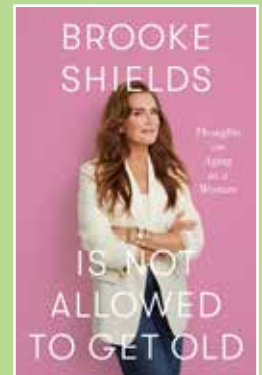
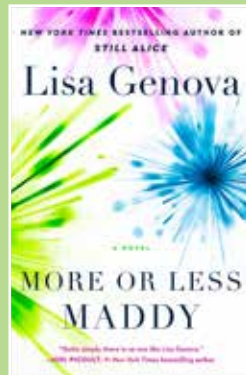
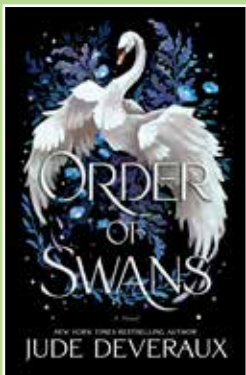
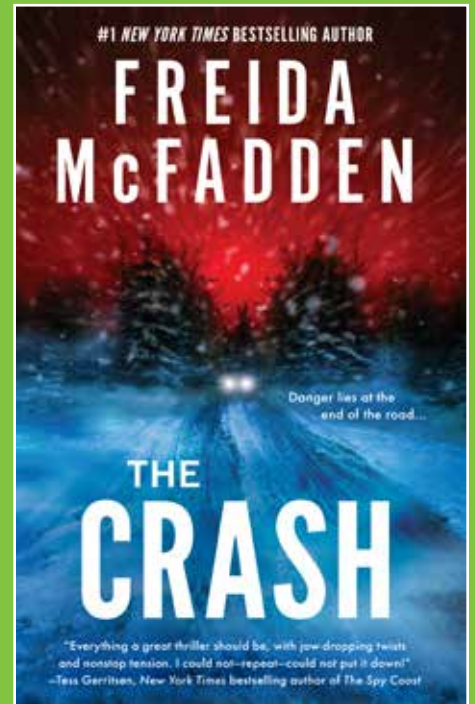
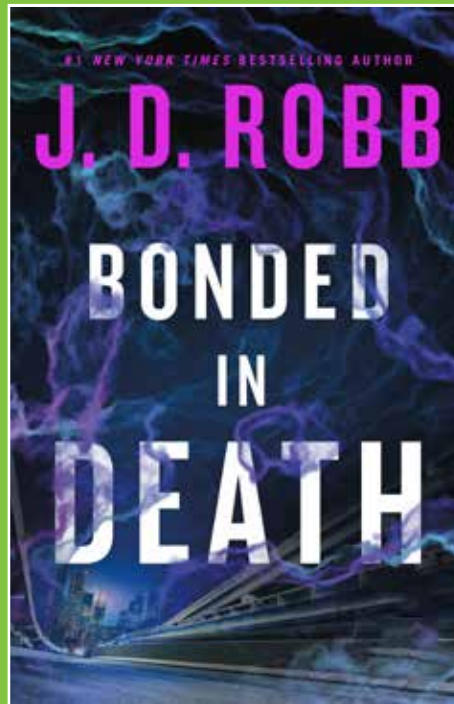
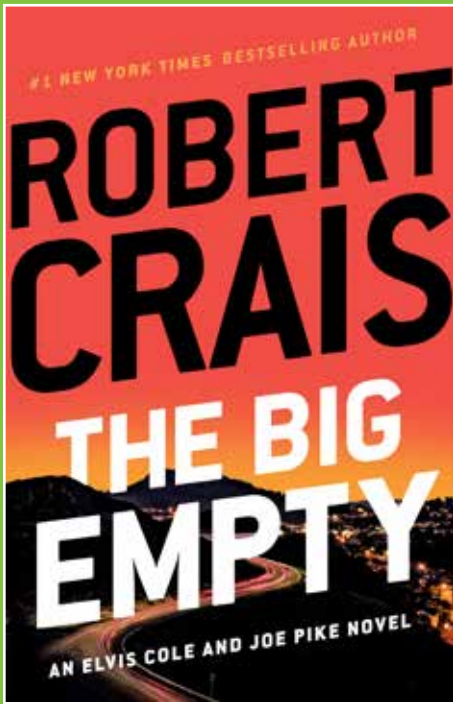


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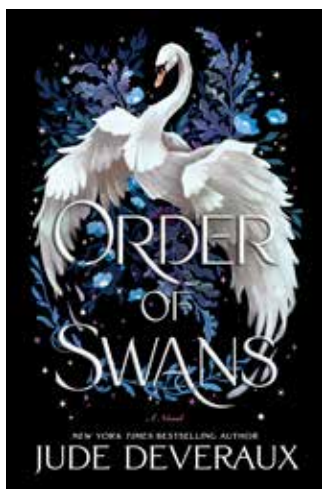
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## ORDER OF SWANS

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**Jude Deveraux**

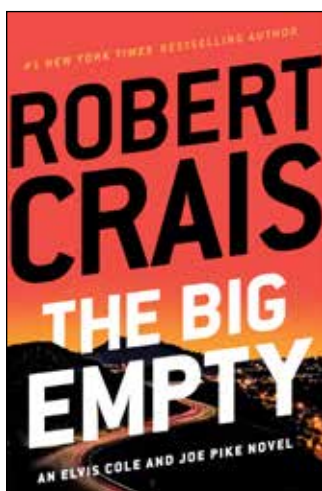
**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR**

**EDITOR'S CHOICE 4**

Perfect for fans of Ava Reid and Roshani Chokshi as well as the television show *Once Upon A Time*. To Kaley Arens, fairy stories have always had an allure beyond mere entertainment. It's only when Kaley accompanies her friend Jobi on a visit to his home that she realizes how much she still has to learn. Bellis is another world — a stunningly beautiful and seductive one, with its own royalty, its own rules, and inhabitants who breathe life into the tales she was taught were fiction. Kaley has a mysterious connection with Bellis and, tasked with locating a lost prince, journeys through a land both thrilling and terrifying. But nothing is quite as it seems, and her story is unfolding in ways impossible to predict, with a destiny she could never have foretold.

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## THE BIG EMPTY

AN ELVIS COLE AND JOE PIKE NOVEL

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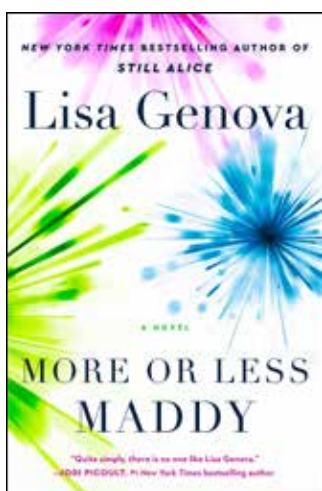
**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR**

**EDITOR'S CHOICE 1**

Traci Beller was thirteen when her father disappeared. Now, ten years later, Traci is a high-profile influencer with millions of followers and the money to hire the best detective she can find: Elvis Cole. But when Elvis finds himself shadowed by a gang of vicious criminals, the missing persons cold case becomes far more sinister. Elvis calls his ex-Marine friend Joe Pike for help, and they follow Tommy Beller's trail into the depths of a monstrous, hidden evil. Victims become predators, predators become prey, and the question becomes: Can Elvis Cole save them all from this nightmare?

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Suspense | Releases 2/5/2025 | Available in Top-Shelf 4, 6 & 8.



## MORE OR LESS MADDY

**Lisa Genova**

**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR**

**EDITOR'S CHOICE 6**

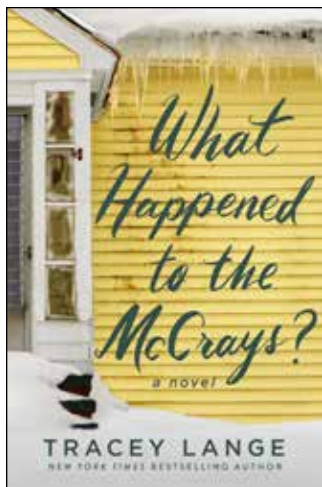
*"Maddy is a well-drawn character, offering readers a sympathetic look at what it's like to live with a bipolar diagnosis, and Genova's signature empathy and insights are on full display. It's a remarkable achievement."* — Publishers Weekly

Maddy Banks is just like any other stressed-out freshman at NYU. It doesn't help that she's always felt like the odd one out in her picture-perfect Connecticut family. But Maddy's latest low is devastatingly low, and she goes on an antidepressant. She begins to feel good, dazzling in fact, and she soon spirals high into a wild and terrifying mania that culminates in a diagnosis of bipolar disorder. As she struggles to find her way in this new reality, navigating the complex effects bipolar has on her identity, her relationships, and her life dreams, Maddy will have to figure out how to manage being both too much and not enough.

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Women's Fiction | Releases 2/5/2025 | Available in Top-Shelf 4, 6 & 8.





**WHAT HAPPENED TO THE MCCRAYS?**

A NOVEL

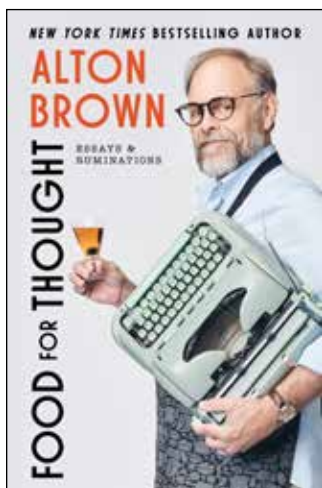
**Tracey Lange**

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

When Kyle McCray gets word his father has suffered a stroke, he returns to his hometown, where he doesn't expect a warm welcome. Kyle left two and a half years ago, abandoning his father, his employees, his friends — not to mention Casey, his wife. He plans to lie low and help his dad recuperate until he can leave again. The longer he's home, the more Kyle understands the impact his departure has had. When he's presented with an opportunity for redemption as coach of the middle school hockey team, he begins to find compassion in unexpected places. He even considers staying, if he and Casey can come to some kind of peace.

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General Fiction | Releases 2/5/2025 | Available in Top-Shelf 4, 6 & 8.



**FOOD FOR THOUGHT**

ESSAYS AND RUMINATIONS

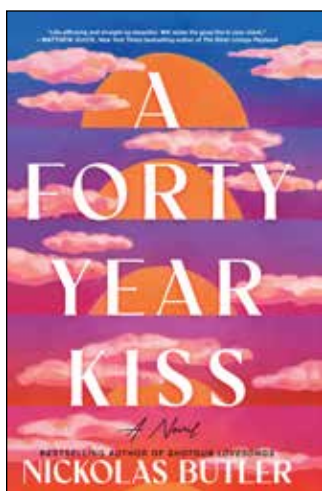
**Alton Brown**

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

Alton Brown has had a diverse and remarkable career. His work on the Food Network, including creating *Good Eats* and hosting *Iron Chef America* and *Cutthroat Kitchen*, has resonated with countless viewers and home cooks. Now, he shares exactly what's on his mind, mixing compelling anecdotes from his personal and professional life with in-depth observations on the culinary world, film, personal style, defining meals of his lifetime, and much more. Deliciously candid and full of behind-the-scenes stories, *Food for Thought* is the ultimate reading experience for anyone who appreciates food and the people that prepare it.

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Autobiography | Releases 2/5/2025 | Available in Top-Shelf 4, 6 & 8.



**A FORTY YEAR KISS** ★

A NOVEL

**Nickolas Butler**

Charlie and Vivian parted ways after just four years of marriage. Too many problems, too many struggles, even though the love didn't quite die. When Charlie returns to Wisconsin forty years later, he's not sure what he'll find. He is sure of one thing — he must try to reconnect with Vivian to pick up the broken pieces of their past. But forty years is a long time. It's forty years of other relationships, forty years of building new lives, and forty years of long-held regrets, mistakes, and painful secrets.

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General Fiction | Releases 2/5/2025 | Available in Top-Shelf 6 & 8.



## CREATION LAKE ★★★★★

A NOVEL

Rachel Kushner

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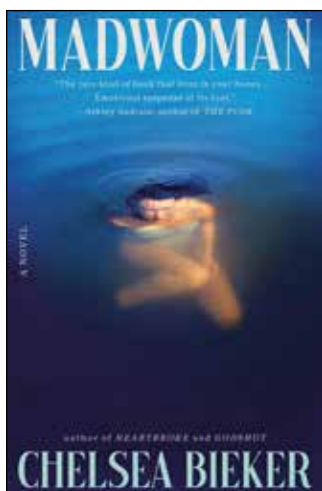
INDIE NEXT PICK

*"Kushner has captured the internal crisis of ideology that spy yarns often ignore, while creating an engaging tale in its own right. A deft, brainy take on the espionage novel." — starred, Kirkus Reviews*

A thirty-four-year-old American secret agent is sent to do dirty work in France. "Sadie Smith" operates based on what her "contacts" instruct. First, these contacts want her to incite provocation. Then they want more. Sadie becomes entranced by the mysterious Bruno Lacombe, a mentor to the young activists. Bruno believes the path to emancipation from what ails modern life is not revolt, but a return to the ancient past. Just as Sadie is certain she's the seductress and puppet master of those she surveils, Bruno Lacombe is seducing her with his ingenious counter-histories, his artful laments, his own tragic story.

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## MADWOMAN ★

Chelsea Bieker

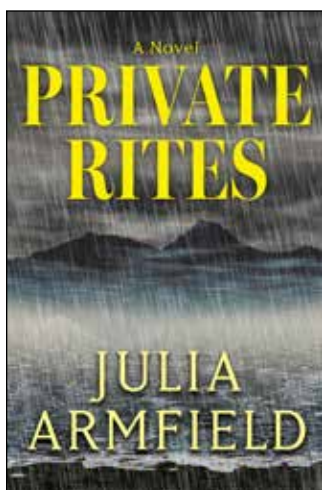
*"An indelible portrait of what living with intergenerational trauma and a legacy of abuse can look like." — Kirkus Reviews*

INDIE NEXT PICK

Clove has gone to extremes to keep her past a secret. Thanks to her lies, she's landed the life of her dreams. When she receives a letter from a women's prison in California, her past comes screeching into the present, entangling her in a dangerous game with the people she thought she had outrun. As we race between her precarious present-day life in Portland, Oregon, and her childhood in a Waikiki high-rise with her mother and father, Clove must unravel the defining day of her life. How did she survive that day, and what will it take to end the cycle of violence?

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## PRIVATE RITES

A NOVEL

Julia Armfield

INDIE NEXT PICK

*"The skillfully written familial dynamics . . . make this an easy purchase recommendation for most libraries." — Library Journal*

Sisters Isla, Irene, and Agnes have not spoken in some time when their father dies. His death offers an opportunity for the sisters to come together in a new way. In the grand house they grew up in, the sisters sort through the secrets and memories he left behind, until their fragile bond is shattered by a revelation in his will. The sisters are more estranged than ever, but something even more sinister might be unfolding, something related to their mother's long-ago disappearance. Soon, it becomes clear that the sisters have been chosen for a very particular purpose, one with shattering implications for their family and their imperiled world.

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**ONYX STORM**

The Empyrean Series • Book 3

**Rebecca Yarros**

**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR  
EDITOR'S CHOICE 3**

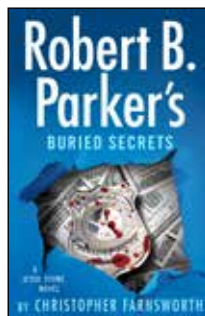
After nearly eighteen months at Basgiath War College, Violet Sorrengail knows there's no more time for lessons. Because the battle has begun, and with enemies closing

in from outside their walls and within their ranks, it's impossible to know who to trust. Now Violet must journey to seek allies from unfamiliar lands to stand with Navarre. The trip will test every bit of her wit, luck, and strength, but she will do anything to save what she loves. They need an army. They need power. They need *magic*. And they need the one thing only Violet can find — the truth. But a storm is coming . . . and not everyone can survive its wrath.

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**ROBERT B. PARKER'S BURIED SECRETS**

A JESSE STONE NOVEL

**Christopher Farnsworth**

**EDITOR'S CHOICE 5**

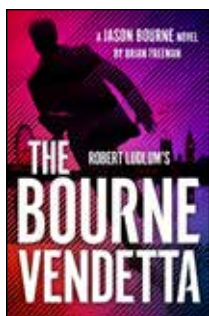
Chief of Police Jesse Stone is on his way home from a shift when a call comes in for a welfare check on an elderly resident. Inside a house packed with trash is a man's dead

body. It's a sad, lonely end, but nothing criminal . . . until Jesse finds the photos of murder victims strewn around the corpse, on top of a treasure trove of \$2 million in cash. Before long, Jesse has a price on his head, but the real danger might be coming from inside his own department. Jesse must unearth the truth buried under the wreckage of a dead man's life . . . before he winds up in the ground himself.

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Mystery | Releases 2/5/2025

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**ROBERT LUDLUM'S THE BOURNE VENDETTA**

JASON BOURNE

**Brian Freeman**

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

A hacked database known as the Files has upended the intelligence community. The new head of Treadstone sends Jason Bourne

on a mission to find out who has the Files and get them back — or destroy them. But Bourne isn't alone in this race. The Chinese want the Files. So do the Russians. And the only woman who may be able to help him is a treacherous spy who sees the Files as the key to her own vendetta against Treadstone. The hunt for the Files soon takes Bourne inside a twisted labyrinth of murder and betrayal, where everyone has a hidden agenda. Including Bourne himself.

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Thriller | Releases 2/5/2025

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**THE NIGHT IS DEFYING**

Nytefall Trilogy • Book 2

**Chloe C. Peñaranda**

**USA TODAY BESTSELLER**

Shaken from the aftermath of the Libertatem, the newly found star- maiden Astraea is determined to keep her freedom. But time is running out to recover her memories with the hope it will unveil her

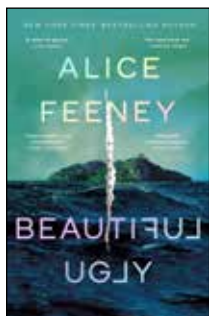
killer. Embarking on a journey to discover her past, Astraea's awakening power spins the hourglass on a history threatening to repeat itself. While Nyte tries to regain control of the vampires hungry for bloodshed, a sinister plan by his brother to overthrow him sparks a dangerous feud. Letting Astraea go would save the world from darkness, but Nyte is no hero. It seems no monster is heartless, and no angel is without sin.

**S | ISBN: 9781420521740 | \$36.99 U.S.**

Mystery | Releases 2/5/2025

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**BEAUTIFUL UGLY**

A NOVEL

**Alice Feeney**

**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR**

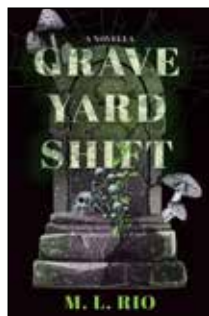
Grady Green is having the worst best day of his life. He calls his wife as she's driving home to share some exciting news. He hears Abby slam on the brakes, get out of the car, then nothing. When he eventually finds

her car, the headlights are on, the driver door is open, her phone is there, but his wife has disappeared. A year later, Grady is still overcome with grief and desperate to know what happened. He travels to a tiny Scottish island to try to get his life back on track. Then he sees the impossible: a woman who looks exactly like his missing wife. Wives think their husbands will change, but they don't. Husbands think their wives won't change, but they do.

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Thriller | Releases 2/5/2025

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**GRAVEYARD SHIFT**

A NOVELLA

**M. L. Rio**

**INDIE NEXT PICK**

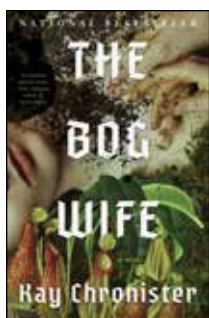
*"Rio stuffs a plethora of surprises into her concise narrative without skimping on character development. This packs a punch."*  
— Publishers Weekly

Every night, in the college's ancient cemetery, five people cross paths as they work the late shift: a bartender, a rideshare driver, a hotel receptionist, the steward of the derelict church that looms over them, and the editor-in-chief of the college paper, always in search of a story. One dark October evening, they find a hole that wasn't there before. A fresh, open grave where no grave should be. But who dug it, and for whom? Before they go their separate ways, the gravedigger returns. As they trail him through the night, they realize he may be the key to a string of strange happenings around town — and that they may be closer to the mystery than they thought.

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**THE BOG WIFE** ★★

A NOVEL

**Kay Chronister**

**INDIE NEXT PICK**

*"Gothic horror at its absolute finest, this story is as mythical as it is malignant."*  
— starred, Library Journal

Since time immemorial, the Haddesley family has tended the cranberry bog. In exchange, the bog sustains them. A covenant is renewed each generation with the ritual sacrifice of their patriarch, and in return, the bog produces a "bog-wife" meant to carry on the family line. But when the bog fails to honor the bargain, the Haddesley siblings face an unknown future. Wenna believes they must abandon their patrimony. Eda seeks to salvage the compact. Percy retreats into the wilderness. And as Nora takes desperate measures to keep her warring siblings together, Charlie uncovers a disturbing secret that casts doubt over everything the family has ever believed about itself.

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General Fiction | Releases 2/5/2025

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**SO THIRSTY** ★

**Rachel Harrison**

**USA TODAY BESTSELLER**

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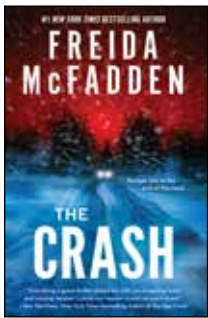
*"With a realistic protagonist who faces choices that are sometimes scarier than monsters, this book will have readers sinking their teeth in."*  
— starred, Library Journal

Sloane Parker is dreading her birthday. She doesn't need a reminder she's getting older. Her husband surprises her with a birthday-weekend getaway with Sloane's longtime friend, troublemaker extraordinaire Naomi. Naomi wants Sloane to stop letting things happen to her, for Sloane to really *live*. So Naomi orchestrates a wild night out with a group of mysterious strangers, only for it to take a horrifying turn that changes Sloane's and Naomi's lives forever. The friends are forced to come to terms with some pretty eternal consequences in this bloody, seductive novel about how it's never too late to find satisfaction, even though it might taste different than expected.

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**THE CRASH**

**Freida McFadden**

**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR  
USA TODAY BESTSELLER  
EDITOR'S CHOICE 2**

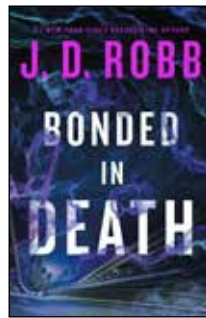
Tegan is eight months pregnant and desperately wants to put her crumbling life in the rearview mirror. So she hits the road, planning to stay with her brother until she can

figure out her next move. But she doesn't realize she's heading straight into a blizzard. She never arrives at her destination. Stranded with a dead car and broken ankle, Tegan worries she's made a terrible mistake. Then she is rescued by a couple who offers her a room in their warm cabin until the snow clears. But something isn't right. Tegan believed she was waiting out the storm, but staying here may have been her most deadly mistake yet. And now she must do whatever it takes to save herself.

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Thriller | Releases 2/5/2025

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**BONDED IN DEATH**

**IN DEATH**

**J. D. Robb**

**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR  
USA TODAY BESTSELLER  
EDITOR'S CHOICE 3**

Decades ago, during the Urban Wars, Giovanni Rossi was part of a secret organization called The Twelve.

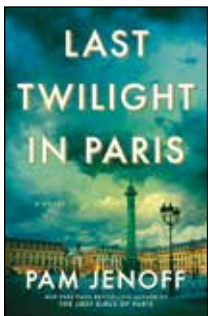
Responding to an urgent summons, he landed in New York and died within minutes.

Lieutenant Eve Dallas finds the Rossi case frustrating. But she thinks Summerset — the man who rescued her husband from the Dublin streets — may know something. When Summerset learns of the crime, his shock and grief are clear — because he himself was one of The Twelve. Now a cryptic message has boasted that others of The Twelve have also died. Summerset is one of those who remain — and the murderous mission is yet to be fully accomplished.

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Mystery | Releases 2/5/2025

Available in Dynamic Drama 3 & 5.



**LAST TWILIGHT IN PARIS**

**A NOVEL**

**Pam Jenoff**

**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR  
EDITOR'S CHOICE 8**

*"Jenoff offers a piercing depiction of Jewish life in Paris under German occupation and keeps the pages turning with an intriguing mystery. Fans of WWII fiction will be riveted."*

— Publishers Weekly

London, 1953. Louise is still adjusting to her postwar role as a housewife when she discovers a necklace at a secondhand shop. She is certain she has seen the necklace before and that it holds the key to the mysterious death of her friend Franny. Following the clues to Paris, Louise seeks help from her former boss Ian. The necklace leads them to discover the dark history of Lévitán — a once-glamorous department store that served as a Nazi prison, and Helaine, a woman who was imprisoned there when the Germans invaded France. Louise races to find the connection between the necklace, the store, and Franny. But there are forces determined to keep the truth buried.

**S | ISBN: 9781420517873 | \$40.99 U.S.**

Historical | Releases 2/5/2025

Available in Dynamic Drama 3 & 5.



**THE MEMORY DRESS** ★

**Jade Beer**

*"Beer's emotionally rich narrative highlights the devastation of dementia and the solidarity found among those working to lessen its impact. This will move readers."*

— Publishers Weekly

England, 2018. Jayne keeps to herself, but after a chance encounter with her elderly neighbor, Meredith,

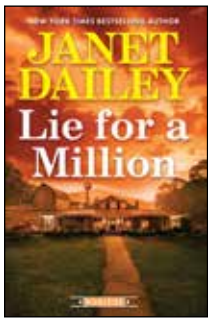
Jayne is forced to reevaluate her determination to keep the world at a distance. Meredith can't seem to remember anything, but most alarmingly, she can't remember where her husband is. Jayne promises she'll find William, but how can she when the biggest clue is a mystery itself: a stunning couture gown with a note declaring it a personal gift to Meredith . . . from Princess Diana. England, 1988. As Meredith finds herself swept up in life and love for the first time, everything she's ever dreamed about seems in reach . . . if only she can be brave enough to take it.

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**LIE FOR A MILLION**

Rivalries • Book 2

**Janet Dailey****NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR**

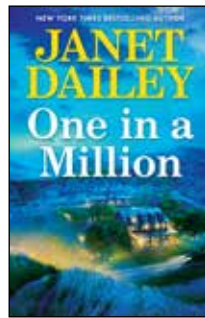
As if coping with the murder of her husband isn't enough, now Lila Culhane has Frank's mistress to contend with. His pregnant mistress, Crystal. With everyone grasping to profit from Frank's death, including

fighting for possession of her beloved ranch, she needs leverage for the battle. As it turns out, Crystal may be carrying just the edge Lila requires: an heir. Crystal offers to let Lila adopt Frank's baby — for a price. Lila is willing to consider it — pending a paternity test. Meanwhile, the list of suspects in Frank's murder is growing. And as the surprises multiply, a killer remains free to strike again.

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**ONE IN A MILLION**

Rivalries • Book 1

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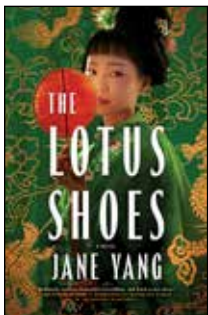
Frank Culhane may be the patriarch of one of Texas' most prestigious families, but his daughter, Jasmine, is only interested in the money — and the cowboys. Until the day she discovers her daddy's body. Detective

Sam Rafferty's investigation propels him into a tangle of rivalries. For the ranch is now in the hands of an explosive partnership: Frank's young, glamorous second wife, Lila, and his scorned first wife, Madeline. Lila has a genuine passion for ranching. Madeline is determined to destroy her. And with a killer still at large, the heat between Jasmine and Sam could put the case, and all their futures, on the line.

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**THE LOTUS SHOES**

A NOVEL

**Jane Yang****PUBLISHERS WEEKLY BESTSELLER**

*"Yang's expert plotting and nuanced historical details result in an exceptional story that enchants from the first page to the last." — Starred, Publishers Weekly*

1800s China. Tightly bound feet, or "golden lilies," are the mark of

an honorable woman, eclipsing beauty, a rich dowry, and even bloodline. When Little Flower is sold as a maidservant — a *muizai* — to Linjing, a daughter of the prominent Fong family, she clings to the hope that one day her golden lilies will lead her out of slavery. When scandal strikes the Fongs, both women are cast out to the Celibate Sisterhood, where Little Flower catches the eye of a nobleman. His attention threatens her life — the Sisterhood punishes disobedience with death. And if Linjing finds out, will she sabotage Little Flower to reclaim her power, or will she protect her?

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Historical | Releases 2/19/2025

**THE LIES WE LEAVE BEHIND**

A NOVEL

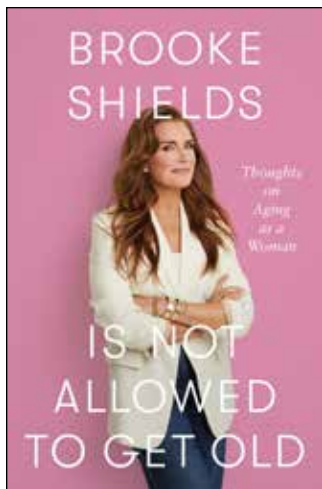
**Noelle Salazar****USA TODAY BESTSELLER**

*Somewhere in the Pacific, 1943.* Kate Campbell is a nurse who flies back and forth from the front to rescue wounded soldiers. Driven by a need to help in the war effort, she is conflicted when an injury results in

her reassignment to the English countryside. Despite herself, she falls for an officer with three bullet wounds, startling blue eyes, and a wicked sense of humor. For the first time, Kate sees a future far from the horrors of war and hate. But before she can pursue it, a secret from her past calls her to duty, and she'll have to travel back into danger one more time. But will she make it back? And will that future still be waiting for her if she does?

**ISBN: 9781420518115 | \$35.99 U.S.**

Historical | Releases 2/19/2025



**BROOKE SHIELDS IS NOT ALLOWED TO GET OLD**

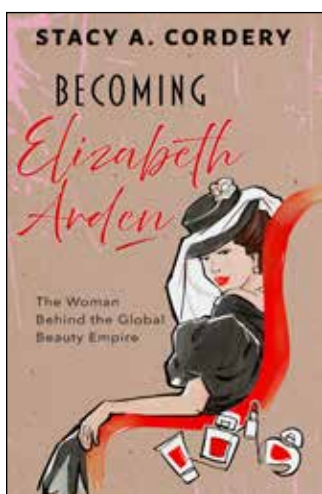
THOUGHTS ON AGING AS A WOMAN

**Brooke Shields**

Brooke Shields has spent a lifetime in the public eye. Growing up as a child actor and model, her every feature was scrutinized. Today Brooke faces the scrutiny of being a “woman of a certain age.” And yet, at fifty-nine, she feels more comfortable in her skin than she did decades ago. Now, in *Brooke Shields Is Not Allowed to Get Old*, Brooke bares all, painting a vibrant picture of being a woman in the prime of her life. Inspiring, moving, and galvanizing, Brooke’s honesty and vulnerability will resonate with women everywhere and spark a new conversation about the power of midlife.

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Biography | Releases 2/5/2025



**BECOMING ELIZABETH ARDEN**

THE WOMAN BEHIND THE GLOBAL BEAUTY EMPIRE

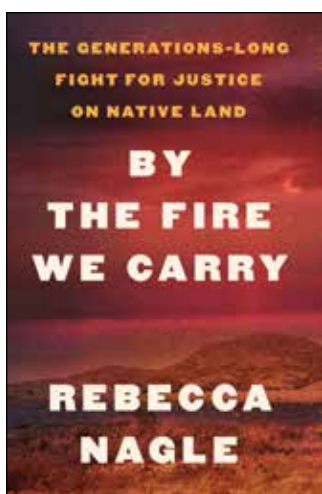
**Stacy A. Cordery**

*“A lusciously long and lively biography . . . Cordery makes a convincing case that Arden was responsible for many of the innovations taken for granted in the beauty industry today. As beguiling as a day of luxury beauty treatments.” — Kirkus Reviews*

Elizabeth Arden was a household name on six continents and a millionaire several times over before her death in 1966. She revolutionized skin care and cosmetics. She created a successful international business empire before women gained the vote. She developed the first luxury spa and insisted on a holistic understanding of health and beauty. In an astounding rags-to-riches tale, Elizabeth Arden prospered throughout the Depression, reimagined women’s needs during two World Wars, and by pioneering new approaches to marketing and advertising, ushered beauty into the modern era.

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**BY THE FIRE WE CARRY** ★★ ★

THE GENERATIONS-LONG FIGHT FOR JUSTICE ON NATIVE LAND

**Rebecca Nagle**

2025 CARNEGIE MEDAL NONFICTION LONGLIST

*“Nagle gracefully carries readers back and forth through time, explaining the history of the Five Tribes before and after the Trail of Tears, the evolution of U.S. policy toward Native Americans, and the unique peculiarities of Indian law.” — starred, Kirkus Reviews*

In the 1830s Muscogee people were rounded up by the US military at gunpoint and forced into exile halfway across the continent. When Oklahoma was created on top of Muscogee land, the new state claimed their reservation no longer existed. Here Rebecca Nagle recounts the generations-long fight for tribal land and sovereignty in eastern Oklahoma. By chronicling both the contemporary legal battle and historic acts of Indigenous resistance, *By the Fire We Carry* exposes both the wrongs that our nation has committed and the Native-led battle for justice that has shaped our country.

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History/Historical | Releases 2/19/2025

**THE COLLABORATORS** ★

A NOVEL

**Michael Idov**

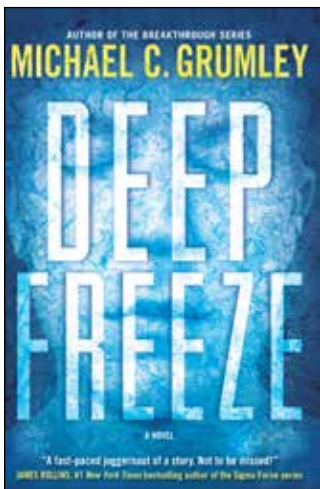
INDIE NEXT PICK

*"A cutthroat international financial scheme with grave political implications . . . Falk, a millennial who wears Weezer tees, and Maya, who was up for a part in a Peacock vampire series, are an irresistible pairing . . . Sharp, freshly conceived, thoroughly entertaining spy fiction."* — starred, Kirkus Reviews

How, exactly, did post-Soviet Russia turn down the wrong path? Crisscrossing the globe on the way to this shocking revelation are disaffected millennial CIA officer Ari Falk, thrown into a moral and professional crisis by the death of his best asset; and brash, troubled LA heiress Maya Chou, spiraling after the disappearance of her Russian American billionaire father. The duo's adventures take us to both classic and surprising locales — from Berlin, to Latvia, Belarus, and an abandoned technopark outside Moscow.

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Thriller | Releases 2/19/2025

**DEEP FREEZE**

A NOVEL

The Revival Series

**Michael C. Grumley**

*"A fast-paced thriller for mystery and techno-thriller readers, Grumley's novel draws on speculative technology to forecast the dark side of scientific advancement and medical ethics."* — Library Journal

The accident came with no warning. In the dead of night, a precipitous plunge into a freezing river trapped everyone inside the bus. It was then that Army veteran John Reiff's life came to an end. There was no expectation of survival let alone waking up beneath blinding hospital lights. The doctors assure him that everything is normal. Yet, as Reiff's mind and body recover, he realizes things are not at all what they seem. Critical information is being kept from him. Supposedly for his own good. But who is doing this? Why? And the most important question: can he keep himself alive long enough to uncover the truth?

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Thriller | Releases 2/19/2025

**DEADBEAT**

A NOVEL

**Adam Hamdy**

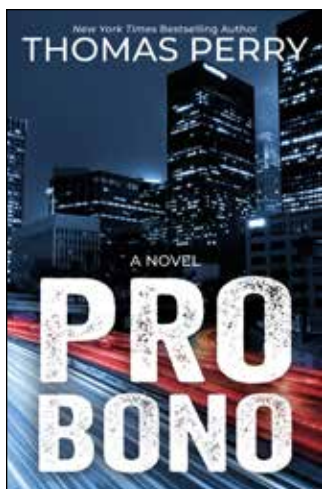
*"Once again, Hamdy has delivered a standout work of smart, tough crime fiction."* — starred, Publishers Weekly

Peyton Collard was a good man once, but his life changed after a horrific car accident. Divorced, drunk, and severely damaged, Peyton is offered a life-changing sum of money to kill an evil man. But as he goes on a vigilante journey that leaves a trail of bodies across California, Peyton wonders about the identity of his anonymous patron. Soon, his questions become an obsession, and he embarks on a tense and potentially deadly investigation to discover the truth about the murders he's committed.

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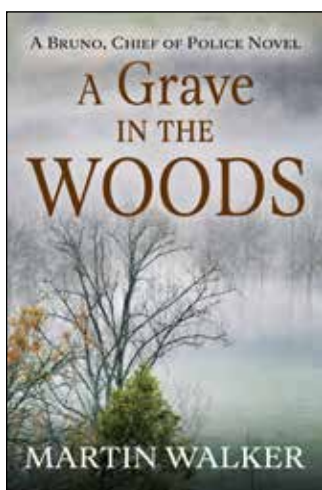
Thomas Perry

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

Charles Warren, Los Angeles attorney, has dedicated his career to aiding people in financial straits. In his newest case, helping a young widow find the money missing from her late husband's investment accounts, Charlie recognizes a familiar scheme — one that echoes the con job that targeted his own widowed mother many years before. Within hours of starting his investigation, Charlie is followed, shot at, and has his briefcase stolen. It's clear that someone doesn't want him following the trail of the missing money, but he quickly becomes too entangled in the web of fraud, betrayal, and career criminals surrounding the theft to escape its deadly snare.

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Suspense | Releases 2/5/2025 | Available in Mystery 2, 3, & 5.



## A GRAVE IN THE WOODS

A BRUNO, CHIEF OF POLICE NOVEL

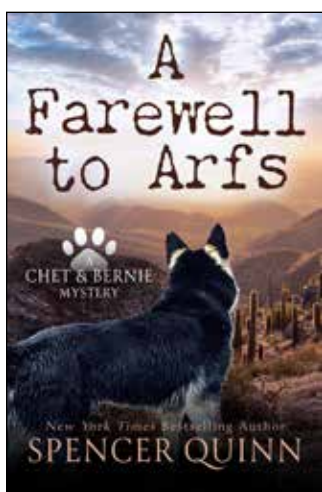
Martin Walker

*"Expect great servings of . . . archeology and history, from the Ice Age onward, along with enviable meals and jaunts into the countryside on horseback. Bruno's expansive character . . . adds spice to this series."* — starred, Booklist

When Abby, an American archaeologist, arrives in St. Denis on the heels of her divorce, she hopes to make a new life for herself as a specialist guide for visiting tourists. So when a local British couple discover a grave from World War II on their property, Abby is able to put her training to good use. In the grave are the remains of two German women and an Italian submarine officer who had a big secret to hide. The women are suspected of having had links to the German garrison in Bordeaux during the war. It's up to Bruno to unravel the mystery — and its contemporary relevance.

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Mystery | Releases 2/5/2025 | Available in Mystery 2, 3, & 5.



## A FAREWELL TO ARFS

A Chet & Bernie Mystery

Spencer Quinn

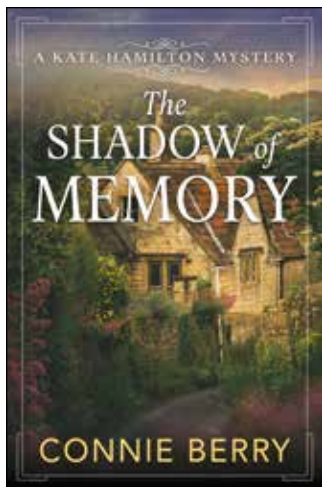
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

*"Chet tells the story, and his literal perceptions are a delightful contrast to the sinister crime, which will delight fans of the long-running series."* — Booklist

Chet the dog and his human partner PI Bernie Little are entangled in a web of crime unlike anything they've ever seen before. Their elderly next door neighbor, Mr. Parsons, thought he was doing the right thing by loaning his ne'er do well son, Billy, some money to help get himself settled. But soon, Mr. Parsons discovers that his entire life savings is gone. A run-of-the-mill scam? Bernie isn't so sure that the case is that simple. Only Billy knows the truth, but he's disappeared. Someone else is also in the hunt, an enemy with a mysterious, cutting-edge power who will test Chet and Bernie to their limit — or maybe beyond.

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## THE SHADOW OF MEMORY

A Kate Hamilton Mystery

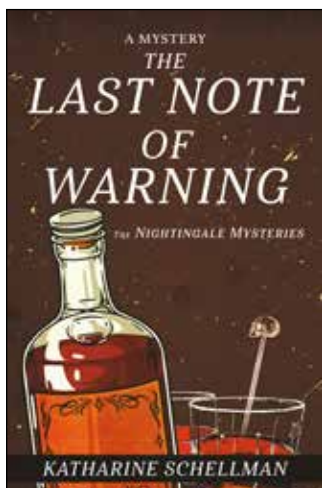
**Connie Berry**

*"A seamlessly plotted mystery for fans of English puzzles." — starred, Library Journal*

Kate Hamilton is assisting her colleague Ivor Tweedy with a project at the Netherfield Sanatorium, which is being converted into luxury townhouses. Kate and Ivor must appraise a fifteenth-century painting, but when retired criminal inspector Will Parker is found dead, Kate learns that the sanatorium housed much more than priceless art. Kate is surprised to learn that Will had been the boyfriend of her friend Vivian Bunn. When Kate makes a shocking connection between a sixty-year-old murder and the long-buried secrets of the sanatorium, she suddenly understands that time is running out for Vivian — and anyone connected to her.

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## THE LAST NOTE OF WARNING

The Nightingale Mysteries

**Katharine Schellman**

*"The characters and plot come alive in this atmospheric historical mystery." — starred, Library Journal*

Prohibition is a dangerous time to be a working-class woman in New York City, but Vivian Kelly has found some measure of stability and freedom. By day, she's a respectable shop assistant. At night, she joins New York's underworld, serving illegal drinks at a speakeasy known as the Nightingale. Then the husband of a wealthy client is discovered dead in his study, and Vivian was the last known person to see him alive. The more Vivian digs into the man's life, the harder it is to avoid the truth: someone she knows wanted him dead. And the best way to get away with murder is to set up a girl like Vivian to take the fall.

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Mystery | Releases 2/5/2025 | Available in Mystery 5.



**MURDER ON THE PAGE**

A Literary Dining Mystery

**Daryl Wood Gerber**

*"Foodies and Jane Austen fans alike will delight in this charming mystery."*  
— Kirkus Reviews

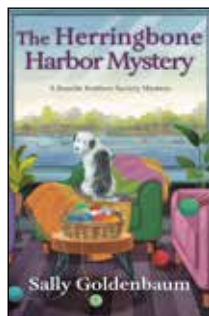
Allie Catt, caterer and personal chef in the mountain community of Asheville, North Carolina, has devised a winning formula by using

her clients' favorite books as inspiration. Business is booming, and a rival catering company is fuming. But there's a sting in the tale when the aunt of one of Allie's clients and best friends, Tegan, is murdered. Tegan is the victim's sole heir, and quickly becomes the main suspect. Allie has no doubts about her friend's innocence, but how to prove it? Allie sifts through the clues, and with a little luck she may be able to stop a killer from serving up a second course of murder.

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**THE HERRINGBONE HARBOR MYSTERY**

A Seaside Knitters Society Mystery

**Sally Goldenbaum**

**USA TODAY BESTSELLER**

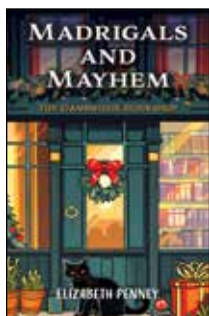
The Yarn Studio's Seaside Knitters have their hands full designing new classes for vacationers. Meanwhile, the Lazy Lobster and Soup Café's local fare is gaining attention with

the addition of a well-known chef. Then Birdie spots a huge blaze from her balcony one evening. The morning brings news that it was a house in Fishermen's Village, and a popular businessman is found dead inside. As suspicion rocks Sea Harbor, Izzy, Birdie, Cass, and Nell must pick apart secrets and wrap up false accusations — before the killer hooks another victim.

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**MADRIGALS AND MAYHEM**

The Cambridge Bookshop

**Elizabeth Penney**

*"A complex mystery featuring the historic charms of Cambridge and a likable, clever sleuth."* — Kirkus Reviews

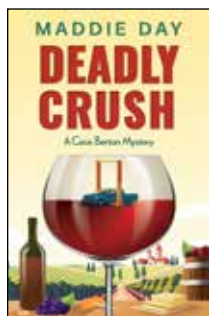
Molly is eager to experience her first English Christmas now that she's adjusted to her move to Cambridge. When local toyshop Pemberly's

Emporium reopens, Molly is excited to meet the new owner, Charlotte Pemberly, who is determined to make the store a success after unexpectedly becoming her grandfather Arthur's sole heir. Arthur's new wife Althea Winters and her family loathe Charlotte for inheriting what they believe was theirs. When Althea's grandson is poisoned, Charlotte becomes the top suspect. Molly must help her new friend clear her name while wrangling her own family during the chaotic holiday festivities.

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Cozies | Releases 2/19/2025

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**DEADLY CRUSH**

A Cece Barton Mystery

**Maddie Day**

After a mostly stress-free Christmas, it's time for Cece to focus on Vinyo Vida, the wine bar she manages. Electrical work and a security camera are needed, and she's hired local electrician Karl Meier to do the job. But she regrets her choice when

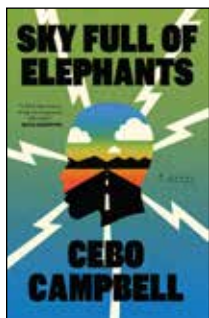
Karl presents her with an inflated bill before the work is complete. Still, she's shocked when she gets a call from Karl's ex-wife, Josie, that she's found Karl crushed to death beneath the lift in her automotive shop. Cece starts her own investigation, but she's going to need the help of her twin, Allie, before the killer catches up with her and the lights go out for good.

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**SKY FULL OF ELEPHANTS** ★

A NOVEL

**Cebo Campbell**

**LIBRARY READS PICK**

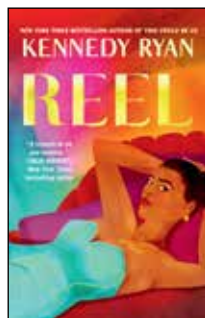
*"A captivating near future fantasy . . . [Campbell] caps the narrative with fascinating revelations about the cause of the event. This stunning allegory will spark much discussion."* — *starred*, Publishers Weekly

One day, a cataclysmic event occurs: all the white people in America walk into the nearest body of water. A year later, Charlie Brunton receives a call from someone he wasn't even sure existed: his daughter Sidney, a nineteen-year-old left behind by her white mother and stepfamily. Sidney and Charlie meet for the first time as they embark on a journey across a truly "post-racial" America in search for answers. But neither of them is prepared for this new world and how they see themselves in it. Heading south toward what is now called the Kingdom of Alabama, everything Charlie and Sidney thought they knew about themselves, and the world, will be turned upside down.

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General Fiction | Releases 2/19/2025

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**REEL**

Hollywood Renaissance • Book 1

**Kennedy Ryan**

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

For months I stood in the wings, waiting for my time to shine. I never imagined he would be in the audience that night. Canon Holt. Famous film director. Talented. Fine.

Before I could catch my breath, everything changed. I went from backstage Broadway to center stage Hollywood. From being unknown, to my name, Neevah Saint, on everyone's lips when Canon casts me in a star-studded Harlem Renaissance biopic. But stars shine brightest in the dead of night. Forbidden attraction, scandal, and circumstances beyond my control jeopardize my dream. Could this one shot — the role and love of a lifetime — cost me everything?

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Contemporary | Releases 2/19/2025

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**THE JEWEL OF THE BLUES**

A NOVEL

**Monica Chenault-Kilgore**

Lucille Arnetta Love has always lived on the run. In her family's traveling band, Lucille was billed as The Little Girl with the Big Voice. Nearly eleven years after setting out on the road with her parents, Lucille is discovered by Marcus Williams, a young talent

manager. Once Miss Lucille's Black Troubadours are formed, no one can hold a candle to them. Together, Miss Lucille and her band become rising stars. But personal demons haunt the Troubadours. Lucille's family secret is revealed, and it's a shock even to her: a decades-old robbery that ended in a suspicious death. Now the thieves from years past have caught up with Lucille and are back for revenge.

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Historical | Releases 2/19/2025

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**UNTETHERED**

A NOVEL

**Angela Jackson-Brown**

*"Jackson-Brown . . . delivers a touching story of a middle-aged Black woman and the burdens she shoulders during the Vietnam War."* — Publishers Weekly

In the small college town of Troy, Alabama, amidst the backdrop of 1967, Katia Daniels lives a life steeped

in responsibility. At the Pike County Group Home for Negro Boys, she pours her heart into nurturing the young lives under her care. Amidst a power struggle at work with the board, Katia finds solace in the pages of romance novels and the soothing melodies of Nina Simone. When Seth Taylor, a familiar face from her high school days, reenters Katia's life, their friendship rekindles, and Katia grapples with the idea of making choices for herself, even as the realization that she can no longer have children weighs heavily on her.

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Historical | Releases 2/19/2025

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**BEFORE WE FORGET KINDNESS**

A NOVEL

Before the Coffee Gets Cold • Book 5

**Toshikazu Kawaguchi**

INDIE BESTSELLER  
LIBRARY READS PICK

*"The focus on regret and grief makes this a heart-wrenching outing, but kindness and empathy still shine through in Kawaguchi's characters. Readers will find comfort even as they reach for the tissues."* — Publishers Weekly

In the fifth book in the *Before the Coffee Gets Cold* series, the mysterious café where customers arrive hoping to travel back in time welcomes four new guests: The father who could not allow his daughter to get married. A woman who couldn't give Valentine's Day chocolates to her loved one. A boy who wants to show his smile to his divorced parents. A wife holding a child with no name. Another moving and heartwarming tale, in *Before We Forget Kindness* our new visitors wish to go back into their past to move on in their present, so they can embark on a beautiful future.

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Fantasy | Releases 2/19/2025



**PICKLEBALLERS** ★★

A NOVEL

**Ilana Long**

*"A funny, feel-good adventure you won't want to miss."* — starred, Kirkus Reviews

Meg Bloomberg is in a pickle. When Meg's ex turns out to be a total player, she and her bestie take off for a mood-lifting pickleball excursion to Bainbridge Island. It's supposed to be an easy lob, a way to heal, not the opening serve to a new courtside romance that's doomed to spin out. No matter how Meg tries, she can't shake her feelings for Ethan Fine. A charismatic environmental consultant and Bainbridge local, Ethan seems like the real dill. But when Meg discovers that Ethan is sabotaging her home court, she decides the match is over. It's time for Meg to take control of her own game. And maybe, just maybe . . . love will bounce back.

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Romance General | Releases 2/19/2025



**CHRISTA COMES OUT OF HER SHELL**

A NOVEL

**ABBI WAXMAN**

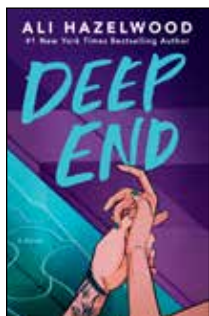
USA TODAY BESTSELLER

*"Waxman's . . . signature style shines through in this sharp and witty tale, with characters that leap off the page and dialogue that sparkles. With its blend of heart and humor, this satisfying relationship fiction resonates."* — Library Journal

After a tumultuous childhood, Christa Barnet has hidden away, both figuratively and literally. Happily studying sea snails in the middle of the Indian Ocean, Christa finds her tranquil existence thrown into chaos when her once-famous father — long thought dead after a plane crash — turns out to be alive, well, and ready to make amends. The world goes wild, fascinated by this real-life saga, pinning Christa and her family under the spotlight. When her father's story starts to develop cracks, Christa fears she will lose herself and, most importantly, any chance of making it back to her snails before they forget her completely.

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Women's Fiction | Releases 2/19/2025



**DEEP END**  
Ali Hazelwood

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

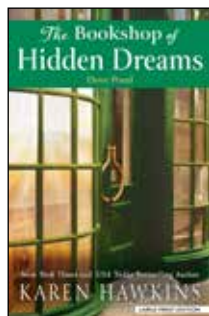
Scarlett Vandermeer is swimming upstream. A junior at Stanford and a student-athlete who specializes in platform diving, Scarlett prefers to keep her head down, concentrating on getting into med school and recovering from the injury that

almost ended her career. Swim captain, world champion, all-around aquatics golden boy, Lukas Blomqvist thrives on discipline. It's how he wins gold medals and breaks records. As the pressure leading to the Olympics heats up, so does their relationship. It was supposed to be just a temporary fling. But when staying away from Lukas becomes impossible, Scarlett realizes that her heart might be treading into dangerous water.

**S | ISBN: 9781420518580 | \$36.99 U.S.**

Christian | Releases 2/19/2025

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**THE BOOKSHOP OF HIDDEN DREAMS**

Dove Pond • Book 4

Karen Hawkins

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

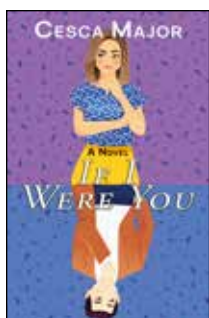
When an antique tin of love letters is found hidden in her family home, historian Tay Dove investigates. Tay's latest project is a biography of her great-great-grandmother Sarafina,

a star reporter who began her career in Dove Pond in the late 19th century before abruptly leaving town. Tay believes the letters could be the key in solving what happened, but they only add to her questions — especially when they reveal a forbidden love affair. Tay sets out to uncover what really happened all those years ago and find the truth behind a love story that could be more precious than gold.

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**IF I WERE YOU**

A NOVEL

Cesca Major

Amy and Flynn have been dating for two years. And they love each other. Don't they? Only Amy can't read Flynn's mind and Flynn can't read Amy's. Little do they know this weekend is make or break.

Amy's sister is getting married and frustrations on the way to the wedding escalate until Amy and Flynn are shouting at each other in a country lane during a thunderstorm. When lightning strikes, Flynn and Amy are thrown to the ground, and when they stand back up they realize — they've switched bodies. Forced to attend the wedding weekend as each other is surely an impossible task. Even if they do manage to swap back — can their relationship survive?

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**THE BEACH READS BOOKSHOP**

Hometown Brothers • Book 3

Lee Tobin McClain

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

Running a bookstore on a quaint Chesapeake island is exactly the life Deena Clark would have chosen for herself. But helping billionaire businessman Luis Dominguez figure out fatherhood is part of the

package. Can bonding over books and one little girl help them open their hearts to each other?

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### WHISPERS OF FORTUNE

Golden State Treasure • Book 1

**Mary Connealy**

In 1875 California, Brody MacKenzie arrives at the Two Harts Ranch on a mission to find his runaway brothers. He discovers them thriving at the ranch's school and orphanage under the care of Ellie Hart. When the boys show Brody a mysterious journal that has been guiding their travels and may hold the key to a lost treasure, Brody and Ellie are captivated by the possibility of a thrilling adventure. Brody and Ellie race against time to decipher cryptic clues and unearth the hidden fortune. But along the way, old adversaries resurface, threatening their newfound affection and the safety of those at the ranch.

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### WITH THIS RING

**Amy Clipston**

Dakota Jamison thought she had left her dreams of happily-ever-after behind, along with the pain of a broken engagement to her high school sweetheart, Hudson. Now, as the proud owner of Fairytale Bridal Shop, she's built a life and a business on helping brides find their perfect dress for their own fairytale weddings. But when her ex-fiancé unexpectedly returns to town, Dakota's problems go from bad to worse. The two reunited lovers begin to question if what went wrong between them really happened the way they remembered it. Will they continue believing the lies they've told themselves, or will they remain forever entangled in the threads of what could have been?

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### THE SEASIDE HOMECOMING

On Devonshire Shores • Book 3

**Julie Klassen**

*"Brisk prose keeps the pages turning as Klassen delicately unpacks Claire's guilty feelings and fragile hopes for love. This jaunt to the British coast delights."* — Publishers Weekly

Disgraced eldest sister Claire Summers has been living in exile in Scotland. Longing to be reconciled with her family, Claire sees an advertisement from someone looking for a "respectable female partner" in a Sidmouth boarding house. Is it a sign? When she meets the handsome proprietor, Claire is drawn to him even though she fears he will reject her when he discovers her less-than-respectable past. Meanwhile, the Summers family learns Claire has disappeared without a word. The sisters rally together to find their lost sibling, but will their unexpected reunion heal old wounds and rekindle their bonds or deepen the divide?

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## LOVE OVERBOARD

A NOVEL

**Shannon Sue Dunlap**

When a group of quirky friends retire on a never-ending round of cruises, their attire consists of more than floral shirts and gaudy skirts. Armed with walkie-talkies and battle plans, these relationship experts — who've dubbed themselves the "Shippers" — target hostess Lacey Anderson and director Jonathan King in their romantic schemes. The chemistry between Lacey and Jonathan is obvious, but the couple rebuffs every outlandish plot and "coincidental" meeting, forcing the matchmakers to chart a new course to true love — all while inadvertently thwarting drug smugglers threatening to ruin their floating home on the ocean.

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## AN HONORABLE DECEPTION

The Imposters • Book 3

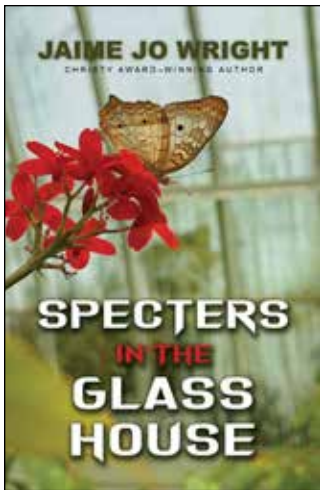
**Roseanna M. White**

*"White seamlessly balances the high-energy, twist-filled plot with fine-grained character development as the three sleuths harness their faith to expose the dark underbelly of London society."* — Publishers Weekly

As the leader of an elite private investigative firm, Lord Yates Fairfax has made an art of concealing his identity. But when Lady Alethia Barremore is shot, he throws caution to the wind and rushes to her aid. Though Lady Alethia thought she was only looking for her missing former nanny, she has clearly stumbled upon something much more dangerous. Lady Lavinia Hemming is happy for the distraction and does what she can to help the investigators. But as clues lead them deeper into the dark side of society, Alethia, Yates, and Lavinia learn that the gentry isn't always noble, even as they fight to hold fast to their own honor.

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Romance | Releases 2/5/2025 | Available in Christian Romance 4.



**SPECTERS IN THE GLASS HOUSE**

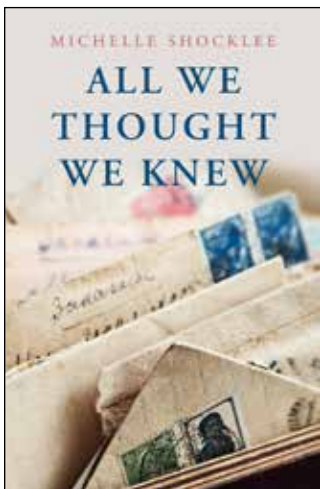
**Jaime Jo Wright**

*"Readers will be eager to take this twisty, suspense-filled ride."* — Publishers Weekly

In 1921, Marian Arnold, heiress to a brewing baron's empire, seeks solace on her family's estate as Prohibition and the deaths of her parents cast a shadow over her world. When Marian's sanctuary is invaded by nightmarish visions, she grapples with malevolent forces. With dead butterflies as the killer's signature, murders unfold at a steady pace. In the present, researcher Remy Shaw becomes entangled in an elderly biographer's quest to uncover the truth behind Marian Arnold and the unsolved murders linked to an infamous serial killer. Can Remy expose the evil that lurks beneath broken wings? Or will the dark legacy surrounding the manor destroy another generation?

**ISBN: 9781420520125 | \$33.99 U.S.**

Mystery | Releases 2/5/2025 | Available in Christian Fiction 3, 4 & 5.



**ALL WE THOUGHT WE KNEW**

**Michelle Shocklee**

1969. When Mattie Taylor's brother was killed in Vietnam, she lost her best friend. Now, news that her mother is dying sends Mattie back home. Mama's last wish is that Mattie read some old letters. She insists they hold the answers Mattie is looking for. 1942. Ava Delaney seeks work at a nearby military base, where she crosses paths with Gunther Schneider, a German who is helping care for wounded soldiers. Ava questions why Gunther should be forced to live in the internment camp, and as her sense of injustice grows so do her feelings for him. In the midst of pain and loss two women must come face-to-face with what they thought they knew about themselves and others.

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Christian Fiction | Releases 2/5/2025 | Available in Christian Fiction 4 & 5.



**THE COLOR OF HOME**

A NOVEL

**Kit Tosello**

Audrey Needham is already on thin ice with her boss when her great-aunt Daisy asks for support as her husband descends into Alzheimer's. Now Audrey is risking her career as she returns to Charity Falls, Oregon. While she has many good memories of her childhood summers there, Charity Falls is also the place her father was killed in a fire at the Sugar Pine Inn thirteen years ago. Despite Audrey's intent to avoid emotional entanglement, something should be done about the deteriorating inn. A local girl with an incarcerated father needs a friend. And handsome local do-gooder Cade Carter is coloring Audrey all shades of uncertain. The pull of home is hard to resist.

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Christian Fiction | Releases 2/5/2025 | Available in Christian Fiction 5.





**A GOOD INDIAN GIRL**

A NOVEL

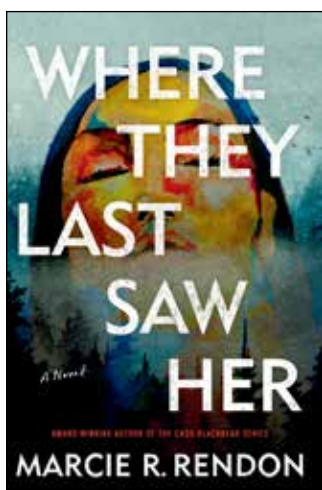
**Mansi Shah**

*“Full of beautiful descriptions of summer in Italy and both Italian and Gujarati flavors, Shah’s latest is a novel replete with food and family (both found and born into).” — Booklist*

Jyoti is the perfect Indian American daughter: She stayed out of trouble, looked after her sisters, and married a man her parents approved of. So when her husband, Ashok, pushes her to quit her dream job as head chef to focus on conceiving, she obliges — only for Ashok to leave her when she cannot carry to term. Now unemployed, childless, and divorced, Jyoti books a ticket to Tuscany for the summer. Carbs, chianti, and *la bella vita* inspire Jyoti to experiment with Indian-Italian fusion recipes. But when she goes viral for her cooking vlogs and a shocking reveal comes to light, Jyoti must choose between family acceptance, a fulfilling career, and even motherhood.

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General Fiction | Releases 2/5/2025 | Available in Diverse Voices 2 & 3.



**WHERE THEY LAST SAW HER** ★★ ★

A NOVEL

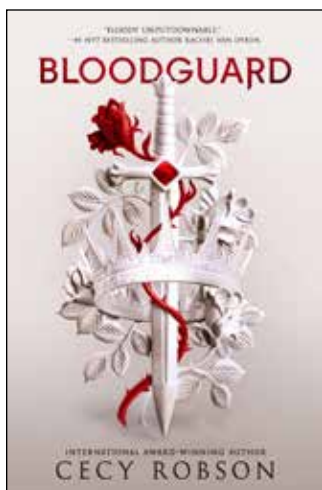
**Marcie R. Rendon**

*“Rendon’s book will break your heart, but it will also inspire and inform.” — starred, Kirkus Reviews*

Quill has lived on the Red Pine reservation in Minnesota her whole life. She knows what happens to women who look like her. As she trains for the Boston Marathon early one morning in the woods, she hears a scream. When she returns to search the area, all she finds are tire tracks and a single beaded earring. When she hears a second woman has been stolen, she is determined to do something about it — starting with investigating the group of men working the pipeline construction just north of their homes. In her quest to find justice for all of the women of the reservation, she is confronted with the hard truths of their home and the people who purport to serve them.

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**BLOODGUARD**

**Cecy Robson**

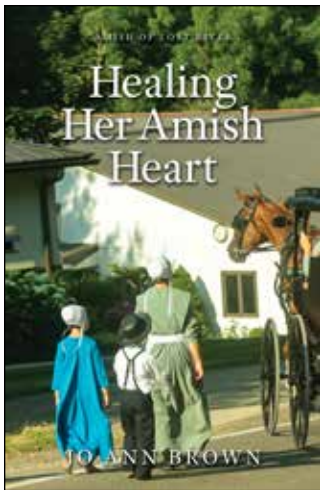
**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER**

*“An expertly crafted page-turner with unpredictable twists, steamy romance, and magical creatures.” — Kirkus Reviews*

Everything in the Kingdom of Arrow is a lie. Leith of Grey thought coming to this new land and volunteering to fight in the gladiator arena would earn him enough gold to save his dying sister. He thought there was nothing left to lose. He was wrong — and they took *everything*. His hope. His freedom. His very humanity. Then Leith meets Maeve, an elven royal who is everything he despises. Everything he should hate. Until the alluring princess offers him the one thing he needs most: a chance to win the coveted title of Bloodguard — and his freedom. But in a kingdom built on secrets and lies, hope doesn’t come cheap. Nor will his ultimate revenge.

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**HEALING HER AMISH HEART**

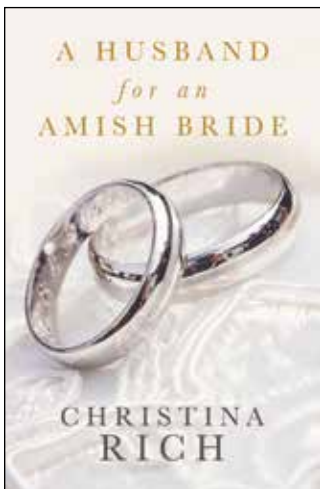
Amish of Lost River • Book 1

**Jo Ann Brown**

Schoolteacher Mollie Lehman loves her job, but there’s one problem — her family’s medical debt means she can’t afford to take school breaks off. The arrival of widower Noah Frye might just be the answer she’s looking for. Working as a nanny for his two children is the ideal solution . . . until Mollie and Noah start to fall for each other. But they’ve both lost too much to trust in love. Will they find the courage to face their fears and realize their perfect arrangement could also be a perfect match?

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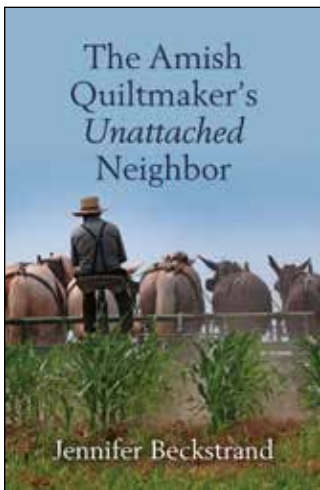
**A HUSBAND FOR AN AMISH BRIDE**

**Christina Rich**

Naomi Lambright has only two months to find a husband. According to her father’s will, she must marry — or lose her family home, the farm, and be separated from her cherished siblings. But the only bachelor who will take on an Amish *maed* with a disability and her seven younger siblings is Abe Dienner, Naomi’s once-betrothed. She’s been let down by Abe before, and trusting him might be the ultimate act of faith. But can a marriage of convenience be the answer to Naomi’s prayers, or put her family — and her heart — at risk?

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**THE AMISH QUILTMAKER’S UNATTACHED NEIGHBOR**

The Amish Quiltmaker • Book 6

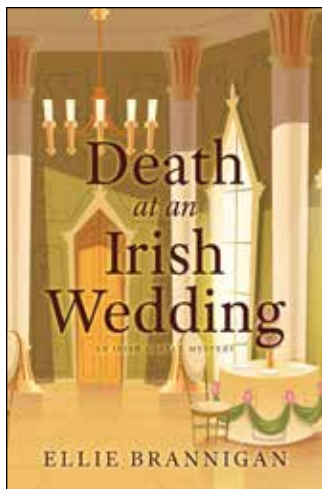
**Jennifer Beckstrand**

**USA TODAY BESTSELLER**

Ada Yoder is resigned to caring for her three sisters, her father, and their farm. The last kind of trouble she needs is Enos Hoover claiming that six acres of their land actually belongs to him. Enos is determined to make his *mater* proud by turning difficult acreage into a successful farm. But Ada’s hard-working stubbornness and refreshing honesty are proving to be more of an irresistible challenge than an obstacle. Now, can Enos and Ada find enough faith and understanding to reconcile family, duty, and love — and stake their claim on a forever happiness together?

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**DEATH AT AN IRISH WEDDING**

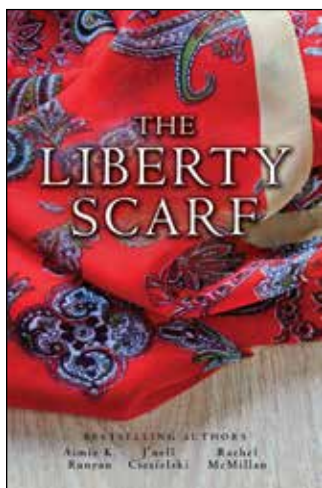
An Irish Castle Mystery • Book 2

**Ellie Brannigan**

Rayne McGrath’s efforts to save the rundown family castle she inherited were an epic failure. When a bridalwear client from LA asks Rayne for help as her guest list spirals out of control, Rayne nabs the answer to her prayers. McGrath Castle is the perfect destination for the exclusive and intimate wedding party of heiress Tori Montgomery and her fiancé, heartthrob actor Jake Anderson. But this white veil occasion turns into a nightmare when Tori’s best friend’s assistant, Tiffany Quick, is found dead. And as the villagers protest this new wedding venue venture, Rayne begins to wonder if she will succeed or lose it all.

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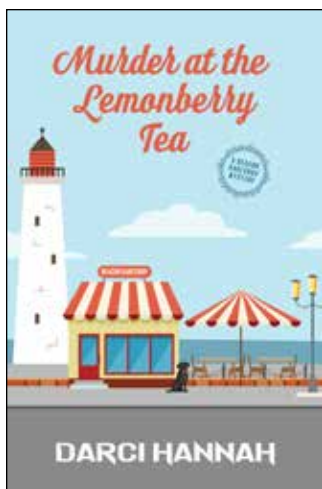
**THE LIBERTY SCARF**

**Aimie K. Runyan, J'neil Ciesielski, Rachel McMillan**

*London.* Iris Braxton hasn’t the time for soldiers, but Captain Rex Conrad wins her over. When Iris receives word that he’s wounded in Strasbourg, she rushes to his side. *Maine.* Geneviève Tremblay is a French-Canadian immigrant. Her beau has helped to Americanize her, but she meets a French officer who makes her question whether losing her identity is too heavy a price for acceptance. *Belgium.* Clara Janssens and Roman Allaire connect in a Brussels palace-turned-hospital, but the destruction of battle threatens the bond they have built. Still, an unexpected gift offers them a future brighter than they could have even hoped.

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**MURDER AT THE LEMONBERRY TEA**

A Beacon Bakeshop Mystery

**Darci Hannah**

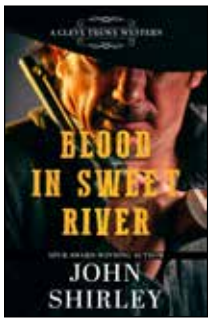
*“Charming characters combine with tempting recipes in a mystery that’s perfect for food lovers.”*  
— Kirkus Reviews

Lindsey Bakewell’s Beacon Bakeshop is going to host British celebrity chef Vivi Lemonberry — and what could be a more appropriate event than a tea party? What Lindsey didn’t realize is that Vivi is here to put some distance between herself and her recent professional and personal scandals. Soon, Vivi’s nowhere to be found, and folks are speculating on whether she’s run off or just laying low. That is, until Lindsey finds a body bobbing near the surface of Lake Michigan. It’s a sour ending for the diva, but Lindsey is determined to squeeze out the truth until she finds the killer.

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**BLOOD IN SWEET RIVER**

A Cleve Trewe Western • Book 3

**John Shirley**

**SPUR AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR**

Cleve Trewe has his sights set on a gorgeous piece of land in the Sierras aptly named Sweet River. It's the perfect place to build a ranch, farm, and home for his family. Problem is, Cleve's not the only one with his

eyes on the land. A big-time cattle baron named Asa Hawthorn is prepared to use threats, intimidation — and armed thugs — to get what he wants. Hawthorn unleashes his deadliest henchmen — including a would-be gunfighter from Cleve's past and a killer-for-hire who never misses. A major battle is brewing. And the crystal blue waters of Sweet River are about to turn red.

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**SWITCHING GEARS**

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Discover the unparalleled talent of *New York Times* bestselling authors W. Michael Gear and Kathleen O'Neal Gear in *Switching Gears*,

an extraordinary collection of award-winning and critically acclaimed Western short stories. Each story is introduced by the authors, offering rare insights into their creative process and unique perspectives. Readers will be thrilled to revisit beloved characters like Travis Hartman while also encountering new figures such as Bonnie Parker, Bettie and Charlie at the Alamo, and the eerie Thea Salva.

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**NORDIC & FINN**

Nordic & Finn • Book 1

**Peter Brandvold**

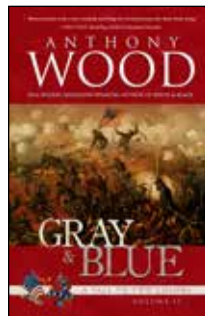
Anders Nordic has always struggled to get along with others. His uncompromising nature draws him into trouble when he ventures into the violent town of Cimarron in New Mexico Territory. When he intervenes to save a homeless dog from a cruel

boy, the act triggers a deadly chain of events. As the town deputy tries to have Nordic arrested, the attempt goes awry. A second, more forceful attempt results in a fatal showdown, with Nordic's .44 ending the deputy's life. This sets off a bloody conflict between Nordic and the forces of Reginald English and the father of the dead deputy. But Anders Nordic is ready for them all.

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**GRAY & BLUE: A STORY OF THE CIVIL WAR**

A Tale of Two Colors • Book 2

**Anthony Wood**

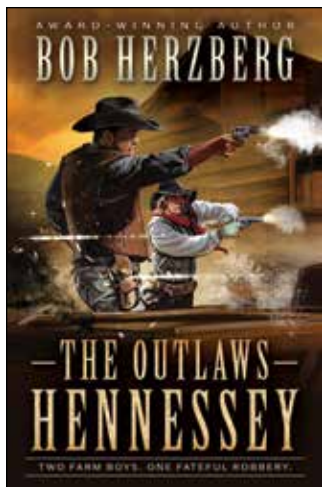
Steaming south to enlist in the Confederate Army, Lummy Tullos leaves behind the life he always wanted. He joins the 27th Louisiana Volunteer Infantry to face the approaching Yankee juggernaut

marching on Vicksburg. His singular purpose is to protect home and family from the invader. With death at every turn and little prospect of ever seeing home again, he begins to question his commitment. How can he honor his oath to the Confederacy when he no longer believes in the cause it defends? As he marches with his army, he comes to realize that the greatest surrender will be within.

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### THE OUTLAWS HENNESSEY

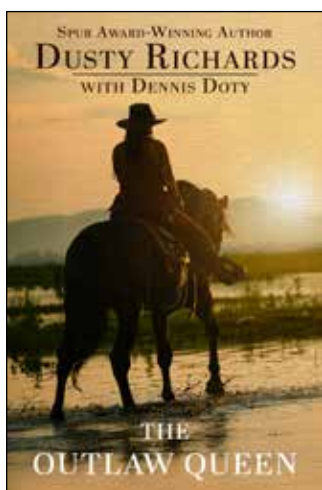
A CLASSIC WESTERN NOVEL

**Bob Herzberg**

When farm boys Jed and Ty attempt to seek retribution against a greedy merchant by robbing his store, they stumble upon a scene of chaos: the store already looted and its owner slain by the infamous Hennessey gang. Framed for the robbery and hunted for murder, Jed and Ty find themselves forced to flee and seek refuge within the ranks of the very gang they hoped to defy. As they grapple with their newfound reality, Jed and Ty are faced with a daunting question. Can they retain their humanity amidst the chaos and muster the courage to confront the Hennessey gang, whose reign of terror threatens not only their own lives but the safety of their entire community?

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### THE OUTLAW QUEEN

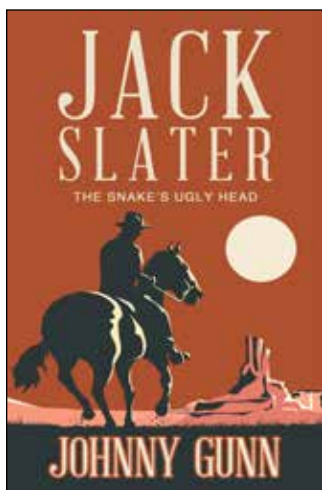
**Dusty Richards, with Dennis Doty**

SPUR AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR

Mary Ann Cates owns a farm with her husband. That all changes, though, when he ends up dead in a shootout with the law. Everything he'd told her had been a lie. "Cattle buyer" really meant "bank robber" and member of the James Gang. The widow is shunned by the citizens of her hometown. Rath Macon transformed himself from a penniless ex-rebel into a respected cattleman. It's a good life, just not good enough for his wife. He finds she's spent all their money and run away with another man. As the bank auctions off everything he's worked so hard for, Rath saddles up and rides out of Texas to look for a fresh start. That's how fate steps in and lassos Rath and Mary Ann.

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### JACK SLATER: THE SNAKE'S UGLY HEAD

Jack Slater • Book 3

**Johnny Gunn**

Jack Slater, once an orphan boy on a train trip west, is facing incredible danger and introducing a new generation of the Slater family. An outlaw with suitcases full of ill-gained money buys his way into Elko County, Nevada, politics. He threatens Jack's family and friends, something Jack will not tolerate. The fight to rid the county of corrupted officeholders is also a good lesson in civics for his adopted son, Rob, who fights right alongside Jack. Despite his young age, Rob becomes a man. There were good men who allowed themselves to be corrupted and others who looked to be.

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**THE SUMMER BOOK CLUB**

**Susan Mallery**

*NEW YORK TIMES* BESTSELLING AUTHOR

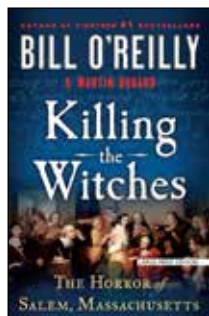
The rules of summer book club are simple: No sad books. No pressure. Yes, wine! Besties Laurel and Paris are excited to welcome Cassie to the group. This year, the book club is all about fill-your-heart reads. Since Laurel's divorce, she feels like the

Worst Mom Ever. Cassie has an unfortunate habit of falling for ridiculous man-boys. Paris is still reeling after chasing off the only man brave and foolish enough to marry her. Inspired by the heroines who risk everything for fulfillment, Laurel, Paris, and Cassie begin to take big chances. Facing an unwritten chapter can be terrifying. But it can be exhilarating, too, if they can find the courage to change.

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**KILLING THE WITCHES**

THE HORROR OF SALEM, MASSACHUSETTS

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*Killing the Witches* revisits the events of 1692 and 1693 in Salem

Village, Massachusetts. What began as a mysterious affliction of two young girls who suffered violent fits and exhibited strange behavior soon spread to other young women. Rumors of demonic possession and witchcraft consumed Salem. Soon three women were arrested under suspicion of being witches — but as the hysteria spread, more than 200 people were accused. Thirty were found guilty, twenty were executed, and others died in jail or their lives were ruined. What really happened in Salem?

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**THE NEW COUPLE IN 5B**

A NOVEL

**Lisa Unger**

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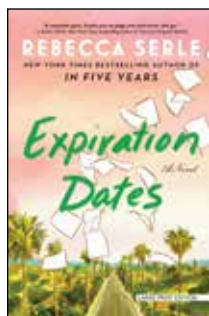
Rosie and Chad Lowan are barely making ends meet in New York City when they receive life-changing news: Chad's late uncle has left them his luxury apartment at the historic

Windermere in Murray Hill. The building is the epitome of old New York charm. One would almost never suspect the dark history lurking behind its perfectly maintained facade. At first, the building and its eclectic tenants couldn't feel more welcoming. But as the Lowans settle in, Rosie starts to suspect that there's more to the Windermere than meets the eye. When one of the neighbors turns up dead, Rosie must get to the truth about the Windermere before she, too, falls under its dangerous spell.

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**EXPIRATION DATES** ★

A NOVEL

**Rebecca Serle**

*NEW YORK TIMES* BESTSELLER

*PUBLISHERS WEEKLY* BESTSELLER

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Daphne Bell believes the universe has a plan for her. Every time she meets a new man, she receives a

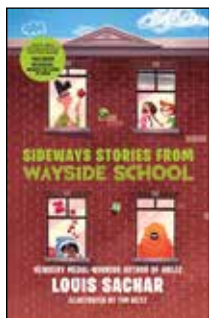
slip of paper with his name and a number on it — the exact amount of time they will be together. She has been receiving the papers for over twenty years, always wondering when there might be one without an expiration. Finally, the night of a blind date at her favorite restaurant, there's only a name: Jake. But as Jake and Daphne's story unfolds, Daphne finds herself doubting the paper's prediction, and wrestling with what it means to be both committed and truthful. Because Daphne knows things Jake doesn't, information that — if he found out — would break his heart.

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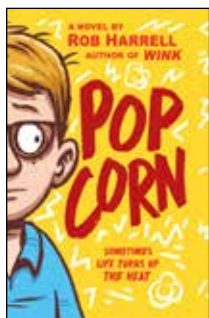
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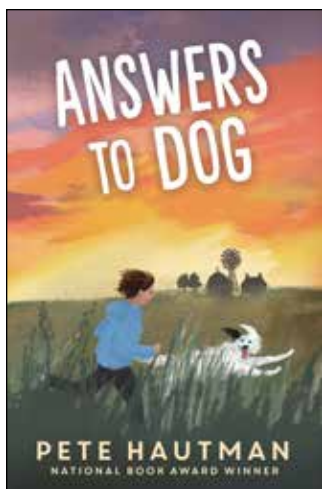
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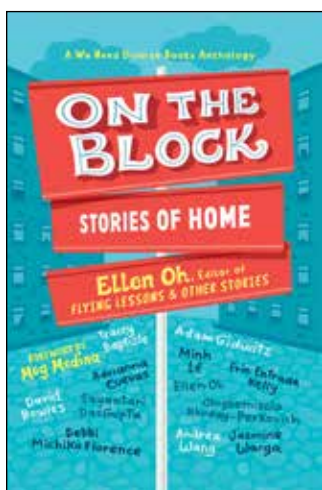
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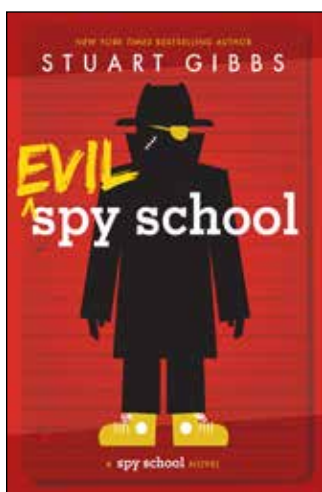
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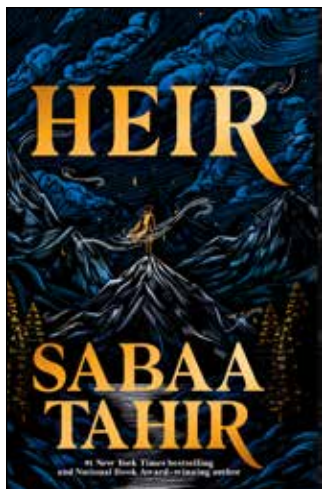
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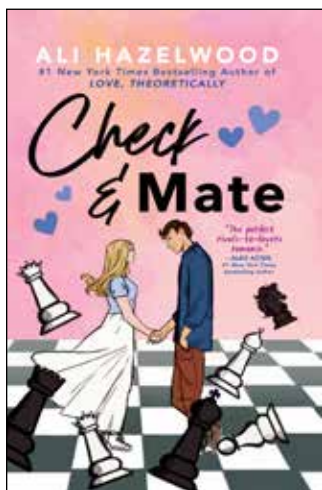
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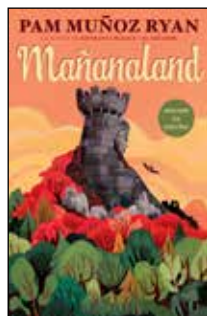


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Elizabeth Santiago

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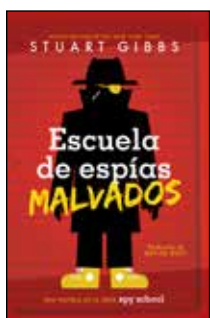
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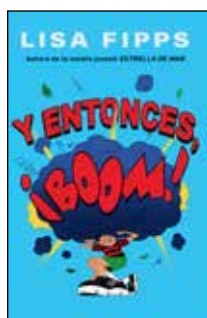


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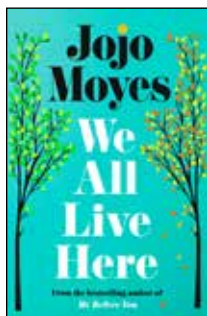
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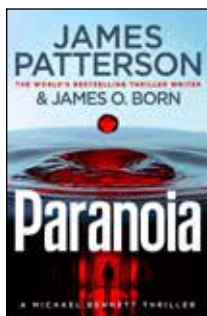
is . . . complicated. So when her real dad — a man she has barely seen since he ran off to Hollywood thirty-five years ago — suddenly appears on her doorstep, it feels like the final straw. But it turns out even the family you thought you could never forgive might have something to teach you: about love, and what it actually means to be family.

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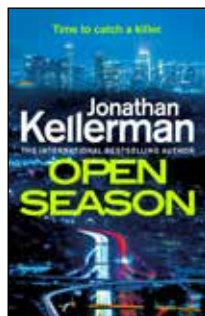
Patterson. At every death scene, Bennett says a prayer over the victim. But recently, too many of the departed have been fellow cops. "I want you to look at these deaths on special assignment," NYPD Inspector Celeste Cantor says. "Report only to me." Bennett excels as a solo investigator. But he's chasing a killer who feeds on isolation and paranoia.

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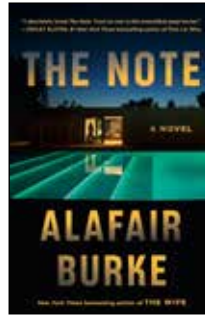
investigative agent for the National Park Service, Noah's used to living under intense pressure. Or he was until he got injured on the job. Now unhappily recuperating at home while being smothered by his loving but nosy family, he'd love nothing more than a good distraction. So when Olive shows up looking like a million bucks, he has to do a gut and heart check. Because nope, no matter what, he can't fall for her again, the woman who once blew up his entire life and never looked back. How ironic then that his own personal hell (Olive) is also his ticket out of town. The question is, will the risk be worth the reward?

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## THE NOTE

A NOVEL

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Growing up, May Hanover was a good girl, always. Well-behaved, top of her class, a compulsive rule-follower. Raised by a first-generation Chinese single mother with high expectations, May didn't have room to slip up.

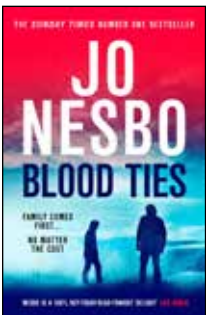
But even good girls have secrets. And regrets. When it comes to her friendship with Lauren and Kelsey, she's had her fair share of both. Their bond — forged when May was just twelve years old — has withstood a tragic accident, individual scandals, heartbreak and loss. Now the three friends have reunited for the first time in years for a few days of sun and fun in the Hamptons. But a chance encounter with a pair of strangers leads to a drunken prank that goes horribly awry. When she finds herself at the center of an urgent police investigation, May wonders whether Lauren and Kelsey are keeping secrets from her.

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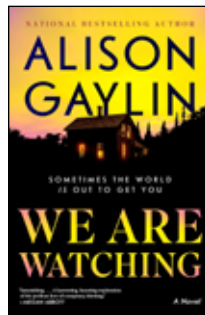
Roy runs a nearby gas station and harbors grand plans to build it out into an entire amusement park, complete with a roller coaster. But when news breaks about a new highway to be built nearby, bypassing Os and leaving the town cutoff and isolated, it's clear that something has to be done . . . even if the methods are bound to be dirty. Fortunately, Carl and Roy have experience with just that kind of work. Meanwhile, the town sheriff has gotten his hands on new technology that will enable him to take a deeper look at a slate of unsolved murders from years past — including that of his own father. And just as the sheriff reopens his investigation, the death toll begins to climb.

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A NOVEL

Alison Gaylin

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her small local bookstore. Bizarre messages and visitors begin to arrive, with strangers threatening Meg and Lily. They are obsessed with a young adult novel titled *The Prophecy*, which Meg published thirty years earlier. An online group of believers are convinced that it heralds the apocalypse and link the book — and Meg's reclusive musician father — to Satanism. Meg suspects that Justin's death may not have been an accident. To find answers and save her daughter, her father, and herself, Meg must get to the root of these dangerous lies — and find a way to face the believers head-on, before it's too late.

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HOW A COLOR TELLS THE STORY OF MY PEOPLE

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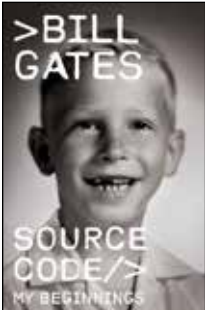
poetry and faraway worlds, while she spends her nights secretly roaming through the forest, consumed with grief over the sudden death of her older sister, Minnie. When wealthy guests arrive from New Orleans, hinting at marriage for Violet and upending Junie's life, she commits a desperate act — one that rouses Minnie's spirit from the grave, tethered to this world unless Junie can free her. She enlists the aid of Caleb, the guests' coachman, and their friendship soon becomes something more. Yet as long-held truths begin to crumble, she realizes Bellereine is harboring dark and horrifying secrets that can no longer be ignored.

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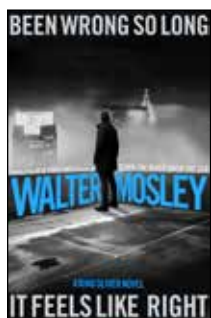
to forget any of it ever happened. Fifteen-year-old Fern arrives at the home in the summer of 1970, pregnant, terrified and alone. Under the watchful eye of the stern Miss Wellwood, she meets a dozen other girls in the same predicament. There's Rose, a hippie who insists she's going to find a way to keep her baby and escape to a commune. And Zinnia, a budding musician who plans to marry her baby's father. And Holly, a wisp of a girl, barely fourteen, mute and pregnant by no-one-knows-who. Everything about the girls' lives is controlled by adults who claim they know what's best. Then Fern meets a librarian who gives her an occult book about witchcraft, and power is in the hands of the girls for the first time in their lives.

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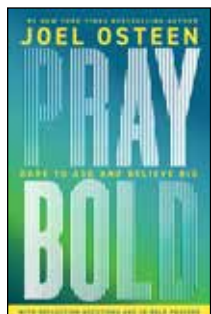
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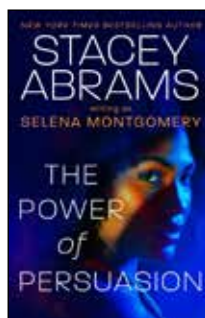
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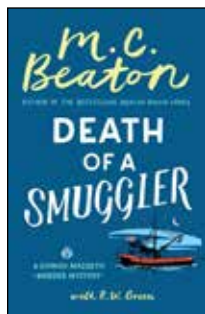
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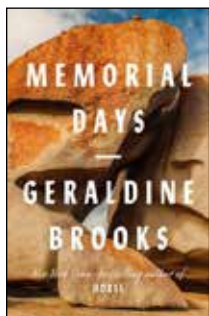
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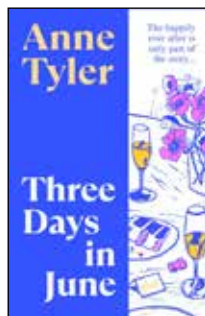
when her partner of more than three decades, Tony Horwitz died. After spending their early years together in conflict zones as foreign correspondents, Geraldine and Tony raised two boys on Martha's Vineyard. The life they built ended abruptly when Geraldine received the phone call we all dread. Without space to grieve, the sudden loss became a yawning gulf. Three years later, she booked a flight to a remote island off the coast of Australia to finally give herself the time to mourn. In a shack on a pristine, rugged coast she pondered the various ways in which cultures grieve and what rituals of her own might help to rebuild a life around the void of Tony's death.

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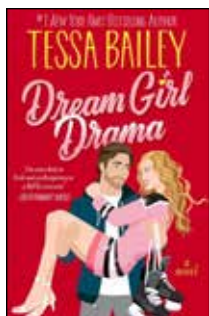
by the mother of the groom. Then, Gail's ex-husband, Max, arrives unannounced on her doorstep, carrying a cat, without a place to stay, and without even a suit. But the true crisis lands when Debbie shares with her parents a secret she has just learned about her husband-to-be. It will not only throw the wedding into question but also stir up Gail and Max's past.

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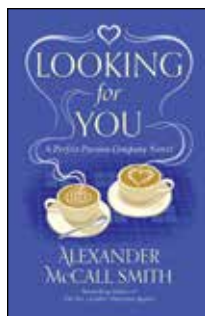
girl who captivates him immediately. Sparks fly during a moonlight kiss and the pair can't wait to see each other again, but when Sig arrives to meet his dad's new girlfriend over dinner, Chloe is confusingly also there. Turns out the girlfriend is Chloe's mother. Oh, and they're engaged. Sig's dream girl is his future stepsister. Chloe, a sheltered harp prodigy, yearns to escape her controlling mother. Sig promises to teach her the ins and outs of independence in Boston — but not inside his bedroom. They know there can never be more than friendship between them. But keeping their relationship platonic grows harder amid the developing family drama.

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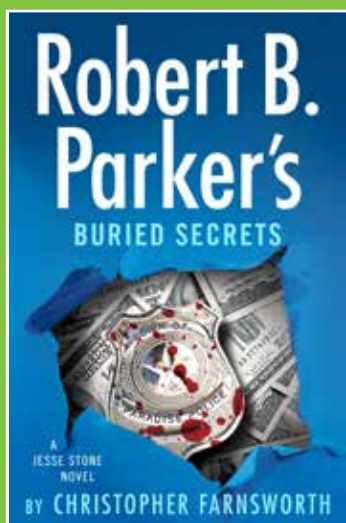
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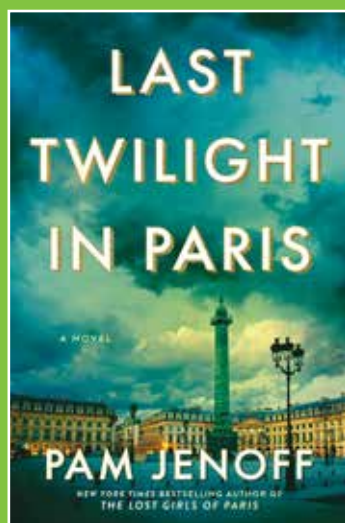
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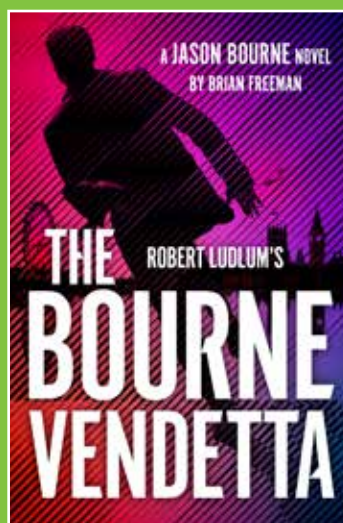
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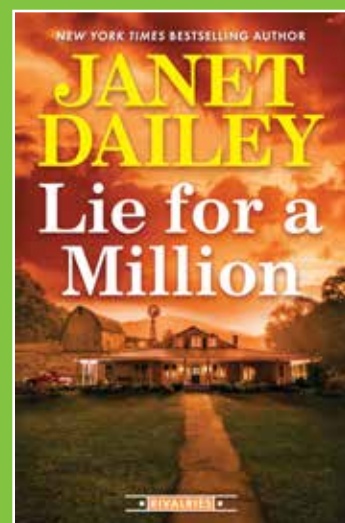
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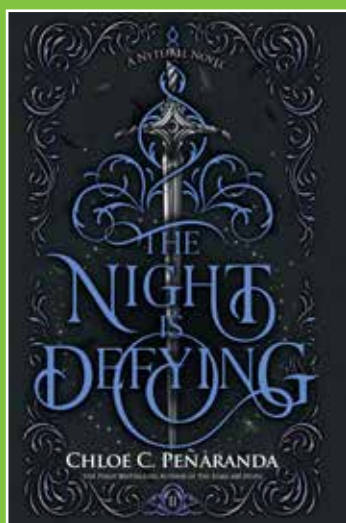
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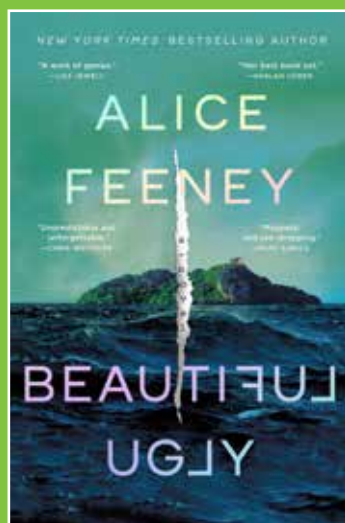
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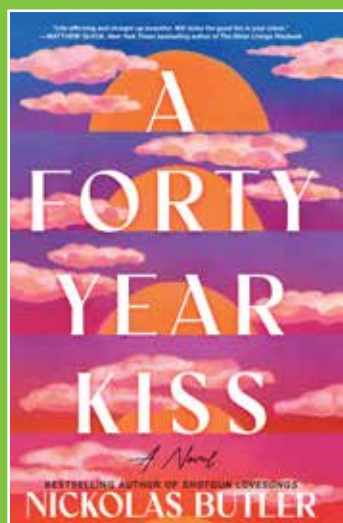
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