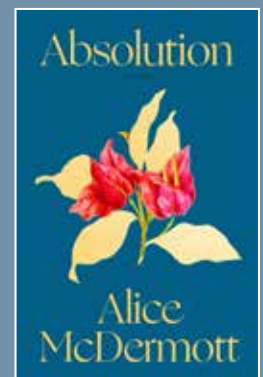
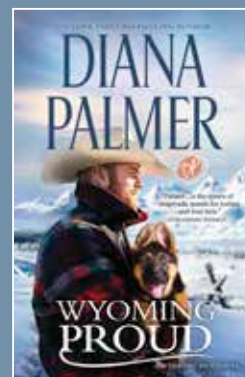
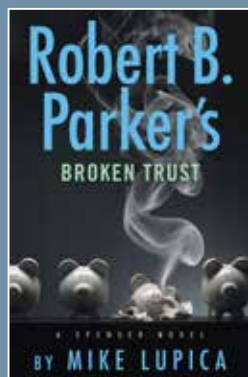
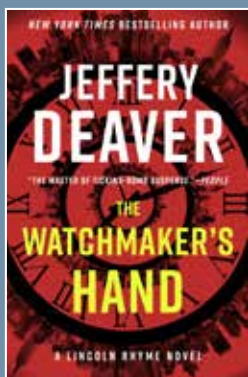
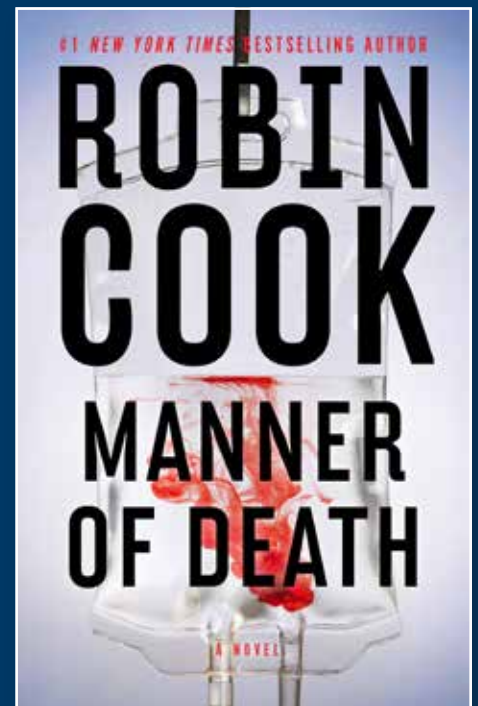
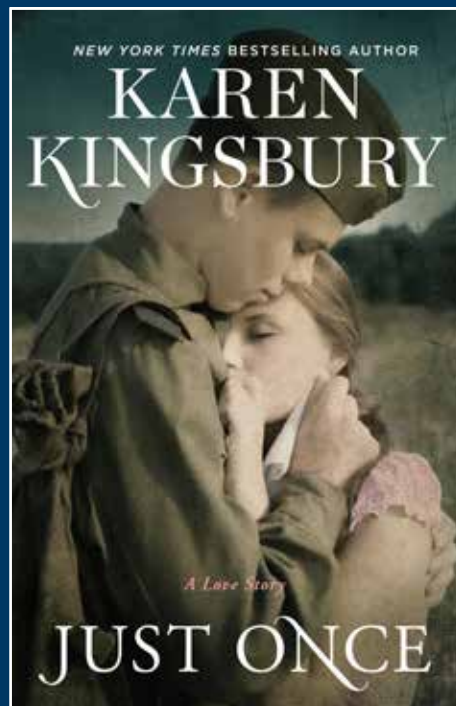
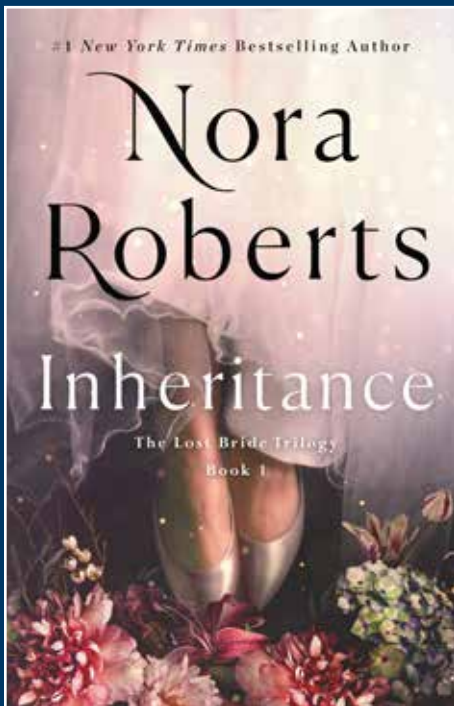


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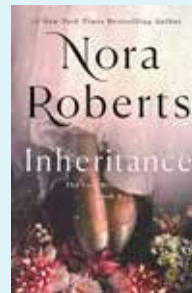
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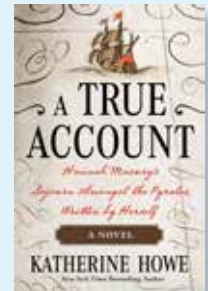
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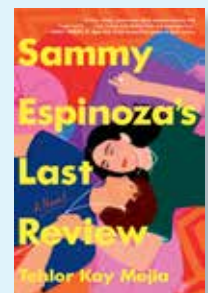
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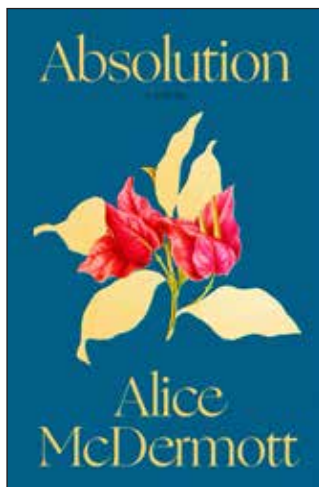
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**ABSOLUTION** ★

A NOVEL

Alice McDermott

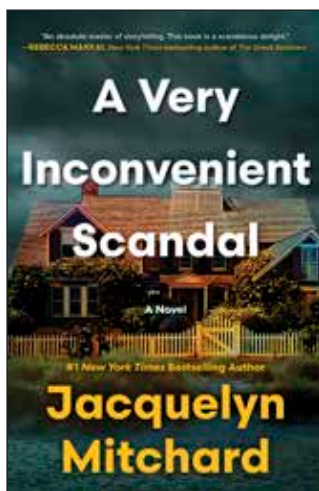
NATIONAL BOOK AWARD AUTHOR
PULITZER PRIZE FINALIST AUTHOR
EDITOR'S CHOICE #7

"[McDermott] has outdone herself with an exquisitely conceived and executed novel that explores her signature topic, moral obligation, against the backdrop of the fraught time preceding the Vietnam War."
 — starred, Kirkus Reviews

Tricia is a newlywed, married to an attorney on loan to navy intelligence. Charlene is a practiced corporate spouse and mother of three. In Saigon in 1963, the two women form an alliance as they balance the era's mandate to be "helpmeets" to their husbands with their own impulse to "do good" for the people of Vietnam. Sixty years later, Charlene's daughter reaches out to Tricia. Together, they look back at their time in Saigon, taking account of that year and of Charlene's altruistic machinations, discovering how their lives as women on the periphery have been shaped by the same sort of unintended consequences that followed America's interference in Southeast Asia.

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A NOVEL

Jacquelyn Mitchard

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
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OPRAH BOOK CLUB AUTHOR

Frankie Attleboro returns home with thrilling news. She's met the love of her life, they're getting married and have a baby on the way. Her talented, charismatic father overshadows her with his own announcement: he's also getting married. To Frankie's best friend, Ariel, who is also pregnant. Before Frankie and Ariel can adjust to this new reality, Ariel's estranged mother, Carlotta, returns after a decade-long absence. Frankie digs into Carlotta's past, where she finds multiple identities and a mysterious case of arson. As Carlotta's sinister behavior intensifies, Frankie must untangle the threads of Carlotta's past to protect Ariel's future — and her own.

S | ISBN: 9798885791151 | \$36.99 U.S.

Women's Fiction | Releases 12/6/2023 | Available in Top-Shelf 4, 6 & 8.

**THE FOURTH RULE**

A NOVEL

A Riley Wolfe Novel • Book 4

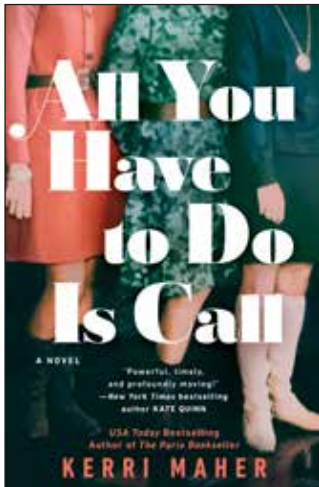
Jeff Lindsay

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

Riley Wolfe is a master of heists and disguises, whose life's work is swindling the rich out of their undeserved treasures. Now rumors surrounding a dangerous new figure of international crime are spreading through the underworld. And this ruthless collector, the Cobra, has a personal vendetta against Riley. With the aid of his new partner, Caitlin, Riley prepares to take on the most powerful cultural institution in the world and bring home the supposedly unstealable Rosetta Stone. With the Cobra waiting to strike, Riley is put to the ultimate test as he faces this most venomous villain — and tries to make it out alive.

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ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS CALL ★

Kerri Maher

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USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR

"A character-rich story of risky, remarkable activism that resonates more strongly than ever." — Kirkus Reviews

Chicago, early 1970s. Jane is an underground women's health organization offering reproductive counseling and safe, illegal abortions. Veronica, Jane's founder, leads a double life. When she's not at Jane, Veronica plays the role of a conventional housewife. Margaret, a young professor at the University of Chicago, secretly volunteers at Jane. Patty, a devoted wife and mother, has begun to sense that something essential is missing from her life. When her younger sister shows up, Patty is forced to come to terms with what it really means to love and support a sister. Veronica, Margaret, and Patty must make choices that will change the course of their lives forever.

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WHAT WE KEPT TO OURSELVES

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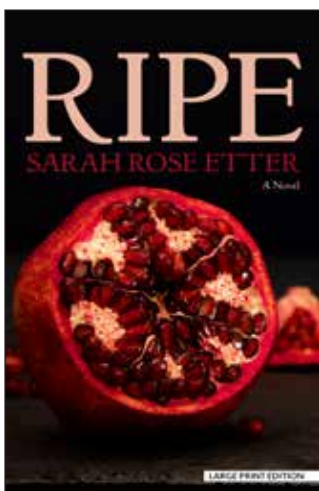
Nancy Jooyoun Kim

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
REESE'S BOOK CLUB AUTHOR

1999. The Kim family is struggling to move on after their mother, Sunny, vanished a year ago. Sixty-one-year-old John Kim feels more isolated from his grown children than ever before. One evening, John finds the body of a stranger in the backyard, carrying a letter to Sunny, leaving the family with more questions than ever. 1977. Sunny is pregnant and has just moved to Los Angeles from Korea with her husband. America is not turning out the way she had dreamed, and the loneliness is broken only by a fateful encounter at a bus stop. The unexpected connection spans decades and echoes into the present as they uncover devastating secrets that put their very lives at risk.

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RIPE ★★

A NOVEL

Sarah Rose Etter

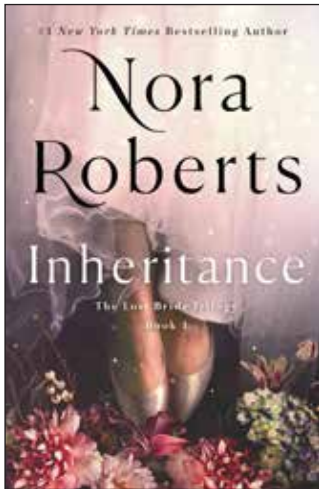
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GOOD MORNING AMERICA BEST BOOKS JULY
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"A lurid, tense, and compelling novel . . . Etter builds a lush and decaying landscape around a woman with an impossible affliction." — starred, Kirkus Reviews

A year into her dream job at a Silicon Valley start-up, Cassie finds herself trapped in a corporate nightmare. She also struggles to reconcile the glittering promise of a city where obscene wealth lives alongside abject poverty. Ivy League grads complain about the snack selection from a conference room with a view of unhoused people bathing in the bay. Start-up burnouts leap into the paths of commuter trains, and men literally set themselves on fire in the streets. When Cassie ends up unexpectedly pregnant at the same time her CEO's demands cross into illegal territory, Cassie must decide whether the tempting fruits of Silicon Valley are really worth it.

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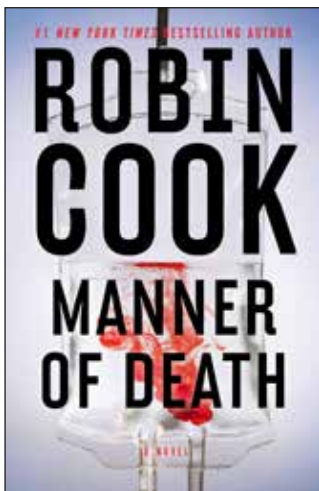
INHERITANCE ★
The Lost Bride Trilogy • Book 1
Nora Roberts

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
EDITOR'S CHOICE #1

Sonya MacTavish is stunned to learn that her late father had a twin he never knew about — and that her newly discovered uncle has left her almost everything he owned, including a Victorian house, which the will stipulates she must live in for at least three years. She sees a painting by her father inexplicably hanging in her deceased uncle's office, and a portrait of a woman named Astrid, whom the lawyer refers to as “the first lost bride.” It's becoming clear that Sonya has inherited far more than a house. She has inherited a centuries-old curse, and a puzzle to be solved if there is any hope of breaking it.

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Fantasy | Releases 12/6/2023 | Available in High-Octane 4, 6 & 8.



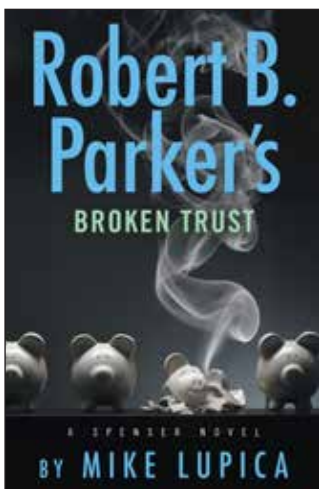
MANNER OF DEATH
Robin Cook

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
EDITOR'S CHOICE #1

Due to Jack Stapleton's ongoing recovery from his near-death confrontation with a serial killer, his wife Laurie Montgomery, the NYC chief medical examiner, is carrying the load both at work and at home. She insists a pathology resident named Ryan Sullivan assist her on a suicide autopsy, and when Ryan himself appears on the medical examiner's table days later, an apparent death by suicide, Laurie's guilt compels her to try to understand why. Jack's autopsy on the resident opens the possibility that the death wasn't suicide but instead a staged homicide. Thus begins a dangerous inquiry into a highly lucrative cancer diagnostics company, which might just cost Laurie her life.

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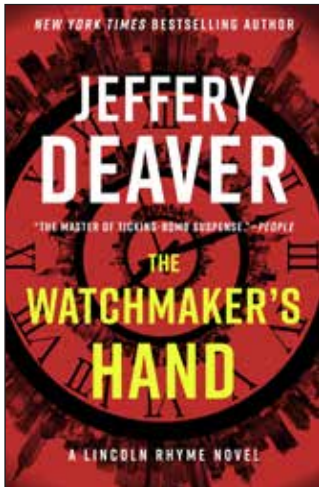
ROBERT B. PARKER'S BROKEN TRUST
A SPENSER NOVEL
Mike Lupica

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
EDITOR'S CHOICE #4

Andrew Crain's groundbreaking work with lithium has made him one of the world's richest men. He is universally adored and admired, until Crain's wife, Laura, comes to Spenser hoping he can find out what skeletons lurk in her husband's closet. He has recently become secretive, bordering on paranoid, and prone to violent outbursts. As Spenser digs into the billionaire's past, he realizes that the man may have done terrible things on his rise to the top — but he also may have had good reason to. There are no clear answers here, and what Spenser discovers will place him in grave danger.

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**THE WATCHMAKER'S HAND**

A LINCOLN RHYME NOVEL

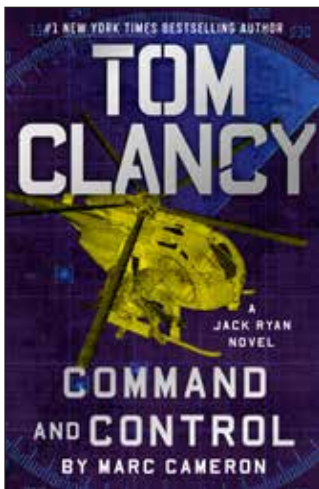
Lincoln Rhyme Novels Series • Book 16

Jeffrey Deaver**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR****EDITOR'S CHOICE #3**

When a New York City construction crane mysteriously collapses, causing destruction and injury, Rhyme and Sachs are on the case. A political group claims responsibility for the sabotage and threatens another attack in twenty-four hours, unless its demands are met. Then a clue reveals to Rhyme that his nemesis, known as the Watchmaker, has come to town to fulfill his promise of murdering the criminalist. With New York in a panic, Rhyme and his team must unravel a handful of plots as tightly wound as a timepiece — before more cranes fall, raining down death and destruction from above.

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**TOM CLANCY COMMAND AND CONTROL**

A Jack Ryan Novel • Book 23

Marc Cameron**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR****EDITOR'S CHOICE #7**

When Panamanian President Rafael Botero asks for a show of support against socialist opposition, his old friend President Jack Ryan can't turn down an invitation to visit the country, but what seems like an ordinary opportunity to preach the values of democracy quickly turns into a nightmare when a full-blown coup d'état erupts. One of the main forces behind the coup is the criminal organization known as the Camarilla. All their hard work has just presented them with an unexpected opportunity they can't resist — the chance to kill President Jack Ryan.

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**THE FUTURE** ★
Naomi Alderman

When Martha Einkorn fled her father's compound, she never expected to find herself working for a powerful social media mogul. Now, she's surrounded by mega-rich companies spouting technological prophecy. Across the world, in a mall in Singapore, Lai Zhen, an internet-famous survivalist, flees from an assassin. Suddenly, a piece of software appears on her phone telling her exactly how to escape. Martha and Zhen's worlds are about to collide. While a few billionaires assured of their own safety lead the world to destruction, Martha's relentless drive and Zhen's insatiable curiosity could lead to something beautiful or the cataclysmic end of civilization.

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Science Fiction | Releases 12/6/2023 | Available in High-Octane 4, 6 & 8.



THE OCEANS AND THE STARS ★
A SEA STORY, A WAR STORY, A LOVE STORY (A NOVEL)

Mark Helprin

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

"War, love, and the sea intermix in this novel of bravery and conscience . . . Fans of war stories and nautical tales will enjoy this one."
— Kirkus Reviews

A Navy captain near the end of a decorated career, Stephen Rensselaer is determined to always do what's right. In defending the development of a new variant of warship, he makes an enemy of the president of the United States, who assigns him to command the doomed line's only prototype — *Athena*, Patrol Coastal 15. Rather than resign, Rensselaer takes the new assignment in stride. Soon thereafter, he is deployed on a mission that subjects his integrity, morality, and skill to the ultimate test, and ensures that *Athena* will live forever in the annals of the Navy.

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THE GHOST ILLUSION

Kat Martin

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

Eve St. Clair desperately needs help sorting reality from her fearful imaginings when ghostly voices seem to haunt the Victorian house in Sunderland, England, that she inherited from her uncle. Since the deaths of his wife and daughter, Seattle billionaire

Ransom King has devoted himself to researching parapsychology and debunking the frauds who prey upon the bereaved. But Eve is a psychologist herself, clearly sane, and her sincerity is palpable. King senses a very real danger stalking the beautiful divorcée. As his interest in her case turns deeply personal, he will move heaven and earth to uncover the truth — no matter how shocking — and save the woman he loves.

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ROUGE ★
A NOVEL
Mona Awad

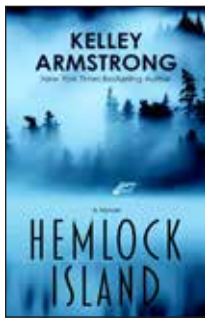
INDIE NEXT PICK
A MOST ANTICIPATED BOOK OF 2023, 12+ LIST

"Awad approaches the increasingly well-trod ground of sinister wellness gurus with aplomb, creating an atmosphere of creeping discomfort and surreality right from the start." — starred, Kirkus Reviews

For as long as she can remember, Belle has been obsessed with skincare. When her estranged mother Noelle mysteriously dies, Belle finds herself back in Southern California, dealing with her mother's debts and lingering questions about her death. The stakes escalate when a strange woman in red appears at the funeral, offering a tantalizing clue about her mother's demise. Belle is lured into the barbed embrace of *La Maison de Méduse*, the same lavish, culty spa to which her mother was devoted. There, Belle discovers the frightening secret behind her (and her mother's) obsession with the mirror — and the great shimmering depths that lurk on the other side of the glass.

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HEMLOCK ISLAND
A NOVEL

Kelley Armstrong

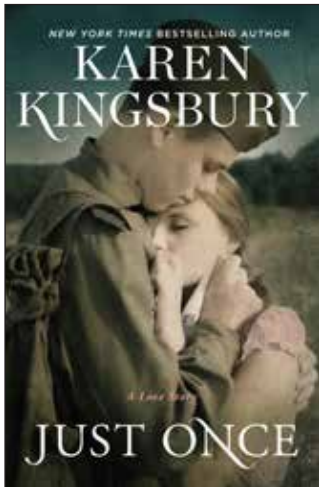
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

"A must-read for fans of atmospheric and occult horror with intricate storytelling."
— Library Journal

Laney Kilpatrick has been renting her vacation home to strangers. But broken belongings and campfires that nearly burn down the house have escalated to bloody bones, hex circles, and blood and nail marks all over the guest room closet. When Laney shows up to investigate, she discovers that her ex, Kit, is there. Then Sadie, an old high school friend, charts over with her brother, who's a cop. There are tensions and secrets, whispers in the woods, and before long, the discovery of a body. But by that time, someone has taken off with their only means off the island, and they're trapped with someone — or something — that doesn't want them leaving the island alive.

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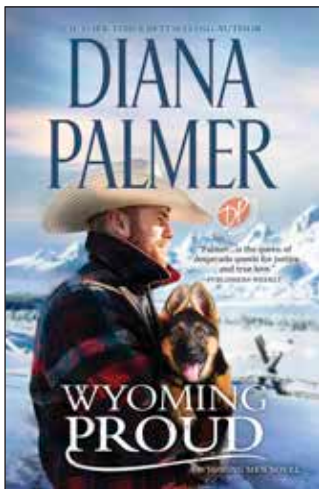
Karen Kingsbury

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
EDITOR'S CHOICE #3

In 1941, Irvel Holland is dating Sam but in love with his younger brother, Hank. When Pearl Harbor is attacked their lives are turned upside down overnight and Sam is drafted. Harbor is attacked. With their lives turned upside down overnight, Sam is drafted. While Sam fights in Europe, an undeniable chemistry builds between Irvel and Hank. Then two military leaders pay Irvel a visit. The men have plans for her that will take her into the spy world of World War II. When a telegram arrives with devastating news, Hank enlists the next day, and just two weeks remain until he and Irvel ship out. Will any of them make it home alive? Or will Irvel lose everything? And can love find a way, even from the ashes of the greatest heartbreak?

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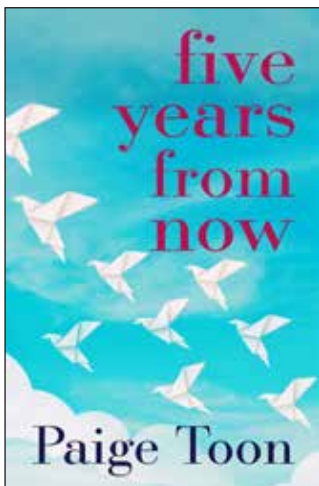
Wyoming Men • Book 12

Diana Palmer
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR
EDITOR'S CHOICE #5

It takes one night for Erienne Mitchell to fall heart-first for architect Ty Mosby. But when a devastating mistake tears them apart, Erienne flees to Wyoming with a secret she hopes Ty never discovers. She did nothing wrong, and she'll never ask Ty to forgive her. She'll support herself . . . and the baby growing inside her. How can she be with a man who doesn't trust her? Ty knows exactly what he's lost, and he'll do anything to beg for her forgiveness and win back her trust. When he finds her, she's just as proud as he remembers. Is it too late for him to make amends . . . or is destiny about to test them in an even bigger way?

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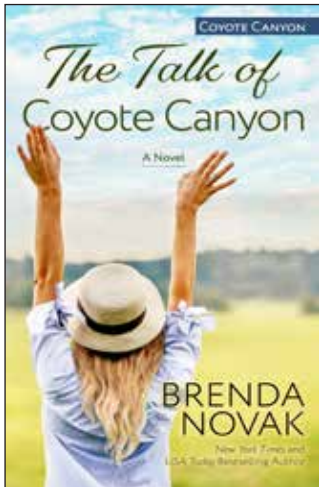
FIVE YEARS FROM NOW

Paige Toon

Nell and Van meet as children when their parents fall in love. They become best friends and each other's whole world. Then tragedy strikes and Van is sent to the other side of the globe. Five years later, they find each other again. But they're no longer children and the bond between them smolders into flames. New feelings surprise them both. They are destined, soulmates. Until an untimely discovery tears them apart again. For the next two decades, fate brings Nell and Van together every five years, even as life and circumstance divide them. They will have to make a choice, but it's bigger than their lives alone. Is it bigger than their love?

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THE TALK OF COYOTE CANYON

A NOVEL

Coyote Canyon • Book 2

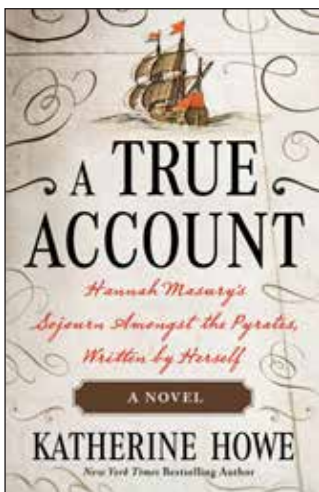
Brenda Novak

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR

Ellen Truesdale doesn't fit in with the other folks in Coyote Canyon — and that's just fine with her. She's only here to put her father out of business, as payback for abandoning her when she was young. Or is she more interested in proving that she was worth keeping? Either way, she's struggling to keep her rival well-drilling company afloat. When Hendrix Durrant steps in to help, Ellen has no choice but to let him. But the closer she works with him, the more she sees what she's been missing. And once she lets go of her anger long enough to learn the truth about her past, she might just find the family she's always wanted.

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A TRUE ACCOUNT ★

HANNAH MASURY'S SOJOURN AMONGST THE PYRATES, WRITTEN BY HERSELF

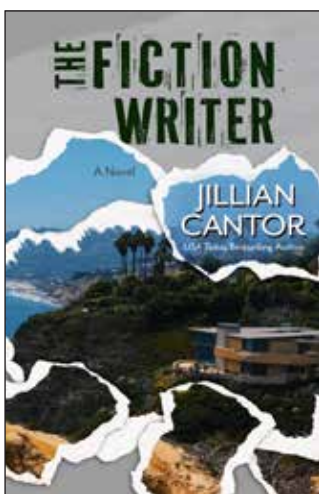
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Soccer mom Lara Love Hardin has been funding her heroin addiction by stealing her neighbors' credit cards. She is convicted of thirty-two felonies and becomes inmate S32179. When she's released, she reinvents herself as a ghostwriter. But shame is a poison worse than heroin. Lara must learn how to forgive herself, navigate life as a felon on probation, and prove to herself that she is more good than bad. *The Many Lives of Mama Love* is a tender journey from shame to redemption, despite a system that makes it almost impossible for us to move beyond the worst thing we have ever done.

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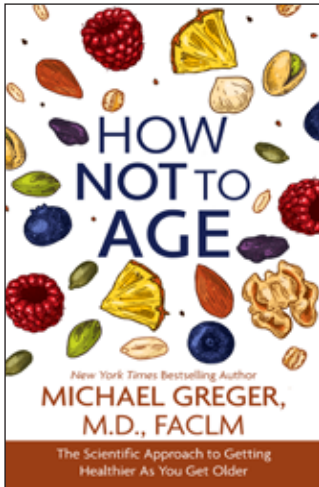
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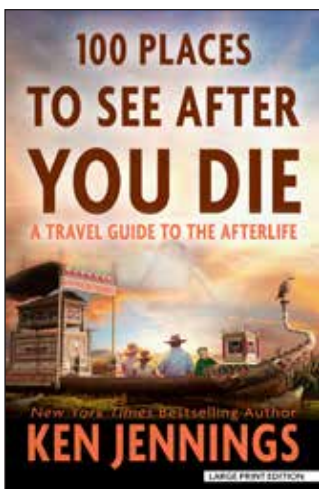
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When NASA sent astronauts to the moon in the 1960s and 1970s the agency excluded women. Eventually, though, NASA opened the application process to a wider array of hopefuls. From a candidate pool of 8,000 six elite women were selected in 1978 — Sally Ride, Judy Resnik, Anna Fisher, Kathy Sullivan, Shannon Lucid, and Rhea Seddon. Together, the Six helped build the tools that made the space program run. One of the group, Judy Resnik, sacrificed her life when the Challenger exploded. Everyone knows of Sally Ride's history-making first space ride, but each of the Six would make their mark.

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A NOVEL

Liz Nugent

“Nugent fashions an unforgettable protagonist in Sally, and never loses sight of her characters’ fundamental humanity, even as she piles on twists and steers the narrative into exceptional darkness.”
— starred, Publishers Weekly

Reclusive Sally Diamond causes outrage by trying to incinerate her dead father. Now she’s the center of attention, not only from the hungry media and police detectives, but also a sinister voice from a past she does not remember. As she begins to discover the horrors of her early childhood, Sally steps into the world for the first time, making new friends, big decisions, and learning that people don’t always mean what they say. But who is the man observing Sally from the other side of the world, and why does he call her Mary? And why does her new neighbor seem to be obsessed with her?

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SOME OF US ARE LOOKING ★

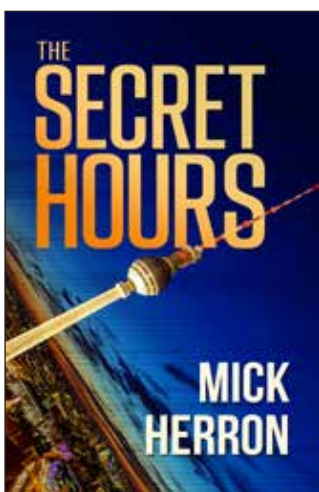
A County Kerry Novel

Carlene O'Connor

In Dimpna Wilde’s veterinary practice, a meteor shower has elevated the usual gossip to include talk of shooting stars, but there are also matters nearer at hand to discuss — including the ragtag caravan of young people selling wares by the roadside. One of their members is a beautiful young woman named Brigid Sweeney. On the night of the meteor shower, Dimpna finds Brigid’s body tied to a tree, her left hand severed. She has bled to death. The deeper Dimpna and Detective Sargeant Cormac O’Brien investigate, the more ominous the signs seem to be, laced with a warning that Dimpna fears will prove fatal to overlook.

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THE SECRET HOURS ★★★

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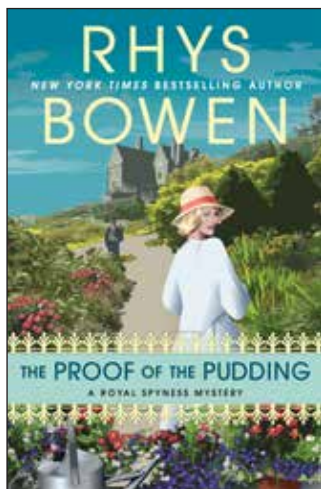
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“Herron is a master at portraying the dark, disturbing world of espionage . . . Gripping, cryptic, tragic, and suspenseful, this must-read will keep readers riveted from first page to last.” — starred, Booklist

Two years ago, a hostile Prime Minister launched the Monochrome inquiry to ferret out any hint of misconduct by any MI5 officer. But MI5’s formidable First Desk did not become Britain’s top spy by accident, and she has successfully thwarted the inquiry at every turn. Now the administration that created Monochrome has been ousted and Griselda and Malcolm are stuck watching as their career prospects are washed away. Until the eve of Monochrome’s shuttering, when an MI5 case file appears without explanation. It is the buried history of a classified operation in 1994 Berlin that ended in tragedy and scandal, whose cover-up has rewritten thirty years of service history.

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A Royal Spyness Mystery

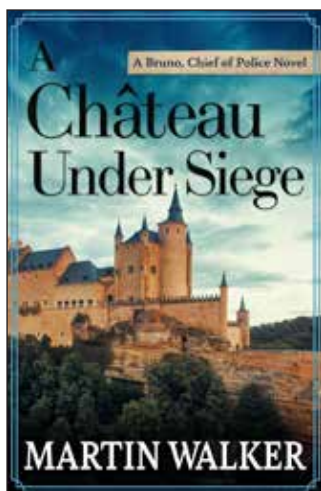
Rhys Bowen

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
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Georgie's new chef, Pierre, has arrived from Paris, and it's time for Georgie to throw her first house party to show him off. The party is a smashing success. Sir Mortimer Mordred — famous author of Gothic horror novels — is one of the guests. After the dinner, Sir Mortimer approaches Georgie and asks to borrow her new chef for his upcoming party, and Georgie and Darcy, her husband, are invited! Just after the banquet several of the guests become sick. And one dies, apparently poisoned. But how could this be when they all ate the same meal? Georgie has to find the culprit to save her new chef and her own reputation!

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A CHÂTEAU UNDER SIEGE

A Bruno, Chief of Police Novel

Martin Walker

The town of Sarlat is staging a re-enactment of its liberation from the British in the Hundred Years War when the play's hero, Brice Kerquelin, is stabbed and feared fatally wounded. Bruno is tasked with the safety of his old Silicon Valley buddies, in town for a reunion. One friend, a tycoon in chip fabrication, soon goes missing, and Bruno suspects there may be a link to the French government's efforts to build a chip industry in Europe. Wading through a tangle of secrets, Bruno begins to parse fact from fiction — while, of course, finding time to put together some splendid meals.

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THE LONG AGO

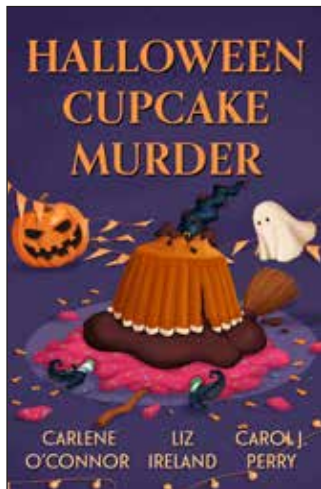
A NOVEL

Michael McGarrity

Growing up, siblings Raymond and Barbara Lansdale held their chaotic world together through their shared childhood fantasy of *The Long Ago*: a place where happiness and tranquility reigned. But imagination only goes so far. To escape his painful past, Ray joins the army and finds a career that gives him a sense of purpose and the promise of adventure. Recent news of his sister's disappearance brings Ray home on leave. Determined to find Barbara, Ray embarks on a relentless search that takes him to the streets of L.A. and beyond. As time dwindles, he must confront his worst nightmare. What if Barbara's search for *The Long Ago* ended in a shallow, unmarked grave?

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HALLOWEEN CUPCAKE MURDER

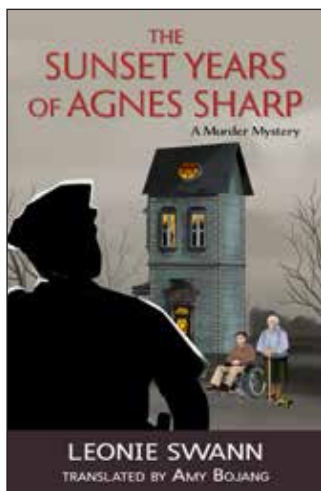
Carlene O'Connor, Liz Ireland, Carol J. Perry

"The three cozy writers successfully exploit the deadly-cupcake theme in entertaining mysteries that will appeal to readers looking for a holiday treat." — Library Journal

In *Halloween Cupcake Murder* by Carlene O'Connor, Tara Meehan finds herself tangled in a mystery with ancient Gaelic roots, but very modern — and very deadly — consequences. In *Mrs. Claus and the Candy Corn Caper* by Liz Ireland, tragedy strikes at Santaland's newest bakery. The only clue is a cupcake, leaving Mrs. Claus to sort through tricks and treats as she races to unmask a Halloween fiend. In *A Triple Layer Halloween Murder* by Carol J. Perry, rumors swirl after a wealthy bakery owner goes missing. Now, Lee must conjure clues to reveal the missing millionaire . . . or the truth about his disappearance.

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THE SUNSET YEARS OF AGNES SHARP

A MURDER MYSTERY

Leonie Swann, translated by Amy Bojang

LIBRARYREADS PICK

"Swann creates a world so witty and playful that readers may need to keep reminding themselves that there really is a murderer out there, or in here. An antic, moving celebration of life's final chapters."

— Kirkus Reviews

It has been an eventful morning for Agnes Sharp and the other inhabitants of Sunset Hall. A body has been discovered next door. Everyone is relieved the body in question is not the one they're hiding in the shed (sorry, Lillith). It seems the answer to their little problem with Lillith may have fallen right into their laps. All they have to do is find out who murdered their neighbor, so they can pin Lillith's death on them. Agnes and her geriatric gang step out of their comfort zone and tangle with sinister bakers, inept criminals, the local authorities, and their own dark secrets.

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AN AMERICAN IN SCOTLAND

A Scottish Isle Mystery

Lucy Connelly

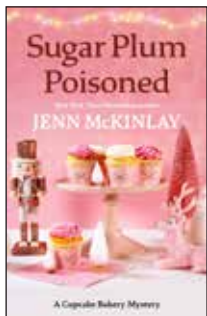
"An atmospheric, character-driven debut. . . [For] fans of Carlene O'Connor's Irish mysteries."

— starred, Library Journal

Sea Isle was supposed to be the fresh start Dr. Emilia McRoy dreamed of. Far from the busy emergency room in Seattle, she hoped to settle down as a small-town doctor. When she stumbles across a dead body, she starts to think that she may not be as Scot free of the drama and intrigue as she initially thought. She discovers that part of her new responsibilities includes being the coroner for the very body she found. When the body goes missing before she can even begin the autopsy, Emilia must convince the townspeople that a crime did, in fact, occur. Emilia McRoy is determined to find the murderer before they kill again.

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SUGAR PLUM POISONED

A Cupcake Bakery Mystery

Jenn McKinlay

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

"Multitudes of motives make it difficult to catch the killer in this sweet tale."

— Kirkus Reviews

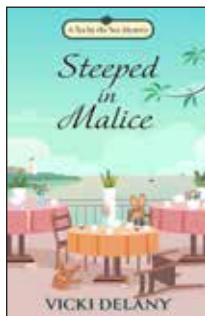
When singing sensation Shelby Vaughn arrives in town for two weeks of concert dates, she hires Angie to

supply cupcakes for the VIP guest lounge every night. After overhearing Shelby in a heated argument with her manager, Mel is concerned. Just as the bakers fall into the rhythm of the job, Shelby's manager is found dead, clutching a bit of fabric from a Santa suit and a cupcake. With the bakery crew and Shelby's backup dancers all dressed in similar Santa costumes, it's impossible to say who is the killer. When all suspicions lead back to Shelby, Mel and Angie stand up for their friend, determined to prove her innocence.

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STEEPED IN MALICE

A Tea by the Sea Mystery

Vicki Delany

Afternoon tea isn't just about flavorful brews and delicious treats. It's also about presentation — fine china teacups with coordinated saucers and plates. With her stock running low, Lily visits an antiques fair for replacements. She snaps

up a Peter Rabbit-themed tea set in a wicker basket, but later a woman named Kimberly demands to buy it back — then removes an envelope hidden in the basket's lining. An acquaintance of Lily's is on the trail of the tea set too. She and Kimberly are searching for their mother's will. Then one of the sisters is found dead and it'll take some savvy sleuthing from Lily to find the answers.

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SCAREDY CAT

A Second Chance Cat Mystery

Sofie Ryan

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

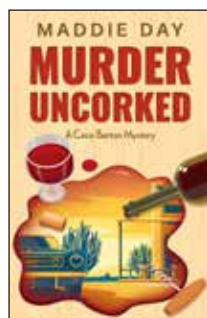
It seems as though spring may be arriving early in Maine. Sarah Grayson is busy at her store, Second Chance, and she's looking forward to tagging along to the North Harbor Spring House Tour with her friend Detective Michelle

Andrews. But it turns out one of the houses has a haunted history, and when a ghost hunter is found dead on the premises, Sarah knows the best way to solve the mystery is by investigating the not-so-dearly departed. With help from Charlotte's Angels, the crew of senior citizen private detectives who work out of the store, she'll close the case on this creepy crime.

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MURDER UNCORKED

A Cece Barton Mystery

Maddie Day

As manager of Vino y Vida Wine Bar in Colinas, Cecelia "Cece" Barton's first harvest is a whirlwind of activity. But Cece barely has a moment to enjoy her new home in between worrying about her college-age daughter, juggling her responsibilities at the

bar, and navigating the sticky politics of the local wine association. Just when it seems things can't grow any more intense, Colinas is rocked by a murder and Cece is identified as a possible suspect! With her reputation and livelihood on the line, Cece is determined to catch the killer and clear her name before everything she's worked so hard for goes up in flames.

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EVERYTHING IS NOT ENOUGH
A NOVEL
Lola Akinmade Åkerström

Kemi Adeyemi has finally found the man she needs, but Tobias Wikström thinks she's selfish for asking him to give up his life in Sweden. As things begin to challenge her relationship with Tobias, someone else moves back into the picture. Looking into

divorce in Sweden isn't what Brittany-Rae von Lundin anticipated. Brittany gave up her career and came with nothing into Jonny's kingdom. Having had a child with him, her greatest fear for Maya includes being cut off from the resources she's become accustomed to. After fleeing her home to seek a new life in Sweden, Yasmiin must move beyond her teenage history while following her dreams of becoming a makeup artist.

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TAKE THE LONG WAY HOME
A NOVEL
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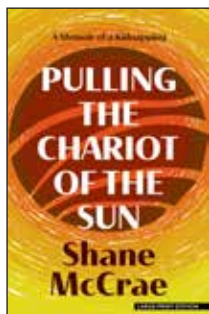
Freedom fighter, businessperson, wife, master of languages, and ultimately, savior of a European dynasty. Claudia Patterson would become all of these — spurred on by powerful loves and losses along the way. *Denny Clark*. A thirteen-year-old

white boy whose life twelve-year-old Claudia saves. *Robert Moore*. Claudia's husband and partner on the front lines of the Civil Rights Movement. *Ashley Booth*. A Wall Street executive who brings the glamour of New York alive for the widowed Claudia. *Giancarlo Pasquale Fortenza*. An Italian automobile industrialist with whom Claudia reconnects, bringing her life full circle in the boldest, bravest, and most unexpected ways.

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A MEMOIR OF A KIDNAPPING
Shane McCrae

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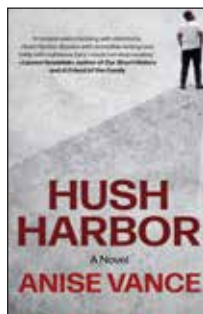
"Intricately wrought and unrelenting in its honesty . . . the text sings with a gorgeously wrought tension . . . original and satisfying."
— Kirkus Reviews

When Shane McCrae was three years old, his grandparents kidnapped him and took him to suburban Texas. His mom was white and his dad was Black, and to hide his Blackness from him, his maternal grandparents stole him from his father. They manipulated and controlled him, refusing to acknowledge his heritage. But despite elaborate fabrications and unreliable memories, Shane begins to reconstruct his own story and to forge his own identity. Gradually, the truth unveils itself, and with the truth, comes a path to reuniting with his father and finding his own place in the world.

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HUSH HARBOR
A NOVEL
Anise Vance

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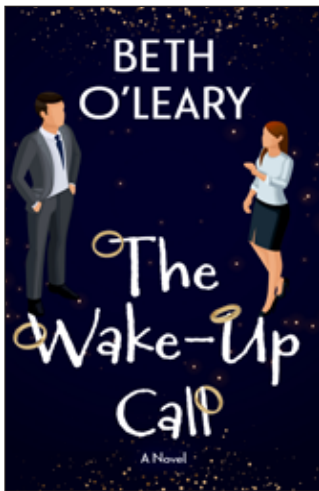
After the murder of an unarmed Black teenager by the hands of the police, protests spread like wildfire in Bliss City, New Jersey. A full-scale resistance group takes control of an abandoned housing project and

decide to call it Hush Harbor, in homage to the secret spaces their enslaved ancestors would gather to pray. Jeremiah Prince, alongside his sister Nova, are leaders of the revolution, but have ideological differences regarding how the movement should proceed. When a new mayor with ties to white supremacists threatens the group's pseudo-sanctuary and locks the city down, the collective must come to a decision for their very survival.

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THE WAKE-UP CALL

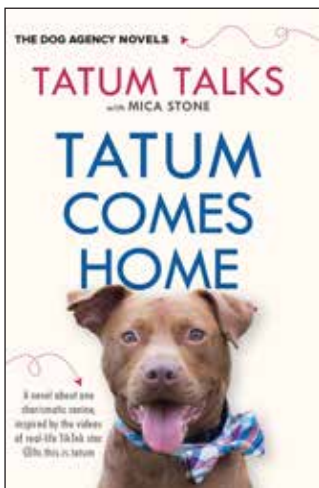
Beth O'Leary

"O'Leary returns with a humorous and poignant rom-com set at a boutique hotel in southern England."
— Publishers Weekly

Forest Manor Hotel is quite literally falling apart. So, when Izzy and Lucas are given the same shift on the hotel's front desk, they have no choice but to put their differences aside and see it through. But when Izzy returns a guest's lost wedding ring, the reward convinces management that this might be the way to fix everything. With four rings still sitting in the lost & found, the race is on for Izzy and Lucas to save their hotel — and their jobs. As their bitter rivalry turns into something more complicated, Izzy and Lucas begin to wonder if there's more at stake than the hotel's future. Can the two of them make it through the season with their hearts intact?

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TATUM COMES HOME

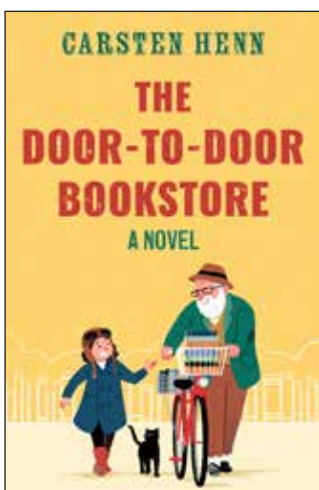
The Dog Agency Novels • Book 1

Tatum Talks, Mica Stone

Tatum, a rescue dog, is enjoying a trip to the hardware store with his dad when a thunderstorm blows in. Frightened, Tatum scampers off to hide and buries himself beneath a blanket on a nearby truck. When Tatum wakes, he's hours from home. The truck's kind owner promises to get him back to his family, but that'll be no easy feat. Tatum lost his collar during his travels, and with power out because of the storm, the local vet can't scan for a chip. But Tatum has a knack for making friends — and for letting humans know exactly what's on his mind. The people Tatum meets on his journey are eager to do their part to get him home.

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THE DOOR-TO-DOOR BOOKSTORE

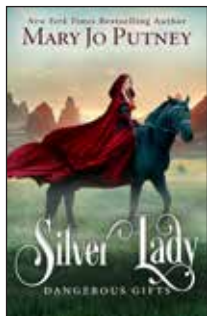
A NOVEL

Carsten Henn

Small-town German bookseller Carl Kollhoff delivers his books to special customers in the evening hours after closing time, walking through the picturesque alleys of the city. These people are almost like friends to him, and he is their most important connection to the world. When Kollhoff unexpectedly loses his job, it takes the power of books and a nine-year-old girl to make them all find the courage to rebuild their bonds with each other.

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SILVER LADY
Dangerous Gifts • Book 1
Mary Jo Putney

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
A sense of duty sends Bran Tremayne to Cornwall to confront his heritage of British nobility. Abandoned at birth, Bran wants nothing to do with the remains of his family. But as a special agent for the Home Office, he can't

turn away from the vulnerable woman he encounters in the Cornish countryside. Merryn's amnesia makes her past a mystery to them both, but Bran uncovers that she is at the center of a plot between French agents and Cornish smugglers. From misty woodlands to stormy shores, the two join forces with a band of loyal Cornishmen to bring down a common enemy. Yet will their growing love survive the coming peril?

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THE CHRISTMAS CABIN
The Carolina Girls • Book 6
Michelle Major

Lauren Maxwell thought she'd left her hometown in the rearview mirror years ago, but a message from her brother, Brody, changes all that. He's getting married on Christmas Eve. So a holiday at Camp Blossom, the sleepaway camp that had been a

haven during her growing-up years, it is. Lauren won't even have to see her ex-husband, Ben. When Ben greets her at the surprisingly decrepit cabin, he's just as stubborn as ever. But the magic of the Christmas season brings back memories Lauren tried so hard to forget. As the spark between them rekindles, Lauren realizes that second chances are real. And they're worth fighting for.

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I'LL BE HOME FOR CHRISTMAS
A Novel

Debbie Macomber, Brenda Novak, Sherryl Woods

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHORS PUBLISHERS WEEKLY BESTSELLER

In *Silver Bells* by Debbie Macomber, a single dad's rambunctious teenage daughter hatches a plot to find her father a wife, and she has just the

woman in mind. In *On a Snowy Christmas* by Brenda Novak, when their private plane crashes in the Sierra Nevada, two political enemies discover that survival means more than just staying alive. In their case, it also means falling in love. In *The Perfect Holiday* by Sherryl Woods, what's a holiday without a handsome husband? To a matchmaking aunt, it isn't very festive at all! So she sends the perfect man to her single niece. But will he become the perfect groom-to-be by Christmastime?

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Contemporary Romance | Releases 12/20/2023
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WITCH OF WILD THINGS ★★
Raquel Vasquez Gilliland

"Gilliland's adult fiction debut is a beautifully written, entrancing novel that is a must-buy for all collections." — starred, Library Journal

Sage Flores has been running from her family — and their "gifts" — ever since her younger sister Sky died. Eight years later, Sage reluctantly

returns to her hometown. She takes back her job at Cranberry Rose Company and uses her ability to communicate with plants to discover unusual heritage specimens in the surrounding lands. What should be a simple task is complicated by her partner in botany sleuthing: Tennessee Reyes. He broke her heart in high school, and she never fully recovered. Sage doesn't have time for romance, but being with Tenn is like standing in the middle of a field on the cusp of a summer thunderstorm — supercharged and inevitable.

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Paranormal Romance | Releases 12/20/2023
Available in Romance 4.



MARSHALING HER HEART

Wyoming Sunrise • Book 3

Mary Connealy

Becky Pruitt has always prided herself on knowing everything that's happening on her successful ranch, so an unexpected admission from her foreman, Nate Paxton, comes as quite a surprise. With the notorious Deadeye Gang on the loose, Nate —

a former U.S. marshal — believes Becky's ranch is the best spot for a group of marshals to use as a base to hunt them down. If there's anyone she can trust with her ranch, and her heart, it might be Nate. But the outlaws won't go away quietly, and as danger draws ever nearer, Becky and Nate are faced with impossible choices that will test their growing bond.

ISBN: 9798885794671 | \$31.99 U.S.

Christian Romance | Releases 12/6/2023

Available in Christian Romance 2, 3 & 4.



JULIA MONROE BEGINS AGAIN

Beignets for Two • Book 1

Rebekah Millet

"Readers will be charmed by Millet's sympathetic characters . . . and the romance at the story's center uplifts without being saccharine or overdone. It's a heart-warmer." — Publishers Weekly

Julia Monroe has just turned forty and has high hopes for a fresh start

after the last decade of her life abruptly left her a young widow and a single mom. With both her boys off to college, she can finally focus on expanding her cleaning business. But God has other plans. Samuel Reed, the Green Beret who shattered her heart over twenty years ago, has returned to town. After their first interaction in years leaves her mind spinning, Julia knows she needs to avoid him, but her meddling best friend keeps throwing them together. And now it seems inevitable that the man who was hard to forget might just be impossible to resist.

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Christian Romance | Releases 12/6/2023

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GARDEN OF THE MIDNIGHTS

Hannah Linder

As English gentleman William Kensley becomes aware of the danger at Rosenleigh Manor, he pleads for the truth of his past from the only man he can trust — until that man is murdered. As the secrets unfold into scandal, William's world is tipped into destitution, leaving him penniless

and alone. His only comfort is in the constant friendship and love of Isabella Gresham. He should have known that would be ripped from him too. When a hidden foe arises from their acquaintances and imperils Isabella's life, William may be the only one willing to risk his life to rescue her. But even if he frees Isabella from her captors, will he still have to forsake her heart?

ISBN: 9798885794763 | \$30.99 U.S.

Christian Romance | Releases 12/6/2023

Available in Christian Romance 4.



WHITewater WISHES

Romance in the Park • Book 1

Katherine Robles

Bridget plans to spend her summer working as a white-water rafting guide and studying for her beautician's license exam. She isn't looking for romance, and she isn't impressed with nerdy nurse Drew when he steps into her raft, but she

finds it hard to resist his passion for life. Drew loves helping people heal, but after one of his patients dies, Drew feels the need to seize the day. So, he faces his fear of open water and goes white-water rafting. He's attracted to Bridget, but when injury capsizes Bridget's career, they'll need strength beyond their own to keep their love afloat.

ISBN: 9798885794756 | \$30.99 U.S.

Christian Romance | Releases 12/6/2023

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HER SECRET HOPE

A Season in Pinecraft • Book 3

Shelley Shepard Gray

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

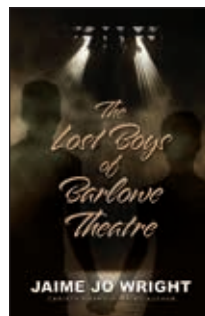
Almost two years after Lilly Kurtz first traveled to Pinecraft, Florida, she's decided to make a fresh start there. At first, everything goes well. But it turns out the past is reluctant to be left behind. When Lilly meets

hardworking farmer Eddie Byler, she can't get him off of her mind. But then she discovers that Eddie actually lives just a few miles from her hometown in Ohio. Lilly knows that he's not going to like it when he finds out what secrets she's been running from. Will Lilly have to give up on love in order to find peace? Or could it be that love is actually the solution to all of her problems?

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Christian Fiction | Releases 12/6/2023

Available in Christian Fiction 2, 3, 4 & 5.



THE LOST BOYS OF BARLOWE THEATER

Jaime Jo Wright

"A delightfully creepy tale where nothing is quite as it seems." — Library Journal

Barlowe Theater stole the life of Greta Mercy's eldest brother during its construction. Now in 1915, the theater appears every bit as deadly. When Greta's younger brother goes

missing after breaking into the building, Greta decides she must uncover the evil that haunts the theater and put its threat to rest. Decades later, Kit Boyd's best friend vanishes during a ghost walk at Barlowe Theater, and old stories of mysterious disappearances and ghoulish happenings are revived. As the theater's curse unravels Kit's life, she is determined to put an end to the evil that has marked the theater for the last century.

ISBN: 9798885792349 | \$32.99 U.S.

Christian Mystery | Releases 12/6/2023

Available in Christian Fiction 3, 4 & 5.



WITHIN THESE WALLS OF SORROW

A NOVEL OF WORLD WAR II POLAND

Amanda Barratt

"An intimate look at the Holocaust, capturing how faith and selflessness can persist even in dire times. Moving and effective, this inspirational finds light in the darkest of places." — Publishers Weekly

Zosia Lewandowska knows the brutal realities of war all too well. As ghetto walls rise and the occupiers tighten their grip on the city of Krakow, Zosia joins pharmacist Tadeusz Pankiewicz and his staff in the heart of the Krakow ghetto as they risk their lives to aid the Jewish people trapped by Nazi oppression. Hania Silverman's carefree girlhood is shattered as her family is forced into the ghetto. Zosia and Hania's lives intertwine, until one day they are forced to make a desperate choice that will inexorably bind them together, even as they are torn apart.

ISBN: 9798885794688 | \$31.99 U.S.

Historical Fiction | Releases 12/6/2023

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THE WIND BLOWS IN SLEEPING GRASS

Katie Powner

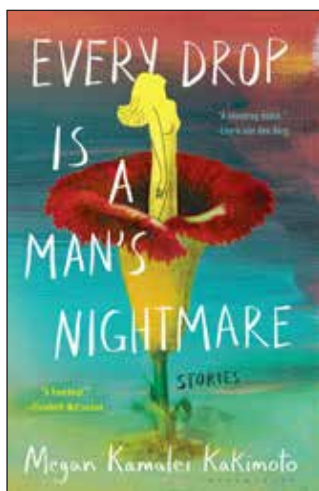
After years of drifting, fifty-year-old Pete Ryman has settled down in the small Montana town of Sleeping Grass — a place he never expected to see again. Elderly widow Wilma Jacobsen carries a burden of guilt over her part in events that led to

Pete leaving Sleeping Grass decades ago. Now that he's back, she's been praying for the chance to make things right. When the younger sister Pete was separated from as a child shows up in Sleeping Grass with her son, Pete is forced to face a past he buried long ago, and Wilma discovers her long-awaited chance at redemption may come at a higher cost than she's willing to pay.

ISBN: 9798885792332 | \$31.99 U.S.

Christian Mystery | Releases 12/6/2023

Available in Christian Fiction 4 & 5.



EVERY DROP IS A MAN'S NIGHTMARE ★★

STORIES

Megan Kamalei Kakimoto

INDIE NEXT PICK

"Magical events illuminate the all-too-real problems of Hawaiian women in an impressive story collection."
— Kirkus Reviews

Megan Kamalei Kakimoto's sensational debut story collection follows a cast of mixed native Hawaiian and Japanese women through a contemporary landscape thick with inherited wisdom and the ghosts of colonization. This is a Hawai'i where unruly sexuality and generational memory overflow the postcard image of paradise and the boundaries of the real, where the superstitions born of the islands take on the weight of truth. *Every Drop Is a Man's Nightmare* is both a love letter to Hawaiian identity and mythology and a searing dispatch from an occupied territory threatening to erupt.

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General Fiction | Releases 12/6/2023



SAMMY ESPINOZA'S LAST REVIEW ★

A NOVEL

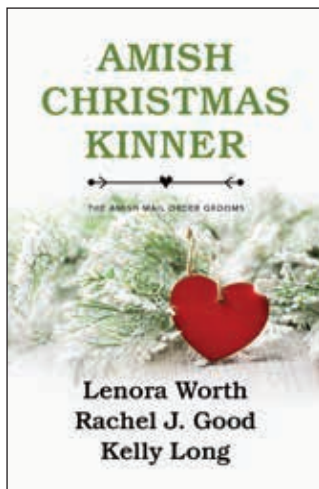
Tehlor Kay Mejia

"[A] beautiful story of a complex woman finding her way in the world." — Library Journal

Sammy Espinoza's in hot water at work, and she has one last chance before her editor cuts her column. Luckily, Sammy has a plan to redeem herself. Rumor has it that Max Ryan, the former rock god, is recording his first-ever solo album years after he dramatically quit performing. And it just so happens that right before Max got his big break, he and Sammy spent an unforgettable night together. Exclusive access to Max's new music would guarantee Sammy's professional comeback. But Max lives in Washington, and Sammy has history there as well. Going back would mean confronting it all — but what else does she have to lose?

ISBN: 9798885794909 | \$34.99 U.S.

General Fiction | Releases 12/6/2023



AMISH CHRISTMAS KINNER

The Amish Mail Order Grooms • Book 3

Lenora Worth, Rachel J. Good, Kelly Long

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR

In *Christmas Eve Baby* by Lenora Worth, a laboring mother-to-be shows up at the Shadow Lake Inn amid a snowstorm. In *Best Christmas Program Ever* by Rachel J. Good, on Emily Flaud's second day at the Green Valley Farmer's Market, two hungry children snatch some cheese samples — and Emily's heart. In *Loving Luke* by Kelly Long, when Luke King appears, Grace Fisher sees a scruffy man who looks far from husband material. Yet with faith, each may gain the courage to see beneath the surface and create a family for many Christmases to come.

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Christian Fiction | Releases 12/20/2023



RUTH'S GINGER SNAP SURPRISE

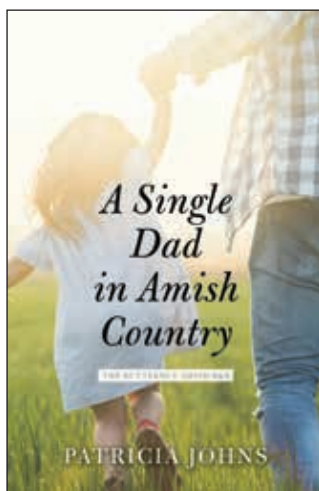
The Heart of the Amish • Book 2

Anne Blackburne

Ruth Helmuth tends her herd of goats, making her living from the milk and fiber she gets from them, all while running a farm and household by herself! How could she imagine the bishop suggesting she should give it all up to another family, who will “make better use of the space”? Enter widower Jonas Hershberger, father of a 4-year-old daughter. Jonas is in need of a larger place to house his growing business. Can two independent souls learn to work together for their mutual good? And will they be willing to explore what grows between them? Or will Ruth's fear and Jonas' caution kill their love before it has a chance to grow?

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Christian Fiction | Releases 12/20/2023



A SINGLE DAD IN AMISH COUNTRY

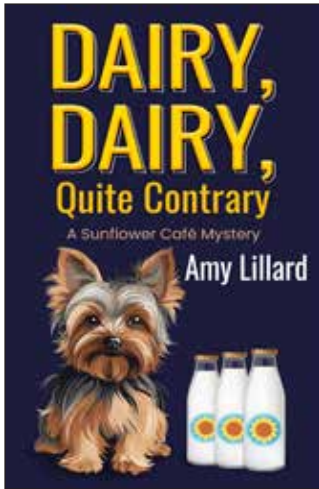
The Butternut Amish B&B • Book 2

Patricia Johns

All single mom and soon-to-be commercial pilot Hazel Dobbs expects from her Amish B&B vacation is gorgeous farmland, fresh air and delicious food. No one mentioned handsome landscaper Joe Carter — or his irrepressible little girl. Suddenly Hazel sees the possibilities of a whole new family. But with her biggest dream finally on the horizon, falling in love looks like the ultimate crash landing.

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Christian Fiction | Releases 12/20/2023



DAIRY, DAIRY, QUITE CONTRARY

A Sunflower Café Mystery • Book 1

Amy Lillard

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

After Sissy’s rodeo cowboy boyfriend turns out to be more of a rodeo clown, she packs a bag, bound for her parents’ former hometown. There are still plenty of Yoders in Yoder, Kansas, including Sissy’s aunt Bethel, who owns the Sunflower Café. It’s a homecoming of sorts as Sissy arrives to help in the café and reunite with her pregnant cousin Lizzie. Plus, she can continue to secretly write her newspaper advice column as seventy-year-old “Aunt Bess.” But it’s Sissy who could use some advice when she finds the milk deliveryman with a knife in his back. It’s up to Sissy to catch the backstabber before someone else gets creamed.

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Cozy Mystery | Releases 12/20/2023



THEIR HOLIDAY SECRET

Betsy St. Amant

Preston Green will do anything for a fake girlfriend — even bid on one at a charity auction. Sweet and quirky baker Lulu Boyd is the perfect choice to stop his mother’s constant matchmaking. And it’s just for one holiday family dinner — until his father’s failing health makes ending their ruse impossible. Soon it feels all too real . . . but another secret might make this their last Christmas together.

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A FAMILY FOR THANKSGIVING

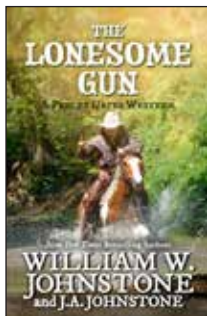
A Ranch to Call Home • Book 2

M. K. Stelmack

When Natalia Garin’s brother dies suddenly, she vows to do what’s best for Sadie, her niece. Even if that means working with Sadie’s uncle, ranch hand Brock Holloway. Natalia wants to take Sadie home with her to the city, but the small town of Spirit Lake starts to grow on her . . . and so does Brock. Can Natalia and Brock find common ground to form a forever family?

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Contemporary Romance | Releases 12/20/2023



THE LONESOME GUN

A Perley Gates Western • Book 7

**William W. Johnstone and
J. A. Johnstone**

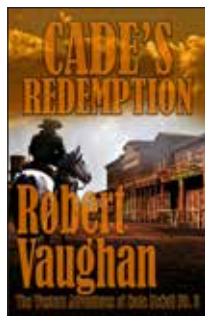
**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHORS
USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHORS**

Perley's elder brother, Rubin, who manages the Triple-G Ranch, decides to try breeding some Hereford cattle and asks Perley to deliver the contract. But nothing ever remains simple when Perley is involved. When Perley and his sidekick, Possum, cross paths with a gang of vicious outlaws, things turn deadly. It only gets worse from there, for Perley agrees to escort them to Nacogdoches — next to Angelina County, a section of which is infested with the Tarpley family. And this corrupt clan has a gunslinger — who'd love nothing more than to take down a living legend like Perley Gates.

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CADE'S REDEMPTION

The Western Adventures of
Cade McCall • Book 3

Robert Vaughan

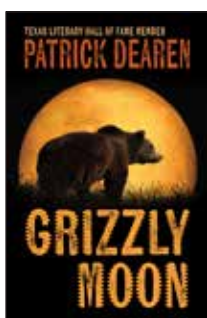
**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
SPUR AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR**

Trying to recover from the grief over the death of his wife, Cade McCall settles in Dodge City, "Hell on the Plains." While drunk, Cade loses the saloon that he owns in partnership with Jeter Willis, rupturing a friendship that had stood for years. Caught up in the infamy of lawlessness and gun slinging that is Dodge City, Cade fights the battle against his own despair, and against the Slater Brothers who are trying to take over the town. He is aided in the struggle by his newfound friend, Bat Masterson, old friend Jacob Harrison and the renewed friendship with Jeter Willis.

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GRIZZLY MOON

Patrick Dearen

SPUR AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR

For nineteen years, Wash Baker has been haunted by firing into the night at what he thought was a grizzly, only to kill his young son and narrowly miss a second boy, Trey. Now, in 1899, confirmed tracks of grizzly have been found at a Davis Mountains camp meeting attended by Wash and his daughter, Grace. The congregants include Trey, now an adult and courting Grace, and Trey's father, Ed Mulholland. With all of them now striking out to hunt down this grizzly, Wash has a chance to right the wrongful shot. Meanwhile, up from Mexico has come Rosindo Mesa, seeking to kill the same grizzly before the next full moon in order to free his dead father's wandering soul.

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BUFFALO SOLDIER ODYSSEY

James D. Crownover

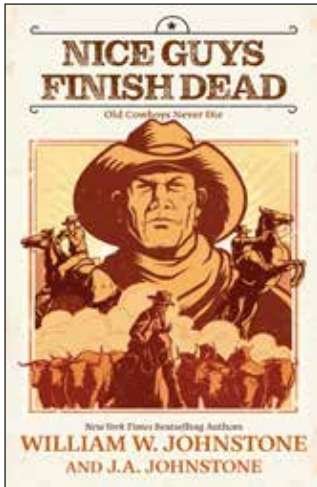
SPUR AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR

Freedom following the Civil War destruction of the plantation where Isaac "Ike" Casey was born and raised plunges the young man into a world of violence and uncertainty. A chance encounter with a ship's captain provides Ike with a non-paying job aboard a cargo vessel. At journey's end, he finds himself in Texas. There, he is approached by a recruiting officer of the Ninth Regiment of Cavalry of the United States Army. Joining on the promise of three-square meals a day, decent clothing, and \$13 per month in pay, Ike begins an odyssey that will take him from a lifetime of passive servitude to one of strength and confidence as a member of the fabled Buffalo Soldiers.

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NICE GUYS FINISH DEAD

Old Cowboys Never Die • Book 2

William W. Johnstone and J. A. Johnstone

**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHORS
USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHORS**

Proprietors of D&T Cattle Company, Casey Tubbs and Eli Doolin, finally have a business of their own. Unfortunately, the meat market has seen better days and D&T's finances are drying up — leaving Casey and Eli no choice but to procure cash by any means necessary — usually robbing banks. Before long, Casey and Eli are the most wanted men in the West. Deputy U.S. Marshal Colton Gray respects Casey and Eli's grit. But he won't let that stop him from bringing them to justice. And if they don't come peacefully, then Colton will teach them to respect law and order from the barrel of his gun.

ISBN: 9798885795302 | \$27.99 U.S.

Western | Releases 12/20/2023 | Available in Softcover Westerns 1, 2 & 3.



WHITE MIST DOG

Saga of the Mountain Sage • Book 2

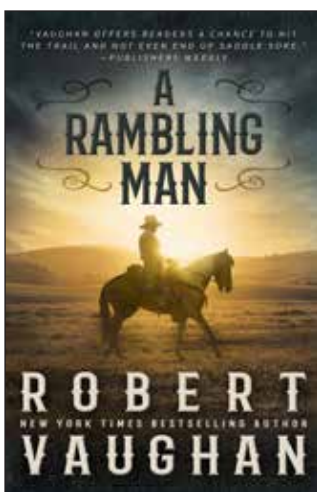
W. Michael Gear

**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR
SPUR AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR**

Beaten and humiliated, young Richard Hamilton is dropped onto the deck of Dave Green's boat, the *Maria*, looking into the barrel of Green's pistol. Captured by Packrat, Heals Like A Willow dreams of the White Mist Dog and fights a battle of wits with the Pawnee as he transports her eastward in search of his father. For both Willow and Richard, *Maria's* hard ascent up the Missouri becomes a journey of discovery; but danger lurks on all sides as scheming boatmen, desperate Native chiefs, and passions of the heart all conspire to destroy them. In the end, Willow will make a choice that will change her and Richard's lives forever.

ISBN: 9798885795319 | \$26.99 U.S.

Western | Releases 12/20/2023 | Available in Softcover Westerns 2 & 3.



A RAMBLING MAN

A CLASSIC WESTERN ADVENTURE

A Lucas Cain Book • Book 1

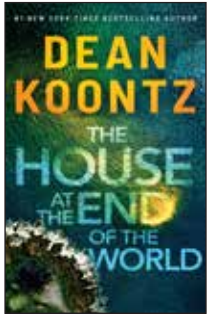
Robert Vaughan

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

Captured in the last year of the Civil War, Lucas Cain becomes a POW in the infamous Andersonville prison. When the war ends, Lucas and almost 1,500 others crowd aboard the riverboat *Sultana*. Returning home to Cape Girardeau, Missouri, Lucas becomes a police officer. At the time, Cape Girardeau policemen received no salary, but were paid for specific tasks, including receiving bounties for prisoners captured. Tragedy strikes, and Lucas finds himself no longer able to remain in Cape Girardeau. He becomes a bounty hunter, and is very successful at it, eventually finding an opportunity to settle accounts with an old enemy.

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Western | Releases 12/20/2023 | Available in Softcover Westerns 3.



THE HOUSE AT THE END OF THE WORLD

Dean Koontz

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

Katie lives alone in a stone house on Jacob's Ladder Island. The neighboring island of Ringrock houses a secret: a government research facility. And now two agents have arrived on Jacob's Ladder in

search of someone or something they refuse to identify. Although an air of menace hangs over these men, an infinitely greater threat has arrived, one so strange even the island animals are in a state of high alarm. Katie soon finds herself in an epic and terrifying battle with a mysterious enemy. As Katie struggles across a dark and eerie landscape, against her is an omnipresent terror that could bring about the end of the world.

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Thriller | Releases 12/20/2023



SLEEP NO MORE ★

The Lost Night Files • Book 1

Jayne Ann Krentz

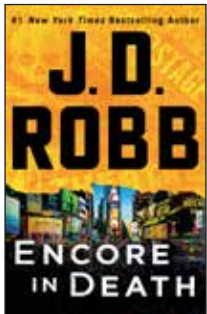
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
PUBLISHER'S SHOWCASE 4

Pallas Llewellyn, Talia March, and Amelia Rivers co-host a podcast called the *Lost Night Files*, where they investigate cold cases. After receiving a tip for their podcast, Pallas travels to

Carnelian, California, to explore an abandoned asylum when she's stopped by the women's mysterious tipster. Ambrose Drake is positive something terrible happened at the Carnelian Sleep Institute the night he was there. Pallas and Ambrose conduct their investigation, and while the townsfolk are eager to share what they know, it turns out there are others who are not so happy about their questions — and someone is willing to kill to keep the truth from coming out.

ISBN: 9798885795531 | \$21.99 U.S.

Romantic Suspense | Releases 12/20/2023



ENCORE IN DEATH

AN EVE DALLAS NOVEL

In Death • Book 56

J. D. Robb

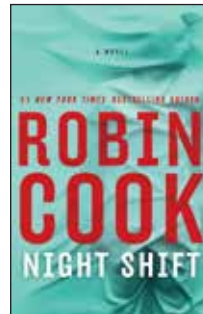
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

It was a glittering event full of A-listers, hosted by Eliza Lane and Brant Fitzhugh, a celebrity couple who'd conquered both Hollywood and Broadway. After raising a toast, Fitzhugh fell to the floor

and died, with physical symptoms pointing to cyanide. With so many attendees, staff, and servers, Eve Dallas has her work cut out determining who committed murder in the middle of the crowd — and what was their motivation. As one who's not fond of the spotlight herself, she dreads the media circus surrounding a case like this. All she wants is to figure out who's truly innocent, and who's only acting that way.

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NIGHT SHIFT

Robin Cook

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
PUBLISHER'S SHOWCASE 3

Colleagues turned spouses Dr. Laurie Montgomery and Dr. Jack Stapleton already have their plates full. The last thing they need is a murder. When Laurie's longtime friend Dr. Sue Passero dies in the hospital parking garage,

an autopsy is required. With his curiosity sparked by the mystery around Sue's death, Jack sets out to investigate on-site at Manhattan Memorial Hospital, even though it means defying the Office of Chief Medical Examiner's rules. What started out as an inquiry into Sue's tragic passing soon turns into a deadly chess game between Jack and the clever and deranged killer, who might just administer another lethal blow if Jack isn't careful.

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Thriller | Releases 12/20/2023



THE CHALICE OF THE GODS

Percy Jackson & the Olympians • Book 6

Rick Riordan

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR

After saving the world multiple times, Percy Jackson is hoping to have a normal senior year. Unfortunately, the gods aren't quite done with him. Percy will have to fulfill three quests in order to get the necessary three letters of recommendation from Mount Olympus for college. The first quest is to help Zeus' cup-bearer retrieve his goblet before it falls into the wrong hands. Can Percy, Grover, and Annabeth find it in time?

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Juvenile Adventure | Releases 12/20/2023 | Available in Middle Reader 5.



THE ORDER OF THINGS ★★ ★

Kaija Langley

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Eleven-year-old April Jackson loves playing the drums, almost as much as she loves her best friend, Zee, a violin prodigy. They both dream of becoming professional musicians one day. When Zee starts attending a new school that will nurture his talent, April decides it's time for her to pursue her dreams, too, and finally take drum lessons. When the unthinkable happens and Zee suddenly passes away, April is crushed by grief. Every time she tries to play the drums, all she can think about is Zee. April isn't sure how to move on from the awful feeling of being without Zee, but when she discovers a classmate in trouble, she doesn't second guess what she knows is the right thing to do.

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As the son of Hades, Nico di Angelo has been through so much. But there is a ray of sunshine in his life — literally: his boyfriend, Will Solace, the son of Apollo. Now Nico is being plagued by a voice calling out to him from the lowest part of the Underworld. He thinks he knows who it is: a reformed Titan named Bob whom Percy and Annabeth had to leave behind when they escaped Hades's realm. Nico has to go on this quest, and of course Will insists on coming with. But can a being made of light survive in the darkest part of the world?

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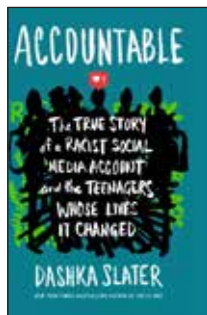
GIVE ME A SIGN ★

Anna Sortino
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A JUNIOR LIBRARY GUILD SELECTION

"This debut will please readers looking for a sweet love story while also providing a nuanced and thoughtful exploration of some of the issues those in the Deaf community face." — School Library Journal

Lilah doesn't feel "deaf enough" to identify as Deaf or hearing enough to meet the world's expectations. When she becomes a counselor at a summer camp for the deaf and blind, her plan is to brush up on her ASL. Once there, she also finds a community. There are cute British lifeguards, a YouTuber who's just a bit desperate for clout — and then there's Isaac, the Deaf counselor who volunteers to help Lilah with her signing. Romance was never on the agenda, and Lilah's not positive Isaac likes her that way. But all signs seem to point to love. Unless she's reading them wrong? One thing's for sure: Lilah wanted change, and things here . . . they're certainly different than what she's used to.

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ACCOUNTABLE ★★☆☆

THE TRUE STORY OF A RACIST SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNT AND THE TEENAGERS WHOSE LIVES IT CHANGED
Dashka Slater

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STONEWALL BOOK AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR

"[Slater] accessibly explores edgy meme culture, online hate speech, the students' social dynamics, a disastrous mediation session, the school district's actions, subsequent lawsuits, and how individuals were affected post-graduation." — Kirkus Reviews

When a high school student started a private Instagram account that used racist and sexist memes to make his friends laugh, no one in Albany, California, was safe from the repercussions of the account's discovery. Not the girls targeted by the posts. Not the boy who created the account. Not the group of kids who followed it. Not the adults — educators and parents — whose attempts to fix things often made them worse. In the end, everyone was left asking: Where does accountability end for online speech that harms? And what does accountability even mean?

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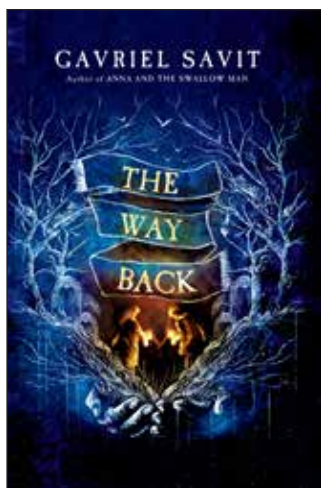
A SECRET PRINCESS
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"Stohl and de la Cruz . . . bring discussions of wealth, racism, and physical ailments to light in the 1860s."
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Best friends Mary Lennox, Sara Crewe, and Cedric Erroll are thankful to have each other. And thank goodness, since their boarding school is basically insufferable. When one of the friends suffers a personal tragedy, a plan — and a secret — change everything for the trio, for good.

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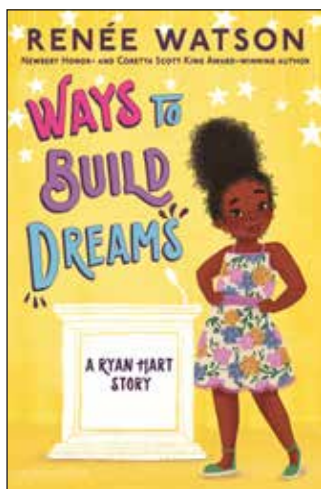
THE WAY BACK ★★★★★
Gavriel Savit

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"An entrancing historical fantasy, thick with elements of magic and folk tales." — School Library Journal

For the Jews of Eastern Europe, demons are everywhere: dancing on the rooftops in the darkness of midnight, congregating in the trees, harrowing the dead, even reaching out to try and steal away the living. But the demons have a land of their own: a Far Country peopled with the souls of the transient dead, governed by demonic dukes, barons, and earls. When the Angel of Death comes strolling through the little shtetl of Tupik one night, two young people will be sent spinning off on a journey through the Far Country. There they will make pacts with ancient demons, declare war on Death himself, and maybe — just maybe — find a way to make it back alive.

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 A Ryan Hart Story • Book 4

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Middle school is just around the corner for Ryan Hart, which means it's time to start thinking about the future — and not just how to prank her brother, Ray! During Black History Month, Ryan learns more about her ancestors and local Black pioneers, and their hopes for the future, for her generation. She wonders who she wants to be and what kind of person her family hopes she becomes. Drawing on the ambitions of those who came before her and her own goals, Ryan is determined to turn her dreams into reality. Grow and shine and share with Ryan Hart in this series that brings ever more humor, more love, and more fun.

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Tara Dairman

"A charming and sweet story that shows what lengths a child will go to to protect the ones she loves."
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Twelve-year-old Henna loves living with her two papas and cultivating her plants on the tiny island of Earth's End — until Papa Niall grows seriously ill. Now Henna is determined to find a legendary, long-extinct plant with miraculous healing powers, even though the search means journeying all the way to St. Basil's Conservatory, a botanical boarding school rumored to house seeds of every plant ever grown. At St. Basil's, Henna is surrounded not only by incredible plants, but also, for the first time, other kids — including her new roommates: wisecracking, genderfluid P and wealthy, distant Lora. But Henna's search for the fabled healing seed means she doesn't have time for friends — or so she thinks.

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TURTLES OF THE MIDNIGHT MOON

María José Fitzgerald

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"This story will have wide appeal, reaching tweens interested in mysteries, the environment, and ocean life."
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Twelve-year-old Barana lives in Honduras, where she spends every spare minute visiting the sea turtles that nest on the beach. Abby is feeling adrift, trying to figure out who she is and where she belongs after her best friend moved away from New Jersey. When Abby's papi plans a work trip to Honduras, she is finally given the opportunity to see his homeland — with Barana as her tour guide. But Barana has other plans: someone has been poaching turtle eggs, and she's determined to catch them! Before long, Abby and Barana are both consumed by the mystery, gathering clues and staking out the beach. Will they find a way to stop the poachers before it's too late?

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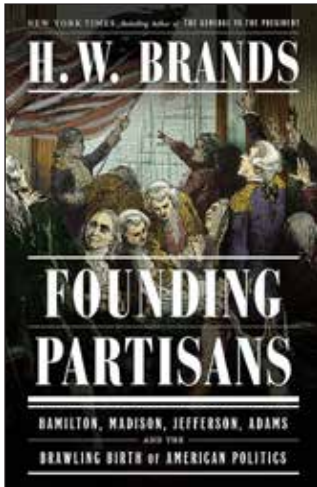
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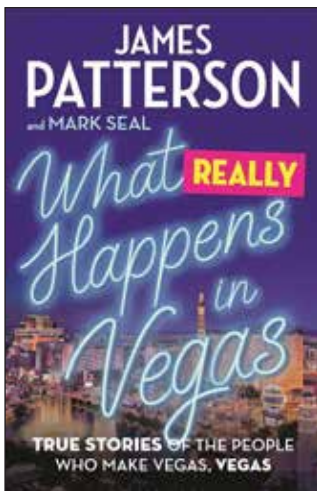
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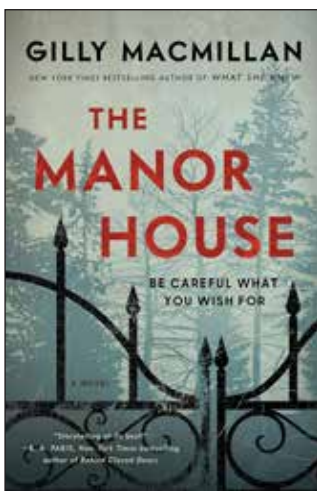
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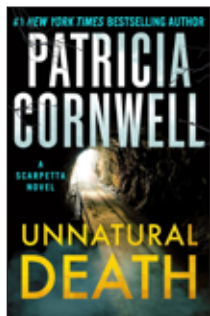
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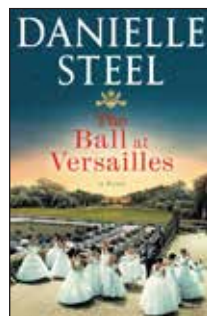
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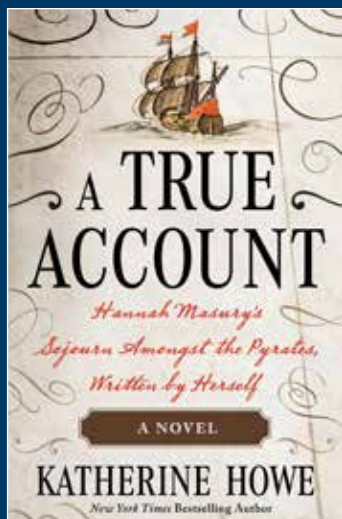
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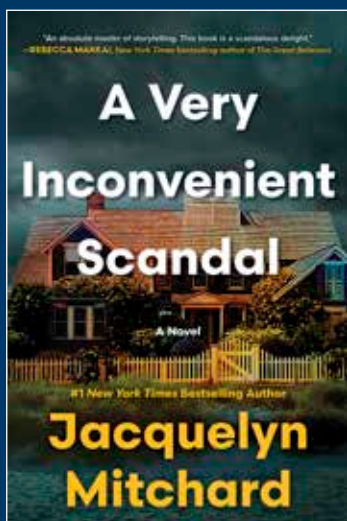
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