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Featured Books



Infinitas Groups – Always Recruiting

As of late 2014, all these groups are active and new members are welcome.

Review Group: We now meet at Mars Hill Café in George St Parramatta, near the Lennox Bridge over the river, at 6:30pm on the third Thursday of each month. We can order drinks and meals upstairs before descending into their basement which has great ambiance. As a book club we discuss our recent genre reading and often choose an author, theme or particular book but it is not necessary to have completed the homework reading. All welcome.

Writers' Group: The Infinitas Writers' Group has a new website at <http://www.infinitaswriters.com/> to encourage communication and new recruits. There is a forum for discussing their writing. They have a new venue for meetings - the Shakespeare Hotel in Surry Hills, the previous pub proved unsuitable. Meetings are every second month, on odd months.

Dungeons & Dragons: Currently may include Pathfinder, 4th or 5th edition D&D and occasional Star Wars RPG. Other games depending upon willing leaders. Sometimes players bring in boardgames and find recruits to play.

The Infinitas Gaming Group meets at: Parramatta Council Library. We may be in any of the larger meeting rooms, Retro Room on the mezzanine level, River Room on the top floor, or in the Darug Room on the top floor.

Games are on fortnightly Saturday mornings starting at 10am, finishing up around 2pm. Bring your own dice.

See: <http://www.infinitas.com.au/DungeonsAndDragonsAtInfinitas.php>

We could find room for another game if there were another DM to run it - any keen volunteers? You would need to bring prepared characters and module as until players join a game they would not be able to generate their character.

To co-ordinate attendance and games some players have set up: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/157405127769146/>

Available games (and summaries): <http://bit.ly/17orjuA>

Look for a report on the recent games at the end of this newsletter...

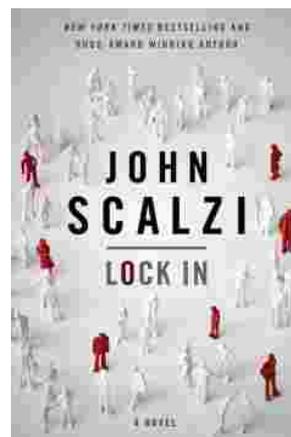
Book Reviews

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.

***Lock In* by John Scalzi, reviewed by Len Newland**

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780765375865>

Science fiction of the near-future technology type. The title refers to complete paralysis from a new meningitis-like viral disease, the millions of sufferers being called “Hadens”. An artificial neural network implanted in a sufferer’s brain enables the Haden to use a robot-like prosthetic body (a “threep”) to lead a reasonably normal life while the real body is in nursing care; expensive, so the neural network, its software, the threep, and the nursing are heavily government-subsidised. A few people, also fitted with neural networks in their brains and called “Integrators”, hire themselves out for rich Hadens to use instead of threeps. First person Shane is a Haden who takes the unusual job of FBI agent in a unit specialising in cases involving Hadens and Integrators. Here in his first case, he and his experienced partner Vann, a former Integrator, are presented with an Integrator found with a bloody corpse, and this Integrator “doesn’t think” he did it. Then develops a trail of murder and corporate intrigue spurred by a new law slashing the government subsidies.



Full marks to author Scalzi for versatility: previous novels of his I’ve read are tongue-in-cheek or biff-bash light reading, while this one is a more serious look at a possible application of computer technology and what can go wrong with it, or be made to go wrong with it. The technology descriptions are understandable, with no technocrap (pretentious undefined technical-sounding words). I also found the novel comfortable as a detective story. Isaac Asimov (who also wrote SF mysteries) once said that a good SF story highlights human inanity without resolving it, and Scalzi follows that recipe here with heated debate between characters on whether Hadens are disease victims or a new human race, and also with clashes between those supporting the new law and those regarding it as oppressive to Hadens.

The novel also contains some author insertion in political views having nothing to do with the story (here pro homosexual and anti tobacco-smokers), albeit not enough to turn the novel into a political pamphlet. Scalzi’s English errors don’t usually bother me, but here I did find some of his number mismatches irritating. So three stars rather than my usual five. Characters and their utterances don’t seem different from those in other Scalzi novels, but the trail of murder and intrigue is of solid interest. The main mystery is solved and justice done, and two questions remain unanswered: why is Trinh so obnoxious, and why did Vann’s previous partner commit suicide? Not a bad way to leave a novel.

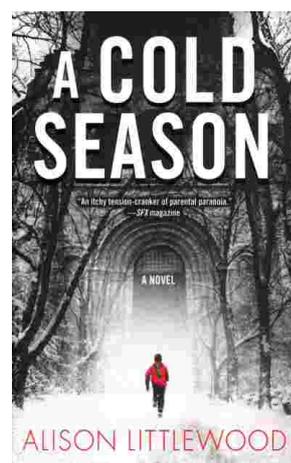
***A Cold Season* by Alison Littlewood, reviewed by Len Newland**

<http://www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781623658601>

An English widow takes her young son to an isolated village to start a new life, but people there aren’t what they seem. This stand alone novel is a Satan dark fantasy in suspense style.

Mortals can’t beat Satan, so the victory in the end is hollow: the sacrifice achieves nothing and the characters end worse off than they start. The novel focusses on the widow’s ineptitude as a mother and the psychological damage done to her by her father’s treatment of her as a girl. This depiction of the widow didn’t gain my sympathy, although I did see justification for her father’s behaviour when it was finally explained.

The genre isn’t clear at the start, and even a third of the way in, the novel could have been a mainstream story of a widow finding her feet or of English village life, a murder mystery, a psycho drama, a ghost fantasy, a witch fantasy, or a vampire fantasy. Satan didn’t show as such until the last quarter, which is where the interest is. Grammatical errors aren’t prominent, but the reading is confounded by awkward expression and information delayed beyond where it’s needed. I’d give this novel one star out of five for writing quality.



The cover blurb on my review copy invites comparison with Rosemary’s Baby, another Satan dark fantasy. I see parallels, not least that it’s as slow to get to the point. If you enjoy one, you should enjoy the other, and you’ll find what Satan is doing in this novel interesting.

The Edge of Night by David Farmer

‘Good morning!’ said a cheerful voice. I looked up from the garden and stared at the alien. He was standing on the footpath, but the sun was behind him, just above the horizon, and I couldn’t see his face against the glare.

‘Good morning,’ I answered, carefully. I stood up, dropping the weeds onto the grass beside me, and tried to get a look at him. He stepped closer and said: ‘It’s going to be a beautiful day, isn’t it?’ I saw his face was old and tanned and lined, and his hair was greying and sparse. He looked perfectly human. He started to reach out his hand, and then changed his mind.

‘It might rain,’ I said, humouring him. He looked doubtful, and the facial expression worked perfectly. ‘They look just like us.’ That’s what they say on the internet. ‘You can’t tell the difference. They take people away, and we don’t know what happens to them.’

He shrugged, and the gesture seemed human. His clothes were old, and suited him, as if they had all aged together. And he seemed uncontrollably happy, as if my glum mood couldn’t affect him. It must be our sun on his back, I thought. He’s not used to feeling this good. Vacuum of space and all. ‘Well, anyway,’ he rambled on and grinned, ‘I’m not from round here.’

‘I know.’

He stopped. Then he said: ‘And I was wondering if you had any good places to have breakfast here.’ His conversation was the same, but he had changed. There was something about his eyes, something too slow, too watchful to be human.

I could feel the sweat trickle down the back of my neck, but I also felt a chill, in the air around me. Had he noticed it?

I swallowed, and tried to sound cheerful. ‘Well, there’s a few cafes down the road. There’s good ones on both sides of the street. Let me go through them one by one.’ But it was too late. The eyes were more watchful, more alien than ever.

‘How did you know?’ The words came slowly, carefully, utterly different to the way he’d been speaking.

I knew I had to say something, keep him talking, keep him wondering how I knew, for just a little bit longer. Someone might come along. But I could barely speak.

‘Why did you choose here?’ I rasped.

‘Anywhere would do,’ he said, in that cold, careful voice. ‘Anywhere there are people, and sunlight. I looked for the edge of night, for the place where morning had come, nice and early. I have the whole day, to study, and hunt ...’ He paused, as if translating a difficult concept. ‘And feed,’ he finished.

His face froze, and he looked around slowly. He had noticed something was wrong, and it took a whole minute for him to work out what it was. Then he turned and stared at me as he realised he’d given himself away with the very first thing he had said. But he could barely move, and he kept staring in fright, as the day that he thought was beginning, slowly ended. After a few more minutes he lost his balance and fell backward and crunched on the concrete footpath. He rested there like a statue, his arms and legs frozen in place as if he was walking, as the night slowly fell around him.

He had looked for the edge of night, for the place where morning had come, nice and early. But he hadn’t noticed the planet spun the other way. I shuddered. Was he that hungry?

G T Almasi

Hammer of Angels (*Shadowstorm 02*) A+ Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780440423560

In G. T. Almasi's thrilling alternate reality, the United States, the USSR, and the Republic of China share a fragile balance of power with Greater Germany, which emerged from World War II in control of Europe and half of the Middle East. To avoid nuclear Armageddon, the four superpowers pursue their ambitions with elite spies known as Levels, who are modified with mechanical and chemical enhancements.

Nineteen-year-old Alix Nico, code-named Scarlet, is a kick-ass superheroine with killer Mods and an attitude to match. She's considered one of America's top Levels, even though her last mission nearly precipitated World War III. So now Scarlet and her new partner, Darwin, have been sent to Greater Germany to help sow the seeds of anarchy and prevent Germany's defection to Russia and China.

But where Scarlet goes, chaos follows - and when her mission takes an unexpected turn, she and Darwin must go ever deeper into enemy territory. As Scarlet grapples with a troubling attraction to her new partner, explosive information comes to light about the German cloning program and one of its prisoners - a legendary American Level who just happens to be Scarlet's father.

V C Andrews

Secrets of Foxworth (*Christopher's Diary*) A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781476790589

Jealousy, tragedy, survival, and revenge—the discovery of Christopher's diary in the ruins of Foxworth Hall brings new secrets of the Dollanganger family to light and obsesses a new generation. With *Flowers in the Attic* and *Petals on the Wind* both now major Lifetime TV events, this first new addition to the Dollanganger story in nearly thirty years is a timely look at the events in the attic—from teenage Christopher's point of view.

And don't forget to preorder the follow-up, *Christopher's Diary: Echoes of Dollanganger!*

Christopher Dollanganger was fourteen when he and his younger siblings—Cathy and the twins, Cory and Carrie—were locked away in the attic of Foxworth Hall, prisoners of their mother's greedy inheritance scheme. For three long years he kept hope alive for the sake of the others. But the shocking truth about how their ordeal affected him was always kept hidden—until now.

Seventeen-year-old Kristin Masterwood is thrilled when her father's construction company is hired to inspect the Foxworth property for a prospective buyer. The once grand Southern mansion still sparks legends and half-truths about the four innocent Dollanganger children, even all these decades later. Foxworth holds a special fascination for Kristin, who was too young when her mother died to learn much about her distant blood tie to the notorious family.

Accompanying her dad to the “forbidden territory,” they find a leather-bound book, its yellowed pages filled with the neat script of Christopher Dollanganger himself. Her father grows increasingly uneasy about her reading it, but as she devours the teen's story page by page, his shattering account of temptation, heartache, courage, and betrayal overtakes Kristin's every thought. And soon her obsession with the doomed boy crosses a dangerous line...

V C Andrews

Flowers in the Attic (*Christopher's Dairy 01*) A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781476775869

Now a major Lifetime movie event—the classic story of forbidden love that captured the world's imagination and earned V.C. Andrews a fiercely devoted fanbase. Book One of the Dollanganger family saga.

At the top of the stairs there are four secrets hidden. Blond, beautiful, innocent, and struggling to stay alive . . .

They were a perfect family, golden and carefree—until a heartbreaking tragedy shattered their happiness. Now, for the sake of an inheritance that will ensure their future, the children must be hidden away out of sight, as if they never existed. Kept on the top floor of their grandmother's vast mansion, their loving mother assures them it will be just for a little while. But as brutal days swell into agonizing months and years, Cathy, Chris, and twins Cory and Carrie, realize their survival is at the mercy of their cruel and superstitious grandmother . . . and this cramped and helpless world may be the only one they ever know.

Book One of the Dollanganger series, the sequels include *Petals in the Wind*, *If There Be Thorns*, *Seeds of Yesterday*, and *Garden of Shadows*. Then experience the attic from Christopher's point of view in *Christopher's Diary: Secrets of Foxworth* and *Christopher's Diary: Echoes of Dollanganger*.

Jennifer L Armentrout

Half-Blood (*Covenant 01*) B Paperback \$16.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781444797992

HALF-BLOOD is the unputdownable first book in the acclaimed *Covenant* series from #1 New York Times bestselling Jennifer L. Armentrout. This special paperback edition also includes the prequel novella *DAIMON*. The Hematoi descend from the unions of gods and mortals, and the children of two Hematoi - pure-bloods - have godlike powers. Children of Hematoi and mortals - well, not so much. Half-bloods only have two options: become trained Sentinels who hunt and kill daimons or become servants in the homes of the pures. Seventeen-year-old Alexandria would rather risk her life fighting than waste it scrubbing toilets, but she may end up slumming it anyway. There are several rules that students at the *Covenant* must follow. Alex has problems with them all, but especially rule #1: Relationships between pures and halves are forbidden. Unfortunately, she's crushing hard on the totally hot pure-blood Aiden. But falling for Aiden isn't her biggest problem - staying alive long enough to graduate the *Covenant* and become a Sentinel is. If she fails in her duty, she faces a future worse than death or slavery: being turned into a daimon, and being hunted by Aiden. And that would kind of suck.

Jennifer L Armentrout

Pure (Covenant 02) B Paperback \$16.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781444797954

Enter the world of Covenant... For Alexandria, being destined to become some kind of supernatural electrical outlet isn't exactly awesome - especially when her 'other half' is everywhere she goes. Seth's in her training room, outside her classes, and keeps showing up in her bedroom - so not cool. Their connection does have some benefits, like staving off her memories of the tragic showdown with her mother, but it has no effect on what Alex feels for the forbidden, pure-blooded Aiden. When daimons infiltrate the Covenants and attack students, the gods send furies - creatures determined to eradicate any threat to the Covenants and to the gods... and that includes Alex. If that and hordes of aether-sucking monsters weren't bad enough, a mysterious threat seems willing to do anything to neutralize Seth, even if that means forcing Alex into servitude... or killing her.

Includes a special bonus scene from Seth's point of view.

Deity (Covenant 03) B Paperback \$16.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781444798005

Alexandria isn't sure she's going to make it to her eighteenth birthday - to her Awakening. A long-forgotten, fanatical order is out to kill her, and if the Council ever discovers what she did in the Catskills, she's a goner... and so is Aiden. If that's not freaky enough, whenever Alex and Seth spend time 'training' - which really is just Seth's code word for some up-close and personal one-on-one time-- she ends up with another mark of the Apollyon, which brings her one step closer to Awakening ahead of schedule. Awesome. But as her birthday draws near, her entire world shatters with a startling revelation and she's caught between love and fate. One will do anything to protect her. One has been lying to her since the beginning. Once the gods have revealed themselves, unleashing their wrath, lives will be irrevocably changed... and destroyed. Those left standing will discover if love is truly greater than fate... BONUS: Also includes the novella ELIXIR!

Apollyon (Covenant 04) B Paperback \$16.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781444798012

The spellbinding fourth novel in the acclaimed Covenant series from #1 New York Times bestselling Jennifer L. Armentrout. Enter the world of Covenant... Alex has Awoken and become the Apollyon. She has connected with Seth and now the thing she feared most has happened: her true self has been lost. But love is stronger than fate, and Aiden St. Delphi will do anything to break the connection and get Alex back. And then there's the fact that the whole Alex-and-Seth combination is pretty dangerous: if Seth drains Alex of her power, he'll become the God Killer and the most powerful being on the planet. The one person needed to stop the impending destruction has been dead for centuries - and Alex will have to search for him in the Underworld. Finding her way into the Underworld to search for one soul among countless millions will be hard enough. Returning will be even harder. Alex needs to prevent Seth from becoming the God Killer...but the cost will be higher than she ever imagined.

Catherine Asaro

Undercity (Skolian) Trade Paperback \$22.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781476736921

BOOK ONE IN A BRAND NEW SERIES by Nebula and Hugo Award Winner Catherine Asaro set in the world of her Skolian Empire universe. In the galaxy-spanning future, Major Bhaajan is a tough female P.I. who works the dangerous streets of Undercity. Major Bhaajan, a former military officer with Imperial Space Command, is now a hard-bitten P.I. with a load of baggage to deal with, and clients with woes sometimes personal, sometimes galaxy-shattering, and sometimes both. Bhaajan must sift through the shadows of dark and dangerous Undercity—the enormous capital of a vast star empire—to find answers.

Keri Arthur (Australian Author)

Darkness Falls (Dark Angels) A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780451419606

Keri Arthur brings her Dark Angels series to a breathtaking conclusion as half-werewolf, half-Aedh Risa Jones treads a knife's edge between the salvation of the human race and its total annihilation.

The search for the last key to the gates of hell has begun, and half-werewolf, half-Aedh Risa Jones is in more danger than ever—and one misstep could prove ruinous. It's only a matter of time before Madeleine Hunter, the dangerous head of the vampire council, begins her hunt for complete domination. And for Risa, that comes with an alarming ultimatum: hand over the last key to Hunter or, one by one, her loved ones will die.

Now, it's a race against time for Risa to save those she loves, and to stop Hunter's apocalyptic plan to open the very gates of hell.

Robert Asprin (Illustrator) & Jody Lynn Nye

Robert Asprin's Dragons Run (Griffen McCandles 04) A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780425256176

Robert Asprin and Jody Lynn Nye's newest Big Easy dragon tale, Griffen McCandles is about to give the forces of evil a run for their money...

Griffen already has his hands full running his gambling operation in New Orleans and dealing with his dragon heritage. Now his pregnant sister, Valerie, is missing—possibly kidnapped—and his uncle, Malcolm McCandles, has flown into town for a mysterious meeting with a powerful man who's been dead for almost eight decades. And Griffen certainly hasn't got the time to protect Representative Penny Dunbar, a dragon who's running for governor of Louisiana—if malign forces don't take her out first. Griffen learned a long time ago to play the hand fate has dealt him, but with many lives at stake—including Val's unborn dragon—he's hoping for an ace in the hole...

Stephen Baxter

Iron Winter (*Northland 03*) A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780451419194

Stephen Baxter brings his epic Northland trilogy to a close as a once-thriving civilization faces winter without end....

Many generations ago, the Wall was built to hold back the sea. A simple dam, it grew into a vast linear city, home to scholars, builders, and merchants.

But now days are growing shorter, temperatures colder, and in the wake of long winters come famine, destruction, and terror. As a mass exodus to warmer climes threatens to fracture Northland, one man believes he can outwit the cold and even salvage some scraps of the great civilization—before interminable gloom settles over the land; before the fires of war lay waste to an empire; before the ice comes....

Ultima (*Proxima 02*) Trade Paperback \$29.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575116887

The astonishing new SF novel from multi-award winning author Stephen Baxter - a dizzying exploration of alternate universes and deep time.

Fresh from his latest collaboration with Terry Pratchett on the Long Earth sequence Stephen Baxter now returns to the mysteries and challenges first hinted at in his acclaimed novel Proxima. In Proxima we discovered ancient alien artefacts on the planet of Per Ardua - hatches that allowed us to step across light years of space as if we were stepping into another room. The universe opened up to us. Now in ULTIMA the consequences of this new freedom make themselves felt. And we discover that there are minds in the universe that are billions of years old and they have a plan for us. For some of us. But as we learn the true nature of the universe we also discover that we have countless pasts all meeting in this present and that our future is terrifyingly finite. It's time for us to fight to take back control. This is grand scale, big idea SF of the best possible sort. It is set to build on the massive success of Proxima and define Stephen Baxter's work going forward.

Greg Bear

War Dogs Trade Paperback \$29.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575100992

Greg Bear returns with a new pulse-pounding, adrenaline-fueled military space adventure.

The Gurus came in peace, bearing gifts. They were a highly advanced, interstellar species who brought amazingly useful and sophisticated technology to the human race. There was, of course, a catch. The Gurus warned of a far more malevolent life form, beings who have hounded the Gurus from sun to sun, planet to planet, across the cosmos. Pundits have taken to calling them the Antagonists - or Antags - and they have already established a beachhead on Mars. In exchange for all they've done for us, the Gurus would now like our help. Enter Master Sergeant Michael Venn, a veteran Skyrine (a Marine who is specially trained for off-world combat) who is dropped onto the Red Planet with his band of brothers on a mission to take down as many Antags as possible. But from the moment they're dropped through the thin Martian atmosphere, their mission goes horribly, terribly wrong. From a group of female special ops Skyrynes with secret orders, to mysterious humans who've settled on Mars, to the overwhelming and highly-reinforced Antags themselves, Venn and his brothers will face impossible odds just to survive - let alone make it home alive.

E C Blake

Masks (*Masks of Aygrima 01*) A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780756409470

Masks, the first novel in a mesmerizing new fantasy series, draws readers into a world in which cataclysmic events have left the Autarchy of Aygrima—the one land blessed with magical resources—cut off from its former trading partners across the waters, not knowing if any of those distant peoples still live. Yet under the rule of the Autarch, Aygrima survives. And thanks to the creation of the Masks and the vigilance of the Autarch's Watchers, no one can threaten the security of the empire.

In Aygrima, magic is a Gift possessed from birth by a very small percentage of the population, with the Autarch himself the most powerful magic worker of all. Only the long-vanquished Lady of Pain and Fire had been able to challenge his rule.

At the age of fifteen, citizens are recognized as adults and must don the spell-infused Masks—which denote both status and profession—whenever they are in public. To maintain the secure rule of the kingdom, the Masks are magically crafted to reveal any treasonous thoughts or actions. And once such betrayals are exposed, the Watchers are there to enforce the law.

Mara Holdfast, daughter of the Autarch's Master Maskmaker, is fast approaching her fifteenth birthday and her all-important Masking ceremony. Her father himself has been working behind closed doors to create Mara's Mask. Once the ceremony is done, she will take her place as an adult, and Gifted with the same magical abilities as her father, she will also claim her rightful place as his apprentice.

But on the day of her Masking something goes horribly wrong, and instead of celebrating, Mara is torn away from her parents, imprisoned, and consigned to a wagon bound for the mines. Is it because she didn't turn the unMasked boy she discovered over to the Night Watchers? Or is it because she's lied about her Gift, claiming she can only see one color of magic, when in truth she can see them all, just as she could when she was a young child?

Whatever the reason, her Mask has labeled her a traitor and now she has lost everything, doomed to slavery in the mines until she dies. And not even her Gift can show Mara the future that awaits her—a future that may see her freed to aid a rebel cause, forced to become a puppet of the Autarch, or transformed into a force as dangerous to her world as the legendary Lady of Pain and Fire.

Edgar Rice Burroughs

The Land That Time Forgot SF Gateway Omnibus Trade Paperback \$39.99

www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575129221

This omnibus collects his tales of that lost world: The Land That Time Forgot, The People That Time Forgot and Out Of Time's Abyss.

Kristen Callihan

Firelight (*Darkest London 01*) B Paperback \$16.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780349405995

London, 1881 Once the flames are ignited . . . Miranda Ellis is a woman tormented. Plagued since birth by a strange and powerful gift, she has spent her entire life struggling to control her exceptional abilities. Yet one innocent but irreversible mistake has left her family's fortune decimated and forced her to wed London's most nefarious nobleman. They will burn for eternity . . . Lord Benjamin Archer is no ordinary man. Doomed to hide his disfigured face behind masks, Archer knows it's selfish to take Miranda as his bride. Yet he can't help being drawn to the flame-haired beauty whose touch sparks a passion he hasn't felt in a lifetime. When Archer is accused of a series of gruesome murders, he gives in to the beastly nature he has fought so hard to hide from the world. But the curse that haunts him cannot be denied. Now, to save his soul, Miranda will enter a world of dark magic and darker intrigue. For only she can see the man hiding behind the mask.

Moonglow (*Darkest London 02*) B Paperback \$16.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780349406015

Once the seeds of desire are sown . . . Finally free of her suffocating marriage, widow Daisy Ellis Craigmore is ready to embrace the pleasures of life that have long been denied her. Yet her newfound freedom is short lived. A string of unexplained murders has brought danger to Daisy's door, forcing her to turn to the most unlikely of saviours . . . Their growing passion knows no bounds . . . Ian Ranulf, the Marquis of Northrup, has spent lifetimes hiding his primal nature from London society. But now a vicious killer threatens to expose his secrets. Ian must step out of the shadows and protect the beautiful, fearless Daisy, who awakens in him desires he thought long dead. As their quest to unmask the villain draws them closer together, Daisy has no choice but to reveal her own startling secret, and Ian must face the undeniable truth: Losing his heart to Daisy may be the only way to save his soul. For fans of Cassandra Clare, Gail Carriger and Amanda Quick - this is a dark, paranormal romance you won't want to miss.

Winterblaze (*Darkest London 03*) B Paperback \$16.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780349406046

Once blissfully in love . . . Poppy Lane is keeping secrets. Her powerful gift has earned her membership in the Society for the Suppression of Supernaturals, but she must keep both her ability and her alliance with the Society from her husband, Winston. Yet when Winston is brutally attacked by a werewolf, Poppy's secrets are revealed, leaving Winston's trust in her as broken as his body. Now Poppy will do anything to win back his affections . . . Their relationship is now put to the ultimate test . . . Winston Lane soon regains his physical strength but his face and heart still bear the scars of the vicious attack. Drawn into the darkest depths of London, Winston must fight an evil demon that wants to take away the last hope of reconciliation with his wife. As a former police inspector, Winston has intelligence and logic on his side. But it will take the strength of Poppy's love for him to defeat the forces that threaten to tear them apart.

Shadowdance (*Darkest London 04*) B Paperback \$16.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780349406053

Jack Talent is tormented by the demons of his past. Though Jack loves his position in the SOS, he cannot forget what was done to him. And so he hunts down the remaining demons that tortured him and metes out his own brand of justice as the Bishop of Charing Cross. The only thing that soothes him is his secret visits to fellow agent Mary Chase. But while something about Mary calms him, she is also his greatest torment, for she is a reminder of his worst crime - the night he lost his soul by taking her human life. Mary Chase is now free. After years of service to the Ghosts in the Machine, she now assists the head of the SOS and is finally enjoying life - except for the one thorn in her side, Jack Talent. The temperamental shifter unsettles her and awakens a need she's never felt before. But when a copycat killer begins to mimic the Bishop's signature and Jack is assigned to the case, Mary volunteers to join him, eager to unravel Jack's mysterious fa ade. Can Jack protect his secret - and his heart - from the one woman who could be his ultimate ruin?

Evernight (*Darkest London 05*) B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780349406077

Holly Evernight belongs to a very special family of inventors. They have nobly served the Society for the Suppression of Supernaturals for generations. And Holly may have the most special creative powers of them all. But her skills are about to be tested as she tries to save the life of a half-man-half machine whose clockwork heart is ticking down to the bitter end... William Thorne was a rebel, a hired assassin for the SOS's greatest rival, before he was taken, tortured, and transformed. Now his mind and soul battles with his body as he becomes less and less human. But the true fight for his humanity will be waged within his heart.

John L Campbell

Drifters (*Omega Days 03*) Trade Paperback \$22.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780425272657

The survivors of the Omega Virus make a desperate effort to find the living. But the walking dead aren't done with them yet.... Helicopter pilot Vladimir Yurish is a man of his word. The last thing he wants is to leave the safety of the USS Nimitz and abandon his newly adopted son, Ben. Still, a promise is a promise, no matter how close to death it brings him.... Angie West has fought hard to keep strangers alive, but now it's time to tend to her own. Only, when she finds her family missing and their hideout burned and looted, she realizes the threat to her loved ones isn't just the undead--the living can do so much worse.... Halsey has done well for himself, given the circumstances. Thanks to his secluded ranch and precise shooting, the plague hasn't touched him--until a Black Hawk crashes on his property, bringing the war to his front door.... Amid the chaos of a destroyed civilization, the survivors encounter a new threat. And these new monsters can't be outrun--or outwitted...

Jack Campbell

Imperfect Sword (*Lost Stars*) Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780425272251

Jack Campbell continues his action-packed spin-off to The Lost Fleet series as the Syndicate's civil war threatens to spread even farther into the final frontier

President Gwen Icení and General Artur Drakon have successfully liberated the Midway Star System but the former rulers of the Syndicate Worlds won't surrender the region without a fight. The dictatorial regime has ordered the ex-Syndicate CEOs terminated with extreme prejudice and the system's citizens punished for their defiance.

Outnumbered and led by junior officers hastily promoted in the wake of the uprising, Midway's warships are no match for the fleet massing and preparing to strike. But the Syndicate isn't the only threat facing Icení and Drakon. Another former CEO has taken control of the Ulindi Star System, the first calculated move toward establishing his own little empire.

With Drakon's ground forces dispatched to Ulindi, Midway erupts in violence as Syndicate agents and other, unknown enemies stoke a renewed revolt against Icení's power leaving both her and Drakon vulnerable to trusted officers just waiting for an opportune moment to betray them

Jacqueline Carey

Dark Currents (*Agent of Hel 01*) A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780451414830

The Midwestern resort town of Pemkowitz boasts a diverse population: eccentric locals, wealthy summer people, and tourists by the busload not to mention fairies, sprites, vampires, naiads, ogres, and a whole host of eldritch folk, presided over by Hel, a reclusive Norse goddess.

To Daisy Johanssen, fathered by an incubus and raised by a single mother, it's home. And as Hel's enforcer and the designated liaison to the Pemkowitz Police Department, it's up to her to ensure relations between the mundane and eldritch communities run smoothly.

But when a young man from a nearby college drowns and signs point to eldritch involvement the town's booming paranormal tourism trade is at stake. Teamed up with her childhood crush, Officer Cody Fairfax, a sexy werewolf on the down-low, Daisy must solve the crime and keep a tight rein on the darker side of her nature. For if she's ever tempted to invoke her demonic birthright, it could accidentally unleash nothing less than Armageddon.

Autumn Bones (*Agent of Hel 02*) A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780451465214

Fathered by an incubus, raised by a mortal mother, and liaison to the Pemkowitz Police Department, Daisy Johanssen pulled the community together after a summer tragedy befell the resort town she calls home. Things are back to normal—as normal as it gets for a town famous for its supernatural tourism and presided over by the reclusive Norse goddess Hel.

Not only has Daisy now gained respect as Hel's enforcer; she's dating Sinclair Palmer, a nice, seemingly normal human guy. Not too shabby for the daughter of a demon. Unfortunately, Sinclair has a secret. And it's a big one.

He's descended from obeah sorcerers, and they want him back. If he doesn't return to Jamaica to take up his rightful role in the family, they'll unleash spirit magic that could have dire consequences for the town. It's Daisy's job to stop it, and she's going to need a lot of help. But time is running out, the dead are growing restless, and one mistake could cost Daisy everything....

Orson Scott Card

The Visitors (*Pathfinder 03*) Hardcover \$23.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781416991786

From the internationally bestselling author of Ender's Game comes the riveting finale to the story of Rigg, a teenager who possesses a secret talent that allows him to see the paths of people's pasts.

In Pathfinder, Rigg joined forces with another teen with special talents on a quest to find Rigg's sister and discover the true depth and significance of their powers. Then Rigg's story continued in Ruins as he was tasked to decipher the paths of the past before the arrival of a destructive force with deadly intentions. Now, in Visitors, Rigg's journey comes to an epic and explosive conclusion as everything that has been building up finally comes to pass, and Rigg is forced to put his powers to the test in order to save his world and end the war once and for all.

Gail Carriger

Waistcoats and Weaponry (*Finishing School 03*) B Paperback \$16.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781907411618

Set in the world of Gail Carriger's bestselling Parasol Protectorate series, this is the perfect series for old and new fans alike.

It's one thing to waltz properly. It's quite another to waltz properly with a bladed fan stitched into one's corset. Sophronia continues finishing school in style - with a range of deadly defences secreted in the folds of her ball gown, of course. Her fashionable choice of weapons comes in handy when Sophronia, her best friend Dimity, sweet sootie Soap and the charming Lord Felix Mersey hijack a suspiciously empty train to return their chum Sidheag to her werewolf pack in Scotland. But when Sophronia discovers they are being trailed by a dirigible of Picklemen and flywaymen, she unearths a plot that threatens to throw all of London into chaos. With her friends in mortal danger, Sophronia must sacrifice what she holds most dear - her freedom. Gather your poison, your steel-tipped quill, and the rest of your school supplies and join Mademoiselle Geraldine's proper young killing machines in the third rousing instalment of the New York Times bestselling Finishing School series.

Kylie Chan (Australian Author)

Demon Child (*Celestial Battle 02*) B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780732297091

War with hell looms and the cruel demons could gain control of everything. Emma Donahoe has faced down threats to her loved ones and never given up the fight. But as the demons close in, she faces a new danger - John's love for her could lead her to complete annihilation.

As battles rage for control of Heaven and Earth, she must fight her own war to retain her independence as her identity is absorbed into the man she loves.

Glen Cook

Working God's Mischief (*Instrumentalities of the Night 04*) A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780765379269
Arnhand, Castauriga, and Navaya lost their kings. The Grail Empire lost its empress. The Church lost its Patriarch, though he lives on as a fugitive. The Night lost Kharoulke the Windwalker, an emperor amongst the most primal and terrible gods. The Night goes on, in dread. The world goes on, in dread. The ice builds and slides southward.

New kings come. A new empress will rule. Another rump polishes the Patriarchal Throne.

But there is something new under the sun. The oldest and fiercest of the Instrumentalities has been destroyed--by a mortal. There is no new Windwalker, nor will there ever be.

The world, battered by savage change, limps toward its destiny. And the ice is coming.

Working God's Mischief is the savage, astounding new novel of *The Instrumentalities of Night*, by Glen Cook, a modern master of military fantasy.

Richard Cowper

Richard Cowper SF Gateway Omnibus Trade Paperback \$39.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575108042
The Road to Corlay, A Dream of Kinship, A Tapestry of Time, The Piper at the Gates of Dawn

From the vaults of the SF Gateway, the most comprehensive digital library of classic SFF titles ever assembled, comes an ideal introduction to one of the unique voices of British science fiction, John Middleton Murry, Jr, who wrote his best work under the pen name Richard Cowper. The son of the famous critic John Middleton Murry, Cowper announced himself to the science fiction world in 1967 with *Breakthrough*, which found favour for a subtlety and richness of characterisation not seen in most contemporary SF. The idea of a transformed future England became his signature leitmotif and it is this theme that informs the Corlay tales contained in this omnibus. This is the complete Corlay sequence, featuring introductory novella *PIPER AT THE GATES OF DAWN* and novels *THE ROAD TO CORLAY*, *A DREAM OF KINSHIP* and *A TAPESTRY OF TIME*. *THE ROAD TO CORLAY*: On the Eve of the Fourth Millennium a slowly-building civilization, struggling out of the rubble of the Drowning, was crushed beneath the sceptre of a powerful and repressive Church. But on the Eve of the Fourth Millennium the sound of a magical pipe was heard, and the air was filled with songs of freedom and enlightenment. And on the Eve of the Fourth Millennium the Boy appeared, bringing the gift of sacrilege, a harbinger of the future, heralding the arrival of the White Bird of Dawning. It is the coming of a New Age. A glorious future bearing the presents of the past! *A DREAM OF KINSHIP*: They came to destroy! The treacherous Falcons, uniformed in the black leather tunics of the fanatic Secular Arm, descended on Corlay to burn and kill. Commanded by Lord Constant, ruler of the Seven Kingdoms, they were determined to crush the religious heresy of Kinship. But a new dream rose from the ashes... When four Kinsmen escaped the carnage of their beloved land, each helped to fulfil the miracle that had been foretold: the coming of the Child of the Bride of Time. *A TAPESTRY OF TIME*: Twenty years have passed since the martyrdom of the Boy-piper at York, twenty years in which his legacy, the movement of Kinship, has challenged the tyranny of the Church Militant in Britain's seven island kingdoms. Now his namesake, Tom, bearing the Boy's own pipes and perhaps himself imbued with the spirit of the White Bird, is wandering Europe in company with the girl, Witchet. But disaster overtakes them and Tom, in a furry of vengeance, breaks his vow of Kinship. A terrible path lies before him, one that transcends his own world. As he travels it, Tom must come to understand the true nature of the wild White Bird, of The Bride of Time and her Child, and of the Song the Star Born sang.

Julie E Czerneda

A Play of Shadow (*Night's Edge 02*) Trade Paperback \$24.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780756408312

What would you risk for family?

In the second installment of *Night's Edge*, Bannan Larmensu, the truthseer who won Jenn Nalynn's heart, learns his brother-in-law was sent as a peace envoy to Channen, capitol of the mysterious domain of Mellynne, and has disappeared. When Bannan's young nephews arrive in Marrowdell, he fears the worst, that his sister, the fiery Lila, has gone in search of her husband, leaving her sons in his care.

The law forbids Bannan from leaving Marrowdell and travelling to Mellynne to help his sister. In this world. As a turn-born, Jenn Nalynn has the power to cross into the magical realm of the Verge, and take Bannan with her. Once there, they could find a way into Mellynne.

If they survive. The Verge is wild and deadly, alive with strange magic. Dragons roar and kruar wait in ambush, and the powerful turn-born who care for their world do not care for Jenn Nalynn.

She's willing to try. Wisp and Scourge — and the house toads — offer their help.

But what none of them know is that magic is rife in Channen, magic that flows from the Verge itself. And not even a turn-born will be safe there.

David Dalglish

Dance of Ghosts (*Shadowdance 05*) B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780356502823

IN A CITY KNOWN FOR DARKNESS, THE UNDERWORLD TREMBLES AT THE RISE OF THE SUN... A night of fire and blood heralds Muzien the Darkhand's arrival to the beleaguered city of Veldaren. With him comes the might of the Sun Guild, eager to spread their criminal empire to the east. Left blind and vulnerable after being attacked by the Widow, Alyssa Gemcroft struggles to hold together the remnants of the Trifect as the Sun Guild's arrival threatens to shatter whatever future her son might have left. Veldaren's only hope is in the Watcher, but Haern is no longer there. With his father, Thren Felhorn, he is travelling to the Stronghold, an ancient bastion of the dark paladins of Karak. Will they find the answers they seek? Or will the Stronghold be their final destination? Killer or saviour; the line can no longer remain blurred. Fantasy author David Dalglish continues his tale of retribution and darkness, and an underworld reaching for ultimate power in this never-before-released novel in the *Shadowdance* series following *A Dance of Mirrors*.

Melissa De La Cruz

Vampires of Manhattan (New Blue Bloods Coven) B Paperback \$18.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781401330200

From the bestselling author of Blue Bloods and Witches of East End comes a new novel that explores the battle between good and evil, in the city that never sleeps... VAMPIRES OF MANHATTAN: The New Blue Bloods Coven

You'll devour Melissa de la Cruz's hot new adult novel, in which her Blue Bloods immortals have matured and are now exposed to new challenges, new loves, new threats, and a haute, hot hipster lifestyle. It is ten years after the great War with Lucifer, and the Coven has rebuilt. Leader of the Fallen, Oliver Hazard Perry, plans to celebrate this prosperity by throwing a 400 Year Ball and all Blue Blood society will be there. And then, all hell breaks loose....

Philip K Dick

The Man Whose Teeth Were All Exactly Alike B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575132375

Leo Runcible - of Runcible Realty - is too excitable and too pushy. His wife drinks too much. He may be a man of principle, but Liberal Jewish Leo is an outsider in the lilywhite Carquinez, Marin County. When he gets into a pointless argument with a customer over his neighbour Walt Dombrosio's house guests, the resulting ramifications follow a bizarre logic of cause and effect to lead in entirely unexpected directions... And can Leo really have found the skull of a Neanderthal man in middle America? THE MAN WHOSE TEETH WERE ALL EXACTLY ALIKE is a dazzling novel by a writer famous for his power to surprise and delight.

William C Dietz

Andromeda's Choice (Legion of the Damned Prequel 02) A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780425262146

Andromeda McKee, a woman who rebuilt her life in the violent embrace of the Legion of the Damned in the days when cyborgs were first being introduced... In a different world, Lady Catherine Cat" Carletto would never have left her pampered life behind. But when Princess Ophelia became Empress Ophelia in a coup that claimed the lives of the princess's brother and all who supported him, including the Carletto family, Cat had to hide or die. She became Legionnaire Andromeda McKee, and now she's a battle-scarred veteran who knows how to kill. And when she's summoned to Earth to receive the Imperial Order of Merit from the Empress herself, Andromeda realizes that the moment is coming when her revenge will be at hand

Andromeda's War (Legion of the Damned Prequel 03) Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780425256268

Now a platoon leader, Legionnaire Andromeda McKee seems to have successfully left behind her true identity of Lady Catherine Cat" Carletto, one of the last two surviving members of the Carletto family targeted for death by Empress Ophelia.

After failing at her one shot at vengeance, Andromeda had been questioning her own resolve. But now her uncle has been killed in a government raid back on Earth, leaving her as the last Carletto standing and the family's only chance for justice

A chance that comes when the empress's ship crashes on a hostile planet and Andromeda is assigned to head up the rescue mission. As a legionnaire, Andromeda McKee has countless kills under her belt. But when faced with her greatest enemy, it will be Cat Carletto who has to pull the trigger on the one who really matters

Steven Erikson

Willful Child (Star Trek parody) Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780765374899

A new science fiction novel of devil-may-care, near calamitous and downright chaotic adventures through the infinite vastness of interstellar space.

These are the voyages of the starship A.S.F. Willful Child. Its ongoing mission: to seek out strange new worlds on which to plant the Terran flag, to subjugate and if necessary obliterate new life-forms, to boldly blow the...

And so we join the not-terribly-bright but exceedingly cock-sure Captain Hadrian Sawback and his motley crew on board the Starship Willful Child for a series of devil-may-care, near-calamitous and downright chaotic adventures through 'the infinite vastness of interstellar space.'

The New York Times bestselling author of the acclaimed Malazan Book of the Fallen sequence has taken his lifelong passion for Star Trek and transformed it into a smart, inventive, and hugely entertaining spoof on the whole mankind-exploring-space-for-the-good-of-all-species-but-trashing-stuff-with-a-lot-of-high-tech-gadgets-along-the-way, overblown adventure. The result is an SF novel that deftly parodies the genre while also paying fond homage to it.

Alan Finn

Things Half in Shadow Trade Paperback \$22.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781476761725

Postbellum America makes for a haunting backdrop in this historical and supernatural tale of moonlit cemeteries, masked balls, cunning mediums, and terrifying secrets waiting to be unearthed by an intrepid crime reporter.

The year is 1869, and the Civil War haunts the city of Philadelphia like a stubborn ghost. Mothers in black continue to mourn their lost sons. Photographs of the dead adorn dim sitting rooms. Maimed and broken men roam the streets. One of those men is Edward Clark, who is still tormented by what he saw during the war. Also constantly in his thoughts is another, more distant tragedy—the murder of his mother at the hands of his father, the famed magician Magellan Holmes...a crime that Edward witnessed when he was only ten.

Now a crime reporter for one of the city's largest newspapers, Edward is asked to use his knowledge of illusions and visual trickery to expose the influx of mediums that descended on Philadelphia in the wake of the war. His first target is Mrs. Lucy Collins, a young widow who uses old-fashioned sleight of hand to prey on grieving families. Soon, Edward and Lucy become entwined in the murder of Lenora Grimes Pastor, the city's most highly regarded—and by all accounts, legitimate—medium, who dies mid-séance. With their reputations and livelihoods at risk, Edward and Lucy set out to find the real killer, and in the process unearth a terrifying hive of secrets that reaches well beyond Mrs. Pastor.

Blending historical detail with flights of fancy, Things Half in Shadow is a riveting thriller where Medium and The Sixth Sense meet The Alienist—and where nothing is quite as it seems...

P R Frost

Tess Noncoiré Chronicles: Volume 1 (*Tess Noncoire Adventure 01, 02*) A Paperback \$19.95

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By day, Tess Noncoiré is a successful fantasy writer. But she has another career as well, trained by the Sisterhood of the Celestial Blade Warriors to fight demonic incursions into our world .

Her partner in this fight is a sarcastic, cigar-smoking imp called Scrap. And when she needs extra back-up, she turns to rare-book dealer Guilford Van der Hoyden-Smythe — who knows more than he should about the Blade Warriors — and the handsome, mysterious foster child of a demon, Donovan Estevez.

Together, Tess and her team weather demonic attacks, save the world from destruction, and make some powerful enemies along the way.

Omnibus of Hounding the Moon and Moonin the Mirror.

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The enduring story of the children, the breadcrumb trail and the gingerbread house is brought to life by master storyteller, Neil Gaiman. Who better to retell the Brothers Grimm's greatest, and perhaps darkest, fairy tale, Hansel and Gretel? Coupled with breathtakingly haunting illustrations from Lorenzo Mattotti, you will be enticed into the world and into the woods . . . so beware.

Neil Gaiman & Chris Riddell (Illustrator)

The Sleeper and the Spindle Hardcover \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781408859643

The bestselling, award-bedecked Neil Gaiman and Chris Riddell are reunited in this irresistibly twisty fairy-tale reboot, with glorious gold ink adding lustre to an amazingly beautiful book.

A thrillingly reimagined fairy tale from the truly magical combination of author Neil Gaiman and illustrator Chris Riddell - weaving together a sort-of Snow White and an almost Sleeping Beauty with a thread of dark magic, which will hold readers spellbound from start to finish. On the eve of her wedding, a young queen sets out to rescue a princess from an enchantment. She casts aside her fine wedding clothes, takes her chain mail and her sword and follows her brave dwarf retainers into the tunnels under the mountain towards the sleeping kingdom. This queen will decide her own future - and the princess who needs rescuing is not quite what she seems. Twisting together the familiar and the new, this perfectly delicious, captivating and darkly funny tale shows its creators at the peak of their talents. Lavishly produced, packed with glorious Chris Riddell illustrations enhanced with metallic ink, this is a spectacular and magical gift.

Christopher Golden

Snowblind B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781472209573

Twelve years ago the small town of Coventry, Massachusetts was in the grasp of a particularly brutal winter. And then came the Great Storm. It hit hard. Not everyone saw the spring. Today the families, friends and lovers of the victims are still haunted by the ghosts of those they lost so suddenly. If only they could see them one more time, hold them close, tell them they love them. When a new storm strikes, it doesn't just bring snow and ice, it brings the people of Coventry exactly what they've been wishing for. And the realisation their nightmare is only beginning.

Terry Goodkind

Severed Souls (*Richard and Kahlan*) Trade Paperback \$29.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780007510870

At a dead run, breaking through into an open area of the forest with little ground cover among maple and birch trees, they abruptly ran up on a knot of half-naked people smeared with white ash, all hunched over, around something on the ground.

They were Shun-tuk.

In the weak, early dawn light the Shun-tuk looked like ghosts. All had eye sockets painted with a black, greasy substance. Wide grins of teeth drawn on their faces completed the look, making them resemble skulls. Most of their heads were shaved, but some had a knot of hair remaining at the top that was tied up with strings of beads and bones to keep it standing up straight so that it resembled a fountain of hair.

Some of the men turned from their prey to look up in surprise as Richard bounded over a boulder and leaped in at them, suddenly screaming in rage, his sword held high in both fists.

In that frozen instant, Kahlan saw that the startled faces were dripping with blood.

The Shun-tuk had knives, but they remained in their sheaths.

Instead, they used only their teeth.

Mira Grant

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THE ENEMY IS INSIDE US.

The SymboGen designed tapeworms were created to relieve humanity of disease and sickness. But the implants in the majority of the world's population began attacking their hosts turning them into a ravenous horde.

Now those who do not appear to be afflicted are being gathered for quarantine as panic spreads, but Sal and her companions must discover how the tapeworms are taking over their hosts, what their eventual goal is, and how they can be stopped.

Ryan Graudin

The Walled City Trade Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781780621999

There are three rules in the Walled City: Run fast. Trust no one. Always carry your knife. Right now, my life depends completely on the first. Run, run, run...

Disguised as a boy, Jin Ling searches for her missing sister, Mei Yee, who was sold into the brothels of the Walled City. It's a cut-throat world of gangs, drug-dealers and warlords and every day is a struggle to survive. Jin Ling relies on her speed and cunning but how long will her luck hold? When a mysterious boy, Dai, requests her help with a dangerous mission Jin Ling's inclined to say no - this is a world where no one can be trusted - but the mission offers her a vital chance to see inside the brothel where her sister may be being held. Jin Ling and Dai join forces, but will either of them survive the mission? Is Mei Yee still alive? And how will any of them ever escape the stifling city walls? With a fantasy setting inspired by Kowloon Walled City, Hong Kong, Ryan's novel has a rich authenticity and an intense atmosphere, and its pace will enthrall the reader from the very first page.

Laurell K Hamilton

Jason (Anita Blake) A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780515156072

"Enjoying pain with your pleasure is something you either get, or you don't. If you get it, then you don't really need it explained, because you know how good it feels, and if you don't get it then no amount of talking is going to convince you it makes sense."

But sometimes you have to explain the unexplainable, especially if the love of your life needs to understand, or she'll leave you. Jason Schuyler is one of Anita Blake's best friends and favorite werewolves, with benefits. J.J. is his lady love, an old flame from childhood who dances at one of the top ballet companies in New York. She's accomplished, beautiful, and she's crazy about him, too. Neither of them wants to be monogamous, so what could go wrong?

J.J. is enthusiastically bisexual, with an emphasis on the female side of things. She plans to keep sleeping with women, because Jason can't meet that need, just like she can't meet Jason's need for rough sex and bondage. J.J. doesn't understand why Jason isn't content to go elsewhere for a need she can't fulfil, so Jason asks Anita to help him explain.

Anita is having her own relationship growing pains with her only female lover ever, Jade. Jason suggests that J.J. might be able to help Anita with her girl problem, while she helps him with his kinky explanations. With some encouragement from a few other lovers in Anita's life she reluctantly agrees, and J. J. makes plans to fly into town for an experience that none of them will ever forget.

Includes a teaser for Dead Ice.

Peter F Hamilton

The Abyss Beyond Dreams (Chronicle of the Fallers 01) Trade Paperback \$32.95

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When images of a lost civilisation are 'dreamed' by a self-proclaimed prophet of the age, Nigel Sheldon, inventor of wormhole technology and creator of the Commonwealth society is suspicious. Especially as the dreams seem to be coming from the Void - an area of living space monitored and controlled because of its hugely destructive capabilities. With it being the greatest threat to the known universe, Nigel is determined to find out if human life really does exist beyond its boundaries and if so, what the hell they're doing there. But when he crash lands on a planet beyond the Void he didn't even know existed he finds so much more than he imagined. Bienvenido, a world populated from the survivors of Commonwealth colony ships which disappeared over three thousand years' ago. Since then they've been fighting an ever-increasingly desperate battle against a space-born predator invading their landscape. The Fallers looks innocuous to begin with and their lure is enticing to any that stray within their path - but they are by far the greatest threat to the continuance of humanity on this planet. But Nigel soon realises that the Fallers also hold the key to something he'd never hoped to find - the destruction of the Void itself. If only he can survive long enough to work out how to use it . . .

Joanne Harris

The Gospel of Loki A Paperback \$22.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781473203167

The first adult epic fantasy novel from multi-million copy bestselling author Joanne M. Harris.

With his notorious reputation for trickery and deception, and an ability to cause as many problems as he solves, Loki is a Norse god like no other. Demon-born, he is viewed with deepest suspicion by his fellow gods who will never accept him as one of their own and for this he vows to take his revenge.

But while Loki is planning the downfall of Asgard and the humiliation of his tormentors, greater powers are conspiring against the gods and a battle is brewing that will change the fate of the Worlds.

From his recruitment by Odin from the realm of Chaos, through his years as the go-to man of Asgard, to his fall from grace in the build-up to Ragnarok, this is the unofficial history of the world's ultimate trickster.

Charlaine Harris

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THE FINAL SOOKIE STACKHOUSE NOVEL

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Includes an excerpt from MIDNIGHT CROSSROAD, the first book in Charlaine Harris's brand-new Midnight, Texas, series

Charlaine Harris (Editor) & Toni L Kelner (Editor)

Dead but Not Forgotten: Stories from the World of Sookie Stackhouse (Sookie Stackhouse) Hardcover \$39.95

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There's more to Sookie Stackhouse than you ever knew The #1 New York Times bestselling Sookie Stackhouse novels by Charlaine Harris spawned a hit TV show and captivated fans around the world, including other authors. Now this group of writers, specifically chosen by Charlaine, pays tribute to the southern, mind-reading belle who gets mixed up in the world of vampires and magical creatures" (The Kansas City Star) with a collection of fifteen all-new stories about your favorite residents of Bon Temps.

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Nights of the Witch (War God 01) B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781444734409

This is the epic story of the clash of two empires, two armies and two gods of war. Five hundred desperate adventurers are about to pit themselves against the most brutal armies of the ancient Americas, armies hundreds of thousands strong.

A young girl called Tozi stands at the bottom of a pyramid, waiting to be led to the top where her heart will be cut out... Pepillo, a Spanish orphan who serves a sadistic Dominican friar, is aboard the Spanish fleet as it sails towards Mexico... This is a war of gods and men. Dark powers that work behind the scenes of history show their hand as the prophecy of the return of Quetzalcoatl is fulfilled with the arrival of Cortes. The Aztec ruler Moctezuma fights to maintain the demands of the war god Huitzilopochtli for human sacrifice. The Spanish Inquisition is planning an even greater blood-letting. Caught up in the headlong collision between two gods of war are Tozi, Pepillo and the beautiful sex slave Malinal whose hatred of Moctezuma runs so deep she will sell out her own land and people to destroy him.

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The world's leading and most charismatic authority on 'alternative history' reveals in this thrilling narrative of the conquest of Mexico the key role played by a beautiful Mayan princess and by the occult battles waged between the Aztec emperor and the Spanish leaders.

The conquistador Hern n Cort s is dreaming of Tenochtitlan, the golden city of Aztecs. But in order to win the Aztecs' gold, Cort s and his small force of just five hundred men will have to defeat the psychotic emperor Moctezuma and the armies of hundreds of thousands he commands. Cort s expects that the warlike Tlascalans, hereditary enemies of the Aztecs, will join him, but instead finds himself locked in a deadly struggle. Even as Cort s risks all in the bloody campaign against the Tlascalans, he plays mind games with Moctezuma, aiming to dismantle the Aztec emperor's confidence and defeat him psychologically before ever having to face him on the battlefield. In this he is aided by his lover Malinal, a beautiful Mayan princess. It is from Malinal that Cort s learns of the myth of Quetzalcoatl, 'The Plumed Serpent'. She shows him how to exploit the prophecy of the fabled god king's return to weaken Moctezuma's resolve and keep alive the suspicion that the conquistador might actually be Quetzalcoatl himself. Meanwhile Malinal's friend, the witch Tozi, wages a supernatural war of her own against Hummingbird, the terrifying demon the Aztecs worship as a god, and against the evil sorcerer Acopol who does his bidding.

Joe Hill

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Beautiful hardback edition of a perfectly chilling ghost story by the author of The Woman in Black.

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Robin Hobb

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The moving end to the tale of the Farseers, in which kingdoms must stand or fall on the beat of a dragon's wings, or a Fool's heart. A small and sadly untried coterie - the old assassin Chade, the serving-boy Thick, Prince Dutiful, and his reluctant Skillmaster, Fitz - sail towards the distant island of Aslevjal. There they must fulfil the Narcheska's challenge to her betrothed: to lay the head of the dragon Icefyre, whom legends tell is buried there deep beneath the ice, upon her hearth. Only with the completion of this quest can the marriage proceed, and the resulting alliance signal an end to war between the two kingdoms. It is not a happy ship: tensions between the folk of the Six Duchies and their traditional enemies, the Outislanders, lie just beneath the surface. Thick is constantly ill, and his random but powerful Skilling has taken on a dark and menacing tone, while Chade's fascination with the Skill is growing to the point of obsession. Having ensured that his beloved friend the Fool is safely left behind in Buckkeep, Fitz is guilt-stricken; but he is determined to keep his fate at bay, since prophecy foretells the Fool's death if he ever sets foot on the isle of the black dragon. But as their ship draws in towards Aslevjal a lone figure awaits them...

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Henry can't find the source of these murders on his own, so he calls on the one person he trusts to help—private investigator Vicki Nelson, with the small hope that they can stop these otherworldly forces, without losing their lives.

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Alex Hughes

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Nothing ruins a romantic evening like a brawl with lowlifes - especially when one of them later turns up dead and my date, Detective Isabella Cherabino, is the #1 suspect. My history with the Atlanta PD on both sides of the law makes me an unreliable witness, so while Cherabino is suspended, I'm paying my bills by taking an FBI gig.

I've been hired to play telepathic bodyguard for Tommy, the ten-year-old son of a superior court judge in Savannah presiding over the murder trial of a mob-connected mogul. After an attempt on the kid's life, the Feds believe he's been targeted by the businessman's "associates".

Turns out, Tommy's a nascent telepath, so I'm trying to help him get a handle on his Ability. But it doesn't take a mind reader to see that there's something going on with this kid's parents that's stressing him out more than a death threat...

Jean Johnson

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In this thrilling conclusion to the "Theirs Not to Reason Why" series, Ia's Damned, boarding the *Damnation* to return to battle against their Salik foes, face a new threat when the Greys emerge after several centuries of silence.

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Ia has asked nothing of her crew that she herself has not been willing to give. But with two wars to bring to an end and time running out - Ia must make and execute the most terrible choice of all

Stephen Lloyd Jones

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High in the mountains of the Swiss Alps Leah Wilde is about to gamble her life to bring a powerful man an offer. A promise. Leah has heard the dark stories about him and knows she is walking into the lion's den. But her options are running out. Her rare lineage, kept secret for years, is under terrible threat. That is, unless Leah and her mother Hannah are prepared to join up with their once deadly enemies. Should the prey ever trust the predator? Is hope for future generations ever enough to wash away the sins of the past? With a new and chilling danger stalking them all, and the survival of their society at stake, they may have little choice...

Robert Jordan

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The city of Canluum lies close to the scarred and desolate wastes of the Blight, a walled haven from the dangers away to the north, and a refuge from the ill works of those who serve the Dark One. Or so it is said. The city that greets Al'Lan Mandragoran, exiled king of Malkier and the finest swordsman of his generation, is instead one that is rife with rumour and the whisperings of Shadowspawn. Proof, should he have required it, that the Dark One grows powerful once more and that his minions are at work throughout the lands. And yet it is within Canluum's walls that Lan will meet a woman who will shape his destiny. Moiraine is a young and powerful Aes Sedai who has journeyed to the city in search of a bondsman. She requires aid in a desperate quest to prove the truth of a vague and largely discredited prophecy - one that speaks of a means to turn back the shadow, and of a child who may be the dragon reborn.

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The first novel in the Wheel of Time series - one of the most influential and popular fantasy epics ever published.

The Wheel of Time turns and Ages come and pass, leaving memories that become legend. Legend fades to myth and even myth is long forgotten when the Age that gave it birth returns again. But one truth remains, and what mortal men forget, the Aes Sedai do not. . . What was, what will be, and what is, may yet fall under the shadow.

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The second novel in the Wheel of Time series - one of the most influential and popular fantasy epics ever published.

The Forsaken are loose, the Horn of Valere has been found and the Dead are rising from their dreamless sleep. The Prophecies are being fulfilled - but Rand al'Thor, the shepherd the Aes Sedai have proclaimed as the Dragon Reborn, desperately seeks to escape his destiny. Rand cannot run for ever. With every passing day the Dark One grows in strength and strives to shatter his ancient prison, to break the Wheel, to bring an end to Time and sunder the weave of the Pattern. And the Pattern demands the Dragon.

The Dragon Reborn (*Wheel of Time 03*) B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780356503844

The Land is One with the Dragon - and the Dragon is One with the Land. The Shadow lies across the Pattern of the Age, and the Dark One has turned all his power against the prison that binds him. If it fails he will escape and nothing will stand in the storm that blows then. . . save the man that was born to battle the darkness: Rand al'Thor, the Dragon Reborn. But to wage his war Rand must find Callandor, ancient Sword of the Dragon. . . and the Forsaken will shatter the world to thwart him.

The Shadow Rising (*Wheel of Time 04*) B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780356503851

The Stone of Tear, invulnerable fortress of legend, has fallen. The Children of the Dragon have risen to the call of prophecy and march to the aid of the Light. Callandor, the Sword That Is Not a Sword, is held by Rand al'Thor, the man proclaimed as the Dragon Reborn. But still the shadows lengthen and still the Forsaken grow in strength. If he is to fight them, Rand must master the male half of the True Source, a power corrupted by the Dark One, a power that drives men to madness, a power that may save or damn the world.

The Fires of Heaven (*Wheel of Time 05*) B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780356503868

The bonds and wards that hold the Great Lord of the Dark are slowly failing, but still his fragile prison holds. The Forsaken, immortal servants of the shadow, weave their snares and tighten their grip upon the realms of men, sure in the knowledge that their master will soon break free. . . Rand al'Thor, the Dragon Reborn, knows that he must strike at the Enemy, but his forces are divided by treachery and by ambition. Even the Aes Sedai, ancient guardians of the Light, are riven by civil war. Betrayed by his allies, pursued by his enemies and beset by the madness that comes to the male wielders of the One Power, Rand rides out to meet the foe. And the Fires of Heaven scour the world.

The Lord of Chaos (*Wheel of Time 06*) B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780356503875

Rand al'Thor, the Dragon Reborn, strives to bind the nations of the world to his will, to forge the alliances that will fight the advance of the Shadow and to ready the forces of Light for the Last Battle. But there are other powers that seek to command the war against the Dark One. In the White Tower the Amyrlin Elaida sets a snare to trap the Dragon, whilst the rebel Aes Sedai scheme to bring her down. And as the realms of men fall into chaos the immortal Forsaken and the servants of the Dark plan their assault on the Dragon Reborn. . .

The Crown of Swords (*Wheel of Time 07*) B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780356503882

The war for humanity's survival has begun. Rand al'Thor, the Dragon Reborn, has escaped the snares of the White Tower and the first of the rebel Aes Sedai have sworn to follow him. Attacked by the servants of the Dark, threatened by the invading Seanchan, Rand rallies his forces and brings battle to bear upon Illian, stronghold of Sammael the Forsaken. . . In the city of Ebou Dar, Elayne, Aviendha and Mat struggle to secure the ter'angreal that can break the Dark One's hold on the world's weather - and an ancient bane moves to oppose them. In the town of Salidar, Egwene al'Vere gathers an army to reclaim Tar Valon and reunite the Aes Sedai. . . And in Shadar Logoth, city of darkness, a terrible power awakens. . .

Robert Jordan

The Path of Daggers (*Wheel of Time 08*) B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780356503899

Rand al'Thor, the Dragon Reborn, has conquered the city of Illian, struck down Sammael the Forsaken and shattered the armies of the invading Seanchan. Nynaeve, Aviendha and Elayne have broken the Dark One's hold on the world's weather and are poised to retake the throne of Andor. And Egwene al'Vere, leader of the exiled Aes Sedai, marches her army towards the White Tower. But Rand and the Asha'man that follow him are slowly being corrupted by the madness that comes to the male wielders of the One Power. If they cannot remove the Dark One's taint from the True Source then none will survive to fight the Last Battle against the Shadow. And as Rand struggles to maintain his sanity the Seanchan launch their counter-strike.

Winter's Heart (*Wheel of Time 09*) B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780356503905

Rand al'Thor, the Dragon Reborn, is slowly succumbing to the taint that the Dark One has placed upon the saidin - the male half of the True Source. His Asha'man followers are also showing signs of the insanity that once devastated the world and brought the Age of Legends to an end. And as Rand falters, the Shadow falls across a stricken land. In the city of Ebou Dar the Seanchan, blind to the folly of their cause, marshal their forces and continue their relentless assault. In Shayol Ghul the Forsaken join together to destroy the Dragon. Rand's only chance is to hazard the impossible and remove the taint from the saidin. But to do so he must master a power from the Age of Legends that none have ever dared to risk - a power that can annihilate Creation and bring an end to Time itself.

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Fleeing from Ebou Dar with the kidnapped Daughter of the Nine Moons, Mat Cauthon learns that he can neither keep her nor let her go, for both the Shadow and the might of the Seanchan empire are now in deadly pursuit. At Tar Valon, Egwene al'Vere lays siege to the White Tower. She must win quickly, with as little bloodshed as possible, for unless the Aes Sedai are reunited only the male Asha'man will remain to defend the world against the Dark One. Meanwhile, Rand al'Thor must gamble again, with himself at stake - not knowing which of his allies are really enemies.

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As the very fabric of reality wears thin, all portents indicate that Tarmon Gai'don, the Last Battle, is imminent - and Rand al'Thor must ready himself to confront the Dark One. But Rand must first negotiate a truce with the Seanchan armies, as their forces increasingly sap his strength. All is in flux as established powers falter . . . In Caemlyn, Elayne fights to gain the Lion Throne while trying to avert civil war and Egwene finds that even the White Tower is no longer a place of safety. The winds of time have whirled into a storm, and Rand and his companions ride in the vortex. This small company must prevail against the trials of fate and fortune - or the Dark One will triumph and the world will be lost.

Robert Jordan & Brandon Sanderson

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Tarmon Gai'don, the Last Battle, looms. And mankind is not ready. Rand al'Thor struggles to unite a fractured network of kingdoms and alliances in preparation for the Last Battle, as his allies watch in terror the shadow that seems to be growing within the heart of the Dragon Reborn himself. Egwene al'Vere is a captive of the White Tower and subject to the whims of their tyrannical leader. She works to hold together the disparate factions of Aes Sedai, as the days tick toward the Seanchan attack she knows is imminent. Her fight will prove the mettle of the Aes Sedai, and her conflict will decide the future of the White Tower - and possibly the world itself.

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The Last Battle has started. The seals on the Dark One's prison are crumbling. The Pattern itself is unravelling, and the armies of the Shadow have begun to spill out of the Blight. Perrin Aybara is haunted by spectres from his past. To prevail, he must find a way to master the wolf within him or lose himself to it for ever. Meanwhile, Matrim Cauthon prepares for the most difficult challenge of his life. The Tower of Ghenjei awaits, and its secrets will reveal the fate of a friend long lost. The end draws near. It's time to roll the dice.

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'And it came to pass in those days, as it had come before and would come again, that the Dark lay heavy on the land and weighed down the hearts of men, and the green things failed, and hope died.' - Charal Drianaan te Calamon, *The Cycle of the Dragon*. In the Field of Merrilor the rulers of the nations gather to join behind Rand al'Thor, or to stop him from his plan to break the seals on the Dark One's prison - which may be a sign of his madness, or the last hope of humankind. Egwene, the Amyrlin Seat, leans toward the former. In Andor, the Trollocs seize Caemlyn. In the wolf dream, Perrin Aybara battles Slayer. Approaching Ebou Dar, Mat Cauthon plans to visit his wife Tuon, now Fortuona, Empress of the Seanchan. All humanity is in peril - and the outcome will be decided in Shayol Ghul itself. The Wheel is turning, and the Age is coming to its end. The Last Battle will determine the fate of the world . . .

Steven L Kent

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Earth, A.D. 2519. The clone soldiers of the Enlisted Man's Empire, formerly members of the Unified Authority's powerful military, believe they have finally secured their freedom. They may not live to learn how wrong they are . . .

After launching an unsuccessful invasion of Washington, D.C., the Unified Authority is on the verge of defeat. Then the clones intercept a message detailing the U.A.'s last ditch plan for survival: a super weapon, a virus designed to attack the clones' internal architecture. Only one clone was created without the fatal flaw—Wayson Harris, an outlaw model with independent thoughts and an addiction to violence.

As his empire collapses and his comrades die around him, Harris begins a one-man war against the government that created, betrayed and ultimately destroyed his brothers. Fighting the war becomes more difficult, however, as the rush from the constant combat has reached its peak—and is driving Harris slowly insane . . .

Stephen King

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A spectacularly dark and electrifying novel about addiction, religion, music and what might exist on the other side of life...

In a small New England town, in the early 60s, a shadow falls over a small boy playing with his toy soldiers. Jamie Morton looks up to see a striking man, the new minister, Charles Jacobs. Soon they forge a deep bond, based on their fascination with simple experiments in electricity. Decades later, Jamie is living a nomadic lifestyle of bar-band rock and roll. Now an addict, he sees Jacobs again - a showman on stage, creating dazzling 'portraits in lightning' - and their meeting has profound consequences for both men. Their bond becomes a pact beyond even the Devil's devising, and Jamie discovers that revival has many meanings. This rich and disturbing novel spans five decades on its way to the most terrifying conclusion Stephen King has ever written. It's a masterpiece from King, in the great American tradition of Nathaniel Hawthorne and Edgar Allan Poe...

Jay Kristoff (Australian Author)

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As civil war sweeps across the Shima Imperium, the Lotus Guild unleashes their deadliest creation—a mechanical goliath, intended to unite the shattered Empire under a yoke of fear. Yukiko and Buruu are forced to take leadership of the rebellion, gathering new allies and old friends. But the ghosts of Buruu's past stand between them and the army they need, and Kin's betrayal has destroyed all trust among their allies. When a new foe joins the war, it will be all the pair can do to muster the strength to fight, let alone win. And as the earth splits asunder, as armies destroy each other for rule over an empire of lifeless ash and the final secret about blood lotus is revealed, the people of Shima will learn one last, horrifying truth. An exciting, vivid conclusion to a critically acclaimed series, Endsinger is sure to have fans racing through the pages to savour every last revelation.

Katherine Kurtz

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Kurtz weaves a thrilling conclusion to the epic Childe Morgan trilogy, in which bonds of both magic and loyalty will be put to the ultimate test...

Alaric Morgan always knew his purpose in life—to stand alongside the king of Gwynedd. The old king knew that whichever of his sons succeeded to the throne would benefit from having a Deryni at his side. Alaric and the young Prince Brion Haldane were bound together by magic—a magic to be called upon when Brion was most in need.

Now eighteen, Brion has ascended to the throne and seven-year-old Alaric has come to court. Through the coming years, both will grow to manhood and come to realize their destinies. Brion will strive to solidify his power and position, seek out a bride to secure his legacy, and ultimately, when faced with an unbeatable foe, call upon Alaric to fulfill his oath.

Meanwhile, Alaric slowly learns the extent of his powers and how to use them, and will face the prejudice that many have against Deryni in its ugliest form. He will experience bittersweet first love, great personal loss, and the hard lessons one gains from both. And he will be there to unleash the full power of his Deryni magic at Brion's command.

For Alaric is—and always will be—the King's Deryni.

Mercedes Lackey

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Mags returns to the Collegium, but there are mixed feelings—his included—about him actually remaining there. No one doubts that he is and should be a Herald, but he is afraid that his mere presence is going to incite more danger right in the heart of Valdemar.

The heads of the Collegia are afraid that coming back to his known haunt is going to give him less protection than if he went into hiding. Everyone decides that going elsewhere is the solution for now. So since he is going elsewhere—why not return to the place he was found in the first place and look for clues? And those who are closest to him, and might provide secondary targets, are going along.

Together they head for the Bastion, the hidden spot in the hills that had once been the headquarters of a powerful band of raiders that had held him and his parents prisoner. But what they find is not what anyone had expected.

Ken MacLeod

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Ken MacLeod, author of 2013 Arthur C. Clarke Award-nominated *Intrusion*, tells a science fiction story for the twenty-first century - this is what happens when conspiracy theorists meet Big Brother

HOW FAR WOULD YOU GO FOR THE TRUTH? Ball lightning. Weather balloons. Secret military aircraft. Ryan knows all the justifications for UFO sightings. But when something falls out of the sky on the hills near his small Scottish town, he finds his cynicism can't identify or explain the phenomenon. And in a future where nothing is a secret, where everything is recorded on CCTV or reported online, why can he find no evidence of the UFO, nor anything to shed light on what occurred? Is it the political revolutionaries, is it the government or is it aliens themselves who are creating the cover-up? Or does the very idea of a cover-up hide the biggest secret of all?

Emily McKay

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A tale told from the alternating viewpoints of two sisters is set in a vampire-infested world where surviving teens have been imprisoned to provide food for the undead and where Lily and her autistic twin, Mel, team up with a former schoolmate to make a desperate escape.

Life was different in the Before: before vampires began devouring humans in a swarm across America; before the surviving young people were rounded up and quarantined. These days, we know what those quarantines are—holding pens where human blood is turned into more food for the undead monsters, known as Ticks. Surrounded by electrical fences, most kids try to survive the Farms by turning on each other...

And when trust is a thing of the past, escape is nearly impossible.

Lily and her twin sister Mel have a plan. Though Mel can barely communicate, her autism helps her notice things no one else notices—like the portion of electrical fence that gets turned off every night. Getting across won't be easy, but as Lily gathers what they need to escape, a familiar face appears out of nowhere, offering to help...

Carter was a schoolmate of Lily's in the Before. Managing to evade capture until now, he has valuable knowledge of the outside world. But like everyone on the Farm, Carter has his own agenda, and he knows that behind the Ticks is an even more dangerous threat to the human race...

The Vault (*Farm 03*) Paperback \$19.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780425275887

In a world where vampires rule and teenaged humans are quarantined as a food source, there is only one choice—resist or die. But fighting the vampires comes at a terrible cost to twin sisters Mel and Lily and their best friend Carter . . .

With Lily exposed to the vampire virus and lying in a coma, it's up to Mel and Carter to search for the cure. Time is not on their side. With every passing heartbeat, Mel is becoming more and more purely vampire.

Desperate, Carter and Mel decide to split up. Carter will recruit human rebels from the Farm in San Angelo to infiltrate the guarded kingdom of the vampire Sabrina and steal the cure. Mel will go back to her mentor, her friend, her betrayer, Sebastian, who is the only one who can access an underground vault that may house the secret to the cure.

That is, if he's still alive after she staked him to the ground. Now her worst enemy may be their best hope for curing Lily—and saving the human race.

Juliet Marillier (Australian Author)

Dreamer's Pool (*Blackthorn & Grimm 01*) Trade Paperback \$29.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781743517024

Embittered healer Blackthorn, wrongly condemned to death, is offered a lifeline by a mysterious stranger. In return, she must set aside her bid for vengeance against the man who destroyed all that she once loved. Not only that: for seven years she must agree to help anyone who asks for her aid. She and her companion Grim settle on the fringes of a mysterious forest in Dalriada, far from the place of their incarceration, and start a new life. Oran, the crown prince of Dalriada, is waiting for his bride-to-be, Lady Flidais. Her letters and sweet portrait have convinced him that she is his destined true love. But letters can lie. To save Oran from disaster, Blackthorn and Grim will need courage, ingenuity, and more than a little magic.

Jack McDevitt

Starhawk (*Priscilla Hutchins 07*) A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780425260869

Priscilla Hutchins has been through many experiences. This is the story of her first unforgettable adventure. Priscilla "Hutch" Hutchins has finally completed a nerve-bending qualification flight for her pilot's license. But faster-than-light travel is still a new reality, and the World Space Authority is still learning how to manage long-range missions safely. To make matters worse, efforts to prepare two planets for colonisation are killing off native life-forms, outraging people on Earth.

With low demand for space pilots, Priscilla finds a job on the bridge of an interstellar ship, working for the corporation that is responsible for the terraforming. Her work conditions include bomb threats, sabotage, clashes with her employers and a mission to a world, adrift between the stars, that harbors a life-form unlike anything humanity has ever seen...

Patricia A McKillip

Ombria in Shadow B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781473205741

The Prince of Ombria is dying, and already his sinister great-aunt is plotting to seize power. The Black Pearl is feared throughout the land, and the city folk know her reign will be a terrible one. Only the prince's son can stop her from seizing the throne but he's just a boy - barely worth the trouble of doing away with. Ombria, it seems, is doomed. And yet, beneath the streets, in a buried world of shadows and ghosts, a mysterious sorceress is weaving new spells, watched over by a girl sculpted entirely from wax ...

L E Modesitt Jr

Heritage of Cyador (*Recluse 18*) Hardcover \$39.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780765376138

Scarcely a year after the events of *Cyador's Heirs*, Lerial uses his mastery of Order and Chaos, the competing natural forces that shape his world and define the magic that exists within it, to utterly destroy an Afritan military force crossing into Cigoerne.

Five years later, Lerial, now an overcaptain and a field commander of Cigoerne's Mirror Lancers, must lead three companies of troops into Afrit on a mission of mutual interest: neighboring Heldya is threatening to invade Afrit, and if that nation falls, Cigoerne is certain to be next.

The mission is both delicate and dangerous; Lerial's value in the effort to repelling Heldya is undeniable, but his troubled history against Afrit may reopen old wounds that will never truly heal.

Elizabeth Moon

Limits of Power (*Paladin's Legacy 04*) A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780345533081

Elizabeth Moon is back with the fourth adventure in her bestselling fantasy epic. Moon brilliantly weaves a colorful tapestry of action, betrayal, love, and magic set in a richly imagined world that stands alongside those of such fantasy masters as George R. R. Martin and Robin Hobb.

The unthinkable has occurred in the kingdom of Lyonya. The queen of the Elves—known as the Lady—is dead, murdered by former elves twisted by dark powers. Now the Lady's half-elven grandson must heal the mistrust between elf and human before their enemies strike again. Yet as he struggles to make ready for an attack, an even greater threat looms across the Eight Kingdoms.

Throughout the north, magic is reappearing after centuries of absence, emerging without warning in family after family—rich and poor alike. In some areas, the religious strictures against magery remain in place, and fanatical followers are stamping out magery by killing whoever displays the merest sign of it—even children. And as unrest spreads, one very determined traitor works to undo any effort at peace—no matter how many lives it costs. With the future hanging in the balance, it is only the dedication of a few resolute heroes who can turn the tides . . . if they can survive.

Michael Moorcock

Tales From the End of Time B Paperback \$24.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575092617

Return to the End of Time - the fabulous decadent last party of the human race - and the bizarre and jaded individuals who dwell there. From Lord Shark to The Everlasting Concubine, the denizens of the ageing Earth dance to the dying of the sun. Visited by various travellers - including Elric of Melniboné - the dancers are involved in a series of complicated plots and hilarious misunderstandings, and a final fate of the Eternal Champion is revealed. Contains The Transformation of Miss Mavis Ming, Legends from the Ends of Time and Elric at the End of Time.

Joseph Nassise

On Her Majesty's Behalf (*Great Undead War 02*) Trade Paperback \$22.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780062048783

The outrageously inventive follow-up to *By the Blood of Heroes—Inglorious Basterds* meets *Dawn of the Dead* in this steampunk alternate history World War I zombie novel.

At the close of 1917, the Germans introduced a new type of gas, T-Leiche—“corpse gas”—a revolutionary weapon that changed the war. Instead of killing the living, T-Leiche resurrected the bodies of the dead.

Though they survived the killing fields of France, the danger has only just begun for veteran Captain Michael "Madman" Burke and company. They've just been assigned a new mission: rescue Princess Veronica, the sole surviving member of the British royal family. But Kaiser Manfred Von Richthofen, the undead Red Baron and new leader of Germany, is determined to find Veronica as well.

In the devastated, zombie-infested city of London, Burke and his men will face off in an unholy battle with their most formidable opponent yet: a team led by none other than his infected former right-hand man, Sergeant Moore. If they don't succeed, all of Britain will fall into undead Central hands.

Garth Nix (Australian Author)

Clariel (*Old Kingdom prequel*) Trade Paperback \$22.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781741758627

Clariel is the daughter of one of the most notable families in the Old Kingdom, with blood relations to the Abhorsen, and to the King. When her family moves to the city of Belisaere, Clariel finds herself at the centre of sorcery and intrigue: a plot is brewing against the old and withdrawn King Orrikan; her parents want to marry her off to a killer; and a dangerous Free Magic creature is loose in the city. When Clariel is drawn into the efforts to find and capture the creature, she finds hidden sorcery within herself, yet it is magic that carries great dangers. Can she rise above the temptation of power, escape the unwanted marriage and save the King?

Set approximately six hundred years before the birth of Sabriel, Clariel will delight Old Kingdom fans as well as new readers hungry for epic fantasy adventure.

Sabriel (*Old Kingdom 01*) B Paperback \$14.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781743316580

Garth Nix's fantasy masterwork is a compelling high fantasy, the gripping story of a young heroine who must do battle in Death itself to defeat a powerful enemy. A tale of dark secrets, deep love and dangerous magic.

For many years Sabriel has lived outside the walls of the Old Kingdom, away from the random power of Free Magic, and away from the Dead who won't stay dead. But now her father, the Mage Abhorsen, is missing, and to find him Sabriel must cross back into that treacherous world - and face the power of her own extraordinary destiny.

Lirael (*Old Kingdom 02*) B Paperback \$14.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781743316597

Set in the same dark, magical world as Garth Nix's award-winning Sabriel, this is a spellbinding tale of discovery, destiny and danger, from an exceptional fantasy talent.

Dark forces are abroad once more in the Old Kingdom. Lirael, solitary daughter of the Clayr, and Sameth, the reluctant Abhorsen-in-Waiting, both seek the same man who may hold the key to an ancient evil stirring in the West. But the Dead cannot be laid to rest until the strange secret linking the fate of Lirael and Sameth is revealed.

Abhorsen (*Old Kingdom 03*) B Paperback \$14.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781743316603

The conclusion to Garth Nix's extraordinary Lirael is a rich and vividly imagined story, breathtaking, terrifying, and utterly absorbing. Beneath the earth, a malignant force lies waiting, greedy for freedom from its ancient prison. As the Old Kingdom falls once more into a realm of darkness and terror, the people look desperately to the Abhorsen to save them from the Dead. Yet Abhorsen Sabriel is lost, and only Lirael has any chance of stopping the Destroyer. With her companions Sameth, Mogget and the Disreputable Dog, Lirael battles Shadow Hands and dark necromancers in a race against time. But what hope can one young woman have against a terrible evil with the power to destroy life itself?

Kim Newman

Professor Moriarty: The Hound of the D'urbervilles (*Further Adventures of Sherlock Holmes*) Trade Paperback \$22.95

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Imagine the twisted evil twins of Holmes and Watson and you have the dangerous duo of Prof. James Moriarty - wily, snake-like, fiercely intelligent, unpredictable - and Colonel Sebastian 'Basher' Moran - violent, politically incorrect, debauched. Together they run London crime, owning police and criminals alike. Unravelling mysteries -- all for their own gain.

A spin-off from Titan's highly successful *Further Adventures of Sherlock Holmes* series, *The Hound of the D'Urbervilles* sees acclaimed novelist Kim Newman (*Anno Dracula*) take on the fiendish Professor Moriarty.

Chase Novak

Brood (*Breed 02*) Trade Paperback \$29.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781444760910

They should never have been born... Adam and Alice Twisden are not ordinary children. Along with hundreds of other rich and desperate couples, their parents tried an experimental fertility treatment, and paid a horrific cost. The twins' aunt has finally won her fight for custody, and is determined to give them the love and stability that they have never known. But outside the refuge she is trying to create, dark forces are combining. Troops of other feral offspring roam the New York streets. Their struggle to survive is complicated by both those who wish to destroy them and those who see a way to profit from them. As the city becomes a battleground, Adam and Alice will have to decide where their loyalties lie. They are determined to remain human - and yet their own unnatural urges are growing ever stronger...

Nnedi Okorafor

Lagoon B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781444762761

There was no time to flee. No time to turn. No time to shriek. And there was no pain. It was like being thrown into the stars. Three strangers, each isolated by his or her own problems: Adaora, the marine biologist. Anthony, the rapper famous throughout Africa. Agu, the troubled soldier. Wandering Bar Beach in Lagos, Nigeria's legendary mega-city, they're more alone than they've ever been before. But when something like a meteorite plunges into the ocean and a tidal wave overcomes them, these three people will find themselves bound together in ways they could never imagine. Together with Ayodele, a visitor from beyond the stars, they must race through Lagos and against time itself in order to save the city, the world... and themselves.

Steve Perry

The Tejano Conflict (*Cutter's Wars 03*) A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780425273494

At the end of the twenty-fourth century, war is fought in a civilized manner: Each side hires mercenaries to engage in combat in specifically designated areas. To the victor go the spoils - whatever they may be.

After a couple of assignments involving more intrigue and skulduggery than the Cutter Force Initiative ever wanted, the unit is looking forward to being part of a straight-up, short-term industrial war on Earth.

Cutter agrees to a support role offered by an old Army comrade who's now a general in a larger military force. The pay is good, the unit happy. All they have to do is basic ranger stuff: sneak and peek, shoot and scoot.

But what starts out as a corporate fight to occupy a valuable piece of contested territory quickly goes sideways, and once again Cutter and crew find themselves in the middle of situations in which things aren't as they seem, and the unit must determine the truth or lose more than just a battle.

Sarah Pinborough

Poison Hardcover \$24.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781783291076

Reinvents the story of Snow White with this alluring and provocative modern retelling that includes all the familiar elements in the latest revamped fairy tale from the author of *Charm and Beauty*.

Terry Pratchett (Inspired by)

Mrs Bradshaw's Handbook (*Disworld related*) Hardcover \$32.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780857522436

Authorised by Mr Lipwig of the Ankh-Morpork and Sto Plains Hygienic Railway himself, Mrs Georgina Bradshaw's invaluable guide to the destinations and diversions of the railway deserves a place in the luggage of any traveller, or indeed armchair traveller, upon the Disc.

From the twine walk of Great Slack to the souks of Zemphis: edifying sights along the route

Ticketing, nostrums and transporting your swamp dragon: essential hints on the practicalities of travel

Elegant resorts and quaint inns: respectable and sanitary lodgings for all species and heights.

From worm-herding to Fustic Cake: diverting trivia on the crafts, foods and brassica traditions of the many industrious people for whom the railway is now a vital link to the Century of the Anchovy Fully illustrated and replete with useful titbits, Mrs Bradshaw's Handbook offers a view of the Sto Plains like no other.

Terry Pratchett (Inspired by) & Stephen Player (Illustrator)

Terry Pratchett's Discworld Collectors' Edition Calendar 2015 (*Discworld*) Wall Calendar \$35.00

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The calendar dates are extensive, and exhaustively researched, and include all major real-time calendrical data for Great Britain, Eire, Australia, New Zealand, Canada and the USA, as well as notable Discworld dates. Features twelve brand-new illustrations by fan-favourite Stephen Player, including Discworld stalwarts Granny Weatherwax, Rincewind, the Hogfather and, of course, DEATH.

Terry Pratchett

Raising Steam (*Discworld 34*) B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780552170468

It's all change for Moist von Lipwig, swindler, conman, and (naturally) head of the Royal Bank and Post Office. A steaming, clanging new invention, driven by Dick Simnel, the man with t'flat cap and t'sliding rule, is drawing astonished crowds - including a few particularly keen young men armed with notepads and very sensible rainwear - and suddenly it's a matter of national importance that the trains run on time. Moist does not enjoy hard work. His "vital" input at the bank and post office consists mainly of words, which are not that heavy. Or greasy. And it certainly doesn't involve rickety bridges, runaway cheeses or a fat controller with knuckledusters. What he does enjoy is being alive, which may not be a perk of running the new railway. Because, of course, some people have OBJECTIONS, and they'll go to extremes to stop locomotion in its tracks.

Christopher Priest

Indoctrinaire B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575121195

Deep in the Advanced Technique Concentration, Wentik created a mind-altering drug. Suddenly he is transported to the jungles of Brazil in the 22nd century and a world devastated by nuclear war and poison gas. Only South America survived but even here 'The Disturbances' create havoc. Can Wentik find a way back? For himself? And all of humanity?

Laura Resnick

Abracadaver (*Esther Diamond 07*) A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780756409784

R.I.P. = Reanimated, Infernal, and Pretty damn dangerous

Struggling actress Esther Diamond, whose year got off to a rough start (what with incarceration, unemployment, and mystical death curses), finally catches a break when she lands an acting job.

She's hired to reprise her guest role as prostitute Jilly C-Note on *The Dirty Thirty*, a TV crime drama about depravity and corruption in the New York Police Department. Esther's ex-sometime boyfriend, NYPD's Detective Connor Lopez, hates that show with undying passion -- especially after Esther convinces her narcissistic co-star to shadow Lopez on the job, in order to add verisimilitude to his performance as a morally bankrupt cop.

But Esther's fellow thespian is her best bet for keeping an eye on Lopez 24/7 and, more to the point, on Lopez's new partner, Detective Quinn. Esther and her friend Max, a 350-year-old mage whose day job is protecting the city from Evil, suspect Quinn of being involved in the latest mystical mayhem to menace Manhattan...

Corpses suddenly aren't staying quite as dead as they should.

While Max and Esther try to determine what Quinn's role is in the supernatural reanimation of the deceased downtown, a dangerous foe with deadly intent changes everyone's dinner plans one cold winter night...

Jenna Rhodes

King of Assassins (*Elven Ways 03*) Hardcover \$34.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780756408848

Thrown into exile on Kerith by a sorcerous act of war, the Vaelinars have used their own unique talents to gain power over the races native to this world, and to create magical Ways that remold Kerith forever. But now their war has followed them, ripping holes in the fabrics of both universes. The Vaelinars stand at a dangerous threshold as old and new betrayals threaten the destinies of the peoples of two worlds.

Against this background of betrayal and ever-shifting alliances, two star-crossed lovers—the half-breed Sevryn and the orphaned, goddess-touched Vaelinar, Rivergrace—must escape the fury of a desperate ruler. The Warrior Queen Lariel, having accidentally revealed to Sevryn the forbidden powers that gained her the throne, has begun a vicious manhunt to destroy him. Fleeing her wrath, Sevryn and Rivergrace find no safe haven as the world's magic begins to disintegrate around them and the old Gods wake.

In the midst of this chaos, Sevryn is charged with finding the King of Assassins—a quest that may consume him. And only Rivergrace has any hope of discovering the means to save both Sevryn and the world she loves.

Brandon Sanderson

Mitosis (*Reckoners*) Hardcover \$17.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781473209350

A novella story set in the action-packed world of *Steelheart*: the *Reckoners* series, exclusively available in a HB collector's edition.

Epics still plague Newcago, but David and the *Reckoners* have vowed to fight back. Catch all the action before *Firefight*, the exciting sequel to *Steelheart*, hits the shelves.

Tony Schumacher

Darkest Hour Trade Paperback \$27.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780062362384

The terrible struggle that was WWII is over, the Germans have won and now occupy London, but it's up to a hardened British detective to turn the tables, save someone's life, and achieve what he has believed was impossible-redemption-in this crackling thriller debut.

The year is 1946. Nazi Germany has conquered the British, and now forcefully occupies the country and controls its citizens. John Henry Rossett, a decorated British war hero for the Allies and former police Sergeant, has been reassigned to the Office of Jewish Affairs. Built on Nazi ideology, it is a department strictly under the control of the SS, one of the largest and most powerful organizations in the Third Reich. Rossett, a man accustomed to obeying commands but also one who has lost everything in the war—including his wife and child—is given no chance to ask questions, no chance to turn it down. Ultimately, he has no choice in the matter. So he gets on with his job of rounding up Jews, some of whom he's known his whole life, for deportation. That is until he finds Jacob, a young Jewish boy, hiding in an abandoned building and everything changes.

Determined to protect the child, Rossett finds himself on the run, the quarry of not only the Germans but also the Royalist resistance and the Communists. Each faction has its own agenda and Rossett will soon learn that none of them can be trusted . . . and all of them are lethal.

Luke Scull

The Grim Company (*Grim Company 01*) A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780425264850

The Gods are dead. The Magelord Salazar and his magically enhanced troops, the Augmentors, crush any dissent they find in the minds of the populace. On the other side of the Broken Sea, the White Lady plots the liberation of Dorminia, with her spymistresses, the Pale Women. Demons and abominations plague the Highlands. The world is desperately in need of heroes. But what it gets instead are a ragtag band of old warriors, a crippled Halfmage, two orphans and an oddly capable manservant: the Grim Company.

Nalini Singh

Archangel's Shadows (*Guild Hunter*) B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575112315

In the wake of a brutal war, the archangel Raphael and his hunter consort, Elena, are dealing with the treacherously shifting tides of archangelic politics and the people of a battered but not broken city. The last thing their city needs is more death, especially not a death that bears the eerie signature of an insane enemy archangel who cannot - should not - be walking the streets. This hunt must be undertaken with stealth and without alerting their people. It must be handled by those who can become shadows themselves... Ash is a gifted tracker and a woman cursed with the ability to sense the secrets of anyone she touches. But there's one man she knows all too well without a single instant of skin contact: Janvier, the dangerously sexy Cajun vampire who has fascinated and infuriated her for years. Now, as they track down a merciless killer, their cat-and-mouse game of flirtation and provocation has turned into a profound one of the heart. And this time, it is Ash's secret, dark and terrible, that threatens to destroy them both.

Sam Sykes

The City Stained Red Trade Paperback \$29.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780575132177

Long before he was sent to hell, the Aeon known as Khoth-Kapira was the closest thing to a living god the world had ever known. Possessed of a vast intellect, he pioneered many of the wonders that persist in the world long after he was banished. Nearly every fragment of medical, economic and technological progress that the mortal races enjoyed could be traced back to him. But with his wonders came cruelty beyond measure: industrialised slavery, horrifying experimentations and a rage that would eventually force the world to bow to him. Now, as Khoth-Kapira stirs, the world begins to shudder with disasters yet to come. The epicenter is the city of Cier'Djaal. A religious war between two unstoppable military juggernauts begins to brew. The racial fury among many peoples of the world is about to explode. Demons begin to pour from the shadows at the head of a vicious cult worshipping dark powers. And Lenk finds himself in the middle once more, his fate and the fate of Khoth-Kapira interlinked as the demon attempts to convince him of his earnestness. 'Your world is breaking around you,' He Who Makes says, 'let me fix it. Let me help you. Let me out.'

Philip Taffs

The Evil Inside B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781848663992

A NEW MILLENNIUM On 31 December 1999, Australian advertising creative Guy Russell arrives in New York along with his fragile wife and their young son. A painful tragedy has led them to swap Melbourne for Manhattan, and seek a fresh start.

A NEW BEGINNING With a new job secured at a thriving midtown agency, and temporary residence obtained in the Upper West Side's Olcott Hotel - a building with a morbid history of its own - Guy feels that now is the time to lay his troubles to rest.

A NEW NIGHTMARE Yet something won't let him. And as a sinister force from Guy's darkest past begins to scratch its way back into his present, the behaviour of his son, Callum, also starts to become increasingly disturbing and chilling. As Guy begins to believe that Callum is being possessed by this demon, others fear he is gradually dispossessing himself of his own sanity. And as he grapples with whether the evil tormenting him is in his surroundings, his son, or his own mind, he pushes himself ever closer to the edge.

J R R Tolkien

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Immerse yourself in Middle-earth with Tolkien's classic masterpieces behind the films, telling the complete story of Bilbo Baggins and the Hobbits' epic encounters with Gandalf, Gollum, dragons and monsters, in the quest to destroy the One Ring.

When they were first published, *The Hobbit* and *The Lord of the Rings* became instant classics. Treasured by readers young and old, these works of sweeping fantasy, steeped in unrivalled magic and otherworldliness have sold more than 150 million copies around the world. This new boxed gift set, published to celebrate the release of the first of Peter Jackson's three-part film adaptation of JRR Tolkien's *The Hobbit*, *THE HOBBIT: AN UNEXPECTED JOURNEY*, contains both titles and features cover images from both films. It offers readers a new opportunity to discover Tolkien's remarkable world of Middle-earth and to follow the complete story of Bilbo Baggins and the Hobbits' part in the epic quest for the Ring - beginning with Bilbo's fateful visit from Gandalf and culminating in the dramatic climax between Frodo and Gollum atop Mount Doom.

David Towsey

Your Brother's Blood (*Walkin 01*) B Paperback \$19.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781782064350

Thomas is thirty-two. He comes from the small town of Barkley. He has a wife there, Sarah, and a child, Mary; good solid names from the Good Book. And he is on his way home from the war, where he has been serving as a conscripted soldier. Thomas is also dead - he is one of the Walkin'. And Barkley does not suffer the wicked to live.

Your Servants and Your People (*Walkin 02*) Trade Paperback \$29.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781782064367

Seven years after Thomas returned as a Walkin', the McDermott family are making a new life; taking a new name as they run from Barkley to the remote outpost of Fort Wilson. But the teachings of J.S. Barkley are not so easily forsaken - there are those that would see the sinners dead, and they are slowly closing in.

Carrie Vaughn

Dreams of the Golden Age (*Golden Age 02*) A Paperback \$14.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780765370105

Like every teen, Anna has secrets. Unlike every teen, Anna has a telepath for a father and Commerce City's most powerful businessperson for a mother. She's also the granddaughter of the city's two most famous superheroes, the former leaders of the legendary Olympiad, and the company car drops her off at the gate of her exclusive high school every morning. Privacy is one luxury she doesn't have.

Hiding her burgeoning superpowers from her parents is hard enough; how's she supposed to keep them from finding out that her friends have powers, too? Or that she and the others are meeting late at night, honing their skills and dreaming of becoming Commerce City's next great team of masked vigilantes?

Like every mother, Celia worries about her daughter. Unlike every mother, Celia has the means to send Anna to the best schools and keep a close watch on her, every second of every day. At least Celia doesn't have to worry about Anna becoming a target for every gang with masks and an agenda, like Celia was at Anna's age.

As far as Celia knows, Anna isn't anything other than a normal teen. Still, just in case, Celia has secretly awarded scholarships at Anna's private high school to the descendants of the city's other superpowered humans. Maybe, just maybe, these teens could one day fill the gap left by the dissolution of The Olympiad....

Dreams of the Golden Age is the stunning sequel to Carrie Vaughn's groundbreaking superhero novel, *After the Golden Age*

Mark Walden

Earthfall (*Earthfall 01*) Trade Paperback \$15.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781408849750

3-D mega-budget action in book form. When the world is ending, you'd better be ready to fight ... Think *Gone* meets *Independence Day* - with attitude!

Sam wakes to see strange vessels gathered in the skies around London. As he stares up, people stream past, walking silently towards the enormous ships which emit a persistent noise. Only Sam seems immune to the signal. Six months later, Sam is absolutely alone. Injured by one of the flying drones which now populate London, Sam realises that without medical supplies he will die. Venturing above ground he is attacked again, but this time the drone is shot down in a hail of machine gun fire. In five minutes Sam learns two things: he is not alone; the drone injury should have killed him instantly - yet he is still alive. The battle for Earth is about to begin.

Earthfall: Retribution (*Earthfall 02*) Trade Paperback \$15.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781408815670

The battle for London is over . . . The war for the Earth has just begun. Get ready for more mega-blockbuster action adventure in book form

It's been several months since the events of *Earthfall*, yet Sam's attempts to rouse the enslaved people of London from their trance-like state have frustratingly failed. Worse still, the enormous Voidborn drilling device which Sam and his friends disabled in London was one of hundreds scattered across the planet, all nearing the final stages of construction.

Joining up with another resistance group, they plot to disable a drilling machine in Tokyo and in the process implant viral commands that will cause a catastrophic failure of the entire network. Just as that mission appears to have been successful, Sam and the others are double-crossed by the resistance leader.

Earthfall: Retribution will take the series on to a global stage, as the true scale of the conflict being played out on Earth is revealed.

Peter Watts

Firefall Hardcover \$44.95 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781784080464

A magisterial novel of dark intensity that redefines our idea of life beyond our own world.

FIRST CONTACT: 13 FEBRUARY 2082 It was the night the stars fell. The night that sixty-five thousand alien objects clenched around Earth like a luminous fist, screaming to the heavens as the atmosphere burned them to ash. A moment of brief, bright surveillance by agents unknown. And then: silence. Two months while the entire world held its breath. Until a half-derelict space probe hears a whisper from the edge of the solar system: a faint signal sweeping the cosmos like a lighthouse beam...

Mary Weber

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Douglas Preston & Lincoln Child

Blue Labyrinth (Pendergast) Trade Paperback \$24.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9781784081096

A corpse, stiff with rigor mortis and bound in heavy ropes, has been dumped on the doorstep of FBI Special Agent Aloysius Pendergast. The murder has the hallmarks of the perfect crime - no witnesses, no motive, no evidence - save for one enigmatic clue: a piece of turquoise lodged in the stomach of the deceased. The gem leads Pendergast to an abandoned mine on the shore of California's desolate Salton Sea where an ingenious killer is determined to make Pendergast pay for the long-buried sins of his forefathers. But Pendergast already knows what is at stake, for the dead man left on his doorstep wasn't just anyone, it was his son.

Poh Ling Yeow (Australian Author)

Poh's Kitchen Trade Paperback \$39.99 www.infinitas.com.au/Product.php?bar=9780733328305

Come on a culinary journey with Poh Ling Yeow, as she takes you on a quest to learn more about the art of cooking. Based on the ABC TV show, POH'S KITCHEN, where Poh cooks alongside leading chefs such as David Thompson, Neil Perry, Antonio Carluccio, Ian Parmenter, Ragini Dey and Emmanuel Mollois, this book features recipes from the show, as well as many new, original and delicious dishes from Poh, who adds her own inimitable style and charm to the mix. With more than 80 recipes including breakfast dishes, soups, fish, chicken, duck, meat, vegetables and sweet things, this beautifully designed and photographed book shows Poh cooking everything from a lamb shank casserole to a nonya chicken curry, a classic Aussie roast to a Pink Forest Cake, and an amazing beetroot soup to a delicious Malaysian sticky rice and custard dessert. These dishes hail from Australia, UK, Italy, France, India, Thailand and China and Malaysia where Poh, on a mission to reinterpret the classic recipes of her childhood and bring new, exciting dishes to the Australian palate recipe, cooks up some delicious local fare under the watchful eye of her mum. Designed for the home cook, with recipes that are both innovative and accessible, POH'S KITCHEN is sure to have something delicious for everyone to enjoy.

D&D Gaming Report

(Source: Ken)



Last session, about 13 people turned up for our fortnightly Saturday game at the Parramatta Library. Much fun was had, with two tables running - Geoff running Pathfinder, and Justin running SWRPG.

Pathfinder (DM: Geoff)

The party ("known as the Swordfire group") pressed on. Trying to make up for lost time, they were further delayed when they were set upon by cannibals from an island they passed by - their captain remarking that normally the cannibals do not act up. They arrived at the port city of Cassomir, on which promptly Merisiel was arrested for a jewel heist that she had allegedly perpetrated several years ago. Merisiel was carted away, protesting that she didn't do it. Makeg hurried after her, successfully obtaining bail for her on condition that she return to the city within 6 months. Meanwhile Ezren and Fatima put their intellect together, and calculated that their phantom steeds, now capable of water-walking (because MAGIC), would be faster than a barge upriver, which would take a week. When the group reassembled, they rapidly rode towards Woodsedge, and arrived a day later, on the eve of a harvest festival. The group however has a funny feeling that they are being watched...

Star Wars RPG (DM: Justin)

Justin brought along a short story that he had been working on, and the players jumped into it, despite Graeme and John throwing him in a loop on a few occasions!

If you are turning up for the Saturday session next week, bring along with you a gift that is worth less than \$10 - we will be having a small Christmas party and have a Kriss Kringle gift exchange on that day! Next session details: Parramatta Library, Darug Room ; Saturday 20th Dec 2014, 10am.