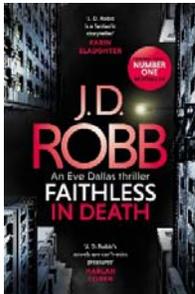


BOOK CATALOGUE – JAN/FEB 2021

Welcome back! We hope you've had a good break. Romance fiction has been in the news with the success of Netflix's release of *Bridgerton* and huge sales of Julia Quinn's books – which should be good for an under-appreciated genre! The new year also sees the arrival of goodies including Ilona Andrews' *Blood Heir*, Christine Feehan's *Reckless Road*, Lori Foster's *No Holding Back*, Jayne Ann Krentz's *All the Colours of Night*, J.D. Robb's *Faithless in Death* and Lynsay Sands' *Highland Treasure*. Enjoy!

Top Books January		Top Books February	
Ilona Andrews	Blood Heir*	Anne Bishop	The Queen's Bargain#
Jane Ashford	Earl's Well That Ends Well	Patricia Briggs	Smoke Bitten#
Kerrigan Byrne	Courting Trouble*	Laura Childs	Lavender Blue Murder#
Christina Dodd	Wrong Alibi*	Jane Feather	Ravish Me with Rubies
Chloe Gong	These Violent Delights*	Christine Feehan	Reckless Road
Jayne Ann Krentz	All the Colours of Night*	Lori Foster	No Holding Back
Emily March	Boone	Susan Elizabeth Phillips	Dance Away With Me#
J.D. Robb	Shadows in Death#	J.P. Pomare	Tell Me Lies*
Nalini Singh	Alpha Night#	J.D. Robb	Faithless in Death*
Alexander McCall Smith	A Promise of Ankles*	Lynsay Sands	Highland Treasure

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	<p>Title: Blood Heir Author: Ilona Andrews Classification: Fantasy & Paranormal Book Type: Print-on-Demand Price: \$37 Annotation: <i>Kate Daniels World Series.</i> Eight years ago, Julie Lennart left Atlanta to find out who she was. Now she's back with a new face, a new magic, and a new name – Aurelia Ryder – drawn by the urgent need to protect the family she left behind. An ancient power is stalking her adopted mother, Kate Daniels, an enemy unlike any other, and a string of horrifying murders is its opening gambit ... If Aurelia's true identity is discovered, those closest to her will die. So her plan is simple: get in, solve the murders, prevent the prophecy from being fulfilled, and get out without being recognized. She expected danger, but she never anticipated that the only man she'd ever loved could threaten everything.</p>		<p>Title: Reckless Road Author: Christine Feehan Classification: Fantasy & Paranormal Book Type: Mass Market Paperback Price: \$19 Annotation: <i>Torpedo Ink Series.</i> Little rattles Gedeon "Player" Lazaroff, except when his gift gets the better of him, and he has to just lie down in the dark and hope for the best. But on a night when he's on the verge of losing it, he meets a woman who soothes his fractured mind ... Zyah is a striking, ethereal beauty who seduces him with every word and move. Their night together is one of pure bliss. But when Player gets confused and thinks their intimate encounter was nothing more than a dream, his careless dismissal leaves her humiliated and angry ... Now, Player will have to devote his every breath to convincing Zyah to give him a second chance. Because she might be the only one who can save him from himself.</p>
	<p>Title: All the Colours of Night Author: Jayne Ann Krentz Classification: Contemporary Book Type: Trade Paperback Price: \$33 Annotation: <i>Fogg Lake Series.</i> After her last client pulled a gun on her, antique expert Sierra Raines is a bit leery of accepting another job involving paranormal artifacts. However, psychic North Chastain desperately needs her help in tracking down the powerful relic that put his father in a coma. Given the state of Sierra's checking account, this is one job Sierra can't say no to. But North is involved with the Foundation, an enforcement group that monitors the dark world of illegal psychic activity, and the two soon find themselves in grave and mysterious danger.</p>		<p>Title: Faithless in Death Author: J.D. Robb Classification: Crime/Mystery/Thriller Book Type: Trade Paperback Price: \$30 Annotation: <i>Eve Dallas Series.</i> The scene in the West Village studio appears to be classic crime-of-passion: two wineglasses by the bed, music playing, and a young sculptor named Ariel Byrd with the back of her head bashed in. But when Dallas tracks down the Upper East Side woman who called 911, the details don't add up. Gwen Huffman is wealthy, elegant and sheds tears over the trauma of finding the body – but why did it take an hour to report it? And why is she lying about little things? The case involves a sinister group and a criminal conspiracy.</p>

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Other Books Available in This Catalogue

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Dream Chaser by **Kristen Ashley** (Mass Market Paperback – \$18). *Dream Team Series*. Ryn Jansen has no interest in taking a risk on Boone Sadler. Thanks to a long list of men who've done nothing but let her down, Ryn vows to stay far away from the caring, protective commando. And when Boone confronts Ryn with evidence that her loved ones are conning her, Ryn is less than thrilled – with her family and Boone. But even as Boone proves he's the kind of guy to meet her every need, she doesn't trust him to stay when life gets hard ... Boone Sadler's never been one to back down from a challenge. He's determined to show the funny, sexy Ryn that the irresistible connection between them is worth exploring. But caring for Ryn's heart and body becomes a matter of life and death when Ryn's beloved niece and nephew are put in danger and dirty cops begin gunning for Ryn. Soon Boone realizes their romance is in danger of more than heartbreak – and to have any future together, they'll have to put their trust in each other.

The Third to Die by **Allison Brennan** (Mass Market Paperback Release – \$20). *Quinn & Costa Series*. An edgy female police detective. An ambitious FBI special agent. Together they are at the heart of the ticking-clock investigation into a psychopathic murderer ... Detective Kara Quinn is on an early morning jog in Liberty Lake when she discovers the body of a young nurse. The manner of death reveals a highly controlled rage ... Word quickly reaches FBI special agent Matt Costa that this murder fits the profile of the elusive Triple Killer, who compulsively strikes every three years, targeting three victims, each three days apart. This time they have a chance to stop him. But only if they can decipher the meaning of his pattern to figure out who he is and where he is hiding before he strikes again ... The stakes have never been higher, because if they fail, one of their own team may be next.

Special Ops Seduction by **Megan Crane** (Mass Market Paperback – \$18). *Alaska Force Series*. After an official operation turned deadly, Jonas Crow began a new life in Grizzly Harbor with Alaska Force. But when fellow soldier Bethan Wilcox joins the group, she forces him to remember things he actively prefers to forget. That's unforgivable enough. But now the two of them are forced together on a mission to uncover deadly secrets tied to their complicated past, and with the heat between them at a boil, forgiveness is the least of his worries ... Bethan Wilcox, one of the first women to make it through Army Ranger school, didn't join Alaska Force to deal with Jonas's foul temper. Or her own errant attraction to him. Thrown together in a race against the clock, they have to pretend to be a couple and play nice to throw the enemy off their scent. She knows better than to let their pretend love feel real ... especially while time is running out ... Jonas has always been good at saving the world. But it's Bethan he needs to save this time around – if she doesn't save him first.

Truths, Lies and Second Dates by **MaryJanice Davidson** (Trade Paperback – \$32). Captain Ava Capp has been flying from her past for a decade. She'd much rather leave it, and her home state,

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behind forever. But when she finds herself back in Minnesota, against her better judgment, everything goes sideways in a way she never expected it to ... M.E. Dr. Tom Baker has never forgotten Ava and the cold case she ran away from. When she shows up unexpectedly in town, in spite of himself, sparks fly. Which is terrible because he can't stop his growing attraction to her. Can these two Type-A's let their guards down and work together to put Ava's tragic past behind her for good? And keep their hands off each other at the same time?

Met Her Match by **Jude Deveraux** (Mass Market Paperback Release – \$20). *Summerhouse Series*. Terri Rayburn is a girl with a reputation. She doesn't deserve it, but having grown up on the outskirts of Summer Hill, Virginia, she knows how small towns work. The only way to deal with vicious gossip is to ignore it. So she keeps to herself as she runs the summer resort on Lake Kissel ... When she returns home from a short trip to find a handsome stranger living in her house, she smells a rat. Someone is trying to fix her up, and she has to admit that Nate Taggart is just her type. However, Nate is engaged to the daughter of the mayor and strictly off-limits ... Nate and Terri form an unlikely friendship while he throws himself into life at the lake. As Nate starts to hear rumors about Terri he's confused. Knowing how smart, beautiful and strong she is, he's determined to discover the source of the gossip. Terri doesn't want to revisit the past, but Nate won't stop until he discovers the truth – even if it might be more than either of them can handle.

Wrong Alibi by **Christina Dodd** (Trade Paperback – \$34). *Wrong Alibi Series*. Eighteen-year-old Evelyn Jones lands a job in small-town Alaska, working for a man in his isolated mountain home. But her bright hopes for the future are shattered when Donald White disappears, leaving her to face charges of theft, embezzlement – and a brutal double murder. Her protestations of innocence count for nothing. Convicted, she faces life in prison ... until fate sends her on the run. Evie's escape leaves her scarred and in hiding, isolated from her family, working under an alias at a wilderness camp. Bent on justice, intent on recovering her life, she searches for the killer who slaughters without remorse. At last, the day comes. Donald White has returned. Evie emerges from hiding; the fugitive becomes the hunter. But in her mind, she hears the whisper of other forces at work. Now Evelyn must untangle the threads of evidence before she's once again found with blood on her hands: the blood of her own family ...

No Holding Back by **Lori Foster** (Mass Market Paperback – \$20). *McKenzies of Ridge Trail Series*. Trucker Sterling (Star) Parson is no stranger to the challenges a woman faces, both in her industry and in life. But she can take care of herself. She's never needed – or wanted – a man around...until she meets Cade McKenzie. The take-charge bar owner sets off all kinds of alarm bells for Sterling, but he also sets her heart racing ... Cade's lived in Ridge Trail long enough to know trouble when he sees it, and the moment Sterling – Star – walks into his bar, he knows trouble's come to call. Secrets run deep in

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the small town and Cade can tell Star's got as many as he does, leaving him itching to uncover every last one. But finding common ground will mean trusting one another, further feeding an intense attraction that's growing impossible to resist.

The Final Deception by **Heather Graham** (Mass Market Paperback – \$20). *New York Confidential Series*. It was one of psychologist Kieran Finnegan's most chilling cases: her assessment of a murderer known as the Fireman. There was no doubt that the man needed to be locked away. Now FBI agent Craig Frasier is called to a gruesome crime scene that matches the killer's methods, and news breaks that the Fireman has escaped prison ... Amid a citywide manhunt, Kieran and Craig need to untangle a web of deceit, privilege and greed. They suspect that those closest to the killer have been drawn into his evil, or else someone is using another man's madness and cruelty to disguise their crimes ... When their investigation brings the danger right to the doorstep of Finnegan's Pub, Kieran and Craig will have to be smarter and bolder than ever before, because this time it's personal, and they have everything to lose.

Under the Alaskan Ice by **Karen Harper** (Mass Market Paperback – \$20). *Alaska Wild Series*. The truth always surfaces. When a small bush plane smashes through the ice at Falls Lake Lodge, it's a chilling reminder of everything Megan Metzler has lost. Three years ago, Meg's pilot husband died in a similar crash, a tragedy Meg and her young son, Chip, have struggled to move on from. Still, Meg does everything she can to assist when Commander Bryce Saylor arrives to investigate, even as working alongside the handsome pilot stirs up painful memories – and an attraction that catches them both off guard ... Bryce knows time is of the essence as he plunges into the frigid water in search of clues. But when vital evidence is destroyed, it soon becomes clear this downed plane was no accident. With someone tracking them from the woods, Meg and Bryce must race to unravel a mystery as indomitable as the Alaskan wilderness, or they might be the next victims to crash and burn ...

After Sundown by **Linda Howard** and **Linda Jones** (Mass Market Paperback Release – \$20). Sela Gordon, shy owner of a Tennessee general store, prefers solitude. If anyone can chip away at her protective shell it's the mysterious, ex-military man who's been hiding for two years in the wilds of Cove Mountain. When he warns her that a catastrophic solar storm with the capability of taking down the power grids is approaching, Sela must come out of her shell and be the leader Wears Valley needs ... Living in self-imposed exile, Ben Jernigan has learned the hard way to look out for number one. With a top-notch security system, he's serious about keeping people at a distance. Yet he has to caution Sela about the impending threat – and now she's making it too easy for him to lower his guard ... As panic spreads, Sela and Ben discover that in the dark, cut off from the outside world, there's no more playing it safe – in life or in love.

The Persuasion by **Iris Johansen** (Mass Market Paperback Release – \$20). *Eve Duncan Series*. Forensic sculptor Eve Duncan and ex-Navy Seal Joe Quinn are about to give Seth Caleb their trust for

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the most important duty of his life: keeping their daughter, Jane MacGuire, safe at any cost. Her talent as an artist has caught the attention of a brilliant psychopath with a violent past ... Seth, Jane's strongest ally and fiercest protector, is determined to keep her out of danger, but that becomes nearly impossible when Jane is forced to take matters into her own hands and confronts the madman who wants her for himself ... and wants Seth Caleb dead ... As Jane and Seth chase down their bloodthirsty adversary, they finally commit to a life together – in the culmination of the epic love story that fans have been eagerly anticipating. As the two come face to face with danger, one thing is made clear: it will take both of them working together to confront and defeat this evil.

Sisters by Choice by **Susan Mallery** (Mass Market Paperback Release – \$20). *Blackberry Island Series*. After her business empire goes up in flames, Sophie Lane returns home to Blackberry Island, determined to rebuild. But until she can learn to let go of the past and embrace change she will never be free to reach for the happiness and love that have eluded her for so long ... Kristine has become defined by her relationship to others. She's a wife, a mum, and as much as she adores her husband and sons, she wants something for herself – a sweet little bakery just off the waterfront. She knew changing the rules wouldn't be easy, but she never imagined she might have to choose between her marriage and her dreams ... Like the mainland on the horizon, Heather's goals seem beyond her grasp. Every time she manages to save any money, her mother has another crisis. Can Heather break free, or will she be trapped in this tiny life forever? Together over one summer these three cousins learn how the bonds of family and friendship can see us through even the most difficult of times.

Boone by **Emily March** (Mass Market Paperback – \$18). *Eternity Springs: McBrides of Texas Series*. With his smooth talk, rugged good looks, and deep pockets, native Texan Boone McBride appears to be a man who has it all. Few people know about the heartbreak behind his decision to leave home, family, and career for the isolation of a small town in the Colorado Rockies. Luckily, time in Eternity Springs has worked its healing magic upon his wounded soul, so when he meets troubled Hannah Dupree, Boone sees a chance to pay his good fortune forward. The last thing he anticipates is tumbling into love ... Tragedy has taken everything Hannah loves, and her will to keep going is failing. So when Boone strides into her life determined to save her, it's easier to go along with him than to resist. Soon she is drawn into the fabric of life in Eternity Springs, and as her spirit begins to heal, her strength returns, and she's able to go toe-to-toe with this big-hearted Texan. But just when love blooms and happiness is within their grasp, shadows from the past threaten. Hannah and Boone must stand strong in order to defeat old ghosts – if they are to create a brand-new life together.

The Boy Toy by **Nicola Marsh** (Trade Paperback – \$30). For almost a decade, successful 37-year-old Samira Broderick has used her bustling LA practice as an excuse to avoid a trip home to Australia. She still resents her meddling Indian mother for

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arranging her marriage to a man who didn't stick around when the going got tough, but now with a new job Down Under, she's finally ready to reconnect with her. And while she's there, a hot international fling might be just what she needs to get out of her recent funk ... Aussie stuntman, Rory Radcliffe, has been hiding his stutter for years by avoiding speaking roles. When a job he can't refuse comes up as a reality show host, he knows he'll need some help for the audition: a dialect coach. But he finds himself at a loss for words when he discovers it's the same sexy woman with whom he just had a mind-blowing one-night stand ... Samira can think of many reasons why Rory is completely wrong for her: he's ten years her junior, for one, and he's not Indian – something Samira's mother would never approve of. Even if things were to get serious, there's no reason to tell her mother ... is there?

The Ultimate Betrayal by **Kat Martin** (Mass Market Paperback Release – \$20). *Maximum Security Series*. When journalist Jessie Kegan's father is accused of espionage and treason, Jessie has no doubt the man she looked up to her entire life is innocent. Worse yet, before Colonel Kegan can stand trial, he's found dead of a heart attack ... but Jessie knows it was murder. Forcing down her grief, she's determined to use her investigative skills and resources to clear her father's name. But going after the truth means Jessie soon finds herself in the crosshairs of a killer who wants that truth to stay buried with her father ... Protecting Jessie Kegan is a job bodyguard Brandon Garrett can't refuse. Jessie isn't just a client at Maximum Security – she's the sister of his best friend, Danny, killed in Afghanistan. With dangerous forces gunning for Jessie from every angle, keeping her safe will mean keeping her close and Bran finds their mutual attraction growing, though being Danny's sister puts Jessie out of bounds ... With their backs against the wall, Jessie and Bran will have to risk everything to expose her father's killer – before his legacy dies with his daughter.

Dance Away With Me by **Susan Elizabeth Phillips** (Mass Market Paperback Release – \$18). When life throws her one setback too many, midwife and young widow Tess Hartsong takes off for Runaway Mountain. In this small town high in the Tennessee mountains, surrounded by nature, she hopes to outrun her heartbreak and find the solace she needs to heal ... But instead of peace and quiet, she encounters an enigmatic artist with a craving for solitude, a fairy-tale sprite with too many secrets, a helpless infant, a passel of curious teens, and a town suspicious of outsiders, especially one as headstrong as Tess. Just as headstrong is Ian North, a difficult, gifted man with a tortured soul – a man who makes Tess question everything ... In running away to this new life, Tess wonders – Has she lost herself ... or has she found her future?

Our Italian Summer by **Jennifer Probst** (Trade Paperback – \$30). Workaholic Francesca is successful in all areas of her life except one: family. She struggles to make time for her relationship with her teenage daughter, Allegra, and the two have become practically strangers to each other. When Allegra hangs out with a new crowd and is arrested for drug possession, Francesca gives in to her mother's wish that they take one epic summer

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vacation to trace their family roots in Italy. She just never expected to face a choice that might change the course of her life. ... Allegra wants to make her grandmother happy, but she hates the idea of forced time with her mother and vows to fight every step of the ridiculous tour, until a young man on the verge of priesthood begins to show her the power of acceptance, healing, and the heartbreaking complications of love ... Sophia knows her girls are in trouble. A summer filled with the possibility for change is what they all desperately need. Among the ruins of ancient Rome, the small churches of Assisi, and the rolling hills of Tuscany, Sophia hopes to show her girls that the bonds of family are everything, and to remind them that they can always lean on one another, before it's too late.

Reunited on Dragonfly Lane by **Annie Rains** (Mass Market Paperback – \$19). *Sweetwater Springs Series*. Boutique owner Sophie Daniels certainly isn't looking to adopt a dog the day veterinarian Chase Lewis convinces her to take in Comet. A rambunctious puppy with a broken leg may not be the best choice for a first-time pet owner. And house calls from the handsome doctor – her high school sweetheart who's just moved back to Sweetwater Springs – may not be the best choice for her heart either ... Chase has come home to help his nephew but finds that he's forgotten just how much he enjoys small-town life. However, sooner or later, he's going to have to face the past and his unresolved feelings for Sophie. Now that Comet needs both their help, Chase is going to let the four-legged matchmaker work his canine magic. Then Chase will prove to Sophie that first love is even better the second time around.

Say No More by **Karen Rose** (Mass Market Paperback Release – \$18). *Sacramento Series*. Seventeen years ago. That was the last time Mercy Callahan saw Ephraim Burton, the leader of the twisted Eden cult where she was raised. But even though she escaped the abuse and terror, they continue to haunt her ... When her brother Gideon discovers evidence of the cult's – and their victims' – whereabouts, Mercy goes to Sacramento to reconnect with him. There, she meets Gideon's closest friend – homicide detective Rafe Sokolov. From Rafe, she receives an offer she never knew she needed: to track down Ephraim and make him pay for everything ... But Ephraim, who had thought Mercy long dead, discovers she is in fact alive and that she is digging around for the cult's secrets. And now he'll do anything to take her back to Eden – dead or alive.

The Forever Girl by **Jill Shalvis** (Trade Paperback – \$32). *Wildstone Series*. When Maze returns to Wildstone for the wedding of her estranged bff and the sister of her heart, it's also a reunion of a once ragtag team of teenagers who had only each other until a tragedy tore them apart and scattered them wide ... Now as adults together again in the lake house, there are secrets and resentments mixed up in the childhood memories. Unexpectedly, they instantly fall back into their roles: Maze their reckless leader, Cat the den mother, Heather the beloved baby sister, and Walker, a man of mystery ... Life has changed them in immeasurable ways. Maze and Cat must decide if they can rebuild their friendship, and Maze discovers her attraction to Walker hasn't faded but has only grown stronger.

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The Plot Is Murder by **V.M. Burns** (Mass Market Paperback Release – \$19). *Mystery Bookshop Series*. Samantha Washington has long dreamed of owning a mystery bookstore. And as she prepares for the grand opening, she's realizing another dream – penning a cozy mystery set in England between the wars. While Samantha hires employees and stocks her shelves, her imagination also gets to work as her heroine, Lady Penelope Marsh, long-overshadowed by her beautiful sister Daphne, refuses to lose the besotted Victor Carlston to her sibling's charms. When one of Daphne's suitors is murdered in a maze, Penelope steps in to solve the puzzle and win Victor ... Then, the unimaginable happens in real life. A shady realtor turns up dead in Samantha's backyard, and the police suspect her – she might know a thing or two about murder. Aided by her feisty grandmother and an ensemble of enthusiastic retirees, Samantha is determined to close the case before she opens her store. But will she live to conclude her own story when the killer has a revised ending in mind?

Lavender Blue Murder by **Laura Childs** (Mass Market Paperback Release – \$18). *Tea Shop Mystery Series*. Tea maven Theodosia Browning and her tea sommelier Drayton Connoley are guests at a bird hunt styled in the precise manner of an English shooting party. Which means elevenses, gun loaders, the drawing of pegs, fine looking bird dogs, and shooting costumes of tweed, herringbone, and suede ... But as gunshots explode like a riff of Black Cat firecrackers, another shot sounds too close for comfort. Intrigued but worried, Theodosia wanders into the neighbor's lavender field where she discovers their host, Reginald Doyle, bleeding to death ... His wife, Meredith, is beside herself with grief and begs Theodosia and Drayton to stay the night. But Theodosia awakens at 2:00A.M. to find smoke in her room and the house on fire. As the fire department screams in and the investigating sheriff returns, Meredith again pleads with Theodosia for help ... As Theodosia investigates, fingers are pointed, secrets are uncovered, Reginald's daughter-in-law goes missing presumed drowned, and Meredith is determined to find answers via a séance. All the while Theodosia worries if she's made a mistake in inviting a prime suspect to her upscale Lavender Lady Tea.

The Stranger by **Simon Conway** (Trade Paperback – \$30). ISIS can't control him. MI6 can't find him. But he's coming ... Things change quickly in the world of espionage and clandestine operations. Jude Lyon of MI6 remembers the captured terrorist bomb-maker. He watched him being flown off to Syria, back when Syria was 'friendly'. No-one expected him to survive interrogation there. Yet the man is alive and someone has broken him out of jail ... Bad news for the former foreign secretary who authorised his rendition. And Jude's boss Queen Bee who knew he wasn't a terrorist, but an innocent bystander. Now she calls Jude back from an enjoyable mission involving a Russian diplomat's wife ... He has a new job: close down this embarrassment. Fast. But embarrassment is only the beginning. Someone is using the former prisoner to front a new and unspeakably terrifying campaign. Someone not even ISIS can control ... He is like a rumour, a myth, a whisper on the desert wind. But he is real and he is coming for us ... He is the genius known only as ... The Stranger.

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Prodigal Son by **Gregg Hurwitz** (Trade Paperback – \$30). *Orphan X Series*. As a boy, Evan Smoak was pulled out of a foster home and trained off-the-books as a government assassin, codenamed Orphan X. Forced into retirement, Evan Smoak gets an urgent request from someone he never expected – his mother. She needs his help protecting Andrew Duran, a man in the wrong place at the wrong time, with no safe place to hide. Running from a brutal assassination team, Duran's only hope lies with Evan. But when a hidden cabal catches on to what Evan is doing, everything he's fought for is on the line – including his own life.

The Gift by **Louise Jensen** (Mass Market Paperback Release – \$18). Jenna is given another shot at life when she receives a donor heart from a girl called Callie. Eternally grateful to Callie and her family, Jenna gets closer to them, but she soon discovers that Callie's perfect family is hiding some very dark secrets ... Callie's parents are grieving, yet Jenna knows they're only telling her half the story. Where is Callie's sister Sophie? She's been 'abroad' since her sister's death but something about her absence doesn't add up. And when Jenna meets Callie's boyfriend Nathan, she makes a shocking discovery ... Jenna knows that Callie didn't die in an accident. But how did she die? Jenna is determined to discover the truth but it could cost her everything; her loved ones, her sanity, even her life.

Death by Intermission by **Alexis Morgan** (Mass Market Paperback – \$19). *Abby McCree Mystery Series*. Ushered onto another committee by the mayor of Snowberry Creek, Washington, Abby is tasked with keeping the box office receipts of the town's Movies in the Park nights. Cut to the director's chair from where she's organizing the summer's last feature. From the opening scene through the final credits, Abby feels she's earned nominations for best volunteer, best movie date with her tenant Tripp Blackston – and best daughter for ignoring her mother Phoebe's own movie date with Owen Quinn ... Unfortunately, Abby is treated to a post-credits scene: the body of local insurance agent Mitchell Anders. This discovery is followed by a plot twist revealing that the murder weapon comes from Owen's food truck. With her mother's boyfriend suspected of murder, Abby starts an investigation determined to shine a spotlight on the real killer ...

Tell Me Lies by **J.P. Pomare** (Trade Paperback – \$28). Psychologist Margot Scott has a picture-perfect life: a nice house in the suburbs, a husband, two children and a successful career ... On a warm spring morning Margot approaches one of her clients on a busy train platform. He is looking down at his phone, with his duffel bag in hand as the train approaches. That's when she slams into his back and he falls in front of the train ... Margot's clients all lie to her, but one lie cost her family and freedom.

A Murderous Relation by **Deanna Raybourn** (Trade Paperback – \$32). *Veronica Speedwell Mystery Series*. Autumn 1888. Veronica Speedwell and her colleague Stoker are asked by Lady Wellingtonia Beauclerk to stop a potential scandal so explosive it threatens to rock the monarchy. Prince Albert Victor is a regular visitor to the most exclusive private club in London, and the proprietress, Madame Aurore, has received an expensive gift that can be traced back to the

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prince. Lady Wellie would like Veronica and Stoker to retrieve it before scandal can break ... Worse yet, London is being terrorized by what would become the most notorious and elusive serial killer in history, Jack the Ripper – and Lady Wellie suspects the prince may be responsible ... Veronica and Stoker reluctantly agree to go undercover at Madame Aurore's high-class brothel, where a body turns up. Secrets are swirling around Veronica and the royal family – and it is up to Veronica and Stoker to find the truth, before it is too late.

Vanishing Girls by **Lisa Regan** (Mass Market Paperback Release – \$18). *Detective Josie Quinn Series*. When Isabelle Coleman, a blonde, beautiful young girl goes missing, everyone from the small town of Denton joins the search. They can find no trace of the town's darling, but Detective Josie Quinn finds another girl they didn't even know was missing ... Mute and unresponsive, it's clear this mysterious girl has been damaged beyond repair. All Josie can get from her is the name of a third girl and a flash of a neon tongue piercing that matches Isabelle's ... The race is on to find Isabelle alive, and Josie fears there may be other girls in terrible danger. When the trail leads her to a cold case labelled a hoax by authorities, Josie begins to wonder is there anyone left she can trust? Someone in this close-knit town is committing unspeakable crimes. Can Josie catch the killer before another victim loses their life?

Shadows in Death by **J.D. Robb** (Mass Market Paperback Release – \$19). *Eve Dallas Series*. When a night out at the theatre is interrupted by the murder of a young woman in Washington Square Park, it seems like an ordinary case for Detective Eve Dallas and her team. But when Roarke spots a shadow from his past in the crowd, Eve realises that this case is far from business as usual ... Eve has two complex cases on her hands – the shocking murder of this wealthy young mother and tracking down the shadow before he can strike again, this time much closer to home. Eve is well used to being the hunter, but how will she cope when the tables are turned? As Eve and the team follow leads to Roarke's hometown in Ireland, the race is on to stop the shadow making his next move ...

A Promise of Ankles by **Alexander McCall Smith** (Trade Paperback – \$28). *44 Scotland Street Series*. For the residents of 44 Scotland Street, life in Edinburgh's intriguing New Town is a thing to be relished. After all, there are new faces to excite Domenica's anthropological imagination, precious moments with his triplets for Matthew to savor, and the prospect of a trip to the promised land of Glasgow for young Bertie ... But there are mysteries that need solving too. Could Angus Lordie's dog, Cyril – the only dog in Scotland with a gold tooth – have unearthed a Neanderthal skull? Does the long-suffering Stuart have any hope of kindling a new relationship when Bruce, ever the navel gazer and consummate seducer, effortlessly steps into his pas de deux? And how will the patrons of Big Lou's cafe react to the menu's imminent culinary transformation? ... The stories of this vibrant cast may take unexpected turns, but the warmth and humor at Scotland's most recognizable address will ultimately affirm the joy life brings us all.

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Murder with Oolong Tea by **Karen Rose Smith** (Mass Market Paperback – \$19). *Daisy's Tea Garden Mystery Series*. The faculty of Willow Creek High School are having a get-together after the spring concert with refreshments provided, courtesy of Daisy's Tea Garden. Oolong tea and chocolate biscuits are just what the staff needs to help them unwind from Althea Higgins' demanding curriculum. Her lessons on such controversial subjects as school uniforms and underqualified substitute teachers are earning her an F from her colleagues ... But a failing grade was preferable to Althea falling victim to foul play. Daisy was there when her body was discovered in the school swimming pool, murdered by strangulation. Althea was a strict taskmaster, unliked by both teachers and students, but would any of them actually want to kill her? As Daisy starts asking questions, she gets a real education in Althea's history, discovering more than enough enemies with more than enough motives to cancel her classes permanently ...

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False Value by **Ben Aaronovitch** (Mass Market Paperback Release – \$18). *Rivers of London Series*. Peter Grant is facing fatherhood, and an uncertain future, with equal amounts of panic and enthusiasm ... Leaving his old police life behind, he takes a job with Silicon Valley tech genius Terrence Skinner's new London start up: the Serious Cybernetics Corporation ... Drawn into the orbit of Old Street's famous 'silicon roundabout', Peter must learn how to blend in with people who are both civilians and geekier than he is. Compared to his last job, Peter thinks it should be a doddle ... But magic is not finished with the Met's first trainee wizard in fifty years ... Because a secret is hiding somewhere in the building. A technology that stretches back to Ada Lovelace and Charles Babbage, and forward to the future of artificial intelligence. A secret that is just as magical as it technological – and twice as dangerous.

Bitterburn by **Anne Aguirre** (Print-On-Demand Paperback – \$28). *Gothic Fairytales Series*. Amarrah Brewer is desperate and grief-stricken. For ages, the town of Bitterburn has sent tribute to the Keep at the End of the World, but a harsh winter leaves them unable to pay the toll that keeps the Beast at bay. Amarrah volunteers to brave what no one has before – to end the threat or die trying ... The Beast of Bitterburn has lost all hope. Njál has been a prisoner for his entire life. Monstrous evil has left him trapped and lonely, and he believes that will never change. There is only darkness in his endless exile, never light. Never warmth. Until she arrives ... It's a tale as old as time ... where Beauty goes to confront the Beast and falls in love instead.

Walk the Wild With Me by **Rachael Atwood** (Mass Market Paperback Release – \$18). Orphaned when still a toddler, Nicholas Withybeck knows no other home than Locksley Abbey outside Nottingham, England. He works in the scriptorium embellishing illuminated manuscripts with hidden faces of the Wild Folk and whimsical creatures that he sees every time he ventures into the woods and fields. His curiosity leads him into forbidden nooks and crannies both inside and outside the abbey, and he becomes adept at hiding to stay out of trouble ... On

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one of these forays Nick slips into the crypt beneath the abbey. There he finds an altar older than the abbey's foundations, ancient when the Romans occupied England. Behind the bricks around the altar, he finds a palm-sized silver cup. The cup is embellished with the three figures of Elena, the Celtic goddess of crossroads, sorcery, and cemeteries ... Guided by Elena along secret forest paths, Nick learns that Little John's love has been kidnapped by Queen Mab of the Faeries. The door to the Faery mound will only open when the moons of the two realms align. That time is fast approaching. Nick must release Elena so that she can use sorcery to unlock that door, allowing Nick's band of friends to try to rescue the girl. Will he have the courage to release her as his predecessor did not?

The Queen's Bargain by **Anne Bishop** (Mass Market Paperback Release – \$19). *Black Jewels Series*. After a youthful mistake, Lord Dillon's reputation is in tatters, leaving him vulnerable to aristo girls looking for a bit of fun. To restore his reputation, he needs a handfast – a one-year contract of marriage. He sets his sights on Jillian, a young Eyrien witch from Ebon Rih, who he believes has only a flimsy connection to the noble society that spurned him. Dillon is unaware of Jillian's true connections until he finds himself facing Lucivar Yaslana, the volatile Warlord Prince of Ebon Rih ... Meanwhile, Surreal SaDiablo's marriage is crumbling. Daemon Sadi, the Warlord Prince of Dhemplan, recognizes there is something wrong between him and Surreal, but he doesn't realize that his attempt to suppress his nature in order to spare his wife is causing his mind to splinter. To save Daemon, and the Realm of Kaeleer if he breaks, help must be sought from the only Queen powerful enough to control Daemon Sadi. The Queen known as Witch ... As Jillian rides the winds of first love with Dillon, Daemon and Surreal struggle to survive a stormy marriage – and Lucivar has to find a way to keep his family safe.

Secrets of the Chocolate House by **Paula Brackston** (Trade Paperback – \$34). *Found Things Series*. After her adventures in the seventeenth century, Xanthe does her best to settle back into life in Marlborough. She tells herself she must forget about Samuel and leave him in the past. With the help of her new friends, she does her best to move on, focusing on the success of her antique shop ... But there are still things waiting to be found, still injustices needing to be put right, still voices whispering to Xanthe from long ago about secrets wanting to be shared ... While looking for new stock for the shop, Xanthe hears the song of a copper chocolate pot. Soon after, she has an upsetting vision of Samuel in great danger, compelling her to make another journey to the past ... This time she'll meet her most dangerous adversary. This time her ability to travel to the past will be tested. This time she will discover her true destiny. Will that destiny allow her to return home? And will she be able to save Samuel when his own fate seems to be sealed?

Smoke Bitten by **Patricia Briggs** (Mass Market Paperback Release – \$19). *Mercy Thompson Series*. I am Mercedes Athena Thompson Hauptman. My only "superpowers" are that I turn into a thirty-five pound coyote and fix Volkswagens. But I have

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friends in odd places and a pack of werewolves at my back. I'm going to need them ... Centuries ago, the fae dwelt in Underhill – until she locked her doors against them. They left behind their castles and magical artifacts. They abandoned their prisoners and their pets. Without the fae to mind them, those creatures roamed through Underhill wreaking havoc. Only the deadliest survived ... Now one of those prisoners has escaped. It can look like anyone, any creature it chooses. But if it bites you, it controls you. It lives for chaos and destruction. It can make you do anything – even kill the person you love the most. Now it is here, in the Tri-Cities. In my territory. It won't, can't, remain. Not if I have anything to say about it.

The Mask of Mirrors by **M.A. Carrick** (Trade Paperback – \$32). *Rook and Rose Series*. Renata Virdeaux is a con artist who has come to the sparkling city of Nadezra – the city of dreams – with one goal: to trick her way into a noble house and secure her fortune and her sister's future ... But as she's drawn into the aristocratic world of House Traementis, she realises her masquerade is just one of many surrounding her. And as corrupted magic begins to weave its way through Nadezra, the poisonous feuds of its aristocrats and the shadowy dangers of its impoverished underbelly become tangled – with Ren at their heart.

These Violent Delights by **Chloe Gong** (Trade Paperback – \$23). *Violent Ends Series*. Shanghai 1926. A blood feud between two gangs runs the streets red, leaving the city in the grip of chaos. At the heart of it all is eighteen-year-old Juliette Cai, a former flapper who has returned to assume her role as the proud heir of the Scarlet Gang – a network of criminals above the law. Their only rivals in power are the White Flowers, who have fought the Scarlets for generations. And behind every move is their heir, Roma Montagov, Juliette's first love ... and first betrayal ... But when gangsters on both sides show signs of instability culminating in clawing their own throats out, the people start to whisper. Of a contagion, a madness. Of a monster in the shadows. As the deaths stack up, Juliette and Roma must set their guns – and grudges – aside and work together, for if they can't stop this mayhem, then there will be no city left for either to rule.

Everspell by **Donna Grant** (Print-On-Demand Paperback – \$30). *Kindred Series*. Runa is used to mysteries. Fortunately, she's skilled at using those things to her advantage. Until some truths about her past are revealed, and her world is shaken to its very core. Now, she has her sights set on finding and saving the family she's never known. What wasn't in her plans is the sexy, mysterious stranger who seems to find her over and over, taking her breath every time ... All his life, Brom knew he'd eventually have to find the Varroki and take his birthright. Then a witch lays out a nearly impossible choice before him, and Brom decides to follow his heart. The beautiful and enigmatic female he's drawn to is more than captivating. She makes him want to reveal all his secrets. But doing so could be the difference between life and death – for both of them. Especially in the battle between good and evil where all of the relics of the First Witch are in play – and everyone has a hidden agenda.

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Rafael by **Laurell K. Hamilton** (Mass Market Paperback – \$18). *Anita Blake, Vampire Hunter Series*. Rafael, king of the wererats, must fight to the death to defend his crown. He wants Anita Blake, one of his closest allies, with him as he faces an opponent unlike any he's faced before ... But some of the wererats fear that Rafael depends too much on Anita and her ties to the vampires. They believe that there is only room in America for one supernatural king, and Rafael will turn them into nothing more than food for the bloodsuckers ... Among his enemies, a new challenger has arisen who is younger, hungrier, and has dark secrets that could destroy both the wererats and the vampires. Rafael will go into the magical heart of his people to find the power that he needs to save them all, or die trying.

Daughter of the Serpentine by **E. E. Knight** (Trade Paperback – \$32). *Dragoneer Academy Series*. Sixteen-year-old Ileth is now an Apprentice Dragoneer, with all of the benefits and pitfalls that her elevation in rank entails. But her advancement becomes less certain after she's attacked by an unknown enemy, and Ileth begins to suspect that someone deadly may be hiding within the walls of the academy ... Outside of the walls there is a different challenge. The Rari Pirates are strangling the Vale Republic. What they lack in dragon firepower, they make up for in the brutality of their ever-expanding raids, making hostages or slaves of the Republic's citizens. Surrounded by enemies, Ileth will need to learn what kind of dragoneer she wants to be. And as she makes decisions about her future, Ileth will have the chance to uncover the secrets of her past. Both will irrevocably change the course of her life.

Were-Geeks Save Lake Wacka Wacka by **Kathy Lyons** (Mass Market Paperback – \$20). *Were-Geeks Save the World Series*. Paramedic and firefighter Bruce Collier became a werewolf to protect his family – and hopefully make amends for the way he treated his younger brother. His bitterness nearly turned him into the monster he thought his brother was ... until he met Mr. Happy. Werewolf Laddin Holt – aka Mr. Happy – likes things organized as he makes them go boom. He's Wulf, Inc's explosive expert and the only one calming the turmoil inside Bruce. At least until they're drawn into a conflict between two factions of fairies living around Lake Wacka Wacka. Bruce wants to take them out, Laddin has other ideas, and neither of them sees the real threat lurking behind the scenes – or how their love could be the answer to everybody's problems.

The Girl in the Green Silk Gown by **Seanan McGuire** (Trade Paperback – \$30). *Ghost Roads Series*. For Rose Marshall, death has become the only life she knows. She's been sweet sixteen for more than sixty years, hitchhiking her way along the highways and byways of America, sometimes seen as an avenging angel, sometimes a killer in her own right, but always Rose, the Phantom Prom Date, the Girl in the Green Silk Gown ... The man who killed her is still out there, thanks to a crossroads bargain that won't let him die, and he's looking for the one who got away. When Bobby Cross comes back into the picture, there's going to be hell to pay – possibly literally ... Rose has worked for decades to make a place for herself in the twilight. Can she defend it, when Bobby Cross comes to take her down? Can she

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find a way to navigate the worlds of the living and the dead, and make it home before her hitchhiker's luck runs out? There's only one way to know for sure.

Alpha Night by **Nalini Singh** (Mass Market Paperback Release – \$18). *Psy-Changeling Trinity Series*. Alpha wolf Selenka Durev's devotion to her pack is equaled only by her anger at anyone who would harm those under her care. That currently includes the empaths who've flowed into her city for a symposium that is a security nightmare, a powder keg just waiting for a match ... Ethan Night is an Arrow who isn't an Arrow. Numb and disengaged from the world, he's loyal only to himself. Assigned as part of the security force at a world-first symposium, he carries a dark agenda tied to the power-hungry and murderous Consortium. Then violence erupts and Ethan finds himself crashing into the heart and soul of an alpha wolf ... Mating at first sight is a myth, a fairytale. Yet Selenka's wolf is resolute: Ethan Night, broken Arrow and a man capable of obsessive devotion, is the mate it has chosen. Even if the mating bond is full of static and not quite as it should be. Because Selenka's new mate has a terrible secret, his mind surging with a power that is a creature of madness and death ...

The Conjurer by **Luanne G. Smith** (Trade Paperback – \$29). *Vine Witch Series*. Sidra didn't murder her husband. Yet even a jinni can't wish away a wrongful imprisonment. Determined to prove her innocence, she returns to her adopted home – a French village renowned for its perfume witches – with her friends Elena and Yvette by her side. Here is where Sidra's true destiny awaits, but danger also lurks in the village's narrow lanes ... On her trail is Jamra, another jinni, who's after more than revenge for the murder of his brother. He also seeks vengeance for the indignities inflicted on jinn by mortals over the centuries. When he learns of an ancient relic capable of unleashing chaos on the world, and that the weapon is in the hands of his murderous sister-in-law, he vows to destroy Sidra to get it ... Relying on a sisterhood of magic, a mysteriously faithful dog, and a second-rate sorcerer, Sidra defends herself using the village's greatest asset: its perfume. It's as beguiling a lure as it is a formidable shield. But is it enough for Sidra to protect herself and those she loves from powers yet to be released?

Big Bad Wolf by **Suleikha Snyder** (Mass Market Paperback – \$19). *Third Shift Series*. They call him a monster. More wolf than man – more dangerous than any predator. They have no idea ... Joe Peluso has blood on his hands. He took out the mobsters responsible for killing his foster brother, and that act of vigilante justice has earned him countless enemies in New York's supernatural-controlled underworld. He knows that shifters like him deserve the worst. Darkness. Pain. Solitude. But meeting Neha makes him feel human for the first time ... Lawyer and psychologist Neha Ahluwalia knows Joe is guilty, but she's determined to help him craft a solid defense ... even if she can't defend her own obsession. Just one look from the wolf shifter makes her pulse race. When a payback hit goes wrong, Neha's forced to make a choice: help Joe escape or leave him to his fate. Before long they're on the run – from the monsters who want him dead, and from an attraction that threatens to destroy them.

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The Ballad of Hattie Taylor by **Susan Andersen** (Trade Paperback – \$30). In the small, bustling town of Mattawa, Oregon, the turn of the century offers a new kind of frontier for women: a vast and exciting range of possibilities – to a point. It's a time for change, and no one is more eager to embrace new paths than free-spirited outsider Hattie Taylor. If only she could embrace Jake Murdock too ... Jake can't remember a time he was so confused. Hattie is off-limits. The provoking spitfire is under his mother's protection – his protection – and he has always belonged to another. But now, with the passing of his wife, Jake feels something shift between them. Frustratingly aware of Hattie as a woman, he struggles with new feelings, new questions, new desires ... But when a desperate decision born of good intentions turns out to have ugly repercussions, Hattie confronts a cruel reality she can no longer ignore: the truth of where women really stand and the actions men take to keep them there. To navigate her new world of tainted justice and privileged order Hattie will draw on the strength of the women around her – and Jake will learn what it truly means to support the woman he loves.

Earl's Well That Ends Well by **Jane Ashford** (Mass Market Paperback – \$18). *Way to a Lord's Heart Series*. Arthur Shelton, Earl of Macklin, has helped four young noblemen recover from grief and find love, but he's learned to live his own life as a widower. Yet when he returns home after traveling, his estate feels empty, and he quickly heads to London. There, he encounters Teresa Alvarez de Granada, a charming Spanish noblewoman and is immediately entranced ... There is no room for earls in the quiet, safe life Teresa has finally found for herself. The earl might be charming and handsome, but she knows firsthand how dangerous attraction can be. The more determined Teresa is to discourage Arthur, the more entangled they get, and it's only a matter of time before her respect for him starts to feel a lot like love.

The Princess and the Rogue by **Kate Bateman** (Mass Market Paperback – \$18). *Bow Street Bachelors Series*. Bow Street agent Sebastien Wolff, Earl of Mowbray, doesn't believe in love – until a passionate kiss with a beautiful stranger in a brothel forces him to reconsider. When the mysterious woman is linked to an intrigue involving a missing Russian princess, however, Seb realizes her air of innocence was too good to be true ... Princess Anastasia Denisova has been hiding in London as plain 'Anna Brown'. With a dangerous traitor hot on her trail, her best option is to accept Wolff's offer of protection – and accommodation – at his gambling hell. But living in such close quarters fans the flames of their mutual attraction. If Anya's true identity is revealed, does their romance stand a chance?

The Worst Duke in the World by **Lisa Berne** (Mass Market Paperback – \$18). *Penhallow Dynasty Series*. Life's no bowl of cherries for Anthony Farr, the Duke of Radcliffe. Duty demands he remarry to provide a spare to go along with the heir – and eligible ladies keep trying to finagle him into a proposal. All he wants is to be a good father to his 8-year-old son, see the Duchess (his truly terrific pig) win first prize at the harvest fête, and stay single. Even if that makes him a Bad Duke. Maybe the Worst Duke in the World

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... Then Miss Jane Kent, a long-lost relation of the illustrious Penhallow family, arrives in the neighborhood and is promptly befriended by the Duke's son. Jane, Anthony comes to realize, is smart, fun, very kissable and dazzlingly desirable. Still, that's not enough to melt his resistance to marrying again. He made a stern promise to himself and promises must, of course, be kept.

Someday My Duke Will Come by **Christina Britton** (Mass Market Paperback – \$19). *Isle of Synne Series*. Lady Clara Ashford had no intention of ever getting married. A rogue took advantage of her innocence when she was young, and she's spent her whole life trying to make sure no one finds out. But now that her sister is engaged, Clara's well-meaning aunt has set her sights on Clara. Desperate to avoid the matchmaking schemes, Clara's not sure what to do – until her neighbor, the new Duke of Reigate, shows up on her doorstep in need of her help ... Quincy Nesbitt reluctantly accepted the dukedom after his brother's death, but he'll be damned if he accepts his brother's fiancée as well. The only polite way to decline is to become engaged to someone else – quickly. Lady Clara has the right connections and happens to need him as much as he needs her. But he soon discovers she's also witty and selfless, and if he's not careful, he just might lose his heart.

The Earl of Christmas Past by **Kerrigan Byrne** (Print-On-Demand Paperback – \$20). *Goode Girls Romance Series*. Sprightly Victorian spinster, Vanessa Latimer, is stranded for the holidays in the Scottish Highlands by a relentless winter blizzard. She takes refuge at a centuries-old inn where the only available room is haunted by the ghost of a warrior who fell at Culloden Moor ... One who refuses to give up his side of the bed ... Johnathan de Lohr awakens to find a siren bathing in the chamber of sorrows that keeps his restless spirit imprisoned. Though he's the ghost, John knows that the captivating woman will be the one to haunt him.

Courting Trouble by **Kerrigan Byrne** (Print-On-Demand Paperback – \$28). *Goode Girls Romance Series*. Doctor Titus Conleith emerged from his time as a battlefield surgeon with a mysterious fortune, a lethal secret, and a demon on his back. Ruthlessly intelligent, he was able to lift himself from his beginnings as coal-stained bastard through merciless discipline and inexhaustible skill. Alone by choice, he swore never to open his heart to another. Not after Honoria Goode. The heiress who shattered his hopes and then tread upon the shards of his heart with her bejeweled slippers. The beauty with whom he shared his first taste of passion, before she gave her hand to another ... Honoria's life as a Viscountess has been nothing but a misery she'd brought upon herself with her own cowardice. Trapped for years in a loveless marriage to a cruel rake, she has been widowed by the consequences of his villainy. Now, she must face the man with the blazing golden eyes of the boy she once worshiped, and the dark past they both share.

Dancing with Danger by **Kerrigan Byrne** (Print-On-Demand Paperback – \$28). *Goode Girls Romance Series*. Mercy Goode is only truly good at one thing: finding mischief wherever she goes. Such as getting arrested at a murder scene with Raphael Sauvageau, a brutally handsome, ruthless smuggler with a

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dangerous past and a dubious future. The silver-tongued devil doesn't deserve a lick of her confidence, but she has evidence that he's not the killer ... She can't deny that he's relentlessly wicked ... Raphael has no time for obsession. He's an empire to run, a murder to avenge, and a plan to save his brother that is likely a suicide mission. But this clever, infuriating bluestocking – who insists she's an amateur sleuth – keeps showing up where she doesn't belong. And for some bloody reason they can't seem to be in the same room without him yanking her into his arms and kissing her until they're both breathless.

The Spinster and the Rake by **Eva Devon** (Mass Market Paperback – \$18). *Never a Wallflower Series*. Edward Stanhope, the icy Duke of Thornfield, likes his life in a certain order. Give him a strong drink, a good book, and his dog for company, and he's content. But when he goes to his library and finds a woman sitting in his chair, petting his dog, what starts as a request for her to leave quickly turns to a fiery battle of wits, leading to a steamy kiss ... That's when Edward's aunt walks in, and thereafter announces Miss Georgiana Bly is the future Duchess of Thornfield ... Georgiana was content to be a spinster, spending her days reading and working to keep her family out of debt. But now her days are spent locked away with a growly duke, learning how to be the perfect duchess, and her nights spent fighting the undeniable attraction to a man who was never meant for her ... As their wedding day approaches, the attraction between them burns, but is it enough to melt the duke's chilly facade?

Hit Me With Your Best Scot by **Suzanne Enoch** (Mass Market Paperback – \$18). *Wild Wicked Highlanders Series*. Coll MacTaggart, Viscount Glendarril, is a big, brawny Highlander who doesn't like being told what to do – not even by his English mother who is determined to see her eldest son wed. However, when he comes to the rescue of an irresistibly beautiful woman, Coll discovers that he may have found his perfect match ... The challenge isn't that Persephone Jones is famous, wealthy, independent, and smarter than anyone he knows. The problem is that she isn't interested in marrying any man – especially not a hot-headed Scot – even if he is the only man who seems to understand who she really is even when she's not sure herself. When Coll learns that Persephone is actually a lady-in-hiding and someone is willing to kill her for what she stands to inherit ... Well, Coll has never been one to turn down a fight. When hearts are involved, nothing comes between a Highlander and his lady.

Ravish Me with Rubies by **Jane Feather** (Mass Market Paperback – \$19). *London Jewels Trilogy*. Petra Rutherford is certain she isn't the first dreamy-eyed girl that devilishly handsome Baron Granville of Ashton has loved and left behind. But when her brother's political ambitions place her before him once more, she's determined to give Guy Granville his own taste of torment. What better way to best a scoundrel than by luring his interest – before bringing things to an abrupt, embarrassing end? The only flaw in her gem of a plan is her still powerful attraction to the dazzling nemesis ... Guy Granville is disarmed by Petra's bold pursuit of him, so much so that he forgets he never intended to fall in love – much less entertain thoughts of marriage. Now, if

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only the fiery Petra would stop sparring with him long enough to surrender to him completely – and allow him to convince her that his riches, his rubies, and his heart belong with her ...

The Rakehell of Roth by **Amalie Howard** (Mass Market Paperback – \$18). *Everleigh Sisters Series*. Lord Winter Vance, a notorious scoundrel and the Marquess of Roth, must marry to save his inheritance, but a wife is the last thing he needs. Determined to carry on his rakish ways provoking his straitlaced duke of a father and scandalizing the ton, the minute Winter ties the knot, he dumps his debutante of a bride at his country estate and hies back to London ... But three years later, forgotten in slumbering Chelmsford while her husband gallivants in town, Lady Isobel Vance decides that enough is enough and she's ready to take matters into her own hands. When a case of mistaken identity leads to a devilish dance of seduction and an indelicate wager is made, this marchioness will show her marauding marquess just who he married.

Truly Madly Plaid by **Eliza Knight** (Mass Market Paperback – \$18). *Prince Charlie's Angels Series*. Annie MacPherson's world was torn apart when her family's castle was ravaged during the war. Determined to aid her countrymen, she braves the battlefield and finds gravely wounded Lieutenant Craig MacLean. Soon her heart belongs to the fierce warrior... As the English dragoons draw closer to Annie's makeshift hospital, Craig knows they have to escape together if they'll have any chance to survive. But when they come face-to-face with the enemy and Craig is imprisoned, Annie will have to risk everything to save the man she can't live without.

Highland Gladiator by **Kathryn Le Veque** (Mass Market Paperback – \$18). *Scots and Swords Series*. When Lor Careston's Highland village was attacked and burned, he felt helpless against the raiders who destroyed his home. Seeking revenge, but lacking the fighting skills he needs to execute his mission, he sets out to find the Ludus Caledonia – a mysterious fight guild that turns men into warriors ... Lor trains hard, proves himself in the ring, and earns a place with the very clan that decimated his home, having decided to set his plan for revenge in motion from inside the clan. But his plan didn't include Isabail Keith, a fiery lass who prefers swords to embroidery and isn't afraid to stand with the warriors of her clan. Lor thought the Keiths were his enemies, but when Isabail is threatened, he'll have to decide what he's willing to risk for the woman who has captured his heart and the clan that has become his home.

Her Wicked Marquess by **Stacy Reid** (Mass Market Paperback – \$18). *Sinful Wallflowers Series*. Miss Maryann Fitzwilliam is too witty and bookish for her own good. No gentleman of the ton will marry her, so her parents arrange for her to wed a man old enough to be her father. But Maryann is ready to use those wits to turn herself into a sinful wallflower ... When the scandal sheet reports a sighting of Nicolas St. Ives, the Marquess of Rothbury, climbing out the chamber windows of a house party, Maryann does the unthinkable. She anonymously claims that the bedchamber belonged to none other than Miss Fitzwilliam, tarnishing her own reputation – and chances of the dastardly union her family secured for her. Now she just needs to convince the marquess to

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keep his silence ... Turns out Nicolas allows for the scandal to perpetuate for his own reasons ... But when Maryann's parents hold fast to their arranged marriage plan, it'll take a scandal of epic proportions for these two to get out of this together.

The Duke Heist by **Erica Ridley** (Mass Market Paperback – \$19). *Wild Wynchesters Series*. Chloe Wynchester is forgettable – a curse that gives her the ability to blend into any crowd. When the only father she's ever known makes a dying wish for his adopted family of orphans to recover a missing painting, she's the one her siblings turn to for stealing it back. No one expects that in doing so, she'll also abduct a duke ... Lawrence Gosling, the Duke of Faircliffe, is tortured by his father's mistakes. To repair his estate's ruined reputation, he must wed a highborn heiress. Yet when he finds himself in a carriage being driven hell-for-leather down the cobblestone streets of London by a beautiful woman who refuses to heed his commands, he fears his heart is hers. But how can he sacrifice his family's legacy to follow true love?

Highland Treasure by **Lynsay Sands** (Mass Market Paperback – \$18). *Highland Brides Series*. After escaping from the English soldiers who attacked her home and imprisoned her in a dungeon, Lady Elysande de Valance is grateful for the rugged Scots who are escorting her to safety in the Highlands. Even with danger dogging their every step, she hadn't expected to welcome the strong comforting embrace of their leader, Rory Buchanan. They say he's a healer, but she finds the heat of his touch does so much more ... Let his brothers get married – Rory is too busy tending to the sick to be bothered with wooing a bride. But when he is tasked with accompanying a family friend's "treasure" to the Highlands, he is surprised to learn the treasure is a beautiful woman on the run – and even more surprised to discover bruises hidden by her veil. Rory makes it his mission to tend to her injuries and protect her, but the thought of losing her makes him realize that perhaps it is his heart that is most in need of healing.

Mainstream & Chick Lit

Postscript by **Cecelia Ahern** (Trade Paperback – \$30). *PS, I Love You Series*. Seven years after her husband's death – six since she read his final letter – Holly Kennedy has moved on with her life. When Holly's sister asks her to tell the story of the "PS, I Love You" letters on her podcast – to revisit the messages Gerry wrote before his death to read after his passing – she does so reluctantly, not wanting to reopen old wounds ... But after the episode airs, people start reaching out to Holly, and they all have one thing in common: they're terminally ill and want to leave their own missives behind for loved ones. Suddenly, Holly finds herself drawn back into a world she's worked tirelessly to leave behind – but one that leads her on another incredible journey.

The Lost and Found Bookshop by **Susan Wiggs** (Mass Market Paperback Release – \$20). In the wake of a tragedy, Natalie Harper inherits her mother's charming but financially strapped bookshop in San Francisco. She also becomes caretaker for her ailing grandfather Andrew ... But the gruff, deeply kind Andrew has begun displaying signs of decline. Natalie thinks it's best to move him to an assisted living facility. To pay for it, she plans to close the bookstore and sell the derelict but valuable building on historic Perdita Street, which is in need of constant fixing. There's only one problem – Grandpa Andrew owns the building and refuses to sell. Natalie adores her grandfather; she'll do whatever it takes to make his final years happy. Besides, she loves the store and its books provide solace for her grief ... After she moves into the studio apartment above the shop, Natalie carries out her grandfather's request and hires contractor Peach Gallagher to do the repairs. His young daughter, Dorothy, also becomes a regular at the store, and she and Natalie begin reading together while Peach works ... To Natalie's surprise, her sorrow begins to dissipate as her life becomes an unexpected journey of new connections, discoveries and revelations, from unearthing artifacts hidden in the bookshop's walls, to discovering the truth about her family, her future, and her own heart.

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