



# Infinitas Bookshop

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## Featured Books



Kevin J Anderson  
 John Birmingham  
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 Laurell K Hamilton  
 Kim Harrison  
 Tanya Huff  
 Larry Niven & Edward m Lerner  
 Lili St Crow  
 Steven Erikson  
 Star Wars  
 Warhammer 40K  
 Dungeons & Dragons

*The Edge of the World* in trade paperback.  
*Without Warning* in paperback.  
*Undead and Unwelcome* in hardcover.  
*Demon Mistress* in paperback.  
*The Spy Who Haunted Me* in hardcover and trade.  
*Skin Trade* in hardcover and trade paperback.  
*Once Dead, Twice Shy* in hardcover.  
*Valor's Trial* in paperback.  
*Juggler of Worlds* in paperback.  
*Strange Angels* in trade paperback.  
*Toll the Hounds* in paperback.  
*No Prisoners (The Clone Wars.)* in hardcover and trade.  
*Courage and Honour* in hardcover.  
*Eberron Player's Guide* a new 4<sup>th</sup> edition rulebook.



## News

**David Eddings** died 2<sup>nd</sup> June. David Eddings, with his late wife Leigh, wrote many fantasy series. Their best loved is the Belgariad starting with *Pawn of Prophecy*.

**D&D Delve Days**: Following the popularity of the several special event D&D Days which we have hosted over the past year, we have decided to run a monthly smaller event for D&D players called D&D Delve Days. The first will be on Saturday morning 11<sup>th</sup> July. We are hoping to run two tables of players through an adventure of two encounters so it should be two or three hours playing time. Let us know if you are interested so we can keep you informed closer to the 11<sup>th</sup> and we can book places.

**Ditmar Awards** for Australian science fiction, fantasy and horror were announced 7<sup>th</sup> June at Conjecture (the convention in Adelaide). Best novel went to *Tender Morsels* by Margo Lanagan.

For a full winners list visit: <http://ozhorrorscope.blogspot.com/2009/06/news-2009-ditmar-award-winners.html>

## D & D Day May 2009

Saturday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> saw Infinitas hosting another D&D day with the help of volunteer dungeon masters and loans of tables and chairs. Four parties of players braved the *Journey Through The Silver Caves*. One table suffered a total party kill at the end of the final encounter, another only just avoided this with a critical hit in the same encounter. View photos of the day at: <http://www.infinitas.com.au/Gallery/DandDday2009.php>

Our next D&D day will be September 2009. Following from the success of these D&D days, we have decided to run regular D&D Delve days at the shop, one Saturday per month, starting 11<sup>th</sup> July. D&D Delve days will be more modest affairs with short adventures of 2 to 3 hours playing time. Contact the shop for details.



Jim, one of the DMs on the day, wrote the story below from the adventure.

### **Making the Most of Failure** by Jim Paterson

The party set off upon the raft. They followed the orc in the canoe along the river and beneath the cathedral of overhanging trees. The flow was slow, but there was an immense unstoppable power in the chill deep black waters.

The warlord and the barbarian were paddling with improvised paddles. The wizard was standing on the prow keeping the distant orc in sight. The rogue was looking for landmarks, while at the same time, attempting to decipher the map found on the orc body in the first cave. The paladin was holding everyone's stuff, including his own freshly repaired suit of armour. He'd wisely decided not to put it on until the end of the voyage.

Before too long, the river's meandering flow began to pick up speed. From somewhere not far downstream they could hear the ominous thunder of rapids! They hit the first patch of turbulent water when the raft rounded a narrow bend in the river. All on board managed to hold fast, except for the dragon born thief, who pitched head first into the deep black waters. She barely managed to stay afloat. Acting quickly, the paladin threw a rope out to the thrashing dragonkin. Meanwhile, the warlord looked up from his paddling and saw the raft was on a collision course with a large rock. Travelling at this great speed, the impact would surely destroy the flimsy craft and doom all to drowning. He yelled a warning and began to furiously back-paddle, the barbarian followed his lead, and they managed to narrowly avoid the giant monolith. As they swept past, the warlord overreached and tumbled into the swirling cauldron of the river. Now with only one oarsman, the raft began an uncontrolled spin. The paladin's rope began to loop out and around the raft in a long lazy spiral.

Despite the thunder of the cascade the wizard, with his keen feyborn hearing, noticed the wailing of forlorn spirits! He checked to make sure his warlord friend could swim in the turbulent current, and then he asked the voices what was wrong. He was answered by a vision of despair. He calmed the spirits with his voice, assuring them that he and his friends would drive the evil from the river.

Suddenly the tumultuous waters subsided. The river flowed into a wide and calm section of the river. The bedraggled rogue and warlord clambered back onboard; as they did so the raft came to a shuddering halt...

Motto of the story: Skill challenges are usually most fun when someone rolls successive "ones". In this case the warlord rolled a 1 when taking an endurance check to navigate the raft. This meant a critical failure so I decided he would need to roll an athletics or acrobatics (whichever was better) check to see whether he tumbled into the water, and he rolled another 1; and pitched head first into the cascading river. He was then faced with making a successful swim check or drowning. He passed. For which I was thankful; as I was hoping all players would make it to the last encounter.

From D&D World Games Day Encounter 3

## Author Visit: Richard Morgan



**Richard Morgan** visited Infinitas Friday afternoon 22nd May. Richard talked for several hours about his work and ideas. Two journalists interviewed him in the shop; Ross Murray from <http://www.specusphere.com/> and Mike McRae for ABC Radio's All In The Mind.

Richard told us his next published book will be *The Dark Commands*. This is book 2 in the fantasy trilogy started by *The Steel Remains*. He also has a science fiction novel underway



but the publisher wants the fantasy trilogy completed first.

We currently have limited signed copies of his titles, so now is a good time to try this award winning author.

Photos of his visit to Infinitas: <http://www.infinitas.com.au/Gallery/RichardMorgan2009.php>

Richard Morgan's book list: <http://www.infinitas.com.au/ProductsByAuthor.php?autid=23271>

# Blokey Stuff

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



Blokey Stuff recent deliveries

June 2009

We have just received a new range of models, which are gorgeous in detail. All are pre-painted injection moulded plastic models with requiring assembly. Most are about 7cm long. The boxes are printed in Japanese and although the model is small, it is great quality. \$29.95 each

**Star Trek Fleet Collection:** Spaceships from Star Trek.



**Star Wars Vehicle Collection:** Vehicles and spaceships from Star Wars.



**Fossils:** We have received new samples including Goniatite, Petrified Wood, Echinoid, Nautiloids and Fish. All are genuine fossils and are millions of years old. Prices starting from \$15.



## 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.

### *Dead and Gone* by Charlaine Harris, reviewed by Daniella

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575085510>

*Dead and Gone* is the eighth novel following Sookie Stackhouse, the telepathic barmaid of Bon Temps, Louisiana. A lot has happened since Sookie met her first vampire, Bill, a few years after the Great Reveal, when vampires revealed their existence to the world. Now, the werewolf of the supernatural community, have decided it's time to come out of the supernatural closet. Their biggest issue is that many family members are unaware of their "two-natured" existence, as weres only breed true in the first offspring of a partnership. Sookie's previous adventures with the vampires have led a pair of FBI agents to Bon Temps at the same time as a hate crime against a were is committed. To top that, her recently discovered great-grandfather warns her of a war in the supernatural community, in which her life is at risk. Oh, and her admirers are still butting heads over who gets to win her affection.

As with previous books, this one details a time of unrest in Sookie's otherwise 'normal' life, and as always, things are not the same after the events have unfolded. The story has some dark elements, but is an enjoyable read, and will leave you wanting to know what Sookie gets up to next.



### *K-Pax IV: A New Visitor From The Constellation Lyra* by Gene Brewer, reviewed by Sue Waters

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781425718909>

This is (for now at least) the final book in the K-PAX series. Although it works to some extent as a stand-alone book, the author himself recommended that readers first read the K-PAX Trilogy to better understand the characters involved.

Those familiar with the original K-PAX books will remember prot (deliberately not capitalised; on K-PAX only heavenly bodies are deemed worthy of capitalisation) who travelled from the planet K-PAX and ended up as a patient of Dr Gene Brewer at the Manhattan Psychiatric Institute when his apparent "delusions" about being an alien visitor could not be "cured". Prot left EARTH to return to K-PAX with a small number of people and animals, returning several times to visit.

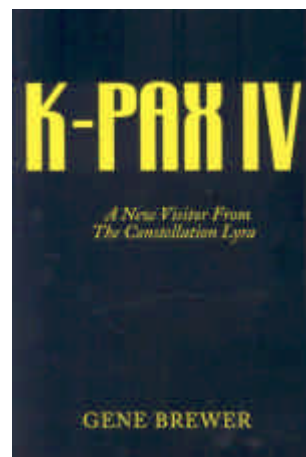
In Book IV another visitor arrives unexpectedly on Dr Brewer's doorstep. Fled is a trod, a kind of orf, which is an evolutionary stage before the human-like dremers (like prot). She resembles a large female chimpanzee and is a different character altogether, at first antagonising some people with her loud, obnoxious behaviour and overt promiscuity with various species, human included.

Dr Brewer decides to house her at the Institute, and although not a patient there she does interact with the patients with some surprising results. Fled's plan to leave EARTH with 100,000 people sends her travelling far and wide, and her website advertisement for interested persons has a strict list of requirements few would achieve - vegan, pacifist and agnostic/atheist being among them.

Like the other books, this one is rich, fast moving and weaves a tapestry of characters and situations together to keep the reader's interest piqued. Many characters from the former books are reprised, especially among the mental patients.

Also like the other books, this one is written as if it were a biography, with mentions of the K-PAX books and movie as if Gene Brewer the author and Gene Brewer the character are one and the same; in fact the author used his own name to add realism to the books. It also contains a lot of environmental messages, particularly concerning the plight of the great apes - it was partially inspired by the work of ape expert Dr Jane Goodall - and is in parts almost stiltedly political. A case in point is the caricaturisation of the government and its agencies as incompetent, bumbling and illogical through the creation of two CIA agents, Dartmouth and Wang, who pester Dr Brewer throughout the book and come up with wild and crazy theories about just about every situation. These two almost spoil the book, or at least give it a touch of Hitchhikers Guide to the Galaxy-style humour which doesn't really fit with the rest of the story.

A thoroughly enjoyable book, once you get past the somewhat heavy-handed environmentalism and political satire. Somewhat expensive for book of only 160-odd pages (\$59-95 at the time of writing as it is a print-on-demand import), it is nevertheless a great addition to the K-PAX series and a must-have for any K-PAX fan.





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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 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2009: Alternative Reality  
Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> August 2009: Epidemics and Infestations  
Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2009: Alternative Technology

**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 18<sup>th</sup> June 2009

*Mistborn* by Brandon Sanderson (Fantasy)

*Magic Bites* by Ilona Andrews (Urban Fantasy)

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2009

*Speed of Dark* by Elizabeth Moon (SF)

*Fetish* by Tara Moss (Crime)

**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>Zoe's Tale</i>	John Scalzi
<i>Pride and Prejudice and Zombies</i>	Seth Grahame-Smith & Jane Austen
<i>Relentless</i>	Jack Campbell
<i>Dead and Gone</i>	Charlaine Harris
<i>Valor's Trial</i>	Tanya Huff
<i>Skin Trade</i>	Laurell K Hamilton
<i>Small Favour</i>	Jim Butcher
<i>By Schism Rent Asunder</i>	David Weber
<i>Kushiel's Mercy</i>	Jacqueline Carey
<i>Bloodhound</i>	Tamora Pierce

#### Media and Games Related Titles

<i>Heroes of the Space Marines</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>Tales of Heresy</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>Arcane Power</i>	Dungeons & Dragons 4E
<i>The Killing Ground</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>Monster Manual 2</i>	Dungeons & Dragons 4E
<i>Defenders of Ultramar</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>Over A Torrent Sea</i>	Star Trek Titan
<i>Full Circle</i>	Star Trek Voyager
<i>Contact Harvest</i>	Halo
<i>Grey Knights Omnibus</i>	Warhammer 40,000

# Science Fiction, Fantasy and Horror

## *Expose 7*

Finest digital art in the known universe. More art. More artists. More inspiration. EXPOSÉ 7 spotlights the year's best artists and art from a record number of entries. With 391 inspiring images prepared by 288 artists from 51 countries, no other art book showcases more inspiring art spanning so many artistic styles and techniques. **TP \$66**

## **Lara Adrian**

### *Ashes of Midnight (Midnight Breed 06)*

Forced to use his former lover, Claire Roth, as a pawn in his deadly game of revenge against the vampire responsible for killing his Breed brethren, vampire warrior Andreas Reichen finds the line between predator and prey blurring as passion explodes between them once again. **APB \$17.95**

## **Poul Anderson**

### *The Rise of the Terran Empire (Technic Civilization Saga 03)*

Nicholas van Rijn, the most flamboyant member of the Polesotechnic League of star traders, could see dark times ahead. Fellow league members were using tactics verging on outright piracy, and others were all too eager to sell starships and high-tech weapons to alien barbarians. A planet not previously known for interstellar commerce suddenly revealed a secret fleet of armed starships, and started building an empire. Even if Van Rijn and his right-hand man David Falkayn could find a way to stop this blatant aggression, the glory days of the League were over. Hereafter, for its own protection against well-armed alien marauders the Earth must maintain a strong military fleet, and one charismatic man would found an empire that would learn nothing of the lessons history taught about the fates of other empires as it began annexing other star systems, whether they wanted to join the Terran Empire or not . . .

This is the third volume in the first complete edition of Poul Anderson's Technic Civilization saga, and it includes a classic novella which appears here in book form for the first time. And the next volume begins the adventures of Poul Anderson's other legendary character, Captain Sir Dominic Flandry. **TP \$28.95**

## **Kevin J Anderson**

### *The Edge of the World (Terra Incognita 01)*

After generations of friction, the leaders of two lands meet in the holy city of Ishalem to bring an end to the bloodshed and to divide the world between them. Sadly, this new spirit of fellowship is shortlived. A single tragic accident destroys, in minutes, the peace that took years to build. The world is once more cast into the fires of war - and this time the flames may burn until nothing remains. From the highest lord to the lowest servant, no man or woman will be unchanged by the conflict. But while war rages across both continents, a great quest will defy storms and sea serpents to venture beyond the horizon, where no maps exist - to search for a land out of legend. It is a perilous undertaking, but there will always be the impetuous, the brave and the mad who are willing to leave their homes to explore the unknown. Even unto the edge of the world... **TP \$32.99**

## **Poul Anderson**

### *Tau Zero*

The epic voyage of the spacecraft Leonora Christine will take her and her fifty-strong crew to a planet some thirty light-years distant. But, because the ship will accelerate to close to the speed of light, for those on board subjective time will slow and the journey will be of only a few years' duration. Then a buffeting by an interstellar dustcloud changes everything. The ship's deceleration system is damaged irreparably and soon she is gaining velocity. When she attains light-speed, tau zero itself, the disparity between ship-time and external time becomes almost impossibly great. Eons and galaxies hurtle by and the crew of the Leonora Christine speeds into the unknown. **BPB \$22.99**

## **Toni Andrews**

### *Cry Mercy (Mercy Hollings 03)*

I just want a normal life...even if I'm not entirely sure I'm human.

My name is Mercy Hollings and I'm a successful hypnotherapist in Balboa, California. The problem is, my good fortune is dependent on a dark secret. I can make people do whatever I want using telepathy, a power I call "the press." And that ability has hurt some people I never wanted to hurt, so I try to keep it under wraps. I also try to keep people at a distance...at least, I used to. Recently a group of fearless characters broke through my self-imposed walls and became my friends: Sukey, my receptionist-turned-P.I.; Tino, a Chicano gang leader; Hilda, a wealthy society widow; Grant, a retired millionaire—and Sam, my sexy -as-hell ex-boyfriend.

But with friends comes drama. Tino has inadvertently led me into the dark world of gang violence, and Sukey has pushed me into searching for my biological parents, the only people who can finally tell me who—or what—I really am. **APB \$19.95**

## **Neal Asher**

### *The Line War (Agent Cormac 05)*

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 Mika, 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... **APB \$21.99**

### *The Shadow of the Scorpion (Polity)*

Raised to adulthood during the end of the war between the human Polity and the vicious arthropoid race, the Prador, Ian Cormac is haunted by childhood memories of a sinister scorpion-shaped war drone and the burden of losses he doesn't remember.

In the years following the war he signs up with Earth Central Security, and is sent out to help either restore or simply maintain order on worlds devastated by Prador bombardment.

There he discovers that though the old enemy remains as murderous as ever, it is not anywhere near as perfidious or dangerous as some of his fellow humans, some of them closer to him than he would like.

Amidst the ruins left by wartime genocides, he discovers in himself a cold capacity for violence, learns some horrible truths about his own past and, set upon a course of vengeance, tries merely to stay alive. **TP \$34.99**

## **L A Banks**

### *The Shadows (Vampire Huntress 11)*

The Dark Realms are taking cover after an angel onslaught from On High. The Anti-Christ has been injured and the fourth Biblical seal has been broken. Yonnie and Val, a strange combination of a daywalker and an angel hybrid, have joined Damali and Carlos's team. And the two new Council Level vamps, Elizabeth Bathory and Lucrezia Borgia, are still in recovery from their last mission... Seething in the underworld is the Unnamed One, so furious that he's bringing the battle topside, unleashing a full-frontal assault on mankind for the offenses committed by the Vampire Huntress team. Now Damali and Carlos must address serious human casualties and collateral damage—all while the vampire councilman, Nuit, rebuilds Blood Music to become more than a record label, but a media brainwashing empire for the dark lord... **APB \$19.95**

## **Anya Bast**

### *Witch Fury*

Kidnapped by an infamous playboy and introduced to a world she never knew existed, Sarafina, a witch with an untapped gift for creating fire, finds things getting even hotter when she is rescued by the seductive leader of a coven duty-bound to fight the forces of darkness. **APB \$19.95**

## **Elizabeth Bear**

### *Ink and Steel (Promethean Age 03)*

With playwright and spy Kit Marley murdered, dramatist William Shakespeare unsuccessfully takes on the Promethean Club's secret battle against sorcerers out to destroy England, until Marley, resurrected by Faerie enchantment, comes to his aid, but first Kit must find the traitor responsible for his death. **APB \$19.95**

## **Greg Bear**

### *Eon*

Above our planet hangs a hollow Stone, vast as the imagination of Man. The inner dimensions are at odds with the outer: there are different chambers to be breached, some even containing deserted cities. The furthest chamber contains the greatest mystery ever to confront the Stones scientists. But tombstone or milestone, the Stone is not an alien structure: it comes from the future of our humanity. And the war that breaks out on Earth seems to bear witness to the Stone's prowess as oracle... **BPB \$24.99**

## **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. Someone is sending him clues about his past. Photographs hidden in books and crates of wine. Cryptic clues pointing towards a murdered woman. And clear warnings against Stephomi, his only friend. 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. Something dark and violent in Gabriel's past is trying to resurface. And as he pieces the clues together, everything points towards an astounding war between angels and demons...and a battle not just for the future of the world, but for the minds and souls of everyone in it. **BPB \$22.99**

## **Anne Berry**

### *The Hungry Ghosts*

Raped then murdered in Japanese occupied Hong Kong, 1942, Lin Shui's 'Hungry Ghost' clings tenaciously to life. Hiding up in a hospital morgue, destined to become a school, just in time she finds a host off whom to feed. It is 12-year-old Alice Safford, the deeply-troubled daughter of a leading figure in government. The parasitic ghost follows her to her home on the Peak. There, the lethal mix of the two, embroiled in the family's web of dark secrets and desperate lies, unleashes chaos. All this unfolds against a background of colonial unrest, riots, extremes of weather and the countdown to the return of the colony to China. As successive tragedies engulf Alice, her ghostly entourage swells alarmingly. She flees to England, then France, in a bid to escape the past, only to find her portable 'Hungry Ghosts' have accompanied her. It seems the peace she longs for is to prove far more elusive than she could ever have imagined.

THE HUNGRY GHOSTS a remarkable tour-de-force of the imagination, full of instantly memorable characters whose lives intermesh and boil over in a cauldron of domestic mayhem, unleashing unworldly spirits into the troubled air. **TP \$32.99**

## **John Birmingham Australian Author**

### *Without Warning*

2003: In Paris, an assassin wakes from a coma. In Kuwait, American forces are assembled for their invasion of Iraq. In the pristine forest of the Cascades, a lone hiker watches a plane fly into the side of a mountain. And just north of the Equator, a modern-day pirate, a rogue Tasmanian, is witness to the unspookable. A wave of inexplicable energy has slammed into America. And destroyed it. In one instant, all around the world, from Cairo to Canberra, things will never be the same.

Now, allied soldiers are fighting a war without command; a correspondent files a story for a newspaper that no longer exists. The line of Presidential succession is in tatters; the functioning remnants of government are in Pearl Harbor, Guantanamo Bay, and one desperate, isolated corner of the Pacific Northwest.

For the jihadists, Allah has performed a miracle. For Saddam, it is a chance for revenge. Iran declares war, but on an America that doesn't exist, except in the hearts and souls of the men and women who want it to. For US allies, Armageddon has arrived. Israel acts. Australasia, far from the noxious waste darkening Europe's skies, beckons as a possible oasis. Without Warning tells a fast, furious story of survival, violence, and a new, soul-shattering reality. Here is a world without its sheriff, its Great Satan, or its saviour...

An unknowable future struggles to be born. **BPB \$22.99**

**Russell Blackford, Van Ikin & Sean McMullen** *Australian Author*

*Strange Constellations: A History of Australian Science Fiction*

A study of Australian science fiction in printed form, focusing on definition, authorial profiles, and bibliographic scope. Begins with discussion of lost race romances, utopian novels, and futuristic thrillers of the period up to 1925, then covers the rise of traditional science fiction in Australia until 1959, international recognition and the New Wave during the period 1960-74, small presses during 1975-84, and serious recognition during 1985-98. Authors profiled include Wayne Whiteford, George Turner, and Greg Egan.

Australia captured the imagination of European writers in the nineteenth century, and with the beginning of settlement, Australia became the setting for various "lost world" stories. Australia has since developed a rich national literature, and perhaps because of its exotic and ancient nature, the continent has inspired numerous science fiction writers. This book surveys the history of Australian science fiction from its nineteenth century origins to the close of the twentieth century. Included are discussions of Australian writers who have been substantially engaged with science fiction as a genre. The volume proceeds chronologically, with sections devoted to Australian science fiction before 1925, the rise of traditional science fiction from 1926 through 1959, the international recognition of Australian science fiction from 1960 to 1974, and the serious acclaim given to Australian science fiction writers in the last 25 years.

Surveys the history of Australian science fiction from the nineteenth century to the close of the twentieth. **HC \$320**

**Rebecca Brandewyne**

*From the Mists of Wolf Creek*

Sent away from Meadowsweet Farm after the tragic death of her mother, Hallie Muldoon has returned, determined to uncover the secrets that have kept her from her beloved childhood home. But some secrets are best left undisturbed....

Conjured by Hallie's dying grandmother, mysterious Trace Coltrane emerges from the mist with one purpose in mind: to protect Hallie and keep her safe from all harm. Much like a lone wolf, he is used to drifting...but Hallie's warmth leaves him yearning to fulfill her dream of home and family. As their newfound love grows, so do the dangers of secrets revealed. A past evil threatens to destroy all hope for the future with its simmering hatred...and Hallie is its target! **APB \$14.95**

**Marie Brennan**

*In Ashes Lie*

The year is 1666. The King and Parliament vie for power, fighting one another with politics and armies alike. Below, the faerie court has enemies of its own. The old ways are breaking down, and no one knows what will rise in their place.

But now, a greater threat has come, one that could destroy everything. In the house of a sleeping baker, a spark leaps free of the oven -- and ignites a blaze that will burn London to the ground. While the humans struggle to halt the conflagration that is devouring the city street by street, the fae pit themselves against a less tangible foe: the spirit of the fire itself, powerful enough to annihilate everything in its path.

Mortal and fae will have to lay aside the differences that divide them, and fight together for the survival of London itself . . . **TP \$30.95**

**Peter V Brett**

*The Painted Man*

Sometimes there is very good reason to be afraid of the dark...

Eleven-year-old Arlen lives with his parents near the isolated hamlet of Tibbet's Brook.

As dusk falls upon Arlen's world, mist rises from the ground promising a violent death to any foolish enough to brave the coming darkness; for hungry demons materialize from the vapours impatient to feed. People have no choice but to take shelter behind magical wards and pray that their protection holds until the creatures dissolve with the first signs of dawn.

When Arlen's life is shattered by the demon plague, he is forced to see that it is fear, rather than the demons, which truly cripples humanity. Believing that there is more to his world, he must risk his life to discover a different path.

In the small town of Cutter's Hollow, Leesha's perfect future is destroyed by a lie and she is reduced to tending an old woman more fearsome than the corelings. Yet in her disgrace, she becomes the guardian of dangerous ancient knowledge.

Orphaned and crippled, young Rojer takes solace in mastering the musical arts of a Jongleur, only to learn that his talent gives him unexpected power over the night.

Together, these young people will offer humanity a last, fleeting chance of survival. **APB \$20.99**

**Cheryl Brooks**

*Rogue (Cat Star Chronicles 03)*

He crawled toward me on his hands and knees like a tiger stalking his prey.

The third book in The Cat Star Chronicles series - a hot, sexy paranormal romance.

No woman has ever tamed him before...

Enslaved for years, Tychar belongs to the Queen of Darconia. His feline gene gives him remarkable sexual powers and every female on the planet is in love with him. Then, the Queen gives him to Kyra...

Does she even stand a chance?

Or will she be just another one of his conquests? Why would he choose the modest piano teacher? Yet the two are drawn to each other with a powerful, magnetic attraction unlike any he's felt before... Then the palace is attacked in a coup, and Tychar has to choose between freedom and love... **PB \$15.95**

**Robert Buettner**

*Orphan's Triumph (Orphanage 05)*

Jason Wander is ready to lead the final charge into battle.

After forty years of fighting the Slugs, mankind's reunited planets control the vital crossroad that secures their uneasy union. The doomsday weapon that can end the war, and the mighty fleet that will carry it to the Slug homeworld, lie within humanity's grasp.

Since the Slug Blitz orphaned Jason Wander, he has risen from infantry recruit to commander of Earth's garrisons on the emerging allied planets. But four decades of service have cost Jason not just his friends and family, but his innocence.

When an enemy counter stroke threatens to reverse the war and destroy mankind, Jason must finally confront not only his lifelong alien enemy, but the reality of what a lifetime as a soldier has made him. **APB \$19.95**

**Jim Butcher**

*Storm Front (Graphic Novel) (Dresden Files 01 (Graphic novel))*

A modern-day mage and consultant to the Chicago police, wizard Harry Dresden finds his stale life suddenly enlivened when he is called to share his expertise in the investigation into a grisly double murder, a crime that reveals the presence of a rival who practices the darkest of black arts, in a graphic-novel adaptation of the best-selling novel. **HC \$47.95**

### **Rhyannon Byrd**

#### *Edge of Desire (Edge 03)*

Sheriff Riley Buchanan is a good man...but a man possessed. Plagued by vicious and uncontrollable impulses, he lives in fear of surrendering to real love. Even after years apart, he still craves one woman, Hope Summers, above all others, and will do anything to protect her from harm—even tempt fate.

Hope is a woman with her own secrets. For months she has eluded her abusive ex-husband, a ruthless creature who won't rest until Hope and her kind are destroyed. Hope's fantasies are still haunted by Riley, the one man who might help her, and the man whose searing touch she cannot forget. But surrendering to their long-denied passion could mean the destruction of everything they hold dear.... **PB \$19.95**

### **Rachel Caine**

#### *Carpe Corpus (Morganville Vampires 06)*

In the small college town of Morganville, vampires and humans lived in (relative) peace, until all the rules got rewritten when the evil vampire Bishop arrived, looking for the lost book of vampire secrets. He has kept a death grip on the town ever since. Now an underground resistance is brewing, and in order to contain it, Bishop must go to even greater lengths. He vows to obliterate the town and all its inhabitants - the living and the undead. Claire Danvers and her friends are the only ones who stand in his way. But even if they defeat Bishop, will the vampires ever be content to go back to the old rules, after having such a taste of power? **APB \$17.95**

### **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. **APB \$19.95**

### **Dakota Cassidy**

#### *Kiss & Hell*

Holding seances in order to support herself while frustrated that her abilities as a medium are wreaking havoc on her romantic prospects, psychic Delaney Markham develops feelings for a handsome ghost whose first assignment as a rookie demon is to capture Delaney's soul for hell. By the author of *Accidentally Dead*. **TP \$30.95**

### **Janet Chapman**

#### *Moonlight Warrior*

Eve Anderson is darned tired of Kenzie Gregor meddling in her business. She might be struggling to keep herself and her ailing mother financially afloat, but she's no princess in need of a strong, capable knight in a black SUV to rescue her -- even if he is easy on the eyes. Besides, there's something very odd about him...and she's sure the strange events occurring in their small coastal Maine town are linked to his recent arrival.

Once an immortal warrior cursed to live as a panther, Kenzie is finally free to live and die as a man, and his destiny is to help other displaced souls. Of course, if he can get tiny, blue-eyed, curly blond Eve out of the deal, well...life doesn't get any better. But she's as stubborn and fierce as a lioness, and in order to win her love, he must tempt her with forbidden desires.... **APB \$14.99**

### **Francis Clark**

#### *Walking Brigid*

Waking Brigid is a darkly evocative novel set in haunting Savannah, Georgia. Though the city was physically spared during the Civil War, its citizens did not come through unscathed.

Into this dark and battered culture comes young Brigid Rourke, a beautiful Irish nun. Driven by the ravages of the famine, Brigid's family chose to give the girl up to the service of the Church to ensure her survival. But in order to do that she had to reject her people's pagan ways. The Church is all she has known and she seeks to do her duty... All the while fighting the lure of her people's legacy.

Brigid's resolve is tested when a prominent Savannah citizen is cruelly murdered behind a locked and bolted door in an insane asylum. The last words of the man chilled the blood of all who heard him, and the fact that he was murdered while he was alone in the cell defies all logical reason.

What follows is nothing less than an amazing clash between the forces of good and evil - dedicated white magicians versus the entrenched devil worshippers - for the soul of a city. **APB \$16.99**

### **Arthur C Clarke**

#### *Rendezvous With Rama (Rama 01)*

In the year 2130, a mysterious and apparently untenanted alien spaceship, Rama, enters our solar system. The first product of an alien civilisation to be encountered by man, it reveals a world of technological marvels and an unparalleled artificial ecology. But what is its purpose in 2131? Who is inside it? And why? **BPB \$22.99**

### **Michael Cobley**

#### *Seeds of Earth (Humanity's Fire 01)*

First contact was not supposed to be like this. The first intelligent species to encounter Mankind attacked without warning and swarmed locust-like through the solar system. Merciless. Relentless. Unstoppable. With little hope of halting the savage invasion, Earth's last, desperate roll of the dice was to send out three colony ships, seeds of Earth, to different parts of the galaxy. Earth may perish but the human race would live on...somewhere. 150 years later, the human colony on the planet Darien has established a new world for Humanity and forged a peaceful relationship with the planet's indigenous race, the scholarly, enigmatic Uvovo. But there are secrets buried beneath the surface of Darien's forest moon. Secrets that go back to an apocalyptic battle fought between ancient forerunner races at the dawn of galactic civilisation... **TP \$32.99**

### **Storm Constantine**

#### *Ghosts of Blood and Innocence (Wraeththu Histories 03)*

Set on a future Earth, where humanity has been replaced by a mutant race of hermaphrodites who call themselves Wraeththu, this second trilogy explores the shocking truths of their origins.

Two brothers, children of the rulers of the Wraeththu, are raised apart from each other--one in the luxuries of the city of Immanion, the other among a distant tribe. Each becomes a tool for mysterious forces who seek to overthrow the rulers of Earth. Their struggle is both powerful and mythic, and brings this cycle of Wraeththu history to a remarkable conclusion. **TP \$32.95**

## **Seamus Cooper**

### *The Mall of Cthulhu*

A decade ago, college student Laura Harker was saved from a fate worse than death at the hands (and fangs) of a centuries-old vampire priestess and her Satanic minions. Her rescuer, an awkward, geeky folklore student named Teddy, single-handedly slew the undead occupants of the Omega Alpha sorority house, spurred into heroic action by fate itself, inexorably intertwining his and Laura's destinies. After navigating her way through law school, Laura is now a junior FBI agent assigned to the Bureau's Boston office. Unfortunately, she finds her job involves more paperwork than adventure.

When Ted stumbles onto a group of Cthulhu cultists planning to awaken the Old Ones through mystic incantations culled from the fabled Necronomicon, he and Laura must spring into action, traveling from Boston to the seemingly-peaceful suburbs of Providence and beyond, all the way to the sanity-shattering non-Euclidian alleyways and towers of dread R'lyeh itself, in order to prevent an innocent shopping center from turning into...The Mall of Cthulhu! **PB \$28.95**

## **Alison Croggon Australian Author**

### *The Singing (Pellinor 04)*

In a desperate race against the Dark, Maerad must try to solve the final riddle of the Treesong. Only then will the Nameless One be defeated and peace restored in the Seven Kingdoms. But Maerad only holds the key to half the riddle – her long-lost brother, Hem, has the other.

Before embarking on a perilous journey to find Hem, Maerad must first wage an epic war against the Landrost. And Hem, fleeing the advances of the Black Army, must endure betrayal and mortal illness in his search for Maerad. But the Dark grows ever more powerful – will brother and sister reach one another in time or will all be lost in a final, apocalyptic battle? **APB \$22.95**

## **MaryJanice Davidson**

### *Undead and Unwelcome (Undead 08)*

Returning the body of her faithful werewolf friend to the home of the Wyndham werewolves, vampire queen Betsy Taylor learns that her posse back home has been frantically trying to outmaneuver her half-sister's increasingly erratic behavior. **HC \$52.95**

## **Andrew Davidson**

### *The Gargoyle*

Accidents ambush the unsuspecting, often violently, just like love.

What does it feel like to be burned, not just a small area of skin, a fingertip, but to be totally burned, to be sizzling, blistering—alive in an inferno?

What does it feel like to have the rotting burned skins scrubbed from your body? To be left in such pain and so scarred that death becomes your only aim?

And then to meet a woman who's convinced she nursed you in medieval Germany—a madwoman who carves gargoyles, who hears their screams as she releases them from the stone?

Is it possible to see beauty in the stories she tells?

Is it possible that there is truth in her stories?

Is it possible to find love in madness?

Is it possible to save her?

The Gargoyle is a wild, beautiful, brilliant journey, sweeping across centuries, full of stories within stories. When it ends, you'll want to read it again.

**BPB \$24.95**

## **Alyssa Day**

### *Atlantis Unleashed (Warriors of Poseidon)*

While searching for the lost star of Artemis, Lord Justice, rescued from death, must protect Dr. Keely McDermott, a beautiful archaeologist, who is trapped between her world and his in her quest to understand the artifacts of Atlantis. **APB \$17.95**

## **S J Day**

### *Eve of Destruction*

Class is in, but Evangeline Hollis is struggling to get through the requisite training to be a full-fledged Mark. When her class goes on a field trip to an abandoned military base, passing the course isn't just a matter of pride...it's a matter of life and death. There's a demon hidden among them, killing off Eve's classmates one by one.

As the body count mounts, a ragtag team of cable TV ghost hunters unwittingly stumbles into the carnage. Now keeping the Mark system secret competes with the need to keep the "paranormal researchers" alive. With Cain on assignment and Abel on an investigation, Eve must fly solo on her hunt to stop a killer before he strikes again. **APB \$17.95**

## **Thomas A Day**

### *A Grey Moon Over China*

Army engineer Eduardo Torres is caught up in the world's raging oil wars when he stumbles onto the plans for a quantum-energy battery. This remarkable device could slow civilisation's inevitable descent into environmental disaster, but Torres has other plans. Forming a private army, he uses the device to revive an abandoned space colonisation effort in an ambitious campaign to lead humanity to a new life in a distant solar system.

The massive endeavour faces many challenges before the fleet finally embarks for the Holzstein System many light-years away. But even as the feuding colonists struggle to carve out homes on alien worlds, they discover that they have not left their old conflicts and inner demons behind.

Nor are they alone on this new frontier. Awaiting them are inhuman beings who strike without warning or explanation -and who may spell the end of humanity's last hope. **HC \$45**

## **Charles de Lint**

### *Medicine Road*

Marking the return of the mischievous, red-headed Dillard twins, this bewitching fantasy entangles the lovely sisters in a 100-year wager in the Native American spirit world. Laurel and Bess are touring bluegrass musicians who encounter two mysterious strangers with a powerful secret in Tucson, Arizona. In addition to their animal natures, Jim Changing Dog and Alice Corn Hair have been given human forms by the powerful Coyote Woman, but in return they must both find their true human loves in 100 years or be exiled into the animal world alone. Although Alice has found her love, trickster Jim hasn't been able to commit to one woman until he sets eyes on free-spirited Bess, just before the deadline. Battling time and a meddling motorcycle seductress, the two new lovers must risk intimacy and loss in their quest for love. **TP \$30.95**

## Steven Erikson

### *Toll the Hounds (Malazan Book of the Fallen 08)*

In Darujhistan, the saying goes that Love and Death shall arrive together, dancing...

It is summer and the heat is oppressive, yet the discomfiture of the small rotund man in the faded red waistcoat is not entirely due to the sun. Dire portents plague his nights and haunt the city's streets like fiends of shadow. Assassins skulk in alleyways but it seems the hunters have become the hunted. Hidden hands pluck the strings of tyranny like a fell chorus. Strangers have arrived, and while the bards sing their tragic tales, somewhere in the distance can be heard the baying of hounds. All is palpably not well. And in Black Coral too, ruled over by Anomander Rake Son of Darkness, something is afoot - memories of ancient crimes surface, clamouring for revenge, so it would seem that Love and Death are indeed about to make their entrance... This is epic fantasy at its most imaginative, storytelling at its most exciting. **APB \$24.95**

## Chris Evans

### *A Darkness Forged In Fire (Iron Elves 01)*

We do not fear the flame, though it burns us,  
We do not fear the fire, though it consumes us,  
And we do not fear its light,  
Though it reveals the darkness of our souls,

For therein lies our power.

-- Blood Oath of the Iron Elves

First in a stunning debut series, *A Darkness Forged in Fire* introduces an unforgiving world of musket and cannon...bow and arrow...magic, diplomacy, and oaths -- each wielding terrible power in an Empire teetering on the brink of war.

In this world, Konowa Swift Dragon, former commander of the Empire's elite Iron Elves, is looked upon as anything but ordinary. He's murdered a Viceroy, been court-martialed, seen his beloved regiment disbanded, and finally been banished in disgrace to the one place he despises the most -- the forest. Now, all he wants is to be left alone with his misery...but for Konowa, nothing is ever that simple. The mysterious and alluring Visyna Tekoy, the highborn daughter of an elfkynan governor, seeks him out in the dangerous wild with a royal decree that he resume his commission as an officer in Her Majesty's Imperial Army, effective immediately. For in the east, a falling Red Star heralds the return of a magic long vanished from the earth. Rebellion grows within the Empire as a frantic race to reach the Star unfolds. It is a chance for Konowa to redeem himself -- even if the entire affair appears doomed to be a suicide mission... and that the soldiers recruited for the task are not at all what he expects. And worse, his key adversary in the perilous race for the Star is the dreaded Shadow Monarch -- a legendary elf-witch whose machinations for absolute domination spread deeper than Konowa could ever imagine.... **PB \$21.95**

## Jaine Fenn

### *Principles of Angels*

Khesh City floats above the surface of the uninhabitable planet of Vellern. Topside, it's extravagant, opulent, luxurious; the Undertow is dark, twisted and dangerous. Khesh City is a place where nothing is forbidden - but it's also a democracy, of sorts, a democracy by assassination, policed by the Angels, the elite, state-sponsored killers who answer only to the Minister, their enigmatic master. Taro lived with Malia, his Angel aunt, one of the privileged few, until a strange man bought his body for the night, then followed him home and murdered Malia in cold blood. Taro wants to find the killer who ruined his future, but he's struggling just to survive in the brutal world of the Undertow. Then an encounter with the Minister sets him on a new course, spying for the City; his target is a reclusive Angel called Nual. Elarn Reen is a famous musician, sent to Khesh City as the unwilling agent of mankind's oldest enemy, the Sidhe. To save her own life, she must find and kill her ex-lover, a renegade Sidhe. Though they come from different worlds, Taro and Elarn's fates are linked, their lives apparently forfeit to other people's schemes. As their paths converge, it becomes clear that the lives of everyone in Khesh City, from the majestic, deadly Angels to the barely-human denizens of the Undertow, are at risk. And Taro and Elarn, a common prostitute and an uncommon singer, are Khesh City's only chance... **BPB \$22.99**

## C C Finlay

### *The Patriot Witch (Traitor to the Crown 01)* **APB \$19.95**

### *A Spell For the Revolution (Traitor to the Crown 02)*

Proctor Brown and Deborah Walcott, two young patriots and leaders of a ragtag band of witches, must break the curse of a Hessian necromancer who controls the British troops relentlessly pressing back General Washington's struggling armies in an attempt to enslave America. **APB \$19.95**

## Angie Fox

### *The Accidental Demon Slayer (Demon Slayer)* **PB \$17.95**

## P R Frost

### *Faery Moon*

Bringing her bereaved mother along during a Las Vegas writers' conference, fantasy author and Celestial Blade Warrior Tess Nonciore attends a Vegas show and is astonished to see winged dancers flying about without any apparent wire support, a situation that is further complicated by Tess's discovery that the faeries are real. By the author of *Moon in the Mirror*. **HC \$51.95**

## Yasmine Galenorn

### *Ghost of A Chance (Chintz 'n China Mystery 01)*

Emerald O'Brien is the owner of the Chintz 'n China Tea Room where guests are served the perfect blend of tea and tarot reading. She never set out to be a detective, but once word gets out that she can communicate with the dead, there's no turning back... When the ghost of Susan Mitchell asks for Emerald's help in convicting her own murderer, Emerald can't refuse. Along with her friends--an ex-supermodel and a cop--and her new love interest, Emerald must search for clues to put the killer behind bars--and this tortured soul to rest. **APB \$19.95**

### *Demon Mistress (Otherworld 06)*

While dealing with the disappearance of a bartender and the arrival of a necromancer, Menolly, an acrobat-extraordinaire-turned-vampire, must stop the chaos unleashed by a secret society bent on winning the Shadow Wing's favor and devouring her sister Delilah's soul. **APB \$19.95**

### *Legend of the Jade Dragon (Chintz 'n China Mystery 02)*

When her tarot cards spell out trouble with a capital T, Emerald, a medium and the owner of the Chintz'n China Tea Room, finds herself plagued with bad luck after receiving a jade statue of a dragon. Determined to break it's evil spell, she must solve the mysteries of China's Ming Dynasty. **APB \$19.95**

### *Murder Under a Mystic Moon (Chintz 'n China Mystery 03)*

Psychic Emerald O'Brien's life is complicated enough, with her daughter's birthday on the horizon and the fall festival in progress, but when she stumbles upon the body of her friend Jimbo's missing pal--a death that is blamed on a cougar attack--she realizes that there is an all-too-human killer stalking prey in the woods surrounding the Klickavil Valley enclave. **PB \$15.95**

## **Emily Gee**

### *The Laurentine Spy*

Following on from the success of Emily's award nominated first novel, comes *The Laurentine Spy*. Two spies must work together to avoid being caught at whatever cost. **APB \$19.95**

## **Simon R Green**

### *Daemons Are Forever (Secret Histories 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. **APB \$19.95**

### *The Spy Who Haunted Me (Secret Histories 03)*

Eddie Drood's evil-stomping skills have come to the attention of the legendary Alexander King, Independent Agent extraordinaire. The best of the best, King spent a lifetime working for anyone and everyone, doing anything and everything, for the right price. Now, he's on his deathbed and looking to bestow all of his priceless secrets to a successor, provided he or she wins a contest to solve the world's greatest mysteries. Eddie has to win, because King holds the most important secret of all to the Droods - the identity of the traitor in their midst! **HC \$51.95 TP \$32.99**

## **Kate Griffin**

### *A Madness of Angels (Matthew Swift 01)*

When a man is tired of London he is tired of life; for there is in London all that life can afford - Samuel Johnson In fact, Dr Johnson was only half right. There is in London much more than life - there is power. It ebbs and flows with the rhythms of the city, makes runes from the alignments of ancient streets and hums with the rattle of trains and buses; it waxes and wanes with the patterns of the business day. It is a new kind of magic: urban magic. Enter a London where magicians ride the Last Train, implore favours of The Beggar King and interpret the insane wisdom of The Bag Lady. Enter a London where beings of power soar with the pigeons and scabble with the rats, and seek insight in the half-whispered madness of the blue electric angels. Enter the London of Matthew Swift, where rival sorcerers, hidden in plain sight, do battle for the very soul of the city... **BPB \$22.99**

## **Laurell K Hamilton**

### *Blood Noir (Anita Blake 15)*

Anita is scared. Really scared. And not much gets under the skin of a US Marshall with jurisdiction over preternatural matters, who also happens to be a necromancer. Anita's life is dangerous, and she wouldn't have it any other way, but the scars - both mental and physical - are starting to show. You'd think that her connections with the vampire, werewolf and wereleopard communities would come in handy. However, as her powers grow and develop in new and uncharted ways, her links to both friends and lovers could endanger them all. **APB \$21.99**

### *Skin Trade (Anita Blake 16)*

'Once you tell someone certain things, like, say, you got mailed a human head in a box, they tend to think you're crazy'. Anita Blake's reputation has taken some hits. Not on the work front, where she has the highest kill count of all the legal vampire executioners in the country, but on the personal front. No one seems to trust a woman who sleeps with the monsters. Still, when a vampire serial killer sends her a head from Las Vegas, Anita has to warn Sin City's local authorities what they're dealing with. Only it's worse than she thought. Several officers and one executioner have been slain paranormal style. Anita heads to Las Vegas, where she is joined by three other federal marshals, including the ruthless Edward hiding behind his mild-mannered persona. It is a good thing Edward always has her back, because, when she gets close to the bodies, Anita senses tiger too strongly to ignore it. The were-tigers are very powerful in Las Vegas, which means the odds of her rubbing someone important the wrong way just got a lot higher. **HC \$54.95 TP \$32.99**

## **Peter F Hamilton**

### *The Temporal Void (Void 02)*

The Intersolar Commonwealth is in turmoil as the Living Dream's deadline for launching its Pilgrimage into the Void draws closer. Not only is the Ocisen Empire fleet fast approaching on a mission of genocide, but also an internecine war has broken out between the post-human factions over the destiny of humanity.

Countering the various and increasingly desperate agents and factions is Paula Myo, a ruthlessly single-minded investigator, beset by foes from her distant past and colleagues of dubious allegiance... but she is fast losing a race against time.

At the heart of all this is Edeard the Waterwalker, who once lived a long time ago deep inside the Void. He is the messiah of Living Dream, and visions of his life are shared by, and inspire billions of humans. It is his glorious, captivating story that is the driving force behind Living Dream's Pilgrimage, a force that is too strong to be thwarted. As Edeard nears his final victory the true nature of the Void is finally revealed. **APB \$22.99**

## **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.

Equal parts raucous adventure, comic odyssey and Romantic Epic, *The Gone-Away World* is a story of love and loss; of ninjas, pirates, politics; of curious heroism in strange and dangerous places; and of a friendship stretched beyond its limits. But it also the story of a world, not unlike our own, in desperate need of heroes however unlikely they may seem. **BPB \$24.95**

## **Charlaine Harris**

### *Club Dead (Sookie Stackhouse 03)*

There's only one vampire Sookie Stackhouse is involved with - at least voluntarily - and that's Bill. But recently he's been a little distant - in another state distant. His sinister and sexy boss Eric has an idea where to find him and next thing Sookie knows she's off to Jackson, Mississippi, to mingle with the underworld at Club Dead. It's a dangerous little haunt where the elusive vampire society can go to chill out and suck down some Type O - but when Sookie finally finds Bill caught in an act of serious betrayal she's not sure whether to save him, or to sharpen some stakes. The Sookie Stackhouse books are delightful Southern Gothic supernatural mysteries, starring Sookie, the telepathic cocktail waitress and a cast of increasingly colourful characters, including vampires, werewolves and things that really do go bump in the night. **PB \$22.99**

### *Dead to the World (Sookie Stackhouse 04)*

Sookie comes to the rescue of a naked, amnesiac vampire - and ends up in the middle of a war between witches, werewolves and vampires! Sookie Stackhouse is a small-town cocktail waitress in small-town Louisiana. She's pretty. She does her job well. She keeps to herself - she has only a few close friends, because not everyone appreciates Sookie's gift: she can read minds. That's not exactly every man's idea of date bait - unless they're undead - vampires and the like can be tough to read. And that's just the kind of guy Sookie's been looking for. Maybe that's why, when she comes across a naked vampire on the way home from work, she doesn't just drive on by. He hasn't got a clue who he is, but Sookie has: Eric looks just as scary and sexy - and dead - as the day she met him. But now he has amnesia, he's sweet, vulnerable and in need of Sookie's help - because whoever took his memory now wants his life. Sookie's investigation into what's going on leads her straight into a dangerous battle between witches, vampires and werewolves. But there could be even greater danger - to Sookie's heart, because the kinder, gentler Eric is very hard to resist. The Sookie Stackhouse books are delightful Southern Gothic supernatural mysteries, starring Sookie, the telepathic cocktail waitress and a cast of increasingly colourful characters, including vampires, werewolves and things that really do go bump in the night. **BPB \$22.99**

### *Dead and Gone (Sookie Stackhouse 09)*

A new Sookie Stackhouse book is always a treat! Sookie is a sexy, sassy cocktail waitress who works at Merlotte's Bar in Bon Temps, Louisiana. She's just a regular gal, with all the normal hopes and fears, about dating, boys and life in general - oh, and she's telepathic. And her boyfriends have included Vampire Bill, her first love and the were-tiger Quinn. And Bon Temps is a pretty normal rural town, where murders are mercifully rare. Well, maybe not that rare, as Sookie keeps finding out in this award-winning, New York Times bestselling series! And this February Sookie comes to the small screen in True Blood, created by Alan Ball (Six Feet Under) and starring Anna Paquin as the irrepressible heroine.

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## **M John Harrison**

### *The Centauri Device*

John Truck was to outward appearances just another lowlife spaceship captain. But he was also the last of the Centaurans, or at least half of him was, which meant that he was the only person who could operate the Centauri Device, a sentient bomb which might hold the key to settling a vicious space war. M. John Harrison's classic novel turns the conventions of space opera on their head and is written with the precision and brilliance for which it is famed. **BPB \$22.99**

## **Robert Holdstock**

### *Merlin's Wood (Mythago Cycle)*

In the depths of Broceliande - an ancient French woodland - Merlin and the enchantress Vivien play out their deadly feud.

Meanwhile, a child is born deaf, dumb and blind. His senses return at the expense of his mother's, who must discover the wood's mystery and set the combatants free. **BPB \$24.99**

## **Emma Holly**

### *Kissing Midnight (Upry Fitz Clare Chronicles)*

Edmund Fitz Claire, a shape-shifting vampire desperate to redeem past misdeeds, tries to resist his attraction to Estelle Berenger as they are both drawn into London's dark underworld where a conflict threatens to destroy everything and turn his human family against him. **APB \$19.95**

## **Jonathan L Howard**

### *Necromancer*

Johannes Cabal has never pretended to be a hero of any kind. There is, after all, little heroic about robbing graves, stealing occult volumes, and being on nodding terms with demons. His purpose, however, is noble. His researches are all directed to raising the dead. Not as monstrosities but as people, just as they were when they lived: physically, mentally, and spiritually. For such a prize, some sacrifices are necessary. One such sacrifice was his own soul, but he now sees that was a mistake. Unfortunately, his soul now rests within the festering bureaucracy of Hell. Satan may be cruel and capricious but, most dangerously, he is bored. It is Cabal's unhappy lot to provide him with amusement. In short, a wager: in return for his own soul, Cabal must gather one hundred others. Placed in control of a diabolical carnival and armed only with his intelligence, a very large handgun, and a total absence of whimsy, Cabal has one year. One year to beat the Devil at his own game. And isn't that perhaps just a little heroic? **HC \$60**

## **Hannah Howell**

### *If He's Wicked*

When she has a terrible vision about Lord Julian Kenwood and his newborn son, Chloe Wherlocke, gifted with psychic abilities, risks everything to save the life of this highborn earl who could never love her as she loves him. **APB \$17.95**

## **Susan Hubbard**

### *The Year of Disappearances (Ethical Vampire)*

It was the year of disappearances. The honeybees were the first to go.

Ariella Montero is no stranger to the dark side of life. Half human, half vampire, she spent her first thirteen years in exile from both societies. When her best friend was murdered, Ari ran away to begin a new life in Florida. But, one by one, the people and things she cares most about keep disappearing. And Ari may be next.

She can hypnotize, she can read minds, and she can make herself invisible, but can she escape her stalkers? Ari's special talents are severely tested as she moves on -- from a vampire community in the Sunshine State to college in Georgia to the primeval maze of the Okefenokee Swamp. In contending with the politics of vampire and human cultures, Ari comes face-to-face with zombies that are infiltrating America, as well as demons and shadows that haunt us all.

The Year of Disappearances continues the most surprising vampire story you'll ever read. **TP \$28.95**

**Tanya Huff***Valor's Trial (Confederation 04)*

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. **APB \$19.95**

*The Enchantment Emporium*

Moving to Calgary to take over her late grandmother's junk shop, charm-caster Alysha Gale learns that she will be serving the fey community, which proves to be deeply troubled with problems that may be more than Alysha's family can solve. By the author of *The Keeper's Chronicles*. **HC \$51.95**

**Stephen Hunt***The Rise of the Moon (03)*

Born into captivity as a product of the Royal Breeding House, friendless orphan Purity Drake suddenly finds herself on the run with a foreign vagrant from the North after accidentally killing one of her guards.

Her strange rescuer claims he is on the run himself from terrible forces who mean to enslave the Kingdom of Jackals as they conquered his own nation. Purity doubts his story, until reports begin to filter through from Jackals' neighbours of the terrible Army of Shadows, marching across the continent and sweepign all before them.

But there's more to Purity than meets the eye. As Jackals girds itself for war against an army of near-unkillable beasts serving an ancient evil with a terrible secret, it soon becomes clear that their only hope is a strange little royalist girl and the last, desperate plan of an escaped slave. **TP \$32.99**

**J C Hutchins & Jordan Weisman***Personal Effects: Dark Art*

An interactive mystery invites readers to participate as detectives in solving a case surrounding accused serial killer Martin Grace, who maintains his innocence but claims to have foreseen each death, in a tale that provides real voice mail numbers, Web sites, and printed illustrations containing hidden clues. **HC \$51.95**

**Ian Irvine Australian Author***The Curse of the Chosen (Song of Tears 02)*

THE ALLIES ARE TRAPPED on Mistmurk Mountain and the God-Emperor guards every way of escape. There's only one chance for freedom: for demure little Maelys to confess to a crime she has not committed, though if she does it will turn all her friends against her.

And even if they can flee through the perilous shadow realm, the God-Emperor's armies will hunt them to the ends of the world. Nish, Flydd and Maelys have no choice but to venture to the Tower of a Thousand Steps, on the frozen Isle of Noom. There they must seek aid from the implacable sorcerer who controlled the world for an unknown but terrible purpose for one hundred and fifty years – the Numinator.

But on that tragic journey they will uncover a greater and more deadly secret, a folly that has been shaping life and death in the Three Worlds for more than three thousand years, and now threatens to consume them all. **PB \$23.95**

**Linda O Johnstone***Back to Life*

From the second she reaches for his hand, Skye Rydell feels compelled to save the SWAT officer from the brink of death. Skye senses Trevor has something more to accomplish in life. Something disquieting. Important. Something involving her. Skye makes a split-second decision and, with her choice to use her Valkyrie powers to bring Trevor back to life, everything changes. For her act causes her to accidentally impart her deadly powers to Trevor.... And now, with a murderer hot on their heels, Trevor must grapple with his new gift, his fierce desire for Skye—and a monumental decision that will put all that he holds most dear on the line! **APB \$14.95**

**Anna Katherine***Salt and Silver*

When trust fund baby-turned-waitress Allie and her friends accidentally open a Door to Hell in the basement of Sally's Diner, they don't realize the havoc it will wreak on their Brooklyn neighborhood. Of course, the upside to murder-happy demons coming through the Door all the time is that Allie gets her own sexy and mysterious demon hunter: the dark-eyed, leather-clad, Stetson-wearing Ryan.

Ryan teaches Allie everything he knows about fighting the creatures of the underworld—but refuses to give in to the sexual tension that simmers between them. Allie has almost given up on taking her relationship with Ryan to the next level when there's a surge in demonic activity... and the Door disappears.

Now Allie and Ryan have to travel through Hell, literally, to try to stop Hell from taking over the Earth. They may not survive the trip, but Allie is about to discover something very important: Mortal peril is a total turn-on. **PB \$17.95**

**Julie Kenner***The Good Ghoul's Guide to Getting Even*

Life was going just fine for Beth Frasier-good friends, good grades, and the completely unexpected attention of none other than the football team's star quarterback. Which turned out to be a date that sucked-literally. So now she's dead-or rather, undead-with a thirst that a thousand diet sodas can't quench.

Her classmates-who are also vampires-expert her to find some magic potion that will allow them to sunbathe again. But Beth has other ideas. She's read Salem's Lot. All she needs to do to get un-undead is slay the quarterback, the vamp who changed her.

Only that's easier said than done, what with the interference of not one, but two fearless-and attractive-vampire hunters who are convinced that she's a candidate for slaying herself . . . **PB \$15.95**

## **Sherrilyn Kenyon & Dianna Love**

### *Phantom In the Night*

In New York Times bestselling author Sherrilyn Kenyon's thrilling novel of romantic suspense, a gutsy female agent from the Bureau of American Defense encounters an elusive killer who isn't at all what he seems.

After losing her mother to a vigilante killer, Terri Mitchell has dedicated her life to justice. Working covertly as a new agent for the Bureau of American Defense agency, she's consulting with the New Orleans Police Department to bust an organized crime ring suspected of funding terrorism. But when rumors surface of a phantom ghost terrorizing and killing the very people she's investigating, she's suspicious.

Nathan Drake has spent his life protecting his family, the only thing that matters to him...until the most feared drug lord in the southeast takes everything Nathan holds dear. Now he's a man on a mission with nothing to lose. He figures he only needs to stay alive long enough to protect the innocent lives the killers are out to destroy.

As the two of them seek a similar goal by different means, Terri and Nathan are drawn deep into an evil underbelly that cuts through all levels of society. Now two people who have no reason to trust must trust in each other or die. And if they die, a deadly attack will be unleashed on thousands of innocent people. **APB \$14.99**

## **Jackie Kessler & Caitlin Kittredge**

### *Black and White*

In a tale that alternates between the past and present, Jet uses her shadow-powers to fight the forces of evil and hide her secret inner demons, while Iridium, a light-wielder and Jet's former best friend, uses her superhero training to become one of the city's most formidable villains. **TP \$30.95**

## **Gregory J Keyes**

### *The Born Queen*

War is coming.

With the usurper Robert Dare having fled, Princess Anne has finally ascended to the throne to the Kingdom of Crotheny, 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 Muriele sets out on an embassy of peace to Hansa, accompanied by the knight Sir Neil MeqVren. But, there is more to Muriele'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 Crotheny, but the cost of her victory may be too great for the world to bear... **APB \$21.99**

## **Raymond Khoury**

### *The Sign*

A remote shelf in the Arctic circle. A small TV crew is braving the harsh conditions to film the breaking off of a major ice shelf - yet another nail in the planet's eco-coffin. Then someone calls out, pointing at something up in the sky overhead. The camera pans up and they look up to see a blazing symbol clear, burning high over the bleak, deserted terrain. Thus begins a series of strange events worldwide as the mysterious sign appears over the sites of conflict, natural disasters and terrorist atrocities. What can it portend? The world is wracked with both fear and hope. Suddenly, all this is focussed onto one man. An obscure monk who recognises the symbol from the past and understands what it means for the future of humanity. But as he becomes the most sought-after man on the planet, the questions have to be asked: could this be the real deal or the most elaborate fake in world history? And - either way - what happens to the world now? **TP \$32.99**

## **Russell Kirkpatrick**

### *Beyond the Wall of Time (Husk 03)*

They must enter Andratan, the fortress from which no one returns, to save their world ... The Gods are ravaging the world and Lenares has the power to stop them -- if she can get her companions to believe her.

Stella wonders if she can trust the potentially traitorous Undying Man, who offers to help, but is fixated on his own agenda. Noetos, seeking revenge for the deaths of his loved ones, is yet to realise his enemy is one of his companions. The fisherman, cosmographer and queen need to reach Andratan ... only there will they break free of Husk's malevolent control over them. **TP \$32.99**

## **Caitlin Kittredge**

### *Street Magic (Black London)*

Her name is Pete Caldecott. She was just sixteen when she met Jack Winter, a gorgeous, larger-than-life mage who thrilled her with his witchcraft. Then a spirit Jack summoned killed him before Pete's eyes—or so she thought. Now a detective, Pete is investigating the case of a young girl kidnapped from the streets of London. A tipster's chilling prediction has led police directly to the child...but when Pete meets the informant, she's shocked to learn he is none other than Jack. Strung out on heroin, Jack a shadow of his former self. But he's able to tell Pete exactly where Bridget's kidnappers are hiding: in the supernatural shadow-world of the fey. Even though she's spent years disavowing the supernatural, Pete follows Jack into the invisible fey underworld, where she hopes to discover the truth about what happened to Bridget—and what happened to Jack on that dark day so long ago... **APB \$17.95**

## **Elizabeth Knox**

### *The Angel's Cut*

Boomtown Los Angeles, 1929: Into a world of movie lots and speakeasies comes Xas, stunt flier and wingless angel, still nursing his broken heart, and determined only to go on living in the air.

But there are forces that will keep him on the ground. Forces like Conrad Cole, movie director and aircraft designer, a glory-seeking king of the grand splash who is also a man sinking into his own sovereign darkness. And Flora McLeod, film editor and maimed former actress, who sees something in Xas that no one has ever seen before, not even God, who made him, or Lucifer, the general he once followed -- Lucifer, who has lost Xas once, but won't let that be the end of it.

The Angel's Cut is Elizabeth Knox at her dazzling best. **TP \$29.99**

**Dean Koontz***Odd Hours (Odd)*

Odd Thomas knows more about the mysteries of the universe than the rest of us. He can see the lingering dead. He has learned that there are no coincidences. Even in chaos, there is order, purpose, and strange meaning.

Intuition has brought Odd Thomas to the quaint town of Magic Beach on the California coast. In his desert home, Odd once found an ocean filled with love, and lost it. Now, scarred and alone, the only magic he finds by the vast, indifferent Pacific is in the name of the town where he has come to rest.

As he waits to learn why he has been drawn to Magic Beach, he has found work as cook and assistant to a once-famous film actor who, at eighty, has become an eccentric with as long a list of fears as he has stories about Hollywood's golden days.

Odd is having dreams of a red tide, vague but worrisome. But nothing prepares him for the hard truth of what he will discover. For in Magic Beach, he will come face to face with a form of evil that will test him as never before.

ODD HOURS is a brilliantly observed chronicle of good and evil in our time, of illusion and everlasting truth. **APB \$19.99**

*Relentless*

Unable to let go of a poor review of his latest best-seller, novelist Cubby Greenwich endeavors to track down the reclusive critic only to trigger a terrifying chain of events that reveal the critic's sociopath tendencies as well as the violent nature of the critic's mother. **HC \$54.95**

**Susan Krinard***Chasing Midnight*

By day, Allegra Chase lives among the artists and eccentrics of 1920s Greenwich Village, in search of adventure. By night, she haunts the city's back alleys and seedy bars, driven by a more primal hunger.

Here, amid the glitz and unrestrained morals of jazz-age society, even a vampire can fall prey to the temptations of the flesh. One look into the golden eyes of the dashing Griffin Durant, and Allegra knows she's not dealing with just a man...

Though their kind have been enemies for centuries, Griffin has never encountered a vampire as independent, uninhibited or eager for his touch as Allegra. Yet their newfound desire is threatened by a jealous vampire master, and a race war seems inevitable. Griffin and Allegra must struggle to stay out of harm's way - and hold on to their dream of an eternity of passion. **PB \$22.95**

**Jay Lake***Green*

She was born in poverty, in a dusty village under the equatorial sun. She does not remember her mother, she does not remember her own name—her earliest clear memory is of the day her father sold her to the tall pale man. In the Court of the Pomegranate Tree, where she was taught the ways of a courtesan...and the skills of an assassin...she was named Emerald, the precious jewel of the Undying Duke's collection of beauties.

She calls herself Green.

The world she inhabits is one of political power and magic, where Gods meddle in the affairs of mortals. At the center of it is the immortal Duke's city of Copper Downs, which controls all the trade on the Storm Sea. Green has made many enemies, and some secret friends, and she has become a very dangerous woman indeed.

Acclaimed author Jay Lake has created a remarkable character in Green, and evokes a remarkable world in this novel. Green and her struggle to survive and find her own past will live in the reader's mind for a long time after closing the book. **HC \$54.95**

**Holly Lisle***Hawkspär (Korre)*

You have been chosen by the Hawkspär Eyes of War to become the new avatar, the new Goddess of War made flesh. From this day forward, you sacrifice all that you are to Vran Vrota and the good of the Order. Vran Vrota has chosen you; and we, vessels of the other aspects of the Sacred We, welcome you into our midst.

Stolen away from their families, they are slaves; women with no names and no futures. Every moment of their day is controlled by the avatars of the stone Eyes: Obsidian, Emerald, Raxinan, Ruby, Windcrystal, Sapphire, Sunspär, Tigereye...

Plucked from the ranks of slavery, protected by forces unseen, she is put to trial and found worthy. With her eyes replaced by eyes of Hawkspär stone, she can slip into the streams of time. Her vision—of the past, the present, and the future—lets her see the secret of the Eyes—and their evil.

Kings and despots come to her to know their futures. As she pulls apart the sticky threads of time to arrange the world to her satisfaction, the new avatar knows that she must find a way to use time to her own ends—to free the slaves once and for all, and to destroy the Eyes, even if it means destroying herself in the process. **PB \$19.95**

**Ken MacLeod***Divisions (Fall Revolution 02, 03)*

This volume comprises The Cassini Division and The Sky Road.

The Cassini Division: In the 24th century, post humans, god-like descendents of humans who transformed themselves with high technology, have warped the very fabric of the solar system for unknowable reasons. Ellen May Ngewthu has a plan to rid humanity of these beings, but she must first travel the entirety of the Solar Union, convincing others that post-humans are the threat she knows they are...

The Sky Road: Her rockets redundant, her people rebellious, and her borders defenseless against the Sino-Soviet Union, Myra Godwin appeals to the crumbling West for help as she faces the end of the space age. And, centuries in the future, as humanity again reaches into space, a young scholar could make the difference between success and failure. For his mysterious new lover has seduced him into the idea of extrapolating the ship's future from the dark archives of the past. **TP \$40.95**

**Jeff Mariotte***Cold Black Hearts*

While investigating a spate of recent murders on the land once known as New Dominion, the site of a massacre back in 1933, former police detective Annie O'Brien is haunted by the tragedies that occurred there as evil attempts to rise from the ashes. **APB \$19.95**

**Connie Mason***A Touch So Wicked*

Ordered by the king to stop the wedding of the Lady of Misterly and send her to a nunnery, Damian Stratton, the Demon Knight, decides instead to hold her as his captive and make her his--forever. **PB \$19.95**

**Paul McAuley***Eternal Light*

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

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**Cheyenne McCray***Demons Not Included (Night Tracker)*

Meet Nyx. This half-human, half-Drow private eye investigates paranormal crimes by day and is an elite Tracker of demons by night. She prefers working solo—and playing rough. So when a terrifying force starts murdering innocent humans and paranorms, and leaving strange demonic symbols burned into their buildings, it's a case Nyx takes very personally...

Meanwhile, Nyx's fellow Trackers are being killed one by one—and a sexy new Tracker named Torin is shadowing her every move. Torin has powers Nyx can't read, and sometimes she wonders whose side he's on. Nyx's instincts tell her something's brewing in the city's meanest supernatural streets, and that it's ready to unleash hell on Earth. Who can she trust? Now it's five minutes to permanent midnight...and Nyx's last chance means risking everything—even her own life. **APB \$19.95**

**Kelly McCullough***MythOS (Webmage 04)*

In the 21st century, magic has advanced with the times and gone digital. But when Ravirn, a computer savvy sorcerer, is thrown into a parallel world where magic runs on a different operating system, need mad skills to get out alive. **APB \$19.95**

**Lindsay McKenna***Dangerous Prey*

Expert pilot Kelly Trayhern thrives on risk and nothing's more exciting than fighting fires, dropping water from her helicopter onto the blazes below. But on one especially perilous mission, the furious flames change her life in a way she never expected.

Raptor rehabilitator Sky McCoy had his own dreams of flying, dreams that were brutally crushed when he was a teenager, and only the quick actions of fearless Kelly Trayhern saved his life. He had to leave her then, but he's never forgotten her and when she needs him most, nothing will keep him away.

Now the mysterious Native American is determined to heal Kelly's spirit as he heals his birds of prey. But can he save her life despite the evil threat he knows is looming, waiting to destroy everything he loves? **APB \$16.99**

**Suzanne McLeod***The Sweet Scent of Blood (02)*

Genevieve Taylor is a Sidhe, one of the noble fae and she's unusual, even in present-day London where celebrity vampires, eccentric goblins and scheming lesser fae mix freely with the human population. Spellcrackers.com is affiliated to the Witch Council, whose ancient tenets prohibit any contact with vampires. Genny also works as a volunteer at a clinic which treats victims of vampire attacks. Then there's her extra-curricular activity, extracting vulnerable fae lured by the local fang gangs. Genny certainly doesn't want any closer involvement with the vampire community. But when Mr October, one of the hot calendar pin-up vamps, is accused of violently murdering his girlfriend, Genny's called on to repay an old debt and prove his innocence. And that means consorting with some of the sexiest vamps in London! **BPB \$19.99**

**Richelle Mead***Succubus Heat (Georgina Kincaid 04)*

After archdemon Jerome outsources Georgina to a rival demon, and has her spy on him in the process, Jerome is kidnapped and all of Seattle's immortals lose their powers. This prompts Georgina to pursue ex-flame Seth despite his new girlfriend Maddie. The fact that Georgina has to find Jerome, stop the city's demon population from turning on itself, and find out who has been playing them all, before hell really breaks loose just makes it all harder. **TP \$30.95**

**China Mieville***The City and the City*

When the body of a murdered woman is found in the extraordinary, decaying city of Beszel, somewhere at the edge of Europe, it looks like a routine case for Inspector Tyador Borlú of the Extreme Crime Squad. But as he probes, the evidence begins to point to conspiracies far stranger, and more deadly, than anything he could have imagined. Soon his work puts him and those he cares for in danger. Borlú must travel to the only metropolis on Earth as strange as his own, across a border like no other. **HC \$59.99**

**L E Modesitt Jr***Haze*

What lies beneath the millions of orbiting nanotech satellites that shroud the world called Haze? Major Keir Roget's mission is to make planetfall in secret, find out, and report back to his superiors in the Federation, the Chinese-dominated government that rules Earth and the colonized planets.

For all his effectiveness as a security agent, Roget is troubled by memories of an earlier mission. When he was assigned to covert duty in the Noram backcountry town of St. George, he not only discovered that the long-standing Saint culture was neither as backward nor as harmless as his superiors believed, but he barely emerged with his life and sanity whole. Now, scouting Haze, he finds a culture seemingly familiar, yet frighteningly alien, with hints of a technology far superior to that of the Federation. Yet he is not certain how much of what he sees is real—or how to convey a danger he cannot even prove to his superiors, if he can escape Haze. **HC \$51.95**

## Alexis Morgan

### *Dark Warrior Unbroken (Talions 02)*

Enter the secret world of the Talions -- fierce, passionate warriors fighting for their very existence -- in Alexis Morgan's sizzling new paranormal series.

He's on a mission for justice.

Sandor Kearn is the Talion Enforcer tasked with policing his people, the Kyth. His latest assignment is the new killer stalking the streets of Seattle. But while Sandor is hunting the Kyth renegade, someone else is hunting him.

She's on a quest for the truth.

When Lena Wilson's mentor died investigating an arson case and the police ran out of leads, she vowed to find justice herself. Lena -- who doesn't know she is part Kyth -- has the ability to see fragmented flashbacks of the crimes she's investigating through her sense of touch. And when she meets Sandor, she feels suspicion -- and desire -- like she's never known.

It's only a matter of time before they touch....

With dark forces closing in, Sandor must keep Lena from digging deeper and exposing the existence of the Kyth. The only way is to convince her of his innocence. But how can he, when he can't keep his hands off her? **PB \$14.99**

## Natasha Mostert

### *The Keeper*

Mia Lockheart has a secret. Her mother was a Keeper, as was her grandmother - women who were warriors, healers and protectors. As Mia practices her craft among the boxers and martial artists of South London, and falls in love with her childhood friend, the fighter Nick Duffy, she has no idea that a man who calls himself Dragonfly is watching from the shadows.

Adrian Ashton is a brilliant scientist, a skilled martial artist - and a modern-day vampire. With the aid of a mysterious and ancient book, he preys on other martial artists and drains them of their chi - the vital energy that flows through their bodies.

Mia finds herself drawn to his dark genius. But when he targets Nick as his next victim, she is forced to choose between the two men. Soon it becomes a fight to the death in which love is both the greatest weakness - and the greatest prize. **TP \$32.95**

## C E Murphy

### *Urban Shaman (Walker Papers 01)*

Joanne Walker has three days to learn to use her shamanic powers and save the world from the unleashed Wild Hunt.

No worries. No pressure. Never mind the lack of sleep, the perplexing new talent for healing herself from fatal wounds, or the cryptic, talking coyote who appears in her dreams.

And if all that's not bad enough, in the three years Joanne's been a cop, she's never seen a dead body—but she's just come across her second in three days.

It's been a bitch of a week.

And it isn't over yet. **APB \$19.95**

### *Thunderbird Falls (Walker Papers 02)*

It's the end of the world...

Again.

For all the bodies she's encountering, you'd think beat cop Joanne Walker works in Homicide. But no, Joanne's a reluctant shaman who last saved mankind three months ago—surely she deserves more of a break! Yet, incredibly, "Armageddon, Take Two" is mere days away.

There's not a minute to waste.

Yet when her spirit guide inexplicably disappears, Joanne needs help from other sources. Especially after she accidentally unleashes Lower World demons on Seattle. Damn. With the mother of all showdowns gathering force, it's the worst possible moment for Joanne to realize she should have learned more about controlling her powers. Or to discover she's being lied to... **APB \$19.95**

### *Coyote Dreams (Walker Papers 03)*

Instead of powerful forces storming Seattle, a more insidious invasion is happening. Most of Joanne Walker's fellow cops are down with the blue flu—or rather the blue sleep. Yet there's no physical cause anyone can point to—and it keeps spreading.

It has to be magical, Joanne figures. But what's up with the crazy dreams that hit her every time she closes her eyes? Are they being sent by Coyote, her still-missing spirit guide? The messages just aren't clear.

Somehow Joanne has to wake up her sleeping friends while protecting those still awake, figure out her inner-spirit dream life and, yeah, come to terms with these other dreams she's having about her boss.... **APB \$19.95**

## Larry Niven & Edward M Lerner

### *Juggler of Worlds (Known Space)*

For too long, the Puppeteers have controlled the fate of worlds. Now Sigmund is pulling the strings . . .

Covert agent Sigmund Ausfeller is Earth's secret weapon, humanity's best defense against all conspiracies, real and potential - and imaginary - of foes both human and alien. Who better than a brilliant paranoid to expose the devious plots of others?

He may finally have met his match in Nessus, representative of the secretive Puppeteers, the elder race who wield vastly superior technologies.

Nessus schemes in the shadows with Earth's traitors and adversaries, even after the race he represents abruptly vanishes from Known Space.

As a paranoid, Sigmund had always known things would end horribly for him. Only the when, where, how, why, and by whom of it all had eluded him. That fog has begun to lift...

But even Sigmund has never imagined how far his investigations will take him - or that his destiny is entwined with the fates of worlds. **APB \$19.95**

## Larry Niven

### *Ringworld (Ringworld)*

Pierson's puppeteers, strange, three-legged, two-headed aliens, have discovered an immense structure in a hitherto unexplored part of the universe. Frightened of meeting the builders of such a structure, the puppeteers set about assembling a team consisting of two humans, a puppeteer and a kzin, an alien not unlike an eight-foot-tall, red-furred cat, to explore it. The artefact is a vast circular ribbon of matter, some 180 million miles across, with a sun at its centre - the Ringworld. But the expedition goes disastrously wrong when the ship crashlands and its motley crew faces a trek across thousands of miles of the Ringworld's surface. **BPB \$22.99**

## **Andre Norton**

### *Star Flight*

Two complete novels of courageous men and women whose only hope was escape in an untested starship to other worlds of bright promise—and unknown dangers:

*The Stars are Ours*: Dard Nordis is a hunted man. His brother was murdered for covert activities as a scientist in a world which scientists and engineers are blamed for the global war that smashed civilization, and the global dictatorship of Pax has ordered their execution. Now he is on the run, trying to find the secret stronghold of his brother's friends and colleagues—a hidden place where the few remaining scientists are desperately building a spaceship to escape to the stars.

*Star Born*: Centuries after the desperate flight from Earth, Pax has been overthrown and humanity again reaches for the stars. Rof Kurbi's spaceship reaches the planet Astra, not knowing that the planet already has a colony established centuries ago by the fugitive humans from Earth . . . and that the apparently friendly natives of the planet are actually malevolent invaders from elsewhere, who are plotting to eliminate all humans from Astra, both the recent arrivals and the star born colonists.

Publisher's Note: *Star Flight* was originally published in parts as *The Stars are Ours* and *Star Born*. This is the first time both novels have appeared in one mass market volume. **APB \$19.95**

## **Alastair Reynolds**

### *Revelation Space (Revelation Space 01)*

Nine hundred thousand years ago, something wiped out the Amarantin. For the human colonists now settling the Amarantin homeworld Resurgam, it's of little more than academic interest, even after the discovery of a long-hidden, almost perfect Amarantin city and a colossal statue of a winged Amarantin. For brilliant but ruthless scientist Dan Sylveste, it's more than merely intellectual curiosity - and he will stop at nothing to get at the truth. Even if the truth costs him everything. But the Amarantin were wiped out for a reason and that danger is closer and greater than even Sylveste imagines...**REVELATION SPACE**: a huge, magnificent space opera that ranges across the known and unknown universe...towards the most terrifying of destinations. **BPB \$24.99**

### *Century Rain*

Alastair Reynolds, one of the most exciting names in world SF, returns to the universe of *Revelation Space* for a stand-alone thriller that combines the big ideas which have made him 'a mastersinger of the space opera.' - *The Times*. **BPB \$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*. **APB \$19.95**

## **Adam Roberts**

### *Stone*

Sprung from a prison in the centre of a star, the universe's last criminal is employed to kill the population of a planet. It is a crime that will tear apart an interstellar utopia. Keeping ahead of detection and preparing the crime, the killer voyages to numerous worlds and hones the instincts required for murder. And wonders who is behind the contract. Roberts' new novel is an extraordinary fusing of ideas, exotic locations, personal drama and an enquiry into the nature of crime in a society that thinks it has forgotten how to commit it. **BPB \$22.99**

## **Fred Saberhagen**

### *Of Berserkers, Swords and Vampires: A Saberhagen Retrospective*

Best-selling author Fred Saberhagen created three popular series: his Berserker stories and novels telling of the endless war of humans and their alien allies against the Berserkers, gigantic robot battleships programmed by an unknown extinct race to destroy all life in the galaxy; his high fantasy *Lost Swords* series; and his *Dracula* series, the first novels to tell a story from the vampire's point of view. In a book that will be irresistible for the thousands of Saberhagen fans, all three series are represented here, as well as gems from his other series, including his first-published story and his last-written story, marking the endpoints of a remarkable writer's remarkable career that spanned more than four decades. As Joan Spicci Saberhagen writes in her foreword, "Even Fred's most ardent fans will have a fresh look at his talents. Whatever the setting, Fred's stories provide fast moving action and a thought provoking theme." **TP \$28.95 HC \$47.95**

## **Brandon Sanderson**

### *Warbreaker*

After bursting onto the fantasy scene with his acclaimed debut novel, *Elantris*, and following up with his blockbuster *Mistborn* trilogy, Brandon Sanderson proves again that he is today's leading master of what Tolkien called "secondary creation," the invention of whole worlds, complete with magics and myths all their own.

*Warbreaker* is the story of two sisters, who happen to be princesses, the God King one of them has to marry, the lesser god who doesn't like his job, and the immortal who's still trying to undo the mistakes he made hundreds of years ago.

Their world is one in which those who die in glory return as gods to live confined to a pantheon in Hallandren's capital city and where a power known as BioChromatic magic is based on an essence known as breath that can only be collected one unit at a time from individual people.

By using breath and drawing upon the color in everyday objects, all manner of miracles and mischief can be accomplished. It will take considerable quantities of each to resolve all the challenges facing Vivenna and Siri, princesses of Idris; Susebron the God King; Lightsong, reluctant god of bravery, and mysterious Vasher, the *Warbreaker*. **HC \$54.95**

## **Alisa Sheckley**

### *Moonburn*

Veterinarian--and werewolf--Abra Barrow, starting a new life in the small town of Northside, finds her abilities taking a strange turn when she starts losing her temper and her inhibitions in broad daylight, releasing the beast in all the men around her. **APB \$17.95**

## **Gena Showalter**

### *Jewel of Atlantis (Atlantis 02)*

All Atlantis seeks the Jewel of Dunamis, which legend claims can overcome any enemy. Grayson James, human agent of the ultrasecret Otherworld Bureau of Investigation, has orders to keep it from the wrong hands—or destroy it. What he doesn't know is that Jewel is a woman, not a stone! But once he meets this precious gem, destroying her is the last thing on his mind....

Jewel, part goddess, part prophet, needs Gray's help to win her freedom. Gray needs her wisdom to navigate monster-ridden Atlantis. But need blossoms into passionate love as they battle demons, dragons and vampires—and fight for a future that seems impossible.... **APB \$17.95**

## **Dan Simmons**

### *Ilium*

Taking the events and characters of the Iliad as his jumping - off point, Dan Simmons has created an epic of time travel and savage warfare. Travellers from 40 000 years in the future return to Homer's Greece and rewrite history forever, their technology impacting on the population in a godlike fashion. This is broad scope space opera rich in classical and literary allusion, from one of the key figures in 1990s world SF. ILIUM marks a return to the genre for one of its greats. **BPB \$22.99**

## **Melinda Snodgrass**

### *The Edge of Reason*

Since the dawn of consciousness, a secret war has been fought between the forces of magic and religious fanaticism, and the cause of reason, understanding, and technology. On one side are the Old Ones, malign entities that feed on the suffering of mankind. On the other are the Lumina, an ancient order dedicated to the liberation of the human spirit.

Officer Richard Oort of the Albuquerque Police Department is caught in the middle of this primal battle when he rescues a mysterious teenage girl from a trio of inhuman hunters. Recruited by the Lumina to serve as their latest paladin, Richard ends up fighting beside a handful of unlikely allies, including an adolescent sorceress, an enigmatic philanthropist, a sexy coroner, and a homeless god with multiple personalities.

The Old Ones and their mortal pawns are determined to destroy Richard—or subvert him to their cause. And they have all powers of magic and organized religion at their disposal. As the gates between the universes shred apart, it may be up to Richard to save humanity from the endless horror of a new Dark Age.

Provocative as *The Golden Compass* or the *Illuminatus!* trilogy, *The Edge of Reason* dramatizes the fundamental conflict behind the hot-button issues of today...and the future of the human race. **APB \$19.95**

## **Alexandra Sokoloff**

### *The Unseen*

A terrifying novel of suspense based on the Rhine parapsychology experiments at Duke University

After experiencing a precognitive dream that ends her engagement and changes her life forever, a young psychology professor from California decides to get a fresh start by taking a job at Duke University in North Carolina. She soon becomes obsessed with the files from the world-famous Rhine parapsychology lab experiments, which attempted to prove ESP really exists.

Along with a handsome professor, she uncovers troubling cases, including one about a house supposedly haunted by a poltergeist, investigated by another research team in 1965. Unaware that the entire original team ended up insane or dead, the two professors and two exceptionally gifted Duke students move into the abandoned mansion to replicate the investigation, with horrifying results.

*The Unseen* is Alexandra Sokoloff's most thrilling novel to date: a story of deception, attraction, and the unknown. **HC \$51.95**

## **Wen Spencer**

### *Endless Blue*

The appearance of the warp drive from the long lost Fenrir spaceship triggers an epic quest for Captain Mikhail Volkov. According to the drive's computers, Fenrir had been lost to hypothetical "nowhere" of subspace, but with the drive's housing covered with coral and sea life, obviously Fenrir has gone somewhere. Faced with genocide at the hands of the alien Nefrim, humans need a miracle to survive. On the chance that Fenrir's mysterious location holds such a miracle, Mikhail jumps into the unknown and crashes into the endless blue of the Sargasso Sea.

Every ship that misjumped from any race that discovered travel through subspace has crashed into its waters, creating a graveyard of rusting spaceships. On the Sargasso's great oceans, humans live alongside aliens in uneasy peace.

His ship damaged, his younger foster brother lost, and his sanity rattled, Mikhail discovers a secret that might save the human race—but only if he can repair his ship and return home. **APB \$19.95**

## **Jennifer St Giles**

### *Bride of the Wolf (Shadowmen 04)*

When the heroic werewolf Navarre is trapped in the twilight realm, his Shadowmen comrades are unable to rescue him. Only a passionate woman with a spirit as wild as his own can set him free...

Oil heiress Marissa Vasquez fled the jungles of Belize to avoid becoming a pawn in her vicious uncle's wicked schemes. Though she has found temporary sanctuary in little Twilight, Tennessee, only in her dreams does she taste freedom. At night, her spirit intertwines with a magnificent black wolf, and they run together under the glow of a forest moon. When a wounded stranger is brought to the camp where she is hiding, she glimpses in his eyes the mysterious being who has been the partner of her visions. But before she can explore her strange reaction to this man, they are kidnapped and imprisoned once again.

Navarre is a shapeshifting Shadowman, captured by the evil Vladarian vampire who hopes to control Marissa. Injured and blind, he struggles to regain his warrior's strength as they fight for their freedom -- and their lives. Together, their spirits form a powerful link matched only by the passion they discover in each other's arms. But can a mortal woman attain true love with a man who is half wolf? And will their enemies give them time to find an answer? **PB \$14.95**

## **Olaf Stapledon**

### *Last and First Men*

One of the most extraordinary, imaginative and ambitious novels of the century: a history of the evolution of humankind over the next 2 billion years. Among all science fiction writers Olaf Stapledon stands alone for the sheer scope and ambition of his work. First published in 1930, *LAST AND FIRST MEN* is full of pioneering speculations about evolution, terraforming, genetic engineering and many other subjects. **BPB \$22.99**

## **Jeff Strand**

### *Pressure*

Alex is unwittingly drawn into a waking nightmare when he discovers that his best friend Darren, whom he met in boarding school, is murderously insane and wants Alex to join him on a blood-soaked rampage--and won't take no for an answer **APB \$14.95**

## **Anne Stuart**

### *Silver Falls*

Rachel is finally getting it right. After years of wandering, she's married the perfect man and settled into the ideal life. But as her sleepy little town turns into a killing ground, she realises that this new life might come at too high a price.

Caleb Middleton says he's returned home to set things right. But as her husband's dangerous brother circles like a hungry wolf, poking holes in her perfect world, Rachel draws her young daughter in close. The rain and violence keep coming, and Rachel must decide whether to trust her dream life or her instincts... before the town of Silver Falls becomes her grave. **APB \$16.99**

**Colin Taber** *Australian Author*

*The Fall of Ossard (01)* TP \$29.95

### **Judith Tarr**

*Bring Down the Sun*

Alexander the Great ruled the greatest Empire of the ancient world, but he was ruled by his mother, called Olympias. There are as many legends about this powerful Queen as there are of her famous son, and the stories began long before she even met Philip of Macedon. Priestess of the Great Goddess, daughter of ruling house of Epiros, witch, and familiar of Serpents...she was a figure of mystery, fascination, and fear even during her own lifetime. Author Judith Tarr weaves the legends into an intensely romantic fantasy novel set in ancient Greece and Macedon. **TP \$30.95**

### **J R R Tolkien**

*Tales From the Perilous Realms*

Roverandom and Other Classic Faery

The five tales are written with the same skill, quality and charm that made *The Hobbit* a classic. Largely overlooked because of their short lengths, they are finally together in a volume which reaffirms Tolkien's place as a master storyteller for readers young and old.

Roverandom is a toy dog who, enchanted by a sand sorcerer, gets to explore the world and encounter strange and fabulous creatures.

Farmer Giles of Ham is fat and unheroic, but - having unwittingly managed to scare off a short-sighted giant - is called upon to do battle when a dragon comes to town;

The Adventures of Tom Bombadil tells in verse of Tom's many adventures with hobbits, princesses, dwarves and trolls;

Leaf by Niggle recounts the strange adventures of the painter Niggle who sets out to paint the perfect tree;

Smith of Wootton Major journeys to the Land of Faery thanks to the magical ingredients of the Great Cake of the Feast of Good Children.

This new collection is fully illustrated throughout by Oscar-winning artist, Alan Lee, who provides a wealth of pencil drawings to bring the stories to life as he did so memorably for *The Hobbit* and *The Children of Húrin*. Alan also provides an Afterword, in which he opens the door into illustrating Tolkien's world.

World-renowned Tolkien author and expert, Tom Shippey, takes the reader through the hidden links in the tales to Tolkien's Middle-earth in his Introduction, and recounts their history and themes.

Lastly, included as an appendix is Tolkien's most famous essay, "On Fairy-stories", in which he brilliantly discusses fairy-stories and their relationship to fantasy.

Taken together, this rich collection of new and unknown work from the author of *The Children of Húrin* will provide the reader with a fascinating journey into lands as wild and strange as Middle-earth. **BPB \$24.99**

### **Harry Turtledove**

*American Front (Great War 02)*

When the Great War engulfed Europe in 1914, the United States and the Confederate States of America, bitter enemies for five decades, entered the fray on opposite sides: the United States aligned with the newly strong Germany, while the Confederacy joined forces with their longtime allies, Britain and France. But it soon became clear to both sides that this fight would be different--that war itself would never be the same again. For this was to be a protracted, global conflict waged with new and chillingly efficient innovations--the machine gun, the airplane, poison gas, and trench warfare.

Across the Americas, the fighting raged like wildfire on multiple and far-flung fronts. As President Theodore Roosevelt rallied the diverse ethnic groups of the northern states--Irish and Italians, Mormons and Jews--Confederate President Woodrow Wilson struggled to hold together a Confederacy still beset by ignorance, prejudice, and class divisions. And as the war thundered on, southern blacks, oppressed for generations, found themselves fatefully drawn into a climactic confrontation . . . **APB \$19.95**

### **Mark L van Name**

*Overthrowing Heaven*

It began as a favor to a woman trying to get away from abusive husband.

Jon Moore grew up in a prison laboratory. When he escaped with nothing but his body's nanotech enhancements and more anger than even a long lifetime could wash away, an entire planet died behind him. Memories of the things he'd done still haunted him; because of them, he often ended up helping those in need.

His kindnesses frequently didn't work out well. This one really didn't work out well. It hurled Jon and Lobo, the intelligent assault vehicle and Jon's only friend, down an accelerating, ever more dangerous spiral involving:

Private armies and government covert ops teams

A courtesan who always seems a step ahead of him

Rival superpowers that define Good in terms of their own advantage and Ethics as whatever doesn't get in the way of their Good

And a brilliant, amoral scientist to whom human beings are just more experimental animals--and who might be Lobo's creator.

Jon and Lobo take the reader on a headlong rush through armed enemies and untrustworthy allies and encounter what just might be the worst danger their partnership will face: the truth. **HC \$51.95**

### **A E Van Vogt & Kevin J Anderson**

*Slan Hunter (Slan)*

The sequel to A. E. van Vogt's *Slan*, one of the most famous SF novels of the twentieth century!

This startling SF adventure novel is a collaboration between the classic SF Grand Master, A. E. van Vogt, and contemporary master Kevin J. Anderson. At the time of his death in 2000, van Vogt left a partial draft and an outline for the sequel to his most famous novel, *Slan*. Van Vogt's jam-packed, one-damn-thing-after-another storytelling technique makes his active plots compulsively readable. Now the story has been completed by Anderson, and is sure to be one of the most popular SF novels of the year.

Slans are a race of superior mutants in the far future, smarter and stronger than *Homo sapiens* and able to read minds. Yet they are a persecuted minority, survivors of terrible genocidal wars, who live in hiding from the mass of humanity. *Slan Hunter* tells of this towering conflict in the far future, when a new war among the races of mankind bursts out, and humanity—all types of humanity—struggles to survive. The heroic Jommy Cross of *Slan* is once again called upon to save the human race. **TP \$30.95**

**David Weber**

*By Schism Rent Asunder (Safehold 02)*

The world has changed. The mercantile kingdom of Charis has prevailed over the alliance designed to exterminate it. Armed with better sailing vessels, better guns and better devices of all sorts, Charis faced the combined navies of the rest of the world at Darcos Sound and Armageddon Reef, and broke them. Despite the implacable hostility of the Church of God Awaiting, Charis still stands, still free, still tolerant, still an island of innovation in a world in which the Church has worked for centuries to keep humanity locked at a medieval level of existence.

But the powerful men who run the Church aren't going to take their defeat lying down. Charis may control the world's seas, but it barely has an army worthy of the name. And as King Cayleb knows, far too much of the kingdom's recent good fortune is due to the secret manipulations of the being that calls himself Merlin – a being that, the world must not find out too soon, is more than human. A being on whose shoulders rests the last chance for humanity's freedom.

Now, as Charis and its archbishop make the rift with Mother Church explicit, the storm gathers. Schism has come to the world of Safehold. Nothing will ever be the same. **APB \$19.95**

**Phaedra Weldon**

*Wraith (Zoe Martinique Investigation)*

Using her talent for out-of-body travel in her career as a professional snoop, Zoe Martinique becomes an invisible witness to a murder and a soul stealing by a ghostly killer who can actually see and hurt her, and joins forces with a handsome police detective, her psychic mother, and the ghosts who haunt her house to stop her fearsome enemy. **APB \$19.95**

**John C Wright**

*Null-A Continuum*

Continuing A.E. van Vogt's World of Null-A

In this heart-stopping sequel to A.E. van Vogt's World of Null-A, Gilbert Gosseyn, the superhuman amnesiac with a double brain, must pit his wits once more against the remorseless galactic dictator Enro the Red and the mysterious shadow-being known as The Follower. And he must do it while he is being hurled headlong through unimaginable distances in space, in time, and through alternate eternities to fend off the death and complete the rebirth of the Universe itself! **APB \$19.95**

## Anthologies

**Lou Anders Editor**

*Sideways in Crime*

Edited by a 2007 Hugo Award nominee, an assemblage of alternative history mysteries features crime stories that are set in universes that are somewhat different from our own and includes works by Stephen Baxter, Kristine Kathryn Rusch, Kage Baker, Jack McDevitt, S. M. Sterling, Mike Resnick and Eric Flint, Pat Cadigan, and other notable authors. **APB \$16**

**MaryJanice Davidson, Lois Greiman, Michele Hauf & Leandra Logan**

*Faeries Gone Wild*

A collection of erotic and enchanting stories includes MaryJanice Davidson's "Tall, Dark and Not So Faery," in which Scarlett, an oddity among her kind, finds an unlikely soulmate in the town of Cannon Falls, Minnesota, who measures up to her standards. **APB \$19.95**

**Esther Friesner Editor**

*Witch Way to the Mall*

Move over, urban fantasy—here comes suburban fantasy. What self-respecting witch, vampire, or werewolf would be caught dead—or undead—anywhere but the Big City, you may ask? Look, let's give the uncanny crew a little credit for intelligence: If they had the smarts to see the advantage in packing up and moving into the cities, why wouldn't they have the smarts to move out of said cities if it looked like they could get a better quality-of-life/death elsewhere? (Tough enough going about your otherworldly business and evading the occasional mob wielding halogen torches and designer pitchforks, but have you ever seen city real estate prices?)

So let's welcome our first group of supernatural suburbanites, the witches. Their powers are awesome, their methods of coping with the lumps, bumps, and idiosyncrasies of Suburbia are ingenious, and they always bring the loveliest gingerbread to the PTA bake sale. But whatever you do, don't try telling them that life in a non-city setting is bland, banal and boring, or you might get turned into . . . rabbit!

Stories of suburban sorcery by Harry Turtledove, Sarah A. Hoyt, Jan and S.M. Stirling, K. D. Wentworth, and more—including Esther Friesner herself. **APB \$19.95**

**David G Hartwell & Kathryn Cramer Editor**

*Year's Best SF 14*

This latest selection of outstanding short-form science fiction stories, originally published in magazines during 2008. **APB \$19.95**

# Young Adult

## Jodi Lynn Anderson

### *Warrior Princess (May Bird 03)*

At Hog Wallow Middle School, May Ellen Bird was always slightly invisible. Then she went on a long trip to the land of the dead, where ghost towns glowed blue in the dark dusk and spooky specters dwelled in cities on the Dead Sea.

Back on Earth at last, May and her hairless cat, Somber Kitty, are now famous, their faces plastered across souvenirs and sportswear that read "May Bird Went to the Land of the Dead and All She Brought Me Was This Lousy T-Shirt." But, finally in the spotlight, May feels more than ever that she doesn't belong. Every night she sits by her bedroom window, gazing at the sky and dreaming of another place, wishing -- despite herself -- to be back among the ghosts.

And then one night she gets her heart's desire in a way she would never have wished for. Only the Ever After isn't anything like the world May left behind three years ago. The spirits have vanished, and the towns -- once full of every manner of things that go bump in the night -- are deserted. Evil Bo Cleevil has made the Ever After as cold as his own frigid soul, and put up a bunch of tacky malls to boot.

Now, with her friends missing and enemies all around her, May must find her way to the edge of the universe, where night swallows the stars, where allies are few and often have bad breath, where endings can also be beginnings, and where the truest hero lurks in the unlikeliest of souls. But Bo Cleevil's got one last trick up his sleeve -- one that no one on Earth is ready for.

With the worlds of the living and the dead in the balance, will May's courage fail her one last time? Or will she finally become the warrior she was always meant to be? **BPB \$12.95**

## Steve Augarde

### *Winter Wood*

In this astonishing final part of Steve Augarde's captivating trilogy, past and present are connected and the interwoven threads lead to an astonishing series of revelations.

Midge's discovery of the hidden tribes is like a dream to her now, their existence all but forgotten - but then a voice calls out to her in the winter darkness. The Various have returned, and their desperation has made them all the more dangerous. They must travel to Elysse or perish. The only way that Midge can help the little people is by tracing the whereabouts of her great-great-aunt Celandine. But Celandine must be long dead, surely?

A story of danger and magic, friendships and betrayals, this is fantasy writing at its very best. **PB \$19.95**

## T E Berry-Hart

### *Fearless (02)*

Brave New World meets The Fugitive in a classic sci-fi adventure. Life for Arlo is good. After working so hard to escape the city where he was imprisoned, he has finally found a home. A place where people feel like he does. But something is missing . . . For someone without emotion, Usha has never felt more alone. Will there ever be a place where she belongs? Both know that there is only one way to find the answers to their questions. And as dangerous as it might be, they must return to Genopolis. **PB \$17.99**

## Magnus Bledwell

### *Dane the Defiant (Sons of Thor 01)*

The first in a trilogy of hilarious Viking adventures that blend Norse mythology with slapstick comedy.

Imagine being a teenage Viking with a lot of growing up to do. Imagine stealing the Shield of Odin, the talisman that offers protection to your entire village, just to impress a beautiful girl who has a mean way with an axe. Now imagine losing both the shield and the girl to an evil prince, leading to the destruction of your home, the death of your father and the possible annihilation of everything you hold dear, just as the Runes foretold...

In the first book of the epic trilogy Sons of Thor, Dane the Defiant is a Viking with a destiny, but since that destiny is pretty depressing, he's doing his best to avoid it! Embarking on a quest to rescue the girl and defeat the prince, Dane has to deal with lethal doomfish, an enraged frost giant, a love rival with really great hair and his own fears in order to succeed. **BPB \$14.99**

## Ken Catran

### *Nina of the Dark*

A sweeping epic fantasy adventure from a master of the genre, Nina of the dark tells the story of a slave girl in a medieval world where humans battle for existence in fortified towns scattered through a fertile lowlands, dominated by the grim mountains of Backbone. Beyond backbone is a land of demons, flying dragons, witchers, ogres and goblins. Born to fulfill the prophecy of a young woman with hair the colour of sunlight on snow, Nina the foundling is suspected of witchcraft when she starts to experience sharp pain in her thumbs, and has to flee for her life. A classical fantasy adventure for YA readers, Nina of the dark marks a new beginning for Ken Catran, back once again in the HarperCollins list. **BPB \$19.99**

## Eoin Colfer Ireland

### *Artemis Fowl (Artemis Fowl 01)*

Artemis Fowl. You've probably heard the name.

If Internet rumours are to be believed, he's responsible for every major crime of the century. If you haven't heard of young Artemis, then you're lucky. You'll sleep better not knowing that someone like him is out there. But if you must know, if curiosity is eating away at you, as it did at me, then let's start at the beginning . . .

In this, the story of Artemis's first encounter with the fairy People, you'll find out how he hatched a plot to restore his family's fortune. You'll read how he discovered a world below ground of armed and dangerous fairies, farting dwarfs and mind-blowing technology. And you'll learn how, by kidnapping Captain Holly Short of the Lower Elements Police, Artemis almost triggered a cross-species war.

Still with me? Well, strap in. adventures-you've never read anything quite like this . . . **PB \$6.95**

## D M Cornish Australian Author

### *Lamplighter (Monster Blood Tattoo 02)*

The Half-Continent is becoming even more unsafe - monster attacks are on the rise, and every far-flung village or town is calling for help to fight them. Into this dangerous landscape the lamplighters must venture daily, keeping the roads safely lit for travellers. Rossamnd Bookchild, sworn into the Emperor's Service as a prentice lamplighter, is finding his training at Winstermill Fortress difficult and lonely. His life is further complicated by the arrival of a young wit determined to spite her famous mother by becoming a lowly lantern-stick. As Rossamnd begins to make new friends in this sinister world, he also seems to make more enemies, finding himself pushed towards a terrible destiny, a fate beyond anything he could ever have imagined. **BPB \$24.99**

## **Cressida Cowell**

### *A Hero's Guide to Deadly Dragons (Hiccup Horrendous Haddock III)*

A guide to Hiccup's world - with dragons, tips, jokes and Dragonese. Delve into this special volume of Hiccup's memoirs to find a brand new exciting adventure, a detailed map of the Archipelago and lots more dragon profiles! Also contains a comprehensive Dragonese Dictionary for those who'd like to dragon-whisper as well as the dragon-whisperer himself. **BPB \$16.99**

## **Gary Cross**

### *Plague of the Undead*

Northern Italy, September 10, 1650

The boy knew his father was going to kill him.

Just like he'd killed everyone else tonight. The boy's mother, his two older sisters and baby brother, the servants.

All of them dead.

When Lucius is ten years old his father returns home one evening as a vampire and destroys his entire family. By luck Lucius is spared.

Fifteen years later Lucius has joined the elite group of vampire hunters that saved his life that night.

Now it's his turn to lead the hunt - this time on the trail of a master vampire who has survived hundreds of years and is intent on turning the world into a vampire race.

Through Paris and the wilds of Europe Lucius tracks his quarry, eventually running him to ground in the plague-infested streets of London.

But this is no ordinary vampire and the skills Lucius has used in the past have no effect on this extraordinary foe.

Will Lucius be able to survive or will he too enter the realm of the undead? **PB \$19.95**

## **Melissa De La Cruz**

### *Blue Bloods (Blue Bloods 01)*

When Schuyler Van Alen, a sophomore at a prestigious New York City private school, turns fifteen, she notices herself going through physical and psychological changes that may have something to do with a fellow coed's murder in which she was found drained of all her blood. Select teenagers from some of New York City's wealthiest and most socially prominent families learn a startling secret about their bloodlines. **PB \$21.95**

### *Masquerade (Blue Bloods 02)*

Schuyler, growing comfortable with her vampire powers, seeks her grandfather in Italy, while back in New York plans are being completed for the Four Hundred Ball, to be followed by an event at which masks hide a terrible secret.

Searching for the truth surrounding the mysterious deaths of young Blue Bloods, Schuyler Van Alen journeys to Venice, Italy, to get help, while back in New York, a young vampire discovers his true destiny at an after-party masquerade where danger lurks behind every mask **PB \$21.95**

## **Kevin Emerson**

### *Blood Ties (Oliver Nocturne 03)*

The Nocturnes are heading off to visit their Old World relatives in Morosia, an underground vampire city, but Oliver, Dean, and Emalie have their own plans for the trip. The three friends believe that a mysterious woman named Selene may be able to help them discover the truth about the disappearance of Emalie's mum and Oliver's destiny in the vampire world. And they don't have a moment to lose because if the sinister Half-Light Consortium finds Selene first, all their answers could be gone forever. **PB \$14.99**

## **Jenny Hale Australian Author**

### *Jatta*

Jatta is a princess in the kingdom of Alteeda, but her life is no fairytale. Her mother was slain by werewolves when Jatta was three years old, and now, at the age of fourteen, she has discovered that the werewolves left their curse on her. With her brother, Arthmael, Jatta is forced to flee the castle and journey to the dark kingdom of Dartith, a place where werewolves and the Undead prowl the streets. Dramatic, exciting and romantic, Jatta is an engrossing read, combining the classic fantasy of Tamora Pierce with the gothic thrills of Stephenie Meyer. **PB \$21.99**

## **Kim Harrison**

### *Once Dead, Twice Shy (01)*

Spunky teen Madison Avery, though technically dead, uses a stolen amulet to retain the illusion of a body and help her in the struggle between Light and Dark reapers.

My name is Madison Avery, and I'm here to tell you that there's more out there than you can see, hear, or touch. Because I'm there. Seeing it. Touching it. Living it.

Madison's prom was killer—literally. For some reason she's been targeted by a dark reaper—yeah, that kind of reaper—intent on getting rid of her, body and soul. But before the reaper could finish the job, Madison was able to snag his strange, glowing amulet and get away.

Now she's stuck on Earth—dead but not gone. Somehow the amulet gives her the illusion of a body, allowing her to toe the line between life and death. She still doesn't know why the dark reaper is after her, but she's not about to just sit around and let fate take its course.

With a little ingenuity, some light-bending, and the help of a light reaper (one of the good guys! Maybe . . .), her cute crush, and oh yeah, her guardian angel, Madison's ready to take control of her own destiny once and for all, before it takes control of her.

Well, if she believed in that stuff. **HC \$35**

## **Eva Ibbotson**

### *The Dragonfly Pool*

Tally Hamilton is furious to hear she is being sent from London to a horrid, stuffy boarding school in the countryside. And all because of the stupid war. But Delderton Hall is a far more interesting place than Tally ever imagined, and an exciting school trip to the beautiful and luscious kingdom of Bergania whisks Tally into an unexpected adventure... will she be able to save her new friend, Prince Tamil, before it's too late? **BPB \$14.99**

## **Lene Kaaberbol**

### *Midnight*

The stunning sequel to Silverhorse.

One day, one day soon, perhaps... One of these brilliant creatures might be hers.

As an apprentice Bredinari, hot-tempered Kat is finally within touching distance of fulfilling her dream - to tame and ride her own hell horse, so that she can carry messages on behalf of the Castle, and help those in need.

But then she reads a letter she shouldn't have read... **BPB \$16.99**

## **Andrew Klavan**

### *Last Thing I Remember (Homelander 01)*

Charlie West studies hard, stays focused and has just gotten the phone number of the prettiest girl in his class. He is thinking about joining the air force after graduation. He is a third degree black belt. He never gets in trouble. Until now. Charlie has woken up in a nightmare. He's strapped to a steel chair, and someone outside the door just ordered his death. . . Even worse - he can't remember a thing about how he got here. By calling on his deepest reserves of strength and focus, Charlie manages a desperate escape. . . but his nightmare isn't ending. There's a whole year of his life that he can't remember. A year in which he was convicted of murdering his best friend and working with terrorists. Charlie knows that can't be true. But what is? Staying alive long enough to figure out the answers may be the least of his worries. . . **BPB \$19.99**

## **Jayne Lyons**

### *100% Hero (02)*

Freddy Lupin's noble werewolf family is in trouble again. A TV reporter has captured Freddy's dad and put him in the zoo, and strange visitors are snooping around Farfang Castle, looking for the mysterious Blavendoch. Before he can protest, Freddy is packed off to camp. He's looking forward to all the extreme sports adventures - until he's handed pink tights and dainty ballet slippers. Freddy has a choice: face the ghostly blood-sucking demon outside . . . or dance.

Great horned toads! How's Freddy going to get out of this one? **PB \$15.95**

## **Thom Madley**

### *Marco's Pendulum*

When Marco is dumped in Glastonbury to stay with his weird hippy grandparents for the summer, he's sure he's going to hate it. But he soon starts to recognise the magic of the place. With his mysterious new found talent for dowsing, Marco is quickly drawn into the dangerous struggle to protect the ancient mysticism of Glastonbury. **BPB \$19.95**

## **Catherine Gilbert Murdock**

### *Off Season*

Life is looking up for DJ Schwenk. She's in eleventh grade, finally. After a rocky summer, she's reconnecting in a big way with her best friend, Amber. She's got kind of a thing going with Brian Nelson, who's cute and popular and smart but seems to like her anyway. And then there's the fact she's starting for the Red Bend High School football team - the first girl linebacker in northern Wisconsin, probably. Which just shows you can't predict the future.

As autumn progresses, DJ struggles to understand Amber, Schwenk Farm, her relationship with Brian, and most of all her family. As a whole herd of trouble comes her way, she discovers she's a lot stronger than she - or anyone - ever thought. **PB \$16.95**

## **Rick Riordan**

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

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

As the son of a Greek god, I've had my share of near-death disaster. 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?

The film version of Percy Jackson and the Battle of the Labyrinth will be in Australian cinemas February 2010 **BPB \$16.95**

## **Michael Scott**

### *The Magician (Nicholas Flamel 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. Perenell is still locked up back in Alcatraz and Paris is burning - with it, the last hopes for the human race. Nicollo Machiavelli, immortal author and celebrated art collector, is working for Dee. He's after them, and time is running out for Nicholas and Perenell. 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. **PB \$17.95**

### *The Sorceress (Nicholas Flamel 03)*

Nicholas Flamel's heart almost broke as he watched his beloved Paris crumble before him. The city was destroyed by Dee and Machiavelli, but Flamel played his own role in the destruction. Sophie and Josh Newman show every sign of being the twins of prophecy, and Flamel had to protect them and the pages from the Dark Elders.

But Nicholas grows weaker with each passing day. Perenelle is still trapped in Alcatraz, and now that Scatty has gone missing, the group is without protection. Except for Clarent - the sister sword to Excalibur. But Clarent's power is unthinkable, its evil making it nearly impossible to use without its darkness seeping into the soul of whoever wields it.

If he hopes to defeat Dee, Nicholas must find an Elder who can teach Josh and Sophie the third elemental magic - Water Magic. The problem? The only Elder who can do that is Gilgamesh, and he is quite, quite insane. **TP \$29.95**

## **Lili St Crow**

### *Strange Angels (Dru Anderson 01)*

While accompanying her father on his travels where he hunts ghosts, wulfen, and zombies, Dru Anderson's life is forever changed when her father ends up dead, begins to walk amongst the undead, and she is becomes one of the hunted by unknown forces with deadly intentions. **TP \$22.95**

### **Cate Tiernan**

*Awakening and Spellbound (Wicca)*

Becoming a blood witch has changed Morgan's life forever . . .

She's lost her best friend, made new friends and found love – and betrayal.

She thought she'd found her soul mate, but now there's someone new in her life, someone strong. But can Morgan trust Hunter? Morgan has so much to learn about witchcraft . . . and about love. **BPB \$19.95**

### **Robin Wasserman**

*Skinned (Lia's Story 01)* **BPB \$16.99**

### **Scott Westerfeld Australian Author**

*Mind Rain (Uglies)*

Bringing fresh ideas and thought to the table, this unauthorized guide is the perfect read for Harry Potter fans as they finish the series with book seven. This whirlwind tour of Harry Potter's universe uncovers unexpected truths and speculates on unanswered questions, such as What could have happened to sort Harry into Slytherin? Why are Hermione's parents dentists and why don't we see more of them? Why doesn't Hogwarts teach writing of literature? The books' 25 most satisfying moments are outlined, as well as four of its weakest. In a light, appealingly conversational tone, this companion to the series covers books one through six, analyzes the main characters from different angles, and provides a checklist of unanswered questions to compare to the revelations of the seventh book. **PB \$26.95**

### **Chris Wooding**

*Malice*

A graphic novel that really sucks you in . . . 'Tall Jake, take me away...' When Luke repeats these words six times, he's sure he's only disproving a silly rumour. Of course the legend isn't true - Malice comics don't actually exist. People don't end up inside them, fighting for their lives. Things like that don't happen in real life. Then Luke disappears. **BPB \$22.99**

## **Television, Movie and Comic Related**

### **DC Universe: The Stories of Alan Moore**

*Alan Moore* **TP \$40.95**

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*Cylon War* **TP \$40.95**

*Ghosts* *Brandon Jerwa* **TP \$40.95**

### **Doctor Who**

*David Tennant Casebook: The Who's Who*

*Molly Mitchell*

At last, the book that fans have been waiting for! David Tennant, star of Saturday night TV and hero to many girls and boys alike, has entertained us as the Doctor, has wowed us with his striking looks and created a buzz that few actors can compete with. Learn about David's natural style, his excellent sense of humour, his friendships on and off set and the role that made him the household name he is today. With over 120 pages of facts, photos, quotes and interviews this is a must-have buy for all Tennant fans and don't forget with a FREE poster it's the perfect gift or treat to keep even the most dedicated of followers in the know. **PB \$22.99**

### **Doctor Trap CD**

*Simon Messingham*

Sebastiene was perhaps once human. He might look like a nineteenth-century nobleman, but in truth he is a ruthless hunter. He likes nothing more than luring difficult opposition to a planet, then hunting them down for sport. And now he's caught them all - from Zargregs to Moogs, and even the odd Eternal...In fact, Sebastiene is after only one more prize.

For this trophy, he knows he is going to need help. He's brought together the finest hunters in the universe to play the most dangerous game for the deadliest quarry of them all. They are hunting for the last of the Time Lords - the Doctor. **CD \$29.99**

### **Audio: Doctor Who and the Auton Invasion**

In this the first adventure of his third "incarnation", Doctor who Liz Shaw and the Brigadier grapple with the nightmarish invasion of the Autons - - living giant-sized plastic modelled "humans" with no hair and sightless eyes; waxwork replicas and tailors' dummies whose murderous behaviour is directed by the NESTENE CONSCIOUSNESS -- a malignant, squid-like monster of cosmic proportions and indescribably hideous appearance. **CD \$39.99**

### **Audio 121: Enemy of the Daleks**

Starring SYLVESTER McCOY and SOPHIE ALDRED, Featuring KATE ASHFIELD and EIJI KUSUHARA, With PHILIP OLIVIER as HEX

A new adventure in time and space for the Seventh Doctor and his companions Ace and Hex.

Bliss used to be a paradise planet. The Galapagos Islands of space. But when the TARDIS brings the Doctor, Ace and Hex to Bliss, it's been over-run with ironweed plants, and the air is heavy with the stench of burnt silk and static electricity.

Worse, the Daleks are coming, on the trail of a lost patrol of starship troopers. Holed up in the Roarke 279 research facility, Lieutenant Beth Stokes is preparing her last stand against the invaders.

But there's a secret on Bliss, a secret guarded by the obsessive Professor Shimura...

This time, could it be the Daleks need saving? **CD \$54.95**

### **Companion Chronicles 3.11: The Mahogany Murderers**

A new adventure for two of the Fourth Doctor's friends.

Professor George Litefoot: the eminent pathologist who advises the police in some of their grisliest cases. Henry Gordon Jago: the master of ceremonies at the Alhambra Theatre. These are two very different men from contrasting strata in society, who became firm friends and collaborators after their adventure with the Doctor and Leela battling the evil Weng-Chiang.

Some years later, Jago and Litefoot have defeated dangerous denizens of the daemoniac darkness together. They have stood side by side against threats to the British Empire. But when a body is found on the banks of the River Thames, and Litefoot's post mortem reveals that it is actually a highly detailed wooden mannequin, their most dangerous adventure begins. Dr Tulp has masterminded a deadly scheme, Jack Yeovil and his murderous gang plan live forever, and only Jago and Litefoot can stop them... **CD \$32.95**

### **Darksmith Legacy 05: *Vampire of Paris***

The Doctor decides it's safe to go back in time to find Varlos before he died. From what Gisella recalls of her father's plans, they head for Paris in 1895 where they discover a city in fear. Why will hardly anyone dare venture out after dark? Who is stealing time from their victims? What will the Doctor do when he realises the killer is also after him? Find out by reading the next thrilling adventure in . . . The Darksmith Legacy! **PB \$12.95**

### **Eighth Doctor Audio 3.3: *The Beast of Orlok***

Starring PAUL MCGANN and SHERIDAN SMITH, Guest starring MIRIAM MARGOLYES, PETER GUINNESS and SAMUEL BARNETT

A new adventure in time and space for the Eighth Doctor and his companion, Lucie.

With fangs like splinters, claws like knives, the Beast of Orlok gobbles lives.

With brimstone breath and eyes aglow, he'll eat your soul - to Hell you'll go!

Germany, 1827. The town of Orlok is under a curse, haunted by the memory of a spate of grisly murders that shattered the community twenty years before. At the time, townsfolk blamed the legendary Beast of Orlok, a nightmarish creature from medieval folklore.

And now, it seems, the Beast has returned. As the killings begin again, the people of Orlok are understandably suspicious of two strangers newly arrived in their midst. The Doctor and Lucie must face their darkest fears as they find themselves plunged into a decidedly grim fairytale. **CD \$39.95**

### **GI Joe**

#### ***GI Joe: Above and Beyond***

Max Allan Collins

Prequel story to the film GI Joe The Rise of Cobra. **APB \$19.95**

### **Lost**

#### ***Lost: Messages From the Island***

This companion, from the pages of Lost: The Official Magazine, gives an insight into the world of the smash-hit ABC show and includes cast and crew interviews, character profiles and features on various aspects of life on 'the island'. A must-have book for any fan.

From the producer of box office smash Cloverfield and the TV series Alias, JJ Abrams' Lost is one of the most successful television shows of recent years: Part survival drama, part mystery thriller and part character study.

After Oceanic Air flight 815 tore apart in mid-air and crashed on a Pacific island, its survivors are caught up in a fight to survive. Can the rag-tag group unravel the island's secrets and find a way to escape, or will they remain lost forever?

Lost: Messages from the Island also features a brand-new foreword by Lost executive producers Damon Lindelof and Carlton Cuse. **TP \$30.95**

### **Monk**

#### ***Mr Monk is Miserable***

Lee Goldberg

Accompanying his long-suffering assistant Natalie on a trip to France, detective Adrian Monk takes a tour through the underground world of the Parisian sewers, where he stumbles into a catacombs filled with ancient human remains, including one much more recent skull bearing evidence of murder. TV tie-in. **APB \$19.95**

### **Primeval**

#### ***Fire and Water***

Simon Guerrier

When strange anomalies in time start to appear. Professor Cutter and his team have to help track down and capture a multitude of dangerous prehistoric creatures from Earth's distant past and terrifying future...

In this brand new original never-seen-on-TV Primeval adventure, the team confront anomaly crises both in rain-swept London and on hot South African plains.

At a safari park in South Africa, rangers are disappearing and strange creatures have been seen battling with lions and rhinos. As the team investigate they are drawn into a dark conspiracy, which could have terrible consequences; while back at home in England, as torrential rain pours down over the city, an enormous anomaly opens up in East London. **HC \$24.95**

### **Robin Hood**

#### ***Audio 1.1: Witchfinders***

Rebecca Levene

Read by RICHARD ARMITAGE as SIR GUY OF GISBORNE

The Sheriff of Nottingham has hit on the perfect plan to finish Robin Hood off once and for all... Accusing the outlaw of witchcraft, he invites a malevolent gang of witchfinders to Nottingham to track him down. Sir Guy of Gisborne leads the hunt – but he has problems of his own. Since the day Marian died, his dreams have been haunted by images of the woman he loved, and now he's seeing her in the waking world. If the witchfinders discover Gisborne's secret, will he be the one to find himself burnt at the stake? **CD \$32.95**

#### ***1.2: The Tiger's Tale***

Read by JONAS ARMSTRONG as ROBIN HOOD

Once more in a tight spot with little chance of escape, Robin relates a tale to the gang of his time serving with King Richard...

Trapped behind enemy lines in the Holy Land, Robin must somehow get King Richard to safety. Outnumbered a hundred to one in a forbidding desert, Robin and the faithful Much use disguise and deception to elude their pursuers and save the King. Faced with imminent capture and deadly adversaries at every turn, their mission is as dangerous as treading on a tiger's tail... **CD \$32.95**

#### ***1.3: Friendly Fire***

Read by DAVID HAREWOOD as FRIAR TUCK

Robin is horrified when a young villager is killed during a skirmish with Gisborne and his men – and the arrow in the boy's back is one of his own. As an angry mob of villagers descends on Sherwood, Robin refuses to fight on if innocent people are in danger. Shunned by the people he has sworn to protect, Robin is taken to Nottingham Castle by Gisborne. But Tuck, convinced that Robin is not to blame, attempts a daring rescue mission to clear the outlaw's name and convince him to take up his bow once more. For how else will free men rally to the legend of Robin Hood? **CD \$32.95**

#### ***1.4 Dam Busters***

Read by SAM TROUGHTON as MUCH

The people of Locksley are starving. The Sheriff's men are seizing all the grain and smashing every mill and grinding stone – but for what sinister purpose? Feisty new gang member Kate has to make a choice: trust Robin's plan to stop the Sheriff or follow her own path and help the people of her village, while Tuck's choice leads him into deadly peril. Robin must call on the skills of all his friends if he is to solve the mystery and defeat the Sheriff. But even then he will need help from an unexpected place... **CD \$32.95**

## **Sarah Jane Adventures**

### ***Thirteenth Stone***

A stone circle spells danger for Sarah Jane Smith and friends, in a thrilling new adventure read by Elisabeth Sladen. Sarah Jane is helping out on a school trip with Luke, Maria and Clyde's class. On the way home, the group stop off at The Stone Whisperers, a dozen standing stones enclosed by a dome.

Set apart from the circle is a thirteenth stone: the King Stone. Legend has it that this is an evil king who was captured in battle by twelve knights, and turned to stone. To keep him imprisoned, the knights too turned to stone, holding him forever in their power. Nice story, but it's just a myth - isn't it? Luke finds himself strangely drawn to the King Stone. Over two metres high, and covered in moss, it glows with a strange, unearthly light. But when the secret of the stones is finally revealed, the school party's enthusiasm turns to terror...Elisabeth Sladen, who stars as Sarah Jane in the CBBC TV series, reads this exclusive audio story which has been written by bestselling author Justin Richards. The cover photograph shows Elisabeth Sladen as Sarah Jane with Yasmin Paige as Maria, Thomas Knight as Luke, and Daniel Anthony as Clyde. **CD \$21.95**

### ***Glittering Storm***

Sarah Jane Smith and her friends investigate a mysterious clinic, in a thrilling new adventure read by Elisabeth Sladen. When Sarah Jane disturbs a burglar in the night, she is surprised to find a middle-aged woman, her pockets stuffed with jewellery, demanding gold. The next day, she reads a newspaper story about a granny who broke into a jewellers, and then Maria reports that a woman has been stealing rings and necklaces from the girls' changing room at school.

All the women had recently attended the Auriga Clinic, a private health centre specialising in treating muscular aches and pains. Is there a link between the clinic and the odd behaviour of its patients? Sarah Jane decides to find out, but she soon discovers that the clinic's secret agenda is more sinister than she could ever have imagined...Elisabeth Sladen, who stars as Sarah Jane in the CBBC TV series, reads this exclusive audio story which has been written by bestselling author Stephen Cole. The cover photograph shows Elisabeth Sladen as Sarah Jane with Yasmin Paige as Maria, Thomas Knight as Luke, and Daniel Anthony as Clyde. **CD \$21.95**

### ***Eye of the Gorgon***

Join Sarah Jane on an exciting adventure investigating mysterious happenings with the help of Maria, Luke, Clyde and of course 'Mr Smith'. Based on an episode of "Sarah Jane Adventures", this fantastic novel has colour inserts showing scenes from the BBC series. Life on Earth can be an adventure too! **PB \$17.95**

### ***Warriors of Kudlak***

Join Sarah Jane on an exciting adventure investigating mysterious happenings with the help of Maria, Luke, Clyde and of course 'Mr Smith'. Based on an episode of "Sarah Jane Adventures", this fantastic novel has colour inserts showing scenes from the BBC series. Life on Earth can be an adventure too! **PB \$17.95**

***Lost Boy* PB \$17.95**

***Last Sontaren* PB \$17.95**

***Day of the Clown* PB \$17.95**

### ***Time Capsule***

Sarah Jane and friends must deal with some deadly alien artefacts in this gripping story, read by Elisabeth Sladen. It seems like a regular, routine weekday: Sarah Jane is doing a supermarket shop (and trying not to embarrass Clyde, who is doing his work experience in Betterworth's) while Luke is at the Natural History Museum, helping to catalogue items and set up displays. But their ordinary day is about to turn extraordinary, as forces from an alien world start to affect Earth and all hell breaks loose.

With an icy void opening beneath the chiller cabinet, museum exhibits coming alive and terrifying monsters appearing, Sarah Jane, Luke, Clyde and Rani are soon fighting for their lives...Elisabeth Sladen, who stars as Sarah Jane in the CBBC TV series, reads this exclusive audio story which has been written by bestselling author Peter Anghelides. The cover photograph shows Elisabeth Sladen as Sarah Jane with Anjali Mohindra as Rani, Thomas Knight as Luke, and Daniel Anthony as Clyde. **CD \$21.95**

### ***Audio: Ghost House***

A crack in time and a lost child mean trouble for Sarah Jane in this thrilling story, read by Elisabeth Sladen. Up early one morning, Sarah Jane is astonished to see that the house opposite hers has changed overnight: what used to be a non-descript 1970s family home has been replaced by a smart Victorian residence. How did a house from 1884 suddenly materialise in Bannerman Road? Where has the old O'Brien place gone? And more importantly, who - or what - has caused this temporal anomaly? Sarah Jane and friends must find out before time itself explodes and destroys the world...Elisabeth Sladen, who stars as Sarah Jane in the CBBC TV series, reads this exclusive audio story which has been written by bestselling author Stephen Cole.

The cover photograph shows Elisabeth Sladen as Sarah Jane with Anjali Mohindra as Rani, Thomas Knight as Luke, and Daniel Anthony as Clyde. **CD \$21.95**

## **Star Trek**

### ***Countdown***

Nero, the captain of a Romulan mining vessel, works with Ambassador Spock to prevent a supernova from destroying the entire Romulan empire, but when things go horribly wrong, the Federation gains a bitter enemy. **TP \$36.95**

### ***Mobile Trek***

#### ***Douglas Rea***

MOBILE TREK (Because In Space No One Can Hear You Dial), A funny, zany, off-the-wall lampoon of Sci-Fi and call centres for anyone who ever worked in a call centre or had to phone one and thought they were connected to some spacecraft in the distant future. USS Cellforce 1 is an intergalactic mobile phone call centre, in which Captain Pilchard battles other networks for communications supremacy. Assisted by Rasta, a comically insane android, an incomprehensible Scottish engineer, and Goanna the ship's councillor and Groucho Marx impersonator, he dreams of retiring to his ferret farm in Edinburgh. **BPB \$19.95**

### **Star Trek Fleet Collection 1**

Injection moulded plastic model of the spaceship from Star Trek. Prepainted, some minor assembly required. The box is printed in Japanese and although the model is small, it is great quality. **\$29.95 each**

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*USS Enterprise NCC-1701-D Model*

*USS Enterprise NCC-1707 Refit Model*

*USS Enterprise NX-01 Model*

*USS Enterprise NX-01 Mirror Universe Model*

### **Vanguard 04: Open Secrets**

*Dayton Ward & Kevin Dilmore*

The Taurus Reach is in turmoil.

With tensions mounting between the Federation and the Klingon Empire, Ambassador Jetanien works frantically on Starbase Vanguard to halt the escalation toward war. Commodore Diego Reyes, the station's former commander, awaits trial for treason, while the shattered mind of his intelligence officer, T'Prynn, becomes the battlefield in a fight for her very life.

But even as matters deteriorate, the discoveries made in the Taurus Reach have captured the imagination of one of the Federation's most promising scientific minds: Dr. Carol Marcus believes she is close to solving a puzzle that will transform her life's work. Meanwhile, an unexpected defection brings a new perspective to the investigation, and Vanguard's Lieutenant Ming Xiong is confronted with an artifact that could be the key to decoding the Taurus Meta-Genome. But with Operation Vanguard teetering between its greatest breakthrough and a conflict that could engulf two quadrants, its future may depend on the man Starfleet has selected to replace Reyes as base commander: Admiral Heihachiro Nogura. **APB \$14.99**

### **Star Wars**

#### **Clone Wars: No Prisoners**

*Karen Traviss*

The Clone Wars rage on. As insurgent Separatists fight furiously to wrest control of the galaxy from the Republic, Supreme Chancellor Palpatine cunningly manipulates both sides for his own sinister purposes.

Torrent Company's Captain Rex agrees to relieve Anakin Skywalker of his ubiquitous and insatiably curious Padawan, Ahsoka, for a while by bringing her along on a routine three-day shakedown cruise aboard Captain Gilad Pellaeon - newly refitted assault ship. But the training run becomes an active and dangerous rescue mission when Republic undercover agent Hallena Devis goes missing in the middle of a Separatist invasion.

Dispatched to a distant world to aid a local dictator facing a revolution, Hallena finds herself surrounded by angry freedom fighters, and questioning the Republic's methods and motives. Summoned to rescue the missing operative who is also his secret love, Pellaeon - sworn to protect the Republic over all - is torn between duty and desire. And Ahsoka, sent in with Rex and six untested clone troopers to extract Hallena, encounters a very different Jedi philosophy, which shakes the foundation of her upbringing to the core. As danger and intrigue intensify, the loyalties and convictions of all involved will be tested. . . . **TP \$32.95 HC \$55**

#### **Star Wars Vehicle Collection 1**

Injection moulded plastic model of the spaceship from Star Wars. Prepainted, some minor assembly required. The box is printed in Japanese and although the model is small, it is great quality. **\$29.95 each**

*X-Wing Fighter Model*

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*ETA-2 Jedi Starfighter Model*

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### **Stargate Audio 2.1**

*First Prime*

Read by CHRISTOPHER JUDGE With NOEL CLARKE

A new Stargate SG-1 adventure as told by Teal'c.

Teal'c's past as First Prime of Apophis comes back to haunt him when Colonel O'Neill and Daniel Jackson are taken captive by the system lord's forces. As Teal'c struggles to free them, he finds himself confronted by an old friend and fellow Jaffa, Sebe't. Can this warrior really be trusted? Or has Teal'c reopened an old wound that can never be healed? **CD \$35.95**

### **Terminator 2**

*The Future War*

*S M Stirling*

The Machines are awake - and aware. There is no destiny but the one we have created. There is no turning back - the future war is now. **APB \$19.99**

### **Torchwood**

*In the Shadows*

*Joseph Lidster*

Torchwood receive reports of a strange death: a man in his 30s who died of old age. A series of other strange event leads Torchwood to conclude that someone is sending victims to a dark dimension, to be punished by the thing they fear most. Who is the mysterious taxi driver preying on his passengers? What significance do boxes of matches play in this mystery? And can Jack ever escape from his own personal Hell...? **CD \$29.99**

### **Rift War**

*Brian Williamson*

Torchwood is the action-packed sci-fi series from BBC America, following the adventures of a team of investigators, working for the secret organisation that uses scavenged alien technology to solve present day crimes – both alien and human. Now the smash hit Doctor Who spin-off comes to graphic novels! When Torchwood-3 comes under fire in an all-out attack by extra-dimensional shock troopers, the team are torn in all directions. And with a deadly rift bleeding through into their own reality, time itself could be destroyed if the Torchwood team isn't able to stop it! Written and illustrated by some of the UK's top comic creators, including Paul Grist, Ian Edginton, D'Israeli and Simon Furman – Torchwood: Rift War is an unmissable epic! **PB \$29.95**

### Dragonlance

#### **Anvil of Time 03: *Renegade Wizards***

*Lucien Soulban*

The Journeyman is charged to use the ancient Anvil of Time to travel back along the river of time and find the lost stories that fell between the pages of the history books.

He finds Tythonna, a young red robe learning magic in company with Ladonna of the black robes and Par-Salian of the white. The three are sent on an easy quest to find the leader of the renegade wizards, a man named Berthal, but if it was that simple, they wouldn't need mages. Instead, what started out easy turns into betrayal - magic against sorcery, the wizards against each other, and Tythonna against herself. When Berthal finally unleashes his final attack, everyone knows that it won't end that simply. **APB \$14.95**

#### **Anvil of Time 04: *The Forest of Time***

*Paul B Thompson*

The surprising history of Balif has finally come to light...

The Journeyman is charged to use the ancient Anvil of Time to travel back along the river of time and find the lost stories that fell between the pages of the history books.

One of the most intriguing figures in Dragonlance(R) is that of Balif, the elven general who was an intimate of Silvanos, the first Speaker of the Stars. Balif founded the city of Balifor, granted the kender a homeland, was an advocate for the wizard Vedvedsica, lived under a curse, was altered by the Graygem--but no one elf could do all those things. Or could he? **PB \$16**

### Eberron

#### ***Dragon Forge***

*James Wyatt*

Gaven has fulfilled part of the prophecy and become the Storm Dragon. Now he seeks the Draconic Prophecy at its source in Argonessen, the dragon nation--but as he travels toward that ancient continent, Gaven may discover more than he suspected.

Meanwhile, Aundairian loyalists--assisted by a sinister dragon cabal--are assembling the Dragon Forge: an eldritch machine designed to harness the power of a Siberys dragonmark and amplify it. In this case, to create a devastating storm of hail and acid rain to go before Aundair's armies as they march into the Eldeen Reaches. And they know just the dragonmarked to use... **APB \$16.95**

### Forgotten Realms

#### **Legend of Drizzt 13: *Sea of Swords***

*R A Salvatore*

The mighty warhammer Aegis-fang has found its way into the hands of the wicked pirate captain Sheila Kree, and Wulfgar is hot on her trail. When Drizzt and his companions leave Mithral Hall in search of Wulfgar, they find themselves on the trail of the warhammer as well, a trail that will lead them to a startling reunion, and the last battle for the heart and soul of Wulfgar. **APB \$16**

#### **Waterdeep: *City of the Dead***

*Rosemary Jones*

Something is causing trouble in the City of the Dead, and Sophraea Carver, born and bred next to the historic graveyard, is determined to solve the mystery before it places all of Waterdeep in peril, in this latest installment based in the Forgotten Realms setting. **PB \$16**

### Warhammer 40,000

#### **Ultramarines: *The Killing Ground***

*Graham McNeill*

Fourth novel in the best-selling Ultramarines series, by Graham McNeill. **APB \$17**

#### ***Courage and Honour***

*Graham McNeill*

A latest entry in a popular series that includes *The Killing Ground* finds Captain Uriel Ventris, newly returned from the Eye of Terror, endeavoring to redeem himself in the eyes of his battle-brothers, who may have been compromised by Chaos. **HC \$40**

### Warhammer

#### **Empire Army: *Reiksguard***

*Richard Williams*

The Old World is a dangerous land of untamed forests and mountains, where all manner of monsters and wild beasts lurk. Even with its armies, the human Empire fights a constant struggle to protect its people from extinction. When a massive orc invasion threatens Reikland, the Empire's forces are mobilised. Thrust onto the field of battle is Delmar von Reitendorf, a young man who must prove his courage in the face of war to restore his family's honour. **APB \$16**

# Roleplaying Games & Boardgames

## d20 Dungeons & Dragons

### **Adventure E2: Kingdom of the Ghouls**

This D&D adventure is designed to take characters from 24th to 27th level. In this adventure, demonic forces plot to usurp the Raven Queen's power over death, and all paths lead to an ancient kingdom hidden in the subterranean depths of the Shadowfell.

This adventure can be played as a stand-alone adventure or as the second part of a three-part series that spans 10 levels of gameplay. **TP \$35**

### **Dungeons Tiles DU4: Arcane Towers**

Illustrated cardstock terrain tiles for use with the Dungeons & Dragons Roleplaying Game.

This product adds a new dimension to D&D games and gives Dungeon Masters an easy and inexpensive way to include great-looking terrain in their games. This set provides ready-to-use, configurable tiles with which to build exciting dungeons, temples, and monster lairs. This accessory for the D&D game contains six double-sided sheets of illustrated, die-cut terrain tiles printed on heavy cardstock.

This set of tiles allows Dungeon Masters to build rooms with round walls, as well as sprawling dungeon complexes. **TP \$16.95**

### **Eberron: Eberron Player's Guide**

This core D&D game supplement—a player's companion to the Eberron Campaign Guide—presents new character options for any 4th Edition D&D campaign. The Eberron Player's Guide features a new class, new race options, paragon paths and epic destinies, character backgrounds, feats, powers, rituals, magic items, and new rules for dragonmarks. All of these character options fit perfectly into the Eberron campaign setting, as well as other published and "homebrew" D&D campaigns. **HC \$45**

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The birth of one world, the death of five.

The violent plans orchestrated by Nicol Bolas have reached their cataclysmic zenith, as the five shards of Alara are now merged, with untold power and unspeakable chaos at every turn. In this unpredictable environment, where all entities are multicolored and where mythic beings can greatly affect the outcome, mere survival isn't enough. To live another day, one must battle with unflinching intensity to rise above the madness and master this now grotesquely unified plane. Amidst this overwhelming carnage, can Alara truly said to be reborn?

Alara Reborn is solid gold -- the first-ever 100% multicolored Magic: The Gathering set. But there's more to this set than bling. The new mechanic cascade allows you to fire off two spells for the price of one! The surprises don't end there: Multicolored equipment appears for the first time, and a new twist on cycling will help you dig for the right answers to dangerous new threats! **\$6.95**

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NEW from Star Wars® Roleplaying Games - Jedi Academy™ Training Manual, the ultimate guide to Jedi secrets from all eras of the Star Wars saga. Delve into the world of the Jedi, from the earliest days of the Old Republic and the Dark Times, to fall of the Galactic Empire and the reemergence of the Jedi Order. Never before has there been a more exciting Jedi Manual for the ultimate Star Wars fan!

All-new Force powers, talents, feats, and other new mechanics designed to enhance Force-sensitive characters

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The Clone Wars™ Map Pack: Showdown at Teth Palace™ - featuring exclusive Asaji Ventress™ Separatist Assassin! **Figurine \$16.95**

## Talisman

### **Talisman: The Dungeon Expansion**

The ancient door crumbles to splinters... Your cleated boot kicks away rotting wood and your sword clears thick cobwebs from your path. Your torch throws darting shadows on damp stone walls... and the Dungeon lies revealed!

Do you have the courage to plunge into the darkness and confront its perils? Legends say that in the deepest pits of this abyss, the Lord of Darkness stands watch over a vast treasure that even includes a portal that leads to the renowned Crown of Command!

Talisman: The Dungeon adds a new Region to the game for heroes to explore.

A custom-fitted map board and over 100 new cards bring this subterranean realm vividly to life. Five brand-new characters – the formidable Gladiator, noble Amazon, dashing Swashbuckler, enigmatic Gypsy, and sagacious Philosopher – are each brought to life with a superbly detailed plastic miniature, and offer fantastic new playing experiences. Brave dangers, and discover what lies in the darkness beneath the world of Talisman!

Game Contains: 1 Rulebook, 1 Dungeon Board, 128 Dungeon Cards, 20 Spell Cards, 10 Adventure Cards, 10 Treasure Cards, 5 Character Cards, 5 Plastic Figures **Game \$72**

## Warhammer 40,000 Dark Heresy RPG

### **Haarlocks Legacy 1: Tattered Fates**

Something terrible stirs upon the pleasure planet of Quaddis. Portents and ancient evils become evident as the penultimate 13th Hour approaches. Will your Acolytes be able to discover the secret of the Haarlock's Legacy in time? From the bloody, labyrinthine Red Cages to the mansion of Gabriel Chase, the adventure draws the Acolytes into the dark underside of Quaddis. The affairs of the notorious Rogue Trader Erasmus Haarlock take form, setting the stage for the fate of the Calixis Sector.

First in a definitive trilogy of epic Dark Heresy adventures, The Haarlock's Legacy is designed for all levels of play, beginner or veteran Dark Heresy players can explore many different paths to success. Presented in full color hardcover, Tattered Fates is the first volume of the epic Haarlock Legacy Trilogy.

When the Steel Clock strikes the 13th hour, the Haarlock's Legacy will be revealed.

Suitable for players of all levels. A copy of the Dark Heresy Core Rulebook is necessary to use this supplement. **HC \$44**

## Zombies

### **Zombies 7: Send in the Clowns**

The circus is in town! This time though, the clowns aren't funny - They're hungry and they think you would make a good snack!

Zombies!!! 7: Send in the Clowns pits you against the traveling carnival of the damned. Visit the Big Top, and the Fortune Teller. Get lost in the Fun House. Enjoy some cotton candy. Actually, forget all that and get ready to run screaming from the growing mob of zombie clowns. **Game \$32**

### **Bag o' Zombies**

A bag of glow in the dark Zombie figurines. Enhance your play of the Zombies game. **Game \$19**

# Crime, Mystery & Suspense

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## David Baldacci

### *First Family*

Camp David, USA: A birthday party turns into a nightmare when a child is snatched during the celebrations.

The First Lady enlists the services of Sean King and Michelle Maxwell to bring the child home safely. But she and King share a past. Years ago he saved her then-senator husband from an assassin's bullet. And this may not be all that passed between them...

With Michelle still haunted by her own demons and forces from all sides aligning against them, soon the pair find themselves pushed to the limit. For who is it that they can really trust? **TP \$32.99**

## Chuck Barris

### *Who Killed Art Deco?*

Art Deco Jr. is heir to a vast fortune, scion of one of America's most powerful men -- Art Deco Sr. -- though by the time we meet him in these pages, Art has fallen into a life of depravity: booze, drugs, you name it. The Deco family is almost too embarrassed to acknowledge him as their own. And by the time Art is found shot dead in his elegant Manhattan apartment, there is a long list of friends and family who may have wanted to kill him -- so the police have their work cut out for them.

NYPD detectives Eddie Roach and Jackie Hallerhan are up against a wall when private investigator Jimmy Netts is called on the case by Art Deco Sr. His first case, no less! Netts teams with the NYPD (mostly because he's not exactly sure how to go about solving crimes, much less understands the procedure, and doesn't have a detective's license) to find out who killed poor Art Jr. It could be just about anyone.

As a storyteller, the infamous Chuck Barris is the blackest comedian there is. As a satirist, his is a wickedly razor-sharp voice. The deadpan dialogue, investigative snafus, crime drama parody, and cast of hilarious characters in *Who Killed Art Deco?* bring to mind an unholy combination of Agatha Christie and the Pink Panther, with just a dash of Homicide. This is a dark and delightfully funny book from an equally, delightfully, troubled mind.

**TP \$28.95**

## Bateman

### *Mystery Man*

Call him the Man with No Name, call him what you like, many do, but he is the owner of No Alibis, a mystery bookshop in Belfast. When a detective agency next door goes bust, the agency's clients start calling into his shop asking him to solve their cases. Of course, it's not as if there's any danger involved and really, he's just treating it as another way to sell books to his gullible, ignorant customers and as a way to impress Alison, the beautiful girl in the jewellery shop across the road. When they drunkenly break into the shuttered shop next door they discover the bloated corpse of the detective, with a hundred air freshening pine trees hanging from him. Suddenly their lives are in terrible danger as they follow a murder trail which leads them from small time publishing, to modern dance, to Nazi concentration camps and serial killers **TP \$32.99**

## Giles Blunt

### *Forty Words For Sorrow (Cardinal and Delorme 01)*

Dark, atmospheric and terrifying psychological serial killer thriller set in a freezing Ontario winter, guaranteed to chill readers to the bone: '

When four teenagers go missing in the small northern town of Algonquin Bay, the extensive police investigation comes up empty. Everyone is ready to give up, except Detective John Cardinal, an all - too - human loner whose persistence only serves to get him removed from homicide. Then the mutilated body of thirteen - year - old Katie Pine is pulled out of an abandoned mineshaft. And only Cardinal is willing to consider the horrible truth: that this quiet town is home to the most vicious of killers. With the media, the provincial police and his own department questioning his every move, Cardinal follows increasingly tenuous threads towards the unthinkable. But time isn't only running out for him: there's also another young victim tied up in a basement wondering how and when he will die. **TP \$30.95**

## S J Bolton

### *Awakening*

Clara Benning, a veterinary surgeon in charge of a wildlife hospital in a small English village, is young and intelligent, but nearly a recluse. Disfigured by a childhood accident, she generally prefers the company of animals to people. But when a local man dies following a supposed snakebite, Clara's expertise is needed. She's chilled to learn that the victim's postmortem shows a higher concentration of venom than could ever be found in a single snake—and that therefore the killer must be human.

Assisted by a soft-spoken neighbor and an eccentric reptile expert, Clara unravels sinister links to an abandoned house, an ancient ritual, and a fifty-year-old tragedy that has left the survivors secretive. But for someone the truth must remain buried in the past—even if they have to kill to keep it there.

*Awakening* is a disturbing tale of dark secrets and insidious rituals that will have readers unable to stop for a breath until they've reach the stunning climax of this extraordinary read from the author of the acclaimed debut novel *Sacrifice*. **HC \$52.95**

### *Sacrifice*

In this masterful debut that starts off as a mystery and becomes much more, Tora Hamilton is an outsider at her new home on the rocky, windswept Shetland Islands, a hundred miles from the northeastern tip of Scotland. Though her husband grew up here, it's the first time he's been back in twenty years. Digging in the peat on their new property, Tora unearths a human body, at first glance a centuries-old bog body, interesting but not uncommon. But realizing that the body is in fact much newer, that the woman's heart has been cut out, and that she was killed within a few days of bearing a child, Tora, herself an obstetrician, becomes obsessed with finding out what happened to her—even when the police, her colleagues, and eventually her husband warn her against getting involved.

*Sacrifice* is a bone-chilling, spellbinding debut about secrets worth killing for that will grip readers from its beginning to its startling end. **TP \$30.95**

## Stephanie Bond

### *Body Movers: 6 Killer Bodies*

Carlotta Wren's world is crumbling beneath her well-shod feet. One of her closest friends has been arrested as the Charmed Killer, but Carlotta refuses to believe it. And to prove her friend's innocence, Carlotta goes against her boyfriend Peter's wishes and resumes her after-hours body-moving duties. And then... Peter pressures her for an answer to his proposal... Her troubled brother Wesley goes missing... And the madman stalking the city strikes again, this time a little too close to home.

But when Carlotta finds herself in the clutches of the Charmed Killer, is she destined for her own body bag? **PB \$19.95**

## **Stephen Booth**

### *The Kill Call*

An atmospheric new thriller for fans of Peter Robinson and Reginald Hill. On a rain-swept Derbyshire moor, hounds from the local foxhunt find the body of a well-dressed man whose head has been crushed. Yet an anonymous caller reports the same body lying half a mile away. Called in to investigate the discovery, detectives DS Diane Fry and DC Ben Cooper become entangled in the violent world of hunting and hunt saboteurs, horse theft and a little-known sector of the meat trade. As Fry follows a complex trail of her own to unravel the shady business interests of the murder victim, Cooper realizes that the answer to the case might lie deep in the past.

History is everywhere around him in the Peak District landscape - particularly in the "plague village" of Eyam, where an outbreak of Black Death has been turned into a modern-day tourist attraction. But, even as the final solution is revealed, both Fry and Cooper find themselves having to face up to the disturbing reality of the much more recent past. **TP \$32.99**

## **C J Box**

### *Below Zero (Joe Pickett)*

Shocked by a phone message that Sherry's believed-dead foster daughter may have survived the events of Winterkill, Wyoming game warden Joe Pickett becomes increasingly suspicious when subsequent calls are placed from locations where serious crimes have occurred. **HC \$51.95**

## **Gyles Brandeath**

### *Oscar Wilde and the Dead Man's Smile*

The latest in Gyles Brandeath's acclaimed series of Victorian murder mysteries featuring Oscar Wilde and Arthur Conan Doyle. Paris, 1883. Oscar Wilde, aged twenty-seven, has come to the city of decadence to discover its charms, to rekindle his friendship with the divine Sarah Bernhardt and to collaborate with France's most celebrated actor-manager, Edmond La Grange. Oscar discovers dark secrets lying at the heart of the La Grange company, and is confronted by murders both foul and bizarre. To solve the crimes, to unravel the mystery, Oscar risks his life and his reputation embarking on a dangerous adventure that takes him from bohemian night clubs to an asylum for the insane, from a duel in the Bois de Boulogne to the gates of Reading Gaol. **TP \$32.99**

## **Allison Brennan**

### *Fatal Secrets*

After billionaire businessman Xavier Jones, a criminal mastermind involved in human trafficking, escapes during a raid, top Immigration and Customs Enforcement agent Sonia Knight is forced to team up with FBI agent Sam Callhan and together they go up against an even more dangerous predator. **PB \$19.95**

## **Charlie Brooks**

### *Citizen*

Tipper Mullins is brought up on a rough estate in Dublin. The tricks and techniques he learns in taming the family's wild pony become invaluable in escaping this tough beginning.

Fate throws him a chance as an apprentice jockey, but he soon learns that survival in this new world is as much about what happens away from the track as coming first on the day. Unbeknown to the young jockeys, the powers behind the sport are changing; a major figure from Russia is keen to have a stake in the seemingly respectable industry of racing and stud farming, and he will stop at nothing to get what he wants.

He wants Tipper. But Tipper doesn't know why - until a very special, yet familiar, horse appears on the scene.

From the fields of Tipperary to the remotest laboratories of Russia, this is a novel of greed, speed, betrayal and loyalty, as corruption and new biotechnology change everything around them. **APB \$19.99**

## **Sandra Brown**

### *Exclusive*

Barrie Travis is a damn good reporter stuck at a low-budget television station when the First Lady calls her . . . and offers her the opportunity of a lifetime. Stunned by the loss of her infant son, the president's wife hints he may have been murdered. Barrie sets out to find the truth, fighting for the exclusive story with the help of Gray Bondurant, a mysterious former presidential aide. But their scoop is about to test her ethics, patriotism and courage. For Barrie unearths White House secrets that, if exposed, could topple the presidency. And now certain powerful parties want nothing more than to see the scandalous past - and a certain young reporter - dead and buried. **TP \$32.99**

### *Fat Tuesday*

Burke Basile is a cop with nothing left to lose. Haunted by his partner's death, his marriage and his career over, he focuses on his nemesis, Pinkie Duvall, a flamboyant attorney who helps killers evade justice. Burke looks for revenge and sees his opportunity lies with Remy, the lawyer's trophy wife. But Burke hasn't planned on the electric attraction he'll feel for the desperate woman, who rose from the slums of New Orleans to marry a man she can never love. Nor can he predict the fierce duel that will explode as the clock ticks toward midnight on Fat Tuesday, when all masks will be stripped away and Burke must confront his own terrifying secret. **PB \$19.99**

## **Dale Brown**

### *Rogue Forces*

Having left their government careers behind to pursue more lucrative opportunities in military contracting, former president Kevin Martindale and retired air force lieutenant-general Patrick McLanahan take an assignment in northern Iraq during the withdrawal of U.S. troops and find themselves a solitary force in an unexpected clash between Kurdish nationalists and Turkish invaders. **HC \$54.95**

### *Shadow Command*

General Patrick McLanahan's provocative Aerospace Battle Force has grown in to a fully fledged task force, based in orbit on the Armstrong Space station. However, their successful defeat of the Iranian threat is making people nervous. Apparently under pressure from the Russians, the UN and the liberal press, newly elected President Joseph Gardener cuts their funding and fires McLanahan branding him an obstacle to the peace process.

What the public doesn't know is that Gardener is being blackmailed by the Russians who hold damning evidence of his adulterous relationships and other scandals. With the ABF decommissioned the Russians begin to amass troops around Iran and the Persian Gulf. McLanahan, going against orders, attacks the Russian forces and delays their attack.

He warns the Russians that he will act unilaterally to stop them advancing in the Persian Gulf. Though the President, furious with his behaviour, has ordered his arrest, McLanahan is virtually untouchable and he knows it. Located on one of the most secure bases ever built, in command of an arsenal of the most sophisticated air weapons in the world, even the Marines and the FBI cannot touch him - for now. McLanahan, up against his own countrymen and an army of aggressive Russians must struggle to clear his name and expose the President's corruption **APB \$19.99**

**Davis Bunn***Gold of Kings*

Will she decipher the mysteries leading to the sacred relic, or be defeated by the foes racing to claim it and destroy her?

A dealer in art and antiquities, Storm Syrrell arranges her life as she does her work -- into neat, orderly categories. But when her grandfather is murdered, all certainties are crushingly replaced by suspicions. She struggles to understand his death -- and decipher the frayed leather journal she finds hidden in his vault. Storm soon realizes that, far from being simply a discreet art broker, Sean Syrrell was a trusted go-between in the highest ranks of business and government in Europe, Africa, and the Middle East.

But not all of Sean's associates were quite so lofty. Enter Harry Bennett, a scruffy professional treasure hunter just released from a Caribbean jail, followed by Emma Webb, a US government lawyer with links to Interpol. Storm pushes her doubts aside, locks the door to her Palm Beach art gallery, and opens herself to the quest begun by her grandfather.

Their trail leads them ever farther afield -- London, France, Istanbul, Cyprus -- and ever deeper into danger. The thrill of the search is haunted by Storm's determination to bring Sean's murderers to justice. Storm and Harry in turn are targeted by an unknown assassin and saved from death only by Harry's split-second reactions.

Their quest homes in on the Copper Scroll of Qumran and controversial claims made by the Jewish historian Josephus. Hidden beneath the dust and mysteries of two thousand years lies the reason behind Sean Syrrell's murder and the find of a lifetime: a fortune in gold of great historical significance. Storm begins to grasp the potential magnitude such artifacts will have on contemporary religion and politics -- especially the competing historical claims to Jerusalem. Some seek to claim the gold for the treasure it represents; others are determined to destroy it. With the tangled motives of greed and power now in focus, old allies become new enemies. Through this, something unexpected tugs at Storm. The sacred relics represent a formidable metaphor to an ancient faith; will her search include a renewal of her own faith? **HC \$51.95**

**Jan Burke***Bones (Irene Kelly mystery)*

Only one person knows where Julia Sayre is: her killer. Four years ago, the young mother of two disappeared, a story that soon became a personal mission for Irene Kelly. But the search for Julia proved fruitless. Now, on death row for unimaginable acts of torture and murder, inmate Nick Parrish is pleabargaining for a life sentence, promising to lead investigators -- and Irene -- into the dark isolation of the Sierra Nevadas, where they will discover what really happened to Julia Sayre. But Parrish has other terrifying secrets and plans, and now his deadly focus is on a new potential victim -- Irene Kelly. **PB \$19.95**

**Alafair Burke***Angel's Tip*

In the aftermath of a college student's murder, NYPD detective Ellie Hatcher builds a case against a young man last seen with the victim but doubts her original conclusions when she recognizes similarities between the killing and three deaths from a decade earlier. **PB \$19.95**

**Laura Caldwell***Red Hot Lies*

They say bad things happen in threes. When her fiancé, Sam, disappears on the same day her mentor and biggest client is killed, hotshot Chicago attorney Izzy McNeil starts counting. But trouble keeps coming. Sam is implicated in the client's death, her apartment is broken into and it's not just the authorities who are following her.

Now, to find Sam and uncover her client's murderer, Izzy will have to push past limits she never imagined. Lucky for her she's always thrived under pressure, because her world is falling apart. Fast. And the trail of half truths and lies is red-hot. **PB \$19.95**

**Kenneth Cameron***The Frightened Man*

Introducing an intriguing new hero in the world of crime fiction... American novelist Denton is an uncomfortable outsider in class-ridden turn-of-the-century England. But he is about to be plunged into the dark heart of a society where privilege and propriety hide unspeakable horrors. When a stranger turns up at his door declaring he has just seen Jack the Ripper, Denton dismisses his lurid ravings as the delusions of a madman. But then a prostitute's horribly mutilated body is discovered that night - and Denton suspects the two events are connected. While the police investigation grinds towards a seemingly pre-ordained conclusion, Denton becomes obsessed with finding out who the victim really was and who killed her - a search that leads him by degrees into the darkest, most violent underbelly of London... **PB \$22.99**

**Stephen J Cannell***At First Sight*

Meet Chick Best—a middle-aged self-absorbed, disaffected, California dot.com millionaire. Other than his house and high-priced foreign cars, Chick's most expensive possession is his trophy wife. Evelyn is good at spending Chick's money, money that has pretty much run out. Another problem is his drug-addled sixteen-year-old daughter, Melissa. Though concerned about his life and family, Chick has resigned himself to a miserable state of acceptance. That is, until he, Evelyn, and Melissa take a Christmas vacation in Maui. With this, Chick's life changes...

Chick experiences unrequited love at first sight when he observes Paige Ellis emerging from the hotel swimming pool. His obsession, exceeded only by his need to possess her, isn't diminished when he learns that she is happily married. Instead, he befriends Paige and her near-perfect husband, Chandler. A short time later, back from Hawaii, Chick's obsession compels him to drive to Paige's house, where he runs down and kills Chandler in a drugstore parking lot. But this is just the beginning of Chick's nightmare as his life spirals homicidally out of control, resulting in the destruction of everything he holds dear. **PB \$21.99**

**Stephen L Carter***Palace Council*

Philmont Castle has it all: wealth, respect, and connections. So he's the last person you'd expect to fall prey to a murderer, but when his body is found on the grounds of a Harlem mansion, the young writer Eddie Wesley, along with the woman he loves, Aurelia Treene, are pulled into a twenty-year search for the truth. The disappearance of Eddie's sister June makes their investigation even more troubling. As Eddie and Aurelia uncover layer upon layer of intrigue, their odyssey takes them from the wealthy drawing rooms of New York through the shady corners of radical politics to the Oval Office and Nixon himself. **TP \$30.95**

**Lee Child***Gone Tomorrow*

Witnessing a suicide on a Manhattan subway, Jack Reacher finds himself targeted by the federal government and Al-Qaeda for his knowledge of a dangerous secret, a situation that leads to a dangerous chase through the streets of New York City. **HC \$54.95**

## **Tom Clancy**

### *Clear and Present Danger (Jack Ryan)*

Colombian drug lords, tired of being harassed by US law enforcement agents, have assassinated the American Ambassador and the visiting head of the FBI. Their message is clear: leave us alone.

But they have pushed too far. The decision is made to send undercover teams into Colombia. Back in the USA, men armed with the most sophisticated tools their country can devise prepare to take the fight to the enemy. But does anyone know who the real enemy is?

Jack Ryan and CIA field officer John Clark must find the answer. They expect danger from without yet the greatest danger of all may come from within... **PB \$19.95**

## **Martin Clark**

### *The Legal Limit*

The son of an abusive father and a loving mother, Mason Hunt managed to escape the small town of Stuart, Virginia, for college and law school. When he and his family move back he becomes the town's commonwealth attorney. But, Mason has a horrible, dark secret: Years before, he and his brother, Gates, witnessed a murder on a back country road. Now the events of one night may prove his undoing. **TP \$30.95**

## **Ann Cleeves**

### *White Nights*

The electrifying follow-up to the Dagger Award-winning Raven Black

In this second thriller of the highly acclaimed Shetland Island series featuring Inspector Jimmy Perez, the launch of an exhibition at The Herring House art gallery is disturbed by a stranger who bursts into tears, then claims not to remember who he is or where he comes from. The next day he's found dead. Set in midsummer, the book captures the unsettling nature of a landscape where the sun never quite sets and where people are not as they first seem. **TP \$28.95**

## **Martina Cole**

### *Business*

LOVE YOUR FAMILY. HATE YOUR ENEMIES. KNOW THE BUSINESS. Imelda Dooley is scared. Really scared. She's played hard and fast and now she's been caught. She's pregnant and now she's on her own. Her father, not a man to mess with, will see that somebody pays for this. And it's not going to be her. So Imelda Dooley tells a lie. A lie that literally causes murders. When Mary Dooley's husband is killed in the night's events, she knows she must graft to keep the family afloat. And graft she does, becoming a name in her own right. But she still has to watch her daughter's life spiral into a vicious, hate-fuelled cycle of drugs and prostitution. Caught up in the carnage that is Imelda's existence are Mary's adored grandchildren, Jordanna and Kenny. Pretty little Jordanna isn't yet three and she already knows far too much. All she can do is look after her baby brother, Kenny, and try not to draw unwanted attention to herself. Set in the East End of London from the tail-end of the seventies up until the present-day, **THE BUSINESS** is a tale of drugs, prostitution and a young girl's fight for survival against all the odds. **PB \$21.99**

### *Close*

Rising through the ranks of the criminal underworld to become a formidable figure, risk-taker Patrick Brodie eschews relationships and family ties before inadvertently falling for a woman who becomes his wife and the mother of his children, a situation that is threatened when his past catches up with him. Includes a teaser chapter from the forthcoming **Faces**. **PB \$19.95**

## **Michael Connelly**

### *The Scarecrow*

Crime reporter Jack McEvoy, who made his career when he broke the story of **The Poet**, is onto another story that will bring him face to face with evil in this gripping new thriller from the international #1 bestselling Michael Connelly.

Forced out of the Los Angeles Times amid the latest budget cuts, newspaperman Jack McEvoy decides to go out with a bang, using his final days at the paper to write the definitive murder story of his career.

He focuses on Alonzo Winslow, a 16-year-old drug dealer in jail after confessing to a brutal murder. But as he delves into the story, Jack realises that Winslow's so-called confession is bogus. The kid might actually be innocent.

Jack is soon running with his biggest story since **The Poet** made his career years ago. He is tracking a killer who operates completely below police radar - and with perfect knowledge of any move against him. Including Jack's. **TP \$32.99**

## **John Connolly**

### *The Lovers (Charlie Parker)*

Charlie Parker is a lost soul. Deprived of his private investigator's license and under scrutiny by the police, Parker takes a job in a Portland bar. But he uses his enforced retirement to begin a different kind of investigation: an examination of his own past and an inquiry into the death of his father, who took his own life after apparently shooting dead two unarmed teenagers. It's a search that will eventually lead Parker to question all that he believed about his beloved parents, and about himself. But there are other forces at work: a troubled young woman who is running from an unseen threat, one that has already taken the life of her boyfriend; and a journalist-turned-writer named Mickey Wallace, who is conducting an investigation of his own. And haunting the shadows, as they have done throughout Parker's life, are two figures: a man and a woman who seem driven to bring an end to Charlie Parker's existence. **HC \$52.95 TP \$32.99**

## **Thomas H Cook**

### *Master of the Delta*

In 1954 Mississippi, Jack Branch returns to his father's Delta estate, Great Oaks, to perform an act of noblesse oblige: teaching at the local high school. While conducting a class on evil throughout history, Jack is shocked to discover that his unassuming student Eddie is the son of the Coed Killer, a notorious local murderer. Jack feels compelled to mentor the boy, encouraging Eddie to examine his father's crime and using his own good name to open the doors that Eddie's lineage can't. But when the investigation turns in an unexpected direction, Jack finds himself questioning Eddie's motives—and his own.

As the deadly consequences of Jack's actions fall inescapably into place, Thomas H. Cook masterfully reveals the darker truths that lurk in the recesses of small-town lives and in the hearts of well-intentioned men. **TP \$28.95**

## **Glenn Cooper**

### *Library of the Dead*

A murderer is on the loose on the streets of New York City: nicknamed the Domsday Killer, he's claimed six victims in just two weeks, and the city is terrified. Even worse, the police are mystified: the victims have nothing in common, defying all profiling, and all that connects them is that each received a sick postcard in the mail before they died, a postcard that announced their date of death. In desperation, the FBI assigns the case to maverick agent Will Piper, once the most accomplished serial killing expert in the bureau's history, now on a dissolute spiral to retirement.

Battling his own demons, Will is soon drawn back into a world he both loves and hates, determined to catch the killer whatever it takes. But his search takes him in a direction he could never have predicted, uncovering a shocking secret that has been closely guarded for centuries. A secret that once lay buried in an underground library beneath an 8th Century monastery, but which has now been unearthed with deadly consequences. A select few defend the secret of the library with their lives and as Will closes in on the truth, they are determined to stop him, at any cost. **TP \$32.95**

## **Julie Corbin**

### *Tell Me No Secrets*

When you're living a lie, your past will always haunt you . . . Her name was Rose and she was eight years old when she died. I m not going to make excuses for what I did. I m going to tell my story as it is and as it was. This isn t the beginning but it s a good place to start . . . Grace has lived in the same village on the east coast of Scotland for almost her entire life. Safe and secure, it is the perfect place for her and her husband Paul to bring up their twin girls. And so, despite having to contend with the trials and tribulations of her adolescent daughters and the increasing onset of Alzheimer's in her beloved father-in-law, Grace feels that, finally, life is good. Until, that is, a phone call from her old best friend, a woman she hasn't seen in years - and for good reason - threatens to take away everything she holds dear. Grace is about to discover that some secrets can't remain buried forever . . . **TP \$32.99**

## **Catherine Coulter**

### *Knockout*

Traveling with her mother to Georgia in the aftermath of her father's death, seven-year-old telepath Autumn Backman discovers her own family's murderous activities, desperately contacts FBI agent Dillon Savich, and promptly disappears, a situation for which Savich launches a large-scale manhunt. **HC \$54.95**

## **Clive Cussler & Paul Kemprecos**

### *Medusa (Numa Files)*

After an undersea lab conducting research on a rare jellyfish known as the blue medusa mysteriously disappears and a bathysphere harboring Joe Zavala is attacked by an underwater vehicle and left helpless on the sea floor, Kurt Austin puts the NUMA team on the case. **HC \$56.95**

## **Clive Cussler Editor**

### *Thriller 2*

When some of the top thriller writers in the world came together in Thriller: Stories To Keep You Up All Night, they became a part of one of the most successful short-story anthologies ever published. The highly anticipated Thriller 2: Stories You Just Can't Put Down is even bigger. From Jeffery Deaver's tale of international terrorism to Lisa Jackson's dysfunctional family in the California wine country to Ridley Pearson's horrifying serial killer, this collection has something for everyone. Twenty-three bestselling and hot new authors in the genre have submitted original stories to make up this unforgettable blockbuster.

Turn off your phone.

Shut down your computer.

Say goodbye to your friends and family. Be prepared to read for days. **HC \$51.95**

## **Matthew d'Ancona**

### *Nothing to Fear*

For Ginny, the new house represents a new start: a room of her own where she can research her book on the psychology of fairytales and recover from a bitter divorce. The last thing shes looking for is romance. But her young neighbour breaks down her defences. Sean cooks her delicious meals and rescues her from a drunken attack by her ex-husband. His only eccentricity is the locked room in his house that he forbids her to enter. It can't contain anything sinister, can it? Ginny can't resist finding out. But when she opens the door, she is propelled into a horror story, rather than a fairytale. **PB \$22.99**

## **Kyra Davis**

### *Lust, Loathing and a Little Lip Gloss*

Mystery writer and dabbling recreational sleuth Sophie Katz is head over heels in love—with a three-bedroom Victorian. She's just got to have it, despite a few drawbacks. Her slimy ex is the Realtor. The rich, creepy seller wants her to join San Francisco's spirited Specter Society. And her first tour of the house reveals, well, a lifeless body clutching a cameo with a disturbing history of its own.

There's no way Sophie is going to give up the ghost on her dreams of stained glass and original woodwork, though—even when things become officially weird. A Society member is found with a slashed throat, and Sophie's house might as well be yelling, "GET...OUT!" She's hearing footsteps, lights are turning themselves off and her stuff keeps moving inexplicably. To top it off, boyfriend Anatoly thinks it's all in her head.

Sophie is 99 percent sure her problems are caused by someone six feet tall instead of six feet under, but the only way to be sure is to track down the killer—before he pushes her kicking and screaming to the other side.... **TP \$28.95**

## **Ted Dekker**

### *Bone Man's Daughters*

US Navy intelligence analyst Ryan Evans is used to treating life like a code to be deciphered. But a brutal kidnapping in the Iraqi desert presents him with an excruciating dilemma that turns his whole world upside down. Back home in Texas, the serial killer dubbed Bone Man is about to be released, amid allegations that the wrong man was put behind bars. When Bone Man strikes again, hunter becomes hunted and Evans must risk everything he has to win a cruel game and protect everything he loves. A tense psychological puzzle that explores the complexity and compromises of relationships, this is a dark and frightening thriller that drills into the ultimate battleground between good and evil the human heart. **TP \$32.99**

## **Guillermo Del Toro & Chuck Hogan**

### *The Strain*

A state-of-the-art Boeing 777 lands at JFK after a flight from Berlin and is on its way to the gate-when it suddenly goes dark. Just stops dead. The control tower loses contact with the pilot and all electrical activity shuts down. No cell phone or BlackBerry or radio communication. Nada. Window shades are drawn and no one is visible inside. An emergency crew gathers, everyone watching the silent plane now bathed in floodlights, a giant white tombstone looming against the night sky. Then a sliver of black quietly appears on the fuselage. It's a door opening with glacial slowness from within.

Dr. Eph Goodweather, head of the CDC's New York team, enters and finds a cabin looking like a winged graveyard where everyone appears to be comatose or dead. As he begins to remove bodies for transport to the morgue, four victims are discovered miraculously alive-and relatively unscathed apart from complaints of disorientation and a strange soreness.

Also on board is a container that hasn't been listed on the departure manifest from Berlin-a huge rectangular ebony box with an intricately carved lid. When it's opened, they find it filled with a loamy black soil as soft as cake mix.

Eldrich Palmer, a supremely wealthy investor and director of the global Stoneheart Group, monitors the JFK scene on TV from his sickbed where he suffers from the kidney disease that has nearly killed him. Pleased with what he sees, he picks up the phone and summons a helicopter for immediate transport to a Manhattan penthouse.

On a quiet street in Queens, Eph's ex-wife Kelley readies herself with the rest of the Eastern United States for the first total lunar eclipse in more than four hundred years, since the advent of America. She battles her phobias and worries about her 11-year-old son, who believes he's more independent than he really is.

At the same time, in an old pawn shop in Spanish Harlem, an elderly immigrant, former professor, and survivor of the Nazi concentration camps named Abraham Setrakian takes it all in. He knows that his time has come, that a war is about to begin, and that the Master is Here.

So begins an escalating battle of epic proportions as the vampiric virus that has infected the four survivors begins to ravage the city. Eph- guided by Setrakian, and joined by Vassily, a exterminator, Nora, Eph's CDC colleague, and Gus, a Harlem gangbanger-fights his way through the next horrifying days, determined to save his wife and son before the Master succeeds in his unholy mission. **TP \$32.99 HC \$54.95**

## **P T Deutermann**

### *Nightwalkers*

Seeking more peaceful pastures in North Carolina, Cam Richter buys a plantation and immediately finds himself the target of a killer. As he tries to find out why someone wants him dead, Cam deals with all the entanglements of a place suddenly alive with secrets of a bloody past. **HC \$51.95**

## **Nick Drake**

### *Tutankhamun*

Tutankhamun, son of Akhenaten, has inherited an empire that seems to be at the height of its power and international glory. But the young King, just eighteen years old, is faced with the political and personal intrigues and conspiracies of the Court, where his godfather Ay, and the General Horemheb are locked in a bitter struggle for ascendancy. Tutankhamun must steer the empire back from the brink of disaster and dissent to which his father Akhenaten's rule led the Two Lands of Egypt, and re-assert the stability and authority of his famous dynasty.

Rahotep, chief detective of the Thebes division, has his own worries - his daughters are growing up in a changing world of danger and instability, while out on the streets of Thebes things are falling apart; poverty and dissent are breaking out into a nightmare of violence, gold and corruption seem all-powerful, and the city's shadowy underworld is itself witnessing mysterious acts of shocking brutality.

Yet when he receives a mysterious invitation to the secret halls of the Royal Palace, he cannot refuse. What he finds there, and the quest on which he embarks, will change his life, and put everything he thought he believed, and everything he loves, at risk. **TP \$32.95**

## **Janet Evanovich**

### *Fearless Fourteen (Stephanie Plum 14)*

Dom Rizzi robbed a bank, stashed the money and did the time. His family couldn't be more proud. He always was the smart one. Dom happens to be the cousin of Joe Morelli, Stephanie's off-again, on-again boyfriend, so when less than a week after Dom's release from prison, Joe has shadowy figures breaking into his house and dying in his basement, Stephanie finds herself inescapably involved in this bank-robbery-gone-bad disaster. With an offer from Ranger of some night work she can't refuse, personal vendettas, hidden treasure and a monkey named Carl, it's not long before Stephanie Plum is embroiled in her most explosive adventure ever! Warning! Only the fearless should read Fourteen. **PB \$22.99**

### *Finger Lickin' Fifteen (Stephanie Plum 15)*

Janet Evanovich never disappoints - her trademark comedy thrillers are brimming with unforgettable characters, non-stop action, suspense aplenty and pure entertainment. This latest Stephanie Plum adventure, FINGER LICKIN' FIFTEEN, is packed full of her clever wit, adventure and sly comedy. This is not to be missed! While recovering from an ill-timed makeup mishap, Lula is a witness to celebrity chef, Stanley Chipotle, losing his head - literally. Now Lula and Stephanie are on the hunt to identify the killers before Lula is next on the chopping block. Meantime, Ranger's recruited Stephanie's help for a top secret mission. Someone on the inside at Rangeman is leaking client information, determined to bring the company down. No one is above suspicion, not even Ranger's right hand man, Tank. Can Stephanie hunt down a killer, a traitor, five skips and keep Grandma out of the sauce? It's the sexiest, scariest, most fun Plum yet. So good you'll want seconds. **TP \$32.99**

## **Warren Fahy**

### *Fragment*

When the cast and crew of a promising new reality television series arrives on a picturesque island that houses a variety of exotic predators, subsequent dangers culminate in a decision to destroy the island with a nuclear bomb, a plan that is complicated by an eleventh-hour discovery of a new life form. **HC \$51.95**

## **Linda Fairstein**

### *The Bone Vault*

Following the critically acclaimed and top ten Best Seller *The Deadhouse*, Linda Fairstein now takes us behind the scenes of some of New York's magnificent and mysterious institutions in her most electrifying Alexandra Cooper thriller yet. *The Bone Vault* begins in the glorious Temple of Dendur at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, where wealthy donors have gathered to hear plans for a controversial new exhibit. An uneasy mix of scholarship and showbiz. The exhibition has raised fierce opposition from some of the museum's elite: IMAX time trips and Rembrandt refrigerator magnets have no place for them at the Met. Assistant DA Alex Cooper, off duty for the evening, observes the proceedings with bemused interest until the Met director suddenly pulls her aside: the body of a young researcher has been found in an ancient Egyptian sarcophagus. Teaming up with cops Mike Chapman and Mercer Wallace, Alex must penetrate the silent sentinels comprising New York's museum society, investigating not only at the Met but also at the Museum of Natural History and the Cloisters, to find a killer. Atmospheric, chilling, and shot through with procedural authenticity. **PB \$19.99**

**Linda Fairstein***The Deadhouse*

Lola Dakota had to call in the police several times to restrain her abusive husband, but he always returned, so when they got wind of his plan to hire a hitman to kill her she agrees to play her part in the sting which would see both men arrested. It proves to be a great success, but several hours later and when her husband is under lock and key, Lola is truly dead - and by someone's hand. The police team on the original sting are in disarray, so Alex Cooper and Mike Chapman are swiftly in place to take over. Looking beyond her husband into her professional life, they discover a university department riddled with jealousies, extra-marital affairs, swindled funds and the unexplained disappearance of a student known to be a drug user. The one thing which seems to link all the players with all the misdemeanours is the university's research site on an island off Manhattan where they were investigating the remains of the Victorian isolation hospitals and lunatic asylums and the morgue - the deadhouse. But why Lola's murder is connected to the place is not so easy to prove, nor the identity of her killer. **PB \$19.99**

**Sebastian Faulks***Devil May Care (James Bond)*

Bond is back in this electrifying new novel of intrigue and suspense.

A masterful continuation of the James Bond legacy, *Devil May Care* picks up right where Ian Fleming left off—at the height of the Cold War, with a story of almost unbearable tension. An Algerian drug runner is brutally executed on the desolate outskirts of Paris and Bond is assigned a new task—to shadow the mysterious Dr. Julius Gorner, a power-crazed pharmaceutical magnate. Gorner has lately taken a disquieting interest in opiate derivatives, both legal and illegal. After finding a willing accomplice in the shape of a glamorous Parisian named Scarlett Papava, Bond rushes to stop a chain of events that threaten to lead to global catastrophe. **PB \$19.95**

**Joy Fielding***Still Life TP \$29.99***Ian Fleming***Live and Let Die (James Bond 02)*

Beautiful, fortune-telling Solitaire is the prisoner (and tool) of Mr Big master of fear, artist in crime and Voodoo Baron of Death. James Bond has no time for superstition he knows that this criminal heavy hitter is also a top SMERSH operative and a real threat. More than that, after tracking him through the jazz joints of Harlem, to the everglades and on to the Caribbean, 007 has realized that Big is one of the most dangerous men that he has ever faced. And no-one, not even the mysterious Solitaire, can be sure how their battle of wills is going to end... **APB \$16.95**

*Moonraker (James Bond 03)*

At M's request, Bond has gone up against Sir Hugo Drax at the card table, on a mission to teach the millionaire and head of the Moonraker project a lesson he won't forget, and prevent a scandal engulfing Britain's latest defence system. But there is more to the mysterious Drax than simply cheating at cards. And once Bond delves deeper into goings on at the Moonraker base he discovers that both the project and its leader are something other than they pretend to be... **APB \$16.95**

**Clyde W Ford***Precious Cargo (Charlie Noble Mystery)*

Charlie Noble, former coast-guard-officer-turned-marine-PI, is back. This time, he is hot on the trail of a human trafficking scheme that begins in Mexico...and ends in murder.

Still reeling from the untimely death of his wife, Charlie begins to warm to the idea of a second chance at true love with new girlfriend Kate Sullivan. These plans are quickly docked when boating friends Marvin and Angela Baynes come to him with a horrifying discovery—the body of an unidentified young woman impaled on the flukes of their boat anchor. The Bayneses themselves lost a child years ago. No stranger to loss, Charlie finds it impossible not to help them—even though it could mean putting his new romance in jeopardy.

Charlie enlists a friend, Raven, a Native American salvage diver. Together, the pair plunge beneath the waters of Puget Sound to seek out any clues about the identity of the dead woman and how she wound up there. But they find more bodies instead—all young, all female, all Hispanic. Soon Charlie finds himself navigating a course that leads him through the choppy waters of transporting human cargo, and right into the seedy underworld of the Northwest's sex trade.

With its fresh, nautical flavor, riveting mystery, and incredible depth of humanity, *Precious Cargo* is a winner from Clyde Ford that is truly unique—and compulsively readable. **PB \$19.95**

**Ariana Franklin***The Death maze*

Twelfth-century anatomist, Adelia Aguilar must once again examine the dead as gruesome events are beginning to unfold.

Henry II's favourite mistress, Rosamund Clifford, has been poisoned and, rumour says, by his jealous wife, Eleanor of Aquitaine. If Henry believes the stories, England will be torn apart as King battles Queen.

In a race against time to prove Eleanor's innocence, and with a dangerous assassin on the loose, Adelia has never faced greater danger. The armies that might cause civil war lie behind her. The icy winds of a dreadful winter blow around her. And ahead she must brave the thorns of the impenetrable labyrinth that surrounds Fair Rosamund's tower, and decipher the mystery of the dead woman who lies frozen within. **PB \$24.95**

**Tana French***The Likeness*

Tana French astonished critics and readers alike with her mesmerizing debut novel, *In the Woods*. Now both French and Detective Cassie Maddox return to unravel a case even more sinister and enigmatic than the first. Six months after the events of *In the Woods*, an urgent telephone call beckons Cassie to a grisly crime scene. The victim looks exactly like Cassie and carries ID identifying herself as Alexandra Madison, an alias Cassie once used. Suddenly, Cassie must discover not only who killed this girl, but, more importantly, who is this girl? A disturbing tale of shifting identities, *The Likeness* firmly establishes Tana French as an important voice in suspense fiction. **TP \$30.95**

**Tom Gabbay***The Tehran Conviction*

Journeying to 1979 Tehran at the height of the Iranian Revolution, CIA agent Jack Teller endeavors to rescue an old friend while remembering his own reluctant contributions as a new agent during a 1953 attempt to overthrow the region's government. **HC \$51.95**

**Meg Gardiner***The Dirty Secrets Club (Jo Beckett)*

A string of high-profile murder-suicides has San Francisco more rattled than the string of recent earthquakes. Hired by the SFPD to shed light on the victims' lives, forensic psychiatrist Jo Beckett makes a shocking discovery: all the suicides belonged to a group of A-listers with lots of money and plenty to hide. And soon Jo finds herself trapped in a nightmare from her past when she gets invited to join the club... **PB \$19.95**

**Lisa Gardner***The Neighbour*

In the wake of a wife and mother's disappearance from her suburban home, an ensuing police investigation focuses on the missing woman's husband, whose suspicious behavior reveals cracks in their seemingly idyllic family life. By the author of *Say Goodbye*. **HC \$51.95**

**Kathleen George***The Odds*

The Homicide Department is upside down—Richard Christie is in the hospital, Artie Dolan is headed away on vacation, John Potocki's life is falling apart, and Colleen Greer is so worried about her boss's health, she can hardly think. A young boy in Pittsburgh's North Side neighborhood dies of a suspicious overdose. The Narcotics police are working on tips and they draft Colleen and Potocki to help them. In this same neighborhood, four young kids have been abandoned and are living on their own. The Philips kids, brainy in school, are reluctant to compromise themselves. But they need cash. Connecting these people and their stories is Nick Banks, just out of prison and working off a debt to an old acquaintance involved in the drug trade. Nick is a charmer, a gentle fellow who's had a lot of trouble in his life. One day he gives free food to the Philips kids, little guessing how connected their lives are about to become. **HC \$51.95**

**Tess Gerritsen***Girl Missing*

**THE FIRST BODY IS A MYSTERY:** She's young. She's beautiful. And her corpse, laid out in the office of Boston medical examiner Cat Novak, betrays no secrets - except for a notebook clutched in one stiff hand, seven numbers scrawled inside.

**THE NEXT BODY IS A WARNING:** When a second victim is discovered, Cat begins to fear that a serial killer is stalking the city streets: a shadowy madman without mercy or apparent motive. The police are sceptical. The mayor won't listen. And Cat's chief suspect is one of the city's most prominent citizens.

**THE FINAL BODY . . . MIGHT BE HERS:** With the death toll rising, Cat races to expose a deadly conspiracy and the brutal killer at its heart - a killer who will stalk her from the dangerous streets of the inner city to the corridors of power. Because he's closer than she ever dreamt. And every move she makes could be her very last. **TP \$32.95**

**Tom Gilling***Seven Mile Beach*

After Danny Grogan gets caught speeding, Nick Carmody, at Danny's billionaire father's promise of a payoff, professes his guilt in court; but Nick finds out too late what he is really admitting too and is hurled into a world of secrets, drugs, and murder, where his life is endangered and he assumes a new identity, only to find that it is more dangerous than the one he left behind. **TP \$28.95**

**Robert Gleason, Gary Jennings & Junius Podrug***Apocalypse 2012*

In ancient Mexico, the "End-Time Codex"--prophesizing the world's end in 2012--is entombed. A young Aztec-Mayan slave tells us its story.

Gifted in math and astronomy, Coyotl rises to king's counselor in Tula, a golden city of milk and honey ruled by the brilliant god-king, Quetzalcoatl, the Feathered Serpent of lore. Gathering artists, scientists and craftsmen, this legendary ruler builds a city that will awe humanity for one thousand years. But he also faces war, catastrophic drought, betrayal and the rise of an evil death-cult religion. Instituting the infamous "Blood Covenant," its priests drag thousands of people a year atop temple-pyramids and rip their hearts beating from their chests. To stop them Quetzalcoatl must defy the flames of bloody civil war.

A thousand years later scientists discover the End-Time Codex. While struggling to decipher it, they realize their own age mirrors Tula's. Can they crack the 2012 code and save their world from Tula's deadly fate? **HC \$52.95**

**Chris Grabenstein***Hell Hole (John Ceepak Mystery 04)*

Sea Haven police officer John Ceepak and his partner, wise-cracking Danny Boyle, confronting the most personal case of their careers when an Iraq War soldier's suspicious suicide is linked to a high-reaching conspiracy. **TP \$28.95**

**Gaylon Greer***The Price of Sanctuary*

Shelby Cervoiser used to lead a life of leisure—now she's running for her life. After being accused of killing an American immigration agent, Shelby undertakes a mission on behalf of a secretive American espionage agency, in exchange for legal amnesty and political asylum. When the mission gets bungled, the agency wants her dead and hires two assassins, Hank and Vlad, to do the job. Shelby and her younger sister, Carmen, hurriedly flee to the Midwest, only to be captured by Hank. Romance blossoms between the hunter and his prey and the bounty reward takes a back seat; instead of turning them in, Hank stows the sisters away at a farm in a remote corner of Colorado. Meanwhile, psychopathic Vlad hasn't given up the chase and tensions mount as they wait for his arrival at the farm sanctuary. **HC \$51.95**

**J M Gregson***Wild Justice (Peach and Blake Mystery)*

When Tamsin Hayes decides to kill her husband, she sets in train a series of events she could never have predicted. For there is a seedy side to Tim Hayes, which the police are already investigating when he is violently murdered. Was he dispatched by the wife who had vowed to rid herself of him? Or one of the other suspects who emerge once DCI Percy Peach and DS Lucy Blake begin their investigation? **HC \$56.95**

**W E B Griffin***Death and Honor (Honor Bound)*

Recruited by Wild Bill Donovan to set up an airline that will be an OSS front in 1943 Argentina, Marine pilot Cletus Frade monitors two German operations, including a concentration-camp smuggling ring and a Nazi protection group. **PB \$21.95**

### **Laura Griffin**

*Whisper of Warning*

**WILL HE HELP PROVE HER INNOCENCE...OR LEAD A KILLER TO HER DOOR?**

Courtney Glass has been in trouble all her life, but nothing tops being an up-close witness to a brutal murder. Until she's accused of the crime. Every scrap of evidence points to her guilt, and only Courtney knows what really happened. Now she must prove that she's not a murderer...but is one of the killer's intended victims. As police investigators hammer her for answers, Courtney knows she has two choices: run, or trust the brooding, sexy detective who's made it clear she's his prime suspect.

Will Hodges doesn't need Special Forces training to know that, despite Courtney's killer looks and razor-sharp tongue, her tough-girl act hides a vulnerable woman with a deadly secret. As the body count rises, Will realizes that a lethal enemy has Courtney in his crosshairs. The killer is waiting, watching her every move -- and he won't stop until her fear has grown from a whisper to a scream.... **APB \$14.99**

### **Andrew Gross**

*Don't Look Twice*

A breathtaking novel of suspense from the co-author five No 1 James Patterson bestsellers including Judge and Jury and Lifeguard, and the hit thrillers The Blue Zone and The Dark Tide. A drive-by shooting nearly kills detective Ty Hauck while out shopping with his daughter. It throws him back into the life he thought he'd left behind: alone and facing hidden enemies. With his estranged brother Warren also in danger, Hauck can't turn away.

Now the good life he has made for himself must be put aside while Hauck tracks the shooter. But what he finds makes no sense no matter how many times he looks. **TP \$32.99**

### **Elizabeth Gunn**

*New River Blues (Sarah Burke Mystery)*

A Sarah Burke Mystery - Tucson Police detective Sarah Burke is called in to investigate a horrific double murder in a high-dollar neighbourhood, and the tragic destiny of a rich and troubled family unfolds . . . Meanwhile, Sarah's household bulges at the seams, as her niece, her mother and her boyfriend all search for accommodation in her small spaces and crowded schedule, and her sister, as usual, does nothing to make things easier . . . **HC \$58.95**

### **Kathryn Miller Haines**

*Winter In June (Rosei Winter Mystery)*

New York, 1943: Aspiring actress Rosie Winter has been marooned in New York throughout the war. Now, faced with the news that her ex-boyfriend Jack might not be coming home again, she's desperate to leave the home front and head for the war front. So when Rosie and her best pal Jayne get an offer to go to the South Pacific to perform with USO Camp Shows, they jump at the chance.

But being a greasepaint soldier isn't as easy as they had hoped. Not only are the cast members surly, the schedules inhumane, and the housing conditions primitive but they also have to travel with a major—and majorly difficult—Hollywood star. But none of that is as bad as living in a war zone, and when tragedy strikes, Rosie and Jayne are left wondering if they are being targeted by the enemy or if something far more sinister is afoot. **BPB \$24.99**

### **Elliott Hall**

*First Stone (01)*

Private eye Felix Strange doesn't work homicide cases. He saw enough dead bodies fighting in Iran, a war that left him with a crippling disease that has no name and no cure. So when Strange is summoned to a Manhattan hotel room to investigate the dead body of America's most-loved preacher, he'd rather not get involved. Strange has a week to find the killer, and even less time to get the black-market medicine he needs to stay alive. In an America where biblical prophecy is foreign policy, Strange knows that his hiring is no accident. He can't see all the angles, and he knows he's being watched. In a race against time Strange must face religious police, organized crime and a dame with very particular ideas, while uncovering a conspiracy that reaches the very heart of his newly fundamentalist nation. One of the most stunningly original debut crime novels ever written, *The First Stone* is both an epic of the imagination and an action-packed mystery set in a time and place too chillingly close to our own. It is the first in an ambitious trilogy that pays homage to the genius of Dashiell Hammett, Raymond Chandler and James Ellroy, while offering a wholly original take on the noir genre. **TP \$32.99**

### **Tarquin Hall**

*The Case of the Missing Servant (Vish Puri Mystery)*

Meet Vish Puri, India's most private investigator. Portly, persistent, and unmistakably Punjabi, he cuts a determined swath through modern India's swindlers, cheats, and murderers.

In hot and dusty Delhi, where call centers and malls are changing the ancient fabric of Indian life, Puri's main work comes from screening prospective marriage partners, a job once the preserve of aunties and family priests.

But when an honest public litigator is accused of murdering his maidservant, it takes all of Puri's resources to investigate. How will he trace the fate of the girl, known only as Mary, in a population of more than one billion? Who is taking pot shots at him and his prize chili plants? And why is his widowed "Mummy -ji" attempting to play sleuth when everyone knows mummies are not detectives?

With his team of undercover operatives -- Tubelight, Flush, and Facecream -- Puri ingeniously combines modern techniques with principles of detection established in India more than two thousand years ago -- long before "that Johnny -come-lately" Sherlock Holmes donned his deerstalker.

The search for Mary takes him to the desert oasis of Jaipur and the remote mines of Jharkhand. From Puri's well-heeled Gymkhana Club to the slums where the servant classes live, his adventures reveal modern India in all its seething complexity. **HC \$49.95**

### **Colin Harrison**

*The Finder*

Jin Li is a beautiful, driven young woman running a dangerous little operation. Manhattan corporations hire her for a simple but delicate task: to shred and destroy the reams of highly classified documents. But they don't know that she and her brother, Chen, have been using their discarded secrets to game the international markets, making a pile of cash. When someone at the Good Pharma corporation, whose stock is plummeting, uncovers the scheme, two of Jin Li's workers die a grisly death, and Jin is on the run. Her brother extorts Jin's old flame, Ray Grant--an ex-firefighter with a disturbing 9/11 past--to track her down. He'll have to comb every strata of New York, from the brutal Mexican mafia to the greed-fueled penthouse billionaires of Wall Street, to find her. **TP \$28.95**

**John Hart***last Child*

Thirteen-year-old Johnny Merrimon has to face things no boy his age should face. In the year since his twin sister's abduction his world has fallen apart: his father has disappeared and his fragile mother is spiralling into ever deeper despair. Johnny keeps strong. Armed with a map, a bike and a flashlight, he stalks the bad men of Raven County. The police might have given up on Alyssa; he never will. Someone, somewhere, knows something they're not telling. Only one person looks out for Johnny. Detective Clyde Hunt shares his obsession with the case. But when Johnny witnesses a hit-and-run and insists the victim was killed because he'd found Alyssa, even Hunt thinks he's lost it. And then another young girl goes missing... **TP \$32.99**

**John Harvey***Far Cry*

Every parent's worst fear.

Ruth and Simon Pierce's rare romantic break is shattered by devastating news: their daughter, Heather, on holiday in Cornwall with a friend's family, has disappeared. The loss is more than they, or their marriage, can bear. But time does heal and slowly Ruth builds a new life for herself. A new husband, Andrew, even a second daughter, Beatrice.

The chances that history could repeat itself are next-to-impossible, that is until, years later, a desperate phone call launches DI Will Grayson and his partner, DS Helen Walker, into an investigation which will test their professional and emotional resources to the very limit.

Yet as Grayson becomes increasingly obsessed with a recently released child-abuser and Helen is drawn deeper into a destructive love affair with a married colleague, there is a real danger that their most demanding investigation yet will slip fatefully through their hand. **TP \$32.95**

**John Harwood Australian Author***The Séance*

Sell the Hall unseen; burn it to the ground and plough the earth with salt, if you will; but never live there.

London, the 1880s. A young girl grows up in a household marked by death, her father distant, her mother in perpetual mourning for the child she lost. Desperate to coax her mother back to health, Constance Langton takes her to a séance. Perhaps they will find comfort from beyond the grave. But that séance has tragic consequences. Constance is left alone, her only legacy a mysterious bequest will blight her life.

So begins *The Séance*, John Harwood's brilliant second novel, a gripping, dark mystery set in late Victorian England. It is a world of apparitions, of disappearances and unnatural phenomena, of betrayal and blackmail and black-hearted villains and murder. For Constance' bequest comes in two parts: a house, and a mystery. Years before a family disappeared at Wraxford Hall, a terrifying stately home near the Suffolk coast. Now Constance must find the truth behind the mystery, even at the cost of her life. Because without the truth, she is lost. **PB \$24.95**

**Jack Higgins***A Prayer For the Dying*

No one becomes a contract killer and expects to hang around to collect a pension. Sooner or later, even the best in their field make mistakes. Even Martin Fallon, the most ruthless hitman of them all.

Fallon was the best you could get with a gun in his hand, but his first mistake was to cross powerful crime boss Jack Meehan, and his last, to seek redemption for his soul... **APB \$19.99**

**Reginald Hill***Midnight Fugue*

Yorkshire's criminals have long feared the Fat arm of the law, in the shape of Chief Superintendent Andy Dalziel. Sadly for them, Dalziel's proximity to a terrorist blast put, if anything, further fire in his belly.

Following his near-death, resurrection and convalescence in a quiet seaside town, the Fat Man is back to reunite with loyal sidekick DCI Peter Pascoe for a new adventure. **TP \$32.99**

**Tony Hillerman***The Blessing Way*

Witchcraft seems to be involved in the death of a Navajo whose body has been found in Many Ruins Canyon, and Lieutenant Joe Leaphorn is charged with the task of solving the crime. **PB \$21.95**

*Coyote Waits*

Jim Chee is torn between his role as the prosecution's star witness against the man charged with killing his best friend and his own investigation of the crime. **PB \$21.95**

*Dance Hall of the Dead*

When a young man from the Zuni reservation is found murdered and his missing Navajo friend becomes the prime suspect, Lieutenant Joe Leaphorn of the Navajo Tribal Police investigates. **PB \$21.95**

*People of Darkness*

Officer Jim Chee is drawn into his Navajo heritage as he investigates the bizarre theft of a box of trinkets--a theft that endangers his life as well as the life of a young schoolteacher. **PB \$21.95**

*Sacred Clowns*

Jim Chee and Joe Leaphorn investigate a crime that involves the murder of a Pueblo tribal official, the death of a schoolteacher, and the disappearance of a tribal memento. **PB \$21.95**

**Linda Howard***Death Angel*

A striking beauty with a taste for diamonds and dangerous men, Drea Rousseau was once content to be arm candy for Rafael Salinas, a notorious crime lord. Then, when he loans her to a cold-blooded assassin as payment, Drea makes a fateful decision and a desperate move to escape, stealing a mountain of cash from the malicious killer. Though Drea runs, Salinas knows she can't hide - and dispatches the same assassin in hot pursuit. Left for dead, Drea miraculously returns to the realm of the living a changed woman. Both humbled and thrilled with this unexpected second chance, she embraces her new life. But in order to feel safe and sound, and stop nervously looking over her shoulder, she will need to take down the man who marked her for death, even if it means joining forces with the most dangerous - but most enticing - man she's ever known. **PB \$19.99**

**Dorothy Howell***Handbags and Homicide (Haley Randolph Mystery)*

When Haley Randolph is suspected of murdering her boss at Holt's department store and accused of embezzling one hundred thousand dollars from her previous job, she must find a killer with impeccable fashion taste. Includes teaser to next Haley Randolph Mystery Purses and Poison. **PB \$17.95**

**Declan Hughes***The Price of Blood*

Prompted by dwindling circumstances to accept a dubious assignment to locate a priest's missing racehorse trainer brother, private investigator Ed Loy discovers two murders that are suspiciously linked to the case and is forced to place his life on the line on the eve of Ireland's Christmas Festival race. **TP \$30.95**

**James Patrick Hunt***The Assailant*

CO-ED SLAIN. That's the call that brings St. Louis Police Lieutenant George Hastings to the downtown banks of the Mississippi River, where Reesa Woods has been strangled and dumped. The hard-charging Hastings is no stranger to murder, but he's stuck without any leads until a second body—also strangled—turns up across town and he knows he's chasing a monster.

A talented doctor with an otherwise ordinary and enviable life, Raymond Sheffield has some very dark needs. His first victims are targets of opportunity, but his ambitions go far beyond that. He's formed a taste for killing, and his only interest is in getting better at it.

As the violence mounts, the line between upstanding citizens and their secret desires gets thinner and thinner in this thrilling game of catch-me-if-you-can from acclaimed crime novelist James Patrick Hunt. **HC \$51.95**

**James W Huston***Balance of Power*

Constitutional law, high-tech intelligence, and human relations all come into play in a story about a political crisis in Washington and the countdown to a military assault halfway around the world. **PB \$21.95**

**David Ignatius***The Increment*

When a hidden Tehran scientist sends encrypted messages to the CIA that reveal Iran's bomb-development program, agent Harry Pappas is directed to discern if the messages are true before enlisting the aid of a secret British spy team to safeguard the scientist, an agenda that forces Pappas to betray the American government in order to protect its interests. **HC \$54.95**

**India Ink***Glossed and Found (Bath and Body 03)*

When Venus Envy's new makeup artist, Lisa Tremont, vanishes on the night of the Thanksgiving Gala, and her car is found near Lookout Pier, the police believe that the woman drowned, but Persia Vanderbilt believes that the woman's disappearance could be tied to some missing inheritance money. **PB \$17.95**

**Craig Johnson***Another Man's Moccasins (Walt Longmire Mystery)*

Investigating the murder of a woman whose body was dumped along the Wyoming interstate, Sheriff Longmire looks into the background of the case's only suspect and discovers unsettling links between the killing and one of his own cases from forty years earlier. **TP \$28.95**

**R T Jordan***A Talent For Murder (Polly Pepper)*

After TV-star-turned-sleuth Polly Pepper is hired to be the "nice judge" on a televised talent show, she sees the ratings skyrocket when the vicious and universally hated judge, Thane Cornwall, is killed, an act that puts Polly on a case where she will have to audition a huge cast of singing and dancing suspects to discover which one truly had the motive for murder. **HC \$45.95**

**Mari Jungstedt***Unspoken*

The dead man was a drunk; a regular on the park benches of Gotland's city centre. He had been celebrating winning 80,000 Krona at the races. His body is discovered by one of his drinking buddies: he is drenched in blood and someone or something has left a hole the size of a fist in the back of his head.

It's winter on the island of Gotland. The tourists have returned home. The tree branches are bare, the sky is sleet grey and the days are getting shorter and darker. Winter is a quiet time for Chief Inspector Anders Knutas and Detective Karin Jacobsson; the tourists tend to take the violent crimes with them back to the mainland. To keep their lives simple, they are tempted to assume that the victim died as a result of a drunken brawl over money. But all of the clues point to something far more sinister.

Then 14-year old Fanny Jansson, a volunteer at the local stables, vanishes. At first Knutas and Jacobsson find it hard to believe that the two cases are linked: one is a violent murder, the other, the disappearance of a lonely and isolated child who has probably run away. Painstakingly, they work the clues, assisted by ambitious TV reporter Johan Berg. But what none of them realise is that truth is much closer to home than they'd ever imagine.

**APB \$24.95**

**Jonathan Kellerman***Monster*

A corpse is found in a car trunk. The victim was a twenty-five-year-old would-be actor called Richard Dada. He had been sawn in half. Eight months later, the body of Claire Argent, a psychologist at a hospital for the criminally insane, is discovered. She was mutilated in the same, horrific way. Detective Milo Sturgis is put on the case and, when the incoherent ramblings of a patient locked up in a mental hospital for the criminally insane begin to make terrifying sense, he calls on psychologist Alex Delaware to help him delve into the muddy waters of insanity. Can Alex and Milo unravel this dark web of family secrets, vengeance and manipulation in time to stop further killing? **PB \$19.99**

**Jim Kelly***Death Wore White*

A latest work by a winner of the Crime Writers' Association Dagger in the Library Award presents a psychological whodunit that pits British rookie detective Peter Shaw and his chain-smoking, hard-as-nails veteran partner against an adversary that tests their limits. **HC \$51.95**

## **Jack Ketchum**

### *Cover*

Kelsey, a novelist, and his entourage move into a secluded part of California wilderness, unaware that it is used to grow marijuana by a paranoid loner and war veteran who has lost his grip on reality. **APB \$19.95**

## **Raymond Khoury**

### *The Sanctuary*

Naples, 1750. In the dead of the night, three men with swords burst into the palazzo of a marquis. The intruders' leader, the Prince of San Severo, accuses the marquis of being an impostor and demands to know a secret that he believes the man harbours. In the fight that ensues, the false marquis escapes over the rooftops, leaving behind a burning palazzo and a raging prince who is now obsessed with finding his quarry at any cost. Baghdad, 2003. An American army unit hunting down Saddam's inner circle makes a horrifying discovery: a state-of-the-art, concealed lab where dozens - men, women, children - have died after enduring gruesome experiments. The mysterious scientist they were after, a man believed to be working on a bioweapons program and known only as the hakeem - the doctor - escapes, taking with him the startling truth about his work. A puzzling clue is left behind, crudely carved into the wall of one of the underground prison's cells: a circular symbol of a snake feeding on its own tail. So begins Raymond Khoury's explosive new novel, placing two bold women at the centre of the action as they get caught up in a murderous trail of ancient clues. **PB \$19.99**

## **Tom Knox**

### *The Genesis Secret*

In the sunburnt deserts of eastern Turkey, archaeologists are unearthing a stone temple, the world's most ancient building. When Journalist Rob Luttrell is sent to report on the dig, he is intrigued to learn that someone deliberately buried the site 10,000 years ago. Why? Meanwhile, in London, a bizarre attack is baffling the police. When a weird killing takes place on the Isle of Man, followed by another in rural Dorset, DC Mark Forrester begins to discern a curious pattern in these apparently random murders. What weaves together these two stories is the Genesis Secret: a revelation so shocking it may threaten the social structure of the world. Only one man knows the secret, and he is intent on destroying the evidence before it can be uncovered. Spanning the globe from the ruined castles of Ireland to the desolate wastes of Kurdistan, Tom Knox's intense and compelling thriller weaves together genuine historical evidence, scientific insights and Biblical mysteries into an electrifying tale that grips the reader mercilessly from beginning to end. **APB \$19.99**

## **Mariko Koike**

### *The Cat in the Coffin*

Recently widowed Goro Kawakubo, the dashing son of a famous artist, hires an au pair, Masayo, to care for his eight-year-old daughter, Momoko. Her only companion is her cat, Lala. Masayo quickly falls in love with Goro's lifestyle and then the widower himself. One fateful night, Goro meets the gorgeous Chinatsu, who soon becomes his girlfriend. Masayo is tormented with jealousy but can do nothing but watch. Meanwhile young Momoko demonstrates more and more macabre tendencies, further retreating into a world only she and her cat occupy. As Chinatsu tries to win over the potential stepdaughter's affection, she realizes she has to compete with Lala, and Chinatsu hates cats. The tension among the women in Goro's home climaxes with a shocking act of femme fatale vengeance. Koike's trademark blend of traditional romance and suspense turns the happy-ending formula of love stories on its head with an added jolt of intrigue and mystery. **TP \$30.95**

## **Jon Land**

### *The Seven Sins*

To Dream...To Dare..To Win...

The ancient motto, inscribed in Latin on a mysterious golden medallion, recovered from the ruins of the Roman Empire, has guided Michael Tiranno to heights few men have achieved. Once an orphaned farm boy in his native Sicily, Michael made millions by mastering the intricate world of high finance, and is now the fabulously wealthy owner of Las Vegas' The Seven Sins, the grandest and most extravagant casino in the world. The lavish resort embodies the personal philosophy fueled by his lust for power: the greater the risk, the greater the reward. But he also has secrets, secrets that he and Naomi Burns, his driven corporate attorney and confidante, have gone to great lengths to bury. When an enemy from the past threatens to undermine everything he has built, his dark history must now be uncovered. Together, they must tear open painful scars in Michael's heart and soul to discover the true identity of their unknown foe—before all of Las Vegas pays the price for Michael Tiranno's realized dreams.

The Seven Sins is a globe-spanning saga of one man's spectacular rise from rags to riches, the sins that brought him there, and the insidious vendetta that may cost him everything. **PB \$19.95**

## **John Lathrop**

### *Desert Contract*

Steve Kemp, investment counselor, trying to rebuild his finances and restore his integrity, and steer clear of politics, returns after a decade to the Arabian Gulf. Reconnected by chance with his old flame Helen, their love affair re-ignites and together they stumble into a shared crisis. Now married to an older man, a diplomat in a punishment posting at the end of his career, Helen is conflicted between loyalty and desire. Kemp is focused on financing their escape: he needs a major sale. With her husband's unwitting help the perfect client appears. But time has run out. Jihadists seeping back across the desert shake the country. The regime cracks, everyone looks to their own escape plan, while Kemp chases his deal as far as he must. A gripping novel of love and loyalties, and the place where personal integrity and politics meet. The Desert Contract is a remarkable debut. **PB \$24.99**

## **Donna Leon**

### *Death in A Strange Country*

Early one morning Guido Brunetti, Commissario of the Venice Police, confronts a grisly sight when the body of a young man is fished out of a fetid Venetian canal. All the clues point to a violent mugging, but for Brunetti, robbery seems altogether too convenient a motive. Then something very incriminating is discovered in the dead man's flat, something which points to the existence of a high-level cabal and Brunetti becomes convinced that somebody, somewhere, is taking great pains to provide a ready-made solution to the crime ... **BPB \$24.95**

### *Friends in High Places*

When Commissario Guido Brunetti is visited by a young bureaucrat investigating the lack of official approval for the building of his apartment years earlier, his first reaction, like any other Venetian, is to think of whom he knows who might bring pressure to bear on the relevant government department. But when the bureaucrat rings Brunetti at work, clearly scared, and is then found dead after a fall from scaffolding, something is obviously going on that has implications greater than the fate of Brunetti's apartment **BPB \$24.95**

## **Elmore Leonard**

### *Comfort to the Enemy*

COMFORT TO THE ENEMY is a dazzling novel in three parts. The stories chart the beginning, middle and mature career of legendary lawman, Carl Webster. It begins with the investigation of a murder at a German POW camp in Oklahoma. The bank robbers of the 1920s are gone. Carl has married Louly, who has joined the Marines and he has also done a tour of duty. Oklahoma is full of POW camps with crewmen and grenadiers from the Afrika Korps. Jurgen Schrenk is a young captain who escapes with some frequency and is well-liked by many of the native Oklahomans. He's fallen in love with a girl by the name of Shemane, a sexy beauty and gangster's moll who lives at home with her mother. Jurgen makes a successful escape with the help of Shemane and Carl promises her he'll help the lovers at the war's end if it's possible. However, Jurgen may be a spy and Carl may pursue him to Detroit, a place Jurgen has lived and a place in which arms are being manufactured. **TP \$32.99**

### *Road Dogs*

ROAD DOGS is the story of banker-robber Jack Foley, who got caught by a die-pack on one easy robbery. He's back in prison doing a thirty-year sentence after a week-long escape. Foley has been brought in by Karen Sisco, US Marshall, who got her man after being abducted with the escapees. Jack and Karen have a thing for each other and Karen arrests him after a meaningful 'time out' together. Jack is resigning himself to doing time, lots of it and he seems to have a friendly and easy control over the hardened criminals he is imprisoned with. This easiness is enhanced in the minds of others by his fame as a bank robber. It is this ease which impresses Cundo Rey, a Cuban refugee and criminal who is doing time for murder. Cundo arranges to have Foley's sentence hugely reduced, but has favours aplenty to ask when they're both released. **TP \$32.99**

## **John Lescroart**

### *Sunburn*

As the country of Spain prepares for revolution, two couples--a husband and wife bored with the life they have drifted into, and a combative pair that relish every moment in life--find their lives forever changed by the arrival of a young American seeking his missing lover. **PB \$21.95**

## **Gregg Loomis**

### *The Coptic Secret (Lang reilly Thriller)*

When previously unknown Gospels containing startling revelations are taken from the British Museum, along with Lang Reilly's friend, Lang must go up against an ancient organization that will kill anyone who comes close to the parchments. **PB \$19.95**

## **Eric Van Lustbader**

### *The Bourne Deception (Bourne)*

The BOURNE DECEPTION picks up where THE BOURNE SANCTION left off. Jason Bourne's nemesis, Arkadin, is still hot on his trail and the two continue their struggle, reversing roles of hunter and hunted. When Bourne is ambushed and badly wounded, he fakes his death and goes into hiding. In safety, he takes on a new identity and begins a mission to find out who tried to assassinate him. Jason begins to question who he really is, how much of him is tied up in the Bourne identity and what he would become if that was suddenly taken away from him. Meanwhile, an American passenger airliner is shot down over Egypt by what seems to be an Iranian missile. A massive global investigative team is assembled to get at the truth of the situation before it can escalate into an international scandal. Jason Bourne's search for the man who shot him intersects with the search for the people that brought down the airliner, leading Bourne into one of the most deadly and challenging situations he has ever encountered. With the threat of a new world war brewing, Bourne finds himself in a race against time to uncover the truth and find the person behind his assault, all the while being stalked by his unknown nemesis. **TP \$32.99 HC \$56.95**

## **Lisa Lutz**

### *Revenge of the Spellmans (Spellman Files)*

**TP \$29.99**

## **Stuart MacBride**

### *Broken Skin*

In the pale grey light of a chilly February Aberdeen is not at its best... There's a rapist prowling the city's cold granite streets leaving a string of tortured women behind. But while DS Logan McRae's girlfriend is out acting as bait he's dealing with the blood-drenched body of an unidentified male dumped outside Accident and Emergency. When a stash of explicit films turns up all featuring the victim it looks as if someone in the local bondage community has developed a taste for violent death and Logan gets dragged into the twilight world of pornographers sexshops and S&M. To make matters worse when they finally arrest the Granite City Rapist Grampian Police are forced by the courts to let him go: Aberdeen Football Club's star striker has an alibi for every attack. Could they really have got it so badly wrong? Logan thinks so but the trick will be getting anyone to listen before the real rapist strikes again. Especially as his girlfriend PC Jackie Ball Breaker Watson is convinced the footballer is guilty and she's hell-bent on a conviction at any cost... **PB \$19.99**

### *Dying Light*

It's summertime in the Granite city: the sun is shining, the sky is blue, and people are dying...

It starts with Rosie Williams, a prostitute, stripped naked and beaten to death down by the docks - the heart of Aberdeen's red light district. For DS Logan McRae it's a bad start to another bad day. Only a few short months ago he was the golden boy of Grampian police. But one botched raid later he's palmed off on a DI everyone knows is a jinx, waiting for the axe to fall with all the other rejects in the 'Screw-up Squad'.

Logan's not going to take it lying down. He's determined to escape DI Steel and her unconventional methods, and the best way to do that is to crack the case in double-quick time. But Rosie Williams won't be the only one making an unscheduled trip to the morgue. Across the city six people are burning to death in a petrol-soaked squat, the doors and windows screwed shut from the outside. And despite Logan's best efforts, it's not long before another prostitute turns up on the slab... Stuart MacBride's characteristic grittiness, gallows humour and lively characterization make this his second unputdownable novel, confirming his status as the rising star of crime fiction. **PB \$19.99**

### *Flesh House*

Aberdeen is panicking. It's been eighteen years since Grampian Police caught the Flesher - the notorious serial killer who butchered people all over the UK - and seven years since he was released from Peterhead prison, his conviction overturned on appeal. But when a container full of joints of human meat turns up at Aberdeen Harbour, it kicks off the largest man hunt in Aberdeen's history. Ken Wiseman is on the run and looking for revenge.

Detective Sergeant Logan McRae is lumbered with the unenviable task of babysitting Chief Constable Mark Faulds from Birmingham - one of the original investigation team - and trying to keep DI Inch from throwing his career away in his obsessive quest to see Wiseman behind bars before he kills again. When members of the team that put Wiseman away in 1990 start going missing, Logan knows that things aren't as straightforward as everyone thinks. More and more human meat is turning up in the food chain. Twenty years of secrets and lies are being dragged into the light. And the only thing that's certain is Aberdeen will never be the same again. **APB \$19.99**

**Phillip Margolin***Fugitive*

Defending Charlie, a petty con man and former fugitive who hid in Africa for twelve years after being falsely implicated in the murder of a congressman, criminal lawyer Amanda Jaffe struggles to prove the man's innocence while endeavoring to protect him from a vengeful African dictator. **HC \$54.95**

**Brian McGilloway***Bleed a River Deep*

When a controversial American senator is attacked during the opening of a Donegal gold mine, Garda Inspector Benedict Devlin is blamed for a lapse in security. The shooting of an illegal immigrant in Belfast the same day leads Devlin to a vicious people-smuggling ring operating in the city. Then Leon Bradley, the young environmentalist who attacked the senator, is found murdered near the site of the mine. Devlin questions the group of itinerant travellers who have gathered around a nearby river hoping to strike gold themselves, and soon it becomes clear to Devlin that the mine is a front for something far more sinister.

Bleed a River Deep is the new novel from one of the most acclaimed new crime-writers on the scene: a labyrinthine tale of big business, the new Europe, and the dispossessed. Politics, industry and the criminal underworld collide in McGilloway's most accomplished, most gripping, and most sophisticated novel yet. **TP \$32.99**

*Gallows Lane*

Taking its title from the name of the road down which condemned Donegal criminals were once led, Gallows Lane follows Inspector Benedict Devlin as he investigates a series of gruesome murders in and around the Irish borderlands. When a young woman is found beaten to death on a building site, in what appears to be a sexually-motivated killing, Devlin's enquiries soon point to a local body-builder and steroid addict. But days later, born-again ex-con James Kerr is found nailed to a tree - crucified - having been released from prison and returned to his hometown to spread the word of God.

Increasingly torn between his young family and his job, Devlin is determined to apprehend those responsible for the murders before they strike again, even as the carnage begins to jeopardise those he cares about most. **APB \$19.99**

**Jennifer McMahon***Dismantled*

A decade after covering up a friend's death during an elaborate prank in the Vermont woods, Henry and Tess are tormented by the painful secret, the suicide of another member of their group, and a chain of eerie events that threatens their life with their precocious young daughter. **HC \$51.95**

**Ana Menendez***The Last War*

Harboring disillusionment in her marriage to a war-correspondent husband only to receive a mysterious message alleging his infidelities, photographer Flash finds herself pursued by an exotic former colleague with whom she shares a dangerous past and long-buried secrets. **HC \$51.95**

**Deon Meyer***Blood Safari*

Lemmer is a freelance bodyguard for Body Armor, a personal security company in South Africa. Lean, angry, violent, he is way down on the price list where the bargains are to be found. Emma le Roux wants to find her missing brother, who supposedly died twenty years ago, but whom she is convinced she's seen on the news as a suspect in the recent killing of a witch doctor and four poachers. She hires Lemmer to watch her back when she goes looking for answers. As le Roux and Lemmer look for clues in the Lowveld, it becomes clear someone wants to keep them in the dark. Someone who will go to any lengths to stop them asking questions. When they are attacked and almost killed, Lemmer decides to go after whoever is hunting them against all odds. **TP \$32.99**

**Gladys Mitchell***The Saltmarsh Murders*

Noel Wells, curate in the sleepy village of Saltmarsh, likes to spend his time dancing in the study with the vicar's niece until one day the vicar's unpleasant wife discovers her unmarried housemaid is pregnant and trouble begins. It is left to Noel to call for the help of sometime-detective and full-time Freudian Mrs Bradley, who sets out on an unnervingly unorthodox investigation into the mysterious pregnancy, an investigation that also takes in a smuggler, the village lunatic, a missing corpse, a public pillory, an exhumation and, of course, a murderer.

Mrs. Bradley is easily one of the most memorable personalities in crime fiction and in this classic whodunit she proves that some English villages can be murderously peaceful. **PB \$24.95**

*Tom Brown's Body*

Mrs Bradley is visiting the picturesque village of Spey in search of a local witch when Gerald Conway, a junior master at Spey College, is found murdered. Despised by both pupils and peers, there is no shortage of suspects but can the redoubtable Mrs Bradley use tact, wit and just a touch of black magic to make the boys and their masters divulge the truth? **PB \$24.95**

*When Last I Died*

When Mrs Bradley's grandson finds an old diary in her rented cottage it attracts the interest of this most unconventional of detectives, for the book's now deceased owner was once suspected of the murders of both her aunt and cousin. Does the missing diary finally reveal what happened to old Aunt Flora? Is the case of Bella Foxley really closed? And what happened to the boys from the local reformatory who went missing at the same time? As events unfold, Mrs. Bradley faces one of her most difficult cases to date, one that will keep readers guessing until the very end. **PB \$24.95**

**Tom Morton***Serpentine*

A name from the murkiest corners of Britain's secret war in Ireland: Serpentine.

At first it's just gossip and fearful whispers. But then people begin to die and all hell breaks loose from Palestine to the remote Highlands of Scotland.

Fresh from the toughest assignments in the mercenary world comes former SAS officer Murrricane. Can he find Serpentine before it's too late and before the horrific secrets of the past threaten to cause chaos not just in Ireland but in the Middle East too?

In a trail of mayhem that leads through Scotland, Gaza and Ireland, Murrricane battles his own demons, as well as a monstrous former RUC officer, a disgraced policeman and a series of unreliable Land Rovers, until Serpentine plays his final, devastating game . . .

Serpentine is an explosive, bitterly funny journey into the darkest heart of the Irish Troubles and the violence that lurks in Scotland's most scenic Highland communities. **TP \$32.95**

## **Reggi Nadelson**

### *Londongrad (Artie Cohen)*

Through seven previous novels, Reggie Nadelson has created one of the more memorable characters in detective fiction: Artie Cohen, New York police detective and first-generation American with complex ties to his Russian past, especially his close friendship with the enigmatic and flamboyant New York/London club owner Tolya Sverdloff. Now, in *Londongrad*—by far Nadelson's most ambitious novel to date—Artie is faced with a murder that strikes at him personally and will ultimately place his best friend's life in his hands as it challenges his own loyalty.

In a playground in Brooklyn, Artie is led to a dead girl tied up in duct tape on a children's swing. He soon realizes the killer murdered the wrong girl—the intended victim was Valentina Sverdloff, Tolya's daughter, long adored by Artie. Artie flies to London to tell Tolya and finds himself enmeshed on his friend's behalf in a maelstrom of Russian money and crime. Like Berlin at the end of World War II, somebody tells Artie, *Londongrad*, as it's known, has become an offshore island for the new Russian underworld. Over his head, Artie is drawn further in, to Moscow, where, balancing between the old KGB and the new FSB, between the dazzle and grimness of Russia today, he uncovers a painful truth about his past that puts Tolya's life in the balance. **HC \$51.95**

## **Hakan Nesser**

### *Mind's Eye (Inspector Van Veeteren Mystery)*

The ease of the conviction left Van Veeteren uneasy: Janek Mitter woke one morning with a brutal hangover and his wife dead in the bathtub. With only the flimsiest defense, he is found guilty and imprisoned in a mental institution. But when Mitter is murdered in his bed, Van Veeteren regrets not following his gut and launches an investigation into the two murders. And as the chief inspector delves deeper, the twisted root of these violent murders will shock even him. **TP \$28.95**

## **Andrew Nugent**

### *Soul Murder*

When a house master is found dead at a leading boys' boarding school in Ireland, Superintendent Denis Lennon and Sergeant Molly Power of the Irish Police Force struggle to uncover any probable motive for this brutal killing. Perhaps it was a bungled kidnapping attempt? Or a revenge attack? Or simple robbery but with extreme malice? But when the existence of a letter from an old boy is discovered, their investigation becomes much more complicated. Something very sinister has provoked this violent bloodshed and, with so much at stake, will the killer stop at one murder? **PB \$19.99**

## **Diana O'Hehir**

### *Dark Aura*

Investigating the disappearances of a series of young children who have been declared psychic for their glowing indigo auras, Deputy Sheriff Carla Day pursues a related case in which a teenage indigo girl suffered a suspicious fatal fall, a situation that is further complicated by the victim's secret baby and Carla's aging Egyptologist father's confused belief that the girl was a mythical journeywoman. **TP \$30.95**

## **Alex Palmer Australian Author**

### *The Tattooed Man*

Paul Harrigan is a top cop who has survived the corruption and political manoeuvrings of the NSW Police. So far ...

His partner Grace Riordan has left the Service and now works in the shadowy world of undercover intelligence -- so she and Harrigan can't talk about work much.

Harrigan is called to a grisly murder scene in Sydney's wealthy north: four guests are seated around the dinner table -- all dead. One of them a Senator's ex-wife; one of them a missing corrupt NSW detective. And the mummified condition of the detective's body -- identified by a distinctive tattoo -- suggests he has been dead for quite some time ...

While Harrigan is facing the demons of his past, Grace is drawn into the investigation through some very unofficial enquiries of her own. Enquiries which will lead to a flashpoint neither can predict. Politics, corruption, big business, espionage and illicit technology ... Alex Palmer weaves them all into a heart-stopping race for the truth. **APB \$19.99**

## **P J Parrish**

### *Dark of the Moon*

In 1983 a skeleton found in a swamp starts an investigation. **APB \$19.99**

## **James Patterson**

### *Women's Murder Club Omnibus 2 (Women's Murder Club 04, 05, 06)*

Includes the following bestselling Women's Murder Club titles...**4TH OF JULY** A young man is found dead in a seedy hotel room; electrocuted in his bath with a toaster. This is the second electrocution murder Lindsay Boxer has come across and the message left in graffiti on the wall at the scene of the crime is the same: **NOBODY CARES ANYMORE**. What does it refer to?**THE 5TH HORSEMAN** When Yuki's mother Keiko has a stroke, Lindsay learns of a huge malpractice suit against the San Francisco Medical Center. In the last few years, dozens of patients who were admitted to the emergency room seemed to recover and then died suspicious deaths. Is Yuki's mother safe? In a place where the lives of patients are quite literally in others' hands, will Lindsay and her friends be able to establish who they can trust?**THE 6TH TARGET** After a dramatic shoot out at a ferry dock, Detective Lindsay Boxer is called to the scene to find that three people have been killed, and one of her closest friends, Claire, has been shot and lies bleeding, whilst the murderer is on the run. But mystery and confusion increase when she learns that children are being abducted and that a series of suspicious and unexplained deaths have taken place in the building where Cindy lives. Can she keep the rest of the Women's Murder Club safe and find the missing children in time? **TP \$32.99**

### *Swimsuit*

Sun-kissed beaches, palm trees, the warm breeze on a clear sea. Maui is a paradise island and the perfect location for a glamorous, glossy magazine photo shoot. But all is not as it seems and the tranquillity is shattered when a series of beautiful swimwear models start to go missing.

When their bodies are discovered, one after another, each more brutally murdered than the last, the hunt is on for the perpetrator of these violent killings. But has someone been watching the murderer all along?

Ben Hawkins, thriller writer turned private detective, knows more than he is letting on too. He quickly befriends one of the dead girls' parents and involves himself in the case but to what lengths is he willing to go to get his hands on his next number one book?

The heat is on in James Patterson's latest blockbusting thriller. Dark, gripping and a sensational read, *Swimsuit* is filled with shocking twists and a blistering pace that will have the pages turning themselves. **TP \$32.95**

## **George Pelecanos**

### *Drama City*

Lorenzo Brown is fresh out of the clink. The former drug enforcer has vowed to go straight and found himself a job as an officer for the Humane Society. He patrols downtown DC looking for ill-treated pets - but in the course of his day repeatedly comes face-to-face with his old life. Rachel Lopez is an attractive young probation officer. Brown is one of her clients but also fast becoming one of her friends - perhaps he is one that can be saved. Nigel Johnson is a smart young drug-dealer on the make. He has plans to make a lot of money AND stay alive to spend it. He already runs his neighbourhood but doesn't realise that he stands on the brink of a vicious turf war which could destroy him. From these basic players, Pelecanos weaves an amazing new novel, one that defines a generation of black, Hispanic and white Americans fighting - literally - for their lives.

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### *Hard Revolution*

It's the spring of 1968, the sun shines down on an America on the brink of civil war. Martin Luther King preaches in vain for non-violent protest and the ghettos of Washington DC seethe with anger. In the middle of this powder-keg is thrust a young black cop, barely out of school himself. Derek Strange believes passionately that he can make a difference, but his friends and family think he's a traitor and a patsy of the white establishment. On April 4th, 1968, Dr King is assassinated on the balcony of his motel in Memphis, Tennessee. And black America rises as one to condemn the slaying of their hero. For one week, it seems that the whole country will fall. And Derek, his brother, his father, his mother and his whole community find themselves at the heart of a battle for the heart and soul of the new world. **PB \$22.99**

### *Hell to Pay*

No one would choose to live in the underbelly of Washington DC, but this is private investigator Derek Strange's world. Along with his partner Terry Quinn, he witnesses the worst that the city has to offer - the runaways, the teenage hookers and, of course, the drugs. Just a few miles from the White House is the ultimate have and have-not nightmare. But one more senseless death on a sunny afternoon in the city shakes even Derek Strange's existence. A victim shot down by bullets meant for another. A tragic accident that strikes just too close to home. Strange's grief is all-consuming and he swears to track down and destroy the killer - ghetto style. But as he throws himself deeper and deeper into the hunt, he has to ask questions of himself and his world that he would rather not. Dark, powerful and moving, Hell to Pay marks Pelecanos as one of the finest crime novelists of his time and a supreme chronicler of modern American life. **PB \$22.99**

### *The Night Gardener*

They never found the killer. All they knew, back in the winter of 1985, was that someone was taking teenagers, killing them and leaving their abused bodies in public parks. Three victims in all, with no link between them except an oddity in their names: they read the same back-to-front - Otto, Anna and lastly Eve. A lot has happened in the twenty years since. Detectives Gus Ramone and Dan Holiday - two of the leads on the case - have pursued very different paths. Gus has climbed to the heights of Detective-Sergeant and built himself a reputation as a very good cop, whilst Dan has been drummed out of the force, his sleaze finally getting too much for his superiors. However, their paths are about to cross again. A boy named Asa - a close friend of Gus' teenage son - has been found in the public park, his skull shattered by gunfire. Now it seems that both men are once again in the path of this disturbed serial killer. THE NIGHT GARDENER is George Pelecanos' stunning new crime thriller - the story of two very different men united by the maliciousness of a deadly attacker. **PB \$22.99**

### *Right As Rain*

Derek Strange and Terry Quinn are ex-cops turned private detectives in Washington DC. Hired to investigate the death of an off-duty black police officer at the hands of a white policeman, Strange and Quinn are faced with the institutionalised racism of the nation's most poorly trained and dangerous police force. As the two private detectives confront the degradation of the city's flourishing drug trade, they find themselves up against some of the most implacable, dead-eyed killers ever to grace the pages of a novel. In RIGHT AS RAIN George Pelecanos introduces a memorable pair of characters into the gritty real Washington DC landscape. **PB \$22.99**

### *Shame the Devil*

Washington DC, 1995. What should have been a straightforward restaurant robbery goes horribly wrong: several co-workers are shot in cold blood; the gunman's brother is killed by the police; and a young boy is run over by the careening getaway car. Three years pass. Victims and their relatives gather in the aftermath, still trying to come to terms with their grief. But gunman Frank Farrow has other ideas. Now the heat has died down, he is on his way back to Washington, determined to avenge his lost brother - by killing everyone involved in his death. **PB \$22.99**

### *Soul Circus*

Private Investigator Derek Strange and his partner, Terry Quinn, are running a PI business in the seedy underbelly of Washington DC are approached by a young man asking them to find his girlfriend who has gone missing. And so Strange and Quinn find her. Just another day? Not quite. In the grimy underworld inhabited by Strange, nothing is that simple. For Strange and Quinn's efforts have led to a young mother being brutally murdered - a devastating discovery that causes them both to question the morality by which they live. And yet at the same time they need to continue the search for another missing girl, a teenage runaway who shows up in a porn video. And who hasn't been seen since. Bleak, gritty and moving, SOUL CIRCUS superbly brings to life the devastating story of life and death in Washington's black ghettos. **BPB \$22.99**

### *The Way Home*

When Thomas Flynn leaves his son, seventeen year old Chris, at Pine Ridge, a juvenile prison near Washington D.C, his heart is broken but his mind is made up: Chris will have to pay for the mistakes he's made. Inside, Chris is exposed to kids from a different D.C. than the comfortable one he knew - one less remote from the street fights, car chases and marijuana deals that got him here in the first place. A decade later, Chris and the friends he made at Pine Ridge seem reformed. Chris has a job, thanks to his father, a girlfriend and his own apartment. But when he and the others are inadvertently caught up in a burglary, old habits and worse instincts rise to the surface, threatening this new-found stability with sudden treachery and violence. With the drama, compassion and urgency for which Pelecanos is celebrated, THE WAY HOME travels the streets of Washington, D.C. and tells the story of its people and the tensions that always linger just out of sight, circling back again and again to that clapboard house on Livingston Street where Thomas and Chris Flynn's rocky relationship moves from distrust and scorn toward a flawed, but real, redemption. How far will a father go to save his son? That question is the beating pulse beneath George Pelecanos's spectacular new novel, a page-turning story of rebellion, greed and the high price of a second chance. **TP \$32.99**

## **Don Pendleton**

### *Loose Cannon (367)*

A jungle ambush leaves several Indonesian security forces dead, setting off a political firestorm in the volatile region. When a disgraced former U.S. ambassador emerges as the mastermind behind the attack, Mack Bolan is called in to find the man before the country descends into civil war.

A fugitive informant is Bolan's only lead, and as more bodies turn up along the way, he soon realizes the ambush was only the beginning of a deadly scheme. After spending years in prison, the rogue envoy is determined to exact revenge against the Indonesian government and take what he believes he deserves. But vengeance comes with a price, and the Executioner is ready to make him pay. **APB \$13.95**

### *Drawpoint (Stony Man 101)*

American politics has been infiltrated by terrorist elements, and something big and unprecedented is ready to launch. A radical fringe group of the environmentalist movement is linked to a suspiciously well-funded American communist party, secretly backed by a wealthy businessman and political insider. With time running out, Stony Man races to stop an enemy who's armed with stolen uranium from unleashing a shock wave of violence to hijack the White House and the American way of life. **PB \$17.95**

## **Thomas Perry**

### *Fidelity*

When Phil Kramer is shot dead on a deserted suburban street in the middle of the night, his wife, Emily, is left with an emptied bank account and a lot of questions. How could Phil leave her penniless? What was he going to do with the money? And, most of all, who was he if he wasn't the man she thought she married?

Jerry Hobart has some questions of his own. It's none of his business why he was hired to kill Phil Kramer. But now that he's been ordered to take out Kramer's widow, he figures there's a bigger secret at work—and maybe a bigger payoff.

As they race to find the secret that Phil Kramer so masterfully hid, both Hobart and Emily must question where their true loyalties lie and how much they owe those who have been unfaithful to them. In *Fidelity*, Thomas Perry delivers another riveting thriller. **TP \$30.95**

## **Terri Persons**

### *Blind Rage*

A string of troubled, young women committing suicide haunts the Twin Cities. But FBI Agent Bernadette St. Clare has a hunch that these women didn't die by their own hand but were killed by a fetishistic serial killer.

It's a big leap to take and Bernadette's going to need some serious evidence to back it up. There is the English professor who teaches a course on Suicide in Literature who has got uncomfortably close to one of the victims. And then there is the uncooperative psychiatrist who treated two of the dead girls. Both of them know more than they are saying. Saint Clare is going to have to use unorthodox methods to unlock their secrets.

With a cast of characters including a partner who's no longer among the living and a handsome boss who's available, this is the most unique psychological thriller you're bound to read all year.

In her second novel featuring Agent Bernadette Saint Clare, Terri Persons delivers a thriller with enough twists and turns to keep you guessing until the last page **PB \$21.95**

## **Scott Pratt**

### *In Good Faith*

Determined to convict two Goth teens who brutally murdered a family in rural Tennessee, prosecutor Joe Dillard risks everything when he discovers that there was someone else involved in the killings--a woman named Natasha whom the teens refuse to implicate, fearing for their lives. **PB \$19.95**

## **Douglas Preston & Lincoln Child**

### *Cemetery Dance*

Pendergast - the world's most enigmatic FBI Special Agent - returns to New York City to investigate a murderous cult. William Smithback, a New York Times reporter and his wife Nora Kelly, a Museum of Natural History archaeologist, are brutally attacked in their apartment on Manhattan's Upper West Side. Eyewitnesses claim and the security camera confirms, that the assailant was their strange, sinister neighbour - a man who, by all reports, was already dead and buried weeks earlier. While Captain Laura Hayward leads the official investigation, Pendergast and Lieutenant Vincent D'Agosta undertake their own private - and decidedly unorthodox - quest for the truth. Their serpentine journey takes them to an enclave of Manhattan they never imagined could exist: a secretive, reclusive cult of Obeah and vodou which no outsiders have ever survived... **TP \$29.99**

## **Patrick Quinlan**

### *Drop-Off*

A gripping and twisting treat of a novel for fans of Tarantino and Elmore Leonard. Smoke Duggan, one-time bomb-maker for the mob, is on the run. It's not easy to keep a low profile when you've got your girlfriend (Lola), her best friend (Pamela) and a retired professional assassin (Cruz) with you; and if you're carrying \$2.5 million in cash, you can be sure the people the money belongs to won't let the trail go cold.

The tiny Caribbean island of Saint Mark's seems a safe bet, but that's reckoning without the unexpected presence of ex-Navy Seal Stone, an old enemy of Cruz. Stone has heard of the massive finder's fee placed on Cruz's head by Big Vito back in New York, so he's very motivated. Soon the rest of the mob is on the way and the scene is set for a game of cat and mouse amid the palm trees and on the high seas.

Who will end up swimming with the sharks? **PB \$22.99**

## **Jonathan Rabb**

### *Shadow and Light*

Berlin 1927: when an executive at the newly-famous Ufa film studios is found dead in his bath, it falls to Chief Inspector Nikolai Hoffner, of the Kriminalpolizei to investigate. With the help of the German film director Fritz Lang and the head of the most powerful crime syndicate, Hoffner finds his case reaches deep into Berlin's sex and drug trade and into the political world of Hitler's Brownshirts (the SA). Caught up in this story is Hoffner's new lover and his two sons, one of whom works for Joseph Goebbels. We last met Hoffner in *Rosa* (2007); his relationship with his sons develops menacingly in *SHADOW AND LIGHT*. **TP \$32.99**

## **Christopher Reich**

### *Rules of Deception*

Dr. Jonathan Ransom, a surgeon for Doctors Without Borders, is climbing in the Swiss Alps with his wife, Emma, when she falls into a hidden crevasse and dies. Twenty-four hours later, Jonathan receives an envelope addressed to his wife containing two baggage-claim tickets. Puzzled, he journeys to a railway station only to find himself inexplicably pursued by the Swiss police. Suddenly forced on the run, Jonathan's only chance at survival lies in uncovering the devastating truth behind his wife's secret life. Step by step, he is drawn deeper into a world of spies, high-tech weaponry, and global terrorism—a world where no one is who they appear to be and where the end always justifies the means. **PB \$19.95**

**Ruth Rendell**

*Not In The Flesh (Chief Inspector Wexford Mystery)*

Chief Inspector Wexford returns in a gripping new mystery from the author who Time magazine has called "the best mystery writer in the English-speaking world."

After a truffle-hunting dog unearths a human hand instead of a precious fungus, Chief Inspector Wexford and his team proceed to interrogate everyone who lives nearby to see if they can turn up a match for the errant appendage among the eighty-five people who have disappeared over the past decade in this part of England. Then, when a second body is discovered nearby, Wexford experiences a feeling that's become a rarity for the veteran policeman: surprise. **TP \$28.95**

**Stella Rimington**

*Illegal Action*

The fiercely intelligent, ambitious MI5 officer Liz Carlyle returns in a spy novel of arresting psychological complexity and unflagging suspense.

In the most recent installment in the Liz Carlyle series, Liz has been transferred to counterespionage — the hub of MI5 operations during the Cold War. Her mission: protect Nikita Brunovsky, an increasingly vocal opponent of Vladimir Putin, who has been targeted for assassination and is seeking refuge in the UK. The Foreign Office is adamant about forestalling a crime that could become a full-blown international incident. So Liz goes undercover, attaching herself to Brunovsky's retinue: racing against the clock to determine who betrayed him and suddenly facing a wholly unexpected second task—unmasking a Russian operative working undercover alongside her. **TP \$28.95**

**Candace Robb**

*A Vigil of Spies*

A CALLOUS MURDER. A DEVASTATING SECRET. A CRIME OF PASSION.

York, 1373: John Thoresby, the Archbishop of York, lies dying. Owen Archer, Thoresby's master of the guards, is determined to ensure that his lord's last days are as peaceful as possible, but his plans are thrown into disarray when Thoresby agrees to a visit from Joan, Princess of Wales, wife of the Black Prince and mother of the young heir to the throne of England.

Owen resolves to do his duty, but within minutes of Joan's arrival things go disastrously wrong when a member of the royal party is murdered. Then, only days later, a messenger carrying urgent letters for Thoresby is found hanging in the woods. As Owen races against time to find the murderer, he starts to realise that not only has one of his own men been compromised, but all their lives are now in danger. **PB \$24.95**

**Todd Robinson**

*Sex, Thugs and Rock & Roll*

Following the success of Hardcore Hardboiled, Sex, Thugs, and Rock & Roll comes the latest anthology from the creator of Thuglit.com, including stories of femme fatales, shady criminals, and bisexual Viking thugs on a crusade, in a collection of tales by such writers as Joe R. Lansdale, Dave White, and Marcus Sakey. **TP \$28.95**

**James Rollins**

*The Last Oracle*

Having discovered a way to manipulate and enhance autistic savants as part of a plan to bio-engineer the world's next great prophet, a rogue group of Cold War scientists triggers an unexpectedly dangerous side effect in its young patients. By the best-selling author of The Judas Strain. **APB \$19.95**

**Kate Sedley**

*The Dance of Death (Roger the Chapman Mystery)*

Roger the Chapman is far from pleased when the Spymaster General to the King commands him to accompany the beautiful but manipulative Eloise Gray on a special journey to Paris, pretending to be her husband. Roger guesses that the French king is making overtures to the Duke of Burgundy on behalf of the Dauphin a move which could wreck the relationship with England's staunch ally and most important customer for her wool exports . . . **HC \$58.95**

**Maggie Sefton**

*Dyer Consequences (Knitting Consequences Mystery)*

Kelly's spring project: rehabbing an alpaca ranch. But someone has different ideas for keeping her busy, including slashing tires and cracking windshields. Then the House of Lambspun knitting shop is trashed, and a woman is found drowned in a tub of dye. Although it seems like a burglary gone wrong, Kelly suspects there's more to it. And as disturbing incidents pile up, she must pick up the stitches of these crimes before the killer strikes again. **PB \$19.95**

*Dropped Dead Stitch (Knitting Mystery)*

Surviving a physical assault from which she recovers by leaning on Kelly and her knitting-circle buddies, Jennifer decides to take a retreat at a mountain ranch with her friends and is shocked when the ranch owner turns out to be her attacker, a situation that is further complicated when Jennifer is accused in the man's subsequent murder. **HC \$51.95**

**Yrsa Sigurdardottir**

*My Soul to Take*

If I die before I wake...A grisly murder is committed at a health resort situated in a recently renovated farmhouse, which turns out to be notorious for being haunted. Attorney Thora Gudmundsdottir is called upon by the owner of the resort - the prime suspect in the case - to represent him. Her investigations uncover some very disturbing occurrences at the farm decades earlier things that have never before seen the light of day MY SOUL TO TAKE is a chilling, dark and witty crime novel, and a welcome return for Thora, the heroine of the highly-acclaimed LAST RITUALS.

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**Chris Simms**

*Hell's Fire*

After an episode of church arson in Manchester, England, leaves a charred corpse and satanic symbols, Detective Jon Spicer is on the case, and soon fresh killings draw Jon even deeper into a horrifying religious underworld as he fears for those close to him and struggles to stop the mastermind behind the atrocities. **HC \$51.95**

**Patricia Smiley**

*Cool Cache (Tucker Sinclair Mystery)*

Hoping to make a success of her new chocolate shop, Helen Taggart hires Tucker Sinclair as a consultant, but things go awry when Tucker stumbles upon the body of the shop's cleaning woman Lupe Ortiz and races against time to uncover the meaning of the bloody green feather lying next to the victim and to find a killer. **APB \$19.95**

**Michael Stanley***Second Death of Goodluck Tinubu (Detective Kubul Mystery)*

Aiding local police in a double-homicide investigation involving the brutal killings of two foreign guests at a Botswana bush camp, detective David "Kubu" Bengu learns that a dissident wanted by the Zimbabwean government was involved and that one of the victims allegedly died decades earlier. **HC \$51.95**

**Mary Stanton***Angel's Advocate (Beaufort & Company Mystery)*

Inheriting Savannah's haunted law firm Beaufort & Company, lawyer Brianna Winston-Beaufort, while representing the spoiled teenage daughter of a recently deceased pharmacy tycoon, must also help the ghost of her client's father whose proximity to the fiery pits of Hell is too close for comfort. **PB \$19.95**

**Jason Starr***Fake ID*

Tommy Russo, a New York bar bouncer, will stop at nothing, not even murder, to get his hands on the money he desperately needs to buy into a horse-owning syndicate. **APB \$19.95**

**Terence Strong***President Down*

Former intelligence officer and one-time instructor at the British Army School of Sniping, Phil Mason is struggling to make ends meet as a private investigator when he's contacted by his former M15 liaison officer. The overstretched security service needs all the help it can get hunting down members of al-Qaeda terror cells in the UK - and Mason needs the cash. But in the murky intelligence world of smoke and mirrors, nothing is what it seems. As a routine surveillance operation escalates into a full-blown international crisis, Mason must come to terms with the unthinkable: there must be a traitor within Britain's security forces. Entering a desperate race against time to identify and avert a major terrorist threat, Mason must hastily re-hone his old counter-sniper skills as he returns to the business he swore he had left behind forever. The killing game. **APB \$19.99**

**Donald Thomas***Sherlock Holmes and the King's Evil and Other New Tales Featuring the World's Greatest Detective (Sherlock Holmes)*

Five original tales inspired by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's iconic character take place at the height of Holmes's career, in an anthology presented in the voice of Dr. Watson that pits the intrepid detective against such challenges as the famed siege of Sydney Street, a planned German invasion of America, and a supernatural curse. **HC \$51.95**

**Colleen Thompson***Beneath Bone Lake*

When her four-year-old daughter goes missing, Ruby Monroe turns to her sexy neighbor Sam McCoy, who has a criminal past, for help, only to discover that she might have put her trust in the wrong man--and jeopardized her own survival--when an unidentified body surfaces. **PB \$19.95**

**Victoria Thompson***Murder on Bank Street (Gaslight Mystery)*

Widowed midwife Sarah Brandt teams up with Detective Sergeant Frank Malloy to investigate the murder of her late husband, Dr. Tom Brandt, but the shocking revelations that they discover could destroy Sarah, as well as any hopes Malloy might have in building a new future with her, in a mystery set in turn-of-the-twentieth-century New York. **PB \$19.95**

*Murder on Waverly Place*

Reluctantly attending two seances in order to help her mother to make peace with the death of Sarah's older sister, Sarah Brandt is shocked when one of their fellow attendees dies during a seance, a situation that forces Sarah to protect her mother from an ensuing scandal. **HC \$51.95**

**Brad Thor***The Last Patriot*

June 632 A.D.: Deep within the Uranah Valley of Mount Arafat in Mecca, the Prophet Mohammed shares with his closest companions a final and startling revelation. Within days, he is assassinated.

September 1789: U.S. Minister to France Thomas Jefferson, who is charged with forging a truce with the violent Muslim pirates of the Barbary Coast, makes a shocking discovery - one that could forever impact the world's relationship with Islam.

Present day: When a car bomb explodes outside a Parisian café, Scot Harvath is thrust back into the life he has tried so desperately to leave behind.

Saving the intended victim of the attack, Harvath becomes party to an amazing and perilous race to uncover a secret so powerful that militant Islam could be defeated once and for all without firing another shot, dropping another bomb, or launching another covert action.

But as desperate as the American government is to have the information brought to light, there are powerful forces aligned against it - men who are just as determined that Mohammed's mysterious final revelation continue to remain hidden forever.

What Jason Bourne was to the Cold War, Scot Harvath is to the War on Terror. Brad Thor has created "the perfect all-American hero for the post September 11 world" (Nelson DeMille) and will keep readers glued to the pages as he once again takes them across the globe on a heart-pounding chase where the stakes are higher than they have ever been before. **PB \$21.95**

**Lisa Unger***Beautiful Lies*

What if your name was a lie? What if your whole life was a lie? In the split second freelance writer Ridley Jones saves a small child from being run over, her life changes forever. A newspaper photographer catches everything on film and Ridley becomes an instant media darling. But just as her life seems to be settling back to normal, an unmarked envelope slipped under her door shatters everything. It contains the newspaper article, along with an old photograph of a man, a woman who looks eerily like Ridley, and a little girl. The accompanying note reads simply: Are you my daughter?

Forced to question everything she thought she knew about herself and her family, Ridley wanders into a dark underworld she never knew existed. Now she's not sure who is on her side or who has something to hide even and maybe especially Jake, her new neighbour - a stranger she is irresistibly drawn to who seems to have secrets of his own. **APB \$21.95**

**Lisa Unger***Black Out*

BLACK OUT is the exciting thriller by the New York Times bestselling author of Beautiful Lies and Sliver of Truth. It is the story of a young woman who escapes her dangerous past by pronouncing herself dead, until the person she fears the most discovers she's alive and well and comes after her and her young daughter.

Annie Powers seems to live a happy, pampered life in a wealthy Florida suburb with a husband who loves her fiercely and a beautiful young daughter they named Victory. But that happiness suddenly starts to fade when Annie feels the demons of her past creeping up on her. It's a past that she can't even recall due to a highly dissociative state that allowed her to forget the tragic and violent episodes of her earlier life as Ophelia March and to start again as a completely new Annie Powers, under the loving and protective eye of her husband, Gray. Recent disturbing events - the appearance of a familiar dark figure on the beach, the mysterious murder of her psychologist - trigger strange and confusing memories for Annie. She now realizes she has to quickly piece them together before her past comes to claim her and Victory. **PB \$21.95**

*Die For You*

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

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

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

Isabel races to Marcus's office, trying to find some answers. Instead she finds herself in the middle of an FBI raid, and she is knocked unconscious. When she awakes in a hospital, she learns that everyone Marcus worked with is dead.

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

And now the chase is on, because Isabel will not rest until she finds the truth about the man she loved, who he was, where he's gone, and how he was able to deceive her so completely. **HC \$49.95 TP \$32.95**

*Sliver of Truth*

Love hurts... Sometimes it even kills

One day Ridley Jones stepped off a street corner and into an abyss of violence, deception and fear. Everything she thought was true turned out to be a lie. Just as she's beginning to move on with her life, another seemingly ordinary act puts her life in danger and makes her question everything and everyone who's close to her. Forced to hunt down a ghost from her past Ridley wonders if she's ever had the power to shape her own destiny - and whether love has any reality beyond her own imagination. Take a terrifying helter skelter ride through the streets of New York to London and back again as Ridley risks everything - and learns to trust no one - in a race to find the truth before it catches up with her. **PB \$21.95**

**Nicola Upson***An Expert in Murder (Josephine Tey Mystery)*

Traveling to London to celebrate the triumphant final week of her play, 1930s crime writer Josephine Tey is shocked by the murder of a young woman she befriended on her journey, a killing that raises Detective Inspector Archie Penrose's suspicions that a murderer is targeting the local theater set. **TP \$28.95**

**Ian Vasquez***Lonesome Point*

Different as they are, the Varela brothers are bound by a decades-old secret surrounding the events of one long-ago night during their childhood back home in their native Belize. Today Patrick is the Miami-Dade County commissioner and a probable candidate for mayor of Miami, while his brother, Leo, a sometime poet and mental health worker, spends more time getting high than anything else. Still, they've both been struggling for years to completely sever their ties to their father, his illegal businesses, and his secrets. But those years quickly vanish the moment an old friend recently released from prison asks Leo to release a patient from the mental hospital where Leo works. He calls it a favor, but the threat is clear to Leo, Patrick, and--more dangerously--the men with a stake in Patrick's political career. The request sets off a chain of events destined to lay bare once and for all the truth about what happened that night, and maybe even to pit brother against brother in their efforts to finally set things right.

Moody, atmospheric, and evocative, Lonesome Point showcases the distinct and rhythmic voice that makes Ian Vasquez a unique talent among today's crime writers. **HC \$51.95**

**Jincy Willett***The Writing Class*

Amy Gallup was a promising writer once--published and highly praised at twenty-two. It was all downhill from there, and now, year in and year out, she teaches a writing workshop at the local university extension. And this semester begins just the same as the others. But then there's a threatening phone call, followed by obscene threats worked into the student's peer evaluations. Then a murder--and every one of the students is a suspect. The clues are hidden in their writing, and she (and we) can solve the murder only by looking more closely at each writer's attempts at fiction. Hilarious, vicious, and elegantly written, *The Writing Class* examines the desperation, perversion, and mania of the writing life through an unforgettable mystery story. **TP \$28.95**

**Robert Wilson***The Ignorance of Blood*

As a sweltering Seville recovers from the shock of a terrorist attack, Inspector Jefe Javier Falcón is struggling to find the bombers.

The death of a gangster in a spectacular car crash offers vital evidence implicating the Russian mafia in his investigation, but pitches Falcón into the heart of a turf war over prostitution and drugs. Now the target of vicious hoods, Falcón finds those closest to him are also coming under intolerable pressure: his best friend, who's spying for the Spanish government, reveals that he is being blackmailed by Islamist extremists; and Falcón's own lover suffers a mother's worst nightmare. He might be able to bring the perpetrators of the bombing to justice, but there will be a devastating price to pay. **HC \$54.95**

**Don Winslow***The Dawn Patrol*

As cool as its California surfer heroes, Don Winslow's new novel delivers a high velocity, darkly comic, and totally righteous tale of crime.

Every morning Boone Daniels catches waves with the other members of The Dawn Patrol: four men and one woman as single-minded about surfing as he is. Or nearly. They have "real j-o-b-s"; Boone, however, works as a PI just enough to keep himself afloat. But Boone's most recent gig--investigating an insurance scam--has unexpectedly led him to a ghost from his past. He may have to miss the biggest swell of his surfing career, but this job is about to give him a wilder ride than any wave he's encountered. **HC \$28.95**

## Other Books

Books in this section are unlikely to be held as stock, but are available by request.

### Saul David Alinsky

#### *Reveille For Radicals*

Legendary community organizer Saul Alinsky inspired a generation of activists and politicians with *Reveille for Radicals*, the original handbook for social change. Alinsky writes both practically and philosophically, never wavering from his belief that the American dream can only be achieved by an active democratic citizenship. First published in 1946 and updated in 1969 with a new introduction and afterword, this classic volume is a bold call to action that still resonates today. **TP \$22.95**

#### *Rules for Radicals*

The father of modern community organization, Saul Alinsky taught a generation of activists and politicians how to effectively construct social change. In *Rules for Radicals*, Alinsky writes with passion and intelligence, carefully outlining "the difference between being a realistic radical and being a rhetorical one." Indispensable since its first publication in 1971, this book continues to inform and inspire all those who believe that political engagement is the key to maintaining America's democratic tradition. **TP \$27.95**

### Tore Bjorgo & John Horgan *Editor*

#### *Leaving Terrorism Behind*

##### Individual and Collective Disengagement

This new edited volume expands our understanding of the processes by which individuals and groups disengage from terrorism.

While there has been a growing awareness of the need to understand and prevent processes of radicalization into terrorism, disengagement and deradicalization from terrorism have long been neglected areas in research on terrorism. This book uses empirical data to explore how and why individuals and groups disengage from terrorism, and what can be done to facilitate it. The work also presents a series of case studies of disengagement programmes, from Colombia, northern Europe, Italy, Yemen, Saudi Arabia, Indonesia, Singapore and Malaysia, comparing and assessing their various strengths and weaknesses. In light of the lessons learned from these cases, this book describes and explains the potential for new developments in counter-terrorism.

This book will be of great interest to all students of terrorism studies, war and conflict studies, international security and politics in general, as well as professionals in the field of counter-terrorism. **TP \$74**

### Bernard Cornwell

#### *Sharpe's Honour (Sharpe 16)*

'Reluctantly, pain in his eyes, Pakenham looked at Sharpe. "Is there anything else you have to say?"

Sharpe looked back defiantly. "Permission to die in my Rifleman's jacket sir."

"Denied." Pakenham looked as if he wanted to add that Sharpe had disgraced his uniform, but the words would not come. "These proceedings are over." He stood, and Sharpe was led from the courtroom, his hands tied, condemned to the gallows.'

Burdened under the weight of grief and guilt for actions in the past, Sharpe must lead his men in to battle once more. Victory depends on the fragile relationship between England and Spain being maintained at all costs.

But this is war, and the French Intelligence officer, Pierre Ducos in an unholy alliance with the Spanish inquisitor, and his brother, the sinister Slaughterman, is determined to win for France by any method, and central to his plan is the death of Richard Sharpe. When the manipulative spy La Marquesa enters the fray, violence meets deadly intrigue and Sharpe finds himself a fugitive, hunted by foe and ally alike. **BPB \$24.99**

#### *Sharpe's Regiment (Sharpe 17)*

'Going home? England? He did not want to go, but if the alternative was to watch a Battalion die that had earned its right to tramp down the roads of France, then he would go through hell itself. For his regiment and for its Colours that had flown through the cannon smoke of half a continent, he would go to England so that he could march into France. He would go home.'

Sharpe's men are at risk of being wiped out - not by the enemy but by bureaucrats in Whitehall. There is rumour of fresh recruits being collected in England and Sharpe must go home to find them.

Far from finding troops of brave and eager soldiers, Sharpe uncovers a nest of traitors, each determined in his way to destroy Sharpe's regiment. Not even the influence of the Prince Regent can protect Sharpe as he undertakes the most desperate gamble of his career.

A Sharpe Adventure **BPB \$24.99**

#### *Sharpe's Siege (Sharpe 18)*

The invasion of France is under way, and the British Navy has called upon the services of Major Richard Sharpe. He and a small force of Riflemen are to capture a fortress and secure a landing on the French coast. It is to be one of the most dangerous missions of his career.

Through the incompetence of a recklessly ambitious naval commander and the machinations of his old enemy, French spymaster Pierre Ducos, Sharpe finds himself abandoned in the heart of enemy territory, facing overwhelming forces and the very real prospect of defeat. He has no alternative but to trust his fortunes to an American privateer - a man who has no love for the British invaders. **BPB \$24.99**

#### *Sharpe's Revenge (Sharpe 19)*

'Sharpe lost all sense of time. The fear was gone, as it always seemed to vanish once danger was present. Nairne's men, thinned out and bloodied, pushed forward into gun fire. Smoke thickened. Knots of men lay in blood where canister had struck. The wounded called for help, or vomited, or cried, or just lay softly to let death come.'

1814. There are rumours that Napoleon is dead, or has run away, but Sharpe has one last, battle to fight before he can lay down his sword - it is the battle for Toulouse. Little does he know it will be one of the bloodiest conflicts of the war.

The battle is not the end of Sharpe's challenges - he is stabbed in the back by a whispering campaign branding him a thief and a liar. Sharpe must discover who has framed him, and conduct a revenge as ingenious as it is devastating. **BPB \$24.99**

#### *Sharpe's Waterloo (Sharpe 20)*

It is 1815. Sharpe is serving on the personal staff of the inexperienced and incompetent Young Frog, William, Prince of Orange, who has been given command of a large proportion of the Allied force. More concerned with cutting a dash at a grand society ball in Brussels, the Young Frog refuses to listen to Sharpe's scouting reports of an enormous army marching towards them with the lately returned Napoleon at its head.

When the Battle of Waterloo commences, Sharpe has to stand by and watch military folly on a grand scale. But at the height of the conflict, just as victory seems impossible, he makes a momentous decision. With his usual skill, courage and determination he takes command and the most hard-fought and bloody battle of his career becomes Sharpe's own magnificent triumph. **BPB \$24.99**

**Will Elliott Australian Author**

*Strange Places*

In 2006 Will Elliott had his first novel *The Pilo Family Circus* published. It won five literary awards and great acclaim, nationally and internationally. What nobody knew was that the young author of that work of terrifying fantasy had recently recovered from a psychotic episode and been diagnosed as schizophrenic.

*Strange Places* takes us on a journey through psychosis and out the other side, documenting the delusions, the drugs and the insights that recovery brings. A beautifully written memoir of a harrowing -- and enlightening -- time, from one of Australia's best young writers. **PB \$24.99**

**Ian Ferguson**

*Disasters That Shocked Australia*

From the bestselling author of *Murders that Shocked Australia* comes a new title in this exciting series. Spanning the decades from the first world war to the mining tragedy of 2007, *Disasters that Shocked Australia* will remind you of the turbulent and terrifying times that Australia has survived. Covering disasters from the natural - earthquakes, bushfires and storms- to social and economic and even sport, Ian Ferguson has compiled one of the most thorough books on Australia's disasters to this day.

With a story and disaster to engage every age, this is a great book to learn from, share and to have on your shelf for years to come. **PB \$24.99**

**Peter Fitzsimons Australian Author**

*Charles Kingsford Smith and those Magnificent Men*

Sir Charles Kingsford Smith is one of Australia's most loved heroes.

In an action-packed life, the indomitable 'Smithy' went from fighting as a soldier among the carnage of Gallipoli and the Western Front, to taking to the skies against the likes of the Red Baron - for which he won the Military Cross for gallantry - before becoming the greatest peacetime aviator of his generation. Along with Charles Ulm, he was the first man to conquer the Pacific by air, the first to fly across the Tasman Sea, the fastest man to fly from England to Australia, and the first pilot to circumnavigate the globe by crossing the equator.

With typical flair, FitzSimons also tells the story of the several breakthroughs, some of which were discovered in Australia, which laid the foundation for the Wright brothers' success in 1903; the first flight across the Channel in 1908; Germany's Red Baron terrorising the Allies in 1917-18, before being shot down by an Australian; Ross and Keith Smith's breakthrough first flight from England to Australia in 1919; the formation of Qantas in 1921; Lindbergh's stunning vault between America and Europe in 1927; the Great Centenary Air Race, the loss of the Southern Cloud; the saga of Bert Hinkler and much, much, more . . . **HC \$49.99**

**Susannah Fullerton**

*Brief Encounters*

Throughout the 19th and early 20th centuries, countless distinguished writers made the long and arduous voyage across the seas to Australia. They came to give lecture tours and make money, to sort out difficult children sent here to be out of the way; for health, for science, to escape demanding spouses back home, or simply to satisfy a sense of adventure.

In 1890, for example, Robert Louis Stevenson and his wife Fanny arrived at Circular Quay after a dramatic sea voyage only to be refused entry at the Victoria, one of Sydney's most elegant hotels. Stevenson threw a tantrum, but was forced to go to a cheaper, less fussy establishment. Next day, the Victoria's manager, recognising the famous author from a picture in the paper, rushed to find Stevenson and beg him to return. He did not. **TP \$34.99**

**Iain Gale**

*Rules of War (Jack Steel 02)*

Jack Steel, first introduced in *Man of Honour*, is a splendid hero on a new and dangerous mission. Perfect for all fans of Bernard Cornwell's Sharpe. **MEET JACK STEEL - GENTLEMAN, SOLDIER, HERO.**

In the early eighteenth century, the British army led by John Churchill, Duke of Marlborough, were the leaders of a wide-ranging and very successful alliance. Jack Steel, maverick gentleman, superb soldier, was in the middle of any fight. *Ramilles 1706*.

One of the great victories of the British army, a signal battle honour for the regiments who were there. But for Captain Steel, standing at the head of his Grenadiers, sinking into the swampy ground, at odds with his Allied partners and receiving contradictory orders, it was hard to see the General, Lord Marlborough's grand stratagem. Even after victory, Steel finds himself mired in further difficulties.

The Allies had thought that they were liberating the Low Countries but some preferred their previous masters, the French, who at least were Catholic, and some wanted independence from all powers, while others of his fellow officers wanted out of the war altogether. Far from the battle lines he enjoys, Jack Steel is sent undercover to discover and deal with the traitors. He needs to identify the loyal locals who would help a few British advance troops into the besieged city - a dangerous mission made deadly by his identification by an old enemy of his and the brilliant malevolence of the renegade French pirate who is in charge of Ostende. **BPB \$24.99**

*Brothers in Arms (Jack Steel 03)*

**TP \$32.99**

**Eric Garcia**

*The Repossessed Mambo*

THE REPOSSESSION MAMBO is set in a near future when people live virtually forever, rarely dying of disease or old age. There's big money to be made in the 'artiforg' business-the buying and selling of artificial organs that promise to prolong life. Companies are only too happy to extend credit to anyone with the proper financial means. But buyer beware: if you fall too far behind in your payments, your artiforgs will be repossessed.

Like many former US soldiers, Remy makes his living reclaiming organs from debtors who can no longer afford them. He's one of the best, and business is good until Remy finds himself being hunted by the same people he once worked with, and quickly running out of places to hide.

Now he's holed up in a deserted building, writing his life story on a beat-up typewriter in the hopes of getting it all down on paper before the Bio-Repo Man shows up to collect on his debts. And what a story it is . . .

This is a fast-paced, funny and intelligent thriller that is also a meditation on our future, our use of technology and society's ills. **BPB \$24.95**

**Andrew M Greeley**

*Thy Brother's Wife*

The direction of Paul and Sean Cronin's lives was shaped the day their father, a self-made multimillionaire, decided that one of his boys would grow up to be a cardinal while the other would become president of the United States.

For his elder son, Paul, the father had even chosen a wife—the beautiful Nora, who had come to the Cronin home as an orphan child years before. Obediently, and with a genuine vocation, the younger son, Sean, went into the priesthood. With a more cynical view, Paul went to Notre Dame to prepare for a life in politics until the Korean War intervened. Then came the news—Paul Cronin was missing in action.

“If he dies,” Sean's father told him, “you must leave the seminary and marry Nora.” The words sang in Sean's head. Could he renounce his sacred calling—and marry the girl he had always loved?

Long out of print, *Thy Brother's Wife* is a classic tale by one of America's most loved storytellers. **TP \$30.95**

## **John Horgan**

### *Psychology of Terrorism*

This book presents a detailed, critical analysis of our existing knowledge and understanding of terrorist psychology, and in doing so, highlights substantial shortcomings and limitations of the nature and direction of current research. Building on this, the author presents a model of involvement and engagement in terrorism by considering terrorism as a process - in particular, the author identifies and explores, with extensive data, three distinct phases of the making of a terrorist: becoming involved, remaining involved (or 'being a terrorist'), and leaving terrorism behind. Despite the ongoing search for a terrorist personality, the most insightful and evidence-based research to date not only the lack of any identifiable personality or psychopathology in terrorists, but demonstrates how frighteningly 'normal' and unremarkable in psychological terms are those who engage in terrorist activity. By producing a clearer picture of the complex processes that impinge upon the individual terrorist, a different type of terrorist psychology emerges, one which has controversial implications for efforts at countering terrorism in today's world. The book concludes with what this new psychology of terrorism means for understanding the terrorist and and in looking for the future, highlights what both researchers and the broader community can do to realistically engage the terrorist threat. For anyone who needs to understand the terrorist, this book is essential reading. Despite the increased attention to terrorist activity in recent years, we still lack a more solid conceptual base from which an informed understanding of the of the terrorist might emerge. In addition to a comprehensive review of the literature, this book draws on extensive new research to present a systematic psychological model of involvement and engagement with terrorist activity. The book is a intended not only for those who want to understand the psychology of the terrorist, but for those who want to understand the nature of terrorist activity for the individual terrorist and what it means in a more systematic and clear way than that which most of us are used to receiving via the popular press and literature. This book argues for a more complex and comprehensive way of understanding involvement in terrorism, and touches on some controversial and unsettling questions that may convince us to reconsider what we currently understand about both the terrorist and the broader processes involved in terrorist activity.

How and why does someone become a terrorist? Are there common causes? Is there a terrorist personality?

To understand the psychology of those who engage in terrorism, John Horgan draws on interviews with terrorists and analyses current evidence to argue that only by asking the right questions about this complex problem, and by answering them only with evidence, can we truly begin to understand the nature of terrorism and how to respond effectively to it. Consequently this book presents a critical analysis of our existing knowledge and understanding of terrorist psychology, and in doing so, highlights the substantial shortcomings and limitations of the nature and direction of current research. Building on this, the author presents a model of involvement and engagement in terrorism by considering it as a process and exploring three distinct phases of the making of a terrorist: becoming involved, remaining involved (or 'being' a terrorist), and leaving terrorism behind. Despite the ongoing search for a terrorist personality, the most insightful and evidence-based research to date not only illustrates the lack of any identifiable psychopathology in terrorists, but demonstrates how frighteningly 'normal' and unremarkable in psychological terms are those who engage in terrorist activity.

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## **John Horgan**

### *Walking Away from Terrorism: Accounts of Disengagement from Radical and Extremist Movements*

**TP \$72**

## **Katherine Howe**

### *The Lost Book of Salem*

A spellbinding, beautifully written novel that moves between contemporary times and one of the most fascinating and disturbing periods in American history - the Salem witch trials

Harvard graduate student Connie Goodwin needs to spend her summer doing research for her doctoral dissertation. But when her mother asks her to handle the sale of Connie's grandmother's abandoned home near Salem, she can't refuse. As she is drawn deeper into the mysteries of the family house, Connie discovers an ancient key within a seventeenth-century Bible. The key contains a yellowing fragment of parchment with a name written upon it: Deliverance Dane. This discovery launches Connie on a quest-to find out who this woman was and to unearth a rear artefact of singular power: a physick book, its pages a secret repository for lost knowledge.

As the pieces of Deliverance's harrowing story begin to fall into place, Connie is haunted by visions of the long-ago witch trials, and she begins to fear that she is more tied to Salem's dark past than she could have ever imagined.

Written with astonishing conviction and grace, *The Lost Book of Salem* travels seamlessly between the witch trials of the 1960s and a modern woman's story of mystery, intrigue and revelation. **TP \$32.95**

## **Grant Hyde**

### *Lords of the Pacific*

The year is 1793 and having suffered at the hands of Tonga's evil King Tui'puloto for too long, the Island Nations of the South Pacific are poised on the brink of civil war.

When two heroic young warriors, Sevesi and Hiki, dare to challenge the King's absolute power, they incur his wrath, and only narrowly escape with their lives. The pair flee north, seeking sanctuary with the rebel tribes of Ha'apai. But instead of finding a safe haven, they are accused of being spies... Meanwhile, as the British and French continue their relentless quest to colonise the South Pacific, one of their ships is hijacked and strays off course, inadvertently dragging both Empires into the greatest tribal war the Pacific has ever known.

As cultures collide, blood is shed, wrongs are righted and unlikely friendships are forged. Yet again, the British and French sorely underestimate the volatility and strength of their foes and the question remains: who will emerge as Lords of the Pacific? **TP \$32.99**

## **Douglas Jackson**

### *Caligula*

Gaius Julius Caesar Augustus Germanicus, the third Roman Emperor, is better known by another name: Caligula, a name synonymous with decadence, cruelty and madness. His reign was marked by excess, huge building projects, the largest gladiatorial battles Rome was ever to see, men and animals killed in their hundreds & conspiracies, assassination attempts and sexual scandal.

Rufus as a young slave grows up far from the corruption of the imperial court. His master is a trainer of animals for the gladiatorial arena. Rufus discovers that he has a natural ability with animals, a talent for controlling and schooling them. It is at the arenas that Rufus meets his great friend Cupido, one of Rome's greatest gladiators. It is his growing reputation as an animal trainer and his friendship with Cupido that attracts the cruel gaze of the Emperor. Caligula wants a keeper for the imperial elephant and Rufus is bought from his master and taken to the imperial palace. Life here is dictated by Caligula's ever shifting moods. Caligula is as generous as he is cruel, he is a megalomaniac who declares himself a living god and simultaneously lives in constant fear of the plots against his life. But his paranoia is not misplaced, intrigue permeates his court, and Rufus and Cupido find themselves unwittingly placed at the centre of a conspiracy to assassinate the Emperor. **PB \$21.95**

### **Jayne Ann Krentz**

#### *Uneasy Alliance*

Some men can be terrifying—jealous, possessive and, ultimately, destructive. Abby Lyndon knows this all too well. Yet even after swearing off alpha males, she finds herself watching Torr Latimer...and wanting him.

Torr is reserved, contained and every inch the kind of man Abby thought she didn't want. But when Abby receives threats of blackmail, he's the only one who offers his protection. Will their alliance prove that he's everything she expected...or so much more? **APB \$13.95**

### **Anna McPartlin**

#### *Because You Are With Me*

WHAT IF YOUR BOYFRIEND DIED RIGHT IN FRONT OF YOU?

It was supposed to be a night of fun and celebration. But when John dies in a dreadful accident, his girlfriend, Emma, is plunged into despair. She loved John more than life itself - and now death has taken him from her. She feels nothing, has lost everything, her world spins out of control.

Or so she thinks. For Emma has friends - good friends who rally around her. but the shocking memory of that night returns to haunt each of them in different and trying ways.

And Emma knows that if she is ever to laugh at life again, or find the love she once had, she has to let go of the man she thought she couldn't live without. She must let go and trust her heart. **TP \$32.95**

### **Sheryl Persson**

#### *Smallpox, Syphilis and Salvation*

Since ancient times the search for cures for the great scourges that have afflicted humankind has been an ongoing quest, but it is only within the last 200 years that major breakthroughs have occurred and the development of modern medicine has accelerated. The stories behind these miraculous cures are those of intense rivalries and jealousies, bitter public humiliation, unswerving dedication, subterfuge, and great personal struggles.

Often these medical advances have truly changed the world. When Edward Jenner developed the concept of vaccination, and with it the cure for smallpox, he found a way to defeat a disease that had affected half a billion people - more than all those affected by wars and other epidemics combined. And while the Black Death still lingers in pockets around the world, it no longer threatens to destroy entire civilisations as it once did.

Smallpox, Syphilis and Salvation uncovers the compelling stories of the men and women, innovations and accidents that have led to diseases from polio to syphilis, diphtheria to diabetes, tetanus to leukaemia no longer being the death sentences they once were. It also sounds a note of warning - for some of these diseases are fighting back. It is estimated that tuberculosis now claims one life every 15 seconds, while new superbugs are resistant to penicillin and other antibiotics. Diseases may once again threaten to crush the world's population, either in the form of biological warfare or simply because they want to survive as much as we do... **TP \$34.99**

### **Amanda Quick**

#### *The Third Circle*

Leona Hewitt, disguised in men's formal evening clothes, has secretly made her way into Lord Delbridge's private museum to find a relic stolen from her family. But someone else is in the dimly lit gallery on the same errand: a tall, black-cloaked man whose very voice is enough to put her in a trance. Thaddeus Ware, a mesmerist with psychic gifts, is accustomed to fearful reactions from others - women in particular. But Leona shows no trace of hysteria in his presence. A gifted crystal worker, she exerts a rather hypnotic power over the hypnotist himself. And she is determined to keep the crystal they recovered. Thaddeus, on assignment for the Arcane Society, knows the menace Leona is courting by absconding with the crystal. A source of remarkable energy, it holds the potential for great destruction. Lord Delbridge has already killed to acquire it, for it is his key to membership in the elite, shadowy group known as the Third Circle. And, with the help of a ruthless hunter of preternatural skill, dubbed the Midnight Monster by the press, Delbridge intends to find her. With the stolen crystal in their possession, the danger is only beginning. **PB \$22.99**

### **Imogen Robertson**

#### *Instruments of Darkness*

Sussex, 1780. Thornleigh Hall, the ornate and forbidding seat of the Earl of Sussex, dominates the surrounding countryside. Though its heir is missing, and the once vigorous family is reduced to a cripple, his whore and his alcoholic second son, its power remains. Harriet Westerman, whose estate borders that of the Hall, has sensed its menace long before she happens upon a dead man bearing the Thornleigh arms. For Harriet, her impulsive nature curbed by convention, the grim discovery cries out for justice. She persuades reclusive anatomist Gabriel Crowther to her cause, much against his better judgement; he knows a dark path lies before those who stray from society's expectations. That same day, Alexander Adams is killed in a London music shop, leaving his young children orphaned. His death will lead back to Sussex, and an explosive secret that has already destroyed one family and threatens many others. **TP \$29.99**

### **G Xavier Robillard**

#### *Captain Freedom*

Software pirates! Mostly extinct dinosaurs! Giant barbarians! Crooning criminals! Captain Freedom's beat them all, saved the world, and looked fantastic doing it-but he couldn't fend off middle management.

The Superhero lifestyle is all that Captain Freedom has ever known. What's he supposed to do now? Enter politics? Write a children's book?

Freedom's in a bad way and he's only a stint in rehab away from a lifetime of celebrity reality shows. But with the guidance of his new life coach, maybe Freedom can stumble in a new direction-even if it means having to make peace with his parents . . . or finally commit to a single long-term archenemy. **BPB \$24.99**

### **Carlos Zafon Ruiz**

#### *The Angel's Game (Shadow of the Wind sequel)*

In an abandoned mansion in Barcelona a young man named David Martin makes a living by writing steamy melodramas under a pseudonym. When his own novel receives scathing reviews, it seems his publishers are plotting against him and David is destined to literary obscurity.

In a locked room deep within the house he finds letters and photographs hinting at the death of the previous owner. Like a slow poison the history of the place seeps into his bones as David struggles with an impossible love.

Then he receives an extraordinary proposal from the French editor Andreas Corelli—a proposal that could make David rich and famous. And a bookseller called Sempere introduces him to the Cemetery of Forgotten Books...

Prequel to the best-selling *The Shadow of the Wind*, *The Angel's Game* is a tale of lost souls and haunting shadows set amid the winding alleyways of Barcelona during the turbulent 1920s. It is a masterful tale and spellbinding love story about the magic of books and the darkest corners of the heart. **TP \$34.95**

**Tim Severin***Sea Robber*

In his latest adventure Hector Lynch follows his quest for the young Spanish woman, Maria, with whom he has fallen in love. His search takes him and his friends on a nightmare passage around Cape Horn where they come across a small warship entombed on an icefloe, her only crew two skeletons – the captain frozen to death in his cabin and a dog. The corpse is the long-missing brother of a local Spanish governor in Peru. In gratitude for learning his brother's fate, the governor tells Hector that Maria has moved to the Ladrões, the Thief Islands, on the far side of the Pacific.

On the way there, Hector's ship picks up an emaciated native fisherman adrift on a sinking boat. He dupes his rescuers into thinking that his home is rich in gold. But his poverty-stricken island proves to be jealously guarded by a Japanese warlord who treats the visitors as trespassers. Only when Jezreel, the ex-prize fighter, defeats the Japanese swordsman in a duel can they escape.

Reaching the Thief Islands, Hector allies with the native people, the Chamorro, to launch a night raid on the Spanish fort and is finally reunited with Maria. But will the young couple ever be able to settle down? As a known sea robber, Hector will only be safe where the law cannot touch him so their journey continues... **TP \$32.99**

**Bob Shepherd***The Circuit*

After nearly 20 years of SAS operations, including a never-before published role in the infamous Bravo Two Zero patrol, Bob Shepherd retired from the military to work as an advisor on the international commercial security circuit. Certain his most dangerous days were behind him, Bob settled into a sedate life looking after VIPs. Then 9/11 happened.

Bob found himself back in war zones on assignments far more perilous than anything he had encountered in the SAS: from ferrying journalists across firing lines in The West Bank and Gaza to travelling to the heart of Osama bin Laden's Afghan lair. As part of a two-man team, Bob searched for ITN Correspondent Terry Lloyd's missing crew in Basra, Iraq, while in Afghanistan he was forced to spend the night as the only Westerner in Khost - with a \$25,000 bounty on his head.

As the War on Terror escalated, Bob contended with increasingly sophisticated insurgents. But the most disturbing development he witnessed was much closer to home: The Circuit's rise from a niche business staffed by top veterans into an unregulated, billion dollar industry that too often places profits above lives. This is a pulse-racing and at times shocking testament to what is really happening, on the ground, in the major trouble spots of the world. **BPB \$24.99**

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The first book of the revolutionary Earth Chronicles series offers indisputable documentary evidence of the existence of the mysterious planet Nibiru and tells why its astronauts came to Earth eons ago to fashion mankind in their image.

The product of more than thirty years of meticulous research, The 12th Planet treats as fact, not myth, the tales of Creation, the Deluge, the Tower of Babel, and the Nefilim who married the daughters of man. By weaving together the biblical narrative with Sumerian and Babylonian clay-tablet texts, it challenges the established notions of the origins of Earth and mankind, and offers a compelling alternative history and prehistory of both.

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There are classic treats such as Toad-in-the-hole with porcini mushrooms and onion gravy, staple fish masterpieces such as Poached sea trout with sorrel hollandaise, and tasty favourites from your treasured holiday destinations: Seafood Paella, Goan Curry, Welsh Cawl and Clam Chowder. All this, plus a delicious range of puddings including Hot bread pudding with armagnac sauce, Lemon Possett and Poached pears with mulberries and mascarpone ice cream. With brand-new recipes and a fresh design, Coast to Coast contains Rick Stein's most popular dishes drawn from many years of travelling the culinary globe. Easy to follow and quick to inspire, this cookbook will bring all the flavour of the coast into the comfort of your own home. **HC \$59.95**