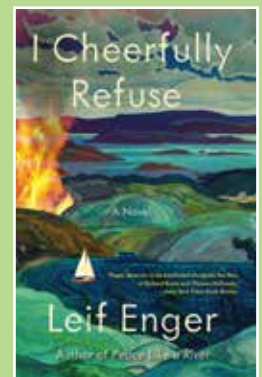
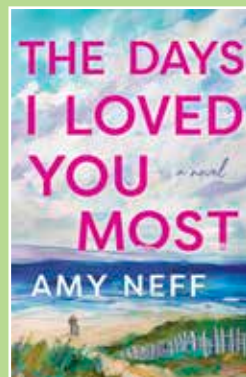
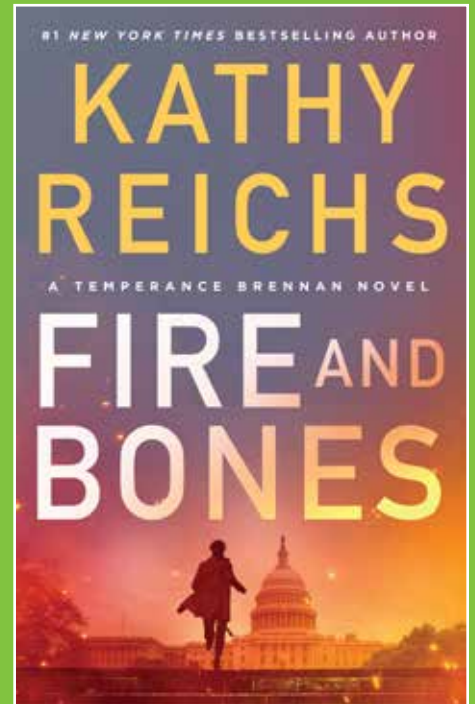
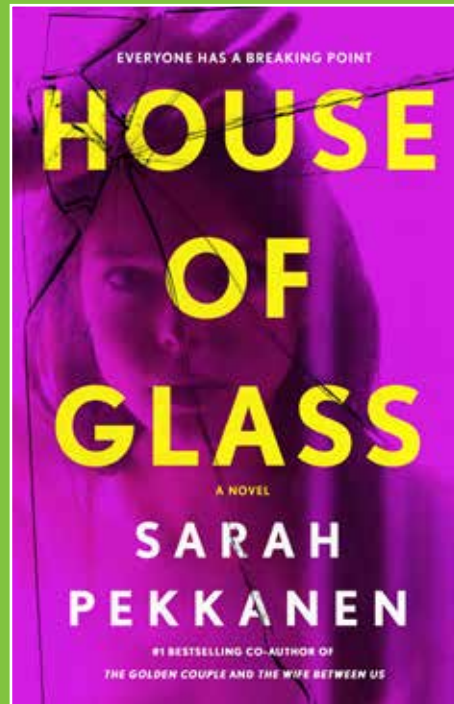
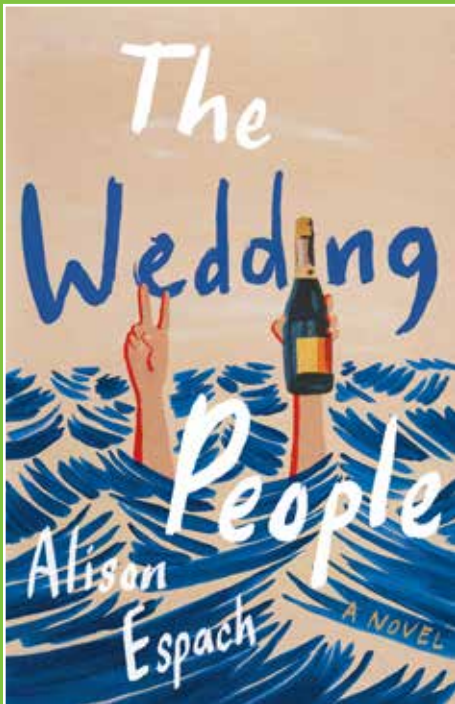


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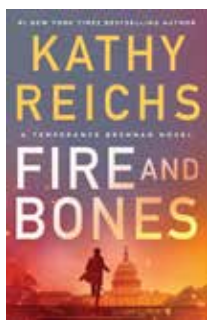
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FIRE AND BONES
A TEMPERANCE BRENNAN NOVEL
Kathy Reichs

#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
EDITOR'S CHOICE #1

Tempe is called to Washington, DC, to analyze the victims of a deadly blaze. The devastated building is in Foggy Bottom, and Tempe becomes

suspicious about the property's ownership when she delves into its history. Tempe learns that back in the thirties and forties the home was the hangout of a group of bootleggers and racketeers known as the Foggy Bottom Gang. This seems irrelevant until the son of a Foggy Bottom gang member is shot dead. As Tempe digs deeper, another property burns to the ground. Tempe's moves since coming to Washington have been anticipated, and every path forward seems to bring with it a lethal threat.

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Thriller | Releases 8/7/2024
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THE WEDDING PEOPLE ★
A NOVEL
Alison Espach

EDITOR'S CHOICE #7

"Witty dialogue is just a bonus in this engrossing read centering on complex women making life-changing decisions."
— starred, Library Journal

It's a beautiful day in Newport, Rhode Island, when Phoebe Stone arrives

at the Cornwall Inn. She's immediately mistaken by everyone in the lobby for one of the wedding people, but she's actually the only guest who isn't here for the big event. Phoebe is here because she's dreamed of coming for years. She hoped to shuck oysters and take sunset sails with her husband, only now she's here without him, at rock bottom, determined to have one last splurge on herself. Meanwhile, the bride has accounted for every possible disaster except for, well, Phoebe and Phoebe's plan — which makes it that much more surprising when the two women can't stop confiding in each other.

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A NOVEL SUMMER
A NOVEL
Jamie Brenner

Shelby Archer found inspiration for her first novel while living on the shores of Provincetown on Cape Cod. When she comes to the town to celebrate her new bestseller, she is confronted with the cold shoulders of friends and neighbors

who feel exposed and betrayed. Heartbroken, Shelby tries to move on. But then her dear friend who owns Land's End bookshop needs help for the summer. Shelby reluctantly returns to the Cape to manage the store. Shelby sets her focus on the tiny seaside shop and trying to right the wrongs of her past. But as her manuscript deadline nears, she is again forced to choose between her own success and a second chance at love and belonging.

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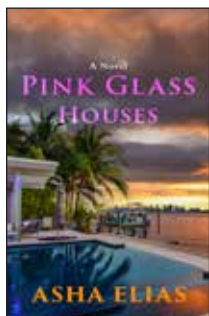
THE FACULTY LOUNGE
A NOVEL
Jennifer Mathieu

It all starts when an elderly substitute teacher at Baldwin High School is found dead in the faculty lounge. When, a week later, the scattering of his ashes on the school grounds catches the attention of parents, it sets in motion a year that can only be

described as wild, bizarre, tragic, mundane, beautiful, and humorous. In the midst of the ensuing hysteria, we meet a former punk band front man, now a middle-aged principal; a no-nonsense school nurse; and a disgruntled English instructor. Ultimately, at the heart of this unconventional workplace novel is a story of the power of human connection and of the joy of finding purpose in what it is we do every day.

S | ISBN: 9781420515527 | \$36.99 U.S.

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PINK GLASS HOUSES

A NOVEL

Asha Elias

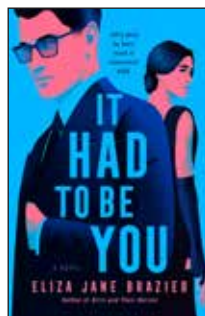
Welcome to Sunset Academy, the most coveted elementary school in Miami Beach. Perfectly tanned and smiling Charlotte Giordani is Sunset Academy’s alpha mom. She’s up for election as the PTA president and is riding high. Enter

Melody Howard, a wide-eyed transplant from Wichita, Kansas. At first skeptic about Miami Beach, Melody finds herself sucked into the glossy, frenetic world of Sunset Academy moms. Melody’s easygoing manner and background in nonprofit management make her an asset to the PTA. But when she emerges as a rival for the PTA presidency, Charlotte begins to unravel. No amount of rosé can soothe the tensions as the drama builds to a shocking crisis point.

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IT HAD TO BE YOU

Eliza Jane Brazier

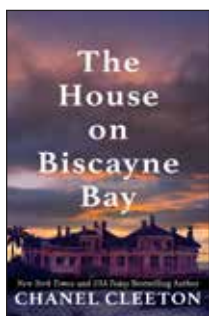
When Eva and Jonathan hook up on the sleeper train from Florence to Paris, they think they’ll never see each other again. Which is too bad, because neither has ever felt a spark like this for another person. But love isn’t on the agenda in their line of work. Six months later, they run

into each other in Versailles. This encounter is not by chance, because Eva has been hired to kill Jonathan. She’s a contract killer, but what she doesn’t know is that he is too. Their meeting kicks off a high-stakes adventure across Western Europe. As the two get closer to completing their assignments, it becomes clear they are being hunted by something even more dangerous than love.

S | ISBN: 9798885799997 | \$36.99 U.S.

Thriller | Releases 8/7/2024

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THE HOUSE ON BISCAIYNE BAY

Chanel Cleeton

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

“Cleeton artfully weaves together two storylines . . . about courageous women determined to uncover the truth no matter the cost.” — Library Journal

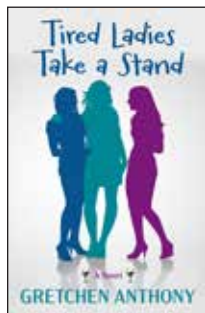
With the Great War finally behind them, many Americans flock to South Florida with their sights set on

making a fortune. When wealthy industrialist Robert Barnes and his wife, Anna, build Marbrisa, a glamorous estate on Biscayne Bay, they become the toast of the newly burgeoning society. Years later, following the tragic death of her parents in Havana, Carmen Acosta journeys to Marbrisa. On the surface, the gilded estate looks like paradise, but Carmen quickly learns that nothing at Marbrisa is as it seems. Carmen’s life is soon in jeopardy . . . unless she can unravel the secrets buried beneath the mansion’s facade and stop history from repeating itself.

ISBN: 9798885795869 | \$35.99 U.S.

General Fiction | Releases 8/7/2024

Available in Top-Shelf 8.



TIRED LADIES TAKE A STAND

A NOVEL

Gretchen Anthony

“Engaging and easy to read . . . For those who remember the 1990s, the flashbacks will evoke feelings of nostalgia.” — Booklist

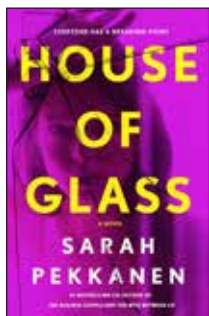
During one unforgettable year in their twenties, best friends Emma, Fern, Carolina, and Andi make a pact to embrace whatever life throws at

them, inspiring Fern to write a memoir detailing their escapades and the magical power of saying Yes. But fast forward twenty years and Fern is a full-time writer struggling to pay the bills. Carolina is a fitness-obsessed workaholic. Andi is a disillusioned human rights lawyer. And Emma is a stressed-out divorcée in the thick of planning her daughter’s wedding. To reconnect to the fun, fulfilled women they were before, they must learn how to stop saying Yes to everything asked of them. And so begins the “Year of No.”

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General Fiction | Releases 8/7/2024

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HOUSE OF GLASS

A NOVEL

Sarah Pekkanen

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
EDITOR'S CHOICE #4

Rose Barclay is a nine-year-old girl who witnessed the murder of her nanny and immediately stopped speaking. Stella Hudson is a best interest attorney, appointed to serve

as counsel for children in custody cases. From the moment Stella steps into the home of the Barclays, she realizes the case is even more twisted, and the family far more troubled, than she feared. As Stella comes closer to uncovering the secrets the Barclays are desperate to hide, her past and present are set on a collision course in ways she never expected. Everyone is a suspect in the nanny's murder. Even Rose. Is the person Stella's supposed to protect the one she may need protection from?

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Thriller | Releases 8/7/2024

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SHADOW OF DOUBT

A THRILLER

The Scot Harvath Series • Book 23

Brad Thor

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
EDITOR'S CHOICE #4

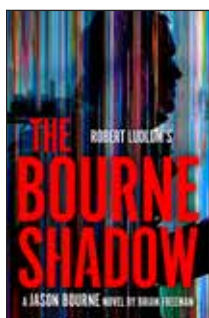
A shadowy Russian defector. A beautiful Norwegian intelligence officer. A deadly American spy. An ingenious plot to collapse the United

States has been uncovered. But can the highly suspect intelligence be trusted? In the fog of war, when friends can appear as enemies and enemies as friends, only one thing is certain — when in doubt, there is no doubt.

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Thriller | Releases 8/7/2024

Available in High-Octane 4, 6 & 8.



ROBERT LUDLUM'S THE BOURNE SHADOW

Jason Bourne • Book 19

Brian Freeman

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
EDITOR'S CHOICE #6

It's been over a decade since Nash Rollins recruited David Webb to join Treadstone. Webb became the agent known as Cain — and later took on

the identity of Jason Bourne. After the injury that erased Bourne's whole life, Nash lied about the circumstances of David's recruitment to Treadstone. He was afraid that learning the truth might drive Bourne out of the agency forever. But now, when Bourne meets a woman who recognizes him as David Webb, the secrets of those days begin to come out — and Bourne is forced to confront the dangerous ghosts of a past he doesn't even remember.

S | ISBN: 9798885798419 | \$37.99 U.S.

Thriller | Releases 8/7/2024

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FIVE BROKEN BLADES ★

Mai Corland

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER
PUBLISHERS WEEKLY BESTSELLER

"The heist is suspenseful, the characters are well-shaded, and the world is richly imagined. Skillfully combining espionage, fantasy, romance, and a quest for justice, this marks Corland as an exciting new voice."

— Publishers Weekly

The five most dangerous liars in the land have been summoned to work together to kill the God King Joon. Under his merciless immortal hand, the nobles flourish while the poor and innocent are imprisoned, ruined, or sold. And now each of the five blades will come for him. Each has tasted bitterness — from the hired hitman seeking atonement, an assassin who seeks freedom, or even the prince banished for his crimes. None can resist the lure of vengeance. They can agree on murder. They can agree on treachery. But for these five killers it's not enough to forge an alliance. To survive, they'll have to find a way to trust each other . . . but only one can take the crown.

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TELL ME WHO YOU ARE ★★

A NOVEL

Louisa Luna

2023 SUE GRAFTON MEMORIAL AUTHOR AWARD

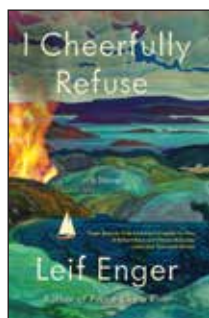
"Seriously creepy cat-and-mice games ensue when a sharp-thinking therapist tries to track down a patient who may also be a kidnapper." — starred, Kirkus Reviews

Brooklyn psychiatrist Dr. Caroline Strange is certain she knows what's best for her patients, but that changes when a troubled young man arrives for his appointment and makes a pair of alarming confessions: *I am going to kill someone, and I know who you really are.* Caroline is accustomed to hearing her patients' darkest secrets, but it seems Nelson Schack may be one step ahead when detectives show up later that day, inquiring about a missing woman. Convinced the police are incompetent, Caroline takes matters into her own hands. As she closes in on her target, all the polished pieces of her manicured life splinter when people begin to question who she really is.

ISBN: 9781420516005 | \$35.99 U.S.

Thriller | Releases 8/7/2024

Available in High-Octane 6 & 8.



I CHEERFULLY REFUSE ★★★

Leif Enger

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
INDIE NEXT PICK
BARNES & NOBLE PICK APRIL 24

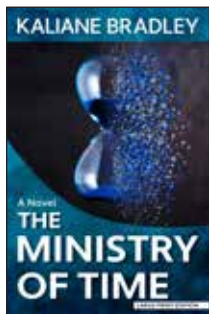
"This very readable and highly recommended novel's familiar setting in an unfamiliar future will resonate with all readers." — Library Journal

Rainy seeks refuge in the harbors, fogs, and remote islands of the inland sea. Encountering lunatic storms and rising corpses from the warming depths, Rainy finds on land an increasingly desperate and illiterate people, a malignant billionaire ruling class, crumbled infrastructure, and a lawless society. Amidst the challenges of life at sea and no safe landings, Rainy is lifted by physical beauty, surprising humor, generous strangers, and an unexpected companion. And as his guileless nature begins to make a rebel of him, Rainy's private quest for the love of his life grows into something wider and wilder, sweeping up friends and foes alike in his strengthening wake.

ISBN: 9781420516012 | \$35.99 U.S.

General Fiction | Releases 8/7/2024

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THE MINISTRY OF TIME ★★

A NOVEL

Kaliane Bradley

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER
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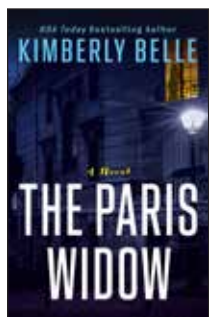
"[T]his quasi-futuristic tale of time and tenderness . . . offers a meaningful, nuanced perspective on the challenges we face, the choices we make, and the way we live and love today." — starred, Kirkus Reviews

In the near future, a government ministry is gathering "expats" from across history to establish whether time travel is feasible — for the body, but also for the fabric of space-time. A civil servant is tasked with working as a "bridge" — living with, assisting, and monitoring the expat known as Commander Graham Gore. As far as history is concerned, Gore died in 1845, so he's a little disoriented to be living with an unmarried woman. By the time the true shape of the ministry's project comes to light, the bridge has fallen in love, with consequences she never could have imagined. The bridge must finally reckon with how what she does next can change the future.

ISBN: 9781420515831 | \$35.99 U.S.

General Fiction | Releases 8/7/2024

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THE PARIS WIDOW

A NOVEL

Kimberly Belle

USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR

"Stella is an appealing protagonist, and Belle peppers the action with vibrant descriptions of her European setting. This continues the author's winning streak."

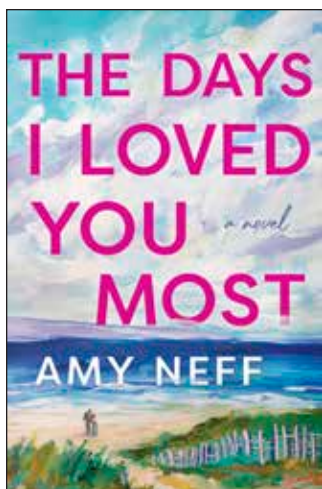
— Publishers Weekly

When Stella met Adam, she thought she had finally found a nice, normal guy — a welcome change from her previous boyfriend and her precarious jetsetter lifestyle with him. But her secure world comes crashing down when Adam goes missing after an explosion in the city square. Unable to reach him, she panics. As the French police investigate, it's revealed that Adam was on their radar as a dealer of rare and stolen antiquities with a long roster of criminal clients. Reeling, Stella is determined not to leave Paris until she has the full story. Was Adam a random victim or the target of the explosion? And why is someone following her through the streets of Paris?

ISBN: 9781420515138 | \$35.99 U.S.

Thriller | Releases 8/7/2024

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THE DAYS I LOVED YOU MOST

A NOVEL

Amy Neff

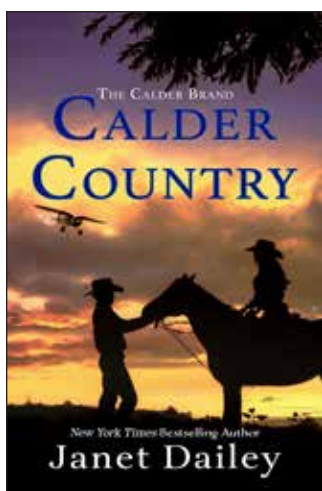
EDITOR'S CHOICE #5

"This bittersweet tale, both heartbreaking and heartfelt, will leave even the most stoic reader with tears in their eyes." — starred, Booklist

In the summer of 1941, Evelyn and Joseph fell in love. Now, more than sixty years later, they have gathered their three grown children to share the staggering news: she has received a tragic diagnosis, and he cannot live without her. So in one year's time, they will end their lives on their own terms. As the couple retraces the joys and regrets, the laughter and sorrow that brought them to this moment, they embark on a journey to comfort and connect with each of their children before they're gone. But as their final days draw closer, they must confront the stark reality of what they are about to do and make peace with the legacy they will leave behind.

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CALDER COUNTRY

The Calder Brand • Book 4

Janet Dailey

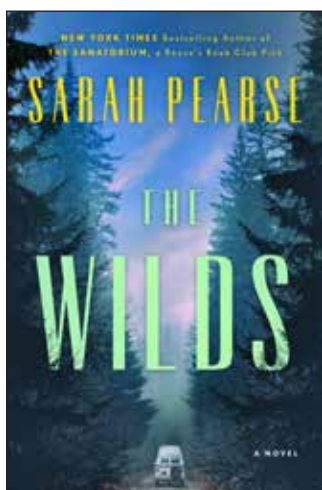
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

EDITOR'S CHOICE #6

1920s, Blue Moon, Montana. Mason Dollarhide is back home after a five-year prison sentence for smuggling bootleg liquor. He's already up to his old tricks, having his goods trafficked to him by plane, until the pilot is captured by federal agents. Ruby Weaver learned to fly from her smuggler father. To keep him out of prison, she agrees to take over his route and go undercover to help the Feds break up a bootlegging ring. Against her better judgment, Ruby finds herself falling for Mason, fighting an attraction that could jeopardize them both while harboring a secret that could destroy any hope of a future together.

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THE WILDS

A NOVEL

Detective Elin Warner Series • Book 3

Sarah Pearse

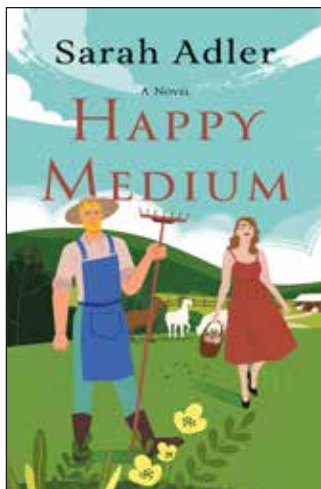
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

REESE BOOK CLUB AUTHOR

Since the dark events that scarred her childhood, Kier Templer escaped her hometown to live life on the road. She and her twin have never lost contact until, on a trip to a Portuguese national park, Kier vanishes without a trace. Detective Elin Warner arrives in the same park ready to immerse herself in its vast wilderness — only to hear about Kier's disappearance and discover a disturbing map she left behind. Elin must untangle the clues to find out what really happened to Kier. But when you follow a trail, you have to be careful to watch your back.

S | ISBN: 9798885799980 | \$37.99 U.S.

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**HAPPY MEDIUM** ★★

Sarah Adler

USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR

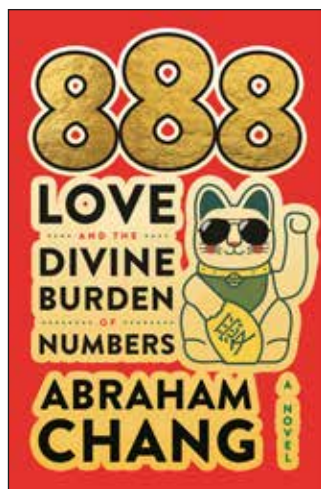
LIBRARYREADS PICK

"This slightly supernatural romance is alternately hilarious and heartbreaking, with well-developed, realistic characters. Adler's unique plot and excellent writing will draw readers in and keep them up late into the night." — Library Journal

Fake spirit medium Gretchen Acorn is happy to help when a client hires her to investigate the unexplained phenomena preventing the sale of her bridge partner's struggling goat farm. It turns out said bridge partner, Charlie Waybill, is young, hot, and unconvinced that Gretchen can communicate with the dead. (Which, fair.) Except Gretchen finds herself face-to-face with Everett: the very real ghost that wants her to convince Charlie he can't sell the property. But trust isn't the only thing growing between Charlie and Gretchen. To save the farm, its friendly phantom, and the man she loves, Gretchen will need to pull off the greatest con of her life: being herself.

ISBN: 9798885795876 | \$36.99 U.S.

Romance General | Releases 8/7/2024 | Available in Dynamic Drama 5.

**888 LOVE AND THE DIVINE BURDEN OF NUMBERS**

A NOVEL

Abraham Chang

INDIE NEXT PICK

"Chang strikes all the right notes in his portrayal of a tender youth." — Publishers Weekly

Young Wang has received plenty of wisdom from his beloved uncle: don't take life too seriously, get out on the road when you can, and everyone gets just seven great loves in their life. At the end of 1995, when Young is at New York University, he meets Erena. She's brilliant, charismatic, and funny. They fall in love and, for Young, it feels so real that he's thrilled and terrified. As Young and Erena's relationship blossoms, we get flashbacks to Young's first five loves. That means Erena is "number six." Was his uncle wrong — is she the one and only? Or are they fated for failure to make room for Young's final, seventh love?

ISBN: 9781420516173 | \$36.99 U.S.

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THE BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE

A NOVEL

Michelle Gable

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

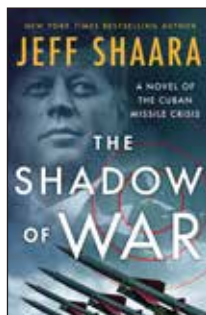
It's 1961, and for Margo Hightower, everything is about to change.

She's just been hired as assistant to photographer Slim Aarons, and she knows this opportunity is her ticket to something better. From the

bright beaches of Acapulco to glitzy parties in New York, Margo is thrown headfirst into the glamorous jet-set world she covets, observing its ways from behind the camera as Slim's sidekick. But when they land in Palm Beach, the lines between work and play begin to blur. As Margo becomes swept up in the city's social circle, the golden life seems increasingly in reach. Until she finds herself tangled in a web of secrets that could bring it all crashing down.

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THE SHADOW OF WAR

A NOVEL OF THE CUBAN MISSILE CRISIS

Jeff Shaara

**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR**

"A gripping story of foes stepping away from the brink of annihilation." — Kirkus Reviews

In 1961, President John F. Kennedy inherited an ill-conceived, poorly

executed invasion of Cuba that failed miserably and set in motion the events that put the U.S. and the Soviet Union on a collision course that nearly started a war that would have enveloped much of the world. Extensively researched and vividly imagined, *The Shadow of War* brings to life the many threads that led to the building crisis between the Soviet Union and the United States in 1962. Told from a multitude of perspectives and voices, Shaara brings to life all the action and actors, famous and little known, that embodied the Cuban Missile Crisis.

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JFK JR.

AN INTIMATE ORAL BIOGRAPHY

Rose Marie Terenzio and Liz McNeil

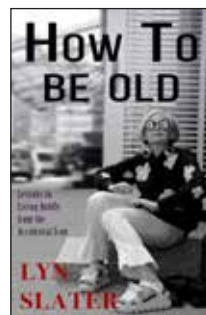
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

Born into the spotlight, John F. Kennedy Jr. lived a short but remarkable life filled with expectation, ambition, family pressures, love, and tragedy. *JFK Jr.* dives deep into his complicated psyche and explores the

what-ifs, illuminating both the cultural and political moment he inhabited and the way this son of a president, so full of promise and possibility, embodied America's most cherished hopes.

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HOW TO BE OLD

LESSONS IN LIVING BOLDLY FROM THE ACCIDENTAL ICON

Lyn Slater

"Slater's genuine enthusiasm radiates throughout the text; her tales of resilience and about the evolution of her self-confidence suffuse each page, effectively challenging societal constructs about age. A charming, relatable tale about the power of reinvention." — Kirkus Reviews

When Lyn Slater started her fashion blog *Accidental Icon* at age sixty-one, she discovered that followers were flocking to her account for more than just her A-list style. As Lyn flaunted gray hair, wrinkles, and a megadose of self-acceptance, they found someone who showed that all women have the opportunity to be relevant and take major risks at any stage of their life. In this paradigm-shifting memoir, Lyn exemplifies that even with its challenges, being old can be the best and most invigorating of all of life's phases, full of rebellion and reinvention, connection and creativity.

ISBN: 9781420515930 | \$34.99 U.S.

Biography | Releases 8/7/2024



CHALLENGER ★★

A TRUE STORY OF HEROISM AND DISASTER ON THE EDGE OF SPACE

Adam Higginbotham

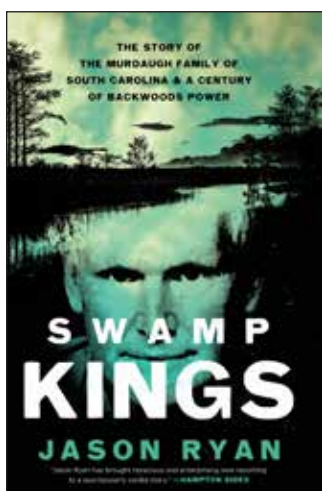
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

"A deeply researched, fluently written study in miscommunication, hubris, and technological overreach."
— starred, Kirkus Reviews

On January 28, 1986, the space shuttle *Challenger* broke apart over the Atlantic Ocean, killing all seven people on board. The disaster is a defining moment in twentieth-century history — yet the full story of what happened, and why, has never been told. It's a compelling tale of ambition and ingenuity undermined by political cynicism and cost-cutting in the interests of burnishing national prestige. A masterful blend of riveting human drama and fascinating and absorbing science, *Challenger* brings to life an even more complex and astonishing story than we remember.

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History/Historical | Releases 8/21/2024



SWAMP KINGS

THE STORY OF THE MURDAUGH FAMILY OF SOUTH CAROLINA & A CENTURY OF BACKWOODS POWER

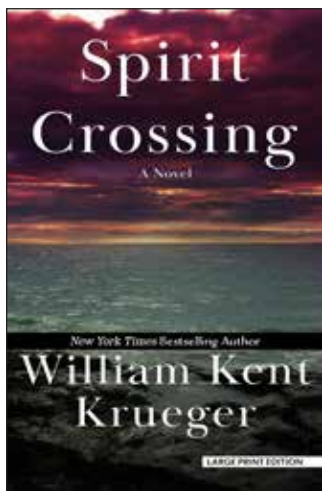
Jason Ryan

"A grimly fascinating story, and as Ryan shows, Murdaugh summed up a long familial legacy. They were effectively a law unto themselves. The story unfolds with the care of a well-plotted procedural. A searing true-crime study indicting a legacy of crime stretching out over centuries." — Kirkus Reviews

The most famous man in South Carolina lives in prison. Once a high-flying lawyer, Alex Murdaugh is now disbarred and disgraced. For more than a decade, prosecutors asserted that Alex was secretly a fraud, thief, drug trafficker, and all-around phony. On June 7, 2021, they claimed, he also became a killer, shooting dead his wife and son. In *Swamp Kings*, Jason Ryan reveals history has a way of repeating itself, weaving together the narratives of generations of Murdaughs before culminating in the telling of a murder trial for the ages.

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Nonfiction | Releases 8/21/2024

**SPIRIT CROSSING**

A NOVEL

William Kent Krueger**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR**

The disappearance of a local politician's teenaged daughter is major news in Minnesota. As a huge manhunt is launched to find her, Cork O'Connor's grandson stumbles across the shallow grave of a young Ojibwe woman — but nobody seems that interested. Nobody, that is, except Cork and the newly formed Iron Lake Ojibwe Tribal Police. As Cork and the tribal officers dig into the circumstances of this mysterious and grim discovery, they uncover a connection to the missing teenager. And soon, it's clear that Cork's grandson is in danger of being the killer's next victim.

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Suspense | Releases 8/21/2024

**2054** ★

A NOVEL

Elliot Ackerman, Admiral James Stavridis**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHORS**

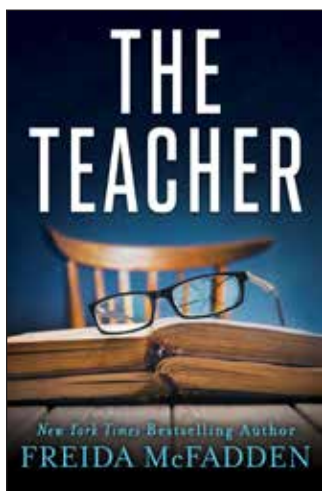
"Ackerman and Stavridis paint a sweeping and resonant portrait of a world faced with a powerful technological advancement it doesn't fully understand. The results are genuinely chilling."

— starred, Publishers Weekly

It is twenty years after the catastrophic war between the United States and China that brought down the old American political order. The American president has control of the media, but he is beginning to lose control of the streets. Suddenly, he collapses in the middle of an address to the nation. After an initial flurry of misinformation, the administration reluctantly announces his death. All signs point to a profound breakthrough in AI. As some of the world's great powers struggle to outmaneuver one another in this new Great Game of scientific discovery, the outcome becomes entangled with the fate of American democracy.

ISBN: 9781420516210 | \$36.99 U.S.

Thriller | Releases 8/21/2024

**THE TEACHER** ★★**Freida McFadden****NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER****USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR**

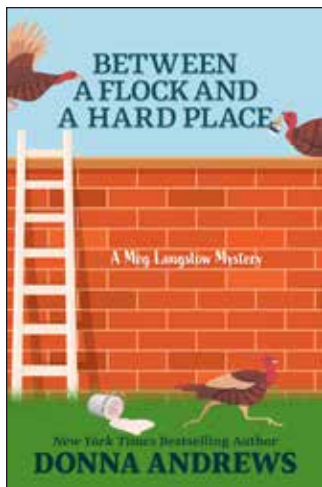
"Told from the alternating viewpoints of Eve and Addie, this dark page-turner . . . has an unexpected, brilliantly executed twist at the end. It's a must-read for fans of psychological thrillers."

— starred, Library Journal

Eve has a good life. She gets up each day, gets a kiss from her husband Nate, and heads off to teach math at the local high school. All is as it should be. Except . . . last year, Caseham High was rocked by a scandal involving a student-teacher affair, with one student, Addie, at its center. But Eve knows there is far more to these ugly rumors than meets the eye. Addie can't be trusted. She lies. She hurts people. She destroys lives. At least, that's what everyone says. But nobody knows the real Addie. Nobody knows the secrets that could destroy her. And Addie will do anything to keep it quiet.

ISBN: 9781420516227 | \$36.99 U.S.

Thriller | Releases 8/21/2024



BETWEEN A FLOCK AND A HARD PLACE

A Meg Langslow Mystery

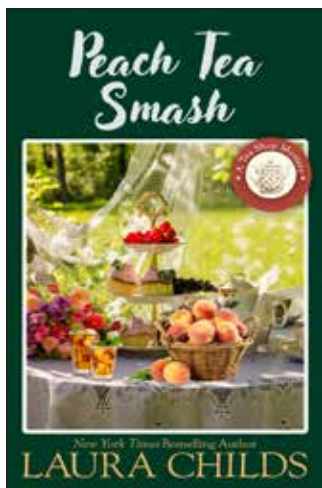
Donna Andrews

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

Meg’s neighbors, the Smetkamps, have won a makeover from Marvelous Mansions, a flashy, yet dubious company focused on making historic homes more “modern.” The company is already several days into its makeover, and tensions are running high between Mrs. Smetkamp, her neighbors, and the renovation crew. Meg arrives at the Smetkamps to find that a flock of feral turkeys has moved into their yard. Meg gathers a group of turkey wranglers, but when they arrive, they find the body of Mrs. Smetkamp in her backyard. Meg must figure out what happened, and what to do with all these turkeys!

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Cozies | Releases 8/7/2024 | Available in Mystery 2, 3, & 5.



PEACH TEA SMASH

A Tea Shop Mystery

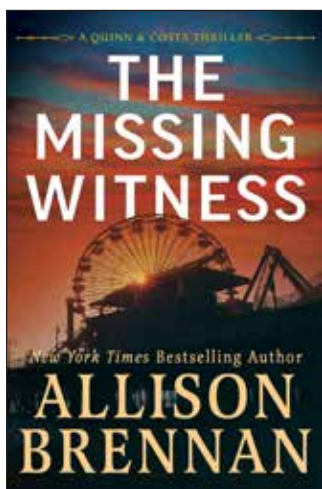
Laura Childs

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

During the Mad Hatter Masquerade, a fundraiser hosted by the Friends of the Opera on the grounds of the old Pendleton Grist Mill, Harlan Sadler, husband of Cricket Sadler, the chairwoman, is killed. He’s been hit in the head with a croquet mallet, and his body hung on the chains and paddles of the grist mill. Nobody can figure out why since Harlan was much beloved by everyone. It’s only after Cricket and Delaine beg Theodosia to investigate that she realizes the killer might have mistaken Harlan for his crazy son, Duke. After all, Duke is a slum landlord and recently injured a woman in a boating accident.

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Cozies | Releases 8/7/2024 | Available in Mystery 2, 3, & 5.



THE MISSING WITNESS

A Quinn & Costa Thriller

Allison Brennan

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR

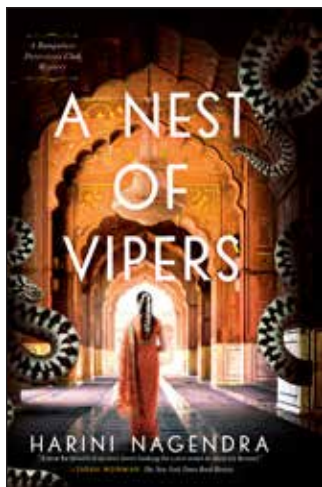
“Action-packed fifth adventure . . . The pace never lags . . . Series fans will walk away satisfied.”

— Publishers Weekly

Detective Kara Quinn is back in Los Angeles to testify against a notorious human trafficker. When the accused is shot in broad daylight, the chaotic scene of the crime turns up few reliable bystanders. And one witness — a whistleblower who might be the key to everything — has disappeared. After another person close to the case is killed, tracking down the witness becomes a matter of life and death. With FBI special agent Matt Costa’s help, Kara must race to find the missing witness and get to the bottom of the avalanche of conspiracies that has rocked LA to its core, before it’s too late.

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Thriller | Releases 8/7/2024 | Available in Mystery 2, 3, & 5.



A NEST OF VIPERS ★★
A Bangalore Detectives Club Mystery
Harini Nagendra

"Nagendra masterfully melds character, plot, and period detail in her transporting third historical mystery featuring amateur detective Kaveri Murthy. Nagendra is in peak form here, expertly mining the era's political frisson for top-shelf suspense." — Publishers Weekly

Bangalore, 1921. When the Prince of Wales begins a tour of India, he encounters passionate crowds demanding independence from Britain, with rioting on the streets of Bombay. The mood of the prince's subsequent trip to Bangalore and Mysore appears, at first glance, very different and is made of large, welcoming crowds. But perhaps all is not what it seems to be. While exploring another (seemingly unrelated) crime scene, Kaveri and Ramu become tangled in a complex web of intrigue, getting pulled into a potentially dangerous plan that could endanger the life of the visiting prince.

ISBN: 9781420515954 | \$32.99 U.S.

Women Sleuths | Releases 8/7/2024 | Available in Mystery 5.



FINLAY DONOVAN ROLLS THE DICE ★
A NOVEL
The Finlay Donovan Series
Elle Cosimano

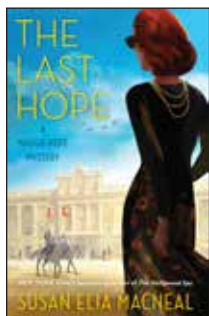
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR

"Another rollicking round of high-speed felonies for mystery author Finlay Donovan and those unwary enough to get pulled into her orbit." — Kirkus Reviews

Finlay Donovan and her partner-in-crime Vero plan a trip to Atlantic City, but it's actually a cover story to negotiate a deal with a loan shark and save Vero's childhood crush, Javi. Within hours of arriving, it becomes clear their rescue mission is going to be a bust. Javi's kidnapper, Marco, refuses to negotiate. Finlay and Vero are forced to come up with a new plan, but when they sneak into the loan shark's suite, they find Marco is already dead. If Finlay can find Vero's missing boyfriend, she might get out of Atlantic City in one piece. But will she fold under the pressure?

ISBN: 9781420515862 | \$32.99 U.S.

Women Sleuths | Releases 8/7/2024 | Available in Mystery 5.



THE LAST HOPE

A Maggie Hope Mystery
Susan Elia MacNeal

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

"It's sad to see the story end, but this novel, filled with MacNeal's signature character-centric plot and minute attention to historical details, does so magnificently."

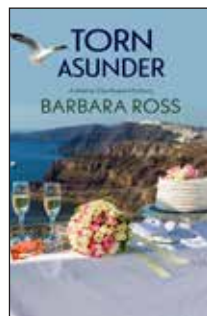
— Library Journal

Maggie Hope has come a long way since she was Mr. Churchill's secretary. British Intelligence has ordered her to assassinate Werner Heisenberg, the physicist who may deliver a world-ending bomb for Germany. She's shaken. An assassination is unlike anything she has ever done. To gather more information, Maggie travels to Madrid, where Heisenberg is visiting for a lecture. She tries to get a better understanding of Heisenberg but is faced with a threat more terrifying than losing her own life. Now more than ever the choices she makes will reverberate around the globe, with fateful implications for the future of the free world.

ISBN: 9781420516463 | \$27.99 U.S.

Cozies | Releases 8/21/2024

Available in Softcover Cozy Mysteries 3 & 4.



TORN ASUNDER

A Maine Clambake Mystery
Barbara Ross

Julia's best friend and business partner Zoey is about to marry. Julia is a little worried about the timing, though, as she works around a predicted storm. When a guest falls to the floor dead, it turns out that no one seems to know who he is,

despite the fact that he's been actively mingling and handing out business cards. And when an injection mark is spotted on his neck, it's clear this wasn't caused by a shellfish allergy. Now, as the weather deteriorates and a small group is stranded on the island, Julia starts interrogating staff, family members, and friends to find out who turned the clambake into a crime scene.

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Cozies | Releases 8/21/2024

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THE FATAL FOLIO

The Cambridge Bookshop
Elizabeth Penney

"Plenty of suspects combined with interesting background on gothic novels enliven this Cambridge Bookshop mystery."

— Kirkus Reviews

Though Molly Kimball's not quite ready to use the "L" word when it comes to her boyfriend Kieran, she's

definitely fallen for his family's library. She discovers the original manuscript of a Gothic novel and Kieran's cousin, a professor specializing in Gothic literature, is eager to publish a paper on the mystery — especially because a troublesome student, Thad, is threatening to file a complaint against him and prevent his long-awaited promotion. On Guy Fawkes Night, Molly stumbles upon a body, their face covered by a mask. It's Thad, and Molly must once again put on a few masks of her own to sleuth out the killer.

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Cozies | Releases 8/21/2024

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THE WITLESS PROTECTION PROGRAM

A Catering Hall Mystery
Maria DiRico

USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR

"The solution to the puzzle is merely icing on the cake of this madcap confection."

— Kirkus Reviews

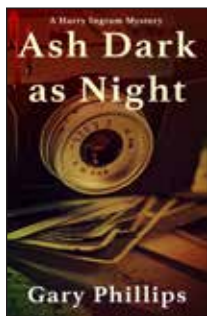
Mia's husband, Adam, was a philandering grifter, assumed lost

at sea after a boating disaster. But everyone knows what happens when you assume. While working a huge wedding expo in Manhattan, Mia is shocked to spot the man who nearly destroyed her life. When it happens again the next day, it's time for an emergency meeting with the family — and *the Family*. Because if Adam is alive, Mia is still married. Everyone wants Adam dead. Everyone except Mia. She's dealt with enough police for a lifetime. Mia needs to be a divorcée, not a widow. But someone out there disagrees.

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Cozies | Releases 8/21/2024

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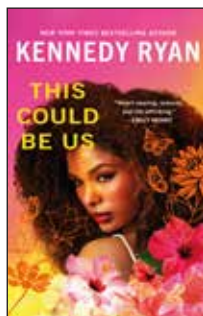


ASH DARK AS NIGHT ★
A Harry Ingram Mystery • Book 2
Gary Phillips

"Hardboiled, gritty, and fresh, Phillips's latest is for fans of action/detective stories."
— Library Journal

Los Angeles, August 1965. Anger and pent-up frustrations boil over in the Watts neighborhood after a traffic stop of two Black motorists. As the Watts riots explode, crime photographer Harry Ingram snaps photos at the scene. When he captures the image of an unarmed activist being shot down by the cops, he winds up in the hospital, beaten, his camera missing. Proof of the unjust killing seems lost — until Ingram's girlfriend, Anita Claire, retrieves the hidden film in a daring rescue. The photo makes front-page news and Ingram's newfound fame puts him in the sightlines of LAPD's secretive intelligence division.

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Suspense | Releases 8/21/2024
Available in Black Voices 2, 3 & 4.



THIS COULD BE US ★
Kennedy Ryan
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER
PUBLISHERS WEEKLY BESTSELLER
USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR

"Ryan excels in creating angsty, even melodramatic stories, and this novel is no exception." — Kirkus Reviews

Soledad Barnes is a domestic goddess who's never met a party she couldn't host or a charge she couldn't lead. But none of her varied talents can save her when the life she built with the man who was supposed to be her forever goes *poof* in a cloud of betrayal and disillusion. But there is no time to sulk or even grieve. She's too busy keeping a roof over her daughters' heads and food on the table. And in the process of saving them all, Soledad rediscovers herself. But then an unlikely man enters the picture — the forbidden one, the one she shouldn't want but can't seem to resist. After all she's lost, can she be brave enough to make room for what could be?

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General Fiction | Releases 8/21/2024
Available in Black Voices 2, 3 & 4.



A GAMBLE AT SUNSET ★
Betting Against the Duke • Book 1
Vanessa Riley

"Riley renders the Regency in living color, with impressive historical detail and an admirably diverse cast. Historical romance readers will be entranced."
— starred, Publishers Weekly

Georgina Wilcox, a wallflower with hidden musical talents, decides to kiss the first willing stranger she meets in the gardens of Anya House. Unfortunately, a group of reporters and the *ton's* leading gossips catch Georgina in a passionate embrace with composer Lord Mark Sebastian. Under the guise of private voice lessons, the two embark on a daring gamble to fool the ton into believing that their feigned courtship is honorable while bolstering Georgina's singing genius to captivate potential suitors. Will their growing attraction prove there's nothing false about a first kiss and scandalously irresistible temptation?

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Regency | Releases 8/21/2024
Available in Black Voices 3 & 4.



A TASTE FOR MORE
Phyllis R. Dixon

Money is security. Margo Dupree has lived by that rule since childhood, when her father's death plunged her and her mother into poverty. Marriage brought only disillusionment and struggle. But it also gave Margo the determination to migrate north in search of a better life for herself and her daughter, Lana. Using her tasty recipes, personality, and relentless hustle, Margo begins to build a successful restaurant chain. Yet despite her ever-more desperate efforts, she can't earn her heart's deepest desire: Lana's forgiveness for her early absence. As Lana becomes a young woman, Margo wonders if she can save her from mistakes that may shatter both of their worlds.

ISBN: 9781420516494 | \$32.99 U.S.
Women's Fiction | Releases 8/21/2024
Available in Black Voices 4.

**THE LONG GAME**

A NOVEL

Elena Armas**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER**

"Armas's leads feel fully fleshed out, and the pacing of their transition from enemies to lovers is just right. With plenty of hilarious and swoonworthy interactions set against a quaint backdrop, this is sure to please Armas's many fans." — Publishers Weekly

Adalyn Reyes has spent years perfecting her daily routine: wake up at dawn, drive to the Miami Flames FC offices, try her hardest to leave a mark, go home, and repeat. But her routine is disrupted when a video of her in an altercation with the team's mascot goes viral. Rather than fire her, the team's owner — who happens to be her father — sends Adalyn to middle-of-nowhere North Carolina, where she's tasked with turning around the struggling local soccer team, the Green Warriors. Her plans crumble upon discovering that the players are nine-year-old kids. But helping this ragtag children's team is Adalyn's road to redemption, and she is playing the long game.

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Contemporary | Releases 8/21/2024

**THE HAPPINESS BLUEPRINT**

A NOVEL

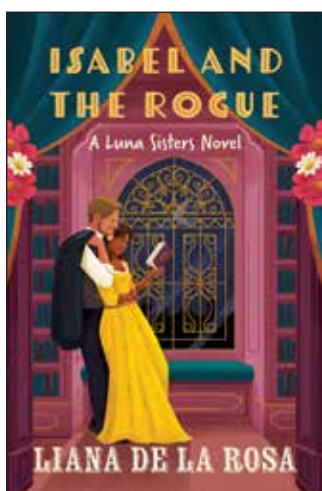
Ally Zetterberg

"The author sensitively shades both characters — especially Klara, who is autistic and has diabetes — creating a poignant and unconventional romance." — Publishers Weekly

Klara is in need of a change. When her dad falls ill, Klara begrudgingly agrees to help run his small construction company while he recovers, even though it means moving back home and pushing the boundaries of her comfort zone to the extreme. Alex has been a shell of himself since his brother died. He's unemployed, has bills piling up, and is distant from friends and family. His therapist is encouraging him to keep things manageable by setting up a calendar, checking off tasks each day, and looking for work to help get him back on his feet. When an ad pops up for a carpenter position at a small construction company, he jumps at the chance to take a step forward.

ISBN: 9781420515343 | \$27.99 U.S.

Women's Fiction | Releases 8/21/2024

**ISABEL AND THE ROGUE** ★★

A Luna Sisters Novel • Book 2

Liana De la Rosa

"In this exquisitely written second installment of the Luna Sisters' series, . . . De la Rosa again skillfully blends elements of historical fiction and romance, transporting readers to Victorian London with a complex and compelling Latina protagonist." — starred, Library Journal

Isabel Luna Valdés has resigned herself to being the "forgotten" Luna sister. But thanks to familial connections to the Mexican ambassador in London, Isabel is poised to unearth any British intelligence that might aid Mexico during the French Occupation. Isabel's search is hampered by trysting couples and prowling rogues — including the rakish Captain Sirius Dawson. Their mutual attraction is undeniable, but when Isabel discovers private correspondence that could turn the tide of political turmoil in Mexico, she's willing to do whatever it takes to protect her country — even ignoring her heart and courting danger.

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Historical | Releases 8/21/2024



BETRAYAL ROAD

Torpedo Ink • Book 9

Christine Feehan

**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER
USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR**

The stranger frequenting Azelie Vargas' local coffee shop is tall, dark, muscular, and a complete distraction. She's worried one look from his striking silver eyes will

have her acting a fool. Andrii "Maestro" Federoff is in San Francisco on business. After weeks of stealthy observation, he's not sure if Azelie is involved directly, or if she's just working for some bad people. What he does know is that he needs to get close to her fast, and soon he can't get enough. What began as a setup quickly turns real. But no matter how hot they burn, Maestro's betrayal could leave their hearts smoldering in the ashes.

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Paranormal | Releases 8/21/2024

Available in Romance 2, 3 & 4.



IF WE EVER MEET AGAIN

If Love • Book 1

Ana Huang

Nineteen-year-old Farrah Lin is going to fall in love for the first time during her year abroad in Shanghai. She's sure of it. Blake Ryan is — was — a college football star who shocked the sports world when he quit after his third national championship. Instead

of dealing with the fallout, he escapes to Shanghai. What starts as a physical attraction develops into something much deeper as Blake and Farrah get swept up in each other. But they only have one year, and there are forces outside their control that threaten to rip them apart. Can their relationship survive the test or was it just not meant to be?

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Contemporary | Releases 8/21/2024

Available in Romance 2, 3 & 4.



HAPPILY NEVER AFTER ★

Lynn Painter

**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR**

"A rom-com for the cynics . . . The supporting cast is equally funny and helps to round out an entertaining yarn that doesn't take itself too seriously." — Library Journal

When Sophie Steinbeck finds out her fiancé has cheated yet again, she

desperately wants to call it off. But *she* doesn't want to be the one to do it. Her savior comes in the form of a professional objector, whose purpose is to show up at weddings and proclaim, "I object!" It makes perfect sense to her, and Sophie wants in. As Sophie and Max spend more time together, however, they realize that their physical chemistry is off the charts, leading them to dabble in a hookup or two. Then a groom-to-be hires Sophie to object, but his fiancée is the woman who broke Max's heart and Sophie grapples with the realization that she may have fallen hard for her partner in crime.

ISBN: 9781420516630 | \$32.99 U.S.

Contemporary | Releases 8/21/2024

Available in Romance 3 & 4.



EARLS TRIP

Earls Trip • Book 1

Jenny Holiday

USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR

"Powered by feelings and friendships, . . . Holiday's latest deftly sets up a series that shows potential." — Library Journal

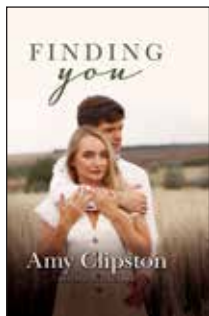
The annual trip Archibald Fielding-Burton, the Earl of Harcourt, takes with Simon and Effie holds a sacred

spot in their calendars. This year an urgent letter arrives from an old family friend, begging Archie to help prevent a ruinous scandal. Suddenly the trip has become earls-plus-girls, as Archie's childhood pals, Clementine and Olive, are rescued en route to Gretna Green. Clementine, while as frank and refreshing as he remembers, is different to the wild girl Archie knew. Then Clem makes him a proposal, asking him to show her the pleasures of the marriage bed. And what kind of gentleman would he be to refuse a lady?

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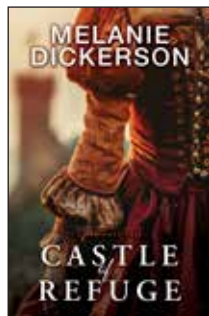


FINDING YOU
A SWEET CONTEMPORARY ROMANCE
Amy Clipston

Eighteen months ago, Darcy Larsen lost her fiancé in an accident she still blames herself for. After a rough breakup and a medical emergency that left him drowning in debt, mechanic Carter Donovan doesn't feel like the catch everyone says he

is. When Darcy's Lexus breaks down, Carter appears on the scene to try to jump start her car. Despite their immediate connection, the two have perhaps too many obstacles to overcome. Carter questions if getting involved with Darcy will be his next big mistake. And Darcy wonders if she can move past her grief and guilt to embrace the Happily Ever After that's dangling in front of her.

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CASTLE OF REFUGE
A Dericott Tale • Book 2
Melanie Dickerson

"Dickerson does a nice job of evoking late-14th-century England and has succeeded in crafting a pair of engaging . . . characters that romance readers will enjoy following."
— Kirkus Reviews

As the daughter of a viscount, the only thing expected of Audrey was to marry — until an act of malice by her sister, Maris, damaged her face and her prospects. Though Maris was sent away, Audrey decides to flee in search of her destiny. She soon finds herself attacked and in desperate need of help. She is taken in at Dericott Castle. While there, she falls in love with Lord Dericott, who lost his arm and bears scars of his own. When the man Audrey's father wanted her to marry comes looking for her, she and Lord Dericott must make life-changing decisions about what to believe and whether or not love is truly worth trusting.

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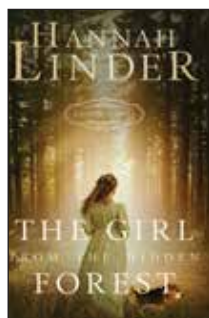


LOYALLY, LUKE
A NOVEL
Pepper Basham

My name is Luke Edgewood, and I have no plans to change my bachelor status anytime soon. My sister thinks that by accepting a construction job in the European country of Skymar, I'm going to discover a romantic adventure.

Nope. Her rom-com senses are wrong. Or maybe not. Because I've met a Grace Kelly look-alike who is annoying, until she isn't. But nothing can happen between us because she is a literal princess. Even though that's easy to forget when we're working together to restore an orphanage in a secluded mountain town. The whole situation has turned into a snow globe of romantic tropes. Ugh. Send high levels of testosterone my way — I'm going to need it.

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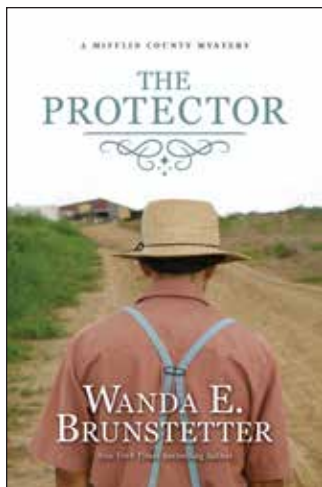


THE GIRL FROM THE HIDDEN FOREST
Hannah Linder

Eliza Ellis has stayed hidden in Balfour Forest for as long as she can remember. But at least she is safe from the cruel world outside, a world her story-telling father has protected her from. That is, until a stranger named Felton Northwood invades

her quiet forest and steals her away. Why does he insist that her name is Eliza Gillingham, daughter of a viscount, who disappeared fourteen years ago after the murder of her mother? A murder Eliza is said to have witnessed. When she finally uncovers the horrendous memories trapped in her mind, will divulging the truth cost her the man she loves — and both of their lives?

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**THE PROTECTOR**

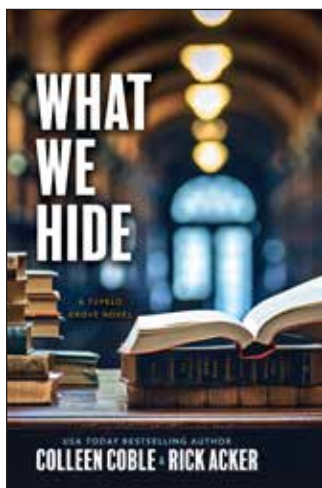
A Mifflin County Mystery • Book 1

Wanda E. Brunstetter**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR**

Rosa Petersheim has disappeared from the Big Valley without a trace. Norman always considered himself his sister's protector and can't believe she would have left home of her own accord — so he must have failed her. He throws all he has into helping the authorities search for Rosa, while trying to support his parents and siblings who are struggling both mentally and physically. Salina Swarey loves Norman and hopes they are headed towards marriage, but his obsession with Rosa's whereabouts is driving them apart. Can Norman find a place of peace and contentment if he never learns where Rosa is?

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**WHAT WE HIDE** ★

A Tupelo Grove Novel • Book 1

Colleen Coble, Rick Acker**USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR**

Savannah Webster and her husband, Hez, have been separated since tragedy tore them apart and he began numbing his grief and guilt with alcohol. She returned to Tupelo Grove University to teach history. When Hez turns up asking for a second chance, she rejects the idea. But twenty-four hours later she's under suspicion for murder, and Hez is the best attorney she knows. They suspect the murder is tied to someone selling off the university's artifacts, but the secrets go much deeper than they realize. They're going to have to put their past behind them if they're going to stay alive long enough to uncover all that's hidden.

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**MEETING HER MATCH**

The Matchmakers • Book 3

Jen Turano**USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR**

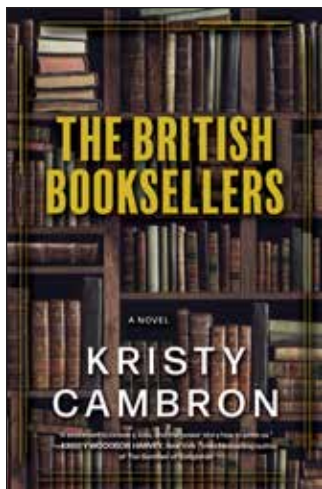
"[T]he propulsive narrative pulls off its twists and turns with aplomb, and the chemistry between the leads will keep readers invested to the last page. Turano fans old and new will be delighted."

— Publishers Weekly

Miss Camilla Pierpont, matchmaker and member of the New York Four Hundred, has vowed never to marry after suffering heartbreak during her debut years ago. After learning that Camilla has enjoyed success with taking wayward young ladies in hand, Mr. Owen Chesterfield travels to the Hudson River Valley determined to convince Camilla to sponsor his sister. Camilla agrees to Owen's proposition and travels with him to West Virginia, finding herself charmed by his small hometown, as well as by Owen himself. But danger waits in the shadows, disrupting what she knows would be the most spectacular match she's ever made — her own.

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THE BRITISH BOOKSELLERS ★★

A NOVEL

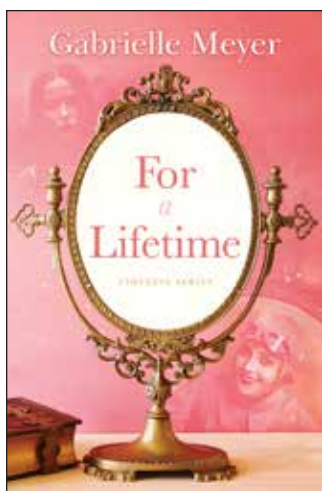
Kristy Cambron

"In this delightful historical romance . . . readers will be put through the emotional spectrum, all the while rooting for the mismatched couple: now middle-aged and battle scarred, but not without hope for true love." — starred, Library Journal

A tenant farmer's son had no business dreaming of a future with an earl's daughter, but that couldn't keep Amos Darby from his secret friendship with Charlotte Terrington . . . until the Great War sobered youthful dreams. His return home comes with the fulfillment of opening a bookshop. When the future Earl of Harcourt chose Charlotte to be his wife, she knew she was destined for a loveless match. Twenty-five years later, Charlotte remains a war widow operating a quaint bookshop — and Amos is nothing more than the rival bookseller across the lane. But with the Luftwaffe's blitz terrorizing the skies, Amos and Charlotte must fight together to help Coventry survive.

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FOR A LIFETIME

Timeless • Book 3

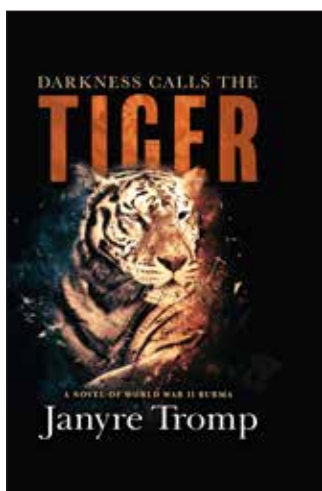
Gabrielle Meyer

"Meyer keeps the action rolling . . . and brings historical events to vivid life through the twins' eyes—especially the paranoia and witchcraft accusations swirling around Salem, which come perilously close to Hope and Grace." — Publishers Weekly

Grace and Hope are identical twins with the ability to time-cross together between 1692 Salem, Massachusetts, and 1912 New York City. As their twenty-fifth birthday approaches, they will have to choose one life to keep and one to leave behind. In 1692, they search for the truth behind their mother's mysterious death, risking everything to expose a secret that could save their lives. In 1912, Hope dreams of becoming one of the first female pilots in America, and Grace works as an investigative journalist. The sisters have decided which timeline they will choose, but tragedy complicates the future they planned for themselves.

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DARKNESS CALLS THE TIGER

A NOVEL OF WORLD WAR II BURMA

Janyre Tromp

After the attack on Pearl Harbor, Imperial Japan devours the southern portion of Burma. Kailyn Moran drifts in her role as the only daughter of a widowed missionary. As whispers of war snake through the Kachin mountains, Kai's father entrusts the village to her and the new missionary Ryan McDonough. War descends, and a bond forms between Kailyn and Ryan. Despite their efforts, a brutal enemy pushes Kailyn to embark on a path of unrestrained vengeance. Afraid he's losing the woman he loves, Ryan fights to protect Kai from the deadly consequences of her choices. But can he convince her of the power and freedom of forgiveness?

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DAUGHTERS OF SHANDONG

A NOVEL

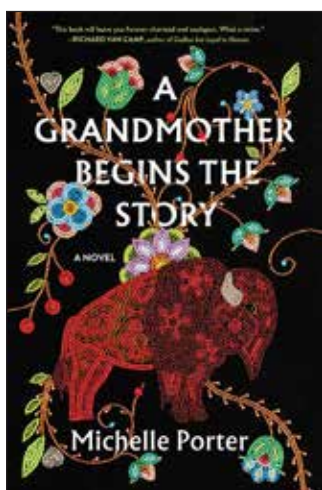
Eve J. Chung

"Chung portrays the characters' stark circumstances in lyrical prose . . . Readers will be moved by this humanizing account of a turbulent period in China's history." — Publishers Weekly

In 1948, civil war ravages the Chinese countryside, but in rural Shandong, the wealthy, landowning Angs are more concerned with their lack of an heir. Hai is the eldest of four girls, and their mother is abused by the family for failing to birth a boy. As the Communist army closes in on their town, the rest of the prosperous household flees, leaving behind the girls and their mother. They forge travel permits and embark on a journey to confront the family that abandoned them. But with the loss of their home and the life they've known also comes new freedom — to take hold of their fate, to shake free of the bonds of their gender, and to claim their own story.

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A GRANDMOTHER BEGINS THE STORY

A NOVEL

Michelle Porter

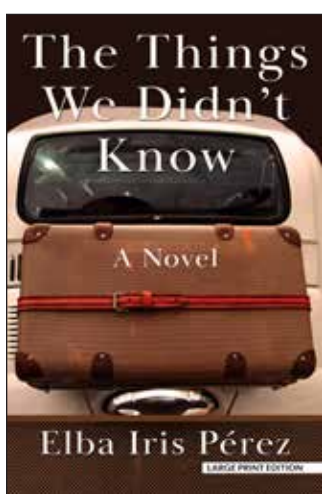
SHORTLISTED FOR THE ATWOOD GIBSON PRIZE

"[A] searingly captivating debut . . . The tender, tough, funny, and heartbreaking voices of the characters will seep into readers' souls." — Library Journal

Carter is a young mother on a quest to find the true meaning of her heritage, which she only learned of in her teens. Allie is trying to make up for the lost years with her first born and to protect Carter from the hurt she herself suffered from her own mother. Lucie wants the granddaughter she's never met to help her get to her ancestors in the afterlife. And Geneviève is determined to conquer her demons with the help of the sister she lost but has never been without. Meanwhile, Mamé, in the afterlife, knows that she must find a way to cut herself from the last threads that keep her tethered to the living, just as they must find their own paths forward.

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THE THINGS WE DIDN'T KNOW

A NOVEL

Elba Iris Pérez

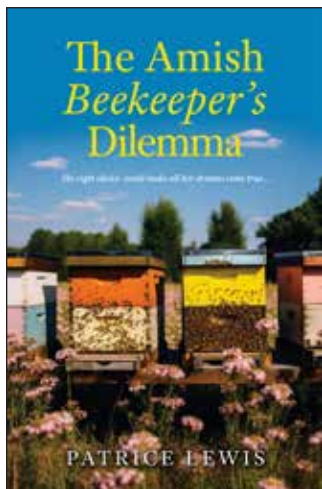
USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR

"A coming-of-age tale that beautifully evokes the contrasting environments of Puerto Rico and Massachusetts." — Kirkus Reviews

Andrea Rodríguez is nine years old when her mother whisks her and her brother, Pablo, away from Woronoco, the tiny Massachusetts factory town that is the only home they've known. With no plan and no money, she leaves them with family in the mountainside villages of Puerto Rico and promises to return. Months later, when Andrea and Pablo are brought back to Massachusetts, they find their hometown significantly changed. As they navigate the rifts between their family's values and all-American culture and face the harsh realities of growing up, they must embrace both the triumphs and heartache that mark the journey to adulthood.

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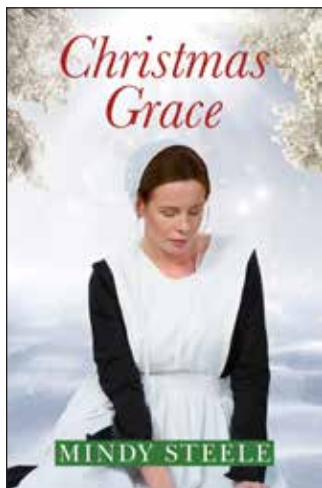
THE AMISH BEEKEEPER'S DILEMMA

Patrice Lewis

After her fiancé abandons her, Rebecca Hilty finds herself beekeeping in Montana and dreaming of inheriting Caleb Graber's farm. But Caleb's great-nephew and heir, Jacob, wants the land all to himself. Forced to work together, Rebecca and Jacob are determined to prove their worth, until Caleb declares an inheritance requirement that shocks them both! Now Rebecca is faced with an impossible choice — marry Jacob or lose the farm for good.

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CHRISTMAS GRACE

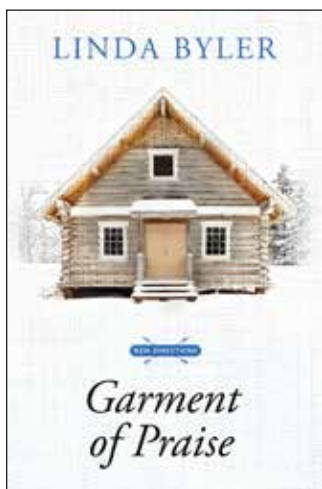
Mindy Steele

"An entertaining love story about a fallen woman who doesn't stay down." — Kirkus Reviews

Grace Miller believed herself in love with the charming *Englischer* who eventually broke her heart. Now alone except for the secret life growing inside her, she arrives in the unfamiliar village of Walnut Ridge, Kentucky, to hide and hopefully gain forgiveness. She is pleasantly surprised, however, to find a tight-knit, welcoming group. Her neighbor, Cullen Graber, seems intent on not allowing her to ever suffer alone. Cullen planned to live out his days focusing on his smithy business, yet the beautiful and mysterious Grace refuses to leave his thoughts. But can they open their hearts to God's grace and create a new family together before Grace must return home?

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GARMENT OF PRAISE

New Directions • Book 3

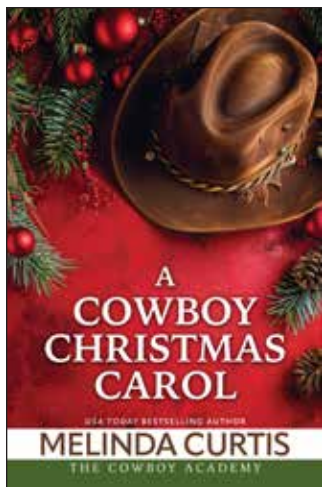
Linda Byler

"Byler creates multifaceted characters who deal with real-life issues, showcasing how plain life is not always simple." — Publishers Weekly

Susan has been in Wyoming long enough to feel at home, but she finds herself still struggling to adapt. The real struggle is the same as it has been since the day she married Isaac — the long hours he spends away at his logging job and the way his son Titus seems to loathe her presence in their lives. Titus is growing quickly, coming closer to manhood every day. He's working with his father, always torn between wanting to impress him and being repulsed by the entire logging industry. He struggles with pent-up anger from his mother's death, but could a meeting with a young woman full of her own struggles change everything?

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A COWBOY CHRISTMAS CAROL

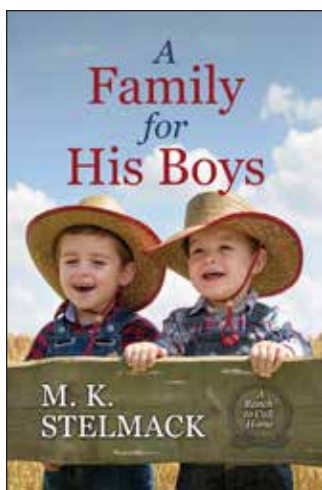
The Cowboy Academy • Book 3

Melinda Curtis

Rodeo roper Ryan Oakley may hate Christmas, but he still needs a miracle. Unfortunately, the only person who sells top-notch competition horses is Jo Pierce, his former high school nemesis. Now Ryan's making the single mom a bargain: he'll set her up with his twin brother, her longtime crush. It's the perfect holiday plan . . . until the no-nonsense working cowgirl ends up lassoing his heart instead.

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A FAMILY FOR HIS BOYS

A Ranch to Call Home • Book 3

M. K. Stelmack

Fired from her big-city law firm, headstrong Grace Jansson is making a fresh start by opening a B and B in the Alberta Foothills. Her steadfast neighbor, Hawk Blackstone, runs the ranch next door, and she sees his struggle to solo parent wild twin boys. Grace is happy to help out, until she finds her childhood feelings for Hawk resurfacing. Grace never wanted the family life — can Hawk and his twins change her mind?

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THE ORCHIDS OF ASHTHORNE HALL

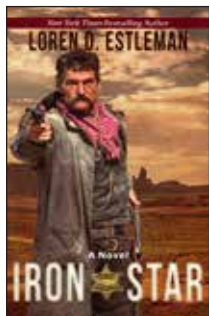
Rebecca Anderson

"Hyacinth's quest to discover more about the ghost will take readers through a whirlwind of emotions."
— Library Journal

1887, the Cornwall coast. For years, rumors have flown through the village of Suttonsbury about Ashthorne Hall, but botanist Hyacinth Bell only cares about the estate's one-of-a-kind orchid collection. As an independent woman, she is eager to focus on her career. What she doesn't expect is to be swept away by Lucas Harding, the manor's caretaker. But then strange things start happening in the seemingly empty halls of the estate. Armed with little more than her instincts and her courage, Hyacinth must venture into the shadows of Ashthorne Hall to uncover the truth before she falls victim to the dangers hidden in the estate.

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IRON STAR

A NOVEL

Loren D. Estleman

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
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STIRRUP AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR
SHAMUS AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR
WESTERN WRITERS OF AMERICA LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

"Estleman affectionately takes an axe to the tropes on which he built his career while delivering a gripping story."

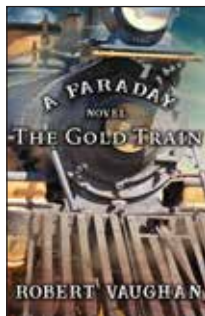
— Publishers Weekly

From his youth as a revolutionist to his time as a Deputy U.S. Marshal, Iron St. John has become a larger-than-life figure. A generation later, the clouded truth of this giant of the Old West has been all but lost. Now, Buck Jones, a pioneering film star, is vying for a cinematic story that will launch his career to incredible heights. He approaches Emmet Rawlings, a retired Pinkerton detective, to set the record of St. John's life straight once and for all. Twenty years ago, Rawlings accompanied St. John on his final manhunt, and in desperate need for the funding a successful book promises, he dives into St. John's past to tell the truth about this part-time hero.

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THE GOLD TRAIN

A Faraday Novel • Book 2

Robert Vaughan

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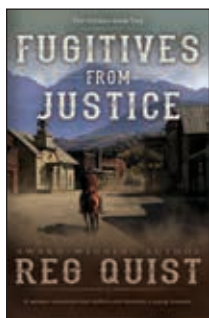
The train-top murder of one of his female operatives has thrust Matthew Faraday, the wily chief of Faraday Security Service, into the dark and twisting tunnel of another railroad mystery, and a coded

message in the dead woman's pocket is the only clue.

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FUGITIVES FROM JUSTICE

The Settlers • Book 2

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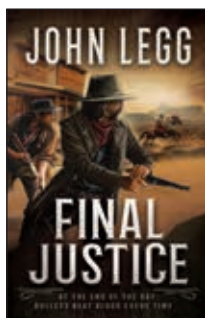
At the request of the state administrator, Rory Jamison is assigned with putting together a census of the county — in preparation for the organizational vote that will determine Rory's future as County Sheriff. But as a

vicious gang passes through in an attempt to reach the railway and holds up a local bank, Rory gets tangled up in a hostage situation that sees a ranch family thrown into despair as their lives are put on the line. With determination — and the voice of his dead father reminding him of his duty — Rory dives headfirst into a perilous situation with an unforeseen outcome.

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FINAL JUSTICE

A WESTERN BOUNTY HUNTER NOVEL

John Legg

Jace Coppersmith, a marshal in a Colorado Territory town, makes the tough decision to hand in his badge and leave his fiancée to help a friend, Travis Van Horn, in Kansas. Van Horn, who trained Coppersmith in the ways of the bounty hunter, is being forced

to commit crimes by an outlaw who has abducted Van Horn's five-year-old daughter, a child he has never really known. Coppersmith enlists the help of Van Horn's brother in the search for the missing child, but the search and its aftermath spawn a feud between the two old friends that can only be solved with gunfire.

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THE OREGON TRAIL

Go West, Young Man • Book 2

William W. Johnstone and J. A. Johnstone

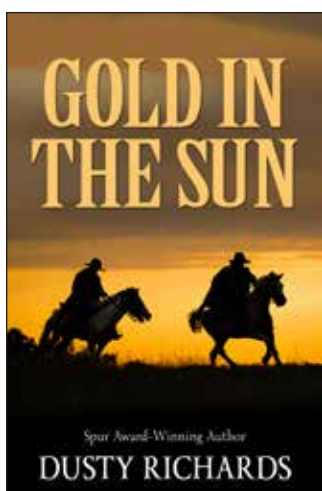
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHORS

USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHORS

Clayton Scofield has led countless families across the West, helping the pioneers settle into new lives. His latest trail finds him guiding a train of wagons from Missouri to Oregon. It isn't long before the pioneers fall prey to the hazards of the countryside. The currents of the Kansas River tear a family apart. A fur trapper threatens Scofield in an attempt to win the affections of an uninterested lady. Lakota Sioux warriors attack and slaughter without mercy. Scofield can't remember the trail ride ever being this treacherous, and he knows there's even worse things awaiting them.

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GOLD IN THE SUN

Dusty Richards

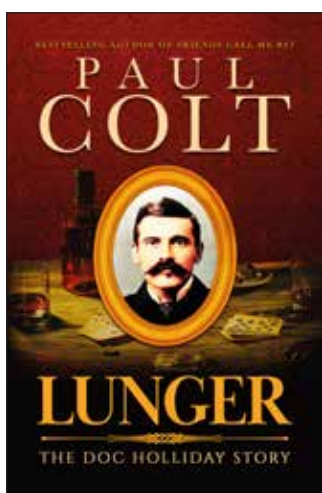
SPUR AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR

WESTERN HERITAGE AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR

A drunken plan to make some quick money with two friends landed drifter Whit Ralston in the Yuma Territorial Prison — the worst prison in Arizona. He's vowed never to do anything so stupid again, but that becomes a hard promise to keep when his crazy cellmate starts talking about a load of stolen gold stashed up in the mountains. When he falls for a beautiful lady named Oleta, he realizes he might have a new reason to run some risks. Once he gets out of prison, Whit starts making plans — but he's going to have to make better choices in order for his latest scheme to hit pay dirt. In the Old West, following the law is never as important as trusting the right people.

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LUNGER

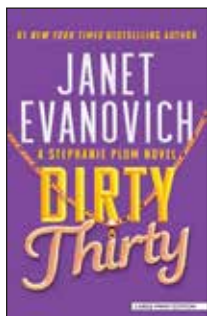
THE DOC HOLLIDAY STORY

Paul Colt

The product of an aristocratic upbringing, John Henry "Doc" Holliday's dreams of a career in dentistry are dashed by respiratory disease. Encouraged to seek the therapeutic benefits of drier climes, John Henry undertakes an odyssey crossing the western frontier, often in the company of Kate Elder. Gambling, drinking, and living on the edge, ever beset by disease, Doc meets and befriends Wyatt Earp. Kate is never far behind, drawn like a moth to the flame of inevitable demise. Dancing on the edge of oblivion, driven by fate and an unyielding will to live on his own terms, *Lunger* is Doc's story as he himself might have told it.

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DIRTY THIRTY

A Stephanie Plum Novel • Book 30

Janet Evanovich

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Stephanie Plum, Trenton’s most underappreciated bounty hunter, is offered a freelance assignment that seems simple enough. Local jeweler Martin Rabner wants her to locate

his former security guard, Andy Manley, who he is convinced stole a fortune in diamonds out of his safe. Stephanie is also looking for Duncan Dugan, a fugitive from justice arrested for robbing the same jewelry store on the same day. As the body count rises and witnesses start to disappear, it won’t be easy for Stephanie to keep herself clean when everyone else is playing dirty. It’s a good thing Stephanie isn’t afraid of getting a little dirty, too.

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HELLO STRANGER

A NOVEL

Katherine Center

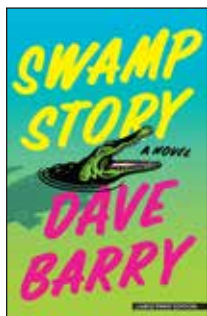
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INDIE NEXT PICK
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JULY 2023 BOOK OF THE MONTH

Sadie Montgomery never saw what was coming . . . literally! One minute

she’s celebrating the biggest achievement of her life — placing as a finalist in the North American Portrait Society competition — the next she’s lying in a hospital bed diagnosed with a “probably temporary” condition known as face blindness. She can see, but every face she looks at is now a jumbled puzzle of disconnected features. Imagine trying to read a book upside down and in another language. This is Sadie’s new reality. But, as she struggles to cope, she falls in love — not with one man but two. If only her life were a little more in focus, Sadie might be able to have it all.

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SWAMP STORY ★★

A NOVEL

Dave Barry

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

Jesse Braddock is trapped in a cabin in the Everglades with her daughter and her ex-boyfriend. Broke and desperate, Jesse stumbles across a long-lost treasure, which could solve all her problems. The problem is

some very bad men are also looking for the treasure. Meanwhile, Ken Bortle of Bortle Brothers Bait and Beer has hatched a scheme to lure tourists to his store by making viral videos of the “Everglades Melon Monster,” inspiring a horde of TikTokers to swarm into the swamp. Amid this mayhem, a presidential hopeful arrives to start his campaign. Needless to say, it does not go as planned. In fact, nothing in this story goes as planned. This is, after all, Florida.

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Emma Rosenblum

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Sam and Jason, have summered together on the island since childhood, despite lifelong grudges and numerous secrets. Their one single friend, Rachel Woolf, is looking to meet her match, whether he’s the tennis pro — or someone else’s husband. But even with plenty to gossip about, this season starts out as quietly as any other. Until a body is discovered, face down, off the side of the boardwalk.

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Yash is the best athlete at Robinette Middle School. Imagine his shock when he learns his high school sports practices have kept him from earning credit for eighth-grade PE. To graduate, he has to take Physical Education Equivalency in summer school. Yash gets to know Kaden, an academic superstar; Sarah and Stewart, who are too busy trying to kill each other to do any real PE; Jesse, a notorious prankster; Arabella, who protests everything; and Cleo, a natural athlete who has sworn off sports. When one of them tries to blow the lid off a scandal, Yash is forced to act. Teaming up with the most hapless crew in school can really surprise a person. And their teacher might be hiding the biggest surprise yet.

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TREE. TABLE. BOOK.

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TWO-TIME NEWBERY MEDALIST

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— Publishers Weekly

Everyone knows the two Sophies are best friends. One is in elementary school, and one is elderly, sure, but she's always been on her game. The Sophies drink tea, have strong opinions about pretty much everything, and love each other dearly. Now it seems the elder Sophie is having memory problems, forgetting just about everything. It looks like her son is going to come and steal her away forever. Young Sophie isn't having that. So she sets out to help elder Sophie's memory. But when she opens the floodgates of elder Sophie's memories, she winds up listening to stories that will illustrate just how much there is to know about her dear friend, stories of war, hunger, cruelty, and ultimately love.

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THE SECRET LIBRARY ★★

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MARGARET A. EDWARDS AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR

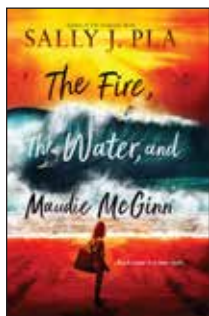
NAACP IMAGE AWARD AUTHOR

"[A]n engrossing story that skillfully combines a coming-of-age story with fantasy and historical fiction."
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Since Grandpa died, Dally's days are dull and restricted. She's eleven and a half years old, and her exacting mother is already preparing her to take over the family business. Starved for adventure and release, Dally rescues a mysterious envelope from her mother's clutches, an envelope Grandpa had earmarked for her. The map she finds inside leads straight to an ancient vault, a library of secrets where each book is a portal to a precise moment in time. As Dally "checks out" adventure after adventure, she begins to dive deep into her family's hidden history. But the library has secrets of its own, intentions that would shape her life as surely as her mother's meticulous plans. What will Dally choose?

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THE FIRE, THE WATER, AND MAUDIE MCGINN ★★

Sally J. Pla

SCHNEIDER FAMILY BOOK AWARD WINNER

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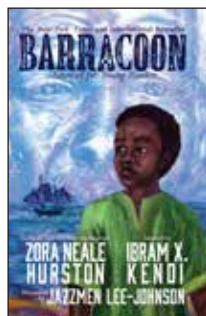
— School Library Journal

Maudie always looks forward to the summers she spends in California with her dad. But when a wildfire strikes, Maudie and her dad are forced to evacuate to the beach town where he grew up. Now, every morning, from their camper, Maudie can see surfers bobbing in the water. She desperately wants to learn, but could she ever be brave enough? As Maudie navigates unfamiliar waters, she makes friends — and her autism no longer feels like the big deal her mom makes it out to be. But her secret is still threatening to sink her. Will Maudie find the strength to reveal the awful truth — and maybe even find some way to stay with Dad — before summer is over?

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BARRACOON ★

ADAPTED FOR YOUNG READERS

Zora Neale Hurston, Ibram X. Kendi

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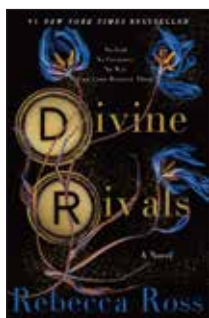
— starred, School Library Journal

This is the life story of Cudjo Lewis, as told by himself. Of the millions of men, women, and children transported from Africa to America to be enslaved, eighty-six-year-old Cudjo Lewis was then the only person alive to tell the story of his capture and bondage — fifty years after the Atlantic human trade was outlawed in the United States. Cudjo shared his firsthand account with legendary folklorist, anthropologist, and writer Zora Neale Hurston. Adapted with care and delivered with age-appropriate historical context by award-winning historian Ibram X. Kendi, Cudjo's incredible story is now available for young readers and emerging scholars.

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DIVINE RIVALS

A NOVEL

Letters of Enchantment • Book 1

Rebecca Ross

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"Ideal for readers seeking perspectives on war, with a heavy dash of romance and touch of fantasy." — Kirkus Reviews

After centuries of sleep, the gods are warring again. But eighteen-year-old Iris Winnow just wants to hold her family together. Her mother is suffering from addiction and her brother is missing from the front lines. Her best bet is to win the columnist promotion at the *Oath Gazette*. To combat her worries, Iris writes letters to her brother and slips them beneath her wardrobe door, where they vanish — into the hands of Roman Kitt, her cold and handsome rival at the paper. When he anonymously writes Iris back, the two of them forge a connection that will follow Iris all the way to the front lines of battle: for her brother, the fate of mankind, and love.

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FIVE SURVIVE

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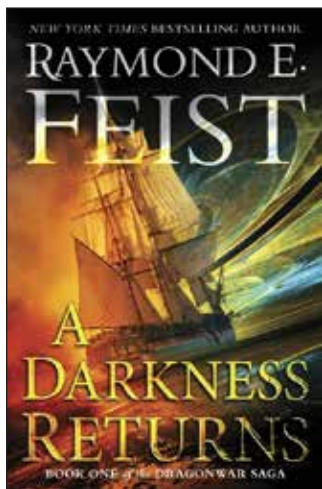
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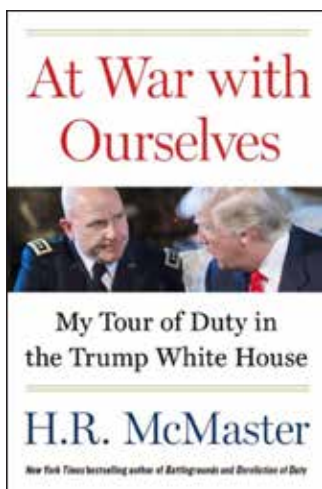
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Hatushaly, last scion of the Firemane dynasty; his beloved Hava; and their friend Donte have been transported across space and time from their war-torn world of Garn to the relative peace of Midkemia. There, on Sorcerer's Isle, under the guidance of the great magician Magnus and his reincarnated father Pug, Hatu will explore his magical abilities. The Church of the One has risen to bring death and destruction to Hatu's home world. The kingdom of Ilcomen has fallen, and now the Church is sending forces to Marquensas, where Daylon Dumarch has declared himself king, and master swordsmith Declan Smith finds himself suddenly raised to the status of prince and war commander. But there are even greater menaces waiting in the wings, beings from the Void, creatures born of Darkness.

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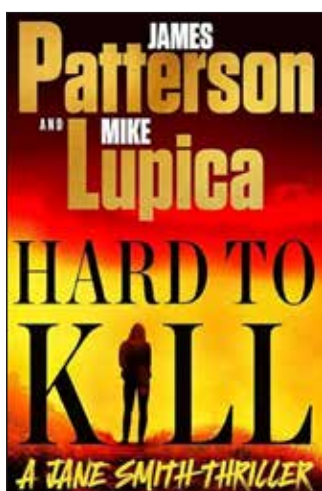
MY TOUR OF DUTY IN THE TRUMP WHITE HOUSE

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At War with Ourselves is the story of helping a disruptive president drive necessary shifts in U.S. foreign policy at a critical moment in history. McMaster entered an administration beset by conflict and the hyper partisanship of American politics. With the candor of a soldier and the perspective of a historian, McMaster rises above the fray to lay bare the good, the bad, and the ugly of Trump's presidency and give readers insight into what a second Trump term would look like. McMaster offers a frank and fresh assessment of the achievements and failures of his tenure as National Security Advisor and the challenging task of maintaining one's bearings and focus on the mission in a hectic and malicious environment.

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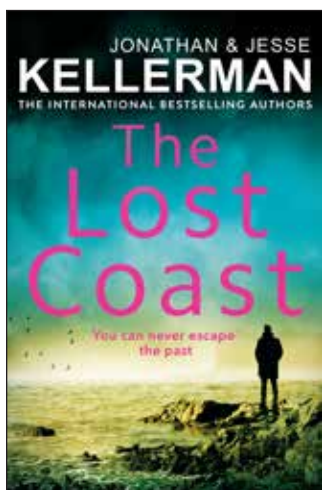
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Constance Greene confronts Manhattan's most dangerous serial killer, Enoch Leng, and barter for her sister's life. But she is betrayed and turned away empty-handed. Unknown to Leng, FBI Special Agent Pendergast's brother, Diogenes, appears unexpectedly, offering to help. Disguised as a cleric, Diogenes establishes himself in New York's notorious Five Points slum, manipulating events like a chess master, watching Leng's every move, and awaiting his own chance to strike. Meanwhile, as Pendergast focuses on saving the unstable Constance in her fanatical quest for vengeance, she strikes out on her own: to rescue her beloved siblings from a tragic fate and take savage retribution on Leng. But Leng is one step ahead and has a surprise for them all.

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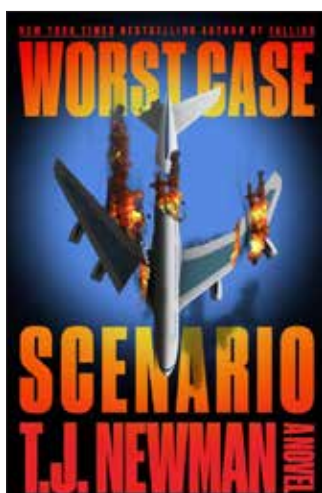
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It's been almost a year since Clay Edison was forced out of his job at the coroner's bureau. Now he's on his own, working as a private eye. When a client brings him a fraud case, Clay dives into a decades-old scheme targeting the vulnerable. His investigation leads him to a bizarre town buried in the remote California wilderness. The residents don't care much for outsiders. They certainly don't like Clay asking questions. And they'll do just about anything to shut him up.

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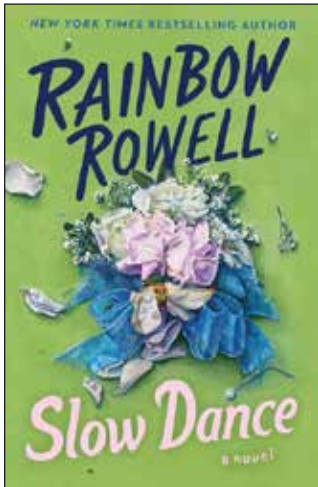
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When a pilot suffers a heart attack at 35,000 feet, a commercial airliner filled with passengers crashes into a nuclear power plant in a small town in Minnesota, which becomes ground zero for a catastrophic national crisis with global implications. The International Nuclear Event Scale tracks nuclear disasters. It has seven levels. Level 7 is a Major Accident, with only two on record: Fukushima and Chernobyl. There has never been a Level 8. Until now. Ordinary people are thrust into an extraordinary situation as they face the ultimate test of their lives. It will take the combined courage, ingenuity, and determination of a brave few to save not only their community and loved ones, but the fate of humanity at large.

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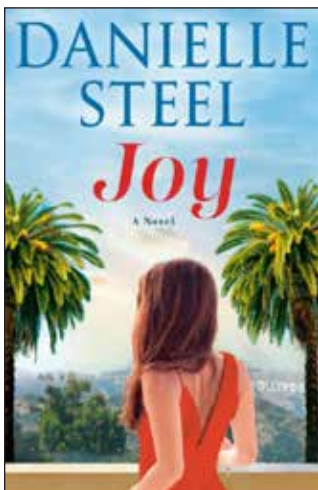
A NOVEL

Rainbow Rowell**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR**

Back in high school, everybody thought Shiloh and Cary would end up together . . . everybody but Shiloh and Cary. They were just friends. Best friends. They were both going to get out of north Omaha—Shiloh would go to college and become an actress, and Cary would join the Navy. They promised each other that their friendship would never change. Now Shiloh's thirty-three, and it's been fourteen years since she talked to Cary. She's been married and divorced. She has two kids. And she's back living in the same house she grew up in. When she's invited to an old friend's wedding, all Shiloh can think about is whether Cary will be there.

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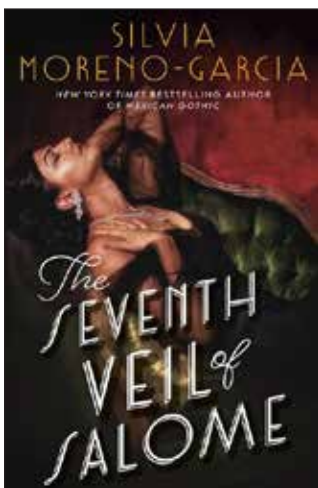
A NOVEL

Danielle Steel**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR**

When she is six years old, Allegra Dixon's mother leaves without a goodbye. Her father, an emotionally distant military officer, is unable to care for her. Sent to live in her grandparents' joyless home, Allegra finds solace in books. Attending boarding school, life takes a turn when she meets a dashing young West Point cadet named Shep Williams. They fall deeply in love. After college, Allegra establishes herself as a book editor and Shep rises through the ranks of the military. But then Shep receives a posting to Afghanistan, and they decide to marry before he goes. Between deployments, they cling to their brief and fraught stolen moments together. Allegra realizes that the horrors of war have begun to change her husband. The trauma he experiences is harrowing, and Allegra finds herself feeling utterly alone just when she thought she'd found happiness.

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1950s Hollywood: Every actress wants to play Salome, the star-making role in a big-budget movie about the legendary woman whose story has inspired artists since ancient times. So when the film's mercurial director casts Vera Larios, an unknown Mexican ingenue, in the lead role, she quickly becomes the talk of the town. Vera also becomes an object of envy for Nancy Hartley, a bit player whose career has stalled and who will do anything to win the fame she believes she richly deserves. Two actresses, both determined to make it to the top in Golden Age Hollywood — a city overflowing with gossip, scandal, and intrigue — make for a sizzling combination.

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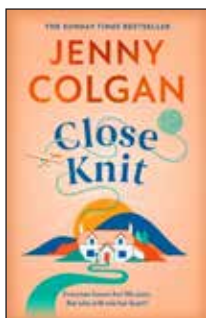
Every year Jess and Storey have made an annual pilgrimage to northern Maine, where they camp, hunt, and hike. Although the state has convulsed all summer with secession mania, Jess and Storey figure it's a fight reserved for legislators or, worse-case scenario, folks in the capitol. But after two weeks hunting moose off the grid, the men reach a small town and are shocked to find a bridge blown apart, buildings burned, and bombed-out cars abandoned on the road. Trying to make sense of the sudden destruction all around them, they head home, dragging a wagon across bumpy dirt roads, ransacking boats left in the lakes, and dodging armed men who are armed. The discovery of a child in the cabin of a boat alters their path and the stakes of their escape.

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In the northernmost reaches of Scotland, where a string of little islands in the North Sea stretches towards Norway, lives Gertie MacIntyre. Her social circle is small but tight: family and friends, particularly the women in her knitting circle. In the cottages of their hometown, everyone knows everyone, and the ladies of the knitting circle know more than most. The knitting circle is a precious source of gossip, home, laughter, and comfort for them all. When Gertie develops a crush on Callum Frost, who owns the local airline, she dares herself to take a job as an air stewardess on the little plane that serves the local islands. Terrifying at first, the sixteen-seat puddle jumper also offers the first taste of real freedom she's ever known. Will Gertie's future lie in the skies? Or will she need to go further afield to find the adventure she craves?

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1966, NYC: Jacqueline Susann's *Valley of the Dolls* hits the bookstores and she needs a bestseller. In London, Jackie Collins' racy *The World Is Full of Married Men* launches her career.

But Jacqueline and Jackie are lambasted by the literary establishment, deluged with hate mail, and even condemned by feminists. *1965, NYC:* College graduate Nancy White is excited to take up her dream job at a Manhattan publishing house, but she could never be prepared for the rampant sexism she will encounter. While working on *Valley of the Dolls*, she becomes friends with Jacqueline Susann, and, after reaching out to Jackie Collins about a U.S. deal, she is responsible for the two authors meeting. Will the Jackies clash as they race to top the charts? Will Nancy achieve her ambition of becoming an editor, despite all the men determined to hold her back?

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Welcome to the Grandest Game, an annual competition run by billionaire Avery Grambs and the four infamous Hawthorne brothers, whose family fortune she inherited. Designed to give anyone a shot at fame and fortune, this year's game requires

one of seven golden tickets to enter. With millions on the line, those seven players will do whatever it takes to win. Some of the players are in it for the money. Some for power. Some for reasons all their own. Every single one of them has secrets. Amidst it all is Grayson Hawthorne, tasked with a vital role in this year's game. But as tensions rise and the mind-bending challenges push the players to their limits, it soon becomes clear that not everyone is playing by the rules.

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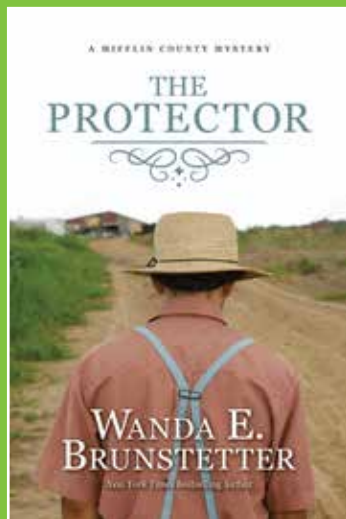
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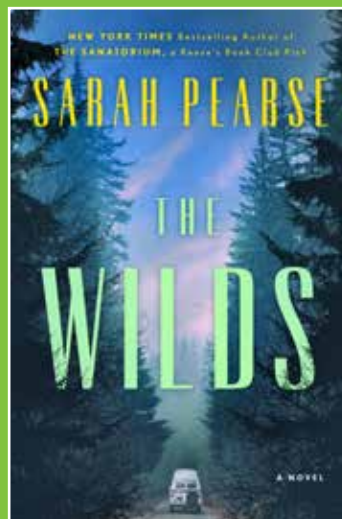
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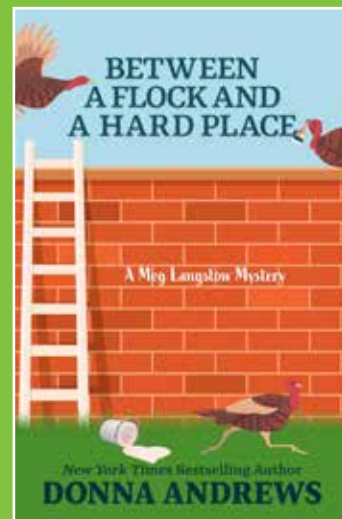
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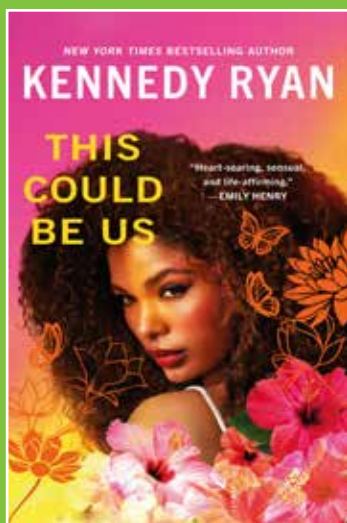
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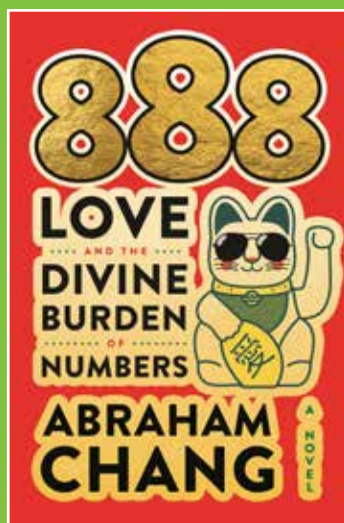
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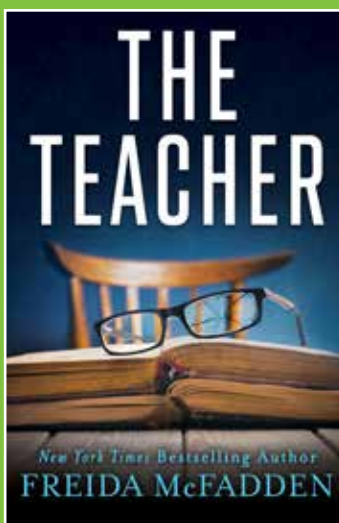
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