



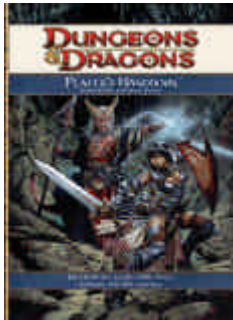
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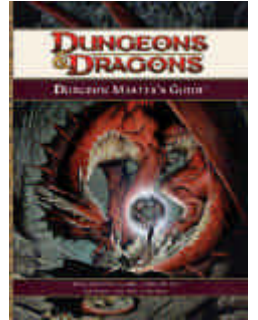
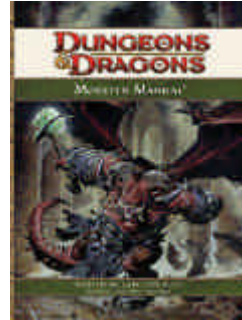
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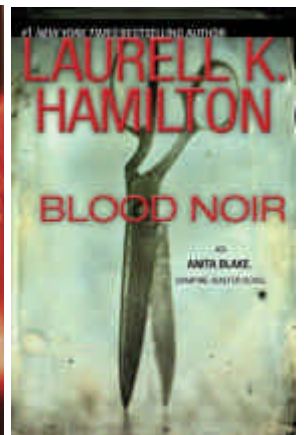
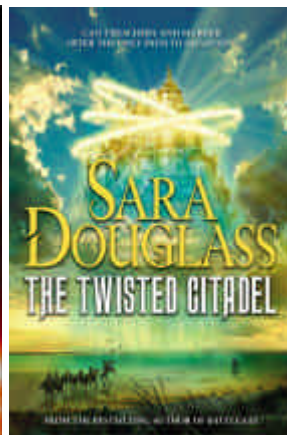
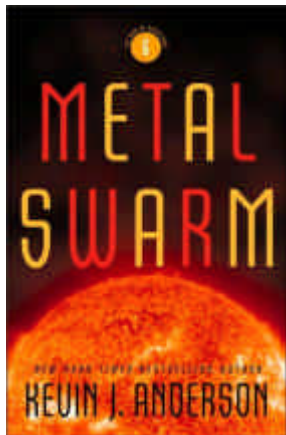
## Dungeons & Dragons 4<sup>th</sup> Edition + Worldwide D&D Games Day



Dungeons & Dragons 4th Edition is coming on June 6th!. To celebrate we are taking part in Worldwide D&D Day on Saturday 7th June 2008. Wizards of the Coast have provided us with copies of an introductory 4th Edition module, complete with pre-prepared 1st level characters, miniatures and dice. We still have places available for players. Contact us at the shop to register to play on the day, or just come along to meet other players.

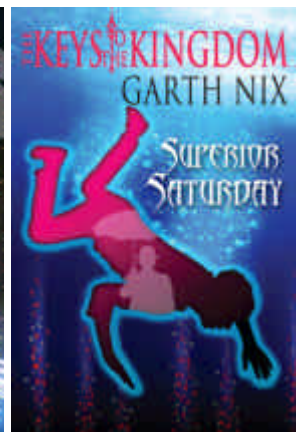
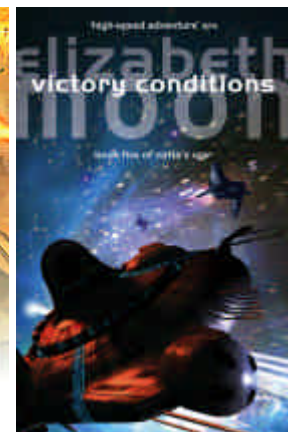
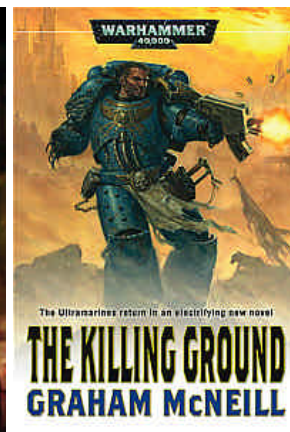
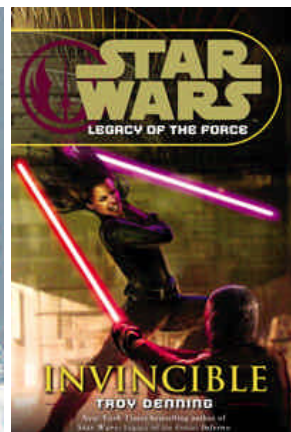
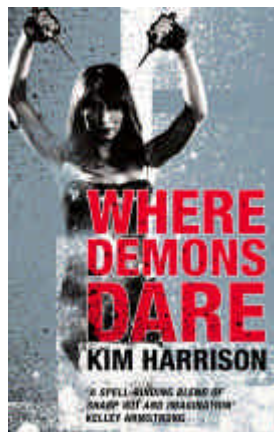


## Featured Books



Kevin J Anderson  
Sara Douglass  
Steven Erikson  
Laurell K Hamilton  
Kim Harrison  
Star Wars  
Warhammer 40K  
Elizabeth Moon  
Garth Nix

*Metal Swarm* Saga of Seven Suns book 6 in paperback.  
*Twisted Citadel* Darkglass Mountain 2 in trade paperback.  
*Reapers Gale* Malazan Book of the Fallen 7 in paperback.  
*Blood Noir* a new Anita Blake trade paperback and hardcover.  
*Where Demons Dare* Rachel Morgan 6 in paperback.  
*Invincible* by Troy Denning Legacy of the Force 9 in hardcover.  
*Killing Ground* by Graham McNeill Ultramarines 4 in hardcover  
*Victory Conditions* Vatta's War 5 conclusion in paperback  
*Superior Saturday* Keys to the Kingdom 6 in paperback.



## Forthcoming Local Events and Author News

**Robert Asprin** died 22<sup>nd</sup> May. He died peacefully reading a science fiction book on his couch. Asprin is best known for his humorous series; Myth fantasy and Phule's Company science fiction, as well as Theives' World stories.

<http://www.mythadventures.net/>

**David Weber** next Honorverse novel is rumoured to be *Storm From the Shadows* due in May 2009. However, his next title to be released will be *By Schism Rent Asunder*, book 2 in his new Safehold series due in August.

**Winterfest** is on again this year. A medieval festival with cultural displays and activities including archery, armour, weapons, full contact jousting, etc. Last year it attracted 12000 people. This year it has moved to Marsfield Park, North Ryde, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> July. <http://www.winterfest.com.au/>

**FreeCon 2008** for science fiction fans will be 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> November at a new venue at Sydney Mechanics' School of Arts, 280 Pitt St, near Town Hall. <http://www.freecon2008.sydneymechanics.org/>

**SydCon 2008** is a roleplaying convention to be held over the October long weekend at St Scholastica's High School in Glebe. <http://www.sydcon.info/>

## Book Reviews

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

### *The Moneymaker* by Janet Gleeson, reviewed by Andrew Wilson

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780553812473>

This is more an extended magazine article than a book. However, the subject "John Law" the Scottish economist is enormously interesting. If Terry Pratchett had such a character you would think John Law a bit far fetched.

John Law had an imposing physical presence, an unruffled geniality and calm disposition. He was also a mathematical genius with the ability to do calculations at lightening speed in his head. His family are goldsmiths and goldsmiths handled the finance markets of the time. Young John learned the family business but was a little bit of a playboy. He killed a man in a duel and had to leave the United Kingdom. After going through his inheritance he decides to make his living at what he loves: Gambling. He had absorbed a work on probability before the science was fully understood and had ice water in his veins. He understood odds better than the casinos and his fellow players and amassed a fortune. John Law then dabbled in the finance market, making himself a considerable fortune.

The nations at the time had a financial problem. All ready money was based on precious metals. Therefore exchange was limited to the coin you can mint. Banks and individuals did use bills of exchange. So John asked himself two questions "Why is a casino chip worth so much and a coin worth so much?" and "If you need money why not just print it?". He was no fool and had learned how the introduction of Spanish silver had inflated the currency. After the wars of Louis XIV, France was in nearly terminal economic decline. Finally after much effort John convinces the Regent for the child King Louis XV that he had an answer to France's economic problems. He then owns the mint. What follows is described on the back of the book as "General economic theory rewritten by the Marx Brothers."

### *Calculating God* by Robert J Sawyer, reviewed by Jen Temm

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780812580358>

Does God exist? Not to Tom Jericho, a terminally ill palaeontologist and lifelong atheist at Toronto's Royal Ontario Museum. But when a giant spider-like alien arrives at the museum to examine earth's evolutionary history to confirm the existence of a creator, all Tom's preconceptions are thrown into doubt.

*Calculating God* is an intriguing piece of hard sci-fi that delves into metaphysics and philosophy in the tradition of Arthur C Clarke. The science is convincing enough to a dilettante like myself with the author transforming difficult material – palaeontology, genetics, stellar phenomena – into entertaining if lengthy discourse on the nature of God. The narrative is well paced and entertaining, with plenty of contemporary references to science and popular culture. A typical moment is where the alien Hollus complains to Tom about the dearth of scientific information available to his team of fellow travellers snooping on our transmissions: "I know more about your popular music and food-preparation technology than I ever cared to – although I am intrigued by the Popeil Automatic Pasta Maker". The two later watch Star Trek movies and debate the unlikelihood of the inter-species mating that could result in a Spock.

There are some intrinsic flaws, however, that weaken the novel. Like many in this ideas-based genre, Sawyer fails to fully flesh out his characters so the inevitable ending has little impact on an emotional level, while the climax stretches belief to the point where it throws doubt on the whole story. The construction is also flawed: told in the first person from Tom's perspective, it raises the question of how a character we know is about to die can be telling the tale. And while the didactic approach works well – the plot centres on the debates between Hollus and Tom – the only action comes from a completely unnecessary sub-plot involving two rather stupid Creationist and Pro-Life activists.

*Calculating God* is, nevertheless, thought provoking, engaging and witty, and well worth reading. Canadian author Robert J Sawyer has published some 18 novels and is one of only seven writers to win the Nebula, Hugo and John W Campbell Memorial awards, joining the likes of David Brin, Arthur C Clarke and Joe Haldeman.

## The Magic of Recluse by L E Modesitt, reviewed by Stuart Wark

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781857232011>

Lerris is the main character in the Magic of Recluse, an individualist growing up on the island of Recluse, a haven of order and conformity. He must undertake a dangergeld, a form of banishment, with another four exiles, until he can reconcile himself with life on the island. He is sent to Candar, a country where Chaos seems to dominate.

Lerris becomes the main, albeit unwilling, protagonist in the battle between Order and Chaos. His journey of self-discovery leads him to assist Candar in defeating the white wizards and saving his fellow exiles. Unlike many 'unknown youngster becomes world's greatest hero' fantasies, Modesitt manages to retain some semblance of believability during Lerris' transformation. Modesitt's interest and knowledge in engineering and science is clear, with both Chaos and Order defined clearly and plausibly within the context of the series. Importantly, the inherent rules of this universe are both rational and credible.

The Magic of Recluse is the first book in the Recluse of Saga that now stretches to twelve volumes. The premise of the saga revolves around the ongoing struggle between the white wizards, masters of Chaos, and the Order masters. Modesitt portrays the battle between good and evil well, utilising the unusual but well conceived concept of magic based upon chaos and order.

Unlike most fantasy series, the Saga of Recluse can be read with no prior knowledge of previous books, with the stories moving back and forth through history and based around different characters. It is very possible to read any novel in the series without needing to be familiar with the previous history. The Saga of Recluse stands up exceptionally well when compared to similar series such as the Wheel of Time or Sword of Truth novels.

In my opinion, Modesitt is one of the leading writers within the fantasy field, and doesn't get the credit or recognition in Australia that his novels deserve.

# Blokey Stuff

For the men in your life, or the boy within.

Blokey Stuff Newsletter (extract only)

June 2008



## Recently Arrived Stuff

There is always more stuff flowing through our shop. As deliveries arrive we consider it a perk of the job to open the parcels and see what has come. Check out our stuff...

**Cufflinks** We have just received a new range of themed cufflinks, adding to the many styles we already have. Cufflinks make a tasteful and stylish gift for blokes who even occasionally wear a suit. These are \$39.95 per pair. More styles instore.



### Football on Stand Puzzle

Wooden 3D puzzle. This looks simple and is easy to pull apart, however, it is much harder to reassemble. A great gift for a footy loving bloke. \$29.95

### Keyring UV Sensor

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### *Pardon Me, Coming Through* By Steven Cavanagh Part Three of Five

Previously: In near-future Sydney, death-rower Chris Pearson has been drawn in the Pardon Lot- if he survives a scientific experiment, he is free. Pearson is dragged into a chamber to become the first human attempt at interdimensional travel.

Pearson's childhood swimming hole was a great rocky pool fed by a short waterfall. The old-growth rainforest bordering his father's farm had been exciting enough, with all the lost civilisations and pirate lairs the child mind could conjure. The swimming hole it concealed was something more, a great glass ocean with the dark promise of eels lurking beneath his feet. His father had called it bottomless. The word stretched beyond depths and fathoms - there was eternity down there.

More than once he tried to find it, legs churning down, down and arms reaching into the blackness. Each time human frailty drove him back up, fear or the need for oxygen. Each time he imagined he had come within a finger length of the bottomless bottom, of being there.

And now he was, in the same darkness with the same desperate lack of breath, and poised in a place where there was no back up to reach for. Sparks, drugs, pixie dust washed through his body. He felt his molecules jostle like balls in a play pit.

His fingers, writhing like eels, tried to grasp his mouth and found a wall around his head. He shook and twisted it, nose and throat burning. A hose snapped and hissed venomous anger. Something in his neck tugged and the helmet came off, pouring vomit.

Pearson coughed for some time.

When a burnt, rotting stench overpowered the bile in his nose, Pearson raised heavy eyelids. He lay on the charred and fly blown corpse of an orangutan, dressed in the same UNA research coveralls he wore.

Pearson reeled back onto one knee.

He knelt on a slope in a forest of ghost-white trees. Ferns poked emerald tongues out of the rocks. Through the trees he could see the sky, a brilliant blue. The sun, comfortably familiar, could be seen low on the horizon, attended by pink clouds.

Pearson tore off the fist-sized oxygen bottle and seal collar. He lurched away from the corpse and fell to the humus, letting the world spin until his head cleared.

He found the promised metal cylinder eight meters downhill, spared from rolling into a gully by one of the trees. The tree looked similar to a gum, a little small and gnarled. The leaves were streaked grey-blue.

He lifted the resonator upright and sat beside it, staring at the blue button for some time. This looked more like a national park than another dimension. Had he merely moved his location? Or time?

Hit the button and we'll bring you back, they had said. Pearson wasn't that gullible- it had taken a large facility full of equipment to send him here, and this overgrown torch wouldn't reverse the process. If they could bring anything back, they could have sent a probe to record what was on the other side. It was a one-way trip, and he would not do Dixon any favours.

But what if the facility was only a few kilometers away? What if he'd just been drugged and dumped here for the benefit of hidden cameras, like those voyeuristic 3DV shows? He would have failed to fulfill his legal requirements for pardon, and he'd be returned to his cell before his bed had gone cold.

It soon became apparent that he had other priorities. The sun was setting. Pearson cleaned himself as best he could with ferns and limped uphill out of range of the corpse's stench, to where

two trees arced over a hollow. He kicked aside uncomfortable looking rocks.

Nightfall brought new revelations. He could see no glow of city lights and hear no traffic. He heard a lonely, birdlike too-whip in the distance, but could not tell if it was terran or alien. Something thumped its way through the gully, but nothing approached his camp.

For the first time in many years, only freedom lay around him.

He had started to relax when he noticed the stars. He leaped to his feet and stumbled around his camp, looking through several gaps through the trees until he was certain that Scorpio, the Southern Cross and all the constellations he knew were gone.

By morning, a restless night's thinking had borne little fruit. Pearson returned to the cylinder and pressed the button, but it only hummed for two minutes and then fell silent. So was he, for three expectant hours.

Certain now that Dixon had lied to him, he tried to dismantle the cylinder for useful parts, but his most frustrated efforts with a rock left barely a dent in the seamless metal.

His outfit held more promise. The sealing collar contained a coil of thin wire slightly over a meter long, which he pushed into the leg pocket of the coveralls. The bulbous helmet also appeared useful, at least as a water container.

Ready to explore his new prison, he crested the hill and made his way down the other side. The slope grew steep and an easy walk soon became sliding and stumbling on moss and rocks. When he passed into the shadow of the hills it began to grow cooler, and at the bottom the slope dropped into a shallow gorge.

Pearson slid his way down and found, to his relief, a creek picking its way over the rock. The water looked clear and tasted cool. He washed out the helmet and cleaned his throbbing burns, and started up the other side refreshed.

This hill was higher than the other, and took half an hour to climb. At its peak he scaled the largest of the twisted eucalypts. Nothing could be seen in any direction but more forested hills, squashed together like the surface of a moldy brain.

Pearson sat with his back against the tree while the sun crawled overhead. The dull buzz of anonymous insects and a distant too-whip was the only evidence of life. Perhaps all there would ever be.

He found a thin stick, brushed clean a patch of dirt and wrote:  
PEARSON WAS HERE.

Lame, but it was writing. Communication, even if there were no intelligent eyes to read it. He rubbed at the dirt and tried the look of:

PEARSON WILL BE HERE.

It didn't seem right either. He didn't know if he was in the far past, future or none of the above.

In the end he changed the inscription to read simply:

PEARSON'S WORLD.

He started down the hill again.

*Continued in the next issue of Infinitas Newsletter...*

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Become a member of the Infinitas Guild to receive invitations to special Infinitas events, credits towards future purchases and discounts from partners. To join, fill in a form in the shop or on our website. Membership is free but valuable.

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

### Information on the Infinitas Groups

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

**SF Discussion Group:** Meets on the first Thursday of each month (excluding January) at 6.30pm in the shop. A topic is chosen each month by the attendees of the group for the following meeting. Contact the shop for the next topic. Always a lively discussion of science in the news, films, books and ideas. Newcomers welcome. See our website for more info: <http://www.infinitas.com.au/ReadersGroup.php> and <http://www.infinitas.com.au/forums/viewforum.php?f=3>  
Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June: Eugenics / Social Darwinism in SF.  
Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July: Romans in space.

**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. <http://www.infinitas.com.au/ReviewGroup.php>  
Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June:

*The Blade Itself* by Joe Abercrombie (F)  
*Wicked* by Gregory Maguire (F)

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July:

*Weapons of Choice* by John Brimingham (SF)  
*No Humans Involved* by Kelley Armstrong (F)

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

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

### Bestsellers for May

#### General Release

<i>Hell's Gate</i>	David Weber & Linda Evans
<i>Legacy</i>	Lois McMaster Bujold
<i>Kushiel's Justice</i>	Jacqueline Carey
<i>Maelstrom</i>	Anne McCaffrey & Elizabeth Ann Scarborough
<i>House of Suns</i>	Alastair Reynolds
<i>The Shadow Isle</i>	Katharine Kerr
<i>Grantville Gazette III</i>	Eric Flint (editor)
<i>Because Your Vampire Said So</i>	Michele Bardsley
<i>Playing With Fire</i>	Katie MacAlister
<i>A Deeper Blue</i>	John Ringo

#### Media and Games Related Titles

<i>Brothers of the Snake</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>Sacrifice</i>	Star Wars
<i>Something in the Water</i>	Torchwood
<i>Heldenhammer</i>	Warhammer
<i>Legion</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>Snow Globe 7</i>	Doctor Who
<i>The Many Hands</i>	Doctor Who
<i>Martha In The Mirror</i>	Doctor Who
<i>Trace Memory</i>	Torchwood
<i>The Twilight Streets</i>	Torchwood

# Science Fiction, Fantasy and Horror

## *Spider: City of Doom*

Hunted by both the underworld and the police, the enigmatic, masked crime fighter called the Spider returns in a trio of action-packed adventures as he deals with a killer who disguises himself with the faces of his victims, a supposedly dead foe with a talent for mind control, and an unknown criminal mastermind with a penchant for destructive urban renewal. **TP \$26.95**

## *Robots and Donuts*

In the years following World War II the major export from Japan wasn't electronic equipment, but toys, specifically tin toys. Crafted in the shapes of submarines, planes, trains, cars, and horses, one of the most popular motifs were toy robots. Constructed in virtually every shape imaginable from the 1940s throughout the 1960s, they ranged in appearance from horror to science fiction characters. Today, these toys are not only fondly remembered by collectors but are being re-created for a whole new generation!

Capturing this period in history became a passion of painter Eric Joyner's and in *Robots and Donuts* he celebrates this forgotten era with images marrying the metal creations with images plucked from his imagination. And, almost always, with donuts. (Why? Well, who doesn't love donuts?) This book also features a look into Joyner's painting style as well as a glimpse at some of his other non-robot themed artwork.

Joyner celebrates the era of tin toy robots in a series of whimsical, thoughtful, sometimes tragic but always stunning paintings depicting mechanical men and women in outlandish and impossible settings. *Robots and Donuts: The Art of Eric Joyner* will be appealing to both robot and lowbrow art aficionados! With 176 oversize, full-color pages, this beautiful book is a great value! **TP \$51.95**

## *Expose 6*

Celebrate the World's finest new digital art. *Exposé 6* is our latest Digital Art Yearbook featuring 'the best of the best'. With 334 inspiring images prepared by 257 artists from 43 countries, you will discover the very best work across 20 different categories. **TP \$66 HC \$78**

## **Finlay Cowan**

### *Fantasy Artist's Pocket Reference: Dragons and Fantasy Beasts*

The origin, history, and development of an array of fantastical and mythical creatures, including the hippogriff and buer, are presented in this comprehensive fantasy guide via in-depth guidelines, thumbnail construction sketches, and colorful, detailed illustrations. **HC \$40.95**

## **Steve Miller**

### *Hi-Yah!*

Think Kill Bill, think Bruce Lee..."Hi-Yah!" shows how to capture authentic, accurate martial arts poses on paper. Even beginners can learn how to turn the bodies of their characters into living weapons that kick, punch, throw, block and chop their way onto the page. A brief history of martial arts and an overview of the tao of drawing are followed by detailed step-by-step instructions on fluid anatomy, pressure points, punching, hand strikes, jumping, kicks, blocks, throws, weapons, warriors, drawing convincing confrontations and combatants. **TP \$40.95**

## *Dinosaurs* **TP \$40.95**

## **Jessica Anderson**

### *Nightkeepers (Final Prophecy)*

Miami narcotics detective Leah Daniel never expected to become the sacrificial victim in an ancient Mayan blood ritual intended to bring a demon from the underworld, or to be rescued by Jaguar Strike, a handsome warrior-priest king, who claims that he has recognized her from his visions, in the first volume in a new paranormal romance series. **APB \$19.95**

## **Kevin J Anderson**

### *Metal Swarm (Saga of Seven Suns 06)*

While the earth is overrun by swarms of ancient robots built by the not-so-extinct Klikiss race, King Peter breaks away from the resistance-crushing forces of the Hansa's brutal Chairman in order to forge independent colonies. **APB \$19.95**

## **Poul Anderson**

### *The Broken Sword (Ultimate Fantasy)*

The sword Tyrfin has been broken to prevent it striking at the roots of Yggdrasil, the great tree that binds earth, heaven and hell together...but now the mighty sword is needed again to save the elves, who are heavily involved in their war against the trolls and only Scafloc, a human child kidnapped and raised by the elves, can hope to persuade the mighty ice-giant, Bolverk, to make the sword Thor broke whole again. But things are never easy and along the way Scafloc must also confront his shadow self, Valgard the changeling, who took his place in the world of men. A superb dark fantasy of the highest and most Norse order, *THE BROKEN SWORD* is a fantasy masterpiece. **PB \$22.99**

## **Taylor Anderson**

### *Into the Storm*

Pursued by Japanese battleships, the USS Walker, a Great-War vintage destroyer under the command of Lieutenant Commander Matthew Patrick Reddy, tries to lose the enemy by heading into a mysterious storm, only to become trapped in a primitive alternate world, populated by strange creatures, in which their ship could alter the balance of power. **HC \$49.95**

## **Jennifer Armintrout**

### *All Soul's Night (Blood Ties 04)*

The Soul Eater is on the verge of god status and the fate of the world in her hands, and Carrie must make a final stand against the evil around her. She must draw on every power at her command to stop the growing army of the undead that the Soul Eater is planning to unleash on the world.

**APB \$17.95**

## **Kelley Armstrong**

### *Personal Demon (Women of the Otherworld 08)*

Hope is an attractive, independent young journalist, keen to get ahead in a demanding profession. She is also the daughter of a powerful demon - blessed with the ability to sense disorder and wrongdoing, but cursed by her inability to control the pleasure this gives her. And some in the supernatural community want to exploit her skills. When the head of a sorcerer Cabal offers her the opportunity to prove herself by infiltrating an anti-establishment gang, she is eager to help. But the job starts to resemble a trap in more ways than one. Hope wanted to explore the limits of her darker nature, but what if she never wants to come back? **HC \$35**

**Neal Asher***The Line War (Polity)*

High-octane action in outer space – the fifth novel in his increasingly popular Agent Cormac series.

The Polity is under attack from a "melded" AI entity with control of the lethal Jain technology, yet the attack seems to have no coherence. When one of Erebus' wormships kills millions on the world of Klurhammon, a high-tech agricultural world of no real tactical significance, agent Ian Cormac is sent to investigate, though he is secretly struggling to control a new ability no human being should possess... And beginning to question the motives of his AI masters. Further attacks and seemingly indiscriminate slaughter ensue, but only serve to bring some of the most dangerous individuals in the Polity into the war. Mr Crane, the indefatigable brass killing machine sets out for vengeance, while Orlandine, a vastly-augmented haiman who herself controls Jain technology, seeks a weapon of appalling power and finds allies from an ancient war. Meanwhile Mka, scientist and Dragon expert, is again kidnapped by that unfathomable alien entity and dragged into the heart of things: to wake the makers of Jain technology from their five-million-year slumber. But Erebus' attacks are not so indiscriminate, after all, and could very well herald the end of the Polity itself... **TP \$32.95**

*Hilldiggers*

During a war between two planets in the same solar system – each occupied by adapted humans – what is thought to be a cosmic superstring is discovered. After being cut, this object collapses into four cylindrical pieces, each about the size of a tube train. Each is densely packed with either alien technology or some kind of life. They are placed for safety in three ozark cylinders of a massively secure space station. There a female research scientist subsequently falls pregnant, and gives birth to quads. Then she commits suicide – but why?

By the end of the war one of the contesting planets has been devastated by the hilldiggers – giant space dreadnoughts employing weapons capable of creating mountain ranges. The quads have meanwhile grown up and are assuming positions of power in the post-war society. One of them will eventually gain control of the awesome hilldiggers... **APB \$21.95**

**James Axler***Apocalypse Unborn (Deathlands 82)*

Risking everything to end the bloodthirsty reign of terror of Magnus, a deadly cybernetic sociopath, Ryan Cawdor discovers that PreDark scientists think that they have found the key to turning back time to stop the apocalypse that had ended all civilization in the fires of thermonuclear destruction. **APB \$17.95**

**Kage Baker***Mother Aegypt And Other Stories***TP \$30.95****L A Banks***The Cursed (Vampire Huntress 09)*

With the death of the Chairman, Lilith, of Satan's Consorts, is on the vampire throne as the Vampire Council's new head and uses her powers to raise the dark covens to aid her in her plot to gain Damali's new-found angelic powers that will allow her evil progeny, the unborn heir to the Dark Realms, to take his throne as the Anti-Christ and to unleash Armageddon. **APB \$19.95**

**Gerry Bartlett***Real Vampires Get Lucky (Real Vampires)*

Transforming a female loan shark named Lucky into a vampire after finding the woman nearly dead following a brutal attack, vampire Glory St. Clair begins to regret her actions when the flamboyant Lucky begins to attract every vampire hunter in the vicinity, not to mention her would-be killer, who has discovered that his victim is still around. **TP \$28.95**

**Jes Battis***Night Child (OSI)*

An Occult Special Investigator for Vancouver's Mystical Crime Lab, Tess Corday is called in to investigate the death of a vampire and follows a trail of bizarre clues that lead to Mia Polanski, a teenager living at the address found in the victim's pocket, and to Lucian Agrado, a necromancer allied to the vampire community. **APB \$17.95**

**Elizabeth Bear***Blood and Iron (Promethean Age)*

Seeker, a woman enchanted by the Faerie Queen and forced to kidnap human children for the pleasure of her mistress, goes after her latest prey, a Merlin, a child possessing a limitless magic that could tip the ultimate balance of power. **APB \$19.95**

**Alex Bell***The Ninth Circle*

A man comes round on the floor of a shabby flat in the middle of Budapest. His head is glued to the floorboards with his own blood. There's a fortune in cash on the kitchen table and he has no idea where, or who, he is. He can do extraordinary things - speak any number of languages fluently, go three days without food or sleep and fight with extraordinary prowess. But without a name, without a past, he's isolated from the rest of the world; a stranger to everyone, including himself - until a chance encounter with a young scholar leads to his first friendship and his first hint that someone out there knows more about him than he does. But that's not all; Gabriel Antaeus is seeing strange, impossible things: a burning man is stalking his dreams and haunting his mirrors, his dreams are filled with violence from the past and his pregnant young neighbour is surrounded by an extraordinary golden aura... **TP \$32.95**

**Marion Zimmer Bradley & Deborah J Ross***The Alton Gift (Darkover)*

In this highly anticipated sequel to *Traitor's Sun*, Lew Alton's daughter Marguerida, a psychic, must decipher visions of impending doom. Her son searches for his place in a world of shifting loyalties. The rulers of Darkover face a new threat, an ancient enemy that has risen again. **APB \$19.95**

**Marie Brennan***Midnight Never Come*

The loyalties of a faerie lady-in-waiting and a mortal spymaster agent are tested in Elizabethan London, which is being challenged by complicated politics between the queen and the ruler of the faerie underworld. **TP \$30.95**

**Tobias S Buckell***Ragamuffin*

Their universe run by alien tyrants who systematically block all technological advances and eliminate any races who might scratch out more than a meager existence, a band of Caribbean refugees from distant Earth forms a rebellion in the hopes of overthrowing the evil Benevolent Satrapy.

**APB \$19.95**

**Jim Butcher***Small Favour (Dresden Files 10)*

Harry Dresden, PI, is a modern-day wizard who gets into some seriously challenging situations. His latest investigation proves to be no different... Harry Dresden's life finally seems to be calming down. The White Council's war with the vampiric Red Court has entered a period of detente, no one's tried to kill him in nearly a year, and the worst problem he'd had lately is working out how to remove the stains his apprentice bungled into his carpeting. The future looks fairly bright. Unfortunately, the past isn't nearly so rosy. An old bargain placed Harry in debt to Mab, monarch of the Winter Court of the Sidhe, the Queen of Air and Darkness - and it's time for a reckoning. Dresden still owes the Winter Queen of Faerie two favours, and she's calling one in. It's a small favour that he really can't refuse, but it will trap Dresden between a nightmarish foe and an equally deadly ally, stretching his skills and loyalties to their very limits. It figures. Everything was going too well to last. **HC \$34.99**

**Rachel Caine***Feast of Fools (Morganville Vampires 04)***PB \$15.95****Jacqueline Carey***Kushiel's Mercy (Kushiel 06)*

Witnessing the turmoil brought about as a result of their once-secret relationship, Imriel and Sidonie face the prospect of Sidonie's disinheritance by her mother, Queen Ysandre, unless Imriel can locate and turn in his own mother, who has been sentenced to death for treason. **HC \$56.95**

**Mark Chadbourn***The Burning Man (Kingdom of the Serpent 02)*

After a long journey across the ages, Jack Churchill has returned to the modern world, only to find it in the grip of a terrible, dark force. The population is unaware, mesmerised by the Mundane Spell that keeps them in thrall. With a small group of trusted allies, Jack sets out to find the two 'keys' that can shatter the spell. But the keys are people - one with the power of creation, one the power of destruction - and they are hidden somewhere among the world's billions. As the search fans out across the globe, ancient powers begin to stir. In the bleak North, in Egypt, in Greece, in all the Great Dominions, the old gods are returning to stake their claim. The odds appear insurmountable, the need desperate... This is a time for heroes. **TP \$32.99**

**Kresley Cole***Dark Desires After Dusk (Immortals After Dark 05)*

A seductive beauty he can never have, yet can't resist... Cadeon Woede will stop at nothing to atone for the one wrong that will haunt him forever. But once he secures the key to his redemption, the halfling Holly Ashwin, Cade finds that the woman he thought he could use for his own ends and then forget haunts him as much as his past. A tormented warrior she should fear, but can't deny... Raised as a human, Holly never knew that some frightening legends are real until she encounters a brutal demon who inexplicably guards her like a treasure. Thrust into a sensual new world of myth and power, with him as her protector, she begins to crave the demon's wicked touch. Surrender to dark desires... Yet just when he earns Holly's trust, will Cade be forced to betray the only woman who can sate his wildest needs -- and claim his heart? **APB \$14.95**

**Glen Cook***The Books of the South (Black Company)*

In a second omnibus of tales featuring the Black Company, the survivors of the devastating battle at the Tower of Charm are hounded by the predatory Shadowmasters throughout a risky march to the south. Includes: Shadow Games, Dreams of Steel, The Silver Spike **TP \$32.95**

**John Crowley***Daemonomania (Aegypt Cycle 03)*

A new tale of love and magic in a world where time, space, and matter undergo near-cataclysmic transformations continues the adventures of Rose Ryder, Rosie Rasmussen and her daughter Sam, and Pierce Moffett. **TP \$32.95**

**James F David***The Book of Summer*

In the sequel to Judgment Day, a young female slave on the lost colony of planet America, Summer Lund flees a vicious encounter with her master's oldest son to seek refuge in the alien wilderness, where another human being, Reynolds Mann, plots his revenge on those who had left him for dead. **APB \$19.95**

**Peter David***Tigerheart (Anyplace)*

Growing up in London on his father's fantastical tales of a magical land called the Anyplace, Paul Dear journeys into this enchanted world after tragedy strikes the family, seeking a great hero, the Boy of Legend, only to encounter the greatest challenge of his life, in a witty and poignant tribute to J. M. Barrie's Peter Pan. **HC \$45.95**

**Camille DeAngelis***Mary Modern*

Frustrated by her unsuccessful attempts to become pregnant, genetic researcher Lucy Morrigan--living with her boyfriend in her family's crumbling old family mansion--successfully clones her grandmother from a blood stain on an old apron, but instead of a baby, she brings to life a twenty-two-year-old woman, confused by the modern world and by the remnants of lives she cannot remember. **TP \$28.95**

**Lori Devoti***Wild Hunt (Unbound)*

Alongside his hellhound brethren, Venge Leidolf was summoned to start the Wild Hunt anew. But in this dreaded pursuit of souls, Venge sought to free himself from his infernal bondage—by claiming the heart of a fierce Valkyrie....

Geysa never questioned the alluring gifts that set her apart from the other Valkyries, or her hatred of hellhounds—until Venge fell under her spell. Drawing the alpha hellhound so close made Geysa doubt her every instinct. To stop the Hunt, the two blood-born enemies would need to cast aside old vows and allegiances. Only then could no one question the strength of their union.... **APB \$14.95**



**Philip K Dick***We Can Build You*

Making an animatronic replica of Abraham Lincoln has never been easier. Finding someone to buy it is the hard part. Louis Rosen's firm, the Frauentzimmer Piano Company, builds electronic organs and upright pianos. Deciding to expand the business the firm get ambitious, building exact reconstructions of famous personalities. Sam K. Barrows, a lunar real estate tycoon wants to repopulate the moon with their creations, and he's the only one rich enough to buy them. As the Lincoln model develops a fault and Rosen begins to fall for the daughter of his business partner, things go from bad to worse and his mental health rapidly begins to deteriorate.

'We Can Build You' bears striking similarities in Dick's later novel 'Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep?' which was later transformed into Ridley Scott's extraordinary science fiction film classic 'Bladerunner'. **BPB \$22.95**

**Sara Douglass Australian Author***The Twisted Citadel (Darkglass Mountain 02)*

The land of Ashdod has a mysterious past and a mysterious structure in the heart of the land ... DarkGlass Mountain, an ancient pyramid. The Icarii Talon, StarDrifter SunSoar, wonders if DarkGlass Mountain could be a StarGate, a source of Icarii power. Meanwhile his son, Axis, is helping to lead the military might of Isembaard as its tyrant, Isaiah, follows his own lonely journey. Maximilian, the King of Escator, and his estranged wife, Ishbel, ride alongside Axis ... both of them obsessed with the impregnable citadel of Serpent's Nest. Also riding with Axis are the Leafast, a peculiar race of Icarii from the frozen north. They are related in some way to the Skraelings, those terrifying creatures who can very, very quickly overrun a land and its people. But to whom do these Leafast give their loyalty ... **TP \$32.99**

**Tananarive Due***Blood Colony*

Born an only immortal with Living Blood, Fana Wolden flees her protective home in order to rescue a mortal friend and joins an underground group of fellow immortals who are using their powerful blood to heal AIDS victims. **HC \$51.95**

**Cynthia Eden***When He Was Bad*

A pair of shape-shifting Alpha males get their romantic comeuppance in two paranormal romances--Miss Congeniality by Shelly Laurenston, as a handsome shape-shifter rescues Professor Irene Conridge from her enemies, and Cynthia Eden's Wicked Ways, in which the hero helps gorgeous Miranda Shaw escape a killer vampire. **TP \$28.95**

**Steven Erikson***Reaper's Gale (Malazan Book of the Fallen 07)*

All is not well in the Letherii Empire. Rhulad Sengar, the Emperor of a Thousand Deaths, spirals into madness, surrounded by sycophants and agents of his Machiavellian chancellor, while the Letherii secret police conduct a campaign of terror against its own people. The Errant, once a farseeing god, is suddenly blind to the future. Conspiracies seethe throughout the palace, as the empire - driven by the corrupt and self-interested - edges ever closer to all-out war with the neighbouring kingdoms. And the great Edur fleet - its warriors selected from countless peoples - draws ever closer. Amongst them are Karsa Orlong and Icarium Lifestealer - each destined to cross blades with the emperor himself. That yet more blood is to be spilled is inevitable... Against this backdrop, a band of fugitives seek a way out of the empire, but one of them, Fear Sengar must find the soul of Scabandari Bloodeye. It is his hope that it might help halt the Tiste Edur, and so save his brother, the emperor. Yet, travelling with them is Scabandari's most ancient foe: Silchas Ruin, brother of Anomander Rake. And his motives are anything but certain - for the wounds he carries on his back, made by the blades of Scabandari, are still fresh. Fate decrees that there is to be a reckoning, for such bloodshed cannot go unanswered - and it will be a reckoning on an unimaginable scale...

A brutal, harrowing novel of war, intrigue and dark, uncontrollable magic, this is epic fantasy at its most imaginative, storytelling at its most thrilling. **APB \$24.95**

**Christine Feehan***Shadow Game (Ghost Walkers 01)*

Book One in Christine's Feehan's GhostWalker series The classified experiment is the brainchild of renowned scientist Peter Whitney and his brilliant daughter, Lily. Created to enhance the psychic abilities of an elite squadron, it can transform their natural mental powers into a unique military weapon. But something goes wrong. In the isolated underground labs, the men have been dying-victims of bizarre accidents. Captain Ryland Miller knows he is next. When Dr. Whitney himself is murdered, Ryland has only one person left to trust: the beautiful Lily. Possessed of an uncanny sixth sense herself, Lily shares Ryland's every new fear, every betrayal, every growing suspicion, and every passionate beat of the heart. Together, they will be drawn deeper into the labyrinth of her father's past and closer to a secret that someone would kill to keep hidden. **APB \$19.99**

*Mind Game (Ghost Walkers 02)*

Book Two in Christine's Feehan's GhostWalker series Possessed of an extraordinary telekinetic gift, Dahlia Le Blanc has spent her life isolated from other people. And just when she thinks she's finally achieved some semblance of peace, her well-orchestrated world comes crashing down... For a reason she cannot guess, she has become the target of deadly assassins. Suddenly no place is safe - not even the secret refuge she's established long ago. Now she must rely on Nicolas Trevane - a dangerous warrior sent to track her down and protect her. Together they generate a scorching heat Dahlia never imagined was possible. But can she trust this man with her secrets - especially when some people would kill to get their hands on them? **APB \$19.99**

*Night Game (Ghost Walkers 03)*

Book Three in the bestselling GhostWalker series Gator Fontenot of the Special Forces paranormal squad can't refuse an urgent request to save the elusive Iris Johnson, a victim of the same horrific experiments that warped Gator. Now unleashed, she's a flame-haired weapon of unimaginable destructive powers, a walking time bomb bent on revenge in the sultry bayous of New Orleans, and hunted by a shadowy assassin. It's Gator's job to reel Iris in. But can two people haunted by violent betrayals trust the passion that soon ignites between them? Or is one of them just playing another seductive and deadly night game? **APB \$19.99**

**Eric Flint Editor***Grantville Gazette III (Ring of Fire)*

A third volume in the series of anthologies based on the saga that began in 1632 describes life for the inhabitants of Grantville, an American town from West Virginia that finds itself hurtled back in time and into the middle of the Thirty Years War, as they struggle to incorporate their advanced technology and modern-day culture into the seventeenth century. **APB \$19.95**

**Eric Flint** *Editor**Grantville Gazette IV (Ring of Fire)*

Cultures clash as seventeenth-century Europe encounters modern America in Grantville, the modern-day West Virginia town hurtled back in time, as teenage girls form an investment group, a linotype operator gains new status, a sit-down mower doubling as a locomotive transforms military transportation, and heavy metal music comes to the pre-Bach era. **HC \$51.95**

**Jacquelyn Frank***Damien (Nightwalkers)*

Bored with the endless pursuit of pleasure and sensual adventure, Damien, the reigning Vampire Prince, has chosen to devote himself to protecting his people in light of the escalating war between human necromancers and the Nightwalkers, a vow that sends him on a mission to rescue Syreana, a Lycanthrope princess kidnapped by his enemies. **APB \$17.95**

**Newt Gingrich & William R Forstchen***Pearl Harbor (Pearl Harbor 01)*

A historical novel set against the backdrop of Pearl Harbor and the beginning of World War II examines the events, decision-making processes, and strategies that led to the Japanese attack on Hawaii from a Japanese perspective, focusing on the role of Admiral Isoroku Yamamoto and two of his officers as they plan and carry out the raid. **BPB \$24.95**

*Days of Infamy (Pearl Harbor 02)*

Pearl Harbor is in utter chaos after the unexpected third strike by Imperial Japanese Naval Air Forces, ordered into the attack by Admiral Yamamoto. A victory has been achieved, but is it total victory? Yamamoto is horrified to discover that the Foreign Ministry office of his government has utterly failed in their promise to ensure that a proper declaration of war be delivered to America prior to the opening of hostilities. As someone who has spent years in America, Yamamoto knows that America's response will be a bitter push for total war rather than one that might have led eventually to a negotiated settlement.

Japan's only hope for victory now is to pursue a ruthless and total assault on the remaining American assets in the Pacific region, to hammer "the slumbering giant" into a willingness to negotiate. But Admiral Halsey is en route to Pearl Harbor for his counterstrike... **HC \$50**

**Susan Grant***Moonstruck (Borderlands)*

Refusing to trust members of the Drakken Horde despite the peace accord that has been signed between them and the Coalition, Coalition starship admiral Brit Bandar is stunned when Finn Rorkken, a notorious Drakken rogue, becomes second in command on her starship, in a futuristic romance. **APB \$17.95**

**Simon R Green***Man With the Golden Torc (Eddie Drood 01)*

With his own family convinced that he has become a menace and that humanity needs to be protected from him, Eddie Drood is on the run, forced to use every magical trick in the book to avoid capture and hoping he lives long enough to prove his innocence. **APB \$19.95**

*Daemons Are Forever (Eddie Drood 02)*

In the sequel to *The Man with the Golden Torc*, Eddie Drood is forced to take on some nasty daemons from another dimension, who arrived in this world at the behest of the Drood family to help battle the Nazis during World War II and who have decided that they have no intention of leaving. **HC \$49.95**

**Austin Grossman***Soon I Will Be Invincible*

When Doctor Impossible, an evil genius, mad scientist, time-traveler, and ambitious wannabe world dominator, escapes from prison and launches a new plot to seize control of the world, Fatale, a woman built by the NSA to be the next generation of weaponry, joins a group of misfit superheroes in their quest to destroy Doctor Impossible. **TP \$30.95**

**David Gunn***Death's Head (Death's Head 01)*

The cage will kill you. And if it doesn't, well, then thirst and the blistering heat of the desert sure as hell will. Or drive you insane.

Few survive the cage. Fewer still live to face the whipping post. Of those who do, few are in a state to know what is happening to them. One who does is an ex-sergeant in the Legion, Strangere. A stubborn, insubordinate son-of-a-bitch, Sven Tveskoeg feels the first lash fall, hears the desert tribes attack, and watches them slaughter his comrades.

Rescued from certain death, Sven joins the tribes. Until his ruthless skills come to the attention of the Death's Head, an infamous and feared elite special ops force. They want Sven to sort out an impending military disaster. However all is not as it should be: Sven is a pawn in a deadly game, and pawns have a bad habit of being sacrificed. But Second Lieutenant Tveskoeg, Obsidian Cross 3rd Class, is nobody's sacrifice. And even a pawn can checkmate a king. **APB \$21.95**

*Maximum Offence (Death's Head 02)*

The Aux have been dropped on a far-flung planet called Hekati, only it's not really a planet at all and it's in Uplift space. As for their mission, it seems it's so damn secret that General Jaxx hasn't even told Lieutenant Sven Tveskoeg what it is. His team's going in blind and he's so not happy - and that's when bad things start to happen...

The devil-may-care mercenary soldier-cum-killing machine Tveskoeg and the Death's Head squad are back...cue more extreme violence, a mega death toll, dirty sex, fiendish plot twists and explosive, non-stop action! **TP \$34.95**

**Tate Hallaway***Romancing the Dead (Garnet Lacey 03)*

Having dealt with the skeletons in her closet - the Vatican witch hunters who wanted her dead and the FBI agents who wanted her to spend life in prison - Garnet Lacey is feeling pretty darn good about her life. But things are about to go wrong. Very wrong. Just as Garnet is finally starting to feel settled in Madison and daydreaming about what 'forever' might mean to Sebastian Von Traum, her daylight-tolerant vampire lover, he suddenly goes missing. As if that isn't enough, Matyas, Sebastian's half-vampire son who is cursed to be a perpetual teenager, shows up looking for his dad. At the same time, Garnet begins to sponsor the incredibly gorgeous Micah as a new member of her coven. Garnet is determined to keep things professional while she searches for her missing boyfriend but Lilith, her inner goddess, has other ideas... **PB \$22.99**

**Laurell K Hamilton***Blood Noir (Anita Blake 15)*

More high-octane action in the New York Times bestselling Anita Blake, Vampire Hunter series. Jason is a werewolf. He's also one of Anita Blake's best friends and sometimes her lover. And right now he needs her - not to be a vampire hunter, or a federal marshal, or a necromancer, but because his father is dying. Anita can make him look like an everyday guy, helping him say good-bye to the abusive father he never loved. The fact that Jason is not 'everyday' and Anita is far from being just a pretty woman is something they figure they can keep under wraps for a couple of days in a small town. How hard can that be? Really, by now, Anita Blake should know better. And this is the weekend that Marmee Noir, ancient mother of all vampires, picks to make a move. Somehow she has cut the connection that binds Anita and vampire Master of the City Jean-Claude, leaving them vulnerable. Dangerous even as she sleeps, buried in darkness for a thousand years beneath the old country of Europe, Marmee Noir reaches out toward power - she has attacked Anita before, but never like this. Anita has what she wants - and now she's going to take it. **TP \$32.99 HC \$52.95**

**Peter F Hamilton***The Dreaming Void (Void 01)*

The high-action first novel in the new Void Trilogy from one of the world's bestselling science fiction writers

AD 3580: The Intersolar Commonwealth has spread through the galaxy to over a thousand star systems. It is a culture of rich diversity with a place for everyone. A powerful navy protects it from any hostile species that may lurk among the stars. For Commonwealth citizens, even death has been overcome. At its centre is a massive black hole. This Void is not a natural artefact. Inside there is a strange universe where the laws of physics are very different to those we know. It is slowly consuming the other stars of the galactic core - one day it will have devoured the entire galaxy.

Inigo, a human, has started to dream of a wonderful existence of the Void. He has a following of millions of believers. They now clamour to make a pilgrimage into the Void to live the life they have been shown. Other starfaring species fear their migration will cause the Void to expand again. They are prepared to stop them no matter what the cost.

And so the pilgrimage begins... **APB \$21.95**

**Frank Hampson***Prisoners of Space (Dan Dare)*

It's chocks away and tally-ho once again as Dan Dare, Pilot of the Future, returns! First published in classic British comic, "Eagle", these are the original adventures of one of the best known and loved of British comic characters, presented in a new series of gorgeous library editions. When two new cadets accidentally set out for Space Station XQY - scene of a number of mysterious spaceship disappearances - they are captured by the evil Mekon! Dan Dare bravely sets out alone to save them...And is plunged into the Mekon's latest plot to re-conquer Venus, and then take Earth! Can Dan, Digby and two cadets save not one, but two planets? **HC \$32.95**

**Nick Harkaway***The Gone-Away World*

The Jorgmund Pipe is the backbone of the world, and it's on fire. Gonzo Lubitsch, professional hero and troubleshooter, is hired to put it out - but there's more to the fire, and the Pipe itself, than meets the eye. The job will take Gonzo and his best friend, our narrator, back to their own beginnings and into the dark heart of the Jorgmund Company itself.

From rural childhood in Cricklewood Cove to military service in a bewildering foreign war; from Jarndice University to the sawdust of the Nameless Bar; their story is the story of the Gone-Away World. It is the history of a friendship stretched beyond its limits; a tale of love and loss; of ninjas, pirates, politics and strange places.

Equal parts raucous adventure, comic odyssey, geek nirvana, and cool epic, this is The Gone-Away World. **HC \$59.95**

**Kim Harrison***Where Demons Dare (Rachel Morgan 06)*

Having barely escaped being skewered by the criminal vampire overlord of Cincinnati, Rachel now has even bigger problems to contend with. The demon, Algaliarept, although banished back into the hereafter has infected others of his kind with his interest in a witch who can channel demon magic. Rachel soon finds herself with not one but three hellions on her tail; and one of them is even crazier and more dangerous than all the fairy assassins, weres and vampires on the planet. **APB \$20.99**

**Simon Haynes Australian Author***Hal Spacejock: No Free Lunch (Hal Spacejock 04)*

In this, the fourth instalment in the ongoing adventures of Hal Spacejock, Hal and his sidekick are looking for a job to earn some cash to settle their bills, and they find just the thing on Planet D. And when Hal ducks out for a quick coffee and an attractive young woman asks him out on a date, he thinks his luck has finally changed. Yeah, right!

The Hal Spacejock series is gradually building a dedicated readership in Australia, as more and more readers discover these hilarious, action-packed adventures. **APB \$19.95**

**Dorothy Hearst***Promise of the Wolves (Wolf Chronicles 01)*

PROMISE OF THE WOLVES begins 14,000 years ago in what is now southern Europe, and follows the adventures of Kaala, a spirited young she-wolf who is destined to bring wolf and human clans together. Born of a forbidden mixed blood litter and narrowly escaping the fate of her executed brother and sisters, the orphaned Kaala is allowed to join the Swift River wolf pack where she must fight to prove herself and survive against the odds. But when Kaala rescues a human child from drowning, she risks expulsion from her pack and banishment from her home in the Wide Valley.

Unwittingly, she has set in train a series of events which threatens the very survival of her species. **TP \$29.95**

**Frank Herbert***The White Plague*

When his wife and children are killed by a terrorist bomb in Dublin, a renegade Irish-American molecular biologist who calls himself the Madman unleashes a genetically carried plague that threatens all life on Earth. **MP3 CD \$70**

**Robert E Howard***The Conan Chronicles Volume 1 (Ultimate Fantasy)*

Conan the Cimmerian rose from boy-thief and mercenary to become the King of Aquilonia. Neither supernatural fiends nor demonic sorcery could oppose the barbarian warrior as he wielded his mighty sword and dispatched his enemies to a bloody doom on the battlefields of the legendary Hyborian Age. A classic fantasy featuring one of the most iconic figures of the genre, THE CONAN CHRONICLES is a wonderful action-packed, romance-filled fantasy masterpiece. **PB \$24.99**

**Tanya Huff***Valor's Trial (Confederation)*

A veteran Confederation Marine gunnery sergeant, Torin Kerr is unexpectedly pulled from the battlefield and confined to an underground POW camp, where she must not only find a way to escape, but also overcome the compulsion--which has affected her fellow Marine prisoners--to give up and accept her fate. **HC \$51.95**

*The Heart of Valor (Confederation 03)*

Jumping at the chance to go to Crucible, the Marine Corps training planet, to work with Major Svensson, Gunnery Sergeant Torin Kerr finds herself caught in a desperate fight for survival when someone begins attacking the training scenarios. **APB \$19.95**

**Anthony Izzo***The Dark Ones*

Sixteen years after burying the leader of The Dark Ones under an abandoned Buffalo, New York, brewery, Lars Engel has returned from hell to father his evil forces, and Charles Pennington's granddaughter, Sara, heads for Buffalo in search of her birth mother and to a rendezvous with her destined role as a powerful Guardian. **APB \$17.95**

**Jean Johnson***The Cat (Sons of Destiny 05)*

Despite her distrust of mages, Amara cannot help but be attracted to the mage Trevan of Nightfall, the Cat, but she is still reluctant to trust him with her most carefully guarded secrets. **TP \$28.95**

**Gregory J Keyes***The Born Queen (Kingdoms of Thorn and Bone 04)*

War is coming.

With the usurper Robert Dare having fled, Princess Anne has finally ascended to the throne to the Kingdom of Crothney, but it may already be too late to stop the approaching destruction. Dark monstrosities prowl the countryside, and as the holter Asper soon discovers, the Sedos power that granted humanity its freedom may now be responsible for the corruption that will eventually destroy it.

As the combined forces of Hansa and the Holy Church mass against the Queen they claim to be an unnatural shinecrafter, Anne's mother Murielle sets out on an embassy of peace to Hansa, accompanied by the knight Sir Neal MeqVren. But, there is more to Murielle's mission than first appears, a fact that puts both of them at the mercy of Hansa's unstable king, and the unkillable Robert Dare.

The world has been poisoned, and only the one who gains control of the legendary Sedos Throne can heal it. Anne knows that it must be her, but as she embraces her powers, and the violent impulses they bring, she finds herself changing. Only she can stand against the forces that threaten Crothney, but the cost of her victory may be too great for the world to bear... **TP \$32.95**

**Dean Koontz***The Good Guy*

After a day's work hefting brick and stone, Tim Carrier slakes his thirst at The Lamplighter Tavern. Nothing heavy happens there. It's a friendly workingman's bar run by his good friend Rooney, who enjoys gathering eccentric customers. Working his deadpan humour on strangers is, for Tim, all part of the entertainment. But how could Tim have imagined that the stranger who sits down next to him one evening is about to unmake his world and enmesh him in a web of murder and deceit? The man has come there to meet someone and he thinks it's Tim. Tim's wayward sense of humour lets the misconception stand for a moment and that's all it takes: the stranger hands Tim a fat manila envelope, saying, 'Half of it's there; the rest when she's gone,' and then he's out the door. In the envelope Tim finds the photograph of a woman, her name and address written on the back; and several thick packets of hundred-dollar bills. When an intense-looking man sits down where the first stranger sat and glances at the manila envelope, Tim knows he's the one who was supposed to get it. Shaken, thinking fast, Tim says he's had a change of heart. He removes the picture of the woman and then hands the envelope to the stranger. 'Half what we agreed,' he says. 'For doing nothing. Call it a no-kill fee.' Tim is left holding a photo of a pretty woman, but his sense of fun has led him into a very dangerous world from which there is no way back. **PB \$19.99**

**Mercedes Lackey***The Snow Queen (Five Hundred Kingdoms 04)*

Falsely accused of unleashing evil on nearby villages, Aleksia, the Ice fairy and Queen of the Northern Lights, realizing that a heartless imposter is ruining her reputation, sets out to face down a formidable foe, who is also responsible for the disappearance of a young warrior and the kidnapping of her own son. **HC \$51.95**

**Fritz Leiber***The First Book of Lankhmar (Ultimate Fantasy)*

From the moment when they first met, in the commission of the same, audacious theft, Fafhrd, the giant barbarian warrior from the Cold Waste and the Gray Mouser, master thief, novice wizard and expert swordsman, felt no ordinary affinity. Forged over the gleam of sharpened steel as, back to back, they faced their foes, theirs was a friendship that would take them from adventure to misadventure across all of Nehwon, from the caves of the inner earth to the waves of the outer sea. But it was in the dark alleys and noisome back streets of the great fog-shrouded city of Lankhmar that they became legends. LANKHMAR includes the first four volumes of the hugely enjoyable Swords series. **BPB \$24.99**

**Sergei Lukyanenko***The Final Watch (Night Watch 04)*

While on holiday in Scotland, visiting a macabre tourist attraction, 'The Dungeons of Edinburgh', a young Russian tourist is murdered. As the police grapples with the fact that the cause of the young man's death was a massive loss of blood, the Watches are immediately aware that there is a renegade vampire on the loose. Anton - the hero of The Night Watch and The Day Watch - is detailed to this seemingly mundane investigation, but on arriving in Scotland begins to realise that there is much more to the story than a wildcat vampire and a single murder.

Aided by Thomas, the head of Edinburgh's Night Watch, Anton investigates and ruminates, and becomes aware that a team of unlicensed Others are hunting for a fabled magical treasure, hidden in the sixth level of the Twilight by Merlin himself. **HC \$59.95**

**Brian Lumley***Necroscope (Necroscope 01)*

A re-release of a horror classic restores the author's preferred text and features a special introduction about the creation of the Necroscope saga, in an edition that also features chapter illustrations by a Hugo Award-winning artist. **TP \$30.95**

**Scott Lynch***Red Seas Under Red Skies*

Thorn of Camorr and Jean Tannen have fled their home city. Taking ship they arrive in the city state of Tal Varrar where they are soon planning their most spectacular heist yet; they will take the luxurious gaming house, The Sinspire, for all of its countless riches. No-one has ever taken even a single coin from the Sinspire that wasn't won on the tables or in the other games of chance on offer there. But, as ever, the path of true crime rarely runs smooth and Locke and Jean soon find themselves co-opted into an attempt to bring the pirate fleet of the notorious Zamira Drakasha to justice. Fine work for thieves who don't know one end of galley from another. And all the while the Bondsmagi are plotting their very necessary revenge against the one man who believes he has humiliated them and lived; Locke Lamora. **APB \$22.99**

**Gregory Maguire***Son of A Witch*

For everyone who fell under the WICKED spell... Back in the land of Oz, Gregory Maguire introduces us to Liir, an adolescent boy last seen hiding in the shadows of the castle after Dorothy did in the Witch. Bruised, comatose, and left for dead, Liir is tended to at the Cloister of Saint Glinda by a silent novice called Candle, who wills him back to life with her musical gifts. What dark force left Liir in this condition? Is he really Elphaba's son? He has her broom and her cape - but what of her powers? In an Oz that, since the Wizard's departure, is under new and dangerous management, can Liir keep his head down long enough to grow up? **PB \$22.99**

**George R R Martin***Sworn Sword (Hedge Knight 02)*

Adapting "New York Times" best-selling author George R. R. Martin's "The Sworn Sword", the long-awaited sequel to "The Hedge Knight" tells the story of the adventures of Ser Duncan and his squire one year after their initial meeting at the tournament in Ashford.

After traveling the land in search of the puppeteer girl Tanselle, Dunk and Egg find themselves in the charge of Ser Eustace, an aged knight who has accepted Dunk as his sworn sword. But Ser Eustace has another knight in his service who is nothing but trouble, and he will make Dunk's life far more difficult when he rashly attacks a peasant and causes grief to a local noble, the Lady Rohanne Webber. But the Lady Rohanne has problems of her own - and she knows the truth about Ser Eustace and the side he took in the battle of Redgrass Field.

This title collects "Hedge Knight II: Sworn Sword" numbered 1-6. **TP \$39.95**

**Graham Masterton***The 5th Witch*

A crime cartel uses the power of four witches to hold Los Angeles in the grip of fear until a fifth witch arrives, determined to stop their reign of terror. **APB \$19.95**

**Melissa Mayhue***Soul of A Highlander*

Hurtled forward in time from 1272 to the twenty-first century, Mairi MacKiernan returns to thirteenth-century Scotland with the help of Faerie Magic to save the life of her young cousin, only to fall prey to the evil stalking the Mortal Realm, with her only hope lying in Ramos Navarro, a Guardian on a mission to rid the world of Nuadian deceit. **APB \$14.95**

**Erin McCarthy***Bit the Jackpot (Vegas Vampires 02)*

Tired of keeping tabs on his boss's wife and her female entourage, vampire Seamus Fox, the campaign manager for the Vampire Nation presidential candidate, finds himself falling for the enigmatic Cara Kim, a sultry but shy stripper who dances behind a screen to hide her identity. By the author of High Stakes. **APB \$19.95**

**Sarah McCarty***Running Wild*

A trio of sensual paranormal romances chronicles the erotic adventures of three powerful and seductive werewolves--Donovan, Kelon, and Wyatt--who risk everything to pursue their overwhelming desire for three human women. **TP \$28.95**

**Kelly McCullough***CodeSpell*

The Universe Needs a Reboot...

When Necessity, the sentient computer that runs the universe, falls victim to a virus that crashes most of the magical Internet, Ravim, a direct descendant of one of the fates, a talented sorcerer, and master computer hacker, is assigned the task of trying to fix the problem, only to discover that deadly enemies plan to use his talents to rule the world. **APB \$17.95**

**Fiona McIntosh Australian Author***Goddess (Percheron 03)*

In Percheron, Zar Boaz is preparing for the imminent arrival of the Galinsean war fleet. Despite the necessity for him to be part of the delicate negotiations, Spur Lazar determines to travel back to the desert to rescue the abducted Zaradine Ana. Ana is a prisoner of the despotic Arafanz and his fanatical followers, and as it slowly becomes clear what they plan for Percheron, Ana does not know if she is to survive. Pez - once the palace fool - is now locked in a mighty battle of wills with his nemesis, the charismatic Grand Vizier Tariq ... which may make the threat of war irrelevant as the final confrontation for the region's faith is played out. **APB \$9.99**

**Pat McNamara, Michal Dutkiewicz & Gary Turner***Dragonscarpe*

Fiery heroics, a doomed love, and vengeful betrayal are the cornerstones of the first volume in this visually rich and cinematically paced, illustrated novel series--The Last Realm. The storm of war has engulfed the Realms. Thrust into the heart of the turmoil is Zayd, Paladin of the Dragonscarpe. Zayd takes the first step to discovering that the only hope for survival lies in a past deliberately forgotten--beyond the barrier to the terrifying Last Realm. **HC \$78**

**Martin Millar***The Good Fairies of New York*

Unexpectedly--and mistakenly--transplanted to Manhattan, two fugitive Scottish thistle fairies have a lot of adjusting to do, but before they can form the first radical fairy punk rock band, they must make a match between two unlikely lovers, start a brawl between rival gangs of fairies, help a ghost find his lost guitar, and save New York from an invasion of evil Cornish fairies. **APB \$17.95**

**Karen Miller Australian Author***Hammer of God (Godspeaker 03)*

With Zandakar's dangerous identity revealed, Rhian finds herself upon a precarious throne. The nations she needs to stand with her against Mijak instead join forces to challenge her right to rule. Only the mysterious Emperor Han is willing to believe she can lead them to victory; only he and his witch-men truly understand the scope of the disaster waiting to engulf the world. But with Zandakar imprisoned and Dexterity in disgrace, estranged from her husband Alasdair, and frighteningly alone, how can Rhian hope to prevail and save Ethrea? What chance does she stand of saving the world? The answers seem to lie with Emperor Han ... but is he what he pretends to be? Only time will tell. And as she struggles to keep her crown, the warhost of Mijak advances ... **APB \$20.99**

**Hope Mirrlees***Lud-In-The-Mist (Ultimate Fantasy)*

The town of Lud is a busy little country port, situated at the confluence of two rivers, the Dawl and the Dapple. The latter, which has its source in the land of Faerie, is a source of great trial to Lud, which long ago rejected such fanciful nonsense as 'elves', 'fairies' and the like. So when a plague of faerie influence hits town, it becomes obvious that Steps Would Have To Be Taken... **BPB \$22.95**

**Elizabeth Moon***Victory Conditions (Vatta's War 05)*

Kylara Vatta is trying to coordinate a military response to the pirates that destroyed her home and decimated her family. Although the odds are far from good, the alternative to victory is unthinkable - devastation of interplanetary trading networks on a galaxy-wide scale. On her side she has a loyal taskforce, but the enemy have three times the ships and the firepower to match. She must keep her wits, and trade on every bit of her hard-won experience, or she - and what is left of her family - could lose everything. **APB \$19.99**

**Michael Moorcock***Elric of Melnibone (Elric Ultimate Fantasy)*

Elric of Melnibone, the haunted, treacherous and doomed albino sorcerer-prince, is one of the great creations of modern fantasy. An introspective weakling in thrall to his soul-eating sword, Stormbringer, he is yet a hero whose bloody adventures and wanderings lead inexorably to his decisive intervention in the war between the forces of Law and Chaos. A fantasy classic, ELRIC OF MELNIBONE is an exceptional fantasy icon of violence, power, politics and war. **PB \$24.99**

**Natasha Mostert***Season of The Witch*

Gabriel Blackstone has an unusual talent. A computer hacker by trade, he is also able to enter the minds of others. But he uses his gift only reluctantly - until he is contacted by an ex-lover who begs him to find her step-son, last seen months earlier in the company of two sisters. And so Gabriel visits Monk House, a place where time seems to stand still, and where the rooms are dominated by the coded symbol of a cross and circle. As winter closes in, Gabriel becomes increasingly bewitched by the house, and by its owners, the beautiful and mysterious Monk sisters. But even as he falls in love, he knows that one of them is a deadly killer. But which one? And what is the secret they are so determined to protect? **PB \$24.95**

**K S Nikakis***The Whisper of Leaves (Kira Chronicles 01)*

In seasons long past, twin gold-eyed princes sundered a kingdom. Rejecting his twin-brother's warrior ways, Kasheron established a community deep in the southern forests. Forgotten by the outside world and protected by the forests of Allogrenia, Kasheron's Tremen community has flourished, with his legacy of peace and healing still upheld generations on. But now the forest has been breached by hostile intruders ... Death and bloodshed follow, testing even the skills of Kira, the greatest of all Tremen Healers. As well as sharing Kasheron's gift for healing, Kira is seen as a leader by her people. As the attacks upon the Tremen become more violent, Kira is faced with a terrible dilemma. Should she stay and risk the annihilation of her community, or set out on a perilous journey north to seek aid from their long-lost warrior kin? With its beautifully drawn world, fast-paced plot and wonderful characters, The Whisper of Leaves heralds the arrival of an exciting new talent on the Australian fantasy landscape. **PB \$19.95**

**Mel Odom***Boneslicer (Quest of the Trilogy 01)*

Warned by the old wizard Craugh about an ancient threat know 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. **APB \$17.95**

**Patti O'Shea***In Twilight's Shadow*

Hoping that she had left behind the world of demons and magic when she had voluntarily ceded her powers years earlier, Maia Frasier is unpleasantly surprised when Creed Blackwood, a wounded enforcer with powerful if unstable talents, shows up at her home, claiming that her sister is in mortal peril. **APB \$17.95**

**Robin D Owens***Keepers of the Flame (Lladrana)*

The sorcerers of Liadrana have already Summoned three women to help fight the evil attacking their world. Yet their fourth Summoning brings the unexpected - twin sisters. And ones with strong ties to Earth.

Both have a special gift to heal. But while Bridgid Dryston has explored that gift through unorthodox means, Elizabeth has poured herself into getting a medical degree and denying her powers.

Now, stuck in a strange land, fighting a plague sent by the Dark to weaken Liadrana, they must use all their resources to save lives. And one twin will risk her own on an experiment that might doom them both. **BPB \$18.95**

**Pamela Palmer***Dark Deciever (Esri)*

And now Kaderil the Dark plans to invade the human realm. He's on a mission to steal back the stones of power that they possess, and kill a small band of humans immune to Esri enchantment. But in the human realm he meets Autumn McGinn, who holds the means for him to claim victory - if only she'll betray her people. Something about this vibrant beauty's sweetness and gentle kindness moves him, and though Kade vows to stay away, he must protect her from other Esri hell-bent on destroying the human race. Torn between duty and conscience, can Kade overcome his sinister desires, or will he find redemption in Autumn's vibrant embrace? **APB \$14.95**

**Nicholas Pekearo***The Wolfman*

Marlowe Higgins has had a hard life. Since being dishonourably discharged after a tour in Vietnam, he's been in and out of prison, moving from town to town, going wherever the wind takes him. He can't stay in one place too long – every full moon he kills someone. Marlowe Higgins is a werewolf. For years he struggled with his affliction, until he found a way to use this unfortunate curse for good – he only kills really bad people. Settling at last in the small town of Evelyn, Higgins works at a local restaurant and even has a friend, Daniel Pearce, one of Evelyn's two police detectives. One night everything changes. It turns out Marlowe Higgins isn't the only monster lurking in the area. A fiendish serial killer, known as the Rose Killer, is brutally murdering young girls all around the county.

Higgins targets the killer as his next victim, but on the night of the full moon, things go drastically wrong... **HC \$45**

**Vicki Pettersson***The Touch of Twilight (Sign of the Zodiac 03)*

In the sequel to *The Taste of Night* and *The Scent of Shadows*, sophisticated socialite Joanna Archer finds herself stalked by a mysterious doppelganger from a preternatural realm as she is drawn ever closer to a fateful confrontation with the ultimate master of evil, the dark lord of Shadow--and her father. **APB \$17.95**

**Mary Jo Putney***A Distant Magic (Guardians)*

On a visit to Marseille to attend a Guardian wedding, Jean Macrae is kidnapped by Captain Zander, a handsome stranger who claims that her family owes him a blood debt and who threatens to sell her into slavery on the Barbary Coast, and her only chance is to use her Guardian magic to make him fall in love. **APB \$17.95**

**Alastair Reynolds***The Prefect (Revelation Space)*

Tom Dreyfus is a Prefect, a policeman of sorts and one of the best. His force is Panoply and his beat is the multi-faceted utopian society of the Glitter Band, that vast swirl of space habitats orbiting the planet Yellowstone. A murderous attack against a Glitter Band habitat is nasty, but it looks to be an open-and-shut case - until Dreyfus starts looking under stones that some very powerful people would really rather stayed unturned. What he uncovers is far more serious than mere gruesome murder: a covert takeover bid by a shadowy figure, Aurora (who may once have been human but certainly isn't now) who believes the people of the Glitter Band should no longer be in charge of their own destiny. Before long Dreyfus and his team are fighting against something worse than tyranny...and Dreyfus discovers that to save something precious, you may have to destroy part of it.

**PB \$24.99**

**Jenna Rhodes***The Dark Ferryman (Elven Ways 02)*

As the civil war escalates, Sevryn and Rivergrace are separated from each other as Rivergrace battles the warrior queen Lariel's accusations of high treason, with only her Dweller sister and the mysterious Dark Ferryman as her allies, in the sequel to *The Four Forges*. **HC \$49.95**

**John Ringo***A Deeper Blue (Mike Harmon 05)*

Grieving over the deaths of so many of his Keldara followers, former Navy SEAL Mike Harmon is determined to sit out the next mission, until his best friend and his intel specialist are seriously wounded in an ambush aimed at him, and the Kildar sets out to take down a boatload of terrorists and Colombian drug dealers in retaliation. **APB \$19.95**

**Spider Robinson***Very Hard Choices (02)*

After stopping a serial killer in *Very Bad Deaths*, grieving widower Russell Walker, a telepath nicknamed "Smelly," and hard-headed Canadian police officer Nika team up once again to protect Smelly from the CIA, which has been hunting him since he escaped from a top-secret project during the 1960s. **HC \$38.95**

**James Rollins***The Judas Strain*

The elite scientific military team Sigma Force tackles a dangerous mystery involving a seemingly incurable pandemic with centuries-old ties that seems capable of turning all of nature against humankind, and to stop the threat, they are forced to recruit the assistance of an untrustworthy adversary. **APB \$19.95**

**Michelle Rowen***Lady and the Vamp*

Sexy vampire Michael Quinn finally falls in love in this fourth novel by Michelle Rowen. Former vampire hunter Michael Quinn is living a nightmare: he's been turned into a vampire. His only hope is the 'Eye' - a long-lost artefact that, once every millennium, will grant one wish to its possessor. Fortunately for Quinn, he has a map detailing the path to the 'Eye.' All he needs to do is find it, then he can wish himself back into humanity. Janie Parker has made a lot of many mistakes in her life, not the least of which was getting tricked into working for a demon. Not only is the pay awful, but she has to successfully complete all her unsavoury assignments or risk a torturous death. Her latest mission is to track a vampire who apparently knows where some stupid treasure is. No problem. Until she sees who the vampire is - Michael Quinn, a man she's had a crush on since she was twelve years old. Too bad she'll have to kill him to get to the 'Eye.' But Quinn and Janie are kindred spirits, and soon they're falling in love even though they're after what the other person is desperate for: the 'Eye'. **PB \$14.99**

**Brian Ruckley***Bloodheir (Godless World 02)*

The second volume of the spectacular epic fantasy debut from a new author destined to become a major new name in the field. As ever greater battles are fought between the Black Road and the True Bloods, so each side in the conflict becomes ever more riven by internal dissent and disunity. Amidst the mounting chaos, Aeglyss the na'kyrim gradually masters the remarkable powers that have been unleashed upon him by his crucifixion. Twisting everything and everyone around him to serve his own mad desires, he begins to exert a dangerous, insidious influence over the course of events both near and far. Orisian, lord of the ruined Lannis Blood, faces not only the consequences of that malign influence, but also the machinations of his supposed allies and the stirring of the long-dormant Anain, the most potent race the world has ever known. **TP \$32.99**

**Richard Paul Russo***Rosetta Codex*

Enslaved by a nomadic tribe after escaping an attack on his family's starship en route to a civilized outpost on a savage planet, Cale Alexandros stumbles upon a mysterious book that holds the key to deciphering alien languages, making him the target of ruthless enemies. **APB \$19.95**

*Unto Leviathan*

For hundreds of years, the starship Argonos, home to generations of humans, has wandered throughout the galaxy, searching for other signs of life. Lured to a nearby planet, they find horrible evidence of its inhabitants' demise; then, once more, a signal lures them on, deep into space. **PB \$19.95**

**Nick Sagan***Idlewild*

Waking up with no memory of his identity and a certainty that someone is trying to kill him, a young man reacquaints himself with eight companions under the training of the enigmatic Maestro. **APB \$19.95**

**Brandon Sanderson***Well of Ascension (Mistborn 02)*

Charged with the task of rebuilding the world after the defeat of the brutal Lord Ruler and the death of his mentor, former street urchin Vin finds herself worshipped for her Mistborn powers and worries about the strange behavior of the mists since the death of the Lord Ruler. **APB \$19.95**

**Joel Shepherd Australian Author***Sasha (Trial of Blood and Steel 01)*

Sasha turns her back on her regal heritage, forsakes the life she could have as the princess in a rich kingdom, and trains instead to be a powerful warrior, fighting for the good of the people her father commands. Sasha is a princess, the like of which the highland country of Lenayin has never seen before. Spurning her royal heritage to be raised by the great warrior, Kessligh, her exquisite swordplay astonishes all who witness it. But Sasha is still young, untested in battle and often led by her rash temper. In the complex world of Lenayin loyalties, her defiant wilfulness is attracting the wrong kind of attention. Lenayin is a land almost divided by its two faiths: the Verenthane of the ruling classes and the pagan Goeren-yai, amongst whom Sasha now lives. The Goeren-yai worship swordplay and honour and begin to see Sasha as the great spirit - the Synnich - who will unite them. But Sasha is still searching for what she believes and must choose her side carefully. When the Udalyn people - the symbol of Goeren-yai pride and courage - are attacked, Sasha will face her moment of testing. How will she act? Is she ready to lead? Can she be the saviour they need her to be?

**PB \$19.99**

**Gena Showalter***The Darkest Kiss (Lords of the Underworld 02)*

Anya, goddess of anarchy, has never known pleasure or love, until she meets Lucien, the incarnation of death, who is doomed to transport souls to the hereafter, but their relationship is threatened when the gods order the merciless Lord of the Underworld to claim her, and Anya and Lucien must risk everything to defeat their enemies and find eternal love. **APB \$17.95**

**Jeff Somers***The Electric Church*

Welcome to the future, where everlasting life is just an upload away. Avery Cates is a very bad man. A criminal and - for the right price - a killer. But right now he is scared. On the run from the System Cops, Avery is given one impossible chance to redeem himself. He must take out the founder of a sinister new religion. THE ELECTRIC CHURCH promises eternal life, but there's just one snag - they have to kill you first. Seven years ago it didn't exist, but in eight years' time it will be the world's only religion. To make his hit, Avery must destroy a fanatical army of gun-toting, super-augmented, cybernetic Monks. He isn't optimistic. **PB \$19.99**

**Susan Squires***One with the Darkness*

Forever regretting her decision not to transform her one true love, Jergan, into a vampire, vampire Contessa Donnatella di Poliziano is given a second chance when she uses a time machine invented by her old friend Leonardo da Vinci to return to the past in order to rewrite the story of her life and love. **APB \$17.95**

**Jennifer Stevenson***The Velvet Chair (02)*

In the second volume of a back-to-back paranormal romance trilogy, the three unlikely sleuths--Randy, a sex demon; Clay, a sexy con artist; and Jewel, a female fraud investigator--are reunited to pursue a new age shyster who is using the so-called "Venus Machine" to con desperate people in search of beauty. **APB \$17.95**

**S M Stirling***The Domination (Draka 01, 02, 03)*

An omnibus edition containing the three classic novels of alternate history--Marching Through Georgia, Under the Yoke, and The Stone Dogs--chronicles the desperate struggle of the United States to stop the ambitious efforts of the Draka to enslave all humankind. **HC \$49.95**

**Judith Tarr***Bring Down the Sun*

A tale inspired by the myths of Alexander the Great's powerful mother, Olympias, is set in ancient Greece and Macedon and traces the contributions of a magical priestess and Serpent familiar to her famous son's life. **HC \$47.95**

**Scarlett Thomas***The End of Mr Y*

When Ariel Manto uncovers a copy of The End of Mr Y in a second-hand bookshop, she can't believe her eyes. She's read about its author before, the outlandish Victorian scientist Thomas Lumas, and this is his most notorious, and rarest, book. It is also believed to hold a curse. Anyone who's ever read it, including Lumas, has disappeared without trace.

With Mr Y under her arm, Ariel is thrust into an adventure of faith, physics, love, death, and everything in between.

Part gothic mystery, part time-travelling love story, The End of Mr Y lies somewhere between Shadow of the Wind and Dr Who. Scarlett Thomas sends us on a wild and irresistible quest into our deepest selves and our biggest questions. **BPB \$22.95**



## **J R R Tolkien**

### *The Fellowship of the Ring (Lord of the Rings 01)*

Sauron, the Dark Lord, has gathered to him all the Rings of Power – the means by which he intends to rule Middle-earth. All he lacks in his plans for dominion is the One Ring – the ring that rules them all – which has fallen into the hands of the hobbit, Bilbo Baggins. In a sleepy village in the Shire, young Frodo Baggins finds himself faced with an immense task, as his elderly cousin Bilbo entrusts the Ring to his care. Frodo must leave his home and make a perilous journey across Middle-earth to the Cracks of Doom, there to destroy the Ring and foil the Dark Lord in his evil purpose. JRR Tolkien's great work of imaginative fiction has been labelled both a heroic romance and a classic fantasy fiction. By turns comic and homely, epic and diabolic, the narrative moves through countless changes of scene and character in an imaginary world which is totally convincing in its detail. Part of a set of three paperbacks, this classic edition is available in a smart new livery, and is illustrated by Alan Lee throughout to complement the new paperback of *The Children of Hrin*. **BPB \$24.99**

### *The Two Towers (Lord of the Rings 02)*

Frodo and the Companions of the Ring have been beset by danger during their quest to prevent the Ruling Ring from falling into the hands of the Dark Lord by destroying it in the Cracks of Doom. They have lost the wizard, Gandalf, in the battle with an evil spirit in the Mines of Moria; and at the Falls of Rauros, Boromir, seduced by the power of the Ring, tried to seize it by force. While Frodo and Sam made their escape the rest of the company were attacked by Orcs. Now they continue their journey alone down the great River Anduin – alone, that is, save for the mysterious creeping figure that follows wherever they go. JRR Tolkien's great work of imaginative fiction has been labelled both a heroic romance and a classic fantasy fiction. By turns comic and homely, epic and diabolic, the narrative moves through countless changes of scene and character in an imaginary world which is totally convincing in its detail. Part of a set of three paperbacks, this classic edition is available in a smart new livery, and is illustrated by Alan Lee throughout to complement the new paperback of *The Children of Hrin*. **BPB \$24.99**

### *The Return of the King (Lord of the Rings 03)*

The Companions of the Ring have become involved in separate adventures as the quest continues. Aragorn, revealed as the hidden heir of the ancient Kings of the West, joined with the Riders of Rohan against the forces of Isengard, and took part in the desperate victory of the Hornburg. Merry and Pippin, captured by orcs, escaped into Fangorn Forest and there encountered the Ents. Gandalf returned, miraculously, and defeated the evil wizard, Saruman. Meanwhile, Sam and Frodo progressed towards Mordor to destroy the Ring, accompanied by Sméagol – Gollum, still obsessed by his 'precious'. After a battle with the giant spider, Shelob, Sam left his master for dead; but Frodo is still alive – in the hands of the orcs. And all the time the armies of the Dark Lord are massing. JRR Tolkien's great work of imaginative fiction has been labelled both a heroic romance and a classic fantasy fiction. By turns comic and homely, epic and diabolic, the narrative moves through countless changes of scene and character in an imaginary world which is totally convincing in its detail. Part of a set of three paperbacks, this classic edition is available in a smart new livery, and is illustrated by Alan Lee throughout to complement the new paperback of *The Children of Hrin*. **BPB \$24.99**

### *The Hobbit*

Bilbo Baggins enjoys a quiet and contented life, with no desire to travel far from the comforts of home; then one day the wizard Gandalf and a band of dwarves arrive unexpectedly and enlist his services – as a burglar – on a dangerous expedition to raid the treasure-hoard of Smaug the dragon. Bilbo's life is never to be the same again. *The Hobbit* became an instant success when it was first published in 1937, and more than 60 years later Tolkien's epic tale of elves, dwarves, trolls, goblins, myth, magic and adventure, with its reluctant hero Bilbo Baggins, has lost none of its appeal. Bilbo Baggins has taken his place among the ranks of the immortals of children's fiction. Written by Professor Tolkien for his own children, *The Hobbit* met with instant critical acclaim when published – it was the Harry Potter of its generation. With new Lord of the Rings movies around the corner, this special Children's edition is designed to put the book back where it belongs – at the top of every child's 'must-read' list. **BPB \$24.99**

## **Mark L van Name**

### *One Jump Ahead (01)*

A nanotech-enhanced warrior searching for a way back to his home world, Jon Moore, assisted by Lobo, an AI-enhanced Predator-Class Assault Vehicle equipped for any environment, sets out to right a wrong that he had unwittingly committed when he becomes the pawn of two megacorporations battling for control of Macken. **APB \$19.95**

## **Jack Vance**

### *Lyonesse (Ultimate Fantasy)*

Lyonesse is one of the ten kingdoms of the Edler Isles and Casmir, its ruthless and ambitious king, is at the centre of intrigue as their rulers contend for control. Casmir's beautiful but other-worldly daughter, Suldrun, is a key element in his plans: he intends to cement alliances by arranging a marriage. But Suldrun defies him. She is confined to her beloved garden, where she meets her love and her tragedy unfolds. LYONESSE is a spellbinding fantasy masterpiece of eerie beauty, mystery and enchantment as intrigue, war, magic, adventure and romance are interwoven in a rich and sweeping tale set in a fabled land. **BPB \$24.99**

## **Carrie Vaughn**

### *Kitty Goes to Washington (Kitty 02)*

Celebrity werewolf and late-night radio host Kitty Norville prefers to be heard and not seen, but when she's invited to testify at a Senate hearing on behalf of the country's supernaturals, her face gets plastered all over national TV. Before long Kitty's inherited a brand-new set of friends and enemies, including the vampire mistress of the city, an uber-hot Brazilian were-jaguar and a Bible-thumping senator who plans to expose Kitty as the monster he truly believes her to be. Kitty quickly learns that in this city of dirty politicians and backstabbing pundits, everyone's itching for a fight – and she's about to be caught in the middle. **PB \$19.99**

## **Shiloh Walker**

### *Through a Veil*

Her deams never offered escape, until now...

Brought up in a foster home after being found wandering as a child in a field, Lee Ross has grown up plagued by bizarre dreams and has always known that she is not entirely human, until Kalen, a mysterious figure from her dreams, appears to convince her to give up everything to follow her heart into the Under Realm with him to save their people. **APB \$17.95**

## **J R Ward**

### *Lover Enshrined (Black Dagger Brotherhood 06)*

The Primale of the Chosen, Phury has sacrificed himself for the good of his people, but when his first mate, the Chosen Cormia, wants not only his body, but also his heart, he is forced to choose between duty and love, while tragedy threatens the Brotherhood's mansion. **APB \$19.95**

**Christine Warren***Walk on the Wild Side (Others)*

Content with her small-town Southern life, Kitty Sugarman is stunned to discover that she possesses unique shape-changing abilities thanks to her unknown father, a were-lion and head of one of the most powerful Prides in the West, and heads to Las Vegas to uncover the truth about her heritage, finding both danger and passion in the process. **APB \$17.95**

**Lawrence Watt-Evans***The Summer Palace (Annals of the chosen 03)*

A final installment in a trilogy featuring the Chosen intercessors finds the magically infused mortal team endeavoring to remove the errant Wizard Lord from power, a situation that is complicated by the Wizard's elimination of magic from his domain. **HC \$51.95**

**Peter Watts***Starfish*

A huge international corporation has developed a facility along the Juan de Fuca Ridge at the bottom of the Pacific Ocean to exploit geothermal power.

They send a bio-engineered crew – people who have been altered to withstand the pressure and breathe the seawater – down to live and work in this weird, fertile undersea darkness. Unfortunately the only people suitable for long-term employment in these experimental power stations are crazy, some of them in unpleasant ways.

How many of them can survive, or will be allowed to survive, while worldwide disaster approaches from below? **TP \$24.95**

**Phaedra Weldon***Spectre (Zoe Martinique Investigation)*

Zoë Martinique's plans to help her boyfriend, Atlanta homicide detective Daniel Frasier, investigate a series of bizarre murders in which the victims turn up with missing body parts--without revealing her special ability to travel outside her body at will--go badly awry when her mother's mysterious disappearance forces her to use all the powers at her command to save her. **TP \$28.95**

**Sean Williams Australian Author***Saturn Returns (Astropolis 01)*

A galaxy-spanning space opera balancing cosmic-level threats with a very human murder mystery. When former mercenary commander, Imre Bergamasc, is resurrected in the 879th Millennium, he finds that things have changed during the 150,000 years he was dead. Following a galaxy-wide disaster known as the Slow Wave, the Continuum has collapsed, the bright galactic empire reduced to millions of disparate systems in various states of disarray. Reunited with his old teammates - or, at least, reasonable facsimiles thereof - Imre must piece together both the fragments of his memory and the story of civilisation's fall. But the more he digs the more suspicion dawns that the two issues are far from separate. Was the Imre Bergamasc he no longer remembers an unwitting pawn in the fall of civilisation? Or was he, in fact, the architect? **APB \$19.99**

**F Paul Wilson***Jack: Secret Histories (Repairman Jack)*

A first installment in a new series following the author's popular character in his adolescent years finds fourteen-year-old Jack as he discovers his knack for fixing things--and situations--when his friends and he discover a murder victim beside a strange artifact in the New Jersey Pine Barrens. **HC \$32.95**

**Robert Charles Wilson***Axis (Spin 02)*

A sequel to Spin brings readers to an engineered planet connected by the mysterious Hypotheticals to the planet Earth, where Lise and her companions witness the planet's seeding by remnant Hypothetical machines that would render the planet hostile to human life. **APB \$19.95**

**John C Wright***Null-A Continuum*

Grandmaster A E van Vogt was one of the giants of the Golden Age of classic SF, the 1940s. Of his masterpieces, *The World of Null-A* is perhaps most influential. It was the first major trade SF hardcover ever, in 1949, and has been in print ever since. The careers of Philip K Dick, Keith Laumer, Alfred Bester, Charles Harness, and Philip Jose Farmer were created or influenced by *The World of Null-A*. It is required reading for anyone who wishes to know the canon of SF classics.

And so John C Wright was inspired to write a sequel to the two novels of Null-A (the second was *The Players of Null-A*). To do this, he trained himself to write in the pulp style and manner of van Vogt.

So return again to the Null-A future, in which the man with two brains, Gilbert Gosseyn, now discovers his third brain and travels through heretofore unimaginable distances in space and in time to fend off the death of the Universe and the extermination of human life, as humanity reaches the peak of evolution millions of years in the future. **HC \$45**

**Cathy Yardley***Crave: The Seduction of Snow White (01)*

A first installment of a three-part series that retells popular fairy tales with an erotic twist finds princess Beth Cordova hiding from her evil stepmother in a monastic commune whose seven founders preach celibacy, an order that is infiltrated by an investigative reporter who falls for Beth. **TP \$28.95**

**Roger Zelazny***Chronicles of Amber (Ultimate Fantasy)*

Amber is the one real world, casting infinite reflections of itself - Shadow worlds, that can be manipulated by those of royal Amberite blood. But the royal family is torn apart by jealousy and suspicion; the disappearance of the Patriarch Oberon has intensified the internal conflict by leaving the throne apparently up for grabs. In a hospital on the Shadow Earth, a young man is recovering from a freak car accident; amnesia has robbed him of all his memory, even the fact that he is Corwin, Crown Prince of Amber, rightful heir to the throne - and he is in deadly peril... The five books, *Nine Princes in Amber*, *The Guns of Avalon*, *Sign of the Unicorn*, *The Hand of Oberon* and *The Courts of Chaos*, together make up *THE CHRONICLES OF AMBER*, Roger Zelazny's finest work of fantasy and an undisputed classic of the genre. **PB \$24.99**

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A collection of outstanding science fiction and fantasy stories from the popular online magazine, Jim Baen's Universe, features contributions from such Hugo and Nebula Award-winning authors as Mike Resnick and Gene Wolfe, as well as David Drake, Gregory Benford, Esther Friesner, and other notable authors. **APB \$19.95**

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### **Martin H Greenberg & Brian M Thomsen** *Editor*

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A collection of thirteen award-winning, science fiction tales that inspired motion pictures and television programs includes one by Philip K. Dick that became *Minority Report*, another by Clive Barker that became *Candyman*, and William Gibson's *Johnny Mnemonic*. **TP \$30.95**

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## Young Adult

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#### *Blart 3 (Blart 03)*

Princess Lois has been kidnapped by Anatoly the Handsome, who wants to marry her. Cue 'damsel in distress' to be rescued by none other than our own heroic Blart. He sets out on the good ship *The Golden Pigwith* Olaf the innocent - who believes what everyone says all the time - and Kupferstich the Strange - an explorer-come-scientist whose ingenious explanations for the natural world have one thing in common: they're all wrong. They must battle cut-throat pirates, a sixteen-tentacled octopus, escape the suffocating bureaucracy of *Triplikat*, where they are briefly marooned, not to mention evade the Guild of Assassins, who have a contract to kill Blart, in their selfless (well, almost) bid to rescue poor Lois. But will they make it in time? **PB \$15.95**

### **Ted Bell**

#### *Nick of Time*

With the help of Lord Hawke, whose children have been taken by the evil pirate Captain Billy Blood, young Nick McIver uses a time machine to rescue the two children as well as change the course of events in two time periods, the Napoleonic Wars and WorldWar II. With the help of Lord Hawke, whose children have been taken by the evil pirate Captain Billy Blood, young Nick McIver uses a time machine to rescue the two children as well as change the course of events in two time periods, the Napoleonic Wars and WorldWar II. **HC \$36.95**

### **Holly Black**

#### *Ironside (Faerie 03)*

Holly Black spins a tale that is both seductive and chillingly enchanted. Set in a dangerous world where pleasure mingles with pain and nothing is exactly as it appears, *Ironside* is the stunning sequel to *Tithe*. **PB \$16.95**

### **Andrew Butcher**

#### *The Tomorrow Seed (03)*

INDEPENDENCE DAY meets LORD OF THE FLIES as a group of orphaned teenagers take on an alien invasion They have escaped from alien captivity. If only that meant they were safe. Back on the streets of what they used to call home, Travis and his friends have to face the abandoned world the Scytharene have left behind. As they struggle to put their lives and relationships back together, they find they are not the only ones to have escaped the alien slave harvest. The promise of more survivors brings both a new hope - and new dangers. As they get ready for the final battle against the invaders, the truth becomes clear: the hardest work of today is planting the seeds of tomorrow... **PB \$16.99**

### **Cassandra Clare**

#### *City of Bones (Mortal Instruments 01)*

In her first meeting with the Shadowhunters, a secret tribe of warriors dedicated to ridding the earth of demons, Clary must come to terms with her recently revealed gift of the Sight while dealing with her brother's near-death encounter with a demon and the sudden disappearance of her mother. Suddenly able to see demons and the Darkhunters who are dedicated to returning them to their own dimension, fifteen-year-old Clary Fray is drawn into this bizarre world when her mother disappears and Clary herself is almost killed by a monster. **TP \$21.95**

#### *City of Ashes (Mortal Instruments 02)*

After finding out that Jace is her brother and the Inquisitor is hunting for him, Clary Fray's hopes for a quiet life are put on hold as she finds herself back in battle against warlocks, vampires, werewolves, and her own father, Valentine--the mastermind behind all demon attacks.

Sixteen-year-old Clary continues trying to make sense of the swiftly changing events and relationships in her life as she becomes further involved with the Shadowhunters and their pursuit of demons and discovers some terrifying truths about her parents, her brother Jace, and her boyfriend Simon. Clary continues trying to make sense of her swiftly changing life as she becomes further involved with the Shadowhunters and their pursuit of demons and discovers some terrifying truths about her parents and others close to her. **HC \$34.95**

### **Eoin Colfer**

#### *Artemis Fowl and the Opal Deception (Artemis Fowl 04)*

Evil pixie, Opal Koboi, is back and she's more dangerous than ever. This time she doesn't just want power over the fairy People - this time she wants the humans too. Captain Holly Short is the only fairy with a hope of stopping her, but as Holly knows, it takes one genius criminal mastermind to fight another. But the 14-year-old genius that Holly is thinking of doesn't even remember that fairies exist. How is she going to convince Artemis Fowl to help her stop Opal? Gold usually does the trick, and this time it should be no different. Or is Artemis changing? **BPB \$16.95**

**Paul Collins Australian Author**

*Wardragon (Jelindel Chronicles 04)*

Wardragon is the culmination of the soaring saga of The Jelindel Chronicles. Finally Jelindel, with her allies, Zimak and Daretor, has tracked the alien mailshirt across two radically different worlds.

But the journey is perilous when each step is lined with flying beasts, metal wasps, mercenaries and assassins... and the mailshirt linked up with the evil Preceptor to create a deadly enemy. All Jelindel has is a little magic, Zimak's wit and Daretor's sword to scrape through and that is not enough.

**BPB \$22.95**

**Lynn Curlee**

*Mythological Creatures*

Gods, goddesses, beasts, heroes, and magical creatures, such as Medusa, the Minotaur, Chimeras, and Phoenixes, come to life in this comprehensive guide to ancient myths and legends for readers of all ages. **HC \$29.95**

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*Silver Moon Elm (Jennifer Scales 03)*

Almost immediately after learning yet another devastating family secret, fifteen-year-old Jennifer--half weredragon and half beaststalker--awakens in a universe transformed by werachnid sorcery, in which weredragons are long extinct, and she must try to find a way to change everything back.

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**Terry Deary**

*The Fire Thief*

Prometheus is on the run from an avenging eagle and finds himself escaping to Eden City in 1858. His new friend Jim is a young orphan and petty criminal who 'relieves' the wealthy of their worldly possessions. But two fugitives together means double trouble as the frenetic action jumps from Mount Olympus to the seedy taverns of Dickensian Eden City. Will Prometheus's soft spot for humans in need betray him to the deadly eagle?

**PB \$14.99**

**Salamanda Drake**

*Riding the Storm (Dragonsdale 02)*

At Dragonsdale, where riding is the most important thing in the world, there's trouble ahead for best friends Cara and Breena, and their beloved dragons. Poor Breena. When her show dragon, Moonflight, is injured, it looks like time will run out for the pair to qualify for the Island Championship. Cara and her dragon, Sky, however, have never looked better, and although she misses her friend at her side, winning means so much. But both Breena and Cara fail to notice their spiteful rival, Hortense, making mischief behind their backs. It's only a matter of time before their friendship is put to the ultimate test-even if it means braving the wild seas off the Isles of Bresal. **BPB \$14.99**

**Kate Forsyth Australian Author**

*The Gypsy Crown (Chain of Charms 01)*

Book 1 – 9th-12th August, 1658:

Once there was a gypsy queen who wore on her wrist a chain of six lucky charms – a golden crown, a silver horse, a butterfly caught in amber, a cat's eye shell, a bolt of lightning forged from the heart of a falling star, and the flower of the rue plant, herb of grace. The queen gave each of her six children one of the charms as their lucky talisman, but ever since the chain of charms was broken, the gypsies had been dogged with misfortune.

Life had always been hard for the gypsies, who live to their own rhythm and their own rules, but since Oliver Cromwell had seized control of England, life had been harder – and drabber – than ever. But now life for the Finch tribe has gone even more horribly wrong. They have been accused of vagrancy and murder, and thrown into gaol with only three weeks to live. The only members of the family to escape are 13-year-old Emilia and her cousin Luka. They have been entrusted to find the six charms and bring them together again. Then, perhaps, the gypsies could once again have some luck... And the Finch tribe could walk free.

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... **APB \$12.95**

*The Silver Horse (Chain of Charms 02)*

Book 2 – 13th-14th August, 1658:

Emilia and her cousin Luka have the old gold coin, the gypsy crown, but are travelling with their menagerie of animals in search of the Hearne tribe hoping that this family, to whom they will soon be related, will surely help release their kin from gaol. Luka and Emilia find the Hearnese horseracing on the Downs above Epsom.

But Emilia must compete to win their support. Will she have to give up her beloved mare in exchange for the Hearne family's charm – a small silver horse? And can they escape Coldham again? **APB \$12.95**

*The Herb of Grace (Chain of Charms 03)*

Book 3 – 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, a witch, and find themselves caught up in a Royalist plot to restore King Charles II to his throne. **APB \$12.95**

**Scot Gardner Australian Author**

*The Detachable Boy With One Loose Foot*

John Johnson is a bit weird. He falls apart - literally. A sneeze can blast his head off. His hands can run about by themselves. He can pull himself together from assembled bits in the time it takes to make a Vegemite sandwich. But he's never had to pack himself into a suitcase before, or be posted to the US of A to rescue his best friend Crystal. She's been kidnapped by a crim with four arms Funny, fast and furious, The Detachable Boy is a crazy adventure about misplaced friends, misplaced feet and yummy hamburgers. **PB \$14.95**

**Richard Harland Australian Author**

*Escape! (Wolf Kingdom 01)*

Tam and Nina return from gathering firewood to discover their home invaded and their parents taken by their overlords, the wolves. Through a terrifying night in the forest, one thing sustains them-the legend of a band of outlaws living free. If only it's true-if only they can find them. **PB \$9.99**

**Richard Harland Australian Author**

*Under Siege (Wolf Kingdom 02)*

Now members of an outlaw band, Tam and Nina are on a mission to find out about the wolves' new weapon. In the town square they meet a common thief, who goes along with them though they don't want him to. Saving him and the magical bag he has stolen from the wolves might just be more trouble than it's worth. **BPB \$9.99**

### **Charlie Higson**

#### *Hurricane Gold (James Bond: Young Bond 04)*

As the sun blazes over the Caribbean island of Lagrimas Negras, its bloodthirsty ruler is watching and waiting. Criminals come here to hide, with blood on their hands and escape on their minds. On the mainland, in the quiet town of Tres Hermanas, ex-flying ace Jack Stone leaves his son and daughter in the company of James Bond. But a gang of thieves lie in ambush – they want Stone's precious safe, and will kill for its contents.

A deadly chase through the Mexican jungle begins, as James fights to keep the secret treasures in sight. On this terrifying trail of greed and betrayal, only danger is guaranteed. **TP \$19.95**

### **Alice Hoffman**

#### *Stravaganza: City of Stars (Stravaganza 02)*

Intrigue, adventure and excitement: the second volume in the Stravaganza series.

"Georgia fell asleep with the model of the flying horse in her hand, wishing she could find a place where horses had wings and she could fly away from her troubles forever."

Georgia loves horses and hates Russell, her stepbrother. It seems Russell's main aim is to make Georgia miserable, whereas all Georgia wants to do is to go horseriding whenever she can get the opportunity and to avoid Russell. When Georgia finally saves up enough money to buy the little model of a winged horse she has admired in the window of an antiques shop, she knows she has to keep it well out of Russell's way in case he realises it is important to her. But what Georgia doesn't know is that the little horse offers her an escape to another world and another time, that of the sixteenth century Remora, a city that is similar to Siena in Italy, but that has evolved quite differently. City of Stars is the sequel to the acclaimed Stravaganza: City of Masks. Readers will once again be bewitched by the dangerous, treacherous world that is Talia, filled with romance, a touch of magic and fiercely clashing loyalties. And Georgia will have to work out her role in this exhilarating yet at times terrifying new world. **BPB \$15.95**

### **Mary Hoffman**

#### *The Falconer's Knot*

Silvano has been accused of a murder he did not commit. Chiara has been abandoned by her family. Both are forced to seek refuge in a neighbouring friary and convent. When they meet they are drawn to each other, acutely aware that they are outsiders, ill at ease with monastic life. When a series of grisly murders strikes fear into the close-knit community, Chiara and Silvano join with their friends to attempt to find the murderer. A page-turning murder mystery full of fascinating detail about Medieval Italy. **PB \$17.95**

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#### *The Time-Travelling Cat and the Viking Terror (Time-Travelling Cat)*

Topher is planning a trip to London to visit his friend Ellie - but will it be safe, with all the terrorist threats? It worries him, and so do the extended absences of his beloved cat, Ka. She is going travelling again, and Topher doesn't want to lose her. And sure enough, in the middle of a big bomb alert, Topher is called away - to a Saxon village threatened by Norsemen. Now he must get the villagers to heed his warning and foil the aggressors led by the terrifying Viking, Ingwar the Boneless, infamous for his cruelty and devious tricks. **BPB \$14.95**

### **Ben Jeapes**

#### *Time's Chariot*

THE HIMALAYAS, 5000 BC: Commissioner Daiho is dead, but there's no question of foul play. The murder of a Home Timer is about as likely as unauthorized interference with the work of a Correspondent...

ISFAHAN, ARABIA, 1029: Abu Ali was startled. He hadn't heard the stranger enter. The Correspondent was even more alarmed - his enhanced senses would have picked up the arrival of any normal human. Then the stranger spoke, and it was the language of the Home Time. Seconds later, Correspondent RC/1029's world went dark.

THE HOME TIME, 2000 YEARS LATER: Field Operative Rico Garron is about to have a very bad day. **BPB \$21.95**

### **Jane Johnson**

#### *Dragon's Fire (Secret Country 03)*

Isadora is back in Eidolon, marshalling her forces against the evil Dodman. Back in our world, Ben and his siblings are suspicious of their new neighbour -- with his Eidolon eye, Ben can just make out that she's a witch from the Secret Country, and that she's got plans for them, none of them good...The Dodman knows all about the legend of three children from both worlds saving the Secret Country from his clasp -- and he'll do anything he can to prevent it. Whirled through the wild roads with the witch, they lose baby Alice, and end up trapped on an isolated beach. But the Nautilus and their old friend Silver swim to their rescue and soon they are on their way to help their mother in her battle against the dinosaurs and other creatures under the Dodman's control. But Isadora's army isn't faring at all well -- and before Ben and the others can ride to her rescue, she is captured and taken to the sinister castle for a wedding ceremony unlike any other. But first the Dodman needs to get rid of Ben's dad...It's a fight to the finish, but in a dramatic showdown, young Alice reappears transformed -- and vanquishes the Dodman, reuniting her family and claiming back the throne. A brilliant conclusion to a magical series. **BPB \$14.95**

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#### *Silverhorse*

Danger, excitement and deadly hellhorses... An epic adventure begins.

In the country of Breda, men are forbidden a home to call their own. They live as nomads, resting only at the mercy of the ruling women. Kat's mother, Tess, the Maestra of Crowfoot Inn, is one of these powerful women and Kat has always known it is her destiny to follow in Tess' footsteps.

But then one rain-swept night a scarred woman comes to Crowfoot riding an extraordinary silver horse and Kat's world is turned upside down. From that moment on it is her burning ambition to become a Bredanari – a keeper of the peace and rider of these magnificent creatures. But it isn't easy for a girl from the Vales to fit in at the Bredanari training academy in the big city. Worse still, Kat knows something which has put her life in danger. She has discovered the whereabouts of a dangerous outlaw. Now there are ruthless people who will do anything to keep her from revealing this secret, including leaving her unconscious on Hellhorse Mountain, where the beautiful but deadly stallions run wild. Kat soon finds herself deeply enmeshed in the dangerous plots and politics that threaten her country, not to mention the life of someone she has come to love.

This is first of two spellbinding books following Kat's adventures. **PB \$16.95**

### **P B Kerr**

#### *The Day of the Djinn Warriors (Children of the Lamp 04)*

There's a master criminal on the loose with djinn-magic on his side! Theft, hauntings and red-hot mystery-it's a race against time for John and Philippa Gaunt to outwit the wicked Iblis. But can the magical djinn twins stop Iblis now he has woken the ancient warriors of a long-dead emperor from their sleep? **BPB \$17.99**

## **Joan Lennon**

### *The Seventh Tide*

A teenage shape-shifter called Eo. A boy from the 6th century called Adom. And a girl from the 24th century called Jay. What do they have in common? More than you can possibly imagine. Because one careless mistake by Eo has led to a time-travelling challenge that could cost them their lives. And now they're being hurled back and forth through time in a game which there can only be one winner. Beautiful, soul-sucking demons will ravage Eo's world if they fail. But Eo, Adom and Jay are ready to face whatever the seven tides throw at them. They hope... **BPB \$16.95**

## **Dean Lorey**

### *Charlie's Monsters (Nightmare Academy 01)*

Charlie Benjamin is not like other children – when he sleeps he has terrible nightmares, and when he wakes it is to find his room has been wrecked. Then one day he wakes up to find a monster by his bed. Luckily, a band of monster-hunting strangers arrives and saves him, only to whisk him away for interrogation by the mysterious "Nightmare Division". It turns out that Charlie has the "Gift" – a rare ability to open portals into the dimension where monsters lurk, and the explanation for the devastating force of his nightmares. But his gift makes him a danger to himself and others: when he is made to open a portal his power is so great that he inadvertently wakes Barakkas, one of the most powerful and evil of all monsters. Threatened with "Reduction" (a lobotomy that would remove his imagination) Charlie is saved by the wise Headmaster of the Nightmare Academy, where he is taken to explore his talents – and prepare for the coming showdown with Barakkas... **PB \$19.99**

## **Ulysses Moore**

### *The Isle of Masks (Ulysses Moore 04)*

Jason, Julia and Rick are convinced that Kilmore Cove's long-lost inventor, Peter Dedalus, isn't lost in the present day. He's lost behind one of the Doors to Time, and it's up to the kids to find him! One riddle after another leads them to 18th-century Venice, where Peter Dedalus's eccentric inventions are scattered around the city. The kids are convinced that each step brings them closer and closer to the discovery of a lifetime. But Olivia Newton is hot on their trail, and, from what they can tell, Dedalus is nowhere to be found . . . **PB \$11.99**

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### *Rise of the Evening Star (Fablehaven)*

At the end of the school year, Kendra and her brother Seth find themselves racing back to Fablehaven, a refuge for mythical and magical creatures. Grandpa Sorenson, the caretaker, invites three specialists -- a potion master, a magical relics collector, and a mystical creature trapper -- to help protect the property from the Society of the Evening Star, an ancient organization determined to infiltrate the preserve and steal a hidden artifact of great power. Time is running out. The Evening Star is storming the gates. If the artifact falls into the wrong hands, it could mean the downfall of other preserves and possibly the world. Will Kendra learn to use her fairy gifts in time? Will Seth stay out of trouble? **PB \$12.95**

## **Garth Nix Australian Author**

### *Superior Saturday (Keys to the Kingdom 06)*

Arthur Penhaligon has wrested five of the Keys from their immortal guardians, the Trustees of the Will. But gaining the Sixth Key poses a greater challenge than any he has ever faced before. Superior Saturday is not just one of the Trustees, she is also the oldest Denizen and the most powerful and knowledgeable sorcerer within the House. She has tens of thousands of sorcerers at her command - and she has been preparing her forces all along. Everything is all just part of a greater plan she has been hatching for ten thousand years. Arthur can't even find a way into the Upper House, and even if he does, discovering the Sixth Part of the Will and gaining the Sixth Key might not be enough to counter Saturday's sorcerous hordes or stop her bid for ultimate power. Power that means the total destruction of the House and the entire universe beyond . . . **BPB \$15.95**

## **Tamora Pierce**

### *Wild Magic (Immortals 01)*

Daine has been running from her past, from the murder of her family and the madness that followed. She must learn to control her magic, especially now that creatures of nightmare and legend-not seen in the mortal realm since they were banished centuries ago-are returning to the skies. Daine needs to be ready, or see friends and home destroyed once more . . . **BPB \$17.99**

### *Wolf-Speaker (Immortals 02)*

Daine calls the wolves of Long Lake her family. So when they send out a cry for help, she answers. Humans are destroying their home, poisoning their valley. Daine and Numair soon realise there is a more sinister side to the destruction. The poison runs deep and tastes like treason. **BPB \$17.99**

### *The Emperor Mage (Immortals 03)*

Emperor Ozorne ripped open the gates to the realms, releasing a plague of immortals to savage Tortall. Now he talks of making amends, and Daine must attend the peace conference. But one of the gods has chosen Daine as the bringer of retribution. She intends to create havoc in Carthak. Her magic is wild and unpredictable, and Daine is very, very angry. **BPB \$17.99**

### *Realms of the Gods (Immortals 04)*

When the barriers between the realms disappear, Tortall falls under siege from all sides. Uusoae, the Queen of Chaos, is waging a war against the greater gods, a fight to end it all. Desperate to save the kingdom, Daine must join the war, for children born of gods tread dangerously in mortal realms. **BPB \$17.99**

## **Rick Riordan**

### *Percy Jackson and the Sea of Monsters (Percy Jackson 02)*

Percy Jackson has had a quiet year. Not a single monster has set foot in his New York school. But when a game of dodgeball turns into a death match against a gang of ugly cannibal giants, things get well, ugly.

And then Percy's friend Annabeth brings more bad news: the magical borders that protect Camp Half-Blood have been poisoned, and the only safe haven for young demigods is under threat.

To save their camp, Percy and his friends must embark on a quest that will take them into the treacherous Sea of Monsters and a desperate fight for their lives. . . **BPB \$16.95**

### *Percy Jackson and the Battle of the Labyrinth (Percy Jackson 04)*

Honestly, blowing up another school was the last thing I wanted...

As the son of a Greek god, I've had my share of near death disasters. This summer, I didn't choose to battle the cheerleading squad, but when two hissing she-devils with fangs are heading straight for you, what's a half-blood meant to do?

That was just the beginning. This is the one where my arch-enemy Luke is looking for a way to invade our camp via an ancient labyrinth. If he succeeds, thousands of bloodthirsty monsters will attack. So it's goodbye sunshine, hello darkness as four of us descend into the terrifying underground and beyond. Can Percy navigate his way out of trouble - before Luke's army bring mass destruction to Camp Half-Blood? **TP \$19.95**

## **Angie Sage**

### *Physik (Septimus Heap 03)*

When Silas Heap unseals a forgotten room in the Palace, he releases the ghost of a Queen who lived five hundred years earlier. Queen Etheldredda is as awful in death as she was in life, and she's still up to no good. Her diabolical plan to give herself ever-lasting life requires Jenna's compliance, Septimus's disappearance, and the talents of her son, Marcellus Pye, a famous Alchemist and Physician. And if Queen Etheldredda's plot involves Jenna and Septimus, then dark adventure awaits. With heart-stopping action and endless wit, Angie Sage continues the fantastical journey of Septimus Heap. **PB \$16.95**

### *Queste (Septimus Heap 04)*

Septimus faces a perilous quest to find Nicko and Snorri, who have been trapped back in time. Everyone at the Castle is slowly beginning to realise that Nicko and Snorri's chances of coming back are slim. Septimus, aided by ancient Alchemist Marcellus Pye, learns of a place where all time meets: the House of Foryxx. But how does he get there? Jenna and Septimus find Nicko's notes from the past and discover that he knows of the House of Foryxx as well and has been creating a map to plot the house's hidden location. With the help of the Questing Stone and Nicko's faded maps, will Septimus be able to find the House of Foryxx, and save Nicko and Snorri? Meanwhile, Simon Heap has taken on Merrin Meredith, former apprentice to Dom Daniel, as his own apprentice, giving Merrin an opportunity he has been waiting years for. With the help of a frightening creature called a Thing, Merrin plans to reclaim the identity he used to have . . . that of Septimus Heap. **HC \$27.95**

## **Ellen Schreiber**

### *Dance With A Vampire*

When eleven-year-old Valentine, younger brother of vampires Jagger and Luna, comes to Dullsville looking for them, he threatens goth-girl Raven's younger brother, Billy Boy, as well as her relationship with her vampire boyfriend, Alexander. **PB \$15.95**

## **Michael Scott**

### *The Alchemyst (01)*

Nicholas Flamel was born in Paris on 28 September 1330. Nearly seven hundred years later, he is acknowledged as the greatest Alchemyst of his day. It is said that he discovered the secret of eternal life. The records show that he died in 1418. But his tomb is empty and Nicholas Flamel lives. The secret of eternal life is hidden within the book he protects - the Book of Abraham the Mage. It's the most powerful book that has ever existed. In the wrong hands, it will destroy the world. And that's exactly what Dr. John Dee plans to do when he steals it. Humankind won't know what's happening until it's too late. And if the prophecy is right, Sophie and Josh Newman are the only ones with the power to save the world as we know it. Sometimes legends are true. And Sophie and Josh Newman are about to find themselves in the middle of the greatest legend of all time. **PB \$17.95**

## **Michael Scott**

### *The Magician (02)*

California: In the hands of Dr. John Dee and the Dark Elders, the book of Abraham the Mage could mean the destruction of the world as we know it. The most powerful book of all time, it holds the secret to eternal life. A secret more dangerous than any one man should ever hold. And Dee is two pages away from the knowledge that would bring the Dark Elders into ultimate power.

His only obstacle? Josh and Sophie Newman--who are 8,000 miles away.

Paris: After fleeing Ojai, Nicholas, Sophie, Josh, and Scatty emerge in Paris. The City of Lights. Home for Nicholas Flamel. Only this homecoming is anything but sweet. Perenelle is still locked up back in Alcatraz and Paris is burning - with it, the last hopes for the human race. Niccolo Machiavelli, immortal author and celebrated art collector, is working for Dee. He's after them, and time is running out for Nicholas and Perenelle. Every day spent without the book they age one year - their magic becomes weaker and their bodies, more frail. For Flamel the Prophecy is becoming more and more clear. It's time for Sophie to learn the second elemental magic. Fire Magic. And there's only one man who can teach it to her. Flamel's old student The Comte de Saint Germain - alchemist, magician, and rock star.

Josh and Sophie Newman are the world's only hope. If they don't turn on each other first. **TP \$29.95**

## **Thomas E Sniegowski**

### *The Fallen*

Aaron Corbet isn't a bad kid — he's just a little different. On the eve of his eighteenth birthday, Aaron dreams of a darkly violent landscape. He can hear the sounds of weapons clanging, the screams of the stricken, and another sound he cannot quite decipher. But gazing upward at the sky, he suddenly understands. It is the sound of great wings, angels' wings, beating the air unmercifully as hundreds of armored warriors descend on the battlefield. Orphaned since birth, Aaron is suddenly discovering newfound — and sometimes supernatural — talents. But it's not until he is approached by two men that he learns the truth about his destiny, and his role as a liaison between angels, mortals, and Powers both good and evil, some of whom are hell-bent on his destruction.... **APB \$12.95**

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### *Creep From the Dead (Goosebumps HorrorLand 02)*

Billy and his sister, Sheena, unwittingly dive into a terrifying mystery when they accept a surprise invitation to HorrorLand-the amusement park that always lives up to its name. But first Billy and Sheena must sink or swim aboard a doomed ship that happens to be underwater-with a captain who happens to be dead. At least, he used to be! **BPB \$9.99**

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Do you remember the water buffalo at the end of our street? Or the deep-sea diver we found near the underpass? Do you know why dogs bark in the middle of the night? Shaun Tan, creator of *The Arrival*, *The Lost Thing* and *The Red Tree*, reveals the quiet mysteries of everyday life: homemade pets, dangerous weddings, stranded sea mammals, tiny exchange students and secret rooms filled with darkness and delight. **HC \$35**

**Jordan Weisman***Cathy's Key (Cathy 02)*

When the laboratory technicians working for Ancestor Lu discover the key to the immortality genetic structure, Victor names it the Cathy Key in honour of his quest to make Cathy immortal. Ancestor Lu humours him. But when events go fatally wrong and a Fortune Teller's grim prophecy comes true, soon a homicide investigation is underway and Cathy, once again, is a little too close for comfort. Cathy's Key is a brilliantly involved mystery thriller, a love story and an entirely interactive experience. **HC \$27.95**

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There it sat, gleaming softly. Small, but perfect. A symbol of purity and, for Alexandre, freedom. A pearl. In the warm waters of the Indian Ocean Alexandre dives for pearls. When Constance Blackchurch arrives from England to search for her lost mother, Alexandre's world becomes a far more dangerous place . . . **PB \$18.99**

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Beginning with a concise biography of Dick, acclaimed writer Brian J. Robb looks at the evolution and production of each project in depth, along the way uncovering a wealth of new information, including the stories behind the fascinating unmade film Ubik (with a screenplay by Dick himself), and the stillborn sequels to Total Recall and the legendary Blade Runner. **PB \$26.95**

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### **Doctor Who**

#### ***Dalek I Loved You***

*Nick Griffiths*

Nick Griffiths watched his first Doctor Who aged four and a bit. He would have hidden behind the sofa but it was back against the wall and his parents didn't let him move furniture so he hid behind a cushion instead. He's since been told by his mum and dad that they didn't have a sofa only armchairs. So this book should really be called *Behind the Armchair*, but that didn't sound right. And so began a life long obsession. When Doctor Who started getting rubbish (after Tom Baker basically) he nearly escaped into the world of music and girls until he discovered someone selling tapes of old episodes in the small ads and that was that again. Only in the last few years has an anti-social obsession become something he can earn a living from as a journalist and happily this coincided with Doctor Who getting good again. Plus he has a son now so he can claim he's watching it for him. Oh and his son's called Dylan not Gallifray or Davros. **PB \$22.99**

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*Terrance Dicks*

The tardis brings the Doctor and Martha to Balmoral in 1902. Here they meet Captain Harry Carruthers - friend of the new king Edward VII. Together they head for the castle to see the king - only to find that Balmoral Castle is gone, leaving just a hole in the ground.

The Doctor realises it is the work of the Judoon - a race of ruthless intergalactic mercenary space police. While Martha and Carruthers seek answers in London, the Doctor finds himself in what should be the most deserted place on Earth - and he is not alone. With help from Arthur Conan Doyle, the Doctor and his friends discover a plot to take over the world.

With time running out, who will fall victim to the revenge of the Judoon? Featuring the Doctor and Martha as played by David Tennant and Freema Agyeman in the acclaimed hit series from BBC Television. **PB \$9.95**

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The Stories: Introduction Keith R. A. DeCandido; From Little Acorns John S. Drew; One Fateful Knight Peter David; The Slave War Una McCormack; Goths and Robbers Diane Duane; Good Queen, Bad Queen, I Queen, You Queen Terri Osborne; The Price of Conviction Richard C. White; God Send Me Well to Keep Linnea Dodson; Peaceable Kingdom Steven Savile; Rock Star Robert T. Jeschonek; On a Pedestal Kathleen O. David; Cean-up on Aisle Two James Swallow; The Spindle of Necessity Allyn Gibson; Epilogue John S Drew **HC \$54.95**

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*Kate Westbrook*

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Sandman's sister, Delirium, prevails upon her older brother to help her find their missing sibling, Destruction, but their journey through the Waking World has dramatic repercussions for their family--and for the relationship between the Sandman and his wayward son, Orpheus. **HC \$180**

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*William Shatner*

The long-awaited autobiography of one of the most beloved entertainers in the world.

William Shatner gets the joke about William Shatner. In fact, most of the time, he's the one telling it. His self-effacing attitude, so perfectly parodied in the bombastic character he now plays on *Boston Legal*, Denny Crane, is one of the reasons for his huge popularity. While best known for his creation of Captain James T Kirk, commander of the starship *Enterprise* on *Star Trek*, William Shatner has been a working actor for more than half a century. He has experienced all the ups (the awards and acclaim) and the downs (having to live for a time in the truck bed of his camper when he couldn't get work) that are a part of the actor's world.

In *Up Till Now* he tells us about his remarkable life, from training as a Shakespearean actor under Sir Tyrone Guthrie to his time on Broadway, his movie career and, of course, his successful TV series. He also writes, with glee, about some of his less successful ventures, including *Incubus*, the only feature ever made entirely in Esperanto. As funny, charming and self-deprecating as the man himself, this book will delight his many fans of all ages. **HC \$55**

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Physics of the Impossible takes us on a journey to the frontiers of science and beyond, giving us an exhilarating insight into what we can really hope to achieve in the future.

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1985: a man runs for his life - exhausted, wounded, hunted remorselessly by a woman assassin known only as The Head Hunter. At the end, he has just enough energy to spit in her face. 2001: sixteen-year-old Kerry Lumsdon runs across the same terrain. She runs to win and she runs to forget. When a headless body is found in the wastelands of the Seahills Estate, Detective Inspector Lorraine Hunt is called in to investigate. Kerry and Lorraine, different ages and from different worlds, come together when Claire Lumsdon, Kerry's sister, is violently kidnapped - the fourth in a series of abductions of young girls. Headstrong, wilful and convinced the police can't help, Kerry sets out on a frantic search of her own. But her hunt takes her to a world she never knew existed: a violent underworld; a sixteen year old murder; and, finally, to secrets about her own past which her mother hoped she'd never have to face. And all the time, the clock is ticking for Claire. **APB \$20.95**

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Richard's four friends know something about his death. Detective Inspector Lorraine Hunt can feel it. The teenagers are clearly terrified about something - something that scares them more than the police. But they're not about to tell.

As the days tick down to Christmas, Lorraine, increasingly overworked and under pressure, can't ignore her suspicions that there's more to Richard's death than meets the eye. And when Richard's friends start going missing, her worst fears are confirmed. Just who is preying on the young people in Houghton-le-Spring? And will Lorraine be able to stop them, before another vulnerable teenager is found dead? **APB \$20.95**

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