



# Infinitas Bookshop

*science fiction, fantasy & horror*

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## Shop Closing

**After 21 years, Infinitas Bookshop is closing.**

Operating this retail shopfront to sell books is no longer sustainable in our current market. There have been many significant economic changes within the book industry, the wider retail market and the general business environment over recent years which apply cumulative pressure on small business. Sales value and volume are falling but overheads are not. There will always be writers and readers but the connections between the two are changing, with many bookshops amongst the casualties.

Over the years Infinitas has hosted many events including author visits, discussion groups and gaming days. Recent years have seen most Thursday evenings and Saturday mornings hosting one of the various regular groups. It is a shame for our local community to lose this social capital, but some will continue with keen people in the groups making alternate arrangements.

**Saturday roleplaying** will move at an alternate venue, the Parramatta Library. First gaming day for 2013 will be at PCC Library at Civic Place on 19<sup>th</sup> January at 10am in the Retro Room, then fortnightly thereafter. This includes 4<sup>th</sup> Edition D&D, 1<sup>st</sup> Edition D&D, Star Wars RPG and Pathfinder games but probably only ever one or two games running in the room on any one day.

**The book clubs** are making arrangements to continue to meet at a local café, probably the Mars Hill Café in George St.

Infinitas will continue in some form as the website has been busy for years and we will continue to sell online. There will be a period of some business interruption and chaos, but after a period of leave, in the new year expect to see a revitalisation of the website side of the business.

Thank you to all who have bought from us over the years, and to the many who have supported Infinitas by participating in our various groups and other community activities. Keep reading books.

Thank you for the uncountable interesting conversations in the shop.

- Tim



## Websites Continue

[www.infinitas.com.au](http://www.infinitas.com.au) continues to accept orders, as will [www.blokeystuff.com.au](http://www.blokeystuff.com.au) but for the near future there will be reduced stock ranges, until reassessment in the new year.

This page is the extent of the December newsletter, and there will not be a January newsletter, however, expect the Infinitas Newsletter to reappear soon thereafter. By all means keep contributing book reviews.

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