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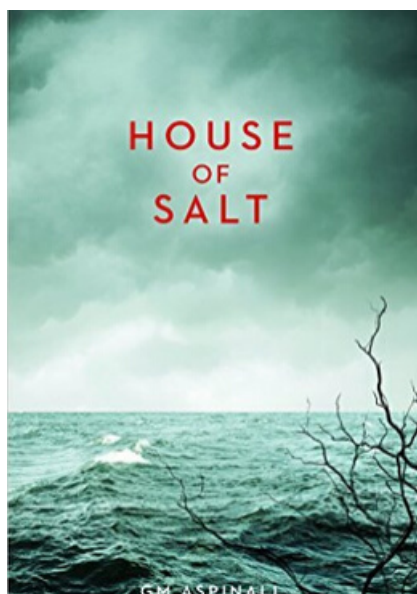


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FICTION - SPRING 2020



GENERAL FICTION



House of Salt By Giles Aspinall

The seas have risen - cities are awash. Part adventure, part family saga, part science fiction, how will you deal with it when your world changes for ever?

How will you deal with it when your world changes for ever? When the seas claim her home and reshape the world, it's enough to make Jac lose her temper. She cannot win: she wants to defeat the sea.

Set sometime in the near future and shot through with hints of science fiction, House of Salt is novel about how a world, a country, but most importantly, a single family responds to catastrophic environmental change.

Don't worry - things probably won't get quite this bad. Probably not.

Additional Information:

Published 2016 - Paperback - ISBN: 9781513609058 - 490 pages - **World Rights** (incl. World English)



Minotaur in Love By Fraser Harrison

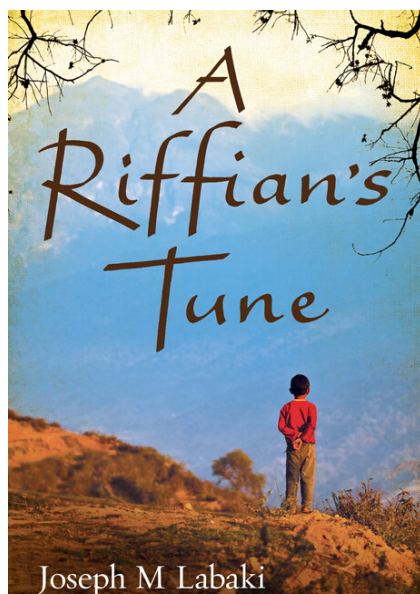
Bruno is fighting to escape the loveless labyrinth in which his childhood has imprisoned him. Short and stout, he thinks he can only love his ever-expanding library and collection of jazz records. When at last he falls for a mysterious and statuesque woman he struggles to reconcile his passion for her with his fear that her superb height will make him all the more laughable. In a series of notebooks Bruno takes us from the Liverpool of his childhood to the bars and brothels of 1970s Soho, Norfolk's salt marshes and finally raffish Biarritz. Funny and tragic, Minotaur in Love is the story of the mazes people build to hide their secret selves from the world. Fraser Harrison is the author of several books, including *High on the Hog* and *A Father's Diary*, and two radio plays.

Additional Information:

Published 2007 - rights reverted back to author - ISBN: 9781873226896 - 240 pages - Paperback - **World Rights** (incl. USA)

GENERAL FICTION

Incredible
story



A Riffians Tune By Joseph Labaki

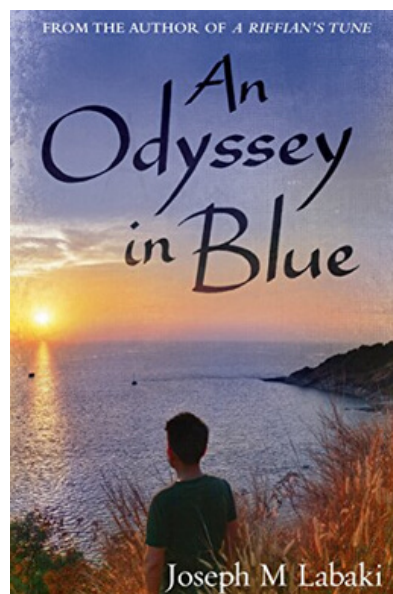
Really enjoyed this book, could hardly put it down as I was desperate to find out what happened next! - **Reader review from Amazon**

Deep in the heart of the rural Rif mountains, one boy's life is dictated by tribal tradition, superstition and religion. But Jusef dreams of more; it's a dream that will send him far from his shepherding hills to the bustle of the big city in search of education, meaning and, above all, a different way of life.

From the richness of a story overflowing with tales of tragedies, courage and triumphs, Jusef's journey reveals the complexities of Moroccan culture and the overwhelming restraints facing those on the fringes.

Additional Information:

Published 2013 (Clunett Press) - ISBN: 9780992648404 - 119,000 words - 438 pages - Paperback - **World Rights**



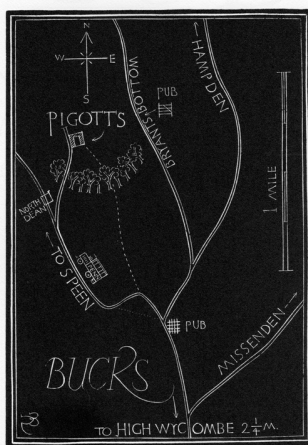
An Odyssey in Blue By Joseph Labaki

In post-colonial Morocco, among the fragile embers of a newly fledged nation, one shepherd boy from the mountains managed to obtain the unthinkable – an education. Now Europe, along with the opportunity to continue his path of learning, beckons Jusef bewitchingly from across the water. So begins a colourful journey of intertwining possibilities and unforgettable encounters as Jusef forges his path in a land far removed from the cultures and traditions of his past. But in a continent engrossed in a new, cultural awakening, Jusef finds himself embarking on an awakening of his own: a transformational quest of perseverance, courage and identity that challenges everything he once knew, for expanses and horizons as yet unspoken.

Additional Information:

Published 2018 (Clunett Press) - ISBN: 9780992648435 - 212 pages - Pb - **World Rights**

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Map showing the position of the artist's house
and *The Future of Sculpture*

service: 'The Penn Omnibus Company'. The public houses: 'The Gate' and 'TI

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Sans Gill

By Kate Ashton

This is the story of a richly simple childhood, and the lasting influence it has had on many of us. The legacy has been profound, as adulthood catapulted us into a world of increasing post-war consumerism, secularisation and loss of common values; of any sense of community.

Strongly influenced by creative, educated, equally empowered women and men who turned their backs on encroaching capitalism; used to the homemade, the beautiful and the humble, the child who grew up sensing the sacred nature of the world here documents her attempt to negotiate its subsequent metamorphoses with wonder and dismay. Nostalgia, however, is found to be both unnerving and enfeebling, and utopia always ripe for rebirth.

Additional Information:

Seeking initial publication as well as Foreign Rights - 69.164 Words - **World Rights** (incl. World English)

The Lot's Wife Trilogy

By Kate Ashton

What is a 'good mother'?

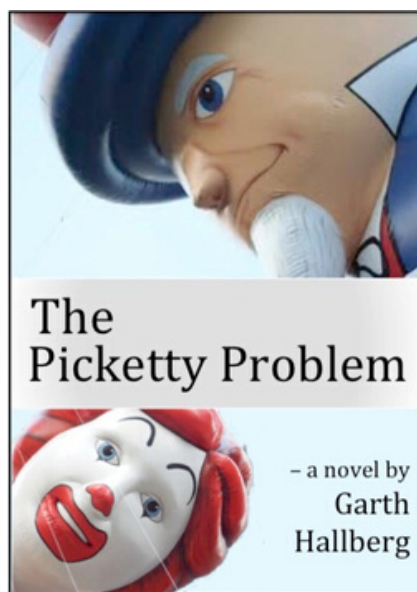
A trilogy of novellas exploring the metaphysics of motherhood, with a progressively intense focus on the personal, the societal and ultimately the profound moral implications of bringing a child into the world. The first book in the trilogy follows the course of natural birth as it is accomplished at home, without pain relief, under the supervision of a midwife somewhere in Western Europe.

'Every word, every sentence breathes authenticity. I admire how word after word after word you dig ever deeper to where words usually fail. An intensely poetic piece about a woman looking for her contours/identity, searching/yearning for her individuality. What a tour de force.' - **Meike Ziervogel, publisher, Peirene Press**

Additional Information:

Seeking initial publication as well as Foreign Rights - 39.006 Words - **World Rights** (incl. World English)

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The Picketty Problem By Garth Hallberg

Turn on the TV, check the news feed, pick up the paper. You can't escape the reports that the robots are coming. Will they take away jobs and reduce the incomes of millions of American workers, making economic inequality even worse? Suzanne Dealy thinks so, and she's willing to go to dramatic lengths to stop her husband George from replacing the minimum wage workers in his McDonald's franchises with McRobots.

*Here is the story of someone of the Trump persuasion facing the consequences - both in his personal life and economic one - for his efforts to avoid paying a higher minimum wage and replacing his workers with robots. With prose chock full of puns, double entendres and playful alliteration, the book is also full of fun bits-including marital infidelity and a climax reminiscent of Laurel and Hardy. **Amazon reader review***

Additional Information:

Published 2017 (The Reason for Everything)
ISBN: 978-0991377046 - Paperback & ebook -
416 pages - **World Rights** (incl. World English)



Award winning,
genre defying
novel!

Boon Juster By Garth Hallberg

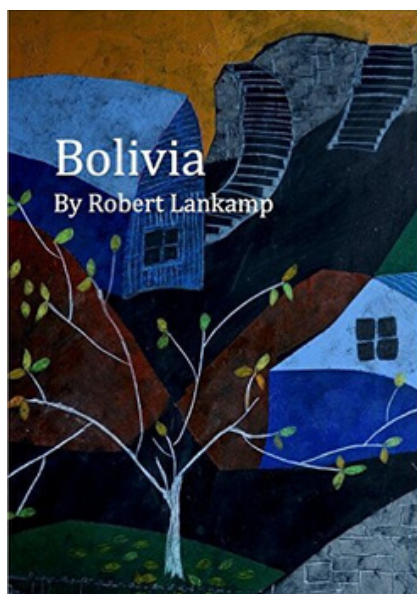
Humorous, satirical, even literary, but deadly serious and thought-provoking about the mess that America is in. Not for the close-minded, this darkly comic Big Apple romp—featuring aging prep-school buddies, sexy broads, loony billionaires, cutthroat realtors, a Georgetown based "consultant" who looks after the final delusions of "astronauts," a politically incorrect family of fakers and fixers, and even a cameo appearance by Babe Ruth—will leave you wondering if the Apollo program was where America started to go wrong.

*An Unpredictable Novel! A novel worth reading requires that the reader see and feel suspense and intrigue I found in Boon Juster. Without this you would just stop reading. I found the development of the characters captivating and believable. The story didn't tire me out like so many books and honestly I didn't see the ending at all. I vote for Tom Hanks to play the part of Tom Hammock. — **Reader Review Peter Flatow***

Additional Information:

Published 2014 (TRFE) ISBN: 9780991377039 -
506 pages - Paperback - **World Rights** (incl. World English)

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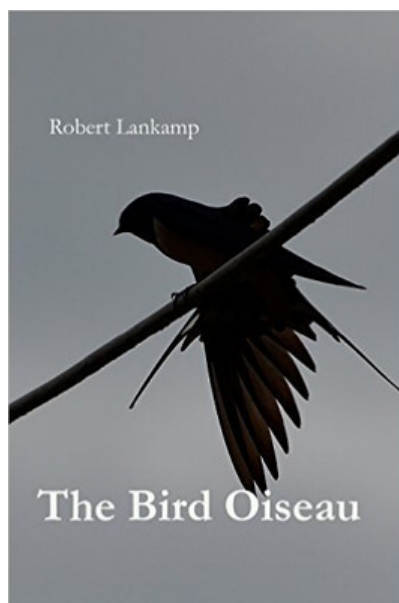
Bolivia

By Robert Lankamp

Yze is expelled from his hometown. It's his own fault, and he tries to apologize. But nobody wants him back. For Yze drifts, then he finds solid footing, then he is expelled again. At one point he puts down roots in a place called Hotel Bolivia, an abandoned building by Cloud Lake. He thinks he can undo the changes in his life by revisiting the old places. Yze's friend Pantaleon, who is a Cloud Indian wizard, believes he can undo change by creating an imitation of the past. Neither Yze nor Pantaleon succeed in bringing back what once was. Still, they refuse to believe that change is inevitable. Other inhabitants of Hotel Bolivia have their own issues with time going by. The only person not bothered by change is Yze's nemesis Mr. Cruz. This is because he is the cause of it.

Additional information:

Published as ebook - 187 pages - 67.000 Words - **World Rights** (incl. World English)



The Bird Oiseau

By Robert Lankamp

Paris, France. The old family home on the Place Dauphine is tall and deep. When he isn't needed by the President of the Republic to fix a crisis, the grand-père plays the blues in the marble ballroom. Armand's globetrotter parents were killed in the Mato Grosso, by mistake, a political thing. His child is stillborn, his wife killed on the Autoroute, his friendships dissolve into thin air. On the other hand he has his books, his beloved car, and his illusions of the Fifth Republic which is at his beck and call. The book ends outside Cannes, in a truck, in an empty landscape, in the heat. The Breton driver has provided grand-père with the pistol with which grand-père shot himself, after losing everything. Armand is left as if on the landscape of the moon. As the truck driver says, Breton has no word for happiness. Still, in Bretagne there is Céleste.

Additional Information:

Published as ebook - 188 pages - 59.000 words - **World Rights** (incl. World English)

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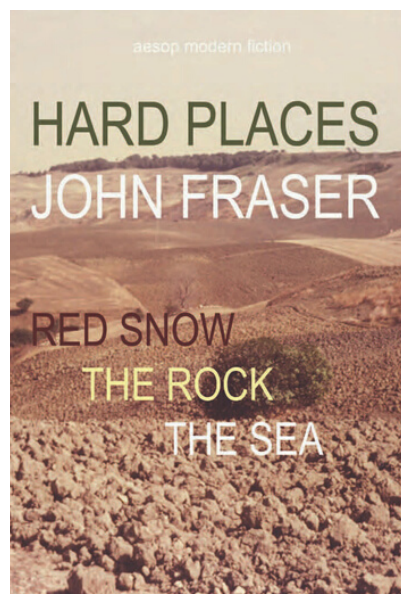


The Other Shore By John Fraser

The Other Shore focuses on a critical point in Soviet history. It deals with young Soviet intellectuals, bright but not brilliant, confronting a future threatened with war and stagnation, but still with the impetus of post-Stalinist regeneration. Rather than being a chronicle of the debates between neo-Bolsheviks, Leninists, social and liberal democrats, Trotskyists, Westernisers and traditionalists, it depicts a more modest but more frequently encountered search for commitment, for a meaningful political and social life, in a vast country where light and darkness flicker and alternate unpredictably. In hindsight, theirs may seem the twittering of cage birds, the self-delusion that came to terrible ruin twenty years later. The characters are aware that war or stagnation are ever-present shadows in their paths, but they press on.

Additional information:

Published 2010 (Aesop Publ.) - ISBN:
9781494891497 - 220 pages - Paperback
World Rights



Hard Places By John Fraser

Enterprising Women is a sequence of stories of women in difficult circumstances, who contrive to avoid - and sometimes cause - the worst of consequences. In *The Flies*, the women are witness to violence and temptation, and although one of the heroines succumbs to alcohol, the others manage to maintain their extraneous, and independent, positions. In *Landfall*, the protagonist, a spymaster, survives the loss and betrayal of her male companions, maintains her skepticism regarding the value of her profession, and ultimately we presume she continues on her solitary path, undiminished. *The hero* finds employment and travel with a female entrepreneur, who joins another, philosophically minded, colleague, and together they prosper in a - shady - business.

Additional Information:

Published 2013 (Aesop Publ.)
ISBN: 9780992758875 - 220 pages -
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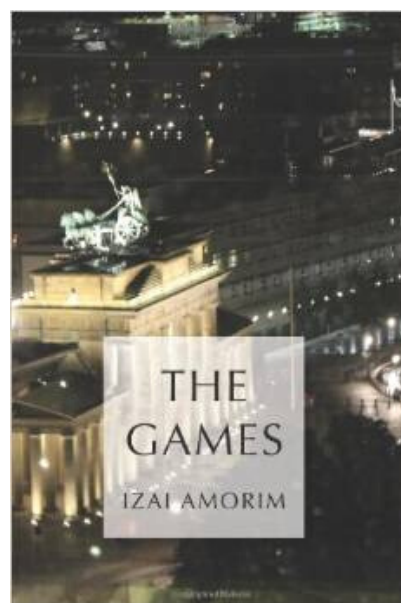
On the Run By Izai Amorim

New York City, early 1990s: a young, rich, and well-educated Central American man on the run from the police and Colombian drug dealers. He is accused of crimes he didn't commit. Ready to do what it takes to survive, Pablo ironically embraces the very drug trade that threatened his life in the first place. Who is he? What is he really capable of? The question of identity is at the heart of *On the Run*. More than a contemporary story of survival, it's a journey of self-discovery. Pablo's voice is funny, sometimes mean and merciless.

He moves with nightmarish ease from recounting his adventures to recollecting his early life. *On the Run* gives you an insightful, twisted, humorous, and often disturbing view of conflicting worlds and beliefs – and shows how they mix, match, and clash

Additional information:

Published 2016 - ISBN: 978-3000530395 – 358 pages - Paperback - **Foreign Rights**



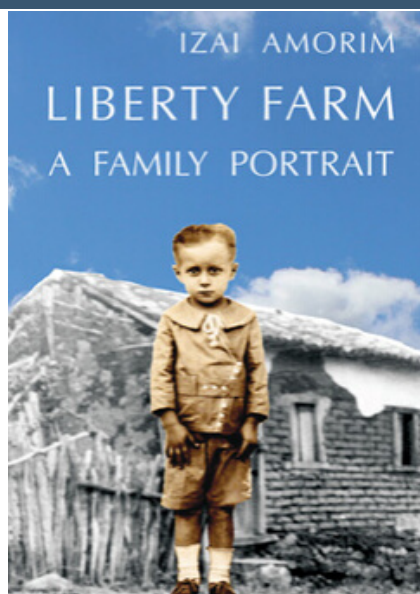
The Games By Izai Amorim

The Games is a humorous but dark, even mean, political thriller. This mother of all conspiracies starts slow but the action accelerates quickly. Good guys don't win in the end because there are none. It's a battle of evil against evil involving environmental protection organizations operating extortion rackets; terrorism without a cause; secret services running amok; global television networks manipulating the news; politicians and profiteers hijacking major international sport events; etc. More than just humor and action in an international setting, this thriller exposes a dark side of our information age and reveals a serious political threat to our democracies: conspiracies to use information, communication, and storytelling to establish power structures not accountable to anyone.

Additional Information:

published 2013 (Create Space) - ISBN: 9781493711567 - 356 pages - **Foreign Rights** - Sold: Indian subcontinent

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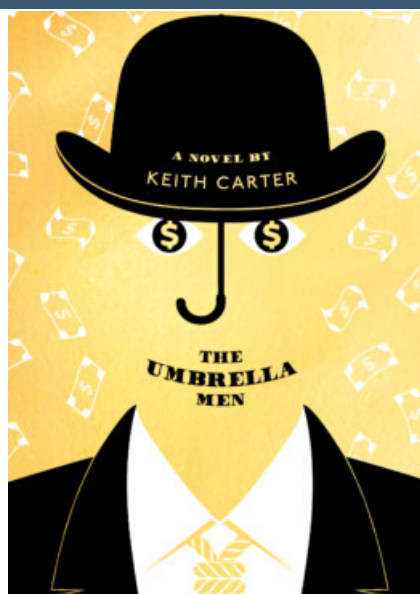
Liberty Farm By Izai Amorim

Set in the semi-arid backlands of northeastern Brazil and spanning one century and three generations, this family saga is a complex psychological portrait of family life, intertwined with Brazil's history from the birth of the republic to the end of the military dictatorship in 1989. Liberty Farm is a chronicle of family and society, history and geography, life and death, loyalty and justice, truth and connivance. It's also a tale of paternal and filial love in all of its forms: strongly felt, unreciprocated, withheld, yearned for, never obtained. "Father, please look at me..." The death of the favorite son creates a love black hole that sucks away the father's entire love. Invisible like the ones in the sky, this love black hole will rule the family for decades, its existence only revealed by the odd behavior of the three older sons. "The family must always stay together..."

Additional information:

Independently Published 2020 - ISBN: 9783982165608 -
Hardback/Paperback - **World Rights**

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The Umbrella Men

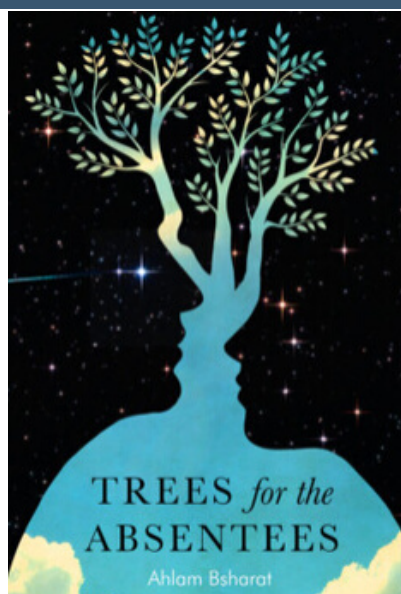
By Keith Carter

A witty and acerbic novel for our times about corporate greed, the hubris of bankers, contradictions of the clean energy economy and their unintended consequences on everyday people. Finance, environmentalism, rare-earth mining and human frailties collide in a complex of flawed motives. We follow Peter Mount, the self-made Chief Executive of a London-based rare-earth mining company as he and his business are buffeted by crisis-torn Royal Bank of Scotland and by his own actions, real and imagined.

Meanwhile in Oregon, Amy Tate and her group of local environmental activists do their contradictory part to undermine a component of the green economy, unwittingly super-charged by the Chinese state. The repercussions of events in pristine Oregon are felt in the corporate and financial corridors of New York and London with drastic consequences.

Additional information:

Published 2019 (Neemtree) - ISBN: 9781911107057 - Paperback 451 pages - **World Rights**



Trees for the Absentees

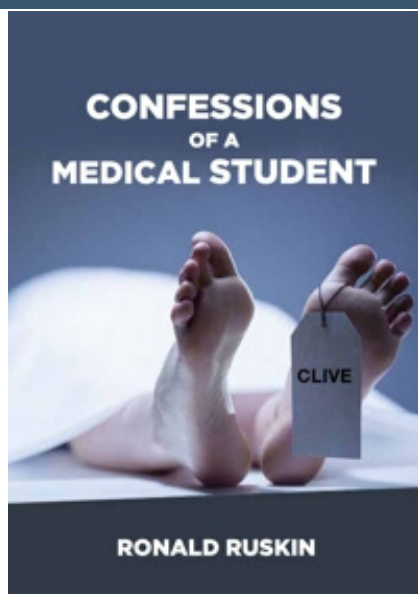
By Ahlam Bsharat

Young love, meddling relatives, heart-to-hearts with friends real and imagined - Philistia's world is that of an ordinary university student, except that in occupied Palestine, and when your father is in indefinite detention, nothing is straight forward. Philistia is closest to her childhood, and to her late grandmother and her imprisoned father, when she's at her part-time job washing women's bodies at the ancient Ottoman hammam in Nablus, the West Bank. A midwife and corpse washer in her time, Grandma Zahia taught Philistia the ritual ablutions and the secrets of the body: the secrets of life and death. On the brink of adulthood, Philistia embarks on a journey through her country's history - a magical journey, and one of loss and centuries of occupation. As trees are uprooted around her, Philistia searches for a place of refuge, a place where she can plant a memory for the ones she's lost.

Additional Information:

Published 2019 (Neemtree) - ISBN: 9781911107231 - Paperback - 96 pages - **World Rights**

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Confessions of a Medical Student By Ronald Ruskin

This book charts 20-year-old Ben Adler's tragic-comic journey from home to med-school and the world beyond. Callow and impressionable, Ben leaves his over-anxious Russian-Jewish parents in their Toronto drugstore, and Angie, his girlfriend whom he plans to marry against his parents' wishes. In anatomy, Ben dissects his cadaver, 'Clive', with lab-mates. As the first blush of med-school fades, Ben learns of his father's life-threatening illness. Cash-poor, Ben enlists in the Navy to earn room and board, joins Lenny's Underground Railroad for draft-dodgers, jeopardizing studies and provoking his ill father's scorn. The novel chronicles the tumultuous years 1966-1971 through the eyes of a naive, sentimental student striving to move beyond family, self, and place. Ben careens from mistake to mistake over four years, yet at the novel's end he emerges with self-knowledge and a touch of worldly pain and wisdom.

Additional information:

Published 2018 (Aeon) - ISBN: 9781912573080 - Paperback - 352 pages - **World Rights**



Right of Passage By Lee Jenkins

Set in the heyday of the 1960s Civil Rights Movement and Vietnam War era, Right of Passage explores the social change and conflict involved in that period. The emotional development of Chris, a middle-class black man, is explored?being black in white society, conflicting cultural allegiances and the contradictions of his inner life.

Chris meets Miriam, a white fellow academic, an irresistible mutual attraction complicated by fear and self-doubt, and the resistance of their families.

Against a background of racial conflict, interwoven with day-to-day scenes of black middle-class life, this is a picture of the inexplicable and transforming power of love, and the irony, humor, and pain involved in measuring up to self-professed humane ideals.

Additional Information:

Published 2018 (Aeon) - ISBN: 9781912573028 - Paperback - 336 pages - **World Rights**

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Named one of "the 7 best books from indie publishers right now" in 2017 by PBS

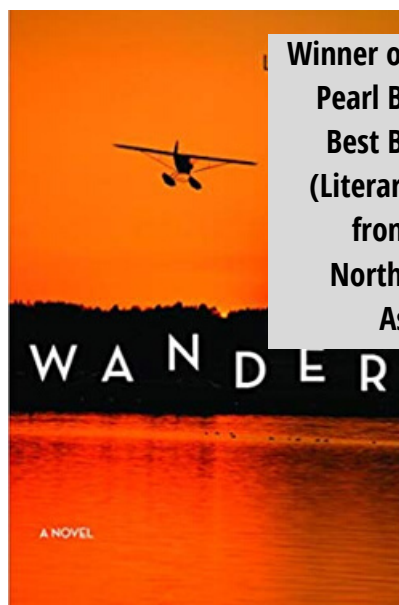


Kinship of Clover By Ellen Meeropol

From the author of *House Arrest* and *On Hurricane Island* comes a thrilling new activist novel that begs the question, "How far is too far?" Jeremy is desperately looking for a way to listen to the plants and stave off their extinction. But when the grip of the vines becomes too intense and Health Services starts asking questions, he flees to Brooklyn, where fate puts him face to face with a group of climate-justice activists who assure him they have a plan to save the planet, and his plants. As the group readies itself to make a big Earth Day splash, Jeremy soon realizes these eco-terrorists' devotion to activism might have him-and those closest to him-tangled up in more trouble than he was prepared to face. Jeremy must weigh completing his mission to save the plants against protecting the ones he loves.

Additional information:

Published 2017 (Red Hen Press) - ISBN: 978-1597093811 - 272 pages - Paperback - **Dutch & European Rights**



Winner of the 2017 Nancy Pearl Book Award for Best Book of Fiction (Literary/Mainstream) from the Pacific Northwest Writer's Association

Wander By Lori Tobias

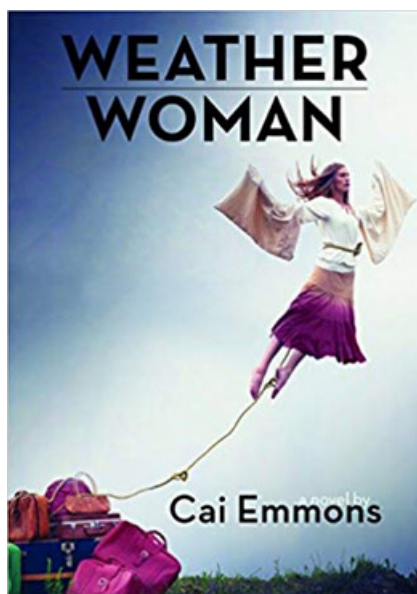
Wander is the story of Patrice "Pete" Nash, a young broadcast reporter who finds herself facing the winter alone after her husband, Nate, accepts a job on "the slope." As Pete pursues the next big breaking news story, she strikes up a friendship with the new guy in town, the Ivy League-educated Ren, who recites poetry and lives in the family-owned, vacant inn. Their friendship offers a glimpse of a different kind of life - one that seems to Pete to offer everything marriage to the country-raised Nate does not.

But unbeknown to Pete, Ren has come to Alaska for his own dark reasons - to end his life. By the time, Nate returns home, their lives have been irrevocably changed. One man is dead, two others missing and a third forever lost to them.

Additional Information:

Published (2016 (Red Hen Press) - ISBN: 9781597099899 - Paperback - 152 pages - **Dutch & European Rights**

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Weather Woman By Cai Emmons

30-year-old Bronwyn Artair, feeling out of place in her doctoral program in Atmospheric Sciences at MIT, drops out and takes a job as a TV meteorologist, much to the dismay of her mentor, Diane Fenwick. After a year of living alone in Southern New Hampshire, enduring the indignities of her job, dumped by her boyfriend, she discovers her deep connection to the natural world has given her an ability to affect natural forces. When she finally accepts she really possesses this startling capability, she must then negotiate a new relationship to the world. Who will she tell? Who will believe her? Most importantly, how will she put this new skill of hers to use? A woman experiencing power for the first time in her life, she must figure out what she can do for the world without hurting it further.

Additional information:

Published 2019 (Red Hen Press) - ISBN: 978-1597096003 - 356 pages - Paperback - **Dutch & European Rights**

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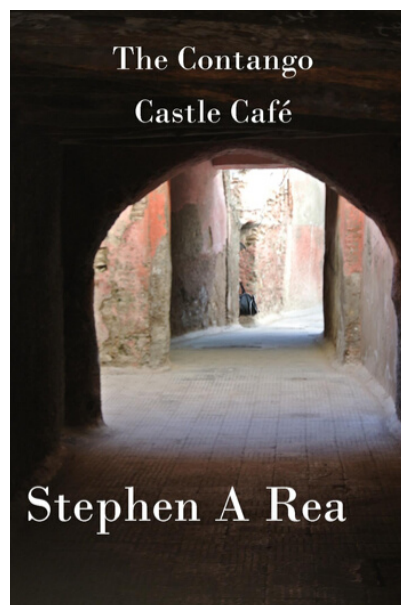
Schadenfreude Secrets By Stephen Rea

Schadenfreude Secrets is a Digital Age Orwellian High Concept Thriller that explores how a current day 'Espionage War Game' based on covert co-operation between the USA and Russia and set against a backdrop of increasingly socially and politically divided societies could play out in a scaled story where the key protagonists are not made aware of any 'game' element to a sequence of escalating events that spread out between London, Moscow, American Oceania Territory and a small fictional town in continental America.

As the mind-games give way to confusion for some, only a few players show real leadership nous in a politician-free exercise that has a hint of the Dystopian about it.

Additional information:

Seeking initial publication as well as Foreign Rights - 82.234 Words - **World Rights** (incl. World English)



The Contango Castle Café By Stephen Rea

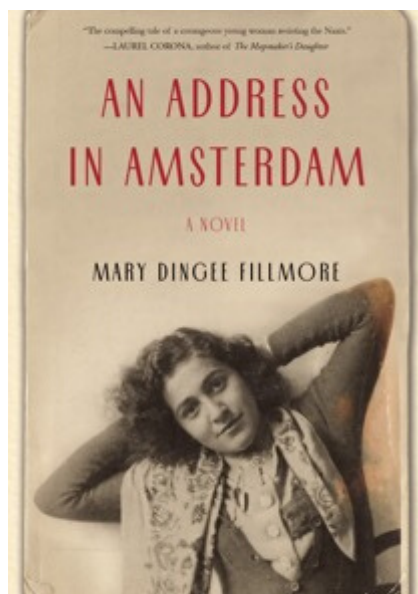
The White House makes a low-key announcement about a couple of data sticks that have gone missing. Few take notice but those who do, all end up in an off-grid place in Ireland called The Contango Castle Cafe. In an age where walls, borders and internet boundaries can be vaulted with relative ease, for some in authority it's not nearly as bad as the whole thing being swirl-around-the-world public. For now it is all ultra-quiet. That buys time but it does not make it any more penetrable and it could be a private sector counterpart of the PRISM programme. Written in a highly accessible style, *The Contango Castle Cafe* is a type of twenty-first century William Burroughs, Flann O'Brien and Hunter S. Thompson crossed odyssey.

Additional Information:

Seeking initial publication as well as Foreign Rights - 88.000 Words - **World Rights** (incl. World English)

HISTORICAL FICTION

Award-winning author



An Address in Amsterdam By Mary Dingee Fillmore

Rachel Klein hopes she can ignore the Nazis when they roll into Amsterdam in May 1940. She's falling in love, and her city has been the safest place in the world for Jewish people since the Spanish Inquisition. But when Rachel's Gentile boyfriend is forced to disappear rather than face arrest, she realizes that everything is changing, and she must, too – so she finds the courage to deliver papers for the underground. After eighteen months of ever-increasing danger, she pushes her parents to go into hiding with her. The dank basement where they take refuge seems like the last place where Rachel would meet a new man - but she does. *An Address in Amsterdam* shows that, even in the most hopeless situation, an ordinary young woman can make the choice to act with courage - and even love.

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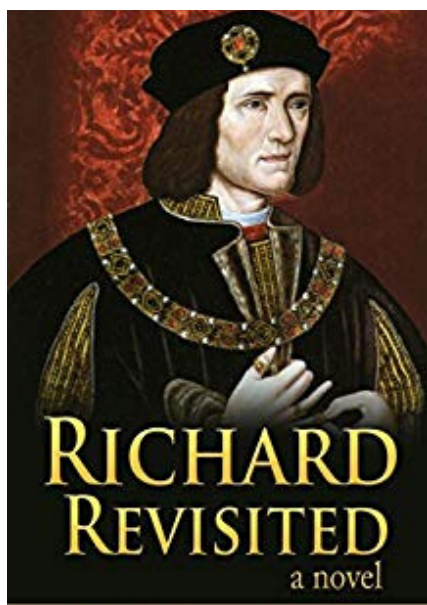
Seeking initial publication as well as Foreign Rights - 85,760 words - **World Rights** (incl. World English)

An Address in Amsterdam was selected as a **Kirkus Reviews** Indie Book of the Month, and **won the Sarton Women's Book Award for Historical Fiction.**

'This compelling and emotionally touching tale brings the Nazi occupation of the Netherlands to light, told through the eyes of a courageous young woman determined to put aside her fears and risk all for the noble cause of resistance.' - **Laurel Corona**, author of *The Mapmaker's Daughter* and *Until Our Last Breath: A Holocaust Story of Love and Partisan Resistance*



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Richard Revisited By Els Launspach

Hilary Mantel on *Richard Revisited*: 'Though Richard III ruled England for only two years, his short life and violent death in battle make him one of the most controversial of English kings. He is a deeply divisive and interesting figure. He attracts fierce enemies and fierce partisans, and since his death over 500 years ago, the controversy has hardly cooled. Did he have a rightful claim to the English throne? Did he kill his young nephews in order to become king? If not, who did? Or perhaps they were not killed at all? It is difficult to separate myth from historical reality, and each of Richard's defenders and detractors has a version of their own. Els Launspach is alive to all the ambiguities of this story. She has researched deeply, and works with the paradoxes and puzzles of the era to produce an intelligent, multi-layered and very individual book.'

Additional information:

Published 2014 - Complete English translation - ISBN: 9789064037986 - 280 pages, paperback - **World Rights**



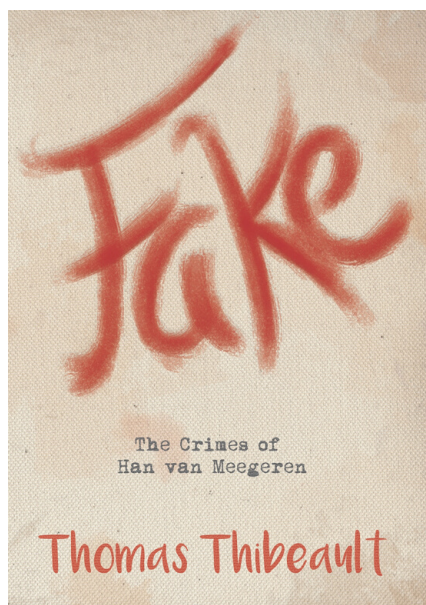
Mistress of Orange By Els Launspach

This is an intriguing novel about a crucial moment in the history of our Royal House, The House of Orange. The story takes place in The Hague, in one week, end of March 1625. Margaretha van Mechelen sometimes wonders why she gave herself, just 18 years old, to Prins Maurits. He is the son of William of Orange, Protestant, successful warlord, and cynical stadtholder. Her background is totally different, coming from impoverished nobility, Catholic, loving and pliable. She is proud and happy when he names his first son after his father. This child is proof of their relationship, their pride, and their fruit. She gets two more children, of which the youngest dies. Both children are getting titles, an education, a position... Isn't that more than they could expect?

Additional Information:

Published 2017 (Dutch/In de Knipscheer) - ISBN: 9789062659265 - 228 pages, paperback- **World Rights**

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Fake By Thomas Thibault

The Crimes of Han van Meegeren.

Seeing is Believing...

... Believing is an Art.

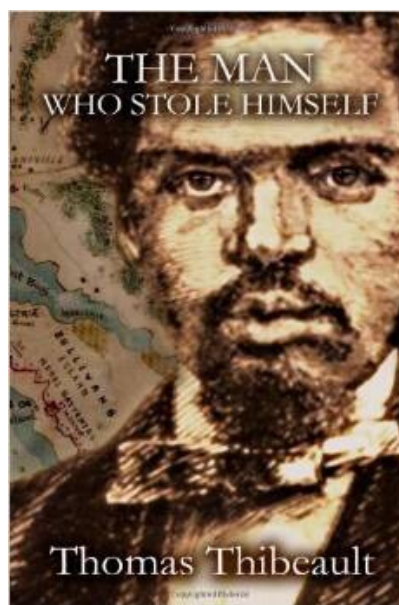
Han van Meegeren faked the masterpieces of Dutch art and sold them to the Nazis. War made him a millionaire.

Joop Pillers fought in the Resistance and survived the Holocaust. Peace made him a detective hunting collaborators.

Joop's quest brought new terrors, the choice between the fake and the real.

Additional information:

Published 2016 (Ridgetop Press) - ISBN: 9780692776230 - 340 pages - Paperback - **World Rights** (incl. World English)



The Man Who Stole Himself - By Thomas Thibault

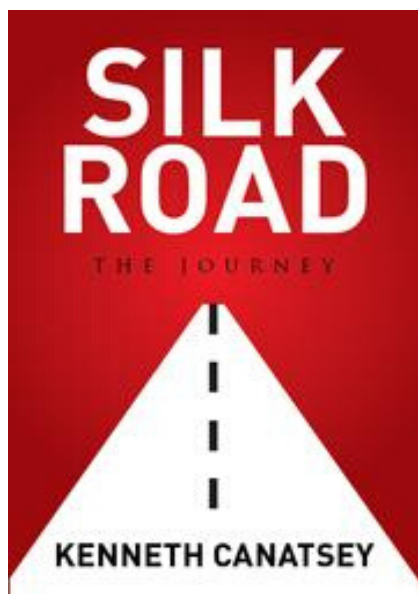
On the night of May 12th, 1862, a slave steals a gunboat and sales her under the guns of Fort Sumter to the blockading Union Navy and to freedom with the entire family. Robert Smalls surrendered to Admiral Samuel Francis Du Pont, one of the wealthiest men in the country.

And so started a friendship of two extraordinary people. They created a friendship of equality that destroyed the barriers of race, wealth, and class. Together, they defied the forces that denied their humanity and changed their world. Freedom wasn't just another word. They had everything to lose. When he escaped with the Planter, Robert became The Man Who Stole Himself.

Additional Information:

Published 2014 (Ridgetop Press)
ISBN: 9780983661832 - 346 pages - Paperback - **World Rights** (incl. World English)

HISTORICAL FICTION



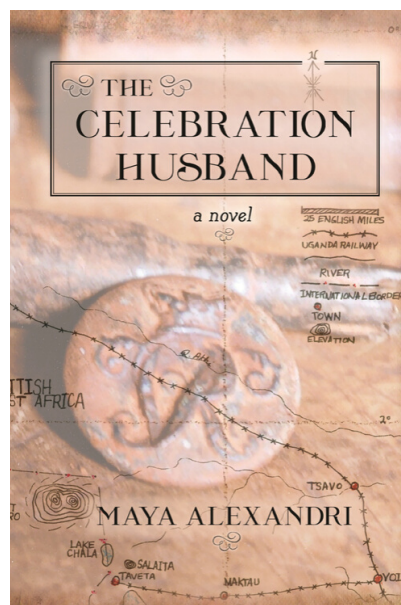
Silk Road

By Kenneth Canatsey

It is 1966, and the narrator and his roommate are leaving their California college town in order to hitchhike to New York City and join their friends who are already there. So begins what will become a 20,000 mile journey of loss and redemption. This is a tale of travel, adventure, and a young man's coming of age, evolving under unexpected and, at times, the most unusual of circumstances. Here, the changing landscape becomes an active participant in the story. Above all, the novel is a chronicle of impermanence, in which the narrative becomes, on a deeper level, an examination of transience, as the protagonist searches for meaning and permanence to the farthest ends of the earth, but is able to find it only when he returns home. A spirited, free-wheeling and ultimately sobering story of irreverent and reckless youth.

Additional information:

Published (XLibris) - ISBN: 9781514405369 - 398 pages - Paperback - **World Rights**



The Celebration Husband

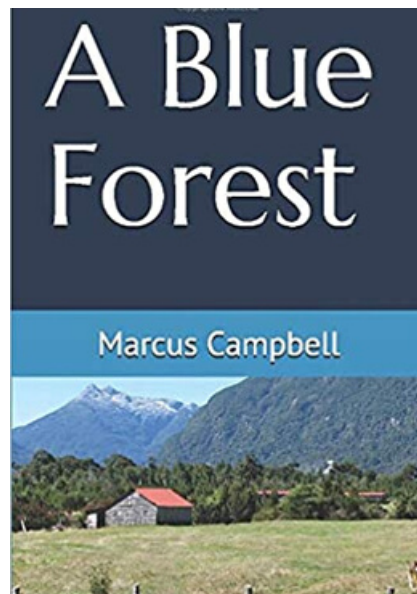
By Maya Alexandri

World War I has just erupted in East Africa, and Baroness Tanya von Brantburg is running intelligence missions for the British irregular forces, with which her husband, Isak, is fighting. Aiding Tanya are Hassan, her Somali manservant, and Kamau, her Kikuyu tribesman cook. Along the way, Tanya is targeted by her old acquaintance, the charming and cultured German Lieutenant-Colonel, Paul von Lettow-Vorbeck, who wants her to betray the British. Just as dangerous is Hilary Gordon, a fellow soldier and old flame of Tanya's: Hilary is determined to win Tanya back. Facing all the hardships of military maneuvers in the African bush, Tanya must also confront her loyalties and her desires as her mission culminates in a life-changing rescue operation on the slopes of Mount Kilimanjaro.

Additional Information:

Published: 2015 (TSL Publications)
ISBN: 9781911070009 - Paperback
World Rights

ROMANTIC DRAMA & ROMANCE



A Blue Forest By Marcus Campbell

This intriguing drama, set in the wild north of New Zealand, might be termed 'Kiwi Gothic'. It concerns Jill, who takes a job as housekeeper to an eccentric English hermit nun, Sister Isobel. Both Jill and her husband Martin, who is confined to a wheelchair after a road accident, come to stay at the hermitage in order to find solace and healing when a devastating tragedy strikes them. There, they begin to sense new directions in life, but even in this remote environment the disciplines of monastic life are stern and inviolable. When Liam, an old friend of Martin's, begins to visit him at night bringing whisky, marijuana, and compromising photographs of Jill with Gary, a local forester, an explosive situation develops that threatens all their futures, even that of the hermitage itself.

Additional information:

Independently Published 2019 - ISBN:
9781706930013 - 424 pages - paperback -
World Rights

DEATH OF THE HAWK

AND OTHER STORIES



MARCUS CAMPBELL

Death of the Hawk & Other Stories - By Marcus Campbell

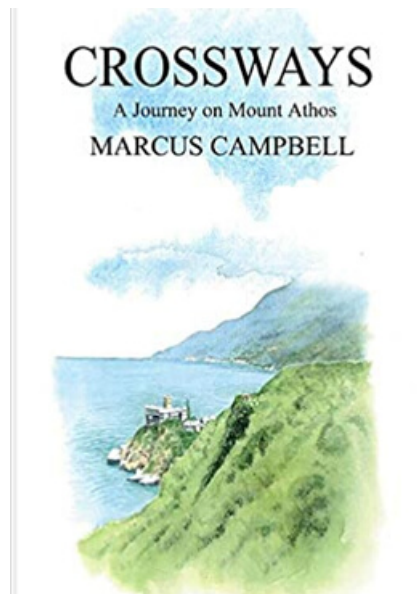
These stories are short narratives, only ten or twelve pages long, but with a clear and often dramatic thread of plot. The author sees them as tiny crucibles, or even chrysalises. The life before and after - of caterpillar and butterfly - is sketched or hinted at with vividness and humor, but each focuses upon a painful moment of turmoil, realization or change, and results in a surprising development.

In Marcus Campbell's work the shocking and wonderful are born of the mundane. His stories depict the daily life of New Zealanders in the now very distant 1960's and '80's. They have a slight cutting edge that can only be achieved by detachment, distance and time.

Additional Information:

Independently published 2019 - ISBN:
9781696837422 - 285 pages -
Paperback - **World Rights**

ROMANTIC DRAMA & ROMANCE



Crossways By Marcus Campbell

For two weeks in July 1987, Marcus Campbell kept a journal as he walked about the Holy Mountain, searching for the place in which to spend the rest of his days. He hoped to meet, in a monastery, cave or hut in the wilderness a particular man, a geronda (elder) or pnevmatikos ('spirit-filled' guide) to whom he could entrust himself, body and soul.

This vivid account, including the author's journal of those days, was intended to provide a picture of Mount Athos as he found it, for family and friends, especially women friends, who could never visit it themselves. A highlight of the book is the author's encounter with the Elder Paisios (1924-94) who in 2015 was canonized a saint of the Greek Orthodox Church

Additional Information:

Independently Published 2019 - ISBN:
9781704065885 - 307 Pages - Paperback
World Rights

Reviews on the Blue Forest:

The characters are at once complex and believable. As they grapple with the challenges of their daily lives, the questions they raise about faith, the meaning of life and the redemption of recovery echo far beyond the confines of Hokianga and indeed beyond the remote islands of New Zealand itself. This is a substantial novel that demands an in-depth analysis and certainly more than one reading.'

- Reader review on Amazon (5 star)

'This is a wonderful novel; I simply couldn't put it down. The characters are rounded and real, whilst the story itself is both poignant and menacing. I loved the sense of New Zealand's wildness, the way goodness clashes with evil forces, the humour, romance and pathos interwoven within the narrative.' **Reader review on Amazon (5 star)**

ROMANTIC DRAMA & ROMANCE

Award-
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author



He Belongs to Me By Theresa Rizzo

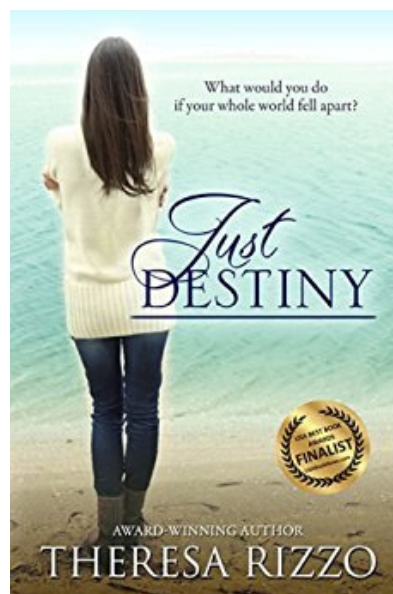
He Belongs to Me is a love story . . . a tale of betrayal and deception and of a young mother's determination to recover what belongs to her.

Forced to leave her baby and tricked into relinquishing her parental rights, four years later Catherine Boyd is back and she'll do anything to regain custody of her son - even reconcile with the husband falsely accused of killing their son's twin. All in the name of love for a little boy, generations of pain and tragedy are exposed in a courtroom drama.

4.5 Stars with 131 Amazon Reviews
250 4&5 Stars on Goodreads
Voted #5 "Nicholas Sparks Read-a-Likes"
& **#6** "Just Like Jodi Picoult" on Goodreads Lists

Additional Information:

Independently published (2013) - ISBN:
9780989045018 - 394 pages - **World Rights**
(excl. World English)



Just Destiny By Theresa Rizzo

Just Destiny is a love story wrapped in suspenseful courtroom drama.

It's about a grieving young woman, willing to risk embarrassment and possibly revealing long-held family secrets in court, for the right to conceive her dead husband's baby, and her lawyer, best friend's struggle to help her, despite his reservations.

What would you do if your whole world fell apart?

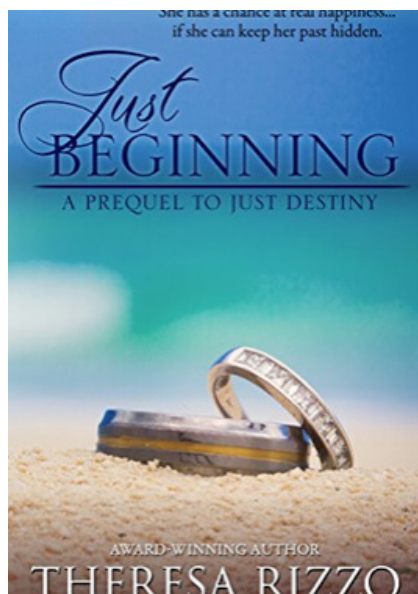
4.5 Stars with 158 Amazon Reviews
402 4&5 Stars on Goodreads
Voted **#1** "Just Like Jodi Picoult"
& **#4** Nicholas Sparks Read-a-Likes" on Goodreads Lists

Additional information:

Independently (2014) - ISBN:
9780989045025 - 374 pages - **World Rights**
(excl. World English)

ROMANTIC DRAMA & ROMANCE

Award-
winning
author



Just Beginning By Theresa Rizzo

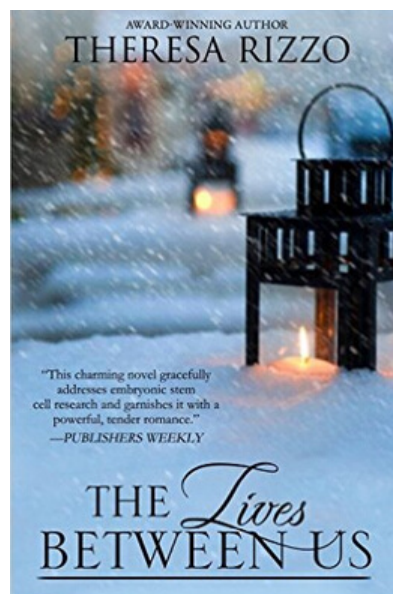
Age is just a number, until you fall in love with an older man. If he's rich, you're labeled a gold digger. If his kids are nearly your age, it's complicated. And if you're recovering from an unfortunate past, you don't dare marry your one true love... Or do you?

Twenty-something Jenny Campbell's life has been a series of screw-ups, and the latest one endangered her little brother's life.

But when she falls for sophisticated Gabe Harrison, she has a chance to turn her life around...if she can keep her past a secret.

Additional information:

Independently published (2014) - ISBN: 9780989045049 - 286 pages - **World Rights** (excl. World English)



The Lives Between Us By Theresa Rizzo

The Lives Between Us is about family and love. It's about desperate people doing what they need to, to save the ones they love. Grief-stricken reporter, Skylar Kendall, plots revenge on Michigan Sen. Hastings who opposed life-saving stem cell research and therapy. She gains access to Hastings, learning secrets that would launch her career and satisfy her need for retribution... Only, she hadn't counted on falling in love.

How far would you go to save the one you love?

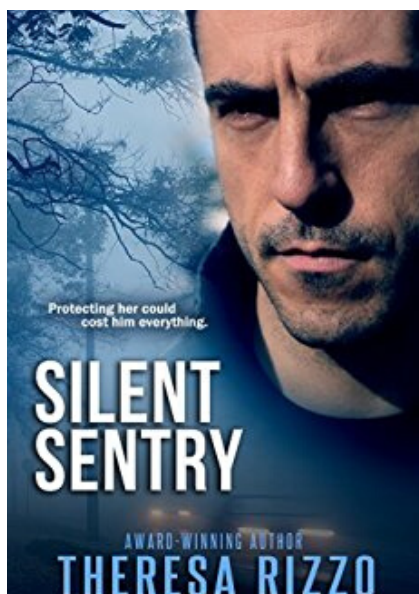
4.4 Stars with 98 Amazon Reviews
160 **4 & 5** Stars on Goodreads

Additional Information:

Independently Published (2015) - ISBN: 9780989045063 - 464 pages - **World Rights** (excl. World English)

ROMANTIC DRAMA & ROMANCE

Award-
winning
author



Silent Sentry By Theresa Rizzo

Theresa Rizzo delivers a thrilling crime novel packed with suspense, romance, and redemption. Dr. Joe Scarfili runs. He's a runner. It's how he copes with emotional pain. When his wife was murdered, he ran from violent Detroit to insular Grosse Pointe. He ran from his smothering, caring family to long hours in the operating room.

But when he falls for Gianna, another run could cost him everything. Nurse and entrepreneur Gianna Donnatelli is on the verge of making her dreams come true. Her company is poised to go public with a product guaranteed to revolutionize medical care and at the same time help revitalize Detroit, only she's attacked, stalked, and flattened by an explosion.

Additional Information:

Independently Published (2016) - ISBN: 9780989045070 - 410 pages – Paperback - **World Rights** (excl. World English)

*This charming novel gracefully addresses embryonic stem cell research and garnishes it with a powerful, tender romance... The author handles the complexities of science and morality with tremendous care and nuance; there are no hypocrites or villains here, only loving people doing their best in terribly difficult situations. Contemporary romance readers of all political leanings will be enthralled. - **Publisher's Weekly (The Lives Between Us)***

*Theresa Rizzo offers up a story of a family torn apart by secrets and lies, and a woman's courageous journey to reclaim the truth. This is a perfect blend of suspense and romance, for readers who can't resist a page-turner. - **Susan Wiggs - #1 New York Times Bestselling Author (He Belongs to Me)***

*This is a story that will command the attention of any parent, and probably everyone else, too. The courtroom battles are especially gripping, filled with twists and turns. Theresa Rizzo knows how to speak to the heart. - **William Bernhardt - New York Times Bestselling Author (He Belongs to Me)***

ROMANTIC DRAMA & ROMANCE

The Painted
Sisters Series



Painted Trust By Elsa Holland

A woman ripe with dark, sensual secrets flees for her life ... A brilliant man encased in the macabre world of the dead and dying who wants her ... A fledgling killer tests his wings ... and an inspector with his unlikely assistant start to hunt the killer down. It is a dark, macabre and Gothic world that Miss Edith Appleby flees as a man who no longer wants her alive hires a groomed killer to do the job. But Edith has a plan, it requires a forged medical degree, one she plans on stealthily acquiring from the dangerously alluring Dr. Anthony Vaughn, Edinburgh's most eminent forensic surgeon. *Holland takes readers once again on a tantalizing tour through the darker side of Victorian England...* - **RTBookReviews 4 STARS HOT for The Painted Heart prequel to PAINTED TRUST**

Additional information:

Published 2018 (Elsa Holland Books)
ISBN: 9781980415138 - 370 pages -
paperback - **World Rights**

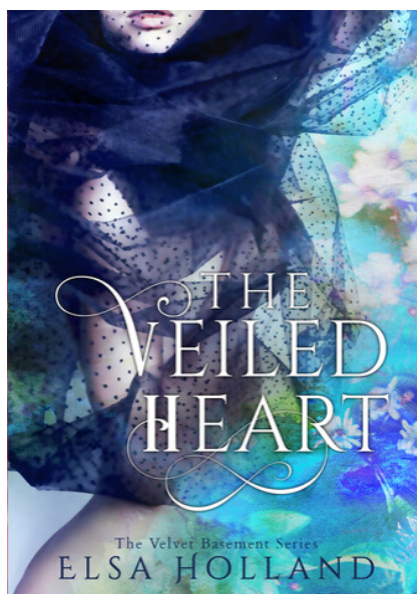
The Painted Trust reviews:

"What another amazing wild ride with Ms Holland. The perfect blend of erotic , exotic and gripping thriller. I loved the characters of Edith and Anthony and what a disgusting baddy in Dr Cox . I am very excited to hear Morrison and the Pups continued adventures looking for the Skinner . Highly recommended ! - Amazon Reader review

'Very impressive storyline from the Victorian era. Very dark, erotic and masterful. I truly didn't know what to expect but the blurbs from the storyline draws you in and hooks you from the start. Edith and Dr Vaughn are stubborn and headstrong and when they come together to work orplay it's explosive or tender. The painted sisters are human canvases of tattoos that are owned by collectors who displays them several times a year, but then there is a murder of a young lady. The murder is investigated by Morrison and a young "pup" who he has taken on to help solve this murder. I strongly recommend you pick up the book if you like dark, erotic and murder mystery. Elsa Holland has done a fantastic job of writing this and I look forward to reading the next book in the series.' - **Amazon Reader review**

ROMANTIC DRAMA & ROMANCE

The Velvet
Basement Series



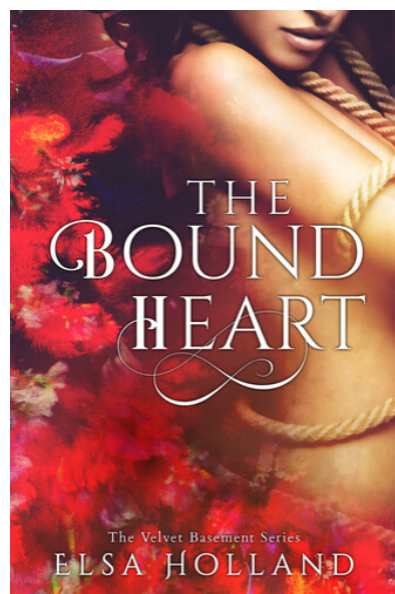
The Veiled Heart By Elsa Holland

A woman who has never known desireand the man who has always wanted her...

After a cold and cruel Victorian marriage, Lady Miriam Rothbury is determined to turn her mind to good works with London's fallen women. But when a fleeting brush with a handsome stranger at the scandalous Velvet Basement and a broken carriage combine, they create an invitation to sin. Surrendering once to a tempting rogue could be forgiven, but what happens when this dangerous game promises to extend beyond one unforgettable encounter to a passion that threatens the very foundation of her world? Passion can only go so far to pave the way for love after that, the heart must navigate through the shadows alone.

Additional information:

Published 2015 (Elsa Holland Books)
ISBN: 978099463906 - 306 pages -
paperback & e-book - **World Rights**



The Bound Heart By Elsa Holland

An innocent woman determined to win the dangerous man she wants, a wicked man desperate to same an angel from his profane desires. Intuitively a man knows when a woman can unravel him, regardless of what he tells himself. James Edwards, master of the Velvet Basement's sensual and elite art of shibari rope, has kept the radiant and innocent Olive Thompson at a distance. For the longest time he's maintained a constant vigilance, denial, and an endless hunger ... until today. Today he will steal a taste, something to remember after he walks away forever. Because who he is and what he wants are not for someone so pure. She thinks she wants him... she shouldn't. After the darkest night, the sun always rises - whether you're ready for the light or not.

Additional Information:

Published 2017 (Elsa Holland Books)
ISBN: 9781521008201 - 364 pages -
Paperback - **World Rights**

ROMANTIC DRAMA & ROMANCE

The Velvet
Basement Series



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The Painted Heart By Elsa Holland

A woman whose heart was as fierce as it was fragile..... and the man who bought her to win it.

They were selling her. She, Miss Elspeth James, was the governess. She prepared the girls to be sold as Painted Sisters, she didn't become one. And what made it worse was that it was to him, the arrogant, cold and infuriating Mr. Blackburn. She would have walkout out, left the Hurley twins, her beloved charges and the ridiculous proposal if it wasn't for one thing. The girls were in serious danger. The heart doesn't respond to the mind as a master to a servant, it walks its own path....It demands everything, everything a person is and everything they though they'd left behind.

Additional information:

Published 2017 (Elsa Holland Books) - ISBN: 9781521006788 - 386 pages - paperback
- **World Rights**

The Bound Heart reviews:

"The second book in Holland's Velvet Basement series features two strong characters whose unconventional and passionate courtship will keep readers turning pages. Her incorporation of Shibari provides a unique, refreshing look at Victorian England and its interpretation of foreign cultures. This is no typical romance—readers should expect scenes involving BDSM—and Holland continues to surprise and delight." - **RTBookReviews - 4 Stars Scorchers**

'In The Bound Heart, the second book in the Velvet Basement series, Elsa Holland reaches far beyond the standard formula of romance yet her work is accessible and touching. Ms. Holland writes of extreme subject matter with a grace and subtlety that cannot be learned as shown in her portrayal of the lead characters unconventional deep-seated and beautiful courtship.....' - **Jenerated Reviews**

'This is NOT your grandmother's Victorian England era romance! Ms. Holland continues to amaze me in the boundaries she pushes in the historical romance genre. I was blown away with the first book and the second book is no different. She tackles a darker side of the Victorian romance, but not without delivering an HEA for which we long.'
- **Amazon Reviewer, Jennifer G**

ROMANTIC DRAMA & ROMANCE



The Dreamer

By Han van den Boogaard

The Dreamer is a novel about memory and identity, insanity and reality, and lucid dreaming. Against the background of the island's history, the connection between awareness and the soil on which we live is revealed in the philosophical and existential Odyssey of its main character. Out of a state of unknowing, and guided by many intriguing stories recounted by the people he meets both inside and outside of the mental institute, he finally finds an unshakable peace of mind and a love that's larger than his own heart.

Han van den Boogaard (1956) is a Dutch psychologist, philosopher, writer and translator. He's chief editor of a philosophical magazine, and publishes essays and articles on a regular basis. He has also written several books.

Additional information:

Seeking initial publication as well as foreign rights - 81.000 words - **World Rights** (incl. World English)



Lost in Love

By Lizzie van den Ham

What would you do if you found out that the hot guy you met at a concert in summer - and you've been chatting to on Facebook ever since - turns out to be one of your high-school students...?

It happens to Gemma Visser during her first year as an English teacher at the Thorbecke College. And the more she and Julian get to know each other at school, the harder it gets to deny the feelings that blossom between them.

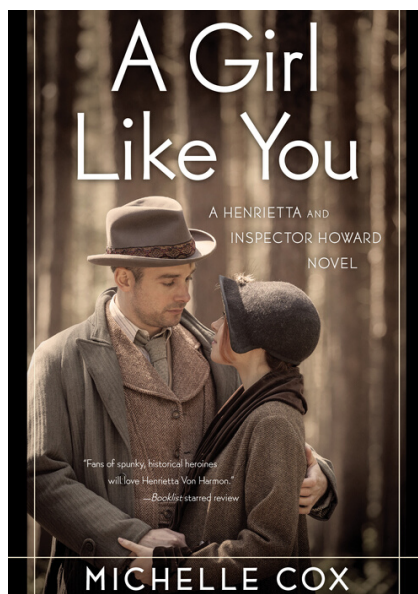
But is Julian really serious about her? And does Gemma like him enough to risk her job and reputation for him? You'll find out in *Lost in Love*, the best-selling ebook serial by Lizzie van den Ham!

Additional Information:

Published 2016 (Dutch Venture Publishing) - E-book - Sample & synopsis in English available - **World Rights** (incl. World English)

DETECTIVES & POLITICAL THRILLERS

Inspector Howard
Novel



A Girl Like You (nr. 1)

By Michelle Cox

It's 1936, and ever since the big crash and her father's subsequent suicide, Henrietta has been left with the job of caring for her antagonistic mother and seven younger siblings. In desperation, she finally agrees to take a job as a taxi dancer at a local dance hall. Just as she's beginning to enjoy herself, however, the floor matron suddenly turns up dead. When the aloof Inspector Howard appears on the scene to investigate, he persuades Henrietta to go undercover for him, plunging her deeper into Chicago's gritty underworld.

As Henrietta and the Inspector hesitantly begin to work together to solve the case, they find themselves uncomfortably drawn to one another in ways they didn't expect. But will their growing attraction thwart their ability to discover the real killer before it's too late?

Additional information:

Published 2016 (She Writes Press) - ISBN: 9781631520167 - 288 pages- **World Rights**



Award-
winning
author

A Ring of Truth (nr. 2)

By Michelle Cox

Newly engaged, Clive and Henrietta begin the difficult task of meeting each other's families- 'difficult' because Clive has neglected to tell Henrietta that he is in fact the heir to the Howard estate and fortune. When Clive brings Henrietta to the family estate to meet his parents, they are less than enthused about his impoverished intended.

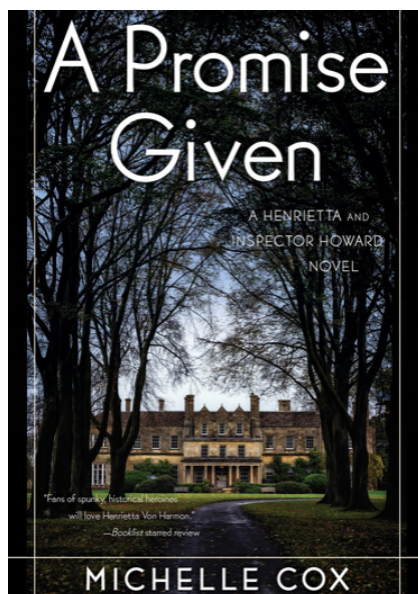
Left alone in this extravagant new world when Clive returns to the city, Henrietta finds herself more at home with the servants than his family, much to the disapproval of Mrs. Howard - and soon gets caught up in the disappearance of an elderly servant's ring, not realizing that in doing so she has become part of a bigger, darker plot.

As Clive and Henrietta attempt to discover the truth, they both begin to wonder: Are they meant for each other after all?

Additional Information:

Published 2017 (She Writes Press) - ISBN: 9781631521966 - 320 pages - **World Rights**

DETECTIVES & POLITICAL THRILLERS



A Promise Given (nr. 3)

By Michelle Cox

When Henrietta and Clive's long-awaited wedding day arrives, more is unfolding than just their vows of love. Stanley and Elsie's relationship is sorely tested by the presence of the dashing Lieutenant Harrison Barnes-Smith and Henrietta's friend Rose - a situation that grows increasingly dark and confused as time goes on.

Then, just as Clive and Henrietta begin their honeymoon at the Howards' ancestral estate in England, a man is murdered in the village nearby, and Clive's mysterious cousin Wallace comes under suspicion. Reluctantly drawn into the case, Clive and Henrietta - delicately attempting to work together for the first time - set out to prove Wallace's innocence, uncovering as they do so some rather shocking truths that will shake the Linley name and estate forever.

Additional information:

Published 2018 (She Writes Press) - ISBN: 9781631523731 - 378 pages- **World Rights**



A Veil Removed (nr. 4)

By Michelle Cox

In this fourth book of the series, Clive and Henrietta return to Highbury, where Clive discovers all is not as it should be. Increasingly convinced that his father's death was not an accident, Clive launches an investigation, despite his mother's belief that he has become 'mentally disturbed' with grief. Henrietta eventually joins forces with Clive on their first real case, which as they unravel the truth behind Alcott's worrisome affairs, becomes darker - and deadlier - than they first imagined.

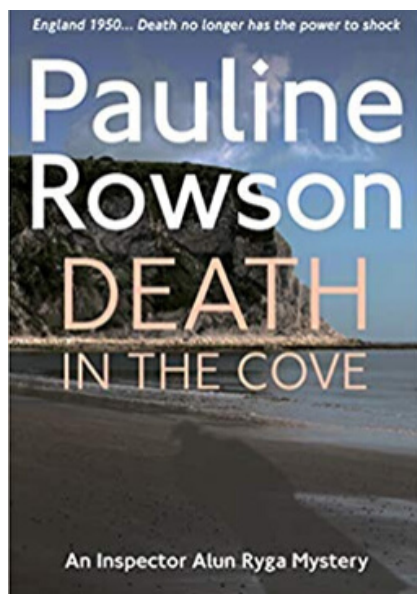
Meanwhile, Henrietta's sister, Elsie, begins to take classes at a women's college in an attempt to evade her many troubles. When she meets a bookish German custodian, however, he challenges her to think for herself ... even as she discovers some shocking secrets about his past life.

Additional Information:

Published 2019 (She Writes Press) - ISBN: 9781631525032 - 400 pages - **World Rights**

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An Inspector Alun
Ryga Mystery

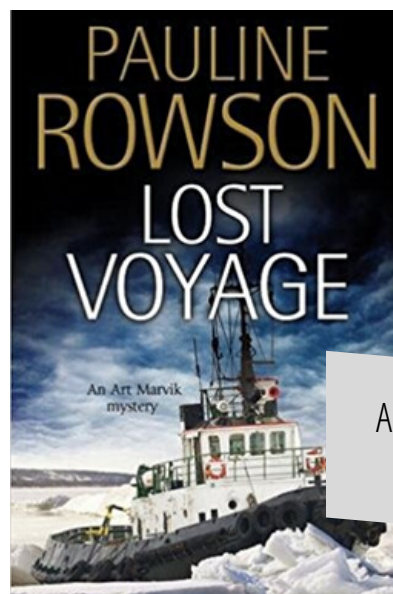


Death in a Cove (nr. 1) By Pauline Rowson

England 1950... Death no longer has the power to shock. When the body of a man dressed in a pinstriped suit is discovered by war photographer, Eva Paisley, in a secluded bay on Portland Island, Dorset, Inspector Alun Ryga of Scotland Yard is despatched to investigate. Recently promoted, the thoughtful, observant Ryga, is on his first solo investigation outside of London, and is keen to prove his worth. Ignoring the warnings of the local police inspector, and the Dorset Chief Constable, that his trust in Eva Paisley is misjudged, Ryga quickly realises that her observations could provide the breakthrough he needs in a complex murder investigation and the answer to the haunting circumstances that have sent the man in the pinstriped suit to his death.

Additional information:

To be publ Sept. 2019 (Fathom Rowmark)-
ISBN: 9780992888954 - 254 pages -
Paperback - **European Rights** (excl. Poland,
Italy, Ireland & Greece)



An Art Marvik
Mystery

Lost Voyage (nr. 3) By Pauline Rowson

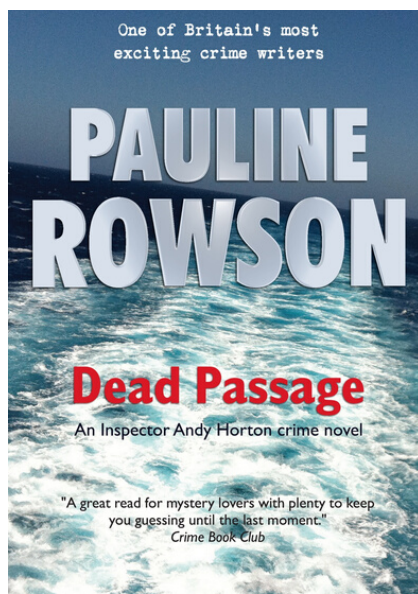
Art Marvik, former Royal Marine Commando, is surprised to receive an unexpected summons to meet Helen Shannon, a woman he helped on his first mission, in the middle of the night. When a body is discovered in her flat, Marvik is convinced that Helen is being framed for murder, but why and by whom? Shortly afterwards, the head of the National Marine Intelligence Squad, Detective Chief Superintendent Crowder, asks him to investigate the disappearance of a salvage vessel, the Mary Jo, which went missing in 2003. As he delves into the past, it becomes clear that Marvik faces a desperate battle to keep Helen and others safe from a ruthless assassin - one who will stop at nothing in order to protect the secret of the Mary Jo's last voyage from ever being exposed.

Additional Information:

Published 2017 (Severn House Publ.) ISBN:
9780727887320 - 224 pages - Hardback
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DETECTIVES & POLITICAL THRILLERS

DI Andy Horton
Crime Novels



Dead Passage (nr. 14) By Pauline Rowson

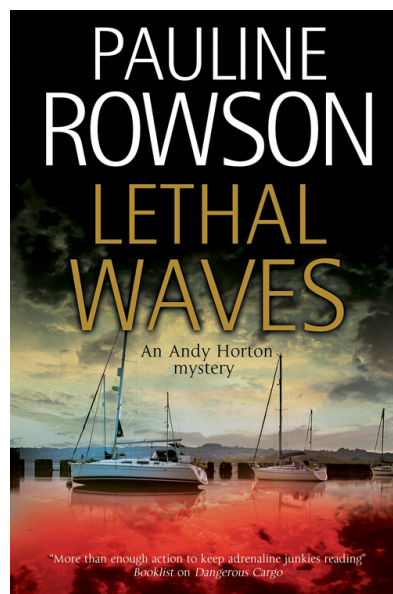
Inspector Andy Horton receives a mysterious telephone call from Adele Goldsby, the daughter of a dead Portsmouth politician, with an urgent request to meet him on the Isle of Wight ferry because she has something to reveal about her father's death twelve years ago.

When she doesn't show, Horton is at first inclined to think it was a hoax until more information comes to light.

As he unofficially looks into the circumstances surrounding the politician's death he becomes more convinced that the initial investigation was cursory to say the least, a fact that is borne out by Sergeant Cantelli who was on the case.

Additional information:

Published 2018 (Rowmark) - ISBN: 9780992888923 - 264 pages - paperback -
European Rights (excl. Poland, Italy, Ireland & Greece)



Lethal Waves (nr. 13) By Pauline Rowson

What would you do if you found out that the hot guy you met at a concert in summer - and you've been chatting to on Facebook ever since - turns out to be one of your high-school students...?

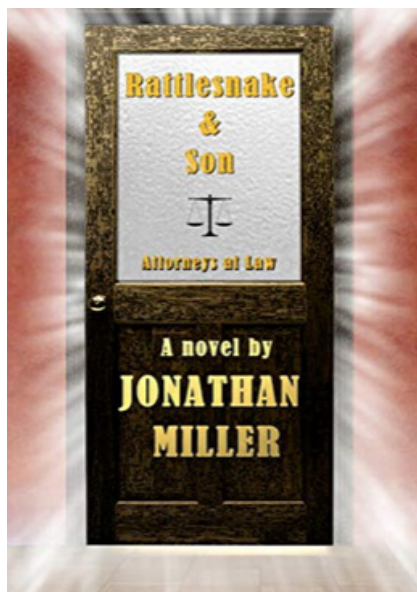
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But is Julian really serious about her? And does Gemma like him enough to risk her job and reputation for him? You'll find out in *Lost in Love*, the best-selling ebook serial by Lizzie van den Ham!

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DETECTIVES & POLITICAL THRILLERS



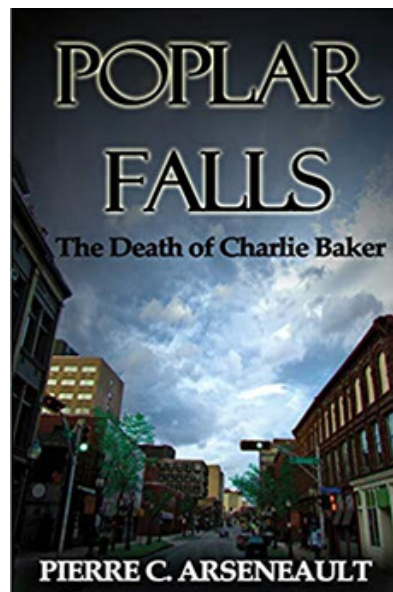
Rattlesnake & Son By Jonathan Miller

His long-lost son was the last person Dan Shepard, the Rattlesnake Lawyer, expected to meet when he was ordered to be at the courthouse in Truth or Consequences, New Mexico. Poor fourteen-year old Marley might even be psychic. With his special abilities, Marley can help Dan take his local practice statewide. Rattlesnake & Son could be the next great New Mexico law firm.

Unfortunately, things go exceedingly wrong at school for Marley and he is charged with some very serious crimes. The Rattlesnake Lawyer now has to represent his son in his wildest trial yet. When he learns the truth about his son, Dan and Marley will have to face some extremely dangerous consequences.

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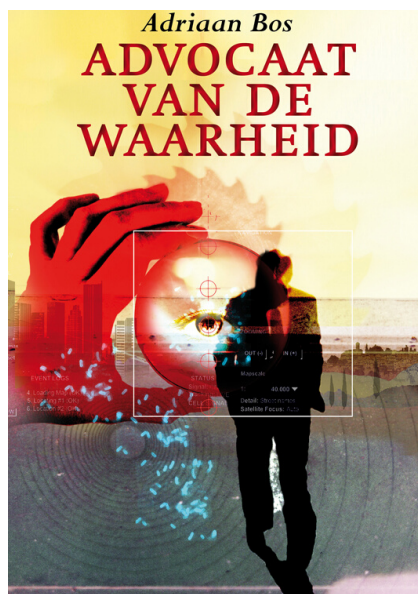
Poplar Falls By Pierre C. Arsenault

The small city of Poplar Falls is abuzz with gossip after a body is found in a bachelor apartment. The body is tied to a four post bed with a pillow still on its face, an obvious victim of a bizarre murder. While Detectives Franklin Dodge and Roxanne Tilley investigate the strange circumstances surrounding the death of the promiscuous new guy in town named Charlie Baker, a client of the Magnolia Wellness and Rehabilitation Centre. With a long list of suspects for a murder and new developments in what they were considering a cold case, the biggest challenge they face is the race against the constant gossip being spread through town by the group who refer to themselves as the Naughty Knitters.

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DETECTIVES & POLITICAL THRILLERS



The Truth's Advocate By Adriaan Bos

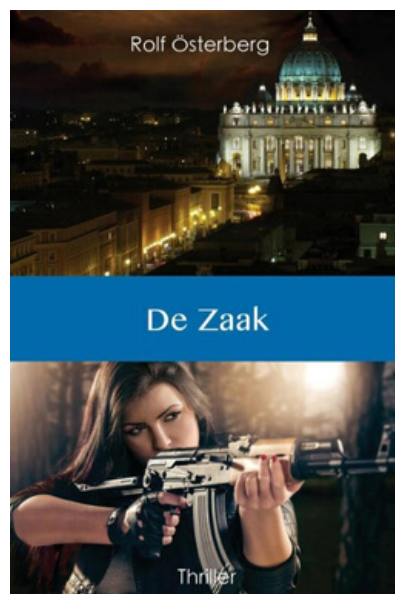
The Truth's Advocate is a gripping novel about love and friendship, about integrity and listening to your inner voice. This thrilling story is set in today's society, marked by populism, growing intolerance, the yearn for security, the falling away of structures, and failing (political) leadership. A society in which technological developments seem endless, but where the privacy of the individual is undermined with no remorse. This book offers a shocking insight into the dangers that threaten humanity in the 21st century.

Praise from a Dutch reader:

This compelling novel reads like a Da Vinci Code and contains the life lessons of a Paulo Coelho.

Additional information:

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The Papyrus Conspiracy By Rolf Osterberg

A Russian archaeology professor in Jerusalem procures an art portfolio containing a number of papyrus scrolls... and a roll of film. The professor's disappearance induces his friend, a retired Mossad analyst, to pull out all the stops to find him. A Dutch student picks up a roll of film on the square by the Wailing Wall and shoves it in her bag, taking it home with her to Holland. Later that little roll of film is responsible for turning her life, and that of the love of her life, into a nightmare.

A tortured, murdered woman is discovered in Amsterdam and the police are desperate to find her killer. All too quickly, the case turns out to be even more complicated than anyone could ever have suspected...

Additional Information:

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SCIENCE- FICTION & FANTASY



The Fall of Netherea By Jeffrey Debris

When Netherea is struck by a cataclysm that destabilizes its core, its inhabitants immediately start to evacuate their entire population from the planet. Răz Numera and his colleague Langruff, are sent down to assist with the evacuation and investigate the cause of the disaster. Shortly after the cataclysm strikes, the elemental balance is affected galaxy-wide. A young Earthmaster student named Grummus and his mentor, Tryu, are stuck on the planet Saridia, where Grummus was undergoing his Rite of Ascension. Tasked with guarding a seed of life, Grummus desperately tries to get it back home safely before it withers. When the true reason behind the cataclysm is unveiled, it becomes evident that a plan has been set in motion by a race thought to be extinct.

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Published 2015 (Celtica) - ISBN: 9789491300417 - 406 Pages - Paperback - **World Rights** (incl. World English)



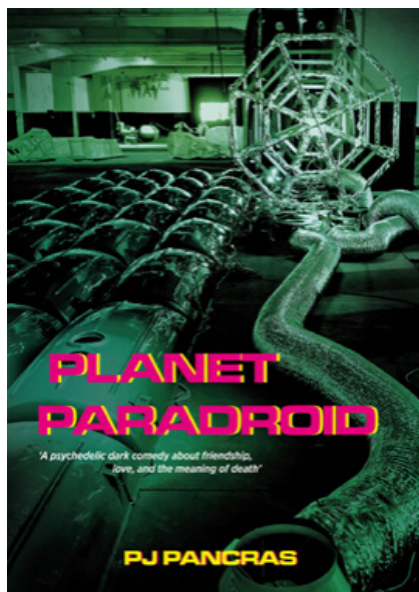
The Zar aranos Deception By Jeffrey Debris

In the wake of the fall of Netherea the Intergalactic Alliance has worked on stabilizing the Xoron home world's molten core. During the past four years they have only managed to marginally improve the planet's dire conditions. Aware of the threats made by the Shaedon several parties have busied themselves with tracing their whereabouts in hopes of stopping their plans. Serra Gomez, the newly appointed CEO of NanoTech Inc is trying to find a factory the Shaedon use to produce androids that they might use as an army. Meanwhile the threat of an attack from the Zar'aranos Empire looms. The increase of ships along the border with Alliance space is a grim indication that a conflict with them is not far off. All hope is vested on a covert mission.

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SCIENCE- FICTION & FANTASY



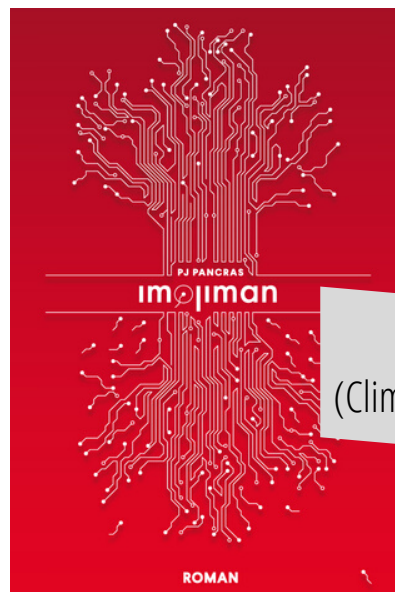
Planet Paratrooid By PJ Pancras

In a near-future Amsterdam, a cast of motley characters work to make sense of lives that feel increasingly unmoored. At their center is the self-aware computer VDR, an AI therapist intrigued by the concept of friendship, the struggle to avoid death and, above all, what it means to be human. Through his interactions with his human "friends" - fellow therapist Debbie van Hall and her son Tex, newcomer Raven Hunter, and a host of others - VDR observes the myriad ways in which human beings fight to rewrite their own painful histories and so create a new future.

And as he watches and learns, he starts to long for more: to truly experience the human condition himself.

Additional information:

Published 2017 (DIT publishers) - Complete English translation - ISBN: 9789082313857 - 610 pages - Paperback - **World Rights** (incl. World English)



Cli-Fi
(Climate Fiction)

IMOJIMAN By PJ Pancras

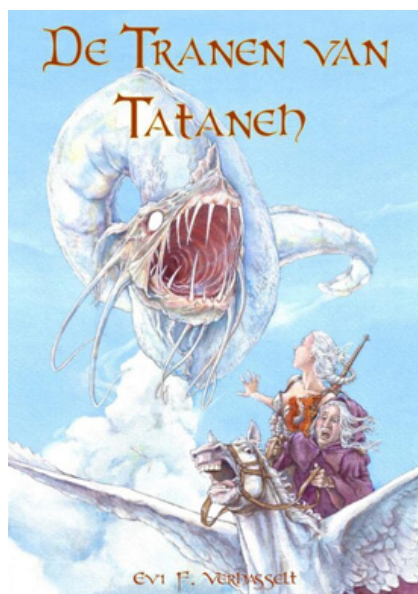
In this cli-fi novel VDR, the supercomputer who became human in the prequel *Planet Paratrooid*, is wandering through the Wood Wibe Web and calls itself Imojiman, searching for the meaning of life. After all, is consciousness not more important than intelligence?

Via his human soulmate Stek, he ends up in El Sur, the desert of Espania. The inhabitants are outlaws who trade in humans and plutonium. In El Sur, Eco-activist and biologist Charlie Silverant controls her underground plantimperium. These surroundings, in which nature and technology come together in an unlikely way, are ideal for VDR to give free reign to his consciousness. Will he succeed in finding a way to reproduce?

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The Book of Tears By Evi F. Verhasselt

Tataneh's father allows her to help him create a new planet in the Hall of Worlds. His undivided attention for her does not go down well with her brother; in a fit of jealousy, he contaminates the planet with dragon eggs. Their mother has to step in and trap the dragons in a deep slumber to avoid a catastrophe. A thousand years pass before the murderous dragons are roused from their sleep by Prince Abromar and Magister Gatorro. It is now up to a handful of heroes, including a blind elf, a squirrel and a slightly mad seer, to solve the problem. But will they be able to guarantee a happy ending? Evi F. Verhasselt takes the reader on a unique journey through Aedon. This is a story packed with humour, excitement and gripping twists.

Additional information:

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The Abyss - Leila: The Beginning By Rolf Osterberg

After a thousand years, the world threatens to be consumed by evil once more. The only one who can turn the tides is Leila. She is the new Archpriestess, but she has not developed her Gifts yet. In order to do so, she must reach the elven queen Diana.

Leila is accompanied on her journey by the magical cat Tess and the murderer Orvan. Valiant, Queen Dania's brother, ventures from the elven kingdom with ambassadors from the gnomes and trolls to find Leila and help her on her journey. Aided by Suru, the God of Fire, and the prophet Zorc with his horde of gwargs, the Goddess of Evil does everything in her power to prevent Leila from reaching the elven queen.

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SCIENCE- FICTION & FANTASY

Finalist for the 2018
Endeavor Award!



CrossTown By Loren W. Cooper

Zethus is a sorcerer--a self-described spiritual thug for hire. He makes his living in CrossTown, a place where the manyworld hypothesis of modern physics manifests itself, where possibilities and probabilities overlap. Caught up in a web of intrigue as he investigates the death of his master, Corvinus, and pursued by agents that want to erase all knowledge of Corvinus's work, Zethus discovers that the key to his master's murder lies in the last project he had pursued before his death. The roots of this project lie deep in the past, at the origin of CrossTown's fractured reality. Once he understands the stakes, Zethus must make the dangerous journey to the cradle of history. The price he must pay to find the answers he seeks will threaten everything he holds dear--including his own humanity.

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