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Elizabeth Bear
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John C. Wright

...and many others

All the books in this catalogue are new books due for release in **January 2015**.

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Until next time, good reading!

Ron, Iain and Beau

WASTELANDS:

STORIES OF THE APOCALYPSE

ADAMS, John Joseph (Editor)

Prescient tales of Armageddon and its aftermath, by twenty-two of today's finest writers, including: Paolo Bacigalupi, Cory Doctorow, Nancy Kress, Jack McDevitt, Elizabeth Bear, Carol Emshwiller and Richard Kadrey.

SF anthology PBK \$19.95

THE COMPLETE SHORT STORIES VOL. 1:

THE 1950S

ALDISS, Brian

Collection TP \$29.99

YEAR'S BEST WEIRD FICTION

BARRON, Laird (Editor)

Authors include Jeffrey Ford, Sofia Samatar, Jeff VanderMeer, and Chen Quifan. "[Barron] has certainly raised the bar for future guest editors." - *Locus Magazine*

Anthology TP \$33.95

UNBREAKABLE

BAUERS, W. C.

The colonists of the planet Montana are accustomed to being ignored. Situated in the buffer zone between two rival human empires, their world is a backwater: remote, provincial, independently-minded. Even as a provisional member of the Republic of Aligned Worlds, Montana merits little consideration, until it becomes the flashpoint in an impending interstellar war. "Military science fiction with a kick-butt female lead" - *Kirkus Reviews*.

Science fiction HC \$42.95

SHATTERED PILLARS

BEAR, Elizabeth

Set in a world drawn from the great Asian Steppes, this saga of magic, politics, and war sets Re-Temur, the exiled heir to the great Khagan and his friend Sarmarkar, a Wizard of Tsarepheth, against dark forces determined to conquer all the great Empires along the Celedon Road. The second book of Bear's *The Eternal Sky* trilogy and the sequel to *Range of Ghosts* (\$29.95).

Fantasy TP \$29.95

THE WITCHES OF ECHO PARK

BENSON, Amber

When Elyse MacAllister's great-aunt Eleanora, the woman who raised her, becomes deathly ill, Lyse puts her comfortable life in Georgia on hold to rush back to Los Angeles. And once she returns to Echo Park, Lyse discovers her great-aunt has been keeping extraordinary secrets from her. Not only is Lyse heir to Eleanora's Victorian estate; she is also expected to take her great-aunt's place in the Echo Park coven of witches. But to accept her destiny means to place herself in deadly peril - for the world of magic is under siege, and the battle the witches now fight may be their last.

Urban fantasy TP \$29.95

EMERGENCE

BIRMINGHAM, John

"Monsters," said Vince Martinelli. "There are monsters on the rig, Dave." Dave Hooper has the hangover from hell, a demonic ex-wife and the claws of the tax office sinking into him. So the last thing he needs is an explosion at the off-shore oil rig where he works. But this is no ordinary industrial accident, and despite the news reports, Dave knows that terrorists aren't to blame for the disaster. He knows because he has killed one of the things responsible. When he wakes up in a hospital bed guarded by Navy SEALs, he realises he hasn't been on a bad acid trip. It all really happened. Yet his shock is cut short by a startling self-discovery: his contact with the creature has transformed the overweight, balding safety manager into something else entirely. A goddamned superhero. Then he learns the attack on the rig is only the first." - *Publisher's blurb*.

Science fiction thriller TP \$29.99

THE DARKEST PART OF THE FOREST

BLACK, Holly

Fairfold is a contemporary American town long beset by fairies. This isn't a secret, rather it's a tourist attraction that provides the citizens with a healthy source of income (although the visitors do occasionally get eaten by the more dangerous fairies). Hazel, a local high school student, is in love with the town's biggest tourist attraction, a fairy prince who has slept for generations in a glass coffin in the forest. In this, she has a friendly rivalry going with her gay brother, Ben, who also loves the sleeping prince. Things have been unbalanced in Fairfold ever since a mortal woman refused to return a changeling who grew up to be Hazel and Ben's friend, Jack, to the fairies. Now even Fairfold natives are being attacked, and after someone frees the sleeping prince, Hazel rediscovers her secret debt to the fairies.

YA fantasy HC \$22.99

MERCY THOMPSON 08: NIGHT BROKEN

BRIGGS, Patricia

The American mass-market edition.

Urban fantasy PBK \$19.95

RED RISING

BROWN, Pierce

Sixteen-year-old Darrow is a Red miner, the lowest worker caste on Mars. Darrow's people live in hellish conditions underground and mine the helium-3 needed to terraform the planet. After his father and wife are executed he is recruited by the rebel Sons of Ares to infiltrate high-caste Gold society and help overthrow the government. The sequel is *Golden Son* (TP, \$29.99).

YA science fiction PBK \$19.99

LETTERS TO LOVECRAFT

BULLINGTON, Jesse (Editor)

18 original stories inspired by H.P. Lovecraft's famous essay "Supernatural Horror in Literature". Authors include Brian Evenson, Tim Lebbon, Jeffrey Ford, Gemma Files, Robin D. Laws, and Nick Mamatas. "The stories in this essential compilation are as diverse as the contributors, and together they form a wonderful confluence of criticism and creativity." - *Publisher's Weekly*

Horror anthology TP \$31.95

LOST STARS 03: IMPERFECT SWORD

CAMPBELL, Jack

Science fiction PBK \$16.99

HEIR CHRONICLES 04: THE ENCHANTER HEIR

CHIMA, Cinda Williams

At 17, Jonah has become the deadliest assassin in Nightshade, a network that hunts the undead. Emma Claire Greenwood grew up worlds away, raised by a grandfather who taught her music rather than magic. An unschooled wild child, she runs the streets until the night she finds her grandfather dying, gripping a note warning Emma that she might be in danger. The clue he leaves behind leads Emma into Jonah's life - and a shared legacy of secrets and lingering questions.

Fantasy PBK \$19.99

SPELL BIND

COE, David B

Justis Fearsson is a private investigator on the trail of a serial killer in Phoenix, AZ. Justis is also a weremyste, a person with a wizard's gifts and the ability to see into the paranormal world. Unfortunately, weremystes also tend to go crazy on the full moon which is why Justis is no longer a cop. But now an old case from his police detective days has come back to haunt him, literally, as a serial killer known as the Blind Angel strikes again. His signature stroke: burning out the victims' eyes with magic. Now the victims are piling up, including a senator's daughter, and Justis must stop Blind Angel before he, she, or it kills again.

Urban fantasy HC \$42.95

SHADOW OPS 04: GEMINI CELL

COLE, Myke

US Navy SEAL Jim Schweitzer is a consummate professional, a fierce warrior, and a hard man to kill. But when he sees something he was never meant to see on a covert mission gone bad, he finds himself, and his family, in the crosshairs. That should be the end of the story. But Jim is raised from the dead by a sorcerer and recruited by a top secret unit dabbling in the occult, known only as the Gemini Cell. With powers he doesn't understand, Jim is called back to duty - as the ultimate warrior. As he wrestles with a literal inner demon, Jim realizes his new superiors are determined to use him for their own ends and keep him in the dark, especially about the fates of his wife and son. Recommended! The first in the series is *Control Point* (\$17.99).

Military fantasy PB \$19.95

MICHAEL G. CONEY SF GATEWAY OMNIBUS

CONEY, Michael G.

An omnibus of *Mirror Image*, *Charisma*, and *Brontomekl!*.

Science fiction TP \$39.99

MUTANT FILES 01: DEADEYE

DIETZ, William C.

In the year 2038, an act of bioengineered terrorism decimated humanity. Those who survived were either completely unaffected or developed horrible mutations. Across the globe, nations are now divided between areas populated by "norms" and lands run by "mutants." Detective Cassandra Lee of Los Angeles's Special Investigative Section has built a fierce reputation taking down some of the city's most notorious criminals. But the serial cop killer known as Bonebreaker - who murdered Lee's father - is still at large. Officially, she's too personally involved to work on the Bonebreaker case. Unofficially, she's going to hunt him to the ends of the earth...

Science fiction PBK \$19.95

RCN 10: THE SEA WITHOUT A SHORE

DRAKE, David

Cinnabar's chief spymaster is a mother also - and her son is determined to search for treasure in the midst of a civil war. Who better to hold the boy's hand - and to take the blows directed at him - than Captain Daniel Leary, the Republic of Cinnabar Navy's troubleshooter, and his friend the cyberspy Adele Mundy? The only thing certain in the struggle for control of the mining planet Corcyra is that the rival parties are more dangerous to their own allies than to their opponents. Daniel and Adele face kidnapers, hijackers, pirates and a death squad - even before they can get to their real business of ending the war on Corcyra.

Science fiction PBK \$19.95

THE TOP OF THE VOLCANO: THE AWARD WINNING STORIES OF HARLAN ELLISON

ELLISON, Harlan

A limited edition from Subterranean Press.

Collection HC \$69.95

EYE OF ZOLTAR

FFORDE, Jasper

YA fantasy PBK \$16.99

OVERSIGHT TRILOGY 01: OVERSIGHT

FLETCHER, Charlie

"Once the Oversight, the secret society that polices the lines between the mundane and the magic, counted hundreds of brave souls among its members. Now their number can be tallied on a single hand. When a drunkard brings a screaming girl to the Oversight's London headquarters, it seems their hopes for a new recruit will be fulfilled - but the girl is a trap, her appearance a puzzle the five remaining guardians must solve or lose each other, and their society, for good..."

This dark Dickensian fantasy spins a tale of witch-hunters, magicians, mirror-walkers and the unlikeliest of heroes drawn from the depths of British folklore. Meet the Oversight, and remember: when they fall, so do we all." - publisher's blurb. "Exciting, exhilarating, scary and moving in equal measure, The Oversight is a teeming world of dark deeds and dark magics, brilliantly realised. This feels like the start of something amazing." - *M. R. Carey*

Fantasy PBK \$19.99

DREAMWALKER

FRIEDMAN, C.S.

After a DNA test reveals that 16-year-old Jesse Drake isn't related to either of her parents, she begins investigating her heritage, only to learn that she might not even be human...

YA fantasy PB \$19.95

THE JESSE JAMES ARCHIVES OMNIBUS

GALLANT, Craig & WERNER, Clint

An alternate history twisted through the evil influence of strange, mysterious creatures, the greatest figures of American history battle for dominance and control of a war-torn nation. High tech machines and weapons dominate the land as the world changes daily with each new invention. Amidst this clash of giants, two lone outlaws, Jesse James and William "Billy the Kid" Bonnie, strive for recognition and their share of the glory, struggling for their place on the national stage. In addition to the above, there are two short stories - An omnibus of the series which includes additional background material and stories on the outlaw characters.

Steampunk TP \$38.95

THE WORLDS OF EDGAR RICE BURROUGHS

GARCIA, Robert T. & RESNICK, Mike (Editors)

Eleven new tales set in the legendary worlds of Edgar Rice Burroughs. Contributors include: Kristine Kathryn Rusch, Mercedes Lackey, Mike Resnick, Peter David, Kevin J. Anderson, Sarah A. Hoyt, Max Allan Collins, F. Paul Wilson, and Joe R. Lansdale.

Pulp fiction PBK \$19.95

THE LAST AMERICAN VAMPIRE

GRAHAME-SMITH, Seth

In this follow-up to *Abraham Lincoln: Vampire Hunter* (TP, \$29.95), vampire Henry Sturges is searching for renewed purpose in the wake of his friend Abraham Lincoln's shocking death. It will be an expansive journey that will send him to England for an encounter with Jack the Ripper, then to New York City for the birth of a new American century, the dawn of the electric era of Tesla and Edison, and the blazing disaster of the 1937 Hindenburg crash.

Fantasy/alternate history HC \$44.95

TALES FROM THE NIGHTSIDE

GREEN, Simon R.

A collection of Nightside short fiction, including the new novella "Big Game".

Urban fantasy HC \$42.95

TIME KEEPER TRILOGY 02:

ETERNITY GATE

HARDING, Traci

Fantasy PBK \$19.99

TIGERMAN

HARKAWAY, Nick

Lester Ferris, sergeant of the British Army, is a good man in need of a rest. The island of Mancreu is the ideal place for Lester to serve out his time. It's a former British colony in legal limbo, soon to be destroyed because of its very special version of toxic pollution. Of course, that also makes it perfect for shady business, hence the Black Fleet of illicit ships lurking in the bay: listening stations, offshore hospitals, money laundering operations, drug factories and deniable torture centres. Lester's brief is to sit tight and turn a blind eye but he has made a friend: a brilliant, Internet-addled street kid with a comic book fixation who will need a home when the island dies. Now, as Mancreu's small society tumbles into violence, the boy needs Lester to be more than just an observer. Another wonderful novel from Harkaway - highly recommended!

Science fiction PBK \$19.99

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PBK = "A" format (standard size) paperback

TPB = "B" & "C" format (oversize) paperback

HC = Hardcover or cloth binding

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BOOKS OF BLOOD & IRON 01: IRON AXE

HARPER, Steven
Although Danr’s mother was human, his father was one of the hated Stane, a troll from the mountains. Now Danr is condemned to hard labor on a farm - until, without warning, strange creatures come down from the mountains to attack the village. Spirits walk the land, terrifying the living. Trolls creep out from under the mountain, provoking war with the elves. And Death herself calls upon Danr to set things right. At Death’s insistence, Danr heads out to find the Iron Axe, the weapon that Sundered the continent a thousand years ago. Together with unlikely companions, Danr will brave fantastic and dangerous creatures to find a weapon that could save the world or destroy it.

Fantasy PBK \$19.95

NOBLE DEAD 12: A WIND IN THE NIGHT

HENDEE, Barb & J.C.
Fantasy PBK \$19.95

MAGIC EX LIBRIS 03: UNBOUND

HINES, Jim
The first two in this fantastic series are *Libriomancer* and *Codex Born* (\$19.95 each). “I picked up the book meaning to read a few pages. My first thought was, ‘This is a cool concept.’ The second thing I thought was, ‘This is really, really clever.’ The third thing I thought was, ‘I should have gone to sleep three hours ago.’” - *Patrick Rothfuss* (for series)

Fantasy HC \$42.95

THE RISE OF THE SPIDER GODDESS

HINES, Jim
“In 2006, DAW Books published Jim C. Hines’ debut novel *Goblin Quest*. But before Jig the goblin, before fairy tale princesses and magic librarians and spunky fire-spiders, there was Nakor the Purple, an elf who wanted nothing more than to stand around watching lovingly overdescribed sunrises with his pet owl Flame, who might actually be a falcon, depending on which chapter you’re reading. This is Nakor’s story, written in 1995 and never before shared with the world. (For reasons that will soon be painfully clear.) With more than 5000 words of bonus annotation and smart-ass commentary, this is a book that proves every author had to start somewhere, and most of the time, that place wasn’t very pretty.” – *publisher’s blurb*

Fantasy TP \$24.95

FANTASY MASTERWORKS:

MYTHAGO WOOD

HOLDSTOCK, Robert
Fantasy PBK \$19.99

MAMMOTH BOOK OF BEST NEW HORROR 25

JONES, Stephen (Editor)
Horror anthology PBK \$19.99

THE LAST RITE

KENT, Jasper
Horror TP \$32.99

DESERT CALLED PEACE 05:

COME AND TAKE THEM

KRATMAN, Tom
On the colony planet of Terra Nova, soldier-turned-political leader Carrera has achieved his revenge, destroying those who killed his wife and children in a terrorist strike, and helping to establish a free country. But Carrera’s fight is not over.

Science fiction PBK \$19.95

FORSAKEN LANDS 02: THE DAGGER’S PATH

LARKE, Glenda
Ardhi, Sorel and the excommunicated cleric, Saker Rampion, stow away on a ship to the Spice Islands. They must return stolen items of great power to Ardhi’s home, but there are ruthless men after this power, men who will kill to possess it. At home in Ardrone, an army of demonic origin runs amok while Saker’s superiors in the church struggle to quell it. And the young queen Mathilda struggles with the possibility that her newborn child, the heir to the throne, may be linked to the corruption that has erupted throughout the land. Sequel to *The Lascar’s Dagger* (\$19.99).

Fantasy PBK \$19.99

ARCHERS BEACH 03: CAROUSEL SEAS

LEE, Sharon
Welcome to Archers Beach in the Changing Land, the last and least of the Six Worlds, where magic works, sometimes, and the Guardian husbands the vitality of the land and everyone on it - earth spirit and plain human alike. Kate Archer, Guardian and carousel-keeper, has been busy making some changes of her own, notably beginning a romantic relationship with Borgan, the Guardian of the Gulf of Maine, Kate’s opposite number. Oh, and she’s been instrumental in releasing the prisoners that had been bound into the carousel animals - which she’s inclined to think is a good thing. . .Until a former sea goddess sets up housekeeping in the Gulf of Maine, challenging Borgan’s authority; endangering Kate and everything she holds precious.

Fantasy TP \$29.95

THE GALAXY GAME

LORD, Karen
The myriad manifestations of humanity have settled on a number of worlds, still recovering from the devastation that rendered one of the major planets inhospitable. Enter Rafi, a young man burdened with potent psychic abilities, and his best friend, Ntenman, who feels oddly responsible for Rafi’s wellbeing. As circumstances take the pair from one world to another, always one step ahead of trouble or disaster, they remain united through their love of the popular game known as Wallrunning, where Ntenman excels and Rafi struggles. As Rafi hones his powers, he learns that his ability to draw people together as a nexus may hold the key to restoring an easier, quicker way to travel between worlds, which could revolutionize galactic society. Set in the same universe as the wonderful *Best of All Possible Worlds* (TP, \$29.95).

Science fiction TP \$29.95

EVENSONG

LOVE, John
The future is a dangerous place. Keeping the world stable and peaceful when competing corporate interests and nation-states battle for power, wealth, and prestige has only gotten harder over the years. But that’s the United Nations’ job. So the UN has changed along with the rest of the world. When the UN’s “soft” diplomacy fails, it has harder options, like The Dead - biologically enhanced secret operatives created by the UN to solve the problems no one else can. Anwar Abbas is one of The Dead. Anwar is asked to protect Olivia del Sarto, the host of an important upcoming UN conference. Olivia is head of the world’s fastest-growing church, but in her rise to power she has made enemies with apparently limitless resources. Anwar is one of the deadliest people on earth, but her enemies have something which kills people like him.

Science fiction TP \$29.95

THE MAMMOTH BOOK OF SF STORIES BY WOMEN

MCFARLANE, Alex Dally (Editor)
This anthology showcases the most exceptional SF stories written by women in recent decades, including contributions from Ursula K. Le Guin, Karen Joy Fowler, Nancy Kress, Elizabeth Bear, Nnedi Okorafor and Aliette de Bodard.

Science fiction anthology PBK \$19.99

HORUS HERESY 29: VENGEFUL SPIRIT

MCNEILL, Graham
Horus Heresy PBK \$19.95

WILD CARDS: LOWBALL

MARTIN, George R.R. (Editor)
Science fiction PB \$19.99

SHADOW WARRIOR 02:

SLAVERS OF THE SAVAGE CATACOMBS

MERZ, Jon F.
Fantasy TP 29.95

THE WHISPERING SWARM

MOORCOCK, Michael
A semi-autobiographical novel, the first of a trilogy, about a man in post-World War II London who discovers a secret realm beneath London.

Fantasy HC \$44.95

THE BROTHEL IN ROSENSTRASSE & OTHER STORIES

MOORCOCK, Michael
Simultaneously released in the Gollancz reissue program is *A Cornelius Calendar*.

Fantasy PBK each \$19.99

GALAPAGOS REGAINED

MORROW, James
Morrow is best known for his quirky speculative fiction with plots that skewer religion and involve extraterrestrials and boorish people behaving badly. This is a comic blend of Victorian science colliding with Christian faith as greedy folks enter the Percy Shelley Society’s “Great God Contest” to win a hefty cash prize if they can either prove or disprove the existence of God. "The complex tale is a round-the-world romp of improbable but delightful fun and harrowing adventures, a cross between Phileas Fogg and Lara Croft.” – *Publisher’s Weekly*.

Fiction HC \$46.95

MAKAUM WAR 01: THE MASTER SERGEANT

ODOM, Mel
A maze of tangled jungle, the planet Makaum is one of the most dangerous places in the universe. And for Terran Military Master Sergeant Frank Sage, it is now home. If the planet’s rich resources fall into enemy hands it could mean devastation for the Terran Army. To ensure that doesn’t happen, Sage is sent to assess the Makaum troops and bring them in line with Terran Military standards. But soon after arriving at his post, he realizes the Phrenorians are not the only threat. Heading up a small but fearless unit, Sage must stop a brewing civil war with the power to unleash a galactic cataclysm unlike anything ever seen.

Science fiction PBK \$19.95

KING OF THE CRACKSMEN: A STEAMPUNK ENTERTAINMENT

O’FLAHERTY, Dennis
Although he usually works as a cracksmen, sneaking into secure places and opening unbreakable safes, Liam McCool has agreed to work for the government to avoid going to prison. The Department of Public Safety has immense power in this alternative steampunk world, in which the United States has ceded the land west of the Mississippi to Russia and Lincoln was never assassinated. Unfortunately, the president hasn’t been seen in years, leaving Public Safety head Edwin Stanton and his fleet of automatons to rule the country through terror and intimidation. Liam doesn’t like being under Stanton’s thumb and teams up with reporter Becky Fox to take down his corrupt government.

Steampunk TP \$32.95

HALF-RESURRECTION BLUES

OLDER, Daniel Jos
“Older’s debut novel pits half-dead Carlos Delacruz, an agent for the New York Council for the Dead, against an ancient sorcerer. Carlos is an inbetween, “alive and dead at the same time,” with no memory of his past. Older’s magical New York City is fresh and richly envisioned, a gritty and genuine urban setting rife with strange forces and thoroughly enlivened by the fixers, dealers, and supernatural creatures who inhabit it. Fans of urban fantasy will greatly enjoy this entirely lively novel.” – *Publisher’s Weekly*

Urban fantasy PBK \$19.95

MACAQUE ATTACK!

POWELL, Gareth
“In the thrilling conclusion of the Macaque Trilogy, the dangerous but charismatic Ack-Ack Macaque finds himself leading a dimension-hopping army of angry monkeys, facing an invading horde of implacable killer androids. Meanwhile, former journalist Victoria Valois fights to save the electronic ghost of her dead husband and reclaim his stolen soul from the sands of Mars.” – *Publisher’s blurb*. The first two in the series are *Ack-Ack Macaque* and *Hive Monkey* (\$19.95 each).

Science fiction PBK \$19.95

THE STARGODS TRILOGY

RADFORD, Irene
Operating on the wrong side of interstellar law one time too many, the three O’Hara brothers find themselves in a life-or-death flight from intergalactic police forces. In a last desperate escape attempt, they stumble across what must be a lost or abandoned colony world - place where technology can make them seem like gods - a land where they will remain trapped unless they can find a way to mine and manufacture the things they need to repair their ship. They don’t believe the legends about dragons and magic, and they are certain technology will see them through, at least until they confront their first dragon and feel their own unique powers expanding beyond their control. An omnibus of *The Hidden Dragon*, *The Dragon Circle* and *The Dragon’s Revenge*.

Fantasy TP \$32.95

THE FOREVER WATCH

RAMIREZ, David
All that is left of humanity is on a thousand-year journey to a new planet aboard one ship, The Noah, which is also carrying a dangerous serial killer. As a City Planner on the Noah, Hana Dempsey is a gifted psychic, economist, hacker and bureaucrat and is considered “mission critical.” When Policeman Leonard Barrens enlists her and her hacking skills in the unofficial investigation of his mentor’s violent death, Dempsey finds herself increasingly captivated by both the case and Barrens himself. According to Information Security, the missing man has simply “Retired,” nothing unusual. Together they follow the trail left by the mutilated remains. Their investigation takes them through lost dataspace and deep into the uninhabited regions of the ship, where they discover that the answer may not be as simple as a serial killer after all.

Science fiction PBK \$19.99

BLACK TIDE RISING 04: STRANDS OF SORROW

RINGO, John
Science fiction HC \$42.95

RECKONERS 02: FIREFIGHT

SANDERSON, Brandon
The sequel to *Steelheart* (\$19.99).

Fantasy TP \$29.99

VICIOUS

SCHWAB, W. E.
Victor and Eli started out as college roommates - brilliant, arrogant, lonely boys who recognized the same sharpness and ambition in each other. In their senior year, a shared research interest in adrenaline, near-death experiences, and seemingly supernatural events reveals an intriguing possibility: that under the right conditions, someone could develop extraordinary abilities. But when their thesis moves from the academic to the experimental, things go horribly wrong. Ten years later, Victor breaks out of prison, determined to catch up to his old friend (now foe). Meanwhile, Eli is on a mission to eradicate every other super-powered person that he can find aside from his sidekick, an enigmatic woman with an unbreakable will. Armed with terrible power on both sides, driven by the memory of betrayal and loss, the archnemeses have set a course for revenge. This has been getting great reviews.

Urban fantasy/thriller TP \$29.95

A DEATH AT THE DIONYSUS CLUB

SCOTT, Melissa & GRISWOLD, Amy
In the sequel to Lambda Literary Award-winning *Death by Silver* (TP, \$33.95), metaphysician Ned Mathey and private detective Julian Lynes again challenge magical and murderous threats in a Victorian London not quite the city in our history books. Mathey is recruited by Scotland Yard to assist the new Metaphysical Crimes Squad in the case of a literally heartless corpse. Mathey soon discovers that the magic used to rob the man of his heart and life does not conform to the laws of modern metaphysics. Then a second victim turns up.

Paranormal mystery TP \$34.95

SPI FILES 02: THE DRAGON CONSPIRACY

SHEARIN, Lisa
“I’m Makenna Fraser, a seer for SPI. With the help of my partner, Ian, and the other agents, I have twenty-four hours to prevent total global panic, find the diamonds, and save the supernatural community. No biggie...” A gala opening at the Metropolitan Museum of Art has attracted the upper crust of Manhattan. A trio of vile harpies attacks the crowd and steals the stars of the exhibition: a colourful cluster of seven cursed diamonds known as the Dragon Eggs. In the right mage’s hands, each stone can pack a magical wallop. Together they have the power to “cure” the supernaturals of the tristate area - but for many of those vampires and werewolves, that means turning into dust. The first in this great new series is *The Grendel Affair* (\$19.95).

Urban fantasy PBK \$19.95

CASSANDRA KRESNOV 06: ORIGINATOR

SHEPHERD, Joel
Super-cyborg warrior Cassandra “Sandy” Kresnov finds herself at the center of a complex plot that could lead to interstellar warfare in her crackling sixth adventure. The series begins with *Crossover* (\$20.99). Recommended.

Science fiction TP 32.95

CROUCHING TIGER, HIDDEN VAMPIRE

SPARKS, Kerrelyn
Paranormal romance PB \$19.95

SPHERES OF INFLUENCE

SPOOR, Ryk E.
Leader of the Faction of Humanity. It was a ridiculous title, but the Arena said that was what Captain Ariane Austin was since she’d led the crew of the Holy Grail in their discovery of the impossible, physics-violating place and their eventual return. Ariane must discover what it means to be the Leader of Humanity, both for herself and for humanity, before her enemies - at home or in the Arena - depose her, kill her, or worse. The sequel to *Grand Central Arena* (\$19.95).

Science fiction PBK \$19.95

BLOOD OF ANGELS

SINISALO, Johanna
Colony Collapse Disorder is overtaking the world and, as the bees disappear, so do the food supplies. In Finland, amateur beekeeper Orvo is hit with dual losses: two of his hives are empty, and his son, the ecoblogger Eero, has died. As Orvo deals with these tragedies, he makes an amazing discovery in his old barn: a doorway into another world.

Post-apocalyptic PBK \$19.99

CHRONICLE OF THE UNHEWN THRONE 02: THE PROVIDENCE OF FIRE

STAVELEY, Brian
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