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Featured Books



Charlaine Harris
Joel Shepherd
Alastair Reynolds
Karen Miller
Laurell K Hamilton
Lynn Flewelling
Jack Dann & Jonathon Strahan (eds)
Dungeons & Dragons
Ilona Andrews
Taylor Anderson
Warhammer 40,000
Sherrilyn Kenyon

Dead in the Family Sookie Stackhouse 10 in trade paperback.
Tracato in paperback.
Zima Blue a paperback collection of short stories.
Reluctant Mage in paperback.
Bullet a new Anita Blake hardcover and trade paperback.
The White Road in paperback.
Legends of Australian Fantasy trade paperback collection.
Plane Above
Magic Bleeds in paperback.
Distant Thunders Destroyermen 4 in hardcover.
Chapter's Due a new Ultramarines hardcover.
Infinity Dark Hunter Chronicles of Nick 1 in trade paperback



News

Nebula Awards 2009 have been announced. Best novel was awarded to *The Windup Girl* by Paolo Bacigalupi. A full list of winners and nominees is at: <http://www.locusmag.com/News/2010/05/nebula-awards-winners/>

Frank Frazetta died of a stroke 10th May 2010 aged 82. He was known for his fantasy art, particularly cover art such as for the Conan novels.

Diana Wynne Jones is suffering cancer and has decided to stop treatment. <http://news.ansible.co.uk/a275.html>

Jeanne Robinson died 30th May 2010 from cancer. She won both a Hugo and Nebula award for *Stardance*. Her husband is another SF author, Spider Robinson. <http://stardancemovie.blogspot.com/2010/05/buchi-eihei-in-pacem.html>

Dresden Files RPG special offer: Order the rulebooks and prepay to immediately receive PDF files of the books. The books are due in June but we have the PDFs available now.

Forthcoming Author Visits

Duncan Lay will be visiting Infinitas to promote his third novel *The Radiant Child* on Saturday afternoon 24th July at 1pm. Duncan has visited us before and it has always been an enjoyable event. Fans and new readers are encouraged to come along to meet Duncan and get books signed. His books are popular and staff favourites.

Nalini Singh will visit Infinitas on Monday August 17th at 1pm. Nalini is an author of paranormal romance, which is very popular with our readers. For fans of our many romance books who have not yet read Nalini Singh, try a book of hers before August and then come in to chat with the author. If you already have her books, bring them in to be signed.

Magic the Gathering at Infinitas

Magic The Gathering: On Thursday evening 27th May 2010 we held our first Magic Cards event. It was nice to see new faces participating in a new Infinitas group. Players brought along their own decks and much fun was had by all. Thank you to Graeme for his assistance in co-ordinating this games.

We had a modest turnout but it was successful as all enjoyed the evening. Therefore, we will continue to hold Magic games at the shop on the 4th Thursday of each month, but still on a trial basis. Next month we will run a Booster Draft for \$20 entry for 3 boosters. Wizards of the Coast have contributed some cards for us to give away. Come along, all welcome.



Business for Sale

Would you like to own and run a bookshop? Infinitas Bookshop and Blokey Stuff are long established with a very loyal customer base.

Strata title premises included.

Expressions of interest invited.

Book Reviews

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

***The Writing Class* by Jincy Willett reviewed by Ashley Gundlach**

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781921372803>

This book is about a writing class with a killer in its midst. It starts out slow, and then it builds. You'll be half way through the book before it claims its first character.

There are no chapter titles (it's just blank at the top), except for the first chapter (voiced with a mystery character) and the actual class meetings. The book is told in the eyes of the teacher of the class, Amy Gallup. She is an anti-social ex-author, and she is put into a position of responsibility over a collection of crude and insulting writing that has been going around the class, and even one delivered to one student in particular.

It begins to mount, and Amy is forced to tell the runners of the program what's been going on, and they shut it down. But the story continues from there, because the students refuse to stop doing the class, and nudge Amy to continue teaching.

And so it goes, and they are forced to come together and make their own conclusions, to find this person (who they name The Sniper) and single them out.

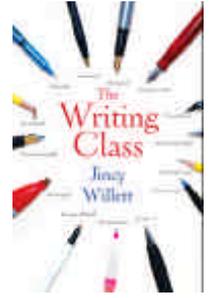
This book is a thriller, with a slow pace, that keeps you guessing at every turn. I didn't even realize, towards the end, that what I was reading was really the conclusion that it turned out to be. But it just goes to show how far astray you can go with all those twists and turns.

The book made sense once I got settled into it. Although, once my mind caught onto things a little quicker than the characters, but you can't always trust that process, because later I came to a separate conclusion that turned out to be wrong.

It is a stand alone, but I would certainly consider reading another book by this author if I ever found it. There was a bit of swearing, so it would be mildly ill-recommended to younger readers. However, it isn't gory, so it would still be good.

If you like the twists and turns of Rowling, and you wouldn't mind reading more adult language and a non fantasy-style piece of fiction; this could be the book for you.

I would give this book at least four stars, and would recommend it to just about anyone who doesn't mind the language, but especially to amateur writers, as it is particularly relevant to them.



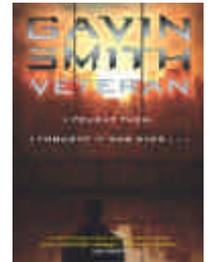
***Veteran* by Gavin G Smith reviewed by Jonathan Dean**

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575094109>

Jakob Douglas is a dishonourably discharged soldier of the British SAS, he's not having a good day, and it's going downhill fast. Earth has been at war for 30 years with the Others, and technology has had a huge influence on war. Genetically modified, technologically enhanced, but with all his enhancements locked down after his discharge, all he wants to do is spend the day in a blur of addiction in an effort to avoid the pain. Then he gets the call from the man who tried to kill him and his mates, with news that he's been reactivated, and that if he doesn't check out and retrieve a crashed alien infiltrator, well, there's always the option of being terminated painfully. Thus begins his story, from hunting down the alien, to questions of what the aliens are doing, and who really is controlling the whole system. With a cast of hyperviolent, drug dependent, computer & composite implanted special forces troops, an ex-hooker turned hacker with an alien software program running in her head, and a truly screwed up journalist, things can only get a lot worse. And they do.

Personally, I thought this book was a rare treat, and I loved it. The earth has been at war for a long time with aliens, and the militaries of the world have taken to modifying troops with a hideous variety of toys, starting with artificial eyes and other organs, working up to implanted weapon systems such as retractable blades and sight targeted lasers, and including tweaked nervous systems & reflexes. But the catch that comes with these toys is the increasing level of cyber-psychosis, as people become more & more distant from the everyday world, which is falling apart under the demands made by the war effort. The author has managed to create an incredible world, where tech & software have made it possible to do almost anything, but the civilisation seems more & more decayed. He has also managed to raise the question of societal values, and what defines us, suggesting possible alternative values for exploration, and speculating on how we may change as a species over time. The style is very British, but be warned - the language is one used by the British Army squaddie, and it can be very raw at times.

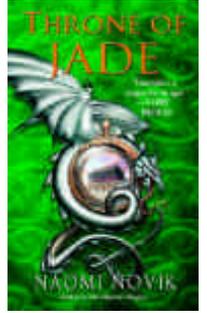
Veteran is to be released August 2010 – preorder now.



***Throne of Jade* by Naomi Novik reviewed by Andrew Wilson**

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780345481290>

I recall that I once had an argument with Tim over whether first novels are better than follow up novels. My point was that first novels are not written to a deadline where as follow up novels were. It followed that there were generally few ideas. Tim's point was that when a novel is produced as a piece of work the story is on the whole more polished and better written. *Throne of Jade* the next in the saga of the dragon Temeraire series has proven Tim's point. Although slower it has a polish and a wholeness to it that was lacking in the first book.



This is produced at some cost however. In her first book of the series "His Majesty's Dragon" Naomi Novik burnt through scenes and ideas like a Forstchen book. In this book she takes her time and polishes her story. Unfortunately for the history buffs among you who know how difficult it was for Castlereagh to get Englishmen of the period to even contemplate "real power politics" the set up to the story is out of kilter with the reality of the Britain of the time. You need to accept Ms Novik's world as something complete in itself. When you do it is a wonderful world. Again the dragons are drawn beautifully.

I loved Naomi Novik's strategic sense in the first book. Here she mostly swaps it for a deeper warmer story. In this book the Chinese after giving away a dragon egg to Bonaparte now demand it back from the British with menace. The British Government is complicit in trying to help the Chinese and order Cpt Laurence to take Temeraire to China. Considering Temeraire in the first book stopped a French invasion giving up a weapon like him for trade advantages seems to ring hollow. Again Ms Novik's world is more like our own than Britain during the Napoleonic wars. You can imagine how Pitt the younger and Wellington would have dealt with such a request. The beginning is done solely as a set up for the later story. As such, it more than does the job and leads to some interesting pieces of character development. There are good moments as the hero Capt Will Laurence is separated from his beloved dragon. Temeraire takes on more personality in the book. There is a strong element of a dragon coming of age tale to the story.

Younger and teen readers may feel themselves a little cheated, when compared to the first book, on the long ocean voyage to China. I read the book at one sitting and I found all the parts of the story worth it. When we get there China is an exotic land. There are a number of small descriptive points that fill this part of her world with colour and interest. The combat in this story has less of a jerky role playing feel to it compared to the first book. The action scenes are handled with a sure touch but there are fewer of them.

The Chinese let their women ride dragons. In passing she tells us the Chinese only let women captain the Dragons for the army. I wondered how the Chinese women climbed aboard with their tiny bound feet. Again her story reflects our world and she may as well have just written "the boys aren't going to have all the fun in my story thank you very much". In China they also let the lazy dragons starve. Which I thought would be like letting a starving tiger in your midst. Again she does this to moralise on the evils of slavery and the moral issue of dragon servitude. These little lectures add nothing to the work. That said there is a beauty, reality and inner logic to the book. We don't see the Chinese Dragon corps in action but Temeraire has duel with an albino dragon and the attack on the British party is first rate. As an escapist fantasy I enjoyed it thoroughly.

***Power and Majesty* by Tansy Rayner Roberts reviewed by Kate Laidley**

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780732289430>

The first in a new dark fantasy series by an Australian writer, *Power and Majesty* is an excellent introduction to what is clearly going to be an amazing series. I found it to be a wonderful read that I just fell into. The story is set in Aufleur, a city made up of the Creature Court (the secret magical defenders of the city against the sky) and the day-lighters (those who are completely unaware of the fact they even need defending). The Creature Court is thrown into chaos when its leader – the Power and Majesty – is killed and it is not clear who his successor should be. The Creature Court are an unpleasant and selfish lot, and sensitive readers should be warned of their violence and language, but something about their attitude is similar to that of the characters in Jacqueline Carey's 'Kushiel' series. And like Carey, Roberts has chosen to feature several extremely strong women, who easily hold their own in this almost cannibalistic world of 'every man for himself'.

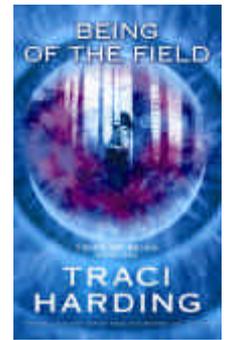


The first half or so was slow on action, but I was never bored as I got to explore a world of seemingly eternal festivals and the well developed characters, with very human motivations. Despite the very good world-building, it is never explained exactly what it is the Creature Court is fighting, though there are several battles. This is a deliberate omission and I can't wait to find out exactly what's going on. There is something for everyone and the book ends in just the right place to leave me waiting desperately for the next instalment.

Being of the Field by Traci Harding, reviewed by Len Newland

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780732281236>

Fantasy fiction like X-Men, but in a space setting. Here we have multiple parallel material universes whose intelligent life is all human, overlaid by a hierarchy of “planes of awareness” populated by spirit forms linked to all humans past and present (future as well, presumably) at the peak of which are spirit forms labelled “devas” or “monads”. Character One (Taren) is a scientist investigating the quantum electromagnetic field (the “Field” of the title) that connects all this. One deva is seen near the beginning of the story, discovered by our heroes at a planet they visit in their research space ship. Political intrigue then enters, resulting in their home planet vanishing (not Earth – it’s in a different universe, apparently). Between them, our heroes possess initially hidden “psych” powers in twelve categories (telepathy, TK, clairvoyance, etc.), which they must use to solve the Problem.



This is Book 1 of a trilogy (Triad Of Being). The problem of the lost planet isn’t solved here, but this volume is a complete substory with its problem solved: I’d be disappointed to see the villain of this volume reappear in later volumes. Oddly, my proof copy omitted the last chapter (30) and the appendices listed in the Contents, but I didn’t miss them. There’s also a brief preface which would relate to the entire trilogy, but for this volume it merely establishes the novel as fantasy rather than the light science fiction the initial chapters might otherwise misleadingly imply. Outstanding in this novel is the niceness of the leading characters – a refreshing change from the dubious heroes of so many novels, leaving me with a warm feeling. They have their ideosyncracies and dysfunctionality, but even the Monarch and the Dictator are nice once you get them away from judicial and security murder. The villain, of course, isn’t ever nice.

Being Of The Field is probably the most sex mad F/SF novel I’ve read since the Spaceways series. The sex act isn’t explicit here, but through most of the book, the question of what will happen next is mostly in the form of who’ll lay whom rather than what the villain is up to. Apart from the sex and some coarse language, the expression seems to be aimed at a juvenile level (saidisms, redundancy, head-hopping, teenage dialogue, etc). My proof copy has plenty of errors (but no incorrect concatenations!), which I’d expect to be cleared before publication, but judging by other titles around, maybe they won’t be. If you’re comfortable with these characteristics, I think you’ll find Being Of The Field an enjoyable exploration so far of the story world introduced in this first volume.

Sale Books

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

External Events

Aussiecon 4 will be the 68th World Science Fiction Convention and to be held in Melbourne over 2nd to 6th September 2010. Guests: Kim Stanley Robinson, Shaun Tan, Robin Johnson. Attending and supporting members can nominate and vote in the Hugo Awards, so be involved. <http://www.aussiecon4.org.au/>

Gencon Australia will be on 23rd – 26th September in Brisbane. This is a big gaming convention attracting thousands of players to RPG, collectable card games, boardgames cosplay, etc. <http://www.genconoz.com/>

Event organisers are welcome to contact us with information about their gaming or book event. We will try to include it here. We apologise to anyone who tells us of their event and we fail get it into our newsletter. Please post your news on our forums, which is where we look for listings in the newsletter, and all our customers and visitors can see it regardless of our editorial slip-ups.

Best Sellers for May 2010

General Release

<i>Storm From the Shadows</i>	David Weber
<i>Victorious</i>	Jack Campbell
<i>Turn Coat</i>	Jim Butcher
<i>Maelstrom</i>	Taylor Anderson
<i>Tales of The Otherworld</i>	Kelley Armstrong
<i>Grand Central Arena</i>	Ryk Spoor
<i>The Infinity Gate</i>	Sara Douglass *
<i>A Mighty Fortress</i>	David Weber
<i>Oath of Fealty</i>	Elizabeth Moon
<i>The Ambassador's Mission</i>	Trudi Canavan *

* Australian Authors

Media and Games Related Titles

<i>Helsreach</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>Legends of the Space Marines</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>Redemption Corps</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>Forgotten Army</i>	Doctor Who
<i>Dark King and The Lightning Tower</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>Night of the Humans</i>	Doctor Who
<i>Apollo 23</i>	Doctor Who
<i>Flesh and Iron</i>	Warhammer 40,000
<i>Inception</i>	Star Trek
<i>Blood Quantum</i>	CSI



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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>
Thursday June 3rd Topic: Science fiction fantasy.

Review Group: The review group meets on the third Thursday of each month at 6.30pm. Two books are chosen by group members for each meeting with participants encouraged to have read at least one prior to the meeting. The discussion is generally serious and insightful, we usually share a bottle or 2 of wine with cheese – contributions gratefully drunk. All welcome. <http://www.infinitas.com.au/ReviewGroup.php>
Thursday 17th June 2010:

Runner by William C Dietz (Science Fiction)
Blood Ties by Pamela Freeman (Fantasy)

Thursday 15th July 2010:

Boneshaker by Cherie Priest (Alternate History)
Oath of Fealty by Elizabeth Moon (Fantasy)

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

Monsterpocalypse Gamers:

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



Dungeon & Dragons Delve Days: Play a short game of 4th edition D&D, one or two encounters only. Adventures in Undermountain is for 1st level characters, you can bring your own, or ask for one on the day. Ask us at the shop for details. Every second Saturday morning starting at 9:30am.

Magic the Gathering: We are testing demand for playing Magic Cards at the shop. Current schedule is booster draft on the fourth Thursday of the Month at 5.30pm. Please contact us if you are running late.

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

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Science Fiction, Fantasy and Horror

Calendar 2011: Dragon (wall)

Calendar \$29.95

Shana Abe

The Time Weaver

Believing herself a powerless misfit in a tribe of dangerous dragon shape-shifters, Honor discovers her powers as a Time Weaver and falls in love with a prince from a rival tribe, a union that is destined to fulfill a terrible prophecy. **HC \$47.95**

Cat Adams

Blood Song

Betrayed by her royal employers, bodyguard Celia is changed into a part-vampire and targeted by both human and supernatural adversaries while she leans on friends to survive and help her discover the source of her transformation. **TP \$30.95**

Louisa May Alcott & Porter Grand

Little Women and Werewolves (British Zombie Invasion)

A whimsical retelling of the classic work, written in the vein of *Pride and Prejudice* and *Zombies*, imagines a secret, unedited manuscript of *Little Women* in which Laurie is a werewolf who, among other escapades, exacts revenge against Amy's strict schoolmaster. **TP \$30.95**

Katherine Allred

Close Contact (Alien Affairs 02)

When the Bureau of Alien Affairs discovers that she has skills and psi abilities unlike no other Genetically Engineered Person, Echo Adams, forced to become a special agent, is sent to Madrea where she must hunt for a stolen quartz crystal and eliminate the bad guys. **PB \$19.95**

Steve Alten

Hell's Aquarium (MEG 04)

The most fearsome predators in history...are no longer history.

The Philippine Sea Plate: The most unexplored realm on the planet. Hidden beneath its primordial crust lies the remains of the Panthalassa, an ocean that dates back 220 million years. Vast and isolated, the Panthalassa is inhabited by nightmarish sea creatures long believed extinct.

Tanaka Institute, Monterey, CA: Four years have passed since Angel, the 76-foot, 100,000 pound Megalodon, birthed a litter of pups far too numerous and aggressive to keep in one pen. Fortunately, a Dubai royal prince who is building the largest aquarium in the world seeks to purchase two of the "runts"—if Jonas Taylor's twenty-one year-old son, David, will be their handler. Jonas reluctantly agrees, and David is off to Dubai for the summer of his life, not realizing that he is being set up to lead an expedition that will hunt down and capture the most dangerous creatures ever to inhabit the Earth! **PB \$21.95**

Taylor Anderson

Distant Thunders (Destroyermen 04)

Lieutenant Commander Matthew Reddy waits for his destroyer, the Walker, to be repaired after battling alongside their Lemurian allies to repel the savage Grik, and questions the loyalties of Commodore Jenks, who may be devoted to those representing an even greater danger.

HC \$51.95 Unabridged MP3 CD \$78

Kevin J Anderson

Map of All Things (Terra Incognita 02)

After terrible atrocities by both sides, the religious war between Tierra and Uraba has spread and intensified - the series of skirmishes erupting into a full-blown crusade. Now that the Uraban leader Soldan-Shah Omra has captured the ruined city of Ishalem, his construction teams discover a priceless ancient map in an underground vault - a map that can guide brave explorers to the mysterious Key to Creation. Omra dispatches his adoptive son Saan to sail east across the uncharted Middlesea on a quest to find it. In Tierra, Captain Criston Vora has built a grand new vessel, and sets out to explore the great unknown and find the fabled land of Terravita. But Criston cannot forget his previous voyage that ended in shipwreck and disaster... and the loss of his beloved wife Adrea - who is now the wife of the soldan-shah in far-off Uraba, fighting to survive against palace intrigues and constant threats against her life. **TP \$32.99**

Ilna Andrews

Magic Bleeds (Kate Daniels 04)

When she is called in to investigate a skirmish at the Steel Horse, a bar on the border between the territories of the shape-shifters and the necromancers, Kate Daniels, a liaison with the mercenary guild, discovers that a new player in town might be too much to handle. **APB \$19.95**

Keri Arthur Australian Author

Moon Sworn (Riley Jenson Guardian 09)

A rare hybrid of vampire and werewolf, Riley Jenson works for Melbourne's Directorate of Other Races, an organisation created to police the supernatural races - and protect humans from their depredations. More werewolf than vampire, Riley is vulnerable to the moon heat, the weeklong period before the full moon, when her need to mate becomes all-consuming. But that's the least of her worries. Evil is on the rampage in Melbourne and it's up to her to stop it... **APB \$19.99**

Neal Asher

Shadow of the Scorpion (Polity Agent Cormac prequel)

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. **BPB \$21.99**

Paolo Bacigalupi*The Windup Girl*

Winner 2009 Nebula Award: Best Novel

Anderson Lake is a company man, AgriGen's Calorie Man in Thailand. Under cover as a factory manager, Anderson combs Bangkok's street markets in search of foodstuffs thought to be extinct, hoping to reap the bounty of history's lost calories. There, he encounters Emiko. Emiko is the Windup Girl, a strange and beautiful creature. One of the New People, Emiko is not human; instead, she is an engineered being, creche-grown and programmed to satisfy the decadent whims of a Kyoto businessman, but now abandoned to the streets of Bangkok. Regarded as soulless beings by some, devils by others, New People are slaves, soldiers, and toys of the rich in a chilling near future in which calorie companies rule the world, the oil age has passed, and the side effects of bio-engineered plagues run rampant across the globe. **HC \$51.95 TP \$30.95**

Tony Ballantyne*Twisted Metal*

On a world of intelligent robots who seem to have forgotten their own distant past, it is a time of war as the soldiers of Artemis City set out to conquer everything within range on the continent of Shull, killing or converting every robot they capture to their philosophy, while viewing their own wire-based minds as nothing but metal to be used or recycled for the cause.

Elsewhere, the more individualistic robots of Turing City believe they are something more than metal, but when the Artemisian robot Kavan sets out on a determined crusade to prove himself, even Turing City can't stand against him. Increasingly tied up with Kavan's destiny is Karel, a Turing robot with elements of Artemis philosophy already woven into his mind... as well as Karel's wife Susan, and their recently created child..

Following the inevitable violence and destruction, Artemisian ambition focuses elsewhere and a journey begins towards the frozen kingdoms of the north... and towards the truth about the legendary Book of Robots, a text which may finally explain the real history of this strange world...

In a completely alien but brilliantly realized landscape, here is superb action, barbaric cruelty and intense emotional impact. **APB \$21.99**

D D Barant*Death Blows (Bloodhound Files 02)*

FBI profiler Jace Valchek, who works for the National Security Agency of the Unnatural States of America, must follow a trail of dead bodies into a dark underworld of black-market comics where a twisted madman has transformed himself into the ultimate super-villain. **APB \$19.95**

Elizabeth Barrial*Vampires Don't Sleep Alone*

What girl can resist a dark, brooding, neck-nibbling boyfriend whose forbidden love adds to the intense attraction and sexual excitement? But it's not easy for a mere mortal to hook up with a vampire — unless she knows all about these mysterious creatures of the night. That's where *Vampires Don't Sleep Alone* comes in. The authors of this revealing book have ventured deep into the hidden world of vampire lust, romance, and sex to find answers to the questions on the lips of every red-blooded American girl. From basics like "Where can I find a cute vampire?" and "How do I get his attention without becoming dinner?" to trickier issues like "What if I want to have sex with the lights on?" and "Is his feeding cheating?," *Vampires Don't Sleep Alone* covers and uncovers it all. The author's clever advice, sexy tips, and proven tricks allow readers to meet, attract, and ultimately bed the vampire of their dreams. **PB \$22.99**

Jes Battis*A Flash of Hex (Occult Special Investigation 02)*

After a series of brutal murders, Occult Special Investigator Tess Corday is convinced the identity of the killer is locked in her own head. The only question is, how many rules is she willing to break to get to the truth? **PB \$19.95**

Inhuman Resources (Occult Special Investigation 03)

While investigating the murder of a powerful necromancer, Occult Special Investigator Tess Corday is pitted against old enemies and drawn into forbidden realms where she is confronted by a dark truth that changes her world forever. **PB \$19.95**

Stephen Baxter*Stone Spring*

8,000 years ago Europe was a very different place. England was linked to Holland by a massive swathe of land. Where the North Sea is now lay the landmass of Northland. And then came a period of global warming, a shifting of continents and, over a few short years, the sea rushed in and our history was set. But what if the sea had been kept at bay? Brythony is a young girl who lives in Northland. Like all her people she is a hunter gatherer, her simple tools fashioned from flint cutting edges lodged in wood and animal bone. When the sea first encroaches on her land her people simply move. Brythony moves further travelling to Asia. Where she sees mankind's first walled cities. And gets an idea. What if you could build a wall to keep the sea out? And so begins a colossal engineering project that will take decades, a wall that stretches for hundreds of miles, a wall that becomes an act of defiance and containing the bones of the dead, an act of devotion. A wall that will change the geography of the world. And it's history. **HC \$59.99**

Elizabeth Bear, John Scalzi & Tobias S Buckell*Metropolis*

An anthology of five short tales by some of the genre's most popular young writers includes contributions by Elizabeth Bear, Tobias Buckell and the Hugo-finalist project editor, in a volume that sets each work in a collaboratively imagined urban future. **HC \$52.95**

Robin Becker*Brains: A Zombie Memoir*

A college professor turned smarty-pants zombie sets off on a cross-country journey to gather a rag-tag group other intelligent undead in the hopes of finding the creator of the zombie virus and trying to broker peace and equality between zombies and their still-living counterparts. **TP \$28.95**

Jenna Black*The Devil's Playground (Morgan Kingsley 05)*

No one ever wants to serve in Hell... The Seven Deadlies, a demon club in Philadelphia, has always catered to the most attractive and desirable hosts. Recently, though, more and more of the lower dregs of society have been showing up with demons of their own - in alarming numbers. Morgan is sure that Dougal is behind this, but isn't sure why. Is Dougal building an army to snatch the throne of the demons from Lugh? If there's one person who can get to the bottom of this, it's Morgan Kingsley, but caught between her mortal lover Brian and the demon she lusts for, Lugh, it's going to take everything she has to keep her head - and heart - in the game. **APB \$19.99**

Holly Black*The White Cat*

Cassel is cursed. Cursed by the memory of the fourteen year old girl he murdered. Life at school is a constant trial. Life at home even worse. No-one at home is ever going to forget that Cassel is a killer. No-one at home is ever going to forget that he isn't a magic worker. Cassel's family are one of the big five crime families in America. Ever since magic was prohibited in 1929 magic workers have been driven underground and into crime. And while people still need their touch, their curses, their magical killings, their transformations, times have been hard. His granddad has been driven to drink, his mother is in prison and his brothers detest him as the only one of their family who can't do magic. But there is a secret at the centre of Cassel's family and he's about to inherit it. It's terrifying and that's the truth. **TP \$29.99**

Juliet Blackwell*A Cast-Off Coven (Witchcraft Mysteries 02)*

Called in to investigate possible paranormal activity at the San Francisco School of Fine Arts, Lily Ivory, who has the magical ability to sense vibrations from the past, discovers the body of a wealthy patron of the school and feels the presence of a great evil. **PB \$17.95**

Juliet Blackwell*Secondhand Spirits*

Lily Ivory feels that she can finally fit in somewhere and conceal her witchiness in San Francisco. It's there that she opens her vintage clothing shop, outfitting customers both spiritually and stylistically.

Just when things seem normal, a client is murdered and children start disappearing from the Bay Area. Lily has a good idea that some bad phantoms are behind it. Can she keep her identity secret, or will her witchy ways be forced out of the closet as she attempts to stop the phantom? **PB \$19.95**

Scott Bowen*The Vampire Survival Guide*

For millennia vampires have lived among us: reanimated corpses feeding on the blood of the living. This vampire-fighting guide confronts head-on the most terrifying situation of all - being bitten by a vampire - by providing numerous approaches, rooted in science, medicine and religion, for fending off the blood-suckers in good time. **PB \$24.99**

Nathan Robert Brown*Complete Idiot's Guide to Zombies*

Just what is it that has turned zombies into the monsters du jour—the new vampires, as Time magazine proclaimed them in April 2009? They don't have any supernatural powers; as a matter of fact, zombies possess only the abilities of the people they were in life. In a battle between zombies and vampires, the former would almost surely lose—they're slower, weaker, and incredibly stupid. And forget about the sex appeal vampires have—no one would want to get up close and personal with a stumbling, reanimated corpse!

Call them blank slates on which any aspect of humanity can be scribbled, a commentary on the Vietnam War (George Romero's Night of the Living Dead was originally released in 1968), or a truly green monster—made of 100 percent recycled humans!—those shambling eaters of brains have gone from minor popularity with teenage boys interested in all things horror to mainstream pop culture icon. The Complete Idiot's Guide® to Zombies brings the world of zombies chillingly to life—in a manner of speaking!—covering everything readers need to know about them. The book includes...

The voodoo zombie, the viral zombie, and the whole zombie family.

What zombies and the delicious fear of them say about human psychology.

Zombies in American culture: in film, from the Romero classics to the Living Dead flicks that are so bad they're good, and in fiction, video games, comics, and more!

The zombie survival phenomenon—of course they're not real, but that doesn't stop people from having loads of fun pretending they are! **TP \$19.95**

Lois McMaster Bujold*Paladin of Souls (Chalion 02)*

A sequel to The Curse of Chalion finds Ista dy Baocia, the Dowager Royina of Chalion, struggling with painful memories and undertaking a pilgrimage to make a personal atonement to the gods, a quest that is threatened by an evil force. **PB \$19.95**

Monica Burns*Assassin's Honor*

Archeologist Emma Zale, who sees the past when touching ancient relics, finds her life in danger over an artifact she doesn't have. **TP \$30.95**

Meg Cabot*Insatiable*

In a modern-day sequel to Dracula, Meena Harper has the ability to foresee how people are going die, but this precognition only works on other people, not Meena herself, leaving her vulnerable once she begins to fall in love with a vampire. **CD - Unabridged \$78 HC \$47.95**

Clyde Caldwell*Calendar 2011: Fantasy Art of Clyde Caldwell*

Calendar \$29.95

Jacqueline Carey*Naamah's Kiss*

Once there were great magicians born to the Maghuin Dhonn; the folk of the Brown Bear, the oldest tribe in Alba. But generations ago, the greatest of them all broke a sacred oath sworn in the name of all his people. Now, only small gifts remain to them. Through her lineage, Moirin possesses such gifts - the ability to summon the twilight and conceal herself, and the skill to coax plants to grow.

Moirin has a secret, too. From childhood onward, she senses the presence of unfamiliar gods in her life; the bright lady, and the man with a seedling cupped in his palm. Raised in the wilderness by her reclusive mother, it isn't until she comes of age that Moirin learns how illustrious, if mixed, her heritage is. The great granddaughter of Alais the Wise, child of the Maghuin Donn, and a cousin of the Cruarch of Alba, Moirin learns her father was a D'Angeline priest dedicated to serving Naamah, goddess of desire.

After Moirin undergoes the rites of adulthood, she finds divine acceptance...on the condition that she fulfill an unknown destiny that lies somewhere beyond the ocean. Or perhaps oceans. Beyond Terre d'Ange where she finds her father, in the far reaches of distant Ch'in, Moirin's skills are a true gift when facing the vengeful plans of an ambitious mage, a noble warrior princess desperate to save her father's throne, and the spirit of a celestial dragon. **PB \$19.95**

Jacqueline Carey

Naamah's Curse (Moisin's Quest 02)

Far from the land of her birth, Moirin sets out across Tatar territory to find Bao, the proud and virile Ch'in fighter who holds the missing half of her diadh-anam, the divine soul-spark of her mother's people. After a long ordeal, she not only succeeds, but surrenders to a passion the likes of which she's never known. But the lovers' happiness is short lived, for Bao is entangled in a complication that soon leads to their betrayal. **HC \$54.95**
Unabridged MP3 CD \$78

Nigel Cawthorne

A Brief History of Robin Hood

PB \$26.99

Mark Chadbourn

Sword of Albion

1588: The London of Elizabeth I is rocked by news of a daring raid on the Tower. The truth is known only to a select few: that, for twenty years, a legendary doomsday device, its power fabled for millennia, has been kept secret and, until now, safe in the Tower. But it has been stolen and Walsingham's spies believe it has been taken by the Enemy. This Enemy is not who we usually think of as our traditional opponet. No, this Enemy has waged a brutal war against mankind since time began, and with such a weapon they might take terrible toll upon England's green and pleasant land...

And so it falls to Will Swyfte - swordsman, adventurer, scholar, rake, and the greatest of Walsingham's new breed of spy - to follow a trail of murder and devilry that leads deep into the dark, venomous world of the Faerie. As Philip of Spain prepares a naval assault on England, Will is caught up in a race against time in pursuit of this fiendish device... **TP \$32.95**

Tim Davys

Lanceheim (Mollisan Town 02)

In a story set in a Mollisan Town, a villiage inhabited by stuffed animals, Reuben Walrus discovers he is going deaf, and sets out to find Maximillan, a fabled Christ-like creature thought to have healing powers, but Maximillan is hiding from the darker forces of Mollisan Town, and Reuben finds his journey more and more difficult. **HC \$45.95**

Stephen Deas

The Kings of the Crags (02)

Prince Jehal has murdered, poisoned and betrayed his way to the top. There is a new speaker for the realms, his opposition has been crushed, now he just has to enjoy the fruits of power. And yet... He feels more for the wife he married for power than perhaps he should and his lover knows it. And out in the realms those loyal to the old regime are still plotting and there are rumours that the Red Riders, heralds of revolution and doom are on the ride.

And still no-one has found the famous white dragon. The dragon that, if it lived, will have long since recovered from the effects of the alchemical liquid fed to the dragons of the realms to keep them docile, to block their memories of a time when they ruled and the world burned. **TP \$32.99**

Robyn DeHart

Desire Me (Legend Hunters 02)

Fielding Grey is the second son of the Marquess of Eldon and fortune hunter by night. He's on a mission for the Legend Hunters--a group of wealthy, titled, and heart-breakingly gorgeous men, each of whom are after the find of the century--he has his eyes set on obtaining the illustrious Pandora's Box. But before he finds it, he encounters an equally alluring treasure--the woman bold enough to look inside.

Esme Worthington can't resist taking the tiniest peek inside when fate drops the real Pandora's Box in her lap. Thus, she unleashes one of Pandora's irresistible curses: the curse of lust. Now, both Esme and Fielding must deal with this passionate curse--or blessing?--before unknown implications of Pandora's Box overpower them both. **PB \$17.95**

Guillermo Del Toro & Chuck Hogan

The Strain

High-concept thriller with a supernatural edge from world-famous director, whose films include Pan's Labyrinth and Hellboy. A plane lands at JFK and mysteriously 'goes dark', stopping in the middle of the runway for no apparent reason, all lights off, all doors sealed. The pilots cannot be raised. When the hatch above the wing finally clicks open, it soon becomes clear that everyone on board is dead -- although there is no sign of any trauma or struggle. Ephraim Goodweather and his team from the Center for Disease Control must work quickly to establish the cause of this strange occurrence before panic spreads. The first thing they discover is that four of the victims are actually still alive.

But that's the only good news. And when all two hundred corpses disappear from various morgues around the city on the same night, things very rapidly get worse. Soon Eph and a small band of helpers will find themselves battling to protect not only their own loved ones, but the whole city, against an ancient threat to humanity. **BPB \$24.99**

Terry Dowling *Australian Author*

Amberjack: Tales of Fear and Wonder

Amberjack: Tales of Fear & Wonder gives us the best of Terry's recent uncollected work in a single wonderful volume. From invasion by the truly alien in "The Lagan Fishers", "Truth Window" and "Flashmen" to the gut-wrenching horror of "Toothier" and "The Suits at Auderlene", from the day-after-tomorrow, hardline SF of "He Tried to Catch the Light" to the epic sweep and swashbuckling adventure of "The Library", this is imaginative storytelling as it should be: provocative, unsettling, beautifully crafted, full of invention and genuine surprise and, yes, a definite touch of the dark side.

The Library is a Tom Rynosseros story.

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David Drake*What Distant Deeps (Lt Leary 08)*

No rest for the weary. Captain Daniel Leary and his friend, the spy Adele Mundy, have been in the front lines of Cinnabar's struggle against the totalitarian Alliance. Now these galactic superpowers have signed a peace of mutual exhaustion-- But the jackals are moving in! The Republic of Cinnabar was on the verge of collapse under the weight of taxes, casualties, and war's disruption of trade. That the Alliance of Free Stars was in even worse condition helped only because it has made peace possible. Years of war have been hard on Daniel and harder still on Adele, whose life outside information-gathering is a tightrope between despair and deadly violence. Their masters in the RCN and the Republic's intelligence service have sent them to the fringes of human space to relax away from danger. But the barbarians of the outer reaches have their own plans, plans which will bring down both Cinnabar and the Alliance. The enemies of peace include traitors, giant reptiles, and barbarian pirates whose ships can outsail even Daniel Leary's splendid corvette, the Princess Cecile. Unless Daniel, Adele, and their unlikely allies succeed, galactic civilization will disintegrate into blood and chaos. So they will succeed—or they'll die trying! **HC \$51.95**

Dave Duncan*Speak to the Dead*

Enlisting in the royal Jorgarian hussars in a post-feudal Dobkov that has denounced magic as Satanism, an ambitious Anton and his psychic servant, Wulf, are directed to take command of a strategic fortress under threat by magic-wielding invaders. **HC \$56.95**

Jennifer Estep*Web of Lies (Elemental Assassin 02)*

Curiosity is definitely going to get me dead one of these days. Probably real soon. I'm Gin Blanco. You might know me as the Spider, the most feared assassin in the South. I'm retired now, but trouble still has a way of finding me. Like the other day when two punks tried to rob my popular barbecue joint, the Pork Pit. Then there was the barrage of gunfire on the restaurant. Only, for once, those kill shots weren't aimed at me. They were meant for Violet Fox. Ever since I agreed to help Violet and her grandfather protect their property from an evil coalmining tycoon, I'm beginning to wonder if I'm really retired. So is Detective Donovan Caine. The only honest cop in Ashland is having a real hard time reconciling his attraction to me with his Boy Scout mentality. And I can barely keep my hands off his sexy body. What can I say? I'm a Stone elemental with a little Ice magic thrown in, but my heart isn't made of solid rock. Luckily, Gin Blanco always gets her man . . . dead or alive. **APB \$19.95**

Christopher Farnsworth*Blood Oath (Nathaniel Cade)*

This much is true. In 1867 a man accused of vampirism was tried for murder and sentenced to death. He was then pardoned by President Andrew Johnson, and died years later in an asylum for the criminally insane. At least, that's the cover story. Meet Nathaniel Cade: the President's vampire. Cade's pardon came at a price. In return for his freedom Cade swore a blood oath to protect America and the Presidential line from their supernatural enemies. Now, over 140 years later, Cade still works for the President and his administration. An extreme terrorist group in the Middle East are plotting to unleash a wave of zombies on American soil. Only one man can stop them. And he's already dead . . . **TP \$29.99**

Christine Feehan*The Scarletti Curse*

Every bride who has entered the Scarletti family castle is doomed to leave in a casket, until Nicoletta changes her fate by looking into the eyes of Don Scarletti--giving her body to him and praying that the powerful and tormented don will be her heart's destiny. **PB \$14.95**

Lynn Flewelling*The White Road*

After escaping death and slavery in Plenimar, Seregil and Alec, longing to return to their nightrunning life in Rhiminee, are saddled with a strange, alchemically created creature who is a danger to all whom they come in contact with, causing them to uncover the truth about this living homunculus. **APB \$19.95**

Eric Flint & Ryk Spoor*Threshold*

When the strange fossil she'd discovered had ended up giving her a trip to Mars, Helen Sutter thought she'd gone about as far as any paleontologist would ever go in her lifetime. But when you've also married A.J. Baker, overconfident super- sensor expert for the only private agency in space ? the Ares Corporation -- and your best friend Madeline Fathom Buckley is a former secret agent who's just signed on as the chief of security for the newly created and already embattled Interplanetary Research Institute of the United Nations, there's always somewhere farther to go.

The newest discoveries will take her, A.J., and their friends Jackie, Joe, and Madeline to the mysterious asteroid Ceres ? and beyond, in a desperate race to Jupiter's perilous miniature system of radiation- bombarded moons. The next gold rush is on ? for alien technology, hidden in lost bases around the system. And there are people willing to do anything to get it ? even plan the first interplanetary war, four hundred million miles from home! **HC \$51.95**

Matt Forbeck*Amortals*

In the near future where scientists have discovered how to back up and restore a person's memories into a vat-bred clone, Secret Service agent Ronan Doonan, after being brutally murdered, is brought back from the dead to hunt down his killer. **PB \$19.95**

Diana Pharaoh Francis*The Hollow Crown (Crosspointe 04)*

After the king and queen are murdered, and the ruthless lord chancellor takes over the throne, making slaves of the royal family, the king's heirs are determined to rally whatever allies they have left and overthrow the lord chancellor before the Jutras invade. **PB \$19.95**

Jeaniene Frost*Halfway to the Grave (Night Huntress 01)*

Half-vampire Catherine Crawford is going after the undead with a vengeance, hoping that one of those deadbeats is her father - the guy responsible for ruining her mother's life. But when she's captured by Bones, a bounty hunter and a vampire, she finds herself forced into an unholy partnership. In exchange for his help in finding her father and still astonished she hasn't ended up as his dinner, Cat agrees to train with the sexy night stalker until her battle reflexes are as sharp as his fangs. But that's not all Bones has to show her - Cat's starting to believe maybe vampires aren't all evil after all, especially ones as cute as Bones. She's half-convinced that being half-dead doesn't have to be all bad. But before she can enjoy her newfound status as confident kick-ass demon hunter Cat finds herself and Bones, hotly pursued by a band of killers. She's is going to have to pick a side - and fast... **BPB \$22.99**

Heather Graham

Nightwalker

Jessy Sparhawk has seen firsthand how gambling can ruin people's lives. But one night, desperate for money, she places the bet that will change her life forever. Just as she's collecting her winnings, a man crashes into her, a knife protruding from his back, pinning her to the table.

Hired to investigate the murder, private detective Dillon Wolf finds himself fascinated by the gorgeous redhead who'd been trapped beneath the victim.

What neither of them realises is that the nightmare is only just beginning. Bodyguard Tanner Green may have been killed by that knife, but his ghost isn't going anywhere — not without vengeance. Caught between the living and the dead, Dillon and Jessy must fight to stay alive. **APB \$16.99**

Mira Grant

Feed

The year was 2014. We had cured cancer. We had beaten the common cold. But in doing so we created something new, something terrible that no one could stop. The infection spread, virus blocks taking over bodies and minds with one, unstoppable command: FEED. Now, twenty years after the Rising, bloggers Georgia and Sean Mason are on the trail of the biggest story of their lives - the dark conspiracy behind the infected. The truth will get out, even if it kills them. **PB \$19.99**

Thomas Greanis

The Promised War (01)

A first entry in a new trilogy by the best-selling author of *The Atlantis Revelation* finds Israeli counter-terrorism agent Sam Dekker abducted by radical adversaries only to find himself seemingly transported through time to the eve of a historical battle in ancient Israel, an event he fears may be tied to torture-induced psychosis. **HC \$51.95**

Walter Greatshell

Apocalypticon (Xombies 02)

Survivors of a cataclysmic zombie-making plague leave a temporary safety of a refitted nuclear sub to scavenge for food and supplies on land. But they soon find themselves facing new terrors on the surface and mutiny below. **PB \$14.95**

Simon R Green

From Hell With Love (Secret Histories)

Follows the acting head of the Drood family, Eddie, as he protects humanity from supernatural creatures and tries to figure out who killed his family's matriarch. **HC \$51.95**

Richard Greene

Zombies, Vampires and Philosophy

Since 1968's *Night of the Living Dead*, zombie culture has steadily limped and clawed its way into the center of popular culture. Today, zombies and vampires have taken over TV shows, comic books, cartoons, video games, and movies. *Zombies, Vampires, and Philosophy* drags the theories of famous philosophers like Socrates and Descartes into the territory of the undead, exploring questions like: Why do vampires and vegetarians share a similar worldview? Why is understanding zombies the key to health care reform? And what does "healthy in mind and body" mean for vampires and zombies? Answers to these questions and more await readers brave enough to make this fun, philosophical foray into the undead. **TP \$35**

Laurell K Hamilton

Bullet (Anita Blake 17)

I am back in St Louis and trying to live a normal life as normal as possible for someone who is a legal vampire executioner and a US Marshal. I have my lovers, my friends and their children, school programs to attend. In the midst of all this ordinary happiness a vampire from my past reaches out. She was supposed to be dead, killed in an explosion, but the Mother of All Darkness is the first vampire, the dark creator, and it's hard to kill a god. She has reached out to me here in St Louis, home of everyone I love most. She has decided she has to act now or never, to control me, and all the vampires in America. The Mother of All Darkness believes that the triumvirate created by master vampire Jean-Claude with me and the werewolf Richard Zeeman has enough power for her to regain a body and to emigrate to the New World. But the body she wants to possess is already taken; I'm about to learn a whole new meaning to sharing my body, one that has nothing to do with the bedroom. And if the Mother of All Darkness can't succeed in taking over my body for herself, she means to see that no one else has the use of it, ever again. Even Belle Morte, not always a friend to me, has sent word: Run if you can... **TP \$32.99 HC \$54.95 CD - Unabridged \$78**

Guilty Pleasures (Anita Blake)

In a world where vampires, zombies and werewolves have been declared legal citizens of the United States, Anita Blake is an 'animator' - a profession that involves raising the dead for mourning relatives. The 'Anita Blake: Vampire Hunter' stories blend gothic fantasy with elements of horror and romance. **TP \$30.95**

Ardeur: 14 Writers on the Anita Blake, Vampire Hunter Series (Anita Blake)

TP \$30.95

Danse Macabre (Anita Blake 13)

It was the middle of November, I was supposed to be out jogging, but instead I was sitting at my breakfast table talking about men, sex, werewolves and vampires. I should be concentrating on my dangerous situation the *ardeur* between me and Jean-Claude, Master Vampire of the City, and Richard, my werewolf lover, is reaching new levels, evolving into something altogether new, acting with a will of its own. But instead Anita Blake, preternatural expert and feared executioner, is less interested in vampire politics than in the ancient, ordinary dread that women down the ages have experienced: am I pregnant? And, if so, is the father a vampire, a werewolf or someone else entirely. And being a Federal Marshall, known for raising the dead and hunting vampires, is no way to bring up a baby. **BPB \$22.99**

Harlequin (Anita Blake 14)

'They will play with us, then destroy us... They are what we fear in the dark.' The first warning is unexpected, calculated. The second warning is a gift: a plain white mask, carefully wrapped. But white is good - white means we are only being watched. It seems the power that connects me, Anita Blake, with Jean-Claude Vampire Master of the City and Richard, leader of the werewolves, is attracting very unwelcome attention - from creatures so feared no vampire will willingly speak their name. They are known as the Harlequin, and they have the authority to pass judgement upon me. It is forbidden to speak of the Harlequin unless you've been contacted. And to be contacted is to face a sentence of death. **BPB \$22.99**

Laurell K Hamilton*Skin Trade (Anita Blake 16)*

The sensational novel featuring vampire-hunting heroine Anita Blake. 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's joined by three other federal marshals, including the ruthless Edward hiding behind his mild-mannered persona. It's 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, which means the odds of her rubbing someone important up the wrong way just got a lot higher... **BPB \$22.99**

Guilty Pleasures Complete Collection (Graphic Novel) (Anita Blake 01 (Graphic Novel))

HC \$70*Laughing Corpse 1: Animator (Graphic Novel) (Anita Blake 2a)*

What would you do for a million dollars? Would you resurrect a two-and-one-half-century old corpse? Harold Gaynor poses just that question to Animator and part-time vampire hunter, Anita Blake... Plus, some crime scenes are even too horrible for a vampire slayer, and the worse they are, the more questions they raise. **HC \$39.95**

*Laughing Corpse 2 (graphic Novel) (Anita Blake 2b)***HC \$39.95***Laughing Corpse 3 (Graphic Novel) (Anita Blake 2c)***HC \$39.95***Micah and Strange Candy (Anita Blake, anthology)*

An Anita Blake, Vampire Hunter, Novel, plus more original tales in one special volume.

MICAH 'Raising the dead is easy. Love is hard.' There are lots of reasons to raise the dead - some private, some public. In this case, the feds have a witness who died before he could speak on the record. They want him raised so his testimony can be taken. So here I am, Anita Blake, necromancer, on a plane to Philadelphia, flying off to do my job. But I'm not alone: Micah, head of the St Louis wereleopards, is with me. I'm happy to have him at my side. Until he mentions that this will be our first time alone together. Just me and Micah. And all my fears and doubts...

STRANGE CANDY Fantastical fairy tales that will leave you craving more: from the woman who marries into a family of wizards to a couple fleeing a gang of love-hungry cupids, readers will revel in these unique visions. **BPB \$22.99**

Lori Handeland*Shakespeare Undead*

After a slew of zombies invades London, it is up to vampire necromancer William Shakespeare and Katherine Dymond, the famed "Dark Lady" of Sonnets 127-152, to find out who's behind this inconvenient invasion of the undead. **TP \$28.95**

Karin Harlow*Enemy Lover (LOST 01)*

Determined to prove herself on her first mission for L.O.S.T., femme fatale Jax Cassidy must gain the trust of assassin Marcus Cross, and then kill both him and his mentor, Joseph Lazarus, but passion and the immortal get in the way of her assignment. **PB \$19.95**

Charlaine Harris*Dead in the Family (Sookie Stackhouse 10)*

If you think your family relationships are complicated, think again: you haven't seen anything like the ones in Bon Temps, Louisiana. Sookie Stackhouse is dealing with a whole host of family problems, ranging from her own kin (a non-human fairy and a telepathic second cousin) demanding a place in her life, to her lover Eric's vampire sire, an ancient being who arrives with Eric's 'brother' in tow at a most inopportune moment. And Sookie's tracking down a distant relation of her ailing neighbour (and ex), Vampire Bill Compton. In addition to the multitude of family issues complicating her life, the werewolf pack of Shreveport has asked Sookie for a special favour, and since Sookie is an obliging young woman, she agrees. But this favour for the wolves has dire results for Sookie, who is still recovering from the trauma of her abduction during the Fairy War. **HC \$49.99 TP \$29.99 CD \$55**

Colin Harvey*Damage Time*

As the sea-levels rise in New York City, Detective Pete Shah, who, serving with the NYPD as a Memory Association Specialist, reads the last memories of murder victims, is accused of killing a glamorous woman in a bar and must race against time to save himself. **PB \$19.95**

Michele Hauf*Angel Slayer (Of Angels and Demons)*

All her life Eden Campbell had dreamed of angels...but none that she painted was like the fallen angel who attacked her. A muse, Eden was now to bear her attacker's offspring—one who promised the apocalypse and foretold her death. **PB \$14.95**

Robin Hobb*Dragon Haven (audio) (Rain Wild Chronicles 02 (audio))*

As the malformed, disabled dragons, their keepers and their supply barge forge their way deeper into uncharted wilderness in search of the ancient city of Kestingra, human and beast alike discover they are changing in mysterious and dangerous ways.

Unabridged **MP3 CD \$68**

Paul Hoffman*The Left Hand of God (audio)*

Follows the adventures of 16-year-old Thomas, one of thousands of imprisoned youths being trained in combat by warrior monks who becomes aware of his secret destiny after a daring escape. **CD - Unabridged \$78**

Jeannie Holmes*Blood Law*

Alexandra Sabian, an enforcer for the Federal Bureau of Preternatural Investigations, must maintain the tentative alliance between her kind and humans, but when dead vampires begin turning up, murdered in the same gruesome fashion as her father was years ago, the job suddenly turns personal. **PB \$19.95**

Tom Holt*May Contain Traces of Magic*

There are all kinds of products. The good ones. The bad ones. The ones that stay in the garage mouldering for years until your garden gnome makes a home out of them. Most are harmless if handled properly, even if they do contain traces of peanuts. But some are not. Not the ones that contain traces of magic. Chris Popham wasn't paying enough attention when he talked to his SatNav. Sure, she gave him directions, never backtalked him, and always led him to his next spot on the map with perfect accuracy. She was the best thing in his life. So was it really his fault that he didn't start paying attention when she talked to him? In his defence, that was her job. But when 'Take the next right' turned into 'Excuse me,' that was when the real trouble started. Because sometimes a SatNav isn't a SatNav. Sometimes it's an imprisoned soul trapped inside a metal box that will do anything it can to get free. And some products you just can't return. **BPB \$22.99**

Claire Hooper *Australian Author**Love Bites: 101 Tips for Surviving Your Vampire Romance*

Do you know that vampires exist, and that we really, really want one. So how can you score your own gorgeous immortal? And how do you keep a relationship alive when your partner is one of the eternal undead?

Claire Hooper has a wealth of experience when it comes to dating guys who can't go out in sunlight, aren't suitable to introduce to your parents, and quite possibly have blood on their hands. In *Love Bites* she shares her insider's knowledge, taking you from go to whoa to vampire ho by answering questions such as:

'He's been around for hundreds of years. Are there any pick-up lines he hasn't heard?'

'I'm the beachy type. Will my natural, healthy glow put him off?'

'I know vampires are really into virgins. Can I just tell him I am one? Or will he read my mind and find out the truth?'

'I know that traditional wedding photography isn't possible, but I'd like a souvenir of our big day. How long will a portrait artist take to do a wedding party of 12?'

If it all goes according to plan, you'll also need to know how to wean him onto animal blood, where to put his coffin, and how to resolve that all-important eternal life question - will you, or won't you? **BPB \$19.99**

Victor Hugo*The Hunchback of Notre Dame*

Here is the haunting drama of Quasimodo, the hunchback; Esmeralda, the gypsy dancer; and Claude Frollo, the priest tortured by his own damnation. Shaped by a profound sense of tragic irony, it is a work that gives full play to the author's brilliant imagination. **PB \$9.95**

Alaya Dawn Johnson*Moonshine*

Imagining vampires at the heart of the social struggles of 1920s, *Moonshine* blends a tempestuous romance with dramatic historical fiction, populated by a lively mythology inhabiting the gritty New York City streets.

Zephyr Hollis is an underfed, overzealous social activist who teaches night school to the underprivileged of the Lower East Side. Strapped for cash, Zephyr agrees to help a student, the mysterious Amir, who proposes she use her charity worker cover to bring down a notorious vampire mob boss. What he doesn't tell her is why. Soon enough she's tutoring a child criminal with an angelic voice, dodging vampires high on a new blood-based street drug, and trying to determine the real reason behind Amir's request – not to mention attempting to resist (often unsuccessfully) his dark, inhuman charm. **HC \$30.95**

Jaida Jones & Danielle Bennett*Dragonsoul (Volstov 03)*

Forging an uneasy truce after the war between Volstov and Ke-Han, cruel dragon-rider Rook and bookish tutor Thom share a common quest to locate the missing pieces of Rook's war-torn mechanical dragon, who has lost her soul among her scattered parts. **HC \$54.95**

Shane Jones*Light Boxes*

After a god-like spirit punishes a town for flying by making it perpetually live out its days in the month of February, children go missing and adults fall into deep depression, but a small contingent of townsfolk fight back, waging war on February, in a story optioned by film director Spike Jonze. **TP \$28.95**

Brenda Joyce*Dark Victory (Warriors of Time 04)*

A dark, ruthless Highlander, the Black Macleod has refused his destiny. His life is revenge for the massacre of his family. His enemies' insults — that he is a man of stone — only amuse him. But fate is impatient, and when a woman from another time dares to summon him, he cannot resist her. A schoolteacher by day, Tabitha Rose uses her magic to protect others by night. When the vision of a dark Highlander, bloody and burned, appears to Tabitha, she knows she has been called to help him, no matter how frightening he might be. But what Tabitha doesn't expect is to be taken against her will to his dark, violent time. And when evil begins to stalk her, she realises she must fight for far more than his destiny — she must fight for her love... **BPB \$22.99**

Richard Kadrey*Sandman Slim*

Life sucks, then you die. Period.

Unless you're James Stark, a hitman in Hell for eleven years before escaping back up to Hell-on-earth L.A.—looking for revenge, absolution . . . love, maybe.

But Hell's not through with Stark. Heaven's not either. **PB \$19.95**

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Stacia Kane*Unholy Ghosts (Downside Ghosts 01)*

Murderous spirits and ruthless drug dealers combine to create serious problems for fiercely independent heroine, Chess, in these fast-paced, sexy and addictive novels -- fitting for a witch with a serious drug problem. The world is not the way it was.

The dead have risen and constantly attack the living. The powerful Church of Real Truth, in charge since the government fell, has sworn to reimburse citizens being harassed by the deceased. Consequently, there are many false claims of hauntings from those hoping to profit.

Enter Chess Putnam, a fully-tattooed witch and freewheeling Debunker and ghost hunter. She's got a real talent for nailing the human liars or banishing the wicked dead. But she's keeping a dark secret from the Church: a little drug problem that's landed her in hot and dangerous water.

Chess owes a murderous drug lord named Bump a lot of money. And Bump wants immediate payback. All Chess has to do is dispatch a very nasty species of undead from an old airport.

But the job involves black magic, human sacrifice, a nefarious demonic creature, and crossing swords with enough wicked energy to wipe out a city of souls. Toss in lust with a rival gang leader and a dangerous attraction to Bump's ruthless enforcer, and Chess begins to wonder if the rush is really worth it. Hell, yeah. **BPB \$24.99**

Scott Kenemore*Zen of Zombie*

Helps you learn how to slow down and move at your own pace, become your own boss, and just devour those irritating people who get in your way.

This work offers advice on love, playing to your strengths, and on becoming more adaptable. **PB \$24.99**

Sherrilyn Kenyon*Bad Moon Rising (Dark Hunter 14)*

Fang Kattalakis isn't just a wolf. He is the brother of two of the most powerful members of the Omegion: the ruling council that enforces the laws of the Were-Hunters. And when war erupts among the lycanthropes, sides must be chosen. Enemies are forced into shaky alliances. When Aimee, the woman Fang loves, is accused of betraying her people, her only hope is that Fang believes in her. Yet in order to save her, Fang must break the law of his people and the faith of his brothers. That breach could very well spell the end of both their races and change their world forever. **APB \$19.99**

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

A follow-up to Black and White finds supernatural best friends-turned-arch enemies Jet and Iridium thrown into further turmoil by the destruction of the secret hero frequency, the burning of New Chicago and the rise of the nefarious Doctor Hypnotic. **TP \$30.95**

Dierdre Knight*Red Demon (Gods of Midnight 03)*

When Julianna Tiades, the love of his immortal life, makes a bargain with a Djinn demon and takes physical form, Aristos Petrakos is reunited with this woman he thought he'd lost forever, but the price to keep her may be too high. **PB \$19.95**

Dani Kollin & Eytan Kollin*The Unincorporated War*

The corporate society which is headquartered on Earth and rules Venus, Mars, and the Orbital colonies, wants to destroy Justin and reclaim hegemony over the outer planets. The first interplanetary war begins as the military fleet of Earth attacks. Filled with battles, betrayals, and triumphs, The Unincorporated War is a full-scale space opera that catapults the focus of the earlier novel up and out into the solar system. Justin remains both a logical and passionate fighter for the principles that motivate him, and remains the most dangerous man alive. **HC \$45**

Dean Koontz*Lost Souls (Frankenstein)*

As Victor Leben, formerly Frankenstein, begins his work to create a race of superhumans, five people, including Victor's original creation, Deucalion, gather in a small Montana town to face dangers they have never known before in order to oppose Victor. **HC \$54.95**

Relentless

The stunning new thriller from one of the world's bestselling authors. Hostile reviews may have hastened the deaths of some writers, but Cubby Greenwich is made of sterner stuff. At least this is what he tells himself, meanwhile obsessing about the scathing review of his latest bestseller by Shearman Waxx in a national newspaper. A feared and therefore revered critic, Waxx has an aura of mystery about him that has carried him far as an arbiter of taste, but the mystery itself is about to break cover. In an unexpected encounter with Waxx, Cubby says one innocent word, but it is the wrong word, and it seems to trigger an inhuman fury in the critic, who becomes bent on destroying Cubby and everything he loves.

For it soon becomes apparent that Waxx is not merely a ferocious literary enemy, but a ruthless sociopath. When Cubby finally learns the truth, can he save himself and his family from the appalling danger they are in? The terror has only just begun... **APB \$19.99**

Michael Koryta*So Cold the River*

After he is hired by Alyssa Bradford to research the life of her 95-year-old billionaire father-in-law, Eric Shaw visits the man's hometown, where he discovers a restored hotel that has a checkered past--and a newly reawakened evil bent on revenge. **HC \$51.95**

M D Lachlan*Wolfsangel*

he Viking King Authun leads his men on a raid against an Anglo-Saxon village. Men and women are killed indiscriminately but Authun demands that no child be touched. He is acting on prophecy. A prophecy that tells him that the Saxons have stolen a child from the Gods. If Authun, in turn, takes the child and raises him as an heir, the child will lead his people to glory. But Authun discovers not one child, but twin baby boys. Authun takes the children and their mother home, back to the witches who live on the troll wall. And he places his destiny in their hands. And so begins a stunning multi-volume fantasy epic that will take a werewolf from his beginnings as the heir to a brutal viking king, down through the ages. It is a journey that will see him hunt for his lost love through centuries and lives and see the endless battle between the wolf, Odin and Loki - the eternal trickster - spill over into countless bloody conflicts from our history and over into our lives. This is the myth of the werewolf as it has never been told before. **HC \$59.99**

Joyce Lamb*True Vision (True 01)*

When she witnesses a fatal hit-and-run accident that gives her an intense psychic power, newspaper reporter Charlie Trudeau must help Chicago police detective Noah Lassiter solve the mystery of his friend's untimely death, placing her in the path of a desperate killer. **PB \$19.95**

Shelly Laurenston

Beast Behaving Badly (Bo Novikov)

In a new paranormal romance, Bo Novikov--part polar bear, part lion and all man--takes Blayne Thorpe to Maine, despite her protests, in order to protect her from stalkers who are trying to force shape-shifters into dog fights. **TP \$28.95**

Tim Lebbon

Fear of the Dark (30 Days of Night)

Believing that he has a guardian angel--one who has saved him from danger since he was 12-years-old--Marty Volk discovers that his savior is his sister, who, now a member of the blood-thirsty undead, will do anything to survive. **PB \$19.95**

Sharon Lee & Steve Miller

The Dragon Variation (Liaden 05, 06, 02)

Local Custom—Master Trader Er Thom yos'Galan knows that Liaden custom is to be matched with a proper bride and provide his clan, Korval, with an heir. Yet his heart is immersed in another universe, influenced by another culture, and lost to a woman not of his world. And to take a Terran wife such as scholar Anne Davis is to risk both his honor and reputation—not to mention the lives of loved ones.

Scout's Progress—Aelliana Caylon is a brilliant mathematician, revered by pilots for the life-saving revisions she brought to the ven'Tura Piloting Tables. Despite this, her home life is terrifying, as the target of her elder brother's spite and her mother's indifference. Convinced that she has no recourse, Aelliana endures, until, on a dare, she plays a game of chance and wins a spaceship. Suddenly she has a way to escape her drab life ? if she can qualify as a pilot, and survive her brother's abuse.

Conflict of Honors—Declared legally dead by a High Priestess of the Goddess and abandoned by her mother, Priscilla Delacroix has roamed the galaxy for ten years, surviving and becoming a woman of extraordinary skills. Now, she's been betrayed and abandoned once again, left on a distant planet by the Liaden starship on which she had been an important officer. But she's not alone: starship captain Shan yos'Galan has his own score to settle with the same enemy and is about to offer her an alliance.

Omnibus of Local Custom, Scout's Progress & Conflict of Honours. **TP \$24.95**

Mouse and Dragon (Liaden 13)

Aelliana Caylon has endured much, and finally, she appears to have won all: a spaceship, comrades, friends -- and the love of a pilot she adores.

Even better than her lover—the man who was destined for her, a man as much a loner as she—is also the Delm of Korval, arguably the most powerful person on all of Liad. He has the power to remove her and protect her from the toxic environment of her home Clan. Best of all, he agrees to sit as her co-pilot and her partner in a courier business.

Even happy endings sometimes show a few flaws. Such as Aelliana's home clan being not as agreeable to letting her go as it had first seemed. And the fact that someone is stealing pilots in the Low Port, which falls within the Delm of Korval's honor. Oh, and the revelation that the man she loves—the man who is destined for her—isn't entirely the man she thought he was. And finally, she discovers that even the lift from Liad she'd so fervently desired, is part of a larger plan, a plan requiring her to be someone she never thought she was, or could be. **HC \$45.95**

H P Lovecraft

The Best of H P Lovecraft

Howard Lovecraft is undoubtedly one of the most influential writers in the history of horror fiction, with Stephen King acknowledging that 'Lovecraft opened the way for me, as he had done for others before me' and Arthur C Clarke proclaiming him 'One of the twentieth century's most original writers'.

Lovecraft's Herbert West: Reanimator, was turned into a series of movies that started with the 1985 film Re-Animator and rolled on through Bride of Re-Animator in 1991 and Beyond Re-Animator in 2003. Included in this mammoth anthology of Lovecraft horror are some of his scariest stories such as 'The Call of Cthulhu' (a terrifying tentacled alien god); 'Herbert West: Reanimator', about a man who can bring people back from the dead; 'The Rats in the Walls' (don't even go there); and 'The Dunwich Horror', among many others. Lovecraft claimed to base his stories on the strange and disturbing dreams from which he suffered. Don't dare dip into this book unless you want to share in Lovecraft's nightmares! **HC \$29.99**

Jonathan Maberry

The Dragon Factory (Joe Ledger 02)

Having protected the world from a zombie plague in PATIENT ZERO, Joe Ledger and his crack Department of Special Sciences combat team are thrown into an even more frightening crisis. A genetic-engineering program has been used to create the ultimate fighting machine - soldiers bred for war, soldiers with greater strength, higher reaction speeds and an utter disregard for pain. Theirs and others. It's a nightmare from the pages of Doctor Moreau and soon Joe and his team are up against both the big business concerns who have billions invested in the project and, on the street, adversaries bred expressly to kill them. It's enough to make you wish you were facing zombies again... **TP \$32.99**

Kasey Mackenzie

Red Hot Fury

When the body of a sister Fury washes up in Boston Harbor, Marissa Holloway discovers that someone is trying to start a war between mortals and arcans and turns to shape-shifting Warhound Scott Murphy for help in solving this dangerous mystery. **PB \$19.95**

Paul Magrs

Hell's Belles

The new mystery in the Brenda & Effie series featuring the Bride of Frankenstein in Whitby Penny is running away from a life of domestic strife and into mysterious Whitby - where she hopes to find herself. But in her quest for self-discovery, Penny may have stumbled on something far more sinister: the gateway to hell. For Whitby is no ordinary seaside resort, and all that keeps the evil at bay are Brenda and Effie - two very unusual old ladies. When a film crew comes to town to remake the sixties schlock horror movie Get Thee Inside Me, Satan, Brenda and Effie suspect something strange is afoot. Female lead Karla Sorenson is reprising her role and she doesn't look like she's aged a day. Surely that's not possible? Then there are the disturbing rumours surrounding the original movie - a cult classic that is, quite literally, spell-binding. As events spool out of control, Penny's new boss Robert draws her deeper into the movie's peculiar mystery. But can it be stopped before all hell breaks loose? **BPB \$22.99**

Cheyenne McCray

No Werewolves Allowed (Night Tracker 02)

When she is hired by Alpha Werewolf Dmitri Beketov to find several missing Werewolves, P.I. Nyx, along with Detective Adam Boyd, comes face-to-face with an evil force that is exterminating paranorms and "unworthy" humans alike. **PB \$19.95**

Kelly McCullough*SpellCrash (WebMage 05)*

In a world where magic has merged with 21st century technology, Ravirn, the great-grandson of one of the three Fates, must protect Necessity, the sentient computer that runs the multiverse, from Zeus, Hades, Fate and Eris. **PB \$19.95**

Fiona McIntosh Australian Author*Tyrant's Blood (Valisar 02)*

The Denova Empire is flourishing under Loethar's rule as he urges the invading people of the Steppes to integrate with the West. But Loethar is bored - as is Leo, the self-proclaimed true king, living in hiding, but eager to claim the Valisar throne.

Freath keeps his own secrets while working as sage counsel to the Empire. But when he risks all to contact the rebel, Kilt Faris, his life may be forfeit. A new evil is stirring, and there is only one who knows that the legendary Valisar Enchantment is rising. The wars and destruction of the empire will seem a squabble in comparison to the darkness that threatens ... **APB \$22.99**

Lindsay McKenna*Guardian (Warriors For the Light)*

A Templar knight in a past life, Nicholas de Beaufort has no desire to inhabit his former human body again. But when he's ordered to return to his human form to guard Mary Anderson, a woman with a special purpose, he has no choice. Unsure of his new mission, Nicholas is only certain of the scorching lust Mary ignites in him. **PB \$14.95**

China Mieville*Kraken*

A dark urban fantasy thriller from one of the all-time masters of the genre.

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

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

A god that someone is hoping will end the world. **TP \$34.99 HC \$52.95**

Karen Miller Australian Author*The Reluctant Mage (Fisherman's Children 02)*

The sorcerer has awoken and blights the land ... while the innocent mage hovers between life and death. Rafel's expedition over the mountains to Lost Dorana has disappeared. Now Deenie is having disturbing dreams of her brother and determines to seek the truth. In the company of her best friend she finds a way beyond Lur, only to find that the evil sorcerer, Morg, still holds those lands in a tenuous but strengthening grip. **APB \$22.99**

James Miller*Sunshine State*

Mark Burrows is an 'invisible man', a British secret agent adept at moving undetected through the most hostile environments. Summoned for one final mission, he must make contact with Charlie Ashe; ten years ago the two men worked together undercover in Iraq, sowing bloody mayhem with bombings and assassinations. Burrows now faces a terrible reckoning with his past. Ashe, a master of guerrilla warfare, has reappeared with a new name and a terrifying new agenda in the Storm Zone, an anarchic region in the former United States that is racked by devastating hurricanes and dominated by dangerous cults, criminal gangs and insurgent armies. Alone and haunted by memories, Burrows embarks on a hazardous journey into the darkness and chaos of the Storm Zone. The mission will force Burrows to question his loyalties and to understand that the greatest threat lies not with his target but with the forces that seek to control them both. **TP \$32.99**

C E Murphy*Demon Hunts (Walker Papers 05)*

Seattle police detective Joanne Walker tracks a cannibalistic serial killer to the Lower World, a shamanistic world of magic and spirits, where her skills are no match for the dangers that lurk there. **TP \$30.95**

Chloe Neill*Friday Night Bites (Chicagoland Vampires 02)*

VAMPIRES IN CHICAGO! You'd think a headline like that would have made the fine citizens of the Windy City to take up arms against us bloodsucking fiends. Instead, ten months later, we're enjoying celebrity statue and fending off the paparazzi, who are only slightly less dangerous than angry stake-wielding slayers. Don't get me wrong - Joe Public isn't exactly thrilled to be living side by side with the undead, but at least they haven't stormed the castle...not yet... But it could be a matter of time. There's a first-time reporter sniffing around vampire society and if he uncovers the Raves - mass feeding parties, where vampires round humans up like cattle and drink themselves silly. The fact that it's majorly frowned upon by vamp society won't make a difference to that kind of a headline, or a new reporter who's out to impress his family... **PB \$22.99**

Chloe Neill*Firespell (Dark Elite 01)*

When Lily's guardians decided to send her away to a fancy boarding school in Chicago, she was shocked. So was St. Sophia's. Lily's ultra-rich brat pack classmates think Lily should be the punchline to every joke and on top of that, she's hearing strange noises and seeing bizarre things in the shadows of the creepy building. The only thing keeping her sane is her roommate, Scout, who keeps disappearing late at night and won't tell Lily where she's been. But when a prank leaves Lily trapped in the catacombs beneath the school, Lily finds Scout running from a real monster. Scout's a member of a splinter group of rebel teens with unique magical talents, who've sworn to protect the city against demons, vampires and Reapers, magic users who've been corrupted by their power. And when Lily finds herself in the line of a firespell, Scout tells her the truth about her secret life, even though Lily has no powers of her own - at least, none that she's discovered yet... **HC \$29.99**

Rachel Neumeier*Lord of the Changing Winds (Griffin Mage 01)*

The desert winds have come to the village of Menas Ford. Griffins, creatures of fire, have appeared in a burning haze, turning the sky a blazing golden-red and the land to dry, cracked earth. These majestic beasts, half-lion, half-eagle, spread the arid desert wherever they roam. Iakor, the King of Feierabiand, will not tolerate the destruction of his people's farmland. Sending forth his army, he means to rid the griffins from his domain - whether by negotiation or brute force. But not all those who encounter the griffins fear them. Kes, a timid village girl with hidden mage powers, is summoned to heal the King of the Griffins. She will discover her affinity with these creatures, and may be the only one to understand the importance of their presence. For they are fleeing a menace which poses a greater threat to her people than even the blazing fires of the desert. **PB \$19.99**

K S Nikakis*The Cry of the Marwing (Kira Chronicles 03)*

The mare snorted, wild-eyed, and danced sideways as a dark shape launched itself at Kira, knocking her off her feet. It leapt on top of her, then a disfigured face thrust close, its lips drawing back in a macabre smile as hands tightened around her throat.

With battles raging and Shargh warriors threatening the future of Allogrenia, gold-eyed Kira is forced to betray her every principle by requesting Tremem Protectors fight and kill to defend their homeland.

As the sickening carnage continues, Ashmiri treachery threatens to deliver Shargh victory. Realising her love of Tierken is not enough to bridge the gulf between them and their respective people, Kira flees Terak.

Reunited with Caledon, her companion of yore, Kira decides to make for her Tremem homeland. But as she and Caledon approach Allogrenia, Caledon's star vision fails him and they're confronted by Shargh.

With the prophecy drawing towards its chilling conclusion, Kira realises victory over the Shargh may cost her everyone and everything she loves...

This is the action-packed conclusion to the Kira Chronicles **PB \$19.99**

Larry Niven & Jerry Pournelle*Escape From Hell (Inferno 02)*

Having recently escaped from hell, Allan Carpenter is haunted by the imprisonment of unfairly tortured souls and partners with suicide-victim poet Sylvia Plath for a mission to return to hell and rescue the damned. By the co-authors of Inferno. **APB \$19.95**

Andre Norton*Game of Stars and Comets*

Four novels of rapid-fire interstellar adventure, set in a common universe, by the Grand Master of the form. This is the first time these novels have appeared in one mass market volume.

* The X Factor: Only Diskan Fentress's mutant powers had a chance of stopping the looting of his new world.

* Voorloper: Three those survivors—an embittered wanderer, his son, and a young girl with a healing power—know they have nothing to lose and set out to find the secret of the Shadow Death that blights the planet Voor.

* The Eye of the Monster: Rees Naper had survived the onslaught of the alien Ishkurian 'croc,' but had to cover miles of jungle and pass through croc armies to reach safety. To do that, he would have to think like a croc, move like a croc . . . and see through the eye of the monster.

* The Sioux Spaceman: Kade Whitehawk chose to join the battle for Ikkinni freedom, even though that choice made him a renegade to his own people, and would almost certainly mean his death. **APB \$19.95**

Nnedi Okorafor*Who Fears Death*

Born into post-apocalyptic Africa by a mother who was raped after the slaughter of her entire tribe, Onyesonwu is tutored by a shaman and discovers that her magical destiny is to end the genocide of her people. **HC \$51.95**

James O'Neal*The Double Human*

A sequel to The Human Disguise finds post-apocalypse Florida peace-keeper Tom going undercover to outmaneuver a brutal serial murderer whose 50-year killing spree has revealed his supernatural qualities as well as the bizarre characteristics of his victims. **HC \$51.95**

Helen Oyeyemi*White is For Witching*

High on the cliffs near Dover, the Silver family is reeling from the loss of Lily, mother of twins Eliot and Miranda, and beloved wife of Luc. Miranda misses her with particular intensity.

Their mazy, capricious house belonged to her mother's ancestors, and to Miranda, newly attuned to spirits, newly hungry for chalk, it seems they have never left. Forcing apples to grow in winter, revealing and concealing secret floors, the house is fiercely possessive of young Miranda.

Joining voices with her brother and her best friend Ore, it tells her story: haunting in every sense, and a spine-tingling tribute to the power of magic, myth and memory. Miri I conjure you... **BPB \$22.99**

Nii Ayikwei Parkes*Tail of the Blue Bird*

Sonokrom, a village in the Ghanaian hinterland, has not changed for thousands of years. Here, the men and women speak the language of the forest, drink aphrodisiacs with their palm wine and walk alongside the spirits of their ancestors. The discovery of sinister remains; possibly human, definitely 'evil'; in a vanished man's hut brings the modern world into the village in the form of Kayo; a young forensic pathologist convinced that scientific logic can shatter even the most inexplicable of mysteries.

But as events in the village become more and more incomprehensible, Kayo and his sidekick, Constable Garba, find that Western logic and political bureaucracy are no longer equal to the task in hand. Strange boys wandering in the forest, ghostly music in the night and a flock of birds that come from far away to fill the desolate hut with discarded feathers take the newcomers into a world where, in the unknown, they discover a higher truth that leaves scientific explanations far behind.

Tail of the Bluebird is a story of the mystical heart of Africa, of the clash and clasp between old and new worlds. Lyrically beautiful, at once uncanny and heart-warmingly human, this is a story that tells us that at the heart of modern man there remains the capacity to know the unknowable.

BPB \$24.95

Andy Remic*Soul Stealers (Clockwork Vampire 02)*

The sequel to Kell's Legend -- more blood-soaked, action-packed, vampire-laced dark epic fantasy.

Kell is being hunted. The vampires are fighting back against him, and the mighty hero finds himself the prey of two beautiful but deadly vampire assassins.

Their bronze fangs are coming for him.

He will strike back. **APB \$20.99**

Alastair Reynolds

Zima Blue

Reynolds' pursuit of truth is not limited to wide-angle star smashing - not that stars don't get pulverised when one character is gifted (or cursed) with an awful weapon by the legendary Merlin. Reynolds' protagonists find themselves in situations of betrayal, whether by a loved one's accidental death, as in 'Signal to Noise', or by a trusted wartime authority, in 'Spirey and the Queen'. His fertile imagination can resurrect Elton John on Mars in 'Understanding Space and Time' or make prophets of the human condition out of pool-cleaning robots in the title story. But overall, the stories in ZIMA BLUE represent a more optimistic take on humanity's future, a view that says there may be wars, there may be catastrophes and cosmic errors, but something human will still survive. **BPB \$24.99**

John Ringo

Eye of the Storm (Posleen)

Beneath A Banner Burned . . .

In an instant the world changed for Lieutenant General Michael O'Neal. His beloved Corps of the last remaining ACS destroyed beneath the guns of the Fleet, his staff shot before his eyes, arrested on the charge of war crimes, he faces a short, one-sided, trial, a trip to the Fleet Penal Facility and a bullet to the back of the head while trying to 'escape.'

The Boundaries Blur

General Tam Wesley faces trying one of the most beloved heroes in Federation, not to mention a friend of decades, on trumped up charges. He alternative is having the last corps of humans that haven't sold their souls to the Darhel be taken apart like a chicken.

Then he finds out the bad news...

The Chaos Has Returned

With a new invasion from a previously unknown race threatening the Federation capital, Darhel Tir Dal Ron faces his ultimate nightmare: He is going to have to reinstate the one man human soldiers trust, a man with the power and knowledge to destroy the Darhel oligarchy forever. And instead convince him, against all logic, to save the Darhel.

Somebody is going to die. General Michael O'Neal, Supreme Commander, Federation Forces, just has to pick who. **APB \$19.95**

Tansy Rayner Roberts Australian Author

Power and Majesty (Creature Court 01)

She almost missed the sight of a naked youth falling out of the sky. He was long and lean and muscled ... He was also completely off his face.

A war is being fought in the skies over the city of Aufleur. No one sees the battles. No one knows how close they come to destruction every time the sun sets.

During daylight, all is well, but when nox falls and the sky turns bright, someone has to step up and lead the Creature Court into battle.

Twelve years ago, Garnet kissed Velody and stole her magic. Five years ago, he betrayed Ashiol, and took his powers by force. But now the Creature Court is at a crossroads ... they need a Power and Majesty who won't give up or lose themselves in madness ... **APB \$22.99**

Adam Roberts

New Model Army

Adam Roberts' new novel is a terrifying vision of a near future war - a civil war that tears the UK apart as new technologies allow the worlds first truly democratic army to take on the British army and wrest control from the powers that be. Taking advances in modern communication and the new eagerness for power from the bottom upwards Adam Roberts has produced a novel that is at once an exciting war novel and a philosophical examination of war and democracy. It shows one of the UKs most exciting and innovative literary voices working at the height of his powers and investing SF with literary significance that is its due. **TP \$32.99**

Rudy Rucker

Hylozoic

A sequel to Postsingular returns readers to an Earth transformed by a global awakening of telepathic communication that catapults newlywed Founders Thuy and Jayjay into a live-action media life and captures the attention of exploitative alien races. **TP \$32.95**

Carrie Ryan

Forest of Hands and Feet (01)

In Mary's world there are simple truths. The Sisterhood always knows best. The Guardians will protect and serve. The Unconsecrated will never relent. And you must always mind the fence that surrounds the village; the fence that protects the village from the Forest of Hands and Teeth. But, slowly, Mary's truths are failing her. She's learning things she never wanted to know about the Sisterhood and its secrets and the Guardians and their power and about the Unconsecrated and their relentlessness. When the fence is breached and her world is thrown into chaos, she must choose between her village and her future-between the one she loves and the one who loves her. And she must face the truth about the Forest of Hands and Teeth. Could there be life outside a world surrounded in so much death? **BPB \$22.99**

Brandon Sanderson

Mistborn Boxed Set (Mistborn 01, 02, 03)

This boxed set contains: Mistborn, The Well of Ascension, The Hero of Ages **APB \$59.95**

Lynsay Sands

Tall Dark and Hungry (Argeneau 04)

Terri, a beautiful Englishwoman, arrives in New York to help plan her cousin's wedding and is powerfully drawn to Bastien, a relative of her cousin's fiancée, who, unbeknownst to Terri, is a vampire thirsty for love. **APB \$14.95**

Maggie Shayne

Forsaken

Twilight Phantasies: In two centuries of living death, Eric Marquand had never once cried out against the cruel fate that had condemned him to walk forever in shadow. But then he found the woman he knew was his chosen one — and understood that to possess her was to destroy her...

Tamara Dey trembled at the aura of dread and despair that enshrouded this creature of the night. And yet, against all reason, she saw clearly that her destiny was eternally entwined with his, and that she must know — even welcome — the terror and the splendour of this vampire's kiss...

Twilight Illusions: There could be no doubt that the one called Damien was the master of shadows, the greatest of his accursed kind. But now his ancient mantle of mystic power was threatened by a terrible weakness — a fatal passion for a woman of mortal flesh and blood...

Suspicion had first drawn Shannon Mallory into the darkness, in search of the truth behind the legends that swirled around this man — if man he was. But it was not suspicion that kept her there, or even fear — it was pure, stunning desire... **TP \$29.99**

Joel Shepherd *Australian Author**Tracato (Trial of Blood and Steel 03)*

As the armies of the Verenthane faithful mass for war in the Bacosh, Sasha and her companions head for Tracato, capital city of the Bacosh province of Rhodaan. For two hundred years Tracato has been the centre of enlightenment, as the serrin have occupied human lands and sought to remake humanity anew. But the serrin have not destroyed Rhodaan's feudal families entirely, and as Tracato faces the greatest threat to its survival in two centuries, old rivalries are stirring. Sasha must assist her mentor Kessligh to strengthen the Tracato Nasi-Keth, yet with one royal sister siding with the feudalists, and another soon to be married to Tracato's most powerful foe, her loyalties are agonisingly divided. Worse still, from Sasha's homeland the Army of Lenayin are marching to make war upon Tracato. Can she fight her own people? Or must she join them, and fight not only her lover Errollyn, but to extinguish the brightest light of hope in all the land - serrin civilisation itself? **APB \$19.99**

Gena Showalter*Jewel of Atlantis (Atlantis 02)*

Enter a world of Dragons, Demons and Nymphs...

Enter a world of dark seduction and powerful magic...

Enter Atlantis...

Legend claims the Jewel of Dunamis can overcome any enemy. Grayson James has orders to keep it from the wrong hands — or destroy it. He doesn't know that the Jewel is actually a woman, not a stone! But once he meets this precious gem, destroying her is the last thing on his mind...

Jewel is a pawn in Atlantis's constant power struggles. She needs Gray's help to win freedom and uncover the secrets of her mysterious origins. Gray needs her wisdom to navigate monster-ridden Atlantis.

But need blossoms into passionate love as they fight demons, dragons, vampires — and a prophecy that says the bond between them could destroy them both. **BPB \$22.99**

The Darkest Passion (Lords of the Underworld 05)

When Olivia, the demon-assassin sent to kill him, gives up her immortality to save him, immortal warrior Aeron is trapped between duty and desire when an enemy and his faithful demon companion are determined to remove Olivia from his life. **APB \$19.95**

Scott Sigler*Ancestor*

When a team of brilliant geneticists discovers how to use animal tissue to replace failing human organs, they revive an ancient species reflecting a common ancestor and inadvertently unleash a fearsome giant predator with an insatiable appetite. **HC \$51.95**

Alison Sinclair*Lightborn (Darkborn 02)*

Lady Talmaine Hearne, of the Darkborn aristocracy, has long kept her magical ability secret, but when her husband draws her into a conspiracy to protect the archduke and his brother, she has no choice but to use her powers. **TP \$30.95**

Nalini Singh*Slave to Sensation (Psy-Changeling 01)*

In a world that denies emotions, where the ruling Psy punish any sign of desire, Sascha Duncan must conceal the feelings that brand her as flawed. To reveal them would be to sentence herself to the horror of 'rehabilitation' - the complete psychic erasure of her personality... Both human and animal, Lucas Hunter is a Changeling hungry for the very sensations the Psy disdain. After centuries of uneasy co-existence, these two races are now on the verge of war over the brutal murder of several Changeling women. Lucas is determined to find the Psy killer who butchered his packmate and Sascha is his ticket into their closely guarded society. But he soon discovers that this ice-cold Psy is very capable of passion - and that the animal in him is fascinated by her. Caught between their conflicting worlds, Lucas and Sascha must remain bound to their identities - or sacrifice everything for a taste of darkest temptation... **BPB \$22.99**

Visions of Heat (Psy-Changeling 02)

Used to cold silence, Faith NightStar is suddenly being tormented by dark visions of blood and murder. A bad sign for anyone, but worse for Faith, an F-Psy with the highly sought after ability to predict the future. Then the visions show her something even more dangerous-aching need...exquisite pleasure. But so powerful is her sight, so fragile the state of her mind, that the very emotions she yearns to embrace could be the end of her. Changeling Vaughn D'Angelo can take either man or jaguar form, but it is his animal side that is overwhelmingly drawn to Faith. The jaguar's instinct is to claim this woman it finds so utterly fascinating and the man has no argument. But while Vaughn craves sensation and hungers to pleasure Faith in every way, desire is a danger that could snap the last threads of her sanity. And there are Psy who need Faith's sight for their own purposes. They must keep her silenced - and keep her from Vaughn... **BPB \$22.99**

Jessa Slade*Forged of Shadows (Marked Souls 02)*

The leader of a wayward band of demon-possessed warriors, Liam Niall, searching for a weapon to defeat a morphing evil, finds it in Jilly Chan, a rebellious demon-ridden soul who refuses to become any man's woman or weapon. **PB \$19.95**

Alexandra Sokoloff*Book of Shadows*

Landing a potentially career-making case involving a ritualistically murdered college student, Boston homicide detective Adam Garrett and his cynical partner, Landauer, make a quick arrest before a practicing wiccan from nearby Salem tells them that she has had a vision about the real killer. **HC \$52.95**

Jeff Somers*The Electric Church (Avery Cates)*

In the System of Federated Nations, a new religion is growing fast. The Electric Church offers eternal life ? the only catch is, you've got to be killed first. Millions have had their brains placed in advanced cybernetic bodies, making them immortal. But rumour has it that the new converts aren't quite as willing as the Monks make out. Avery Cates is a low-life contract killer, prepared to slit anyone's throat for a few measly Yen. But even he gets the heebie-jeebies from the plasticised, eternally-serene stare of the Monks. He'll have to come face to face with them soon enough though, because Cates is on the run from the System Cops and can only redeem himself by taking out the head of the Electric Church. That's if the gun-toting, super-augmented cybernetic Monks don't get to his own head first . . . **APB \$19.99**

Jeff Somers*The Digital Plague (Avery Cates)*

'THIS IS AN ASSASSINATION. NOT YOURS. BUT AN ASSASSINATION NONE THE LESS.' Avery Cates, criminal 'king' of New York, has climbed his way to the top of a heap of trouble. On his knees in the snow, with a gun to his head, Avery thinks this must finally be it. Instead, he is injected with nanotech and left confused but alive. Then everyone around him starts dying. With every moment bringing humanity closer to extinction, Cates finds he will be either executioner or saviour of an entire world. **APB \$19.99**

The Eternal Prison

Avery Cates is a wanted man. After surviving the worst bioengineered disaster in history, Cates finds himself incarcerated - in Chengara Penitentiary. As Chengara has a survival rate of exactly zero, the System's most famous gunner must do some serious plotting. And a betrayal or so later, he achieves his goal. At a price. All he has to do next is defeat some new personal demons, forge some unlikely alliances, and figure out why the people he's killed lately just won't stay dead. Plus pull off the biggest assassination of his career... **APB \$19.99**

S M Stirling*A Taint in the Blood (audio) (Shadowspawn 01 audio)*

Part Shadowspawn, but living as an ordinary man, Adrian Breze must now must battle the dark forces of the world and within his own blood to save humanity. Unabridged **MP3 CD \$60**

Dacre Stoker & Ian Holt*Dracula: The Undead*

The official sequel to Bram Stoker's classic novel Dracula, written by his direct descendent and endorsed by the Stoker family. The story begins in 1912, twenty-five years after the events described in the original novel. Dr.

Jack Seward, now a disgraced morphine addict, hunts vampires across Europe with the help of a mysterious benefactor. Meanwhile, Quincey Harker, the grown son of Jonathan and Mina, leaves law school to pursue a career in stage at London's famous Lyceum Theatre. The production of Dracula at the Lyceum, directed and produced by Bram Stoker, has recently lost its star.

Luckily, Quincey knows how to contact the famed Hungarian actor Basarab, who agrees to take the lead role. Quincey soon discovers that the play features his parents and their former friends as characters, and seems to reveal much about the terrible secrets he's always suspected them of harbouring. But, before he can confront them, Jonathan Harker is found murdered.

The writers were able to access Bram Stoker's hand-written notes and have included in their story characters and plot threads that had been excised by the publisher from the original printing over a century ago. Dracula is one of the most recognized fictional characters in the world, having spawned dozens of multi-media spin-offs. The Un-Dead is the first Dracula story to enjoy the full support of the Stoker estate since the original 1931 movie starring Bela Lugosi. **BPB \$24.99**

Helen Scott Taylor*The Phoenix Charm***PB \$14.95****Tony Thompson***Vampires: An Un-History of the Un-Dead*

A stormy night on Lake Geneva almost 200 years ago. A scandalous gathering of A-list celebrities and a ghost-story contest that would produce not only the most famous horror story of all time Frankenstein but the first modern vampire. Meet the terrifying Count Orlock, the first film vampire who would inspire Bela Lugosi and so many others. Take the Transylvania express and find out about the novel that inspired the scariest TV show of all time, the vampire who nearly destroyed Spiderman, and Anne Rice's suave rock-star vampire. Bella may have fallen for one vamp, but there are many others out there **TP \$16.99**

Gav Thorpe*The Crown of the Blood (Crown of the Blood 01)*

He had brought his master's Empire to the furthest reaches of the world. All had fallen before him. Now he longs for home.

But home isn't what it was. Could it be that everything he's fought for all those years has been a lie? A sweeping fantasy of immense battles, demonic magic and dark politics. **APB \$20.99**

Rob Thurman*Chimera*

Rescuing his long-lost brother from the Russian Mafia, Stefan Korsack discovers that his brother is no longer his brother, but a trained, genetically altered killing machine whose creators will not let go without a fight--to the death. **PB \$19.95**

Leo Tolstoy & Ben H Winters*Android Karenina*

Sense and Sensibility and Sea Monsters co-author Ben H. Winters is back with an all-new collaborator, legendary Russian novelist Leo Tolstoy, and the result is Android Karenina—an enhanced edition of the classic love story set in a dystopian world of robots, cyborgs, and interstellar space travel. As in the original novel, our story follows two relationships: The tragic adulterous love affair of Anna Karenina and Count Alexei Vronsky, and the more hopeful marriage of Nikolai Levin and Princess Kitty Shcherbatskaya. These characters live in a steampunk-inspired world of robotic butlers, clumsy automatons, and rudimentary mechanical devices. But when these copper-plated machines begin to revolt against their human masters, our characters must fight back using state-of-the-art 19th-century technology—and a sleek new model of ultra-human cyborgs like nothing the world has ever seen.

Filled with the same blend of romance, drama, and fantasy that made the first two Quirk Classics New York Times best sellers, Android Karenina brings this celebrated series into the exciting world of science fiction. **BPB \$24.95**

Lindsay Townsend*A Knight's Enchantment*

When her quest to liberate her father from corrupt Bishop Thomas leads her to Hugh Manhill, who shares her hatred of the Bishop, alchemist Joanna of Glastonbury devises a daring plan, with the help of this handsome knight, to save their imprisoned family members. **PB \$15.95**

Boris Vallejo & Julie Bell*Calendar 2011: Vallejo and Bell***Calendar \$24.95**

Mark L van Name*Overthrowing Heaven (03)*

It began as a favor to a woman trying to get away from an 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. **PB \$19.95**

Lynn Viehl*Dreamveil (Kyndred 02)*

Keeping her identity as a Kyndred secret, Rowan Dietrich, who has the ability to "dreamveil" herself into the object of others' desires, finally makes a new life for herself with world-class chef Jean-Marc, but the GenHance corporation and a relentless bounty hunter will stop at nothing to capture her. **PB \$19.95**

Brent Weeks*The Black Prism*

Set in a world where color is the basis of all magic, Gavin Guile is the current Prism - and one that happens to have many secrets. Secrets like his brother Javen, who he defeated in the great war years earlier and now keeps in a dungeon below his home. Or secrets like his son Kip, a young man raised in another land who has yet to realize the full extent of his powers.

As Kip begins to learn the truth behind Gavin and Javen's great schism, he will also learn that time is running out for the world as they know it. For the Prism is not what he seems to be, and there are greater powers afoot than could ever have been imagined. **HC \$52.95**

Margaret Weis & Tracy Hickman*Secrets of the Dragon (Dragonships 02)*

The Vindrasi gods have a traitor in their midst. Sund, God of Stone, is a cold and calculating god who rules over history and time, thought and contemplation. When the Gods of Raj and the Gods of the New Dawn defeated the Old Gods in battle, Sund gave the matter careful thought and came to believe that his days were numbered. He switched sides, going over to the Gods of the New Dawn. As proof of his good faith, he gave the priests of the god Aelon the gift of a sacred Vektia spiritbone, which is now residing in the Temple of the New Dawn in the city of Sinaria, capital of Oran.

Sund told the priests that the dragon to whom this spiritbone belongs is extremely powerful, for the Vektia dragons were forged at the creation of the world and represent the foundation of creation. Without these dragons, the new god, Aelon, will not be able to fully seize control over the world.

In the land of the mortals, Skyaln Ivorson and the Vindrasi clan have been pulled into this duplicity as they have embarked on a mission to reclaim the bones in an effort to save their dying Gods.

They must unravel this ever-expanding web of deceit and foul play if they hope to survive. **TP \$32.99**

Phaedra Weldon*Revenant (Zoe Martinique Investigation)*

Wraith Zoe Martinique must use her special powers to restore cosmic balance and discover why the bodies of Revenants--beings from another planes--are showing up all over Atlanta completely drained of blood. **TP \$30.95**

*Phantasm (Zoe Martinique Investigation 03)***PB \$19.95****Ian Whates***Noise Within*

On the brink of perfecting the long sought-after human/AI interface, Philip Kaufman finds his world thrown into turmoil as a scandal from the past returns to haunt him and dangerous information falls into his hands. Pursued by assassins and attacked in his own home, he flees. Leyton, a government black-ops specialist, is diverted from his usual duties to hunt down the elusive pirate vessel The Noise Within, wondering all the while why this particular freebooter is considered so important. Two lives collide in this stunning space-opera from debut novelist Ian Whates! **PB \$19.95**

David J Williams*The Machinery of Light (03)*

A conclusion to the trilogy that began with The Mirrored Heavens and The Burning Skies finds talented hacker Claire struggling to reunite her team to prevent Autumn Rain terrorists from decimating civilization by destroying the moon. **TP \$30.95**

Robert Charles Wilson*Julian Comstock*

As the United States struggles back to prosperity in the 22nd Century, the dashing Captain Commongold faces treachery and intrigue while being at fatal odds with the hierarchy of the Dominion for his beliefs in the doctrines of the Secular Ancients. **PB \$20.95**

Chris Wooding*Retribution Falls (Ketty Jay 01)*

Frey is the captain of the Ketty Jay, leader of a small and highly dysfunctional band of layabouts. An inveterate womaniser and rogue, he and his gang make a living on the wrong side of the law, avoiding the heavily armed flying frigates of the Coalition Navy. With their trio of ragged fighter craft, they run contraband, rob airships and generally make a nuisance of themselves. So a hot tip on a cargo freighter loaded with valuables seems like a great prospect for an easy heist and a fast buck. Until the heist goes wrong and the freighter explodes. Suddenly Frey isn't just a nuisance anymore - he's public enemy number one, with the Coalition Navy on his tail and contractors hired to take him down. But Frey knows something they don't. That freighter was rigged to blow and Frey has been framed to take the fall. If he wants to prove it, he's going to have to catch the real culprit. He must face liars and lovers, dogfights and gunfights, Dukes and daemons. **BPB \$22.99**

Anthologies

P C Cast *Editor*

Immortal: Love Stories With Bite

From vampires to ghosts, Greek mythology to post-apocalyptic New York these are love stories with bite. Kristin Cast (House of Night), Claudia Gray (Evernight), Richelle Mead (the Vampire Academy) and four more of today's most popular YA vampire and contemporary fantasy authors offer new short stories that prove that when you're immortal, true love really is forever. **TP \$29.99**

Angela Challis *Australian Author Editor*

Australian Dark Fantasy and Horror

Zombies and vampires lie within but there are much more disturbing dangers to be found. Australian dark fiction mines deep into the darkest corners of the imagination and the results are seductive and deadly. Be warned: read these stories with the lights on and the door locked!

ADFH Volume 3 includes the winners and several nominees of the 2008 Aurealis Award, Ditmar Award, and Australian Shadows Award.

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"A Scar for Leida" by Deborah Biancotti

"The Ringing Sound of Death on the Water Tank" by Stephanie Campisi

"Between the Memories" by Matthew Chrulew

"Subtle Invasion" by David Conyers

"The Cutting Room" by Shane Jiraiya Cummings

"Special Perceptions" by Richard Harland

"Dead Air" by Gary Kemble

"The Dark and What It Said" by Rick Kennett

"There Was Darkness" by Martin Livings

"Kadimakara and Curlew" by Jason Nahrung

"Lion's Breath" by Miranda Siemienowicz

"The Jeweller of Second-Hand Roe" by Anna Tambour

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So many voices; so many worlds ... Australia's internationally bestselling fantasy writers take you on a few side roads with favourite characters from the worlds you already know and love ...

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Nick Gevers & Marty Halpern *Editor*

Is Anybody Out There?

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Martin H Greenberg & Jean Rabe *Editor*

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Take a vacation through time with the help of a Time Travel Agency offering excursions into the past and future. Readers will find themselves in exotic, adventurous locales-and in all manner of trouble and mysteries. And figures from the past will be able to squeak by the other way.

Picture Cleopatra in modern-day New York City, or Hannibal searching for elephants at Wisconsin's Circus World. And that's just the beginning of the thrills and danger... **PB \$12.95**

Maxim Jakubowski *Editor*

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Stephen Jones *Editor*

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An annual showcase of dark fantasy fiction featuring one story from each year in which it has been published, from 1989 to 2008. **TPB \$29.99**

James Lowder *Editor*

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Lock the doors, board the windows, grab your silver bullets — the full moon is rising. Combining human intelligence with animalistic desires, werewolves are the most dangerous (but also the most complex and conflicted) of the monsters that hunt us at night. The wide-ranging stories in Curse of the Full Moon explore all elements of these intriguing creatures, from violent nocturnal transformations to torturous efforts to survive on the fringes of society. Including flesh-tearing assaults, torrid love affairs, and cold-blooded retaliations, these blood-curdling tales present modern interpretations of the age-old battle between humans and monsters. In Curse of the Full Moon, the fur flies like never before as humans and werewolves hunt one another in desolate alleys, darkened bedrooms, and nightmarish backwoods. Along the way, the authors fully reveal these mysterious shape-shifters. **PB \$24.99**

Tricia Telep *Editor*

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Young Adult

39 Clues Card Pack 4 (39 Clues)

Brand-new game cards reveal the most dramatic Cahill secrets yet! The hunt for the 39 Clues approaches its explosive finale. Card Pack 4 contains all the information you need to find the remaining Clues and solve the mystery of the Cahills' power. What secrets have the elusive Madrigals been hiding for centuries? What really happened to Amy and Dan's parents?! The shocking answers and more can be found inside The 39 Clues Card Pack 4: End Game. **\$9.99**

Tom Angleberger

The Strange Case of Origami Yoda

In this funny, uncannily wise portrait of the dynamics of a sixth-grade class and of the greatness that sometimes comes in unlikely packages, Dwight, a loser, talks to his classmates via an origami finger puppet of Yoda. If that weren't strange enough, the puppet is uncannily wise and prescient. Origami Yoda predicts the date of a pop quiz, guesses who stole the classroom Shakespeare bust, and saves a classmate from popularity-crushing embarrassment with some well-timed advice. Dwight's classmate Tommy wonders how Yoda can be so smart when Dwight himself is so clueless. With contributions from his puzzled classmates, he assembles the case file that forms this novel. **PB \$24.95**

Jennifer Lynn Barnes

Raised by Wolves (01)

Pack life is about order, but Bryn is about to push all the limits, with hair-raising results. At the age of four, Bryn watched a rabid werewolf brutally murder her parents. Alone in the world, she was rescued and taken in by Callum, the alpha of his pack. Now fifteen, Bryn's been living as a human among the werewolves, adhering to pack rule. Little fazes her. But the pack's been keeping a secret, and when Bryn goes exploring against Callum's orders she finds Chase, a newly turned teen Were locked in a cage. A thrilling new YA adventure, with an electrifying link between a tough heroine and an exciting boy-were at its heart, *Raised by Wolves* will leave you howling for more. **BPB \$19.99**

Frank Beddor

Arch Enemy (Looking Glass Wars 03)

Behind a pack of cards are a pack of lies! Unlike the comforting fairytale created by Lewis Carroll, the true story of Wonderland involves bloodshed, murder, revenge and war. The battle for Wonderland has come to a head and the Heart Crystal's power has been depleted thanks to King Arch's devastating weapon, WILMA. Imagination has been wiped from the land and the people of Wonderland have lost their greatest asset.

Most alarmingly, even Queen Alyss is without her powers as her Queendom hangs in the balance. Can Alyss and those still faithful to her overcome their adversaries and restore order in Wonderland once and for all? Page-turning and complex, this culmination of the Wonderland saga is intensely satisfying. Return for the final instalment of the "The Looking Glass Wars" as Wonderland is fantastically brought to life again by acclaimed Hollywood producer, Frank Beddor. **BPB \$16.95**

Libba Bray

Rebel Angels (Gemma Doyle 02)

In this thrilling sequel, Gemma continues to pursue her destiny to bind the magic of the Realms and restore it to the Order. Gemma and her friends from Spence use magical power to transport themselves on visits from their corseted world of Victorian London (at the height of the Christmas season), to the visionary country of the Realms, with its strange beauty and menace. There they search for the lost Temple, the key to Gemma's mission, and comfort Pippa, their friend who has been left behind in the Realms. After these visits they bring back magical power for a short time to use in their own world. Meanwhile, Gemma is torn between her attraction to the exotic Kartik, the messenger from the opposing forces of the Rakshana, and the handsome but clueless Simon, a young man of good family who is courting her.

This is the second book in Libba Bray's engrossing trilogy, set in a time of strict morality and barely repressed sensuality, about a girl who saw another way. **BPB \$19.99**

Michael Buckley

Tales from the Hood (Sisters Grimm 06)

The Grimms defend Mr. Canis in Ferryport Landing's trial of the century! This book sees Mr. Canis, dear friend and protector of the Grimm family, put on trial for past crimes. Considering that he's really the Big Bad Wolf, he has a lot to answer for. Is there any truth to the story told by Little Red Riding Hood? What's the deal with all that huffing and puffing? Will Mr. Canis be forced to answer for his crimes? A kangaroo court of Everafters, led by the cruel Queen of Hearts, is determined to find Canis guilty and force the Grimms out of Ferryport Landing. Meanwhile, Puck has decided to focus more on his mischievous ways, making a few new troublemaker friends. So it's up to Sabrina and Daphne to find evidence to save Canis-and their investigation may reveal more than they hoped. **HC \$19.99**

Jenna Burtenshaw

Wintercraft

Ten years ago Kate Winters parents were taken by the High Council s wardens to help with the country s war effort. Now the wardens are back...and prisoners, including Kate's uncle Artemis, are taken south on the terrifying Night Train. Kate and her friend Edgar are hunted by a far more dangerous enemy. Silas Dane the High Council s most feared man recognises Kate as one of the Skilled; a rare group of people able to see through the veil between the living and the dead. His spirit was damaged by the High Council s experiments into the veil, and he s convinced that Kate can undo the damage and allow him to find peace.The knowledge Kate needs lies within Wintercraft a book thought to be hidden deep beneath the graveyard city of Fume. But the Night of Souls, when the veil between life and death is at its thinnest, is just days away and the High Council have their own sinister plans for Kate and Wintercraft. **BPB \$16.99**

Stephen Cole

Day of the Dino-Droids (Astrosaurs 07)

Captain Teggs is no ordinary dinosaur - he's an astrosaur! On the incredible spaceship DSS Sauropod, along with his faithful crew, Gypsy, Arx and Iggy, Teggs rights wrongs, fights evil and eats a lot of grass!

The crew of the Sauropod hit trouble when their ship is pulled into a strange, tiny black hole. Spat out in the DSS HQ, they meet up with their boss, Admiral Rosso, who is behaving a little oddly. And when the rest of the astrosaurs begin to show signs of weirdness, Teggs decides to investigate. The clues seem to point to some kind of dino-droid! Can the astrosaurs work out what's really going on? **BPB \$14.95**

Stephen Cole

Terror-Bird Trap (Astrosaurs 08)

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Teggs and his crew have been sent to a beautiful - and previously peaceful - island. The clean-living, vegetarian bactrosaurs have always lived in harmony with their sea-dwelling neighbours, the shark-like predatory megalodons. But now the two races are on the verge of war! The island is sinking - and waste from the bactrosaurs is invading the megalodon world. Teggs and his crew are suspicious of a newly arrived race, the terror birds. Famous for being fighters, these ones claim they are peaceful - but Teggs wonders if they could be stirring up trouble between Queen Soapi and King Fin, the megalodon leader. Can the astrosaurs help solve the riddle and stop the island disappearing into the sea for ever? **BPB \$14.99**

Volcano Invaders (Astrosaurs Academy 07)

The cadets are on a search-and-explore mission on the misty, spooky Spiderik Isles when Mount Steamalot, a nearby volcano, begins to erupt! Desperate to escape the boiling lava, the cadets flee, but when Teggs and his Daring Dino team-mates find themselves stuck inside the centre of the volcano things get even scarier! **BPB \$14.95**

Cressida Cowell

How to Train Your Dragon (Film Tie-In) (Hiccup Horrendous Haddock III 01)

Read the original books before you see the How to Train Your Dragon film! With a film tie-in cover, this book will be a hit with children and adults alike. THE STORY BEGINS in the first volume of Hiccup's How to Train Your Dragon memoirs... Hiccup Horrendous Haddock III was an awesome sword-fighter, a dragon-whisperer and the greatest Viking Hero who ever lived. But it wasn't always like that. In fact, in the beginning, Hiccup Horrendous Haddock III was the most put upon Viking you'd ever seen. Not loud enough to make himself heard at dinner with his father, Stoick the Vast; not hard enough to beat his chief rival, Snotlout, at Bashyball, the number one school sport and CERTAINLY not stupid enough to go into a cave full of dragons to find a pet... It's time for Hiccup to learn how to be a Hero. **BPB \$16.99**

Beth Fantaskey

Jekyll Loves Hyde

Jill's dad has died by violent means and her Mum seems to have shut down, leaving Jill to deal with the aftermath of such a tragedy. At the funeral, the only person who offers the kind of support she needs is a boy who up until that moment has been just another face in the classroom. How is it that Tristan knows just how to comfort her? And how is that she lets him? Their relationship develops against the backdrop of the reality that they are descendants of the original Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde, and as they slowly uncover more of themselves to each other, so the surreal quality of their lives increases; and the danger. **BPB \$19.95**

Neil Gaiman

Instructions

What would you do if you found yourself in a fairytale? This stunning picture book by bestselling author Neil Gaiman guides you through a fantasy world where anything is possible.

Touch the wooden gate in the wall you never saw before,
say 'please' before you open the latch, go through,
walk down the path...

The reader is invited on a lyrical journey peopled by a cast of mythical characters, with a set of instructions that is both intriguing and reassuring. The advice for travelling through a fairytale landscape might just save you from being eaten by wolves or being lost for ever, but it is also a charming metaphor for living courageously and taking risks. The expressive and stylish prose resonates with Gaiman's distinctive voice and will captivate readers of any age.

Illustrated throughout with gorgeous art by Charles Vess, whose work can also be seen in Neil Gaiman's Blueberry Girl and Susanna Clarke's The Ladies of Grace Adieu. **HC \$24.99**

Rene Goscinny & Albert Uderzo

Asterix and Obelix All at Sea (Asterix 30)

In ancient Rome the slaves are revolting ... and not only that, they've stolen Julius Caesar's own galley, the finest warship in the Roman navy. Under their heroic leader Spartakis, the former galley slaves make for the little Gaulish village where Julius Caesar's old enemies Asterix and Obelix live - only to find the place in crisis, for Obelix, after drinking the druid Getafix's magic potions on the sly, is first turned to stone and then reverts to childhood. In search of a cure for him Asterix, Getafix and their new friends the galley slaves sail to the wonderful continent of Atlantis, ruled by its high priest Absolutifabulos - and the ensuing sea battles against the Roman navy are fast and furious ... **TP \$19.99**

Asterix And The Actress (Asterix 31)

Asterix and Obelix celebrating their joint birthday party back in the Gaulish village and some surprise guests have been invited! Meanwhile, Julius Caesar has to deal with his old enemy Pompey, who is looking for supporters among the legions stationed in Gaul. And just what part do the two old friends play in the story - Tremensdelirius, from Asterix and Caesar's Gift, and the lovely Panacea, first encountered in Asterix and the Legionary? After many exciting adventures, all is finally revealed... **TP \$19.99**

Asterix and the Falling Sky (Asterix 33)

The Gauls have only one fear: that the sky may fall on their heads tomorrow. But tomorrow never comes, says Chief Vitalstatistix. Or does it? It looks as if it's come at last for Asterix, Obelix and the other villagers. And some surprising new characters fall along with the sky. Our friends soon find themselves in the middle of a space race... **TP \$19.99**

Helen Grant

The Glass Demon

The first death: Seventeen-year-old Lin Fox finds a body in an orchard. As she backs away in horror, she steps on broken glass. The second death: Then blood appears on her doorstep - blood, and broken glass.

The third death: Something terrible is found in the cemetery. Shards of broken glass lie by a grave. Who will be next? As the attacks become more sinister, Lin doesn't know who to trust.

She's getting closer to the truth behind these chilling discoveries, but with each move the danger deepens. Because someone wants Lin gone - and won't give up until he's got rid of her and her family. Forever. **BPB \$17.95**

M G Harris*Zero Moment (Joshua Files 03)*

Josh thinks that he has discovered the key to time travel. Should he use it to save his father? Ixchel knows what he intends to do. Should she stop him? Before they can decide, Ixchel is kidnapped by the people who want to see an ancient prophecy predicting the end of the world in 2012 come true. It's up to Josh to save Ixchel and possibly save the world. **BPB \$19.99**

Geoff Havel Australian Author*Water*

Tully's life is controlled by her father's strict rules. Keep away from strangers. Don't stay at home alone. And never, ever go in the water. All she wants is to be like everyone else in Rivertown. But when a mysterious stranger comes to the door, Tully discovers the horrifying secret her father has been trying to protect her from. **PB \$16.99**

Rachel Hawkins*Hex Hall*

In the wake of a love spell gone horribly wrong, Sophie Mercer, a sixteen-year-old witch, is shipped off to Hecate Hall, a boarding school for witches, shapeshifters and faeries. The traumas of mortal high school are nothing compared to the goings on at "Freak High." It's bad enough that she has to deal with a trio of mean girls led by the glamorous Elodie, but it's even worse when she begins to fall for Elodie's gorgeous boyfriend, Archer Cross, and frankly terrifying that the trio are an extremely powerful coven of dark witches. But when Sophie begins to learn the disturbing truth about her father, she is forced to face demons both metaphorical and real, and come to terms with her own growing power as a witch. **BPB \$16.99**

F E Higgins*The Eyeball Collector (03)*

When his butterfly-collector father is swindled to within an inch of his life, a vengeful Hector leaves the city of Urbs Umida in pursuit of a fiendish villain with a glass eye. The trail leads to Withypitts Hall, a forbidding Gothic mansion as warped as its inhabitants and their secret schemes. Soon Hector finds himself embroiled in mysterious deeds more poisonous than his worst imaginings, but every twist and turn brings him closer to his revenge... **BPB \$14.99**

Simon Holt*The Solstice (Sorry Night 02)*

Beware the darkness and the light.

They will steal your soul in day or night.

In summer's warmth or winter's cold

Your life will end when the Vours take hold.

In the fearscape no one can hear you cry,

And in its depth your soul will die.

Reggie Halloway thought she was finished with the Vours – the demons who had possessed her brother, Henry – forever. She'd once faced them in a deathly battle for Henry's soul and now she wants to forget them. But Quinn, the Vour she left at the bottom of a lake, is back.

And he is not alone. **BPB \$16.95**

Erin Hunter*Warriors Power of Three Boxset 1-3 (Warriors Power of Three 01, 02, 03)*

There will be three, kin of your kin . . . who hold the power of the stars in their paws

The time has come for Hollypaw, Jaypaw, and Lionpaw to become ThunderClan apprentices. Grandchildren of the great leader Firestar, all three possess unusual power and talent. But dark secrets surround them, and a mysterious prophecy hints at trouble to come for all Clans. The warrior code is in danger of being washed away by a river of blood, and all the young cats' strength will be needed for the Clans to survive. **BPB \$36.99**

A Clan in Need (Warriors Ravenspaws Path)

Ravenpaw and Barley have been driven away from their farm by a group of vicious cats. Now the two loners must turn to ThunderClan—led by Ravenpaw's friend Firestar—for shelter. Firestar takes them in and promises to help them take back their home as soon as possible, but ThunderClan is in great danger. BloodClan cats have been launching raids on ThunderClan's territory and attacking Clan patrols. Can Ravenpaw and Barley help Firestar and his Clan fight off their enemies? And will they ever be able to get home again? **BPB \$9.99**

Barry Hutchison*Mr Mumbles (Invisible Friends 01)*

Kyle's imaginary friend from childhood is back! with a vengeance. Kyle hasn't seen Mr Mumbles in years. And there's a good reason for that: Mr Mumbles doesn't exist.

But now Kyle's imaginary friend is back, and Kyle doesn't have time to worry about why. Only one thing matters: staying alive! A major series from a fresh new talent, brought to you by the publisher that put horror on the map. **BPB \$14.99**

Jane Johnson*Maskmaker*

Hidden behind magical masks, Jamie travels to faraway worlds. When Jamie's mysterious art teacher sends him to the old maskmaker's shop, he is faced with a terrible decision. He must choose a disguise that will take him into mortal danger, with only a talking cat to help him. In the deserts of Africa, among the frozen glaciers of Greenland, and on the Great Wall of China, Jamie will need all his intelligence and courage if he is to save his friends and family. Will the perilous tasks he faces help him solve the strange problems in his own life? Or will a dark web of sorcery stop him from ever coming home again? **BPB \$17.99**

Carrie Jones*Captivate (02)*

A sequel to the paranormal smash hit Need, which has teens everywhere thinking about pixies in a very different way...

Zara and her friends knew they hadn't solved the pixie problem for good. Far from it. The king's needs grow deeper every day he's stuck in captivity, while his control over his people gets weaker. It's made him vulnerable. And now there's a new king in town.

A turf war is imminent. The new pixie king is moving in quickly. He swears that he and Zara are destined to be together, that he's one of the good guys. Zara isn't so sure - despite herself, she wants to trust the new king. But there's a lot more than her relationship with boyfriend Nick at stake. There's her life - and his. **PB \$15.99**

Sherrilyn Kenyon

Infinity (Dark Hunter Chronicles of Nick 01)

Teenager Nick Gautier thinks he knows everything. Streetwise, tough and savvy, his quick sarcasm is renowned. But his whole world is suddenly turned upside down on the night his best friends try to kill him. Saved by a mysterious warrior, Nick is sucked into the realm of the Dark-Hunters - immortal vampire-slayers who risk everything to save humanity - and he quickly learns that the human world is only a veil for a much larger and more dangerous one that's filled with all kinds of evil. However, before he can even learn the rules of this new world, his fellow students start turning into flesh-eating members of the undead. Nick knows he's in real danger and he soon has a lot more to deal with than starting high school: he's under pressure to hide his new friends from his mother and his chainsaw from the principal while trying to impress the girl he has a crush on ? all without getting grounded, suspended...or killed. **TP \$32.99 CD - Unabridged \$36.95**

Caro King

Seven Sorcerers (01)

Nin had never liked Wednesdays, but this one took the biscuit. On this Wednesday she woke up to find that it was raining buckets and that her brother had ceased to exist.

Ninevah realises she is the only person to remember Toby because whoever took him is about to make her disappear too.

Nin escapes to the Drift, the world that her new friend Jonas and Mr. Strood inhabit. But the Drift is filled with the fabulous and the dreadful; tombfolk, mudmen, and the spirits of the seven sorcerers who once ruled the land. What is the secret of the Seven Sorcerers, and will Nin and Toby escape their fate at the House of Strood? **PB \$17.95**

Shadow Spell (02)

Simeon Dark is the most powerful sorcerer in the land of the Drift. Mysterious, cunning, a shape-shifter, only he can stop the evil Strood and save the Drift from dying. But where is she? Caro King has created a funny, rich, thrilling adventure, interwoven with fantastical creatures, myth and magic. **BPB \$17.95**

Elizabeth Laird

The Witching Hour

Will Maggie lose her soul to save her life?

Everyone knows the devil is real.

Everyone knows that witches exist.

Everyone knows that saying the wrong thing can get you hanged...

When fourteen-year-old Maggie's grandmother is accused of witchcraft, Maggie has to run for her life. But Scotland is in the grip of terror and Maggie runs straight into danger, falling into the hands of the English. Defying the king can be deadly, but falling in line is unthinkable. Maggie must learn to stand up for herself if she is to survive... **BPB \$14.99**

Nick Lake

Blood Ninja

Skilled in the art of silent and deadly combat, ninjas are the agents of powerful nobles who rule sixteenth-century Japan. So why did a group of these highly trained assassins creep into a peasant's hut and kill Taro's father, a fisherman? And why did one ninja rescue Taro from their clutches, saving his life at enormous cost?

Now on the run with this mysterious saviour and his best friend Hiro, Taro is determined to learn the way of the ninja to avenge his father's death. But if they are to complete their perilous journey, Taro must first evade the wrath of the warring Lords, decipher an ancient curse, resist forbidden love - and come to terms with the blood-soaked secrets of a life lived in moonlight. **PB \$24.99**

Kelly Link

Pretty Monsters

Weird, wicked, spooky and delightful, *Pretty Monsters* is a book of tall tales to keep you up all night. Blending fairytale, fantasy, horror, myth and mischief in a delicious cocktail, Kelly Link creates a world like no other, where bloodsucking ghosts are not greedy and where a boy is kidnapped by his father to wait for the aliens to return and we encounter a people-eating monster who claims to have a sense of humour.

Combining the imaginative brilliance of Jorge Luis Borges with the madcap escapades of 'Buffy the Vampire Slayer', and more than a pinch of macabre humour, this is writing to come back from the dead for. **BPB \$19.95**

Gabrielle Lord Australian Author

June (Conspiracy 365)

With seconds to spare, Cal escapes from the burning wreck of the Orca. Helicopters search from the sky, while Oriana's thugs chase on foot. There's no time to think about his dead great-uncle-Cal must dodge the cops and crims, and return to his pursuit of the Ormond Jewel. Convinced Sligo has the Jewel, Cal embarks on a dangerous break-in mission to retrieve it. He hopes it will give him the answers he needs, but what if it reveals another menacing mystery? Stealing from his enemies could prove to be a fatal mistake . . . The clock is ticking. Any second could be his last. Callum Ormond has been warned. He has 215 days. The countdown continues . . . **PB \$14.99**

Jon Mayhew

Mortlock

The sister is a knife-thrower in a magician's stage act, the brother an undertaker's assistant. Neither orphan knows of the other's existence. Until, that is, three terrible Aunts descend on the girl's house and imprison her guardian, the Great Cardamom.

His dying act is to pass the girl a note with clues to the secret he carries to his grave. Cardamom was one of three explorers on an expedition to locate the legendary Amarant, a plant with power over life and death. Now, pursued by flesh-eating crow-like ghouls, brother and sister must decode the message and save themselves from its sinister legacy. **HC \$19.99**

Marc McBride

How to Draw Dangerous Beasts

Learn from the master of illustration, Marc McBride, as he shows you how to bring dangerous beasts to life! From the venomous spider and scorpion to the enormous elephant, strong gorilla, ancient crocodile and more, learn step-by-step how to capture them on paper. You could even create your own ultimate beast-anything is possible. Full-colour illustrations show how to make dangerous beasts from black-and-white sketch through to fully coloured creation! **TP \$12.99**

Charlotte McConaghy *Australian Author*

Descent (Strangers of Paragor 02)

Two years have passed since four teenagers from earth banded together with the people of Paragor to defeat the tyrant Leostrial. But now, a new darkness is emerging. A ancient creature of malevolence is growing, one who has the earthling teens in its sights. The six Strangers will be reunited. The descent into darkness has begun. **TP \$19.99**

Stephenie Meyer

Eclipse (Film Tie In) (Twilight 03)

Bella? Edward's soft voice came from behind me. I turned to see him spring lightly up the porch steps, his hair windblown from running. He pulled me into his arms at once, and kissed me again. His kiss frightened me. There was too much tension, too strong an edge to the way his lips crushed mine - like he was afraid we had only so much time left to us. As Seattle is ravaged by a string of mysterious killings and a malicious vampire continues her quest for revenge, Bella once again finds herself surrounded by danger. In the midst of it all, she is forced to choose between her love for Edward and her friendship with Jacob - knowing that her decision has the potential to ignite the ageless struggle between vampire and werewolf. With her graduation approaching, Bella has one more decision to make: life or death. But which is which? Following the international bestsellers Twilight and New Moon, Eclipse is the much-anticipated third book in Stephenie Meyer's captivating saga of vampire romance. **PB \$24.95**

Andrew Newbound

Demon Strike

Demons from the Dark Dimension pour through a portal in the wall of Pittingham Manor, the mid-point for an attack on high. They're planning an assault. Into this chaos stumbles 12-year-old ghost-busting psychic Alannah Malarra and burglar Worley Flint. Up until now they've only ever faced tame treasure-hoarding ghosts, but this is something else. Their only hope is a plucky angel police patrol on a routine earth-monitoring mission. Enter Inspectre Flhi Swift and officers Yell and Gloom. **PB \$16.99**

Lee Nichols

Deception (Haunting Emma)

The intrigue of prep school meets the paranormal as this gripping and romantic series begins

When Emma Vaile's parents go missing while away on a mysterious business trip, she's left all alone in her creepy old house. But her brother's very cute best friend, Bennett Stern—Emma's knight in J. Crew armor—arrives unexpectedly to whisk her away to New England. There, Emma settles into his family's museum-like mansion and enrolls at an old-fashioned private school. She quickly finds friends in the popular legacy crowd at Thatcher and spends her free time crushing on Bennett. But the eerie visions she's been hiding from everyone have gotten worse. Emma has memories of Thatcher that she can't explain—it's as if she's returning home to a place she's never been. Finally, Emma confides in Bennett and learns she is a ghostkeeper, a person who can communicate with ghosts. Bennett brought Emma to Thatcher to protect her, but now he needs her help tracking an other-worldly murderer.

A rich New England setting filled with mystery, tradition, and prep-school intrigue make Deception the perfect choice for fans of series like Kate Brian's Private, as well as all those paranormal fans. The shocking ending will leave readers desperate for book two. **TP \$22.95**

Alyson Noel

Shadowland (Immortals 03)

At the start of this breathtaking novel, Damen and Ever travel to Summerland in search of an antidote to reverse a powerful poison. But instead of the cure they seek, they find something far more sinister: the truth about their existence and the fate lying in wait of an immortal's soul.

Now, with Damen fighting to save them from the Shadowland, Ever turns to magick, hoping to break Damen's curse. Along the way Ever encounters the mysterious Jude, who shared a complicated past with her in a previous life. She always thought Damen was her soulmate and her one true love... but now their love is about to be tested like never before. **BPB \$16.99**

Stephen O'Connor *Australian Author*

EleMental (01)

It's the year 2050. It's a city with ziprams that screech across the horizon and hyperboards that zoom through the air. Three teenagers - Zeb, Willis and Arizona - are drawn to a new kind of games console and a weird demo game supplied to them by a mysterious stranger named Grimble Dower. It's a game of superior graphics and challenges, and Zeb is soon unable to resist playing. But his growing addiction leads to danger as he becomes steadily drawn into Grimble Dower's dark world called Virtualitee. **BPB \$16.95**

Linda Sue Park

39 Clues 9 (39 Clues)

The end is near! Throughout the hunt for the 39 Clues, Amy and Dan have encountered some of the darkest aspects of history . . . and had to deal with the role their family played. But are they ready for the truth? In this thrilling ninth instalment, Amy and Dan hit the high seas as they follow the trail of some infamous ancestors to track down a long lost treasure. However, the real prize isn't hidden in a chest. It's the discovery of the Madrigals' most dangerous secret and, even more shockingly, the true identity of the mysterious man in black. **HC \$17.99**

Terry Pratchett

The Bromeliad

In a world whose seasons are defined by Christmas sales and Spring Fashions, hundreds of tiny nomes live in the corners and crannies of a human-run department store. They have made their homes beneath the floorboards for generations and no longer remember -- or even believe in -- life beyond the Store walls.

Until the day a small band of nomes arrives at the Store from the Outside. Led by a young nome named Masklin, the Outsiders carry a mysterious black box (called the Thing), and they deliver devastating news: In twenty-one days, the Store will be destroyed.

Now all the nomes must learn to work together, and they must learn to think -- and to think BIG.

Part satire, part parable, and part adventure story par excellence, master storyteller Terry Pratchett's engaging trilogy traces the nomes' flight and search for safety, a search that leads them to discover their own astonishing origins and takes them beyond their wildest dreams. **HC \$38.95**

Celia Rees

The Fool's Girl

Violetta and Feste have come to London to rescue the holy relics taken from the church in Illyria by the evil Malvolio. Their journey has been long and their adventures many, but it is not until they meet the playwright William Shakespeare that they get to tell the entire story from beginning to end! But where will this remarkable tale ultimately lead Violetta and her companion? And will they manage to save themselves, and the relics from the very evil intentions of Malvolio. **PB \$16.99**

Lisa Regan*Vampires, Werewolves and Zombies*

For centuries, folk tales about vampires, werewolves, zombies and other undead creatures have captivated and spooked children. There are some monsters that we just love to be scared by. *Vampires, Werewolves & Zombies* collects 44 of the scariest mythical and real characters from American, European, African, Chinese and Arabian folklore, history and the movies. Ranging from such well-known literary examples as Bram Stoker's *Dracula*, to historical cases, such as the mythical Chinese Jiang Shi, and Vulkodlak, a Slavic werewolf, *Vampires, Werewolves & Zombies* brings together the most exciting and ghoulish of these ghastly characters. **PB \$16.99**

Justin Richards*The Chamber of Secrets*

'My friends and I have braved the horrors of the Shadow Chamber - its secret traps and snares. We have crawled through sewers to escape an inhuman killer. We have fought creatures of animated clay and feared for our lives in the hidden cellars of the Emperor's Theatre.

I have seen the poor souls whose brains have been replaced by mechanisms of clockwork. I have witnessed how they are entirely under the influence of an ancient curse. And now I have heard that the man I suspect to be our enemy is to perform his stage act at the Palace, by Royal Command.

PB \$15.99

Rick Riordan*Red Pyramid (Kane Chronicles)*

Carter and Sadie have nothing in common but their parents: their father Dr. Julius Kane, a brilliant Egyptologist, and their mother, a famed archaeologist who died under mysterious circumstances when they were young.

The siblings barely know each other, but one night, their father brings them together at the British Museum, promising a 'research experiment' that will set things right for their family.

His plans go horribly wrong.

An explosion unleashes an ancient evil – the Egyptian god Set – who banishes Dr. Kane to oblivion and forces the children to flee for their lives. Now orphaned, Carter and Sadie must embark on a dangerous quest – from Cairo to Paris to the American Southwest, to save their father and stop Set from destroying everything they care about . . . **TP \$19.95**

Serena Robar*Braced to Bite*

Colby Blanchard is the popular cheerleader with the grades, the hunky boyfriend, and the homecoming crown in the bag. Then things go bad-like turning-into-a-vampire bad. And complicating things is the fact that her orthodontist father has removed her canine teeth to give her a perfect smile, so she can't even do the vampire thing properly. Luckily, he's fitting her with some new headgear so she can feed. (So now she's not just a vampire but a dork.)

This lighthearted debut will have Buffy fans of all ages laughing and shuddering as Colby battles the Vampire Council, resists her attraction to a fellow vamp, and hunts down the rogue bloodsucker who got her in this mess in the first place-all while trying to snag a date for homecoming.

PB \$21.95

Emily Rodda Australian Author*The Shifting Sands (Deltora Quest 1 04)*

When the seven gems of the magic Belt of Deltora were stolen, the evil Shadow Lord invaded the kingdom and enslaved its people. Determined to rid their land of the tyrant, Lief, Barda and Jasmine are on a perilous quest to find the lost gems, which are hidden in fearsome places throughout the kingdom. They have found three gems. Now they must seek the fourth, hidden in a shimmering, barren waste, kept jealously by an unknown guardian. Separation, confusion and strange, terrible enemies await them in the ordeal of the Shifting Sands. **BPB \$14.99**

City of Rats 10th Anniversary (Deltora Quest 1 03)

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Carlos Zafon Ruiz*The Prince of Mist*

A shudder ran through his body and he took a step back: the hand of the figure, which seconds earlier had been clenched in a fist, now lay open, its palm stretched out invitingly. For a moment the cold morning air seemed to burn in Max's throat and he could feel a throbbing in his temples.

When his family moves to an old house by the sea, Max discovers an abandoned garden of mysterious statues positioned on a six-pointed star. In the centre rising out of the mist stands a clown, its arm outstretched.

Then Max meets Roland, who takes him swimming through the underwater ruins of an old shipwreck near the lighthouse where he lives with his grandfather, and Max sees the uncanny six-pointed star again.

But it's Roland's grandfather and his tale of the shipwreck and the circus troupe on board that makes Max realise he is not the only one to be affected by the clown's sinister presence.

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There's a hot new underground club in town . . . but membership lasts an eternity. It's summer break, and Raven knows she should stay put in Dullsville until her immortal love returns. But when she decides to go after Alexander, she can't resist a visit to her favourite Goth-spot, The Coffin Club. Sneaking inside, Raven is shocked to discover a secret door that leads to the entrance of another hidden club. There's something peculiar about this cryptic hangout--and it's too enticing for Raven to resist. Soon a dangerous battle for the club's rule erupts between Alexander's old nemesis and a mysterious new guy. Can Raven avoid the clash before her curiosity lands her in serious trouble? **BPB \$12.95**

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Summer break is over, and Raven is hardly eager to be returning to Dullsville High. Not only does school mean daily interaction with preppy pest Trevor Mitchell, but her sleep-filled days and romantic nights with her immortal boyfriend, Alexander, must come to an end. Plus the shock of morning classes isn't the only change in store. An unexpected letter turns up at Alexander's mansion--announcing his parents will be coming to town. And once they arrive, just about everyone has had a sighting of the macabre couple except Raven. What could be delaying Alexander from introducing Raven to them? Could Alexander be hiding something about his parents' homecoming? When Raven is finally invited to the most thrilling dinner party of her life, the next turn of events could transform her entire future with Alexander. When Raven is finally invited to the most thrilling dinner party of her life, the next turn of events could transform her entire future with Alexander. The sixth book in Ellen Schreiber's bestselling Vampire Kisses series takes an unusual twist in the continuing romance of Raven and Alexander. **BPB \$12.95**

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Ulrika, recently turned as a vampire, attempts to adjust to her new way of life. But when a fellow vampire is killed in Nuln, Ulrika and her mentor, Gabriella, are sent to investigate. Soon they find themselves facing danger from all sides as they attempt to solve a mystery that threatens the very existence of the Lahmian bloodline. How can they hope to destroy something with the power to kill a vampire? **APB \$18**

Warhammer 40,000

Audio: Fireborn

The world of Sepulchre IV stands on the brink of destruction. From the stars the Red Rage descends, intent on murder and massacre. Into the fray are thrust the Firedrakes, peerless champions of the Salamanders. Their mission: retrieve the 'holy relic' of Sepulchre and prevent it falling to the enemy. Tsu'gan, latest recruit to the vaunted order, must learn to temper his inner anger if he is to succeed in the First Company.

Facing an indestructible foe, the Firedrakes will be tested as never before. Victory is possible against the Red Rage, but only if Tsu'gan can master his wrath and even then the sacrifice will be great ...

75minutes audio CD **CD \$25**

Ultramarines 05: Courage and Honour

Graham McNeill

Book five in the Ultramarines series follows the tale of Uriel Ventris as he tries to regain the trust of the 4th company and the Ultramarines chapter after his time in the Eye of Terror and his continued fight against the powers of chaos. **APB \$18**

Ultramarines 06: Chapter's Due

Graham McNeill

Having defeated the forces of the Tau on the planet of Pavonis, Captain Uriel Ventris returns to Macragge. But war is unending in the life of a Space Marine, and Ventris finds himself thrust back into battle against the nemesis of the Ultramarines- the Iron Warriors, led by renegade Warsmith Honsou. Will Ventris be able to overcome his greatest test to emerge victorious, or will the Ultramarines suffer a disastrous defeat from which they might not recover? **HC \$42**

Roleplaying Games, Boardgames & Card Games

Crusaders of the Amber Coast

It is the year 1206 AD. In the city of Riga, a Christian outpost in the pagan lands of the frozen North, Prince-Bishop Albert founds the Brotherhood of the Sword to subjugate the pagans and convert them to the True Faith. Twenty years later, the Holy Roman Emperor Frederick II, the Stupor Mundi, decrees in his Golden Bull of Rimini that the lands conquered by the Teutonic Order in Prussia will belong to the warrior monks. Knights, friars and colonists from all over the Empire move towards the Baltic Sea to find forgiveness for their sins and commodities for their trade, as the Baltic coast is home to the strangest of the precious stones: Amber. The age of the Northern Crusades has begun.

The path to virtue, glory and riches lies in front of your heroes, but countless enemies stand between them and their goals: the ruthless Lithuanians of Archduke Mindaugas, the Mongol raiders of Genghis Khan's Golden Horde, and emerging Russian Princes like young Aleksandr Nevskij. And in the deep woods and dark marshes of the Baltic Coast, fantastic creatures and ancient deities who are hostile to mankind await.

This book contains all the information required to run your Northern Crusade game with the Basic Roleplaying game system, including magic rules for the Christian crusaders and the pagan druids and witches, as well as game statistics for creatures of the Baltic folklore. Create your own scenarios, with your heroes siding either with the Crusading invaders or with the Baltic natives, or play through the included campaign that spans over several years of game time and takes you through the most important events of the Baltic epic. **TP \$45**

Houses of the Blooded

The new game by John Wick, the Origins Award-winning author of Legend of the Five Rings and 7th Sea! Ambition. Lust. Revenge. You cannot have one without the others.

Thousands of years ago, the ven ruled the world. They were a passionate people, obsessed with Romance and Revenge, opera and theater, and all the forbidden delights their decadent culture provided. In the end, that which made them beautiful was also the key to their own destruction. Houses of the Blooded is a game about tragic obsession. Players take the roles of powerful characters bent on conquering their world and destroying their enemies in stories of adventure, exploration, romance, intrigue, loyalty and betrayal.

This is Houses of the Blooded: a roleplaying game in a violent world ruled by a magical race, featuring:

Systems for The Duel, Warfare, Romance, Revenge and Art

A huge Narrator chapter, filled with advice for new and for experienced game masters

"Seasons" - a system for long-term goals usually absent in most fantasy roleplaying games

Both *friendly game* and *cut-throat* modes for players who enjoy a quiet game with friends and those who love destroying their favorite enemies. **\$70**

Kerberos Club

Play the heroes and villains of a Strange century! Doctor Archibald Monroe, the erudite chemist and physician-chimpanzee . . . "Stony" Joe Smithson, the honest London boxer, transformed into living rock . . . Maeve O'Connel, Queen of the Mudlarks, the eternal child touched by Faerie . . . the Lady Mirabel, who by darkness defends Whitechapel as the terrifying Night Hag. . . . When the victims and enthusiasts of magic and bizarre science meet in an infamous club for "the Strange," thrilling action is sure to follow!

"The Kerberos Club" is a "Wild Talents" sourcebook for superheroic roleplaying in Victorian London. It includes a detailed history and thorough treatment of Victorian society in its every particular, especially the incredible and sometimes awful changes that "the Strangeness" comes to wreak upon Queen and Country alike.

"The Kerberos Club" gives "Wild Talents" players every tool they need to create new heroes and villains in a world that is at the same time familiar and alien-a world made more of both by the Strangeness that grips it and the dangers that threaten it.

There is, after all, every good reason for the club's motto: "MALUM NECESSARIUM." **\$62**

Wild Talents

"Wild Talents" is a complete superhero roleplaying game built for fast, thrilling action.

The "Wild Talents" game system-the "One-Roll Engine" made famous by such games as "Reign," "Godlike" and "Monsters and Other Childish Things"-is fast-paced yet detailed, with an emphasis on the dangers of heroism and the importance of willpower and motivations. The rules for creating superpowers from scratch offer tremendous flexibility, with enough simplicity to make it easy to play and enough depth to suit any gamer, and make the game eminently easy to customize.

"Wild Talents" includes an in-depth alternate version of modern history, which builds on the acclaimed setting of the World War II game "Godlike" and extends it to the present day and to Talent-influenced events that reach into the depths of government secrecy and beyond the stars.

Kenneth Hite's analysis of superhero campaign worlds guides you through the construction of wholly unique superhero settings, worlds whose history fits perfectly your vision for your setting and style of play.

"Wild Talents (Second Edition)" is a full-color hardcover book which includes:

Complete rules for creating characters, creating new powers, and running the game.

Guidelines for building alternate superheroic histories that fit your characters and style of play.

An extensive history of a "World Gone Mad," from the first appearance of Talents in World War II to the present day, more and more warped by human beings who have superhuman powers.

Tons of sample powers and characters. **\$78**

Anima Tactica

Anima Tactica

A full-color book packed with awesome art, world background, clarified and expanded game rules for the Anima: Tactics tactical miniatures game. Also features rules and background for 70+ characters. **HC \$75**

d20 Dungeons and Dragons 4E

D&D Player's Strategy Guide

The D&D Player's Strategy Guide is aimed at D&D players who crave the envy of their gamer peers. If you want a character that's jaw-droppingly cool, this book is for you. It provides tips and tricks for optimizing your D&D characters—to make them more awesome and fun to play at the game table. In addition to character optimization tips and player advice, this book includes entertaining sidebar essays written by celebrity gamers and a distinctive comic art style unlike other books in the D&D game line. **HC \$29.95**

Dungeon Magazine Annual

A collection of D&D adventures from the pages of Dungeon magazine.

This official D&D supplement gathers a year's worth of adventures published in Dungeon magazine into one easy-to-reference source. The adventures contained herein provide hundreds of hours of play, and each of them fits easily into a Dungeon Master's existing D&D campaign.

In addition to the compiled adventures, this book contains never-before-seen notes from the designers, developers, and editors that take you behind the curtain, offering a firsthand glimpse into the origin and evolution of each adventure. **HC \$44.95**

Monster Manual 3

This core rulebook packs in over 200 new monsters to menace D&D player characters. Classic monsters such as the derro, the mimic, and Lolth (Demon Queen of Spiders) make their first appearance here. In addition, this book includes scores of new monsters to challenge characters of heroic, paragon, and epic level, including deadly catastrophic dragons! **HC \$50**

Plane Above: Secrets of the Astral Sea

Climb aboard an astral skiff and set sail for adventure!

On the Astral Sea, characters face off against angels, devils, githyanki, and even the gods and their exarchs while exploring dungeons, raiding astral galleons, and establishing themselves as demigods. This game supplement builds on the overview of the Astral Sea presented in the Manual of the Planes game supplement and explores the heavenly plane in greater detail. From the cavernous layers of Nine Hells to the dark dungeons of Tytherion, adventure awaits in every astral dominion and on the vast, uncharted sea that stretches between them.

This game supplement describes the Astral Sea and key locations throughout the plane. It also presents a multitude of new monsters, as well as adventure hooks, encounters, hazards, and everything Dungeon Masters need to make the Astral Sea a featured setting in their campaigns. **HC \$45**

Dresden Files RPG

Dresden Files RPG: Our World

Step Into Our World

We are wizards, cops, mechanics, werewolves, doctors, fairies, mobsters, reporters, holy warriors, and vampires.

We call upon the dark powers of the Nevernever-or the darkness in human nature.

We are the monsters living next door or lurking behind a friendly face.

This is the Dresdenverse.

This is Our World.

This volume of The Dresden Files RPG gives you extensive detail on the factions, creatures, foes, and allies of the Dresdenverse. You'll find over 200 creatures and characters complete with all the information you'll need to bring them into your own game, as well as a detailed chapter on modern-day Occult Chicago by Kenneth Hite, and an original short story by Jim Butcher.

Together with Volume One: Your Story, The Dresden Files RPG: Our World gives you everything you need to make your own adventures in the thrilling and dangerous world of New York Times best-selling author Jim Butcher's Dresden Files series!

Free PDF copy available to customers who purchase this edition, please ask us about this. **HC \$75**

Dresden Files RPG: Your Story

Beneath the "normal" surface of the world are things and people which most of us don't want to know about, and will do our best to forget about if we ever come near them. People won't see what they don't want to see.

But that's most of us. And you-you're not most of us.

What's Your Story?

Whether you're a champion of God, changeling, vampire, werewolf, wizard, or plain "vanilla" mortal human being, this volume of The Dresden Files RPG gives you all the rules you need to build characters and tell your own stories in the Dresdenverse. Inside, you'll uncover the secrets of spellcasting, the extents of mortal and supernatural power, and the hidden occult reality of the unfamiliar city you call home.

Together with Volume Two: Our World, The Dresden Files RPG: Your Story gives you everything you need to make your own adventures in the thrilling and dangerous world of New York Times best-selling author Jim Butcher's Dresden Files series!

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Judge Dredd RPG

Democracy Falls

Democracy Falls - a hub of opportunity for those in the Cursed Earth with the skills, gear and guts to try and survive within its gang-patrolled wall. Located a few hundred miles west of Mega City One on the ruins of one of America's ancient heartland capitals, 'D-Falls' is a dream for Cursed Earthers' and a nightmare to the Justice Department. It has always loomed in the distance, standing as a reminder that the Mega Cities are not the only civilisations to thrive in this day and age.

The Justice Department has always turned a blind eye to the existence of Democracy Falls, choosing to use its resources more efficiently than laying siege to it. The appearance of a new criminal game in the lower blocks has changed the status quo, forcing the Chief Judges to take action. This new game, called Bloodrace, is well-known to have started in Democracy Falls - and it just claimed its first Judge's life.

Now the Justice Department needs a small team of Judges willing to leave the safety of Mega City One to bring justice to the Bloodrace organisers - those who brought the game to MC-1's streets. Everyone is allowed to enter Democracy Falls, even Judges' the only problem is getting back out again.

Democracy Falls is a scenario for the Judge Dredd: Traveller game setting, placing several Judges in a dangerous and foreign city in the Cursed Earth, where fast cars and faster bullets are normally the Law of the land. **\$40**

Judges Handbook

The Justice Department provides new rules and options for judges as they patrol the streets of Mega-City One, and allows them access to the more elite divisions and promotions, allowing them to become Exorcist Judges, join the holocaust Squad, or even Acc-Div! If that is not enough to complete an investigation, then the judges will be happy to try out the latest weapons and equipment, straight from the workshops of Tek-Div. **\$45**

Justice Department

The Mega-City One Archives Volume I: The Justice Department

he streets of Mega City One are a dark and violent place. In the 22nd Century the rules of society have broken down and a new order has arisen to take control. Enter the Judges empowered to apprehend miscreants and sentence them on the spot. In a hard world, the Judges have to be harder still. It may be a brutal system but it is the only thing that works.

What you will hold in your hands is a collection of lore related to the Justice Department and the citizens it protects often from themselves. These volumes will detail the world of the Judges as never before if it drives, shoots, breathes, sprawls or hides in the shadows of Mega City One, you will find it in this comprehensive collection.

Volume I: The Justice Department

This volume takes you on a guided tour of the only power great enough to keep the peace in a world gone mad. Within these pages, the training of new Judges is described, luminaries and notable members are discussed and the procedures that maintain effectiveness and discipline are revealed. This book covers the Justice Department from Sector Houses to sequestered archives, from the mechanical miracles of Tek-Div to the world-shaping decisions of the Council of Five and the Chief Judge. Here are the halls of power. Here is where rules are made.

This is the Law. **\$45**

Lawbringers

The streets of Mega-City One are a dark and violent place. In the 22nd Century the rules of society have broken down and a new order has arisen to take control. Enter the Judges empowered to apprehend miscreants and sentence them on the spot. In a hard world, the Judges have to be harder still. It may be a brutal system but it is the only thing that works.

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Volume 2: Lawbringers

This volume covers the most famous judges to have graced the streets of Mega-City One, bringing their own brand of instant justice to the streets. From the most recognisable faces, such as Anderson, Dredd and Giant, to those who attained the heights of Chief Judge, and even the few corrupt judges, Lawbringers provides a complete biography on each, charting their successes and failures. **\$45**

Magic the Gathering

Deck Builder's Toolkit

100 land cards and 125 semi-random game cards, along with four 15-card booster packs from a variety of recent Magic: The Gathering sets. It's the perfect way to start a deck-building career!

The Deck Builder's Toolkit will also contain a card storage box, a guide containing dueling tips, and expert advice on how to custom build the deadliest and most effective decks possible.

And since no two Toolkits are the same, each one presents its own unique deckbuilding challenges! **Box \$29.95**

Paranoia 4th Ed

Mr Bubbles

The classic (by which we mean, from the last edition) mission returns! Dan Curtis Johnson's epic tale of Troubleshooters, scrubbots and spam returns for the 25th Anniversary edition. From the initial briefing and its (heh) explosive revelation to the wonderful chance to participate in a hit HPD&MC show to all sorts of exciting commercial offers, Mr. Bubbles is mandatory fun for your players. **\$21**

None of this is my Fault

Three missions for High Programmers! Stay alert, trust no-one and keep your army of heavily armed bodyguards handy! Try to drag your corpulent, twisted body from the zero-gravity couch and toddle on down to the Situation Room for...

1. Joy in the Morningcycle: Rimbaud-B, the greatest chef in the sector, is missing, presumed fed. The High Programmer who acquires Rimbaud-B's services will be the perfectly sliced melba toast with caviar of ULTRAVIOLET society. The fate of not only Alpha Complex, but Rimbaud's Sylphides a la creme d'amusant chaud hang in the balance!

2. The Iceman Returneth Again: You find the weirdest things in the vaults. Expired nuclear weapons, abandoned doomsday devices, mutated things with tentacles... And frozen High Programmers from the earliest days of Alpha Complex. Who wants to hit the defrost button?

3. When Things Were Interesting: The annual all sector FunBall tournament is in its final stages. It's the biggest and only sporting event in Alpha Complex, and everyone from the lowliest INFRARED to the highest of High Programmers will be watching. Anyone for a little wager on the results? **\$20**

Pathfinder

Tome of Secrets

The Tome of Secrets is a collection of advanced and optional rules for players and game masters of The Pathfinder Roleplaying Game.

The 192-page rulebook features:

8 new classes, including the Artificer, Knight, Priest, Shaman, Spellblade, Swashbuckler, Warlock and Warlord.

Rules for character occupations (what your heroes did before they were heroes).

A system for character drawbacks, fleshing out your heroes with flaws.

New rules for The Pathfinder Roleplaying Game, including Chases, Morale, Stunts, and more!

Game Master tools including a random adventure generator, a monster modifier, and a generator capable of creating over one million magic items! **\$55**

Runequest II

Arms and Equipment

An adventurer is only as good as his equipment, so the saying goes - and with this mighty tome, your adventurer will be the best-equipped he can be. From new weapons and armour, to the more mundane items that keep an adventure going, Arms & Equipment is a complete catalogue that will keep players coming back for more after every adventure.

Arms & Equipment, like the rest of the core RuneQuest line, is a luxurious book, with a completely leather-bound cover. **HC \$55**

Deus Vult

In 1095, Pope Urban II called on the kings and knights of Europe to liberate the Holy Land in a great crusade. As one they lifted their voices to Heaven, crying deus vult God wills it! This cry was taken up by thousands of knights and peasants, martyrs and madmen, as a great tide of righteous fury flooded across the world.

This cry was heard in the shadows, too. Since the days of the apostles, a secret order of warrior monks guarded the church and protected Christendom from all enemies, both natural and supernatural. Trained from birth and equipped with lost secrets of ancient civilisations, this secret order also hears the call to crusade. Deus vult God will it, and they are the instruments of His divine Will.

It is the closing years of the twelfth century. Saladin has reconquered the Kingdom of Jerusalem, and the holy city is once more in the hands of the Saracen. Heresies and sorcery rot Europe from within, while the nobles quarrel and bicker. Even the church is falling prey to this corruption. The world must be saved, through any means necessary. No enemy, no sorcery, no doubt and no fear will prevent the monks of the Order from carrying out the Will of God. Deus Vult! **HC \$54**

Necromancy

Life and death are two sides of the same coin, and controlling one gives great power over the other. There are many uses for necromancy, some more potent and dangerous than others. On one level, using corpses as animated labourers is little different from using golems or elementals. Many healing spells are partially necromantic in nature, working with dying instead of dead flesh. Other benign uses of necromantic arts including calling up or otherwise contacting the dead as part of religious ceremonies, or even as part of respectful scholarly inquiry. Some cultures or races may accept such forms of necromancy, as long as the dead are honoured and respected, even if they object to sorcerers marching corpses around.

Necromantic Arts is a toolkit for making despicable and terrifying enemies for the players in your RuneQuest games. Material in this book can be applied to any setting using the RuneQuest rules, from Glorantha to Lankhmar to Elric or to your own homebrewed games. **HC \$45**

Savage Worlds

Daring Tales of Adventure 3

DARING TALES OF ADVENTURE TAKE YOU ON A WILD RIDE!

Daring Tales of Adventure: Compendium 3 contains four two-fisted pulp adventures for the award-winning Savage Worlds roleplaying game.

When a scientific mission to a previously unexplored island off the South American coast goes missing, it is up to the brave and fearless heroes to come to the rescue!

But all does not go well, for the rescuers soon become stranded on the mysterious, jungle-swathed island. Exploration brings the heroes into contact with degenerate tribesmen, ferocious beasts from a bygone age, deadly traps, and vile Nazis plague our heroes every step of the way. In Island of Terror can our heroes thwart the Nazis' dastardly plan?

Where under the world are they! When last we left our intrepid heroes they were plummeting down a mine shaft inside an erupting volcano. Where have they ended up? With death lurking at every step of their journey, will the heroes have what it takes to survive the Kingdom of the Blood Gods? It's time for stiff upper lips and daring adventure as the heroes hit India! Hired by the Boston Museum to oversee the final stages of an archaeological dig, the heroes are quickly embroiled in a headlong series of predicaments orchestrated by the feared Thuggee cult as part of their dastardly plot to destabilize the British Raj. Can the heroes save the British Empire from a major embarrassment, or will The Hands of Kali prevail? It's getting hot in Siberia! Chasing mobsters over a frozen Alaskan lake might be fun, but when an airplane suddenly drops from the sky and the heroes are attacked by Nazi rocket troops you know it's not a normal day! And when a Russian priest staggers into their lives with a tale of a holy relic from Tunguska being sought by the Nazis, it's definitely a day to remember! Can the adventurers uncover the Legacy of Tunguska? **\$24**

Star Wars Saga RPG

Unknown Regions

NEW from Star Wars® Roleplaying Games – The Unknown Regions™! Explore the outer regions of the galaxy, venturing into a sector of space full of strange aliens, dangerous horrors, and exciting adventure. This book serves as a reference for campaigns involving exploration and scouting of all kinds, focusing on the Unknown Regions as the galaxy's as-yet unexplored frontier. This book teaches Gamemasters how to create adventures involving exploration and alien planets, putting the tools needed in their hands to help ensure that their campaigns have a sense of being mysterious and exciting. Players will find a wealth of new information on how to make the most of heroic explorers, including members of the scout class, and provides new character building tools and equipment to help create heroes ready to explore the Unknown Regions.

- * Focuses on exploring the unknown and living to tell about it
- * Benefits scout players and provides many new options for explorers of all classes
- * Introduces new hazard rules for adventure and encounter building
- * Details eight entirely new planets and includes a mini-adventure for each world **HC \$59.95**

Traveller RPG

Merchant Prince

Long-awaited by Traveller fans, Merchant Prince is for every character who engages in trading while roaming the stars. Starting off with some extra tips and options for the speculative trading every Traveller player is familiar with, Merchant Prince adds a whole new trading option for those wealthy enough to attempt it, allowing them to build a huge trading empire that spans the stars. With new career options, cargoes and ships, Merchant Prince is an invaluable companion to all Traveller players. **\$40**

Reign of Discordia

Reign of Discordia is the core setting book in line of the same name by the celebrated game designer Darrin Drader and Reality Deviant Publications. RoD gives you what you need to know about the galactic civilization following the fall of the Stellar Imperium. Future sourcebooks and adventures will further add to the dynamic space opera setting presented in this core setting book.

Within the pages of Reign of Discordia, you can fight against the R'Tillek and their crusade of extermination against the known species, fight to protect the independence of dozens of worlds, participate in the cold war between Earth and Lamog, haul cargo to the Frontier Systems, involve yourself in the various crime syndicates, work for one of the interplanetary conglomerates and engage in corporate sabotage, play a role in the advancement of one of the interplanetary organizations, salvage starships, and engage in a number of other activities that will bring danger and adventure.

Contents,

Character rules for a space opera setting

Six new core races for the setting (Gaieti, Lamogos, Tallinites, Sangor, Relerrans, and the R'Tillek).

Seven character roles (soldier, naval officer, infiltrator, mentalist, pilot, bounty hunter, and low-life).

Descriptions of over 50 planets, which comprise the setting's core locations

Descriptions of numerous interplanetary organizations

Starship rules for True20

A range of starships

A detailed description of the space station Rover's Beacon, which is one of the key locations within the setting.

Welcome to the threatened and turbulent galaxy of 2690. Can you make a difference in these difficult times? **\$56**

Third Imperium: Reft Sector

Continuing the exploration of the Third Imperium, Reft Sector provides new ground for your players to explore, colonise and capitalise!

Part of the Great Rift, Reft Sector is a true wilderness, with opportunities abounding for lucky or skilled Travellers or those on the run from more civilised space. With a complete history and every subsector and planet covered, Reft Sector opens fresh ground for Traveller players, allowing them to interact with the inhabitants of these new worlds. **\$40**

Warhammer 40,000

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Warhammer Fantasy Roleplay

The Gathering Storm

The campaign guide provides detailed information on the town of Stromdorf and a number of its odd citizens. Colourful maps bring Stromdorf and the surrounding region to life. The Gathering Storm campaign boxed set includes one full colour Campaign Book, more than 20 new Standard American size cards (including actions, locations, and items), more than 20 new Mini American size cards (including miscasts, wounds, talents, and insanities), six full colour maps & player handouts, more than 20 new NPC and enemy standups and much more! **HC \$60**

Warmachine II

Cygnar: Commander Adept Nemo (2010)

Despite a gruff and uncompromising demeanor, Commander Adept Sebastian Nemo is Cygnar's foremost master of lightning-augmented mechanika. His ability to control warjacks is legendary, as is the variety and power of his arcane repertoire. Rather than the typical red furnace glow and smoke plumes, Nemo crackles with electrical energy and in the darkness emits a faint nimbus of light. If he flaunts his power, it is to show others what they can achieve if they persevere.

This all new version of Nemo presents a dynamic new sculpt for this classic warcaster. Nemo comes in a blister. A player may field one Commander Adept Nemo in a Cygnar army.

30mm figurine requires assembly and painting. **Figurine \$15**

Forces of Warmachine Menoth

The Road to Salvation is Paved with the Skulls of Heretics

Driven by Menoth's will, the Protectorate of Menoth wages a crusade against the other nations and lesser faiths of western Immoren. Powerful warcasters imbue their towering warjacks with divine might while masses of zealots, mighty Knights Exemplar, and ranks of disciplined Temple Flameguard stand ready to cleanse the stain of heresy wherever it may be found. Against those who carry out the Creator's will, there can be no hope of victory!

March forth with the hosts of the Lawbringer in Forces of WARMACHINE: Protectorate of Menoth, featuring:

- * Complete faction rules and profiles for using all current Protectorate models in WARMACHINE Mk II.
- * New troops to bring to the fight, plus the all-new warcaster Vice Scrutator Vindictus.
- * An in-depth look at the history and structure of the Protectorate's military.
- * A painting and modeling guide to help you ready your forces for battle.
- * Protectorate Theme Force lists and rules, which allow you to create armies based on specialized forces from the Protectorate of Menoth **TP \$45**

Crime, Mystery & Suspense

Books in this section are unlikely to be held as stock, but are available by request.

We cheerfully order in any available book for our readers, including computer texts, reference books, fiction such these listed here, etc. Maximise your Infinitas Guild points, we are keen for the business, but note it will take a week or two for the book to arrive once ordered for you.

Duplicity

A millionaire movie producer begins experiencing drug-induced blackouts and is falsely accused of assault, a situation that threatens his reputation and estate throughout the course of several frenzied hours during which his wife and her associates try to frame him for murder. **TP \$30.95**

Ellery Adams

A Killer Plot (Books By the Bay Mystery 01)

Agreeing to join the Bayside Book Writers to break her writer's block and make a few friends, Olivia Limoges, often the subject of gossip, discovers that murder is mightier than the sword when the townspeople start turning up dead with haiku poems left by their bodies. **PB \$19.95**

Jeffrey Archer

And Thereby Hangs a Tale

Story telling of the highest calibre

Millions of readers around the world have relished Jeffrey Archer's short stories. Taking inspiration from his favourite short story writers – F. Scott Fitzgerald, Maupassant, H. H. Munro, W. Somerset Maugham and O. Henry – Jeffrey Archer has written five bestselling collections over the years and Macmillan are proud to announce the publication of a sixth volume of stories in May 2010.

Jeffrey has a natural aptitude for short stories which are stylish, witty and entertaining. His mastery of characterisation and suspense, combined with a gift for the unexpected, jaw-dropping plot twist, show him at the height of his powers and demonstrate why he is one of Britain's bestselling authors. **HC \$44.99**

Tom Bale

Skin and Bones

On a cold January morning, a nightmare awaits in a small Sussex village. A deranged young man goes on the rampage, shooting everyone in his path before taking his own life. It is a senseless, tragic event, but sadly not an unfamiliar one.

At least, that's what everyone thinks.

Only Julia Trent – believed to be the sole survivor – knows that there was a second man involved. But after being shot and badly injured, her account of the massacre is ignored.

But she cannot let it rest there. Together with Craig Walker, the journalist son of one of the victims, Julia sets out to find the truth. As they peel back the layers of a dark and dangerous conspiracy, they discover the slaughter didn't begin on that bitter day in January. And worst of all, it won't end there... **PB \$21.95**

Robert Barnard

A Stranger in the Family

Having been adopted as a boy, Kit Philpson of Glasgow, Scotland, sets out to discover the true events behind his transfer to a new family, which may have something to do with a three-year-old boy being abducted from his parents' holiday hotel in Sicily in 1989. **HC \$49.95**

Jefferson Bass*The Bone Thief (Body Farm)*

Bill Brockton is exhuming a body to obtain a bone sample for a paternity test. A simple enough job until he discovers that the body's limbs have all been removed. Digging deeper, he soon finds himself embroiled in the massive and very illegal market for human body parts. He becomes drawn into the enterprise, selling donated corpses to the postmortem chop shop. He is working in league with the FBI, hoping to bring the organisation down. All the while, his friend and Medical Examiner, Eddie Garcia, is struggling with the aftermath of their last case. A massive dose of radiation has left him missing one hand and most of the fingers from the other. He's on the waiting list for a transplant, but with so many parts around, Brockton is sorely tempted to jeopardize the investigation - and his own principles - to help his friend. Will he be able to live with himself if he does? Will he be able to live with himself if he doesn't? **TP \$32.95**

Claudia Bishop*Toast Mortem (Hemlock falls)*

When a nasty celebrity chef, who has stolen some of their customers, is found dead with a knife sticking out of his neck, sisters Quill and Meg find themselves in hot water when, despite a vast array of suspects, fingers are pointed at them. **PB \$17.95**

Benjamin Black*Elegy For April* **TP \$32.99****David Black***The Extinction Event*

In the wake of his law partner's murder during an illicit sex and drug crime, Jack Slidell and the beautiful Caroline Wonder find themselves running for their lives while trying to outmaneuver sinister government agencies, a situation that places the fate of humanity at stake. **HC \$52.95**

S J Bolton*Blood Harvest***A TIME TO BE BORN**

Twelve-year-old Tom and his family have just moved to a small town perched on the crest of the moor. But troubles begin when Tom sees a mysterious child lurking around the nearby churchyard.

A TIME TO DIE

Psychiatrist Evi is trying to treat a young woman haunted by the disappearance of her little girl. A devastating fire burned down their home, but even two years on she is convinced her daughter survived.

A TIME TO KILL

Harry is the town's new vicar, quickly befriended by the locals. But unusual events around the church suggest he isn't entirely welcome, and that this odd little town harbours a terrifying secret. **TP \$32.95 HC \$52.95**

Sacrifice

You're born. You live. They die.

Moving to remote Shetland has been unsettling enough for consultant surgeon Tora Hamilton; even before the gruesome discovery she makes one rain-drenched afternoon . . . Deep in the peat soil of her field she is shocked to find the perfectly preserved body of a young woman, a gaping hole where her heart has been brutally removed and three rune marks etched into her skin.

The marks bear an eerie resemblance to carvings Tora has seen all over the islands, and she quickly uncovers disturbing links to an ancient legend. But as Tora investigates she is warned by the local police, her boss, and even her husband, to leave well alone.

And even though it chills her to the bone to admit it . . . something tells her their concern isn't genuine. **PB \$24.95**

Stephen Booth*Lost River*

A May Bank Holiday in the Peak District is ruined by the tragic drowning of an eight-year-old girl among crowds of visitors in the tourist hotspot of Dovedale. For Detective Constable Ben Cooper, a helpless witness to the tragedy, the incident is not only traumatic, but leads him to become involved in the tangled lives of the Neilds, the dead girl's family.

As he gets to know them, Cooper begins to suspect that one of them is harbouring a secret -- a secret that the whole family might be willing to cover up.

Meanwhile, Detective Sergeant Diane Fry has a journey of her own to make -- a journey back to her roots. As she finds herself drawn into an investigation of her own among the inner city streets of Birmingham, Fry realises there is only one person she can rely on to provide the help she needs.

But that man is Ben Cooper, and he's back in Derbyshire, where his suspicions are leading him towards a shocking discovery on the banks of another Peak District river. **TP \$32.99**

Gyles Brandeath*Oscar Wilde and the Dead Man's Smile*

Gyles Brandreth'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 Buttes de Chaumont to the gates of Reading Gaol. **PB \$22.99**

Emily Brightwell*Mrs Jeffries Speaks Her Mind (Victorian Mysteries 27)*

When Olive Kettering, a paranoid eccentric, is shot and killed during one of the worst storms in London history, Mrs. Jeffries once again employs her impressive skills of detection to help Inspector Witherspoon solve the case. **PB \$19.95**

Robert Gregory Browne*Down Among the Dead Men*

Determined to revitalize his ruined career, reporter Nick Vargas arrives in the Mexican desert where five Catholic nuns were brutally murdered and the body of the sixth victim, an American woman, has disappeared. **PB \$19.95**

James Lee Burke*Rain Gods*

Running from a checkered past to become a sheriff in a ramshackle Texas border town, Hackberry Holland, the cousin of Montana lawyer Billy Bob, investigates the murders of nine prostitutes, a situation that pits him against hired guns, skin-bar owners, and drug dealers. **PB \$21.95**

Chelsea Cain*Evil At Heart*

Since serial killer Gretchen Lowell went on the run, following Detective Archie Sheridan's latest near-fatal encounter with her, the city of Portland has descended into Beauty Killer hysteria. Even fan sites have sprung up online, where admirers of Gretchen can congregate to discuss their heroine.

When a spleen is discovered at a local rest stop, Detective Henry Sobol is at first sceptical it is Gretchen's work. It is only when he sees the rest stop's wall – covered in hundreds of tiny red hearts that Henry realises its time to contact Archie...

Archie Sheridan has spent the last few month's in the city's psychiatric hospital, battling with his addiction to painkillers and his strange obsession with the woman who tortured him.

But soon he, along with the Beauty Killer taskforce and journalist Susan Ward, find themselves investigating a new spate of killings – when bodies start to turn up at local beauty spots, their eye-balls removed. Could this be the work of a copy-cat? Or has Gretchen really returned? One thing is certain, whoever is behind these brutal murders, they will do whatever it takes to get to Archie... **APB \$19.99**

Pamela Callow*Damaged*

When the grandchild of one of her clients is brutally murdered, attorney Kate Lange, wondering if her legal advice led to the girl's death, is put on notice by her firm's managing partner, forcing Kate to fight for career and reputation, which leads her into the surgically skilled hands of the Body Butcher. **PB \$19.95**

Kenneth Cameron*The Bohemian Girl*

A follow-up to *The Frightened Man* finds author and expatriate Denton receiving a months-old hidden letter by a woman begging for help, a discovery that leads him into the heart of Bohemian London, where he confronts a dangerously obsessed individual. **HC \$51.95**

The Frightened Man

Struggling for anonymity in the face of a teeming turn-of-the-20th-century London and his own successes as a crime novelist, Denton initially disregards a terrified man's announcement that he is being stalked by Jack the Ripper, a claim that subsequently rings true when a prostitute is found murdered. **TP \$30.95**

Rebecca Cantrell*A Night of Long Knives (Hannah Vogel)*

Vowing to stay out of Germany to protect her son from a ruthlessly powerful Ernst Rohm, who claims to be the boy's father, journalist Hannah Vogel is horrified by her son's abduction. Then Hitler orders Rohm and anyone bearing his name to be executed. **HC \$51.95**

Danita Carter*Murder in the Hamptons*

The elite African-American members of a private Hamptons enclave are thrown into turmoil by the arrival of a rap artist and his unruly crew, who believe his sister's subsequent suicide is tied to one of the region's most prominent residents. **TP \$30.95**

Dixie Cash*Our Red Hot Romance is Leaving Me Blue (Domestic Equalizers)*

After Justin Sadler senses that someone is constantly accessing his house, he thinks either his dead wife's ghost is visiting him or an all-too-real person with sinister motives is messing with his mind, and he enlists the help of full-time hairdressers and part-time private detectives Debbie Sue Overstreet and Edwina Perkins-Martin, better known as the Domestic Equalizers. **TP \$28.95**

Yvonne Cassidy*Other Boy*

Two brothers raised in the same family. What makes one of them take a life? JP Whelan has never told his girlfriend Katie about his past - about his parents, his jail-bird brother Dessie or what happened to his childhood friend Mark all those years ago. Now that he has created the perfect life in London, the working class estate in Dublin where he grew up is behind him. But the past can never be erased. And memories of Mark still haunt him. When, on the day of his daughter's birth, Dessie arrives at his door, with a score to settle, JP's new life is in danger of crumbling around him. As the brothers search for answers, they are forced to open old wounds that have never fully healed. And JP discovers the truths he's spent his life running from have been inside him all along.

But what is it that Dessie wants after all this time? And is there anything JP can do to protect his future? **TP \$32.99**

Linda Castillo*Pray for Silence*

Investigating the brutal murders of an Amish family in quiet Painters Mill, Chief of Police and former Amish citizen Kate Burkholder teams up with state agent John Tomassetti and discovers a diary with a haunting personal connection, a case further complicated by past demons and a growing attraction. **HC \$51.95**

Sworn to Silence

Kate Burkholder, a former Amish resident of Painters Mill, is returning as police chief 16 years after a series of brutal murders took place there, but when a new victim is found under her watch, she struggles with a secret that could hurt both her and her family. **PB \$19.95**

Dan Chaon*Await Your Reply*

While Miles pursues elusive letters and clues in a perpetual search for his missing twin, Ryan struggles with the discovery that he is adopted, and Lucy finds her daring escape from her hometown posing unexpectedly dangerous consequences. **TP \$30.95**

Lee Child *Editor**First Thrills*

An anthology of previously unpublished works, edited by the best-selling author of the Jack Reacher series, includes contributions by favorite genre authors and a selection of up-and-coming writers, including Stephen Coonts, Jeffrey Deaver and Wendi Corsi Staub. **HC \$52.95**

Rory Clements

Revenger

England and Spain are at war, yet there is peril at home, too. The death of her trusted spymaster Sir Francis Walsingham has left Queen Elizabeth vulnerable. Conspiracies multiply. The quiet life of John Shakespeare is shattered by a summons from Robert Cecil, the cold but deadly young statesman who dominated the last years of the Queen's long reign, insisting Shakespeare re-enter government service. His mission: to find vital papers, now in the possession of the Earl of Essex. Essex is the brightest star in the firmament, a man of ambition. He woos the Queen, thirty-three years his senior, as if she were a girl his age. She is flattered by him - despite her loathing for his mother, the beautiful, dangerous Lettice Knollys who presides over her own glittering court - a dazzling array of the mad, bad, dangerous and disaffected. When John Shakespeare infiltrates this dissolute world he discovers not only that the Queen herself is in danger - but that he and his family is also a target. With only his loyal footsoldier Boltfoot Cooper at his side, Shakespeare must face implacable forces who believe themselves above the law: men and women who kill without compunction. And in a world of shifting allegiances, just how far he can trust Robert Cecil, his devious new master? **TP \$32.99**

Martina Cole

Hard Girls

HARD LIVES. HARD LESSONS. IT'S MURDER ON THE STREETS. When a prostitute's body is found lifeless, mutilated and brutally raped, DCI Annie Carr has never seen anything like it and never wants to again. Kate Burrows, retired DCI now consultant, has plenty of experience when it comes to murder - after all she caught the Grantley Ripper and broke the biggest paedophile ring in the South East. She is determined to help put the killer behind bars. But whoever it is won't be easily caught. And when another girl's body is found, even more horrifically disfigured than the last, it's clear the killer is just warming up... In a ruthless world where everyone's out for themselves, Annie and Kate must dig deep if they hope to catch a callous serial killer who knows no limits and makes no mistakes. For some, prostitution is seriously big business. But how many people will pay the ultimate price? **PB \$24.99**

Jodi Compton

Hailey's War

Working as a bike messenger in California after dropping out of West Point, Hailey Cain becomes involved in the East L.A. gang underworld and resolves to protect a pregnant teen from a rich mobster. **HC \$47.95**

E J Copperman

Night of the Living Dead (Haunted Guest House 01)

While transforming a fixer-upper into a guest house at the Jersey Shore, Alison Kerby must deal with two residing ghosts who insist that they were murdered and that they need her help in finding out who killed them. **PB \$19.95**

Patricia Cornwell

The Scarpetta Factor (Scarpetta)

It is the week before Christmas. The effects of the credit crunch have prompted Dr Kay Scarpetta to offer her services pro bono to New York City's Office of the Chief Medical Examiner. But in no time at all, her increased visibility seems to precipitate a string of dramatic and unsettling events. She is asked live on the air about the sensational case of Hannah Starr, who has vanished and is presumed dead. Moments later during the same broadcast, she receives a startling call-in from a former psychiatric patient of Benton Wesley's. When she returns after the show to the apartment where she and Benton live, she finds a suspicious package, possibly a bomb, waiting for her at the front desk. Soon the apparent threat on Scarpetta's life finds her embroiled in a deadly plot that includes a famous actor accused of an unthinkable sex crime and the disappearance of a beautiful millionairess with whom Lucy seems to have shared a secret past.... **TP \$34.99**

F G Cottam

Magdalena Curse

It only takes a couple of visits to convince Dr Elizabeth Bancroft that Adam Hunter is not just having bad dreams. He's a child possessed. His father is desperate: adamant that his son's affliction is the result of a curse he incurred in the depths of the Amazon, where a badly misguided military operation ended in a terrifying and macabre encounter. There he met two women - one more bad than good, who placed the curse - and the other more good than bad, with whom any hope of saving his son resides. Mark Hunter leaves the Scottish Highlands to beg help from the mysterious woman, leaving his son in the care of Elizabeth - who is about to discover there are equally dark secrets on their own doorstep. And in her blood... **BPB \$22.99**

Catherine Coulter

Whiplash (FBI)

Hired by a Yale professor to investigate the suspicious unavailability of a critical chemotherapy drug, Erin Pulaski discovers that its manufacturer is imposing a shortage to enable billions in windfall profits, a finding that is complicated by the brutal murder of a top employee. **HC \$54.95**

Clive Cussler

Medusa (Numa Files)

In the Micronesian Islands, a top-secret US undersea lab vanishes ...At the same time, off Bermuda, a bathysphere operated by NUMA and overseen by Kurt Austin is attacked and becomes stranded half a mile below the surface. Only quick thinking and bold action will save the crew - which includes the head of a certain, now-missing undersea lab - from a watery grave. Austin is convinced both events are connected, and he puts NUMA on the case.

Soon he's uncovering some hideous medical experiments and evidence of a terrifying virus that could be used to create a worldwide pandemic. Behind it all lies an ambitious Chinese criminal organization prepared to commit mass murder to achieve its ends. Now Austin must put his life on the line in order that millions will be saved from death... **APB \$19.95**

The Spy

It is 1908, and international tensions are mounting as the world plunges towards war. When a brilliant American battleship gun designer dies in an apparent suicide, the man's grief-stricken daughter turns to the legendary Van Dorn Detective Agency to clear her father's name.

Van Dorn puts his chief investigator on the case, and Isaac Bell soon realizes that the clues point not to suicide, but to murder. When more suspicious deaths follow, it becomes clear that someone—an elusive spy—is orchestrating the destruction of America's brightest technological minds . . . and the murders all connect to a top-secret project called Hull 44.

As the intrigue deepens, Bell finds himself pitted against German, Japanese, and British spies, in a mission that encompasses dreadnaught battleships, Teddy Roosevelt's Great White Fleet, Chinatown, Hell's Kitchen, and the Brooklyn Navy Yard. Isaac Bell has certainly faced perilous situations before, but this time it is more than the future of his country that's at stake—it's the fate of the world. **TP \$32.95**

Mary Daheim*Loco Motive (Bed and Breakfast Mystery)*

Reluctantly accompanying her cousin Renie on a cross-country train trip to Boston, Judith McMonigle Flynn is disgusted by the antics of daredevil and fellow passenger Wee Willie Weevil, whose untimely death following the train's collision with a truck identifies the work of a murderer.

HC \$49.95

Kyra Davis*Vows, Vendetta and a Little Black Dress (Sophie Katz)*

Sophie Katz is excited about Maryanne's engagement until her friend--and fellow bridesmaid--Dena is shot, and, while Dena struggles to walk again, vows to find the shooter among the many enemies Dena has made due to her popular sex shop. **TP \$28.95**

Jeffrey Deaver*Burning Wire (Lincoln Rhyme)*

When an attack is made on Manhattan's electricity grid, it seems that terrorists must be responsible. What better way to hold New York to ransom than to manipulate the city's power supply? While the FBI and CIA try to determine whether religious or environmental fundamentalists are behind the attacks, Lincoln Rhyme and Amelia Sachs race to decode the forensics in order to prevent the next assault on the grid. Because electricity is more than simply power keeping the city alive - it is as lethal as it is vital, and Lincoln Rhyme is up against the most terrifying killer he has ever encountered - a killer who can turn everyday life into certain death... **TP \$32.99 HC \$54.95**

Nelson DeMille*The Lion*

John Corey, former NYPD Homicide detective and special agent for the Anti-Terrorist Task Force, is back on the trail of Asad Khalil, the notorious Libyan terrorist known as 'The Lion'. Corey and his partner, agent Kate Mayfield, tracked Khalil across the US after his threats to wipe out the US in a horrific wave of terrorism. But after methodically eliminating his victims one by one, Khalil disappeared without a trace. Now, years later, Khalil has returned to America to take care of unfinished business. 'The Lion' is a killing machine on a mission of revenge, and John Corey will not stop until he rids the earth of this tyrant once and for all. **HC \$49.99**

John Denis*Air Force One is Down (Alistair Maclean's UNACO)*

Someone wants revenge, and the target is the President's plane. When the mission looks impossible, the world calls upon UNACO. The world's most ingenious international criminal is bent on revenge! / Two men with the same name and the same face / And six of the most important men in the world aboard the President's plane! Who pushed the button that destroyed Air Force One? Why must everyone be killed? Are they really dead? In this game of deception only UNACO and its daring team can be trusted to join the gamble - but can they win? **PB \$19.99**

Robert Dugoni*Bodily Harm*

On the verge of winning a wrongful death suit against a pediatrician for the death of a child, attorney David Sloane begins to doubt elements of the case when toy designer Kyle Horgan claims he is responsible for the child's death, then vanishes. **HC \$51.95**

Carola Dunn*A Colourful Death (Cornish Mysteries)*

Looking forward to a quiet retirement in Cornwall after a lifetime of international travel, widow Eleanor is inadvertently drawn into a murder investigation involving her wrongly accused artist friend and her detective niece. **HC \$51.95**

Murder on the Flying Scotsman (Daisy Dalrymple)

Daisy's in danger of heading off the rails! Daisy's embarking on a journey to Edinburgh and her biggest worry is that she has forgotten her book, so how will she pass the time? Her concern proves to be pointless, however, as once the journey begins Daisy finds a pint-sized stowaway on board.

PB \$21.95

Damsel in Distress (Daisy Dalrymple 05)

In spring a young man's fancy will turn to love and the Honourable Phillip Petrie is no exception. Daisy's chum is totally smitten with Miss Gloria Arbuckle, daughter of a millionaire Yank. But before the enthusiastic suitor can pop the question, his beloved is abducted by kidnapers. **PB \$21.99**

Robert Ellis*The Lost Witness*

Punished by her superiors following the explosive end to the Romeo case, Robbery-Homicide Detective Lena Gamble realizes that she has been set up for another fall when she is assigned the gruesome case of an unidentified victim whose body has been dismembered and tossed into a dumpster.

PB \$19.95

R J Ellory*The Anniversary Man*

Twenty years after surviving an attack by a serial killer who murdered his girlfriend, a physically and psychologically scarred John Costello works in seclusion as a crime researcher and discerns a complex pattern in a string of seemingly unrelated murders. **HC \$51.95**

Dianne Emley*Love Kills*

Homicide police detective Nan Vining and her partner and lover, Jim Kissick, arrive at the Berryhill compound, a healing ground for the rich and famous, to investigate several high-profile murders that are linked to Vining's own mother, who was a friend to one of the victims. **PB \$19.95**

Robert Engwerda*Mosquito Creek*

1855. Flood, Murder, Betrayal: there's more than money on the Victorian goldfields

Huge floodwaters have engulfed a remote Victorian goldfield, reducing the prospect of digging up a fortune from very slim to impossible, and adding disease to the many possibilities of sudden death in harsh conditions. As sickness starts to take its toll and calls mount for the rescue of diggers stranded by the raging torrent, Sergeant Niall Kennedy must try to keep order in a place where frictions can become murderous. Does a suspiciously abandoned tent suggest there has already been a killing? And why has Mosquito Creek's erratic Commissioner Stanfield drafted in special troopers behind Kennedy's back? **TP \$32.95**

Janet Evanovich

Plum Spooky (Stephanie Plum)

Evanovich fans rejoice! Stephanie Plum is back in town, along with her sidekick Lula, her Grandma Mazur, and an ever-widening cast of freaks, criminals, deranged felons, and lunatics looking for love. And just when Stephanie thinks her life can't get any more complicated, in walks the mysterious Diesel. A man who seems to show up at the most inconvenient moments. This time, he's the instigator for Stephanie's new adventure, which involves camping in the Pine Barrens with Lula, and perhaps even a sighting of the Jersey Devil... So hang on for a Stephanie Plum novel that is sure to send chills up your spine it gives new meaning to the words hilarious, and spooky. **BPB \$22.99**

Diane Fanning

Mistaken Identity

When Homicide Investigator Lucinda Pierce has to break the news to a 13-year-old boy that his parents have been murdered, his reaction comes as a shock: He claims that his father is not only still alive but also immortal, having sold his soul to the devil. The more Lucinda investigates, the more puzzled she becomes--and the more convinced that this is a family with something major to hide. **HC \$56.95**

Wolfram Fleischhauer

Fatal Tango

When Giulietta Battin, ballerina at the conservative Berlin opera, falls in love with the dashing Argentinean tango champion, Damian Alsina, she unwittingly embarks on an intoxicating but dangerous journey.

Having fled his country's political horrors, Damian has found sanctuary in northern Europe. But is he there for another reason? He is connected to Giulietta's powerful politician father – but neither man will tell her the truth of their association.

When Damian bizarrely starts sabotaging his own tango routines and then, without warning, flees to Argentina, Giulietta is determined to unravel the mystery once and for all and follows him.

But he is nowhere to be found.

In a desperate attempt to track down her lover and unlock her father's dark secrets, Giulietta embarks on an odyssey through the fascinating tango universe of Buenos Aires, where Damian's strange dancing style gradually reveals itself to be an elaborate code, a way of speaking about unspeakable horrors of the past...

Thrilling and sexy, Fatal Tango combines art and passion and suspense into a highly original mix. **TP \$32.99**

Shamini Flint

The Singapore School of Villiany (Inspector Singh Investigates)

Inspector Singh is home - and how he wishes he wasn't. His wife nags him at breakfast and his superiors are whiling away their time by giving him his usual 'you're a disgrace to the force' lecture. Fortunately for Singh, there is no rest for the wicked when he is called out to the murder of a senior partner at an international law firm, clubbed to death at his desk. Unfortunately for Singh, there is no shortage of suspects - from the victim's fellow partners to his wife and ex-wife - or motives, as many of the lawyers have secrets they would kill to protect. And very soon Singh finds himself heading up an investigation that rips apart the fabric of Singapore society and exposes the rotten core beneath. Perhaps coming home wasn't such a good idea, after all...? **BPB \$22.99**

Kathryn Fox

Blood Born

For pathologist and forensic physician Dr Anya Crichton, the death of a gang rape victim hours before she is due to give evidence at trial is more than only a tragedy. The psychotic Harbourn brothers, the girl's accused attackers, now look like getting away with two horrific crimes.

But the Harbourn's trail of destruction doesn't end there. When two sisters are brutally assaulted and one of them is killed, Anya begins working round the clock to catch the Harbourns and nail their ringleader, the deviously clever Gary. With the help of Detective Kate Farrer and star litigator Dan Brody, she begins to discover just how twisted this family really is, and what they're capable of.

In Dr Anya Crichton's hardest case yet, she must piece together the evidence before the killer's attention is turned on her.. **BPB \$22.99**

Meg Gardiner

The Liar's Lullaby (Jo Beckett 03)

When the country singer ex-wife of a U.S. president is sensationally murdered during a concert performance, forensic psychiatrist Jo Beckett endeavors to learn the victim's role in her demise as well as the murder's relevance for the president. **HC \$52.95**

The Liar's Lullaby

When you have to take on the White House there's only one woman to call -- Jo Beckett. When a rock singer is killed onstage during a concert, Jo Beckett is called in to perform a psychological autopsy. But Tasia McFarland's death causes Jo all kinds of problems, because Tasia is the ex-wife of the President of the United States.

The White House pressures Jo to declare Tasia's death an accident rather than a homicide. The media and conspiracy nuts rant that Tasia was knocked off to silence her, for unknown reasons. Fringe extremists seethe about taking direct action to "save America" from the president and his administration.

Jo learns that an obsessed fan was apparently stalking Tasia. The stalker may have killed her and escaped in the panic at the concert. As the media and conspiracy frenzy grows, the White House leans harder on Jo to close the case.

When she won't, Gabe Quintana finds his military orders suddenly changed, and he's called up to active duty in Afghanistan! in 72 hours. Jo discovers the identity of the stalker. It's someone who's obsessed with Tasia's new boyfriend, a famous country singer.

Jo calls the police but she's too late. The stalker stabs the singer to death. The police kill the stalker. The case seems to have come to a spectacular conclusion. But Jo doesn't think the stalker in fact murdered Tasia; the facts don't add up. She fears that Tasia was killed for other reasons. And she's nervous, because the President is coming to San Francisco to attend Tasia's memorial service! **TP \$32.99**

The Memory Collector

Forensic psychiatrist Jo Beckett's speciality is the psychological autopsy - an investigation into a person's life to determine whether a death was natural, accidental, suicide, or homicide. When Jo is asked to do a psychological autopsy on a living person - one with a suspect memory who can't be trusted to participate in his own medical care - she knows all her skills will be put to the test. Jo is called to the scene of an aircraft inbound from London to help deal with a passenger who is behaving erratically. She figures out that Ian Kanan has got anterograde amnesia, and can't form new memories. Jo finds herself racing to save a patient who can walk and talk and yet can't help Jo figure out just what happened to him. Suddenly a string of clues arises, something to do with a super deadly biological agent code-named "Slick", a kidnapping, and a secret partnership gone horribly wrong. Jo realises Kanan's addled mind may hold the key to preventing something terrible from happening in her beloved San Francisco. With time running out, she will have to get deeper into the life of a patient than she ever has before, hoping the truth emerges from the fog of his mind in time to save her city - and herself. **BPB \$24.99**

Sulari Gentill*A Few Right Thinking Men***TP \$29.99****Leah Giarratano** *Australian Author**Black Ice*

Detective Sergeant Jill Jackson is working undercover in Sydney's murky drug world. Living in a run down flat and making unlikely friends Jill sees first hand what devastation the illegal drugs scene can wreak.

Jill's sister Cassie has a new boyfriend Christian Worthington. Like her, he is one of the beautiful people of Sydney, rich, good looking, great job, great car and seen in all the right places. He is a high flying lawyer doing pro bono work to keep a drug dealer out of gaol. He is also Cassie's supplier, keeping her supplied with cocaine and ice. When Cassie overdoses and is dumped at the hospital her life begins to spiral out of control.

Seren Templeton is just out of Silverwater Women's Correctional Centre. Two years in gaol away from her son for something she didn't do. And now she is ready to get her revenge on the man responsible. Things start to go awry when these worlds collide and Jill and Cassie meet on opposite sides of the law. As with her previous two Jill Jackson novels, psychologist Leah Giarratano writes with disturbing insight into the criminal mind. A taut and suspenseful read from one of Australia's new breed of crime writers. **PB \$24.95**

Watch the World Burn

Miriam Caine, aged seventy, is dining with her son when she bursts into flames in the restaurant of a five-star hotel. The restaurant's manager, Troy Berrigan, is first to her aid, but the woman later dies of her injuries. When investigators find accelerants on the victim's face and clothing, the incident becomes a police matter, and attention is turned to Berrigan, a fallen hero cop, who fits the arsonist profile. Berrigan knows he's not the killer, but he also knows that at the time of the incident, he was the only person close enough to have set her on fire. When he's connected to another death, Troy must do all he can to discover what really happened to Miriam Caine.

Her death precludes a spate of apparently unconnected acid and arson attacks around Sydney. Is it the beginning of an orchestrated campaign of terror? And is Troy Berrigan the perpetrator or an innocent bystander caught up in a terrible train of events?

While on study leave, Detective Sergeant Jill Jackson becomes caught up in the investigation. Working with Federal Agent Gabriel Delahunt, she is determined to find out what happened to Miriam Caine, because this case for her is not only about murder and maiming in Sydney: this case will change Jill Jackson's life forever. **TP \$24.95**

Mark Gimenez*The Common Lawyer*

Andy Prescott is the most laid-back young lawyer in Austin, Texas. Specialising in traffic law, he operates from a small room above a ramshackle tattoo parlour. He rides a trail bike and spends way too much time drinking beer in the sunshine. Ambition has never been Andy's strong point - he prefers to take it easy. That is, until one of Texas's wealthiest men walks into his office. On the spot, billionaire Russell Reeves retains Andy as his lawyer and, in exchange for some easy legal work, pays him more money than he has ever earned before. Andy's life is transformed. But nothing comes for free. Russell is a desperate man whose sole aim is to save his eight-year-old son, Zach, who is dying from leukemia. He is prepared to do anything - even if it means putting Andy's life in danger... **BPB \$19.99**

Lee Goldberg*Mr Monk in Trouble (Monk 09)*

When a museum watchman in Trouble, California, is murdered, Monk is sent to investigate and quickly becomes obsessed with the 1962 unsolved train robbery that made the town famous. **PB \$19.95**

W E B Griffin & William E Butterworth IV*The Traffickers (Badge of Honor 09)*

In the wake of a gangland shooting at a popular tourist site in Philadelphia, Homicide Sergeant Matthew Payne pursues a suspicion that the case is related to a murder near the Schuylkill River, a situation for which he travels to the Texas-Mexico border and encounters more danger than anticipated. **PB \$21.95**

John Grisham*Ford Country*

Worldwide No.1 bestseller John Grisham takes you into the heart of America's Deep South with a collection of stories connected by the life and crimes of Ford County: a place of harsh beauty where broken dreams and final wishes converge.

From a hard-drinking, downtrodden divorce lawyer looking for pay-dirt, to a manipulative death row inmate with one last plea, Ford County features a vivid cast of attorneys, crooks, hustlers, and convicts. Through their stories he paints a unique picture of lives lived and lost in Mississippi.

Completely gripping, frequently moving and always entertaining, Ford County brims with the same page-turning quality and heart-stopping drama of his previous bestsellers, and is proof once more why John Grisham is our most popular storyteller. **PB \$19.95**

Theodore Boone

When it comes to giving advice on divorce issues and impounded pets, 13-year-old Theodore Boone is first choice with his teachers and classmates. Theo knows more about the law than most lawyers. But he also knows he has no business getting involved in his home town's first murder trial in years. That is, until a witness tells Theo he saw things the day of the murder that could bust the case wide open. The only problem is, he's too scared to talk - Theo is the only person he'll trust. With the trial about to be lost for lack of evidence, and a witness who won't take the stand, suddenly Theo finds himself caught in the middle of his - and the town's - biggest case ever . . . **TP \$32.99**

Tarquin Hall*The Case of the Man Who Died Laughing (Vish Puri)*

A follow-up to The Case of the Missing Servant finds Indian detective Vish Puri sending an undercover operative to the sacred town of Haridwar when a notorious debunker is found dead and a high-profile Hindu ascetic is implicated. **HC \$49.95**

Graham Hancock*Entangled*

When a drug overdose causes Leoni, a troubled teen from twenty-first-century Los Angeles, to have a near-death experience, her soul is lifted from the modern world and flung into a parallel time 24,000 years in the past. There her fate becomes entangled with that of Ria, a young Stone Age woman fighting for her life against the ferocious Illimani, an army of evil led by the vicious Sulpa, a powerful demon determined to destroy humanity. As the invaders annihilate Ria's people, inflicting torture and human sacrifice, Sulpa moves ever closer to his ultimate goal: to manifest physically in the twenty-first century and doom all of mankind to perpetual slavery. The hour is late and all hope of stopping him seems lost. But there is still hope, if Leoni and Ria can rise to the challenge fate has set them. Uniting outside the flow of earth time, they must venture forth into regions of wonder, master their own deepest fears, and fight battles they could never have prepared for, if Sulpa is to be defeated . . . **TP \$34.95**

John Harvey

Far Cry

Ruth and Simon reluctantly agree to let their young teenage daughter, Heather, go off on a camping holiday in Cornwall with her best friend, Kelly, and her family. While on a vacation of their own, Ruth and Simon get the news that both girls have gone missing. Kelly is found alive, but after several days of searching, Heather's body is discovered inside some old mine works. Although the police detective leading the investigation harbours suspicions of foul play, the verdict is that the death was accidental.

The emotional strain of Heather's death ruins Ruth and Simon's marriage. After the divorce, Ruth moves from London to Cambridgeshire, where she remarries and has another child—a daughter, Beatrice. But when Beatrice is close to the age Heather was when she died, she too mysteriously disappears.

Helen Walker (of Harvey's 2008 novel, *Gone to Ground*), one of the officers involved in the investigation, travels to Cornwall to seek connections between Beatrice's disappearance and Heather's death. Will Grayson (also of *Gone to Ground*), the officer leading the inquiry, is torn between his fears that a recently paroled child abuser might be responsible and his growing suspicion that someone closer to home might have taken Beatrice. With the stakes impossibly high and time running out, Helen and Will draw closer to their quarry while the truth seems to slip further into the distance. **HC \$52.95 PB \$21.95**

Jack Higgins

A Darker Place

Dillon and company are back in the ultimate blockbuster from the 'legend' that is Jack Higgins. Disillusioned with the Putin Government, famous Russian writer and ex-paratrooper Alexander Kurbsky decides he wants to disappear into the West. However he is under no illusions about how the news will be greeted at home - he has seen too many of his countrymen die mysteriously at the hands of the thuggish Russian security services, so he makes elaborate plans with Charles Ferguson, Sean Dillon and the rest of the group known informally as the "Prime Minister's private army" for his escape and concealment. It's a real coup for the West! except for one thing.

Kurbsky is still working for the Russians. The plan is to infiltrate British and American intelligence at the highest levels, and he has his own motivations for doing the most effective job possible. He does not care what he has to do or where he has to go! or whom he has to kill. **APB \$19.99**

Reginald Hill

Death of a Dormouse

When policemen remove their hats, they do not bring good news. The bare-headed policeman on Trudi Adamson's doorstep brought the worst news possible -- her husband Trent has been burned to death in a freak car accident. Suddenly a widow after years of marriage, Trudi finds herself alone, unprovided for and increasingly aware of her ignorance of her late husband's world.

Why had he resigned from his job without telling her? Where was all his money? And more terrifying still: is he really dead? As shock piles upon shock, Trudi is forced to re-examine her belief in Trent, and ultimately in herself. Compelled to leave the cosy nest of her old life, she is out in the open and fighting for her very survival! **BPB \$24.99**

Death's Jest-Book

Reginald Hill's best-selling duo, Dalziel and Pascoe, return in this brilliant, complex and ultimately moving crime novel: 'Reginald Hill is probably the best living crime writer in the English-speaking world' -- Independent In T.L. Beddoes' play *Death's Jest-Book*, the dead won't lie still in the grave and the living often wish they could. And Reginald Hill's novel is much the same -- except perhaps for a few more jests.

The dead-pan joker, Franny Roote, is working on his dead friend's unfinished biography of Beddoes, and with unfinished business between himself and DCI Pascoe to deal with as well. Three times Pascoe has been wrong about Roote. This time he's determined to leave no grave-stone unturned as he tries to prove that the ex-con and aspiring academic is mad, bad and dangerous to know.

Meanwhile, Edgar Wield, Quixote-like, rides to the rescue of a child in danger, and finds he's got a rent-boy under his wing. In return, the boy tips him off about the heist of a priceless treasure, and soon Wield's torn between protecting the boy and doing his duty. His superiors might have worries, but DC Hat Bowler's looking forward to a blissful New Year with the girl of his dreams.

The trouble is that that girl is Rye Pomona and her dreams are filled with a horror too terrible to tell -- even though Charley Penn throws all his energies into trying to do exactly that. And over all this activity broods the huge form of Mid-Yorkshire CID's First Mover, DS Andy Dalziel. As trouble builds, the Fat Man discovers (as many deities before him) that omniscience can be more trouble than its worth, and that sometimes all omnipotence means is that you can have any colour you like, as long as it's black. **BPB \$24.99**

Dream of Darkness

Sairey Ellis's father is writing his memoirs. As an ex-security man whose life work has been in Africa, his revelations will be explosive, blowing the lid off British and Kenyan support for Idi Amin, and exposing the degree of unofficial British connivance in Rhodesian sanctions-busting. He must be persuaded not to publish.

This complex thriller from the acclaimed Reginald Hill takes a cool and pitiless look at the role of the security service, and its effect on the individuals, both innocent and knowing, who become caught up in it. Gripping, assured and perceptive in its psychology, here is a chillingly convincing portrait of the repercussions of a life of espionage. **BPB \$24.99**

The Collaborators

From the bestselling author of the Dalziel and Pascoe series, a superb novel of wartime passion, loyalty -- and betrayal. When Janine Simonian was dragged roughly from her cell to face trial as a collaborator in the days of reckoning that followed the liberation of France, she refused to conceal her shaven skull from the jeering crowds that greeted her. Before the jury of former Resistance members pledged to extract vengeance on all who had connived in Nazi rule, Janine stood proudly in court -- and pleaded guilty to the charges. Why did so many French men and women collaborate with the Nazi occupation forces whilst others gave their lives in resistance? Were the motives of those who betrayed their country always selfish -- and those of the Resistance always noble?

The Collaborators is a superb novel of conscience and betrayal that portrays the human dilemmas brought about by the Nazi occupation of France, and asks uncomfortable questions about the priorities of personal and national loyalty in time of war. **BPB \$24.99**

The Only Game

When a four-year-old child is abducted from an Essex kindergarten, Detective Inspector Dog Cicero soon realizes that this is to be no routine investigation. Something about the child's mother troubles him. Maybe it's just the fact that she comes from Derry, and Cicero's Northern Ireland scars go deeper than his ruined face.

But he feels there's more to it than that. Why, for instance, is Superintendent Toby Tench leaving his devious Special Branch footprints all over Cicero's Romchurch patch? And why does he want the courts to release Jane Maguire on bail after she makes an incriminating confession? Tench plays his cards close to his chest, and Cicero finds the odds are stacked against him both personally and professionally -- not that he will let that stop him. For Dog's a gambling man, and when death's the only game in town, a gambling man has got to play. **BPB \$24.99**

Reginald Hill

There Are No Ghosts in the Soviet Union

In suburban Luton, a private detective on his first case discovers that curiosity can kill more than just the cat... meanwhile, in wartime Boulogne, one officer will do anything to ensure that his men are ready to kill for their country... and in Stalinist Moscow, Inspector Chislenko must find out why three people have just witnessed a 50-year-old murder. From France to Russia, the 1830s to 1916 and the present day, Reginald Hill has crafted half a dozen tantalizing tales of the unexpected. He asks questions that will intrigue and gives answers that will astound.

Featuring some of his best-loved characters, among them Joe Sixsmith and, of course, Dalziel and Pascoe, this is Reginald Hill at his devilish best. **BPB \$24.99**

Brett Hoffman

The Contract

Wall Street star consultant Stella Sartori is very good at her job. So good, in fact, that she can't help but follow up a casual remark made during a routine company assessment. It leads her to a dusty old contract in the archives and within hours she is running for her life, taking the file and its cryptic contents with her.

Fellow Australian Jack Rogers is sent in for damage control, but when he finds Stella's notes, he realises she has stumbled onto a devastating secret. Suddenly, it's vital that he finds her before some else does.

Relentlessly pursued across the country, Jack and Stella uncover a shocking trail of corruption and murder dating back forty years, with an explosive secret at its heart. If they can prove their suspicions correct, they'll survive. But with the contract in their hands, the past threatens to destroy them.

BPB \$24.95

David Housewright

The Taking of Libbie SD (McKenzie)

Kidnapped by a grifter who has been using his identity in an elaborate con that has devastated an entire South Dakota community, retired cop and millionaire Rushmore McKenzie finds himself at the mercy of angry and desperate townspeople who have nothing left to lose. **HC \$51.95**

Dorothy Howell

Purses and Poison (Haley Randolph Mystery)

While subbing for a sick server at a Holt's Department Store luncheon, fashionista Haley Randolph, who can spot a fake Louis Vuitton at 50 paces, is accused of murdering beauty queen Claudia Gray, the ex-girlfriend of her boyfriend and store owner Ty Cameron. **PB \$17.95**

Declan Hughes

All the Dead Voices

Ed Loy has made some changes. He has moved into an apartment in Dublin's city centre, leaving behind his family home: he wants to break free of the ghosts of his own past, to live in the teeming present. But if that's what he wants for his own life, it's not always what his clients will permit: the baggage they bring with him propel him relentlessly into past. The police are working along similar lines with their new Cold Case unit. Looking back over a fifteen-year-old murder, they are satisfied by their original findings - but not so Loy. He has been hired by the victim's daughter to investigate the suspects ignored by the first investigation: a rich property developer, an ex-IRA man and Loy's own nemesis, George Halligan. But Loy has to watch his back: in the murky world into which he has fallen, he can't tell which threats come from the IRA and which from the police protecting their old case. Can Loy persuade his longstanding friend DI Dave Donnelly to help solve the Fogarty case, or does he have to rely on the murderous George Halligan? Does it all go back to the IRA? Are the men who gave the commands now respectable citizens? In his toughest case yet, Ed Loy delves into the dirty side of life in the New Ireland, where progress comes at a price and no one is free of their past. **BPB \$22.99**

City of Lost Girls

In LA there's a killer on the loose. He kills young and rootless girls and he always kills in threes. Back in Dublin, Ed Loy, happy in a new relationship, is reunited with Jack Donovan, a film director friend from LA with a turbulent personal history. When the third young female extra fails to show for work on Jack's movie, Loy begins to suspect Jack. And when the previous victims of the 'Three-in-One Killer' are discovered in LA at locations Jack used for his movies, Loy's suspicion hardens. Loy flies to LA to liaise with the LAPD on their investigation. He must find something in his and Jack's shared past that can point to the killer, and hope against hope that whatever he finds will point away from his old friend. And then, when he finally unearths the truth, it looks like it may be too late. Back in Dublin, the 'Three-in-One Killer' has broken his pattern, broken cover and struck at Ed Loy where he is most vulnerable. Time is not on Loy's side as he mounts a desperate fight to outwit a ruthless psychopath and save the last of the lost girls. **TP \$32.99**

James Patrick Hunt

The Silent Places

When a former CIA assassin escapes from prison, St. Louis Police Lieutenant George Hastings races against time to prevent the escapee from vengefully murdering a senator, a case that is complicated by Hasting's discovery that someone else is chasing his target. **HC \$52.95**

Adrian Hyland Australian Author

Gunshot Road

Emily Tempest is small, black, as snaky as a taipan's tooth and is the woman least likely ever to embark on a career in policing. But her old mate Superintendent Tom MacGillivray has persuaded her to sign on as the Aboriginal Community Police Officer for the outback (not to mention throwback) township of Bluebush.

Then Tom is hospitalised and Emily finds herself working for a new bloke instead: an east-coast ring-in, a martinet called Cockburn. Being allergic both to authority and to keeping her big mouth shut, Emily is immediately at odds with the new boss. And the death at the Green Swamp Well Roadhouse only complicates things. Cockburn thinks it's a simple case of two old drunks and a hammer. Emily's not convinced.

Adrian Hyland takes us to the outback—a place we think we know, and have mostly never seen. Introducing us to the people who belong there—a different people, as wise, foolish and fallible as the rest of us. And spinning for us a veil of wit and lyrical beauty through which we can see them truly. **TP \$32.95**

Julie Hyzy

Grace Under Pressure (Manor of Murder 01)

When Bennett Marshfield's trusted curator Abe is murdered in a case of mistaken identity, Grace Wheaton, lover of history and mystery, comes to the aid of the reclusive millionaire while trying to catch a greedy killer with the help of handsome groundskeeper Jack Embers. **PB \$19.95**

Gary Jennings*Apocalypse 2012*

Scientists discover the Aztec-Mayan End-Time Codex, which foretells the end of the world in 2012, and must struggle to crack the code before it's too late. **APB \$19.99**

Craig Johnson*Junkyard Dogs (Walt Longmire 06)*

An effort to remove a junkyard adjacent to a lucrative Wyoming land-development project is thrown into conflict when human remains are discovered at the site, a situation that pits Sheriff Walt Longmire and his companions against increasingly volatile locals. **HC \$51.95**

Diane Jones*The Pull of the Moon*

When Kate Mayfield receives a letter from Mrs Ivanisovic, she realises that the secret she has kept for more than thirty years is not so safe as she imagined. Haunted by the echoes of a vanished summer which changed her life for ever, Kate is forced to confront memories she would rather forget... **PB \$21.99**

R T Jordan*Set Sail For Murder (Polly Pepper 04)*

While on a reunion cruise for her old comedy TV show Polly Pepper Playhouse, Polly is shocked when former castmate Laura Crawford is murdered with a commemorative DVD, sharpened to a razor's edge, and must find the killer amid a boatload of D-listers, spurned lovers and obsessed fans. **HC \$47.95**

Marshall Karp*Cut, Paste, Kill (Lomax & Biggs)*

Investigating the brutal murder of a disgraced socialite whose vigilante killer left a meticulous scrapbook documenting the crime's motives, Lomax and Biggs are dismayed by subsequent murders also marked by scrapbooks and begin a race against time to decode elusive clues. **HC \$52.95**

Jonathan Kellerman*Self-Defence*

Lucy Lowell is traumatised after serving jury duty on the trial of a depraved killer. Horrific images haunt her waking life and at night she's terrorised by the recurring nightmare of a small child watching a terrible scene unfold in a darken wood. Lucy's terrified that she's losing her grip on reality. Her psychologist, Alex Delaware, thinks her dreams are repressed memories of something very real - a very real murder. Alex knows that delving into Lucy's mind might awaken past terrors but nothing could have prepared him for the horrors about to be unleashed. **APB \$19.99**

Jim Kelly*Death Watch*

Teaming up with his father's tough ex-partner to investigate a gruesome series of murders, rookie detective Peter Shaw uncovers disturbing links between the case and unfinished business from the past. **HC \$52.95**

Mary Kennedy*Reel Murder (Talk Radio Mysteries 02)*

Determined to get a much-needed ratings boost for her failing radio talk show, psychologist Maggie Walsh, who considers herself the female Dr. Phil, cons her way onto a big movie set only to be faced with murder, which could bring about the end of her career--permanently. **PB \$17.95**

Douglas Kennedy*Leaving the World*

A best-selling European title follows the experiences of a woman who after unexpectedly becoming a wife and mother withdraws from the world in the wake of a shattering event and makes a wrenching decision to help in the search for a young girl. **TP \$32.95**

J A Kerley*In the Blood*

The author of BLOOD BROTHER returns with a new psychological thriller featuring Carson Ryder, the detective with a unique perspective on serial killers -- his brother's one. TV evangelist Reverend Scaler made his fortune from firebrand rhetoric on the sins of modern America. But Scaler has preached his last sermon after being bound and beaten to death in an apparent S&M session.

Detective Carson Ryder has his own problems. He's edgy and unpredictable, the crime scene barely seeming to affect him any more than finding an infant abandoned in a boat -- nearby, a burnt-out shack, a body and signs of a struggle. Scaler's tangled personal life reveals bizarre connections between the cases.

And it seems the baby fighting for its life in hospital has powerful enemies. Ryder can't seem to save himself -- but can he save the life of an innocent child? **APB \$19.99**

Raymond Khoury*Sanctuary*

Portugal, 1705: In the dungeons of a Templar castle, a dying old man bequeaths an ancient, half-burnt book to his young inquisitor. Keeping one step ahead of those who would kill to wrench the book's secret from his hands, the inquisitor turns his back on his calling and sets off on an impossible journey to complete the old man's quest. Baghdad, 2003. A military unit makes a horrifying discovery: a hidden state-of-the-art lab, where dozens of men, women and children have died. The scientist they were hunting is believed to be working on a bioweapons programme. But the man known only as the hakeem - the doctor - has escaped, taking with him the startling truth about his work... **BPB \$22.99**

Peter Klein*Silk Chaser*

A serial killer is stalking young, female strappers. No one knows who it is, why he's doing it, or who is likely to be next. The police and the race clubs seem powerless to do anything. The women are terrified and the union is threatening to go on strike and close down the entire racing industry unless security can be guaranteed and the killer caught.

Meanwhile, John Punter's got problems closer to home to worry about. There's a protection racket afoot and his restaurant Gino's is getting lent on. Then there's his new girlfriend Maxine. Everyone says she's trouble. She's the socialite daughter of a shock-jock announcer; the biggest rating name in radio and a major client of his father's stable. And he's made it clear he doesn't want Punter hanging around...

Back at the track, as the body count mounts, Punter finds himself involved in a desperate race against time to find a crazed killer. **TP \$32.99**

Bernard Knight*Where Death Delights*

The first in a new series from author of the 'Crown John' books - 1955. Forensic pathologist Richard Pryor uses his 'golden handshake' to set up in private practice with scientist Angela Bray. A friendly coroner gives them a start, and when two women both claim that human remains found near a reservoir are their relatives, the dilemma is given to them to investigate. Written by a former Home Office pathologist, the story carries the stamp of forensic authenticity. **HC \$58.95**

Tom Knox*The Marks of Cain*

In America a young man inherits a million dollars, from a grandfather he thought was poor. Meanwhile, across Europe old men and women are being killed, in the most barbaric and elaborate of ways.

And a brilliant scientist has disappeared from his laboratory in London, taking his extraordinary experiments with him. Tying these strange events together is an ancient Biblical curse, a medieval French tribe of pariahs, and a momentous and terrible revelation: something that will alter the world forever. One couple is intent on discovering this darkest of secrets, others will kill, and kill again, to stop them.

Shifting from the forgotten churches of the Pyrenees, to the mysterious castles of the SS, to the arid and frightening wastes of Namibia, Tom Knox weaves together astonishing truths from ancient scripture and contemporary science to create an unputdownable thriller. **BPB \$24.99**

Michael Koryta*The Silent Hour (Lincoln Perry)*

A convicted murderer asks Lincoln Perry to find the missing daughter of a Mafia Don in the fourth installment of the award-winning PI series - a dark tale of broken dreams and second chances.

Whisper Ridge - Home to Dreams - 6 November 1992-27 April 1996

So reads the strange epitaph carved beside the front door of Whisper Ridge, a multi-million-dollar mansion that once housed the beginnings of Alexandra Sanabria's unique program for paroled murderers. Uninhabited for twelve years, the home still stands as a strange monument to dangerous secrets.

Private investigator Lincoln Perry's first involvement with the house and its legacy comes when Parker Harrison - a convicted killer and former parolee at Whisper Ridge - asks him to find Alexandra, who disappeared with her husband after the failure of the parolee program.

Against his better judgment, Perry agrees to take on the case. When he learns that the skeletal remains of Alexandra's husband have been found, he wishes he'd trusted his initial instincts ...

With the police investigation reactivated and decades-old threats arising, Perry is confronted with a sordid family mystery that will challenge both his abilities as a detective and his commitment to that calling ... **PB \$23.99**

So Cold the River

It started with a documentary. The beautiful Alyssa Bradford approaches Eric Shaw to unearth the life story of her father-in-law, Campbell Bradford, a 95-year-old billionaire whose childhood is wrapped in mystery. Eric grabs the job, even though the only clues to Bradford's past are his hometown and an antique water bottle he's kept all his life.

In Bradford's hometown, Eric discovers an extraordinary past - a glorious domed hotel where movie stars, presidents, athletes and mobsters once intermingled. Long derelict, the hotel has just been restored to its former grandeur.

But something else has been restored too - a long forgotten evil that will stop at nothing to settle a decades-old score. And with every move, Eric inches closer to the centre of the building storm. **TP \$32.99**

Julie Kramer*Silencing Sam*

When a gossip reporter with whom she publicly clashed is found murdered, television reporter Riley is wrongly charged with the crime and is forced to use all her resources to clear her name, a case during which she comes to suspect a ratings-greedy media newcomer. **HC \$49.95**

Camilla Lackberg*The Ice Princess*

Returning to her hometown of Fjällbacka after the funeral of her parents, writer Erica Falck finds a community on the brink of tragedy. The death of her childhood friend, Alex, is just the beginning. Her wrists slashed, her body frozen in an ice-cold bath, it seems that she has taken her own life.

Erica conceives a book about the beautiful but remote Alex, one that will answer questions about their own shared past. While her interest grows into an obsession, local detective Patrik Hedstrom is following his own suspicions about the case. But it is only when they start working together that the truth begins to emerge about a small town with a deeply disturbing past. **HC \$52.95**

Jon Land*Strong Justice (Caitlin Strong)*

A Mexican girl on the run from human traffickers brings fifth-generation Texas Ranger Caitlin to the sleepy border town where her legendary grandfather once worked, a region that hides a deadly weapon with a potential to give a new enemy the means to terrorize the USA. **HC \$51.95**

Elmore Leonard*Bandits*

Reformed jewellery thief Jack Delaney was going straight - until he met sexy ex nun Lucy Nichols. Jack's in the funeral business and when he's sent to collect a body from a leper hospital, he finds it in Sister Lucy's care - and very much alive. Lucy's on a goodwill mission, hoping to smuggle the 'deceased' away from her dangerous ex, a Nicaraguan colonel with guns and goons aplenty. And it just so happens the colonel's also got several million dollars that could aid Lucy's quest to help mankind. With a crazy plan in hand and ex cop Roy Hicks on board, they plot to rob the colonel's coffers and they're sure to make out like bandits - if they live that long... **BPB \$22.99**

Elmore Leonard*Comfort to the Enemy*

1940s' Oklahoma. Germans in a stateside POW camp have murdered one of their own and US Marshal Carl Webster, back from a tour of duty in the Pacific, is called in to investigate. Among others, he comes across a Jewish gangster bent on revenge for the Holocaust; a rodeo bull rider turned lawman; and a former Nazi guard who is a persistent runaway. Befriending the escapee, Carl becomes embroiled in a tale of gangsters' molls, enemy lines, espionage, double-crossing and a lovers' wartime promise that could do more trouble than he ever imagined... **BPB \$22.99**

John Lescroart*A Plague of Secrets*

The best-selling author of *Betrayal* puts Dismas Hardy back on the case as Maya Townshend, the beautiful San Francisco socialite and niece to the mayor, becomes embroiled in conspiracy, cover-ups and tabloid-fueled controversy after the murder of two acquaintances. **PB \$21.95**

Sophie Littlefield*A Bad Day for Pretty*

A sequel to *A Bad Day for Sorry* follows the amateur investigation of Stella Hardesty into the murder of a woman whose body was found in the aftermath of a tornado, a killing for which a local man once addicted to prescription drugs has been wrongly accused. **HC \$51.95**

Elizabeth Lowell*Death Echo*

Former CIA agent Emma Cross thought she got out of dangerous work when she took a job with St. Kilda's consulting. A little PI work and troubleshooting is certainly less stressful than Tribal Wars. At least it was until she found herself caught in the middle of an international incident. Until five years ago, Mackenzie Durand and his Special Ops team were deployed into some of the world's nastiest places. On the last op, he was the only survivor. After a rumor started circulating that the CIA hung his team out to dry with bad intel, he quit and never looked back. Thrown together by an organization of bad guys with international ties more dangerous than either realizes, Mac and Emma must put aside their distrust for each other in order to save more than just their own lives. **TP \$29.99**

Robert Ludlum*The Hades Factor (Covert-One 01)*

An unknown doomsday virus has claimed the lives of four people - including the fiancée of Covert One's Lt. Col. Jon Smith. Devastated and enraged, Smith uncovers evidence that this was no accident; someone out there has the virus and the pandemic that threatens millions of lives was planned... Not knowing who to trust or where to turn, Smith assembles a private team to fight against the deadly virus. **BPB \$22.99**

The Cassandra Compact (Covert One 02)

Yuri Danko, an officer in the medical division of Russia's security service, is murdered by a spray of assassin's bullets. Now Covert-One's Jon Smith has Danko's classified papers and he's unearthed a terrifying global conspiracy. A Serb terrorist has been despatched from Russia to smuggle hazardous vials of a deadly bacteria into the United States but himself is murdered and the deadly bacteria stolen... It's up to Lt Col Smith to find the madman who possesses it, before he holds a defenceless world hostage with the power to render the human race extinct. **BPB \$22.99**

The Paris Option (Covert-One 03)

A fiery explosion shatters a laboratory building in Paris. Among the dead is Emile Chambord, one of the leaders in the global race to create a molecular - or DNA - computer. Unfortunately, Professor Chambord kept the details of his work secret and his notes were apparently destroyed in the fire. Then suddenly US fighter jets disappear from radar screens for a full five minutes and there's no explanation; utilities cease to function; and all telecommunications abruptly stop, with devastating consequences. This is not the work of a clever hacker - only the enormous power and speed of a DNA computer could have caused such havoc. Covert-One agent Jon Smith flies to Paris to investigate. Following a trail that leads him across two continents, he uncovers a web of deception that threatens to re-shape the world for ever... **BPB \$22.99**

The Ambler Warning

On Parrish Island, off the coast of Virginia, there is a little known and never visited psychiatric facility where the government stores former intelligence employees whose psychiatric state makes them a danger to their own government. One of these employees is former agent Hal Ambler. But there's one difference between Hal and the other patients - Hal isn't crazy. Hal pulls off a daring escape and now he's out to discover who stashed him here and why. But the world he returns to has changed. No one remembers him, there are no official records of Hal Ambler and, when he first looks in the mirror, the face he sees is not his own... **BPB \$22.99**

The Janson Directive

Retired operative Paul Janson is called back to the spy game to settle a personal debt he owes. Peter Novak, the legendary Hungarian immigrant and head of the Liberty Foundation, has been kidnapped and faces execution at the hands of terrorist extremists. It is up to Janson to rescue Novak before he is murdered. Janson puts together a top team immediately and manages the nearly impossible task of extricating Novak, but something goes horribly wrong - something that indicates the operation had been compromised from the start - and only Janson himself survives. Now the major intelligence services think that Janson was responsible for Novak's death and are sending their finest operatives after him... **BPB \$22.99**

The Prometheus Deception

Nicholas Bryson spent years as a deep cover operative for the American secret intelligence group, The Directorate. After a disastrous mission, Bryson was retired to a new identity. Now, years later, his cover is cracked and Bryson learns that The Directorate was not what it claimed - and that he was, in fact, a pawn being used against his country's interests. The Directorate is headed for a dangerous endgame and the CIA recruits Bryson to stop them. But after years on the sidelines, Bryson's field skills are rusty, his contacts unreliable, his instincts suspect and he no longer knows who - if anyone - can be trusted. **BPB \$22.99**

The Scarlatti Inheritance

In Washington, word is received that an elite member of the Nazi High Command is willing to defect and divulge information that will shorten the war. But his defection entails the release of the ultra-top-secret file on the Scarlatti Inheritance - a file whose contents will destroy many of the Western world's greatest and most illustrious reputations if they are made known... **BPB \$22.99**

The Sigma Protocol

Ben Hartman is on holiday in Switzerland when he meets a childhood friend - who promptly tries to kill him. In self-defence, Ben kills his attacker, but soon the body and all evidence of the confrontation have disappeared. Anna Navarro, a US government agent, is sent to look into a string of deaths around the world. The only thing the victims have in common is an old OSS file, codenamed SIGMA. But as soon as she starts to get somewhere, she is dragged off the case and declared rogue. Someone wants this secret kept and not only the future of Hartman and Navarro is at stake, but that of the world... **BPB \$22.99**

The Tristan Betrayal

1940. American Stephen Metcalfe is a minor asset in the US's secret intelligence forces in Europe. Through a wild twist of fate, he must instigate a bold plan that may be the only hope for what remains of the free world. Now he must travel to wartime Moscow to find and possibly betray a former lover... 1991. The Communist empire is on the verge of oblivion and a coup is being planned by a powerful new cabal. Stephen Metcalfe, now a retired ambassador, must return to Moscow and finally reveal a secret that has haunted him since the fall of Berlin... a secret that might just avert a global cataclysm. **BPB \$22.99**

Eric Van Lustbader*The Bourne Objective (Bourne)*

Readers were first introduced to Jason Bourne's nemesis Leonid Arkadin, a brilliant Russian assassin and fearless international mercenary, in THE BOURNE SANCTION. His girlfriend was killed during a fight for which an enraged Arkadin blames Bourne. In THE BOURNE DECEPTION, Arkadin hunted Bourne to take revenge and kill him. Bourne, in a fight for his life, learned that Arkadin's skills mirror Jason's because he received the same original CIA Treadstone training. Now, in THE BOURNE OBJECTIVE, Jason will turn the tables and target Arkadin. The hunter will become the hunted. But revenge can cause great psychological devastation. Has this become too personal for Bourne? Will this hunt be Bourne's downfall? **TP \$32.99**

Stuart MacBride*Dark Blood*

Richard Knox has served his time, so why shouldn't he be allowed to live wherever he wants? Yes, in the past he was a violent rapist, but he's seen the error of his ways. Found God. Wants to leave his dark past in Newcastle behind him and make a new start.

Or so he says.

Detective Sergeant Logan McRae isn't exactly thrilled to be part of the team helping Knox settle into his new Aberdeen home. He's even less thrilled to be stuck with DSI Danby from Northumbria Police -- the man who put Knox behind bars for ten years -- supposedly here to 'keep an eye on things'.

Only things are about to go very, very wrong.

Edinburgh gangster Malk the Knife wants a slice of the development boom Donald Trump's golf course is bringing to the Granite City, whether local crime lord Wee Hamish Mowat likes it or not. Three heavies from Newcastle want a 'quiet word' with DSI Danby about a missing mob accountant. And Knox's dark past isn't done with him yet... **TP \$32.99**

Alistair MacLean*Red Alert (Alistair Maclean's UNACO)*

deadly virus has been stolen, and the thieves plan to use the hundred million pound ransom to fund terrorist armies. When the mission looks impossible, the world calls upon UNACO. The Italian Red Brigades raid the US-owned Neo Chem laboratory between Rome and Tivoli and steal a vial of deadly DNA virus.

They plan to trade the vial - which if opened could kill millions - for a hundred million pounds, to be paid to the terrorist armies of five European countries. The deadline approaches: a summit conference in Switzerland, at which the terrorists threaten to release the virus into the atmosphere if their demands are not met. UNACO agents Mike Graham, C.W.

Whitlock and Sabrina Carver are summoned back urgently from leave. Their mission is to find and secure the vial before a catastrophe of unimaginable proportions takes place! **PB \$19.99**

Night Watch (Alistair MacLean's UNACO)

Someone has stolen the world's most famous painting and replaced it with a fake. When the mission looks impossible, the world calls upon UNACO. After lengthy negotiations the Rijksmuseum in Amsterdam agrees to send its priceless Rembrandt, 'Night Watch', on a tour of the world's art galleries.

Security is intensive. Even so, when the painting arrives in New York it is discovered to be a fake. UNACO is immediately called into action.

Agents Mike Graham, C.W. Whitlock and Sabrina Carver must find out who is responsible for the brilliant forgery and, most important, who now has the original in his private collection. Speed and secrecy are vital.

The hunt leads them to Rio de Janeiro at Carnival time, where their quarry is secure in his mountain fortress, high above the sea! **PB \$19.99**

Doug Magee*Never Wave Goodbye*

After a kidnapper uses a fake summer-camp bus to abduct four children and demand a million-dollar ransom, the different sets of parents are at odds with each other as to what to do, all while an accident incapacitates the kidnapper and the children are forced to fend for themselves in the woods.

HC \$51.95

Steve Martini*The Rule of Nine (Paul Madriani)*

After a career terrorist threatens to destroy the Supreme Court in a single horrible act, defense attorney Paul Madriani must put his life on the line in order to stop the sinister deed before it comes to fruition. **HC \$54.95**

Ava McCarthy*The Courier*

Cutting-edge international thriller follow-up to The Insider, set in the world of hackers, techno-thieves and inside traders, for fans of John Grisham. Approached to crack a safe by the owner's suspicious wife, reformed hacker Henrietta 'Harry' Martinez can't resist the challenge. Now her client's absconded with a fortune in diamonds, leaving Harry sole witness to a brutal murder. And next in line for a ruthless assassin who doesn't like loose ends.

The police are unconvinced, suspicious of Harry's past, and not even an attempt on her life can sway them. It's up to Harry to track down her mystery client. The trail leads from a top racing yard to a smuggling operation in the illegal South Africa world of conflict diamonds.

To get to the truth requires all her secret skills. But in a business populated by bloodthirsty mercenaries and financed by ruthless exploitation, how can Harry, alone and abroad, pull off her most audacious heist ever? **BPB \$24.99**

Judi McCoy*Death in Show (Dog Walker 03)*

Attending this year's dog show as the guest of a client, professional dog walker Ellie Engleman investigates the murder of a much-despised handler, while leading Lulu, one of her dog-walking charges, to victory. **PB \$17.95**

Sharyn McCrumb*The Devil Amongst the Lawyers (Ballad)*

In the wake of a sensationalized 1934 trial involving an Appalachian Virginia teacher's alleged murder of her tyrant father, novice journalist Carl, the cousin of teen Nora Bonesteel, is denounced by a greedy media determined to portray the defendant as a backwards mountain girl. **HC \$51.95**

Geoff McGeachin*Diggers Rest Hotel*

In 1947, two years after witnessing the death of a young Jewish woman in Poland, Charlie Berlin has rejoined the police force a different man. Sent to investigate a spate of robberies in rural Victoria, he soon discovers that World War II has changed even the most ordinary of places and people.

An ex-bomber pilot and former POW, Berlin is struggling to fit back in: grappling with post-traumatic stress disorder, the ghosts of his dead crew and his futile attempts to numb the pain.

When Berlin travels to Albury–Wodonga to track down the gang behind the robberies, he suspects he's a problem cop being set up to fail. Taking a room at the Diggers Rest Hotel in Wodonga, he sets about solving a case that no one else can – with the help of feisty, ambitious journalist Rebecca Green and rookie constable Rob Roberts, the only cop in town he can trust.

Then the decapitated body of a young girl turns up in a back alley, and Berlin's investigations lead him ever further through layers of small-town fears, secrets and despair.

The first Charlie Berlin mystery takes us into a world of secret alliances and loyalties – and a society dealing with the effects of a war that changed men forever. **TP \$32.95**

Brian McGilloway*Bleed A River Deep***APB \$19.99****Brian McGilloway***The Rising*

When Garda Inspector Benedict Devlin is summoned to a burning barn, he finds inside the charred remains of a man who is quickly identified as a local drug dealer, Martin KIELTY. It soon becomes clear that KIELTY's death was no accident, and suspicion falls on a local vigilante group. Former paramilitaries, the men call themselves The Rising.

Meanwhile, a former colleague's teenage son has gone missing during a seaside camping trip. Devlin is relieved when the boy's mother, Caroline Williams, receives a text message from her son's phone, and so when a body is reported, washed up on a nearby beach, the inspector is baffled.

When another drug dealer is killed, Devlin realises that the spate of deaths is more complex than mere vigilantism. But just as it seems he is close to understanding the case, a personal crisis will strike at the heart of Ben's own family, and he will be forced to confront the compromises his career has forced upon him. **TP \$32.99**

Cammie McGovern*Neighbourhood Watch*

Exonerated by DNA evidence twelve years after being convicted of murdering a neighbor, librarian Betsy Treading returns to her suburban community determined to salvage her life and find the true killer, an effort complicated by dangerous town secrets. **HC \$49.95**

Jennifer McMahon*Dismantled*

Dismantlement = Freedom

Henry, Tess, Winnie, and Suz banded together in college to form a group they called the Compassionate Dismantlers. Following the first rule of their manifesto—"To understand the nature of a thing, it must be taken apart"—these daring misfits spend the summer after graduation in a remote cabin in the Vermont woods committing acts of meaningful vandalism and plotting elaborate, often dangerous, pranks. But everything changes when one particularly twisted experiment ends in Suz's death and the others decide to cover it up.

Nearly a decade later, Henry and Tess are living just an hour's drive from the old cabin. Each is desperate to move on from the summer of the Dismantlers, but their guilt isn't ready to let them go. When a victim of their past pranks commits suicide—apparently triggered by a mysterious Dismantler-style postcard—it sets off a chain of eerie events that threatens to engulf Henry, Tess, and their inquisitive nine-year-old daughter, Emma.

Is there someone who wants to reveal their secrets? Is it possible that Suz did not really die—or has she somehow found a way back to seek revenge? Full of white-knuckle tension with deeply human characters caught in circumstances beyond their control, Jennifer McMahon's gripping story and spine-tingling plot prove that she is a master at weaving the fear of the supernatural with the stark realities of life. **TP \$28.95**

Mary McNamara*The Starlet*

The Los Angeles Times reporter and author of Oscar Season presents the tale of a destructively alluring young actress who inspires dangerous obsessions in those around her, including an aging rock star rehab guru, a sexy young producer and a desperate screenwriter. **TP \$30.95**

G J Moffat*Fallout*

You can't always protect the ones you love... Logan Finch has made a new life for himself with his daughter Ellie. But a blossoming relationship with DC Rebecca Irvine is about to be put to the test when Irvine's old flame, drug-addicted rock star Roddy Hale, enters her life again. And there's the small matter of a professional killer following her every move. Alex Cahill, close-protection operative and ex-US army special-forces soldier, hates babysitting celebrities. Maybe this time will be different. Tara Byrne is a Scots girl about to break into Hollywood and is back in Scotland for the premiere of a low-budget film as a favour for a friend. She is the target of a disturbed stalker and needs Cahill and his team to watch her back. As the clouds roll in to blanket the sky at the end of an Indian summer, violence erupts all round, putting everyone at risk. For Logan, there are impossible choices to be made: between his best friend and the woman he loves. Between who lives and who dies. **TP \$32.99**

Rick Mofina*Every Fear*

A new mother's worst nightmare

Maria Colson left her baby Dylan outside the store for a few seconds. Then she sees the empty pram — Dylan has vanished without a trace.

A journalist who needs a break

Rookie reporter Jason Wade is under pressure to bring in a new story. Could the Colson kidnapping be it? But some of the pieces just don't add up.

A detective on the case

Detective Grace Garner is investigating the grizzly murder of a young woman — and the parallels with the kidnapping start to make sense.

Now Jason and Grace are hunting for the one piece of the puzzle that connects the baby's disappearance with a spine-tingling case of revenge. And whoever took little Dylan Colson is more dangerous than anyone could ever imagine. **TP \$32.99**

David Moody*Dog Blood*

A sequel to *Hater* returns readers to a post-apocalyptic world divided into the camps of Humans and Haters, where Danny McCoyne embarks on a desperate mission to locate his missing daughter, an effort challenged by an unexpected chain of events. **HC \$49.95**

Ryu Murakami*Audition*

In this gloriously over-the-top tale, Aoyama, a widower who has lived alone with his son ever since his wife died seven years before, finally decides it is time to remarry. Since Aoyama is a bit rusty when it comes to dating, a filmmaker friend proposes that, in order to attract the perfect wife, they do a casting call for a movie they don't intend to produce. Only one of the applicants catches Aoyama's attention--Yamasaki Asami--a striking young former ballerina with a mysterious past. Blinded by his instant and total infatuation, Aoyama is too late in discovering that she is a far cry from the innocent young woman he imagines her to be. The novel's fast-paced, thriller conclusion doesn't spare the reader as Yamasaki takes off her angelic mask and reveals what lies beneath. **TP \$28.95**

Hakan Nesser*Woman with Birthmark*

Having come thus far in his deliberations, Van Veeteren gave in to temptation and lit a cigarette. It was time to address the big question, and that would no doubt need a bit of extra effort. Why? Why in hell's name should anybody march up to somebody's door, ring the bell and shoot whoever opened it?

A young woman shivers in the December cold as her mother's body is laid to rest in a cemetery. The only thing that warms her is the thought of the revenge she will soon take...

Then a middle-aged man is killed at his home, shot twice in the chest and twice below the belt. He had recently received a series of bizarre phone calls where an old song is played down the line – evoking an eerie sense of both familiarity and unease. Before the police can find the culprit, a second man is killed in the same way.

Chief Inspector Van Veeteren and his team must dig far back into each man's past – but with few clues at each crime scene, can they find the killer before anyone else dies? **BPB \$22.99**

Kevin O'Brien*Vicious*

Arriving at a remote lake house with her fiancé, Allen, and young son, Matthew, Susan Blanchette feels like someone is watching her and when Allen disappears, she becomes the pawn in a twisted killer's deadly game. **PB \$19.95**

James Patterson*Swimsuit*

A breathtakingly beautiful supermodel disappears from a swimsuit photo shoot at the most glamorous hotel in Hawaii. Only hours after she goes missing, Kim McDaniels' parents receive a terrifying phone call. Fearing the worst, they board the first flight to Maui and begin the hunt for their daughter.

Ex-cop Ben Hawkins, now a reporter for the LA Times, gets the McDaniels assignment. The ineptitude of the local police force defies belief - Ben has to start his own investigation for Kim McDaniels to have a prayer. And for Ben to have the story of his life.

All the while, the killer sets the stage for his next production. His audience expects the best - and they won't be disappointed. Swimsuit is a heart-pounding story of fear and desire, transporting you to a place where beauty and murder collide and unspeakable horrors are hidden within paradise. **PB \$21.95**

James Patterson & Maxine Paetro*Private (Jack Morgan)*

Jack Morgan is a war hero. Returning home from Afghanistan after being wounded, Jack is called into California State Prison to visit his father, Tom, who is serving a life sentence for extortion and murder. Before being incarcerated, Tom ran a private investigation firm called 'Private'. Tom wants Jack to re-start the company, to make it great again, and gives him access to a \$15 million dollar account in the Cayman Islands to do it with.

Five years later and Jack has set up offices spanning the globe. Private's services are much sort after and Jack has clients ranging from movie stars to politicians. Jack is keen to keep the business legal and not fall into the same traps as his father. But when the mob come calling, they are not easy to refuse.

On a rare night off accompanying a client to the Golden Globe awards, Jack receives a phone call from school friend Abbie Cushman. Abbie's wife has been murdered and he desperately needs Jack's help. The murder is brutal and with no apparent motive; fingers begin pointing towards Abbie. Jack is certain that Abbie didn't kill his wife, but he will have to work night and day to prove it.

Meanwhile, Jack's second-in-command at Private, Justine Smith, is helping the L.A.P.D. in a serial killer investigation. Over the past two years, twelve school girls from the same area in L.A. have been murdered. The killings are highly professional and so far the Police have no leads whatsoever. Justine has been called in to make use of her experience and Private's resources. A breakthrough is desperately needed, because these killings show no signs of stopping. **TP \$32.95**

Richard North Patterson*In the Name of Honour*

The latest novel from the bestselling Richard North Patterson.

The McCarrans and the Gallaghers, two families with deep ties to the military, have been close for decades, ever since Anthony McCarran – now one of the army's most distinguished generals – became best friends with Jack Gallagher, his fellow West Pointer who was later killed in Vietnam. Now a new generation of soldiers is fighting on a distant battlefield, and Lt. Brian McCarran, the general's son, has recently returned from a harrowing tour in Iraq.

Traumatized by his war-time experiences, Brian depends on his lifelong friendship with Kate Gallagher, Jack Gallagher's daughter, who also happens to be married to Brian's commanding officer in Iraq, Capt. Joe D'Abruzzo. But Kate is dealing with trauma of her own: since coming home, D'Abruzzo seems a changed man, and lately he's become paranoid and abusive.

Tragedy strikes when Brian shoots and kills D'Abruzzo on their army post in Virginia. Brian immediately confesses but claims self-defense – D'Abruzzo, a black-belt martial artist, came to his quarters, accused him of having an affair with Kate, and attacked him. Or so Brian says, and now Capt. Paul Terry, one of the army's most accomplished young lawyers, will defend him in a high-profile court martial. Assisting Terry is Meg McCarran, Brian's sister, a brilliant and beautiful attorney who leaves her practice in California to dedicate herself to saving her brother. Before the case is over, Terry will learn that families, like war, can break the sturdiest of souls. **TP \$32.99**

Don Pendleton*Deep Recon (Executioner 379)*

When a BATF agent's cover is blown during a gun-running bust in the Florida Keys, Mack Bolan is sent in to find and contain a leak within the Feds before more lives are lost, as well as infiltrate a group of highly trained ex-marines who are ready to declare war on anyone who stands in their way.

PB \$13.95

War Tides (Stony Man 107)

When a violent terrorist group called the Revenge of Allah gets their hands on FACOS--Fast Attack Covert Operations Submarine--which carries a first-strike nuclear payload, Stony Man is sent in to stop them from striking America's eastern seaboard. **PB \$17.95**

Anne Perry*Execution Dock*

Once again, Inspector William Monk, now of the Thames River Police, must face a dangerous foe. It's 1864, and after a game of cat and mouse, Monk has captured Jericho Phillips, the man he suspects of brutally killing a young mudlark and running an evil child prostitution ring. In bringing Phillips to justice, Monk hopes to close down the ring and avenge the memory of Durban, his old commander, who was determined to capture Phillips. However at trial justice does not prevail. Oliver Rathbone, Monk's friend, is hired anonymously to represent the accused and when he proves that vital evidence is missing, Phillips is freed. As Monk begins the investigation again, venturing deeper into London's murky underworld, he realises that Durban may have had his own reasons for pursuing Phillips, and shockingly, that secret support for Phillips may reach further into civilised society than anyone could ever have imagined... **APB \$19.99**

Ellis Peters*A Morbid Taste for Bones (Brother Cadfael)*

In 1137 the ambitious head of Shrewsbury Abbey has decided to acquire the remains of Saint Winifred for his Benedictine order. Brother Cadfael is part of the expedition sent to her final resting place in Wales, where they find the villagers passionately divided by the Benedictines' offer for the saint's relics. Canny, wise and all too worldly, Cadfael isn't surprised when this taste for bones leads to bloody murder. The leading opponent to moving the grave has been shot dead with a mysterious arrow, and some say Winifred herself dealt the blow. Brother Cadfael knows that a carnal hand did the killings, but he doesn't know that his plan to unearth a murderer may dig up a case of love and justice, where the wages of sin may be scandal - or his own ruin. **BPB \$22.99**

Monk's Hood (Brother Cadfael)

Gervase Bonel, with his wife and servants, is a guest of Shrewsbury Abbey of Saint Peter and Saint Paul when he is suddenly taken ill. Luckily, the Abbey boasts the services of clever and kindly Brother Cadfael, a skilled herbalist. Cadfael hurries to the man's bedside, only to be confronted by two very different surprises. In Master Bonel's wife, the good monk recognises Richildis, whom he loved many years ago before he took his vows. And Master Bonel has been fatally poisoned by a dose of deadly monk's-hood oil from Cadfael's herbarium. The Sheriff is convinced that the murderer is Richildis' son Edwin, who had reasons aplenty to hate his stepfather. But Cadfael, guided in part by his tender concern for a woman to whom he was once betrothed, is certain of her son's innocence. Using his knowledge of both herbs and the human heart, Cadfael deciphers a deadly recipe for murder . . . **BPB \$22.99**

One Corpse Too Many (Brother Cadfael)

In the summer of 1138, war between King Stephen and the Empress Maud takes brother Cadfael from the quiet world of his garden to the bloody battlefield. Not far from the safety of the Abbey walls, Shrewsbury Castle falls, leaving its ninety-four defenders loyal to the empress to hang as traitors. With a heavy heart, Brother Cadfael agrees to bury the dead, only to make a grisly discovery: ninety-five bodies lie in a row, and the extra corpse tells Cadfael that the killer is both clever and ruthless. But one death among so many seems unimportant to all but the good Benedictine. He vows to find the truth behind disparate clues: a girl in boys' clothing, a missing treasure, and a single broken flower - the tiny bit of evidence that Cadfael believes can most easily expose a murderer's black heart . . . **BPB \$22.99**

Nic Pizzolatto*Galveston*

On the same day he finds out that he is terminally ill, Roy Cady discovers that his boss has put out a hit on him, and, determined to die on his own terms, he narrowly escapes an attempt on his life and flees from New Orleans to Galveston, Texas, his only companions being a young prostitute and her 3-year-old sister. **HC \$51.95**

Douglas Preston*Fever Dream*

Special Agent Pendergast's late wife Helen had been mauled by an unusually large and vicious lion while they were big game hunting in Africa. But now, Pendergast learns that her rifle - her only protection from the beast - had been deliberately loaded with blanks. Who could have wanted Helen dead and why? With Vincent D'Agosta's assistance, Pendergast embarks on a quest to uncover the mystery of his wife's murder. It is a journey that sends him deep into her past where he learns much that Helen herself had wished to keep hidden. Helen Pendergast had nursed a secret obsession with the famed naturalist-painter John James Audubon, in particular a long-lost painting of his known as the Black Frame. As Pendergast probes more deeply into the riddle - the answer to which is revealed in a night of shocking violence, deep in the Louisiana bayou - he finds himself faced with an even greater question: who was the woman he married? **HC \$59.99**

Leigh Redhead Australian Author / Vietnam*Thrill City*

Smart, sexy and strong-minded Simone Kirsch, ex-stripper and PI, returns in her fourth adventure - up to her neck in lethal fun and games on the writers' festival circuit.

Simone Kirsch, ex-stripper, sleuth and bad girl, is back in business - and before she has time to crack a bottle of cheap champagne to celebrate the opening of her very own detective agency, she's up to her neck in lethal fun and games.

It all starts off quite innocently, when a best-selling crime novelist, Nick Austin, wants to follow her around for a few days as background research for his next novel. But the day after he, his ex-wife and her new lover all appear on the same panel at a writers festival, his ex-wife is found brutally murdered and Nick disappears, leaving Simone with more trouble than she can handle.

While she can take murderous bikies, desperate publishers, poetry slams and a crystal meth-addicted psycho killer with literary ambitions in her stride, Simone is also juggling her very pregnant and possibly hormonally unbalanced best friend, Chloe; her ongoing attraction to ex-cop, Alex; and her boyfriend, Sean, who wants her to give up her agency and move to Vietnam.

All up, life is complicated - not to mention the fact that she's facing the toughest, most dangerous case of her career. **PB \$22.99**

Kathy Reichs

206 Bones (Temperance Brennan 12)

'You have an enemy, Dr Brennan. It is in your interest to learn who placed that call.'

A routine case turns sinister when Dr Temperance Brennan is accused of mishandling the autopsy of a missing heiress. Someone has made an incriminating accusation that she missed or concealed crucial evidence. Before Tempe can get to the one man with information, he turns up dead.

The heiress isn't the only elderly female to have appeared on Tempe's gurney recently. Back in Montreal, three more women have died, their bodies brutally discarded. Tempe is convinced there's a link between their deaths and that of the heiress. But what – or who – connects them?

Tempe struggles with the clues, but nothing adds up. Has she made grave errors or is some unknown foe sabotaging her? It soon becomes frighteningly clear. It's not simply Tempe's career at risk. Her life is at stake too. **PB \$21.95**

Nora Roberts

Black Hills

His dreaded summer visits to his grandparents' South Dakota ranch improved by a maturing friendship with neighbor Lil Chance, Cooper Sullivan enters adulthood haunted by his and Lil's discovery of a hiker's body and is unexpectedly called upon to assist his grandparents and Lil years later when the unsolved killing is linked to vandalism at Lil's wildlife refuge. **PB \$19.95**

Craig Robertson

Random

Glasgow is being terrorised by a serial killer the media have nicknamed The Cutter. The murders have left the police baffled. There seems to be neither rhyme nor reason behind the killings; no kind of pattern or motive; an entirely different method of murder each time, and nothing that connects the victims except for the fact that the little fingers of their right hands have been severed.

If DS Rachel Narey could only work out the key to the seemingly random murders, how and why the killer selects his victims, she would be well on her way to catching him. But as the police, the press and a threatening figure from Glasgow's underworld begin to close in on The Cutter, his carefully-laid plans threaten to unravel - with horrifying consequences. **TP \$32.99**

James Robins

Magnificent Spilsbury and the Case of the Brides in the Bath

Bessie Mundy, Alice Burnham and Margaret Lofty are three women with one thing in common. They are spinsters and are desperate to marry. Each woman meets a smooth-talking stranger who promises her a better life. She falls under his spell, and becomes his wife. But marriage soon turns into a terrifying experience. In the dark opening months of the First World War, Britain became engrossed by 'The Brides in the Bath' trial. The horror of the killing fields of the Western Front was the backdrop to a murder story whose elements were of a different sort. This was evil of an everyday, insidious kind, played out in lodging houses in seaside towns, in the confines of married life, and brought to a horrendous climax in that most intimate of settings - the bathroom. The nation turned to a young forensic pathologist, Bernard Spilsbury, to explain how it was that young women were suddenly expiring in their baths. This was the age of science. In fiction, Sherlock Holmes applied a scientific mind to solving crimes. In real-life, would Spilsbury be as infallible as the 'great detective'? **TP \$35**

James Rollins

Sandstorm (Sigma Force 01)

Lady Kara Kensington's family paid a high price in money and blood to found the gallery that now lies in ruins. And her search for answers is about to lead her into a world she never imagined existed: a lost city, buried beneath the Arabian desert, where something astonishing is waiting... A covert government operative hunting down a traitor is being drawn there. But at the end of a perilous journey lies an ageless power that can create a utopia - or tear down everything humankind has built over millennia of civilisation... **BPB \$19.99**

Map of Bones (Sigma Force 02)

When a group of parishioners is burned to death in a German cathedral, the US sends in SIGMA FORCE. For this tragedy is more than a case of arson - someone has stolen the priceless treasure stored in the cathedral's golden reliquary: the bones of the biblical Three Kings. Commander Gray Pierce leads a team on the hunt for the Royal Dragon Court, a clandestine aristocratic fraternity of alchemists that dates back to the Middle Ages and seeks to establish a new world order using the mystical bones. Pierce and his team follow a trail that leads from Europe's Gothic cathedrals through the remnants of the seven wonders of the ancient world to a mystical place where science and religion unite to unleash a threat not seen since the beginning of time itself... **BPB \$19.99**

Black Order (Sigma Force 03)

Arson and murder reveal an insidious plot to steal a Bible that once belonged to Charles Darwin. As Commander Gray Pierce investigates, he is soon caught up in a mystery that dates back to Nazi Germany - and to horrific experiments performed in a now-abandoned laboratory buried in a hollowed-out mountain in Poland. A continent away, madness ravages a remote monastery high in Nepal. As Lisa Cummings, a young American doctor, begins to investigate reported atrocities at the monastery, she is suddenly the target of an assassin. Her only ally is Painter Crowe, director of SIGMA FORCE, now undercover - and already showing signs of the baffling malady destroying the minds of the monks. Now it is up to Gray Pierce to save both Painter and Lisa - and a world in jeopardy... **BPB \$19.99**

The Judas Strain (Sigma Force 04)

From the high seas of the Indian Ocean to the dark jungles of Southeast Asia, from the canals of Venice to the crypts of ancient kings, SIGMA FORCE must piece together a mystery that, unless solved, will end all life on our planet... But even this challenge may prove too large for SIGMA FORCE alone. With a worldwide pandemic growing, Painter Crowe and Commander Gray Pierce turn to their deadliest adversaries for help, teaming up with a diabolical foe who thwarted them in the past.

But can the enemy be trusted even now? Or will they prove to be another Judas...? **BPB \$19.99**

The Last Oracle (Sigma Force 05)

In Washington DC, a homeless man dies in the arms of Commander Gray Pierce clutching a bloody coin in his hand - an ancient artefact that could unlock a plot threatening the very foundation of humanity. Meanwhile, a group of international scientists are engineering children with exceptional talents into something far greater and far more frightening - a world prophet for the new millennium, one to be manipulated to create a new era of global peace...a peace on their own terms. For Commander Pierce and SIGMA Force, it's a race against time to solve a mystery that dates back to the Oracle of Delphi... **BPB \$19.99**

James Rollins*The Doomsday Key (Sigma Force 06)*

At Princeton University, a famed geneticist dies inside a biohazard lab. In Rome, a Vatican archaeologist is found dead in the heart of St. Peter's Basilica. In Africa, a US Senator's son is slain within a Red Cross camp in Ghana. These three murders on three continents bear a horrifying tie: all the victims are marked by a Druidic pagan cross burned into their flesh. The bizarre murders thrust Commander Gray Pierce and Sigma Force into a global hunt for a powerful group of industrialists who have a stranglehold on the world's food supply. Aided by two women from his past, Gray flees a trio of high-tech assassins as he pieces together the clues. But saving the world comes at a high price: Pierce must sacrifice one of the women. Yet even that price might not be enough, for, as he soon discovers, the only true path to salvation lies with the Doomsday Key. **BPB \$19.99**

Excavation

High in the Andes, Dr. Henry Conklin discovers a 500-year-old mummy that should not be there. While deep in the South American jungle, Conklin's nephew, Sam, stumbles upon a remarkable site nestled between two towering peaks, a place hidden from human eyes for thousands of years. Ingenious traps have been laid to ensnare the careless and unsuspecting and wealth beyond imagining could be the reward for those with the courage to face the terrible unknown. But where the perilous journey inward ends - in the cold, shrouded heart of a breathtaking necropolis - something else is waiting for Sam Conklin and his exploratory party. A thing created by Man, yet not humanly possible. Something wondrous...something terrifying. **BPB \$19.99**

Karen Rose*Don't Tell*

It was a desperate plan. But Mary Grace Winters knew the only way to save herself and her child from her abusive cop husband was to stage their own death. Now all that remains of their former life is at the bottom of a lake... Armed with a new identity in a new town, she and her son have found refuge hundreds of miles away. As Caroline Stewart, she has almost forgotten the nightmare she left behind nine years ago. She is even taking a chance on love with Max Hunter, a man with wounds of his own. But her past is about to collide with the present when her husband uncovers her trail and threatens her hard-won peace. Step by step, he's closing in on her - and everything and everyone she loves. **APB \$19.99**

Silent Scream

Four college kids set fire to a supposedly empty condominium block. But when they see the young girl at an upper-floor window desperately banging on the glass, clawing to get out, they realise their mistake. Although they don't all agree, the group leave the girl to her certain death, little realising that someone is there, watching their every move. Someone who has a nasty habit of blackmail and sees an opportunity for profit which is far greater than any they have ever had before. For local fire fighter David Hunter, getting the blaze under control is hard enough, but when he finds the girl's body he realises that this arson attack has become a murder case and the homicide cops are immediately called in. Now, as David works with the cops, it's a race to find the arsonists, and the blackmailer, before events escalate out of all control. **TP \$32.99**

Pauline Rowson*Blood on the Sand (Detective Inspector Horton mystery)*

The new Detective Inspector Horton mystery - Inspector Andy Horton's holiday peace is shattered when, stepping out across an abandoned golf course on the Isle of Wight on a cold, grey January morning, he finds himself facing a distraught young woman with a gun in her hand, leaning over a corpse. When she professes to be the dead man's psychic, Horton's old adversary, DCI Birch, is convinced she is a mentally disturbed killer, but Horton is not so sure . . . **HC \$58.95**

Sharon Sala*Blown Away (Storm Front 01)***PB \$19.95****Maggie Sefton***Skein of the Crime (Knitting Mystery)*

Kelly Flynn unravels the murder of a college student who was attending her knitting classes at the House of Lambspin in this latest installment of knitting mysteries from the best-selling author of Dropped Dead Stitch. **HC \$51.95**

Kitty Sewell*Bloodprint*

Following a devastating tragedy that claimed the life of her husband, Madeleine Frank has fled the Florida Keys for the safe surroundings of Bath. But as a psychotherapist trying to help patients heal after traumatic events, she knows only too well that it's impossible to recover from some losses. Just as she's starting to forget the scars of her past, Madeleine is thrown off-balance by the arrival of a new patient. Sensing something familiar in this damaged and hostile woman, Madeleine is disturbed to discover that strains of her patient's childhood eerily echo her own darkest secret. The increasingly complex relationship between Madeleine and her client, Rachel, will unleash a terrifying series of events which neither could have predicted - and which neither can control.

And at the heart of the terror lies the fate of a child. **BPB \$22.99**

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**. **BPB \$22.99**

Joanna Slan*Photo, Snap, Shot*

Old money and tradition are the hallmarks of the St. Louis prep school that Kiki's daughter Anya attends. But the elite academy is stamped with scandal when Anya finds the dead body of teacher Sissy Gilchris--and Anya might have seen the killer. Was Sissy murdered for her mixed-race romance with the basketball coach? To protect her daughter, Kiki sifts through the school community's many shocking secrets to pin down the killer. **TP \$30.95**

Karin Slaughter

Undone

In the trauma center of Atlanta's busiest hospital, Sara Linton treats the city's poor, wounded, and unlucky—and finds refuge from the tragedy that rocked her life in rural Grant County. Then, in one instant, Sara is thrust into a frantic police investigation, coming face-to-face with a tall driven detective and his quiet female partner.... In *Undone*, three unforgettable characters from Karin Slaughter's New York Times bestselling novels *Faithless* and *Fractured* collide for the first time, entering an electrifying race against the clock—and a duel with unspeakable human evil.

In the backwoods of suburban Atlanta, where Sara's patient was found, local police have set up their investigation. But Georgia Bureau of Investigation detective Will Trent doesn't wait for the go-ahead from his boss—he plunges through police lines, through the brooding woods, and single-handedly exposes a hidden house of horror buried beneath the earth. Then he finds another victim....

Wrestling the case away from the local police chief, Will and his partner, Faith Mitchell—a woman keeping explosive secrets of her own—are called into a related investigation. Another woman—a smart, upscale, independent young mother—has been snatched. For the two cops out on the hunt, for the doctor trying to bring her patient back to life, the truth hits like a hammer: the killer's torture chamber has been found, but the killer is still at work. In her latest suspense masterpiece, Karin Slaughter weaves together the moving, powerful human stories of characters as real as they are complex and unforgettable. At the same time she has crafted a work of dazzling storytelling and spine-tingling mystery—as three people, each with their own wounds and their own secrets, are all that stands between a madman and his next crime. **PB \$19.95**

Sally Spencer

The Ring of Death (DCI Monika Paniatowski 02)

DCI Monika Paniatowski finds herself handicapped by a colleague she doesn't trust and being watched by an old enemy as she tries to unravel a series of clues left by a deranged murderer.

Nothing could have prepared DCI Monika Paniatowski for this. It's not that the man's throat has been cut, or that he is naked, that shocks her—it's the way his corpse has been so carefully posed. Is the killer sending a message? If so, to who? Saddled with a colleague she doesn't trust, and watched by an old enemy, Monika realizes that whatever the murderer's message is, he will not stop killing until she understands. The second in a new series featuring DCI Monika Paniatowski. **HC \$58.95**

Michael Stanley

The Second Death of Goodluck Tinubu (Detective Kubu Mystery)

Two vicious murders, only hours apart

Normally a peaceful wilderness retreat, the Jackalberry bush camp has suddenly become a ghastly crime scene—and the details are still emerging when Detective David "Kubu" Bengu is assigned to the case. Zimbabwean teacher Goodluck Tinubu and another tourist have been found bludgeoned to death, while another guest at the camp—rumored to be a dissident wanted in Zimbabwe—has disappeared without a trace.

With the local police unable—or unwilling—to provide much assistance, Detective Kubu relies on his own instincts to track down those responsible for the crimes. But a startling piece of forensic evidence from Goodluck Tinubu's murder adds a complicated twist to the investigation, and Kubu must work fast to solve a seemingly impossible riddle before any more Jackalberry guests meet their death. Suspecting that everyone at the camp has something to hide, the wily detective from Gaborone sets a clever trap to find the truth.

The memorable Kubu of *A Carrion Death* returns in this gripping story of murder, greed, and hidden motives. Set in northern Botswana, amid lush vegetation and teeming wildlife, *The Second Death of Goodluck Tinubu* captures the intense loyalties and struggles taking place at the country's borders—and the shattered dreams of those living just outside this modern democracy. **TP \$30.95**

Peter Steiner

The Terrorist

When a foreign-born friend journeys to the United States to pursue an education, former operative Louis Morgon learns that his connection to the young man has caught the attention of the CIA, a routine situation that turns alarming when the student disappears. **HC \$49.95**

Whitley Strieber

The Omega Point

When a supernova's energy cloud expands throughout the solar system in fulfillment of 2012 doomsday prophecies, ensuing solar storms and increasing asteroid activity threaten life on Earth until a fated group possessing knowledge of how to save humanity is targeted by good and evil survivors. **HC \$51.95**

Victoria Thompson

Murder on Lexington Avenue (Gaslight Mystery)

Detective Sergeant Frank Malloy, whose own son attends a school for the deaf, seeks assistance from midwife Sarah Brandt to investigate the killing of an influential deaf man who may have an affiliation with his son's school. **HC \$51.95**

Brad Thor

The Apostle

When a media titan's daughter is kidnapped in Afghanistan and offered in exchange for the freedom of a top Al Qaeda operative, Navy SEAL turned covert Homeland Security operative Scot Harvath undertakes a dangerous mission to free the terrorist from a Kabul prison only to discover that things are not what they seem. **PB \$21.95**

Danny Tobey

The Faculty Club

Enjoying a prestigious first year in law school marked by a coveted job with a top professor and a relationship with a beautiful Rhodes scholar, Jeremy Davis is admitted into a mysterious club that promises him phenomenal successes and hides a deadly ancient secret. **HC \$51.95**

Scott Turow

Innocent

"A man is sitting on a bed. He is my father. The body of a woman is beneath the covers. She was my mother. This is not really where the story starts. Or how it ends. But it is the moment my mind returns to, the way I always see them..."

In *Presumed Innocent*, Rusty Sabich, family man and the number-two prosecutor of Kindle County, was handed an explosive case – the brutal murder of a woman who happened to be his former lover. A shocking turn of events suddenly transformed him from the accuser into the accused, and plunged him into a personal nightmare.

Now 20 years have passed, and Rusty Sabich, 60 years old and the chief judge of an appellate court, sits on a bed where his dead wife Barbara lies. She has died under mysterious circumstances, and her death will once again pit Rusty against his old nemesis, Tommy Molto, the district attorney who tried to prosecute him for the murder of his lover all those years ago... **TP \$32.99**

Simon Van Der Vlugt*Shadow Sister*

Lydia and Elisa, twin sisters, identical in appearance, different in every other way.

When Lydia is threatened by one of her students, her sister is the first person she turns to. But Elisa is powerless to stop what follows: threatening letters, smashed windows.

How far will this student go? Or is someone else taking advantage of the situation? And what part does Elisa play in all of this? Twins are close...aren't they? **TP \$32.95**

John Verdon*Think of A Number*

It begins with a letter . . .The letter contains a request – think of a number, any number – and a sealed envelope. Inside the envelope is that number.

When Dave Gurney, retired NYPD homicide detective, is contacted by an old college acquaintance about some startling letters he's been receiving, it is at first little more than a diverting but sinister puzzle. Until the acquaintance is brutally killed.

Suddenly Gurney finds himself in the middle of a murder investigation that makes no sense. The killer seems to have known his victim intimately. How else was he able to predict his thoughts, even his actions? How did he know his darkest secrets?

The killer is smart and he is playing with the police. Gurney needs to be smarter if he's going to catch him, but this seems only to be the beginning. And the killer alone knows where it will end. **TP \$32.95**

Martyn Waites*White Riot (Joe Donovan)*

When the savagely beaten body of a Muslim student is discovered in a rundown area of Newcastle, blame falls on the far rightNational Unity Party--but for once they appear to be innocent.after the death of a supposed suicide bomber, the investigationtakes a more dangerous turn as our protagonist and his team findthemselves the targets of a ruthless killer unlike any they havefaced before. A killer who will do anything to ensure an explosivethirty-year-old secret remains buried. Anything--even orchestrating a brutal race war that will tear the city apart, with Donovancaught in the middle. **TP \$30.95**

Speak No Evil (Joe Donovan 04)

Anne Marie is back in the hometown she hasn't seen for fortyyears, trying to live a normal life with her partner and teenageson. But that's impossible for Anne Marie. Because forty yearsago, when she was eleven, she killed a little boy. She is trying tomake peace with her past by telling her story to journalist JoeDonovan. But it's not that simple.

Suffering from horrifying visions, she sometimes does badthings. Things she has no memory of afterward. So when a teenager on her housing estate is murdered and she wakes up withblood on her hands, Anne Marie naturally fears the worst. Herfragile life falling apart, Anne Marie turns to those she loves. Butwhere she was expecting support, she finds only betrayal. Desperate, she turns to Donovan for help. But Donovan may have hisown reasons for helping her..reasons that have to do with thedisappearance of his own son... **HC \$52.95**

Donald E Westlake*Get Real (John Dortmund)*

In Donald E. Westlake's classic caper novels, the bad get better, the good slide a bit, and Lord help anyone caught between a thief named John Dortmund and the current object of his attention.

However, being caught red-handed is inevitable in Dortmund's next production, when a TV producer convinces this thief and his merry gang to do a reality show that captures their next score. The producer guarantees to find a way to keep the show from being used in evidence against them. They're dubious, but the pay is good, so they take him up on his offer.

A mock-up of the OJ bar is built in a warehouse down on Varick Street. The ground floor of that building is a big open space jumbled with vehicles used in TV world, everything from a news truck and a fire engine to a hansom cab (without the horse).

As the gang plans their next move with the cameras rolling, Dortmund and Kelp sneak onto the roof of their new studio to organize a private enterprise. It will take an ingenious plan to outwit viewers glued to their television sets, but Dortmund is nothing if not persistent, and he's determined to end this shoot with money in his pockets. **PB \$19.95**

Jincy Willett*The Writing Class*

A darkly comic novel about a writing class with a killer in its midst.

Amy Gallup is a reclusive widow whose only bright spot is the evening writing class that she teaches at the university. This semester's class is full of the usual suspects: the overly enthusiastic student, the slacker, the prankster, and the undiscovered talent. But there's something different about this class - and the clues begin with a scary phone call and obscene threats instead of peer evaluations. Amy soon realises that one of her students is a very disturbed individual indeed. When a student is murdered, everyone becomes a suspect.

As she dissects each student's writing for clues, Amy must enlist the help of everyone in her class, including the murderer, to find the killer amongst them. Suspenseful, extremely witty, brilliantly written, unexpectedly hilarious, and a joy from start to finish, *The Writing Class* is a one-of-a-kind novel that rivals Jincy Willett's previous masterpieces. **BPB \$24.95**

Brian M Wiprud*Buy Back*

Having orchestrated an art theft to cover a debt only to have the paintings stolen, a Brooklyn insurance investigator is directed to look into his own crime, a situation that is complicated by bookie pressures, his ex-girlfriend's four cats, and accusations that he is responsible for sniper attacks.

HC \$51.95

Simon Wood*Terminated*

After Gwen gives a coworker a poor performance evaluation, he blames her for everything that has gone wrong in his life and sets out on a campaign to to slowly and torturously destroy Gwen. **PB \$19.95**

Other Books

Books in this section are unlikely to be held as stock, but are available by request.

The Practical Astronomer

A complete beginner's guide to observing the night sky.

Understand and enjoy the solar system and beyond with this practical guide to astronomy.

Pick up all the basics of sky-watching. Start off by taking a tour around the night sky in simple stages, discovering how it fits together and how it works. Then take a closer look at the objects you can see and learn to train your eye to recognize basic patterns of constellations and how to tell planets apart from other celestial bodies. Plus, there's advice on buying and using kit, from binoculars to telescopes.

Packed with detailed maps of the night sky and star charts to help any budding astronomer in their quest to find out more about this fascinating subject. **TP \$32.95**

The Practical Jokers Handbook

Tim Nyberg, author of the hilarious, definitive guide to practical jokes, is back with *The Practical Joker's Handbook: The Sequel*. This compendium of all-new practical jokes is a wild, diabolical follow-up to the original. Like *The Practical Joker's Handbook*, this sequel is built upon contributions submitted to his Web site from Nyberg's fans.

Of course, the entertaining Nyberg has sifted through his warped fans' merciless suggestions to weed out the dangerous, the mean-spirited, and the potentially litigious. As Nyberg says in the book's introduction, it's only a good practical joke if both parties (eventually) find humor in the prank.

PB \$19.95

Tony Allan

Vikings: Life, Myth & Art

Viking artefacts discovered across a vast geographical range, from Russia and modern-day Turkey to Greenland and North America, bear witness to an artistic legacy that astonishes by its beauty, wealth and diversity. This richly illustrated introduction to an extraordinary people presents an art of immense sophistication, ranging from exquisite gold jewellery to superbly decorated weapons of war, breathtakingly intricate woodcarvings, and vividly incised and painted runestones. This north European civilisation has always had a special place in the popular imagination.

"The Vikings" reflects favourite themes, including: the restless spirit of these warrior-explorers and their extraordinary voyages in quest of trade as well as adventure, booty, conquest and glory; the mighty pantheon of gods and goddesses such as Odin, Freyja, Thor and the mischief-making trickster Loki; the mysteries of the afterlife, including Valhalla (land of dead warriors) and the Underworld domain of the goddess Hel; the warrior cult, which produced the terrifying Berserks (fighters who believed themselves to be possessed by wolves or bears in battle); and, the ceremonies and sacrifices that accompanied the magnificent longship burials of the Viking chieftains. A superb addition to any library of art and the imagination, "The Vikings" sets new standards in capturing the achievements of an ancient civilisation through the marriage of word and image. **PB \$24.99**

Alex Archer

Destiny (Rogue Angel 01)

Archaeologist Annja Creed's fascination with the myths of the past leads her to a crypt in the caves of France, where a terrifying legend hints at the unimaginable.

She discovers an artefact that will seal her destiny; a brotherhood of monks willing to murder to protect their secret; and a powerful black-market occultist desperate to put his own claim to centuries-old blood money.

Annja embarks on a high-tension race across Europe, intent on linking the unholy treachery of the ages with the staggering revelations of the present. In order to succeed she must survive the shadow figures, who are determined to silence her! **APB \$9.99**

Russell Ash

Top 10 of Football

Football fans love lists: league tables; starting 11s; performance statistics. From the bestselling author of Hamlyn's Top 10 of Everything series comes a brand new collection of 250 exclusive lists that cover everything from the obvious to the obscure and uncover fascinating facts about the planet's favourite sport, including: Top 10 bestselling World Cup songs 10 World Cup unsung heroes Top 10 longest team names in the League of Wales 10 FA Cup giant-killers Top 10 highest-paid players 10 celebrities who had trials for professional clubs Top 10 football singles 10 unfortunately-named players Last 10 winners of the Mascot Derby 10 unusual football injuries **HC \$19.99**

Trisha Ashley

Chocolate Wishes

In the picture-perfect Lancashire village of Sticklepond, Confectioner Chloe dispenses inspirational sweet treats containing a prediction for each customer. If only her own life was as easy to forecast - perhaps Chloe could have foreseen being jilted at the altar... But when a new Vicar arrives in the village, the rumour mill goes into overdrive. Not only is Raffy Sinclair the charismatic ex-front man of rock band Mortal Ruin, he's also the Chloes first love and the man who broke her heart. Try as she might, Chloe can't ignore this blast from her past. Could now be the time for her to make a wish - and dare to believe it can come true? A charming novel for chocoholics everywhere, perfect for fans of Katie Fforde, Jill Mansell and Carole Matthews **TP \$19.99**

Aimee Bender

Particular Sadness of Lemon Cake

Discovering in childhood a supernatural ability to taste the emotions of others in their cooking, Rose Edelstein grows up to regard food as a curse when it reveals everyone's secret realities. By the Pushcart-winning author of *An Invisible Sign of My Own*.

On the eve of her ninth birthday, unassuming Rose Edelstein, a girl at the periphery of schoolyard games and her distracted parents' attention, bites into her mother's homemade lemon-chocolate cake and discovers she has a magical gift: she can taste her mother's emotions in the cake. She discovers this gift to her horror, for her mother - her cheerful, good-with-crafts, can-do mother - tastes of despair and desperation. Suddenly, and for the rest of her life, food becomes a peril and a threat to Rose. **HC \$52.95**

A L Berridge

Honour and the Sword

It is 1636 - the height of the Thirty Years War, one of the bloodiest and most destructive conflicts Europe has ever seen. As the campaigning season begins, the Spanish armies swell out of the Artois region of the Netherlands – flooding into King Louis XIII's France.

The sleepy border village of Dax-en-roi stands in their way. Facing the overwhelming might of the Spanish forces, the Chevalier de Roland rallies a valiant defence, but in vain – his household guard no match for the invaders. There is only one survivor as the Roland estate is razed to the ground, one soul who escapes the Spanish brutality: the lone heir to the Roland name, the son, a young boy by the name of André de Roland, the new Sieur of Dax . . . Upon this young nobleman's shoulders all hope lies. He alone must bear the honour of the Roland name and, with it, the fate of his people. **TP \$32.95**

Ben Brown

Sandstealers

Ever wondered what it is like to work in a war zone? 'We live more in one year than most people do in a lifetime,' is Danny Lowenstein's simple retort. Set in a world where life is cheap, vengeance is long and betrayals can be deadly, "Sandstealers" is a masterly thriller -- infused with a deep knowledge of modern war and its witnesses. Danny Lowenstein is a big shot war correspondent with the world at his feet.

But when an interview goes wrong and he's ambushed on a lonely road in Iraq, questions are asked. Was it a set-up? And was he deliberately sent to his death by one of his own -- the tight-knit group of adrenalin-addicted journalists who are supposed to be his best friends? Rachel, Becky, Kaps and Edwin are 'The Junkies': together they've been through thick and thin and seen the horrors of war. Yet theirs is also a tangled web of intense relationships and dark rivalries.

Could one of them have become Danny's killer? All's fair in love and war. Including the murder of a friend! **APB \$19.99**

Shane Bryant & Tony Park *Australian Authors*

War Dogs

In Afghanistan, sometimes all that stands between coalition troops and death or serious injury is a dog. Highly trained dogs and their handlers search for improvised explosive devices or hidden weapons out on patrol with combat troops. It's a perilous job, often putting them right in the firing line, and making them high priority targets for the Taliban insurgents they're fighting.

Shane Bryant, a former Australian Army dog handler, has spent the past four years in Afghanistan working with elite American special forces alongside his faithful dog. War Dogs is his story – a riveting account of the hidden war in the mountains and cities of the world's most dangerous conflict, and the comradeship between man and dog that has saved numerous lives. **TP \$34.99**

Christian Cameron

Tyrant (Tyrant 01)

Glory. Death. Well-born Athenian cavalry officer, Kineas, fought shoulder to shoulder with Alexander in his epic battles against the Persian hordes. But on his return from the east to his native city, he finds not glory but shame - and exile. With nothing to his name but his military skills, Kineas agrees to lead a band of veterans to the city of Olbia, where the Tyrant is offering good money to train the city's elite cavalry. But soon Kineas and his men find they have stumbled into a deadly maze of intrigue and conspiracy as the Tyrant plots to use them as pawns in the increasingly complex power games between his own citizens and the dread military might of Macedon. Caught between his duty to the Tyrant, his loyalty to his men and a forbidden love affair with a charismatic Scythian noblewoman, Kineas must call on all his Athenian guile, his flair on the battlefield and even - he is convinced - the intervention of the gods, to survive. **PB \$22.99**

Storm of Arrows (Tyrant 02)

Kineas, the Athenian cavalry commander, has come a long way since being dismissed from the army of Alexander and vengefully exiled by his own city. Together, his mercenary force and their Scythian allies have defeated a mighty Macedonian army at the Ford of the River God and his adopted city of Olbia is now free once more. But his destiny will not allow him to enjoy the fruits of victory for long. Far to the east, at the farthest edge of the Sea of Grass, Alexander is threatening to crush the Scythian hordes once and for all. The Lady Srayanka of the Cruel Hands, the Scythian warrior-princess who spurned a king's love to be at Kineas's side, is pledged to take her tribe east to help stop 'the monster' - and Kineas knows he has no choice but to follow, even if it means embracing the violent death in battle that he has seen prefigured in countless dreams. But long before he can confront the might of Alexander's army alongside his beloved Srayanka, he must undertake an epic journey of breathtaking daring... **BPB \$22.99**

Jayne Castle

Zinnia

Ever since a false tabloid story ruined her reputation and her interior design business, Zinnia Spring has been labeled the “Scarlet Lady” of St. Helen's. Now, headstrong Zinnia makes a living using her psychic abilities—a highly prized skill that attracts the attention of another planetary outcast, Nick Chastain. The rough-edged casino owner craves what he doesn't have— respectability—and he enlists Zinnia to help find his father's journal and dig up answers to his own mysterious past. Zinnia doesn't have to be psychic to know what else Nick wants; soon they're reaching the electrifying heights of ecstasy—and danger. For when a ruthless killer crosses their search, it will take everything in their power to keep their feet on terra firma and survive a deadly trap! **PB \$14.99**

Davi-Ellen Chabner

The Language of Medicine

Australian & New Zealand Edition **TP \$91.5**

Paul Christopher

The Templar Throne (Templar 03)

In this gripping international thriller by the USA Today bestselling author of "The Sword of the Templars," retired Army Ranger John Holliday embarks on a dangerous quest to unlock the mystery surrounding the incredible wealth, power and influence of the enigmatic Templars. **PB \$21.95**

Robyn DeHart

Seduce Me (Legend Hunters 01)

Fielding Grey is the second son of the Marquess of Eldon and fortune hunter by night. He's on a mission for the Legend Hunters--a group of wealthy, titled, and heart-breakingly gorgeous men, each of whom are after the find of the century--he has his eyes set on obtaining the illustrious Pandora's Box. But before he finds it, he encounters an equally alluring treasure--the woman bold enough to look inside.

Esme Worthington can't resist taking the tiniest peek inside when fate drops the real Pandora's Box in her lap. Thus, she unleashes one of Pandora's irresistible curses: the curse of lust. Now, both Esme and Fielding must deal with this passionate curse--or blessing?--before unknown implications of Pandora's Box overpower them both. **PB \$19.95**

Keith Donohue

Angels of Destruction

Angels of Destruction is the mesmerising story of Norah, a nine-year-old girl who seems to materialize out of thin air when she arrives one bitterly cold night on the doorstep of Margaret Quinn. A widow who lives alone, Margaret has never got over the loss of her own child, a runaway named Erica who fled with her high school sweetheart, Wiley, to join a '60s-style band of West Coast revolutionaries known as the Angels of Destruction. Norah becomes Margaret's secret, a child possessed of magical qualities. But who is she really? And what is her purpose on earth? And what is this strange child's connection to Margaret's missing daughter? Beautifully written with a sensibility that skirts a fine line between the real and the imagined, the fantastic and the hoped for, Angels of Destruction is an unforgettable story about hope and fear, heartbreak and redemption. It more than confirms the promise of Keith Donohue's highly praised first novel, *The Stolen Child*. **TP \$34.95**

Ken Duncan

Reflections 1

WITH ITS UNIQUE WIDE FORMAT, Ken Duncan's 'Reflections' represents a first in Australian publishing and the fulfillment of a long-cherished dream. Here, by the simple device of a top edge spine, the art of panoramic landscape photography is presented in all its wonderful breadth without the normal centre 'creases' of a traditionally bound volume. The result is a magnificent gallery in wide book format comprising some of Ken Duncan's finest work.

In the midst of a society longing for tranquility and meaning, the natural world offers an ideal opportunity to reflect on life beyond the daily grind. Beauty and colour, diversity and co-existence, unusual forms and wide open spaces, all these are here combined in a series of stunning images to expand the senses and admit new possibilities for the viewer. "Panoramic photography forces me to slow down and to look closely at the natural world," writes Ken Duncan in his introduction. "If I pause long enough to properly experience a landscape, I begin to enter into a far bigger reality, a reality much more awesome than anything I dreamed possible."

Ken Duncan's Reflections provides an opportunity to wander through many of Australia's hidden places and take time out to reflect on the bigger picture of life. Beautifully complemented by carefully selected quotes, this is an experience of Australia that will both challenge and delight. As Ken points out, the beauty of God's creation is always there for those who will take the time to appreciate it.

Breaking all the 'rules' of commonly accepted publishing formats, Reflections takes the art of Australian panoramic photography into new and exciting territory. With no book folds intruding into the images, the Australian landscape is left to speak powerfully for itself. The result is a collection like no other yet produced in Australia and one that is certain to delight and inspire for many years to come. **HC \$65**

Reflections 2

Just like its predecessor, Reflections 2 has been produced to the highest technical standards in a superb panoramic format. Each image is accompanied by quotes from world leaders, great thinkers and famous people that give the viewer profound insights to Ken's unique vision. **HC \$65**

Reflections 3

Following in the wonderful success of Ken Duncan's first two Reflections titles, Reflections 3 takes readers on an enchanting pilgrimage of the soul through dozens of magnificent Australian landscapes.

The photography of Ken Duncan and Leo Meier provides a journey for the viewer that is as inspiring as it is geographic.

The broad pages allow each landscape to be exhibited as a single unbroken image and the photographs themselves trace a magnificent journey that appeals as much to the heart as it does to the eyes.

Reflections 3 also features the first ever major collection of vertical Ken Duncan panoramas. These vertical shots, filling the entire second half of the volume, offer a view of Australia that is rarely noticed or celebrated.

With quotes from sources as diverse as the Beatles, Ghandi, Shakespeare, Dire Straits and the Scriptures, Reflections 3 offers readers an ideal opportunity to step away from the normal schedules of life and to reflect awhile on deeper things.

From Kata Tjuta to Kangaroo island, from Maguk Falls to the Murray, the photography of Ken Duncan and Leo Meier refreshes and inspires by its beauty and emotive depth. **HC \$65**

Reflections 4

Continue Ken's journey of discovery and the ever popular Reflections tradition by joining Ken through the lens of his camera in this new Reflections 4 volume.

The majority of images featured in this volume are the result of Ken's most recent journeys around Australia and have not been published before. Reflections 4 is a collection permeated by a wild and alluring splendour, its photographs filled with colour and texture and brimming with emotion, complimented by a selection of carefully chosen quotes. **HC \$65**

Brett Easton Ellis

American Psycho

Patrick Bateman is twenty-six and works on Wall Street; he is handsome, sophisticated, charming and intelligent. He is also a psychopath. Taking us to a head-on collision with America's greatest dream - and its worst nightmare - this work is a black comedy about a world we all recognize but do not wish to confront. **PB \$24.95**

Peter Ewer Australian Author

Forgotten Anzacs: The Campaign in Greece, 1941

EVERY SCHOOL CHILD in Australia and New Zealand is brought up on the legend of the Anzacs. This, though, is the largely unknown story of another Anzac force which fought not at Gallipoli, but in Greece during World War II.

Desperately outnumbered, and fighting in deeply inhospitable conditions, these Anzacs found themselves engaging in a long retreat through Greece, under constant air attack. Most of the Anzac Corps was evacuated by the end of April, but many men got only as far as Crete. Fighting a German paratroop invasion there in May, large numbers were taken captive and spent four long years as prisoners of the Nazis.

The campaign in Greece turned out to have uncanny parallels to the original Gallipoli operation: both were inspired by Winston Churchill, both were badly planned by British military leaders, and both ended in defeat and evacuation. British bungling at Gallipoli was one thing; but in Greece, Churchill authorised his commanders to leave the Anzacs to their fate if their rescue compromised wider British interests.

Just as Gallipoli provided military academies the world over with lessons in how not to conduct a complex feat of arms, Churchill's Greek adventure reinforced fundamental lessons in modern warfare - heavy tanks could not be stopped by men armed with rifles, and Stuka dive-bombers would not be deflected by promises of air support from London that were never honoured.

Until now, there has been no history on the campaign in Greece and Crete written from a truly Anzac perspective. Based on rarely accessed archives and more than 30 interviews with Australian, Greek, and New Zealand veterans, this superb book gives overdue recognition to the brave, forgotten Anzacs of 1941. **TP \$39.95**

Iain Gale

Brothers in Arms (Jack Steel 03)

1708. War rages across the lowlands of Flanders. British soldiers fight ferociously to protect their last remaining fortress in Oudenarde. Their mission is to stop their enemies France and Spain forming a powerful union that could relegate Britain to the sidelines in Europe.

Newly married and promoted to the rank of captain, life for Jack Steel has never been better. But now he must go back to where he is needed - on the battlefield. Having already fought some daring campaigns under the Duke of Marlborough, Steel has every reason to be confident. But after a long day of fighting, one of France's finest cavalry regiments ambushes his battered and exhausted Grenadier troops. Taken by surprise, Steel will need a miracle to save them all from annihilation.

Brothers in Arms is the third book in the superb Jack Steel series. **BPB \$24.99**

Newt Gingrich & William R Forstchen

Days of Infamy

A follow-up to Pearl Harbor finds Admiral Yamamoto struggling with the discovery that his government failed to formally declare war on America prior to the Pearl Harbor attack and Admiral Halsey preparing for a decisive counter-strike. **PB \$19.95**

Newt Gingrich

To Save America: Stopping Obama's Secular-Socialist Machine

Argues that the Obama administration is committed to a secular-socialist ideology that threatens traditional American values, citing examples of big-government corruption and offering strategies for replacing failed policies. **HC \$60**

James Holland

Darkest Hour (Jack Tanner 02)

May 1940. Sergeant Jack Tanner has been posted to a training company on the south-east coast of England. But all is not well in the camp. When Tanner and his corporal, Stan Sykes, are nearly killed, Tanner finds his suspicions directed at an old comrade from his early days in the army.

As the Germans launch their Blitzkrieg in Europe, training is abandoned and the entire company are sent to join the battle to stop Hitler's drive across the Low Countries. Almost immediately, they are thrust into the thick of the action and cut off from the rest of the battalion. Trapped behind the enemy advance, Tanner must use all his ingenuity to get his men back to Allied lines.

Soon enmeshed in the long withdrawal to the French coast, Tanner, Sykes and his new platoon commander find themselves pitted against not only the die-hard Nazis of the SS 'Death's Head' Division but also the great panzer commander himself, General Rommel.

Even then, in the chaos of retreat, Tanner must deal with the corrosive treachery bubbling within the company's ranks - and an enemy more deadly than the Germans - if he and his men are to have any hope of surviving the mayhem of Dunkirk... **BPB \$21.95**

Christian Jacq

Great Magician

Thamos, Count of Thebes, is the last keeper of an eternal knowledge, keeping alive the secrets of the pharaohs. Now he has been entrusted with a vital mission. He must leave Egypt for the cold lands of Europe to find and protect the 'Great Magician', a genius whose works will save humanity from chaos.

When he encounters a child prodigy, a six-year-old composer lauded throughout Prague, Vienna and Frankfurt, Thamos senses that he's found the one. Is this young musician really the 'Great Magician' foretold by Osiris, the one who can pass on the light of the East to humanity? And if he is, can Thamos succeed in saving the boy from the traps that lie in wait for him? **TP \$32.99**

Judgement of the Mummy

London, 1821. Recently returned from Egypt, the adventurer Giovanni Belzoni enthralled Londoners with the city's first exhibition devoted to Egyptian art. As he unveils his star exhibit, a perfectly-preserved mummy, there is a collective intake of breath.

The astonishing spectacle provokes an immediate scandal: a hysterical preacher demands the destruction of this pagan relic; an elderly Lord wants to feed it to his dogs; a pathologist wishes to keep the body in order to study this fascinating phenomenon.

But the following night, the mummy disappears - and the preacher, the Lord and the pathologist are murdered.

The case is handed to the country's foremost detective, Inspector Higgins. For him, the prime suspect is none other than the mummy itself. He is also convinced that the revolutionary conspiracy causing unrest in London's most squalid districts and the mummy's disappearance are closely linked. Assisted by the beautiful Lady Suzanna, will Inspector Higgins succeed in solving the puzzle? **APB \$19.99**

H Paul Jeffers

Dark Mysteries of the Vatican

In this no-holds-barred account, the author makes stunning claims about the most secretive--and holiest--institution in the world, alleging that the Catholic Church has been a place of murder, corruption, real-life exorcisms, hidden ties to Nazi Germany and the Mafia, bizarre rituals and more.

PB \$29.99

Phillip Jennings

Goodbye Mexico

Remember when the alphabet agencies CIA, DIA, NSA, and the FBI were actually competent? Are you sure? Maybe they were just better at burying their mistakes. Allies and enemies alike have gotten tired of grubby fingerprints all over their national interests. Gearheardt's answer? Be sure to wear gloves!

Gearheardt apparently back from the dead, or maybe Laos, wants to play for all the Mexican marbles, and he insists he needs Jack's help to do it. Jack really is in the CIA by now, temporarily running the Mexico City station at the embassy, and ought to know better, but Gearheardt's sexy assistant with the disdain for clothes is so darn cute and Gearheardt's insane resolve is just so darn convincing.

But does the Agency really want the Cubans to take over Mexico? Well, the good Cubans, maybe. If you thought the Vietnam War of Nam-A-Rama was crazy, you ain't seen nothin yet. Say hello to Goodbye Mexico. **HC \$50**

Louise Jordan

How to Write For Children and Get Published

Huge numbers of people want to write for children, but it is notoriously difficult to find a publisher in this increasingly competitive area. This inspiring and practical guide from acknowledged expert on children's publishing Louise Jordan, will show you how to make your work stand out from the crowd and appeal to commissioning editors, and, of course, your intended audience. **BPB \$24.99**

Bill Kellan*Fulcrum (Strikemasters 03)*

When global terrorist attacks plunge the world into panic, Major Tommy Gunn and his fighting force--an elite 201st Special Operations Wing that was disbanded for dispensing their own brand of justice--are called back into action. **BPB \$19.95**

Robert T Kiyosaki*Before You Quit Your Job*

Draws on the philosophies of the Rich Dad series about making a successful transition from employee to company owner, in a guide for aspiring entrepreneurs that shares firsthand accounts of people who demonstrated effective ways to acquire financing, develop a business plan, launch a product, and more. **TP \$27.95**

Stieg Larsson*The Girl With the Dragon Tattoo (Millenium 01)*

Forty years ago, Harriet Vanger disappeared off the secluded island owned and inhabited by the powerful Vanger family. Harriet's uncle, Henrik, is convinced that she was murdered by someone in her own family – the deeply dysfunctional Vanger clan. This is a violent and bloody thriller, a sinister family saga, a mystery of massive financial fraud and a haunting love story. **BPB \$24.95**

The Girl Who Played With Fire (Millenium 02)

Lisbeth Salander is a wanted woman. Two Millennium journalists who are about to expose the truth about sex trafficking in Sweden are murdered, and Salander's prints are on the weapon. Her history of unpredictable and vengeful behaviour makes her an official danger to society - but no-one can find her. **BPB \$24.95**

Girl Who Kicked the Hornet's Nest (Millenium 03)

Lisbeth Salander is plotting her revenge - against the men who tried to kill her, and against the government institutions that nearly destroyed her life. But it is not going to be a straightforward campaign. After taking a bullet to the head, Salander is under close supervision in Intensive Care, and is set to face trial for three murders and one attempted murder on her eventual release.

With the help of journalist Mikael Blomkvist from Millennium Magazine, Salander must not only prove her innocence, but identify and denounce the corrupt politicians that have allowed the vulnerable to become victims of abuse and violence. Once a victim herself, Salander is ready to fight back. **TP \$32.95 HC \$54.95**

Joshua Levine*Forgotten Voices of Dunkirk*

It could have been the biggest military disaster suffered by the British in the Second World War, but against all odds the British Army was successfully evacuated, and Dunkirk spirit became synonymous with the strength of the British people in adversity.

On the same day that Winston Churchill became Prime Minister, German troops invaded Holland, Luxembourg and Belgium. The eight-month period of calm that had existed since the declaration of war was over. But the defences constructed by the Allies in preparation failed to repel a German army with superior tactics. The British Expeditionary Force soon found themselves in an increasingly chaotic retreat. By the end of May 1940, over 400,000 Allied troops were trapped in and around the port of Dunkirk without shelter or supplies. Hitler's army was just ten miles away. On 26 May, the British Admiralty launched Operation Dynamo. This famous rescue mission sent every available vessel from navy destroyers and troopships to pleasure cruisers and fishing boats over the Channel to Dunkirk. Of the 850 Little Ships that sailed to Dunkirk, 235 were sunk by German aircraft or mines, but over this nine day period 338,000 British and French troops were safely evacuated. Drawing on the wealth of material from the Imperial War Museum Sound Archive, *Forgotten Voices of Dunkirk* presents in the words of both rescued and rescuers in an intimate and dramatic account of what Winston Churchill described as a miracle of deliverance. **HC \$59.95**

Patrick Lindsay Australian Author*Fromelles*

Tells of the battle of Fromelles and the discovery decades later of the Australian diggers buried there. **TP \$34.95**

Robert Lyman*The Longest Siege*

The gripping history of one of the Second World War's most pivotal battles

Beginning on 10th April 1941, and lasting for 240 days, the siege of Tobruk is a mesmerising tale of human endurance and heroism. It is an epic story of extraordinary resilience as the Libyan port's 24,000 defenders met increasingly desperate attempts by Rommel's Panzer divisions to break through the hurriedly thrown-up defences. It was a battle of bayonets and grenades against tanks, of David versus Goliath.

The eventual allied victory came against overwhelming odds, plus the morale sapping knowledge that the defenders were surrounded on one side by the sea, and on the other by Hitler's men and machines (who, only the year before, had brought Western Europe to its knees). Tobruk was defended in the main by the Australian 9th Division, followed by the British 70th Infantry Division who then linked up with the advancing 8th Army. The Royal Navy also played an important role in Tobruk's defence. By December 1941 Rommel had been beaten and forced to withdraw his forces from Cyrenaica. The siege was lifted and the exhausted, gallant defenders able to march out in triumph. **BPB \$24.99**

Valerio Massimo Manfredi*The Ides of March*

March, 44 BC. Rome, in all her glory, has expanded her territories beyond the wildest dreams of her citizens, led by Caius Julius Caesar – Pontifex Maximus, dictator perpetuo, invincible military leader and only fifty-six years old. He is a man in command of his destiny, who wields enormous power throughout the vast empire. However his god-given mission – to end the blood-splattered fratricidal wars, reconcile implacably hostile factions and preserve Roman civilization and world order – is teetering dangerously close to collapse... His power is draining away. None of his supporters can stop the inexorably evolving plot against him and prophecy will explode into truth on the Ides of March and the world will change forever. **BPB \$22.99**

Henning Mankell

Italian Shoes

Once a successful surgeon, Frederick Welin now lives in self-imposed exile on an island in the Swedish archipelago. Nearly twelve years have passed since he was disgraced for attempting to cover up a tragic mishap on the operating table. One morning in the depths of winter, he sees a hunched figure struggling towards him across the ice. His past is about to catch up with him.

The figure approaching in the freezing cold is Harriet, the only woman he has ever loved, the woman he abandoned in order to go and study in America forty years earlier. She has sought him out in the hope that he will honour a promise made many years ago. Now in the late stages of a terminal illness, she wants to visit a small lake in northern Sweden, a place Welin's father took him once as a boy. He upholds his pledge and drives her to this beautiful pool hidden deep in the forest. On the journey through the desolate snow-covered landscape, Welin reflects on his impoverished childhood and the woman he later left behind. However, once there Welin discovers that Harriet has left the biggest surprise until last.

Italian Shoes is as compelling as it is disturbing. Through his anti-hero Welin, Mankell tackles ageing and death with sensitivity and acuity, and as with the critically acclaimed Depths, delivers a moving tour-de-force on the frailty of mankind. **PB \$24.95**

Campbell Mattinson Australian Author

Big Red Wine Book 2010-2011

If you've ever asked your host, 'This white wine is lovely but do you have any real wines?' then this is the wine guide for you. There is a glut of wine guides out there, but Campbell Mattinson and Gary Walsh reckon that most people buy them for the sections on red wine, and that it's a trickier area to navigate. So this is the only guide of its kind in Australia: one for those wanting to know the best quality and best value red wines available. Award-winning wine critic Campbell Mattinson teams up with established wine publisher Gary Walsh to share their knowledge on more than 1000 red wines, including more than 750 new releases across all prices and styles. Each has expert tasting notes and is rated on price, value for money and investment potential, so that you can get the best that money can buy. With wine-drinkers becoming both more environmentally and economically conscious, Campbell and Gary have included organic and biodynamic reds, and have focused more intensively on the best buys on the market. Cheap wines can be great wines, as long as you know what to look for, and with the 'top 100 wines at \$20 or less' section, you'll be armed with all you need to know. **PB \$24.95**

Nigel McCrery

Go! Go! Go!

On 5 May 1980, the world held its breath as an SAS assault team attacked the Iranian Embassy. Forty-seven men took part in the assault and this is their story. At first it didn't all go as smoothly as they hoped. A fire started which went on to burn out most of the Embassy. A member of the assault team was caught up on a rope and badly burnt. One of the hostages who was standing too close to an initial explosion was thrown to the floor by the force and flying debris. The SAS trooper that got to him first was convinced he was already dead. Despite all Regiments' precautions, the terrorist still had time to open fire on the hostages they had trapped in one of the rooms. So many people were talking across the team's radios they were rendered useless. Outside the planning team could only sit, wait and listen to the sounds of flash grenades exploding, bursts of automatic gun fire and wonder what the hell was going on. But was the attack a complete disaster? **TP \$35**

James Miller

Lost Boys

'Forgive me', he sobbed, the tears falling now. He saw them, huddled under the damp trees, faces hidden with scarves and masks. Waiting.' All over London, affluent and privileged boys are going missing from their homes and schools. Investigations into the disappearances uncover a world of extreme and disturbing fantasy, a violent rejection of all that society values. A father, haunted by his experiences in Iraq, searches for his lost son in the seedy underside of the city. Through a series of fearful revelations, his complicity in the brutal effects of the so-called civilised West. Shocking and controversial, LOST BOYS sheds light on the secret fears and desires that drive children and adults, families and society. Drawing disconcerting parallels between the childhood resistance to adulthood and the War on Terror, LOST BOYS is an unsettling and unforgettable novel from a major new talent in contemporary fiction. **PB \$24.95**

Helen Nicholson

The Knights Templar

Presents an account of the Knights of the Order of the Temple of Solomon. This work recounts the history of these storm troopers of the papacy, founded during the crusades but who got so rich and influential that they challenged the power of kings. **PB \$26.99**

Chuck Palahniuk

Tell-All

Tell-All is many things: a Sunset Boulevard-inflected homage to Old Hollywood when grand dames like Bette Davis and Joan Crawford ruled the roost. A Douglas Sirk-inspired melodrama full of big gestures and muted psychic torment. A veritable Tourette's Syndrome of rat-tat-tat name-dropping, from the A-list to the Z-list. A merciless send-up of Lillian Hellman's habit of butchering the truth that will have Mary McCarthy cheering from the beyond.

Our narrator is Hazie Coogan, who for decades has tended to the outsized needs of Katherine 'Miss Kathie' Kenton, a star of the wattage of Elizabeth Taylor and the emotional torments of Judy Garland. The survivor of multiple marriages, career comebacks and cosmetic surgeries, Miss Kathie lives the way legends should. But danger lurks when gentleman caller Webster Carlton Westward III arrives and worms his way into Miss Kathie's heart and boudoir. Hazie discovers that this bounder has already written his celebrity tell-all memoir and that it foretells her death in a forthcoming Lillian Hellman-penned World War II musical extravaganza Unconditional Surrender, in which Miss Kathie portrays Lily defeating Japanese forces from Pearl Harbor to Nagasaki. As the body count mounts, Hazie must execute a plan to save Katherine Kenton for her fans – and for posterity.

A dark reimagining of All About Eve and an hilarious assault on celebrity, Tell-All is vintage Palahniuk. **TP \$32.95**

Don Pendleton

Conflict Zone (SuperBolan 134)

After rescuing the kidnapped daughter of an American petroleum executive from Nigeria, Mack Bolan, in his personal war against guerrilla violence in this country's delta state, lures hostile tribal factions vying for control of the oil fields into the open, igniting a bloody battle. **APB \$17.95**

Christopher Reich

Rules of Vengeance

It is six months since Jonathan Ransom foiled the attack on an Israeli jet that threatened to plunge the world into war. He has spent the last six months in hiding in South East Asia avoiding having to confront his wife's double life and the lie that was their eight-year marriage.

Now Emma has initiated a reconciliation which Ransom reluctantly goes along with. They meet in London and vow to start over with no more secrets between them.

But only minutes after they reunite, they bear witness to a terrible act of violence. A band of gunmen ambush a convoy of limousines carrying the U.S. Secretary of State and the Saudi Arabian Oil Minister to a secret meeting. Caught in the midst of the attack, Jonathan and Emma take matters into their own hands. When the violence subsides, the Saudi Minister has been killed, all of the terrorists are dead, and Emma is missing. Despite their actions, Jonathan and Emma fall under suspicion.

Pursued by MI5, Jonathan knows that his only path to freedom lies in tracking down his wife. To do so, he must learn once and for all the truth behind her identity, and whether she has renounced her ways as a spy. Or if he, Jonathan Ransom, is the ultimate pawn in a game far beyond his imagining. **PB \$21.95**

Anthony Riches

Arrows of Fury (Empire 02)

The Battle of the Lost Eagle saved Hadrian's Wall, but the new Roman governor of Britannia must stamp out the rebellion of the northern tribes or risk losing the province. Rampaging south with sword and flame under the command of their murderous chieftain Calgus, they have stretched his forces to the limit. For Marcus - now simply Centurion Corvus of the 1st Tungrian cohort - the campaign has become doubly dangerous. As reinforcements flood into Britannia he is surrounded by new officers with no reason to protect him from the emperor's henchmen. Death could result from a careless word as easily as from an enemy spear. Worse, one of them is close on his heels. While Marcus is training two centuries of Syrian archers to survive a barbarian charge and then take the fight back to their enemy, the new prefect of the 2nd Tungrians has discovered his secret. Only a miracle can save Marcus and the men who protect him from disgrace and death . . . Anthony Riches once again brings meticulous research together with brilliant storytelling to capture the authentic feel of what life was like for the Roman Army in a brutal war with a remorseless enemy.

TP \$32.99

Phil Rickman

The Bones of Avalon

Dr John Dee, astrologer and consultant to Queen Elizabeth I, discovers a body on his doorstep and so begins an investigation that will change his life. It is 1560. Elizabeth Tudor has been on the throne for a year, and Dr. John Dee, mathematician and expert in the hidden arts, is already famous throughout Europe.

But neither Elizabeth nor Dee feels entirely secure. The Queen's religious reforms are proving unpopular, and Dee is regarded with suspicion in an England where the line between science and sorcery is indistinct. And the assignment he's been given by the Queen's chief minister will blur it further: Ride to the ruins of Glastonbury Abbey to bring back certain bones.

The mission takes the mild, bookish Dee to the tangled roots of the Arthurian legacy so important to the Tudors. Along with his risk-taking friend and former student, Robert Dudley, Dr Dee encounters unexpected violence, spiritual darkness, the breathless stirring of first love ... and the cold heart of a complex plot against Queen Elizabeth herself. **TP \$32.99**

Mike Rossiter

Bomber Flight Berlin

Flying Lancaster bombers on raids into Germany was one of the most dangerous missions of the war. Casualties in Bomber Command were shockingly high, there was statistically only a 17% chance of a bomber crew surviving a full tour of operations. Night after night Flight Sergeant Geoffrey King and the crew of C Charlie risked their lives. Together they faced incredible dangers, near misses, close encounters with the fighter planes of the Luftwaffe, and crash landings. Against this background a friendship was formed that bound the crew of C Charlie together against all odds.

Between May 1943 and May 1944 Geoffrey King and his crew flew thirty missions over Germany, hitting Frankfurt, the Ruhr, and bombing Berlin ten times. They trusted each other so much that they were determined to stay together after their full tour. They refused to take leave and be split up, instead they volunteered immediately for another tour. As King says 'We believed in ourselves so much, no one ever panicked, even when the situation looked so desperate. We all believed that our best chance of staying alive was to stick together.'

Geoffrey King and the crew of C Charlie are unique in having flown together for fifty missions and living to tell the tale. Now, sixty years later, Geoffrey is the only one of this group of friends still alive to tell the story. As well as the memories of the other men he spent three years of the war with, he lives daily with the memories of those ten missions above Berlin, as he flew into what seemed certain death, and aircraft all around him were blasted out of the sky. **TP \$45**

Ian Sample

Massive

The dramatic and gripping account of how one big idea has brought life and order to the universe, sparking the greatest race science has ever seen

The biggest science story of our time, Massive spans four decades weaving together the personal stories and intense rivalry behind the search for the 'God' particle or Higgs boson - the particle that gives mass (or weight) to all things.

A story of grand ambition, intense trans-Atlantic competition, clashing egos and occasionally spectacular failures, this is the first single historical narrative that brings together the science, culture and politics in an accessible way for the general reader. No other author has had such unprecedented access to the work and both the public and private life of theoretical physicist Professor Peter Higgs, the scientist after whom the particle is named.

For scientists, to find the God particle is finally to understand the origin of mass. And until now, the story of their search for it has never been told. **HC \$59.95**

Peter D Schiff

Crash Proof 2.0: How to Profit from the Economic Collapse

A fully updated follow-up to Peter Schiff's bestselling financial survival guide—Crash Proof, which described the U.S. economy as a house of cards on the verge of collapse

The economic and monetary disaster which seasoned Wall Street prognosticator Peter Schiff predicted is no longer hypothetical—it is here today. And nobody understands what to do in this situation better than the man who saw it coming. For more than a decade, Schiff has not only observed the U.S. economy, but also helped his clients restructure their portfolios to reflect his outlook. What he sees today is a nation facing an economic storm brought on by growing federal, personal, and corporate debt; too little savings; and a declining dollar.

Crash Proof 2.0 picks up right where the first edition—a bestselling book that predicted the current market mayhem—left off. This timely guide takes into account the dramatic economic shifts that are reshaping America and provides you with the insights and information to navigate the dangerous terrain. Throughout the book, Schiff explains the factors that will affect your future financial stability and offers a specific three step plan to battle the current economic downturn.

- * Discusses the measures you can take to protect yourself—as well as profit—during these difficult times
- * Offers an insightful examination of the structural weaknesses underlying the economic meltdown
- * Outlines a plan that will allow you to preserve wealth and protect the purchasing power of your savings
- * Other titles by Schiff: *Crash Proof* and *The Little Book of Bull Moves in Bear Markets*

Filled with in-depth insights and expert advice, *Crash Proof 2.0* will help you survive and thrive during the coming years of economic uncertainty.

HC \$56.95

Hugh Sebag-Montefiore,

Dunkirk: Fight to the Last Man

The rescue in May 1940 of British soldiers fleeing capture and defeat by the Nazis at Dunkirk was not just about what happened at sea and on the beaches. The evacuation would never have succeeded had it not been for the tenacity of the British soldiers who stayed behind to ensure they got away. Men like Sergeant Major Gus Jennings who died smothering a German stick bomb in the church at Esquelbecq in an effort to save his comrades, and Captain Marcus Ervine-Andrews VC who single-handedly held back a German attack on the Dunkirk perimeter thereby allowing the British line to form up behind him.

old to stand and fight to the last man, these brave few battalions fought in whatever manner they could to buy precious time for the evacuation. Outnumbered and outgunned, they launched spectacular and heroic attacks time and again, despite ferocious fighting and the knowledge that for many only capture or death would end their struggle. **BPB \$26.95**

Ben Thompson

Badass: A Relentless Onslaught of the Toughest Warlords, Vikings, Samurai

The badasses populating the pages of *Badass* are the most savagely awesome historical figures to ever strap on a pair of chain mail gauntlets and run screaming into battle. Author Ben Thompson—considered by many to be the Internet's foremost expert on badassitude—has gathered together a rogues' gallery of butt-stomping rogues, from Julius Caesar and Genghis Khan to Blackbeard, George S. Patton, and Bruce Lee. Their bone-breaking exploits are illustrated by top artist from the fields of gaming, comics, and cards—DC Comics illustrator Matt Haley and Thomas Denmark, illustrator for the collectible card game *Magic: The Gathering*. This is not your boring high school history—this is tough, manly, unrelentingly *Badass!*

An unstoppable collection of the most hardcore figures who ever strapped on chain mail and ran screaming into battle throughout history—from the bone-crushing age of antiquity to the sack-tearing modern era—there have been larger-than-life ass-kickers with a natural talent for unleashing their epic bloodlust on anyone who crossed them. They built empires, smashed armies, and ravaged civilizations for wealth, glory, and ultimate supremacy. Sometimes villains, sometimes heroes, sometimes criminally insane, they had one thing in common: They were all . . . *Badass!*

Chandragupta Maurya: An Indian warlord who commanded an army of drunken war elephants and employed an elite detachment of highly trained female bodyguards

Peter Francisco: An unsung hero of the American Revolution, this powerful giant battled the British with a massive five-foot-long broadsword

Wolf the Quarrelsome: A mysterious barbarian leader who only appears in history twice—and both times he's kicking someone's ass

Bhanbhagta Gurung: A fearless Gurkha who won the Victoria Cross by clearing out six Japanese foxholes with nothing more than grenades, a bayonet, and a knife

From Alexander the Great to George S. Patton, from Genghis Khan to Bruce Lee, this pantheon of ass-kicking awesomeness should inspire you to quit your stupid job and dive headfirst into a new career as a professional badass. **TP \$32.99**

Adam Thorpe

Hodd

Who was Robin Hood? Romantic legend casts him as outlaw, archer, and hero of the people, living in Sherwood Forest with Friar Tuck, Little John and Maid Marian, stealing from the rich to give to the poor – but there is no historical proof to back this up. The early ballads portray a quite different figure: impulsive, violent, vengeful, with no concern for the needy, no merry band, and no Maid Marian.

Hodd provides a possible answer to this famous question, in the form of a medieval document rescued from a ruined church on the Somme, and translated from the original Latin. The testimony of an anonymous monk, it describes his time as a boy in the greenwood with a half-crazed bandit called Robert Hodd – who, following the thirteenth-century principles of the 'heresy of the Free Spirit', believes himself above God and beyond sin. Hodd and his crimes would have been forgotten without the boy's minstrel skills, and it is the old monk's cruel fate to know that not only has he given himself up to apostasy and shame, but that his ballads were responsible for turning a murderous felon into the most popular outlaw hero and folk legend of England, Robin Hood.

Written with his characteristic depth and subtlety, his sure understanding of folklore, his precise command of detail, Adam Thorpe's ninth novel is both a thrilling re-examination of myth and a moving reminder of how human innocence and frailty fix and harden into history. **BPB \$27.95**

Gillian Turner

North Pole, South Pole: The Quest to Understand Earth's Magnetism

Earth's magnetic shield is essential to life on Earth because it deflects the sun's violent and toxic rays. Magnetism itself has been, throughout human history, the main method of navigation – and is even used by migrating birds and animals.

But what is the source of Earth's magnetism? What mysterious force makes compass needles point to the poles, and dangerous particles from the sun veer back into space? For centuries this question absorbed and often obsessed the world's greatest scientific minds. Albert Einstein called it 'the last great unsolved mystery of science'. Each scientist contributed a piece of the puzzle – but it was only in the 21st century that the code was finally cracked. And there was another astonishing twist to come... **HC \$35**

Richard Whitaker *Australian Author*

The Complete Book of Australian Weather

Do you need to take an umbrella today? Will the price of bananas go up this week? Will the cyclone reach our town? From the most mundane daily decisions to matters of life and death, the weather affects our lives intimately. Drawing on the latest scientific research, *The Complete Book of Australian Weather* explains climate zones and weather patterns across the continent.

Australia has some of the most extreme weather patterns of any country in the world. We discover the science behind the devastating bushfires and cyclones, the willy willies and the southerly buster, and the cyclical droughts caused by the El Nino phenomenon. We explore why Australia is particularly vulnerable to climate change, and how we can harness the forces of nature for green energy.

Lavishly illustrated throughout with colour photographs and diagrams. **TP \$39.99**

Sam Willis

Fight Ships- from the Ancient World to 1750

Beginning with Ramses III's dramatic defeat of the 'sea people' in 1176 BC - the world's earliest visual record of a naval battle - *Fighting Ships* tells the story of 3000 years of maritime history through 150 glorious images. From the Greeks, Phoenicians and Romans to the coming of the age of sail, here are breathtaking depictions of ancient triremes and Viking longships, the Santa Maria and the Spanish Armada, as well as Henry VIII's giant carracks and the majestic three-decked warships of Louis XIV that patrolled the Mediterranean. Arranged chronologically, this sumptuous collection of grand-scale images brings together the earliest carvings on temple walls and the world-famous Bayeux tapestry, with exquisite depictions by the greatest artists, including Tintoretto's *The Capture of Constantinople*, Brueghel's *The Fall of Icarus*, Vasari's *The Battle of Lepanto in 1571* and Samuel Scott's *The Capture of Puerto Bello*. Here too are striking portraits of key historical figures, such as Columbus, Raleigh and Drake, alongside ship plans, drawings, engravings and artefacts rescued from the wrecks themselves. Maritime historian Sam Willis recounts famous battles, voyages of conquest and tales of triumph and defeat at sea. He not only reveals the secrets of naval strategy and ship design, but also sheds fascinating light on the lives of the great men that commanded their fleets, as well as on the heroism and hardship of life on board for the ordinary sailor. **HC \$99.95**

Martin Windrow

Our Friends Beneath the Sands

Ever since the 1920s the popular legend of the French Foreign Legion has been formed by P.C Wren's novel *Beau Geste* - a world of remote forts, warrior tribes and desperate men of all nationalities enlisting under pseudonyms to fight and die under the desert sun. As with all cliches, the reality is far richer and more surprising than this. In this book Martin Windrow describes desert battles and famous last stands in gripping detail - but he also shows exactly what the Foreign Legion were doing in North Africa in the first place. He explains how French colonial methods there actually had their roots in the jungles of Vietnam and how the political pressures that kept the empire expanding can be traced to battles on the streets of Paris itself. His description of the Berber tribesmen of Morocco also reveals some disturbing modern parallels: the formidable guerrillas of the 1920s were inspired by an Islamic fundamentalist who was adept at using the world's media to further his cause. **HC \$69.99**

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