

# Pulp Fiction

## Science Fiction & Fantasy Catalogue

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Includes new books by:

Jack Campbell

Peter F. Hamilton

Ann Leckie

Terry Pratchett

Trish Sullivan

Sheri S. Tepper

Jeff Vandermeer

Scott Westerfeld

...and many others

### PORTAL WARS 02: THE TEN THOUSAND

ALLAN, Jay

General Jake Taylor and his army of cyborg soldiers are veterans of Erastus, a planet so brutal, so hellish, it is called Gehenna by the men sent to fight and die there. He and his comrades battled for years in the most appalling conditions human beings have ever endured, mistakenly believing the entire time they were protecting Earth from bloodthirsty alien monsters (see *Gehenna Dawn*, \$29.99). Now, Taylor has rallied the veterans of Erastus for a new battle, one to free Earth from its new, self-appointed masters. Taylor's soldiers begin the long campaign back to Earth, toward a reckoning with the brutal government they are sworn to destroy. The heart of this force is the Ten Thousand, surgically-altered Supersoldiers, products of an experimental enhancement program, and the first of their kind. But they are not the last, and on the planet Juno they will meet their counterparts, the Black Corps, a force created by Earth's government specifically to destroy them.

**Science fiction TP \$32.95**

### A VISION OF FIRE

ANDERSON, Gillian & ROVIN, Jeff

During a period of tense negotiations at the UN, the Indian ambassador who is facilitating talks is shot at outside his daughter Maanik's school. The young girl, a witness to the assault though seemingly unhurt, soon exhibits bizarre and violent attacks of screaming and self-harm. The ambassador's translator calls in his friend and psychiatrist Caitlin O'Hara to help the girl, but she discovers that Maanik is not the only one to suffer these symptoms, which also involve visions of cataclysms and unseen forces.

**Paranormal thriller TP \$29.99**

### FANTASY MASTERWORK:

#### THE BROKEN SWORD

ANDERSON, Poul

**Fantasy PBK \$19.99**

### OTHERWORLD NIGHTS: STORIES

ARMSTRONG, Kelley

**Paranormal romance PBK \$19.99**

### STONE MATTRESS: NINE TALES

ATWOOD, Margaret

**Collection HC \$35.00**

### THE THINKING WOMAN'S GUIDE

#### TO REAL MAGIC

BARKER, Emily Croy

During a miserable weekend at a friend's wedding, eager to forget about her disastrous breakup and stalled dissertation, Nora Fischer wanders off and somehow finds herself in another realm. There, she meets glamorous Ilissa - who introduces Nora to a decadent new world - and her gorgeous son Raclin. But when the elegant veneer of this dreamland shatters, Nora finds herself in a fairy tale gone incredibly wrong. And the only way she can survive is by learning real magic herself. Recommended!

**Fantasy PBK \$19.99**

### PROXIMA

BAXTER, Stephen

The 27th century: Proxima Centauri, an undistinguished red dwarf star, is the nearest star to our sun - and (in this fiction), the nearest to host a world. Proxima IV, habitable by humans. But Proxima IV is unlike Earth in many ways. Huddling close to the warmth, orbiting in weeks, it keeps one face to its parent star at all times. The 'substellar point', with the star forever overhead, is a blasted desert, and the 'antistellar point' on the far side is under an ice cap in perpetual darkness. How would it be to live on such a world? Needle ships fall from Proxima IV's sky. Yuri Jones, with 1000 others, is about to find out. Baxter's return to hard sf is a treat.

**Science fiction PBK \$19.99**

### GORGO

BECK, Greig

**Paranormal thriller TP \$29.99**

### TARZAN AT THE EARTH'S CORE AND

#### OTHER TALES

BURROUGHS, Edgar Rice

This omnibus collects *Tarzan of the Apes: Tarzan at the Earth's Core, Tarzan the Invincible, Tarzan Triumphant, Tarzan and the City of Gold, Tarzan and the Lion Man, and Tarzan and the Leopard Men.*

**Science fiction HC \$49.99**

### THE FELL SWORD

CAMERON, Miles

Loyalty costs money. Betrayal, on the other hand, is free. When the Emperor is taken hostage, the Red Knight and his men find their services in high demand - and themselves surrounded by enemies. The country is in revolt, the capital city is besieged and any victory will be hard won. But The Red Knight has a plan. The question is, can he negotiate the political, magical, real and romantic battlefields at the same time - especially when intends to be victorious on them all? The previous, and first, in the series is *The Red Knight* (\$19.99).

**Fantasy PBK \$19.99**

### LOST STARS 03: IMPERFECT SWORD

CAMPBELL, Jack

**Science fiction\* HC \$41.95**

### AGENT OF HEL 02: AUTUMN BONES

CAREY, Jacqueline

Fathered by an incubus, raised by a mortal mother, and liaison to the Pemkowitz Police Department, Daisy Johanssen pulled the community together after a summer tragedy befell the resort town she calls home. Things are back to normal - as normal as it gets for a town famous for its supernatural tourism and presided over by the reclusive Norse goddess Hel. Not only has Daisy now gained respect as Hel's enforcer; she's dating Sinclair Palmer, a nice, seemingly normal human guy. Unfortunately, Sinclair has a secret. And it's a big one. The second in a great new series from Carey, after *Dark Currents* (\$18.95).

**Urban fantasy PBK \$18.95**

### HOUSE OF NIGHT 12: REDEEMED

CAST, P.C. & Kristin

**YA fantasy TP \$24.99**

### THE THREE-BODY PROBLEM

CIXIN, Liu & LIU, Ken (Translator)

"This novel is a rare treat in several ways. First, it is translated from Chinese, a language from which the West doesn't often get provocative science fiction. Beyond that, this highly deserving blockbuster in China serves as a crash course in both the historically important Cultural Revolution of the mid-twentieth century and the basics of astrophysics. The title itself refers to the complications of calculating gravity's effects on multiple planetary objects, but in this case, the bodies are actually the Communist ideology of controlling humanity's corruption, the individual's will to kill for autonomy, and an approaching alien race seeking to make earth into a new home 40 years after the People's Republic begins broadcasting signals to deep space at the height of the Cultural Revolution. The narrative will grab readers' attention...but the high-minded premise is really just a vessel for a collection of surreal and hauntingly beautiful scenes that will hook you deep and drag you relentlessly across every page. This is a must-read in any language." - *Booklist*

**Science fiction HC \$39.95**

### THE NIGHT OF THE TRIFFIDS

CLARK, Simon

Reissue. The authorised sequel to Wyndham's *Day of the Triffids*.

**Horror PBK \$19.99**

### UPGRADED

CLARKE, Neil (Editor).

A collection of cyborg stories including contributions from Madeline Ashby, Elizabeth Bear, Greg Egan, Yoon Ha Lee, Robert Reed, and Peter Watts.

**Science fiction anthology TP \$32.95**

### HAL CLEMENT SF GATEWAY OMNIBUS

CLEMENT, Hal

This omnibus contains the clever alien-planet-with-a-twist novel *Iceworld*; the ground-breaking *Cycle of Fire*, with its 40-year-long seasons; and *Close to Critical*, from his celebrated Mesklin sequence.

**Science fiction TP \$39.99**

### CONSUMED

CRONENBERG, David

"The murder of Celestine Arosteguy, and that she was apparently cooked and eaten by her philosopher lover Aristide, is a lure journalist Naomi cannot ignore. Naomi will pursue the story through every decadent, disturbing twist until she has gathered the details in full. Nathan, Naomi's lover, contracts a rare STD while following a story of his own and sets out to learn the secrets of his condition.

Technology and flesh, philosophy and psychology, and all the strange and wonderful pieces of humanity that make us singular and social and sometimes just a little scary: movie director Cronenberg's debut novel is a deep, quite often dark, stare through a camera lens and into wonderfully unsettling corners." - *Library Journal*

**Fiction TP \$29.99**

### SEAL TEAM 13

CURRIE, Evan

It's been ten years since a mysterious incident in the South China Sea annihilated a US Navy destroyer and its Navy SEAL team. Only one man survived this horrific tragedy. Now, as more of these strange, supernatural events are happening around the world the US Navy calls on sole survivor Harold 'Hawk' Masters to put a stop to the evil forces behind these crimes. As these frightening events escalate at an alarming rate, SEAL Team 13 is put to the test, battling malevolent undead creatures that threaten the security of the nation - and the world.

**Paranormal thriller TP \$28.95**

### THE CUTTING ROOM

DATLOW, Ellen (Editor)

22 film-related horror stories from authors including Peter Straub, Kim Newman, Laird Barron, Ian Watson, and Robert Shearman.

**Horror anthology TP \$32.95**

### THE BAEN BIG BOOK OF MONSTERS

DAVIS, Hank (Editor)

"[H]ere's a book crammed full of things that you can't outrun because they take big steps, by writers with equally large

reputations, including Arthur C. Clark, H.P. Lovecraft, Robert Bloch, David Drake, Larry Correia, Wen Spencer and Sarah A. Hoyt." - *Publisher's blurb.*

**Science fiction anthology TP \$27.95**

### TRAITOR'S BLADE

DE CASTELL, Sebastian

Falcio is the first Cantor of the Greatcoats. Trained in the fighting arts and the laws of Tristia, the Greatcoats are travelling Magisters upholding King's Law. They are heroes. Or at least they were, until they stood aside while the Dukes took the kingdom, and impaled their King's head on a spike. Now Tristia is on the verge of collapse and the barbarians are sniffing at the borders. The Dukes bring chaos to the land, while the Greatcoats are scattered far and wide, reviled as traitors. All they have left are the promises they made to King Paelis, to carry out one final mission.

**Fantasy PBK \$19.99**

### PHILIP JOSE FARMER SF GATEWAY

#### OMNIBUS

FARMER, Philip Jose

An omnibus of *The Maker of Universes*, the first of *The World of Tiers* series; the Hugo Award-winning *To Your Scattered Bodies Go*, which opens the fabulous *Riverworld* sequence; and the stand-alone space opera, *The Unreasoning Mask*.

**Science fiction TP \$39.99**

### DARK WOLF

FEEHAN, Christine

**Paranormal romance PBK \$19.99**

### GLEAM

FLETCHER, Tom

The gargantuan Factory of Gleam is an ancient, hulking edifice of stone, metal and glass ruled over by chaste alchemists and astronomer priests. As millennia have passed, the population has decreased, and now only the central district is fully inhabited and operational; the outskirts have been left for the wilderness to reclaim. This decaying, lawless zone is the Discard; the home of Wild Alan. Clever, arrogant, and perpetually angry, Wild Alan is both loved and loathed by the Discard's misfits. He's convinced that the Gleam authorities were behind the disaster that killed his parents and his ambition is to prove it. But he's about to uncover more than he bargained for.

**Fantasy TP \$29.99**

### ENDGAME

FREY, James

**YA fantasy PBK \$19.99**

### THE TESS NONCOIR CHRONICLES 01

FROST, P.R.

By day, Tess Noncoire is a successful fantasy writer. But she has another career as well, trained by the Sisterhood of the Celestial Blade Warriors to fight demonic incursions into our world. Her partner in this fight is a sarcastic, cigar-smoking imp called Scrap. And when she needs extra back-up, she turns to rare-book dealer Guilford Van der Hoyden-Smythe - who knows more than he should about the Blade Warriors - and the handsome, mysterious foster child of a demon, Donovan Estevez. An omnibus of *Hounding the Moon* and *The Moon in the Mirror*.

**Urban fantasy PBK \$19.95**

### TIME TRAVEL: RECENT TRIPS

GURAN, Paula (Editor)

Stories from Paul Cornell, Elizabeth Bear & Sara Monette, Mary Robinette Kowal, Yoon Ha Lee, Ken Liu, Howard Waldrop and more.

**Science fiction anthology TP \$32.95**

### THE FAITHFULL AND THE FALLEN 02:

#### VALOUR

GWYNNE, John

**Fantasy PBK \$19.99**

### THE ABYSS BEYOND DREAMS

HAMILTON, Peter F.

When images of a lost civilisation are 'dreamed' by a self-proclaimed prophet of the age, Nigel Sheldon, inventor of wormhole technology and creator of the Commonwealth society is suspicious. Especially as the dreams seem to be coming from the Void - an area of living space monitored and controlled because of its hugely destructive capabilities. With it being the greatest threat to the known universe, Nigel is determined to find out if human life really does exist beyond its boundaries and if so, what the hell they're doing there. A signed, slipcased edition is available in very limited quantities (\$79.99).

**Science fiction TP \$32.99**

### FALLEN SIREN 02: RECKONING

HARPER, S.J.

**Urban fantasy PBK \$18.95**

### HORRORSTOR

HENDRIX, Grady

Something strange is happening at the Orsk furniture superstore in Cleveland, Ohio. Every morning, employees arrive to find broken Kjerring bookshelves, shattered Glans water goblets, and smashed Liripip wardrobes. Sales are down, security cameras

All the books in this catalogue are new books due for release in **October 2014**.

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Until next time, good reading!

Ron, Iain and Beau

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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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reveal nothing, and store managers are panicking. To unravel the mystery, three employees volunteer to work a nine-hour dusk-till-dawn shift. In the dead of the night, they'll patrol the empty showroom floor, investigate strange sights and sounds, and encounter horrors that defy the imagination. Packaged to look like an IKEA catalogue, this is another great offering from Quirk Books.

**Horror TP \$29.99**

### JANE YELLOWROCK 08: BROKEN SOUL

HUNTER, Faith  
**Urban fantasy PBK \$18.95**

### THE MADNESS OF CTHULHU

JOSHI, S.T. (Editor)  
Sixteen classic stories inspired by the 20th century's great master of horror, H.P. Lovecraft, and his masterpiece, *At the Mountains of Madness*.

**Cthulhiana TP \$29.95**

### RIDING THE UNICORN

KEARNEY, Paul  
**Fantasy PBK \$18.95**

### DAMON KNIGHT SF GATEWAY OMNIBUS

KNIGHT, Damon  
The four volumes contained in this omnibus represent the best of his acclaimed short fiction: *Far Out*, *In Deep*, *Off Centre* and *Turning On*.

**Science fiction TP \$39.99**

### KALEIDESCOPE

KRASNOSTEIN, A. & RIOS, J. (Editors)  
Kaleidoscope collects fun, edgy, meditative, and hopeful YA science fiction and fantasy with diverse leads. These twenty original stories tell of scary futures, magical adventures, and the joys and heartbreaks of teenage life. Contributors include: Garth Nix, Sofia Samatar, Tansy Rayner Roberts, Sean Williams, Jim C. Hines, and Dirk Flinthart.

**YA anthology PBK \$22.99**

### HERALD SPY 01: CLOSER TO HOME

LACKEY, Mercedes  
**Valdemar HC \$39.95**

### COLLEGIUM 05: BASTION

LACKEY, Mercedes  
**Valdemar PBK \$18.95**

### SECRET WORLD CHRONICLE 03:

**REVOLUTION**  
LACKEY, Mercedes et al.  
**Alternate history PBK \$18.95**

### ANCILLARY SWORD

LECKIE, Ann  
Breq is a soldier who used to be a warship. Once a weapon of conquest controlling thousands of minds, now she only has a single body and serves the emperor she swore to destroy. Given a new ship and a troublesome crew, Breq is ordered to the only place in the galaxy she will agree to go: to Athoek station, to protect the family of a lieutenant she once knew - a lieutenant she murdered in cold blood. *Ancillary Sword* is the sequel to *Ancillary Justice* (\$19.99), the debut novel which won every major science fiction award in 2014 and the only novel to have won the Hugo, the Nebula and the Arthur C. Clarke Award.

**Science fiction PBK \$19.99**

### SMILER'S FAIR

LEVENE, Rebecca  
Smiler's Fair: the great moving carnival where any pleasure can be had, if you're willing to pay the price. In a land where unimaginable horror lurks in the shadows, where the very sun and moon are at war, there are five people - Nethmi, the orphaned daughter of a murdered nobleman, who in desperation commits an act that will haunt her forever. Dae Hyo, the skilled warrior, who discovers that a lifetime of bravery cannot make up for a single mistake. Eric, who follows his heart only to find that love exacts a terrible price. Marvan, the master swordsman, who takes more pleasure from killing than he should. And Krish, the humble goatherd, with a destiny he hardly understands and can never accept - will discover just how much Smiler's Fair changes everything.

**Fantasy TP \$29.99**

### PERFECTIONS

MCDERMOTT, Kirstyn  
Antoinette and Jacqueline have little in common beyond a mutual antipathy for their paranoid, domineering mother, a bond which has united them since childhood. In the aftermath of a savage betrayal, Antoinette lands on her sister's doorstep bearing a suitcase and a broken heart. But Jacqueline, the ambitious would-be manager of a trendy Melbourne art gallery, has her own problems - chasing down a delinquent painter in the sweltering heat of a Brisbane summer. Abandoned, armed with a bottle of vodka and her own grief-spun desires, Antoinette weaves a dark and desperate magic that can never, ever be undone.

**Fantasy PBK \$24.95**

### STARHAWK

MCDEVITT, Jack  
Interstellar pilot Priscilla 'Hutch' Hutchins has seen a lot of action. Here is the tale of how it all began.

**Science fiction PBK \$19.99**

### DANGEROUS WOMEN 1

MARTIN, George R.R. (Editor)  
Includes stories by Carrie Vaughn, Megan Lindholm (aka Robin Hobb), Lawrence Block, Joe R. Lansdale, Megan Abbott, Cecelia Holland, and features George R. R. Martin's "The Princess and the Queen," a 35,000-word original novella set in the world of his *Song of Ice and Fire* series.

**Fantasy anthology PBK \$19.99**

### RAGNORAK 03: RESONANCE

MEANEY, John  
**Science fiction PBK \$19.99**

### THE UNDEAD HORDES OF KAN-GUL

MERZ, John  
**Fantasy PBK \$18395**

### WAR AMONGST THE ANGELS

MOORCOCK, Michael  
**Fantasy PBK \$19.99**

### DAY 21

MORGAN, Kass  
**YA science fiction PBK \$16.99**

### WHAT IF?

MUNROE, Randall  
Millions visit xkcd.com each week to read Randall Munroe's iconic webcomic. Fans ask him a lot of strange questions: How fast can you hit a speed bump, driving, and live? When will Facebook contain more profiles of dead people than living? How many humans would a T Rex rampaging through New York need to eat a day? In pursuit of answers, Munroe runs computer simulations, pores over stacks of declassified military research memos, solves differential equations and consults nuclear reactor operators. His responses are masterpieces of clarity and hilarity, complemented by comics. Geek heaven!

**Sciencey stuff TP \$27.99**

### CLARIEL

NIX, Garth  
The story of how Clariel became a Free Magic Sorcerer, set 600 years before the birth of Sabriel

**YA fantasy TP \$22.99**

### TALES FROM HIGH HALLACK,

**VOLUME THREE**  
NORTON, Andre

**Collection TP \$34.95**

### THE KNIGHT

PEVEL, Pierre  
**Fantasy TP \$29.99**

### RAISING STEAM

PRATCHETT, Terry  
**Discworld PBK \$19.99**

**A SLIP OF THE KEYBOARD: COLLECTED NON FICTION**  
PRATCHETT, Terry

**Pratchett HC \$45.00**

### MRS BRADSHAW'S HANDBOOK

PRATCHETT, Terry  
Authorised by Mr Lipwig of the Ankh-Morpork and Sto Plains Hygienic Railway himself, Mrs Georgina Bradshaw's invaluable guide to the destinations and diversions of the railway deserves a place in the luggage of any traveller, or indeed armchair traveller, upon the Disc.

**Discworld HC \$32.99**

### ON THE STEEL BREEZE

REYNOLDS, Alastair  
Chiku Akinya, great granddaughter of the legendary space explorer Eunice Akinya and heir to the family empire, is just one among millions on a long one way journey towards a planet they hope to call their new home. For Chiku, the journey is a personal one, undertaken to ensure that the Akinya family achieves its destiny among the stars. The passengers travel in huge self-contained artificial worlds—holoships—putting their faith in a physics they barely understand. Chiku's ship is called Zanzibar—and over time, she will discover it contains an awesome secret—one which will lead her to question almost every certainty about her voyage, and its ultimate destiny... Set in the same world as the excellent *Blue Remembered Earth* (\$19.99), this is great sf. Highly recommended.

**Science fiction PBK \$19.99**

### BLOOD OF OLYMPUS

RIORDAN, Rick  
**YA fantasy PBK \$19.99**

### THE FROOD

ROBERTS, Jem  
This is "the story of Adams's explosive but agonizingly constructed fictional universe, from his initial inspirations to the posthumous sequel(s) and adaptations, bringing together a thousand tales of life as part of the British Comedy movements of the late 70s and 80s along the way. With the benefit of hindsight and much time passed, friends and colleagues have been interviewed for a fresh take on the man and his works." - *Publisher's blurb*. Also, a deluxe cloth-bound "Nearly Definitive Edition" of the *Hitchhiker's Guide* has been released in time for Christmas (\$79.99).

**Hitchhiker's Guide TP \$35.00**

### THE FREE

RUCKLEY, Brian  
They are the most feared mercenary company the kingdom has ever known. Led by Yulan, their charismatic captain, the Free have spent years selling their martial and magical skills to the highest bidder - winning countless victories that shook the foundations of the world. Now they finally plan to lay down their swords. Yet when Yulan is offered a final contract, he cannot refuse - for the mission offers him the chance to erase the memories of the Free's darkest hour, which have haunted him for years. As The Free embark on their last mission, a potent mix of loyalty and vengeance is building to a storm..

**Fantasy PBK \$19.99**

### MITOSIS

SANDERSON, Brandon  
In this short story set in the action-packed world of Steelheart epics still plague Newcago, but David and the Reckoners have vowed to fight back. *Steelheart* is now in paperback (\$19.99).

**Fantasy HC \$17.99**

### THE GHOSTS OF HEAVEN

SEDGEWICK, Marcus  
The spiral has existed as long as time has existed. It's there when a girl walks through the forest, the moist green air clinging to her skin. There centuries later in a pleasant green dale, hiding the treacherous waters of Golden Beck that take Anna, who they call a witch. There on the other side of the world, where a mad poet watches the waves and knows the horrors they hide, and far into the future as Keir Bowman realises his destiny. Each takes their next step in life. None will ever go back to the same place. And so their journeys begin...

**YA fantasy HC \$22.99**

### KRIS LONGKNIFE: TENACIOUS

SHEPHERD, Mike  
Recommended space opera—the series begins with *Mutineer* (\$18.95).

**Science fiction PBK \$18.95**

### BLACK-WINGED ANGELS

SLATTER, Angela  
"A collection of 10 incredible contemporary retellings of fairy tales, and will be available in a signed, limited hardcover edition illustrated by the multiple World Fantasy Award nominated Kathleen Jennings. The book will appeal to fans of Angela Carter and Emma Donoghue." - *publisher's blurb*

**Collection HC \$49.95**

### THE AGE OF SCORPIO

SMITH, Gavin  
Of all the captains based out of Arclight only Eldon Sloper was desperate enough to agree to a salvage job in Red Space. And now he and his crew are living to regret his desperation. In Red Space the rules are different. Some things work, others don't. Best to stick close to the Church beacons. Don't get lost. Because there's something wrong about Red Space.

**Science fiction PBK \$19.99**

### WE ARE NOT GOOD PEOPLE

SOMERS, Jeff  
Lemuel "Lem" Vonnegan is a low-level magician by choice. Though he has tremendous potential, Lem uses only his own blood for his spells, refusing even voluntary sacrifices that would lend him power. Pitr "Mags" Magesh Kumar, his faithful friend, lacks the skills to make use of the power he carries in his veins. The pair live as lowly Tricksters until a chain of misfortunes and ruined con jobs lands them in a war against mages who are eager to bleed the world for power.

**Urban fantasy PBK \$19.99**

### SHOVEL READY

STERNBERGH, Adam  
Working as a hit man on the ravaged streets of New York City after a dirty bomb is unleashed on Times Square, Spademan takes an assignment to kill the daughter of a powerful evangelist only to discover that his mark holds a shocking secret and that his client hides a more sinister agenda. This is a cracker - highly recommended, especially for fans of Warren Ellis, Charlie Huston, and Richard Morgan. "Debut novels as sleek, resonant and accomplished as this are a rare gift." - *Megan Abbott*

**Science fiction noir PBK \$19.99**

### FEARSOME MAGICS

STRAHAN, Jonathan (Editor)  
A collection of tales examining the power and cost of magic, from Isobelle Carmody, Nina Kiriki Hoffman, Garth Nix, K.J. Parker, Justina Robson, Genevieve Valentine, and more.

**Fantasy anthology PBK \$19.95**

### LOCKWOOD & CO: THE WHISPERING SKULL

STROUD, Jonathan  
**YA fantasy TP \$24.99**

### SHADOWBOXER

SULLIVAN, Trish  
In this adrenaline-fuelled supernatural adventure, a young woman channels her anger into fighting, only to risk losing everything due to her lack of control. Jade Barrera, 17, is a rising star in the mixed martial arts (MMA) circuit, but after she snaps and hurts the wrong person, she's sent to regain her focus by training in Thailand, where she's exposed to new ways of thinking and living. Unknowingly, Jade becomes embroiled in a conspiracy involving drug smuggling and slavery when a girl capable of walking between worlds and a magic-touched investigative reporter enter her life. With a feral god watching over Jade and her newfound companions, Jade fights for her life inside the ring and out of it.

**YA fantasy PBK \$19.95**

### FISH TAILS

TEPPER, Sheri S.  
In *Fish Tails*, two of Sheri S. Tepper's beloved characters - Abasio and Xulai (*A Plague of Angels* and *The Waters Rising*) - and their children travel from village to village scattered across the sparsely populated land of Tingawa. They are searching for others who might be interested in adopting their sea-dwelling lifestyle. Along their journey they encounter strange visitors from the far-off world of Lom, characters from Tepper's nine-book *True Game* series of novels - Mavin Manyshaped, Jinian Star-eye, and Silkhands the Healer - all of whom have been gathered up by an interfering, time-travelling, rule-breaking do-gooder to do one last good deed on earth before its metamorphosis is complete. For the waters are rising and will soon engulf the entire planet, transforming it utterly and irrevocably

**Science fiction HC \$49.99**

### THE CHAPLAIN'S WAR

TORGERSON, Brad  
The mantis cyborgs: insect-like, cruel, and determined to wipe humanity from the face of the galaxy. The Fleet is humanity's last chance: a multi-world, multi-national task force assembled to hold the line against the aliens' overwhelming technology and firepower. Enter Harrison Barlow, who like so many young men of wars past, simply wants to serve his people and partake of the grand adventure of military life. Only, Harrison is not a hot pilot, nor a crack shot with a rifle. What good is a Chaplain's Assistant in the interstellar battles which will decide the fate of all?

**Science fiction TP \$28.95**

### CAT OUT OF HELL

TRUSS, Lynn  
A "mesmerising tale of a cat with nine lives, and a relationship as ancient as time itself and just as powerful. The scene: a cottage on the coast on a windy evening. Inside, a room with curtains drawn. Tea has just been made. A kettle still steams. Under a pool of yellow light, two figures face each other across a kitchen table. A man and a cat. The story about to be related is so unusual yet so terrifyingly plausible that it demands to be told in a single sitting. The man clears his throat, and leans forward, expectant. 'Shall we begin?' says the cat ..." - *Publisher's blurb*.

**Fiction PBK \$19.99**

### SOUTHERN REACH 03: ACCEPTANCE

VANDERMEER, Jeff  
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