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Severn House began life in 1974 as an independent publisher of titles by authors popular with libraries, rediscovering and rejuvenating out-of-print authors and series.

Over the years, we've grown into one of the UK's foremost publishers of genre fiction, particularly crime and mysteries, with prestigious names from both sides of the Atlantic on our list.

We are proud to publish the likes of Simon Brett, the godfather of cosy crime; Qiu Xiaolong, recently honoured as one of the authors on *Time* magazine's 100 Best Mystery and Thriller Books of All Time list; multi award-winning author Catriona McPherson, who took home last year's Anthony Award for Best Humorous Novel; Cynthia Harrod-Eagles, whose bestselling DCI Bill Slider series just passed its 24th entry; and many other award-winning and bestselling writers.

And we are excited to welcome new names and voices to our list. In these pages, you'll find new-to-Severn House authors like A.J. Steiger (*Eye of a Little God*), Jason Pinter (*Past Crimes*), Daryl Wood Gerber (*The Son's Secret*), Justin Scott (*The Sister Queens*), Jeffrey Siger (*At Any Cost*),

Jeffrey B. Burton (*The Dead Years*), Steven F. Havill (*Perfect Opportunity*) and Wendy Church (*Knife Skills*).

In 2017, we were acquired by fiercely independent publisher Canongate Books.

Fifty (we're told) is an age for looking back at where you've come from, but it's also a time of looking forward at what's yet to come. We're just as spry, feisty, and independent as we were in 1974, and we're just as dedicated now as then to publishing the books that you want to read.

So here's to another 50 years of publishing great genre fiction! Keep reading and come along for the ride with us.

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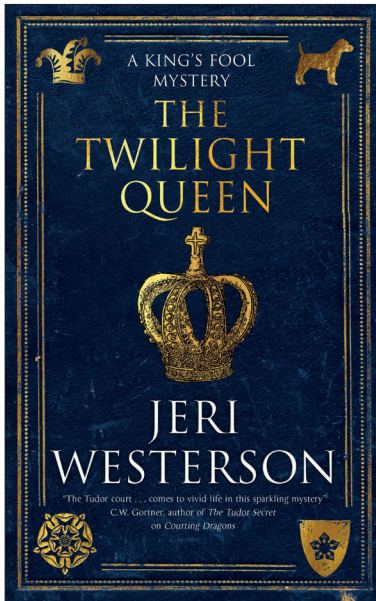
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NEW RELEASES



Jeri Westerson was born and raised in Los Angeles. As well as fifteen Crispin Guest medieval mysteries, she is the author of three paranormal series and several historical novels. Her books have been nominated for the Shamus, the Macavity and the Agatha awards.

The Twilight Queen

A King's Fool Mystery #2

JERI WESTERSON

Court jester Will Somers is drawn into another gripping and entertaining mystery when malevolent forces strike again at the court of Henry VIII – and Anne Boleyn is the target.

1536, London. Anne Boleyn, Queen of England, is in peril. In the mid of night, court jester Will Somers is summoned to an urgent assignation when she discovers a body in her chamber. The queen wants Will to find out who the man is and how he ended up there. Is someone trying to frame her for his murder?

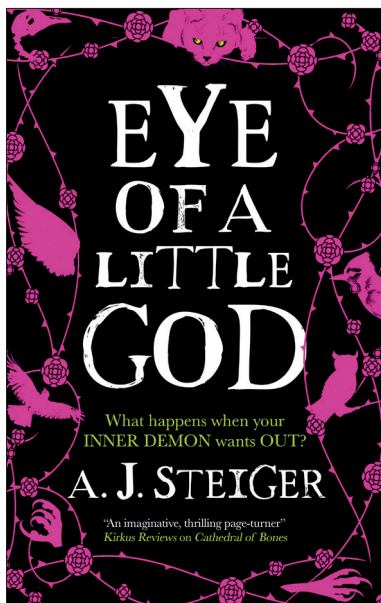
Queen Anne has many enemies at court, and to make matters worse, Henry VIII is lining up his next conquest and suspects his queen of treason. Has the formidable Thomas Cromwell been whispering vile lies in the king's ears, and could the queen be the target of a Catholic conspiracy? As further attacks plague the court, Will is determined to uncover the truth behind the plotting and devilry, but he will need to keep hold of all his wits to do so!

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A.J. Steiger was born in Burbank, Illinois and grew up in the Chicago area, graduating from Columbia College in Chicago where she majored in Fiction Writing. Her previous novels include the Young Adult books *Mindwalker* and *Mindstormer*, *When My Heart Joins the Thousand*, and *Cathedral of Bones*. *Eye of a Little God* is her first adult fiction book.

Eye of a Little God

A. J. STEIGER

The Painted Man is here. I feel him in the darkness. He says, "If you let me in, I'll make the pain stop." God help me, I want to let him.

After losing his delivery job — the last thing binding him to an empty life — Eddie Luther, veteran and drifter, drives into the snowy woods with a bottle of sleeping pills. But instead of eternal silence, Eddie hears a whisper inside his damaged ear.

Help me.

He follows the call and finds a cryptic journal filled with loneliness and longing, a journal whose words seem written for *him* alone. Guided by the clues in its pages, he embarks on a journey into a shadowy world beneath the small town of Devil's Fork, Nebraska — a world where girls become cats, televisions whisper prophecies, and only those cast out of society can see and use magic...

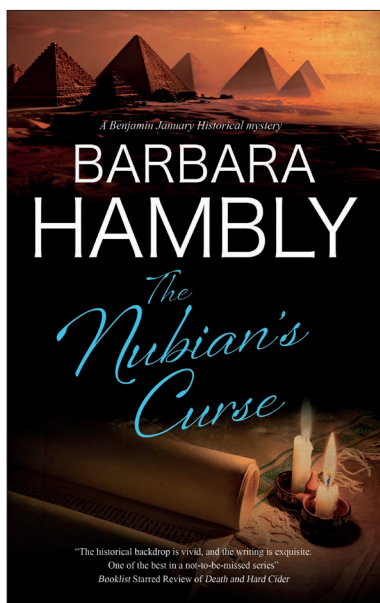
Or maybe Eddie's sanity is slipping. All he knows for sure is that he's falling in love with someone he's never seen, someone who may be more than human — and who will change everything he thinks he knows about the world and his place in it.

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Barbara Hambly, though a native of Southern California, lived in New Orleans for many years while married to the late science fiction writer George Alec Effinger. Hambly holds a degree in medieval history from the University of California and has written novels in numerous genres.

The Nubian's Curse

A Benjamin January Historical Mystery
#20

BARBARA HAMBLY

A cursed statue... A haunted house... A seemingly supernatural death... The unexpected arrival of a friend from his past plunges musician, sleuth and free man of color Benjamin January into an old, unsolved case in this historical mystery set in New Orleans.

December, 1840. Surgeon turned piano-player Benjamin January is looking forward to a peaceful holiday with his family. But the arrival of an old friend brings unexpected news — and unexpected danger.

Persephone Jondrette has found Arithmus: a Sudanese man with extraordinary mental abilities who January last saw in France, nearly fifteen years ago, during a ghost-hunting expedition to a haunted château. January and his friends survived the experience... but Arithmus' benefactor, the British explorer Deverel Wishart, did not. He was discovered dead one morning, his face twisted in horror, and shortly afterwards Arithmus vanished, never to be seen again.

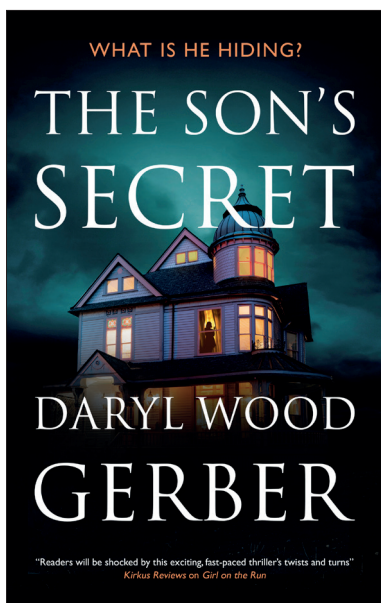
Did Deverel succumb to the château's ghosts — or did Arithmus murder him and run away? January is determined to uncover the truth about the tragic incident from his past, and clear his old friend's name — but even he isn't prepared for what happens next...

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Daryl Wood Gerber is the Agatha Award-winning, nationally bestselling author of the Aspen Adams novels of suspense and a number of standalones, as well as the Fairy Garden mysteries, the French Bistro mysteries, and the Cookbook Nook mysteries. Under the pen name Avery Aames, Daryl writes the Cheese Shop mysteries. Daryl loves to cook, read, golf, swim, and garden. She also likes adventure and has been known to jump out of a perfectly good airplane.

The Son's Secret

DARYL WOOD GERBER

What if you're the only one who believes your son is missing? A chilling, twisty psychological suspense novel, perfect for fans of Laura Dave and Gillian Flynn.

Maggie Lawson is the smart, capable dean of a boutique college, but even the most confident mother has a weakness — her child. When Maggie can't reach her college senior son, Aiden, to tell him that his father has been shot, she starts to panic. She texts. She calls.

Is Aiden ghosting her, or have the dangerous stories Aiden's father, her investigative journalist ex-husband, pursues finally brought trouble to her door? Maggie is sure that something is very wrong, but no one believes her. As dark events unfold, she must rely on her own investigative instincts to find Aiden. But when Maggie uncovers a devastating secret, she faces a race against time to save him.

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Geri Krotow is an award-winning author of over thirty novels, including the Whidbey Island contemporary romance series and the Silver Valley PD romantic suspense series. A US Naval Academy graduate and former Naval Intelligence Officer, Geri left her Navy career after nine years to follow her heart and focus on her dream of becoming an author. When not writing or reading, Geri loves to knit and go on long walks with her beloved dogs. A native of Buffalo, New York, she relishes frequent return visits.

The Pierogi Peril

A Kielbasa Queen Mystery #2

GERI KROTOW

Lydia Wienewski has opened her Polish-American cafe and bakery on the shore of Lake Erie, but her idyllic new venture is shattered when the low tide leads to a terrible discovery.

June, 1982. Lydia Wienewski's dream has finally come true: Lydia's Lakeside Café and Bakery, selling delicious Polish-American fare on the shore of Lake Erie, is now open and her fortunes are looking up. Even her old nemesis and tutor, the irascible Madame Delphine, has made time to sample Lydia's delectable pierogi, with some of her students in tow.

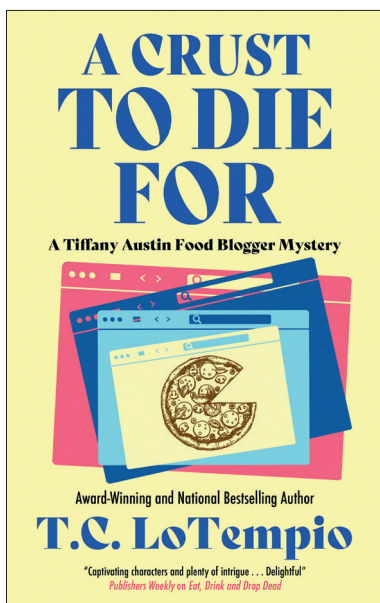
But when Lydia finds Madame Delphine dead in the water, her lakeside dream turns into a nightmare. Was it a bizarre suicide, or brutal murder? As Lydia and Grandma Mary investigate, they discover that there was more to Madame Delphine than meets the eye, and quickly find themselves drawn into an increasingly perilous situation! Can they uncover the truth about Madame Delphine's untimely death?

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T.C. LoTempio is the award-winning, nationally bestselling author of the Nick and Nora mysteries, the Urban Tails Pet Shop mysteries, and the Cat Rescue mysteries. Born in New York City, she now resides in Phoenix, Arizona with her two cats, Maxx and Rocco. Rocco prides himself on being the inspiration for her Nick and Nora series.

A Crust to Die For

A Tiffany Austin Food Blogger Mystery #2

T.C. LOTEMPIO

Food critic and blogger Tiffany Austin investigates a murder at a pizza baking contest in her Southern home town in this second instalment of the Tiffany Austin Food Blogger Mystery.

The Bon-Appetempting Pizza Bake-Off has the small town of Branson, Georgia buzzing. Not least its organizer, *Southern Style's* food critic and blogger Tiffany Austin. But right before the finals one of the celebrity judges falls ill, and to Tiffany's horror the magazine replaces him with none other than handsome TV star and restaurateur Bartholomew Driscoll.

Tiffany once gave his restaurant a poor review, and she's convinced he's only accepted the job to get revenge. She fully expects Driscoll will find a way to ruin the contest... but she definitely doesn't expect to trip over his dead body backstage!

Soon, it's clear Tiffany wasn't the only person who had less than positive feelings towards the sharp-tongued Driscoll. She's surrounded by suspects — but which of the motley crew of contestants, family members and scorned friends and colleagues had the guts to commit murder?

With the help of her BFF Hilary and annoyingly handsome detective Bartell, and with cat Lily and puppy Cooper as emotional support, Tiffany investigates, only to discover that revenge is indeed a dish best served cold...

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The Sister Queens

JUSTIN SCOTT

Two rival queens. History's greatest playwright. And a deadly plot for the crown.

London, 1600. With no legitimate heir to Queen Elizabeth's throne, and no clear successor, England finds itself in a supremely perilous moment.

When spymaster Anthony Bacon commands esteemed playwright William Shakespeare to write a play on the poisonous history of Queen Elizabeth and the rival monarch she executed, Catholic Mary Queen of Scots, Will knows that Elizabeth's one-time favorite, the powerful Earl of Essex, will use the play to try to seize her throne.

Must Will be ensnared in a ruthless plot fated to tumble his country into civil war? Or can he navigate a treacherous path through the dark warrens of London and the tortuous world of Elizabethan politics to save his family, his country, and his Queen?

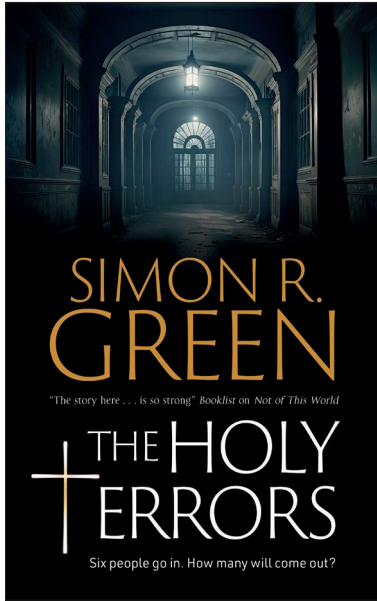
Justin Scott has earned his living writing historical suspense novels, thrillers, and sea stories for fifty years. He is the author of *The Shipkiller*, the Benjamin Abbott New England mystery series, and collaborated with Clive Cussler on the Isaac Bell historical detective series. *The Sister Queens* is his thirty-seventh published novel. Born in Manhattan, he grew up on Long Island's Great South Bay in a family of professional writers. Justin holds BA and MA degrees in history, and before becoming a writer, drove boats and trucks, helped build Fire Island beach houses, edited an electronic engineering journal, and tended bar in a Hell's Kitchen saloon. He lives in Connecticut with his wife, filmmaker Amber Edwards.

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Simon R. Green was born in Bradford-on-Avon, Wiltshire, where he still lives. He is the *New York Times* bestselling author of more than seventy science fiction and fantasy novels, including the *Nightside*, *Secret Histories* and *Ghost Finders* series, the *Ishmael Jones* mysteries, the *Gideon Sable* series and his brand-new *Holy Terrors* mystery series.

The Holy Terrors

SIMON R. GREEN

Six people locked in a haunted hall...
Cameras watching their every move...
And then someone dies... The first in a spine-tingling new paranormal mystery series from *New York Times* bestselling British fantasy author Simon R. Green.

Welcome to Spooky Time, the hit TV ghost-hunting show where the horror is scripted... and the ratings are declining rapidly. What better way to up the stakes — and boost the viewership — than by locking a select group of Z-list celebrities up for the night in The Most Haunted Hall in England™ and live-streaming the 'terrifying' results?

Soon Alistair, a newly appointed Bishop, actress Diana, medium Leslie, comedian Toby and celebrity chef Indra are trapped inside Stonehaven town hall, along with June, the host and producer of the show. The group tries to settle in and put on a good show, but then strange things start happening in their hall of horrors.

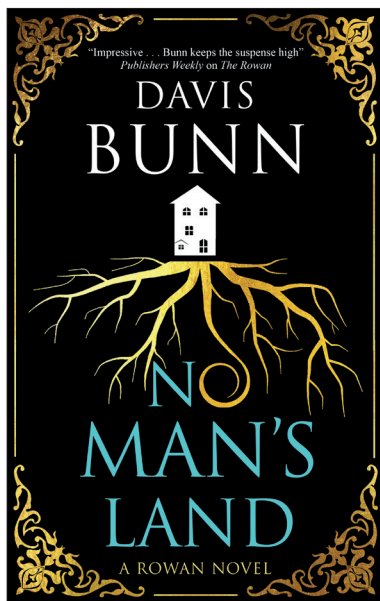
What is it about this place — and why is the TV crew outside not responding? Are they even on air? Logical Alistair and intuitive Diana attempt to keep the group's fears at bay and rationalize the odd events, but there are things that just can't be explained within reason... Can the pair stop a cold-blooded would-be killer — even if it's come from beyond the grave?

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Davis Bunn's novels have sold in excess of eight million copies in twenty-six languages. He has appeared on numerous national bestseller lists, and his novels have been Main or Featured Selections with every major US bookclub. Recent titles have been named Best Book of the Year by both *Library Journal* and *Suspense Magazine*, as well as earning Top Pick and Starred Reviews from *Publishers Weekly*, *RT Reviews*, *Kirkus Reviews* and *Booklist*. Currently Davis serves as Writer-In-Residence at Regent's Park College, Oxford University. He speaks around the world on aspects of creative writing. Davis also publishes under the pseudonym of Thomas Locke.

No Man's Land

A Rowan Novel #2

DAVIS BUNN

CIA field agent Kelly Kaiser is drawn into a dangerous, top-secret mission to stop the number of people affected by the rowan tree's mysterious forces getting out of control.

Junior CIA field agent Kelly Kaiser jumps at the chance to lead a risky mission to enter Mexico and gather refugees from under the nose of the notorious drug lord who murdered her fiancé.

When the mission takes a revenge-fuelled twist, Kelly finds herself facing dismissal, but Agnes Pendalon, the CIA's chief 'spook' lady, has other ideas. Kelly must lead a new, top-secret team to hunt down everyone infected by a magical, mysterious rowan tree's supernatural forces, and stop the outbreaks getting out of control.

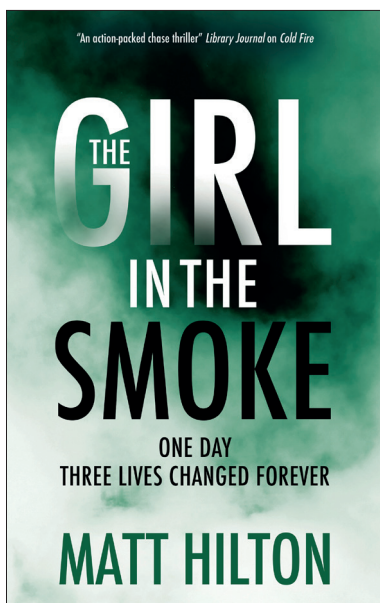
Facing an enemy she cannot see or define, Kelly is pulled into a war between alien forces and humanity, and soon discovers that there is more to her fiancé's death than meets the eye...

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The Girl in the Smoke

MATT HILTON

One day. Three lives changed forever.

Danni has seen more in her eight years on this planet than most people see in a lifetime. The sole survivor of a motorway pile-up which took her mother's life, she is now safe and thriving with her adoptive family. Until the day the bad people come knocking. Forcing Danni to face the memories she has done such a good job forgetting...

Josie's quiet life is dismantled with a knock at the door. When she and her daughter are violently kidnapped, Josie must act fast to survive. Danni has very little memory of the day her mother died, but these people are hell-bent on finding the money her mother stole before her death, and they think Danni knows more than she's letting on.

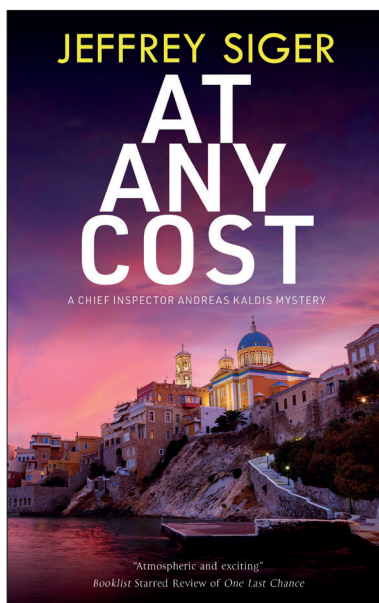
Grace arrives at her big sister's house to find her partner Pete beaten and tied up and her sister and niece taken. Josie has been her protector her entire life — but now she needs to be the strong one. Enlisting the help of a friend with the combat experience and skills she needs, Grace will stop at nothing to get her family back home...

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At Any Cost

*A Chief Inspector Andreas Kaldis
Mystery #13*

JEFFREY SIGER

Greece is burning... and Chief Inspector Andreas Kaldis is determined to save his country from disaster in the new novel in Jeffrey Siger's critically acclaimed, internationally bestselling mystery series.

Jeffrey Siger is an American living on the Aegean Greek island of Mykonos. A former Wall Street lawyer, he gave up his career as a name partner in his own New York City law firm to write the international best-selling, award recognized Chief Inspector Andreas Kaldis series. *The New York Times* have named him as Greece's thriller novelist of record, and the Greek government selected him as the only American author writing novels that serve as a guide to Greece.

He's also served as Chair of the National Board of Bouchercon, America's largest mystery convention, and as Adjunct Professor of English at Washington & Jefferson College, teaching mystery writing.

Chief Inspector Kaldis is initially dismayed to be asked to investigate a series of suspicious forest fires that took place last summer. In Greece, forest fires are an inevitability, and he fears he and his team are being set up to take the political blame for this year's blazes.

He quickly becomes suspicious, though, that the forests were torched for profit — and for a project on a far grander scale than the usual low-level business corruption. There are whispers on the wind that shadowy foreign powers intend to establish a surreptitious mega-internet presence on the island of Syros, with the intent to weaponize the digital world to their own dark ends.

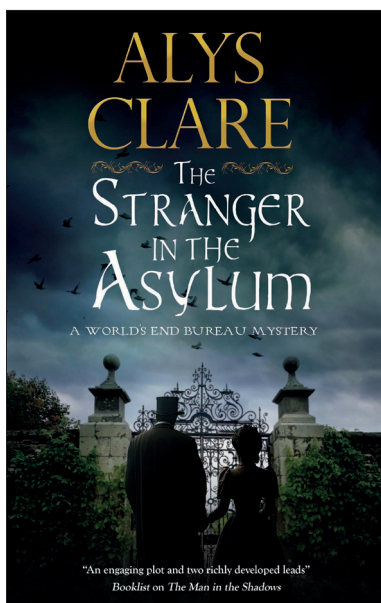
Can Kaldis and his team stop the hostile foreign takeover of the idyllic island — or will the rise of the metaverse set not just Greece, but the whole world, on fire?

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Alys Clare lives in the English countryside where her novels are set. She went to school in Tonbridge and later studied archaeology at the University of Kent. She is the author of the Aelf Fen, Hawkenlye, World's End Bureau and Gabriel Taverner historical mystery series.

The Stranger in the Asylum

A World's End Bureau Mystery #4

ALYS CLARE

Private investigators Lily Raynor and Felix Wilbraham have to hunt down an escapee from a French asylum, in this new, gripping World's End Bureau Victorian mystery from critically-acclaimed author Alys Clare.

London, April 1882. When cool-headed Phyllida visits the World's End Investigation Bureau to offer a curious case concerning her fiancé, proprietor Lily Raynor is intrigued — and privately excited. For accepting the case means taking an unexpected trip abroad, to France.

Phyllida's fiancé, Wilberforce, is currently in an asylum in Brittany, after a tragic incident which resulted in the death of his father. Did he kill him on purpose — or was it an accident?

Wilberforce's innocence looks increasingly in doubt when another murder happens at the asylum — and the evidence points to Wilberforce being the culprit. Phyllida fears for Wilberforce's wellbeing, but she can't marry a murderer! With the engagement hanging in the balance, Phyllida wants to know the truth before it's too late.

Lily and her assistant, Felix Wilbraham, journey to rural France to uncover the truth, but the case takes an unexpected turn when they discover that the accused man has escaped the asylum and is nowhere to be found. Soon the intrepid investigators are in over their heads with much greater and unexpected powers at play...

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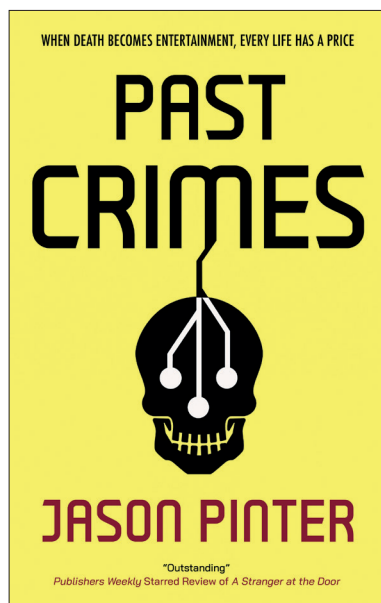
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Jason Pinter is the internationally bestselling author of the Henry Parker and Rachel Marin series, and the standalone thriller *The Castle*. He has been nominated for the Thriller Award, Strand Critics Award, Barry Award, and Shamus Award. *Hide Away* was named one of *Library Journal's* Best Books of the Year, *The Fury* and *The Darkness* were Indie Next selections, and *The Mark* and *The Stolen* appeared on the Heatseekers bestseller list in *The Bookseller*.

Jason is the Founder and Publisher of the independent publisher Polis Books, as well as Agora, an imprint dedicated to diverse and underrepresented voices in crime fiction.

Past Crimes

JASON PINTER

When death becomes entertainment, every life has a price. And Cassie West is about to find out how much hers is worth...

Welcome to Earth+. The year is 2037, and nearly all human interactions have migrated to the virtual world. Now, true crime fans don't just listen to podcasts or watch documentaries — they participate in hyper-realistic simulations and hunt for clues to solve the most famous and gruesome crimes in history. Criminal entertainment is a multibillion-dollar industry, and at the forefront is *Past Crimes*: known by its millions of fans as the Disneyland of Death.

Cassie West licenses crimes for V.I.C.E, spending long hours convincing grieving families to allow her to sell their tragedies to the highest bidder. Life is hard, and the cost of living high, but she and her husband Harris have never been happier. After years of trying, Cassie is finally pregnant.

But leaving work late one evening, Cassie starts to worry. Harris isn't responding to texts or calls. Even worse, dozens of emergency drones seem to be heading in the same direction as she is: straight to their home.

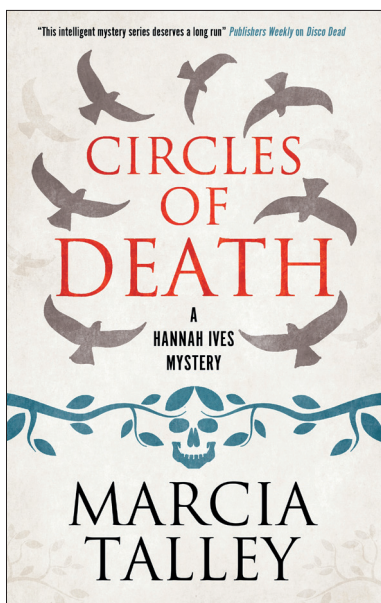
What she finds there changes everything. Soon, Cassie finds herself in a fight for survival, becoming a target in both the real and virtual worlds. But it's not just her own life at stake. If Cassie can't uncover the truth of what happened to her husband, thousands more may die...

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Marcia Talley is the Agatha and Anthony award-winning author of nineteen previous crime novels featuring sleuth Hannah Ives. Her short stories appear in more than a dozen collections and have been reprinted in many best-of-the-year crime story anthologies. She is a past president of Sisters in Crime, Inc. Marcia lives in Annapolis, Maryland, but spends the winter months in a quaint Loyalist cottage in the Bahamas.

Circles of Death

A Hannah Ives Mystery #20

MARCIA TALLEY

Hannah Ives uncovers a deadly connection between disturbing discoveries in the past and present in this gripping mystery.

Hannah Ives and her husband are staying at their idyllic vacation cottage on Maryland's eastern shore when a young friend, Noel Sinclair, stops by for a visit. As Hannah shows Noel around the property, they notice some bald eagles in a neighboring cornfield who look seriously ill.

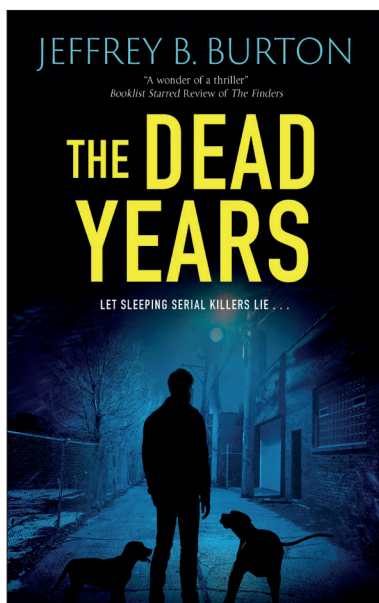
Could these magnificent birds have been poisoned? Hannah's investigation soon clashes with powerful commercial agricultural interests. Meanwhile, Noel uncovers some shocking news of her own when she and her sister receive the results of their DNA tests. As Hannah tries to discover who is tormenting the birds while also delving into Noel's family tree, the last thing she expects to uncover is a deadly connection between the two...

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Novels in **Jeffrey B. Burton's** critically-acclaimed Mace Reid K-9 mystery series include *The Finders*, *The Keepers*, and *The Lost*. His Agent Drew Cady thrillers include *The Chessman*, *The Lynchpin*, and *The Eulogist*. Jeff lives in St. Paul, Minnesota, with his wife, Cindy, an irate Pomeranian named Lucy, and a happy galoot of a Beagle named Milo.

The Dead Years

A Chicago K-9 Thriller #1

JEFFREY B. BURTON

A serial killer, dormant for years, reawakens after viewing a Netflix docuseries depicting his string of homicides. The killer is not happy with his portrayal and no one in the cast and crew is safe! The first instalment of a gripping new thriller series set in Chicago and featuring a young sibling sleuth-duo and their working dogs.

Siblings Cory and Crystal Pratt are still trying to get their lives together after a tragic accident which killed their parents years ago. The only thing that distracts them now is their jobs. With Crystal working as a newly minted detective at the Chicago Police Department and Cory owning a dog training academy with two human remains detection dogs of his own, their professional paths cross every now and then.

Crime, and especially murder, in Chicago is nothing new, but when a string of killings happen that seem to be connected to a Netflix docuseries and its cast and crew, Cory and Crystal are called in to stop the number of bodies from piling any higher.

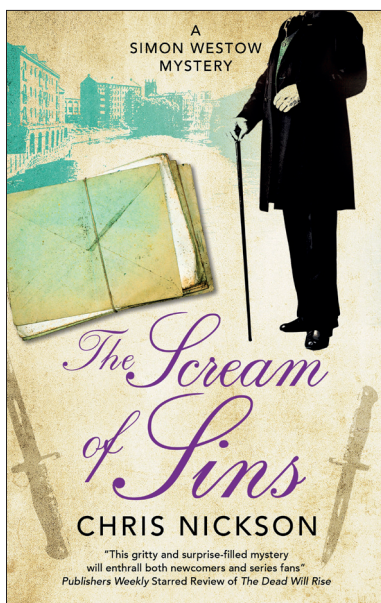
But when the siblings start poking around the killer's business, the killer sets their sights on the pair... and particularly on Cory and his dogs! Will they be able to escape the fury of the serial killer or become the newest victims?

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Chris Nickson is the author of eleven Tom Harper mysteries, seven highly acclaimed novels in the Richard Nottingham series and six Simon Westow books. Born and raised in Leeds, he returned there to make his home a decade ago.

The Scream of Sins

A Simon Westow Mystery #6

CHRIS NICKSON

Thief-taker Simon Westow uncovers an evil lurking in the underbelly of Leeds in this page-turning historical mystery, perfect for fans of Anne Perry and Charles Finch.

Leeds, October 1824. Thief-taker Simon Westow's job seems straightforward. Captain Holcomb's maid, Sophie, has stolen important papers that could ruin the family's reputation, and he's desperate for their return. But the case very quickly takes a murderous turn, and it becomes clear the papers are hiding a host of sins...

During the search, Simon's assistant, Jane, hears a horrific tale: men are snatching young girls from small towns for use by the rich. Those who are unwanted are tossed on to the streets of Leeds to survive among the homeless. With the help of an unlikely, deadly new companion, Jane will do everything to discover who's responsible and make them pay.

Can Simon and Jane recover Holcomb's letters and get justice for the stolen girls? It becomes a battle that might result in them losing everything... including their lives.

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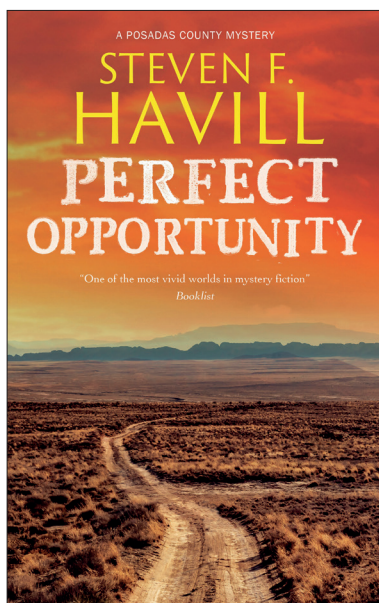
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Perfect Opportunity

A Posadas County Mystery #26

STEVEN F. HAVILL

Octogenarian former sheriff Bill Gastner and Undersheriff Estelle Reyes-Guzman investigate a puzzling double murder in this twisty, page-turning instalment in the critically acclaimed Posadas County mystery series.

The morning after his eighty-seventh birthday bash, former Posadas County sheriff Bill Gastner drives past a couple of vehicles stopped on the highway shoulder. It's not an unusual sight: a sheriff's patrol unit, emergency lights ablaze, pulled in behind a pickup truck. The female deputy hasn't radioed for backup. But there's something about the scene that makes him feel uneasy.

The next day, Undersheriff Estelle Reyes-Guzman is called to a rather more dramatic and disturbing roadside scene, with the same truck the star of the show. But this time, its occupant is in no fit state to talk — his dead body stabbed through the chest with a Ka-Bar, a second corpse in the ditch beside the car.

What happened to the two men? And what were the dead man and the deputy discussing in the quiet of pre-dawn the previous day?

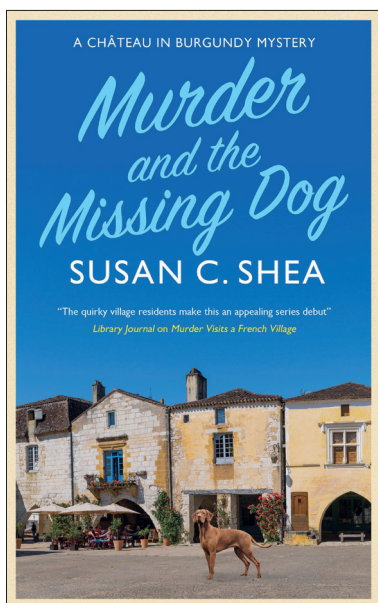
The truth is more twisty and complex than even Estelle and her long-standing friend and former colleague Bill are ready for, and it will take all their combined years of experience to untangle the sorry tale and ensure justice is served.

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Susan C. Shea spent more than two decades as a non-profit executive before beginning her first critically praised mystery series in 2010, featuring a professional fundraiser for an art museum. In 2017, she debuted a new mystery series set in France, for St. Martin's Minotaur Books. She's a regular on 7 Criminal Minds blog and is a past secretary of the national Sisters in Crime board and is a past board member of the Northern California chapters of Sisters in Crime and Mystery Writers of America.

She lives in Marin County, California, where two cats pretty much rule the house!

Murder and the Missing Dog

A Château in Burgundy Mystery #2

SUSAN C. SHEA

Ariel Shepard is settling in to her new life in her renovated château in the idyllic French countryside – but murder and mystery are never too far away...

Ariel Shepard has spent the last year renovating her beautiful French château, while also ingratiating herself into the lives and hearts of the quirky locals of Noyers-sur-Serein. The shocking business of the murder of the local historian is behind her and she is finally feeling at home.

However, it's not long before murder and mystery once again seek Ariel out, when she and her friend Katherine find the body of the elderly Madame Toussaint in the doorway of Katherine's flea market shop.

Who would want to harm this lonely soul? Where is the bag the woman never leaves home without? And more importantly, where is her loyal, loving dog who never leaves her side? Could Raoul, Ariel's stoic gardener, really have something to do with it? And could Madame Toussaint have been mixed up with the robberies increasing around the idyllic villages of France?

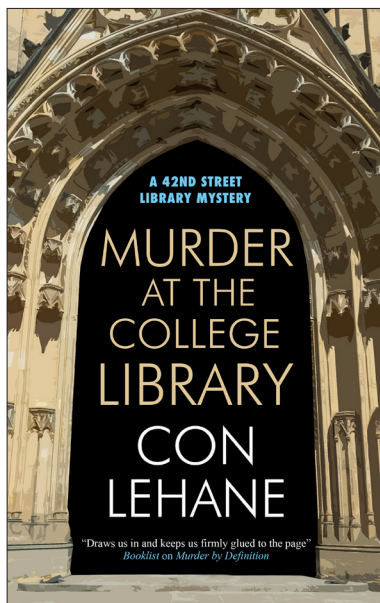
Despite warnings from the rather handsome Brigadier Allard, Ariel, with help from Katherine and Pippa, once again dons her sleuthing hat...

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Murder at the College Library

A 42nd Street Library Mystery #5

CON LEHANE

Crime-fiction librarian — and reluctant amateur sleuth — Ray Ambler gets mixed up in murder once again when he's called to appraise a mystery-novel collection at an exclusive New York college.

An invitation from a prestigious liberal arts college to buy their mystery-novel collection comes as a welcome surprise for Raymond Ambler, crime-fiction curator at New York City's prestigious 42nd Street Library. But his pleasure quickly turns sour when the collection's curator — Ambler's friend Sam Abernathy — tells him he plans to fight the acquisition tooth and nail.

The collection would make a fine addition to his holdings, but Ambler's not looking for drama. It's a shame, then, that drama's looking for him. Just a couple of weeks later, one of Abernathy's colleagues is shot dead from the library's roof, and all signs point to the crime-loving professor as the perpetrator of the violent act.

Why would Abernathy kill — and was it for his collection, for college politics, or for some dark secret yet to be revealed? Ambler's not sure his old friend's a killer, but he is sure he wants justice — for both the living *and* the dead.

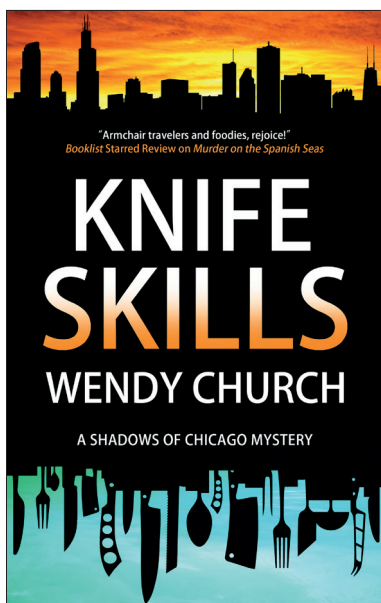
Working with his son John, he launches into an investigation at the college library, and it's not long before he discovers missing manuscripts, explosive secrets and scandals amongst the faculty staff... and a cunning killer who'll stop at nothing to cover up their crimes.

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Knife Skills

A Shadows of Chicago Mystery #1

WENDY CHURCH

Down-on-her-luck chef Sagarine Pfister gets drawn into the dangerous underworld of Chicago in the first in the brand-new Shadows of Chicago mystery series.

Sagarine Pfister is a great cook but has been blacklisted by almost every restaurant in Chicago. She gets her chance at Louie's, a below-average restaurant, the only place that will give her a job.

Things change when she finds head chef Louie Ferrar dead in the walk-in freezer of his restaurant. But instead of closing the place down, the owner, Russian gang boss Anatoly Morzov, not only offers her Louie's job, but also the position as his personal chef. Sagarine agrees, and while she knows she's playing with fire, the chance to turn out extraordinary food at both the restaurant and for Morzov's extravagant private parties is just too tempting.

While the Chicago PD searches for Louie's killer, the FBI pressures Sagarine to inform on the gang. She has no choice, but things take another dangerous turn when she falls for one of Morzov's lieutenants. As Sagarine becomes more deeply involved with the gang and with her lover, the FBI's demands put her at increased risk of discovery. She has to make a decision about where her loyalties lie as she finds herself running for her life.

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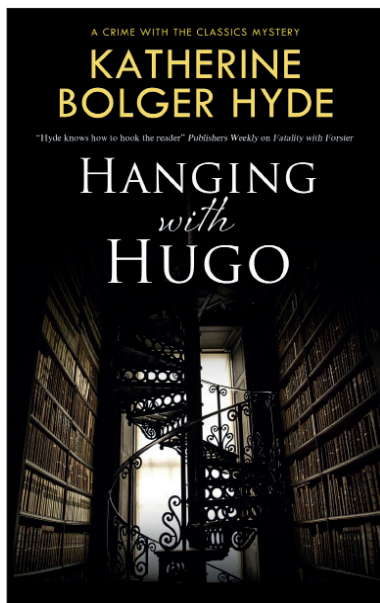
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Hanging with Hugo

A Crime with the Classics Mystery #6

KATHERINE BOLGER HYDE

Writer's retreat Windy Corner becomes a sanctuary of a different kind when a man and his foster daughter are harassed by a social worker, with tragic consequences.

Emily and Luke Richards are back from their honeymoon and plunged into a whirlwind of activity. Emily's halfbrother, Oscar, and his fiancée want to be married at St. Bede's Church with a reception at Windy Corner. But they're not the only guests arriving at Emily's home.

Emily unexpectedly finds herself playing host to the family of the artist repairing the church's stained-glass window, as well as Moses Valory and his young ward, Charlotte, who are seeking sanctuary from social worker Janine Vertue's harassment.

When Janine appears at Emily's door and is later discovered hanged in her hotel room, it becomes apparent that Moses and Charlotte are not the only people in the house with reason to hate her. Could one of the guests Emily and Luke have come to trust turn out to be a murderer?

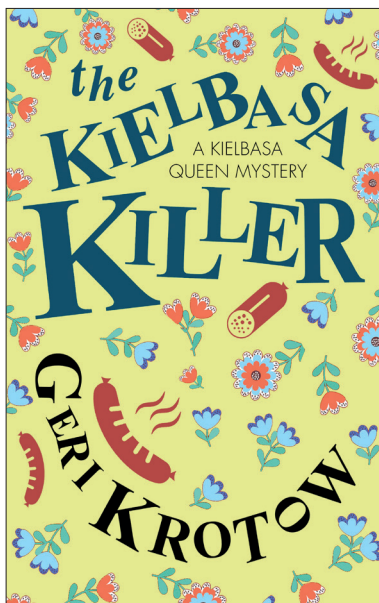
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The Kielbasa Killer

A Kielbasa Queen Mystery #1

GERI KROTOW

A Woman's World Book Club Pick.

Lydia Wienewski discovers that her family's ever-popular kielbasa isn't the only thing that's been pricked in the night when she finds a body in this entertaining and smartly written cozy.

Lydia Wienewski can't wait to open her dream Polish-American café and bakery in Cheektowaga. But while her father recovers from a stroke, Lydia helps manage the family business, Wienewski's Wieners & Meats, over the busy Easter holiday. She's soon preparing a huge amount of their famous kielbasa — and dealing with her father's rogue meat supplier, Louie McDaniel.

When Lydia finds Louie dead next to the kielbasa in the family's private smoker, her great-great-grandpa's antique sausage pricker sticking out of his neck, her problems are about to get much worse — especially as she seems to be the police's prime suspect! Who would commit such a terrible act? Lydia quickly enlists the help of her irrepressible grandma Mary to find out. Can the sleuthing duo catch the killer and prove Lydia's innocence before more grisly deaths occur?

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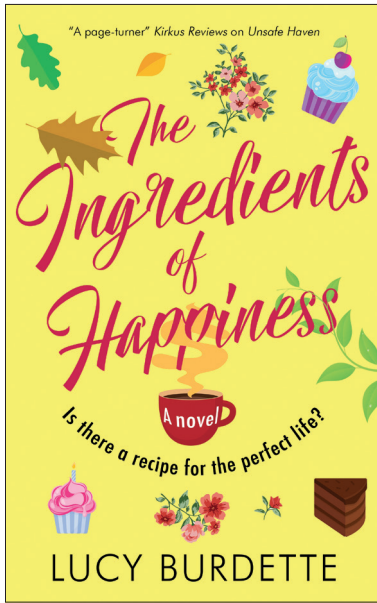
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The Ingredients of Happiness

LUCY BURDETTE

Is there a recipe for the perfect life?

Thirty-two-year-old 'happiness guru' Dr Cooper Hunziker has it all — a dream job as assistant psychology professor at Yale University, a soon-to-be published self-help book, *The Happiness Connection*, and the perfect man. But there's a problem. Cooper *isn't* happy.

Of course, it doesn't help that she's facing cut-throat competition for her tenure at Yale, an accusation of plagiarism that could cost her everything, or that her new book has irritated the department chairman, who assigns her to co-lead a happiness group at the New Haven Library.

As her friendship with the other women in the group flourishes, Cooper finds herself questioning her choices. Forced to face a life-changing betrayal and her own traumatic past, can she navigate a path to happiness with the help of a gargoyle's wisdom?

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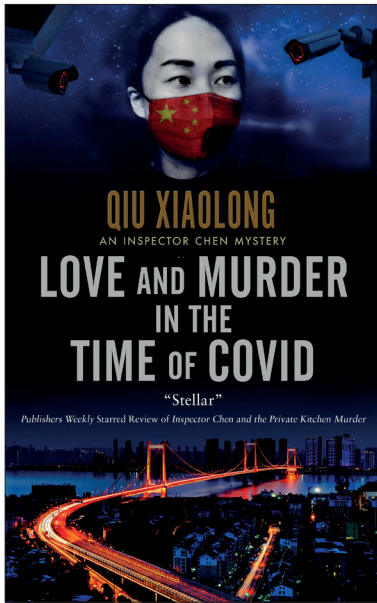
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Love and Murder in the Time of Covid

An Inspector Chen Mystery #13

QIU XIAOLONG

Former chief inspector Chen faces a tricky serial murderer case at the height of the Covid pandemic – and risks everything he has to expose the deadly effects of the Chinese Communist Party's so-called zero Covid policy to the world.

Anthony Award winning author Qiu Xiaolong was born in Shanghai and moved to Missouri, to complete a PhD degree in comparative literature at Washington University St Louis. After the Tiananmen tragedy in 1989 he stayed on in St Louis where he still lives with his wife.

Qiu has sold over two million copies of his Inspector Chen mysteries worldwide and been published in twenty languages. The novels have all been adapted as BBC Radio 4 dramas. Qiu is also the author of a brand-new mystery series set in Tang dynasty China, featuring the legendary Judge Dee Renjie. On top of his fiction, he is a prize-winning writer of poetry and poetry critic.

The Covid crisis is at its height in China. Ex-chief inspector Chen Cao is horrified by the way the Chinese Communist Party are using the pandemic as an excuse to put the Chinese people under blanket surveillance and by the soaring number of deaths caused not by Covid, but by the CCP's inhuman 'zero Covid' policy.

Chen is debating whether to translate the 'Wuhan File' — a diary of life during the Wuhan disaster smuggled to him by a close friend — and expose the CCP's secrets to the world when to his surprise he is summoned by a high-level party cadre to help investigate a series of murders near a local Shanghai hospital.

Under pressure from the Party to reach a quick conclusion and help maintain political stability, Chen investigates, aware that he too has been placed under omnipresent, omnipotent surveillance.

And as he works, determined to uncover the truth, no matter what, he risks everything by deciding to translate the Wuhan Files. For one thing is true in China: you must be absolutely loyal to the Party. Otherwise, you are considered absolutely disloyal, and the consequences are dark indeed...

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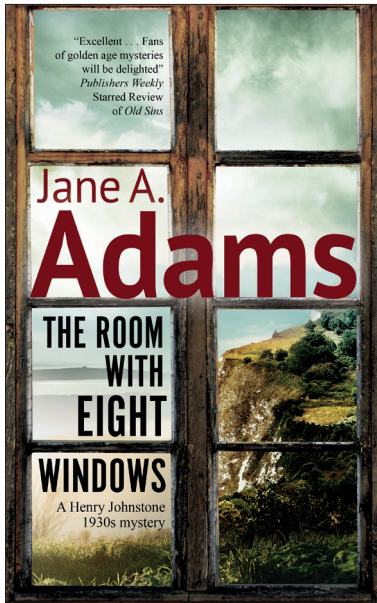
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The Room with Eight Windows

A Henry Johnstone 1930s Mystery #9

JANE A. ADAMS

Henry Johnstone has retired from the police, but when he suddenly disappears his old colleague and friend, Inspector Mickey Hitchens, investigates.

December, 1930. Henry Johnstone has retired from his role as detective chief inspector at London's Scotland Yard and is staying at the home of the late Sir Eamon Barry on the south coast, cataloguing and inventorying his extensive library. Until he suddenly — and inexplicably — vanishes.

Mickey Hitchens, Henry's old partner-in-crime, now an inspector himself, investigates the house with his colleague, Sergeant Tibbs. The room Henry was staying in had eight unusual, curved windows, and the pair quickly uncover disturbing signs of a struggle, along with a blotter that has the name of a man who was murdered five years ago written on it. Is there a link between that case and Henry's disappearance? Can Mickey find his friend and bring him home safely, or is it already too late?

Jane A. Adams was born in Leicestershire and still lives there – even though it is too far from the sea. She teaches creative writing and writing skills, mentors other writers for various arts organizations and is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts and a Royal Literary Fund Associate Fellow. Her first book, *The Greenway*, was shortlisted for the CWA John Creasey Award and for the Author's Club Best First Novel Award. When not writing she can often be found drawing racing dodos and armoured hares and the occasional octopus. As well as the Henry Johnstone series, Adams is the author of the highly acclaimed Naomi Blake and Rina Martin mystery series.

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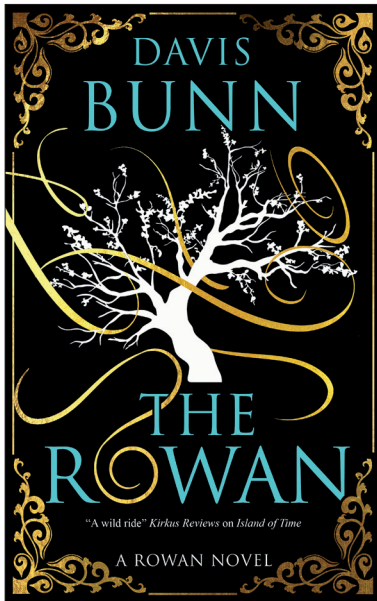
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The Rowan

A Rowan Novel #1

DAVIS BUNN

A rowan tree with mysterious and unique powers is extending its grip over humanity, and investigative writer Valentina Garnier is caught up in a battle between supernatural forces and the federal government.

Davis Bunn's novels have sold in excess of eight million copies in twenty-six languages. He has appeared on numerous national bestseller lists, and his novels have been Main or Featured Selections with every major US bookclub. Recent titles have been named Best Book of the Year by both *Library Journal* and *Suspense Magazine*, as well as earning Top Pick and Starred Reviews from *Publishers Weekly*, *RT Reviews*, *Kirkus Reviews* and *Booklist*. Currently Davis serves as Writer-In-Residence at Regent's Park College, Oxford University. He speaks around the world on aspects of creative writing. Davis also publishes under the pseudonym of Thomas Locke.

Prize-winning investigative writer Valentina Garnier loves a good story, so when she learns that CIA director Agnes Pendalon wants her to travel to Kunashir Island in Russia's easternmost province, she jumps at the chance. Top scientists, political aides, CIA agents and even the vice president's daughter have made mysterious trips to the island in recent weeks, and all have come back changed...

When Val arrives in Kunashir, she is mesmerized by a magical rowan tree and its leaves that turn to golden threads, encircling the visitors. Something incredible and transformational is happening in front of her... With the CIA determined to hunt down this unknown force and everyone affected by the rowan, is a new battle for the future of humanity about to commence?

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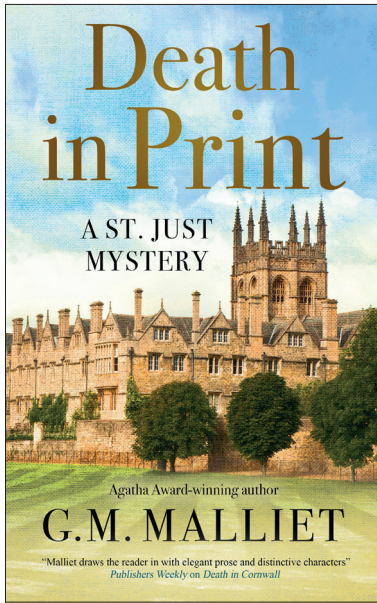
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Agatha Award-winning **G.M. Malliet** is the acclaimed author of three traditional mystery series and a standalone novel set in England. The first entry in the DCI St. Just series, *Death of a Cozy Writer*, won the Agatha Award for Best First Novel and was nominated for Macavity and Anthony Awards. The Rev. Max Tudor series has been nominated for many awards as have several of her short stories appearing in *Ellery Queen Mystery Magazine* and *The Strand*. She was a graduate student at the universities of Cambridge and Oxford and now lives in the US with her husband.

Death in Print

A St. Just Mystery #5

G.M. MALLIET

A celebration in Oxford for university tutor and bestselling author Jason Verdoodt, attended by DCI St. Just and his fiancée Portia, is a night to remember... for all the wrong reasons.

University of Oxford tutor and bestselling author Jason Verdoodt has it all: acclaim, women, money... and an enemy or two. When he's found dead at the bottom of the stairs during a celebratory reception at St Rumwold's College, many wonder if seething jealousy of his literary success has turned someone's mind to murder.

Detective Chief Inspector Arthur St. Just becomes inescapably drawn into an investigation that takes him down the historic streets of Oxford and into the hallowed halls of its university. Alongside his fiancée, crime fiction writer Portia De'Ath, he uncovers several motives for murdering the celebrated but insufferable Jason — whose next novel may be a threat to many in his orbit — and no shortage of suspects who are nursing a grudge from the first novel. Has someone decided to write revenge into the plot?

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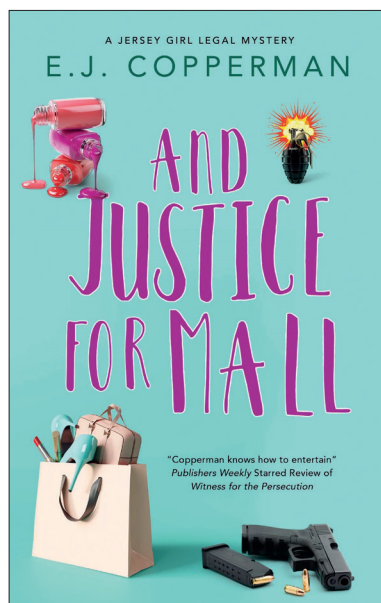
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E.J. Copperman is the nom de plume for Jeff Cohen, writer of intentionally funny murder mysteries. As E.J., he is the author of the *Haunted Guesthouse* and *Agent to the Paws* series, as well as the *Jersey Girl Legal* mysteries and the brand-new *Fran & Ken Stein* mysteries; as Jeff, he writes the *Double Feature* and *Aaron Tucker* series; and he collaborates with himself on the *Samuel Hoenig Asperger's* mysteries.

And Justice For Mall

A Jersey Girl Legal Mystery #4

E.J. COPPERMAN

Hollywood, house hunting... and hand grenades?! Life turns explosive for New Jersey prosecutor turned LA family lawyer Sandy Moss when she takes on an unexpected new client: pre-teen millionaire Riley Schoenberg.

When Riley Schoenberg strides into family lawyer Sandy Moss's office without knocking and coolly sits down, Sandy's more irritated than amused. She has a client meeting to prepare for, and being interrupted by an eleven-year-old girl is not on her to-do list.

But then Sandy hears Riley's pitch, and it's a killer one: Riley's father's been convicted of murdering her mother... and the oddly intimidating pre-teen will do anything to get him out of jail.

Sandy, in turn, will do anything to get Riley out of her office. Which includes agreeing to look into her dad's case for free. A decision she regrets when it turns out Riley's inheritance has made her a multi-millionaire.

Still, Sandy's determined to get Riley the answers she needs. There's just one tiny problem: Riley might be convinced her father's innocent, but Jack Schoenberg is insisting he did it.

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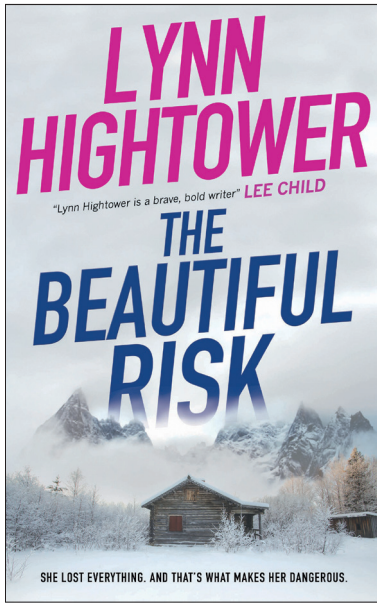
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The Beautiful Risk

LYNN HIGHTOWER

Her husband died in a plane crash on Mount Blanc. It was a tragic accident. These are the simple facts. Except someone's not telling the truth...

After nine months of sorrow and grief, Junie Lagarde — a brilliant forensic accountant and passionate guitarist — is gradually accepting life without her beloved husband Olivier, a French safety consultant and climate-change expert, whom she lost in a tragic plane accident over Mont Blanc. If only she could have found her loyal hearing-dog Leo, who ran off in the terrifying aftermath of the crash, before she had to return home to America. But then Junie receives an unexpected call from France...

Capitaine Philippe Brevard, the man in charge of investigating Olivier's death, has seen recent CCTV footage which shows Leo being held by a man who closely resembles Olivier... right down to his distinctive jacket.

It's not Olivier. It *can't* be... can it? But who is the man — and what else is Capitaine Brevard hiding from her? Junie knows she must go to Chamonix, rescue her dog, and uncover the truth... but there are those who mean her harm, and soon Junie's learning dangerous secrets. Secrets that will shake her faith in her closest friends and put more than just her own life in the gravest of danger.

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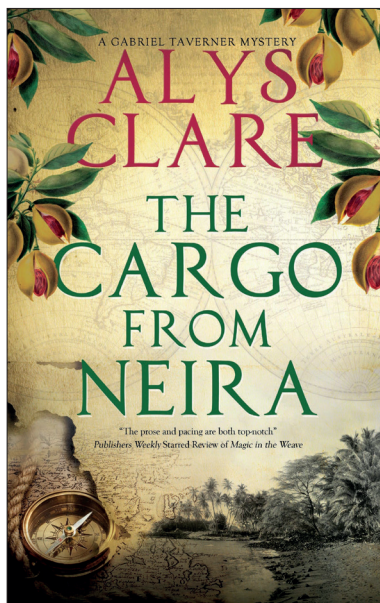
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Alys Clare lives in the English countryside where her novels are set. She went to school in Tonbridge and later studied archaeology at the University of Kent. She is the author of the *Aelf Fen*, *Hawkenlye*, *World's End Bureau* and *Gabriel Taverner* historical mystery series.

The Cargo From Neira

A Gabriel Taverner Mystery #5

ALYS CLARE

What do a desperate woman with a secret, a dead man in a drainage ditch and a dark figure in the night have in common? Physician-sleuth Dr Gabriel Taverner has to connect the dots before time runs out in this thrilling historical mystery.

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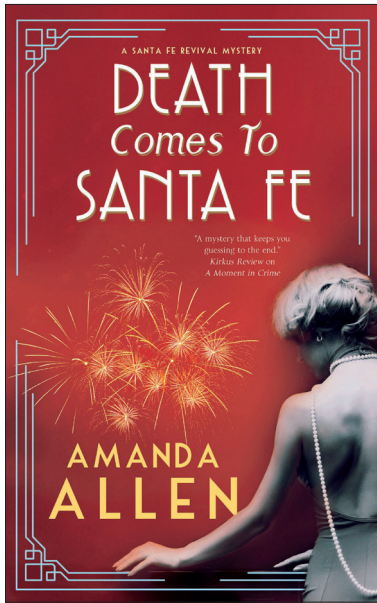
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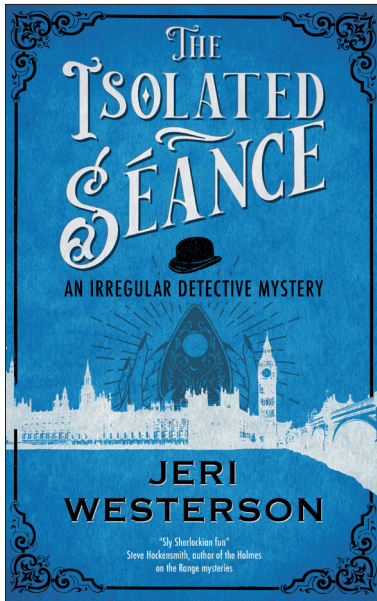
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It seems that everyone in Quinn's household had a reason to want him dead. Can Tim and Benjamin step out of Sherlock's shadow to navigate dark secrets and unexpected dangers in their pursuit of a cold-blooded killer?

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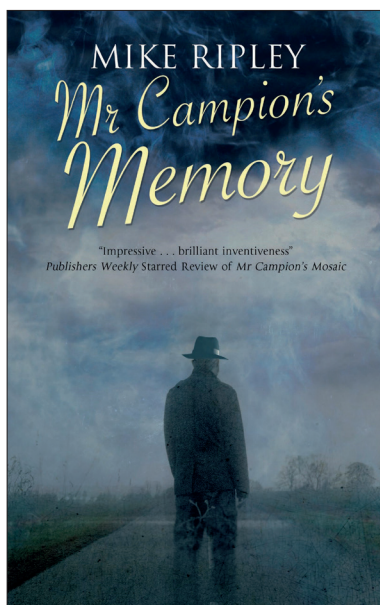
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MIKE RIPLEY

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Journalist David Duffy was curiously more interested in McIntyre's youthful years before the war than his rags-to-riches story. Not long after the pair exchanged verbal blows, Duffy was shot dead in his car close to the M1 motorway and McIntyre's home. Why was Champion's name included on a list discovered in Duffy's notebook under the heading 1932? What happened forty years ago, and could it be linked to Duffy's death? Champion must dig deep into his memory to get to the bottom of the mystery, but can he prove McIntyre's innocence, or is he just digging himself into trouble?

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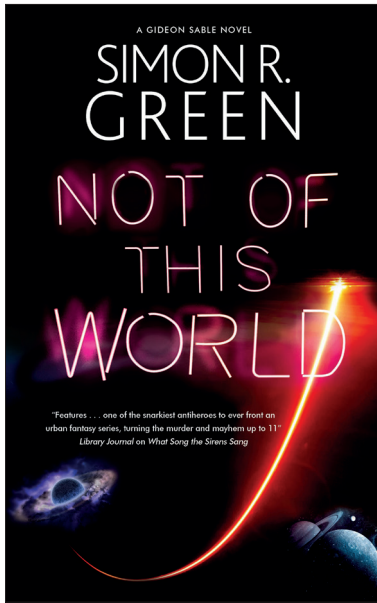
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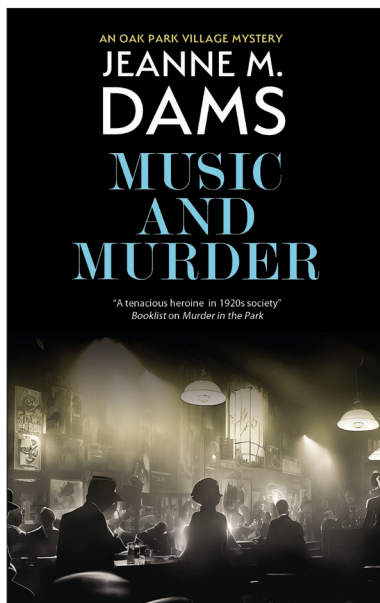
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Intrigued, Elizabeth brushes her fears aside and visits the club with Fred, but an explosion causes panic – the Ku Klux Klan are intent on blowing up the club as part of a race war being waged in the city, and murder soon follows. Elizabeth has made herself a target, but she has a plan to save the club. The only problem is it involves jazz aficionado and the Sunset Club's owner, the country's most notorious criminal, Al Capone...

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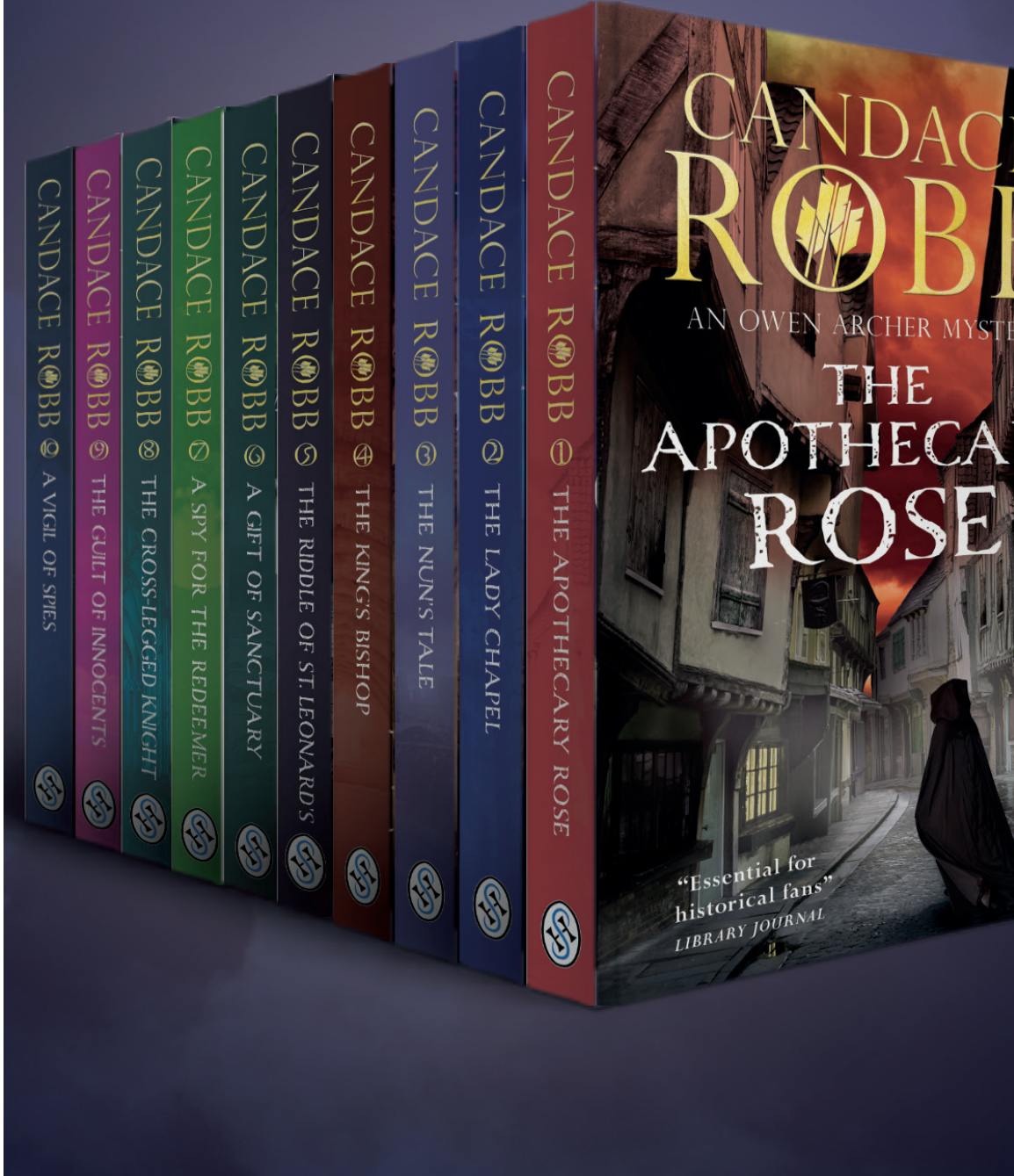
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
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