyvale both charms and distracts her with hints of scandal and buried secrets, but it soon begins to disquiet her as cracks of distrust and jealousy show in the polite faades. Sarah is excited when Jessica tells her she is coming home, but she never arrives. Sarah's instinctive knowledge of Jessica leads her back to the capital, fearful of what she will find. What she discovers reveals a truth more chilling than she could have imagined, but she has to return to Pennyvale to fully understand how Jessica was finally brought home, and why... **Paperback \$22.99**

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One of the wildest and most beautiful regions in Italy, known for its rugged coastline and mountains, Calabria is also home to the deadly 'Ndrangheta. An organised Mafia crime operation more feared in Italy than the Cosa Nostra or the Camorra, it is shrouded in mystery. Chief Superintendent Michele Ferrara of Italy's elite Anti-Mafia Investigation Department is tasked with investigating the deaths of several Calabria citizens - some in New York, some in the small, isolated villages that dot the Calabrian countryside. To get to the bottom of the case, Ferrara has to infiltrate the village of San Piero d'Aspromonte, deep in the Calabrian mountains. And there, he must put his life on the line to learn more about a family at the centre of an ancient, bloody feud... **Trade Paperback \$29.99**

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The Twelve is an extraordinary and unforgettable novel about a most unusual and unsuspecting hero. At fifteen years old, Max has a near-death experience during which he has a vision that reveals the names of twelve unique individuals. While Max cannot discern the significance of the twelve names, he is unable to shake the sense that they have deep meaning.

Eight years pass before Max meets the first of The Twelve. With this meeting, Max's voyage of discovery begins, as he strives to uncover the identities and roles of the individuals he will meet during his journey toward truth. All of The Twelve seem connected, and all of them are important to what will happen at the exact moment the world as we know it will end. The outcome of their meeting could fulfill an ancient Mayan prophecy, controlling the future of life on our planet.

Only The Twelve can provide the answers, as the fate of all humanity rests in the balance. **Paperback \$19.95**

**Dolores Gordon-Smith***A Hundred Thousand Dragons*

The latest 'Jack Haldean' mystery, set in the Roaring Twenties - A hundred thousand dragons lie, underneath an Arabian sky. How do a few lines of poetry, a chance encounter in a London hotel, and a death in Sussex lead to a lost city of Arabia, and to the tombs of the Whispering Dead? Jack Haldean has evaded the truth for years, but now, enmeshed in the web of murder, theft and deception, he must find the answer and face up to the truth - a truth as deadly as any dragon . . . **Hardcover \$58.95**

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Meet Hailey Dean, a young and tremendously successful criminal prosecutor who, after the sudden death of her fiancé, becomes disillusioned with her profession and closes herself off from life as she knows it in an effort to block out the pain. Grief-stricken, she decides to move from her home in Georgia to New York City for a change of pace and surroundings.

In New York, Hailey embarks on a new career as a therapist and finally starts to feel settled in her new life when she's swept under another tidal wave of turmoil. As her patients are murdered one by one in the same way as the victims in the last case Hailey prosecuted, she is forced to face the fact that she cannot escape the past she tried so hard to leave behind, and can't turn her back on her true calling.

This novel, the first of two, is inspired by Nancy Grace's own beginnings as a prosecutor and the untimely and tragic death of her fiancé. It is a gripping mystery full of great southern flavor and a good dash of politics and intrigue that thrills from start to finish. **A Paperback \$19.95**

**Keir Graff***Price of Liberty*

It's a new day in America - but old contracts must still be honored - Jack McEnroe is a construction worker with an unusual job: building a prison camp for terrorists in Red Rock, Wyoming. But then Jack discovers that his boss, Dave Fetters, has two sets of books - one legal, one not so much. He wants to blow the whistle, but before he can do so, Fetters learns that Jack knows his secret - and he'll do anything to keep Jack from spilling it . . . **Hardcover \$58.95**

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Phryne Fisher needs a rest. It's summer. She packs up her family and moves to Queenscliff, a quiet watering place on the coast. Where she meets with

smugglers, pirate treasure and some very interesting surrealists, including a parrot called Pussykins. What is the mysterious madame Selavey hiding? Where

are the Johnsons, who were supposed to be in the holiday house? **Hardcover \$51.95**

**James Grippando***Intent to Kill*

Accidents happen . . .

Ryan James' promising baseball career was derailed before it even got started—when a hit-and-run driver killed his wife, Chelsea, leaving Ryan alone to care for their beautiful little girl. Now, three years later, he's a popular sports radio host in Boston, still haunted by a tragic crime that was never solved.

But this was no accident

Then, on the anniversary of Chelsea's death, Ryan receives a chilling message from an anonymous tipster: "I know who did it." The shocking revelation that it may have come from Chelsea's autistic younger brother sets Ryan on a twisted path toward a shattering truth that threatens Ryan, his daughter, and everyone around them. **A Paperback \$19.99**

## **Rhodi Hawk**

### *A Twisted Ladder*

Psychologist Madeleine LeBlanc has spent her whole career trying to determine the cause of her father's schizophrenia. She always felt that if she could unravel the disease's origins, she could cure the man who left her and her brother, Marc, to practically raise themselves on the Louisiana Bayou. When Marc takes his own life, Madeleine embarks on a shocking journey into her family's history—fraught with dark secrets, conjured demons, and a powerful relative who puts Madeleine's own life and property in peril. The only way to she can save herself is to face the ghosts of the past, the dangers of the present, and the twisted ladder that links them all together. **Paperback \$19.95**

## **Carl Hiaasen**

### *Star Island*

22-year-old pop star Cherry Pye is attempting a comeback from her latest drug and alcohol disaster. Ann DeLusia is Cherry's 'undercover stunt double', standing in for Cherry whenever the singer is too wasted to go out in public. But, one night, Ann-as-Cherry is mistakenly kidnapped from a Miami hotel by an obsessed paparazzo named Bang Abbott. Now the challenge for Cherry's handlers (comprising the world's pushiest stage mother; perverted record producer; nipped-and-tucked twin publicists; weed-strimmer-wielding bodyguard) is to rescue Ann while keeping her existence secret from the public. Will Bang achieve his fantasy of a private photo session with Cherry? Will Cherry sober up in time to lip-synch her concert tour and promote her new album, Skantily Klad? And will Ann escape from Cherry's shadow? **Trade Paperback \$32.99**

## **Jack Higgins**

### *The Judas Gate (Sean Dillon)*

A disturbing tape has made its way to British intelligence, and from them to the new President of the United States: battlefield chatter from an ambush in Afghanistan, in which twelve U.S. Army Rangers and a British medical team died.

Most of the Taliban voices are Afghan, but not all of them - the voice of the commander bears an Irish accent. The idea that one of their own could be responsible for such a massacre is appalling, and Sean Dillon is put in charge of hunting the traitor down. But Dillon has his own way of doing things and so, he will eventually discover, does his quarry. Dillon will not only be going to war - the war will be coming to him.

The fast and furious plot sweeps the reader from Pakistan to Algeria to London to Paris to Ireland, with many deaths along the way. And one familiar, and deadly face from *The Wolf at the Door* makes a dramatic, and decisive reappearance, in a nerve-jangling story, where the stakes are high, and no one can be trusted. **Trade Paperback \$32.99**

## **Jack Higgins**

### *Solo*

In the depths of a cavernous concert hall, a gifted psychopath plots and waits, his thoughts on nothing but music and murder. He kills for pleasure, constantly searching, and with a brand new target in his sights, his mind spirals once again into torture and violence.

But this time, he has chosen the wrong victim; the teenage daughter of one of the most feared and respected SAS soldiers known; a man with more training and advanced killer instinct than even himself.

Now, the hunt is on. As soldier stalks maestro for a brutal vengeance, one attempts to outsmart the other in a deadly game of cunning, skill, and bloody expertise, building to a nerve-shattering climax. **A Paperback \$19.99**

## **Susan Hill**

### *Shadows in the Street (Simon Serrallier)*

Susan Hill's Simon Serrallier series has established itself as superior crime fare with four gripping psychological thrillers already in print.

Serrallier has just wrapped up a particularly exhausting and difficult case and is on sabbatical on a far-flung Scottish island when he is called back to Lafferton by the Chief Constable. Two local prostitutes have been found strangled. When the wife of the St. Michael's Cathedral Dean goes missing and then another respectable woman is taken on her way to work, the townspeople grow angry and afraid. Serrallier is in the greatest danger of his life. **Hardcover \$51.95**

## **Matt Hilton**

### *Judgement and Wrath*

After barely escaping with his life while trying to save his half brother from a deranged killer, former-military-operative-turned-problem-solver Joe Hunter has a new life—and hopefully a quieter one—in Florida. But he's soon approached by a man who wants Hunter to bring his daughter, Marianne, home. He claims that her boyfriend, millionaire Bradley Jorgenson, is a twisted, abusive man, and he hints that Hunter should use whatever force is necessary to rescue the girl. The problem is, when Hunter finds the couple, Marianne appears happy, and Hunter can find no signs that Jorgenson has hurt her.

Things get even more complicated when a crafty contract killer by the name of Dantalion shows up at Jorgenson's exclusive island residence with his sights set on Jorgenson and Marianne. Dantalion has an agenda of his own, and nobody is going to stand in his way. Not even Joe Hunter.

When Hunter steps in and saves the couple, what started as a simple matter of snatch-and-grab turns into a deadly game of cat-and-mouse that sets the hunter and the hunted on a grueling chase deep within the Florida swamplands.

In this pulse-pounding follow-up to *Dead Men's Dust*, the smashing debut that introduced Joe Hunter, Matt Hilton delivers an explosive white-knuckled thrill ride that will have readers gasping for breath all the way to the electrifying conclusion. **Hardcover \$51.95**

## **Jilliane Hoffman**

### *Pretty Little Things*

Thirteen-year-old Lainey Emerson is the middle child in a household that police are already familiar with: her mother works too much and her step-father favors his own blood over another man's problems—namely, Lainey and her wild older sister, Liza. So when Lainey does not come home from a Friday night out with her friends, it is dismissed by the Coral Springs Police Department as just another disillusioned South Florida teen running away from suburban drama and an unhappy home life.

But Special Agent Bobby Dees, who has headed up the department's difficult Crimes Against Children (CAC) Squad in Miami for more than a decade, is not quite so sure. Nicknamed "The Shepherd" by colleagues, he has an uncanny ability to find the missing and bring them back home—dead or alive. Haunted by the still unsolved disappearance of his own daughter, Bobby recognizes the all too familiar up-swell inside him, the gut feeling that Lainey Emerson is no runaway.

A search of Lainey's computer and a talk with her best friend reveal Lainey was involved in a secret Internet relationship, spawned over a chat room, and nurtured through untraceable instant messages. Bobby fears she may be the victim of an on-line predator, and he fears she may not be the only one. **Hardcover \$52.95**

## **Hugh Holton**

### *Revenge*

Chicago police officer Larry Cole finds himself challenged by simultaneous difficult cases involving a dark magician with a secret past, a former pro athlete turned gangster and a violently obsessed femme fatale. By the author of *Time of the Assassins*. **Paperback \$19.95**

## **Kay Hooper**

### *Blood Ties (Bishop / Special Crimes Unit Blood 03)*

The elite Special Crimes Unit, the FBI's most controversial and effective team, is a group of mavericks and misfits trained to use their unique psychic abilities to hunt the worst monsters imaginable-human ones. Led by the enigmatic Noah Bishop, the SCU has earned a reputation for pitting their skills and cunning against killers that other cops fear. But this time Bishop and his agents face an enemy who has them in his sights, a trained sniper with a deadly plan-and more than one ace up his sleeve.

It starts with an unspeakable series of grisly murders across three states, a trail of blood leading, finally, to the small Tennessee town of Serenade. There, two more brutal killings lure the SCU into what may be the ultimate trap.

One of the first investigators on the scene, Special Agent Hollis Templeton, is willing to push herself as hard and as far as necessary. Risking more than her life to help and protect her SCU colleagues, Hollis must cope with her own psychic abilities, which are evolving in unprecedented ways, an attraction to the most complex man she's ever known, and a serial murder investigation that turns very, very personal.

In her time with the SCU, Hollis has shown an uncanny ability to survive even the deadliest attacks. But what she can't know is that this killer intends to destroy the team from within.

The clock is ticking. The body count is rising. And as Bishop and his agents race to uncover the true identity of their enemy, not even their special senses can warn them just how bloody, and how terrifyingly close, the truth will be. **Paperback \$19.95**

## **Linda Howard**

### *Burn*

Money certainly changes Jenner Redwine's life when she wins a lottery jackpot. But it also costs her plenty: Her father rips her off and disappears, her fortune-hunting boyfriend soon becomes her ex, and friends-turned-freeloaders give her the cold shoulder when she stops paying for everything.

Flush with new money, Jenner can't imagine ever finding a place in the world of the wealthy. Seven years later, though, she's rubbing elbows with the rich, despite the fact she still feels like a party crasher. Luckily she finds an ally-and a guide to the rarefied realm of privilege-in shy, kind-hearted heiress Sydney Hazlett, who quickly becomes Jenner's confidante and surrogate sister.

When Sydney invites Jenner on a charity cruise aboard a luxury liner, Jenner reluctantly agrees. But while she's expecting-and dreading-two weeks of masquerade balls, art auctions, and preening glitterati, what she gets is more like a Hitchcock movie than a Love Boat episode. Taken hostage by a menacing stranger, Jenner must cooperate in a mysterious cloak-and-dagger scheme-or else. With nowhere to run, and with Sydney's life as well as her own at risk, Jenner is drawn into a game of dizzying intrigue and harrowing danger. But as her panic gives way to exhilaration, and fear of her captor turns to fascination, Jenner rediscovers feelings she hasn't had in years-and realizes she's found a life worth living. If she survives.

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## **Gregg Hurwitz**

### *Or She Dies*

First, Patrick receives the mysterious DVDs. They show invasive footage of him in the privacy of his own house. Soon, Patrick and his wife Ariana find themselves questioning everything and everyone as their lives unravel. Someone is clearly out to get them. And then, the email arrives: Go Alone Do What We Say Or She Dies A compulsively readable novel about an ordinary couple in a deadly situation, *Or She Dies* is the must-read thriller of the year. **A Paperback \$19.99**

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An international sensation, published in over twenty five countries around the world, Arnaldur Indridason attained instant fame in the English-speaking mystery world after winning the Gold Dagger Award for *Silence of the Grave*. His other crime novels in the series, *Jar City* and *Voices*, have also been published to highest acclaim—U.S. readers who have already discovered this extraordinary writer are eagerly anticipating this latest Inspector Erlundur Sveinsson thriller.

Following an earthquake, the water level of an Icelandic lake suddenly falls, revealing a skeleton that is weighed down by a heavy radio device bearing inscriptions in Russian. Inspectors Erlundur, Elinborg, and Sigurdur Oli's investigation takes them back to the Cold War era, when bright, left-wing students in Iceland were sent to study in the "heavenly state" of Communist East Germany.

But one of the students went missing, and her friends suspected that her "heavenly state" was all too real. Erlundur follows a long cold trail that leads back to Iceland, international espionage, and murder.

Another astonishing thriller from one of crime fiction's brightest stars, *The Draining Lake* is Arnaldur Indridason's most gripping book yet. **Hardcover \$51.95**

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A unique clue is left for FBI criminologist Patrick Bowers at the scene of a ritual murder: a tape recording predicting Bowers' own next move. At a subsequent murder, Bowers uncovers something else: an ancient manuscript being used as a template for the crimes. And the more he deciphers the codes of the text, the more he fears how it will end. Because Bowers isn't closing in on the killer at all. The killer is closing in on him...

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Will Anderson is a drunk, heartbroken over the breakup with his fiancée, Elizabeth. He's barely kept his job at his father's company—Detroit Electric, 1910's leading electric automobile manufacturer. Late one night, Elizabeth's new fiancé and Will's one-time friend, John Cooper, asks Will to meet him at the car factory. He finds Cooper dead, crushed in a huge hydraulic roof press. Surprised by the police, Will panics and runs, leaving behind his cap and automobile, and buries his blood-spattered clothing in a garbage can.

What follows is a fast-paced, detail-filled ride through early-1900s Detroit, involving murder, blackmail, organized crime, the development of a wonderful friendship, and the inside story on early electric automobiles. Through it all, Will learns that clearing himself of the crime he was framed for is only the beginning. To survive, and for his loved ones to survive, he must also become a man. **Hardcover \$51.95**

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Drawing from the classic *Sense and Sensibility*, Tracy Kiely continues the adventures of Elizabeth Parker, the likable Austen-quoting sleuth, in this witty and charming series.

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Alexandria, Egypt, 1977.

During a dive to an old shipwreck, archaeologist Isabella Warnock uncovers an artefact unlike anything she has ever seen: an astrarium, a mysterious ancient device rumoured to have shaped the destinies of pharaohs and kings since the beginning of time. But her discovery comes at a terrible price, and it falls to her husband Oliver to keep the priceless object safe.

Up against a shadowy enemy and a powerful cult prepared to do anything for the treasure, Oliver is catapulted into a breakneck race to protect an ancient secret in a dangerous world of conspiracy and Egyptology, where age-old sorcery and legends clash violently with modern-day ambitions.

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'You're going to hell, Jack Nightingale': They are words that ended his career as a police negotiator. Now Jack's a struggling private detective - and the chilling words come back to haunt him. Nightingale's life is turned upside down the day that he inherits a mansion with a priceless library; it comes from a man who claims to be his father, and it comes with a warning. That Nightingale's soul was sold at birth and a devil will come to claim it on his thirty-third birthday - just three weeks away. Jack doesn't believe in Hell, probably doesn't believe in Heaven either. But when people close to him start to die horribly, he is led to the inescapable conclusion that real evil may be at work. And that if he doesn't find a way out he'll be damned in hell for eternity. **A Paperback \$19.99**

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Mak Vanderwall -- beautiful, street-wise daughter of a cop, graduate in forensic psychology, and now PI -- is hired by a widowed mother to track down her missing nineteen-year-old son. Has he come to harm? Or has he run off with a bizarre troupe of shady French cabaret artists sweeping through Australia?

And what of the rumours of violence and tragedy that have plagued the troupe for the past decade? Is their horrifying past fact or fiction?

Meanwhile, Mak is increasingly obsessed with the powerful Cavanagh family, one of Australia's richest and most ruthless families, whom she believes has got away with murder. And it seems their security advisor Mr White, and his hit man, Luther Hand, may not have forgotten about Mak either ... **B Paperback \$24.99**

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The return of Inspector Van Veeteren...

In the heart of summer, the country swelters in a fug of heat. In the beautiful forested lake-town of Sorbinowo, Sergeant Merwin Kluuge's tranquil existence is shattered when he receives a phone-call from an anonymous woman. She tells him that a girl has gone missing from the summer camp of the mysterious The Pure Life, a religious sect buried deep in the woods. Chief Inspector Van Veeteren is recruited to help solve the mystery.

But Van Veeteren's investigations at The Pure Life go nowhere fast. The strange priest-like figure who leads the sect -Oscar Yellineck - refuses even to admit anyone is missing. Things soon take a sinister turn, however, when a young girl's body is discovered in the woods, raped and strangled; and Yellineck himself disappears. Yet even in the face of these new horrors, the remaining members of the sect refuse to co-operate with Van Veeteren, remaining largely silent.

As the body count rises, a media frenzy descends upon the town and the pressure to find the monster behind the murders weighs heavily on the investigative team. Finally Van Veeteren realises that to solve this disturbing case, faced with silence and with few clues to follow, he has only his intuition to rely on... **Trade Paperback \$32.99**

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Sooner or later, everybody pays – and the dead will set the price...

Gerry Fegan, a former paramilitary contract killer, is haunted by the ghosts of the 12 people he has slaughtered. Every night he drowns their screams in drink, on the point of losing his mind. Then one of the ghosts offers Fegan a solution: kill those who engineered their deaths.

From the greedy politicians to the corrupt security forces, the street thugs to the complacent bystanders who let it happen, all must pay the price. But when Fegan's vendetta threatens to derail Northern Ireland's peace process and destabilise its fledgling government, old comrades and enemies alike want him gone. The secrets of a dirty war should stay buried: even if its ghosts do not. **B Paperback \$24.95**

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Flicking through her friends' holiday snaps, Kate Benson receives a sudden shock. For there in the background is her husband, Charlie. Dark hair, blue eyes, familiar smile: there's no mistaking him. But that's impossible. Because Charlie died exactly a year ago.

Determined to track down the man in the photograph, Kate follows the trail from Miami to Sicily, where her husband drowned in mysterious circumstances. But when she discovers serious discrepancies in the original investigation, Kate starts to question whether she ever really knew the man she loved so much.

Was Charlie murdered? Was their marriage as perfect as Kate remembers? Who are the people following her? Who can she trust? And is Kate herself to be trusted? Because there are secrets in her past too . . . **Trade Paperback \$32.99**

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Eight hundred years ago a Crusader in the Holy Land discovered a gold box. Under a veil of secrecy it was transported to England and hidden, the clues to its whereabouts embedded in sixteen cryptic lines of verse. For centuries it has been rumoured the treasure was none other than the Ark of the Covenant . . .

And now, after a brutal murder in Washington and the theft of an ancient relic known as the Stones of Fire, there's a desperate need to find out whether the rumours are true. For the Stones of Fire was Moses' breastplate, supposedly worn to protect him from the Ark of the Covenant and if - as it seems - a sinister army of mercenaries has masterminded the theft, it's only a matter of time before they use the Ark to wage war on a terrifying and devastating scale.

The Ark of the Covenant must be found. The safety of the world depends upon it. **Paperback \$19.95**

### **Sara Paretsky**

#### *Body Work (V I Warshawski)*

The audacious new V. I. Warshawski novel from the New York Times-bestselling author.

The enigmatic performer known as the Body Artist takes the stage at Chicago's Club Gouge and allows her audience to use her naked body as a canvas for their impromptu illustrations. V. I. Warshawski watches as people step forward, some meek, some bold, to make their mark.

The evening takes a strange turn when one woman's sketch triggers a violent outburst from a man at a nearby table. Quickly subdued, the man-an Iraqi war vet-leaves the club. Days later, the woman is shot outside the club. She dies in V.I.'s arms, and the police move quickly to arrest the angry vet.

A shooting in Chicago is nothing new, certainly not to V.I., who is hired by the vet's family to clear his name. As V.I. seeks answers, her investigation will take her from the North Side of Chicago to the far reaches of the Gulf War. **Hardcover \$54.95**

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Hired to counter a blackmailer who has had affairs with several wealthy women, Boston private eye Spenser finds the case turning violent when the women are systematically murdered, a situation that is complicated by the discovery that not all of the blackmailer's conquests make sense.

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### **James Patterson**

#### *Cross*

Alex Cross was a rising star in Washington, DC, Police Department when an unknown shooter killed his wife, Maria, in front of him. Years later, having left the FBI and returned to practising psychology in Washington, DC, Alex finally feels his life is in order... Until his former partner, John Sampson, calls in a favour. John's tracking a serial rapist in Georgetown and he needs Alex to help find this brutal predator. When the case triggers a connection to Maria's death, could Alex have a chance to catch his wife's murderer? Will this be justice at long last? Or the endgame in his own deadly obsession? From the man the Sunday Telegraph called 'the master of the suspense genre', CROSS is the ultimate, high-velocity, high-emotion thriller, and the one Alex Cross's fans waited years to read. **B Paperback \$22.99**

## **James Patterson & Liza Marklund**

### *Postcard Killers*

NYPD detective Jacob Kanon is on a tour of Europe's most gorgeous cities. But the sights aren't what draw him – he sees each museum, each cathedral, and each cafe through the eyes of his daughter's killer.

Kanon's daughter, Kimmy, and her fiance were murdered while on vacation in Rome. Since then, young couples in Paris, Copenhagen, Frankfurt, and Stockholm have been found dead. Little connects the murders, other than a postcard to the local newspaper that precedes each new victim.

Now Kanon teams up with the Swedish reporter, Dessie Larsson, who received the postcard in Stockholm – and they think they know where the next victims will be. With relentless logic and unstoppable action, *Postcard Killers* may be James Patterson's most vivid and compelling thriller yet.

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## **Dale Peck & Tim Kring**

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America in 1963 is a country at a crossroads: Vietnam, the civil rights movement, the Cuban missile crisis, the sexual revolution, FBI, CIA, LSD – and a promise of change offered by a new President, John F Kennedy. Some people believe in the future. Other conspire to control it.

Chandler Forrester is a man whose life is changed forever when he is unwittingly dragged into a CIA mind-control experiment. After being given a massive dose of LSD, Chandler develops a frightening array of mental powers. With his heightened perception he uncovers a plot to assassinate President Kennedy. Chased by the dark powers of world government, will Chandler be able to harness his 'shift' and rewrite history?

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## **Louise Penny**

### *The Brutal Telling (Armand Gamache 05)*

Chaos is coming, old son.

With those words the peace of Three Pines is shattered. Everybody goes to Olivier's Bistro—including a stranger whose murdered body is found on the floor. When Chief Inspector Gamache is called to investigate, he is dismayed to discover that Olivier's story is full of holes. Why are his fingerprints all over the cabin that's uncovered deep in the wilderness, with priceless antiques and the dead man's blood? And what other secrets and layers of lies are buried in the seemingly idyllic village?

Gamache follows a trail of clues and treasures—from first editions of *Charlotte's Web* and *Jane Eyre* to a spiderweb with a word mysteriously woven in it—into the woods and across the continent, before returning to Three Pines to confront the truth and the final, brutal telling.

**Trade Paperback \$28.95**

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From a secretive soldier on the eve of the Normandy landings to a golf-playing gun fanatic in a suburb of modern Britain, everybody has something to hide in this brilliant collection of original spy fiction that brings together the distinctive voices of the genre for the very first time.

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A bitterly cold February in Glasgow. Hanging from a rope in the attic of a deserted tenement is the body of a criminal believed to have been hiding out on the Costa del Sol these last ten years. His face has been hideously disfigured.

Investigating officers DI Anderson and DS Costello believe the dead man to be a suspect in a decade-old case: the rape and attempted murder of a young student by two men. And there are other, similar cases on file.

But what has happened to the dead man's accomplice, 'Mr Click'?

And with the discovery of another young woman who has been brutally attacked, detectives Anderson and Costello realise this terrifying psychopath has started working once more. They must use every trick in the book to stop him. For Mr Click has developed a taste for his bloodthirsty trade. And to satisfy his lust he will strike again and again . . . **Trade Paperback \$32.95**

**Gordon Reece Australian Author***Mice*

'Shelley, darling,' Mum said. 'Don't be frightened. He just wants money. If we do everything he says, he's going to go away and leave us alone.'

I didn't believe her, and I could tell from the trembling of her hands and the catch in her voice that she didn't believe it herself. When a cat gets into the mousehole, it doesn't go away leaving the mice unharmed. I knew how this story was going to end.

Shelley and her mum have been bullied long enough. When they retreat to an isolated cottage in the country, they think their troubles are over, and they revel in their cosy, secure life. But one night, an intruder disturbs their peace and something inside Shelley snaps. What happens next will shatter all their certainties. **Trade Paperback \$19.99**

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The most riveting novel yet in Christopher Reich's New York Times bestselling series—featuring Dr. Jonathan Ransom and his undercover-agent wife Emma, a dangerous woman with a mysterious past who has gone rogue in the high-stakes, serpentine world of international spies.

In 1980, a secret American B-52 crashes high in a remote mountain range on the Pakistan–Afghanistan border. Nearly thirty years later, and spanning locales from those peaks to New York City, a terrible truth will be revealed.

Jonathan Ransom returns as the resourceful doctor thrown into a shadowy world of double and triple agents where absolutely no one can be trusted. To stay alive, Ransom must unravel the mystery surrounding his wife—an enigmatic and lethal spy who plays by her own rules—and discover where her loyalties truly lie.

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Forensic anthropologist Tempe Brennan investigates the death of a man who appears to have died while engaged in a bizarre sexual act and who was originally declared dead four decades earlier. **Hardcover \$54.95**

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When Tempe is called to the scene of an autoerotic death, she has little idea of the tangled chain of events that will follow. Because the man whose body she is examining apparently died in a helicopter crash in Vietnam 40 years before. So who is buried in the soldier's grave?

Tempe's investigations take her to Honolulu where she is caught up not only in the mystery of the unidentified body in the soldier's grave, but also dragged into investigating who, or what, killed the young men whose body parts have floated up onto a popular Hawaiian beach. And as Tempe gradually unravels the tangled threads of the mystery, it becomes clear that there are some who would rather the past stays dead and buried. And when Tempe proves difficult to frighten, they turn their attention to the person who means more to her than anyone else in the world.

**Trade Paperback \$32.95**

## **Cynthia Riggs**

### *Touch-Me-Not (Martha's Vineyard)*

Victoria Trumbull, the ninety-two-year-old poet/sleuth, is back in another entertaining mystery, set in beautiful Martha's Vineyard.

A mathematical knitters group is working on a coral reef quilt for a competition to draw attention to global warming. When a telephone stalker begins preying on their members, they become terrified and distracted and turn to Victoria Trumbull for help. Victoria and Police Chief Casey O'Neill attempt to track down the man the women suspect of stalking, but he seems to have disappeared. To complicate matters, someone gets killed. Victoria must solve the murder and also deal with issues on the home front when her daughter, Amelia, arrives from California, determined to help her mother and concerned that Victoria may be too great a burden on Elizabeth, Amelia's daughter. **Hardcover \$51.95**

## **Luis Miguel Rocha**

### *The Holy Assassin*

Deep in the Vatican's inner sanctum, lies a dark and terrifying secret... a secret that has been concealed for decades, and a secret that its keepers will stop at nothing to protect.

1978 – Pope John Paul I dies in mysterious circumstances. His successor, John Paul II emerges from the conclave – unaware that he is in mortal danger. It is only the actions of a few loyal operatives that his assassination is prevented.

Thirty years later that journalist Sarah Monteiro begins to uncover the sinister machinations of a covert agency, who's web of lies and injustice hide the true power behind the throne.

It would seem that the dark forces are still at large, and Sarah faces a life or death struggle in the name of truth and faith. **Trade Paperback \$32.95**

## **Al Roker & Dick Lochte**

### *The Morning Show Murders*

Network TV can be murder. Just ask Billy Blessing, famous for his smile, charm, and ability to survive the shark tank that is high-stakes morning TV. But though Billy has outlived his fair share of prima-donnas, his cooking segment on Wake Up America! is a staple of the American diet, and his Manhattan bistro is a mega-success, his career has just taken a very dangerous turn: His show's perky cohost, Gin McCauley, has launched into some brass-knuckles contract negotiations. A visiting Mossad agent is about to tell all on the air. And then the network's head honcho is murdered in his luxury apartment, and an ambitious D.A. decides that Billy is to blame.

Forensics show that Gerry Gallagher was poisoned and that the fatal coq au vin came from Billy's restaurant. Gerry had an impressive list of women in his black book-and a news assignment in Afghanistan had plunged the TV exec into the heart of a violent international secret. Now unsavory characters are coming out of the woodwork, and another murder strikes the show's inner circle. Billy knows that someone's trying to frame him. He also knows that a ruthless international assassin has just arrived in New York City. And suddenly, for the most trusted guy on TV the ultimate career move is not about ratings. It's about staying alive-and stopping the next murder from becoming tomorrow's breaking news. **Paperback \$19.95**

## **Nancy Taylor Rosenberg**

### *My Lost Daughter*

Following her success with *The Cheater*, Nancy Taylor Rosenberg returns to her most memorable character, Lily Forrester. Lily is a tough judge in Ventura County, California, who has overcome adversity and heartache to achieve a position of power to help those who can't help themselves. Like the current case before her, the sensational murder trial of a woman who tortured and killed her beautiful two-year old son. Lily is determined to see justice done but she's thrown for a loop when she receives word that her own daughter, Shana, months away from graduating from Stanford Law School, is on the verge of dropping out. Lily rushes north and what she discovers causes her to fear for her daughter's mental state. She must get back to the trial and decides that she will take Shana to a facility where they can evaluate her and if needed give her some counseling or medication. Which is when things go horribly awry. For the institution that Lily has chosen is far less interested in treating patients than it is with bilking the insurance companies out of extravagant fees...and they are less than scrupulous about patient's rights. Discovering the awful truth, Lily will have to summon all her intelligence and street smarts to find a way to free Shana. She will have to work fast however, for there is someone at the facility who seems to have his own agenda separate from the institution. And Lily's daughter may not only be in danger of losing her sanity but her life. **Hardcover \$52.95**

## **David Rosenfelt**

### *Dog Tags*

A German Shepherd police dog witnesses a murder and if his owner--an Iraq war vet and former cop-turned-thief--is convicted of the crime, the dog could be put down. Few rival Andy Carpenter's affection for dogs, and he decides to represent the poor canine. As Andy struggles to convince a judge that this dog should be set free, he discovers that the dog and his owner have become involved unwittingly in a case of much greater proportions than the one they've been charged with. Andy will have to call upon the unique abilities of this ex-police dog to help solve the crime and prevent a catastrophic event from taking place. **Hardcover \$51.95**

## **S J Rozan**

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

Estranged for months from fellow P.I. Bill Smith, Chinese-American private investigator Lydia Chin is brought in by colleague and former mentor Joel Pilarsky to help with a case that crosses continents, cultures, and decades.

In Shanghai, excavation has unearthed a cache of European jewelry dating back to World War II, when Shanghai was an open city providing safe haven for thousands of Jewish refugees. The jewelry, identified as having belonged to one such refugee - Rosalie Gilder - was immediately stolen by a Chinese official who fled to New York City. Hired by a lawyer specializing in the recovery of Holocaust assets, Chin and Pilarsky are to find any and all leads to the missing jewels.

However, Lydia soon learns that there is much more to the story than they've been told: The Shanghai Moon, one of the world's most sought after missing jewels, reputed to be worth millions, is believed to have been part of the same stash. Before Lydia can act on this new information, Joel Pilarsky is murdered, Lydia is fired from the case, and Bill Smith finally reappears on the scene. Now Lydia and Bill must unravel the truth about the Shanghai Moon and the events that surrounded its disappearance sixty years ago during the chaos of war and revolution, if they are to stop more killings and uncover the truth of what is going on today. **Trade Paperback \$30.95**

## **Jed Rubinfeld**

### *Interpretation of Murder*

A dazzling literary thriller—the story of Sigmund Freud assisting a Manhattan murder investigation. *The Interpretation of Murder* is an inventive tour de force inspired by Sigmund Freud's 1909 visit to America, accompanied by protege and rival Carl Jung. When a wealthy young debutante is discovered bound, whipped and strangled in a luxurious apartment overlooking the city, and another society beauty narrowly escapes the same fate, the mayor of New York calls upon Freud to use his revolutionary new ideas to help the surviving victim recover her memory of the attack, and solve the crime. But nothing about the attacks—or about the surviving victim, Nora—is quite as it seems. And there are those in very high places determined to stop the truth coming out, and Freud's startling theories taking root on American soil. **B Paperback \$22.99**

## **Craig Russell**

### *The Long Glasgow Kiss*

There are some concepts that are alien to the Glaswegian mind. Salad. Dentistry. Forgiveness...

Shonky (well shonky-ish) private eye Lennox is madly in lust with the daughter of notorious Glasgow bookie and greyhound breeder 'Small Change MacFarlane'.

After making a killing on what looks like a crooked race, Small Change MacFarlane is found bludgeoned to death with a bronze statue of 'Danny Boy', his previous best racer.

Lennox gets drawn into the seriously shady business of dog racing as he hunts to find MacFarlane's killer. Was MacFarlane murdered by an underworld rival or was his death at the hands of someone closer to home...?

Lennox thinks he knows the answer. But you wouldn't want to bet on it... **Trade Paperback \$29.99**

## **Annelise Ryan**

### *Scared Stiff (Deputy Coroner Mattie Winston)*

After discovering the dead body of part-time model Shannon Tolliver on Halloween night, Deputy Coroner Mattie Winston and her boss, Izzy, use their razor sharp medical skills to catch a clever killer who is trying to frame Shannon's ex-husband for the crime. **Hardcover \$43.95**

## **Ben Sanders**

### *The Fallen*

When local cop Sean Devereaux, who enjoys skating close to the edge, does a favour for his attractive neighbour, he unwittingly exposes a web of deceit and corruption.

As he investigates the murder of a 16-year-old Epsom 'princess' in his day job, his after-hours efforts have him stumbling into the aftermath of a scam involving senior colleagues, and he is soon enmeshed in an escalating cycle of kidnapping, murder and violent mayhem.

With his unconventional ex-colleague-turned-security-specialist John Hale, Devereaux slowly begins to unravel the truth as the body count climbs and the stakes become personal. As an outwardly terse, street-savvy operator, Sean Devereaux emerges as an engaging and irreverent hero, becoming the catalyst for an absorbing, strangely uneasy murder mystery, set in unnervingly familiar surroundings.

A superb blend of international standard crime-writing with a strong local ambience that lures you in and delivers a strong and emotionally satisfying read.

Ben Sanders, who lives on Auckland's North Shore, has been a keen writer since his early teens. His sophisticated and edgy style signals the emergence of a major new writing talent. **B Paperback \$24.99**

## **John Sandford**

### *Bad Blood (Virgil Flowers)*

One late fall Sunday in southern Minnesota, a farmer brings a load of soybeans to a local grain elevator- and a young man hits him on the head with a steel bar, drops him into the grain bin, waits until he's sure he's dead, and then calls the sheriff to report the "accident." Suspicious, the sheriff calls in Virgil Flowers, who quickly breaks the kid down...and the next day the boy's found hanging in his cell. Remorse? Virgil isn't so sure, and as he investigates he begins to uncover a multigeneration, multifamily conspiracy-a series of crimes of such monstrosity that, though he's seen an awful lot in his life, even he has difficulty in comprehending it...and in figuring out what to do next. **Hardcover \$56.95**

## **Jose Rodrigues Dos Santos**

### *The Einstein Enigma*

Princeton, New Jersey -1951. Just off a small street, an unidentified man stands hidden, carefully monitoring an unfolding scene. A police-escorted motorcade stops at a small, unremarkable house while an old man with a shock of white hair jumps out of the lead car. As he ambles up the walkway, another man around the same age, also sporting wild white hair, descends from the porch and warmly greets him. The observer lurking in the shadows is from the CIA; fellow operatives are also close by, recording the conversation taking place inside the house between newly arrived Israeli prime minister David Ben-Gurion and his host, the world-renowned scientist Albert Einstein. The subject of their conversation: nuclear weapons and the existence of God.

Cairo, Egypt—today. World-famous cryptanalyst Thomas Noronha is waiting on the front steps of the Egyptian Museum when an attractive, dark-haired woman approaches and invites him to lunch in the Muslim quarter. Her name is Ariana Pakravan. Over the course of their lunch she hires Thomas to decipher a cryptogram hidden in a secret document that has recently been discovered and is under heavy security in Tehran. Penned by Albert Einstein, the manuscript's title is, simply, Die Gottesformel: The God Formula.

Thus begins a story of love and treason, a fast-paced adventure that takes Thomas and Ariana on a breathtaking pursuit from Cairo to Lhasa, from Princeton to Tehran, from Coimbra to Shigatse. Along the way, *The Einstein Enigma* offers up a mystic fusion of science and religion, a meeting of Einstein and God in an unforgettable spiritual search, and a mind-bending trip to the source of time, the essence of the universe, and the meaning of life. **Hardcover \$52.95**

## **Stephen Jay Schwartz**

### *Beat*

LAPD Robbery-Homicide Detective Hayden Glass has always had trouble controlling his urges. No longer trolling the streets looking for working girls, he has a new obsession--the Internet. Infatuated with a woman he finds on a website, Hayden Glass's sex addiction drags him to San Francisco and into a web of corruption and crime.

Glass's search for this woman leads him to a massive sex slave trade, run by the Russian mafia and protected by a group of powerful and corrupt San Francisco cops. Glass gets co-opted by the FBI to aid in their investigation...but his presence is doing much more harm than good.

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## **Lisa Scottoline**

### *Look Again*

Top Five New York Times Bestselling author with her best thriller yet When reporter Ellen Gleeson gets a "Have You Seen This Child?" flyer in the mail, she almost throws it away. But something about it makes her look again, and her heart stops. The child in the photo looks exactly like her adopted son, Will. All her instincts tell her to deny the similarity between her son and the photo, for she knows his adoption was lawful. But she's a journalist and can't stop thinking about the image until she figures out the truth. Moreover, she can't shake off the question: if Will rightfully belongs to someone else, should she keep him or give him up? **B Paperback \$22.99**

## **Gerald Seymour**

### *Dealer and the Dead*

Eighteen years after the barbarous war with the Serbs that tore their communities apart, a group of Croatian villagers discover the identity of the Englishman who they believe betrayed them by welching on a deal to supply arms. With revenge in sight at last, they hire a professional killer from London to track him down... but is the story as simple as they think? A brilliant, bruising thriller, told in a unique way, about what happens when the hand of the past suddenly reaches out to the present - and is holding a gun. **Trade Paperback \$32.99**

## **Bob Shepherd**

### *The Infidel*

When Islamic militants infiltrate an elite British counter-narcotics programme, disaster is averted thanks to SAS veterans John Patterson and Dusty Miller. But when fallout from the affair threatens to topple the West's fragile Afghan alliance and expose failings inside the UK's new crime fighting agency, John and Dusty suddenly find themselves on the wrong side of the law.

Alone and on the run, one place on earth holds the key to their innocence: Nuristan, a remote Afghan province and notorious terrorist haven. But their journey to freedom will thrust them deeper into the Afghan conflict than they ever imagined. Battling hostile terrain and Islamic fighters, John and Dusty emerge the unlikely champions of an ancient community torn apart by al-Qaeda and western forces.

From Bob Shepherd, ex-SAS soldier and bestselling author of *The Circuit*, comes an adventure inspired by Rudyard Kipling's *The Man Who Would Be King*. An action-packed tale of honour, betrayal and tribalism, *The Infidel* is thrilling, poignant and deeply relevant to one of the bloodiest conflicts of our time. **Trade Paperback \$32.99**

## **Yrsa Sigurdardottir**

### *Ashes to Dust*

Thora peered at the floor, but couldn't see anything that could have frightened Markus that much, only three mounds of dust. She moved the light of her torch over them. It took her some time to realize what she was seeing and then it was all she could do not to let the torch slip from her hand. 'Good God,' she said. She ran the light over the three faces, one after another. Sunken cheeks, empty eye-sockets, gaping mouths; they reminded her of photographs of mummies she'd once seen in *Living Science* magazine. 'Who are these people?' 'I don't know,' said Markus... Bodies are discovered in one of the excavated houses at a volcanic tourist attraction dubbed 'The Pompeii of the North'. Markus Magnusson, who was only a teenager when the volcano erupted, falls under suspicion and hires attorney Thora Gudmundsdottir to defend him - but when his childhood sweetheart is murdered his case starts to look more difficult, and the locals seem oddly reluctant to back him up... **Trade Paperback \$32.99**

## **Alastair Sim**

### *The Unbelievers*

A brooding, Victorian murder mystery set in the Scottish Highlands and featuring Inspector Allerdyce and Sergeant McGillivray

Scotland's richest man has been shot dead and dumped down a well. Was the Duke of Dornoch murdered by one of the miners whose wages he cut because of "market forces"? Was he killed in return for his part in clearing the Highlands of their people? Did a discarded lover take their final revenge?

Inspector Allerdyce and Sergeant McGillivray VC must find out before the killer strikes again. But their search, from the material heights of Victorian society to its moral dregs, threatens to overturn everything Allerdyce believes and loves.

In the tradition of Charles Finch and *The Somnambulist*, Alastair Sim has crafted a memorable, atmospheric novel that covers new ground in the world of Victorian mysteries. **Hardcover \$49.95**

## **Alexander McCall Smith**

### *Lost Art of Gratitude (Isabel Dalhousie 06)*

The sensational sixth installment in the best-selling chronicles of the irrepressibly curious Isabel Dalhousie.

Isabel's son, Charlie, is now of an age—eighteen months—to have a social life, and so off they go to a birthday party, where, much to Isabel's surprise, she encounters an old adversary, Minty Auchterlonie, now a high-flying financier. Minty had seemed to Isabel a woman of ruthless ambition, but the question of her integrity had never been answered. Now, when Minty takes Isabel into her confidence about a personal matter, Isabel finds herself going another round: Is Minty to be trusted? Or is she the perpetrator of an enormous financial fraud? And what should Isabel make of the rumors of shady financial transactions at Minty's investment bank?

Not that this is the only dilemma facing Isabel: she also crosses swords again with her nemesis, Professor Dove, in an argument over plagiarism. Of course her niece, Cat, has a new, problematic man (a tightrope walker!) in her life. And there remains the open question of marriage to Jamie—doting father of Charlie.

As always, there is no end to the delight in accompanying Isabel as she makes her way toward the heart of every problem: philosophizing, sleuthing, and downright snooping in her inimitable—and inimitably charming—fashion. **Trade Paperback \$28.95**

## **Jennifer Stanley**

### *The Way of the Guilty (Hope Street Church Mysteries 03)*

Cooper Lee has a new outlook on life, thanks to her friends at Hope Street Church. Spending time with the Sunrise Bible Study Group nourishes her mind and soul. But home is where the heart is—along with Mrs. Lee's baked treats—and Cooper is indeed happy to have such a great family to come home to when not spending time with Nathan, a friend from the group who just might be (fingers crossed) The One. So when her sister, Ashley, is implicated in a gruesome murder, Cooper snaps into action. Along with Nathan and her friends from Hope Street, Cooper vows to solve this unholy mess—with a wing, a prayer, and a small dose of snooping... **Paperback \$19.95**

## **Terence Strong**

### *The Promised War*

When Israeli counter-terrorism agent Sam Deker thwarts an attempt by radical Palestinians to blow up Jerusalem's Dome of the Rock, little does he realize that the threat is a diversion. His deep knowledge of Israel's most closely guarded state secret means that he is the real target.

Taken to neighbouring Jordan to be tortured, when Deker finally comes round he doesn't know if he is dead, in some torture-induced psychosis, or if stranger things are afoot, because he appears to have woken up in the middle of the ancient Israelite army on the eve of its historic siege of Jericho.

General Bin Nun has declared a holy war of Biblical proportions, and Deker's only chance of escape is to go on a dangerous mission to spy out the Promised Land in advance of the invasion. But all is not as it seems and Israel's fate in the 21st century lies in his hands.

Ensnared by a beautiful enemy and caught in a web of deadly betrayal, can Deker unlock the truth held within Jericho's famous walls before it's too late? **Trade Paperback \$32.99**

## **Peter Temple Australian Author**

### *Truth*

At the close of a long day, Inspector Stephen Villani stands in the bathroom of a luxury apartment high above the city. In the glass bath, a young woman lies dead, a panic button within reach.

So begins Truth, the sequel to Peter Temple's bestselling masterpiece, The Broken Shore, winner of the Duncan Lawrie Dagger for Best Crime Novel.

Villani's life is his work. It is his identity, his calling, his touchstone. But now, over a few sweltering summer days, as fires burn across the state and his superiors and colleagues scheme and jostle, he finds all the certainties of his life are crumbling.

Truth is a novel about a man, a family, a city. It is about violence, murder, love, corruption, honour and deceit. And it is about truth.

**B Paperback \$23.95**

## **Scarlett Thomas**

### *Our Tragic Universe*

Can a story save your life?

Meg Carpenter is broke. Her novel is years overdue. Her cell phone is out of minutes. And her moody boyfriend's only contribution to the household is his sour attitude. So she jumps at the chance to review a pseudoscientific book that promises life everlasting.

But who wants to live forever?

Consulting cosmology and physics, tarot cards, koans (and riddles and jokes), new-age theories of everything, narrative theory, Nietzsche, Baudrillard, and knitting patterns, Meg wends her way through Our Tragic Universe, asking this and many other questions. Does she believe in fairies? In magic? Is she a superbeing? Is she living a storyless story? And what's the connection between her off-hand suggestion to push a car into a river, a ship in a bottle, a mysterious beast loose on the moor, and the controversial author of The Science of Living Forever?

Smart, entrancing, and boiling over with Thomas's trademark big ideas, Our Tragic Universe is a book about how relationships are created and destroyed, how we can rewrite our futures (if not our histories), and how stories just might save our lives. **Hardcover \$40.95**

## **Jim Thompson**

### *The Killer Inside*

Deputy Sheriff Lou Ford is a pillar of the community in his small Texas town, patient and thoughtful. Some people think he's a little slow and boring but that's the worst they say about him. But then nobody knows about what Lou calls his 'sickness'. It nearly got him put away when he was younger, but his adopted brother took the rap for that. Now the sickness that has been lying dormant for a while is about to surface again - and the consequences are brutal and devastating... **Paperback \$22.99**

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Combining the Washington-insider excitement of a Baldacci with the feet-on-the-ground authenticity of a McNab, THE APOSTLE is Brad Thor's debut publication for Hodder. A new president means a new approach to counter-terrorism, and that means covert agent Scot Harvath is out of a job. But every politician has a secret, and when the daughter of a highly-connected family is kidnapped abroad, America's new leader will agree to anything - even a crazily dangerous rescue plan to keep his secret hidden. And there is only one man he can call on to execute the mission . . .

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### *Foreign Influence*

Recruited as a field operative in a totally secret and uncompromising new spy agency, former Navy SEAL Scot Harvath is summoned when a bombing in Rome kills a group of American college students. The evidence points to a dangerous colleague from Harvath's past and a plan for further attacks on an unimaginable scale. Harvath is tasked with re-establishing contact with the man to lure him out of hiding and kill him on the spot. But what if it is the wrong man? Simultaneously, a young woman is struck by a taxi in a hit-and-run incident in Chicago. With only two intoxicated witnesses and over five thousand cabs in the city, the Chicago Police have given up on their investigation. But when the family's attorney digs deeper, he will uncover a shocking connection to the bombing in Rome and the perpetrators' plans for America and Europe. As the story rockets towards a stunning climax in London and Amsterdam, the plots intersect in a race to prevent one of the most audacious and unthinkable acts of war in the history of mankind. **Trade Paperback \$32.99**

## **Aimee Thurlo & David Thurlo**

### *Never-Ending-Snake (Ella Clah)*

As a people, the Navajo seek to walk in beauty and find a balance between modern and traditional culture. As a mother, a daughter, and a member of the Navajo Nation, Ella Clah finds her own way to walk—but as a police officer, she seeks both justice and truth.

When Never-ending-snake begins, Ella is returning from a trip to Washington, DC, where she has been presented with a lucrative offer of employment with a private security firm. The catch? She would have to leave the Reservation. And while Ella has lived off the Rez before, it would be a life-altering experience for her daughter, Dawn.

Before Ella has a chance to even begin making up her mind, gunfire sends her and her companions diving for cover. Who is the target? War hero and alternative fuel lobbyist Adam Lonewolf, politician and tribal attorney Kevin Tolino, or Ella herself? As a Navajo Police Special Investigator, Ella has made more than one enemy. **Hardcover \$51.95**

**Charles Todd***An Impartial Witness (Bess Crawford)*

World War I nurse Bess Crawford, introduced in *A Duty to the Dead*, returns in an exciting new mystery in which a murder draws her inexorably into the sights of a cunning killer

It is the early summer of 1917. Bess Crawford has returned to England from the trenches of France with a convoy of severely wounded men. One of her patients is a young pilot who has been burned beyond recognition, and who clings to life and the photo of his wife that is pinned to his tunic.

While passing through a London train station, Bess notices a woman bidding an emotional farewell to an officer, her grief heart-wrenching. And then Bess realizes that she seems familiar. In fact, she's the woman in the pilot's photo, but the man she is seeing off is not her husband.

Back on duty in France, Bess discovers a newspaper with a drawing of the woman's face on the front page. Accompanying the drawing is a plea from Scotland Yard seeking information from anyone who has seen her. For it appears that the woman was murdered on the very day Bess encountered her at the station.

Granted leave to speak with Scotland Yard, Bess becomes entangled in the case. Though an arrest is made, she must delve into the depths of her very soul to decide if the police will hang an innocent man or a vicious killer. Exposing the truth is dangerous—and will put her own life on the line.

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**Lisa Unger***Die For You*

Isabel and Marcus Raines are the perfect couple. She is a well known novelist; he is a brilliant inventor of high-tech games and they have been happily married for five years.

But one morning, Marcus says he loves her, leaves for work, and disappears into thin air.

Isabel relentlessly tried to reach him when he doesn't return home. But when his call finally comes, she hears only a man's terrified scream. The police are of no use. The screams she heard may have been a prank, they tell her. Men leave. They leave all the time.

Isabel races to Marcus's office, trying to find some answers. Instead she finds herself in the middle of an FBI raid, and she is knocked unconscious.

When she awakes in a hospital, she learns that everyone Marcus worked with is dead.

When Isabel returns home she finds that it has been completely ransacked and all their money is missing from their accounts. Then the police discover that Marcus Raines is a dead man. Long dead. Years dead. Isabel has been married to a stranger.

And now the chase is on, because Isabel will not rest until she finds the truth about the man she loved, who he was, where he's gone, and how he was able to deceive her so completely. **A Paperback \$21.95**

**Lisa Unger***Fragile*

In this stunning new stand-alone psychological thriller, Lisa Unger examines the small town secrets exposed when a teenager goes missing in circumstances similar to another young girl's disappearance twenty years before.

"But how do you know he didn't hurt her?" Jones asks his wife, Maggie anguished when their son's girlfriend, Charlene, vanishes. Eerie parallels soon emerge between this disappearance and the abduction that shook their community years ago. Maggie can hardly believe that her husband, a police officer, suspects Ricky of causing Charlene's disappearance. Ricky is his father's son in all the most important ways and she suddenly realizes that might be exactly what Jones fears. In a town where the past is always present, nobody is above suspicion, not even a son in the eyes of his father. Determined to uncover the truth, Maggie pursues her own leads into Charlene's disappearance and exposes a long-buried town secret—one that could destroy everything she holds dear. This thrilling novel about one community's intricate yet fragile bonds will leave readers asking, How well do I know the people I love? and How far would I go to protect them? **Trade Paperback \$32.95**

**Michael Walsh***Early Warning*

When international cyber-terrorists help radical insurgents breach the highest levels of national security, Devlin, the NSA's most lethal weapon, goes up against an enemy more violent and ruthless than the world has ever known. **Paperback \$17.95**

**Wendy Lyn Watson***Scoop to Kill (Mystery a la Mode 02)*

During the local college's annual Honor's Day festivities, a graduate student is killed. When the English professor suspected of his murder also meets an untimely end, Tallulah Jones steps out from behind the counter of Remember the a-la-Mode to clear the professor's name-before anyone else gets put on ice... **Paperback \$17.95**

**David Whish-Wilson Australian Author***Line of Sight*

When a brothel madam is shot on a Perth golf course in 1975 it should be a routine murder enquiry. But it isn't. In fact there's barely an investigation at all, and Superintendent Swann thinks he knows why. Heroin is the new drug in town and the money is finding its way into some very respectable hands.

It's the brave or the foolish who accuse their fellow cops of corruption, and sometimes not even Swann is sure which he is. Especially when those he's pointing the finger at have mates in every stronghold of power in the state – big business, organised crime, the government. He might have won the first round by forcing a royal commission, but the judge is an ailing patsy and the outcome seems predetermined. If that's not enough to contend with, Swann's teenage daughter has disappeared, he doesn't know whether she's alive or not, and the word on the street is he's a dead man walking.

*Line of Sight* is classic crime noir, a tale of dark corruption set in a city of sun and heat. **Trade Paperback \$29.95**

**Michael White Australian Author***The Art of Murder*

In all his years on the force, Detective Chief Inspector Pendragon has never seen a murder quite like this one.

It isn't the bizarre arrangement of the body, found in a London art gallery, that has Pendragon and his team reeling; it's the meticulous arrangement of an apple in the hole where the corpse's face used to be. The reference to surrealist painter Magritte is horrifyingly clear.

Twenty-four hours later, the police have a second grotesque killing on their hands. This time, the crime scene emulates a famous Dali painting, *The Persistence of Memory*. Someone is turning murder into an art form...

And it's not for the first time. More than a century earlier, the citizens of Whitechapel in London's East End were living in fear of another artist with a knife. Though Jack the Ripper was never caught, his teaching lives on.

Now, in the twenty-first century, Jack has a gifted and bloodthirsty apprentice... **Trade Paperback \$32.95**

**Don Winslow***The Gentlemen's Hour*

Boone Daniels, a laid-back private investigator, gathers with his surfing buddies on Pacific beach. There's no surf, but the Dawn Patrol are out in force regardless...it's what they do. Having no work to do, and no real reason to go to the office, Boone stays for the second shift on the daily surfing clock – the Gentleman's Hour; and ends up taking on a hated matrimonial case. But that soon becomes the least of his worries.

When The Sundowner, a symbolic icon of the San Diego surf scene, sees a murderous dispute between a young surfer and a member of the territorial Rockpile Crew, the painful truth that violence is seeping into the surf community can no longer be ignored. So when asked to help on the defence by current love interest Petra Hall, Boone knows there will be outrage from both the community, and the rest of Dawn Patrol.

As the two cases overlap in unexpected ways, an isolated Boone finds himself struggling to stay afloat as the water gets deeper...and more deadly. **A Paperback \$24.95**

**Stuart Woods***Santa Fe Edge (Ed Eagle)*

Ed Eagle, the six-foot-six, take-no-prisoners Santa Fe attorney, has recovered from his encounters with Mexican organized crime and-more treacherously-his ex-wife, Barbara. Now a mysterious new client has come his way, one who may shed light into some dark corners of Ed's past...and put him in danger once more. **Hardcover \$52.95**

**Stuart Woods***Kisser (Stone Barrington)*

Hoping to resume a quieter legal career after returning to New York from Key West, Stone Barrington crosses paths with a beautiful Broadway actress whose shady past places Stone and downtown police officer Dino Bacchetti in danger. **Paperback \$21.95**

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A transport plane carrying an important Taliban detainee for interrogation is shot down in a blizzard over Afghanistan. For two people-navigator Michael Parson and a woman Army interpreter, Sergeant Gold-a battle for survival begins across some of the most forbidding terrain on earth against not only the hazards of nature but the treacheries of man: the Taliban stalking them; the villagers, whose loyalty is unknown; and a prisoner who would very much like the three of them to be caught. All Parson and Gold have is each other, to stay alive. **Hardcover \$52.95**

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*Stories of the Outback*

Stories of the outback and famous Australians have a special place in many of our hearts. This collection from well-known outback man and tour company entrepreneur Bert Bolton shares the adventurous, cunning and good-will of some of the most famous outback names.

From the exploits of outback hero Ernest Giles, to the exciting life of gambler Harry Redford, and the trails of Sister Ruth – whose story and deeds of sacrifice in this country are as prominent as Florence Nightingale, these are the stories of people who lived and breathed the outback.

With an introduction from Australian legend Rolf Harris, these short and lively stories will enliven the outback spirit in you.

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*Wolf Tales 10*

The Chanku are gifted with more power—of mind, body, and soul—than the most superior of humans. Yet even these exceptional beings cannot change the laws of nature...or destiny. And when one loses his human life mate to a tragic accident, he is shattered by grief he never imagined possible...

The only thing worse than losing his love is knowing that her death was caused by the incompetence of a goddess supposedly possessed of timeless wisdom. The justice dealt for the goddess's horrible mistake is a demotion—from immortal to human—and the charge of filling the missing space in the Montana pack. But while some accept her quickly, not all are so willing...

It is time for Anton, Stefan, and Adam to test the newcomer: to see if she can withstand the heights of ecstasy these Chanku men will show her—and to discover whether, when faced with the ultimate sacrifice, she will make the right choice... **Paperback \$19.95**

*A Zombie Ate my Cupcake* **Hardcover \$24.95**

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*In the Footsteps of Band of Brothers*

An inspiring walk through World War II history from the national bestselling author of *Biggest Brother*.

On the eve of the 65th anniversary of the end of the war in Europe, Larry Alexander returns to the very battlefields that made Easy Company a legend. Accompanied by Easy veteran Sgt. Forrest Guth on his final tour, Alexander crosses an ocean and a continent to follow the path to victory taken by the famed Band of Brothers, exploring the living history of the places where they went into action, and revealing what makes their story so meaningful for us to this day.

Part travelogue, part historical perspective, *In the Footsteps of the Band of Brothers* is an unforgettable memorial to those who shined in our country's finest hour. **Hardcover \$39.95**

**Boyd Anderson**

*Errol, Fidel and the Cuban Rebel Girls*

Based on actual events, the unlikely friendship between Errol Flynn and Fidel Castro is one of the 20th century's great untold stories.

Cuba, 1959: In the final year of Errol Flynn's life, he found time for one last adventure. The dashing star of many Hollywood films had always longed to be a real hero. Fidel Castro was the genuine article, and now he was looking for fame. What each man had the other wanted, and as revolution raged around them, the stage was set for an explosive encounter.

Cuba is on the brink of revolution and Errol Flynn is there making what will be his final film. When Flynn and Castro meet, the weapons they use aren't guns and grenades, but words and women. Errol is involved in the latest in a long line of relationships with under-age women. Fidel is ready to march triumphantly into Havana after overthrowing the Batista government. Within days of the coup, Errol is chased out of Cuba with the firing squad and Fidel hot on his heels.

Featuring a full cast of Hollywood movie stars, beautiful women, Cuban revolutionaries and New York mobsters, *Errol & Fidel and the Cuban Rebel Girls* is the story of two men at the opposite ends of astonishing careers. It is a story with two heroes ... but there is only ever room for one.

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*The Dragon's Mark (Rogue Angel 26)*

Archaeologist Annja Creed and her sword have never been outmatched- until now. When a surprise party for her mentor Roux includes some uninvited guests, Annja finds herself fighting desperately for her life. The intruders escape but leave a sinister message behind.

A legend has resurfaced about a sword that should be feared. A sword that seeks a master as bloodthirsty as itself. It is wielded by an assassin known as the Dragon who initiates a terrible game of cat and mouse. Eventually, the two swords-light and dark-must meet...and only one shall triumph.

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Compiled from the veterans' notes, journals, letters, photographs, and the author's personally conducted interviews with the surviving contributors, this unique volume features the never-before-told stories of the Band of Brothers from more than twenty children and other family members.

**Hardcover \$39.95***We Who Are Alive & Remain: Untold Stories from the Band of Brothers*

The national bestseller of never-before-published stories from the Band of Brothers

They were the men of the now-legendary Easy Company. After almost two years of hard training, they parachuted into Normandy on D-Day and, later, Operation Market Garden. They fought their way through Belgium, France, and Germany, survived overwhelming odds, liberated concentration camps, and drank a victory toast in April of 1945 at Hitler's hideout in the Alps.

Here, revealed for the first time, are stories of war, sacrifice, and courage as seen by one of the most revered combat units in military history. In *We Who Are Alive and Remain*, twenty men who were there, and the families of three deceased others, recount the horrors and the victories, the bonds they made, the tears and blood they shed—and the brothers they lost. **Paperback \$19.95****Warren Fahey***Australian Folk Songs and Bush Ballads*

Warren Fahey's AUSTRALIAN FOLK SONGS AND BUSH BALLADS is a stirring, foot-stomping treasure-trove of more than 100 traditional songs that celebrate what it is to be Australian. These are not some dusty old songs to be thrown in a drawer and forgotten. They are songs to be sung with gusto whenever the spirit takes you - on holiday, at school, at a party, around the barbecue or kitchen table.

You'll find the words and music for sing-along favourites such as 'Old Bullock Dray', 'Wild Colonial Boy', 'Stir the Wallaby Stew', 'The Old Bark Hut', 'Limejuice Tub', 'Banks of the Condamine', 'Euabalong Ball', 'Augathella Station', 'Click Go the Shears', 'The Dying Stockman', 'The Overlanders' and 'Waltzing Matilda', plus the song we should all know the words to (but few of us do) - 'Advance Australia Fair'. There are also several bush songs published for the first time.

Featuring fascinating background notes and liberally illustrated with rare images, this book is a must for anyone interested in Australia's musical and cultural history. And it has been collected by the one who knows them best: legendary folklorist and performer, Warren Fahey. **Paperback \$39.99****Jon Farry &***Man With A Pram*For the first time in history, a book about pregnancy that men will actually be interested in. The concept for MAN WITH A PRAM was born (excuse the pun) from the authors' observations that most men were not interested in the current pregnancy literature on the market. Added to this was the observation that many a pregnant partner seemed to be frustrated by this perceived lack of interest in pregnancy literature. Essentially, the current pregnancy literature isn't interesting for men because it's aimed at women, it's all a bit peaches and cream, a bit preachy, over-serious and well... Boring! Let's face it, most men would rather walk over broken glass (or watch sport) than read a book punctuated with fog lensed pictures of smiling pregnant women with chapters entitled 'How You're Feeling'. The authors reasoned that for a pregnancy book to appeal to men it needed to state the facts of pregnancy issues while couching them in humour, science, statistics, trivia and male orientated advice: basically things that men like to read about. **Trade Paperback \$24.99****Kathleen O'Neal Gear & W Michael Gear***Coming of the Storm (Contact: Battle for America 01)*A first entry in a new series by the Golden Spur Award-winning authors of *People of the Raven* traces the first contact between Native Americans and Europeans in 1539 as viewed by Chickasaw trader Black Shell, who witnesses the brutal progress of Hernando de Soto's military.**A Paperback \$19.95****R G Grant***Battle*In this new edition of *Battle*, look at over 5,000 years of battles and conflict in a compact format.

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Get up close to an incredible array of artefacts, paintings, maps, battle plans and photographs which bring the history of conflict vividly to life. Meet the generals and see key weapons used in blood-thirsty battles from the cannon to the tank.

With a foreword by Dan Snow, co-presenter of the BBC's *Battlefield Britain*, prepare yourself for this remarkable but brutal story of mankind's most incredible conflicts. **Hardcover \$49.95****Justin Halpern***Sh\*t My Dad Says*

The worldwide Twitter sensation: a brilliant new comic voice, and a 100% real father-son relationship that makes Steptoe and Son look healthy...

At 28 years old, I found myself living at home, with my 73-year-old father. As a child, my father never minced words, and when I screwed up, he had a way of cutting right through the bullshit and pointing out exactly why I was being an idiot. When I moved back in I was still, for the most part, an idiot. But this time, I was smart enough to write down all the things he said to me...

Meet Justin Halpern and his dad. Over one million people follow Mr Halpern's philosophical musings every day on Twitter, and in this book, his son weaves a brilliantly funny, touching coming-of-age memoir around the best of his sayings. What emerges is a chaotic, hilarious, true portrait of a father and son relationship from a major new comic voice. As Justin says at one point, his dad is "like Socrates, but angrier, and with worse hair"; and this is the sort of shit he says...

"You know, sometimes it's nice having you around. But now ain't one of those times. Now gimme the remote, we're not watching this bullshit."

"Happy Birthday, I didn't get you a present... Oh, mom got you one? Well, that's from me then, too – unless it's shitty." **Trade Paperback \$29.99**

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### *Claudius*

Rome 43AD Emperor Claudius has unleashed his legions against the rebellious island of Britannia.

In Southern England, Caratacus, war chief of the Britons, watches from a hilltop as the scarlet cloaks of the Roman legions spread across his land like blood. He must unite the tribes for a desperate last stand.

Among the legions marches Rufus, keeper of the Emperor's elephant. Claudius has a special role for him, and his elephant, in the coming war.

Claudius is a masterful retelling of one of the greatest stories from Roman history, the conquest of Britain. It is an epic story of ambition, courage, conspiracy, battle and bloodshed. **A Paperback \$21.95**

### *Hero of Rome*

The Roman grip on Britain is weakening. Emperor Nero has turned his face away from this far-flung outpost. The Druids are on the rise, spreading seeds of rebellion among the British tribes. Roman cruelty and exploitation has angered their British subjects. The warrior queen Boudicca will lead the tribes to war.

Standing against the rising tide of Boudicca's rebellion is Roman Tribune, Gaius Valerius Verrens, Commander of the veteran legions at Colonia. Valerius leads the veterans in a last stand against the unstoppable horde of Boudicca's rebel army. Step by step, the bloodied survivors are forced back into the Temple of Claudius. It is here that Valerius wins lifelong fame and the accolade Hero of Rome. **Trade Paperback \$32.95**

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1326. As the threat of war hangs over England, Sir Baldwin and Bailiff Puttock must work desperately to prevent murder, in Michael Jecks' latest thrilling mystery in this hugely popular series. In France, King Edward II's estranged wife Queen Isabella shames him by refusing to return to England, and humiliates him further by flaunting her adulterous relationship with the king's sworn enemy, traitor Sir Roger Mortimer. When the king hears she has betrothed their son to the daughter of the Count of Hainault, all England fears an invasion of Hainault mercenaries. Meanwhile the Treasurer of England's life is threatened. He has made many enemies in a long political life and Sir Baldwin and Simon must do all they can to find the would-be assassin before he can strike... **Paperback \$19.99**

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Gathers science fiction stories that accurately predicted future developments, including "The Land Iron Clads" by H.G. Wells, which foresaw tank warfare in 1903, and a tale that so closely depicted the atomic bomb in 1944 it worried the FBI. **Paperback \$17.95**

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After Pearl Harbor, Japan swept unchecked through the Pacific. But a tiny band of brave men stayed behind the enemy lines. Aided by loyal islanders, they watched and they warned. They were the Coast Watchers.

They saved countless lives - including that of future US President John F. Kennedy - and they changed the course of the Pacific War. They knew capture meant certain execution but, while the Japanese hunted them, they moved and hid in the jungle, taking their cumbersome tele-radios with them (equipment that took more than a dozen men to transport). They warned of Japanese air strikes, reported on the movements of their shipping and troops, and saved scores of downed airmen. Their reports gave vital warning time to the Allies and allowed them to take a decisive toll on the enemy. The famed American admiral, William 'Bull' Halsey summed it up: 'Guadalcanal saved the Pacific, and the Coast Watchers saved Guadalcanal.' **Trade Paperback \$34.95**

## **David Mason**

### *Marching With the Devil*

'In 1894 a French Foreign Legion General said, Legionnaires, vous etes faits pour mourir, je vous envoie la ou on meurt. Legionnaires, you are made for dying, I will send you where you can die. When I was in my mid-teens and first read those words they were powerful and confronting. I read them as a challenge and an invitation. The words, and the feelings they evoked, remained with me until I was ready. On 20 May 1988, I enlisted in the French Foreign Legion.' Based on his diaries, this is a frank account of how Mason came first in basic training, trained other Legionnaires, went to Africa, did sniper, commando and medic's training and took part in two operations, both in the Republic of Djibouti where a civil war nearly crippled the nation. It tells of his daily life in the Legion, in the training regiment, in Africa and with the Legion's Parachute Regiment. But more than this: David's gripping account reveals his disillusionment, frustration and disappointments, and how the Legion today is not what it seems.

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On January 11th, 2007, Andrew McCauley set off from Tasmania in a sea kayak, aiming to be the first person to paddle the 1600 kilometres to New Zealand. It was to be the culmination of a lifetime of expeditions that had seen him awarded the coveted Australian Geographic Adventurer of the Year and establish himself as one of the world's most respected and admired adventurers. A month later, New Zealand authorities received a garbled distress call from him. His kayak was spotted drifting and waterlogged just 80 kilometres from the New Zealand coast. His body was never found.

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*Solo* is a love story, an adventure story and a heartfelt examination of what it is to feel most alive, even when brazenly tempting death. Not since *Into Thin Air* have we come closer to understanding the adrenaline surge of high adventure, and its tragic consequences. **Trade Paperback \$34.99**

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After she moves into a beach-front estate formerly owned by Lucille Ball, Toots Loudenberg finds she has some high-profile ghostly roommates, all while trying to assess the true intentions of her friend Ida's suitor and helping her daughter's celebrity magazine stay afloat, despite it being the target of a competitor's dirty tricks. **Trade Paperback \$30.95**

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## **Sigrid Nunez**

### *Salvation City*

After a flu pandemic has killed large numbers of people around the world, the United States has grown increasingly anarchic. Countless children are stranded in orphanages, and many of the systems that we take for granted have broken down. When thirteen-year-old Cole Vining is rescued from an orphanage by an evangelical pastor and his young wife, he knows he is one of the lucky ones. Salvation City, the small southern Indiana town where they live, has been spared much of the outside world's devastation.

In Salvation City, Cole feels sheltered and loved, but never as if he truly belongs. Everything is starkly different from the life he once shared with his parents. As he tries to adjust, he struggles also with memories of the past - a struggle made more difficult by the fact that he lost his parents at a time when family relations were at their most fraught. How is he to remember them now? Are they still his parents if they are no longer there? Must he accept what his new friends and family believe, that because his parents did not know Jesus they are condemned to hell?

As those around him become increasingly dedicated to their own visions of utopia, Cole begins to imagine a wholly different future for himself. **Hardcover \$52.95**

## **James Owen**

### *Danger UXB*

Autumn 1940: the Front Line is now Britain itself. With invasion imminent, cities are blitzed nightly as for the first time a nation becomes the target of a campaign of aerial assault. And even after the planes have passed overhead, a deadly menace remains: thousands upon thousands of unexploded bombs. Buried under ground, their clocks ticking remorselessly, UXBs blocked supply routes, closed Spitfire factories and made families into refugees. Dealing with this threat soon became Churchill's priority. For the first time, *Danger UXB* reveals the story of this desperate struggle against the ticking clock. It was a battle of wits that pitted German ingenuity against British resourcefulness, told through four key figures in the new science of bomb disposal: Robert Davies GC, who saved St Paul's Cathedral; Stuart Archer GC, protector of the vital Welsh oil refineries; the extraordinary Earl of Suffolk GC; and John Hudson GM, the horticulturalist who mastered the V1. An astonishing and compelling account of courage and self-sacrifice, this is the truth of how the Blitz was beaten. **Trade Paperback \$35**

## **Albert Palazzo**

### *Australian Military Operations in Vietnam*

**Paperback \$19.99**

## **Albert Palazzo**

### *The Battle of Crete*

**Paperback \$19.99**

## **Banjo Paterson *Australian Author***

### *Complete Poems*

When a young man submitted a set of verses to the BULLETIN in 1889 under the pseudonym 'The Banjo', it was the beginning of an enduring tradition. Today Banjo Paterson is still one of Australia's best-loved poets.

This complete collection of his verse shows the bush balladeer at his very best with favourites such as 'A Bush Christening', 'The Man from Ironbark', 'Clancy of the Overflow' and the immortal 'The Man from Snowy River'. These well-known verses are joined here by his comic verse, his remarkable war poems, including 'We're All Australians Now', and lesser known works. **B Paperback \$27.99**

## **Don Pendleton**

### *Threat Factor (Executioner 382)*

A Somali pirate attack raises a red flag when the stolen cargo is Russian tanks and ammunition-enough to start a civil war. Called in to seek and destroy the weapons, Mack Bolan knows the only way to head off future bloodshed is to cause some deadly mayhem of his own.

Dodging the local warlords in their own backyard isn't going to be easy-especially when their army of foot soldiers is seemingly endless. But Bolan is ready to end this lethal game. With the bidding about to begin, the Executioner is prepared to go all the way-and his price is death.

**Paperback \$13.95**

### *Desert Fallout (Superbolan 136)*

The discovery of deadly biological poisons and mass slaughter at an archaeological dig in Egypt puts a previously hidden enemy in Bolan's crosshairs. It begins hot, fast and bloody as Bolan unearths a mysterious pretender to the Egyptian throne who is harnessing the bloodlust of terrorist groups to launch a Middle East endgame. Playing all factions- Muslim, Jewish and Christian-against the others, the self-proclaimed Eternal Pharaoh has the ambition and the army to unleash a storm of violence in the region that promises all-out war. This dark enemy and his predecessors have sown the seeds of their magnificent coup for generations, but never anticipated an enemy so righteous in his fury—a relentless, implacable hunter called the Executioner. **A Paperback \$17.95**

## **William Philpott**

### *Bloody Victory*

1 July 1916: the first day of the Battle of the Somme. The hot, hellish day in the fields of northern France that has dominated our perception of the First World War for just shy of a century. The shameful waste; the pointlessness of young lives lost for the sake of a few yards; the barbaric attitudes of the British leaders; the horror and ignominy of failure. All have occupied our thoughts for generations. Yet are we right to view the Somme in this way? Drawing on a vast number of sources such as letters, diaries and numerous archives, *Bloody Victory* describes in vivid detail the physical conditions, the combat and exceptional bravery against the odds but it also, uniquely, captures how the Somme defined the twentieth century in so many ways. This is an utterly gripping new analysis of one of the most iconic campaigns in history. **Trade Paperback \$29.99**

## **Junius Podrug, Gary Jennings & Robert Gleason**

### *The 2012 Codex (Aztec)*

In the arid canyonlands of Mexico the race is on for the ultimate end-of-the-world codex—the final 1000-year-old prophesy of the god-king, Quetzalcoatl, who ruled Mexico 1000 years ago. Rita Critchlow and Cooper Jones hunt for that sacred codex in those scorching desert canyons, while 500 years ago, Pacal, a young slave-scholar, sets out on the same deadly quest. He too must find those apocalyptic writings, knowing that his era—the Age of the Aztecs—may well come to an end if he does not find them.

For Pacal, the End-Time is at hand. Montezuma has built a vast empire based in what will one day be Mexico City. Now however he faces war, disastrous drought, death-cult priests, who rip the hearts out of thousands of people atop their pyramids . . . and the arrival of red-bearded horse-borne conquistador, bearing preternaturally powerful weapons and catastrophic plagues, sowing pandemic death wherever he goes.

America's leaders are also staring into an apocalyptic abyss. Their own time mirrors that of Quetzalcoatl's and the Aztec's in shocking detail. Convinced that Quetzalcoatl's codex holds the key to humanity's survival—that he is warning them of a global, planet-killing threat—the two women battle broiling desert canyons and drug-cartel warlords to track it down and decipher it.

Moreover, earlier glimpses of his prophesy foreshadow uncanny similarities to those of John's Book of Revelation. Are Quetzalcoatl's and Revelation's prophesies one and the same? Can they crack the 2012 code and save their world from their deadly fate? The countdown is on.

**Hardcover \$52.95**

## **Garth Pratten & Brian Farrell**

### *Malaya 1941-42*

**Paperback \$19.99**

## **William Rosen**

### *The Most Powerful Idea In The World*

An enthralling and accessible history of the invention which transformed the world: steam power

Some days change the world. Monday, July 25, 1698 was one of them. In London, an anonymous clerk at the Great Seal Patent Office granted patent number 356, 'A new Invention for Raising of Water and occasioning Motion to all Sorts of Mill Work by the Impellent Force of Fire'. Steam power was born, and with it the Industrial Revolution.

But why did steam power happen when it did? And why was it Great Britain and her onetime North American colonies that staked out a technical and commercial lead over the rest of the world which they would never really relinquish? With *The Most Powerful Idea in the World*, Bill Rosen combines narrative history with cutting-edge scientific theory to offer a simple, controversial answer: Britain's unique patent laws were the vital catalyst.

In this remarkable book, we discover that only in Britain did the law enshrine the notion that people should profit from their ideas, and so was born the first generation in human history in which the desire to invent was prompted not simply by the quest for knowledge but by a drive for financial glory. Rosen takes us on a journey from the factories of the Black Country to Pennsylvanian iron foundries and Peruvian silver mines, as he tracks the incredible acceleration of the Revolution. He introduces us to thinkers like John Locke and Edmund Burke who provided the philosophical framework for these great advances; inventive geniuses like Thomas Newcomen, James Watt, William Murdoch and George Stephenson; and the keen entrepreneurs, like Matthew Boulton, who transformed these technological leaps into pure profit.

Rich in extraordinary detail, *The Most Powerful Idea in the World* is popular history at its absolute best: a compelling, authoritative and completely new perspective on one of humanity's most important eras. **Hardcover \$49.95**

## **Edward Rutherford**

### *London*

London has perhaps the most remarkable history of any city in the world. Now its story has a unique voice. In this epic novel Edward Rutherford takes the reader on a magnificent journey across sixteen centuries from the days of the Romans to the Victorian engineers of Tower Bridge and the era dockland development of today. Through the lives and adventures of his colourful cast of characters he brings all the richness of London's past unforgettably to life. **B Paperback \$27.95**

## **Samuel Sagan**

### *Entities*

Parasites of the Body of Energy

A self help book dealing with demonic possession and exorcism. **Trade Paperback \$40**

## **Jean Saunders**

### *Successful Novel Plotting*

What is it about a good book that hooks the reader and makes them want more? A good plot. Every best-selling author from Agatha Christie to Terry Pratchett knows the importance of a strong story. But for the budding author it can be daunting and even confusing. How do you turn that seed of an idea into a great epic?

This authoritative guide will help steer new writers through the minefield of the writing process. Using examples from her own work, and that of other top authors, Jean explains how to create memorable characters, generate cliffhangers and keep up a pace that will hook readers.

And when you've done that, she even gives advice on how to work with publishers and editors to make your novel a bestseller. **B Paperback \$19.99**

## **Emily Schultz**

### *Heaven is Small*

"Moments after his death, an event he had failed to notice, Gordon Small sought new employment." So begins *Heaven Is Small*, the funny, startling, and profound story of Gordon Small, a degree-clutching slacker and failed fiction writer who finds himself posthumously employed at the Heaven Book Company, the world's largest romance publisher. As it slowly dawns on Gordon that he may have missed his chance for greatness - and perhaps worse, may be trapped in an airless limbo - he embarks on a mission that will redeem him, revive his writing career, and bring the monotonous machinery of the afterlife to a screeching halt. With sly deadpan humor, brilliant insight into the human condition, and exceptionally beautiful writing, Emily Schultz explores what it means to be truly alive only after you're dead. **Trade Paperback \$32.95**

## **Maggie Shayne**

### *Kiss Me, Kill Me (Secrets of Shadow Falls 03)*

A long-ago act of kindness to a desperate woman changed Dr. Carrie Overton's life forever. Before disappearing, the grateful stranger had given Carrie her newborn son. When the woman is murdered, the secret becomes Carrie's alone.

She has kept both it and her son, Sam, safe for sixteen years. But now a friend of Sam's has gone missing. The police believe he's a runaway—until he's found dead. Then another teen disappears, and talk turns to that long-ago murder.

Newcomer Gabriel Cain is asking too many questions, befriending Sam, getting too close. Carrie distrusts him even as she finds herself falling for him. But Gabriel has secrets, too....

Is it time for the lying to end? **Paperback \$19.95**

## **Julian Stockwin**

### *Victory*

Commander Thomas Kydd is eager to play his part in thwarting Bonaparte's plans for the invasion of England. He and his ship join Admiral Nelson's command just before the greatest sea encounter of all time: the Battle of Trafalgar. We also see the action from on board *Victory* herself, through the eyes of Midshipman Bowden. This heart-lurching adventure blends fact and fiction in rich and authoritative detail, closely following historical record and taking us into the heart of the world-defining events of 1805 - the lead-up to Trafalgar with dramatic chases across the Atlantic, false sightings of the enemy, and convoluted political machinations, including an impeachment of the head of the Navy, the bloody annihilation of the enemy during the actual battle, and the heroic aftermath. **Trade Paperback \$32.99**

## **John Vaillant**

### *Tiger*

In a remote part of the Siberian forest a desperate poacher triggers a series of tragic events as a tiger turns man-eater. Part gripping detective story played out on a wild and exotic stage and part ecological parable, the *Tiger* is a true life murder mystery, written in snow... When Yuri Trush was called to investigate an attack by a Siberian tiger in December 1997, what he found was unlike anything he'd ever encountered. Nothing remained of the victim but stumps of bone protruding from his boots. Even more chilling was the evidence that this attack had been carefully orchestrated, as if the tiger was seeking revenge. Before long, the beast struck again, and Trush, leader of a tiger conservation unit, found himself forced to hunt this animal through the brutal cold of a Siberian winter, becoming intimately acquainted with the tiger's history, motives and unique method of attack - until their harrowing final encounter. John Vaillant recreates these astonishing events against a backdrop of Russia's most remote frontier, a place where the native peoples worship tigers but poachers threaten the species' survival. He describes the historic collisions between Chinese and Russian settlers (trappers, thieves, deserters and exiles) and the struggles of their descendants, who, in the chaotic aftermath of perestroika, turn to poaching to survive - in this case with deadly consequences. A haunting, gripping exploration of predators and prey and an intimate portrait of a remarkable animal increasingly threatened by interaction with humans. **Trade Paperback \$35**

## **Maureen Vincent-Northam & Lorraine Mace**

### *The Writer's ABC Book*

An easy-to-use comprehensive guide for writers on preparing and presenting their work to agents, publishers and print media.

Regardless of the writer's level or ability, there is something extremely daunting about putting together a submission. It doesn't matter if it is for an article for a magazine, or short story for a competition, a humorous anecdote, a play or TV script, a novel or non-fiction book, *The Writer's ABC Checklist* will provide answers to questions you didn't even know you should ask.

With its A-Z format, references can be found quickly and effortlessly. Unfamiliar terms are explained and bullet points at the end of most sections provide a quick reminder of the main items covered.

This unique book is packed with writing tips and is something no aspiring writer can afford to be without. **B Paperback \$19.99**

**Michael Wagner Australian Author**

*Let's Get Physical (Undys 02)*

Yes! Your favourite Undys are back! Have you ever toe-wrestled your dad? Or raced him all around town? Or tried to out-dance him? If you have, your dad must be as silly (and fun) as mine. This book is all about having fun with your silly dad. I think you will love it. So what are you waiting for? Start reading. Start playing. Start puzzling. Start having a flipping great time! Get into your BRAND NEW Undys now! **B Paperback \$14.95**

*Itching for Action (Undys 03)*

Life's Great with an exciting pair of Undys! Did you know that . . .

There is a job called manning?

Mannies get paid just to play games?

Dad and I are the world's best mannies?

Aunty Faber can be flipping embarrassing?

Dad and I know all of these things now. We have discovered them in fun, exciting and sometimes stupid ways. Now you can discover them too, just by reading my awesome new book. So, do not waste another second of your life . . . RIP into the UNDYS NOW! **B Paperback \$14.95**

*Wet and Wild (Undys 04)*

It's time to get wet and wild with the Undys! Have you ever raced paddleboats? Or hunted for a tasty treasure? Or been belted off a greasy pole into a river? I am Josh Undy and these are just some of the things I got up to on my camping long weekend. It was the first camping trip Dad and I had ever been on! I even got to sleep in a tent - until Aunty Faber snored me out. So come on, let's go. It is time to head off on . . . a camping weekend of UNDY-NIABLE ACTION! **B Paperback \$14.95**

**Lt Col Glenn Wahlert**

*Exploring Gallipoli*

**Paperback \$19.99**

*Western Desert Campaign 1940-41*

**Paperback \$19.99**

**Spencer Wells**

*Pandora's Seed: The Unforeseen Cost of Civilization*

10,000 years ago, humans made a decision to change our relationship with nature: instead of hunting and gathering, we developed agriculture. In this groundbreaking new book, Spencer Wells reveals that this seemingly simple transition set in motion the most significant changes in the history of humanity, the unforeseen costs of which we are living with now.

Wells takes us back to that moment that changed human history forever to trace the origins of some of the most important problems in our world today. From global terrorism and climate change to swine flu, AIDS and obesity, the root causes lie in the biological implications of agriculture. Wells shows how humanity's move away from hunting and gathering has impacted on our bodies, our society and our planet and asks: is there a fatal mismatch between western culture and our biology that is making us ill, both mentally and physically?

Only through rediscovering humanity's needs and questioning the cultural progression we have achieved as a species, can we hope to understand what it means to be human in the modern world. **Hardcover \$49.95**

**Jack Whyte**

*Standard of Honor*

Knights Templar order member Sir Henry St. Clair is asked by Richard the Lionheart to join his army and free the Holy Land in a war. Sir Henry reluctantly agrees, but the many intrigues of Crusade leaders bring the St. Clair family and the Order to the edge of disaster. **A+ Paperback \$21.95**

**Bonnie Worth**

*Ice Is Nice!: All About the North and South Poles (Cat in the Hat's Learning Library)*

What purrrfect timing! Fall 2010 marks the launch of the new PBS Kids television show The Cat in the Hat Knows a Lot About That!-an animated preschool science program based on the Cat in the Hat's Learning Library book series-and to celebrate, we're coating the cover of our new Learning Library book Ice Is Nice! with a shimmery finish! In this latest installment of the bestselling series, the Cat in the Hat takes Sally and Dick to visit the North and South Poles, where they mingle with native animals-reindeer, musk oxen, polar bears, caribou, and all sorts of penguins. They discover how the animals stay warm in the freezing cold, learn why it's colder at the South Pole than at the North Pole, find out that one pole is located on land and the other isn't, and learn that scientists are studying climate change to keep both poles icy cold. **Hardcover \$19.95**

## External Events

**Nullus Anxietas 3** is a Discworld convention to be held At Panthers Penrith 8th – 10th April 2011

<http://ausdwcon.org/>

**Gate to the Sanctuary** is an event run by Culture Shock Events at The Sebal Parramatta (Hotel) 11-12-2010. Guests include Amanda Tapping and Chuck Campbell from Stargate.

[http://www.cultureshockevents.com/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=140&Itemid=300088](http://www.cultureshockevents.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=140&Itemid=300088)

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