

## New Titles Coming in August 2010

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### **Barr, Nevada** *Burn*

Recovering from the emotional scars of recent traumas, National Park Service ranger Anna Pigeon goes to stay with her friend, Geneva, in New Orleans, only to become the target of a dark curse, prompting her to investigate what is has to do with Geneva's creepy tenant and a fugitive mother accused of killed her family.

### **Brown, Sandra** *Tough Customer*

Entreated by his former lover, Dodge, to help protect her daughter from a depraved man who has been stalking her, staff investigator Derek Mitchell teams up with a small-town sheriff and enlists methods from his own shady past to find answers.

### **Brundage, Elizabeth** *A Stranger Like You*

Inciting the wrath of an unstable aspiring screenwriter whose film she cancelled for its implausible violence, movie executive Hedda is abducted by the writer, who decides to prove his story's worth by staging its plot with Hedda as the victim. By the award-winning author of *Somebody Else's Daughter*.

### **Butcher, Jim** *Blood Rites*

In a hardcover reissue of the sixth book in a popular fantasy series, Harry Dresden investigates a supposed curse on an adult-film set that is causing women to turn up dead, in a case that grabs the interest of vampire acquaintance Thomas.

### **Capuzzo, Michael** *The Murder Room: The Heirs of Sherlock Holmes Gather to Solve the World's Most Perplexing Cold Cases*

Documents the efforts of the Vidocq Society, an elite trio of gifted investigators, to solve such notorious cold cases as those of JonBenet Ramsey, the Butcher of Cleveland and Jack the Ripper, in a vivid account that details their work with the world's top forensic specialists.

### **Cook, Robin** *Cure*

Returning to work when her son's neuroblastoma goes into remission, New York City medical examiner Laurie Montgomery faces the case of her career involving the suspected poisoning murder of a CIA agent and possible links a powerful pharmaceutical company and start-up stem-cell research labs.

**Cook, Thomas H. *The Last Talk with Lola Faye***

Unexpectedly visited by a woman he blames for his father's murder decades earlier, historian Lucas Page reluctantly agrees to a drink during which they exchange what they know about the crime and Lucas begins to realize that dangerous forces are in play.

**Crider, Bill *Murder in the Air***

Local complaints about unpleasant smells originating from Lester Hamilton's chicken farm escalate to the point of the farmer's murder, prompting an investigation by Sheriff Dan Rhodes.

***Death's Excellent Vacation***

The editors of *Many Bloody Returns*, including *New York Times* best-selling authors Charlaine Harris, Katie MacAlister and Jeaniene Frost, present twelve original tales featuring supernatural beings going on vacation, including an all-new Sookie Stackhouse story.

**Deveraux, Jude *Scarlet Nights***

When a handsome undercover cop informs her that her fiancé is actually a con man using her for a potentially lucrative heist, a terrified Sara is forced to pretend she is still committed to the relationship in order to survive and help the investigation.

**Douglas, Carole Nelson *Cat in an Ultramarine Scheme***

Preparing to launch a high-risk Las Vegas mob museum and casino, publicist Temple Barr uncovers a buried safe and a recently murdered body during a live event and finds herself turning to Midnight Louie's cat posse to stave off mafia threats on her life.

**Grace, Nancy *Death on the D-List***

After she moves to New York City and becomes a TV crime fighter, former felony prosecutor Hailey Dean learns that the television industry not only isn't as glamorous as it seems, it is filled with treachery, deception and murder.

**Haddam, Jane *Wanting Sheila Dead***

When an infamously offensive reality show personality is targeted by a thief who steals millions in jewelry from her home and leaves her unconscious beside the murdered body of a local girl, retired FBI agent Gregor Demarkian struggles to identify a culprit among numerous suspects.

**Forsyth, Frederick *The Cobra***

Having once been forcibly retired from the CIA for being too ruthless, former director of Special Operations Paul Devereaux is called back into action, with the agency giving him free reign and unlimited resources to take down the top drug cartels.

**Francis, Dick & Francis, Felix** *Crossfire*

After he discovers that his mother, an esteemed horse trainer, is being blackmailed and forced to make her horses lose, disabled Afghanistan veteran Captain Tom Forsyth, must use his finely honed military skills to root out the shadowy figure that is responsible for his mother's predicament.

**Frankel, Laurie** *The Atlas of Love*

After Jill becomes both pregnant and single in grad school, she moves in with her two closest friends, as the three of them attempt to share parenting Jill's baby, Atlas, all while juggling classes and adjusting to their chaotic living situation.

**Grant, Helen** *The Vanishing of Katharina Linden*

Reviled in her German village home where her only friends are a fellow outcast and an elderly storyteller, 11-year-old Pia investigates the disappearances of three local girls who she believes are tied to unsolved missing persons cases from decades earlier. A first novel.

**Haig, Brian** *The Capitol Game*

After Jack Wiley rallies corporate giant Capitol Group in an attempt to takeover a small company that has developed a armor-reinforcing polymer that could change the course of modern warfare, he and the Capitol Group find themselves embroiled in the greatest scandal ever seen.

**Howard, Linda** *Veil of Night*

The *Romantic Times* Lifetime Achievement Award-winning author of such *New York Times* best-selling works as *Burn* and *Up Close and Dangerous* presents a latest work of romantic suspense.

**Kellerman, Faye** *Hangman: A Decker/Lazarus Novel*

LAPD Lieutenant, Peter Decker reluctantly agrees to do a big favor for old friend, Teresa McLaughlin, but when she and her husband disappear, Decker's search is interrupted by the gruesome murder of a young health care worker.

**Lippman, Laura** *I'd Know You Anywhere*

Eliza Benedict's peaceful suburban life is shattered after being contacted by Walter Bowman, the man who kidnapped and held her hostage as a teen in 1985, and who now claims to want forgiveness while on death row.

**Patterson, James & Marklund, Liza** *The Postcard Killers*

NYPD detective Jack Kanon and Swedish reporter Dessie Larsson traverse Europe in hot pursuit of a serial killer, one who sends a postcard before each murder and was responsible for the slayings of Jack's daughter and her boyfriend.

**Pearson, Ridley** *In Harm's Way*

His budding relationship with Fiona strained by her avoidance of media attention for her part in a river rescue, Sun Valley sheriff Walt Fleming begins a race against time when he learns of a possible link between his community and a recent Seattle murder.

**Pronzini, Bill** *Betrayers*

An investigation of a former lover leads Tamara to a charity-targeting scam, while Nameless's assistance of an elderly woman reveals ugly family agendas and Runyon's search for a bail jumper leads him to make a wrenching choice.

**Reichs, Kathy** *Spider Bones*

The producer of *Bones* and best-selling author of *206 Bones* presents a latest work in which the intrepid forensic anthropologist investigates the death of a man who appears to have died while engaged in a bizarre sexual act and who was originally declared dead four decades earlier.

**Roach, Mary** *Packing for Mars: The Curious Science of Life in the Void*

The author of *Stiff* and *Bonk* describes the weirdness of space exploration and answers questions about the long-term effects of zero gravity on the human body and what happens if you vomit in your helmet during a space walk.

**Smith, Martin Cruz** *Three Stations*

In a novel set in modern-day Moscow, Arkady Renko must deal with the kidnapping of a mysterious teenage mother's baby, a murdered prostitute, and police corruption.

**Tuohy, Leigh Anne & Tuohy, Sean** *In a Heartbeat: Cheerful Giving Can Change the World*

The couple at the center of the hit book and movie *The Blind Side* finally tell their side of the amazing story of their adoption of homeless football prodigy Michael Oher, detailing how they instilled their Christian values in their two biological children and delivering a profound message about the power of giving.

**Unger, Lisa** *Fragile*

When her rebellious teenage son's girlfriend goes missing under suspicious circumstances, Maggie becomes increasingly fearful about unsettling ties between the investigation and an unsolved missing-person case from 20 years earlier that involved her police officer husband.

**White, Stephen** *The Last Lie*

After one of their dinner party guests indulges in too much wine, elects to sleep over and wakes up the next morning with no memory beyond getting ready for bed, Alan Gregory and his deputy district attorney wife, Lauren, join forces with detective Sam Purdy in an investigation that turns grim once one of the witnesses is murdered.