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# THREE NEW AUSTRALIAN CRIME NOVELS

#### Joe CAYGILL Deadline

# 280pp Tp \$27.95

289pp Tp \$27.95

Set in Melbourne, this story follows crime reporter Sally Fielding as she delves into the dangers of the underworld, drug trafficking, bikie gangs and police corruption in her pursuit of a top story. After the apparent drug overdose of a young woman, the investigation shows what seems like a cover-up and Sally, despite jeopardising her long and distinguished career, is determined to uncover the truth. Her part-time lover and trusted informant, Detective Joe Miller, is constantly exasperated as she continues to put her life in danger with her risk taking and feisty attitude.

# **Barry CORCORAN** The Third Arm



Joe Natoli is a young, fun-loving executive based in Melbourne. He is overjoyed at the prospect of working for his company in Washington DC, but soon after his arrival, events spiral out of control. The only bright spot is Alicia, a young woman who works at the hotel where he is staying. Her father, a high-profile senator, is currently investigating corporate crime in the city.As Joe digs beneath the surface of the troubled company, dark forces threaten to derail him. A colleague is murdered. Who can he turn to? He is isolated. His managing director in

Melbourne seems reluctant to support him. Perhaps his newfound family in New York can help. But can they be trusted? Is it possible enemies of Alicia's father are part of the picture? Joe struggles to hold everything together as the beleaguered company teeters on the edge of bankruptcy.

# **Richard YOUNG**

# **Death Among the Vines**

The wine-growing district of the Hunter Valley scorches under a harsh summer's sum when Col Ashcombe, worldrenowned winemaker, is brutally murdered in his own vineyard. His son, Tim Ashcombe, an art director living in New York, returns home for the funeral, only to find himself trapped in a world he thought he'd escaped – a world still dominated by the overbearing ego of his murdered father. The blood feud with neighbouring winery owners has escalated and a multinational company is pressuring Tim's

family to sell their winery cheaply. Tim sets out to discover why his father changed his will just before his death, but is warned off by the family solicitor. Anxious to secure his family's financial future, he searches for some way out of an increasingly intricate tangle of childhood histories, business duplicity and strange liaisons, while the police seem baffled by a crime that appears to have no motive.



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The Indigenous Literacy Project is a unique book industry initiative designed to improve literacy in remote indigenous communities. To help, come in and buy any book from Abbey's, Language Book Centre or Galaxy Bookshop on Wednesday 3 September. We will donate 10% of the day's sales to the project.

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ABBEY'S TURNS 40: A Continuing Retrospective: Part 9



It's amazing to look back over 40 years and remember the changes to our Crime section over that time. When I joined the company in 1971, we Sould had half a bay devoted to Crime. (The other half was Science Fiction). It was a big day when Crime and Science Fiction were both given a whole bay each. In 1975 we made the momentous decision to open Galaxy Bookshop,

devoted exclusively to Science Fiction. Naturally the extra space this created in Abbey's went to Crime!

Over the years, the Crime section gradually grew and grew, and now includes over 6,000 titles in 25 bays -5 bays for new titles, 16 for backlist, 2 for Historical Crime, 1 for Non-Fiction and 1 for Australian Crime and Anthologies. Not to forget 2 bays for Crime Audio.



The segregation of Historical Crime came about because many readers of

this sub-genre couldn't always find the books they were after. I've often been asked if we've considered splitting up Modern Crime into sub-genres like Police Procedurals, Cosy, etc. but I fancy this is too fraught with problems ... although who knows what the future may bring?

# - Peter

# A BEAUTIFUL PLACE TO DIE MALLA NUNN

This could well be the crime debut of the year. Set in a turbulent South Africa in the 1950's, Detective Emmanuel Cooper is called in to investigate the murder of an Afrikaans police officer, Captain Willem Pretorius. Blending racial politics, sexual tension and family intrigue, Nunn has written a truly gripping thriller. I don't normally read crime fiction, but after reading the first chapter I couldn't stop, and

although it is the oldest cliche in the book, this is an absolute page-turner. This book introduces us to Cooper and some other memorable and frightening characters and promises to be the beginning of a very popular series. It is due to be released in September. (382pp Tp \$26.00) - Greg



# MODERN (RIME

Susan Wittig ALBERT The Tale of Hawthorn House 322pp Pb \$11.95 The Cottage Tales of Beatrix Potter #4. During Sawrey's annual summer fete, Miss Beatrix Potter

receives an unexpected visitor in the form of Baby Flora, left in a basket on her doorstep with a note, a sprig of hawthorn, and a scarab ring. An investigation reveals that the ring was pawned and reclaimed in Sawrey by a resident of Hawthorn House. The legendary manor is supposed to be vacant-and haunted. Now Beatrix and her animal friends are left pondering the possible involvement of fairy folk in these puzzling happenings. *Due Sep* (American)



# Barbara ALLAN

Antiques Maul 288pp Pb \$11.95

37 Trash n Treasure Mystery #2. After her impossible-butadorable mother quits the local theatre group, Brandy Borne has a brilliant idea for keeping mother out of trouble; open their own booth at the



new antiques mall in town. But things turn grim when a body is found between the cigar-store Indian and the chamber pot. *Due Sep* (American)

# Linwood BARCLAY

**448pp Pb \$20.00** Suburban teenager Cynthia Archer awakes with a nasty hangover and fears a confrontation with her mom and dad. But the house is empty, her family has simply disappeared. 25 years later Cynthia agrees to take part in a TV documentary revisiting the case. Then a letter arrives and Cynthia soon begins to realise that stirring up the past could be the worst mistake she has ever made... *Due Sep* (American)

# Linwood BARCLAY

**352pp Tp \$33.00** When the Cutter's neighbours, the Langleys, are gunned down in their house the Cutters' console themselves that lightning is unlikely to strike twice. Unless, of course, the killers went to the wrong house... Each of the Cutter family has a secret. Everybody's secrets are going to have to come out but the secret that could save them or destroy them is in the one place nobody would ever think of looking... *Due Sep* (American)

# Beverly BARTON Cold Hearted 384pp Pb \$11.95

They all loved her. was That their mistake. Two husbands. her college fiancé, an influential bossevery man who gets close to Jordan Price is made to pay in blood. And the list is growing. Hired Powell by the Agency to



investigate Senator Dan Price's death, Rick Carson can see at once why people would believe Jordan Price incapable of cold-blooded murder. Slender, pale, and elegant, she stands by her late husband's graveside exuding sweet vulnerability. Only Rick notices that she never sheds a tear... *Due Sep* (American)

# James BECKER

The First Apostle 480pp Pb \$21.95 When an Englishwoman is found dead in a house near Rome, her husband enlists the help policeman Chris Bronson, who discovers an ancient inscription on a slab of stone above their fireplace. It translates as 'Here Lie the Liars.' But who are the liars? Pursued across Europe, Bronson uncovers a trail of clues that lead back to the beginnings of Christianity, and to a deadly conspiracy which will rock the foundations of our modern world. *Due Sep* (English)

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# E A BENEDEK

**Red Sea 432pp Pb \$11.95** Four airplanes are blown out of the sky - hundreds of civilians are dead, and

sky - hundreds of civilians are dead, and the world is gripped by fear. As young American reporter Marie Peterssen investigates the attacks, she meet Julian Granot, a mysterious Israeli operative who offers her an exciting lead - one that points them to maverick FBI agent Morgan Ensley and the ravages of wartorn Iraq. Soon Marie, Julian and Morgan discover a connection between the crashes and a devastating plot to detonate a nuclear bomb in a New York City port and time is running out. *Due Sep* (Israeli) **Tony BLACK** 

# Paying for It

272pp Tp \$32.95

Gus Dury once had a high-flying career as a journalist but now he's drifting from bar to bar, trying not to sign divorce papers. When a friend asks him to investigate the murder of his son, Gus becomes



embroiled in a much bigger story of political corruption and illegal people trafficking. *Due Sep* (Scottish)

# Ken BRUEN & Jason STARR

**The Max 256pp Pb \$11.95** *Hard Case Crime.* In prisons half a world apart, Max Fisher improbably rises to the top of the pecking order at Attica, while on the Greek island of Lesbos, Angela Pretrakos tries to escape a murder charge. Now both are headed for eye-opening encounters with the law. *Due Sep* (Irish & American)

# James Lee BURKE

**Swan Peak 416pp Tp \$33.00** *Robicheaux #17.* Dave Robicheaux and Clete Purcel head for the mountains of Montana for some much needed healing. But while Montana might seem an unspoilt paradise, Dave and Clete soon find that there are plenty of serpents in the garden too. The deaths of a couple of hikers suggest a serial killer may be at work, while an escaped jailbird and his former tormentor are locked in a savage dance of revenge that is ultimately connected. *Due Sep* (American)

**CRIME CHRONICLE** 



# Nancy BUSH

Ultraviolet 320pp Pb \$11.95 Jane Kelly Mystery #2. For process server-turned-private investigator, Jane Kelly, weddings are murder. Usually that's a metaphor, but for newly minted PI Jane Kelly, it's fast becoming an all-tooaccurate nightmare. *Due Sep* (American)

## **Chelsea CAIN**

#Sweetheart Archie and Gretchen #2. Detective Archie Sheridan is trying to rebuild a life with his family, but he is haunted by the beautiful serial killer Gretchen Lowell. Now she's behind bars, Archie is determined to



stay away from her. But then Gretchen escapes. The only thing this gorgeous psychopath cares about is Archie, and with her on the loose, everyone he loves has become a target. *Due Sep* (American)

#### **Tom CAIN** 🇱 The Survivor

384pp Tp \$32.95 Samuel Carver #2. Samuel Carver makes bad accidents happen to worse people. Now the world faces a new age of conflict driven by religious fanaticism. Carver can do nothing to stop them. The woman he loves has vanished and the hunt takes him deep into a conspiracy in which the lives of millions are at stake. As the clock ticks down to doomsday, who will survive the final, explosive conflagration? Due Sep (English)

# Andrea CAMILLERI



#### The Patience of the Spider 280pp Pb \$23.00

Inspector Montalbano #11. Chief Inspector Montalbano is on enforced sick leave. But when a local girl goes mysteriously missing, the whole community takes an interest in the case. Why are the kidnappers so sure that the girl's impoverished father and dying mother will be able to find a fortune? The everinquisitive Montalbano steps in, in his own inimitable style. (Italian)

# Haggai CARMON

# The Red Syndrome

326pp Pb \$13.95 Dan Gordon Intelligence Thriller. Carmon's timely new intelligence thriller describes a plausible and frighteningly simple terrorist conspiracy: Introduce a lethal biological weapon into the nation's food supply in a way never before imagined. Which Americans belong to the Iranianbacked Islamic fundamentalist splinter group that threatens the US population? Can they be stopped? Due Sep (American)

# Sammi CARTER New States

# **Goody Goody Gunshots**

# 256pp Pb \$11.95 Candy shop owner Abby Shaw finds

herself in a sticky situation trying to convince the police she's seen a murder when there's no body. But finding out she's right puts her on the wrong side of a killer. Due Sep (American)

# **Raymond CHANDLER**

# The Big Sleep (1939) 272pp Pb \$9.95

Philip Marlowe. Raymond Chandler created the fast talking, trouble seeking Californian private eye Philip Marlowe for this, his first great novel. Due Sep (American)

Carol

Higgins

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## **Carol Higgins CLARK** 336pp Tp \$24.95

Zapped **W**Regan Reilly #11.

The Reillys return home from to the loft in Tribeca looking forward to a quiet supper. While Jack goes to pick up Chinese food, Regan enters their apartment, unaware that a thief is hiding

inside. A thief who knows about a hidden safe that Regan and Jack have yet to discover. Minutes later, the blackout strikes, and both Reillys are called into action... Due Sep (American)

# Margaret COEL

#### The Girl with Braided Hair 304pp Pb \$13.95

In 1973, Liz Plenty Horses was accused of betraying the American militant Indian Movement, known as AIM, to the FBI after the death of of their one members. She went into hiding with her baby daughter, never to be seen again.



Now, a skeleton with a bullet hole in the back of the skull has been discovered at the bottom of a ravine on the Wind River Reservation. The body was that of a woman who was murdered sometime in 1973. With the police reluctant to investigate, Arapaho attorney Vicky Holden and Father John O'Malley must unravel the truth - even if it incites the malice of a long-dormant killer. Due Sep (American)

# Michael CONNELLY

The Harry Bosch Omnibus

816pp Tp \$35.00 Gathered in one fantastic volume, the first three novels in the inimitable Harry Bosch series, The Black Echo, The Black Ice and The Concrete Blonde. Due Sep (American)

# **Robin COOK**

Foreign Body 328pp Tp \$33.00

🖆 🔊 Jennifer Hernandez is а fourth-year medical student at UCLA when she hears her beloved grandmother had died a day after undergoing a hip replacement in New Delhi's Oueen Hospital. Victoria



Jennifer and New York City medical examiner Dr Laurie Montgomery head to India and unveil a sinister, multifaceted conspiracy of global proportions... Due Sep (American)

# **Stephen COONTS**

The Assassin 352pp Tp \$33.00 🔂 Tommy Carmellini #3. Ex burglar turned CIA operative Tommy Carmellini photographs an American mobster boarding a yacht in the harbour of the island of Capri. Tommy's boss, Jake Grafton, sends him to find the link, between the mobster, Fioratti, and Al Qaeda. Soon Tommy and Jake are embroiled in a stew of American mobsters, killers and thieves, and the clock is ticking. Due Sep (American)

# Jennifer CRUISIE

Agnes and the Hitman 384pp Pb \$13.95

Take one food writer named Cranky Agnes, add a hitman named Shane, mix them together with a Southern mob wedding, a missing necklace, two annoyed flamingos, and a dog named Rhett and you've got



a recipe for a sexy, hilarious novel about the disastrous side of true love... Due Sep (American)

# **Diane DAVIDSON**

്വ്രായ് Sweet Revenge 512pp Pb \$13.95

Goldy Schulz is thrilled to be catering a holiday breakfast feast for the staff of the Meadow Aspen Library. But little does she know that on the menu is a large helping of While murder.



setting up at the library, Goldy spots a woman lurking in the stacks who bears a striking resemblance to Sandee Brisbane, the Sandee Brisbane who killed Goldy's ex-husband, the Jerk. But Sandee is supposed to be dead - or so everyone believes. Due Sep (American)

#### Nelson DEMILLE The Charm School (1988) 704pp Pb \$20.00

In Russia young KGB agents attend the Charm School to brush up on their American. When a young tourist goes to the aid of a stranger he is astonished to find a fellow American on the run who has been missing for over a decade to become an unwilling tutor at the institution. Now his former students are poised to strike at the heart of America. Due Sep (American)

#### **Nelson DEMILLE**

# The General's Daughter (1992) 512pp Pb \$20.00

Paul Brenner #1. She was an army captain and the daughter of a legendary General when she was found naked and bound at Fort Hadley. This political powder keg of a case goes directly to elite army investigator Paul Brenner and rape specialist Cynthia Sunhill. Brenner and Sunhill uncover trails of corruption all leading to the golden girl's shocking secret life. *Due Sep* (American)

320pp Pb \$19.95

#### **David DOWNING** 🔆 Zoo Station

lohn Russell #1. Englishman John Russell is a member of the foreign press corps in Berlin and is a first-hand witness to the build up to war during the early months of 1939. When an old acquaintance turns up at his hotel,

Russell is persuaded to become a spy for the Soviet Union and the British ... Due Sep (English)

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ZOO STATION

# **Rebecca DRAKE**

🔆 The Dead Place 🛛 384pp Pb \$11.95 The first victim is found floating in a creek - naked, beautiful, brutally garrotted. Lily Slocum was a college student with everything to live for and nothing to fear - until a madman made her his obsession. Due Sep (American)

# Alex DRYDEN

**Red to Black** The explosive spy thriller of the new Russia. Set in Vladimir Putins enriched new, where Russia. democracy has been hijacked by the neo-KGB. This is both a thriller and a love story that unfolds in the dimly lit worlds of

**CRIME CHRONICLE** 





the Russian and British secret services. Due Sep (English)

# Carola DUNN

The Black Ship 256pp Hb 39.95 Ser Ser Daisy Dalrymple Mystery #16. It is 1925 and the Honourable Daisy Dalrymple, her husband Alec Fletcher and their recent twins move to a new, large house on the outskirts of London. Set in a small circle of houses with a communal garden, it seems like the idyllic setting - that is, until a murder victim turns up under the bushes of the communal garden. Due Sep (American)

#### Robert ELLIS City of Fire

483pp Pb \$20.00

Lena Gamble #1. When a businessman finds his wife carved from belly to throat with a very sharp knife, Detective Lena Gamble from the elite Robbery Homicide division of the LAPD responds. It soon transpires that this



murder is the work of a killer dubbed 'Romeo' by the ravenous Hollywood media. Lena must catch this psychopath before she becomes his next victim. Due Sep (American)

# **J T ELLISON**

Fourteen 416pp Pb \$11.95 10 victims, each with pale skin and long dark hair. All have been slashed across the throat, the same red lipstick smeared across their lips. In the mid-1980s the Snow White Killer terrorised the streets of Nashville, Tennessee. Then suddenly the murders stopped. A letter from the killer to the police stated that his work was done. Now four more bodies are found, marked with his fatal signature. Due Sep (American)

# Jon EVANS

🔆 The Night of Knives

0 368pp Pb \$25.00 Veronica Kelly is grateful when she's invited to join a tour to visit gorillas in Uganda. A trip that goes desperately wrong when their group is kidnapped. Their abduction is the first move in a deadly strategic game, which Veronica's ex-husband is somehow involved. Now she must unveil a conspiracy before it consumes entire nations and hundreds of lives. Due Sep (Canadian)



# **Christopher FOWLER**

White Corridor 368pp Pb \$24.95

Bryant & May #5. A key member of London's Peculiar Crimes Unit has been found murdered, but Arthur Bryant and John May who run London's strangest crime division, aren't on hand to solve the crime. Snowbound in



the English countryside, they attempt to solve the crime using only their mobile phones. Unfortunately, their situation is about to get very much worse as a killer has travels to Dartmoor, and the Home Office is preparing to shut the PCU down. Two murderers, two incapacitated detectives and just six hours to solve two crimes and save the unit. Due Sep (English)

#### Jessica FLETCHER & Donald BAIN Murder She Wrote #27: **Panning for Murder**



37 The Cabot Cove residents are pulling out all the stops for their celebration of the 4th of July this year. But amidst the pleasures of planning the big event, there is tension too. Joseph Lennon, a very successful businessman, has recently relocated to Cabot Cave and is funding a big fireworks

show and rock concert. There are many in town who don't like him throwing his wealth and power around to get things done his When Mr wav. Lennon's body is found the evening of the fireworks show, Jessica has a long list



of potential suspects. Due Sep (American)

# **Brian FREEMAN Stalked** Jonathan

512pp Pb \$20.00

Stride #3. Lieutenant Jonnny Stride knows his partner Maggie is hiding a terrible secret, but she isn't the only one. seductive Α young woman has disappeared, leaving behind a of lurid trail fantasies and a

cryptic message. With his ex-cop girlfriend Serena, they hunt for a killer, and a predator with a vicious past is hunting them...Due Sep (American)

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# Matthew FREEMAN

Beer Money 178pp Tp \$23.95 A brewery executive has gone missing...or has he? Joseph Lucien Abbott is paid by the man's wife with a beer-sodden cheque to find out the truth. In doing so, he locks horns with dodgy nightclub owners, a toupeed beer baron, endless assorted ratbags and, of course, a wild pig, all in the twisted pursuit of a stash of money. Plus he has time for a beer or 10 along the way.

#### Alan FURST The Spies of Warsaw 288pp Tp \$33.00

Warsaw 1937. At the French embassy, the new military attaché, Colonel Jean-Francois Mercier, is drawn in to a world of abduction, betrayal and intrigue and into an affair with a Parisian woman. Colonel Mercier must work in the shadows, amidst an extraordinary cast of venal and dangerous characters some known to Mercier as spies, some never to be revealed. Due Sep (American)

#### **Robert GODDARD** 🔆 Found Wanting

CRichard Eusden's old friend Marty, needs a favour done today. Eusden sets off on what should be a simple errand but soon it turns into a race for his and Marty's life, into the heart of a mystery that somehow connects



352pp Tp \$32.95

Marty's dead grandfather with the tragic fate of the Russian Royal Family. Every move Eusden makes threatens to be a step into disaster...Due Sep (English)

### **Carol GOODMAN**

#### The Sonnet Lover 368pp Pb \$23.00

Renaissance poetry lecturer Dr Rose Asher returns to the villa La Civetta, once the home of poet, Ginevra de Laura, who, according to local legend, was the infamous 'dark lady' of Shakespeare's sonnets, when her student, Robin Weiss dies. Robin had suggested that the affair between Shakespeare and his 'dark lady' was conducted on Italian soil, but if Robin had discovered proof of Shakespeare's connections to La Civetta, was it really a literary coup worth killing for? Due Sep (American)

#### Ian GRANT

# Death Between the Lines Pb \$19.95

Within 20 minutes three folders arrived on his desk. Looking inside the covers he noticed that a different inspector in the CIB handled each case. Clearly no link had ever been made among the three. Leaning back on his chair Pymble reached for the file marked Riley and began to read. Due Sep (Australian)

#### Wayne GROGAN 🔆 Heavy Allies

# 280pp Pb \$26.95

Wayne Grogan has married fact and fiction to chart the rise and spectacular fall of the CIA controlled Nugan Hand Bank, the biggest criminal enterprise in Australian history. Due Sep (Australian)

# **Derek HAAS**

Columbus is one of the most feared hit men in the criminal underworld, what the Russians call a Silver Bear. He never knew his father or his mother. а prostitute who became dangerously involved back in the



70's with a young congressman named Abe Mann, who is now running for the Democratic nomination for president. Columbus is not far behind. But as the Silver Bear closes in on perhaps his most important mark, the underworld he has ruled for so long begins to crumble around him... Due Sep (American)

#### **Timothy HALLINAN** 💥 A Nail Through the Heart

0 352pp Pb \$25.00 Poke Rafferty was writing offbeat travel guides when Bangkok stole his heart. Now the American expat is assembling a new family with Rose, and Miaow, the tiny, streetwise urchin he wants to adopt. But trouble comes calling. Suddenly Poke is plodding through dark and unfamiliar terrain and everything and everyone he loves is in terrible danger. Due Sep (American)

# **Charlaine HARRIS**

#### Grave Surprise (2006) 600 304pp Pb \$20.00

Harper Connelly #2. Harper Connelly has an ability to find dead people. In Memphis Harper stands atop a grave and announces there are two bodies buried there. The grave is opened to reveal the remains of a man and a girl. Suspicions are raised because Harper had failed to find 11-year-old Tabitha Morgenstern two years before. Harper and Tolliver need to find the real killer to prove Harper's innocence... Due Sep (American) **Charlaine HARRIS** 

🔆 An Ice Cold Grave 288pp Tp \$33.00 Harper Connelly #3. Harper and Tolliver are hired to find a missing grandson. But the truth is far worse than a single dead child, for numerous teenage boys have disappeared from Doraville. Harper soon finds the eight bodies, but still reeling from coming into contact with her first serial killer, she is attacked. She and Tolliver reluctantly become part of the investigation and she learns more than she cares to about the mysteries and secrets of the town... Due Sep (American)

# John HARVEY



Gone to Ground

#### 528pp Pb \$21.95

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Stephen Bryan, a gay academic, is found brutally murdered. Detectives investigating the case assume that his death is the result of an ill-judged sexual encounter, but doubts are raised. Could

murder be the connected to а biography he was writing on the life and death of 50s screen legend, Stella Leonard? Gradually the investigation uncovers the secrets of a family corrupted by lust, wealth and power ... Due Sep (English)

Sam HAYES



# 384pp Tp \$33.00

👑 Unspoken Mary Marshall's always been the rock her family can rely on. Until now. Mary has a past her daughter Julia knows nothing about, and its come back to haunt her. Murray French is about to lose his wife Julia and his children to another man. Just when Julia thinks life is starting to turn around, she finds the body of a girl she teaches and Julia realises her family's nightmare is only just beginning... Due Sep (English)

#### **Thomas HETTCHE** 🔆 What We are Made Of 3 311pp Pb \$23.00

Niklas Kalf is in New York having just published a biography of a Jewish-German physicist named Eugen Meerkaz, who emigrated to the USA in the late 30s. On the third day his wife is kidnapped. Her captor demands information



on secret experiments that Meerkaz has supposedly conducted, information Niklas doesn't have. With one faint lead Niklas embarks on a journey to Texas. Nothing can prepare him for what he is going to find and the real identity of his enemies... Due Sep (German)

# **Paulus HOCHGATTERER** The Sweetness of Life

256pp Tp \$29.95 An old man has his skull broken on a winter's night. A psychopathic father beats his daughters, a jogging monk hears voices that do not come from heaven, a retired postman contemplates suicide, and a young mother believes her newborn child is the devil. The psychological profile of this town isn't reassuring, but who was responsible for the brutal slaying? Due Sep (Austrian)



# Harry HUNSICKER

**>** Lee Henry Oswald Mystery #3. All he wants is a existence normal from the awav assorted lowlifes inherent to his former profession private as а investigator. Unfortunately,



peace and solitude are hard to find for Lee Oswald, now weary after a decade as the fix-it man on the back streets of Dallas. But when a medical researcher begs him to help find the person threatening her daughter's life, Oswald returns to the shadowy world he'd tried so hard to leave behind. *Due Sep* (American)

# Angela HUNT

**The Elevator 352pp Pb \$11.95** In the path of a devastating hurricane, three very different women find themselves trapped in an elevator of a high-rise office building. All three are concealing shattering secrets, unaware that they all centre on the same man. As the storm rages closer, these three must unite to fight for their lives in the greatest test of courage, and faith, any woman could ever face. *Due Sep* (American)

#### Noel HYND

# The Enemy Within (2006) 512pp Pb \$15.95

Laura Chapman is a US Secret Service agent. She is quirky, solitary, unorthodox and a brilliant intelligence analyst. The CIA assigns Laura to a case that borders on the unthinkable, an assassination plot against the president. The trigger man will be a member of the Secret Service. The odds are heavily against her and problems abound and Laura cannot shake the suspicion that she is being set up... *Due Sep* (American)

## Roberta ISLEIB

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# Asking for Murder

**256pp Pb \$11.95** *Advice Column Mystery #3.* When advice columnist Dr. Rebecca Butterman's friend and fellow therapist Annabelle Hart is found badly beaten and left for dead, Rebecca is determined to help search for answers. *Due Sep* (American)

## Lisa JACKSON

#### Left to Die 512pp Tp \$33.00 Jillian Rivers is trapped in a mangled car, but something about the stranger that comes to her rescue sets her on edge. Detectives Selena Alvarez and Regan Pescoli are trying to make sense of a nightmare. With nothing but a killer's cryptic and their unsettling conviction that there is worse to come, someone is poised to strike and make Jillian the next victim. *Due Sep* (American)

# Bill JAMES

#### You'd Better Believe It (1985) 160pp Pb \$21.95 Harpur & Isles #2. Harpur's domain is a small seaport city, easy prey for the big town criminals. This time it's a Lloyd's Bank branch that's the target. A policeman is killed then one nark after another is murdered. Harpur must bypass regulations and settle things once

and for all with a vicious crook named Holly... *Due Sep* (English)

# The Lolita Man (1986)

**158pp Pb \$21.95** *Harpur & Isles #2.* Five teenage girls have been raped and murdered. Detective Chief Superintendent Colin Harpur is assigned to the case. Virtually obsessed with the urgency of the matter, and hampered by the bitter police rivalry that is jeopardizing the case, Harpur decides to go it alone. *Due Sep* (English)

Halo Parade (1987) Pb \$21.95 *Harpur & Isles #3.* Colin Harpur is disconsolate. Ray Street, whom Colin sent undercover to infiltrate a drug lord is murdered. Harpur plants evidence implicating the drug lord, but he is set free. The extralegal comeuppance though, finds cops applauding the vigilante justice rendered by their superiors... *Due Sep* (English)

# J A JANCE

Hand of Evil 384pp Tp \$29.95 Ali Reynolds #3. Ex-television anchorwoman Ali Reynolds' latest mystery begins when an elderly woman finds a horribly mutilated corpse while taking her daily walk in Arizona. Due Sep (American)

### **Paul JOHNSTON**

The Death List 432pp Pb \$11.95 Writer's block is nothing compared to the sinister assignment London-based novelist Matt Wells has just received. A chain of seemingly innocent e-mails from a devoted fan turns deadly when Matt discovers the correspondent is a coldblooded killer with an agenda for murder, and his family and friends are among the scheduled victims... *Due Sep* (Scottish)



#### Jessie KEANE

**Dirty Game** 560pp Tp \$33.00 Annie is thrown onto the streets after seducing Max Carter, a top class villain. Annie's resourceful nature sees her carve out a life for herself, albeit not legal. But if you play with fire, you can expect to get burned. Annie has unwittingly placed herself between two rival gangs and these people don't forget. But Annie Bailey is no ordinary woman. *Due Sep* (American)

#### Faye KELLERMAN Cold Case The murder of

480pp Tp \$33.00

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The murder of beloved teacher Bennett Little baffled police, his killer was never caught. 18 years later, Genoa Greeves, a former student reads of a similar murder. She pressures the LAPD to direct Lieutenant Peter Decker to re-



open the case. Facing dead leads Decker enlists the help of his detective daughter and his wife. It's a decision he may come to regret in a city where the price of fame has no limits! *Due Sep* (American)

#### Gordon KENT

#### The Falconer's Tale 512pp Pb \$20.00

Jerry Piat has been on the run for years, but he's about to be made an offer he cannot refuse. His job is to entice former agent Digger Hackbutt into working for the CIA again. Jerry is about to be free for the first time in years, but the best laid plans seldom run smoothly and the ultimate disaster is just moments away. *Due Sep* (American)

#### **Michael KORYTA**

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#### Joyce & Jim LAVENE Wicked Weaves 300

272pp Pb \$11.95

Renaissance Faire Mystery #1. Assistant professor Jessie Morton spends her summers at the Renaissance Village honing her skills and finding the lady, lord, or serf whodunnit. This summer Jessie is the apprentice to Mary Shift, a basket-maker with a dark past as well as incredible weaving skills. One day a man is bid a deadly fare-thee-well with Mary's signature weave around his neck. It's up to Jessie to spring Mary from the stocks of the Myrtle Beach police station. Yet innocence is hard to prove in a place where there's a fine line between reality and good theatre, and history is bound to repeat itself. Due Sep (American)

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#### Sheila LOWE Written in Blood E

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#### 320pp Pb \$11.95

Forensic Handwriting Mystery. The widow of a rich, older man, Paige Sorensen is younger than, and hated by, her stepchildren. And they're dead set on proving that she forged their father's signature on his will, which left his entire estate, including the Sorensen Academy for Girls, to her. Claudia admits she's intrigued by this real-life soap opera, and breaks her first rule: never get personally

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#### Scott MARIANI 🔆 The Mozart Conspiracy 3 464pp Pb \$9.00

When former SAS operative Ben Hope is enlisted by Leigh Llewellyn to investigate her brother's mysterious death, Ben finds himself caught up in a centuries old puzzle. The official line states that Oliver died whilst investigating Mozart's death. Oliver's research reveals that Mozart may have been killed by a splinter group of the freemasons. The only clues lie in an ancient letter, believed to have been written by Mozart himself. Leigh and Ben realise that the sect is still in existence today and will stop at nothing to remain a secret... Due Sep (Scottish)

# Amanda MATESKY

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C 272pp Pb \$23.00 On the night Kate Cypher arrives home in Vermont, a young girl is murdered, a crime that eerily mirrors another from Kate's childhood. Three decades earlier, her misfit friend Del was brutally slain, her killer never found. As the new murder investigation draws Kate in, her past and present collide and nothing is quite what it seems. *Due Sep* (American) Grace MUNROF

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# Hakan NESSER

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Omnibus (1-3) 50

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Six years ago Wendy Harper was running for her life and ex-cop turned private eye Jack Till helped her disappear. But now her exboyfriend and former business partner is being framed for her presumed murder in an effort to smoke her



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Reporter Bernard Cockburn finds himself at a bloody crime scene in downtown Omaha. A vigilante league is cleaning up the ghetto for profit, even if it means killing a few people to get it done. Cockburn's got a past that threatens to invade his present but almost no one knew about his connection to the death of his best friend's little sister, and now he's begun receiving disconcerting blackmail threats... *Due Sep* (American)

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Yashim the Eunuch #1. Read by Andrew Sachs. A concubine is strangled in the Sultan's palace harem, and a young cadet is found butchered in the streets of Istanbul. It is up to the eunuch Yashim to delve deep into the city's crooked alleyways, and deeper still into its tumultuous past. Due Sep (English)

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