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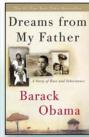
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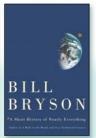
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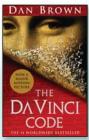




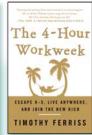






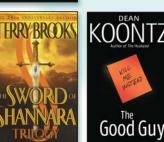












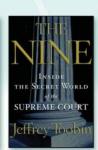


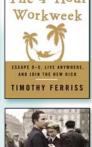




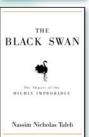










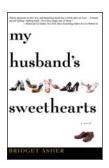






THE BOOKS

FIRST FICTION



Bridget Asher

My Husband's Sweethearts

When Lucy discovers-in one fell swoop-that her husband has had three affairs during their four-year marriage, she's devastated. But even more devastating is the revelation that his heart is failing. All of his sweethearts were there for the good times-is it fair that Lucy should have to go through the hard times alone?

978-0-385-34189-9 | \$22.00/\$25.00C | Delacorte | HC | August





Daphne Beal

In the Land of No Right Angles: A Novel

Alex, is spending the year backpacking in Nepal. As a favor to her friend Will, she helps a young Nepali woman desperate to flee her village. But, soon Alex is embroiled in a strange triangle with Maya and Will, where the lines between friendship, love, and lust grow more tangled daily.

978-0-307-38806-3 | \$15.95/\$16.95C | Anchor | TR | August





Gary Berntsen and Ralph Pezzullo

The Walk-In: A Novel

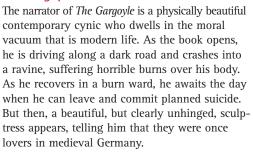
The first novel from bestselling author of Jawbreaker and former CIA agent Gary Berntsen, in which CIA case officer Matt Freed becomes the only man who can stop a wily Iranian plot to release an immensely destructive bio-weapon.

978-0-307-39481-1 | \$24.95/\$27.95C | Crown | HC | August



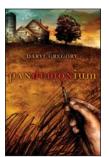
Andrew Davidson

The Gargoyle



978-0-385-52494-0 | \$25.95 | Doubleday | HC | August





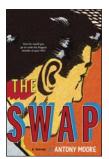
Daryl Gregory

Pandemonium ³

Del Pierce was a victim of demonic possession as child who, with therapy, managed to live a happy life. Until now. Now his demon is clamoring to get out. So Del goes off in search of an exorcist.

978-0-345-50116-5 | \$13.00/\$15.00C | Del Rey | TR | August





Antony Moore

The Swap

Harvey Briscow is haunted by the memory of the day he traded a now-priceless original Superman One comic book with Charles "Bleeder" Odd. A class reunion, though, offers up the perfect opportunity for revenge.

978-0-385-34234-6 | \$11.00/\$13.00C | Delta | TR | August



Thomas Nevins

The Age of the Conglomerates: A Novel of the Future

In near-future America, the economic and social structure has failed, and The Conglomerates, a political party controlled by an Oz-like Chairman, has transformed national law. Through genetic engineering, you can tailor-make your child, or recreate your self.

978-0-375-50391-7 | \$14.00/\$16.50C | Ballantine | TR | August





Domnica Radulescu

Train to Trieste: A Novel

A deliciously romantic love story set in Romania's Carpathian mountains during the days of Nicolae Caeusescu, about a young girl's passion for a boy who may or may not be with the secret policeand her daring escape to America.

978-0-307-26823-5 | \$23.95/\$27.95C | Knopf | HC | August





Kathryn Walker

A Stopover in Venice: A Novel

In an unspoken burst of irritation at her fraying marriage, a young American woman gets off her train, flees to Venice, and embarks on an adventure that leads to a gothic palazzo, a lost 16th century masterpiece, and her own emotional rebirth.

978-0-307-26706-1 | \$24.95/\$27.95C | Knopf | HC | August





Against the Grain: A Novel

When Arkadian Frost gets out of prison after serving a stint for armed robbery, his old crew welcomes him back, even setting him up in their new venture of selling drugs. But he soon learns that the game changed when he was behind bars, and Arkadian, has to outfox, outwit and outplay his old friends-as well as the Feds-to survive.

978-0-345-50361-9 | \$14.00/\$16.50C | One World | TR | September





Nick Harkaway

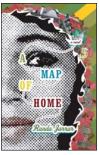
The Gone-Away World: A Novel *

Combining the antic humor of Joseph Heller with a stunning futuristic vision in this utterly original, apocalyptic novel is equal parts raucous adventure, comic odyssey, and cool epic. It is a story of love, pirates, war, friendship, mimes, greed, ninjas, and, in the end, ourselves.

978-0-307-26886-0 | \$25.95/\$30.00C | Knopf | HC | September

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* Indicates Books of Special Interest to Young Adults.



Randa Jarrar

A Map of Home

Funny, charming, and heartbreaking, A Map of Home is the kind of book Tristram Shandy or Huck Finn would have narrated had they been born Egyptian-Palestinian and female in the 1970s. 978-1-59051-272-2 | \$24.95/\$27.95C | Other Press | HC | September

Stieg Larsson

The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo: A Novel

Forty years ago, Harriet Vanger disappeared off the secluded island owned and inhabited by the wealthy Vanger family. There was no corpse, no witnesses, no evidence. But her uncle Henrik is convinced that she was murdered—by one of their own relatives.

978-0-307-26975-1 | \$24.95/NCR | Knopf | HC | September ∩**⊕**



Tethered: A Novel

Clara Marsh spends her life among the dead, preparing their last baths, beautifying their bodies, and bidding them farewell. When one of her "customers" appears on a pornography tape found in the home of a recently deceased prominent citizen, Clara steps forward to identify the girl and help in the murder investigation.

978-0-307-40896-9 | \$24.00/\$28.00C | Shaye Areheart | HC | September ∩**⊕**



Company of Liars *

England, 1348. Pestilence grips the country. A motley group of travelers band together for safety, desperate to outrun an imminent plague. As they flee north, the travelers tell their tales but not their truths. But one among them has the most dangerous power of all: to reveal secrets kept even from themselves.

978-0-385-34169-1 | \$24.00/\$28.00C | Delacorte | HC | September

Justin Peacock

A Cure for Night: A Novel

When his boss offers Brooklyn Legal Aid Joel Devereux the job of second chair to the most experienced lawyer in the office, he eagerly takes it. The case is high-profile: Lorenzo Tate, a black pot dealer from the projects, is charged with the murder of a white Brooklyn college student in a street shooting, and the press is all over the case. 978-0-385-52580-0 | \$24.95/\$27.95C | Doubleday | HC | September

Astengo, a forty-year-old worker in the Italian State Archives, this novel is a diary of sorts, with occasional asides modeled on Italo Calvino's If On a Winter's Night a Traveler.

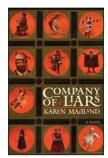
978-0-8478-3109-8 | \$24.95/\$27.95C

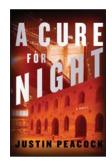


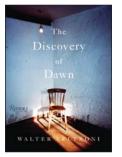






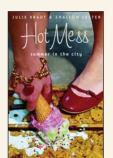






from Friends & Family

ccasionally we find ourselves treated to a book written by a friend or colleague. This season we have four such titles to share with you which we encourage you to select for your library. All are worthwhile purchases that stand on their ownbut Family accomplishments always merit a special mention.



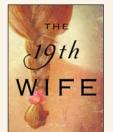
Julie Kraut and Shallon Lester

Hot Mess: Summer in the City

Emma Freeman is heading to the big city for a summer internship and is totally prepped for a glamorous work environment and exciting nightlife. Unfortunately, reality, as it turns out, is far removed from her expectations. Julie Kraut is Marketing Manager for Three Rivers Press.

978-0-385-90499-5 | \$12.99/\$15.99C Delacorte | HC | Available Now 978-0-385-73506-3 | \$8.99/\$10.99C Delacorte | TR | Available Now





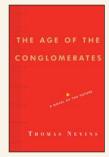
David Ebershoff

The 19th Wife: A Novel

From David Ebershoff, an Editor-at-Large at Random House, comes this sweeping, lyrical novel set in 1875. Ann Eliza Young has recently separated from her powerful husband, Brigham Young, leader of the Mormon Church. As an outcast, Ann Eliza sets out to end polygamy in the United States. Meanwhile, a murder plot unfolds in a polygamist sect in present-day Utah.

978-1-4000-6397-0 | \$26.00/\$30.00C Random House | HC | August





Thomas Nevins

The Age of the Conglomerates: A Novel of the Future

See page 2 for an enticing annotation of The Age of the Conglomerates. Tom Nevins is a long-time member of the Random House, Inc. Sales and Merchandising team.

978-0-375-50391-7 | \$14.00/\$16.50C Ballantine | TR | August

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Valerie Peterson

Peterson's Holiday Helper: Festive Pick-Me-Ups, Calm-Me-Downs, and Handy Hints to Keep You in Good Spirits

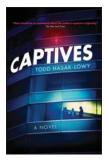
Packed with sanity-saving holiday tips enhanced by vintage photographs (some of current staffers!) and festive ephemera, this charming offering from a former Doubleday staffer will remind readers of kinder, gentler holidays past, and offers help with the modern-day madness.

978-0-307-39546-7 | \$16.95/\$20.00C Crown | HC | October



Told entirely in the first person by Giovanni

Rizzoli Ex Libris | HC | September



Todd Hasak-Lowy

Captives

The Player meets Phillip Roth: A ferociously smart, humorous, and stylish debut novel about screenwriter spiritual crisis and personal reckoning with the world. Hasak-Lowy's short story collection, The Task of This Translator was met with much critical acclaim.

978-0-385-52773-6 | \$24.95/\$27.95C Spiegel & Grau | HC | October





Johan Theorin; Translated by Marlaine Delargy

Echoes From the Dead

On a foggy summer's day in the early 1970s, a little boy disappears without a trace from the remote Swedish island of Oland. Twenty years later, the boy's grandfather receives a package containing the worn and mended shoe of a child. And so begins a mother's desperate search for her son.

978-0-385-34221-6 | \$22.00/\$25.00C | Delacorte | HC | November



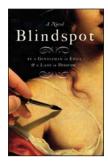


Yasutaka Tsutsui; Andrew Driver, translator

Salmonella Men on Planet Porno: Stories

A wildly inventive collection of stories that follow ordinary men and women in an off-kilter world, Salmonella Men on Planet Porno marks the American debut of one of contemporary Japan's most acclaimed writers.

978-0-307-37726-5 | \$21.95/\$25.00C | Pantheon | HC | November



Jane Kamensky and Jill Lepore

Blindspot

A romping, erotic historical novel, love story, and mystery set in Revolutionary Boston about a portrait painter and his apprentice, that addresses issues of slavery and the rights of women.

978-0-385-52619-7 | \$24.95/\$27.95C Spiegel & Grau | HC | December

ADULT BOOKS FOR YOUNG **READERS:** Selections from the List



Matthew Kneale

When We Were Romans: A Novel

Nine-year-old Lawrence is the man in his family. He watches protectively over his mother and his willful little sister Jemima. He is the one who keeps things in order, especially when, quite suddenly, his mother decides the three of them must leave their life in England behind and move to Rome, where she lived when she was young,

978-0-385-52625-8 | \$23.95/\$27.95C | Nan A. Talese | HC | July





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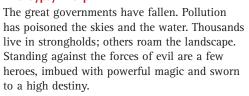
John Silverwood and Jean Silverwood

Black Wave: A Family's Adventure at Sea and the Disaster That Saved Them

In an extraordinary, dramatic narrative of one American family's voyage of self-discovery and survival, John and Jean and their four children are swept into one of the most remote atolls in French Polynesia, where a reef rips apart their vessel. 978-1-4000-6655-1 | \$25.00/\$28.00C | Random House | HC | July

Terry Brooks

The Gypsy Morph

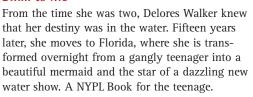


978-0-345-48414-7 | \$27.00/\$32.00C | Del Rey | HC | August



Betsy Carter

Swim to Me



978-0-385-33977-3 | \$12.00/\$14.00C Bantam Discovery | TR | August



Sucks to Be Me: The All-True Confessions of Mina Hamilton, Teen Vampire (Maybe)

Mina Hamilton's parents want her dead. (Or undead to be precise.) They're vampires, and, like it or not, Mina must decide whether to become a vampire herself. But Mina's more interested in being a teenager than in the vampire training classes she's being forced to take.

978-0-7869-5028-7 | \$14.95/\$16.95C | Mirrorstone | HC | August

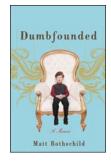


Matt Rothschild

Dumbfounded: A Memoir

A bitingly entertaining and unexpectedly tender memoir about a young Rothschild growing up in a Fifth Avenue building of WASPs, wearing his grandmother's dresses, shoplifting from FAO Schwarz, and gettting kicked out of nearly every elite Manhattan school.

978-0-307-40542-5 | \$23.95/\$27.95C | Crown | HC | August





TOO CLOSE

TO HOME

LINWOOD BARCLAY

Hannah Tinti

deals and populated by hustlers, thieves and grave robbers, the sense of menace is muted, but as an adventure yarn with YA crossover appeal, it's tough to beat."

-Publishers Weekly

978-0-385-33745-8 | \$25.00/\$28.00C | The Dial Press | HC | August

Linwood Barclay

Too Close To Home

The perfect opportunity for Derek to have a little privacy with his girlfriend presents itself when his neighbor and best friend goes on vacation for a week with his parents, leaving an empty houseuntil they return early and are unexpectedly killed-with Derek still hiding in their basement.

978-0-553-80556-7 | \$22.00/\$25.00C | Bantam | HC | September







The Flintstones

Celebrate more than 45 years of your favorite Neolithic American family and own a piece of cartoon prehistoria with The Flintstones Insight Mini-Classic.

978-1-933784-60-1 | \$9.95/\$11.95C Insight Editions | HC | September



978-1-933784-61-8 | \$9.95/\$11.95C Insight Editions | HC | September

Tom and Jerry

978-1-933784-62-5 | \$9.95/\$11.95C Insight Editions | HC | September

Cecil Castellucci, illustrated by Jim Ruga

Janes in Love

In this sequel to The Plain Janes, the Janes are back! But when the Janes become entangled in matters of the heart, they discover that in art and in love, the rules don't always apply.

978-1-4012-1387-9 | \$9.99/\$11.99C | Minx | TR | September

Billy Collins

Ballistics: Poems

Bestselling poet and two-term United States Poet Laureate Billy Collins returns with a dazzling new collection of poems. By using ordinary language to describe seemingly simple things he has reawakened hundreds of thousands of readers to the joy of poetry.

978-1-4000-6491-5 | \$24.00/\$28.00C Random House | HC | September



The Good Thief

"For a novel full of scams, shams and underhanded



SPOTLIGHT ON:

This Fall's Can't-Miss

GRAPHIC NOVELS & MANGA



Art Spiegelman

Breakdowns: Portrait of the Artist As a Young %@&*!

Breakdowns is the chronicle of Art Spiegelman's story, told in three ways-and as only Art could tell it.

978-0-375-42395-6 | \$27.50/\$32.00C Pantheon | HC | October

Osamu Tezuka

Black Jack, Volume 1

A mysterious and charismastic young genius surgeon travels the world performing amazing medical feats.

978-1-934287-27-9 | \$16.95/\$18.95C Vertical | TR | September ALSO AVAILABLE:

Black Jack, Volume 2

978-1-934287-28-6 | \$16.95/\$18.95C Vertical | TR | November

David Heatley

My Brain Is Hanging **Upside Down**

One of the most promising young talents in cartooning makes his book debut with this hilarious quirk-o-rama graphic memoir.

978-0-375-42539-4 | \$24.95/\$27.95C Pantheon | HC | September

Jonathan Ames; Dean Haspiel

The Alcoholic

From a touching relationship between Jonathan and his great aunt, to an inebriated evening with an amorous, octogenarian dwarf, Ames's first original graphic novel, with gritty, poignant art by Dean Haspiel, tells a story at once hilarious, bizarre and universal.

978-1-4012-1056-4 | \$19.99/\$22.99C Vertigo | HC | September

Ken Akamatsu; Illustrated by RAN

Mao-chan 1

Japan has been invaded by "cute aliens" and eight-yearold Mao-chan and her friends are Japan's only hope against this massive attack of super-cuteness! Ages 13+ 978-0-345-50181-3 | \$14.95/\$16.95C Del Rey | TR | October

Miwa Ueda

Papillon 1

A warm, funny manga series about a teen girl's amazing makeover. Ages 13+

978-0-345-50519-4 | \$10.95/\$12.50C Del Rey | TR | October

lan Fleming et al

James Bond: Polestar

The legend continues with more adventures with the world's greatest secret agent.

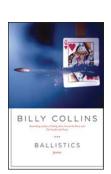
978-1-8457-6717-4 | \$19.95/\$22.95C Titan | TR | November

Mahiro Maeda and Yura Ariwara

Gankutsuou 1: The Count of Monte Cristo

A strange, beautiful, science fiction-style riff on Dumas' Count of Monte Cristo. Ages 16+

978-0-345-50520-0 | \$10.95/\$12.50C Del Rey | TR | November

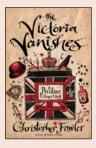


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HAVE YOU READ?

Christopher Fowler

Looking for a mystery series to recommend to your patrons? Check out Christopher Fowler's Peculiar Crimes Unit—the reviews speak for themselves!







The Victoria Vanishes

978-0-553-80502-4 | \$24.00/\$28.00C | Bantam | HC | October



White Corrider

978-0-553-58832-3 | \$24.00/\$30.00C | Bantam | HC | September



Ten Second Staircase

978-0-553-838556-4 | \$24.00/\$32.00C | Bantam | HC | September



The Water Room

978-0-553-38555-7 | \$24.00/\$32.00C | Bantam | HC | September



Full Dark House

978-0-553-38553-3 | \$24.00/\$32.00C | Bantam | HC | September



"Sherlock Holmes meets Inspector Clouseau in this mordant, award-winning series in which Fowler gleefully skewers religious zealots and government officials alike."

-Booklist, starred review on White Corridor

"How many locked-room puzzles can the duo unlock before their Peculiar Crimes Unit is disbanded? Many more, one hopes."

-Kirkus Reviews on Ten Second Staircase

"Laced with humor...Fowler offers a distinctive prose style and characters so unusual that it is difficult to think of another author's work this creative."

-Library Journal on Ten Second Staircase

"Britain's Fowler...has come up with a clever twist on the traditional police procedural...But the real thrill here is the delightful duo in the starring roles, two fresh and unusual characters who manage to breathe new life into an established genre in which it's getting harder and harder to find anything genuinely fresh."

-Booklist on The Water Room

"This darkly atmospheric first mystery introduces two most unusual detectives and nicely sets the Grand Guignol terror of a Phantom of the Opera-like plot against the dramatic backdrop of a city devastated by war."

-Library Journal on Full Dark House



Brian Greene

Icarus at the Edge of Time

In a moving and visually stunning reimagining of the Icarus fable, Icarus is on the starship Proxima on a twenty-five-trillion-mile journey. When the Proxima approaches a black hole, Icarus feels he must investigate and in spite of his father's warnings he takes a Runabout ship and sets off.

978-0-307-26888-4 | \$19.95/\$22.95C | Knopf | HC | September

Hatherleigh

You Can Save the Earth

A fresh perspective and inspirational approach motivates readers into action without guilt or scare tactics and encourages the development of a personal philosphy of sustainability.

978-1-57826-280-9 | \$12.95/\$14.95C | Hatherleigh | HC | September

Sandra Kring

Thank You for All Things

Lucy McGowan wants two things in life: to learn about human nature first-hand and to fill the empty space in her life where a father should be. Both quests seem unattainable, until tragedy forces her family to leave their Chicago apartment and return to her mother's childhood home in Timber Falls, Wisconsin.

978-0-385-34120-2 | \$12.00/\$14.00C Bantam Discovery | TR | September



John Lloyd & John Mitchinson

The Book of Animal Ignorance: Everything You Think You Know Is Wrong

You don't have to be Dr. Doolittle or an obsessive devotee of Animal Planet to be a veritable catalog of animal trivia. You just need this book, offering a colorful cornucopia of facts and tidbits on everything from aardvarks to zebras.

978-0-307-39493-4 | \$19.95/NCR | Harmony | HC | September **()**



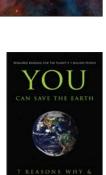
X-Men: The Characters and Their Universe

A richly illustrated compendium of the X Universe in all forms of media-from comics to toys to major motion pictures-this book is a must-have for all comic collectors.

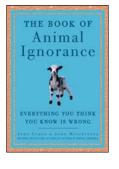
"What a beautiful, totally impressive book! I can't imagine any X-Men fan wanting to go through life without it!"

-Stan Lee

978-0-7893-9984-7 | \$75.00/\$86.00C | Universe | HC | September











John Masefield

The Midnight Folk

A book to set beside C.S. Lewis's Narnia tales and Joan Aiken's Wolves of Willoughby Chase, The Midnight Folk is a wonderful and enthralling contribution to the great English tradition of children's literature, beloved by adults and children alike.

978-1-59017-290-2 | \$16.95/\$20.00C New York Review Books | HC | September

Jeffrev Overstreet



In an unusual retelling of the classic Beauty and the Beast story, the mystical power of Auralia's colors-thought to be buried in the fall of House Abascar-bring together a fierce beastman and Cyndere, a compassionate heiress, in a most unlikely friendship. For fantasy readers age 14 and up.

978-1-4000-7253-8 | \$13.99/\$15.99C | WaterBrook | TR | September





Codes & Cheats Fall 2008: 100% Verified Codes

All the secret items that can only be opened after performing a particular feat in a game-all are laid open in this title. Over 18,000 codes, cheats, and unlockables for over 1,000 of the most popular current and next-gen games are included. A true circulation builder.

978-0-7615-5944-3 | \$7.99/\$8.95C | Prima | TR | September





The Stowaway: Stone of Tymora, Book I

For the first time, Salvatore partners with his son Geno to craft a brand-new story just for young readers, featuring a cameo of the most beloved fantasy character of all time. For those seeking the next great fantasy saga or for long-time fans, this book delivers all the action, intrigue, and magic you've come to expect from the Salvatore name.

978-0-7869-5094-2 | \$17.95/\$19.95C | Mirrorstone | HC | September



Going Hungry: Writers on Desire, Self-Denial, and Overcoming Anorexia

Twenty writers describe their experiences with anorexia from the distance of recovery. Varying widely in age and backgrounds, they discuss factors including genetics, depression, sexuality, religion, athletics, fashion, family, and the desire to excel. Powerful and immensely informative.

978-0-307-27834-0 | \$14.95/\$16.95C | Anchor | TR | September



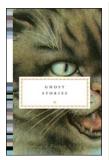
Karen Traviss

A Republic Commando Novel

Star Wars Order 66:

A gripping action-adventure novel set during the final days of the Clone Wars as Palpatine issues Order 66-the command for the clone troopers to execute all the Jedi.

978-0-345-50618-4 | \$27.00/\$32.00C | Del Rey | September





The X-Files meets The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy in a 17-year-old's weeklong investigation into extraterrestrial and paranormal activity! A rare first-person, scientific account of strange, unexplainable stuff, from levitating towels to weird gurgling sounds.

Chilling and classic ghost stories ranging from

revenge (Robert Louis Stevenston's "The Body-

Jorge Luis Borges, Eudora Welty, Valdimir

Nabokov and Ray Bradbury, among others.

Snatcher"), to a farcical tale of a haunted house

(P.G.Wodehouse's "Honeysuckle Cottage"). Ghosts of every stripe and intent haunt these stories from

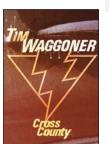
978-0-307-40730-6 | \$13.95/\$15.95C Three Rivers Press | TR | November

978-0-307-26924-9 | \$15.00/\$17.00C

Everyman's Library | HC | September

Peter Washington, Editor

Ghost Stories



Tim Waggoner

Cross Country

Cross County's secrets run deep. Settlers first came here hundreds of years ago, taking the land from local tribes sworn to guard its dark secrets. When a grisly murderer rattles the community, it's up to the sheriff to get to the bottom of things before it's too late.

978-0-7869-5038-6 | \$21.95/\$25.00C Wizards of the Coast Discoveries | HC | September



Marisa C. Weiss, M.D. and Isabel Friedman

Taking Care of Your Girls: A Breast Health Guide for Girls, Teens, and In-Betweens

A pioneering, comprehensive guide to breast health for girls eight to eighteen written by a nationally acclaimed oncologist and her teenage daughter. Finding reliable, straightforward information on breast development and care can be a challenge for girls and their moms. An essential addition to all teen health collections.

978-0-307-40696-5 | \$15.95/\$18.95C Three Rivers Press | TR | September



Aronzo Aranzi

The Complete Aranzi Hour

A massive 252-page, full-color collection of humorous adventures starring the popular characters from The Cute Book, Cute Dolls, and Machine Gun series. The series' success is due in no small part to the Aranzi recipe of combining so-cute-it-hurts Japanese stylings with irreverent humor.

978-1-934287-35-4 | \$17.95/\$19.95C | Vertical | TR | October



Carl Capotorto

Twisted Head: An Italian American Memoir A pitch-perfect memoir about growing up in an

Italian-American family in 1960s and 1970s Bronx. Twisted Head is an exorcism of sorts. With plenty of laughs.

978-0-7679-2861-8 | \$23.95/\$27.95C | Broadway | HC | October



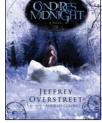






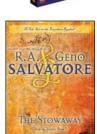


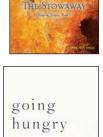












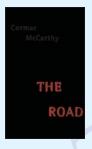


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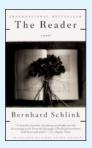
SILVER SCREEN











Chuck Palahniuk

Choke

When med-school drop-out Victor Mancini isn't faking choking deaths in upscale restaurants in order to prey on the sympathies of those who "rescue" him, he likes to attend sexual-addiction recovery workshops for action. Great film fodder from one of America's greatest satirists and the author of Fight Club.

978-0-307-38892-6 | \$14.95 Anchor | TR | August

• MOVIE RELEASE: FALL 2008

Amanda Foreman

The Duchess

Starring Keira Knightley and Ralph Fiennes.

978-0-812-97969-5 | \$15.95/NCR Random House | TR | August

• MOVIE RELEASE: NOVEMBER 2008

Mark Cotta Vaz

Will Eisner's The Spirit: The Movie Visual Companion

A fully illustrated guide to the visually arresting blockbuster written and directed by Frank Miller, featuring scores of previously unpublished piece of production art, and photos of the cast and crew.

978-1-84576-832-4 | \$30.00/\$34.00C Titan | HC | December

• MOVIE RELEASE: DECEMBER 2008

Cormac McCarthy

The Road

Cormac McCarthy's postapocalyptic, Pulitzer Prizewinning novel is to be adapted to the big screen, starring Viggo Mortensen, Charlize Theron, Guy Pearce and Kodi Smit-McPhee.

978-0-307-45529-1 | \$14.95/\$16.95C | Vintage | TR | October

MOVIE RELEASE: NOVEMBER 26

Dave Gibbons and Alan Moore

The Watchmen

978-1-4012-1926-0 | \$39.99/\$45.99C DC Comics | HC | November 978-0-930289-23-2 | \$19.99/\$22.99C DC Comics | TR

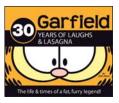
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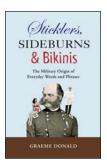
The Reader

Hailed for its coiled eroticism and the moral claims it makes upon its audience, this mesmerizing story of love and secrets, which unfolds against the haunted landscape of postwar Germany, becomes a film this December starring Kate Winslet and Ralph Finnes.

978-0-307-45489-8 | \$13.95/\$15.95C Vintage | TR | November

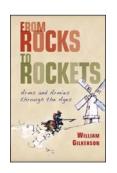
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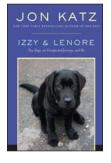












Jim Davis

30 Years of Laughs and Lasagna: The Life and Times of a Fat, Furry Legend

An illustrative look at the first thirty years of Garfield, which debuted on June 19th, 1978 in 41 newspapers. Today it holds the *Guiness Book of World Records* as the most popular comic strip in the world, with 263 million daily readers and products in 111 countries. Loaded with the best Garfield strips of the past thirty years, as well as some archival gems from the basement of the creator Jim Davis.

978-0-345-50379-4 | \$35.00/\$40.00C | Ballantine | HC | October

Graeme Donald

Sticklers, Sideburns, and Bikinis: The Military Origins of Everyday Words and Phrases

Jam-packed with many amazing facts, *Stickler's Sideburns and Bikinis* is an intriguing and entertaining trip through the words and phrases that originated in the military but are now used by soldier and civilian alike.

978-1-84603-300-1 | \$15.95/\$18.95C | Osprey | HC | October

Alan Dean Foster

Quofum

A new novel in the Commonwealth series that fleshes out the universe inhabited by Pip & Flinx, and it will clarify several mysteries about the young adventurer, setting the table for next year's final Pip & Flinx novel, *Flinx Transcendant*. However, Pip & Flinx do not appear in this book. 978-0-345-49605-8 | \$25.00/\$28.00C | Del Rey | HC | October

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Barbara Franco and Simona Giordano

WWF: Vanishing Animals

Conservationists, nature lovers, and fine-photography aficionados alike can appreciate this stunning visual call to action to save the endangered species of the world.

978-88-544-0397-0 | \$29.95/\$34.00C | White Star | HC | October

William Gilkerson

From Rocks to Rockets: Arms and Armies Throughout the Ages

Internationally recognized marine artist, author and historian, William Gilkerson, delivers an irreverent children's book on the history of warfare. From Rocks to Rockets spans the ages from stone hurling cavemen to galactic battle. Throughout, Gilkerson's deceptively simple story and artwork provide a humorous commentary on humankind's obsession with war. Ages 10+.

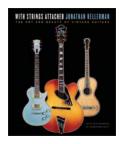
978-1-84603-423-7 | \$14.95/\$15.95C | Osprey | HC | October

Jon Katz

Izzy and Lenore: Two Dogs, an Unexpected Journey, and Me

New York Times bestselling author Jon Katz describes an extraordinary year in which a new dog leads him into the profoundly moving experience of hospice volunteer work—and a new puppy helps him rediscover the joy of living.

978-1-4000-6630-8 | \$24.00/\$28.00C | Villard | HC | September

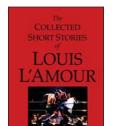


Jonathan Kellerman

With Strings Attached: The Art and Beauty of Vintage Guitars

This gorgeously illustrated large format hardcover lovingly features Jonathan Kellerman's awesome private guitar collection. With an introduction from Police guitarist Andy Summers, rich with Kellerman's personal accounts of his own jamming sessions and love affair with his guitars, this book offers a narrative from one guitar lover to another.

978-0-345-49978-3 | \$75.00/\$86.00C | Ballantine | HC | October



Louis L'Amour

The Collected Short Stories of Louis L'Amour, Volume 6

In Volume 6 of Louis L'Amour's collected short stories, all of this prolific author's crime stories are compiled in one volume for the first time, culled from the collections The Hills of Homicide, With These Hands, Off the Mangrove Coast, Beyond the Great Snow Mountains, May there Be A Road, and From the Listening Hills.

978-0-553-80531-4 | \$24.00/\$28.00C | Bantam | HC | October







It Girl Knits: 30 Fresh Styles for the Young and Fabulous

As the teenage owner of her own knitwear design business, Phoenix has her finger on the teenage fashion pulse. These projects are for girls who have mastered scarves or who have never knitted before but are drawn to the trendy knitted fashions seen on runways and in their favorite stores.

978-0-307-39634-1 | \$19.95/\$22.95C | Potter Craft | TR | October



Alison Lewis with Fang-Yu Lin

Switch Craft: Battery-Powered Crafts for the Modern Seamstress

A book of illuminating (literally) battery-crafted sewing projects. From a "Dancing Queen" skirt that leaves flirtatious trails of light to a laptop sleeve that pulses light when you're in a Wi-Fi zone, these 20 projects are made for the wired world. None require more than a sixth-grade science level of expertise!

978-0-307-39544-3 | \$24.95/\$27.95C | Potter Craft | HC | October



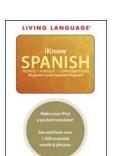
Megan Avery

Baq Bazaar: 25 Stylish Bags to Sew in an Afternoon

There's never been a better time to sew your own fashionable bags and never easier with 25 bags that even a sewing newbie can handle-in a variety of styles to match any look. From funky to sophisticated, from a roomy backpack to an evening wrislet, Avery offers all the encouragement and know-how needed to invent your own unique creations.

978-0-307-40649-1 | \$19.95/\$22.95C | Potter Craft | TR | November

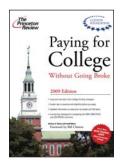












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National Geographic

The Science Book: Everything You Need to Know About the World and How It Works

This heavily-illustrated resource from the publishers of The Knowledge Book and Visual History of the World is a treasure trove of essential and fascinating scientific information perfect for inquisitive minds of every age.

978-1-4262-0337-4 | \$35.00/\$40.00C National Geographic | HC | October

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1000 Events That Shaped the World

For the in-depth historian or the casual browser, this book offers the full sweep of human history in one volume of punchy, fun-to-read, yet authoritative entries of the 1,000 most important events that have made the human world what it is today.

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Kimihiro Watanuki is a high-school student who can see the yokai (supernatural monsters) and spirits, though they are invisible to others. One day he stumbles into a mysterious shop whose beautiful proprietor tells Kimihiro that she can free him from the spirits-but he must pay for the wish by working at her store every day after school. A novel based on the bestselling manga series. For ages 13+.

978-0-345-50518-7 | \$17.95/\$21.00C | Del Rey | TR | October

Princeton Review

Paying for College without Going Broke, 2009 Edition

Now more important than ever this guide offers strategies to maximize financial aid and minimize costs. Designed to take the stress, confusion, and guess-work out of applying for financial aid.

978-0-375-42883-8 | \$20.00/\$23.00C Princeton Review | TR | October





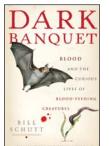


R.A. Salvatore

The Pirate King: Transitions, Book II

Drizzt is back in action again, and bringing more changes to the Forgotten Realms® setting. This all new adventure will keep Drizzt fans guessing the whole way, with edge-of-your-seat action and plot twists that even the most casual reader of the Forgotten Realms novel line can't afford to miss!

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Bill Schutt

Dark Banquet: Blood and the Curious Lives of Blood-Feeding Creatures

A perfect book for reluctant readers! An illuminating journey into the world of blood-feeding animals-from vampire bats and leeches to ticks, mites, bedbugs, and even vampire fish. Richly informative and at times a very funny exploration of sanguivores and the substance they feed upon.

978-0-307-38112-5 | \$25.95/\$30.00C | Harmony | HC | October



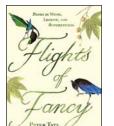


Matthew Stover

Star Wars® Luke Skywalker and the Shadows of Mindor

An exciting new Star Wars novel featuring the classic heroes-Luke, Leia, Han, and Chewbaccain the midst of an epic battle!

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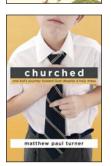


Peter Tate

Flights of Fancy: Birds in Myth, Legend and Superstition

A one-of-a-kind collection that is endlessly browsable. Flights Of Fancy enchants readers with the legends, fairy tales, nursery rhymes, and superstitions surrounding thirty of the best-known birds throughout the world-from Ancient China to Shakespeare, from Chaucer to the Native Americans, from the popular to the surprising and obscure.

978-0-385-34248-3 | \$20.00/NCR | Delacorte | HC | October



Matthew Paul Turner

Churched: One Kid's Journey Toward God Despite a Holy Mess

Matthew Paul Turner combines humor, truth, and heart in his winsome and quickly-paced stories of a uniquely fundamentalist upbringing that required him to go soul winning at age six, watch a Sunday School Barbie-burning at age seven, and be awarded the Most Spiritual Award at seventeen.

978-1-4000-7471-6 | \$18.99/\$21.99C | WaterBrook | HC | October

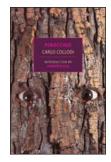




Doomed Queens: Royal Women Who Met Bad Ends, From Cleopatra to Princess Di

Marie Antoinette. Anne Boleyn. Cleopatra. Royal women have a distressing way of meeting bad ends. These are just three of the fifty Doomed Queens whose histories are recounted in this pricelessly funny and quirky, illustrated, macabre volume.

978-0-7679-2899-1 | \$14.95/\$16.95C | Broadway | TR | October

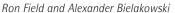


Carlo Collodi

Pinocchio

Pinocchio, linked to the Walt Disney production of the same name, is one of the most well-known books in the world. However, Carlo Collodi's satirical original bears only a little resemblance to the simple, feel-good tale we're all familiar with.

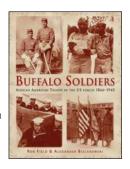
978-1-59017-289-6 | \$14.00/\$16.50C New York Review Books | TR | November



Buffalo Soldiers: African American Troops in the US forces 1866-1945

A complete history of African Americans in the US armed forces from 1866 to 1945, examining their appearance, uniforms, training and their evolving role-all of which is described in the context of the discrimination that they often faced and their endless struggle to overcome prejudice at home while fighting bravely for their country overseas.

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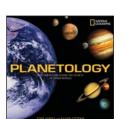


Betsy Greer

Knitting for Good! A Guide to Creating Personal, Social, and Political **Change Stitch by Stitch**

A clarion call to knitters who want to do more with their craft—an exploration of knitting as personal expression, compassionate outreach, and political protest.

978-1-59030-589-8 | \$14.95/\$16.95C | Trumpeter | TR | November

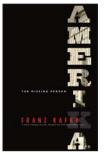


Tom Jones and Ellen Stofan

Planetology: How Earth Is Unlocking the Secrets of the Solar System

In a stunning and completely new view of the solar system, an astronaut and a geologist team up to investigate, through parallel views made possible by cutting-edge space technology, how the earth itself can help science unravel the mysteries of the heavens.

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Franz Kafka

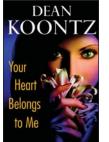
Amerika: The Missing Person

A new translation by Mark Harman, based on the restored text. In the least Kafkaesque of all Kafka's works, seventeen-year-old Karl Rossman, following a scandal involving a housemaid, is banished to America, where he throws himself into misadventure after misadventure, eventually landing in Oklahoma, where a career in the theater beckons.

978-0-8052-4211-9 | \$25.00/\$28.00C | Schocken | HC | November







Dean Koontz

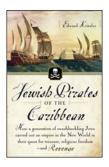
Your Heart Belongs to Me

A year after the heart transplant that saved him, Ryan Perry has never felt better. But suddenly, he begins to glimpse a mysterious woman stalking him...a woman who looks just like the donor of his new heart. She wants it back.

978-0-553-80713-4 | \$27.00/\$32.00C | Bantam | HC | November **⊕**⊕ **(3**



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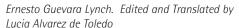
Edward Kritzler

Jewish Pirates of the Caribbean: How a Generation of Swashbuckling Jews Carved Out an Empire in the New World in Their Quest for Treasure, Religious Freedom—and Revenge

As the Inquisition took hold in Spain, many Jews were forced to flee. This book profiles the group of improbable Jews who chose to live as outlaws on the high seas.

978-0-385-51398-2 | \$24.95/\$27.95C | Doubleday | HC | November





Young Che: Memories of Che Guevara by His Father

This biography, available for the first time in the U.S. in English, is drawn from two memoirs and describes the early years of the young man who went on to become one of the world's most recognizable revolutionaries.

978-0-307-39044-8 | \$14.95 | Vintage | TR | November 978-1-84595-073-6 | \$23.95C | Vintage Books Canada | TR



Dragonheart: Anne McCaffrey's Dragonriders of Pern

After the dread plague, dragons and dragonriders are no longer dying...but Thread is falling again, and the surviving dragons are too few in number to protect the whole planet. It begins to look as though the answer lies not in the unknown future... 978-0-345-49114-5 | \$27.00/\$32.00C | Del Rey | HC | November





National Geographic Essential Visual History of World Mythology

This complement to National Geographic's successful offerings on the Bible and history presents a palm-size overview of culture-defining myths, from ancient Egyptian deities to the Vedic gods of India...from Maya, Inca, and Aztec legends to the Dream time of the Aborigines.

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Stephen J. Sansweet and Pablo Hidalgo

The Complete Star Wars® Encyclopedia

A comprehensive A-to-Z listing covering the entire universe of Star Wars, including material from the films, radio dramas, books, comics, video games, and more. Presented with full-color artwork throughout, in two hardcover volumes, slipcased.

978-0-345-47763-7 | \$75.00/\$86.00C Del Rey | HC | November

Ian Randal Strock

The Presidential Book of Lists: From Most to Least, Elected to Rejected, Worst to Cursed-Fascinating Facts About Our Chief Executives

A collection of Presidential lists that rank the presidents in more than 100 unique, interesting, and often unexpected categories.

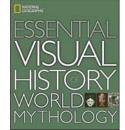
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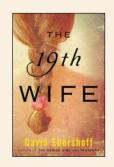
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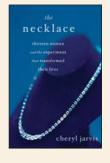
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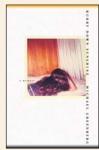












Marcia Purcell

Stieg Larsson

The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo: A Novel

The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo is a buzz book. ["Buzz is not hype and hype is not buzz. Hype is paid for. Buzz is free. Hype is often unreliable. Buzz, on the other hand, is almost always reliable."

-Stephen King, Entertainment Weekly This first novel is a dark exploration of the human psyche set in Sweden. It is also a classic locked-room (or in this case, closed-off island) mystery. It is populated by fascinating characters. It is populated by utterly loathsome characters. It is extremely slippery and twisty. It is a book you race through because you must find the ending, only there really is no ending as such and you want to keep going with these characters in spite of everything that happens. Suffice it to say one becomes grateful for the genealogical chart provided. Clear at least one whole day in preparation for straight-through reading. Thankfully, there are two more books remaining to be published from Stieg Larsson, who, regretfully, died shortly after submitting his manuscripts. Comments to library@randomhouse.com.

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Cheryl Jarvis

The Necklace: Thirteen Women and the Experiment That Transformed Their Lives

The Necklace is a sure-fire discussion book. A woman becomes obsessed with an expensive diamond necklace well beyond her means and talks twelve other women into banding together to purchase said necklace. What follows is a fascinating study of human nature, growth, friendship-set along a path that does not always run smoothly.

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STAFF PICKS (continued)



Dave Eicke

Jonathan Ames and Dean Haspiel

The Alcoholic

Just like a Long Island Iced Tea, this book is not for beginners and not for kids. But it is also, like the aforementioned, unbeatable.

The Alcoholic is Jonathan Ames' first-hopefully not his last-foray into the graphic novel world. Teamed with award-winning artist Dean Haspiel, Ames tells the life story of "Jonathan A.," who, we might assume, is a fictionalized version of himself. (Perhaps thinly fictionalized? Just a guess.) The book covers Jonathan's rocky adolescence, his sexual misadventures, his romance with alcohol, his numerous heartbreaks, his Kerouacian ambitions, his shattered love, his close relationship with his aunt, and the horror being orphaned just out of college. How this all fit in under 200 pages is still not something I can wrap my head around. Half of it is profoundly amusing, the other half is frighteningly real. There are some things, as humans, we don't like to talk about, for fear of coming off as pathetic or freakish, but Ames spills it all out without hesitation, and Haspiel captures it all impeccably with his poignant illustrations. This probably isn't the best graphic novel to start off with if you're inexperienced with the medium, but it is one of the best you'll find on the market. Drink it up.

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Marie Kent

David Ebershoff

The 19th Wife

At first glance this novel appears to be straightforward historical fiction surrounding the life of Ann Eliza Young, the outcast wife of Brigham Young, a founding prophet and leader of the Mormon Church. Yet, intertwined is a modern

tale of a murder mystery involving a polygamist

family in present-day Utah. The research lengths the author went to for his novel are impressive. At a recent lunch event he told attendees stories of interviewing former members of FLDS communities, of visiting one Utah community himself, and of hours spent poring over historical documents. While the connection between the historical and fictitious is especially strong, what is most extraordinary are the "documents" interspersed within the novel: a Wikipedia entry, newspaper articles, a college thesis paper, and more, all penned by the author himself but seemingly so authentic that I had to flip back to the Author's Note to check for citations. A complex, timely and addictive mixture of past and present, this book will no doubt spark discussion and entice readers to learn more about this piece of American religious history. Great for book clubs!

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Matthew Kneale

When We Were Romans: A Novel

As a new mother, I often obsess about how what I say and do now will affect my two-year-old in the future. Does he file it away every time I scold him or choose doing

the dishes over making a puzzle together, someday

to revisit it on a therapist's couch? I try to remember that my son is certainly luckier than many kids—nine-year-old Lawrence in *When We Were Romans*, for instance—is forced to act as the man in the family as his mother packs he and his little sister up and drives them through the night from their home in London to Rome. She fears their father is stalking them and feels she must put as much distance between them as possible. Told in Lawrence's voice, complete with misspellings and misconceptions, this is a fascinating look at a young boy trying to comprehend the incomprehensible at his age. As Lawrence tells his story, it becomes apparent that something is not right, the problems that haunted them in London have followed them to Rome, and it is heartbreaking to see how they impact the young boy. Readers can't help but engage with Lawrence (even when he's being bratty) and young adults will certainly relate to the young narrator. Perfect for fans of *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time*.

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Erica McDonald

Michael Greenberg

Hurry Down Sunshine

The subject of mental illness makes many people uncomfortable. It is difficult to understand, wrenching to witness, and frightening to experience. Greenberg's powerful memoir of his daughter's psychotic break at the age

of fifteen intimately reveals the life altering experience for himself and his family. The brilliantly crafted descriptions from inside a psych ward offer insight into the tumultuous journey his daughter must endure, through diagnosis of her bipolar disorder and her eventual adaptation to a life forever changed by mental illness. Every relationship is affected and strained. But through this painful, sometimes surreal experience, Greenberg is able to illicit occasional glints of humor and light. It is a testament to how, with the love of family, and an enduring spirit, one is able to put the pieces back together and more forward.

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