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Featured Books



SciFi Film Festival in Parramatta

On Sunday, 16 November 2014 from midday onwards at Riverside Theatres, Mars Hill Cafe and over one that block of Church Street (closed to vehicles) there will be a science fiction festival with street stalls and displays (clubs, Cosplay, gaming, comics, etc). Infinitas hopes to run a stall selling books. The festival has writing and film competitions with cash prizes. Festival details at: www.scifilmfestival.com

Infinitas Groups – Always Recruiting

Review Group: We now meet at Mars Hill Café in George St Parramatta, near the Lennox Bridge over the river, at 6:30pm on the third Thursday of each month. We can order drinks and meals upstairs before descending into their basement which has great ambiance. As a book club we discuss our recent genre reading and often choose an author, theme or particular book but it is not necessary to have completed the homework reading. All welcome.

Dungeons & Dragons: Currently may include Pathfinder, 4th or 5th edition D&D and occasional Star Wars RPG. Other games depending upon willing leaders. Sometimes players bring in boardgames and find recruits to play.

The Infinitas Gaming Group meets at: Parramatta Council Library. We may be in any of the larger meeting rooms, Retro Room on the mezzanine level, River Room on the top floor, or in the Darug Room on the top floor.

Games are on fortnightly Saturday mornings starting at 10am, finishing up around 2pm. Bring your own dice.

See: <http://www.infinitas.com.au/DungeonsAndDragonsAtInfinitas.php>

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

We could find room for another game if there were another DM to run it - any keen volunteers? You would need to bring prepared characters and module as until players join a game they would not be able to generate their character.

Available games (and summaries): <http://bit.ly/17orjuA>

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

As of mid 2014, all these groups are active and new members are welcome.

Book Review

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.

Ancillary Justice by Ann Leckie, reviewed by Len Newland

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780316246620>

This novel, published 2013, is an Arthur C. Clark award winner, probably classifiable as science fantasy since the science isn't deep, and is the first book of what the publisher calls a "loose trilogy" reflecting, no doubt, that it's a complete story and not just a serial instalment.

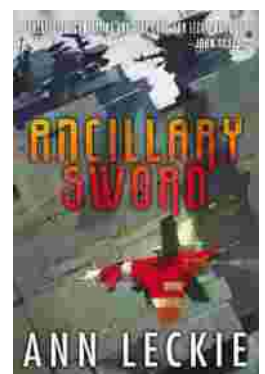
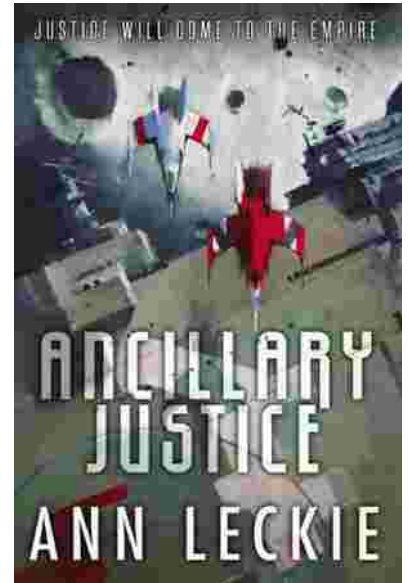
The novel is space fiction in that we have the interstellar human Radch empire, controlled over its three thousand years of existence by the immortal Anaander Miandaa, and strong in multitheistic religion – perhaps like the Roman empire if King Numa had been immortal. It's space opera in that this Radch empire could fall apart unless the Hero Saves The Day. It's AI fiction in that Miandaa's warships are AIs, and the warship Justice of Toren is central to the story and addresses the AI story question of how human the AI has to be to do its job (Justice of Toren claims its emotions keep it from getting bogged down in unimportant calculations). The novel is also a story of multiple-bodied characters: a warship AI has not only the body of a space ship but also, and simultaneously, a host of formerly human ancillaries. First Person is an ancillary unit with the full designation Justice of Toren One Esk Nineteen, which has become mentally and physically isolated from its ship and fellow ancillaries, and is seeking justice in and over what's happened to it. Appropriately titled story.

These ingredients could have produced a thick plot, but Author Leckie has sensibly kept the cast down to Nineteen and a handful of human acquaintances, plus Miandaa, who is also multiple-bodied as well as immortal. It isn't specified whether Miandaa is another AI, but mental contact between Miandaa's units is by the same unexplained mechanism as that between Justice of Toren's (via radio implants?). The first person narrative has the reader following Nineteen as it gathers pieces of puzzle and moves into position for its sought-after justice. Nineteen's AI nature is highlighted by its impassivity and how many millimetres it observes someone's head move by, but much of the writing is about Nineteen's AI emotionality, fairly successfully, I thought. While the plot is kept relatively simple, some of the concepts are less so, and much of the puzzle answer has to do with the multiple-bodied nature of both Justice of Toren and Miandaa. I can see reason for the Arthur C. Clark award.

The novel is a slow read, though, with several contributing factors beyond the nowadays almost compulsory grammatical and spelling errors and, unusually, a few punctuation errors. Many dialogue paragraphs are slowed by interjection of actions of characters other than the speaker. Also, of the twenty-three chapters, the first fifteen are inexorably interleaved present and twenty-years-ago strands, of which the present strand is relatively dull. The most serious slowing factor is the handling of gender pronouns: the Radch language has only neutral pronouns, reasonable after three thousand years of the stated Radch attitude to reproduction, but Leckie has rendered these pronouns in the English of the novel as "she", and it doesn't work. The "he" of proper English would have been as awkward, but "it" or "one" would have been suitable ("it" is used occasionally for ancillaries). Alternatively, I've seen another author in a similar situation use "se", and that would have been ideal here. A minor related concern is Nineteen's chronic inability to distinguish between male and female humans, which seemed inconsistent with its other abilities despite its excuses. Another minor quirk was the unexplained coincidence of finding the characters Sievarden and Strigan on the same planet at the same time.

So, one star out of five for readability, but not story value. I found the story enjoyable in its intellectual stimulation and well worth reading, but it does need reader patience to get at it.

Editor's Note: Ancillary Justice won the Hugo Award, and the Nebula Award and the Arthur C. Clarke Award. Book 2, Ancillary Sword, is just out.



Ben Aaronovitch

Foxglove Summer (*Folly 05*) Trade Paperback \$29.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575132511

In the fifth of his bestselling series Ben Aaronovitch takes Peter Grant out of whatever comfort zone he might have found and takes him out of London - to a small village in Herefordshire where the local police are reluctant to admit that there might be a supernatural element to the disappearance of some local children. But while you can take the London copper out of London you can't take the London out of the copper. Travelling west with Beverley Brook, Peter soon finds himself caught up in a deep mystery and having to tackle local cops and local gods. And what's more all the shops are closed by 4pm...

Rebecca Alexander

The Secrets of Life and Death Trade Paperback \$22.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780804140683

In modern day England, Professor Felix Guichard is called in to identify occult symbols found on the corpse of a young girl. His investigation brings him in contact with a mysterious woman, Jackdaw Hammond, who guards a monumental secret--She's Dead. Or she would be, were it not for magic which has artificially extended her life. But someone else knows her secret. Someone very old and very powerful, who won't rest until they've taken the magic that keeps her alive....

In Krakow in 1585, Dr John Dee, the Elizabethan Alchemist and Occultist, and his assistant Edward Kelley have been summoned by the King of Poland to save the life of his niece, the infamous Countess Elisabeth Bathory. But they soon realize that the only thing worse than the Countess' malady, is the magic that might be able to save her...

As Jackdaw and Felix race to uncover the truth about the person hunting her, it becomes clear that the answers they seek can only be found in the ancient diary of John Dee's assistant, Edward Kelley. Together they must solve a mystery centuries in the making, or die trying.

Gillian Anderson & Jeff Rovin

A Vision of Fire \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781476776521

The first novel from iconic X-Files star Gillian Anderson and New York Times bestselling author Jeff Rovin: a science fiction thriller of epic proportions. Renowned child psychologist Caitlin O'Hara is a single mom trying to juggle her job, her son, and a lackluster dating life. Her world is suddenly upturned when Maanik, the daughter of India's ambassador to the United Nations, starts speaking in tongues and having violent visions. Caitlin is sure that her fits have something to do with the recent assassination attempt on her father--a shooting that has escalated nuclear tensions between India and Pakistan to dangerous levels--but when teenagers around the world start having similar outbursts, Caitlin begins to think that there's a more sinister force at work. In Haiti, a student claws at her throat, drowning on dry land. In Iran, a boy suddenly and inexplicably sets himself on fire. Animals, too, are acting irrationally, from rats in New York City to birds in South America to ordinary house pets. With Asia on the cusp of nuclear war, Caitlin must race across the globe to uncover the mystical links among these seemingly unrelated incidents in order to save her patient--and perhaps the world.

Poul Anderson

The Broken Sword B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781473205444

Poul Anderson's stunningly powerful Norse dark fantasy.

The sword Tyrfing has been broken to prevent it striking at the roots of Yggdrasil, the great tree that binds earth, heaven and hell together... But now the mighty sword is needed again to save the elves, who are heavily involved in their war against the trolls, and only Skafloc, a human child kidnapped and raised by the elves, can hope to persuade the mighty ice-giant, Bolverk, to make the sword Thor broke whole again. But things are never easy, and along the way Skafloc must also confront his shadow self, Valgard the changeling, who took his place in the world of men. A superb dark fantasy of the highest, and most Norse, order. THE BROKEN SWORD is a fantasy masterpiece.

Piers Anthony

Five Portraits (*Xanth 39*) Trade Paperback \$19.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781624672729

Five Portraits picks up where Board Stiff, Xanth #38, leaves off. We follow the same lovable characters as they adventure together through the lands of Xanth and Mundania along the way saving five children and deepening their bond of unlikely friendship. Piers Anthony's acclaimed and loved puns are alive and well in Five Portraits, the 39th title in the long running Xanth series. In fact part of the adventure involves a fight to keep puns safe in Xanth! Whether you've read all or none of the Xanth series, this tale of adventure and friendship has an enduring message of selfless effort and the power of unlikely friendship. Not just Xanth, but Mundania too, would be better if there were more such friendships. Piers Anthony has called this book one of his favorites within the series.

Barbara Ashford

Spells at the Crossroads (*Spell 03*) A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780756410216

Maggie Graham was having a very bad summer. First, she lost her job. Then the bathroom ceiling in her Brooklyn apartment collapsed. That was when Maggie decided it was time to run away from home for awhile. On the road to Vermont for her weekend away, she impulsively took the exit for a town called Dale. For some reason, the area felt familiar, especially the big white barn she passed on the way to town.

What came next was the biggest adventure in Maggie's life. Her experience as an actor landed her a job in the summer stock company of the Crossroads Theatre, housed in that same white barn, but none of her professional credits could prepare her for the magic that happened on this stage. Or for the theatre's unorthodox staff, especially its moody and mysterious director.

That staff and stage will soon become family to Maggie, but all the magic in the world might not be enough to keep them safe - with threats ranging from interfering board presidents to imprisonment in the realm of Faerie....

Leigh Bardugo

Shadow and Bone B Paperback \$16.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781780622262

Gorgeous new edition with bonus material of this glorious sweeping fantasy, perfect for Game of Thrones fans. Lonely orphan Alina discovers she has a power that could save her kingdom. But with power comes a choice - between the seductive, powerful Darkling and her childhood friend, Mal.

The Shadow Fold, a swathe of impenetrable darkness, crawling with monsters that feast on human flesh, is slowly destroying the once-great nation of Ravka. Alina, a pale, lonely orphan, discovers a unique power that thrusts her into the lavish world of the kingdom's magical elite - the Grisha. Could she be the key to unravelling the dark fabric of the Shadow Fold and setting Ravka free? The Darkling, a creature of seductive charm and terrifying power, leader of the Grisha. If Alina is to fulfil her destiny, she must discover how to unlock her gift and face up to her dangerous attraction to him. But what of Mal, Alina's childhood best friend? As Alina contemplates her dazzling new future, why can't she ever quite forget him? This gorgeous new paperback edition contains special bonus content never before seen in the UK - a must-have for any fan of Leigh Bardugo!

Stephen Baxter

Proxima B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575116856

Proxima Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780451467706

The very far future: The Galaxy is a drifting wreck of black holes, neutron stars, chill white dwarfs. The age of star formation is long past. Yet there is life here, feeding off the energies of the stellar remnants, and there is mind, a tremendous Galaxy-spanning intelligence each of whose thoughts lasts a hundred thousand years. And this mind cradles memories of a long-gone age when a more compact universe was full of light... The 27th century: Proxima Centauri, an undistinguished red dwarf star, is the nearest star to our sun - and (in this fiction), the nearest to host a world, Proxima IV, habitable by humans. But Proxima IV is unlike Earth in many ways. Huddling close to the warmth, orbiting in weeks, it keeps one face to its parent star at all times. The 'substellar point', with the star forever overhead, is a blasted desert, and the 'antistellar point' on the far side is under an ice cap in perpetual darkness. How would it be to live on such a world? Yuri Jones, with 1,000 others, is about to find out... PROXIMA tells the amazing tale of how we colonise a harsh new eden, and the secret we find there that will change our role in the Universe for ever.

Greg Bear

War Dogs (01) Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780316072830

AN EPIC INTERSTELLAR TALE OF WAR FROM A MASTER OF SCIENCE FICTION.

One more tour on the red.

Maybe my last.

They made their presence on Earth known thirteen years ago.

Providing technology and scientific insights far beyond what mankind was capable of. They became indispensable advisors and promised even more gifts that we just couldn't pass up. We called them Gurus.

It took them a while to drop the other shoe. You can see why, looking back.

It was a very big shoe, completely slathered in crap.

They had been hounded by mortal enemies from sun to sun, planet to planet, and were now stretched thin -- and they needed our help. And so our first bill came due. Skyrines like me were volunteered to pay the price. As always.

These enemies were already inside our solar system and were moving to establish a beachhead, but not on Earth.

On Mars.

Jacey Bedford

Empire of Dust A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780756410162

Mega corporations, more powerful than any one planetary government, use their agents to race each other for resources across the galaxy. The agents, or psi-techs, are implanted with telepath technology. The psi-techs are bound to the mega-corps -- that is, if they want to retain their sanity.

Cara Carlinni is an impossible thing - a runaway psi-tech. She knows Alphacorp can find its implant-augmented telepaths, anywhere, anytime, mind-to-mind. So even though it's driving her half-crazy, she's powered down and has been surviving on tranqs and willpower. So far, so good. It's been almost a year, and her mind is still her own.

She's on the run from Ari van Blaiden, a powerful executive, after discovering massive corruption in Alphacorp. Cara barely escapes his forces, yet again, on a backwater planet, and gets out just in time due to the help of straight-laced Ben Benjamin, a psi-tech Navigator for Alphacorp's biggest company rival.

Cara and Ben struggle to survive a star-spanning manhunt, black-ops raids, and fleets of resource-hungry raiders. Betrayal follows betrayal, and friends become enemies. Suddenly the most important skill is knowing whom to trust.

R S Belcher

The Shotgun Arcana Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780765374585

Belcher returns to Golgotha, Nevada, a bustling frontier town that hides more than its fair share of unnatural secrets. 1870. A haven for the blessed and the damned, including a fallen angel, a mad scientist, a pirate queen, and a deputy who is kin to coyotes, Golgotha has come through many nightmarish trials, but now an army of thirty-two outlaws, lunatics, serial killers, and cannibals are converging on the town, drawn by a grisly relic that dates back to the Donner Party...and the dawn of humanity. Sheriff Jon Highfather and his deputies already have their hands full dealing with train robbers, a mysterious series of brutal murders, and the usual outbreaks of weirdness. But with thirty-two of the most vicious killers on Earth riding into Golgotha in just a few day's time, the town and its people will be tested as never before--and some of them will never be the same. The Shotgun Arcana is even more spectacularly ambitious and imaginative than The Six-Gun Tarot, and confirms R. S. Belcher's status as a rising star.

Robert Jackson Bennett

City of Stairs Trade Paperback \$22.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780804137171

An atmospheric and intrigue-filled novel of dead gods, buried histories, and a mysterious, protean city--from one of America's most acclaimed young SF writers.

The city of Bulikov once wielded the powers of the gods to conquer the world, enslaving and brutalizing millions—until its divine protectors were killed. Now Bulikov has become just another colonial outpost of the world's new geopolitical power, but the surreal landscape of the city itself—first shaped, now shattered, by the thousands of miracles its guardians once worked upon it—stands as a constant, haunting reminder of its former supremacy.

Into this broken city steps Shara Thivani. Officially, the unassuming young woman is just another junior diplomat sent by Bulikov's oppressors. Unofficially, she is one of her country's most accomplished spies, dispatched to catch a murderer. But as Shara pursues the killer, she starts to suspect that the beings who ruled this terrible place may not be as dead as they seem—and that Bulikov's cruel reign may not yet be over.

James Blish

A Case of Conscience (*SF Masterworks*) B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781473205437

Father Ramon Ruiz-Sanchez S.J., is a part of a four man scientific commission to the planet Lithia, there to study a harmonious society of aliens living on a planets which is a biologist's paradise. He soon finds himself troubled: how can these perfect beings, living in an apparent Eden, have no conception of sin or God? If such a sinless Eden has been created apart from God, then who is responsible? Winner of the Hugo Award for best novel, 1959.

M L Brennan

Tainted Blood (*Generation V 03*) A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780451418425

In the third Generation V novel, Fortitude Scott proves that working with family can be deadly.

Former film student Fortitude Scott is finally gainfully employed. Unfortunately, said employment happens to be with a group of sociopathic vampires - his family. And as much as Fort is loath to get too deep into the family business, when his brother, Chivalry, is temporarily unable to run the territory, it's up to Fort to keep things under control.

So when the leader of a powerful faction of shifters turns up murdered, Fort finds himself tracking down a killer while navigating dangerous rivalries, longtime grudges, and hidden agendas. Even with the help of his foxy kitsune sidekick, Suzume, he'll need to pull out all the stops to hunt for the paranormal assassin.

But as he calls on fairies, witches, and ghouls for help, he discovers that the problem is much bigger than a single dead werebear. The supernatural community is preparing for a massive shift in power within the Scott family leadership - and Fort has landed right in the middle of the gathering storm.

Patricia Briggs

Shifting Shadows: Stories from the World of Mercy Thompson (*Mercy Thompson*)

Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780425265000

Mercy Thompson's world just got a whole lot bigger...

A collection of all-new and previously published short stories featuring Mercy Thompson, "one of the best heroines in the urban fantasy genre today" (Fiction Vixen Book Reviews), and the characters she calls friends...

Includes the new stories...

"Silver"

"Roses in Winter"

"Redemption"

"Hollow"

...and reader favorites

"Fairy Gifts"

"Gray"

"Alpha and Omega"

"Seeing Eye"

"The Star of David"

"In Red, with Pearls"

Steven Brust

Hawk (*Vlad Taltos*) Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780765324443

Years ago, Vlad Taltos came to make his way as a human amidst the impossibly tall, fantastically long-lived natives of the Dragaeran Empire. He joined the Jhereg, the Dragaeran House (of which there are seventeen) that handles the Empire's vices: gambling, rackets, organized crime. He became a professional assassin. He was good at it.

But that was then, before Vlad and the Jhereg became mortal enemies.

For years, Vlad has run from one end of the Empire to the other, avoiding the Jhereg assassins who pursue him. Now, finally, he's back in the imperial capital where his family and friends are. He means to stay there this time. Whatever happens. And whatever it takes.

Hawk is the latest in Steven Brust's New York Times bestselling Vlad Taltos series.

Miles Cameron

Fell Sword (*Traitor Son Cycle 02*) B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575113343

Loyalty costs money.

Betrayal, on the other hand, is free.

When the Emperor is taken hostage, the Red Knight and his men find their services in high demand - and themselves surrounded by enemies. The country is in revolt, the capital city is besieged and any victory will be hard won. But The Red Knight has a plan.

The question is, can he negotiate the political, magical, real and romantic battlefields at the same time - especially when intends to be victorious on them all?

Christopher Buehlman

The Lesser Dead Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780425272619

The secret is, vampires are real and I am one.

The secret is, I'm stealing from you what is most truly yours and I'm not sorry...

New York City in 1978 is a dirty, dangerous place to live. And die. Joey Peacock knows this as well as anybody - he has spent the last forty years as an adolescent vampire, perfecting the routine he now enjoys: womanizing in punk clubs and discotheques, feeding by night, and sleeping by day with others of his kind in the macabre labyrinth under the city's sidewalks.

The subways are his playground and his highway, shuttling him throughout Manhattan to bleed the unsuspecting in the Sheep Meadow of Central Park or in the backseats of Checker cabs, or even those in their own apartments who are too hypnotized by sitcoms to notice him opening their windows. It's almost too easy.

Until one night he sees them hunting on his beloved subway. The children with the merry eyes. Vampires, like him - or not like him.

Whatever they are, whatever their appearance means, the undead in the tunnels of Manhattan are not as safe as they once were.

And neither are the rest of us.

Lois McMaster Bujold

Captain Vorpatri's Alliance (*Vorkosigan 14*) A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781476736983

A new installment in the award-winning Vorkosigan science fiction adventure series.

Captain Ivan Vorpatri sometimes thinks that if not for his family, he might have no troubles at all. But he has the dubious fortune of the hyperactive Miles Vorkosigan as a cousin, which has too often led to his getting dragged into one of Miles' schemes, with risk to life and limb—and military career—that Ivan doesn't consider entirely fair. Much practice has made Ivan more adept at fending off his mother's less-than-subtle reminders that he should be getting married and continuing the Vorpatri lineage.

Fortunately, his current duty is on the planet Komarr as staff officer to Admiral Desplains, far from both his cousin and his mother back on their homeworld of Barrayar. It's an easy assignment and nobody is shooting at him. What could go wrong?

Plenty, it turns out, when Byerly Vorrutyer, an undercover agent for Imperial Security, shows up on his doorstep and asks him to make the acquaintance of a young woman, recently arrived on Komarr, who seems to be in danger. That Byerly is characteristically vague about the nature of the danger, not to mention the lady's name, should have been Ivan's first clue, but Ivan is no more able to turn aside from aiding a damsel in distress than he could resist trying to rescue a kitten from a tree.

It is but a short step down the road of good intentions to the tangle of Ivan's life, in trouble with the Komarran authorities, with his superiors, and with the lethal figures hunting the mysterious but lovely Tej and her exotic blue companion Rish—a tangle to test the lengths to which Ivan will go as an inspired protector.

But though his predicament is complicated, at least Ivan doesn't have to worry about hassle from family. Or so he believes.

John L Campbell

Ship of the Dead (*Omega Days 02*) Trade Paperback \$19.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780425272640

In the weeks following the Omega Virus outbreak, survivors form desperate clusters, uniting to defend against hordes of the walking dead. But they can only hide for so long

Father Xavier Church never wanted to be a leader. Nonetheless, he's grown attached to his fellow survivors, and he won't let anyone cause them harm though he may be the one who inadvertently leads them to destruction.

Ex-con Bill Carnes may crave freedom, but he still prefers sticking with the group rather than fleeing to Mexico with his former cellmate TC. Maybe he's changing. Or maybe the look in TC's eyes is more dangerous than the undead

EMT Rosa Escobedo gave up on hope after she watched the man she loved rise from the dead. But when a patient seems to start getting better, she can't help but hope for a cure, even if it means risking her life.

As the numbers of the dead swell, the living are running out of safe havens especially when the biggest threats lie within their own ranks.

Jacqueline Carey

Poison Fruit (*Agent of Hel 03*) Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780451465313

The Pemkowet Visitors Bureau has always promoted paranormal tourism--even if it has downplayed the risks (hobgoblins are unpredictable). It helps that the town is presided over by Daisy Johanssen, who as Hel's liaison is authorized by the Norse goddess of the dead to keep Pemkowet under control. Normally, that's easier to do in the winter, when bracing temperatures keep folks indoors.

But a new predator is on the prowl, and this one thrives on nightmares. Daisy is on her trail and working intimately with her partner and sometime lover from the Pemkowet PD, sexy yet unavailable werewolf Cody Fairfax. But even as the creature is racking up innocent victims, a greater danger looms on Pemkowet's horizon. As a result of a recent ghost uprising, an unknown adversary--represented by a hell-spawn lawyer with fiery powers of persuasion--has instigated a lawsuit against the town. If Pemkowet loses, Hel's sovereignty will be jeopardized, and the fate of the eldritch community will be at stake. The only one who can prevent it is Daisy--but she's going to have to confront her own worst nightmare to do it.

Amanda Carlson

Red Blooded (*Jessica McClain 04*) B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780356504032

Jessica is going to Hell. After settling a fragile truce between the vampires, werewolves and witches, the last thing Jessica wants to do is face the demons head on. But when the Prince of Hell kidnapped her brother, he set into motion a chain of events that even Jessica doesn't have the power to stop. Now, Jessica must go into battle again. But hell is a whole new beast - new rules, more dangerous demons, and an entirely foreign realm. And when Jessica is dropped into the Underworld too soon, without protection or the help of her friends, she must figure out just how powerful she can be . . . or she will never make it out alive.

Karen Chance

Reap the Wind (Cassandra Palmer 07) A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780451419071

You'd think that being chief seer for the supernatural world would come with a few perks. But as Cassie Palmer has learned, being Pythia doesn't mean you don't have to do things the hard way. That's why she finds herself on a rescue mission skipping through time - even though she doesn't entirely understand her dimension-bending new power.

Rescuing her friend John Pritkin should have been an in-and-out kind of deal, but with the near-immortal mage's soul lost in time, Cassie has to hunt for it through the ages - with Pritkin's demon dad in tow. He's the only one who can reverse Pritkin's curse, but with the guardians of the timeline dead set on stopping anyone from mucking about, Cassie will have to figure out how to get her friend back without ruffling too many feathers - or causing a world-ending paradox or two....

Cassandra Clare

Clockwork Princess (The Infernal Devices 03) B Paperback \$22.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781406321340

Danger and betrayal, secrets and enchantment in the breathtaking conclusion to the bestselling Infernal Devices trilogy, a prequel series to The Mortal Instruments. The Mortal Instruments: City of Bones is in cinemas August 2013. If the only way to save the world was to destroy what you loved most, would you do it? The clock is ticking. Everyone must choose. Passion. Power. Secrets.

Enchantment. Danger closes in around the Shadowhunters in the third and final instalment of the bestselling Infernal Devices trilogy. Also don't miss The Mortal Instruments: City of Bones, in cinemas August 2013! This book will be subject to a strict global embargo. Don't miss The Mortal Instruments: City of Bones, soon to be a major motion picture, in cinemas August 2013. The Infernal Devices and its sequel series, The Mortal Instruments, have been sold in more than thirty countries.

Hal Clement

Hal Clement SF Gateway Omnibus

Iceworld, Cycle of Fire, Close to Critical (SF Masterworks)

Trade Paperback \$39.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575110151

With degrees in astronomy, chemistry and education, it should come as no surprise that Harry Clement Stubbs - better known to SF readers as Hal Clement - produced some of the field's most compelling, scientifically literate work. This omnibus contains the clever alien-planet-with-a-twist novel ICEWORLD; the ground-breaking CYCLE OF FIRE, with its 40-year-long seasons; and CLOSE TO CRITICAL, from his celebrated Mesklin sequence.

Edward Cox

The Relic Guild Trade Paperback \$29.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781473200302

Magic caused the war. Magic is forbidden. Magic will save us. It was said the Labyrinth had once been the great meeting place, a sprawling city at the heart of an endless maze where a million humans hosted the Houses of the Aelfir. The Aelfir who had brought trade and riches, and a future full of promise. But when the Thaumaturgists, overlords of human and Aelfir alike, went to war, everything was ruined and the Labyrinth became an abandoned forbidden zone, where humans were trapped behind boundary walls 100 feet high. Now the Aelfir are a distant memory and the Thaumaturgists have faded into myth. Young Clara struggles to survive in a dangerous and dysfunctional city, where eyes are keen, nights are long, and the use of magic is punishable by death. She hides in the shadows, fearful that someone will discover she is touched by magic. She knows her days are numbered. But when a strange man named Fabian Moor returns to the Labyrinth, Clara learns that magic serves a higher purpose and that some myths are much more deadly in the flesh. The only people Clara can trust are the Relic Guild, a secret band of magickers sworn to protect the Labyrinth. But the Relic Guild are now too few. To truly defeat their old nemesis Moor, mightier help will be required. To save the Labyrinth - and the lives of one million humans - Clara and the Relic Guild must find a way to contact the worlds beyond their walls.

Brooke Davis

Lost and Found Trade Paperback \$26.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780733632754

At seven years old, Millie Bird realises that everything is dying around her. She wasn't to know that after she had recorded twenty-seven assorted creatures in her Book of Dead Things her dad would be a Dead Thing, too. Agatha Pantha is eighty-two and has not left her house since her husband died. She sits behind her front window, hidden by the curtains and ivy, and shouts at passers-by, roaring her anger at complete strangers. Until the day Agatha spies a young girl across the street. Karl the Touch Typist is eighty-seven when his son kisses him on the cheek before leaving him at the nursing home. As he watches his son leave, Karl has a moment of clarity. He escapes the home and takes off in search of something different. Three lost people needing to be found. But they don't know it yet. Millie, Agatha and Karl are about to break the rules and discover what living is all about.

Melissa De La Cruz & Michael Johnston

Frozen (Heart of Dread 01) B Paperback \$15.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781408334669

A major new fantasy series from the New York Times bestselling author of Blue Bloods.

Welcome to New Vegas, a city once covered in bling, now blanketed in ice. Like much of the destroyed planet, the place knows only one temperature - freezing. But some things never change. The diamond in the ice desert is still a 24-hour hedonistic playground and nothing keeps the crowds away from the casino floors, never mind the rumors about sinister sorcery in its shadows. At the heart of this city is Natasha Kestel, a young blackjack dealer looking for a way out. Like many, she's heard of a mythical land simply called "the Blue." They say it's a paradise, where the sun still shines and the waters are turquoise. More importantly, it's a place where Nat won't be persecuted, even if her darkest secret comes to light. But passage to the Blue is treacherous, if not impossible, and her only shot is to bet on a ragtag crew of mercenaries led by a cocky runner named Ryan Wesson there. Danger and deceit await on every corner, even as Nat and Wes find themselves inexorably drawn to each other. But can true love survive the lies? Fiery hearts collide in this fantastic tale of the evil men do and the awesome power within us all. This is a remarkable first book in a spellbinding new series about the dawn of a new kind of magic.

Melissa De La Cruz

Vampires of Manhattan (*Blue Bloods Coven 01*) Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781401324711

From the bestselling author of *Blue Bloods* and *Witches of East End* comes a new novel that explores the battle between good and evil, in the city that never sleeps... **VAMPIRES OF MANHATTAN: The New Blue Bloods Coven**

You'll devour Melissa de la Cruz's hot new adult novel, in which her *Blue Bloods* immortals have matured and are now exposed to new challenges, new loves, new threats, and a haute, hot hipster lifestyle.

It is ten years after the great War with Lucifer, and the Coven has rebuilt. Leader of the Fallen, Oliver Hazard-Perry, plans to celebrate this prosperity by throwing a 400 Year Ball-and all *Blue Blood* society will be there.

And then, all hell breaks loose....

Jan Delima

Summer Moon (*Celtic Wolves*) A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780425266212

She won't be ruled again.

Rosa Alban has been obedient her entire life. But when her alpha husband dies, she seizes the opportunity to flee the oppressive Guardians - the rulers of the secret shapeshifter world. Her flight instantly brands her as a pack traitor, and she has no choice but to seek protection from a neighboring tribe by marrying one of their sons.

Known as the Beast of Merin, Luc Black loyally plays the part of unwanted son and devoted brother. He realizes marrying Rosa will strengthen his tribe's territory, but he has no intention of loving ever again. Still, he's unprepared for the intense physical need the wild she-wolf awakens in him.

When the Guardians hone in on Rosa, Luc must fight to protect his new bride. And as war descends, the unlikely allies discover their destinies are irrevocably entwined.

Philip K Dick

Voice from the Street B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575132719

One of Dick's earliest books, but his last to be published, this is the story of one man's descent into depression and madness, and his escape to the other side.

Stuart Hadley is a young radio electronics salesman in early 1950s Oakland, California. He has what many would consider the ideal life. He has a nice house, a pretty wife, a decent job with prospects for advancement - but he still feels unfulfilled. Something is missing from his life. Hadley is also an angry young man - an artist, a dreamer, a screw-up. He tries to fill his void first with drinking, then sex, and then with religious fanaticism, but nothing seems to be working and it is driving him crazy. He reacts to the love of his wife and the kindness of his employer with anxiety and fear. Is there anything that can bring him back to the world? Winner of both the HUGO and JOHN W. CAMPBELL AWARDS for BEST NOVEL, Philip K. Dick is widely regarded as the premiere science fiction writer of his day. The object of cult-like adoration from his legions of fans, he has come to be seen in a literary light that defies classification in much the same way as Borges and Calvino. With breathtaking insight, he utilizes vividly unfamiliar worlds to evoke the hauntingly and hilariously familiar in our society and ourselves.

Stephen Donaldson

The Last Dark (*Last Chronicles of Thomas Covenant 04*)

B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575083462

This is the final volume of the epic *Chronicles of Thomas Covenant* - one of the keynote works of modern fantasy. Compelled step by step to actions whose consequences they could neither see nor prevent, Thomas Covenant and Linden Avery have fought for what they love in the magical reality known only as 'the Land'. Now they face their final crisis. Reunited after their separate struggles, they discover in each other their true power - and yet they cannot imagine how to stop the Worm of the World's End from unmaking Time. Nevertheless they must resist the ruin of all things, giving their last strength in the service of the world's continuance.

David Drake & Tony Daniel

The Savior (*General 11*) Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781476736709

Sequel to *The Heretic*, Book 10 in the nationally best-selling *General* series.

FROM HERETIC TO SAVIOR

Duisberg is one of thousands of planets plunged into darkness and chaos by the collapse of the galactic republic, but where other worlds have begun to rebuild a star-travelling culture, Duisberg remains in an uneasy balance between mud-brick civilisation and bloodthirsty barbarism.

The people of Duisberg have a god: Zentrum, a supercomputer from the ancient past. Zentrum has decided to avoid another collapse by preventing civilisation from rising from where it is. This is known as the Stasis. And because even a supercomputer and the powerful religion which it founded cannot block all progress, Zentrum has another tool: every few centuries the barbarians sweep in from the desert, slaughtering the educated classes and cowing the peasants back into submission. These are the Blood Winds, and the Blood Winds are about to blow again.

This time, however, there's a difference: Abel Dashian, son of a military officer, has received into his mind the spirit of Raj Whitehall, the most successful general in the history of the planet Bellevue—and of Center, the supercomputer which enabled Raj to shatter his planet's barbarians and permit the return of civilisation.

One hero can't stop the tide of barbarians unless he has his own culture supporting him. To save Duisberg, Abel must conquer the very land of his origin and attempt to destroy the computer A.I. "god" who has doomed his world to an everlasting Dark Age. Abel is a heretic, but now he must go beyond and become—THE SAVIOR.

Chris Evans

Of Bone and Thunder Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781451679311

A land of thick jungle and mist-swirled mountains. An enemy moving unseen beneath the lush canopy. The growing threat of thaumics—a magic wielded by few that threatens to destabilize all. The youth of a kingdom sent to fight in a faraway hell while back home, discord and disillusionment reign...

Fantasy author Chris Evans masterfully pushes the boundaries of the genre in his brilliant, groundbreaking new epic, a unique and penetrating vision channeling the cultural upheaval, racial animus, and wholesale destruction of the Vietnam War. Here, in the distant nation of Luitox, which is wracked by rebellion, thaumic users copilot mammoth armored dragons alongside fliers who do not trust their strange methods. Warriors trained in crossbow, stealth, and catapult are plunged into sudden chaotic battles with the mysterious Forest Collective, an elusive enemy with a powerful magic of its own. And the Kingdom's most downtrodden citizens, only recently granted equality, fight for the dignity they were supposed to have won at home while questioning who the real enemy is.

Of Bone and Thunder is the story of Thaum Jawm Rathim, whose idealized view of the war clashes with its harsh realities and his realization that victory may cost him everything...of conscripted soldier Carny, awash in a hallucinogenic haze of fear and anger...of Breeze, the red-haired graduate from the Royal Academy of Thaumology, certain she can transform the very nature of warfare—if only she can win the trust of the man holding her fate in his hands...and of Ugen Listowk, a veteran crossbowman who finds solace in the darkest shadows of the jungle and whose greatest fear is failing the men he leads into battle.

Plunging deep into the heart of a moral and mortal darkness, these reluctant soldiers struggle for survival and for meaning amid a blazing drama of blood and magic. They will duel a ghostly enemy, fight to understand their roles in a sprawling maelstrom, and ultimately wage the war their way—not for glory or the Kingdom, but for one another.

Michel Faber

The Book of Strange New Things Hardcover \$39.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780553418842

A monumental, genre-defying novel over ten years in the making, Michel Faber's *The Book of Strange New Things* is a masterwork from a writer in full command of his many talents.

It begins with Peter, a devoted man of faith, as he is called to the mission of a lifetime, one that takes him galaxies away from his wife, Bea. Peter becomes immersed in the mysteries of an astonishing new environment, overseen by an enigmatic corporation known only as USIC. His work introduces him to a seemingly friendly native population struggling with a dangerous illness and hungry for Peter's teachings—his Bible is their “book of strange new things.” But Peter is rattled when Bea's letters from home become increasingly desperate: typhoons and earthquakes are devastating whole countries, and governments are crumbling. Bea's faith, once the guiding light of their lives, begins to falter.

Suddenly, a separation measured by an otherworldly distance, and defined both by one newly discovered world and another in a state of collapse, is threatened by an ever-widening gulf that is much less quantifiable. While Peter is reconciling the needs of his congregation with the desires of his strange employer, Bea is struggling for survival. Their trials lay bare a profound meditation on faith, love tested beyond endurance, and our responsibility to those closest to us.

Marked by the same bravura storytelling and precise language that made *The Crimson Petal* and *the White* such an international success, *The Book of Strange New Things* is extraordinary, mesmerizing, and replete with emotional complexity and genuine pathos.

Philip Jose Farmer

Philip Jose Farmer SF Gateway Omnibus The Maker of Universes, To Your Scattered Bodies Go, Dayworld

(*SF Masterworks*) Trade Paperback \$39.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575119581

Philip Jose Farmer was given the WORLD FANTASY AWARD FOR LIFE ACHIEVEMENT and named an SFWA GRAND MASTER in the same year - a fitting recognition of his refusal to be pigeonholed. Whether pushing the boundaries of sexual and religious themes or reimagining pulp heroes for the modern age, Farmer's restless imagination knew no bounds. This omnibus contains *THE MAKER OF UNIVERSES*, the first of the World of Tiers series; the HUGO AWARD-winning *TO YOUR SCATTERED BODIES GO*, which opens the acclaimed Riverworld sequence; and the stand-alone space opera, *THE UNREASONING MASK*.

Eric Flint & Gorg Huff & Paula Goodlet

1636: The Viennese Waltz (*Ring of Fire*) Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781476736877

The United States of Europe, the new nation formed by an alliance between Swedish king Gustavus Adolphus and the West Virginians hurled back in time is beset by enemies. But as a young new emperor comes to the throne in Austria, an opening has developed for making peace with one branch of the mighty Habsburg dynasty. However, this is no job for diplomats. With the Austro-Hungarian empire teetering on the brink of economic collapse, the USE sends auto mechanics and financiers to the rescue. But the mechanics are West Virginia hillbillies and the financiers are mostly teenage American girls. Ready to greet them is an emperor uncertain of his goals, common folk desperate for work, noblemen with intentions both fair and foul and priest plotting on all sides. To put it mildly, a culture clash in the making.

Naomi Foyle

Seoul Survivors B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781780876009

A meteor known as Lucifer's Hammer is about to wreak destruction on the Earth. And, with the end of the world imminent, there is only one safe place to be. In the mountains above Seoul, American-Korean bio-engineer Dr Kim Da Mi thinks she has found the perfect solution to save the human race. But her methods are strange and her business partner, Johnny Sandman, is not exactly the type of person anyone would want to mix with. Drawn in by their smiles and pretty promises, Sydney - a Canadian model trying to escape an unhappy past - is an integral part of their scheme, until she realises that the quest for perfection comes at an impossible price.

Max Frei

Stanger's Shadows (*Labyrinths of Echo 04*) B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575090149
THE STRANGER'S SHADOW continues the adventures of Sir Max - the one-time loser who now heads the Minor Secret Investigative Force - as he hunts down trespassing monsters and investigates the use of illegal magic in the supernatural world of Echo. Joining Max on his adventures are Sir Melifaro, Sir Juffin Hully, Sir Kofa Yox, and a bizarre cast of otherworldly characters. When people begin to die in Echo, Max must travel to the Dark Side of Echo to destroy the Lonely Shadow - the shadows of the dead. But defeating the Lonely Shadow isn't the end of this battle. Someone has been using the shadows to attack Echo, which will lead the redoubtable Max into a realm of unparalleled danger. Will he be able to defend his adopted home, or will he be forced to return to our mundane world?

Neil Gaiman & P Craig Russell (Illustrator)

Graveyard Book Graphic Novel, Part 1 Trade Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781408858998
The first volume of a glorious two-volume, full-colour graphic novel adaptation of Neil Gaiman's #1 New York Times bestselling and Newbery Medal-winning novel

A full colour graphic novel of The Graveyard Book, adapted by P. Craig Russell and illustrated by an extraordinary team of renowned artists. Inventive, chilling, and filled with wonder, Neil Gaiman's The Graveyard Book reaches new heights in this stunning adaptation. Artists Kevin Nowlan, P. Craig Russell, Tony Harris, Scott Hampton, Galen Showman, Jill Thompson, and Stephen B. Scott lend their own signature styles to create an imaginatively diverse and yet cohesive interpretation of Neil Gaiman's luminous novel. Volume One contains Chapter One through the Interlude, while Volume Two will include Chapter Six to the end.

Graveyard Book Graphic Novel, Part 2 B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781408859001

Volume two of the full colour graphic novel of The Graveyard Book, adapted by P. Craig Russell and illustrated by an extraordinary team of renowned artists. Inventive, chilling, and filled with wonder, Neil Gaiman's The Graveyard Book reaches new heights in this stunning adaptation. Artists Kevin Nowlan, P. Craig Russell, Tony Harris, Scott Hampton, Galen Showman, Jill Thompson, and Stephen B. Scott lend their own signature styles to create an imaginatively diverse and yet cohesive interpretation of Neil Gaiman's luminous novel.

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Elizabeth George

The Edge of Nowhere (*Edge of Nowhere 01*) B Paperback \$14.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781444719970
Becca King and her mother are on the run from her stepfather who has used Becca's talent for hearing 'whispers' to make a large and illegal sum of money. Now their options for safety are running out. In the town of Langley on Whidbey Island, Becca finds refuge in the home of her mother's childhood friend while her mother continues on to Canada in search of safety. But on her first day in town Becca meets sixteen-year-old Derric Mathieson, a Ugandan orphan who was adopted at the age of ten by the town's Deputy Sheriff. Derric also has a secret that no one on Whidbey Island knows, and he and Becca form a bond that can't be broken. Becca is convinced that she's the only person who can truly help him, and just maybe Derric can convince Becca that life is too short to live on the run.

The Edge of the Water (*Edge of Nowhere 02*) B Paperback \$14.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781444720037

On Whidbey Island, secrets never stay buried. A mysterious girl who won't speak; a coal-black seal named Nera that returns to the same place every year; a bitter feud of unknown origin - strange things are happening on Whidbey Island and Becca King is drawn into the maelstrom of events. But Becca, first met in *The Edge of Nowhere*, has her own secrets to hide. Still on the run from her criminal stepfather, Becca is living in a secret location. Even Derric, the Ugandan orphan with whom Becca shares a close, romantic relationship, can't be allowed to know her whereabouts. As secrets of past and present are revealed, Becca becomes aware of her growing paranormal powers and events build to a shocking climax anticipated by no one. Acclaimed author Elizabeth George brings her extraordinary talents to this intriguing story that blends mystery and myth.

William Gibson

The Peripheral Hardcover \$39.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780399158445

William Gibson returns with his first novel since 2010's New York Times-bestselling *Zero History*. Where Flynne and her brother, Burton, live, jobs outside the drug business are rare. Fortunately, Burton has his veteran's benefits, for neural damage he suffered from implants during his time in the USMC's elite Haptic Recon force. Then one night Burton has to go out, but there's a job he's supposed to do-a job Flynne didn't know he had. Beta-testing part of a new game, he tells her. The job seems to be simple: work a perimeter around the image of a tower building. Little buglike things turn up. He's supposed to get in their way, edge them back. That's all there is to it. He's offering Flynne a good price to take over for him. What she sees, though, isn't what Burton told her to expect. It might be a game, but it might also be murder.

Steven Gould

Exo (*Jumper*) Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780765336545

Cent can teleport. So can her parents, but they are the only people in the world who can. This is not as great as you might think it would be--sure, you can go shopping in Japan and then have tea in London, but it's hard to keep a secret like that. And there are people, dangerous people, who work for governments and have guns, who want to make you do just this one thing for them. And when you're a teenage girl things get even more complicated. High school. Boys. Global climate change, refugees, and genocide. Orbital mechanics. But Cent isn't easily daunted, and neither are Davy and Millie, her parents. She's going to make some changes in the world.

Chris Marie Green

Another One Bites the Dust (*Ghost For Hire 02*)

A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780451417008

Jensen Murphy is back in the spooky sequel to *Only the Good Die Young*. Some people think that ghosts are spirits that refuse to go to the other side because they have unfinished business. Take my word - that's true. I should know. I'm a ghost.

I was an ordinary eighties California girl, dead before my time, until psychic Amanda Lee Minter pulled me out of the time loop where I was reliving my death over and over. Now I'm Jensen Murphy, Ghost for Hire. I decided to put my spooky talents to use in helping Amanda Lee track down bad guys and killers (including my own).

It's taken time to figure out exactly how that will work (our first case was definitely a learning experience for all involved), so when a young woman asks Amanda Lee for help convincing her best friend to leave a dangerously hot-tempered boyfriend, I'm ready and willing to use our collective powers on her behalf. But some people are dangerous not only to the living - especially when there are darker forces involved....

Bethany Griffin

The Fall Trade Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781780621364

Madeline and her twin brother Roderick have the Usher name, the Usher house - and the Usher disease. Something is wrong with the family's blood - and it seems to have spread to the house itself. Sometimes Madeline even thinks that the house is alive... When Roderick is sent away to school, the house seems to want revenge on the one member of the Usher family left behind: Madeline herself. A gorgeous, eerie, darkly Gothic tale, *THE FALL* is guaranteed to intrigue and enthrall its readers, winning legions of new fans for the talented Bethany Griffin. Perfect for fans of Laini Taylor, Becca Fitzpatrick and Cassandra Clare.

David Hair

Scarlet Tides (*Moontide Quartet 02*) Hardcover \$29.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781623658298

In *Scarlet Tides* David Hair continues his stunning fantasy epic set in the masterfully crafted world of Urte.

With the Leviathan Bridge now uncovered from the sea, it re-opens the East to the Rondian legions and the Third Crusade ensues in the name of Emperor Constant.

The Rondians are determined to succeed in their latest Crusade and have recruited the strongest and most lethal magi of the Church's Inquisition to lead the way--and to leave nothing but blood and ruins in their wake.

While most of the Rondians have their sights set on gold, one fraction of the Inquisition is set on finding a more important treasure--the Scytale of Corneus. As the source of all magical power, the Scytale is a sure game-changer, and it is imperative that the power-hungry and ruthless Rondians to keep it out of the hands of their enemies if they wish to maintain their growing empire.

Yet, as the Inquisition marches forward, conspiracy to overthrow the new emperor lurks in the shadows in both the East and West.

With the unlikely heroes of Alaron, a failed mage; Ramita, a lowly market maid; and Cymbellea, the daughter of a gypsy set on ending a world of war, *Scarlet Tides* is an impressive world-building feat that proves that sometimes even weapons and magic cannot overcome the power of love and loyalty.

Laurell K Hamilton

Kiss the Dead (*Anita Blake 21*) B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780755389001

"I knew without doubt that if any more of the vampires tried to attack us I'd kill them, too, regardless of apparent age, race, sex, or religious affiliations. I was an equal-opportunity executioner; I killed everybody. "My name is Anita Blake and I am a vampire hunter and necromancer, as well as a US Marshal. So when a fifteen-year-old girl is abducted by vampires, it's up to me to find her. And when I do, I'm faced with something I've never seen before: a terrifyingly ordinary group of people - kids, grandparents, soccer moms - all recently turned and willing to die to avoid serving their vampire master. And where there's one martyr, I know there will be more... But even vampires have monsters that they're afraid of. And I'm one of them..."

Affliction (*Anita Blake 22*) B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780755389049

Some zombies are raised. Others must be put down. Just ask Anita Blake. Before now, she would have considered them merely off-putting, never dangerous. Before now, she had never heard of any of them causing human beings to perish in agony. But that's all changed. Micah's estranged father lies dying, rotting away inside from some strange ailment that has his doctors whispering about zombie disease. Anita makes her living off of zombies but these aren't the kind she knows so well. These creatures hunt in daylight, and are as fast and strong as vampires. If they bite you, you become just like them. And round and round it goes... Where will it stop? Even Anita Blake doesn't know.

Peter F Hamilton

The Abyss Beyond Dreams Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780345547194

The wait is over. Bestselling science fiction master Peter F. Hamilton is back with the first of a new two-book saga set in his popular Commonwealth universe. Distinguished by deft plotting, a teeming cast of characters, dazzling scientific speculation, and imagination that brings the truly alien to life, *The Abyss Beyond Dreams* reveals Hamilton as a storyteller of astonishing ingenuity and power. The year is 3326. Nigel Sheldon, one of the founders of the Commonwealth, receives a visit from the Raiel--self-appointed guardians of the Void, the enigmatic construct at the core of the galaxy that threatens the existence of all that lives. The Raiel convince Nigel to participate in a desperate scheme to infiltrate the Void. Once inside, Nigel discovers that humans are not the only life-forms to have been sucked into the Void, where the laws of physics are subtly different and mental powers indistinguishable from magic are commonplace. The humans trapped there are afflicted by an alien species of biological mimics--the Fallers--that are intelligent but merciless killers. Yet these same aliens may hold the key to destroying the threat of the Void forever--if Nigel can uncover their secrets. As the Fallers' relentless attacks continue, and the fragile human society splinters into civil war, Nigel must uncover the secrets of the Fallers--before he is killed by the very people he has come to save.

S J Harper

Cursed (*Fallen Siren 01*) A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780425263297

Meet FBI Agents Emma Monroe and Zack Armstrong.

She's cursed. He's damned. Together, they make one hell of a team.

Emma Monroe is a Siren, cursed by the gods and bound to earth to atone for an ancient failure. She's had many names and many lives, but only one mission: redemption. Now that she works missing persons cases for the FBI, it could be just a rescue away. Unless her new partner leads her astray.

Special Agent Zack Armstrong just transferred into the San Diego Field Office. He's a werewolf, doing his best to beat back the demons from his dark and dangerous past. As a former Black Ops sniper, he's taken enough lives. Now he's doing penance by saving them.

Emma and Zack's very first case draws them deep into the realm of the paranormal, and forces them to use their own supernatural abilities. But that leaves each of them vulnerable, and there are lines partners should not cross. As secrets are revealed and more women go missing, one thing becomes clear: as they race to save the victims, Emma and Zack risk losing themselves.

Reckoning (*Fallen Siren 02*) A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780425263303

Join Agents Emma Monroe and Zack Armstrong.

She's sacrificed. He's suffered. They've both been betrayed.

Now it's time for a reckoning.

Special Agent Emma Monroe has a secret. She's a Fallen Siren, cursed by the gods and banished to Earth for her failure to prevent the kidnapping of Persephone. As an FBI agent she saves the lives of others believing redemption could be one rescue away.

Her partner Zack is a werewolf and former Black Ops sniper who once carried out a string of questionable assignments. Now he's determined to atone for his past. Ironically, there's a portion of his past Zack doesn't remember - an affair with Emma. Giving into their attraction for one another almost led to their undoing. Now it's back to business as usual.

While trying to unravel the mystery behind a series of kidnappings in Southern California, Emma and Zack become entangled with political tensions in the vampire and Were worlds. Not to mention the struggles they face in their relationship with one another. With so much uncertainty, they come to realize the only thing they can really count on is one another - or can they?

Charlaine Harris

Dead Ever After (*Sookie Stackhouse*) B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575123014

This is the final Sookie Stackhouse novel. Who will love, who will live, and who will be dead ever after?

Sookie Stackhouse has one last adventure in store. Life has taken her from a waitress in Merlotte's Bar, Bon Temps, to part owner; from social outcast to the heart of her community; from a vampire's girlfriend to the wife of one of the most powerful vampires in the state. She has survived explosions, revolutions and attempts on her life. Sookie has endured betrayal, heartbreak and grief... and she has emerged a little stronger, and little wiser, every time. But with life comes new trials... The question is, in the end: who will love, who will live, and who will be dead ever after?

Kim Harrison

For a Few Demons More (*Hollows 05*) B Paperback \$17.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780007578870

The fifth book in Harrison's New York Times bestselling urban fantasy series starring Rachel Morgan. A pacey and addictive novel of sexy bounty-hunting witches, cunning demons and menacing vampires. Bargaining with demons has left Rachel Morgan in constant danger of losing her soul. As if being famous in the underworld - for all the wrong reasons - and sharing her home with a vampire and her jealous girlfriend didn't make her vulnerable enough, one night Rachel finds demons ransacking her home with no fear of sanctified ground. They are searching for something they believe Rachel to possess - a danger that Rachel thought was well hidden and secret. But when the human morgue starts to fill up with partially-turned lupine women who have been brutally murdered, Rachel realises that someone else knows the Focus still exists and that she may have been betrayed.

Where Demons Dare (*Hollows 06*) B Paperback \$17.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780007578887

The sixth book in Harrison's New York Times bestselling urban fantasy series starring Rachel Morgan. A pacey and addictive novel of sexy bounty-hunting witches, cunning demons and menacing vampires. Having barely escaped being skewered by the criminal vampire overlord of Cinncinati, Rachel now has even bigger problems to contend with. The demon, Algaliarept, although banished back into the everafter has infected others of his kind with his interest in a witch who can channel demon magic. Rachel soon finds herself with not one but three hellions on her tail; and one of them is even crazier and more dangerous than all the fairy assassins, weres and vampires on the planet. Published as 'The Outlaw Demon Wails' in the US.

White Witch, Black Curse (*Hollows 07*) B Paperback \$17.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780007578894

The 7th stirring instalment of the urban fantasy-thriller series starring Rachel Morgan. A pacey and addictive novel of sexy bounty-hunting witches, cunning demons and vicious vampires. The demon, Algaliarept, although banished back into the ever-after, has infected others of his kind with his interest in a witch who can channel demon magic. Rachel soon finds herself with not one but three hellions on her tail; and one of them is even crazier and more dangerous than all the fairy assassins, weres and vampires on the planet.

Black Magic Sanction (*Hollows 08*) B Paperback \$17.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780007578900

Rachel Morgan is back and there are more sexy bounty-hunting witches, cunning demons and vicious vampires than ever before. Black Magic Sanction is the eighth instalment of Kim Harrison's New York Times bestselling series. Having barely escaped being skewered by the criminal vampire overlord of Cinncinati, Rachel now has even bigger problems to contend with. The demon, Algaliarept, although banished back into the ever-after, has infected others of his kind with his interest in a witch who can channel demon magic. Rachel soon finds herself with not one but three hellions on her tail; and one of them is even crazier and more dangerous than all the fairy assassins, weres and vampires on the planet.

Kim Harrison

The Witch With No Name (*Hollows 13*) Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780061957956

It's Rachel Morgan's ultimate adventure . . . and anything can happen in this final book in the New York Times bestselling Hollows series.

Rachel Morgan has come a long way from her early days as an inexperienced bounty hunter. She's faced vampires and werewolves, banshees, witches, and soul-eating demons. She's crossed worlds, channeled gods, and accepted her place as a day-walking demon. She's lost friends and lovers and family, and an old enemy has unexpectedly become something much more.

But power demands responsibility, and world-changers must always pay a price. Rachel has known that this day would come—and now it is here. To save Ivy's soul and the rest of the living vampires, to keep the demonic ever after and our own world from destruction, Rachel Morgan will risk everything. . . .

Christina Henry

Black Spring (*Black Wings 07*) A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780425266786

A former Agent of death, Madeline Black now has everything to live for, most importantly, her unborn child. But Chicago has become ground zero in a struggle between ancient creatures, and only Maddy can stop the carnage.

The mayor of Chicago has announced a plan to round up the city's supernatural beings and put them in camps. With her due date looming, Maddy's best move would be to lay low for a while. But not everyone is willing to respect her privacy. Hounded by tentacled monsters, a rogue shapeshifter, and a tenacious blogger, Maddy turns to her most powerful ally, her uncle Daharan, only to find him missing.

Just when it seems like things can't get any worse, Maddy gets an invitation in the mail - to Lucifer's wedding. Turns out everyone has been invited, friends and enemies alike. And with that kind of guest list, it's highly unlikely there will be a happily ever after.

Joe Hill

NOS4R2 B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575130692

Summer. Massachusetts. An old Silver Wraith with a frightening history. A story about one serial killer and his lingering, unfinished business. Anyone could be next. We're going to Christmasland... NOS4R2 is an old-fashioned horror novel in the best sense.

Claustrophobic, gripping and terrifying, this is a story that will have you on the edge of the seat while you read, and leaving the lights on while you sleep. With the horrific tale of Charles Manx and his Silver Wraith, Joe Hill has established himself as the premiere horror and supernatural thriller writer of his generation.

Robin Hobb

Fool's Assassin (*Fitz and the Fool 01*) Trade Paperback \$29.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780007444199

Robin Hobb returns to her best loved characters in a brand new series.

Tom Badgerlock has been living peaceably in the manor house at Withywoods with his beloved wife Molly these many years, the estate a reward to his family for loyal service to the crown. But behind the facade of respectable middle-age lies a turbulent and violent past. For Tom Badgerlock is actually FitzChivalry Farseer, bastard scion of the Farseer line, convicted user of Beast-magic, and assassin. A man who has risked much for his king and lost more... On a shelf in his den sits a triptych carved in memory stone of a man, a wolf and a fool. Once, these three were inseparable friends: Fitz, Nighteyes and the Fool. But one is long dead, and one long-missing. Then one Winterfest night a messenger arrives to seek out Fitz, but mysteriously disappears, leaving nothing but a blood-trail. What was the message? Who was the sender? And what has happened to the messenger? Suddenly Fitz's violent old life erupts into the peace of his new world, and nothing and no one is safe.

The Wilful Princess and the Piebald Prince (*Farseer novella*)

Hardcover \$24.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780007498130

One of the darkest legends in the Realm of the Elderlings recounts the tale of the so-called Piebald Prince, a Witted pretender to the throne unseated by the actions of brave nobles so that the Farseer line could continue untainted. Now the truth behind the story is revealed through the account of Felicity, a low-born companion of the Princess Caution at Buckkeep. With Felicity by her side, Caution grows into a headstrong Queen-in-Waiting. But when Caution gives birth to a bastard son who shares the piebald markings of his father's horse, Felicity is the one who raises him. And as the prince comes to power, political intrigue sparks dangerous whispers about the Wit that will change the kingdom forever...

Internationally-bestselling, critically-acclaimed author Robin Hobb takes readers deep into the history behind the Farseer series in this exclusive, new novella. In her trademark style, Hobb offers a revealing exploration of a family secret still reverberating generations later when assassin FitzChivalry Farseer comes onto the scene. Fans will not want to miss these tantalizing new insights into a much-loved world and its unforgettable characters.

Jonathan L Howard

The Brothers Cabal (*Johannes Cabal 04*) Hardcover \$39.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781250037541

Horst Cabal has risen from the dead. Again. Horst, the most affable vampire one is ever likely to meet, is resurrected by an occult conspiracy that wants him as a general in a monstrous army. Their plan: to create a country of horrors, a supernatural homeland. As Horst sees the lengths to which they are prepared to go and the evil they cultivate, he realizes that he cannot fight them alone. What he really needs on his side is a sarcastic, amoral, heavily armed necromancer.

As luck would have it, this exactly describes his brother.

Join the brothers Cabal as they fearlessly lie quietly in bed, fight dreadful monsters from beyond reality, make soup, feel slightly sorry for zombies, banter lightly with secret societies that wish to destroy them, and—in passing—set out to save the world.*

*The author wishes to point out that there are no zebras this time, so don't get your hopes up on that count. There is, however, a werebadger, if that's something that's been missing from your life.

Tanya Huff

The Future Falls Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780756407537

When Auntie Catherine warns the family of an approaching asteroid, the Gales scramble to keep humans from going the way of the dinosaurs. Fortunately for the world, they're wielding a guitar and a dragon.

The Gale family can change the world with the charms they cast, which has caused some supernaturally complicated family shenanigans in the past. So when NASA and Doomsday Dan confirm Auntie Catherine's dire prediction, Charlotte "Charlie" Gale turns to the family for help.

But Allie is unavailable because the universe seems determined to have her produce the seventh son of a seventh son of a seventh son of a Gale. And the Aunties can't help because they're tied to the earth - although they are happy to provide their delicious, trademark pies. And in the end, all Charlie has is a guitar...

...and Jack. The Dragon Prince, and a Sorcerer.

But Charlie might like Jack just a little too much, and Jack might like Charlie a little too much in return. Actually, between Allie's hormones, the Aunties trying to force her and Jack into ritual, the Courts having way too much fun at the end of days, and Jack's sudden desire to sacrifice himself for the good of the many, Charlie's fairly certain that the asteroid is the least of her problems.

The Gales are going to need more than pie to save the world from an incoming asteroid. But together there isn't anything they can't deal with - except possibly each other.

Sylvia Izzo Hunter

The Midnight Queen (*Noctis Magica*) Trade Paperback \$22.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780425272459

In the hallowed halls of Oxford's Merlin College, the most talented - and highest born - sons of the Kingdom of Britain are taught the intricacies of magickal theory. But what dazzles can also destroy, as Gray Marshall is about to discover.

Gray's deep talent for magick has won him a place at Merlin College. But when he accompanies four fellow students on a mysterious midnight errand that ends in disaster and death, he is sent away in disgrace - and without a trace of his power. He must spend the summer under the watchful eye of his domineering professor, Appius Callender, working in the gardens of Callender's country estate and hoping to recover his abilities. And it is there, toiling away on a summer afternoon, that he meets the professor's daughter.

Even though she has no talent of her own, Sophie Callender longs to be educated in the lore of magick. Her father has kept her isolated at the estate and forbidden her interest; everyone knows that teaching arcane magickal theory to women is the height of impropriety. But against her father's wishes, Sophie has studied his ancient volumes on the subject. And in the tall, stammering, yet oddly charming Gray, she finally finds someone who encourages her interest and awakens new ideas and feelings.

Sophie and Gray's meeting touches off a series of events that begins to unravel secrets about each of them. And after the king's closest advisor pays the professor a closed-door visit, they begin to wonder if what Gray witnessed in Oxford might be even more sinister than it seemed. They are determined to find out, no matter the cost.

Faith Hunter

Broken Soul (*Jane Yellowrock 08*) A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780451465955

Jane Yellowrock is a vampire killer for hire - but other creatures of the night still need to watch their backs....

When the Master of the city of New Orleans asks Jane to improve security for a future visit from a delegation of European vampires, she names an exorbitant price - and Leo is willing to pay. That's because the European vamps want Leo's territory, and he knows that he needs Jane to prevent a total bloodbath. Leo, however, doesn't mention how this new job will change Jane's life or the danger it will bring her and her team.

Jane has more to worry about than some greedy vampires. There's a vicious creature stalking the streets of New Orleans, and its agenda seems to be ripping Leo and her to pieces. Now Jane just has to figure out how to kill something she can't even see.

Simon Ings

City of the Iron Fish B Paperback \$22.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575130890

Simon Ings has written a surreal adventure probing the very fabric of existence, tearing it open to reveal a sometimes horrifying world within. It is a work that will delight any fan of China Mieville. Only a fool would question the strange magics that maintain the cool haven of the City of the Iron Fish in the middle of an inferno of scorching heat and splintered rock, for the well-watered streets of the city hide secrets in their shadows. BR Thomas Kemp is just such a fool... And embarks on a journey that will take him to the limits of reality. It may kill him, worse, that may not be enough. Especially as it is his only friend, Blythe, who may discover the secret of the city's isolation.

Alex Irvine

The Secret Journal of Ichabod Crane Trade Paperback \$22.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780553418989

"I am Ichabod Crane, born in the year 1747. It seems this is the year 2013 Anno Domini, and I have been given new life—how, I know not; why, I know not. I will discern the truth—if, that is, I can keep my head."

In "Sleepy Hollow," a supernatural twist on Washington Irving's classic short story, Ichabod Crane has been pulled two-and-a-half centuries through time to find that he and detective Abbie Mills are humanity's last hope in the war against evil. Passionate, intelligent, and wryly funny, Crane has always used journals to collect thoughts and documents that may prove useful later, and *The Secret Journal of Ichabod Crane* offers an unprecedented look at the battle also raging inside his fascinating mind.

On the pages within, Crane shares new memories of the American Revolution; more amusing reflections on modern-day phenomena, from the Internet to Election Day; and private thoughts about Abbie, Katrina, and others. He also includes hidden case files; secret Freemason puzzles; selections from George Washington's mysterious Bible; and photos, letters, and drawings he has collected along the way. Filled with detail about past battles and vanquished monsters, as well as clues about those he and Abbie have yet to face, this journal is not just the ultimate repository for fans, but the key to Sleepy Hollow's future—and the world's.

Ian Irvine (Australian Author)

Rebellion (*Tainted Realm 02*) B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780733633591

Hightspall is dying. Every year the winters worsen, and the realm's protective magic disappeared with the traitor-king, Lyf, two thousand years ago. Now Lyf is back, bent on wiping Hightspall off the map and rebuilding his ancient land anew. A slave orphaned by Lyf, Tali holds the key to saving the realm - or destroying it. Can she stop him before he tears Hightspall apart, and plunges the world into perpetual darkness?

Justice (*Tainted Realm 03*) B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780733633744

The final battle - the ultimate price. The once beautiful land of Hightspall is being carved up by warring armies led by figures out of legend. One army is headed by the charismatic brute, Axil Grandys, and the other by Lyf, resurrected sorcerer-king and Axil's ancient nemesis. Only the escaped slave Tali and her unreliable magic stand in their way - but Tali's gift grows more painful every time she uses it. As the armies converge on the fateful peak of Touchstone, Tali and her ally Rix must find a way to overcome Lyf and prevent Grandys from using the Three Spells that will destroy Hightspall forever.

Benedict Jacka (Australian Author)

Hidden (*Alex Versus 05*) A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780425264942

Hidden (*Alex Versus 05*) B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780356502311

NEVER LOOK BACK Alex Verus is a diviner who can see probable futures - a talent that's gotten him and his friends out of many a tough scrape. But what happens when someone doesn't want Alex's help? Alex's friend, the life mage Anne, distanced herself from him when she found out about his past as a Dark apprentice. Now she's in serious trouble, but wants nothing to do with him. Alex has to start wondering if Anne's problem is really with him - or if there's a secret she's trying to hide. On top of that, rumours are swirling around London that Alex's former master may be back in town. Alex has no idea what his agenda may be, or who it involves . . .

John Horner Jacobs

The Incorruptibles Trade Paperback \$29.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575123328

On the edges of the Empire, life is hard - and men must be harder. Gritty fantasy perfect for fans of Abercrombie's RED COUNTRY or Mark Lawrence's PRINCE OF THORNS.

In the contested and unexplored territories at the edge of the Empire, a boat is making its laborious way up stream. Riding along the banks are the mercenaries hired to protect it - from raiders, bandits and, most of all, the stretchers, elf-like natives who kill any intruders into their territory. The mercenaries know this is dangerous, deadly work. But it is what they do. In the boat the drunk governor of the territories and his sons and daughters make merry. They believe that their status makes them untouchable. They are wrong. And with them is a mysterious, beautiful young woman, who is the key to peace between warring nations and survival for the Empire. When a callow mercenary saves the life of the Governor on an ill-fated hunting party, the two groups are thrown together. For Fisk and Shoe - two tough, honourable mercenaries surrounded by corruption, who know they can always and only rely on each other - their young companion appears to be playing with fire. The nobles have the power, and crossing them is always risky. And although love is a wonderful thing, sometimes the best decision is to walk away. Because no matter how untouchable or deadly you may be, the stretchers have other plans.

Darynda Jones

Seventh Grave and No Body Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781250045645

Lead me not into temptation. Follow me instead! I know a shortcut! --T-shirt

Twelve. Twelve of the deadliest beasts ever forged in the fires of hell have escaped onto our plane, and they want nothing more than to rip out Charley Davidson's jugular and serve her body to Satan for dinner. So there's that. But Charley has more on her plate than a mob of testy hellhounds. For one thing, her father has disappeared, and as she retraces his last steps she learns he was conducting an investigation of his own, one that has Charley questioning everything she's ever known about him. Add to that an ex-BFF who is haunting her night and day, a rash of suicides that has authorities baffled, and a drop-dead sexy fiancé who has attracted the attentions of a local celebrity, and Charley is not having the best week of her life. But all of that barely scratches the surface of her problems. Recent developments have forced her to become a responsible adult. To conquer such a monumental task, she's decided to start small. Really small. She gets a pet. But how can she save the world against the forces of evil when she can't even keep a goldfish alive? A tad north of hell, a hop, skip, and a jump past the realm of eternity, is a little place called Earth, and Charley Davidson, grim reaper extraordinaire, is determined to do everything in her power to protect it. We're doomed.

Stephen King

Revival Hardcover \$39.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781476770383

In a small New England town, over half a century ago, a shadow falls over a small boy playing with his toy soldiers. Jamie Morton looks up to see a striking man, the new minister. Charles Jacobs, along with his beautiful wife, will transform the local church. The men and boys are all a bit in love with Mrs. Jacobs; the women and girls feel the same about Reverend Jacobs—including Jamie's mother and beloved sister, Claire. With Jamie, the Reverend shares a deeper bond based on a secret obsession. When tragedy strikes the Jacobs family, this charismatic preacher curses God, mocks all religious belief, and is banished from the shocked town. Jamie has demons of his own. Wed to his guitar from the age of 13, he plays in bands across the country, living the nomadic lifestyle of bar-band rock and roll while fleeing from his family's horrific loss. In his mid-thirties—addicted to heroin, stranded, desperate—Jamie meets Charles Jacobs again, with profound consequences for both men. Their bond becomes a pact beyond even the Devil's devising, and Jamie discovers that revival has many meanings.

This rich and disturbing novel spans five decades on its way to the most terrifying conclusion Stephen King has ever written. It's a masterpiece from King, in the great American tradition of Frank Norris, Nathaniel Hawthorne, and Edgar Allan Poe.

Caitlin Kittredge

Black Dog (*Hellhound Chronicles 01*) Trade Paperback \$19.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780062316912

The first installment in a fabulous dark urban fantasy series—think Kill Bill with demons and gangsters instead of martial arts—from the award-winning author of the Iron Codex trilogy and Vertigo comic Coffin Hill.

Ava has spent the last hundred years as a hellhound, the indentured servant of a reaper who hunts errant souls and sends them to Hell. When a human necromancer convinces her to steal her reaper's scythe, Ava incurs the wrath of the demon Lilith, her reaper's boss. As punishment for her transgression, Lilith orders Ava to track down the last soul in her reaper's ledger . . . or die trying. But after a hundred years of servitude, it's time for payback. And Hell hath no fury like an avenging Ava. . . .

Damon Knight

Damon Knight SF Gateway Omnibus Far Out, In Deep, Off Centre, Turning On (*SF Masterworks*)

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Nancy Kress

Yesterday's Kin Trade Paperback \$22.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781616961756

Aliens have landed in New York. After several months of no explanations, they finally reveal the reason for their arrival. The news is not good.

Geneticist Marianne Jenner is having a career breakthrough, yet her family is tearing itself apart. Her children Elizabeth and Ryan constantly bicker, agreeing only that an alien conspiracy is in play. Her youngest, Noah, is addicted to a drug that keeps temporarily changing his identity. The Jenner family could not be further apart. But between the four of them, the course of human history will be forever altered. Earth's most elite scientists have ten months to prevent a disaster—and not everyone is willing to wait.

Mercedes Lackey

Closer to Home (*Valdemar Herald Spy 01*) Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780756408992

Mags was once an enslaved orphan living a harsh life in the mines, until the King's Own Herald discovered his talent and trained him as a spy. Now a Herald in his own right, at the newly established Heralds' Collegium, Mags has found a supportive family, including his Companion Dallen.

Although normally a Herald in his first year of Whites would be sent off on circuit, Mags is needed close to home for his abilities as a spy and his powerful Mindspeech gift. There is a secret, treacherous plot within the royal court to destroy the Heralds. The situation becomes dire after the life of Mags' mentor, King's Own Nikolas, is imperiled. His daughter Amily is chosen as the new King's Own, a complicated and dangerous job that is made more so by this perilous time. Can Mags and Amily save the court, the Heralds, and the Collegium itself?

Revolution A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781476737027

From New York Times best-seller and science fiction and fantasy mistress of adventure Mercedes Lackey, Book #3 in a new pulse-pounding saga of modern-day humans with superpowers. The metaheroes deal with supervillain Verdegriis, who seeks to destroy them from within, before turning their attention back to the Thulian conspiracy.

It's go time once again for the meta-heroes including fire-bender John Murdock, hacker-witch Vikki Nagy, healer Belladonna Blue, super-quick Mercurye - and most of all for their ghostly ally, Seraphym, the spirit of the world Verdegriis knows he must trap and destroy her if he is to take down the metas.

Derek Landy

The Dying of the Light (*Skulduggery Pleasant 09*)

B Paperback \$24.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780007489275

The FINAL shocking, heart-wrenching book in the jaw-droppingly stupendous Skulduggery Pleasant series. Valkerie. Darquesse. Stephanie. The world ain't big enough for the three of them. The end will come... The War of the Sanctuaries has been won, but it was not without its casualties. Following the loss of Valkyrie Cain, Skulduggery Pleasant must use any and all means to track down and stop Darquesse before she turns the world into a charred, lifeless cinder. And so he draws together a team of soldiers, monster hunters, killers, criminals... and Valkyrie's own murderous reflection. The war may be over, but the final battle is about to begin. And not everyone gets out of here alive...

Duncan Lay (Australian Author)

Wall of Spears (*Empire of Bones 03*) Trade Paperback \$29.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780732294205

The thrilling conclusion to the Empire of Bones series. It is time to decide who will rule the lands and control the magic. Will it be Forland, with its lust for bloody conquest? Will it be Dokuzen, with its dreams of a slave empire, or will it be Vales, armed only with Rhiannon and her magic - and the truth about why the rulers of Dokuzen claim to be elves? Into this mix comes Sendatsu. Rejected by his true love, hated by his father, hunted by his former best friend, he now burns with the desire to build a better world for his children. Betrayal follows lies which follows more betrayal as the true power behind the vicious struggle is revealed. The fate of all the lands rests on a sword's edge ...

Ann Leckie

Ancillary Sword (*Ancillary 02*) Trade Paperback \$19.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780316246651

What if you once had thousands of bodies and near god-like technology at your disposal? And what if all of it were ripped away? The Lord of the Radch has given Breq command of the ship Mercy of Kalr and sent her to the only place she would have agreed to go -- to Athoek Station, where Lieutenant Awn's sister works in Horticulture.

Athoek was annexed some six hundred years ago, and by now everyone is fully civilized -- or should be. But everything is not as tranquil as it appears. Old divisions are still troublesome, Athoek Station's AI is unhappy with the situation, and it looks like the alien Presger might have taken an interest in what's going on. With no guarantees that interest is benevolent.

Edward M Lerner

Energized A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780765366481

No one expected the oil to last forever. How right they were.

A geopolitical miscalculation tainted the world's major oil fields with radioactivity and plunged the Middle East into chaos. Any oil that remains usable is more prized than ever. No one can build solar farms, wind farms, and electric cars quickly enough to cope. The few countries still able to export oil and natural gas - Russia chief among them - have a stranglehold on the world economy.

And then, from the darkness of space, came Phoebe. Rather than divert the onrushing asteroid, America captured it in Earth orbit. Solar power satellites - cheaply mass-produced in orbit with resources mined from the new moon to beam vast amounts of power to the ground - offer America its last, best hope of avoiding servitude and economic ruin.

As though building miles-across structures in space isn't challenging enough, special interests, from technophobes to eco-extremists to radio astronomers, want to stop the project. And the remaining petro powers will do anything to protect their newfound dominance of world affairs. NASA engineer Marcus Judson is determined to make the powersat demonstration project a success. And he will - even though nothing in his job description mentions combating an international cabal, or going into space to do it.

Rebecca Levene

Smiler's Fair (*Hollow Gods 01*) Trade Paperback \$29.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781444753691

Yron the moon god died, but now he's reborn in the false king's son. His human father wanted to kill him, but his mother sacrificed her life to save him. He'll return one day to claim his birthright. He'll change your life. He'll change everything. Smiler's Fair: the great moving carnival where any pleasure can be had, if you're willing to pay the price. They say all paths cross at Smiler's Fair. They say it'll change your life. For five people, Smiler's Fair will change everything. In a land where unimaginable horror lurks in the shadows, where the very sun and moon are at war, five people - Nethmi, the orphaned daughter of a murdered nobleman, who in desperation commits an act that will haunt her forever. Dae Hyo, the skilled warrior, who discovers that a lifetime of bravery cannot make up for a single mistake. Eric, who follows his heart only to find that love exacts a terrible price. Marvan, the master swordsman, who takes more pleasure from killing than he should. And Krish, the humble goatherd, with a destiny he hardly understands and can never accept - will discover just how much Smiler's Fair changes everything.

Erin Lindsey

The Bloodbound (01) A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780425272688

Of all those in the King of Alden's retinue, the bloodbinders are the most prized. The magic they wield can forge invaluable weapons, ones that make soldiers like Lady Alix Black unerringly lethal. However, the bloodbinders' powers can do so much more - and so much worse

A cunning and impetuous scout, Alix only wishes to serve quietly on the edges of the action. But when the king is betrayed by his own brother and left to die at the hands of attacking Oridian forces, she winds up single-handedly saving her sovereign.

Suddenly, she is head of the king's personal guard, an honor made all the more dubious by the king's exile from his own court. Surrounded by enemies, Alix must help him reclaim his crown, all the while attempting to repel the relentless tide of invaders led by the Priest, most feared of Oridia's lords. But while Alix's king commands her duty, both he and a fellow scout lay claim to her heart. And when the time comes, she may need to choose between the two men who need her most.

Emily St. John Mandel

Station Eleven Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780385353304

An audacious, darkly glittering novel set in the eerie days of civilization's collapse, Station Eleven tells the spellbinding story of a Hollywood star, his would-be savior, and a nomadic group of actors roaming the scattered outposts of the Great Lakes region, risking everything for art and humanity.

One snowy night Arthur Leander, a famous actor, has a heart attack onstage during a production of King Lear. Jeevan Chaudhary, a paparazzo-turned-EMT, is in the audience and leaps to his aid. A child actress named Kirsten Raymonde watches in horror as Jeevan performs CPR, pumping Arthur's chest as the curtain drops, but Arthur is dead. That same night, as Jeevan walks home from the theater, a terrible flu begins to spread. Hospitals are flooded and Jeevan and his brother barricade themselves inside an apartment, watching out the window as cars clog the highways, gunshots ring out, and life disintegrates around them.

Fifteen years later, Kirsten is an actress with the Traveling Symphony. Together, this small troupe moves between the settlements of an altered world, performing Shakespeare and music for scattered communities of survivors. Written on their caravan, and tattooed on Kirsten's arm is a line from Star Trek: "Because survival is insufficient." But when they arrive in St. Deborah by the Water, they encounter a violent prophet who digs graves for anyone who dares to leave.

Spanning decades, moving back and forth in time, and vividly depicting life before and after the pandemic, this suspenseful, elegiac novel is rife with beauty. As Arthur falls in and out of love, as Jeevan watches the newscasters say their final good-byes, and as Kirsten finds herself caught in the crosshairs of the prophet, we see the strange twists of fate that connect them all. A novel of art, memory, and ambition, Station Eleven tells a story about the relationships that sustain us, the ephemeral nature of fame, and the beauty of the world as we know it.

Cixin Liu & Ken Liu

The Three-Body Problem Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780765377067

Three-Body Problem is the first chance for English-speaking readers to experience this multiple award winning phenomenon from China's most beloved science fiction author, Liu Cixin.

Set against the backdrop of China's Cultural Revolution, a secret military project sends signals into space to establish contact with aliens. An alien civilization on the brink of destruction captures the signal and plans to invade Earth. Meanwhile, on Earth, different camps start forming, planning to either welcome the superior beings and help them take over a world seen as corrupt, or to fight against the invasion. The result is a science fiction masterpiece of enormous scope and vision.

Juliet Marillier (Australian Author)

Dreamer's Pool (*Blackthorn & Grim*) Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780451466990

Marillier now begins an all-new and enchanting series that will transport readers to a magical vision of ancient Ireland...

In exchange for help escaping her long and wrongful imprisonment, embittered magical healer Blackthorn has vowed to set aside her bid for vengeance against the man who destroyed all that she once held dear. Followed by a former prison mate, a silent hulk of a man named Grim, she travels north to Dalriada. There she'll live on the fringe of a mysterious forest, duty bound for seven years to assist anyone who asks for her help.

Oran, crown prince of Dalriada, has waited anxiously for the arrival of his future bride, Lady Flidais. He knows her only from a portrait and sweetly poetic correspondence that have convinced him Flidais is his destined true love. But Oran discovers letters can lie. For although his intended exactly resembles her portrait, her brutality upon arrival proves she is nothing like the sensitive woman of the letters.

With the strategic marriage imminent, Oran sees no way out of his dilemma. Word has spread that Blackthorn possesses a remarkable gift for solving knotty problems, so the prince asks her for help. To save Oran from his treacherous nuptials, Blackthorn and Grim will need all their resources: courage, ingenuity, leaps of deduction, and more than a little magic.

Peyton Marshall

Good House Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780374165628

A bighearted dystopian novel about the corrosive effects of fear and the redemptive power of love

With soaring literary prose and the tense pacing of a thriller, the first-time novelist Peyton Marshall imagines a grim and startling future. At the end of the twenty-first century—in a transformed America—the families of convicted felons are tested for a set of genetic markers. Boys who test positive become compulsory wards of the state—removed from their homes and raised on "Goodhouse" campuses, where they learn to reform their darkest thoughts and impulses. Goodhouse is a feral place—part prison, part boarding school—and now a radical religious group, the Holy Redeemer's Church of Purity, is intent on destroying each campus and purifying every child with fire.

We see all this through the eyes of James, a transfer student who watched as the radicals set fire to his old Goodhouse and everyone he'd ever known. In addition to adjusting to a new campus with new rules, James now has to contend with Bethany, a brilliant, medically fragile girl who wants to save him, and her father, the school's sinister director of medical studies. Soon, however, James realizes that the biggest threat might already be there, inside the fortified walls of Goodhouse itself. Partly based on the true story of the nineteenth-century Preston School of Industry and the boys who lived and died in its halls, Goodhouse explores questions of identity and free will—and what it means to test the limits of human endurance.

George R R Martin & Elio Garcia & Linda Antonssen

The World of Ice & Fire: The Untold History of Westeros and the Game of Thrones (*Song of Ice and Fire*)

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If the past is prologue, then George R. R. Martin's masterwork—the most inventive and entertaining fantasy saga of our time—warrants one hell of an introduction. At long last, it has arrived with *The World of Ice & Fire*.

This lavishly illustrated volume is a comprehensive history of the Seven Kingdoms, providing vividly constructed accounts of the epic battles, bitter rivalries, and daring rebellions that lead to the events of *A Song of Ice and Fire* and HBO's *Game of Thrones*. In a

collaboration that's been years in the making, Martin has teamed with Elio M. García, Jr., and Linda Antonsson, the founders of the renowned fan site *Westeros.org*—

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- full family trees for Houses Stark, Lannister, and Targaryen
- in-depth explorations of the history and culture of Westeros
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The definitive companion piece to George R. R. Martin's dazzlingly conceived universe, *The World of Ice & Fire* is indeed proof that the pen is mightier than a storm of swords.

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Graham Masterton

Drought Hardcover \$39.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780727883995

What would happen if the water ran out?

Ex-Marine Martin Makepeace only learned the truth of the maxim that you don't know what you have until you lose it, the day his wife walked out on him with their two kids. Now, the social worker does his best to take care of those who need it most.

But good deeds mean nothing when the water just . . . disappears. It hasn't rained for months, and now, in the height of summer, the taps run dry. And not, as they first suspect, because of a burst water main. In the deprived areas where Martin works, the water's been intentionally cut off. And it's his job, he discovers, to tell the families he cares for not to panic.

Martin soon has more problems than lack of water. His daughter is sick with fever. And as riots over bottled water start, Martin's teenage son is framed, and arrested, for a terrible crime. Soon Martin is left with no choice but to take drastic action to save his family, while corrupt politicians try and use the situation to their advantage, with calamitous results . . .

Elizabeth May

The Falconer B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575130425

Heiress. Debutant. Murderer. A new generation of heroines has arrived.

Lady Aileana Kameron, the only daughter of the Marquess of Douglas, was destined for a life carefully planned around Edinburgh's social events - right up until a faery killed her mother. Now it's the 1844 winter season and Aileana slaughters faeries in secret, in between the endless round of parties, tea and balls. Armed with modified percussion pistols and explosives, she sheds her aristocratic facade every night to go hunting. She's determined to track down the faery who murdered her mother, and to destroy any who prey on humans in the city's many dark alleyways. But the balance between high society and her private war is a delicate one, and as the fae infiltrate the ballroom and Aileana's father returns home, she has decisions to make. How much is she willing to lose - and just how far will Aileana go for revenge?

Kelly McCullough

Drawn Blades (*Fallen Blade 05*) A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780425270004

Once one of the world's greatest assassins, Aral Kingslayer has finally reclaimed his swords and his soul. But the forces that destroyed his patron Namara twelve years ago are still there, waiting, and his past as a Blade is never more than a shadow's breadth away.

In the days before the fall of his goddess, only one other rivaled Aral's skills, Siri the Mythkiller - a woman who ruthlessly earned the title First Blade. As a friend, Aral owes her his loyalty. As a former lover, he owes her part of his heart. As a Blade, he owes her anything she asks, including his life.

When Siri seeks Aral's aid, he knows he must go. But as they journey towards the ancient Sylvania Empire, only time will reveal whether Aral can save the former First Blade, or if he will simply fall with her.

Jack McDevitt

Coming Home (*Alex Benedict*) Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780425260876

Thousands of years ago, artifacts of the early space age were lost to rising oceans and widespread turmoil. Garnett Baylee devoted his life to finding them, only to give up hope. Then, in the wake of his death, one was found in his home, raising tantalizing questions. Had he succeeded after all? Why had he kept it a secret? And where is the rest of the Apollo cache?

Antiquities dealer Alex Benedict and his pilot, Chase Kolpath, have gone to Earth to learn the truth. But the trail seems to have gone cold, so they head back home to be present when the Capella, the interstellar transport that vanished eleven years earlier in a time/space warp, is expected to reappear. With a window of only a few hours, rescuing it is of the utmost importance. Twenty-six hundred passengers - including Alex's uncle, Gabriel Benedict, the man who raised him - are on board.

Alex now finds his attention divided between finding the artifacts and anticipating the rescue of the Capella. But time won't allow him to do both. As the deadline for the Capella's reappearance draws near, Alex fears that the puzzle of the artifacts will be lost yet again. But Alex Benedict never forgets and never gives up - and another day will soon come around...

Starhawk (*Priscilla Hutchins 07*) B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781472203311

From Nebula-Award winning Jack McDevitt comes the thrilling, edge-of-your-seat tale of interstellar pilot Priscilla 'Hutch' Hutchins's very first mission. Not to be missed by readers of Ray Bradbury and Joe Haldeman. Hutch has finally realised her dream: she's completed a nerve-bending qualification flight for a pilot's licence. Her timing is far from optimal, however. Faster-than-light travel has only recently become a reality and the World Space Authority is still learning how to manage long-range missions safely. To make matters worse, efforts to prepare two planets for colonization are killing off native life forms, outraging people on Earth. So interstellar pilots are not exactly in demand. Although Hutch fears her career may be over before it has begun, her ambition won't be denied and soon she is on the bridge of an interstellar ship, working for the corporation that is responsible for the terraforming. Her working conditions include bomb threats, sabotage, clashes with her employers ... and a mission to a world adrift between the stars which harbours a life form unlike anything humanity has ever seen. Ultimately, she will be part of a life and death struggle which will test not just her capabilities, but also her character.

Seanan McGuire

The Winter Long (*October Daye 08*) A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780756408084

Toby thought she understood her own past; she thought she knew the score.

She was wrong.

It's time to learn the truth.

With her life finally on track, especially since the new Queen of the Mists is on her side, October "Toby" Daye braces herself for everything to go horribly wrong due to the approaching winter.

Seanán McGuire

Sparrow Hill Road (*Ghost Stories 01*) Trade Paperback \$22.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780756409616

Rose Marshall died in 1952 in Buckley Township, Michigan, run off the road by a man named Bobby Cross - a man who had sold his soul to live forever, and intended to use her death to pay the price of his immortality. Trouble was, he didn't ask Rose what she thought of the idea.

It's been more than sixty years since that night, and she's still sixteen, and she's still running.

They have names for her all over the country: the Girl in the Diner. The Phantom Prom Date. The Girl in the Green Silk Gown.

Mostly she just goes by Rose," a hitchhiking ghost girl with her thumb out and her eyes fixed on the horizon, trying to outrace a man who never sleeps, never stops, and never gives up on the idea of claiming what's his. She's the angel of the overpass, she's the darling of the truck stops, and she's going to figure out a way to win her freedom. After all, it's not like it can kill her.

You can't kill what's already dead.

Joe McKinney

The Plague of the Undead A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780786033973

When the inexperienced offspring of the original survivors decide to explore the wastelands around them, all hell breaks loose as they not only encounter the infected, but wild animals and small pockets of desperate, mad and dangerous humans who hide in the shadows.

Richelle Mead

Gameboard of the Gods (*Age of X 01*) A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780451467997

The truth is, when you banish the gods from the world, they eventually come back—with a vengeance.

In the near future, Justin March lives in exile from the Republic of United North America. After failing in his job as an investigator of religious groups and supernatural claims, Justin is surprised when he is sent back with a peculiar assignment—to solve a string of ritualistic murders steeped in seemingly unexplainable phenomena.

Justin's return comes with an even bigger shock: His new partner and bodyguard, Mae Koskinen, is a praetorian, one of the Republic's technologically enhanced supersoldiers. Mae's inexplicable beauty and aristocratic upbringing attract Justin's curiosity and desire, but her true nature holds more danger than anyone realizes.

As their investigation unfolds, Justin and Mae find themselves in the crosshairs of mysterious enemies. Powers greater than they can imagine have started to assemble in the shadows, preparing to reclaim a world that has renounced religion and where humans are merely gamepieces on their board.

John Meaney

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From the leader of a Norse raiding party in 7th-century England to a young symbiotically bonded Pilot-and-Ship in the far future.

From a female German scientist during the Second World War to a member of an alien race who communicates by smell. From the past to the future, war is coming. And only a few can see the darkness. Hidden at the centre of the Universe, the darkness spreads its tendrils throughout space and time. Those it touches become puppets, dedicated to slowing down the improvement of the human race and preventing it from reaching its true potential. For the darkness knows that when it makes its final invasion of our space, humanity will stand against it. And in the far, far future, knowing that they are the last hope for the galaxy, the Ragnarok council is forming...

A conflict lasting thousands of years and spanning millions of light years comes to its shattering conclusion in the final book of the Ragnarok trilogy, perfect for fans of Peter F. Hamilton and Alastair Reynolds.

John Jackson Miller

A New Dawn Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780553392869

"The war is over. The Separatists have been defeated, and the Jedi rebellion has been foiled. We stand on the threshold of a new beginning."—Emperor Palpatine

For a thousand generations, the Jedi Knights brought peace and order to the Galactic Republic, aided by their connection to the mystical energy field known as the Force. But they were betrayed—and the entire galaxy has paid the price. It is the Age of the Empire.

Now Emperor Palpatine, once Chancellor of the Republic and secretly a Sith follower of the dark side of the Force, has brought his own peace and order to the galaxy. Peace through brutal repression, and order through increasing control of his subjects' lives.

But even as the Emperor tightens his iron grip, others have begun to question his means and motives. And still others, whose lives were destroyed by Palpatine's machinations, lay scattered about the galaxy like unexploded bombs, waiting to go off. . . .

The first Star Wars novel created in collaboration with the Lucasfilm Story Group, *Star Wars: A New Dawn* is set during the legendary "Dark Times" between Episodes III and IV and tells the story of how two of the lead characters from the animated series *Star Wars Rebels* first came to cross paths. Featuring a foreword by Dave Filoni.

Karen Miller (Australian Author)

The Falcon Throne (*Tarnished Crown 01*) Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780316120081

The Falcon Throne (*Tarnished Crown 01*) Trade Paperback \$29.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780733629150

When kingdoms clash, every crown will be tarnished by the bloody price of ambition. In a divided kingdom, some will do anything to seize the crown. A BASTARD LORD, rising up against his tyrant cousin, sheds more blood than he bargained for. A ROYAL CHILD, believed dead, sets his eyes on regaining his father's stolen throne. A DUKE'S WIDOW, defending her daughter, defies the ambitious lord who would control them both. AND TWO BROTHERS, divided by ambition, will learn the true meaning of treachery. All of this will come to pass, and nothing will remain as it once was. Royal houses will fall, empires will be reborn, and those who seek the Falcon Throne will pay for it in blood. A major new fantasy epic begins.

David Mitchell

The Bone Clocks Hardcover \$39.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781400065677

An elegant conjurer of interconnected tales, a genre-bending daredevil, and master prose stylist, David Mitchell has become one of the leading literary voices of his generation. His hypnotic new novel, *The Bone Clocks*, crackles with invention and wit—it is fiction at its most spellbinding and memorable.

Following a scalding row with her mother, fifteen-year-old Holly Sykes slams the door on her old life. But Holly is no typical teenage runaway: A sensitive child once contacted by voices she knew only as “the radio people,” Holly is a lightning rod for psychic phenomena. Now, as she wanders deeper into the English countryside, visions and coincidences reorder her reality until they assume the aura of a nightmare brought to life.

For Holly has caught the attention of a cabal of dangerous mystics—and their enemies. But her lost weekend is merely the prelude to a shocking disappearance that leaves her family irrevocably scarred. This unsolved mystery will echo through every decade of Holly’s life, affecting all the people Holly loves—even the ones who are not yet born.

A Cambridge scholarship boy grooming himself for wealth and influence, a conflicted father who feels alive only while reporting on the war in Iraq, a middle-aged writer mourning his exile from the bestseller list—all have a part to play in this surreal, invisible war on the margins of our world. From the medieval Swiss Alps to the nineteenth-century Australian bush, from a hotel in Shanghai to a Manhattan townhouse in the near future, their stories come together in moments of everyday grace and extraordinary wonder.

Devon Monk

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One hundred years ago, eleven powerful ruling Houses consolidated all of the world’s resources and authority into their own grasping hands. Only one power wasn’t placed under the command of a single House: the control over the immortal galvanized....

Matilda Case isn’t like most folk. In fact, she’s unique in the world, the crowning achievement of her father’s experiments, a girl pieced together from bits. Or so she believes, until Abraham Seventh shows up at her door, stitched with life thread just like her and insisting that enemies are coming to kill them all.

Tilly is one of thirteen incredible creations known as the galvanized, stitched together beings immortal and unfathomably strong. For a century, each House has fought for control over the galvanized. Now the Houses are also tangled in a deadly struggle for dominion over death—and Tilly and her kind hold the key to unlocking eternity

The secrets that Tilly must fight to protect are hidden within the very seams of her being. And to get the secrets, her enemies are willing to tear her apart piece by piece....

Michael Moorcock

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Kass Morgan

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In 3010, humanity lives in city-like spaceships orbiting far above Earth’s toxic atmosphere. No one knows when, or even if, the planet will be habitable again. But faced with dwindling resources, government leaders know they must reclaim their homeland... before it’s too late. Now a hundred juvenile delinquents are sent on a high-stakes mission to re-colonize Earth. After a brutal crash landing, the teens arrive on a savagely beautiful planet. Confronting the dangers of this rugged new world, they struggle to form a tentative community and to get over their dark pasts. In order to survive, they must learn to trust - and even love - again.

Day 21 (*The 100 02*) B Paperback \$16.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781444766905

In this pulse-pounding sequel to Kass Morgan’s *The 100*, secrets are revealed, beliefs are challenged, and relationships are tested. And the hundred will struggle to survive the only way they can - together. It’s been 21 days since *The 100* landed on Earth. They’re the only humans to set foot on the planet in centuries... or so they thought. Facing an unknown enemy, Wells attempts to keep the group together. Clarke strikes out for Mount Weather, in search of other Colonists, while Bellamy is determined to rescue his sister, no matter the cost. And back on the ship, Glass faces an unthinkable choice between the love of her life and life itself.

Chase Novak

Brood Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780316228008

Two teenagers struggle with a horrific family legacy, and the woman who has adopted them fights for their lives--and her own. Adam and Alice are reaching the age when some of the children created by the fertility treatment that spawned them begin to turn feral. Will they succumb to the same physiological horror that destroyed their parents? Every change brings on terror--the voice cracking as it changes, the swelling of the breasts, the coarsening of down into actual hair. Their aunt, Cynthia, oversees renovations to the Twisden family's Manhattan residence--torn apart by the children's parents at their most savage--and struggles to give her niece and nephew the unconditional love they never had. Meanwhile, in the world outside, the forces of good and evil collide as a troop of feral offspring threatens to invade the refuge Cynthia is so determined to construct behind the Twisdens' walls.

Emma Pass

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The Fearless. An army, powered by an incredible new serum that makes each soldier stronger, sharper, faster than their enemies. Intended as a force for good, the serum has a terrible side-effect - anyone who takes it is stripped of all humanity, empathy, love. And as the Fearless sweep through the country, forcing the serum on anyone in their path, society becomes a living nightmare. Cass remembers the night they passed through her village. Her father was Altered. Her mother died soon after. All Cass has left is her little brother - and when Jory is snatched by the Fearless and taken to their hellish lair, Cass must risk everything to get him back.

Pierre Pevel

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An epic new fantasy story from the French George R.R. Martin - and the tale of a bloody, exceptional revolution... Traitor . . . or hero? This is the tale of Lorn Askarian. Some say he brought the kingdom to the brink of destruction, taking advantage of a dying king and an unpopular queen to strike against his enemies, heedless of the danger posed by a growing rebellion. Others claim he saved the kingdom, following the orders of a king who had him falsely imprisoned, heedless of the personal cost, and loyal to the last - fighting against desperate odds on the political and physical battlefields alike. Whatever the truth, whatever you choose to believe, this is his story.

Sarah Pinborough

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A sexy, contemporary and inspired retelling of the classic Cinderella story. CHARM is a beautifully illustrated retelling of the Cinderella story which takes all the much-loved elements of the classic fairytale (the handsome prince, the fairy godmother, the enchanted mouse, the beautiful girl and, of course, the iconic balls) and puts a modern spin on the characters, their motives and their desires. This is fun, contemporary, sexy, and perfect for fans of ONCE UPON A TIME, GRIMM, SNOW WHITE AND THE HUNTSMAN and more. This edition contains 15 original pen and ink illustrations by Les Edwards.

Terry Pratchett (Inspired by)

Discworld Diary 2015: We R Igers: First and Last Aid (*Discworld*)

Hardcover \$35.00 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781473208315

The Discworld Diaries make a triumphant return to help all loyal fans of Sir Terry Pratchett keep their lives in order. One part diary, one part guide to the arcane practices of the funniest creation in modern fantasy, 100% Discworld goodness. With their trademark mix of cultural ephemera, background detail and hilarious one-liners, the Discworld diaries are back. And what better way to start than with the unsung heroes of the Discworld? Without these stoic, selfless heroes, the movers and shakers of the Discworld would not move and shake nearly as much. While the Great and Good of Ankh-Morpork take the headlines, these quietly competent minions toil away in the background doing all of the actual work. They all hail from the same clan, which originates in the farflung region of Berwald, and no self-respecting mad scientist would be seen dead (or, for that matter, undead) with them. They are, of course, the Igers, and we're confident this behind-the-scenes look at their day-to-day life will have you in ... ahem ... stitches.

Cherie Priest

Maplecroft (*Borden Dispatches 01*) Trade Paperback \$22.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780451466976

Lizzie Borden took an axe and gave her mother forty whacks; and when she saw what she had done, she gave her father forty-one.... The people of Fall River, Massachusetts, fear me. Perhaps rightfully so. I remain a suspect in the brutal deaths of my father and his second wife despite the verdict of innocence at my trial. With our inheritance, my sister, Emma, and I have taken up residence in Maplecroft, a mansion near the sea and far from gossip and scrutiny.

But it is not far enough from the affliction that possessed my parents. Their characters, their very souls, were consumed from within by something that left malevolent entities in their place. It originates from the ocean's depths, plaguing the populace with tides of nightmares and madness. This evil cannot hide from me. No matter what guise it assumes, I will be waiting for it. With an axe.

Christopher Priest

The Space Machine B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575121225

A masterful melding of and meta-sequel to *The War of the Worlds* and *The Time Machine*.

A young Victorian couple are pulled into a mystery that transcends time and space. A mystery that will have very familiar elements for any fan of HG Wells but which cannot possibly be related to the work of the great man. Or can it? This early novel from Christopher Priest is at once a wonderful facsimile of late Victorian writing and an enticing modern novel that plays with the reader's expectations and comments on two of the greatest novels of science fiction.

Robert Rankin

The Chickens of Atlantis and Other Foul and Filthy Fiends (Japanese Devil Fish Girl 04)

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Darwin, the Educated Ape, sets off on another madcap adventure through time, space and chickens in the conclusion to Robert Rankin's series of steampunk adventures.

Robert Rankin, the master of far-fetched fiction, presents, for the first time, a book written in 'the first monkey'. Sure to be taken up as the newest of literary fads, Darwin, the Educated Ape here tells his life story to his legions of fans. Featuring: Chickens! Martians! Doodlebugs! The Far Future! The Distant Past! Sherlock Holmes! Winston Churchill! Dynamite! More Monkeys than you can shake a stick at! Barmen! Pubs! The End of the World and more! The fourth in Robert Rankin's series of steampunk-tinged Victoriana novels featuring the master detective Cameron Bell (who has an unfortunate fondness for blowing up major landmarks) and his companion, Darwin, the Educated Ape, this is another masterpiece of comic fiction and SF.

C J Redwine

Deliverance (Defiance 03) B Paperback \$16.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781907411359

Everything hangs in the balance, and nothing is certain; Rachel has been kidnapped by enemy forces and Logan is imprisoned and awaiting trial. Separated from each other and their comrades, each must find a way to achieve what they desperately want: to rid their world once and for all of the Commander and the tech that controls the deadly Cursed One. Fighting through her pain and embracing the warrior she's become, Rachel will do whatever it takes to escape her enemies' clutches and join Logan in his fight. But when she learns a secret, she realises her plans must change if she wants to save the people she loves. Logan needs allies if he's going to succeed. But securing them will mean betraying his beliefs and enlisting the help of the man he hates more than anyone. Driven by his fierce love for Rachel and his determination to make their world safe, Logan may be just the weapon the city states need to defeat the Cursed One. As enemies bear down and uneasy alliances are tested, will Rachel and Logan's love for each other be enough to surmount the unbelievable odds against them?

Alastair Reynolds

Blue Remembered Earth (Poseidon's Children 01) B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781473209312

One hundred and fifty years from now, in a world where Africa is the dominant technological and economic power, and where crime, war, disease and poverty have been banished to history, Geoffrey Akinya wants only one thing: to be left in peace, so that he can continue his studies into the elephants of the Amboseli basin. But Geoffrey's family, the vast Akinya business empire, has other plans. After the death of Eunice, Geoffrey's grandmother, erstwhile space explorer and entrepreneur, something awkward has come to light on the Moon, and Geoffrey is tasked - well, blackmailed, really - to go up there and make sure the family's name stays suitably unblemished. But little does Geoffrey realise - or anyone else in the family, for that matter - what he's about to unravel.

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Chiku Yellow is earthbound: living a peaceful life on a changing world as humanity explores a thousand new ways to experience life. Chiku Red is space-bound: blasted into deep space to investigate Eunice Akinya's last journey, and maybe discover the final secrets of space travel. Chiku Green is planet-bound: travelling thousands of lightyears to the planet Crucible. A new home for humankind; it's a habitable planet hosting a fascinating alien labyrinth. All three are Chiku Akinya. All three are pivotal to our future in space. All three are in danger...

Rick Riordan

The Son of Neptune (Heroes of Olympus 02) B Paperback \$16.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780141335735

One cursed demigod. Two new heroes. A quest to unleash the god of death . . . I'm the God of Rome. I protect the legions. I don't want war without end. You will serve me."Not likely,' Percy said.'I order a quest!' the god announced. 'You will go north and find Thanatos in the land beyond the gods. You will free him and thwart the plans of the giants.'

The Mark of Athena (Heroes of Olympus 03) B Paperback \$16.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780141335766

One fatal prophecy. Seven brave demigods. A quest to find - and close - the doors of death. Annabeth felt as if someone had draped a cold washcloth across her neck. She heard that whispering laughter again, as if the presence had followed her from the ship. She looked up at the Argo II. Its massive bronze hull glittered in the sunlight. Part of her wanted to kidnap Percy right now, climb on board and get out of here while they still could. She couldn't shake the feeling that something was about to go terribly wrong. She couldn't risk losing Percy again.

The Blood of Olympus (Heroes of Olympus 05)

Trade Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780141339252

Though the Greek and Roman crew members of the Argo II have made progress in their many quests, they still seem no closer to defeating the earth mother, Gaea. Her giants have risen - all of them - and they're stronger than ever. The gods, still suffering from multiple personality disorder, are useless. How can a handful of young demigods hope to persevere against Gaea's army of powerful giants? As dangerous as it is to head to Athens, they have no other option. They have sacrificed too much already. And if Gaea wakes, it is game over . . .

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Carter and Sadie Kane, descendants of the magical House of Life, are in pretty big trouble. Despite their bravest efforts, Apophis, the giant snake of Chaos, is still threatening to plunge the world into eternal darkness. Now the Kanes must do something no magician has ever managed - defeat Apophis himself. No pressure there then. Battling against the forces of Chaos, their only hope is an ancient spell - but the magic has been lost for a millennia. Will they find the serpent's shadow, or will they be led to their deaths in the depths of the Underworld? Don't miss any of the explosive action in the final thrilling instalment of the Kane Chronicles Trilogy.

Patrick Rothfuss

The Slow Regard of Silent Things (Kingkiller Chronicles novella)

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Deep below the University, there is a dark place. Few people know of it: a broken web of ancient passageways and abandoned rooms. A young woman lives there, tucked among the sprawling tunnels of the Underthing, snug in the heart of this forgotten place. Her name is Auri, and she is full of mysteries.

The Slow Regard of Silent Things is a brief, bittersweet glimpse of Auri's life, a small adventure all her own. At once joyous and haunting, this story offers a chance to see the world through Auri's eyes. And it gives the reader a chance to learn things that only Auri knows.... In this book, Patrick Rothfuss brings us into the world of one of The Kingkiller Chronicle's most enigmatic characters. Full of secrets and mysteries, The Slow Regard of Silent Things is the story of a broken girl trying to live in a broken world.

Antoine Rouaud

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Dun-Cadal has been drinking his life away for years. Betrayed by his friends - who turned their back on their ideals in favour of a new republic - and grief stricken at the loss of his apprentice, who saved his life on the battlefield and whom he trained as a knight in exchange, he's done with politics, with adventure, and with people.

But people aren't finished with him - not yet.

Viola is a young historian looking for the last Emperor's sword, and her search not only brings her to Dun-Cadal, it's also going to embroil them both in a series of assassinations. Because Dun-Cadal's turncoat friends are being murdered, one by one... By someone who kills in the unmistakable style of an Imperial assassin...

J K Rowling

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Lilith Saintcrow

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Sorcery. Treason. Madness. And, of course, murder most foul. . . . A shattering accident places Archibald Clare, mentath in the service of Britannia, in the care of Emma Bannon, sorceress Prime. Clare needs a measure of calm to repair his faculties of Logic and Reason. Without them, he is not his best. At all. Unfortunately, calm and rest will not be found. There is a killer hiding in the sorcerous steam-hells of Londinium, murdering poor women of a certain reputation. A handful of frails murdered on cold autumn nights would make no difference . . . but the killings echo in the highest circles, and threaten to bring the Empire down in smoking ruins. The game is afoot . . .

Brandon Sanderson

Steelheart (Reckoners 01) B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575104044

Ten years ago, Calamity came. It was a burst in the sky that gave ordinary men and women extraordinary powers. The awed public started calling them Epics. But Epics are no friend of man. With incredible gifts came the desire to rule. And to rule man you must crush his wills. Nobody fights the Epics... nobody but the Reckoners. A shadowy group of ordinary humans, they spend their lives studying Epics, finding their weaknesses, and then assassinating them. And David wants in. He wants Steelheart - the Epic who is said to be invincible. The Epic who killed David's father. For years, like the Reckoners, David's been studying, and planning - and he has something they need. Not an object, but an experience. He's seen Steelheart bleed. And he wants revenge.

John Scalzi

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They were expendable. . . until they started comparing notes! This is a must-read novel for all fans of smart, witty SF.

Ensign Andrew Dahl has just been assigned to the Universal Union Capital Ship Intrepid, flagship of the Universal Union since the year 2456. It's a prestige posting, and Andrew is even more delighted when he's assigned to the ship's Xenobiology laboratory. Life couldn't be better. . . although there are a few strange things going on. . . (1) every Away Mission involves a lethal confrontation with alien forces (2) the ship's captain, the chief science officer, and the handsome Lieutenant Kerensky always survive these encounters (3) at least one low-ranked crew member is, sadly, always killed. Suddenly it's less surprising how much energy is expended below decks on avoiding, at all costs, being assigned an Away Mission. Andrew's fate may have been sealed. . . until he stumbles on a piece of information that changes everything. . . and offers him and his fellow redshirts a crazy, high-risk chance to save their own lives. . .

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Fifteen years from now, a new virus sweeps the globe. 95% of those afflicted experience nothing worse than fever and headaches. 4% suffer acute meningitis, creating the largest medical crisis in history. And 1% find themselves 'locked in' - fully awake and aware, but unable to move or respond to stimulus. 1% doesn't seem like a lot. But in the US that's 1.7 million people 'locked in' - including the President's wife and daughter. Spurred by grief and the sheer magnitude of the suffering, America undertakes a massive scientific initiative. Nothing can fully restore the locked in. But then two new technologies emerge. One is a virtual-reality environment, 'The Agora', where the locked-in can interact with other humans, whether locked-in or not. The other is the discovery that a few rare individuals have brains that are receptive to being controlled by others, allowing those who are locked in to occasionally 'ride' these people and use their bodies as if they were their own. This skill is quickly regulated, licensed, bonded, and controlled. Nothing can go wrong. Certainly nobody would be tempted to misuse it, for murder, for political power, or worse...

Liesel Schwarz

Sky Pirates (*Chronicles of Light and Shadow 03*) A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780345541307

For romance and urban fantasy fans and readers of Gail Carriger's *Changeless* and Cherie Priest's *Boneshaker*, this thrilling historical fantasy adventure features warlocks, fairies, and the unforgettable heroine—the daring dirigible pilot Elle Chance—who navigates the realms between the Light and Shadow.

With her husband, Hugh Marsh, missing in the netherworld and presumed dead, Elle Chance loses herself in the task at hand: piloting the airship *Water Lily* on commissions across the globe. But as it turns out, her beloved is very much alive—the once-powerful warlock reduced to a wraith. When *Water Lily* is threatened by pirates, Elle will have to channel all her power as the Oracle—the keeper of the barrier between the two Realms—to try to save what she loves most. As the dark forces of Shadow converge around her, Elle must find a way to breach the curse that binds Marsh. But once released, will Marsh return to her—or is their love destined to die so that he can live?

Luke Scull

Sword of the North (*Grim Company 02*) Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780425264867

In *The Grim Company*, Luke Scull introduced a formidable and forbidding band of anti-heroes battling against ruthless Magelords and monstrous terrors. The adventure continues as the company—now broken—face new dangers on personal quests?

As Davarus Cole and his former companions were quick to discover, the White Lady's victorious liberation of Dorminia has not resulted in the freedom they once imagined. Anyone perceived as a threat has been seized and imprisoned—or exiled to darker regions? leaving the White Lady's rule unchallenged and absolute. But the White Lady would be wiser not to spurn her former supporters: Eremul the Halfmage has learned of a race of immortals known as the Fade, and if he cannot convince the White Lady of their existence, all of humanity will be in danger.

Far to the north, Brodar Kayne and Jerek the Wolf continue their odyssey to the High Fangs only to find themselves caught in a war between a demon horde and their enemy of old, the Shaman. And in the wondrous city of Thelassa, Sasha must overcome demons of her own.

Because the Fade are coming?

Marcus Sedgwick

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A cleverly interlinked novel written in four parts by PRINTZ AWARD-winning author, Marcus Sedgwick, about survival and discovery, and about the effect of the spiral, a symbol that has no end, on all our lives. The spiral has existed as long as time has existed. It's there when a girl walks through the forest, the moist green air clinging to her skin. There centuries later in a pleasant green dale, hiding the treacherous waters of Golden Beck that take Anna, who they call a witch. There on the other side of the world, where a mad poet watches the waves and knows the horrors they hide, and far into the future as Keir Bowman realises his destiny. Each takes their next step in life. None will ever go back to the same place. And so their journeys begin...

Marcus Sedgwick

A Love Like Blood B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781444751925

If life has taught me one thing, it is this: that the worst monsters are entirely human. It began in a hole in the ground, in Paris, in the days after the liberation. What I saw there I saw only for the time it takes a match to burn down, and yet it decided the rest of my life. I tried to forget it at first, to ignore it, but I could not. It came back to me; he came back to me. He hurt people I loved... And so I took the first step on a journey from which there would be no return; a path that led me to fear, to hatred and to revenge - but, above all else, to blood.

Mike Shepherd

Kris Longknife: Tenacious (Kris Longknife 12)

A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780425252901

There's no rest for a Longknife - even if you're a newlywed. Vice Admiral Kris Longknife's honeymoon gets cancelled when she hears that the space raider's home world may have been discovered. Finding where the raiders came from could be the key to saving humanity. If only uncovering their secrets was that easy...

As Kris returns home, she ends up tangling with a mutinous crew determined to take off on their own. The dissident group leads Kris straight into a new mess? a system filled with strange, deadly enemies poised to wipe another sentient civilization out of existence. Kris and her squadron are ready to prevent total annihilation, but the mutineers have other plans...

Sharon Shinn

The Turning Season (*Shifting Circle*) Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780425261699

For Karadel, being a shape-shifter has always been a reality she couldn't escape. Even though she's built a safe life as a rural veterinarian, with a close-knit network of shifter and human friends who would do anything for her - and for each other - she can't help but wish for a chance at being normal.

When she's not dealing with her shifts or caring for her animal patients, she attempts to develop a drug that will help shifters control their changes - a drug that might even allow them to remain human forever.

But her comfortable life is threatened by two events: She meets an ordinary man who touches her heart, and her best friend is forced to shift publicly with deadly consequences. Now Karadel must decide whom to trust: her old friends or her new love.

Richard Sills

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The interactions of beings from other planets with the less advanced Earth set off the events of Lanethros. Though author takes seriously his condemnation of war and conflict, the novel retains a playful view of the future. More than just a story about space, Lanethros is a spirited, hopeful story that explores not only the farthest reaches of the galaxy, but also what makes us most human.

Gavin Smith

The Age of Scorpio B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575094765

Praised by Stephen Baxter and Adam Roberts, reviewed ecstatically by SFX magazine, Gavin Smith's first novel Veteran announced an exciting new voice on the SF scene. War in Heaven, set in the same universe, followed. Now comes a new standalone SF thriller. Of all the captains based out of Arclight only Eldon Sloper was desperate enough to agree to a salvage job in Red Space. And now he and his crew are living to regret his desperation. In Red Space the rules are different. Some things work, others don't. Best to stick close to the Church beacons. Don't get lost. Because there's something wrong about Red Space. Something beyond rational. Something vampyric... Long after The Loss, mankind is different. We touch the world via neunonics. We are machines, we are animals, we are hybrids. But some things never change. A Killer is paid to kill, a Thief will steal countless lives. A Clone will find insanity, an Innocent a new horror. The Church knows we have kept our sins. Gavin Smith's new SF novel is an epic slam-bang ride through a terrifyingly different future.

Wen Spencer

Wood Sprites (*Tinker 04*) Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781476736716

Book 4 in the Romantic Times Sapphire award winning Elfhome series.

Even though they attend a school of gifted students in New York City, child geniuses Louise Mayer and her twin sister Jillian have always felt alone in the world, isolated by their brilliance. Shortly before their ninth birthday, they make an amazing discovery. They're not alone.

Their real mother was astronaut Esme Shenske and their father was the famous inventor, Leonardo Dufae. They have an older sister, Alexander, living on the planet of Elfhome, and four siblings still in cryogenic storage at the fertility center. There's only one problem: the frozen embryos are scheduled to be destroyed within six months. The race is on to save their baby brother and sisters. As a war breaks out on Elfhome and riots start in New York City, the twins use science and magic to plow over everything standing in their way. But when they come face to face with an ancient evil force, they're soon in over their heads in danger.

Jo Spurrier (Australian Author)

Winter Be My Shield (*Children of the Black Sun 01*) B Paperback \$17.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780732292539

A complex, adult epic fantasy from a new Australian author ... original, dramatic, unputdownable ... Sierra has a despised and forbidden gift - she raises power from the suffering of others. Enslaved by the king's torturer, Sierra escapes, barely keeping ahead of Rasten, the man sent to hunt her down. Then she falls in with dangerous company: the fugitive Prince Cammarian and his crippled foster-brother, Isidro. But Rasten is not the only enemy hunting them in the frozen north and as Sierra's new allies struggle to identify friend from foe, Rasten approaches her with a plan to kill the master they both abhor. Sierra is forced to decide what price she is willing to pay for her freedom and her life ... Original, dramatic and unputdownable, WINTER BE MY SHIELD is the first in an epic fantasy trilogy from brilliant new Australian talent Jo Spurrier. 'Unlikely heroes, villains you will cheer for, and cold that eats your bones.'

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A complex, adult epic fantasy from a new Australian author ... original, dramatic, unputdownable ... Sierra has always battled to control her powers, but now her life and Isidro's depend on keeping her skills hidden from the Akharians as they draw closer to Demon's Spire. In the relics left by Ricalan's last great mage, Isidro hopes to find the knowledge Sierra needs to master her powers, but instead uncovers his own long-buried talent for magecraft. When Sierra's untrainable powers turn destructive, she has nowhere to turn for help except to the uncertain mercy of an old enemy. But what will Rasten do when she returns to his hands at last?

Jo Spurrier (Australian Author)

North Star Guide Me Home (*Children of the Black Sun 03*) Trade Paperback \$29.99

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A complex, adult epic fantasy from a new Australian author ... original, dramatic, unputdownable ... Some things are broken beyond mending ... Grievously wounded in battle, Isidro's life hangs in the balance - but the only person who can help him is the man he can never trust. Sierra is desperate to rebuild shattered bonds with her old friends, but with Isidro incontrovertibly changed and her own wounds still fresh, things can never be as they once were. Burdened by all he's done at Kell's command, Rasten knows he cannot atone for the horrors of his past. But when their enemies in Akhara follow Cam's small clan back to Ricalan, carrying a thirst for vengeance, the skills Rasten swore he'd renounce may be their only hope for victory...

S M Stirling

The Golden Princess (*Change*) Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780451417336

A new generation faces its own challenges in the world the Change has made.

Princess Órlaith, heir to Rudi Mackenzie, Artos the First, High King of Montival, now wields the Sword of the Lady—and faces a new enemy. Fortunately, she also has a new ally in Reiko, Empress of Japan, who has been pursued to America by a conquering army from Asia.

To combat their mutual foe, Órlaith and Reiko embark on a quest to find the fabled Kusanagi-no-Tsurugi, the Grass-Cutting Sword, one of the three great treasures of the Japanese Imperial House. But dreams have revealed that the road to Kusanagi lies through the meganecropolis of the City of Angels, the greatest and most perilous of the dead cities...and beyond it, to a castle in the fearful Valley of Death. And their relentless enemy will stop at nothing to prevent them from succeeding.

For across the Pacific, the great arc of land that stretches from the dark kingdom of Korea to the realm of Capricornia in Australia is threatened by war. Now all the survivors of the Change must choose sides....

Shannon Stoker

The Alliance (*Registry 03*) Trade Paperback \$22.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780062271761

To overthrow a brutal dictator and free her country, a brave young woman will risk her life and liberty to spark a revolution in this explosive final installment in Shannon Stoker's electrifying Registry trilogy.

Mia Morrissey fled to Mexico to escape the government marrying her to someone she did not love. Now, she's going risk everything so that the rest of America can be free.

Going undercover as part of a diplomatic mission, Mia returns to America. But life there is more dangerous than ever as the walls grow ever taller, and the forgotten country faces its most ruthless leader yet, Grant Marsden . . . a shadow from Mia's past. With the help of Andrew, Carter, and other members of the subversive group Affinity, she embarks on a perilous journey to defeat Grant, bring down the government, and destroy the Registry once and for all.

When a terrible betrayal exposes the operation, Mia discovers that her enemies have used her—and so have her friends. Alone and frightened, she's uncertain who to trust—or whether the mission is worth what she's sacrificing.

With the fate of her friends and the future of her country on the line, Mia knows that her next step may be the last for her . . . and America.

Charles Stross

The Apocalypse Codex (*Laundry 04*) A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780425256435

For outstanding heroism in the field (despite himself), computational demonologist Bob Howard is on the fast track for promotion to management within the Laundry, the supersecret British government agency tasked with defending the realm from occult threats.

Assigned to External Assets, Bob discovers the company (unofficially) employs freelance agents to deal with sensitive situations that may embarrass Queen and Country.

So when Ray Schiller - an American televangelist with the uncanny ability to miraculously heal the ill - becomes uncomfortably close to the Prime Minister, External Assets dispatches the brilliant, beautiful, and entirely unpredictable Persephone Hazard to infiltrate the Golden Promise Ministries and discover why the preacher is so interested in British politics. And it's Bob's job to make sure Persephone doesn't cause an international incident.

But it's a supernatural incident that Bob needs to worry about - a global threat even the Laundry may be unable to clean up.

Anton Strout

Stonecast (*Spellmason 02*) A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780425256404

NO STONE UNTURNED

Alexandra Belarus was an artist stuck working in her New York family's business - until she discovered her true legacy - a deep and ancient magic. Lexi became the last practicing Spellmason, with the power to breathe life into stone. And as her powers awoke, so did her family's most faithful protector: a gargoyle named Stanis. But when a centuries-old evil threatened her family and her city, Stanis sacrificed himself to save everything Lexi held dear.

With Stanis gone, Lexi's efforts to master Spellmasonry - even with the help of her dedicated friends - are faltering. Hidden forces both watch her and threaten her, and she finds herself suddenly under the mysterious wing of a secret religious society determined to keep magic hidden from the world. But the question of Stanis's fate haunts her - and as the storm around her grows, so does the fear that she won't be able to save him in her turn.

Anton Strout

Incarnate (*Spellmason Chronicles 03*) A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780425273555

HITTING ROCK BOTTOM

When Alexandra Belarus discovered her family's secret ability to breathe life into stone, she uncovered an entire world of magic hidden within New York City - a world she has accidentally thrown into chaos. A spell gone awry has set thousands of gargoyles loose upon Manhattan, and it's up to Lexi and her faithful protector, Stanis, to put things right.

But the stress of saving the city is casting a pall over Lexi and Stanis's relationship, driving them to work separately to solve the problem. As Stanis struggles to unite the gargoyle population, Lexi forges unlikely alliances with witches, alchemists and New York's Finest to quell an unsettling uprising led by an ancient and deadly foe long thought vanquished.

To save her city, Lexi must wield more power than ever before with the added hope of recovering a mysterious artifact that could change her world - and bring her closer to Stanis than she ever thought possible.

Thomas Sweterlitsch

Tomorrow and Tomorrow Trade Paperback \$29.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781472214874

It is ten years since the attack that reduced Pittsburgh to ashes. Today all that remains is the Archive: an interactive digital record of the city and its people. John Dominic Blaxton is a survivor, one of the 'lucky ones' who escaped the blast. Crippled by the loss of his wife and unborn daughter, he spends his days immersed in the Archive with the ghosts of yesterday. It is there he finds the digital record of a body: a woman, lying face down, half buried in mud. Who is she ... and why is someone hacking into the system and deleting the record of her seemingly unremarkable life? This question will drag Dominic from the darkest corners of the past into a deadly and very present nightmare.

Sheri S Tepper

Fish Tales (*Plague of Angels 03*) Hardcover \$39.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780062304582

In her 35th novel, science fiction master Sheri S. Tepper boldly weaves together the storylines of eleven of her previous works—from King's Blood Four (1983) to The Waters Rising (2010).

In Fish Tales, two of Sheri S. Tepper's beloved characters—Abasio and Xulai (A Plague of Angels and The Waters Rising)—and their children travel from village to village scattered across the sparsely populated land of Tingawa. They are searching for others who might be interested in adopting their sea-dwelling lifestyle.

Along their journey they encounter strange visitors from the far-off world of Lom, characters from Tepper's nine-book True Game series of novels—Mavin Manyshaped, Jinian Star-eye, and Silkhands the Healer—all of whom have been gathered up by an interfering, time-traveling, rule-breaking do-gooder to do one last good deed on earth before its metamorphosis is complete. For the waters are rising and will soon engulf the entire planet, transforming it utterly and irrevocably.

Amy Tintera

Rebel (*Reboot 02*) Trade Paperback \$17.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781743316702

Wren and Callum finally reach the Reboot Reservation, a safe haven from HARC, which controls the cities. But it isn't the paradise they'd hoped for. As they learn more about Micah, the bloodthirsty Reboot who runs it, they discover that he's been creating an army with one goal in mind: to kill the humans in the cities ... ALL of them. Wren's first instinct is to head out for new territory, but Callum can't stand by and let his human family and everyone else be hunted down. With HARC on one side and Micah on the other, saving the innocent and forging a lasting peace between humans and Reboots is a nearly impossible task. But Wren and Callum have never let that stop them before. Amy Tintera's page-turning sequel is packed with the same riveting action and steamy love scenes that made REBOOT a can't-miss thrill ride.

James Tiptree

Her Smoke Rose Up Forever B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781473203242

A stunning collection from one of science fiction's great short story writers.

For a decade Alice Sheldon produced an extraordinary body of work under the pseudonym James Tiptree Jr, until her identity was exposed in 1977. HER SMOKE ROSE UP FOREVER presents the finest of these stories and contains the NEBULA AWARD-winning LOVE IS THE PLAN THE PLAN IS DEATH; HUGO AWARD-winning novella THE GIRL WHO WAS PLUGGED IN; HOUSTON, HOUSTON, DO YOU READ? - winner of both the HUGO and NEBULA - and of course the story for which she is best known: THE WOMEN MEN DON'T SEE. This is a true masterwork - an overview of one of SF's true greats at the very height of her powers.

J R R Tolkien (Inspired by) & Mary Fairburn (Illustrator)

Tolkien Calendar 2015 (*Lord of the Rings*) Wall Calendar \$19.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780062356970

Celebrate every day of 2015 with this gorgeous full-color official Tolkien wall calendar that captures the excitement of J. R. R. Tolkien's beloved classic The Lord of the Rings.

Illustrated by some of the most renowned Tolkien artists, the Tolkien Calendar has been an annual tradition for fans worldwide for more than 40 years. With the success of Peter Jackson's film adaptations of The Hobbit and The Lord of the Rings, these classic works have become more popular than ever before. The Tolkien Calendar 2015 features beautiful and collectible full-color artwork from artist Mary Fairburn that brings to life scenes from The Lord of the Rings. The official Tolkien Calendar 2015 includes 12 lush paintings, one for each month.

Ian Tregillis

Necessary Evil (*Milkweed 03*) Trade Paperback \$22.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780765337290

12 May 1940. Westminster, London, England: the early days of World War II.

Again.

Raybould Marsh, one of “our” Britain’s best spies, has travelled to another Earth in a desperate attempt to save at least one timeline from the Cthulhu-like monsters who have been observing our species from space and have already destroyed Marsh’s timeline. In order to accomplish this, he must remove all traces of the supermen that were created by the Nazi war machine and caused the specters from outer space to notice our planet in the first place.

His biggest challenge is the mad seer Gretel, one of the most powerful of the Nazi creations, who has sent a version of herself to this timeline to thwart Marsh. Why would she stand in his way? Because she has seen that in all the timelines she dies and she is determined to stop that from happening, even if it means destroying most of humanity in the process. And Marsh is the only man who can stop her.

Jeff Vandermeer

Acceptance (*Southern Reach 03*) Trade Paperback \$22.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780374104115

It is winter in Area X. A new team embarks across the border on a mission to find a member of a previous expedition who may have been left behind. As they press deeper into the unknown—navigating new terrain and new challenges—the threat to the outside world becomes more daunting. In *Acceptance*, the last installment of Jeff VanderMeer’s *Southern Reach* Trilogy, the mysteries of Area X may have been solved, but their consequences and implications are no less profound—or terrifying.

Jeff Vandermeer & Desirina Boskovich

The Steampunk User's Manual: An Illustrated Practical and Whimsical Guide to Creating Retro-futurist

Dreams Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781419708985

Steampunk, the retro-futuristic cultural movement, has become a substantial and permanent genre in the worlds of fantasy and science fiction. A large part of its appeal is that, at its core, Steampunk is about doing it yourself: building on the past while also innovating and creating something original. VanderMeer’s latest book offers practical and inspirational guidance for readers to find their individual path into this realm. Including sections on art, fashion, architecture, crafts, music, performance, and storytelling, *The Steampunk User’s Manual* provides a conceptual how-to guide that motivates and awes both the armchair enthusiast and the committed creator. Examples range from the utterly doable to the completely over-the-top, encouraging participation and imagination at all levels.

Angus Watson

Age of Iron (*Iron Age 01*) B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780356502618

LEGENDS AREN'T BORN. THEY'RE FORGED. Dug Sealskinner is a down-on-his-luck mercenary travelling south to join up with King Zadar's army. But he keeps rescuing the wrong people. First, Spring, a child he finds scavenging on the battlefield, and then Iowa, one of Zadar's most fearsome warriors, who's vowed revenge on the king for her sister's execution. Now Dug's on the wrong side of that thousands-strong army he hoped to join - and worse, Zadar has bloodthirsty druid magic on his side. All Dug has is his war hammer, one rescued child and one unpredictable, highly-trained warrior with a lust for revenge that's going to get them all killed . . . It's a glorious day to die.

David Weber & Timothy Zahn

A Call to Duty (*Honorverse Manticore Ascendant 01*)

Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781476736846

Growing up, Travis Uriah Long yearned for order and discipline in his life . . . the two things his neglectful mother couldn't or wouldn't provide. So when Travis enlisted in the Royal Manticoran Navy, he thought he'd finally found the structure he'd always wanted so desperately.

But life in the RMN isn't exactly what he expected. Boot camp is rough and frustrating; his first ship assignment lax and disorderly; and with the Star Kingdom of Manticore still recovering from a devastating plague, the Navy is possibly on the edge of budgetary extinction.

The Star Kingdom is a minor nation among the worlds of the Diaspora, its closest neighbours weeks or months away, with little in the way of resources. With only modest interstellar trade, no foreign contacts to speak of, a plague-ravaged economy to rebuild, and no enemies looming at the hyper limit, there are factions in Parliament who want nothing more than to scrap the Navy and shift its resources and manpower elsewhere.

But those factions are mistaken. The universe is not a safe place.

Travis Long is about to find that out.

David Weber & John Ringo

Throne of Stars (*Empire of Man 03, 04*) Trade Paperback \$22.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781476736662

Books 3 and 4 in the *Empire of Man* series: *March to the Stars* and *We Few*.

Prince Roger MacClintock was an heir to the galaxy's Throne of Man and a self-obsessed spoiled young brat—that is, until he and the Royal Marines sent to protect him were stranded by an assassination attempt on the wild and dangerous planet of Marduk. After much travail, Roger has developed into a competent and compassionate leader of men. That competence will be tested when Roger and the Marines face an even greater challenge. The Throne of Man has been usurped. With his brother dead and the forces of an interstellar empire arrayed against him, Roger must avenge his family and fight for the just rule of a thousand stars.

Brent Weeks

Way of Shadows: The Graphic Novel (*Way of Shadows*)

Trade Paperback \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780316212984

THE PERFECT KILLER HAS NO FRIENDS, ONLY TARGETS. For Durzo Blint, assassination is an art. And he is the city's most accomplished artist, his talents required from alleyway to courtly boudoir. For Azoth, survival is precarious. Something you never take for granted. As a guild rat, he's grown up in the slums and learned the hard way to judge people quickly - and to take risks. Risks like apprenticing himself to Durzo Blint. But to be accepted, Azoth must turn his back on his old life and embrace a new identity and name. As Kylar Stern, he must learn to navigate the assassins' world of dangerous politics and strange magics - and cultivate a flair for death. See Brent Weeks's New York Times bestselling fantasy of assassins and thieves come to life in this graphic novel adaptation with art by Marvel and DC Comics artist Andy MacDonald.

The Broken Eye (*Lightbringer 03*) Trade Paperback \$32.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781841499109

As the old gods awaken, the Chromeria is in a race to find its lost Prism, the only man who may be able to stop catastrophe, Gavin Guile. But Gavin's enslaved on a galley, and when he finally escapes, he finds himself in less than friendly hands. Without the ability to draft which has defined him . . . Meanwhile, the Color Prince's army continues its inexorable advance, having swallowed two of the seven satrapies, they now invade the Blood Forest. Andross Guile, thinking his son Gavin lost, tasks his two grandsons with stopping the advance. Kip and his psychopathic half-brother Zymun will compete for the ultimate prize: who will become the next Prism.

Margaret Weis & Robert Krammes

The Seventh Sigil Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780765333506

Margaret Weis and co-author Robert Krammes bring the enthralling Dragon Brigade trilogy to a thrilling conclusion in *The Seven Sigil*, a sweeping novel of worldwide war and personal redemption.

Five hundred years ago, a clan of rebels was banished to the bottom of the enchanted world of Aeronne; ever since, these Bottom Dwellers have sought revenge, and now they are waging all-out war on the rest of humanity. Their deadly "contramagic" beams destroy buildings and attack naval airships, and their demonic drumming brings terrible storms and disrupts the magic of the people and dragons Above. The attack of their full contramagic power will create a magical armageddon.

In an effort to prevent further death, Captain Stephano de Guichen leads the Dragon Brigade, taking the fight to the Bottom. But strength of arms alone will not be enough to conquer their foe.

As the Bottom Dwellers' blood magic eats away at the world, those Above realize their only possible defense lies in the heretical secrets of contramagic. Loyal priests must decide whether to protect the Church, or risk its destruction in pursuit of the truth.

Only the Dragon Brigade can prevent an endless dark age. Their epic battle will test the mettle of those thrown into the breach, and determine the fate of this magical world.

Eileen Wilks

Unbinding (*Lupi 11*) A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780425263372

In the newest Novel of the Lupi, the human and elven worlds are both about to come under attack.

After questing through the sidhe realms with her ex-hellhound lover, Nathan, Kai Tallman Michalski has finally returned home. But she knows Nathan will eventually be called back to serve his queen - and Kai will have to decide whether to enter her majesty's service as well. Sure, the job comes with great bennies, but there's one big downside: she would have to swear absolute fealty to the Queen of Winter.

For now, though, Kai is glad to be home, and glad that Nathan completed his mission for his queen with surprising ease. But what seemed to be a quick conclusion turns out to be anything but. The two of them helped thwart the sidhe god of chaos - and he is not happy about that. He's got plans for them. Plans, too, for the sidhe who killed him some three millennia ago. Nor has he abandoned his plans for Earth, as they learn when chaos begins bursting out all over...

Tad Williams

Sleeping Late on Judgement Day (*Bobby Dollar 03*)

Trade Paperback \$29.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781444738667

Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780756408893

The conclusion of Tad Williams' brilliant Bobby Dollar series.

Bobby Dollar thinks he's seen it all - after all, he's been to Hell and back again. Literally. But he has another think coming. *Sleeping Late on Judgement Day* will find Bobby back in his adopted hometown of San Judas, California, trying to stay out of trouble... and failing. His love life is still a mess, there are one too many people who have it out for him, and drowning his sorrows in a nice glass of whisky won't keep the demons at bay forever. Bobby's going to have to pull himself together and make a few tough decisions before time runs out. The problem is, time could run out at any moment. In the final Bobby Dollar novel in Tad Williams' groundbreaking epic fantasy trilogy, fallen angel Bobby Dollar will finally be forced to confront the one problem he can't talk his way out of: his own.

Jen Williams

The Copper Promise B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781472211125

There are some tall stories about the caverns beneath the Citadel - about magic and mages and monsters and gods. Wydrin of Crosshaven has heard them all, but she's spent long enough trawling caverns and taverns with her companion Sir Sebastian to learn that there's no money to be made in chasing rumours. But then a crippled nobleman with a dead man's name offers them a job: exploring the Citadel's darkest depths. It sounds like just another quest with gold and adventure ... if they're lucky, they might even have a tale of their own to tell once it's over. These reckless adventurers will soon learn that sometimes there is truth in rumour. Sometimes a story can save your life.

Dave Zeltserman

The Boy Who Killed Demons Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781468309607

My name's Henry Dudlow. I'm fifteen and a half. And I'm cursed. Or damned. Take your pick. The reason? I see demons." So begins the latest novel by horror master Dave Zeltserman. The setting is quiet Newton, Massachusetts, where nothing ever happens. Nothing, that is, until two months after Henry Dudlow's 13th birthday, when his neighbor, Mr. Hanley, suddenly starts to look . . . different. While everyone else sees a balding man with a beer belly, Henry suddenly sees a nasty, bilious, rage-filled demon. Once Henry catches onto the real Mr. Hanley, he starts to see demons all around him, and his boring, adolescent life is transformed. There's no more time for friends or sports or the lovely Sally Freeman - instead Henry must work his way through ancient texts and hunt down the demons before they steal any more innocent children. And if hunting demons is hard at any age, it's borderline impossible when your parents are on your case, and your grades are getting worse, and you can't tell anyone about your chosen mission.

A very scary novel written with verve and flashes of great humor, *The Boy Who Killed Demons* is Dave Zeltserman's most accomplished and entertaining horror novel yet.

Anthologies

Robert Bloch (Editor) & Ray Bradbury & Ramsey Campbell & Jonathan Carroll & Ed Gorman

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The author of *Psycho* has collected new stories of sadists and psychopaths from 17 authors, including Ray Bradbury, Lisa W. Cantrell, Ramsey Campbell, John Coyne, Lawrence Block, Jonathan Carroll, Ed Gorman and Charles L. Grant.

Patricia Briggs

Shifting Shadows: Stories From the World of Mercy Thompson (Mercy Thompson)

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Mercy Thompson's world just got a whole lot bigger . . . A collection of all-new and previously published short stories set in a world described as "the best new urban fantasy series I've read in years" by Kelley Armstrong - featuring Mercy Thompson and the characters she calls friends. The collection includes the new stories . . . "Silver" "Roses in Winter" "Redemption" "Hollow" . . . and reader favorites "Fairy Gifts" "Gray" "Alpha and Omega" "Seeing Eye" "The Star of David" "In Red, with Pearls"

Ed Finn (Editor) & Kathryn Cramer (Editor) & Elizabeth Bear & Cory Doctorow & Karl Schroeder & Neal Stephenson & Bruce Sterling (et al)

Hieroglyph: Stories and Visions for a Better Future

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Inspired by New York Times bestselling author Neal Stephenson, an anthology of stories, set in the near future, from some of today's leading writers, thinkers, and visionaries that reignites the iconic and optimistic visions of the golden age of science fiction.

In his 2011 article "Innovation Starvation," Neal Stephenson argued that we—the society whose earlier scientists and engineers witnessed the airplane, the automobile, nuclear energy, the computer, and space exploration—must reignite our ambitions to think boldly and do Big Stuff. He also advanced the Hieroglyph Theory which illuminates the power of science fiction to inspire the inventive imagination: "Good SF supplies a plausible, fully thought-out picture of an alternate reality in which some sort of compelling innovation has taken place."

In 2012, Arizona State University established the Center for Science and the Imagination to bring together writers, artists, and creative thinkers with scientists, engineers, and technologists to cultivate and expand on "moon shot ideas" that inspire the imagination and catalyze real-world innovations.

Now comes this remarkable anthology uniting twenty of today's leading thinkers, writers, and visionaries—among them Cory Doctorow, Gregory Benford, Elizabeth Bear, Bruce Sterling, and Neal Stephenson—to contribute works of "techno-optimism" that challenge us to dream and do Big Stuff. Engaging, mind-bending, provocative, and imaginative, *Hieroglyph* offers a forward-thinking approach to the intersection of art and technology that has the power to change our world.

Jay Lake

The Last Plane to Heaven Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780765377982

Last Plane to Heaven is the final and definitive short story collection of award-winning SF author Jay Lake, author of *Green*, *Endurance*, and *Kalimpura*.

Long before he was a novelist, SF writer Jay Lake, was an acclaimed writer of short stories. In *Last Plane to Heaven*, Lake has assembled thirty-two of the best of them. Aliens and angels fill these pages, from the title story, a hard-edged and breathtaking look at how a real alien visitor might be received, to the savage truth of "The Cancer Catechisms." Here are more than thirty short stories written by a master of the form, science fiction and fantasy both.

This collection features an original introduction by Gene Wolfe.

George R R Martin (Editor)

Wild Cards: Ace in the Hole (*Wild Cards*) B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781473205178
Decades have passed since the first victims of the Wild Card virus appeared in public life. Transformed into Aces - with useful and remarkable powers - or Jokers - deformed and twisted - the virus has changed lives. But not all mutations are easily identified. As campaigners converge on Atlanta for the Democratic Party Convention, one man sets his final plan into motion. Gregg Hartmann, outwardly normal, polite and serious, is in fact secretly a sadistic murderer with terrible psychic abilities. He also has an insatiable lust for power. And what better hiding place is there than being in the race for the most protected, public and powerful role in the world? If Hartmann can secure the Democratic nomination, he may well become the President of the United States. But there are those who would stop him... Edited by George R. R. Martin with assistance from Melinda M. Snodgrass, this mosaic novel also contains work from Victor Milan, Walter Jon Williams, Walton Simons and Stephen Leigh.

Dead Man's Hand (*Wild Cards*) B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781473205192
Chrysalis, the glass-skinned queen of the Joker underworld, has been found brutally murdered in her popular restaurant, the Crystal Palace. Now two men are out to find her killer - Jay Ackroyd, the Ace private detective who discovered her ruined body, and the vigilante archer known as The Yeoman, who has been framed for the crime. Their quest leads them on a nightmare journey of madness, violence, passion and intrigue that will forever alter the fate of those who contracted the Wild Card virus. Collaboratively written by George R. R. Martin and John J. Miller, this is both a gripping mystery and a chilling story of suspense.

George R R Martin (Editor) & Melinda Snodgrass (Editor)

Lowball (*Wild Cards Mosaic*) Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780765331953
Decades after an alien virus changed the course of history, the surviving population of Manhattan still struggles to understand the new world left in its wake. Natural humans share the rough city with those given extraordinary—and sometimes terrifying—traits. While most manage to coexist in an uneasy peace, not everyone is willing to adapt. Down in the seedy underbelly of Jokertown, residents are going missing. The authorities are unwilling to investigate, except for a fresh lieutenant looking to prove himself and a collection of unlikely jokers forced to take matters into their own hands—or tentacles. The deeper into the kidnapping case these misfits and miscreants get, the higher the stakes are raised.
Edited by #1 New York Times bestselling author George R. R. Martin and acclaimed author Melinda M. Snodgrass, *Lowball* is the latest mosaic novel in the acclaimed Wild Cards universe, featuring original fiction by Carrie Vaughn, Ian Tregillis, David Anthony Durham, Melinda M. Snodgrass, Mary Anne Mohanraj, David D. Levine, Michael Cassutt, and Walter John Williams. Perfect for old fans and new readers alike, *Lowball* delves deeper into the world of aces, jokers, and the hard-boiled men and women of the Fort Freak police precinct in a pulpy, page-turning novel of superheroics and mystery.

Terry Pratchett

A Slip of the Keyboard Hardcover \$45.00 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780857521224

A Slip of the Keyboard Hardcover \$39.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780385538305

Terry Pratchett has earned a place in the hearts of readers the world over with his bestselling Discworld series - but in recent years he has become equally well-known and respected as an outspoken campaigner for causes including Alzheimer's research and animal rights. *A Slip of the Keyboard* brings together for the first time the finest examples of Pratchett's non fiction writing, both serious and surreal: from musings on mushrooms to what it means to be a writer (and why banana daiquiris are so important); from memories of Granny Pratchett to speculation about Gandalf's love life, and passionate defences of the causes dear to him. With all the humour and humanity that have made his novels so enduringly popular, this collection brings Pratchett out from behind the scenes of the Discworld to speak for himself - man and boy, bibliophile and computer geek, champion of hats, orang-utans and Dignity in Dying.

Sean Wallace (Editor)

The Mammoth Book of Steampunk Adventures

Trade Paperback \$19.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780762454648

Looking to the future through the lens of the past, here is a second fantastic collection of over 30 typically anarchic mash-ups that push the boundaries of steampunk from the same editor of the bestselling Mammoth Book of Steampunk. Includes an introduction by Ann VanderMeer, along with stories by Tobias S. Buckell, A.C. Wise, Cherie Priest, Jay Lake, Benjanun Sriduangkaew, Christopher Barzak, Carrie Vaughn, Jonathan Wood, Chris Roberson, C.S.E. Cooney, E. Catherine Tobler, Alex Dally MacFarlane, Gord Sellar, Tony Pi, Alette de Bodard, Nisi Shawl, Lisa L. Hannett, Genevieve Valentine, Sofia Samatar, Caitlín R. Kiernan, Cat Rambo, K.W. Jeter, Margaret Ronald, Samantha Henderson, and Ken Liu.

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The rise of Abaddon, successor to Horus and Warmaster of the Black Legion.

When Horus fell, his Sons fell with him. A broken Legion, beset by rivalries and hunted by their erstwhile allies, the former Luna Wolves have scattered across the tortured realm of the Eye of Terror. And of Abaddon, greatest of the Warmaster's followers, nothing has been heard for many years. But when Horus's body is taken from its resting place, a confederation of legionaries seek out the former First Captain, to convince him to embrace his destiny and continue what Horus began.

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Chris Wraight

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Graham McNeill

Thousands of years ago, artifacts of the early space age were lost to rising oceans and widespread turmoil. Garnett Baylee devoted his life to finding them, only to give up hope. Then, in the wake of his death, one was found in his home, raising tantalizing questions. Had he succeeded after all? Why had he kept it a secret? And where is the rest of the Apollo cache?

Antiquities dealer Alex Benedict and his pilot, Chase Kolpath, have gone to Earth to learn the truth. But the trail seems to have gone cold, so they head back home to be present when the Capella, the interstellar transport that vanished eleven years earlier in a time/space warp, is expected to reappear. With a window of only a few hours, rescuing it is of the utmost importance. Twenty-six hundred passengers including Alex's uncle, Gabriel Benedict, the man who raised him on board.

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R A Salvatore

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Star Trek

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Christopher L Bennett

The United Federation of Planets has weathered its first major crisis, but its growing pains are just beginning. Admiral Jonathan Archer hopes to bring the diverse inhabitants of the powerful and prosperous Rigel system into the Federation, jump-starting the young nation's growth and stabilizing a key sector of space. Archer and the Federation's top diplomats journey to the planetoid Babel to debate Rigel's admission . . . but a looming presidential race heats up the ideological divide within the young nation, jeopardizing the talks and threatening to undo the fragile unity Archer has worked so hard to preserve.

Meanwhile, the sinister Orion Syndicate recruits new allies of its own, seeking to beat the Federation at its own game. Determined to keep Rigel out of the union, they help a hostile Rigelian faction capture sensitive state secrets along with Starfleet hostages, including a young officer with a vital destiny. Captain Malcolm Reed, Captain T'Pol, and their courageous crews must now brave the wonders and dangers of Rigel's many worlds to track down the captives before the system is plunged into all-out war.

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This close look at Wonder Woman's history portrays a complicated heroine who is more than just a female Superman with a golden lasso and bullet-deflecting bracelets. The original Wonder Woman was ahead of her time, advocating female superiority and the benefits of matriarchy in the 1940s. At the same time, her creator filled the comics with titillating bondage imagery, and Wonder Woman was tied up as often as she saved the world. In the 1950s, Wonder Woman begrudgingly continued her superheroic mission, wishing she could settle down with her boyfriend instead, all while continually hinting at hidden lesbian leanings. While other female characters stepped forward as women's lib took off in the late 1960s, Wonder Woman fell backwards, losing her superpowers and flitting from man to man. Ms. magazine and Lynda Carter restored Wonder Woman's feminist strength in the 1970s, turning her into a powerful symbol as her checkered past was quickly forgotten. Exploring this lost history adds new dimensions to the world's most beloved female character, and *Wonder Woman Unbound* delves into her comic book and its spin-offs as well as the myriad motivations of her creators to showcase the peculiar journey that led to Wonder Woman's iconic status.

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Descent follows the events of *The Fall of the Governor*, and Lilly Caul's struggles to rebuild Woodbury after the Governor's shocking demise. Out of the ashes of its dark past, Woodbury, Georgia, becomes an oasis of safety amidst the plague of the walking dead – a town reborn in the wake of its former tyrannical leader, Philip Blake, aka The Governor.

Blake's legacy of madness haunts every nook and cranny of this little walled community, but Lilly Caul and a small ragtag band of survivors are determined to overcome their traumatic past... despite the fact that a super-herd is closing in on them.

This vast stampede of zombies, driven by inexorable hunger and aimed directly at Woodbury, becomes their first true test. But Lilly and company refuse to succumb, and in a stunning counteroffensive, the beleaguered townspeople save themselves by joining forces with a mysterious religious sect fresh from the wilderness.

Led by an enigmatic preacher named Jeremiah, this rogue church group seems tailor made for Woodbury and Lilly's dream of a democratic, family-friendly future. The two factions meld into one, the town prospers, and everything seems hopeful for the first time since the plague broke out. But things – especially in the world of the walking dead – are often not what they seem. Jeremiah and his followers harbor a dark secret, the evidence of which very gradually begins to unravel.

Along with a popular TV show also based on Kirkman's AMC comic books, *The Walking Dead* franchise is just getting better and better with Bonansinga's newest novel. In a stunning and horrifying finale, the world for Lilly and her close friends is turned upside down, and it is solely up to Lilly Caul to cleanse the town once and for all of its poisonous fate.

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