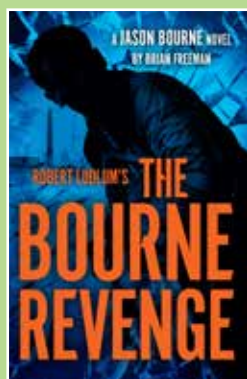
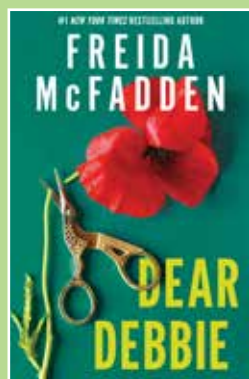
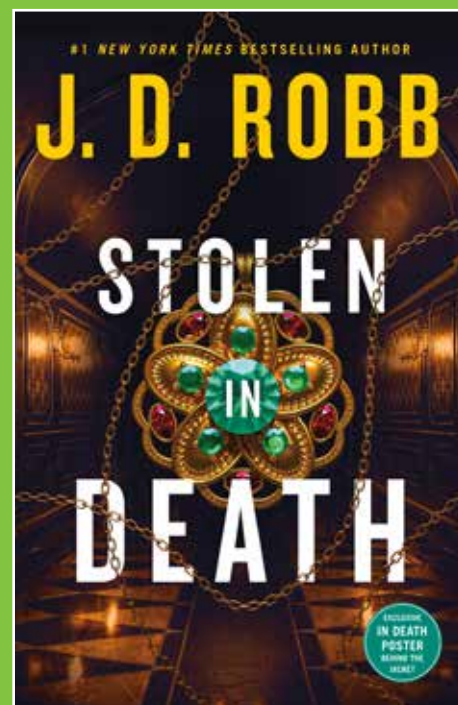
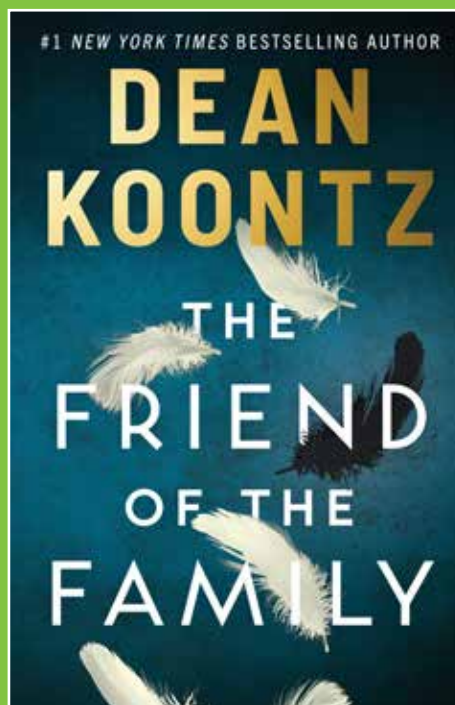
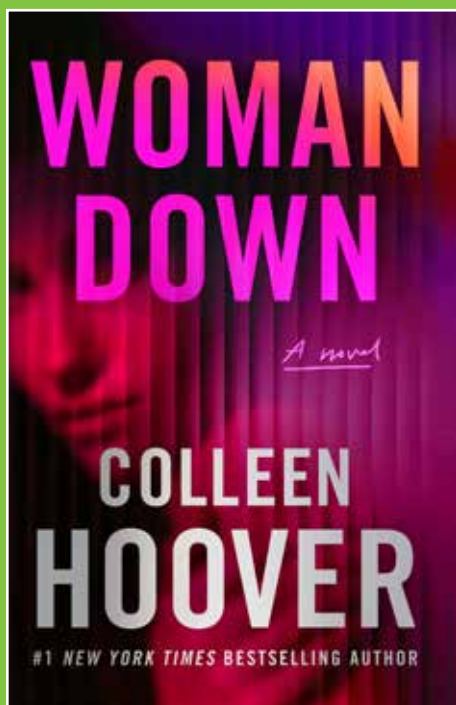




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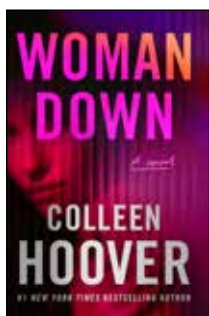
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A NOVEL

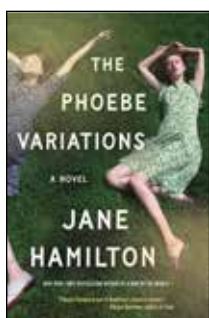
Colleen Hoover**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR**
EDITOR'S CHOICE 1*"A dark and twisty look at just how far one woman is willing to go to find inspiration."*
— Kirkus Reviews

A viral backlash over her latest film adaptation forced Petra Rose to take a hiatus, and she's been uninspired to write ever since. Now, she retreats to a secluded lakeside cabin, hoping to find inspiration. It's Petra's last-ditch attempt to save her career — and herself. Then he shows up. Detective Nathaniel Saint arrives with disturbing news, his presence igniting a creativity in her she thought long since burned out. When Saint starts taking his role in her career a little too seriously, Petra's forced to confront the chaos she created. But doing so could cost her more than the reputation she's been trying to salvage — the reputation only she can reclaim.

S | ISBN: 9781420533446 | \$40.99

Thriller | Releases 2/4/2026

Available in Top Shelf 4, 6 & 8.

**THE PHOEBE VARIATIONS** ★

A NOVEL

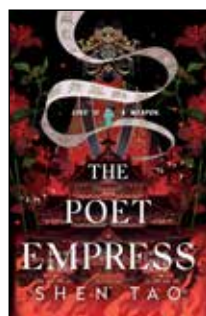
Jane Hamilton**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR**
INDIE NEXT PICK
LIBRARY READS PICK*"Illuminating and lush, this literary jewel will spark numerous discussions and best-of lists."* — Library Journal

Seventeen-year-old Phoebe was never interested in her birth family. But on the cusp of her high school graduation, her adoptive mother, Greta, insists on a visit to meet her biological parents and siblings. The encounter is a jolt, a revelation that derails Phoebe. With the help of her best friend Luna, Phoebe runs away — as far as their friend Patrick's chaotic home, where she hopes to go unnoticed among his thirteen siblings. What starts as an adolescent rebellion soon spirals into a whirlwind of self-discovery. As she grapples with her shifting identity and strained relationships, Phoebe must navigate the tumultuous road out of girlhood and chart a new course.

ISBN: 9781420532685 | \$35.99

General Fiction | Releases 2/4/2026

Available in Top Shelf 6 & 8.

**THE POET EMPRESS** ★★**Shen Tao**

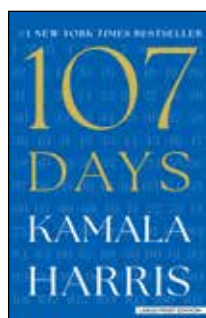
Wei Yin is desperate. After the fifth death of a sibling, with her family and village on the brink of starvation, she will do anything to save those she loves. Even offer herself as concubine to the cruel, dissolute heir of the blood-gutted Azalea House — where poetry magic is power, but women

are forbidden to read. But in a twist of fate, the palace now stands on the knife-edge of civil war, with Wei trapped in its center . . . with a violent prince. To save herself and the nation, she must survive the dangers of court, learn to read in secret, and compose the most powerful spell of all. A ballad of love . . . and death.

S | ISBN: 9781420533224 | \$36.99

Fantasy | Releases 2/4/2026

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**107 DAYS****Kamala Harris****NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER**
PUBLISHERS WEEKLY BESTSELLER*Your Secret Service code name is Pioneer. You are the first woman in history to be elected vice president of the United States. On July 21, 2024, your running mate, Joe Biden, announces he will not be seeking*

reelection. The presidential election will occur on November 5, 2024. You have 107 days. From the chaos of campaign strategy sessions to the intensity of debate prep under relentless scrutiny and the private moments that rarely make headlines, Kamala Harris offers an unfiltered look at the pressures, triumphs, and heartbreaks of a history-defining race. Written with candor, *107 Days* takes you inside the race for the presidency as no one has ever done before.

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Autobiography | Releases 2/4/2026

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AMITY ★★ ★★ ★★

A NOVEL

Nathan Harris

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

"A smartly imagined western with a different sort of hero. . . . A memorable, impeccably written tale that engages the reader, with its twists and turns, from beginning to end."

— starred, Kirkus Reviews

New Orleans, 1866. The Civil War might be over, but Coleman and June have yet to find the freedom they've been promised. Two years ago, the siblings were separated when their old master, Mr. Harper, took June to Mexico. Coleman stayed behind in Louisiana, clinging to the hope that one day June would return. When a letter from Mr. Harper arrives, summoning Coleman to Mexico, Coleman thinks his prayers have been answered. What Coleman cannot know is the truth of June's tribulations under Mr. Harper out on the frontier. As Coleman and June separately navigate a perilous landscape, the siblings learn that freedom isn't always given — sometimes, it must be taken by force.

ISBN: 9781420532258 | \$35.99

Historical | Releases 2/4/2026

Available in Top Shelf 8.



A NEW NEW ME

A NOVEL

Helen Oyeyemi

Kinga is a woman who is just trying to make it through the week. There's a Kinga for every day: On Mondays, you can catch Kinga-A deleting food delivery apps. By Friday, Kinga-E is happy to spend the days soaking, wine-drunk, in the

bath. Kingas A-G, perhaps unsurprisingly, live a varied life — between them is a professional matchmaker, a scent-crazed perfumer, and a window cleaner, all with varying degrees of apathy, anger, introversion, and bossiness. When Kinga-A discovers a man tied up in their apartment, the Kingas have to reckon with the possibility that one of them might be planning to destroy them all. How many versions of oneself can one self safely contain?

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General Fiction | Releases 2/4/2026

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THE FRIEND OF THE FAMILY

Dean Koontz

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
EDITOR'S CHOICE 2

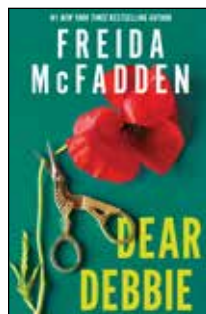
Traveling Depression-era America from carnival midways to speakeasies, Alida is resigned to an exploited and lonely life as the Museum of the Strange's golden ticket. Until she's rescued by Franklin

and Loretta Fairchild, who see in Alida a gifted girl in need of a loving touch and a family. With the couple and their three children, Alida finds it. Yet Alida knows she is still a very different kind of girl. Her dreams are vivid, unsettling, and threatening. Alida fears it's the Fairchilds who may need rescue from a bad, bad world. She will do anything to help those she now holds nearest and dearest. Empowered to vanquish evil, she will not fail her family.

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Thriller | Releases 2/4/2026

Available in High Octane 4, 6 & 8.



DEAR DEBBIE ★

Freida McFadden

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
USA TODAY BESTSELLER
EDITOR'S CHOICE 4

"[T]his darkly funny thriller will put a wicked smile on readers' faces."

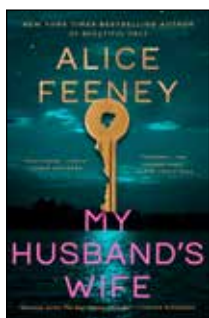
— Publishers Weekly

Debbie Mullen is losing it. For years, she has compiled all of her best advice into her column, *Dear Debbie*, where the wives of New England come for sympathy and neighborly advice. Debbie has heard from countless women who are ignored, belittled, or even abused by their husbands and does her best to guide them in the right direction. *Or at least, she did.* These days, Debbie's life seems to be spiraling out of control, and her husband is keeping secrets, according to the tracking app she installed on his phone. Now, Debbie's done being reasonable. It's time to take her own advice. It's time for payback against all the people in her life who deserve it the most.

S | ISBN: 9781420533774 | \$40.99

Thriller | Releases 2/4/2026

Available in High Octane 4, 6 & 8.

**MY HUSBAND'S WIFE**

A NOVEL

Alice Feeney**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
EDITOR'S CHOICE 7**

Eden Fox, an artist on the brink of her big break, sets off for a run before her first exhibition. When she returns to the home she recently moved into, Spyglass, an enchanting old house

in Hope Falls, a woman, eerily similar to her, answers the door. And her husband insists that the stranger is his wife. Six months earlier, a reclusive Londoner called Birdy, reeling from a life-changing diagnosis, inherits Spyglass. But then Birdy stumbles upon a shadowy London clinic that claims to be able to predict a person's date of death, including her own. Secrets start to unravel, and as the line between truth and lies blurs, Birdy feels compelled to right some old wrongs.

S | ISBN: 9781420530773 | \$37.99

Thriller | Releases 2/4/2026

Available in High Octane 4, 6 & 8.

**ROBERT LUDLUM'S
THE BOURNE REVENGE**

Jason Bourne

Brian Freeman**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
EDITOR'S CHOICE 6**

Shadow — the head of Treadstone — has found evidence of massive Chinese espionage activity in the U.S. The spy running the operations

is an American known only by the codename Bai Ze. As Bourne hunts for the elusive spy, he follows a trail of clues to a quirky billionaire and his ex-wife, both of whom may have ties to Bai Ze. As he gets closer to his shadowy adversary, Bourne begins to suspect that he's walking into a trap. But it's a trap with an almost irresistible bait — the chance to recover his forgotten memories. Now Bourne must decide how far he'll go to get his life back.

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Thriller | Releases 2/4/2026

Available in High Octane 4, 6 & 8.

**THE WITCHING HOURS**

Heather Graham

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

Skye McMahon sees things. The past unreels in her mind's eye like a movie. That's why she's been summoned to help solve a murder and kidnapping on the outskirts of historic Salem. Alicia Bolton

discovered her grandfather-in-law murdered, her nanny and her young son have both vanished without a trace, and her infant daughter was found terrified and crying in her playpen. As Skye puts her abilities to use, she's lured into a mystery enveloping Salem like a fog. Navigating suspects, whispers of a cult, and a sinister history that threatens to reignite in the present, only Skye can see the way to find the missing — but first, she may have to dance with the devil himself.

S | ISBN: 9781420533156 | \$37.99

Romantic Suspense | Releases 2/4/2026

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**ALL THE LITTLE HOUSES**

A NOVEL

May Cobb

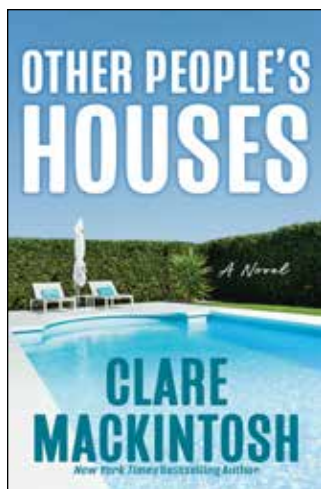
"The novel begins with a body floating in the lake and ends with a stunning reveal of who has killed whom after a series of shocking events. . . . Readers will be glued to the page, gawking at the messes Cobb's characters make." — Library Journal

It's the mid-1980s in the tiny town of Longview, Texas. Nellie Anderson, the daughter of the Anderson family dynasty, has burst onto the scene. She always gets what she wants. What she can't get for herself . . . well, that's what her mother is for. Because Charleigh Anderson remembers all too well having to claw her way to the top. When she was coming of age on the poor side of East Texas, she was a loser, an outcast, humiliated, and shunned by the in-crowd, whose approval she'd so desperately thirsted for. When a prairie-kissed family moves to town, Charleigh's entire self-made social empire threatens to crumble. Who will be left standing when the dust settles?

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Thriller | Releases 2/4/2026

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**OTHER PEOPLE'S HOUSES**

A NOVEL

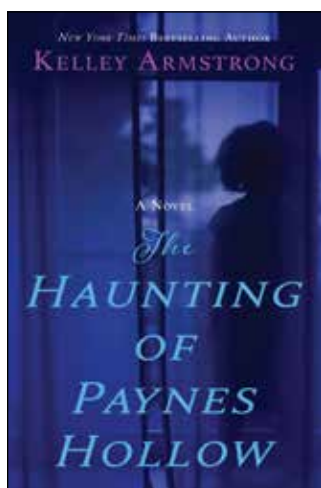
DC Morgan

Clare Mackintosh**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR**

The Hill is the kind of place everyone wants to live: luxurious, exclusive, and safe. But now someone is breaking and entering these Cheshire homes one by one, and DS Leo Brady suspects the burglar is looking for something, or someone, in particular. Over the border in Wales, DC Ffion Morgan recovers the body of an estate agent from the lake. There's no love lost between Ffion and estate agents, but who hated this one enough to want her dead — and why? As their cases collide, Ffion and Leo discover people will pay a high price to keep their secrets behind closed doors.

ISBN: 9781420532425 | \$35.99

Thriller | Releases 2/4/2026 | Available in High Octane 6 & 8.

**THE HAUNTING OF PAYNES HOLLOW**

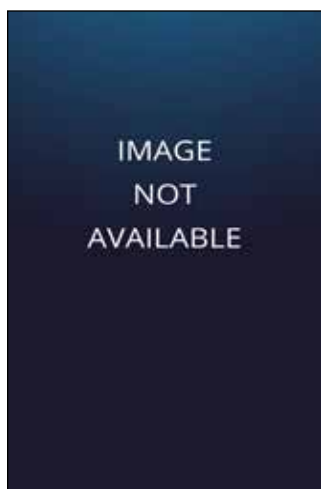
A NOVEL

Kelley Armstrong**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR**

When Samantha Payne's grandfather dies, she figures she won't even get a mention in the will. After all, she hasn't seen him in fourteen years. But she discovers that he left her the lakefront property where the family cottage sits. The catch: Sam needs to stay in the cottage for a month. Traveling to Paynes Hollow, Sam is faced with the realities of her childhood and the secrets kept hidden in the shadows of her memories. Plagued by nightmares and paranoia, she begins hearing sounds in the forest and seeing shapes crawling from the water as the rippling waves promise something unspeakably dark lurking below their surface.

ISBN: 9781420530438 | \$35.99

Horror | Releases 2/4/2026 | Available in High Octane 8.

**WILD ANIMAL**

A NOVEL

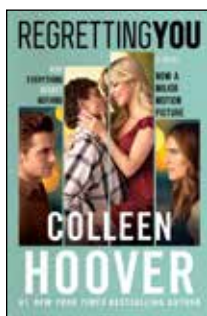
Joël Dicker**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR**

"Sure to resonate with fans of international literary thrillers such as Liane Moriarty's Big Little Lies and Christos Tsiolkas's The Slap." — Library Journal

On July 2, 2022, two criminals set out to rob a jewelry shop in Geneva. But their "perfect" heist will prove far from uneventful. Twenty days earlier, on a luxurious estate along the shores of Lake Geneva, Sophie Braun prepares to celebrate her fortieth birthday. Her life seems perfect: she has a fairytale marriage, two perfect children, and a stylish modern mansion surrounded by lush forest. But her idyllic world is about to crumble. On her birthday, she receives a gift from a mysterious prowler that endangers her life. It will take many journeys into the past, far from Geneva, to unravel the origins of a diabolical plot from which no one will emerge unscathed.

ISBN: 9781420529616 | \$35.99

Thriller | Releases 2/4/2026 | Available in High Octane 8.



REGRETTING YOU ★

A NOVEL

Colleen Hoover

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER
AN AMAZON BEST BOOK OF THE MONTH
A GOODREADS CHOICE AWARDS
FINALIST: BEST ROMANCE

"The emotions run high, the conversations run deep, and the relationships ebb and flow with grace." — Kirkus Reviews

Morgan Grant and her sixteen-year-old daughter, Clara, would like nothing more than to be *nothing* alike. With warring personalities and conflicting goals, Morgan and Clara find it increasingly difficult to coexist. The only person who can bring peace to the household is Chris — Morgan's husband, Clara's father — but that peace is shattered when Chris is involved in a tragic accident. While struggling to rebuild, Morgan finds comfort in the last person she expects to, and Clara turns to the one boy she's been forbidden to see. With each passing day, mother and daughter fall further apart. So far apart, it might be impossible for them to ever fall back together.

ISBN: 9781420533361 | \$40.99

Women's Fiction | Releases 2/4/2026

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THE THINGS WE LEAVE UNFINISHED ★

A NOVEL

Rebecca Yarros

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
USA TODAY BESTSELLER
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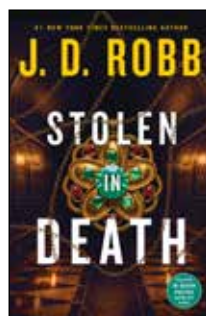
"A charming dual-timeline romance about learning from past mistakes." — Kirkus Reviews

Back home in Colorado, Georgia Stanton finds herself face-to-face with Noah Harrison, the bestselling author. He's as arrogant in person as in interviews, and she'll be damned if he thinks he's the one to finish her grandmother's final novel. Noah can't walk away from what might be the best book of the century — the one his idol, Scarlett Stanton, left unfinished. It's based on her real-life romance with a World War II pilot, and the ending isn't a happy one. While the chemistry between her and Noah is undeniable, Georgia's determined to learn from her great-grandmother's mistakes — even if it means destroying Noah's career.

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Contemporary Romance | Releases 2/4/2026

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STOLEN IN DEATH

In Death

J. D. Robb

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
EDITOR'S CHOICE 1

A blow to the head has left multibillionaire Nathan Barrister dead — while nearby, a vault, its door ajar, sits filled with priceless paintings, jewelry, and other

treasures. The crime scene suggests a burglar caught in the act. But only one item seems to be missing. Then it's revealed that the vault had actually belonged to the victim's late father. By all accounts, Nathan was a good man, a generous employer, a devoted husband and father. As for his father — he clearly had secrets. Now it's up to Lieutenant Eve Dallas and her team to find out if those secrets got Nathan killed — and if it was a crime of passion or revenge.

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Mystery | Releases 2/4/2026

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NEXT TIME WILL BE OUR TURN

A NOVEL

Jesse Q. Sutanto

USA TODAY BESTSELLER

"A queer Chinese Indonesian tear-jerker: a winning combination." — Kirkus Reviews

Izzy Chen is dreading her family's annual Chinese New Year celebration. When her grandmother walks in with a woman on her arm

and kisses her in front of everyone, it shakes Izzy to her core. She'd always considered herself the black sheep of the family for harboring similar feelings to the ones her Nainai just displayed. Seeing herself in her granddaughter's struggles with identity and acceptance, Magnolia Chen tells Izzy her story, of how as a teen in Los Angeles she fell in love with Ellery, an American college student. Stretching across decades, Magnolia's story reveals how life can take unexpected turns but ultimately lead you to exactly who you're meant to be.

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Women's Fiction | Releases 2/4/2026

Available in Dynamic Drama 4, 6 & 8.

**A BOX FULL OF DARKNESS** ★

Simone St. James

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

"[A] pulse-pounding supernatural thriller that will have readers on the edge of their seats." — Library Journal

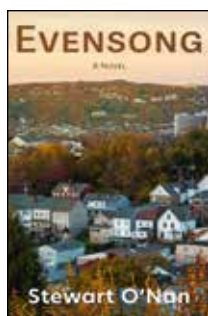
Strange things happen in Fell, New York. A mysterious drowning at the town's roadside motel. The unexplained death of a girl whose

body is left by the railroad tracks. For the Esmie siblings — Violet, Vail, and Dodie — the final straw was the shocking disappearance of their little brother, Ben. As their parents grew increasingly distant, Violet, Vail, and Dodie were each haunted by visions and frightening events that made them leave town and never look back. Now, after two decades running from their past, it's time for a homecoming. Because Ben is back, and he's ready to lead them to the answers they've longed for. If the ghosts of Fell don't get to them first.

S | ISBN: 9781420532340 | \$36.99

Thriller | Releases 2/4/2026

Available in Dynamic Drama 6 & 8.

**EVENSONG** ★★

A NOVEL

Stewart O'Nan

NATIONAL BESTSELLING AUTHOR

"O'Nan's brilliantly rendered characters refuse to be pitied, matter-of-factly accepting loss and physical decline as they go about their days quietly sustained by their faith and commitment to service." — starred, Kirkus Reviews

The Humpty Dumpty Club is distraught when their powerhouse leader, Joan Hargrove, takes a bad fall down her stairs, knocking her out of commission. Now, as well as running errands and shepherding those less able to their doctors' appointments, they have to pick up the slack. Between navigating their own relationships and aging bodies and attending choir practice, these invisible yet indomitable women help where they can. Most of all, they show up for the people they've pledged to help. In the face of death, divorce, and the myriad directions our lives can take, the Humpty Dumpty Club represents the power of community and chosen family.

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Women's Fiction | Releases 2/4/2026

Available in Dynamic Drama 6 & 8.

**THE FUTURE SAINTS** ★★

A NOVEL

Ashley Winstead

When record executive Theo meets the Future Saints, they're bombing at a dive bar in their hometown. Since the tragic death of their manager, the band has been in a downward spiral. Immediately, Theo is struck by Hannah, the group's impetuous

lead singer, who's gone off script by debuting a whole new sound. When this new music goes viral, Theo puts his career on the line to give the Saints one last shot at success with a new tour, new record, and new start. But Hannah's increasingly destructive antics and the weight of her problems jeopardize the band while the world watches closely. The Future Saints's big break is here — if only they can survive it.

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Women's Fiction | Releases 2/4/2026

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**THE SECOND CHANCE CINEMA** ★

A NOVEL

Thea Weiss

"Weiss's debut novel . . . seamlessly moves from past to present, dwelling upon the importance of love, grief, personal fears, and genuine acceptance." — starred, Library Journal

At the end of a fog-covered alley, glitters a glamorous cinema. It's nearly impossible to find. When Ellie and her fiancé, Drake, stumble upon it, they're shocked to discover it playing their formative memories. Drake fears what the cinema might reveal but gives in when Ellie insists they return. She's haunted by a night from her past that she doesn't fully remember. This is her opportunity to piece the story together. But as the memories displayed on screen inch closer to the present, they realize they're keeping secrets from each other. With their wedding on the horizon, Ellie and Drake must decide if seeing their pasts changes their plans for a future together.

ISBN: 9781420530759 | \$35.99

General Fiction | Releases 2/4/2026

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**JULIA SONG IS UNDATEABLE**

A NOVEL

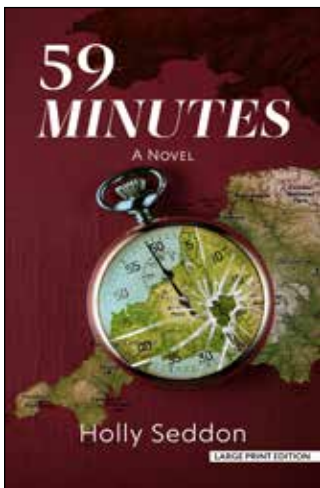
Susan Lee

"A swoonworthy rom-com about finding true love — and finding your true self along the way."
— Kirkus Reviews

Julia Song, CEO of Starlight Cosmetics, is at the height of her career. Then why does she feel like such a failure? Maybe because she's thirty and single, with a terrible track record at dating. If only there was a coach for that. Tae Kim is currently unemployed, living in his parents' basement to care for his ill father. The pressure to get his life together is getting to be too much. So when Julia Song — his childhood crush — asks for his help, it may be just the distraction he needs. He'll do whatever it takes, even coach her for dates. Problem is, the more time they spend together, the more Tae wonders if anyone is good enough for Julia . . . including him.

ISBN: 9781420532609 | \$35.99

Contemporary Romance | Releases 2/4/2026 | Available in Dynamic Drama 8.

**59 MINUTES** ★

A NOVEL

Holly Seddon**INDIE NEXT PICK**

"Seddon's gift for cliffhangers takes the tension to unbearable heights. . . . It's easy to wolf this down in a single sitting." — starred, Publishers Weekly

Carrie is a young mother desperate to reunite with her daughter. Frankie, newly pregnant, faces a romantic vacation that takes a terrifying turn. Then there's the enigmatic older woman determined to protect her teenage daughter, Bunny, no matter what. Across South England, these three women must navigate survival amidst chaos when the country receives a nuclear bomb alert. With only 59 minutes before mass destruction, will they make it to their loved ones in time?

ISBN: 9781420532586 | \$35.99

Thriller | Releases 2/4/2026 | Available in Dynamic Drama 8.

**AN ENEMY IN THE VILLAGE** ★

A Bruno, Chief of Police Novel

Martin Walker

When Bruno stumbles upon a motionless figure in a car parked at the Vézère valley, he's ready to investigate. Inside, he finds a suicide note and the dead body of Monique, a successful businesswoman. It seems like an open-and-shut case.

But after Bruno delivers Monique's final messages to those most important to her, malicious gossip about him begins to spread through the village. Soon he faces pressure to resign from the job. As Bruno realizes just how much he has at stake, he races to find out what really happened to Monique, before he loses his badge — or something even worse.

ISBN: 9781420530780 | \$36.99

Mystery | Releases 2/4/2026

Available in Mystery 2, 3, & 5.

**THREE BAGS FULL** ★

A Sheep Detective Story

Leonie Swann

"[A] refreshingly original detective story. . . . The author's sheep's eye view and the animals' literal translation of the strange words and deeds of the human species not only create laugh-out-loud humor but also allow the animals occasional flashes of accidental brilliance." — Publishers Weekly

Something is not right with George the shepherd. His sheep have gathered around him outside the Irish village of Glennkill to assess the situation. George has cared for the sheep, reading them books every night, and now he lies pinned to the ground with a spade. His flock, far savvier about the workings of the human mind than your average sheep, sets out to find the killer, led by Miss Maple, the smartest sheep in Glennkill. Her team includes Othello, Mopple the Whale, and Zora. Determined to unravel the mystery, they embark on missions into the village, where they encounter a hoof-full of suspects.

ISBN: 9781420526998 | \$33.99

Cozy | Releases 2/4/2026

Available in Mystery 3 & 5.

**DEATH AT THE DOOR**

A Ruby and Cordelia Mystery

Olivia Blacke

"For readers who like their mystery with a solid dose of the otherworldly."

— Kirkus Reviews

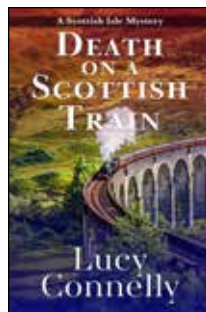
Ruby Young is adjusting to her new life in Boston. A big part of that is her unexpected roommate — the ghost of the woman who lived there before.

For Cordelia Graves, she may no longer be breathing, but it's still her apartment and Ruby is the somewhat unwanted houseguest. When Ruby discovers the body of a delivery guy at work, the new life she's been building hangs in the balance. Cordelia tries to shield her from the investigation, but Ruby has other ideas. It will take them working together to navigate the fine line between the dead and the living to bring a killer to light.

ISBN: 9781420531404 | \$32.99

Women Sleuths | Releases 2/4/2026

Available in Mystery 5.

**DEATH ON A SCOTTISH TRAIN**

A Scottish Isle Mystery

Lucy Connelly

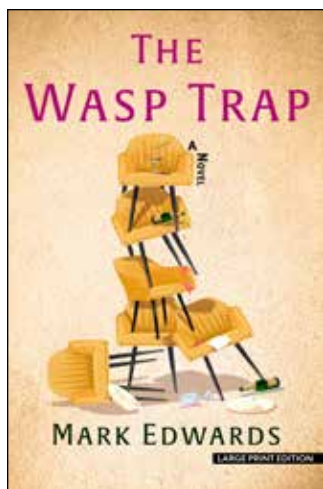
Summer is coming to a close on Sea Isle in Scotland, and Dr. Emilia McRoy is celebrating one year since her big move. With a weeklong festival to end the season, the town gathers for a magical ride on the newly refurbished Storyteller's Train, but

the launch's success is dampened by an unexpected death. What appears to be a case of deadly allergies is soon revealed as murder. As Emilia, her assistant Abigail, and the local constable Ewan McGregor unravel the mystery, the killer sets their murderous intentions on them. If they want to survive, they will need the help of all their friends before they become the latest victims.

ISBN: 9781420532128 | \$32.99

Mystery | Releases 2/4/2026

Available in Mystery 5.

**THE WASP TRAP** ★★

A NOVEL

Mark Edwards

SHELF AWARENESS PICK

BOOKPAGE PICK

"Superbly satisfying psychological suspense from an author who isn't afraid to flirt with the shadowy side of human nature." — starred, Library Journal

Six friends reunite to celebrate the life of their recently deceased ex-employer, a professor that brought them together in 1999 to build a dating website. But what is meant to be a night of bittersweet nostalgia soon becomes a twisted and deadly game. The old friends are given an ultimatum: reveal their darkest secrets to the group or pick each other off one-by-one. It soon becomes clear that the love questionnaire they helped develop in 1999 for the dating site was also turned into a tool for weeding out psychopaths: The Wasp Trap. This experiment and the other tragic events of that summer long ago may help reveal the truth behind a killer hiding in plain sight.

ISBN: 9781420533194 | \$36.99

Thriller | Releases 2/18/2026

**CLOWN TOWN** ★★

Slough House

Mick Herron

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER

PUBLISHERS WEEKLY BESTSELLER

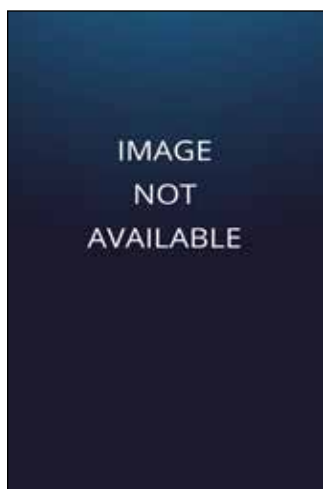
INDIE NEXT PICK

"The best news of all: The climax leaves the door open to further reports from the hilariously misnamed British Intelligence." — starred, Kirkus Reviews

David Cartwright, long buried, has left his library to the Spooks' College in Oxford, and now one of the books is missing. River, once a "slow horse" of Slough House, MI5's outpost for disgraced spies, starts investigating. Over at the Park, MI5 First Desk Diana Taverner is in a pickle. An operation laid bare the ugly side of state security, and those involved are threatening to expose details. Jackson Lamb, the head of Slough House, has no plans to send in the clowns. If the clowns ignore his instructions, any harm that befalls them is hardly his fault. But if they don't all make it home, there'll be a reckoning.

ISBN: 9781420531893 | \$36.99

Thriller | Releases 2/18/2026

**ONE DARK NIGHT**

A NOVEL

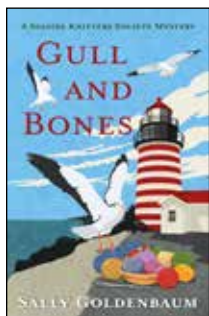
Hannah Richell

"Richell delivers a well-executed whodunit that culminates in a darkly satisfying reveal."
— Publishers Weekly

On Halloween, a group of teenage students meet in the woods near Sally in the Wood, a road steeped in local lore and rumored to be haunted by the ghost of a murdered girl. By the end of the night, one student will be dead. Rachel, the school guidance counselor, is trying to keep a handle on her increasingly distant teenaged daughter, Ellie, while students and parents panic and mourn. Her ex-husband and detective Ben, dealing with a personal crisis of his own, has concerns about his daughter's safety as he investigates the death. Meanwhile, Ellie is keeping secrets from both her parents, including one about where she was that night.

ISBN: 9781420532265 | \$36.99

Thriller | Releases 2/18/2026

**GULL AND BONES**

A Seaside Knitters Society Mystery
Sally Goldenbaum

"A deep dive into the meaning of love and friendship." — Kirkus Reviews

Sea Harbor resident Angus McPherron has a very special birthday coming up — his 100th! In town to fill a nursing position at the free clinic, Charlie Chambers,

Izzy Perry's brother, is staying in one of the cottages Angus owns. The yarn shop owner is grateful that each morning Charlie checks Angus's vitals and makes sure he takes his meds. Meanwhile, Izzy and the other Seaside Knitters are busy planning Angus's birthday bash. But the day before, Charlie finds the old man has died. Soon the whole community is concerned over what looks like murder and a killer in their midst.

ISBN: 9781420532487 | \$27.99

Cozy | Releases 2/18/2026

Available in Softcover Cozy Mystery 3 & 4.

**DEAD & BREAKFAST**

Kat Hillis & Rosiee Thor

"This quick read is a fun and delightful cozy that will keep readers spellbound from the first bite to the last." — Library Journal

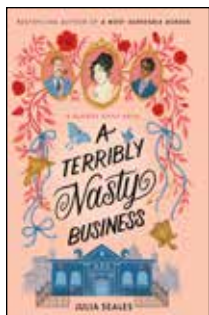
Married odd couple Arthur and Sal are totally normal. They wear sunscreen, not because the sun can kill them, but because even the undead need a skincare regimen.

They eat garlic whenever they want, though it gives Sal indigestion. They can talk to creatures of the night, but only the raccoons that rifle through their garbage. Ready to settle down, the two have opened a bed & breakfast in Trident Falls, Oregon. But trouble finds them when the mayor is discovered dead in their begonias. With the help of a werewolf barista, the elven town coroner, and a very human city manager, Arthur and Sal will need to prove they aren't literally out for blood by catching a killer.

ISBN: 9781420528343 | \$27.99

Cozy | Releases 2/18/2026

Available in Softcover Cozy Mystery 3 & 4.

**A TERRIBLY NASTY BUSINESS**

Beatrice Steele

Julia Seales

"A witty entry in the period cozy mystery genre, this is a fun example of a woman breaking the bonds of society to pursue her own dreams." — Library Journal

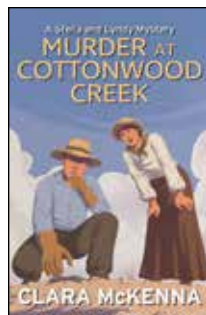
Beatrice Steele feels like everything is falling into place. She's traded her etiquette-obsessed community

of Swampshire for London, accompanied by her chaperone, Miss Bolton. They've settled in Sweetbriar, home to DS Investigations, the new office she opened with Inspector Drake to solve the city's brutally thrilling crimes. A string of murders thrusts Beatrice and Drake into the center of a scandal that pits the neighborhood's wealthiest against the arts community. As they follow the trail, Beatrice must survive threats to her partnership, her business, and her place in society to break the case — before it's too late.

ISBN: 9781420532371 | \$27.99

Cozy | Releases 2/18/2026

Available in Softcover Cozy Mystery 3 & 4.

**MURDER AT COTTONWOOD CREEK**

A Stella and Lyndy Mystery

Clara McKenna

"A hair-raising Wild West adventure. . . . Striking scenery and interesting fossil lore enhance a Western adventure showcasing a feisty detective." — Kirkus Reviews

Led by his passion for paleontology, Lyndy's father, Lord Atherly, has traveled all the way to Montana, to explore the fossil-rich horse ranch owned by Stella's mother, Katherine, and her second husband, Ned Smith. Urged by Lady Atherly to look after her husband, Stella and Lyndy follow in his wake. Both are thrilled to participate in a fossil dig. But when a local man is found dead in a creek bed, the couple fear his death may not have been an accident. No one is above suspicion, even Lord Atherly. Stella and Lyndy must keep digging to unearth the clues that will expose a killer — before more bones must be buried.

ISBN: 9781420532494 | \$27.99

Cozy | Releases 2/18/2026

Available in Softcover Cozy Mystery 4.

**CROWN OF WAR AND SHADOW**

Kingdoms of the Compass • Book 1

J. R. Ward**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR**
USA TODAY BESTSELLER

The Fulcrum is failing, and demons are slipping into the mortal world. No one is safe. Especially not Sorrel, an orphan and an outcast because of her mystical abilities. She must

cross the Badlands to return the Queen's crown and convince the fearsome female to save their world from destruction. Aware she's no brave hero, Sorrel makes a dangerous deal with Merc, a mercenary known only by his unscrupulous profession. The deal? A night in his bed that she will never forget, in exchange for her safe passage. But Merc has secrets of his own, and even though desire runs hot between them, danger and betrayal lurk around every corner.

S | ISBN: 9781420533347 | \$36.99

Fantasy Romance | Releases 2/18/2026

Available in Romance 2, 3 & 4.

**SWEET HEAT**

A NOVEL

Bolu Babalola**SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR**
NATIONAL BESTSELLING AUTHOR
INDIE BESTSELLING AUTHOR**AUTHOR OF HONEY AND SPICE, A REESE'S BOOK CLUB PICK**

"Kiki is a strong, sexy heroine who's full of heart, and Malakai is a worthy contender

for both her temper and affection. Fans won't want to miss their second-chance love story. A sweet and spicy treat for fans of Babalola's characters." — Kirkus Reviews

Kiki Banjo hosts the podcast *The HeartBeat*, solving romantic conundrums and dishing out advice. But behind the mic, career setbacks and a devastating breakup have left her hanging on by a thread. As she's preparing to be the Maid of Honor in her best friend's wedding, everything starts to unravel. Then Kiki finds herself face-to-face with the Best Man, her ex-boyfriend, Malakai. Both are hell-bent on ignoring the chemistry between them, but as they navigate wedding plans, career ambitions, and Kiki's fears about the future, they can't ignore the spark that's only getting hotter. They just have to get through the summer. So why does it feel like playing with fire?

ISBN: 9781420533323 | \$34.99

Contemporary | Releases 2/18/2026

Available in Romance 2, 3 & 4.

**SOUL SEARCHING**

A Sweetwater Peak Novel • Book 1

Lyla Sage**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER**
PUBLISHERS WEEKLY BESTSELLER
INDIE NEXT PICK
LIBRARY READS PICK

"Sage . . . introduces a compelling cast of characters in a heartfelt story. . . . Perfect for readers who love opposites-attract romances with emotional depth."

— Library Journal

Sweetwater Peak, Wyoming, was supposed to be in Collins Cartwright's rearview mirror, but when she finds out a developer is trying to buy her parents' antiques shop, she doesn't have a choice. Luckily, the new-to-town upholsterer has a room for rent above his store. Unluckily, it is absolutely crawling with ghosts. When Brady Cooper agrees to let Collins stay in his spare room, he doesn't know that she's absolutely bonkers — constantly talking to herself and having conversations with no one. But as they begin to get closer, the lines between them start to blur, leaving both of them wondering whether their temporary arrangement could be something more permanent.

ISBN: 9781420533002 | \$32.99

Contemporary | Releases 2/18/2026

Available in Romance 3 & 4.

**EVERY STEP SHE TAKES**

A NOVEL

Alison Cochrun**USA TODAY BESTSELLER**
LIBRARY READS PICK

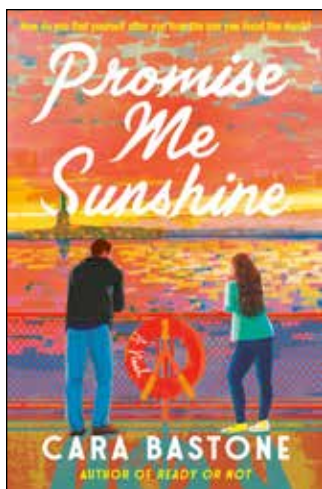
"This later-in-life coming-out story is a rich exploration of queer identity and community, wrapped in a vacation romance." — Library Journal

Sadie Wells needs an escape from the family business that has consumed her and the unexpected gay panic that has her questioning everything. When her injured sister offers Sadie her place on a tour along Portugal's Camino de Santiago, she decides it is the perfect chance to get away. On the plane, she confesses all her secrets to her seatmate, Mal. The problem: it turns out Mal is on her Camino tour. Mal offers to help Sadie relive the queer adolescence she missed out on as they walk the Camino. But as their relationship blurs the lines between reality and practice, they must decide if they will forever part at the end of the tour or chart a new course together.

ISBN: 9781420533026 | \$32.99

Contemporary | Releases 2/18/2026

Available in Romance 4.



PROMISE ME SUNSHINE ★★ ★

A NOVEL

Cara Bastone

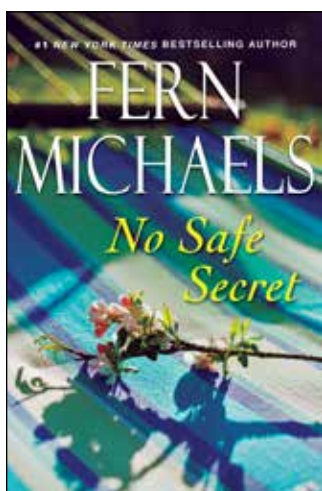
LIBRARY READS PICK

"A stunning book by Bastone, who delivers another slow-burn and emotional romance that doesn't shy away from also exploring life's hardest moments." — starred, Library Journal

Ever since cancer stole away her best friend, Lenny has been completely lost. The only gigs she can handle right now are temporary babysitting jobs, and she just landed one helping single mom Reese and her daughter, Ainsley. The only catch: Ainsley's uncle, Miles, always seems to be around, and he seems to be able to see right through her. Surprisingly, Miles offers to help Lenny complete everything on her "live again" list if she'll help him connect with Ainsley and overcome his complicated relationship with Reese. Lenny doubts anything can fill the void her best friend has left behind, but it turns out, sometimes your life has to end to find your new beginning.

ISBN: 9781420533316 | \$27.99

Contemporary | Releases 2/18/2026



NO SAFE SECRET

Fern Michaels

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

USA TODAY BESTSELLER

From her silver Mercedes to her designer kitchen, Molly's life is gleaming and beautiful. But no one in her exclusive neighborhood knows what living with her demanding husband Tanner is really like. They know even less about the life she left behind almost two decades ago. Back then, Molly was Maddy Carmichael, living with her twin brother and neglectful mother in a run-down trailer park amid the orange groves of Florida. After the terrible events of her high school prom night, Molly fled north and reinvented herself. Now the veneer of Molly's polished existence is finally cracking — and Molly must find the strength to become the woman she once hoped to be.

ISBN: 9781420532951 | \$27.99

Contemporary Women | Releases 2/18/2026



THE HEARTBREAK HOTEL

Ellen O'Clover

BOOK OF THE MONTH CLUB MAIN SELECTION

AN INSTANT INDIE BESTSELLER

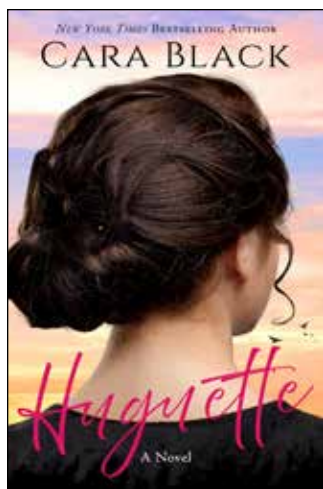
ONE OF NPR'S 2025 "BOOKS WE LOVE"

"O'Clover's adult debut is an engaging romance packed with well-drawn characters readers will love and a story they won't be able to put down." — Library Journal

Louisa Walsh's optimism is tested when she's dumped and left unable to afford rent on their gorgeous house in the mountains of Colorado. Her plan is to ask her reclusive landlord, Henry Rhodes, to let her stay for free in exchange for renting out the house's many rooms as a bed-and-breakfast. She's shocked when he agrees to her terms, but he does not take it well when Lou starts marketing her B and B as a retreat for the recently heartbroken. As the Comeback Inn opens its doors, Lou and Henry find themselves dancing around their undeniable connection. A chance at love, here, could be too close to home . . . or it could be exactly where their hearts finally heal.

ISBN: 9781420533279 | \$27.99

Contemporary | Releases 2/18/2026

**HUGUETTE** ★

A NOVEL

Cara Black**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR****A HISTORICAL NOVELS REVIEW EDITORS' CHOICE**

"Black is a consummate storyteller, and this fast-paced, enthralling novel features many of the elements her readers have come to expect: expertly drawn characters, a twisty plot, and richly detailed settings (here, a side of Paris seldom seen by tourists)." — starred, Library Journal

After Libération, spring 1945. Seventeen-year-old Huguette Faure is a survivor. The war has taken everything from her — both her parents and her sense of safety. Now, pregnant and on the lam, she cannot return to her childhood home in Paris. Forced to reinvent herself, she must outrun her father's enemies, who want her dead. After narrowly avoiding jail time — thanks to the help of a kindhearted police officer named Claude Leduc — Huguette lands a job assisting a legendary film director. As her role develops from helping him with chores to cooking his books, she sees an opportunity to break free from the ghosts of her past once and for all.

ISBN: 9781420533408 | \$35.99

Historical | Releases 2/18/2026

**THE NIGHT WE BECAME STRANGERS**

A NOVEL

Lorena Hughes

1957. Aspiring photojournalist Valeria Anzures returns to her hometown of Quito to discover the truth about how her parents died, even if it means allying with the man she's always loved — but who now treats her like a stranger. As a journalist, Matías Montero views Valeria as a rival. Still, they're both on the same mission. Perhaps, together, they can unearth the past their families and friends would rather remain buried. Valeria and Matías soon find trusting each other is as dangerous as the attraction they can't resist. Exposing the real story will put their future on the line and ignite revelations no one saw coming.

ISBN: 9781420532906 | \$35.99

Historical Fiction | Releases 2/18/2026



THE PRINCESS AND THE P.I.

Nikki Payne

"[A] sparkling tale of romantic suspense. . . . Payne skillfully plants red herrings throughout the intriguing mystery while developing the believable romance between her complex Black leads."
— Publishers Weekly

To honor the anniversary of her brother's death, Fiona Addai is going

to steal back his brilliant invention from the ruthless corporation that stole it. As a famed Reddit detective, Fiona has used her online connections and sleuthing skills to time every step down to the minute. But with one disastrous misstep, Fiona finds herself accused of murder. When PI Maurice Bennett spots Fiona at the center of a murder investigation, he feels a spark of intrigue. She needs his help to clear her name, but she wants a crash course in real-world detective work. To bring the real killer to light, they'll need to trust each other and that might be the most dangerous gamble of all.

ISBN: 9781420533170 | \$34.99

Romance General | Releases 2/18/2026

Available in Black Voices 2, 3 & 4.



PALAVER

A NOVEL

Bryan Washington

SHELF AWARENESS PICK

2025 NATIONAL BOOK AWARD FINALIST

"Tender and endearing. . . . Count on Washington for stylish tales with emotional depth and, always, delicious-sounding food."
— starred, Library Journal

In Tokyo, the son works as an English tutor and drinks his nights away with friends at a gay bar. He's entangled in a sexual relationship with a married man, and while he has built a chosen family in Japan, he is estranged from his mother in Houston. Then, in the weeks leading up to Christmas, ten years since they last saw each other, the mother arrives uninvited on his doorstep. The two of them bristle at each other immediately. The mother works to reconcile her good intentions with her missteps. The son struggles to forgive. But as life steers them in unexpected directions, they try to determine where "home" really is and whether they can find it in one another.

ISBN: 9781420533163 | \$34.99

General Fiction | Releases 2/18/2026

Available in Black Voices 2, 3 & 4.



HUNTING AVA

Kiki Swinson

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

She was once the best luxury car thief in the game. But Ava Frost paid a high price when her children were stolen. Forced to confront her ruthless ex-boss, Nick, she uncovered his devious partner in the kidnapping: her seemingly loving,

seemingly wealthy husband, Kevin. Now Ava is making a new life with her children several states away. When she learns Kevin has set Nick's vengeful sister and her murderous gangster husband on her trail, she must marshal all her resources and skills to defend everything she's fought to save. She'll battle tooth and claw to put her pursuers on the run — straight into a trap so treacherous even she may have no chance to survive.

ISBN: 9781420532982 | \$33.99

General Fiction | Releases 2/18/2026

Available in Black Voices 3 & 4.



THIS HERE IS LOVE

A NOVEL

Princess Joy L. Perry

BLK BESTSELLER

"Remarkable. . . . A marvelous tale about the limits of freedom." — starred, Publishers Weekly

As the seventeenth century burns to a close in Tidewater, Virginia, Bless, the only child left to her enslaved mother, stubbornly crafts the terms of her existence. David is a helping child and a solace to his parents, and he gave a purpose to their trials. But his sustenance is his freed Black father's dream of emancipation for the entire family. Jack Dane, a Scots-Irish boy, sails to Britain's colonies when his father sells him into indentured servitude as an escape from poverty. All three come together on Jack's land. As they face and challenge each other, they will relinquish and remake beliefs about family and freedom, even as they confront the limits of love.

ISBN: 9781420531909 | \$33.99

Historical | Releases 2/18/2026

Available in Black Voices 4.

IMAGE
NOT
AVAILABLE**FOLLOW MY VOICE**

A NOVEL

Ariana Godoy

"Klara's anxiety, grief, and depression are handled with care and her path toward healing is satisfying to witness." — Publishers Weekly

Klara Rodríguez has barely left her house in eight months. Imprisoned by agoraphobia and anxiety, she has seen her world shrink to the walls of her bedroom, where every other night, one voice pierces through her isolation. It belongs to Kang, the soothing host of her favorite late-night college radio program. Then, an unexpected text message changes everything. The voice that has been her invisible companion suddenly has a life beyond the airwaves. In a moment of desperate courage, Klara enrolls in community college and discovers that Kang's schedule overlaps with her only in-person class. Now, Klara's greatest battle is facing the person she might already love.

ISBN: 9781420532722 | \$34.99

General Fiction | Releases 2/4/2026 | Available in Diverse Voices 2 & 3.

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NOT
AVAILABLE**THE WHISTLER****Nick Medina**

Henry Hotard was on the verge of fame, gaining traction with his ghost-hunting videos. Then his dreams came to a screeching halt. Now, he's learning to navigate life in a wheelchair, back on the reservation where he grew up, relying on his grandparents' care. And he's being haunted. His girlfriend, Jade, insists he just needs time to adjust to his new reality as a quadriplegic, that it's his traumatized mind playing tricks on him, but Henry knows better. As the specter creeps closer each night, Henry realizes the only way to exile his phantom is by confronting his past and going back to the events that led to his injury. It all started when he whistled at night . . .

ISBN: 9781420527117 | \$34.99

Thriller | Releases 2/4/2026 | Available in Diverse Voices 2 & 3.

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NOT
AVAILABLE**BAD BAD GIRL** ★★★★★★

A NOVEL

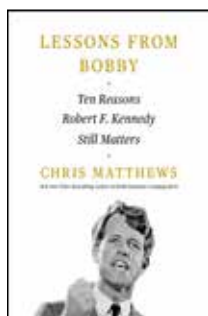
Gish Jen**INDIE NEXT PICK**

"Heartbreaking and stunning." — *starred*, Library Journal

Gish's mother, Loo Shu-hsin, is born in 1924 to a wealthy Shanghai family. Sent to a modern Catholic school, she receives not only an English name — Agnes — but a first-rate education. In 1947, Agnes announces her intention to pursue a PhD in America. She begins dating Jen Chao-Pe, an engineering student, and they successfully establish a new American life: Marriage! A house in the suburbs! A number one son! By the time Gish is born, though, the news from China is proving inescapable; their marriage is foundering; and Agnes, confronted with a strong-willed, outspoken daughter distinctly reminiscent of herself, recapitulates the harshness of her own childhood.

ISBN: 9781420532913 | \$34.99

Historical | Releases 2/4/2026 | Available in Diverse Voices 3.



LESSONS FROM BOBBY
TEN REASONS ROBERT F. KENNEDY STILL MATTERS
Chris Matthews
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

Bobby Kennedy led us in pursuit of America's ideals. He took risks for peace and united a fractured country. He showed moral courage and political bravery. In today's

bitterly divided nation, his message has the power to help us reimagine a better future. Chris Matthews, one of America's foremost political commentators and Kennedy biographers, gives us ten electrifying lessons for today drawn from Bobby's life. Take them as a guide. This book also includes a selection of Bobby Kennedy's greatest speeches, which, when read today, offer a renewed and inspiring vision for America.

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Biography | Releases 2/4/2026



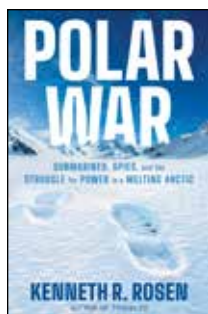
LINCOLN'S GHOST
HOUDINI'S WAR ON SPIRITUALISM AND THE DARK CONSPIRACY AGAINST THE AMERICAN PRESIDENCY
Brad Ricca

"A gripping historical tale."
— Library Journal

During a séance in 1924, Houdini — the greatest entertainer in the world — was cursed by a vengeful spirit, who said his days were numbered. By 1926, Houdini was dead. This is the untold story of the last performance of Harry Houdini, who — inspired by his hero Abraham Lincoln — devotes himself full-time to a personal crusade against Spiritualism, the practice of speaking to the dead. In a compelling narrative, *Lincoln's Ghost* is a powerful examination of deception, love, politics, the afterlife, and the very nature of magic itself.

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POLAR WAR ★★
SUBMARINES, SPIES, AND THE STRUGGLE FOR POWER IN A MELTING ARCTIC
Kenneth R. Rosen

"Not one to simply explain the problems, Rosen also provides a roadmap toward effective solutions. What might have been a stilted recitation of issues is instead an engrossing, soberly rendered cautionary tale." — *starred*, Kirkus Reviews

In *Polar War*, Kenneth R. Rosen takes readers on a journey across the far north. He finds himself on the trail of Navy SEALs training for arctic warfare, embarks on Coast Guard patrols monitoring Russian incursions, participates in close-quarter-combat training aboard foreign icebreakers, and visits remote research stations where international cooperation is giving way to espionage and the search for long-frozen biological weapons. The result is both an elegy for a vanishing landscape and an urgent warning about how the race for Arctic dominance could spark the next global conflict.

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Nonfiction | Releases 2/18/2026

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RACE AGAINST TERROR
CHASING AN AL QAEDA KILLER AT THE DAWN OF THE FOREVER WAR
Jake Tapper

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

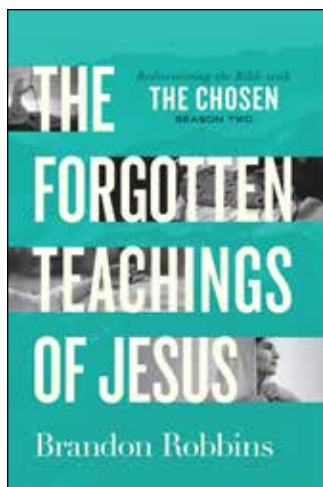
"Tapper's well-paced and well-written nonfiction book reads like a thriller."
— Library Journal

June 2011. A terrorist fleeing the Arab Spring confesses to killing American soldiers in Afghanistan. Determined to deliver justice, federal prosecutors Dave Bitkower and Shreve Ariail must traverse the globe, uncovering facts across thousands of miles and tracing shocking plots of terror to prevent tragedy from striking again. Through intense reporting and meticulous recreation, *Race Against Terror* shows a man radicalized to enact violence, courageous soldiers who risked their lives for each other, and the diverse set of men and women who work to stay one step ahead of disaster.

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REDISCOVERING THE BIBLE WITH THE CHOSEN: SEASON TWO

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Inspirational | Releases 2/18/2026

**LOOKING FOR GOD**

A SEARCH FOR REAL LOVE IN AN UNREAL WORLD

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

In a world filled with distractions and empty promises, the quest for genuine love can feel overwhelming. *Looking for God* invites you to uncover amazing truths about the God who created you, loves you, and has a beautiful plan for your life. Join *New York Times* bestselling author Donna VanLiere as she guides you through the Bible's revelations about God's transformative love and discover the true source of lasting change, hope, and peace that transcends the chaos of this world. Your search for real love has been a search for God — and He has been calling to you from the beginning.

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AMBUSH OF THE HEART

Rocky Mountain Marshals • Book 1

Mary Connealy

As Owen Riley and his fellow Marshals escort Delaney Bridger, her brother, and an escaped prisoner to Fort Russell, a gang of outlaws ambushes them, bringing death and devastation. With their lives on the line and the outlaws in pursuit,

Owen directs the rest of his battered group to hide at a remote ranch. After the attack leaves her brother seriously injured, Delaney helps Owen, nursing him and a wounded Marshal back to health. Despite the threat at their heels, romance sparks between Owen and Delaney as they fight for survival on their perilous trek to the fort. Can they overcome the obstacles and find a future together?

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Romance | Releases 2/4/2026

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MARRYING THE MATCHMAKER

A Shanahan Match • Book 4

Jody Hedlund

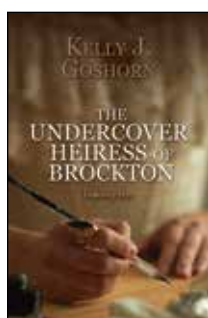
As the middle child of the Shanahan family, Zaira does her best to keep the peace. When she's caught in a scandal involving the local matchmaker, Bellamy McKenna, she must feign a match with him to avoid wagging tongues and her

parents' anger. Feeling the growing pressure to marry as a well-known, yet single matchmaker to St. Louis's Irish community, Bellamy reluctantly agrees to a temporary match with Zaira. But the matchmakers in his family have a history of disastrous relationships for themselves. When secrets and danger force Zaira and Bellamy to work together, is it finally the matchmaker's turn to be lucky in love?

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THE UNDERCOVER HEIRESS OF BROCKTON

Enduring Hope • Book 2

Kelly J. Goshorn

Henrietta "Etta" Maxwell, heiress to the Maxwell fortune, is a hard-hitting investigative reporter for *The Enterprise Daily*. Leo Eriksson is a firefighter with a passion for rendering aid to those in need. After

a sudden blast rocks the Grover Shoe Factory, Leo and Etta team up to determine if the explosion is related to a series of suspicious fires in the area. But sparks fly when Leo accuses Etta of negating the human side of the disaster in her determination to get a good story. Will Etta go back to her socialite comforts without her story — dragging along a broken heart?

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Christian Fiction | Releases 2/4/2026

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FORGIVING THE COWBOY

Tabitha Bouldin

2025 CHRISTY AWARD FINALIST – SHORT FORM

Planning to take his orphaned niece back home to Chicago, K-9 police officer Malcolm Mitchell encounters an unexpected obstacle — his ex-fiancée, Tenley Jacobs. Six years ago, she jilted him at the altar without

explanation. Now the equine therapist has shared guardianship with him. Refusing to give up custody of her late best friend's daughter, Tenley knows she must regain Mac's trust — even if it means revealing the secret that ended their engagement. But as old feelings reignite, will the truth lead to forgiveness . . . or give Mac a reason to walk away with her heart forever?

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Romance | Releases 2/4/2026

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A MOMENT TO LOVE

The Hope of Cheyenne • Book 3

Tracie Peterson

"[A] propulsive tale of a marriage of convenience giving rise to romance."
— Publishers Weekly

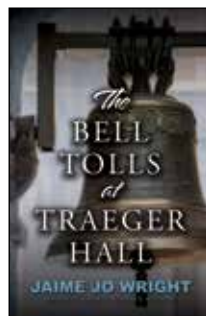
When Carrie Vogel learns that her Pinkerton friend Spencer Duval is on a mission to her hometown of Cheyenne, she agrees to an

arranged marriage to provide him with a cover story. But merely pretending to be in love with Spencer becomes increasingly difficult the more time she spends with him. Spencer is determined to apprehend the murderer who killed his father, but his quest ignites unexpected emotions — both for Carrie and about the desire for revenge that has dominated his life. As the web of suspects tightens, their futures hang in the balance, and they must learn to trust God's plan as unexpected love takes flight.

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Christian Fiction | Releases 2/4/2026

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THE BELL TOLLS AT TRAEGER HALL

Jaime Jo Wright

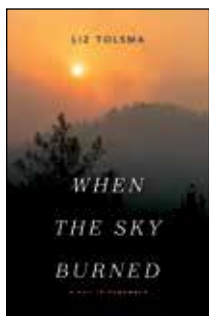
In 1890, the tolling of the bell announces that death has come to Traeger Hall, leaving orphaned Waverly Pembroke to piece together the puzzle behind her uncle's and aunt's murders. A madness hovers over Traeger Hall, and Waverly — as

well as the people of Newton Creek — is ill-prepared for the woe that has descended. In present day Newton Creek, when Jennie Phillips takes possession of the estate after her mother's passing, she is intent on solving the mystery of the Traeger murders. As thorny truths surface, Jennie realizes the dark legacy threatens not only the town and the Traeger descendants but also Jennie herself.

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Christian Fiction | Releases 2/4/2026

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WHEN THE SKY BURNED

A Day to Remember

Liz Tolsma

Promising painter Mariah Randolph longs to have her canvases displayed in the world's best museums, and Hollis Stanford, the heir of a railroad tycoon, is her ticket to success. The railroad's bookkeeper, Jay Franklin, is convinced Hollis is stealing from the

company. But any proof goes up in smoke when fire destroys the town of Peshtigo, Wisconsin, on October 8, 1871. The fire leaves Mariah blind, but Jay befriends her and even helps her to start painting again. But a trip to Chicago to return Hollis's daughter to him could put both Mariah and Jay in more danger than even the fire that devastated the town and their lives.

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Historical Fiction | Releases 2/4/2026

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HIDING THE WITNESS

Deena Alexander

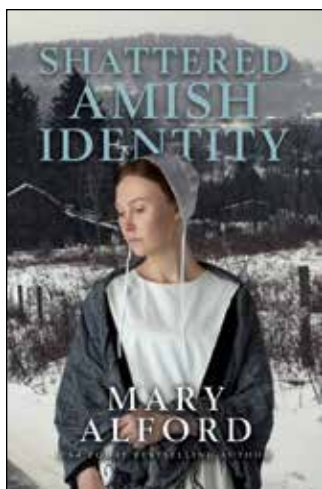
Racing into a burning cabin to search for survivors, firefighter Diana Cameron stumbles upon an unconscious child — and two bodies with bullet wounds. When a sniper targets their narrow escape, Diana has no choice but to team up with bodyguard Chase Mitchell to keep

the little girl safe. Uncovering the identity of the murder victims is the only way to find the killer. But as they're chased by gunmen into the mountain wilderness, can they protect a tiny witness from the unknown . . . when the truth is more sinister than they imagined?

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Mystery | Releases 2/4/2026

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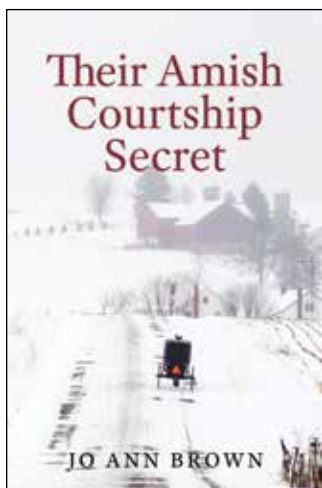
SHATTERED AMISH IDENTITY

Mary Alford

When Amish school teacher Hannah York is attacked, she defends herself with skills she never knew she had. CIA agent Titus Miller arrives, claiming that she's actually fellow agent Lara Redmond — and that she's in danger from a powerful enemy. Despite suffering from amnesia, Hannah is certain she's only ever lived a quiet Amish life. But why does Titus seem so familiar, and could it be true that he loved her once? When Hannah's family is abducted, she and Titus must work together to find them. Can Hannah trust him to help unlock the truth of her past . . . and keep her safe?

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THEIR AMISH COURTSHIP SECRET

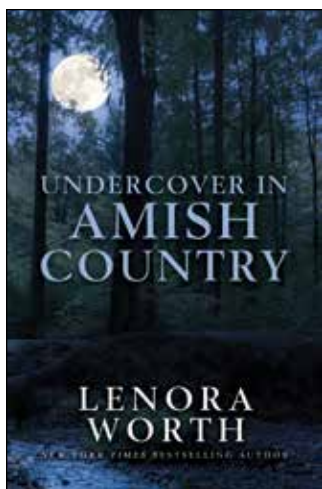
Amish of Lost River • Book 3

Jo Ann Brown

Amish schoolteacher Ruthanne Geer never expected her role as part-time housekeeper for her friend Kolton Lehman to turn into a pretend romance. But with her grandfather worried for her reputation and Kolton's mother stressed about his bachelorhood, she knows that this fake arrangement is for the best. As they spend more time together, she begins to see a different side to the dependable farmer — and genuine feelings start to blossom. But do they have the courage to drop the pretenses . . . and trust in a relationship that's becoming undeniably real?

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Amish and Mennonite | Releases 2/18/2026



UNDERCOVER IN AMISH COUNTRY

Lenora Worth

After she helped put her criminal husband behind bars, Blythe Meissner thought she was safe — until she's nearly kidnapped. Now danger is following her every move and she's convinced the attacks are connected to her now-dead husband. Her best chance at survival lies with the former Amish man who rescued her once before, Detective Simon "Simms" Bueller. But when professional hit men track her to Florida, Blythe and Simms must go undercover to figure out who's behind the relentless threats. Can they expose a sinister agenda before deadly enemies close in?

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Amish and Mennonite | Releases 2/18/2026

**MENU OF HAPPINESS**

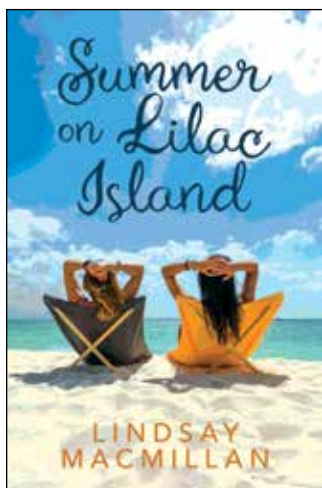
A Kamogawa Food Detectives Novel • Book 3

Hisashi Kashiwai, translated by Jesse Kirkwood

The Kamogawa Diner is run by a father-daughter duo who delve into the past to produce nostalgia-infused dishes for their clientele. Among the patrons is a once-renowned pianist whose promising career was marred by a self-inflicted injury. The diner also welcomes a man haunted by shadows of regret. The Kamogawa Diner doesn't just serve food — it recreates forgotten recipes, helping its patrons revisit memories lost to time. Each dish is a portal to the past, serving solace and reconnection through the miracle of delicious food.

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Cozy | Releases 2/18/2026

**SUMMER ON LILAC ISLAND**

A NOVEL

Lindsay MacMillan

"[A] delightful multigenerational tale of a restless young woman's return to idyllic Mackinac Island, Mich."
— Publishers Weekly

When Gigi Jenkins finds herself unemployed and out of options, she has no choice but to return to the hometown she swore she'd left behind. Living with her meddling, divorced mother, Eloise, feels like a recipe for disaster, especially when Eloise hatches a scheme to set Gigi up with the town's new doctor. Gigi agrees to the date on one condition: she gets to play matchmaker for Eloise in return. What begins as a battle of wills spirals into a summer of small-town antics, unexpected sparks, and plot twists. Through late-night date debriefs, outfit consultations, and learning to laugh (and forgive), Gigi and Eloise begin to move from adversaries to confidantes.

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General Fiction | Releases 2/18/2026

**GOOD HAIR DAYS**

A NOVEL

Grace Helena Walz

"Walz . . . captures the charm of Southern society, along with the undercurrent of mean women who have smiles on their faces and licensing inspectors in their back pockets. . . . Recommended for public libraries where cozy Southern tales are popular." — Library Journal

Georgia Louise wants to come home to the small Southern town of Whitetail, back to the family salon, June's Beauty Shop. When little sister Junie lands the beauty shop in hot water by way of a renovation gone wrong, Georgia returns to save the day. June's Beauty may look like an outdated hole-in-the-wall, but it is their family legacy. It's what's left to anchor them to their late mother. But when Junie receives a life-altering diagnosis, the very world the Louise women could always rely on is turned upside down. They are forced to dig deep, finally tell the truth, and rely on the part of their family legacy that has never wavered: the deep love between them.

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General Fiction | Releases 2/18/2026



PAINTING THE TOWN RED

Dead Broke Colorado

William W. Johnstone and J. A. Johnstone

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER

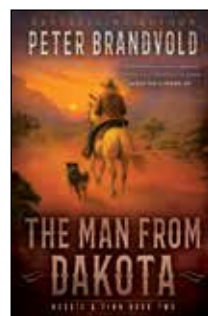
Ever since the silver market crashed, the mining town of Dead Broke has been awfully quiet. But that's about to end. After getting trapped in a cave-in, Mayor Nugget unearths a

massive boulder of pure zinc carbonate. When word gets out, an outlaw gang arrives. The mayor receives an invitation to display his boulder at Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show in Chicago, but there's one problem: getting it there without getting killed. Thanks to all the publicity, every greedy sidewinder in the West knows which train they're taking. And once the shooting starts, this train will be dead on arrival.

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Western | Releases 2/18/2026

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THE MAN FROM DAKOTA

Nordic & Finn

Peter Brandvold

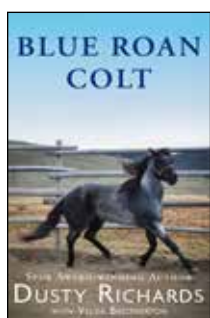
Anders Nordic is holed up in a remote line shack in Colorado's Neversummer Mountains. Hired by rancher Garth Deveraux to deal with rustlers, Nordic's been picking them off like ducks on a mill pond. It's a job that earns him enemies fast.

When a farming family from Nordic's home territory of Dakota arrives with a pregnant daughter, Nordic faces a brutal choice: turn them away or risk the wrath of his employer. Nordic has to choose: protect the innocent, or follow orders. As tensions rise and bullets fly across the high-country range, Nordic finds himself in the center of a violent cattle war, hunted by men on both sides.

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BLUE ROAN COLT

Dusty Richards

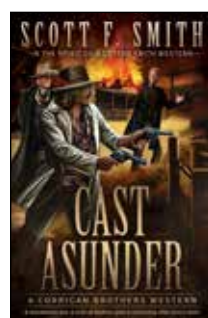
After four years on the battlefields of Europe during World War II, Army Staff Sergeant Mark Shaw returns to Arizona with the hope of living a quiet existence. Scarred by the war, his every step is haunted by the rattle of machine guns, the roar of artillery, and the screams of dying friends

and comrades. Fate takes a hand, first in the form of Alma Cornbird, a Pima woman, then in the guise of a beautiful rodeo queen named Julie Wright. Both women are determined not to let him slip further into despair, and both leave their mark upon him. With their help, the violent afterimages of the war begin to fade, and life blooms again from the hollow shell it left behind.

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Western | Releases 2/18/2026

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CAST ASUNDER

A Corrigan Brothers Western

Scott F. Smith

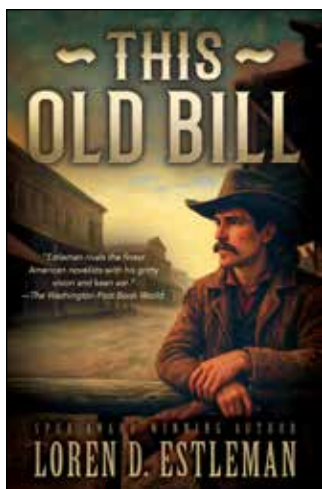
Texas Ranger Holt Corrigan thought his nightmare was over when he and his partner, Orion Higbee, captured the murderous priest known as "The Angel." But even with the wicked man of cloth six feet under, the bloodshed hasn't stopped. As Holt

and Orion split up to unravel the deadly conspiracy, ruthless tricksters and relentless outlaws push them to their limits. With lives on the line, Holt must rely on his courage — and the strength of his scattered allies — to piece together the dangerous puzzle and keep Texas safe. But can Holt Corrigan stop the killings before it's too late?

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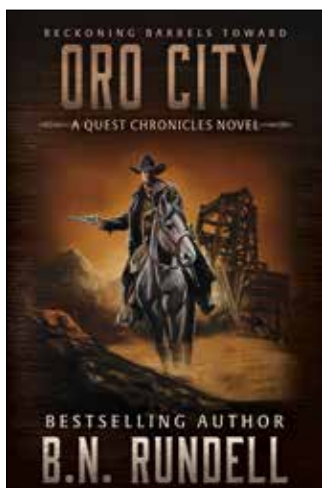
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**THIS OLD BILL****Loren D. Estleman**

Buffalo Bill Cody was the West. Pony Express rider, buffalo hunter, scout — his name was carved into the frontier, one battle, one trail, one gunfight at a time. He rode with Custer, saved Wild Bill Hickok, and cleared the way for a nation pushing ever westward. But time is a foe no man can outrun. In his final days, as the Wild West fades into history, Bill Cody faces one last reckoning. The showman, the warrior, the legend — what remains when the curtain falls? Will the man who shaped the frontier find peace, or will the past ride hard on his heels one last time?

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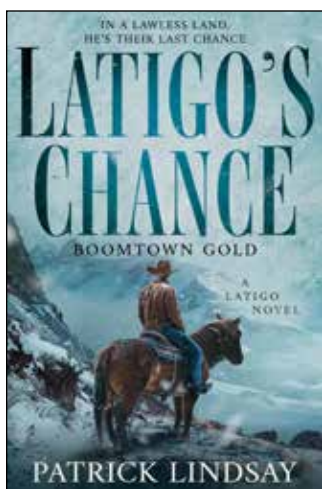
Western | Releases 2/18/2026 | Available in Softcover Western 1, 2 & 3.

**ORO CITY****A Quest Chronicles Novel • Book 5****B. N. Rundell**

After avenging the murders of his family by the Red Legs and bringing justice to their bloody rampages in the Colorado goldfields, Cordell Beckett laid down his vengeance to serve as a lawman. But the past isn't ready to let go. When tragedy strikes, Beckett is forced back onto the trail of Moses Young — a ruthless, towering outlaw with no shred of morality. Their deadly cat-and-mouse chase winds through the rugged frontier of Southern Colorado, where every encounter tests Beckett's grit and resolve. With the stakes higher than ever, Beckett must face a harrowing question: How far will he go to bring a monster to justice?

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**LATIGO'S CHANCE: BOOMTOWN GOLD****A Latigo Novel****Patrick Lindsay**

Latigo has settled in Silverton, Colorado, but his dream of owning a ranch is met with challenges. When Latigo encounters a man being forced off his land by a notorious outlaw named Penfield, he purchases the land and aids the man's family, putting himself in Penfield's crosshairs. Meanwhile, miners are being robbed of their gold, and Latigo leads a daring operation to reclaim the stolen ore. As Penfield sets his sights on controlling Silverton, the townsfolk look to Latigo as their only hope. In a lawless town, he must summon all his courage to end an outlaw's reign of terror.

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**THE SIRENS**

A NOVEL

Emilia Hart

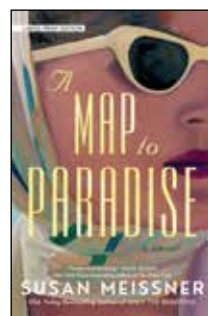
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER
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#1 LIBRARY READS APRIL 2025
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2019. Lucy awakens from a dream to find her hands around her ex-lover's throat. Horrified, she flees to her older sister's house, hoping she can help explain the strangely vivid nightmare that preceded the attack — but Jess is nowhere to be found. Desperate for answers, Lucy finds and begins to read her sister's adolescent diary. 1999. Jess is a lonely sixteen-year-old, until her young, charming art teacher takes an interest in her drawings. 1800. Twins Mary and Eliza fear the ocean, as their mother tragically drowned when they were just girls. Yet they begin to notice changes in their bodies that they can't explain, and they feel the sea beginning to call to them.

ISBN: 9781420532760 | \$22.99

Women's Fiction | Releases 2/18/2026

Available in Paperback Bestsellers 2, 3, & 4.

**A MAP TO PARADISE****Susan Meissner****NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR**

1956, Malibu, California. With her name on the Hollywood blacklist, starlet Melanie Cole has little choice in company. There is her neighbor, Elwood, but the screenwriter's agoraphobia allows for just short chats through open windows.

He's her sole confidante, though, as she and her housekeeper, Eva, rarely make conversation. Then one early morning Melanie and Eva spot Elwood's sister-in-law, June, digging in his rose garden. After that they don't see Elwood at all anymore. As they try to find out if something has happened to him, unexpected secrets are revealed among all three women, leading to an alliance. But one little spark could send it all up in smoke.

ISBN: 9781420532777 | \$22.99

Historical | Releases 2/18/2026

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**KILLS WELL WITH OTHERS****Deanna Raybourn**

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
SHELF AWARENESS PICK
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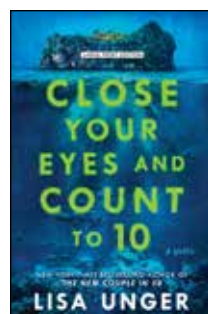
After more than a year of laying low, Billie, Helen, Mary Alice, and Natalie are called back into action. When they receive a summons from the head of the elite assassin

organization known as the Museum, they are ready tackle the greatest challenge of their careers. Someone on the inside has compiled a list of kills committed by Museum agents, connected to a single, shadowy figure, an Eastern European gangster with an iron fist and a tendency to kill first and ask questions later. The foursome embark on a wild ride across the globe. Their enemy is unlike any they've faced before, and it will take all their killer experience to get out of this mission alive.

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Thriller | Releases 2/18/2026

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**CLOSE YOUR EYES AND COUNT TO 10**

A NOVEL

Lisa Unger

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
USA TODAY BESTSELLER
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Extreme adventurer Maverick Dillan invites you to the ultimate game of hide-and-seek. But as the players

gather on Falcao Island, the event spirals into a chilling test of survival. A storm rages as a deadly threat stalks the contestants, turning the challenge into something far more sinister than the social media stunt it was intended to be. Enter Adele, a single mother with a determination to protect her children at all costs. When she begins the game, she unwittingly enters a twisted web of deception and intrigue. Can she maneuver through the treacherous storm and the relentless competition and get home to her family?

ISBN: 9781420532753 | \$22.99

Thriller | Releases 2/18/2026

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**MAKE ME A MONSTER** ★★

Kalynn Bayron

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
2025 SCHOOL LIBRARY JOURNAL BEST
YOUNG ADULT BOOKS

WATERSTONE BOOK OF THE MONTH
PICK

"Chilling yet romantic: explores the complexities of death, love, and grief."

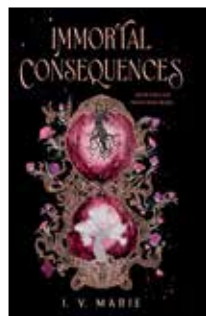
— Kirkus Reviews

As a mortician's assistant at her parents' funeral home, Meka's days are not for the faint of heart. Luckily her boyfriend Noah isn't squeamish, and Meka is finally feeling ready to say the three little words that will change everything. But then tragedy strikes, and Meka's world is torn apart. Nothing makes sense, especially the strange things that start happening. Ravens are circling her home. Strangers are following her. Someone is leaving mysterious items at her door. And worst of all, the dead don't seem to be *staying dead*. Turns out, the family business is a bit more complicated than it seems. And Meka isn't the only one desperate to unearth their secrets . . . because the truth may be worth dying for.

ISBN: 9781420532876 | \$29.99

Horror | Releases 2/4/2026

Available in Crossover 1 & 2.

**IMMORTAL CONSEQUENCES**

The Souls of Blackwood Academy • Book 1

I. V. Marie

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER
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A GOOD MORNING AMERICA YA BOOK
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A BOOK OF THE MONTH CLUB SELECTION

"Compelling . . . will engage readers all the way up to the cliffhanger ending, which will leave them yearning for the sequel."

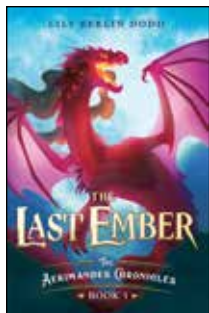
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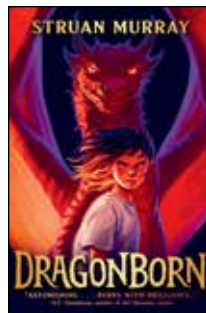
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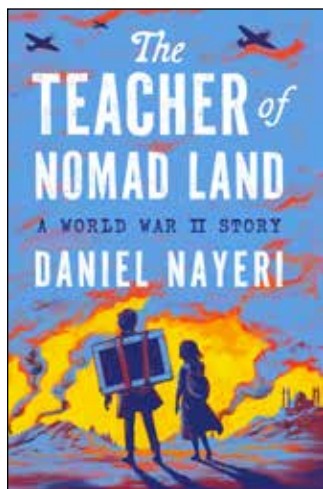
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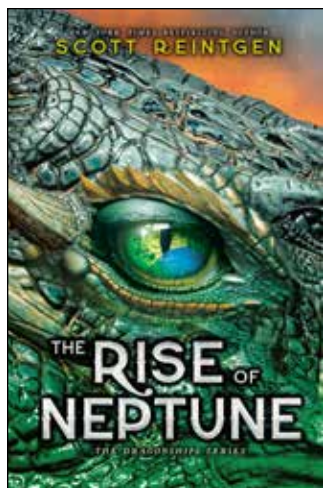
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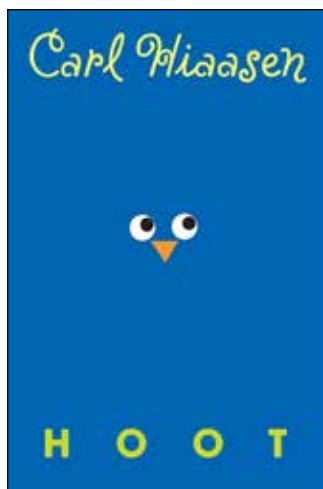
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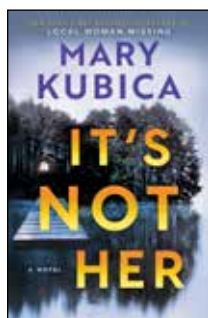
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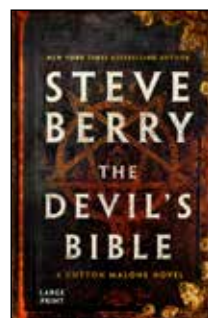
Courtney Gray's tranquil family vacation is shattered when she hears a blood-curdling scream from the lakeside cottage next door. There she finds the lifeless bodies of her brother and sister-in-law. Her

teenage niece Reese is nowhere to be found, while her nephew Wyatt lies asleep upstairs, unharmed. As the police descend on the quiet resort town, disturbing secrets about Courtney's family start to emerge. When she learns that the town has secrets of its own, it makes her wonder if Reese is another victim in a brutal crime or if she's the killer. As Courtney begins to unravel the terrible mystery, she realizes that everyone around her has something to hide. And the closer she gets to the truth, the harder it is to see.

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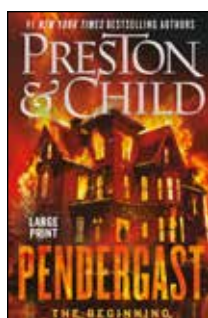
Former Justice Department operative, Cotton Malone, is called to Sweden when the younger sister of King Wilhelm I is kidnapped. The ransom demand? Hand over an 800-year-old book, the Codex Gigas — the

largest illuminated medieval manuscript in the world. Claimed as war loot from Bohemia in 1648, it's been kept in Stockholm for nearly 400 years. Along the way it also acquired another more mysterious moniker: The Devil's Bible. Now the Czech Republic wants the codex back, and Sweden has agreed to return it, but forces are at work to stop that deal from happening. The likely instigator? Russia. Who is also top of the list for possible kidnappers. It's up to Cotton and Cassiopeia Vitt to locate the king's sister, secure the codex, and thwart the Russians. Yet nothing is as it seems.

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to find himself saddled with mentoring a new FBI agent — a certain A. X. L. Pendergast. As Chambers tries to pull himself together, his enigmatic and exasperating junior partner pulls an outrageous stunt that gets both of them suspended. Pendergast welcomes the banishment, because it gives him the opportunity to investigate a peculiar murder in Mississippi that has captured his fancy. Chambers grudgingly goes along. What starts off as a whimsical quest swiftly turns into a terrifying pursuit, as Chambers and Pendergast uncover a string of grisly, ritualistic killings that defy any known serial killer profile.

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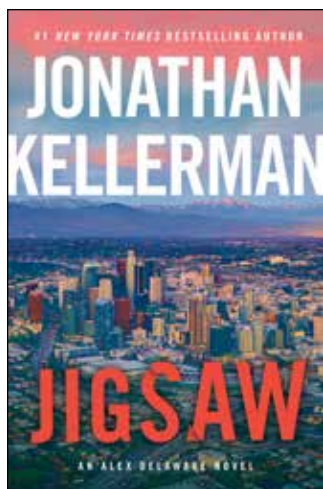
It is February and the Scottish Highlands village of Lochdubh is dealing with heavy snow and freezing temperatures. Sergeant Hamish Macbeth can handle the weather, but with a surprise influx

of high-society visitors for a Valentine's Day wedding at Tommel Castle Hotel, he has bigger problems. The guest list includes not one, but two women from his own romantic past! And Hamish isn't the only one disrupted by the arrival of the wedding party. The groom — the supposedly suave and sophisticated Darius Palmerston — is involved in a series of incidents in the local pub. Tensions between guests and villagers escalate until, on the night of the wedding, Darius is found dead in the dining room — the cake-cutting sword plunged into his chest.

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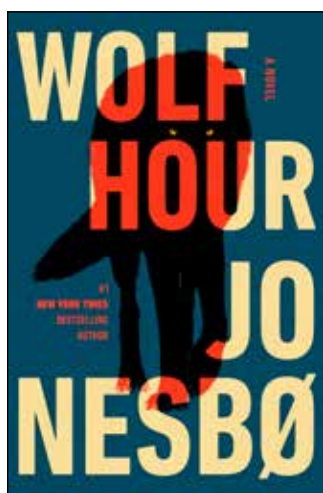
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**JIGSAW: AN ALEX DELAWARE NOVEL****Jonathan Kellerman****NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR**

This one looked like a slam dunk: a young woman found dead at her kitchen table, DNA on cigarette butts linking quickly to an ex-boyfriend with a criminal record. Or so homicide lieutenant Milo Sturgis thought. Then everything changed, and Milo called in psychologist Alex Delaware, his best friend and a long-term consultant. Then there's another one: an old woman found brutally murdered, her body stashed in a deep freeze and mutilated. This victim is someone Milo once knew. Complicating matters further, her home is an extreme hoarder's den, virtually impassable due to years of stored trash and apparently meaningless objects. Except for the envelopes of cash stashed among the garbage. As Alex and Milo dig deeper into the seemingly unrelated crimes, they discover shocking links between the victims and realize they have a labyrinthine puzzle to solve.

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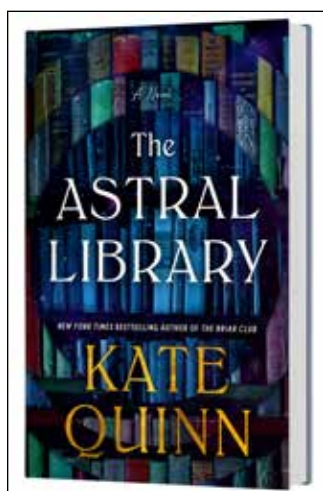
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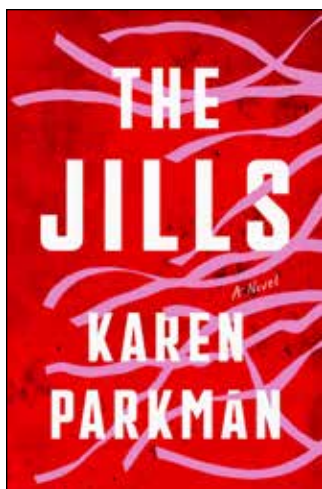
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Alexandria "Alix" Watson has learned from her childhood in the foster-care system that unlike people, books will never let you down. Working dead-end jobs to make ends meet, Alix takes nightly refuge in the reading room at the Boston Public Library, escaping into her favorite fantasy novels. Then she stumbles through a hidden door and meets the Librarian, an ageless guardian of a hidden library where the desperate and the lost escape to new lives inside their favorite books. The Librarian takes a Alix under her wing, but before she can escape into the pages of her new life, a shadowy enemy emerges. Aided by a dashing costume-shop owner, Alix and the Librarian flee through the Regency drawing rooms of Jane Austen to the back alleys of Sherlock Holmes and the champagne-soaked parties of *The Great Gatsby* as danger draws inexorably closer.

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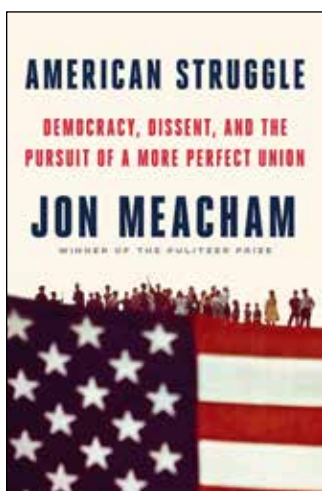
A NOVEL

Karen Parkman

Virginia is a Jill — a cheerleader for the NFL's Buffalo Bills — living the life of her dreams: she spends weekdays practicing, weekends cheering, and nights hopping between bars with her teammates, including charismatic Jeanine, whose friendship has given Virginia confidence and helped her forget her troubled past with her estranged sister, Laura. One Sunday, Jeanine fails to show up for a game. Calls and texts to her go unanswered. Virginia embarks on an investigation into Jeanine's disappearance, aided by a network of Jills, ex-boyfriends, seedy fixtures of Buffalo's criminal underground, and unexpected figures from her past. As her search grows increasingly dangerous, disturbing questions about who Jeanine really was begin to emerge. Virginia wonders how well she knew her best friend, if she can trust the people she thought were protecting her, and whether, when trying to save the ones she loves most, she's capable of saving herself, too.

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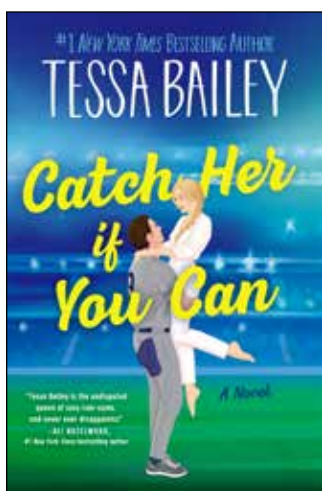
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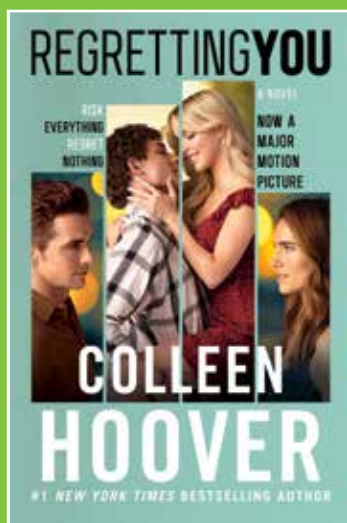
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Madden Donahue, the newest catcher for the Yankees, has been in love with Eve Mitchell since high school, but for some mysterious reason, the burlesque club owner always turns him down. That never stopped him from being her self-appointed protector. Now that Eve's sister has left Eve with her two children indefinitely, Madden steps in with a proposition: marry him for the health benefits. Eve has secretly harbored feelings for Madden all along, but there's one problem: her best friend Skylar called dibs on him when they were fourteen. But with Skylar happily paired off, Eve finds herself accepting Madden's proposal, on the condition that their marriage remains strictly private. She's not about to let her unique profession and maligned reputation destroy Madden's shiny new career.

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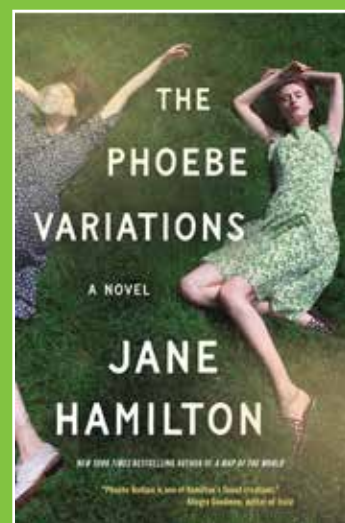
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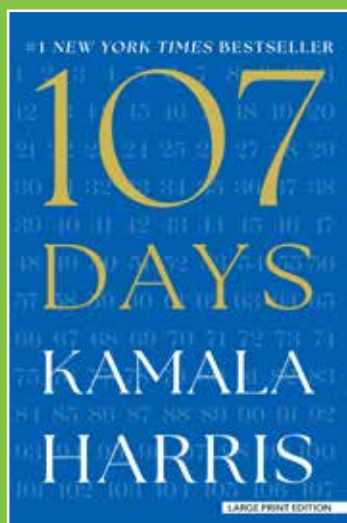
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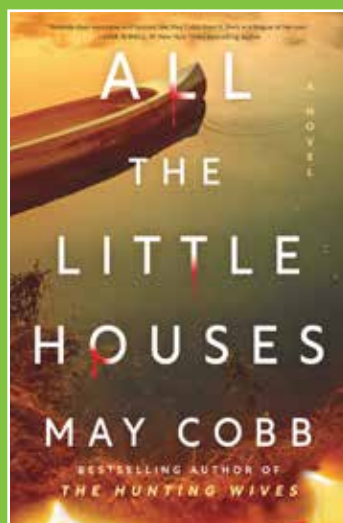
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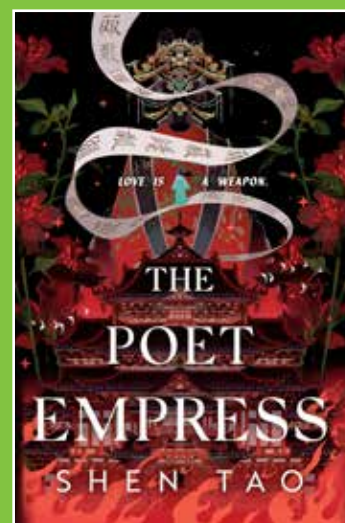
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