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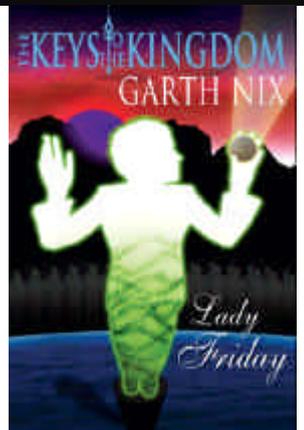
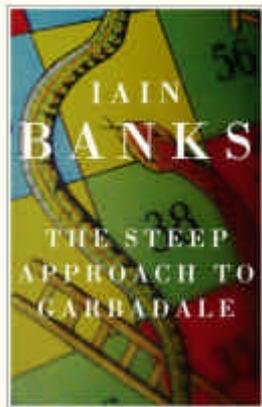
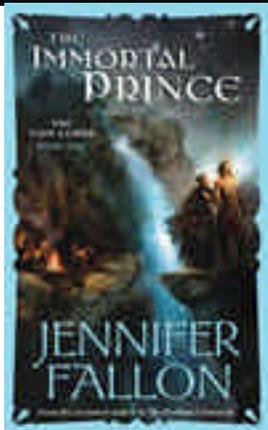
News

Nebula Awards finalists have been announced. The novels are: *Seeker* by Jack McDevitt, *The Privilege of the Sword* by Ellen Kushner, *The Girl in the Glass* by Jeffrey Ford, *Farthing* by Jo Walton, *From the Files of the Time Rangers* by Richard Bowes, *To Crush the Moon* by Will McCarthy. <http://sfwa.org/news/2007/06nebballot.htm>

Karen Miller dropped by the shop. Her book *Innocent Mage* has been chosen as book of the month by Waterstones in the UK. She reported book 1 of her new trilogy, *Empress of Mijak*, is at page proof stage and due for release in June, book 2 in December and book 3 in June 2008. She also has a new *Stargate SG-1* novel underway. Karen also signed her titles on the shelf. <http://www.infinitas.com.au/ProductsByAuthor.php?autid=26077>

Closed Easter Saturday: Be aware that Infinitas will be closed over the Easter long weekend, 6th - 9th April.

Featured Books



Jennifer Fallon

Iain Banks

Sherrilyn Kenyon

Garth Nix

Mike Resnick (ed)

John Ringo

Sharon Shinn

James Swallow

Tad Williams

Timothy Zahn

The Immortal Prince in paperback.

The Steep Approach to Garbadale in trade paperback.

The Dream Hunter in paperback.

Lady Friday in paperback.

Nebula Awards Showcase 2007 in trade paperback.

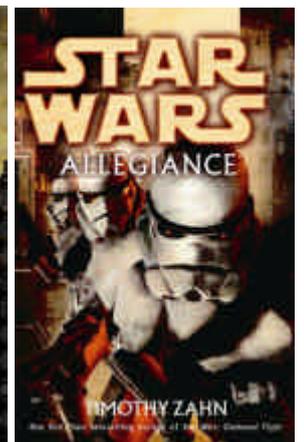
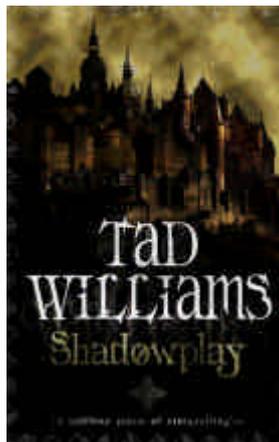
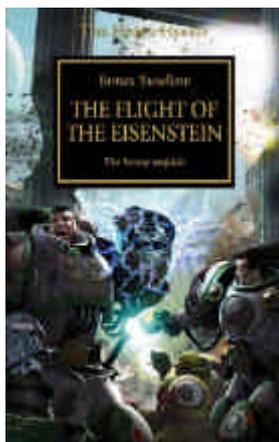
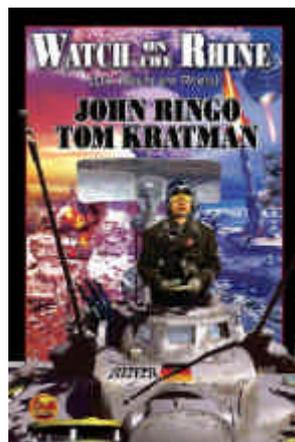
Watch on the Rhine a new Posleen novel in paperback.

The Thirteenth House paperback.

Flight of the Eisenstein a new Warhammer 40K paperback.

Shadowplay, Shadowmarch book 2 in trade paperback.

Star Wars *Allegiance* in hardcover.



Reviews

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

Miocene Arrow by Sean McMullen, reviewed by Gary-Peter Dalrymple

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780765344557>

Miocene Arrow by Sean McMullen, where intelligent whales defrosted and cloned, initiate the call which influences all mammals over 10 kg to walk to the sea. This of course sets off WWIII and leaves paranoid orbiting devices that are set to destroy electronics, and things that can move that are longer than 9 metres or faster than 200 km. ph. An interestingly medieval type world results.

Peeps by Scott Westerfeld, reviewed by Karen Maric

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780143004790>

Peeps is a fast-paced, highly enjoyable young adult vampire tale, the first in another trilogy from Scott Westerfeld. The novel juxtaposes the story of Cal, a nineteen-year-old Texan vampire in New York, with gruesome but fascinating factual chapters describing the behaviour of various parasites which really inhabit animals and humans. In Cal's world, you see, being a vampire means you've been infected with the vampire parasite ? except that Cal, luckily, is a relatively symptomless carrier, rather than an out-and-out raving mad bloodsucker. Unfortunately, Cal has infected every girl he's ever kissed ? and his exes are not just carriers. Now, Cal works for a secret organisation that keeps tabs on the vampire population, and his job is to track down and capture all his old girlfriends, before they transform into cannibals. But while he treks around New York City in search of his exes, Cal unearths another threat to humans, a threat that is much older and far more dangerous than vampires.

Command Decision by Elizabeth Moon, reviewed by Tim

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781841493794>

Kylara Vatta is maturing in her leadership of the loose coalition of privateers resisting the depredation of organised pirate ships. Stella Vatta works on the home front, repairing the economic base of the Vatta trading empire, encouraging Toby Vatta to develop innovative technology. Rafael Dunbarger, the undercover ISC agent, unravels the mystery of ISC's inaction in the crisis, and returns to his family to find his home situation even more personal and desperate. Amongst this, there are opportunistic criminals, competent mercenaries, ISC's incompetent military, Aunt Grace asserting herself back at Slotter Key, and the ever present financial worries, logistical challenges, etc, etc.

The plot is fast, with plenty of space battles, fights and tension. The story goes into the details of how to operate a privateer spaceship and deals in an intelligent way with the challenges that arise. It is logical and surprising. One presumes the author has drawn lessons from history, economics, engineering and leadership experience.

If you enjoy good old fashioned science fiction, and have not read Elizabeth Moon, do so. She has many stories published, covering space opera, high fantasy, literary hard SF and comedy. Her books tend to include a military theme with authentic practicalities displaying experience, but she does not allow this to dominate the narrative.

Command Decision is book 4 in Elizabeth Moon's Vatta's War series. A reader should start with book 1, *Trading in Danger*. As the series progresses, the characters who survive the war grow with deep characterisations and develop as humans. They become people and the reader is engaged to care about their welfare and worries.

This is a mature space opera, much more than cowboys in space, or navy with heroes. A very satisfying read.

Elizabeth Moon will be visiting Infinitas on Thursday evening 12th April 2007, by when we will have paperback copies of *Command Decision*. Contact us to reserve your copy.

Remember, we have some great stuff as well as great books. Such as dice, Star Wars Lego, D&D miniatures and more...





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New Release Information

The books listed in this catalogue are listed to be released during this month. All books listed are available for order. If there is something that you want that you cannot find listed, or is not in the shop, please ask us to order it for you.

Many books have more extensive information available on our website.

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

Legend: PB = paperback, HC = hardcover, TP = trade paperback, Cass = cassette, CD = CD, GN = Graphic Novel, APB = mass market paperback, BPB = paperback approx 20cm x 13cm

Information on the Infinitas Groups

New members always welcome at all the groups, if interested just come along.

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

Thursday 5th April: New Media and Science Fiction
Thursday 4th May: Merchandising and Science Fiction

Review Group: The review group meets on the third Thursday of each month at 6.30pm. Two books (usually one science fiction, one fantasy) are chosen by group members for each meeting with participants encouraged to have read at least one prior to the meeting and bring their review/s along for discussion. The discussion is generally serious and insightful. All welcome.

Thursday March 16th:

Mike Shepard *Kris Longknife* (SF)
Christopher Paolini *Eragon* (F)

Thursday April 19th:

Elizabeth Moon *Sheepfarmer's Daughter* (F)
Greg Bear *Darwin's Radio* (SF)

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

Bestsellers for February

General Release

Old Man's War	John Scalzi
Changelings	Anne McCaffrey & Elizabeth Ann Scarborough
Proven Guilty	Jim Butcher
Old Soldiers	David Weber
Red Pheonix	Kylie Chan
Dark Side of the Moon	Sherrilyn Kenyon
Pretender	C J Cherryh
Fearless	Jack Campbell
Blood Bound	Patricia Briggs
Day Watch	Sergei Lukyanenko

Media and Games Related Titles

Eldar Prophecy	Warhammer 40,000
Exogenesis	Stargate Atlantis
Warpsword	Warhammer
The Fire and the Rose	Star Trek Original Series
Harm For the Holidays: Misgivings	CSI: Miami
The Empty Chair	Star Trek
Slow Decay	Torchwood
Alliances	Stargate SG1
Gaunt's Ghosts: The Founding	Warhammer 40,000
Galaxy In Flames	Warhammer 40,000

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Andromeda Spaceways Inflight Magazine 27 **MAG \$8.95**

Locus 552 January 2007 Vol 58/1 **MAG \$15.95**

Locus 553 February 2007 Vol 58/2 **MAG \$15.95**

Mario Acevedo

X-Rated Bloodsuckers (Felix Gomez 02)

A tongue-in-cheek follow-up to *The Nymphs of Rocky Flats* finds newly made vampire Felix Gomez facing his toughest investigation yet when he is hired to infiltrate the corrupt world of Los Angeles politics and investigate the murder of a surgeon-turned-porn star. **TP \$28.95**

Kevin J Anderson & Doug Beason

Ill Wind

When a supertanker crashes off the shores of San Francisco, the multinational oil company releases an untested virus designed to break up the oil, but the wind carries the virus onto the mainland, where it destroys everything made of petroleum, gas in cars, plastic, nylon, and more. **APB \$19.95**

Poul Anderson

To Outlive Eternity and Other Stories

A compendium of fictional works by the Hugo and Nebula Award-winning Grand Master features the complete text of his full-length novel, *After Doomsday*, as well as a number of short stories that capture futuristic high-tech worlds, from a world inherited by robots to a handful of human survivors on a starship fleeing the destruction of Earth by an unknown enemy. **TP \$28.95**

V C Andrews

Scattered Leaves (Early Spring)

She was supposed to be hidden away. But when the truth is exposed, she can't stay silent.... After tragedy tears her family apart, Jordan March is shipped off by her domineering Grandmother Emma to live with Emma's long-forgotten sister. Shattered in a rundown farmhouse, Aunt Frances is the strangest person Jordan has ever met. Why has Grandmother hidden away this fragile, harmless woman -- did Frances grow up much too fast, like Jordan did? In the shadows of the farmhouse, Jordan is about to unearth the shattering truth -- and the March family will never be the same.... **APB \$19.95 HC \$51.95**

Alex Archer

Forbidden City (Rogue Angel)

When archaeologist-adventurer Annja Creed unearths evidence of a tragedy that's linked to Chinese miners during the days of the Gold Rush, she is attacked by shadow figures, which leads her on a quest to find the lost city of the Han Dynasty, where she must battle against a great evil. **APB \$16.95**

Keri Arthur Australian Author

Tempting Evil (Riley Jenson Guardian 03)

Working for an organization policing the supernatural races, Riley Jenson--half werewolf, half vampire--is given the task of infiltrating the heavily guarded pleasure palace of Deshon Star, a criminal mastermind who has been experimenting with genetics for decades. **APB \$17.95**

Robert Asprin

Myth Inc in Action (Myth)

The young magician, Skeeve, searches for his demon teacher, Aahz, in the intolerable dimensions of Perv, while Guido and Nunzio join the army in an effort to conquer Queen Hemlock. **PB \$17.95**

Robert Asprin & Jody Lynn Nye

Myth-Told Tales (Myth)

Readers can take a rollicking ride through the crazy MYTH universe along with Skeeve, Aahz, Massha, Tananda, Bunny, Gleep, and the Fairy Godmother, in this collection that features the authors' favorite stories, as well as some never-before-published myth-adventures. **APB \$19.95**

James Axler

Cannibal Moon (Deathlands 77)

When a compassionate physician is stricken by a plague that brings about an insatiable hunger for human flesh, Ryan Cawdor and his band of rebels, determined not to lose one of their own without a fight, journey to Cajun country, the land of the cannibals, to find the antidote. **APB \$16.95**

Iain Banks

The Steep Approach to Garbadale

Dark family secrets, a long-lost love affair and a multi-million pound gaming business lie at the heart of Iain Banks' fabulous new novel. The Wopuld family built their fortune on a board game called *Empire!* - now a wildly successful computer game. So successful the American Spraint Corp wants to buy the Wopulds out. Young renegade Alban, who has been evading the family tentacles for the last few years, thinks Spraint should be treated with suspicion - but he also has other things on his mind. What drove his mother to take her own life? And is he yet over Sophie, his bewitching cousin and teenage love, who'll be present at the forthcoming family gathering - part birthday party, part Extraordinary General Meeting - at Garbadale, their highland castle? **HC \$59.95 TP \$32.95 CD \$39.95**

Gerry Bartlett

Real Vampires Have Curves

Rendered eternally full-figured when she is made into a vampire between diets, Gloriana St. Clair struggles with her centuries-old relationship with Scottish vampire Jeremy, opens a vintage clothing store, and falls under the spell of a billionaire techno-freak immortal. **TP \$28.95**

Lucinda Betts

Moon Shadow

As business picks up, spellcaster Esmenet Sokaris hires Gage Feldspar to become her apprentice and mixes business with pleasure as magic and moonlight bring about undeniable passion. **APB \$26.95**

Anne Bishop

Belladonna (Landscapes of Ephemera 02)

The final book of this richly imagined world from the acclaimed author of the Black Jewels trilogy. Through the twilight of waking dreams come these words: 'Heart's hope lies within belladonna.' For the women of Elandar, the words are a riddle, and a warning - because there are signs that the Eater of the World has returned. For Michael, an Elandar magician, the riddle is the first step on a journey that will reveal the true nature of the power he wields and will lead him to the woman who haunts his dreams: Glorianna Belladonna. And for Glorianna, the arrival of Michael and his sister Caitlin opens doors to other landscapes and shows her the possibilities that live within her own heart. But Michael is more than a potential lover. He holds the key to saving Ephemera from the Eater of the World. Will he keep his secret in order to save the woman he loves, or will he give Glorianna the key to saving the world; and destroying herself? **HC \$49.95 APB \$20.99**

Lucy Blue

Dark Angel (Bound In Darkness 03)

A deadly quest . . . The sworn knight of an English lord, Gareth returns to the Highlands to pay a debt of blood to his uncle, the man who killed his father. But when his uncle's men murder his companions and leave him for dead, a mysterious beauty rescues him. Tender one moment, cruel the next, she bewitches him to his core. A hidden desire . . . Roxanna, a vampire princess, is sworn to break the curse that banished her kind to the dark. Awakened from her years-long slumber by Gareth's voice, she preyed on his attackers and kept him alive only to feed her hunger. But every night with Gareth makes her want him more, not just as a lover but as the soul mate she has never known. Together they will achieve both their dreams . . . or be lost to the darkness as one. **APB \$14.95**

Terry Brooks

The Sword of Shannara (Shannara 01)

Now in special hardback B format, Atom is proud to bring this fantasy classic to a new audience of young readers. Packaged as competitively priced hardbacks with stunning new cover artwork, the first three Shannara novels are the perfect entry point to Terry Brooks incredible world. THE SWORD OF SHANNARA is the first volume of the classic series that has become one of the most popular epic fantasy tales of all time. Long ago, the world of the Four Lands was torn apart by the wars of ancient Evil. But in the Vale, the half-human, half- elfin Shea Ohmsford now lives in peace - until the mysterious, forbidding figure of the druid Allanon appears, to reveal that the supposedly long dead Warlock Lord lives again. Shea must embark upon the elemental quest to find the only weapon powerful enough to keep the creatures of darkness at bay: the fabled Sword of Shannara. **HC \$24.95**

The Elfstones of Shannara (Shannara 02)

An ancient evil threatens the Four Lands. The Ellcrys, the tree of long-lost Elven magic, is dying, unravelling the spell of Forbidding that locks the hordes of Demons away from the world. Already the fearsome Reaper is free. Only by quickening a new seed in the mysterious Bloodfire can the Ellcrys be reborn and the Forbidding made whole. Amberle, a young Elven girl, is chosen to undertake the quest for the Bloodfire. The way is perilous, though and Amberle will need a protector if she is to prevail, and Wil Ohmsford, heir to the elven magics of Shannara, is chosen to accompany her. Amberle's quest and the fate of the Four Lands will rest on Wil's ability to unlock the magic of the mysterious Elfstones of Shannara. **HC \$24.95**

The Wishsong of Shannara (Shannara 03)

Horror stalks the Four Lands. The Ildatch, ancient source of evil, has stirred to life. It sends its foul Mord Wraiths to make war on all living things and bring about, at last, Mankind's destruction. Once again Allanon, Druid Protector of the Races, must seek the help of a descendant of the Elven King, Jerle Shannara. Brin, daughter of Wil Ohmsford, has been born with the magic of the Wishsong, which alone can open a way to the Ildatch. Reluctantly, she joins Allanon on his perilous journey east. Meanwhile her younger brother, Jair, learns that Brin will fail and die unless he can reach her in time. As Brin walks blindly into the trap the Ildatch has set, Jair's only hope of reaching her in time is to travel through the very heart of evil. **HC \$24.95**

Jennifer Colt

The Vampire of Venice Beach

Hired to escort their friend Darby Applewhite, a.k.a. Ephemera, Queen of the Undead, in her hearse through the annual Venice Goth parade, crime-fighting identical twins Kerry and Terry McAfee are stunned when their client turns up dead in the middle of the festivities, with fang marks on her neck, in the third installment in the series that began with The Butcher of Beverly Hills. **TP \$24.95**

Glen Cook

Sweet Silver Blues (Garrett, PI)

In a land where magic can be murder, Garret, a human detective, tries to track down the heir to a fortune in silver in a world of gnomes, centaurs, and vampires--all of whom get in his way. **APB \$17.95**

Brenda Cooper

The Silver Ship and the Sea

Chelo Lee, her brother Joseph, and four other genetically enhanced children who have been abandoned on the colony world of Fremont struggle to use their unique talents and skills to make the dangerous, wild planet home and discover that a long-deserted space ship shunned by other inhabitants of the planet could hold the key to their survival. **HC \$52.95**

Matthew J Costello

Beneath Still Waters

The town of Gouldens Falls, submerged fifty years ago during the construction of the Kenicut Reservoir, spawns a mysterious terror that menaces the surrounding community. **APB \$17.95**

Julie E Czerneda

Regeneration (Species Imperative 03)

Biologist Dr. Mackenzie Connor must unlock the deadly mysteries of the alien Dhryn and the Ro by finding Emily Mamani, who holds the key to infiltrating the Ro and can lead them to the legendary Survivors before their world is hurtled into a region of space devoid of life. **APB \$19.95**

Casey Daniels

The Chick and the Dead (Pepper Martin Mystery)

Left with the ability to see and hear dead people after banging her head on a headstone during a Cleveland cemetery tour, Pepper Martin is currently being pestered by Didi Bowman, the deceased sister of a famous novelist, who seeks to avenge her untimely demise. **APB \$17.95**

Alyssa Day*Atlantis Rising*

A dedicated Virginia Beach social worker, Riley Dawson, an "empath" who is drawn to the ocean, feels an intense sexual connection with Conlan, the High Prince of Atlantis, who has risen to the surface to retrieve Poseidon's stolen trident. **APB \$17.95**

Hal Duncan*Ink (Vellum 02)*

It's twenty years since the Evenfall swept across the Vellum and the bitmites took reality apart; twenty years since Phreedom Messenger disappeared into the wilderness and Seamus Finnan was imprisoned in his own past. Twenty years of chaos; but the Dukes, the remnants of the Covenant, still cling to power in their enclaves of order in the bitmite-devastated wilderness... In their Havens in the Hinter.

Across the folds of time and space, though, rogues and rebels are rising up against the Empire. From a mediaeval fortress where wandering mummers stage a Harlequin play based on Euripides The Bacchae and performed in the Cant... to Kentigern where another Harlequin, Jack Flash, wreaks havoc on a fascist state that thought him dead. From a 1939 Paris where Jack Carter and Seamus Finnan, heroes of the International Brigades, seek to rewrite history – to a 1929 Berlin where a very different Jack seeks to save the world from a history he has helped make real. Locked in an eternal battle of chaos and order, it seems everyone must play their part now, as rebel or tyrant, hero or villain. **HC \$59.95 TP \$32.95**

Dave Duncan*The Alchemist's Apprentice*

Working non-stop to make astrology calculations and master arcane magic, young swordsman Alfeo Zeno, an apprentice to legendary clairvoyant Nostradamus, seeks to clear his master's name when the seer is falsely accused of murdering a high-ranking noble in order to fulfill one of his prophecies. **TP \$28.95**

Jennifer Fallon Australian Author*The Immortal Prince (Tide Lords 01)*

On the world of Amyrantha, the immortals have power over the natural elements, their power peaking every 1,000 years at the high tide of the Tide Star. At the time of the 10,000-year King Tide there is an opportunity for one Tide Lord to gain supremacy...and this time is fast approaching.

Arkady, a historian, stumbles across Cayal, a madman claiming to be a Tide Lord. Amyrantha is in the throes of a scientific renaissance and men of science have a new Theory of Human Evolution which does not admit magic. But Cayal introduces Arkady to the other members of his race - the Tide Lords...

Over the aeons their power struggles have annihilated entire populations and a final crisis looms for the immortals and the human and part-human populations. **APB \$20.99**

Christine Feehan*Deadly Game (Ghost Walkers 05)*

In this gripping sequel to Conspiracy Game, Ken Norton, an expert assassin and a GhostWalker warrior, must rescue a fellow GhostWalker when she is taken hostage, but his mission takes a deadly turn when they both become pawns in a game of life-and-death. **APB \$19.95**

Dark Prince (Carpathian 01)

Raven Whitney is a psychic who has used her gift to help the police track down a serial killer. Now she is determined to escape the glare of recent publicity for the peace and quiet of the Carpathian Mountains. Despite her own emotional fatigue, Raven finds herself connecting psychically to another wounded individual somewhere close by. Prince Mikhail Dubrinsky is the leader of his people but, as his ancient Carpathian race grows ever closer to extinction, he is close to giving in to the heavy weight of loneliness and despair. Then a female voice enters his mind and tries to console him. Intrigued, Mikhail becomes obsessed with finding this unusual human female. From the moment their minds touch, Raven and Mikhail form a connection. But there are those who incorrectly view all Carpathians as vampires, and are determined to give their extinction a helping hand...

APB \$17.95

Dark Desire (Carpathian 02)

Seven years ago, Dr Shea O'Halloran experienced an unexpected and horrendous pain unlike anything she had ever known. It felt as if she were being tortured. Eventually the pain disappeared, but Shea never forgot. She has since devoted her life to trying to understand the cause of the rare genetic blood disorder that is slowly killing her. The answers to some of Shea's questions start to reveal themselves when she is approached by two men, who accuse her of being a vampire. Shea runs for her life and - following a feeling she can't explain - her desperate wanderings lead her to Romania. The ancient one known as Jacques Dubrinsky can explain. Seven years ago, Jacques was captured, tortured and buried alive by several humans and a Carpathian betrayer. The years of extreme pain and lack of sustenance that followed have nearly driven Jacques insane. He has been using what is left of his powers to psychically draw Shea to the region. But is Shea to be his healer... or his prey? **APB \$17.95**

Dark Gold (Carpathian 03)

Alexandria Houton will sacrifice anything to protect her little brother. But when they both encounter an unspeakable evil in the swirling San Francisco mists, Alex can only pray for their deliverance.... And out of the darkness swoops Aidan Savage, a being more powerful and more mysterious than any other creature of the night. This ageless Carpathian male has saved them both from a hideous fate. But is Aidan truly Alexandria's salvation... or her ultimate betrayer? And if she surrenders to Aidan's savage, unearthly seduction is Alexandria in danger of sacrificing more than her life...? **APB \$17.95**

Dave Freer*A Mankind Witch*

In an alternate universe ruled by magic in which the Holy Roman Empire controls Europe, a sacred relic, the Arming of Telmark, is stolen from Odin's temple in a pagan Norway, a theft that could ignite a bloody war with the Empire, unless Corsair-Captain Cair, aided by Prince Manfred of Brittany, can find the missing treasure and rescue Signy, the stepsister of King Vortenbras. **APB \$19.95**

Celia Friedman*Feast of Souls (Magister 01)*

In order to use their powers, witches draw upon their own souls, thus shortening their lives, but the immortal male Magisters have a different, unknown source, and when Kamala petitions to be taught their secret, the entire kingdom is thrown into chaos. **HC \$52.95**

Neil Gaiman*Stardust (Film Tie-in)* **BPB \$22**

Kathleen O'Neal Gear & W Michael Gear

People of the Nightland People

It has been a thousand years since Wolf Dreamer led his people up through the dark hole in the ice to a rich, untouched continent bursting with game. But the world has changed.

Most of the magnificent animals are gone, and the last of the great glaciers is melting, forming a huge freshwater lake in the middle of the world. Over the centuries the People of the Wolf have split into two clans. The People of the Nightland live in the honeycomb of ice caves that skirt the glacier. The People of the Sunpath live inside lodges to the south, hunting the few remaining mammoths, bison, giant sloths, and short-faced bear. When a young orphaned boy named Silvertip receives a vision from Wolf Dreamer that their world is about to end, no one believes him – no one except a jaded war chief and a little girl. Led by Silvertip's dream, the three of them must convince both clans to leave the land of their ancestors and flee eastward as fast as they can before the Ice Giants destroy the world.

This is the sweeping saga of a visionary boy who led his people out of the path of one of the worst catastrophes in the history of the world, and the brave little girl who loved him enough to believe in his dream. **HC \$56.95**

Clive Gifford

So You think You Know Discworld

Enter the weird and wonderful world of Terry Pratchett and put your knowledge of his Discworld series to the test. With over 1000 questions, this is a must-have for all true fans of Pratchett's popular books. **BPB \$14.95**

Christopher Golden

The Borderkind (Veil 02)

Discovering the Veil that separates our own world from one in which legend and myth exist, New England attorney Oliver Bascombe and his companions, led by Jack Frost, struggle to escape the forces seeking to kill them, but he soon discovers that the stakes have been raised when his fiancée vanishes across the Veil, in the sequel to *The Myth Hunters*. **TP \$24.95**

Susan Grant

My Favorite Earthling

Arriving on Earth to save her people from a horrible fate, Keira, warrior-queen of the galaxy, who abhors the idea of marriage, meets her match in soldier and patriot Jared Jasper, who refuses to succumb to her charms as she plans a hostile takeover. **APB \$17.95**

Kim Harrison

For a Few Demons More (Rachel Morgan 05)

When a serial murderer begins killing off members of Hollows society, witch and independent bounty hunter Rachel Morgan finds herself swept up in a brutal Inderland gang war, a situation that is complicated by her demonic nemesis, the release of a vampire master, and a tacky bridesmaid dress. **HC \$45.95**

Robert A Heinlein

Time for the Stars

Originally published for a young adult audience in the 1950s, a classic Heinlein tale depicts a future world where overpopulation has necessitated travel to other planets in spite of limited communications technology, a challenge for which identical twins Tom and Pat are enlisted for a human telepathy project. **TP \$30.95**

Robert Holdstock

The Broken Kings (Merlin Codex 03)

The hill below the fortress of Taurovinda, stronghold of Urtha, High King of the Cornovidi, is coming alive: the Otherworldly realm of the Shadows of Heroes are claiming the land as their own. But this time their actions are driven by a force that is darker and older than even the oldest among the ghosts. Who or what is raising the Dead? Merlin, a temporary resident in the fortress, must answer that question if this time of kings and lovers is to be saved. Jason's wonderful ship, Argo, has returned, drawn back by her own guilty past, and a dreadful secret that she will reveal only to Merlin. Argo holds the key to the mystery. And Niiv, the bewitching, beautiful Northlands enchantress, is working her way even closer into Merlin's charms. This is a journey that will take Merlin back in history, and to a fabled island of legend. Love is in the air. But at a price.

In this third volume of the Merlin Codex, Robert Holdstock weaves myth and history into a fabulous tale of honour, vengeance and magic. At its centre, moving along his never-ending path, is Merlin himself, an enchanter in the prime of his life, feckless, curious, powerful, yet a stranger to his own past - and a man about find a true and honourable use for his talents. **HC \$49.95 TP \$35**

Jessica Inclan

Believe in Me

Sayblee Safipour, a Croyant gifted with telepathic and healing abilities, must resist temptation and the forces of darkness when she and notorious womanizer Felix Valasay, posing as a couple, set a trap for a powerful and deadly sorcier. **TP \$26.95**

Linda Winstead Jones

Prince of Magic (Sun Witch)

Mastering her special healing ability, Ariana Kane Varden, daughter of the Sun Witch, discovers that she is part of a prophecy to save Columbyana from evil when a darkly sensual magician arrives from a distant land to prepare her for battle and for love. **APB \$19.95**

David Keck

In the Eye of Heaven

Losing his inheritance when a knight's believed-dead son turns up alive, Durand inadvertently participates in a murder and finds himself in the service of a duke's disgraced son, a situation that eventually causes him to participate anonymously in a series of tournaments. A first novel.

APB \$19.95

Sherrilyn Kenyon

The Dream Hunter (Dream Hunters 01)

In the ethereal world of dreams there are champions who fight to protect the dreamer and there are demons who prey on them... Arik is such a predator. Condemned by the gods to live for eternity without emotions, Arik can only feel when he's in the dreams of others. Now, after thousands of years, he's finally found a dreamer whose vivid mind can fill his emptiness. Dr. Megeara Kafieri made a reluctant promise to her dying father that she would salvage his reputation by proving his life-long belief that Atlantis is real. But frustration and bad luck dog her every step. Especially the day they find a stranger floating in the sea. His is a face she's seen many times... in her dreams. What she doesn't know is that Arik has made a pact with the god Hades: in exchange for two weeks as a mortal man, he must return to Olympus with a human soul. Megeara's soul. **APB \$19.95**

Dean Koontz*Funhouse*

Once there was a girl who ran away and joined a traveling carnival. She married a man she hated and begat a child she could never love. Now Ellen Harper has a new life, a new husband and two normal children. Memory is drowned in alcohol and prayers - neither of which will save her kids when the carnival comes back to town. **APB \$19.95**

Winter Moon

Eduardo, a retiree whose wife and son have died, lives on his isolated Montana ranch. His life is peaceful - if lonely - until he is awakened one night by a fearful throbbing sound and eerie lights in the lower woods. During the next several months, one mysterious and disturbing event follows another. Increasingly, he fears for his sanity and his life, until the terrible night when someone - or something - knocks on his back door...Jack McGarvey, a Los Angeles cop, is hammered by submachine-gun fire when a madman goes berserk one lovely spring morning. He barely survives. His partner is not so lucky. Months later, still on disability, with no idea of when he might work again, with Los Angeles growing more violent by the day, he longs to move his family to a more peaceful place. Though he would do anything to protect his wife Heather and son Toby, Jack seems powerless and without prospects. Then, in their hour of desperation, the McGarveys find salvation when they receive an unexpected inheritance. It includes a sprawling ranch in one of the most beautiful, peaceful places in the country. Montana. Excited by their good fortune, the McGarveys set out from Los Angeles to begin their new life - unaware that the terror-riddled and unstable city will eventually seem like a safe haven compared to what lies ahead. **APB \$19.95**

Midnight **APB \$19.95**

Mercedes Lackey*Fortune's Fool (Five Hundred Kingdoms 03)*

When Ekaterina, the seventh daughter of the Sea King, uses her special ability to move around on land to serve as her father's spy, she is kidnapped, along with other princesses, and held hostage in a castle where her only hope for rescue lies within a man thought to be a fool. **HC \$51.95**

Richard Laymon*Laymon Collection 10*

IN THE DARK: Nothing much happens in Donnerville, at least not in the public library. Then the new librarian, Jane Kerry, receives a strange envelope. Inside is a fifty-dollar bill and a note instructing her to 'Look homeward, angel.' Mystified, Jane pulls Thomas Wolfe's novel of that title off the shelf and finds a second envelope. This one contains a one-hundred dollar bill and a clue to another pay-off. Like the first one it is signed 'MOG (Master of Games)'. Suddenly Jane is hooked, this is one game she must play to the end. **SAVAGE:** Whitechapel, November 1888. Jack the Ripper is committing his last known act of butchery in the one-room hovel occupied by the luckless harlot, Mary Kelly. And beneath the bed on which the fiend is cruelly and cheerfully eviscerating his victim cowers a fifteen-year-old boy... This is just the start of the extraordinary adventures of Trevor Bently, a boy who embarked on an errand of mercy and ran into the most notorious serial killer in criminal history, a boy who became a man as he travelled on a quest of vengeance across a wild and untamed continent - a boy who brought the horrors of Jack the Ripper to the New World. **BPB \$18.95**

Tim Lebbon*Dawn (Dusk 02)*

In the sequel to Dusk, after three centuries, magic returns to Noreela under the twisted control of the Mages, but as the land is threatened by unending twilight, conflict, and warfare, an unlikely band of heroes struggles to eliminate the evil that is destroying their world, led by a young woman who claims to possess a magic of her own. **TP \$24.95**

Sharon Lee & Steve Miller*Crystal Soldier (Liaden Great Migration 01)*

Hundreds of years after their withdrawal, the Enemy is back, and this time they will be satisfied with nothing less than the extinction of the galaxy, forcing humankind to once again fight a seemingly unbeatable adversary across the Spiral Arm. **APB \$19.95**

Julianne Lee*Knight's Blood*

Disguising herself as Sir Lindsay Pawlowski, Lindsay MacNeil goes back in time and joins a group of rogue knights to find her son who has been kidnapped by the elfin king, an epic adventure that forces her to choose between reuniting with her family and embracing her warrior's life. **APB \$19.95**

Jane Lindskold*Wolf's Blood (Firekeeper)*

Accidentally unleashing a plague after learning how to open the gates between worlds, Firekeeper, a young woman raised by intelligent, language-using wolves, and her companions, Derian Carter and Blind Seer, struggle to uncover the mysterious origins and nature of the plague, in order to destroy it forever. **HC \$56.95**

Matthew Mason Australian Author*The Dream Saga (Dream 01, 02)*

Set twenty years in the future within a context of passion, action and ever present danger, the Dream Saga searches the depths of an arcane and mystic lode to inspire the creation of a dazzling future.

Dreams are seen by most as little more than a catharsis for worn out lives, but outlaw activist Reimas Caledan opens the doors to the astral and discovers an incredible potential.

A stunning meeting in space, a cultural slap in the face, the forging of a secret alliance to do battle with an alien power—the entrenched nemesis of everything humanity stands for.

Challenging, daring, adventurous and occasionally erotic, the Dream Saga explores an age in which every assumption about society and moral order is under fire. More than just science fiction with machines and muscle, this is also a saga about people facing a hidden threat to the very existence of their world. Incorporating Volume I: The Dream Master & Volume II: The Dream Nemesis **TP \$34.95**

Dinah McCall*The Survivors*

After a plane goes down in the Appalachians, Deborah Sanborn, using her telepathic abilities, joins the rescue team led by Mike O'Ryan, who is skeptical of her visions, to help find a missing five-year-old boy who, she believes, is caught in the grip of a desperate killer. **APB \$17.95**

Patricia A McKillip*Cygnets*

A single-volume pairing of two of the World Fantasy Award-winning author's classic tales includes *The Sorceress and the Cygnets* and *The Cygnets and the Firebird*, in which the fate of the Ro family unfolds in a magical world of myth and mayhem. **TP \$30.95**

Michelle Mead*Succubus Blues*

While daydreaming about gorgeous writer Seth Mortensen, Seattle succubus Georgina Kincaid discovers that evil is afoot in Seattle's demon underground when she comes face-to-face with a creature that neither heaven nor hell want any part of. **TP \$30.95**

Lucy Monroe*Moon Awakening*

At the Castle of Dark Dreams, a popular attraction in an adult amusement park in which women make their fantasies come true in erotic role-playing games, a female talk-show host gets more than she had bargained for in the arms of Eric McNair, the castle's resident vampire. **APB \$19.95**

Elizabeth Moon*Command Decision (Vatta's War 04)*

With most of her family dead, slaughtered in a series of brutal attacks aimed at destroying the Vatta interstellar shipping empire, Kylara Vatta struggles to rebuild her family business and recruit allies to her cause, working to bring together a ragtag group of traders to strike back against an entire fleet of pirates. **HC \$51.95**

Christopher Moore*The Lust Lizard of Melancholy Cove*

Christopher Moore brings us another hilarious, irreverent novel of love, strange beasts and much more besides. The town psychiatrist has decided to switch everybody in Pine Cove, California, from their normal antidepressants to placebos, so naturally...well, to be accurate, artificially...business is booming at the local blues bar. Trouble is, those lonely slide-guitar notes have also attracted a colossal sea beast named Steve with, shall we say, a thing for explosive oil tanker trucks. Suddenly, morose Pine Cove turns libidinous and is hit by a mysterious crime wave. A beleaguered constable has to fight off his own gonzo appetites to find out what's wrong and what, if anything, to do about it. **BPB \$22.95**

Larry Niven & Jerry Pournelle*Burning Tower (Golden Road 02)*

The people of Tep's Town are desperate. Monstrous invaders have emerged from the desert, and people are being slaughtered. Danger on the roads means no trade. No trade means that Tep's Town itself will die. The fire god Yangin-Atep has retreated into myth, leaving the town's residents unprotected for the first time in its history - and they now face an army of fearsome birds with blades for wings, consumed by an inexorable lust for blood. Lord Sandry and his beloved, Burning Tower, must travel far beyond the walls of their home to discover the origin of these terror birds. They enter a world where magic is still strong - and someone or something has been waiting to destroy them... **APB \$22.95**

Mel Odom*Quest for the Trilogy (Rover 03)*

Warned by the old wizard Craugh about an ancient threat known as Kharrion's Wrath that endangers the entire world, Juhg, a young halfer and new Grandmagister, must search through the secrets contained in the journals of his absent mentor Wick, "The Rover," as well as in a trilogy of missing books, that could hold the key to salvation. **HC \$52.95**

Susan Palwick*The Necessary Beggar*

When young Darroti is accused of murdering a holy woman, his entire family is forced into exile away from their peaceful home city, a situation that thrusts them into a hostile land where hatred and war threaten their survival. By the award-winning author of *Flying in Place*. **APB \$17.95**

Vicki Petterson*The Scent of Shadows (Sign of the Zodiac 01)*

Brutally assaulted and left to die in the Nevada desert as a teenager, Joanna Archer somehow survived and now, a photographer by day, she prowls the dark streets of Las Vegas after sunset, searching for the truth about who or what she really is and seeking revenge for the horrors she had been forced to endure. **APB \$17.95**

Albert Sanchez Pinol*Cold Skin*

Reporting to a post-World War I solitary assignment on the edge of the Antarctic, weather official Gruner discovers that his predecessor has gone missing, that their outpost is under attack by deadly reptilian creatures, and that his only companion is a deeply disturbed stranger. **TP \$26.95**

Tim Powers*Expiration Date*

When Koot Parganas accidentally breaks a plaster statue venerated by his parents, he unwittingly unleashes the ghost of Thomas Alva Edison, leading to an alternately terrifying and hilarious adventure in the strange underbelly of contemporary Los Angeles. **APB \$32.95**

Natasha Rhodes*Dante's Girl*

Kayla Steele, a clerk at the perfume counter of a large department store, is struggling to hold down her job and pay her bills while trying to master the Dark Arts in order to avenge the death of her boyfriend and destroy a cadre of supernatural entities stalking the streets of L.A., and to maintain a relationship with the late boyfriend, Karrel Dante. **APB \$16**

John Ringo & Tom Kratman*Watch on the Rhine (Posleen / Legacy of Aldenata 07)*

With his store of experienced military personnel at a dangerously low level and confronting a crisis following the destruction of Northern Virginia, the Chancellor of Germany is forced to call on the remnants of the brutal Waffen SS to boost his power. **APB \$19.95**

J D Robb*Innocent in Death (Eve Dallas 24)*

Eve Dallas has a mysterious homicide to solve when a popular teacher at an exclusive school turns up dead in his classroom, apparently poisoned. Dallas is baffled as to who could possibly hold a grudge against this enthusiastic young teacher. It doesn't help when a beautiful ex-girlfriend of Roarke's comes back into his life. While Eve is fighting her jealousy, she grows more and more frustrated with the case, especially as it becomes obvious that no one is as innocent as they seem. **HC \$60 TP \$32.95**

Kim Stanley Robinson*Sixty Days and Counting*

In the conclusion of a trilogy that began with *Forty Signs of Rain* and *Fifty Degrees Below*, humankind races against time to prevent or control the repercussions of a series of international disasters, including global warming and environmental instability, before it is too late. **HC \$51.95**

James Rollins*Map of Bones*

'Shots rang out across the cathedral. Sporadic. Cries suddenly silenced. Death stalked the cathedral as the monks slaughtered the few remaining survivors ... All for a sack of bones. Why? Why steal the bones of the Magi?' When a group of parishioners is burned to death in a German cathedral, the US sends in Sigma force. For this tragedy is more than a case of arson - someone has stolen the priceless treasure stored in the cathedral's golden reliquary: the bones of the biblical Three Kings. Commander Gray Pierce leads a team on the hunt for the Royal Dragon Court, a clandestine aristocratic fraternity of alchemists that dates back to the Middle Ages and seeks to establish a new world order using the mystical bones. Pierce and his team follow a trail that leads from Europe's Gothic cathedrals through the remnants of the seven wonders of the ancient world to a mystical place where science and religion unite to unleash a threat not seen since the beginning of time itself ... **APB \$19.95**

Sandstorm

'The glass enclosure exploded outwards. Stabbing spears pierced his left side. But he barely felt the cuts as a wave of blast-furnace heat struck him, searing, burning away all the oxygen. The next explosion ripped Harry from his feet and threw his body clear across the gallery. But only flaming bones hit the security gate, melting themselves into the steel grating...'

Lady Kara Kensington's family paid a high price in money and blood to found the gallery that now lies in ruins. And her search for answers is about to lead her into a world she never imagined existed: a lost city, buried beneath the Arabian desert, where something astonishing is waiting...

A covert government operative hunting down a traitor is being drawn there as well. But at the end of a perilous journey lies an ageless power that can create a utopia - or tear down everything humankind has built over millennia of civilisation... **APB \$19.95**

Jeff Rovin*Conversation With the Devil*

In the wake of the suicide of one of her patients, a young Satanist, psychologist Sarah Lynch, a cynic who had lost her own faith years before, attempts to conjure the devil himself in order to understand what the teenager had been thinking at the time of his death, only to discover that her experiment has succeeded all too well. **HC \$51.95**

David Bryan Russell Australian Author*Enchanters*

A stunningly imaginative contemporary fantasy novel, *Enchanters* introduces a new kind of magic, interwoven in a complex and sensitive story.

Enchanters chronicles the adventures of Glys Erlendson, a young environmentalist convinced that the planet is in grave danger. On a vacation in Norway she discovers an even more frightening truth: she is not human. Worse, the Shadowlings wish her destruction. Glys is compelled to follow a Sylviir enchanter Tarune on a perilous journey to Myradelle - an astonishingly beautiful, hidden magical realm that coexists uneasily with our own. But death awaits at every step, and Glys must throw off her human shell to survive - but what lies underneath?

In Myradelle, Glys awakens to a whole new world of magic sourced from the flow of natural forces. She befriends a myriad of fantastic beings that inspired human legends about unicorns, mermaids, centaurs and fairies. But new and more desperate adventures await, as a vile Guurm and the Witch of Four Directions conspire to entrap Glys and her new companion.

Meanwhile, a mysterious device is activated in the human world. Glys uncovers the lethal intent of its sinister creator. Dedicated to the preservation of life and the reconnection of humankind with nature, she follows him to the cavernous depths of the Underworld to save both human and Enchanter worlds. **APB \$19.95**

Pamela Sargent*Farseed (Seed 02)*

In the sequel to *Earthseed*, more than two decades after Ship leaves its children on an uninhabited, earthlike planet, old rivalries are reborn when an encounter between the children of Zoheret and those of her former nemesis, Ho, threaten to ignite hostilities between the two groups of former shipmates. **HC \$36.95**

Matthew Sharpe*Jamestown*

A band of futuristic survivors from the cataclysmic decimation of the Chrysler Building sets out to establish an outpost in southern Virginia with an intention of finding oil and exploiting the region's Native American controllers, an effort aided by text-messaging technology and telepathic plots. By the author of *The Sleeping Father*. **HC \$51.95**

Sharon Shinn*The Thirteenth House (Twelve Houses 02)*

Returning home from a mission only to find that her half-sister Casserah has been named heir, Kirra, a shiftling, falls in love with the married Lord Romar, a tempestuous affair that places them both in mortal danger and leads them to the stronghold of the lords of the Thirteenth House.

APB \$19.95

Linnea Sinclair*Games of Command*

A young woman who is hiding a deadly past and an even deadlier paranormal talent, Captain Tasha Sebastian meets her match when she receives a dangerous visitor on board her spaceship, a man who seems to know all too much about her and is hiding a few secrets of his own. **APB \$17.95**

Nalini Singh*Visions of Heat*

F-Psy psychic Faith NightStar, plagued by visions of forbidden pleasure, finds herself the prey of changeling Vaughn D'Angelo, part man, part jaguar, who is determined to claim her as his own, while her people, needing her gift for their own evil purposes, strive to keep them apart.

APB \$17.95

Bryan Smith*The Freakshow*

Driven by morbid curiosity, the townspeople of Pleasant Hills, Tennessee, are drawn to the Flaherty Brothers Traveling Carnivale and Freakshow, which lures its unsuspecting victims behind a velvet curtain where their greatest nightmares become a reality as they meet a most violent fate.

APB \$17.95

Tricia Sullivan*Sound Mind*

Cassidy Walker is about to find the answers to all of her questions. And that's when things really get crazy... When Cassidy Walker stumbles into the middle of the highway, bloodied and bruised, Bard College in flames behind her, and manages to flag down a ride, she thinks the worst is over. Arriving in the nearby town of Red Hook, Cassidy tries to call her parents but the phone lines are down - no radio or television signals are being received either. The town, it seems, is cut off from the rest of the world. But that's not the strangest thing. Not by a long shot. Nobody in Red Hook has even heard of Bard College. Furthermore, they claim that Cassidy is not a music student, but a hand at the local stable. And she has lived in a house she can't remember, with people she barely knows, for over a year. The world is fracturing. Cassidy just knows it - just as she knows that she is responsible. As Cassidy undertakes the ultimate road trip, through bubbles of reality, she will find that everything she thinks she knows about herself is wrong. Is she losing her mind or is the world a far more complex place than she thought? **BPB \$22.95**

S A Swinarski*Blood and Rust*

In "Raven," a private detective, awakening in a storm drain covered with blood and with no memory of his life, desperately searches for his identity, and in "The Flesh, the Blood, and the Fire," a police detective, determined to solve the Kingsbury Run murders, continues to follow the bloody trail of victims and finds a cabal of bloodthirsty vampires. **APB \$19.95**

Jeffrey Thomas*Deadstock*

Jeremy Stake, a private detective with unique chameleon-like talents he cannot control, wanders the crime-ridden, dark streets of Punktown on the colony world of Oasis in search of a one-of-a-kind living doll that belongs to the teenage daughter of his wealthy client, Fukuda, unaware that the doll is growing in size, intelligence, and resentment. **APB \$16**

Eldon Thompson*The Obsidian Key (Legend of Asahiel 02)*

In the second volume in a fantasy series that began with *The Crimson Sword*, young Jarom has accepted his new role as Torin, king of Albion, only to be confronted by an all new enemy, the Illysp, foul spirits that possess the bodies and minds of humankind, which slipped through a dimensional pathway that opened when Torin reclaimed the *Crimson Sword*. **APB \$19.95**

Dawn Thompson*Blood Moon*

After being attacked by a vampire, Jon Hyde-White and his fiance Cassandra Thorpe, desperately trying to resist the urge to drink blood and make their transformation complete, must place their faith in their love and the Rite of the Blood Moon to survive. **APB \$17.95**

Rob Thurman*Moonshine*

In New York City, Cal Leandros and his half-brother Niko, going undercover for the Kin--the werewolf mafia--to find a traitor in their midst, infiltrate Moonshine, a gambling club for nonhumans, and soon discover that this is no simple in-and-out job. **APB \$17.95**

Peter G Tsouras*Gettysburg: An Alternate History*

An intriguing speculative novel looks at what would have happened during the Battle of Gettysburg if events and personnel had been slightly altered--if Pickett's Charge had been stronger, if the Army of the Potomac had been commanded by Winfield Hancock instead of George Meade, if J. E. B. Stewart had arrived earlier, and more. **APB \$19.95**

Raymond van Over*Purgatory's Gate*

When one of his healthiest patients dies giving birth, Dr. David Monroe, driven by guilt, launches a secret investigation that leads him to a violent satanic cult preparing the way for the Antichrist and, with the help of a disillusioned priest, battles against good and evil to save the world.

APB \$17.95

Jeff Vandermeer*Shriek: An Afterword*

Narrated with flamboyant intensity by one-time society figure Janice Shriek, and presenting a vivid gallery of strange characters and even stranger events, this is an account of the adventures of her brother Duncan, an historian obsessed with a doomed love affair and a dark secret that may kill or transform him.

It involves, too, a war between rival publishing houses which threatens to change Ambergris forever, and rivalry with a marginalised race known as the "grey caps" who, armed with advanced fungal technologies, wait underground for a chance to recover the city that was once theirs.

This story of the family Shriek is an exotic and colourful novel of love, life and death which brings to fruition the author's genius for capturing the truly weird. **APB \$19.95**

Elizabeth Vaughan*Warlord (War 03)*

Lara of Xy and her Warlord, Keir of the Cat, confront their ultimate challenge, when they journey into the Heart of the Plains, where Keir must introduce Lara, a city dweller, to the desert warriors of his tribe, and where she must be tested in order to gain the title of Warprize. **APB \$17.95**

J R Ward*Lover Revealed (Black Dagger Brotherhood 04)*

The only human allowed in the inner circle of the Black Dagger Brotherhood, ex-homicide cop Butch O'Neal, after saving a civilian vampire from the dreaded slayers, is left for dead and only the aristocratic vampire beauty he desires can bring him back. **APB \$19.95**

David Weber & Linda Evans*Hell Hath No Fury (Multiverse 02)*

In the sequel to Hell's Gate, war threatens to erupt between the forces of the magic-wielding civilization of Arcana and the technology-based Sharona and its psionic Talents, a deadly conflict between two universes that could ignite a war stretching across an endless succession of parallel Earths.

HC \$52.95**David Weber***The Apocolypse Troll*

Sailing the Atlantic, Richard Ashton witnesses a fleet of UFOs descend to battle a Navy carrier group, leaving behind a seemingly human, attractive alien with an implacable foe. Specially priced, limited edition hardcover. **HC \$19.95**

Margaret Weis & Lizz Weis*Warrior Angel*

A former Knight Templar who had been betrayed and killed, Derek de Molay has spent eternity battling the Dark Angels of Hell, until he is sent back to the mortal realm to protect Rachel Duncan from the darkness that surrounds her and to save the mortal souls of all humankind. **APB \$17.95**

Tad Williams*Shadowplay (Shadowmarch 02)*

Book two of the most exciting new epic fantasy series of the decade. Darkness has fallen on the lands of the sun as an army of misshapen fey spill out from beyond the Shadowline. At their head is Yasammez, dark creature of nightmare. A furtive bargain was struck at the gates of Southmarch and the castle was spared, but centuries of enmity will not be so easily appeased. Meanwhile Barrick, heir to Southmarch and cursed with madness, has crossed the Shadowline into the realm of his people's ancient enemy. There are stranger things than death here - stranger and older. Much further south, shadow is also falling over the reign of the Autarch, god-king, and supreme ruler. Quinnitan, junior wife, must flee the royal household or die, her greatest secret as yet hidden even from herself. Ancient blood flows through her veins and she will become a unique weapon in the fight against her greatest terror. And beyond the ken of all but a chosen few, the gods are awakening and the world is changing... **HC \$59.95 TP \$32.95**

Rebecca York*New Moon*

When werewolf Logan Marshall is rescued by an extraordinary creature, a beautiful shapeshifter from another dimension, he becomes ensnared in her seductive trap as he helps her save herself--and Earth--from the wrath of her greatest enemy. **APB \$19.95**

Sarah Zettel*Sword of the Deceiver (Isavalta)*

Ordered to bring a neighboring kingdom's princess into the Hastinapura court as a political trophy, Samudra, a younger brother to a corrupt emperor, is distressed by the changes taking place in his homeland and a plot to go to war with the princess's nation. By the author of *The Firebird's Vengeance*. **HC \$56.95**

Anthologies

Evangeline Anderson*Pleasure Planet*

Three out-of-this-world tales of lust, love, passion, and desire includes "Mirror of the Heart," in which a buxom beauty finds herself at the mercy of a time traveler from the next century who worships her curvaceous body. **TP \$26.95**

Jo Beverley, Karen Harbaugh, Mary Jo Putney & Barbara Samuel*Dragon Lovers*

Fantasy and romance come together in a quartet of enchanting love stories dealing with dragons of all forms, in a collection featuring original tales by Jo Beverley, Mary Jo Putney, Karen Harbaugh, and Barbara Samuel that range from a virgin princess's first love and a shape-shifting samurai groom to a knight dealing with a damsel in distress and a young widow involved in a secret project with her sexy handyman. **TP \$28.95**

MaryJanice Davidson, Emma Holly, Catherine Spangler & Vickie Taylor*Demon's Delight*

Four paranormal tales include MaryJanice Davidson's story about the romance between a charlatan exorcist and a seductive ghost, Emma Holly's account about a scientist's sensual experiments with a demonic subject, Vickie Taylor's piece on a love affair between a troubled man and an angel, and Catherine Spangler's narrative on a vampire prostitute's last chance at redemption. **TP \$28.95**

Martin H Greenberg & Joe Haldeman Editors*Future Weapons of War*

Some of today's leading authors of military science fiction offer a speculative compilation of short fiction dealing with implications of future wars, fought with nightmarish high-tech weapons, in a volume featuring contributions by Gregory Benford, Kristine Katherine Rusch, Michael Z. Williamson, William H. Keith, and other notables. **HC \$49.95**

Rudyard Kipling*The Mark of the Beast*

Rudyard Kipling was a major figure of English literature, who used the full power and intensity of his imagination and his writing ability in his excursions into fantasy.

Kipling, one of England's greatest writers, was born in Bombay. He was educated in England, but returned to India in 1882. He began writing fantasy and supernatural stories set in his native continent, such as 'The Phantom Rickshaw' and 'The Strange Ride of Morrowbie Jukes', and his most famous weird story is 'The Mark of the Beast' (1890), about a man cursed to transform into a were-leopard.

This Masterwork, edited by Stephen Jones, Britain's most accomplished and acclaimed anthologist, collects all Kipling's weird fiction for the first time; the stories range from traditional ghostly tales to psychological horror. **APB \$22.95**

Farah Mendlesohn *Editor*

Glorifying Terrorism, Manufacturing Contempt

In February 2007 Rackstraw Press published *Glorifying Terrorism*, an anthology of science fiction short stories written in protest of the new UK Terrorism Act.

When science fiction becomes banned hope and democracy is diminished.

Glorifying Terrorism is a science fiction anthology. With an introduction by Andrew McKie of the Daily Telegraph, it features contributions by top UK SF writers Ian Watson, Gwyneth Jones, Ken MacLeod, and Charles Stross. The anthology highlights the flaws in recent UK government legislation that criminalizes 'encouragement of terrorism'.

The 2006 Terrorism Act makes it a criminal offence to incite or encourage others to commit acts of terrorism. Section 1 of the Act specifically targets the 'glorification of terrorism', understood to be 'encouraging the emulation of terrorism'.

The authors and the editor of this anthology believe that the Act is bad law. Legislation already exists which makes it an offence directly to incite violence. Furthermore, the generalized wording of certain subsections of the 2006 Act amounts to an unjustified intrusion into the freedom of expression. **PB \$35.95**

Mike Resnick *Editor*

Nebula Awards Showcase 2007

An anthology of Nebula Award-winning fiction selected by the members of the Science Fiction and Fantasy Writers of America includes works by this year's winners--Joe Haldeman, Kelly Link, Carol Emshwiller, Grand Master Harlan Ellison, and other notables--accompanied by commentary on the current status of science fiction in the twenty-first century and its significance as a form of literature. **TP \$32.95**

Sasha White *et al*

Alluring Tales

Seven erotic tales of paranormal suspense explore the sensual potentials of their main character's alter egos and include contributions by such writers as Sasha White, Lisa Renee Jones, and Cathryn Fox. **TP \$26.95**

Young Adult

P W Catanese

The Riddle of the Gnome

Living a life of isolation because he has been cursed with bad luck, a gnome offers twelve-year-old Tom a cure in exchange for his help with ridding the gnome's kingdom of a cruel king. **PB \$7.95**

Philip Caveney

Sebastian Darke

Sebastian Darke has the world on his narrow shoulders. The son of a human father and an elvish mother, he is desperately trying to become the family breadwinner as a jester and self-styled "Prince of Fools". Trouble is, Sebastian can't tell a joke to save his life!

He decides his best chance of making his fortune will be to offer his services to the King and he embarks on a journey across the kingdom to the fabled city of Keladon to try his luck.

He is accompanied by his faithful companion Max, a shaggy, sarcastic, talking 'buffalope', excellent company if not for his constant chatter and complaining, and along the way he meets Cornelius, an unlikely pint-size warrior who could give Zorro a run for his money.

Together they inadvertently save the beautiful and captivating Princess Kerin from the blood-thirsty Brigands, so when they finally reach Keladon, Sebastian, Cornelius and Max are showered with rewards. But while Sebastian relaxes into the good life, Cornelius follows up on his fishy suspicions and our heroes find themselves in the midst of a sinister plot to dispose of Princess Kerin and take over the kingdom.

Did King Septimus really conspire to kidnap his own niece? Will Princess Kerin be sold into hard labour at the Brigandian slave markets? Will Sebastian escape from the dungeon prison in time to save his friends? And how does the almighty God of the Buffalopes, Colin, play a role in the final thrilling chapters.

This is a swashbuckling adventure that will grip readers from the very first page. **HC \$34.95**

Susan Cooper

Victory

Two children cross an ocean, two hundred years apart. One is Sam Robbins, a powder monkey aboard H.M.S. Victory, the ship in which Lord Nelson will die a hero's death at the Battle of Trafalgar in 1805. The other is Molly Jennings, a present-day English girl transplanted from London to America, fighting a battle of her own against loss and loneliness. This extraordinary time-shifting adventure tells the interwoven stories of Sam and Molly, linked by a mystery. Sam is a farm boy, kidnapped by the "press gang" to serve in the Royal Navy. At first terrified and seasick, he is transformed gradually into a sailor. In the rowdy, dangerous world of a warship enduring the Napoleonic Wars, he meets both cruelty and kindness, and survives a fearsome battle whose echoes reach through the years to involve Molly as well. Like him, she has lost her childhood but will find her future, with help from a very unexpected source. Separate yet together, Sam and Molly struggle through fear and excitement to a final ordeal which terrifyingly tests their courage. And the moving climax of the book shows two lives joined forever by the touch of Nelson, one of the greatest sailors of all time. **PB \$17.95**

Tobias Drutt

Corydon and the Fall of Atlantis (Corydon 02)

BPB \$14.95

Alex Duval

Ritual (Vampire Beach)

Jason lives in hyper-cool Malibu and hangs out with the cool kids. He thinks he's pretty lucky to be considered a friend of the gorgeous but unattainable Sienna. But only Jason and his friend know the secret behind Sienna's IT crowd - that they are partial to the taste of blood...

Jason takes his sister to a New Age fair - and they visit a psychic. Jason is given a warning of great danger - and surely enough, he is soon after attacked by a mysterious assailant. When he wakes up in hospital he discovers that he's been shot with a crossbow. Who would use such a weapon - possibly some kind of vampire hunter? Could Sienna be the one who's really in danger? **PB \$17.95**

Anna Fienberg

Second Big Book of Tashi

Following the overwhelming success of *The Big Big Big Book of Tashi*, this second Tashi compendium brings you all 10 stories from the little Tashi books 8-12: 'Tashi and the Dancing Shoes', 'The Fortune Teller', 'Tashi and the Haunted House', 'The Big Race', 'Tashi and the Royal Tomb', 'The Book of Spells', 'Tashi Lost in the City', 'On the Way Home', 'Tashi and the Forbidden Room', 'The Three Tasks'. **BPB \$24.95**

Kate Forsyth Australian Author

The Herb of Grace (Chain of Charms 03)

Once there was a gypsy queen who wore on her wrist a chain of six lucky charms. The queen gave each her six children one of the charms as their lucky talisman, but ever since the chain was broken, the gypsies had been dogged with misfortune.

It is the fifth year of the Lord Protector's rule, and not safe nor seemly to love bright colours, nor music, nor dancing, nor magic, nor any of the things that the gypsies most loved, and which made them who they were. But now life for the Finch tribe has gone even more horribly wrong – they have been thrown into gaol with only three weeks to live. The only members of the family to escape are Emilia and her cousin Luka. They have been entrusted to find the six charms – then, perhaps, the gypsies could once again have some luck. What Emilia and Luka do not realise is that there is a price to be paid for each lucky charm, and that the cost may prove too high...

15th-19th August, 1658:

Luka and Emilia must travel to the New Forest to find the Wood tribe, whose charm is a rue flower, the herb of grace. Its power is that of plants and herbs – which can both heal and poison.

On the way, the two children tangle with an impoverished widow, the thief-taker Coldham, a highwayman and a witch, and find themselves caught up in a Royalist plot to restore King Charles II to his throne. **HC \$16.95**

Gareth Jones

Case of the Missing Cats (Dragon Detective Agency 01)

When Dirk Dilly gets a call from Holly asking him to help her find her missing cat, he thinks that the case will be very tedious. However, soon he and the intrepid Holly are engaged in a life or death struggle in which the missing cats play only a small part. This is a case that will seriously test Dilly's detective skills as he finds himself up against some very dangerous foes! **PB \$12.95**

Clem Martini

The Plague (Crow Chronicles 02)

Kyp awakes to a changed world. His Family is scattered: the flock decimated by plague, the Chooser dead - murdered by one of their own. Sick and alone, Kyp begins a journey. Humans have taken Kym - he doesn't know where, but he will keep searching because he made a promise. He will keep flying east because he feels he must. It isn't long before Kyp picks up a ragtag band of companions - plague survivors, outcasts, orphans - united by their desire to follow him, even into the human colonies, even into fire. But Kyp's is not the only group to form. A messianic opponent, risen from the dead, is gathering The Collection. And he is hell-bent on revenge. **PB \$14.95**

Geraldine McCaughrean

Peter Pan in Scarlet

In August 2004, the Special Trustees of Great Ormond Street Children's Hospital launched the search for a sequel to JM Barrie's timeless masterpiece, Peter Pan. The Special Trustees own the copyright and other intellectual property rights to Peter Pan, and to mark the work's centenary, they authorised the creation of a new work that would share the same enchanting characters as the original, and bring as much pleasure to children and adults universally as Peter Pan has done. Fighting off fierce competition from over 100 other writers, multi-award winning author Geraldine McCaughrean has been commissioned to write this official sequel. In her entry, the judges found something that captured the elusive spirit of the original whilst offering a fresh and astounding creative response. Set in the 1930s the new story of Peter Pan in Scarlet promises readers high adventure, dramatic tension and all the swashbuckling, danger and derring-do they can handle! Like Barrie's story, it will appeal to readers the world over. **\$24.95**

Linda McNabb New Zealand

Valley of Silver (Dragon Charmers 02)

In the exciting sequel to Mountains of Fire, Logan and his friends realise their imprisonment of the dangerous Red Dragons will not hold and when they eventually break free of their enchantment they will seek a terrible revenge. With the help of the dragons Silverhorn and Braveheart, the friends flee in search of Logan's lost parents, who hold the key to their survival - which is also the key to the destruction of the world for humans. If the Red Dragons can force Logan to bring the great crystal chain to life, fiery volcanoes will erupt and make the earth's surface habitable only for dragons - but without magic, which Logan has proved to be incapable of performing, and with Zared, his elderly Wizard grandfather once again losing his memory, the future looks grim . . . But Logan refuses to give in and with Alyxa, Myles and Erik, they set out once again to save their world from the fury of the Red Dragons and the wily Fire-Tongue. **BPB \$14.99**

China Mieville

Un Lun Dun

From fantasy's rising star comes this astonishing first novel for children.

Zanna and Deeba are two girls leading ordinary lives, until they stumble into the world of UnLondon, an urban Wonderland where all the lost and broken things of London end up... and some of its lost and broken people too. Here discarded umbrellas stalk with spidery menace, carnivorous giraffes roam the streets, and a jungle sprawls beyond the door of an ordinary house.

UnLondon is under siege by the sinister Smog and its stink-junkie slaves; it is a city awaiting its hero. Guided by a magic book that can't quite get its facts straight, and pursued by Hemi the half-ghost boy, the girls set out to stop the poisonous cloud before it burns everything in its path. They are joined in their quest by a motley band of UnLondon locals, including Brokkenbroll, boss of the broken umbrellas, Obaday Fing, a couturier whose head is an enormous pincushion, and an empty milk carton called Curdle... and you thought a trip down the rabbit hole was a little out of the ordinary. **TP \$24.95**

Belinda Murrell Australian Author

Voyage of the Owl (Sun Sword 02)

Ethan, Lily, Saxon and Roana have cracked the code, only to find that the Moon Pearl is being sent by ship to the land of the invaders. The four children must give chase to save the precious stone!

The fisherfolk can help. So can Saxon's mysterious acquaintance, Fox, a smuggler who will do anything for a pouch full of Roana's gold. But the sea is far more dangerous than the land. There are sea monsters and wild storms - not to mention the deadly warship they are chasing.

Will Fox's stealthy black sloop, the Owl, carry them to safety, or will the Moon Pearl remain in the hands of their enemy? **BPB \$14.95**

Garth Nix Australian Author*Lady Friday (Keys to the Kingdom 05)*

The Piper's New Nithling army controls most of the Great Maze, and Superior Saturday is causing trouble wherever she can. Arthur can't even find out what is happening back home. All he knows is that Leaf is missing - and so is her family, along with Arthur's mother, his brother Eric, and thousands of other people who were transferred from regular hospitals to a sinister institution in another world. Lady Friday makes Arthur a tempting offer. But is it a cunning trap for the Rightful Heir or a golden opportunity that he must seize - before Superior Saturday or the Piper beats him to it? Who will win the race to discover the secret of the Middle House?

Lady Friday is the fifth book in the Keys to the Kingdom series. **APB \$15.95**

Tamora Pierce*Alanna: The First Adventure (Song of the Lioness 01)*

Disguised as a boy, Alanna strives to achieve her ultimate ambition: to become a knight. Her determination wins her powerful friends in the palace. But court life holds unexpected dangers. Something about the magician, Duke Roger of Cont, terrifies Alanna. Soon she will face a challenge that will test all her skills . . . **BPB \$17.99**

In the Hand of the Goddess (Song of the Lioness 02)

Sent north to fight the marauding Tusaine, Alanna is swept into a world of danger and intrigue. But while she proves herself in battle, she cannot vanquish the fears in her heart. She must uncover Duke Roger's secret before facing the terror of the Ordeal, the ceremony that will make her a knight . . . or destroy her. **BPB \$17.99**

The Woman Who Rides Like a Man (Song of the Lioness 03)

Newly knighted, Alanna rides for the desert in search of adventure. Captured by the Bloody Hawk tribe, she must challenge ancient tribal customs if she ever hopes for freedom. But how can she convince the tribe to change, when their powerful shaman cries hourly for her execution? Tradition demands she prove her worth in a magical duel . . . to the death. **BPB \$17.99**

Lioness Rampant (Song of the Lioness 04)

Alanna has fought shaman, bested wraiths and vanquished magi, but nothing could prepare her for this . . . Accompanied by the legendary Shang Dragon, Alanna must attempt the impossible - recover the fabled Dominion jewel. And she must work fast. Tortall is in terrible danger. Roger of Cont is back, and more powerful than ever. **BPB \$17.99**

Darren Shan*Slawter (Demonata 03)*

"Never trust fairy tales. There are no happy endings. There's always something new around the corner. You can overcome major obstacles, face great danger, look evil in the eye and live to tell the tale - but that's not the end. As long as you're breathing, your story's still going..." Nightmares haunt the dreams of Dervish Grady since his return from the Demonata universe, but Grubbs takes care of his uncle as they both try to continue a normal, demon-free existence. When a legendary cult director calls in Dervish as consultant for a new horror movie, it seems a perfect excuse for a break from routine and a chance for some fun. But being on the set of a town called Slawter stirs up more than memories for Grubbs and his friend Bill-E. **BPB \$14.99**

Robert Swindells*In the Nick of Time*

A brilliantly atmospheric and chilling thriller from the master storyteller and multi-award-winner, Robert Swindells. Charlotte is out in the woods on her own one day when something mysterious happens - she walks along a row of stones laid like stepping stones on the forest floor... and finds herself in another age. She has somehow slipped back to 1955, and is now, in the same woods, on the site of a very unique school, an open-air school for sick city children. No one believes her tales of the world she's come from, her mobile doesn't work and she can't see how on earth she's going to get back. A friendship with another pupil proves the key - is Jack more than he seems? **BPB \$14.95**

Media and Comic Related

Manga Bible TP \$29.95

Alias*Touch of death**Christina F York*

A brilliant Alliance geneticist who disappeared years ago walks into a police station in Siberia wearing a hazmat suit and claims to be responsible for the deaths of his wife and three children. But before he can be questioned, he is kidnapped by his former employer, Gai Dong Jing, an ex-Alliance officer who is head of a terrorist network conducting bioweapon research of deadly proportions. With the threat of a worldwide epidemic looming, Sydney and the APO team must locate Jing and decode the toxic scientist's medical diary, which holds the answers to the virus he carries and the fate of the scientist's family. In the meantime, the highly contagious geneticist plans to rid himself of his illness in the most unimaginable way.

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Batman*Fear Itself**Micheal Reaves*

An evil genius determined to transform the expression "scared to death" into an all-too-real situation terrorizes the inhabitants of Gotham City as the Caped Crusader races against time to stop this sinister, unknown enemy before it is too late. **APB \$15.95**

Battlestar Galactica*Battlestar Galactica**Jeffrey A Carver*

The Twelve Colonies of man have been at peace for 40 years, ever since defeating the rebellion by the man-made Cylons, mechanical beings designed for manual labour

But now the Cylons have returned. And they intend to destroy all humanity. Only a single warship survived the massive surprise attack: Battlestar Galactica, a museum piece on the verge of being decommissioned. But now with a hastily botched together crew of misfits and green recruits she is humanity's sole remaining hope for survival.

Based on the hit TV series (which along with Joss Whedon's Firefly has been credited with re-inventing TV SF) this novel is a fast moving, action filled broad-canvas SF thriller, perfect for all fans of the series. **APB \$19.95**

The Cylon's Secret

Craig Shaw Gardner

Working as an illegal scavenger in the years during the armistice agreement between the twelve human colonies and the Cylons, Tom Zarek and the crew of the cruiser *Lightning* discover a secret scientific facility that is still occupied by humanity's enemies **APB \$17.95**

Buffy the Vampire Slayer

Bad Bargain

Diana G Gallagher

The Scoobies are used to being personally affected when demonic nasties come to Sunnydale. And they're used to strange things happening at Sunnydale High -- after all, the place is built over the Hellmouth. But they've sealed the Hellmouth, so they don't think anything's out of the ordinary when items to be sold at the first annual band fund-raising rummage sale are stored in the school basement...which, one might recall, is directly above that Hellmouth. Once the rummage sale begins, it's clear the stuff for sale is far from ordinary. People seem to be strangely affected by the items they're buying -- things from undemonic homes, donated by undemonic people. So the reactions these items are producing are, to say the least, unexpected. Willow's acting weird. So's Xander. And even Buffy's mom bought something.... The situation quickly spins out of control, and the school has to be quarantined...leaving Buffy and Giles to sort things out before whatever demon this is sells them down the river. **APB \$14.95**

Charmed

Book of Three Volume 2

Diana G Gallagher

Three sister witches. Two magical sons. One evil ex-husband. Countless demons, baddies, and all-around evildoers vanquished. It all adds up to eight seasons of *Charmed*, the witchy, wonderful hit television show from Aaron Spelling. This, the second volume of the only authorized companion guide to *Charmed*, contains everything you need to know about the sexiest supernatural show of all time. Covering seasons six, seven, and eight, the final season, **VOLUME 2** lets you inside the enchanted world of Phoebe, Paige, and Piper! **TP \$29.95**

Phoebe Who?

A battle's finale, one sister lost -- Enemies disguised as friends, aim to cross. Two sisters must remind her what she can't recall: To bring her home safely and restore power to all. Phoebe is exhausted -- between work, demon fighting, and helping her sisters, she has no time for herself. When she wakes from a battle not knowing who or where she is, Phoebe gets her long-awaited getaway and then some. A stranger named Aura promptly finds her and takes Phoebe into her care. There's something off about Aura and her friends, but Phoebe ignores her instinct and tries to settle into this new, relaxed lifestyle. Meanwhile, Piper and Paige fear the worst. They scry for Phoebe, but she is nowhere to be found. Not only have Aura and her friends put a cloaking spell on Phoebe, but they have also reintroduced her to magic, taking her on **APB \$14.95**

DC Universe

Trial of Time

Jeff Mariotte

Trapped in a dark world in which he has no powers and no memory of being anything other than human, Clark Kent discovers that he is really Superman and journeys back into the past, in the American Southwest of the 1870s, accompanied by The Demon and Phantom Stranger, to restore the reality that is causing time fluctuations. **APB \$17.95**

Doctor Who

Audio: The Stone Rose

Jacqueline Rayner

Mickey is startled to find a statue of Rose in a museum, a statue that is 2,000 years old. The Doctor realises that this means the TARDIS will shortly take them to Ancient Rome, but when it does, he and Rose soon have more on their minds than sculpture. While the Doctor searches for a missing boy, Rose befriends a girl who claims to know the future a girl whose predictions are surprisingly accurate. But then the Doctor stumbles on the hideous truth behind the statue of Rose and Rose herself learns that you have to be very careful what you wish for. **CD \$29.95**

Audio 93 Seventh Doctor: Renaissance of the Daleks

A random landing in London and a trip to the Savoy Hotel yield unexpected results for the Doctor. Tea, scones, an American general who knows far too much, and the threat of a Dalek invasion of Earth.

Meanwhile, the Doctor's companion Nyssa is in Rhodes during the time of the Crusades, where her position proves to be distinctly precarious.

It seems the Doctor's deadliest foes have woven a tangled web indeed. And in order to defeat them, he must cross the forbidden barriers of time and walk into the very centre of their latest, most outlandish scheme of conquest.

This story takes place between "Time-Flight" and "The Arc of Infinity". **CD \$54.95**

Fantastic Four

The Baxter Effect

Dave Stern

They rocketed into space as four ordinary human beings. They came back as heroes. The Fantastic Four -- the Thing, the Invisible Woman, the Human Torch, and Mr. Fantastic. Together they have used their powers for the betterment of mankind. For years, the world's top scientists have dreamed of creating a quantum computer, a machine that would be infinitely more powerful than any based on the transistor. Now Reed Richards -- Mr. Fantastic -- has achieved that dream. He has birthed a device capable of creating the unbreakable cipher, predicting the weather, performing calculations, and retrieving knowledge at heretofore unimagined speeds. He has also, unwittingly, created something else. A machine that one of the Fantastic Four's oldest and most powerful adversaries will use against them, will twist to his own destructive, murderous purposes, one that will turn friend against friend, husband against wife, and force Ben Grimm -- the Thing -- to confront a nightmarish dilemma. A choice between humanity's salvation -- and the death of the three people he loves most in all the world. . . . **APB \$14.95**

John Constantine Hellblazer

Subterranean

John Shirley

Tonsell-by-the-Stream, a sleepy little village outside of London, is suddenly swallowed down into the earth through the hellish machinations of an ancient, ominous force. At the behest of an extraordinary supernatural agent -- and in exchange for the life of his best friend -- down-and-out and amoral occultist John Constantine must venture deep into underground shadows to investigate this cataclysmic occurrence. But unbeknownst to Constantine, something beyond his worst nightmares awaits below -- the deadly and phantasmagorical realm of the Sunless . . . a terrifying world where the Gloomlord rules over all with a sadistic and merciless hand, and Tonsell-by-the-Stream was only his first target on the surface world. . . . **APB \$14.95**

Star Wars

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Timothy Zahn

A 'Star Wars' novel set between the events of EMPIRE STRIKES BACK and RETURN OF THE JEDI, it features a younger Han, Leia, and Luke, as well as Mara Jade.

Mara Jade, the Emperor's Hand, is looking into the illicit financial affairs of a planetary governor, hoping to find evidence that he might be funding the Rebellion. Luke, Han, and Chewbacca are sent on a mission to help some rebel supporters. Leia is busy being a diplomat, trying to drum up support for the Rebel Alliance. And a band of 5 stormtroopers, on the run after refusing a direct order, finds itself in the strange position of doing good deeds... and perhaps even aiding the Rebellion.

The paths of all of them will crisscross back and forth as they come closer and closer to meeting up with one another... but never quite managing to. **HC \$55**

Outbound Flight

Timothy Zahn

Before the start of the Clone Wars, the future Emperor was already maneuvering to destroy the Jedi. This is the tale of the doomed Outbound Flight Project, which began as a new hope for the galaxy... and ended in despair. A grand Jedi adventure by one of the most popular Star Wars authors.

A group of Jedi led by Master Jorus C'baoth lobbied the Republic Senate to fund a project to search for and contact intelligent life outside the known galaxy. Six Jedi Masters, 12 Jedi Knights, and 50,000 additional support personnel boarded an incredible starship and left on their adventure... only to disappear without a trace. This was the Jedi's first encounter with the aliens called the Chiss, and the New Republic's future archenemy, Thrawn. But until Luke Skywalker and his wife Mara headed out for the Unknown Regions in Survivor's Quest, the fate of the Outbound Flight Project remained an enigma.

This is the story of those Jedi Masters and Knights, their heroic quest, and their mysterious end. **APB \$21.95**

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David Cian

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Games Related

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Peter Archer

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Tim Waggoner

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RA Salvatore

Forced to end his carefree life aboard the Sea Sprite by a cryptic poem and a miscast spell, Drizzt and his companions journey from the Sword Coast to the Shining Mountains where the renegade dark elf and friends forge new alliances, renew old friendships, and battle an evil that seeks to destroy them and their loved ones. **HC \$52.95**

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Andria Cardarelle

Summoned to marry an older aristocrat in search of a bride to bear him a son, a beautiful young girl begins to experience haunting nightmares and finds rust-stained dresses in her closet, discoveries that lead her to the realization that her lord is not what he seems. **TP \$26**

RuneScape

RuneScape: Official Handbook and Strategy Guide

Your guide to RuneScape - the online adventure game that's become a worldwide sensation! This helpful handbook includes tips on how to master the free-version of this online adventure game. Includes detailed maps and information on all the characters and creatures contained in the medieval world of RuneScape. **TP \$10.99**

Warcraft

Rise of the Horde

Christie Golden

Though the young Warchief Thrall ended the demon curse that had plagued his people for generations, the orcs still wrestle with the sins of their bloody past. As the rampaging Horde, they waged a number of devastating wars against their perennial enemy -- the Alliance. Yet the rage and bloodlust that drove the orcs to destroy everything in their path nearly consumed them as well. Long ago, on the idyllic world of Draenor, the noble orc clans lived in relative peace with their enigmatic neighbors, the draenei. But the nefarious agents of the Burning Legion had other plans for both of the unsuspecting races. The demon-lord Kil'jaeden set in motion a dark chain of events that would succeed not only in eradicating the draenei, but forging the orc clans into a single, unstoppable juggernaut of hatred and destruction. **APB \$14.95**

Warhammer

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Warhammer 40,000

Horus Heresy 04: Flight of the Eisenstein

James Swallow

Having witnessed the terrible massacre of Imperial forces on Istvan III, Death Guard Captain Garro seizes a ship and sets a course for Terra to warn the Emperor of Horus's treachery. But when the fleeing Eisenstein is damaged by enemy fire, it becomes stranded in the warp - the realm of the Dark Powers. Can Garro and his men survive the depredations of Chaos and get his warning to the Emperor before Horus's plans reach fruition? **APB \$16**

Role Playing & Boardgames

Peter Shotwell

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Characters and creatures from the darkest reaches of the D&D universe!

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Inside you will find an in-depth look at the tribes and tribe-less of the

Forsaken, new options for character development, from new Merits and Gifts, Information on playing the Forsaken at a larger scale, from pack alliances to details on Forsaken culture and concerns around the world. **HC \$58**

World of Warcraft RPG

World of Warcraft Monster Guide

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Dominique Adair, Jaid Black, Shiloh Walker & Kimberly Dean

All She Wants (Ellora's Cave)

In the midst of the holiday season, these three steamy tales of pleasure and delight are the perfect companion for chilly winter nights. JAID BLACK Adam & Evil When feisty, exotic beauty Julia Cameron meets Sam Adam, a handsome, shrewd businessman, their strong-willed personalities immediately clash. But soon heated fury becomes uncontrollable passion -- and Julia and Sam discover that although opposites attract, those who are alike burn the brightest. DOMINIQUE ADAIR Holly Wealthy real estate mogul Ethan Clarke has been dreaming of Holly Broussard for over a year. Reeling her in under the guise of a business proposition, Ethan will stop at nothing to seduce the beautiful red-headed goddess -- and claim her as his own. SHILOH WALKER His Christmas Cara Ebenezer Marley will never forget that night of lustful bliss he spent with his gorgeous assistant, Cara Winston -- or how he hurt her. But on Christmas Eve he is visited by three spirits, who give him one last chance to earn her forgiveness -- and satisfy her burning desire **TP \$19.95**

C E W Bean & Kevin Fewster Australian Author

Bean's Gallipoli

Probably no person saw more of the Anzacs in battle on Gallipoli than C.E.W. Bean. After sailing with the first convoy, he landed with them on that fateful first morning of 25 April, and remained on Gallipoli until the evacuation despite being wounded. He was unique among the war correspondents of his day: no place in the line was too dangerous for him. No other pressman dared to go ashore at the first landings. Throughout the fiercest battles, he would sit in the dust or mud of the frontline trench taking notes or making sketches. Night after night he sat in his tiny dugout and wrote in his diary all that he had seen and done. Its pages flow with powerful descriptions of battle, touching eulogies to the common soldier, and scathing criticisms of senior officers whose mistakes cost men their lives. He took over 1100 remarkable photographs, with the diary they constitute the most graphic personal account we have of the events of Gallipoli. Bean's Gallipoli reveals the innermost thoughts, hopes and criticisms of the man who, more than any other, shaped the Anzac legend. This is a new edition of Frontline Gallipoli. It contains new extracts from Bean's diaries, new commentary by Kevin Fewster, and over 80 photographs, most of which were taken by Bean at Gallipoli. **HC \$35**

David Bradford Australian Author

Gunners' Doctor: Vietnam Letters

In 2005, David Bradford got the surprise of his life: his elderly mother found an old shoe-box at the back of her cupboard that contained a pristine record of one of the most turbulent times of his generation - and of his own personal life. Mrs Bradford had unearthed every letter that her twenty-six-year-old son had sent home from the Vietnam War. During his time there, from May 1967 to May 1968, David wrote home almost daily, documenting his experiences as an idealistic Army doctor with the officers and gunners of 4 Field Regiment in the Royal Australian Artillery, and the officers and troopers of a squadron of the 3 Cavalry Regiment. These selected and edited letters, which were written almost 40 years ago in the chaos of the Vietnam War, are not just detailed accounts of David's daily life, his medical work, and the stresses and pressures of life in a war-zone. They are also, as David admits, a deliberately inaccurate picture of what was a painful forging of his true identity. David was brought up in a very religious, loving home. He didn't drink, smoke, swear or dance - and he had never once kissed a girl. In his missives from Vietnam, there were deeply personal things he could never tell his family about. As well as protecting them from the worrying dangers and risks of a war-zone, he also shielded them from his doubts and fears about God, faith, the war and communism. But even more painfully, David hid away what he had always known about himself - he was gay, and his tour of duty in Vietnam was to be a sublimation of what he considered was an unacceptable and reprehensible part of himself. The Gunners' Doctor is a snapshot of a short but powerfully meaningful time in his life, and is told through two distinct voices - David's letters of the time, and his reflections as a man 40 years older and wiser. **TP \$34.95**

Rita Mae Brown

Sour Puss (Mrs Murphy Mystery)

In small-town Crozet, Virginia, Harry Haristeen is kindling her romance with veterinarian Fair when their bliss is threatened by the murder of Professor Vincent Forland, a world-renowned grape and fungal expert visiting local vineyards, a crime in which Harry's curious pets--Mrs. Murphy, Pewter, and Tucker--stumble upon the first clue. **APB \$18.95**

Lee Child

The Enemy

You're in the army now, son... New Year's Day, 1990. The Berlin Wall is coming down. The Cold War is ending. Soon America won't have any enemies left. The army won't have anybody to fight. Things are going to change. Jack Reacher is the Military Police duty officer on a base in North Carolina when he takes a call reporting a dead soldier in a hot-sheets motel. Reacher tells the local cops to handle it - heart attacks happen all the time. I don't know but I've been told... But why is Reacher in North Carolina, instead of Panama, where the action is? Then the dead man turns out to have been a two-star general who should have been in Europe. And when Reacher goes to the general's house to break the news, he finds another corpse: the general's wife. What is he dealing with here? The last echoes of the old world...Or the first shocks of the new? Lee Child's new stomach-churning, palm-sweating thriller turns back the clock to Jack Reacher's army days. For the first time we meet a younger Reacher, a Reacher not yet disillusioned with military life. A Reacher with family. A Reacher in dogtags and starched uniform who imposes army discipline, if only in his own pragmatic way. **APB \$19.95**

Running Blind

Jack Reacher searches for an elusive killer responsible for the deaths of a number of women, who have nothing in common but the fact that they once worked for the military and had known Jack, and races against time to find a murderer who leaves no trace evidence at the scene of the crime. **APB \$19.95**

Without Fail

Someone who was once close to Reacher's brother, needs help in her new job. Her new job? Saving the Vice President of the United States from being assassinated. We all know Jack Reacher is a loner, a drifter, the man who walks alone. But with every book, he finds himself in a new, often dangerous environment, where his native cunning, surly charm and brute strength help him to be quickly accepted as an insider, the only man who can save the day. In WITHOUT FAIL, the secretive, closed organisation that invites him in is the Secret Service, the organisation that protects the Presidency. **APB \$19.95**

Jon Cleary *Australian Author**Four-Cornered Circle*

Louise and Marie are twin sisters. They've always been close, but now Marie is on the brink of huge success as a children's author, and people are asking her if she's the next Harry Potter. Attending the launch party for the book, Louise can't help feeling a stab of - what? Not jealousy, exactly, more irritation at her own situation: divorced, and drifting. Her relationship with her ex-husband, Joe, is cordial enough but wary - though she can't avoid him: he's still part of the family as far as everyone else is concerned. Then there are the unwelcome stirrings that Marie's rakishly handsome husband, Leif, spark within her... With characteristic insight, Jon Cleary weaves a page-turning story of deception, jealousy, ambition -- and love. Is any sacrifice too great to keep a family together? **TP \$32.99**

Morning's Gone

Matt Durban is a seasoned politician, a country boy who moved to the big smoke and made his name in Canberra as the hardworking member for a city seat. His wife Carmel has been his loyal partner through all the ups and downs of political life; putting up with his absences and keeping the family going. She's also got political views of her own, and isn't above getting involved in campaigns in their local area, which isn't exactly welcomed by some of the party's bigger fish... Inevitably the demands of politics put a strain on their marriage, but together Matt and Carmel strive to make it work. Even though there are times when Matt wonders just how well he really does know his family. Now Matt's tipped for the leadership of his party, and the weekend before the big vote he's back in his old home town of Collamundra, greeting the locals and catching up with family. But there are those who don't want Matt to be leader, and will do anything to stop him - even if it means going back decades... and putting everything he has worked for at risk. Jon Cleary's new novel once again demonstrates the skills of a master storyteller, exposing the human story within the shark pool of politics. **BPB \$22.99**

Hazem El Masri & Bill Woods *Australian Author**El Magic*

Hazem El Masri, a first-grade league player with the Canterbury Bulldogs, was born in Lebanon and raised in Sydney's southwest. His fame among the area's large Lebanese community has made him a powerful icon for the region's youth. Local police have his private number if they need his help. He's a local boy - a Lebanese local boy - made good. And he is a sensational, electrifying football player. He may shun the title of cultural spokesman but he knows plenty about fighting the good fight. He was an ambitious ten-year-old when he left Tripoli for a better life in Australia and now he is doing his part, as a Muslim, to earn his people their rightful respect. **TP \$32.99**

Colin Forbes*The Savage Garden Inspector Tweed*

Tweed and Paula of the SIS take over the brutal murder case of two attractive women from plodding Chief Inspector Reebeck. A vital clue leads them to a remote rural county controlled by the dangerously human "Pit Bull". They meet his strange family: his shrewd, unstable daughter, Margot; his clever daughter Sable; his well-mannered and observant son, Lance; and the grim housekeeper, Mrs Shipton. Into the picture appears the enigmatic private detective, Falfirk and world traveller, Archie MacBlade. Tweed explores the peculiar local village and meets the resident gossip, Mrs Grout. He and Paula visit the strange town of Gunners Gorge, bloodstained by Cromwell long ago. More murders are committed. "Not the work of a serial killer," Tweed insists, "I sense something much bigger." Is Findel Square the key? HQ of OTRANTO, the oil giant, hidden away in the heart of London and owned by the devious womanizer Neville Guile. Tweed and Paula accelerate their dangerous race to solve the diabolical mystery. But time is not on their side... **TP \$29.95**

W Michael Gear*Coyote Summer*

Upper Missouri River, 1825: Against the wild grandeur of the Rocky mountains and a richly woven tapestry of Indian cultures - Sioux, Mandan, Crow, Shoshoni - Coyote Summer unfolds into an unforgettable tale of love and reconciliation, destiny, and the indomitable spirit. No two people could be more different: Heals Like A Willow, a beautiful young Shoshoni medicine woman, and Richard Hamilton, a Harvard philosophy student new to the frontier. Though they come from worlds apart, hindered by vastly different cultures, their souls have met and will not be denied. But Willow has ties to the Spirit world and a responsibility to her people. In visions she has seen the coming White Storm brewing in the East - the endless stream of settlers overrunning the land, pouring ever westward. She must leave the trading posts, the river, and the company of white men. Even if it means leaving behind the one who has taken her heart. Armed only with his philosophy, meaningless in the harsh reality of the Rockies, Richard sets out after her. Facing the endless expanse of mountains and snow, a new understanding dawns on Richard - that his desperate search for love and illumination may bear the ultimate price. **APB \$16.95**

Heather Graham*The Dead Room*

Archaeologist Leslie MacIntyre, gifted with the ability to communicate with ghosts, returns to Manhattan's historic Hastings House, where her fiancé perished in an explosion, to conquer her fears, but instead stumbles upon an evil plot that traps her between the worlds of the living and the dead.

HC \$51.95**Lois Greiman***Unscrewed*

Cocktail-waitress-turned-psychologist Christina McMullen comes to the aid of L.A. homicide detective Jack Rivera when he is accused of killing his beautiful former girlfriend, who had left him for his wealthy father, launching her own investigation that uncovers dark secrets from the dead woman's past, a wealthy and influential senator, and other baffling clues. **APB \$17.95**

Rob Grant*Fat*

Rob Grant's new novel is a revelation. After INCOMPETENCE we would all have expected a killingly funny satire. And in its satire of our obsession with body image, of how the media makes us what we are FAT is certainly that. But in its depiction of Grenville, a fat man at his wits end with the need to be thin; of Hayleigh, a teenage girl obsessed with her terror of being fat and of Jeremy, the self-absorbed, self-adoring 'conceptualist' employed to promote the government's new 'Fat Farms' Rob Grant has given us, yes a very, very funny book, but also an immensely moving and personal novel about how we all feel about our bodies. As Grenville deals with the humiliation and daily indignity of being fat, as Hayleigh struggles to deal with her anorexia and as Jeremy comes to terms with the dangerous lies at the centre of the government's new health regime FAT takes us on a hilarious and thought-provoking journey through our all-consuming obsession with fat. This is a hilariously moving, movingly hilarious novel and marks a massive step-change in Rob Grant's growth as a writer. Here is a hugely commercial new voice in mainstream, high concept, high in poly-saturates, commercial fiction. It's also safe to say that with this new novel, he's writing about what he knows . . . **HC \$45 TP \$32.95**

Charlaine Harris*Sweet and Deadly*

While investigating the suspicious death of her parents six months earlier, Catherine Linton discovers that someone in the town of Lowfield, Mississippi, wants the truth buried forever when she finds the dead body of her late father's longtime nurse. **APB \$19.95**

Sheridan Hay Australian Author*The Secret of Lost Things*

At eighteen, Rosemary arrives in New York from Tasmania with little more than her love of books and an eagerness to explore the city she's read so much about. The moment she steps into the Arcade bookstore, she knows she has found a home. The gruff owner, Mr. Pike, gives her a job sorting through huge piles of books and helping the rest of the staff - a group as odd and idiosyncratic as the characters in a Dickens novel. There's Pearl, the loving, motherly transsexual who runs the cash register; Oscar, who shares his extensive, eclectic knowledge with Rosemary, but furiously rejects her attempts at a more personal relationship; and Arthur Pick, who supervises the art section and demonstrates a particular interest in photography books featuring naked men. The store manager Walter Geist is an albino, a lonely figure even within the world of the Arcade. When Walter's eyesight begins to fail, Rosemary becomes his assistant. And so it is Rosemary who first reads the letter from someone seeking to 'place' a lost manuscript by Herman Melville. Mentioned in Melville's personal correspondence but never published, the work is of inestimable value, and proof of its existence brings the simmering ambitions and rivalries of the Arcade staff to a boiling point. **BPB \$27.99**

Lora Leigh*Nauti Boy*

Having served in the Marines for eight years in order to fend off the advances of the seductive Kelly Benton, Rowdy Mackay returns to his native Kentucky, where he meets a very changed Kelly, whose ability to trust men has been shattered by a stalker's attack. **TP \$28.95**

Michael Marshall*The Intruders*

Jack Whalen was an LAPD patrol cop for twelve years. He left in difficult circumstances and now he's not really sure what he is. He's not too sure about his wife, either - when she goes missing on a routine business trip to Seattle, Jack heads up there to find her: only to discover she's not really missing after all. Over the coming days it becomes increasingly clear that something has changed, however - and is still changing. Jack is meanwhile contacted by a childhood acquaintance, Gary Fisher. Fisher's a lawyer now, and wants help in solving an odd little mystery concerning a businessman's will. The further Jack digs, the bigger the mystery seems to be - and the stranger Fisher becomes. And in Oregon, a ten-year-old girl goes missing. It gradually becomes clear that she's at least partly in control of the situation, however - and also that she's very far from defenceless. One man ties these three stories together. We're all haunted by the shadows of our pasts - Jack Whalen more than most - but as he is eventually to discover, the truth may go back a lot further than he ever realised. **TP \$32.99**

Alan Mills Australian Author*The City of Animals*

A killer stalks his prey within the walls of a Sydney zoo... Nikiya Adams, a producer on David Attenborough's TV series Life On Earth, travels from England to Sydney to research the endangered species breeding programs of the Royal Prince Albert Zoo. The zoo's director is Dr James Rivers, who Nikiya fell in love with ten years ago and has never forgotten. Arriving at the Royal Prince Albert, she is plunged into a web of intrigue and mounting fear as Dr Rivers' plans for modernising the zoo come under attack. When Nikiya and Rivers become trapped in the zoo at night, they find themselves in a hunting ground, and Darwin's 'survival of the fittest' takes on a terrible meaning... Against the fascinating background of the operations of a major zoo, Alan Mills crafts an enthralling story of conspiracy, terror and the struggle to protect endangered species. **APB \$19.99**

Euan Mitchell*Self-Publishing Made Simple: The Ultimate Australian Guide*

At last! A book that provides access to the tricks of the publishing trade as well as a comprehensive listing of the contacts required by any writer who: 1. has been given the run-around by publishers or literary agents; 2. is tired of working with lazy publishers; or 3. wants to produce a professionally finished book for commercial or private purposes. **TP \$29.95**

Michael Moorcock*The Vengeance of Rome (Pyat Quartet 04)*

Born in Ukraine on the first day of the century, a Jewish anti-Semite, Pyat careered through three decades like a runaway train. Bisexual, cocaine-loving engineer/inventor/spy, he enthusiastically embraces Fascism. Hero-worshipping Mussolini, he enters the dictator's circle, enjoys a close friendship with Mussolini's wife and is sent by the Duce on a secret mission to Munich, becoming intimate with Ernst R'hm, the homosexual stormtrooper leader. His crucial role in the Nazi Party's struggle for power has him performing perverted sex acts with 'Alf', as the Fuhrer's friends call him.

Pyat's extraordinary luck leaves him after he witnesses Hitler's massacre of R'hm and the SA. At last he is swallowed up in Dachau concentration camp. Thirty years later, having survived the Spanish civil war, he is living in Portobello Road and telling his tale to a writer called Moorcock.

TP \$24.95

Shirley R Murphy*Cat Pay the Devil (Joe Grey Mystery)*

When the escape of a dangerous criminal leads to the brutal murders of a federal officer and two locals from a quaint Pacific Coast hamlet, feline detective Joe Grey, assisted by girlfriend Dulcie and the tattercoat Kit put their paws and whiskers together to secure the killer's recapture. By the author of Cat Breaking Free. **HC \$51.95**

Anne Perry*At Some Disputed Barricade*

In 1917, when an arrogant and incompetent British commander turns up dead, a reluctant Joseph Reavley searches for the truth about the crime and about the twelve men accused of the murder, racing against time and journeying behind enemy lines to find the individual responsible, while the fierce fighting continues along the Western front of World War I. **HC \$45.95**

Michael Ridpath*See No Evil*

When an old college friend pays Alex Calder an unexpected visit he is drawn once more into the City's shady underbelly. For Kim is married to Todd, son of South African newspaper tycoon Cornelius van Zyl. Todd wants Alex's help to investigate the murder of his mother 18 years ago. It was assumed Martha was killed by guerrillas but the recent discovery of a letter sent shortly before her death now suggests a crime far closer to home. When an attempt on his life puts Todd in a coma, Alex vows to uncover the truth. Then a sudden blast shatters his world . . . **APB \$19.95**