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**FICTION**

**Fantasy & Science Fiction**

Sunward – William Alexander. (*September release*) In a distant future where planetary couriers bridge interstellar divides, Captain Tova Lir mentors a teenage AI and uncovers a deadly plot that sends them racing across the solar system, forcing her to confront buried family ties and the fragile bonds between humans and machines.

There is No Antimemetics Division – gntm. Invisible and untraceable, memory-erasing predators are infiltrating humanity—feeding on identity, erasing presence, and advancing undetected—leaving a terrifying question in their wake: how can you fight an invasion you're incapable of remembering?

The Everlasting – Alix E. Harrow. When a woman draws a sword from a yew tree and becomes a legend, her fate intertwines across centuries with a man who finds and loses her again and again, as both struggle to claim the story as their own.

Red City – Marie Lu. In glittering Angel City, ruled by rival alchemy syndicates, ambitious Sam and gifted Ari—once childhood friends—become enemies in a struggle over the power-enhancing drug "sand," and love, loyalty, and identity fracture beneath the pressure of ambition and looming war.

As Many Souls As Stars – Natasha Siegel. Two women—a witch and an immortal demon—make a Faustian bargain and are drawn into a cat-and-mouse chase across multiple lifetimes.

The Isle in the Silver Sea – Tasha Suri. A romantasy of sapphic longing features medieval folklore and a love that spans the centuries.

**General Fiction**

Cursed Daughters – Oyinkan Braithwaite. Born the day her cousin is buried and believed to be her reincarnation, Eniyyi grows up under the weight of a family curse until forbidden love and a search for answers force her to confront destiny, desire and generational trauma.

Widow's Point – Richard Chizmar. When investigators enter the long-abandoned Widow's Point Lighthouse—site of decades of unexplained deaths and disappearances—they awaken a malignant presence that traps them inside, unraveling time and sanity across two harrowing visits in 2017 and 2025.

Lucky Seed – Justinian Huang. A chaotic, darkly funny romp about the lengths a wealthy family will take to ensure the birth of a male heir from the gay black sheep of their clan.

The White Hot – Quiara Alegria Hudes. In a letter to her daughter, April recounts fleeing her chaotic Philadelphia home on a one-way trip into the wilderness, where a harrowing journey of rage, solitude, and survival lead her to confront generational trauma and choose whether to reclaim her life.

Mothers – Brenda Lozano. In 1940s Mexico, upper-class Gloria's daughter is kidnapped; working-class Nuria has spent years trying to get pregnant or to adopt, without success, but she is then presented with an opportunity almost too good to be true.

Otherwise Engaged – Susan Mallery. Chance brings Shannon and mom Cindy and Victoria and mother Ava together at a wedding venue, where a shocking secret comes out—twenty-four years ago, teenager Cindy chose wealthy Ava to adopt her baby before changing her mind, and the loss left Ava unable to open her heart to adopted daughter Victoria.

Workhorse – Caroline Palmer. Ambitious editorial assistant Clo Harmon claws her way through Manhattan's glossy fashion world at the turn of the millennium, navigating privilege, deception, and risky alliances in a cutthroat industry where image is everything and ambition could cost more than she anticipated.

To the Moon and Back – Eliana Ramage. (*September release*) After fleeing domestic violence for the Cherokee Nation, Steph Harper dedicates her life to escaping Oklahoma and reaching NASA, but her relentless pursuit of independence strains her ties with her sister Kayla, her girlfriend Della and her mother Hannah.

Town & Country – Brian Schaefer. In a small rural town, a congressional race forces the candidates, their families and a clique of gay second homeowners to confront lies, betrayals and shifting allegiances.

Remain – Nicholas Sparks. (*October release*) After his sister's death and his treatment at a psychiatric facility, New York architect Tate moves to a Cape bed-and-breakfast, where he has an immediate connection with Wren, but hate and greed fester below the surface of Wren's life, and Tate must unearth the truth about her past.

Beasts of the Sea – Ilda Turpeinen. Spanning three centuries and linked by a long-extinct denizen of the northern oceans, a sweeping and intimate tale looks at a fateful encounter between man and nature.

## **Historical Fiction**

Walk Me to the Distance – Percival Everett. In self-imposed exile after returning home from the war in Vietnam, David Larson meanders into the barren town of Slut's Hole, Wyoming, where a local widow takes him under her wing. After making a sort of home among the town's hardscrabble locals, David grudgingly adopts a young Vietnamese girl abandoned along the highway. This sets in motion a set of tragic turns as Western mythos and frontier justice clash against the tides of a changing world.

## **Mystery & Detective**

From Cradle to Grave – Rhys Bowen. When a string of young men turn up dead under suspicious circumstances, Georgie suspects a long-buried secret may link the victims, and that her husband could be next in the latest addition to the series following *We Three Queens*.

King's Ransom – Janet Evanovich. When priceless artwork insured by a powerful bank vanishes without a trace, recovery agent Gabriela Rose teams up with her ex-husband Rafer Jones to chase a global conspiracy, clear a family name, and stop a villain threatening worldwide financial collapse.

Robert B. Parker's Showdown – Mike Lupica. Vic Hale spews overheated rhetoric on his podcast, and he's about to sign the biggest contract in the history of online broadcasting; Spenser visits Vic on behalf of Daniel Lopez, who believes Hale may be his father, but then bodies start popping up—bodies connected with the mystery surrounding Daniel's birth.

The Lady on Esplanade – Karen White. As Nola launches a ghost-infused house-flipping venture with psychic contractor Beau Ryan, their first project on Esplanade Avenue involves past murders, vanishing families, resurfacing spirits, and dangerous secrets that threaten their uneasy partnership and their lives.

## **Romance**

The Seven Rings – Nora Roberts. Two women—one dead, one alive—prepare for a terrifying final showdown.

The Color of Hope – Danielle Steel. After her husband's death, gallery owner Samantha Thompson finds solace in a Basque village, where she rents a château from the struggling Xavier de Bonport and discovers the makings of a new kind of family as she opens her new home to local orphans.

## **Story Collections**

The Eleventh Hour: a Quintet of Stories – Salman Rushdie. Spanning India, England, and America, these five stories follow a cast of aging musicians, feuding elders, ghosts, writers, and rebels as they confront mortality, memory, and meaning in a world where endings are never quite what they seem.

## **Suspense**

Executive Power – Brian Andrews. Missing amid a foreign coup, DIA officer Kyle Ryan sends a chilling final message, forcing the President to choose between his son's life and the interests of the nation in the latest addition to the series following Oath of Office.

Nash Falls – David Baldacci. Family man Walter Nash, who has a very high-level position at Sybaritic Investments, is approached by the FBI to request that he become their inside man to expose a criminal enterprise led by Victoria Steers, who launders money through Sybaritic; he accepts and tries to bring Steers and partners to justice.

Exit Strategy – Lee Child. A cryptic note slipped into Jack Reacher's pocket during a chance encounter sends him on a new mission in the latest addition to the long-running, New York Times best-selling series following In Too Deep.

Clive Cussler Quantum Tempest – Mike Maden. After violent events in Central America, Juan Cabrillo and the crew of the Oregon take on a covert mission facing cartels, political corruption and a deadly storm in the latest addition to the long-running series following Ghost Soldier.

Return of the Spider – James Patterson. Police discover that Gary Soneji kept a murder book, "Profiles in Homicidal Genius," detailing his transformation from substitute teacher to hardened serial killer, including clues that imply missteps Alex Cross may have made as a rookie homicide detective; now, Alex must retrace the steps of that investigation and face Soneji again.

Evil Bones – Kathy Reichs. When a string of gruesome animal killings escalates to murder, forensic anthropologist Temperance Brennan must stop a sadistic killer before the next victim hits too close to home in the latest addition to the long-running series following Fire and Bones.

59 Minutes – Holly Seddon. Across South England, young mother Carrie, newly pregnant Frankie, and an enigmatic older woman must navigate survival amidst chaos when the country receives a nuclear bomb alert—with only 59 minutes before mass destruction, will they make it to their loved ones in time?

## **NONFICTION**

Books of Loves: a Memoir of Sorts – Margaret Atwood. This long-awaited memoir from the author of *The Handmaid's Tale* traces her unconventional upbringing, creative evolution and personal journey, interwoven with literary milestones, cultural shifts and the profound experiences that inspired some of the most influential works of modern fiction.

Attainable Sustainable Pantry: a Back-to-Basics Guide to Stocking Your Kitchen – Kris Bordessa. (*March release*) The internet sensation offers a practical guide featuring over 120 recipes to replace processed foods with homemade alternatives, offering healthier, cost-effective options for breakfast staples, baked goods, condiments, snacks, quick pickles and canning classics.

Big Kids, Bigger Feelings: Navigating Defiance, Meltdowns and Anxiety to Raise Confident, Connected Kids – Alyssa Blask Campbell. (*September release*) The author of *Tiny Humans*, *Big Emotions* offers practical guidance for navigating the complex elementary school years, helping parents teach kids to handle big emotions, regulate technology use and build emotional intelligence for lifelong resilience and connection.

Gathered: On Foraging, Feasting, and the Seasonal Life – Gabrielle Cerberville. With this book as a guide, readers will learn to find, identify, harvest, and process wild food to use in their own kitchens and develop a greater kinship with the natural world. A memoir with recipes, color photos, and illustrations throughout, *Gathered* is an invitation to move beyond our comfort zones, open our eyes, and dig into the earth.

Enshittification: Why Everything Suddenly Got Worse and What To Do About It – Cory Doctorow. Draws on the popular author, blogger, and journalist's viral concept of "enshittification" to analyze how digital platforms degrade over time by prioritizing profit over users, outlining the structural decisions behind that decline and offering actionable strategies to reverse the damage.

Wild Watercolor: Weekly Lessons and Techniques for Stunning Creations – Karen Elaine. (*September release*) This workbook's week-by-week format will help you establish a regular watercolor practice, incorporating art and relaxation into your life. From delicate butterflies and tulips to foxes, twilight skies, landscapes, and more, get ready to enter the wild world of watercolor!

The Devil Reached Toward the Sky: an Oral History of the Making & Unleashing of the Atomic Bomb – Garrett Graff. (*August release*) Combines archival research with firsthand accounts from political leaders, scientists, soldiers, and survivors to chronicle the

development and use of the atomic bomb, examining its ethical, military, and human consequences during the final months of World War II and the start of the Cold War.

We Did OK, Kid: a Memoir – Anthony Hopkins. Traces the actor's unlikely rise from a troubled Welsh childhood to international acclaim, exploring his influences, iconic roles, personal struggles with addiction and isolation, and the emotional inheritance that shaped both his art and his understanding of mortality.

Mailman: My Wild Ride Delivering the Mail in Appalachia and Finally Finding Home – Stephen Starring Grant. (*July release*) This is an exuberant, hilarious, and profound memoir by a mailman in the Blue Ridge Mountains of Virginia, who found that the post office saved his life, taught him who he was, gave him purpose, and educated him deeply about a country he loves but had lost touch with.

It Rhymes with Takei – George Takei. (*June release*) In a moving, emotional graphic memoir, the Star Trek actor, activist and social media star shares his personal journey from a closeted youth in the 1950s to coming out at 68, revealing how love, fear and activism shaped his identity.

10 Rules for Raising Kids in a High-Tech World: How Parents Can Stop Smartphones, Social Media, and Gaming from Taking Over Their Children's Lives – Jean M. Twenge. (*September release*) A practical, research-based guide offering ten clear strategies to help parents raise resilient, independent kids amid today's tech-driven world, addressing social media, screen time, and mental health with simple and effective rules for fostering balanced and healthy development.

American Kings: a Biography of the Quarterback – Seth Wickersham. (*September release*) This immersive exploration of the quarterback's journey from childhood dreams to NFL stardom reveals the personal costs, cultural significance and relentless ambition behind America's most mythologized sports role through the lives of past, present and future greats.

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