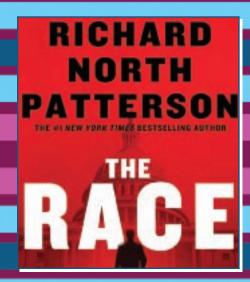
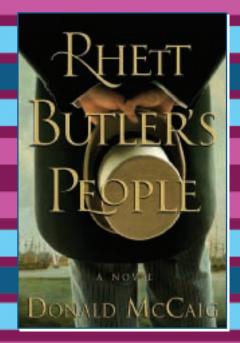
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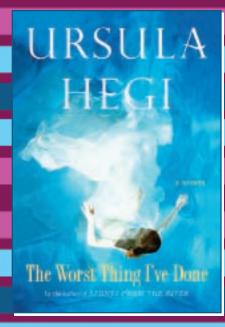
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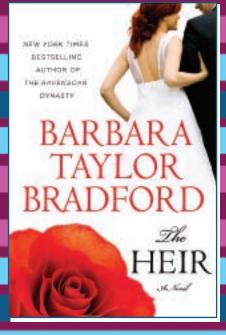


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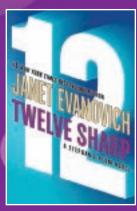
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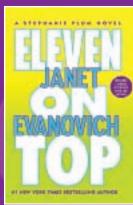
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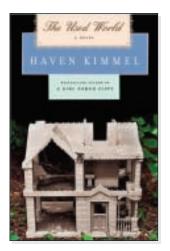
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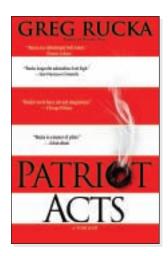
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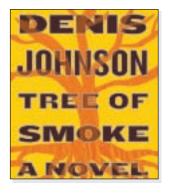


Greg Rucka has worked at a variety of jobs, from theatrical fight choreographer to emergency medical technician. The author of A Fistful Of Rain, the Queen & Counry series, and five previous thrillers in the Atticus Kodiak series, he resides with his family in Portland, Oregon.

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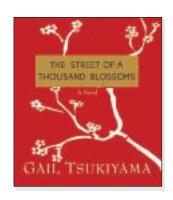
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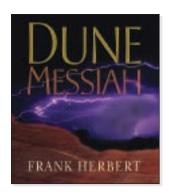
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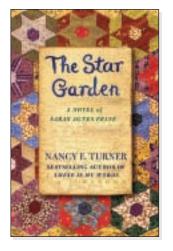


#### Frank Herbert (1920-1986) was born in Tacoma, Washington, and educated at the University of Washington, Seattle. He worked a wide variety of jobs-including TV cameraman, radio commentator, oyster diver, jungle survival instructor, lay analyst, creative writing teacher, reporter and editor of several

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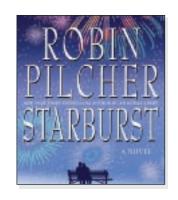
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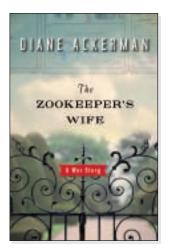
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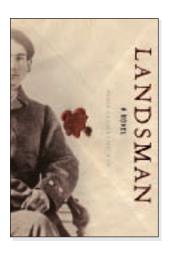
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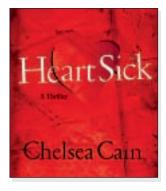
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Chelsea Cain lived the first few years of her life on an Iowa commune, then grew up in Bellingham, WA, where the infamous Green River killer was "the boogieman" of her youth and his capture inspired the story of Gretchen and Archie. The author of a weekly column in *The Oregonian*, Cain lives in Portland with her husband and daughter.

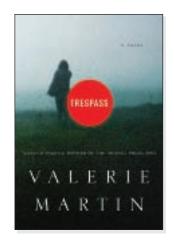
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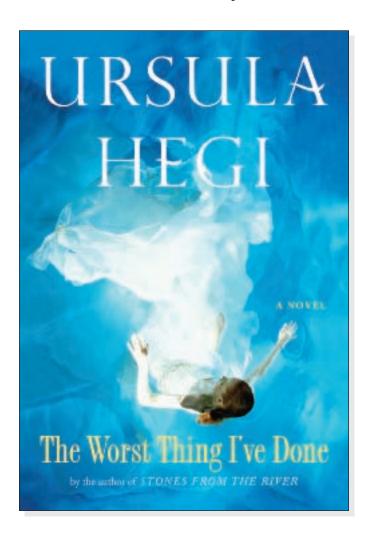
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John J. Mearsheimer is a professor of Political Science and co-director of the Program on International Security Policy at the University of Chicago, as well as the author of several books. Stephen M. Walt is a professor of International Affairs and former academic dean at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University. He is the author of Taming American Power. The Global Response to U.S. Primacy, among other books.

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#### **NARRATOR**

Educated at Northwestern University, **Gabra Zackman** performed at many venues in Chicago before touring the country with Boston Chamber Theatre and moving to NY. Her New York credits include *The Big Fat Naked Truth* (Expanded Arts), *Unity Fest* at Altered Stages and Just Desserts. In addition, she was recently seen on TV in Law and Order.

#### NARRATOR

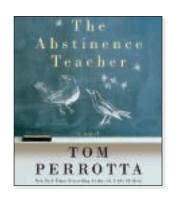
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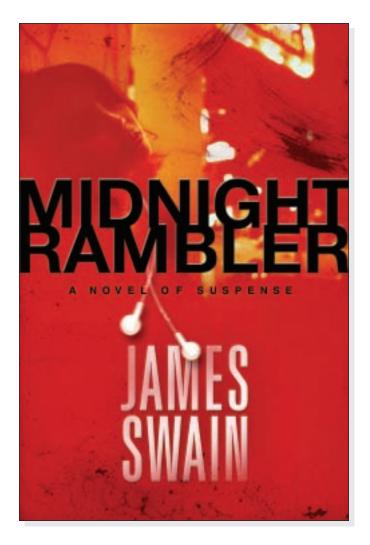
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August Gold is cofounder and spiritual director of Sacred Center New York, one of the fastest growing spiritual churches in America. She speaks to corporations and spiritual and secular organizations nationwide, and has been featured on Beliefnet.com and The Hallmark Channel. She lives in Manhattan and East Hampton, New York.

Joel Fotinos, a vice president at Penguin Group (USA) Inc., is the publisher of the Tarcher imprint, and founder and publisher of the Putnam Praise Christian publishing program. He was ordained a New Thought Minister in 2002 and is co-founder of Sacred Center New York. He lives in New Jersey.

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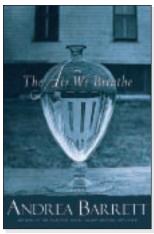
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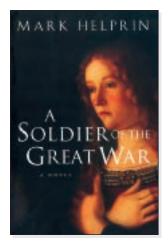
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#### AUTHO

Andrea Barrett has received a National Book Award and a MacArthur grant and has been a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize. A fellow at the New York Public Library Center for Scholars and Writers, Barrett lives in North Adams, Massachusetts, and teaches at Williams College.

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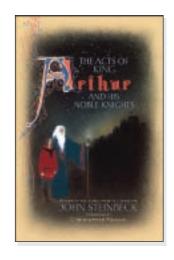
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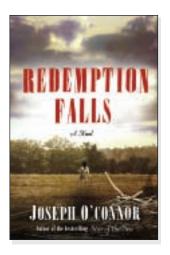
**John Steinbeck** (1902–1968) was the author of many books, including *Of Mice and Men, Cannery Row, East of Eden, In Dubious Battle*, and *The Grapes of Wrath* (which won both the National Book Award and the Pulitzer Prize in 1939). In 1962, he was awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature.

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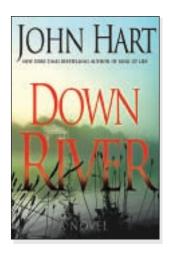
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**AUTHOR Joseph O'Connor** has written thirteen books, most recently the novel *Star of the Sea*, which sold 750,000 copies in Britain alone. His work has been published in thirty languages, and he also writes for the stage and screen. He lives with his wife and two sons in Dublin, Ireland.

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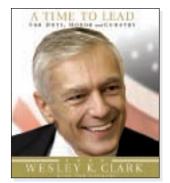
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John Hart was born and raised in North Carolina. For a time he practiced criminal defense law, but left to write The King of Lies. John used to do foolish things, like fly helicopters and sail small boats across large oceans. Now, with a loving young family, he writes books, which is harder but safer. John still makes his home in North Carolina.

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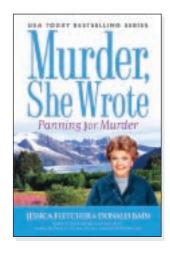
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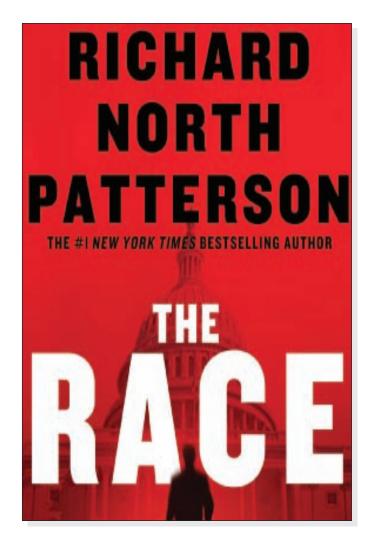
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**AUTHOR** 

Michael Pearce has written two previous mysteries starring Sandor Seymour, A Dead Man in Istanbul and A Dead Man in Trieste. He has also penned several novels in his award-winning Marmur Zapt series, including The Face in the Cemetery and Death of an Effendi. Several of his titles are available from Sound Library®.

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Richard North Patterson is the author of 14 previous bestselling and critically acclaimed novels. Formerly a trial lawyer, Patterson served as the SEC's liaison to the Watergate special prosecutor and has served on the boards of several Washington advocacy groups dealing with gun violence, political reform, and women's rights. He lives in San Francisco and on Martha's Vineyard.



Michael Boatman is best known for his role as Carter Haywood on the hit sitcom Spin City. He was also a regular on the acclaimed series China Beach and Arli\$\$. He has had many notable guest appearances on major network television shows, including Law & Order: Special Victims Unit, Less Than Perfect, Scrubs, and CSI: Miami.

# Donald McCaig Rhett Butler's People

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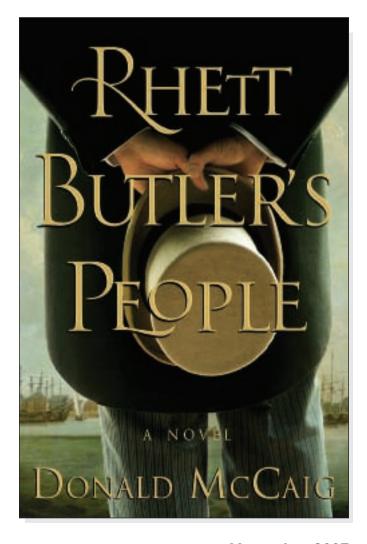
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**AUTHOR**Donald McCaig has written several acclaimed novels about the Civil War, including *Jacob's Ladder*, which has been called "the best civil war novel ever written" by the Virginia Quarterly. McCaig spent six years researching and writing *Rhett Butler's People*.

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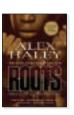
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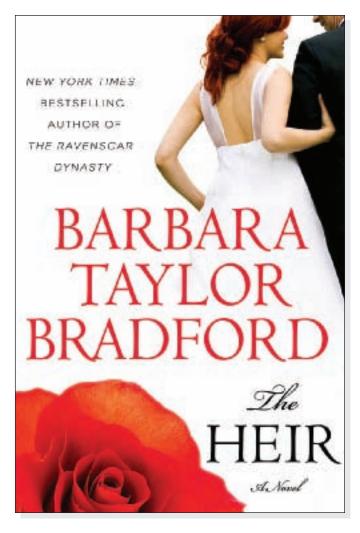
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Barbara Taylor Bradford was born in Leeds, and by the age of twenty was an editor and columnist on Fleet Street. Her first novel, A Woman of Substance, became an enduring bestseller and was followed by twenty-two others. Her books have sold more than seventy-five million copies. She lives in New York City with her husband, television producer Robert Bradford.

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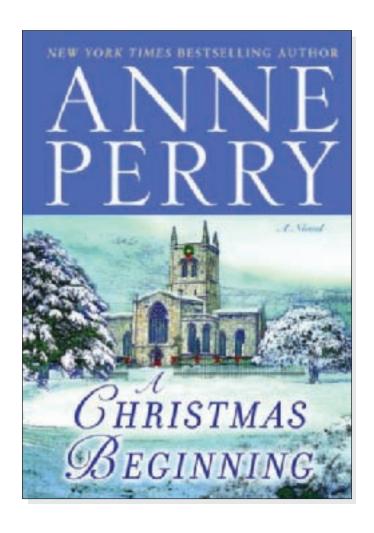
#### AUTHOR

Anne Perry was born in London in 1938 as Juliet Hulme. She is the author of two Victorian-era series—one featuring investigator William Monk, the other featuring police inspector Thomas Pitt—as well as a new series set amid World War I. Perry lives in the Scottish Highlands.



#### AUTHOR

**Terrence Hardiman** has worked extensively in theatre. He began at the Old Vic, went on to repertory at Bristol, and then spent five years as a member of the RSC. He has played the title role in BBC TV's *The Demon Headmaster*, while other television appearances include major parts in *Secret Army, Miss Marple, Hannay,* and *Inspector Morse.* Among his film credits are *Mask of Murder, Loophole,* and *Gandhi.* 



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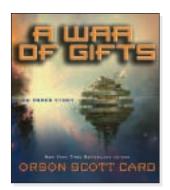
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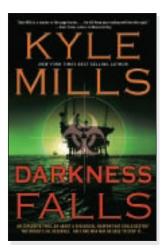
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**AUTHOR** 

Mickey Spillane (1918–2006) was one of the 20th century's bestselling novelists and the creator of the vigilante P.I. Mike Hammer. By 1980, seven of the top 15 all-time bestselling fiction titles in America were by Spillane and more than 225 million copies of his books have sold around the globe.

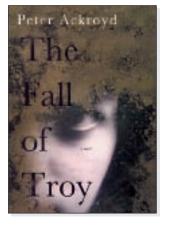
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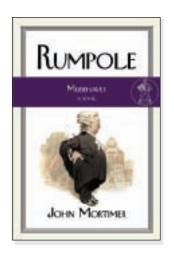
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Peter Ackroyd is the author of the bestselling book London: The Biography, as well as Chatsmo. He has won the Whitbread Biography Award, the Royal Society of Literature's William Heinemann Award (jointly), and the James Tait Black Memorial Prize. He is also the holder of a Commendation of the British Empire for services to literature.



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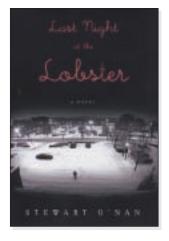
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Sir John Mortimer is a novelist, playwright and former practicing barrister. Among his many publications are several volumes of Rumpole stories and a trilogy of political novels (Paradise Postponed, Titmuss Regained, and The Sound of Trumpets). Sir John received a knighthood in 1998 for his services to the arts.



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#### AUTHOR

Ha Jin was born in China in 1956. His novel Waiting won the National Book Award for fiction as well as the PEN/Faulkner Award in 1999. In 2004, he published War Trash, which also won the PEN/Faulkner Award. He has published two collections of poetry, and two short fiction collections, Ocean of Words and Under the Red Flag.

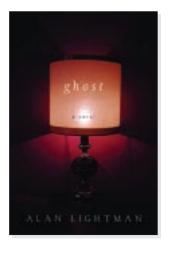
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**AUTHOR** Alan Lightman is the author of Einstein's Dreams, The Good Benito, and The Diagnosis, which was a 2000 National Book Award finalist. His essays, short fiction, and reviews have appeared in a wide variety of publications. An active research scientist in astronomy and physics for two decades, he has also taught both subjects at Harvard and MIT.

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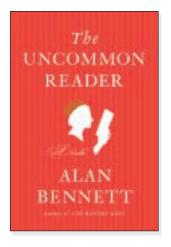
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Simon Armitage was born in 1963 and lives in West Yorkshire. He has penned several volumes of poetry as well as writing for radio, television, film and the stage. He has also received numerous awards for his work, including the Sunday Times Author of the Year, one of the first Forward Prizes, and a Lannan Award.

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Alan Bennett is an acclaimed playwright and author. His 1994 collection of diary entries, essays and reviews, Writing Home was a bestseller. His 2006 play The History Boys won six Tony Awards, an Olivier Award and other recognition. His other works include: The Wind in the Willows for the National Theatre, The Madness of George III, and Talking Heads.

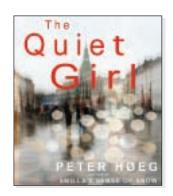
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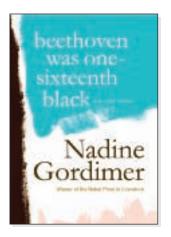
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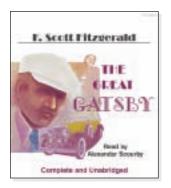
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Nadine Gordimer, who was awarded the Nobel Prize in Literature in 1991, is the author of fourteen novels, nine volumes of stories, and three nonfiction collections. She lives in Johannesburg, South Africa.

Peter Høeg, born in 1957 in Denmark, pursued various interests—dancer, actor,

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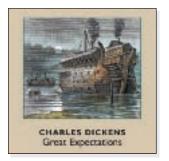
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**F. Scott Fitzgerald** (1896-1940) was born in St. Paul, Minnesota, in 1896, attended Princeton University, and published his first novel, *This Side of Paradise*, in 1920. Fitzgerald was hailed early on as a major new voice in American fiction; his other novels include *The Beautiful and Damned* and *Tender Is the Night*. He died of a heart attack at the age of forty-four, while working on *The Last Tycoon*.



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# Janet Dailey Calder Storm

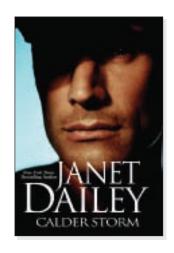
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# Laura Lippman In Big Trouble

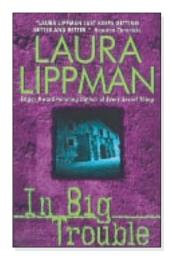
# The Fourth Baltimore-Set Stunner from the Edgar Award–Winning Author

## A Tess Monaghan Novel

#### Narrated by Deborah Hazlett (American)

First as a reporter and then as a PI, Tess Monaghan has learned how to survive and thrive on the streets of Baltimore. But a new case will force her to confront her own past, and a man she loved and lost. It starts when she gets a newspaper photograph of her old boyfriend with a tantalizing shard of headline attached: In Big Trouble. The answers lie far from Baltimore, deep in a world of good-time music, old-fashioned ambition, and rich people's games. For Tess must find out what happened to a man she thought she knew, to a woman who may have changed him forever, and to the victims of a killer who dances to a different—and deadly—drummer.

"Smart, sassy, and wildly funny."—THE SAN ANTONIO EXPRESS-NEWS



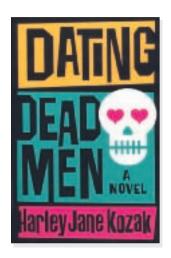
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AUTHOR

**Laura Lippman** was a *Baltimore Sun* reporter for twelve years. Her novels have been awarded every major prize in crime fiction. She has penned nine books in the Tess Monaghan series, including *Baltimore Blues, Charm City,* and *Butcher Hill,* which are available from Sound Library®. The first-ever recipient of the Mayor's Prize for Literary Excellence, she lives in Baltimore, Maryland.



# Harley Jane Kozak Dating Dead Men

### Dating Can Be Deadly in this Agatha Award-Winning Comic Caper

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Narrated by Deanna Hurst (American)

Los Angeles greeting-card artist Wollie Shelley is dating forty men in sixty days as research for a radio talk show host's upcoming book. Wollie is meeting plenty of eligible bachelors but not falling in love, not until she stumbles over a dead body en route to Rio Pescado—a state-run mental hospital—and is taken hostage by a charismatic "doctor" who is on the run from the Mob. Wollie fears that her beloved brother, a paranoid schizophrenic living at Rio Pescado, is involved in the murder, so rather than go to the authorities, she decides to solve the crime on her own. As she meets up with an array of small-time crooks and swaggering mobsters only slightly more sinister than the men she's been dating, Wollie realizes that to find true love she'll first have to avoid getting killed!

"As witty as early Evanovich and as irresistible as current Crusie, Kozak establishes her unique voice in Wollie's wistful, self-deprecating but stubborn working-class persona..."—PUBLISHERS WEEKLY (starred review) on DATING IS MURDER

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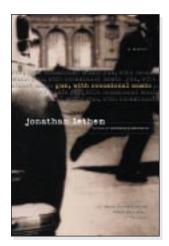
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**AUTHOR Harley Jane Kozak** is an actor who appeared in the movies *Parenthood, The Favor*, and *Arachnophobia* and has also acted on the soap opera, *The Guiding Light.* Her first novel, *Dating Dead Men*, won the Agatha, Anthony, and Macavity Awards. She lives in Topanga Canyon, California.

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# Jonathan Lethem Gun, with Occasional Music

A Wry Parable of a Man Out of Time by the Author of *Motherless Brooklyn* 

#### Narrator to be Announced

Gumshoe Conrad Metcalf has problems—not the least of which are the rabbit in his waiting room and the trigger-happy kangaroo on his tail. Near-future Oakland is an ominous place where evolved animals function as members of society, the police monitor citizens by their karma levels, and mind-numbing drugs such as Forgettol and Acceptol are all the rage. In this brave new world, Metcalf has been shadowing the wife of an affluent doctor, perhaps falling a little in love with her at the same time. But when the doctor turns up dead, our amiable investigator finds himself caught in the crossfire in a futuristic world that is both funny—and not so funny.

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AUTHOR

**Jonathan Lethem** is the author of several novels, including National Book Critics Circle Award-winning *Motherless Brooklyn* and *The Fortress of Solitude*. He lives in New York City.

# Elinor Lipman Then She Found Me

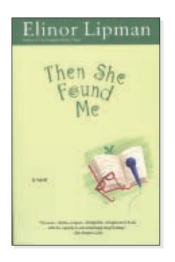
A Touching Novel, Soon to be a Motion Picture, about Mothers and Daughters

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**Elinor Lipman** is the author of eight novels about contemporary American society, a collection of short stories, and an occasional feature column for *The Boston Globe*. She lives in the Boston area.

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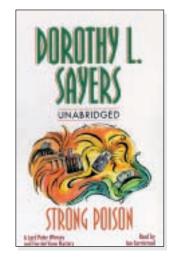
Sayers' Artistocratic Sleuth Finds Love—and Trouble—in this Classic Mystery

## A Lord Peter Wimsey Mystery

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Dashing detective Lord Peter Wimsey is caught up in the murder trial of mystery writer Harriet Vane. Her fiancé has died of poisoning exactly as described in one of Harriet's novels—so naturally she is the prime suspect. As Peter looks on, he not only falls in love with the accused but eagerly helps with Harriet's defense when the first trial ends in a hung jury. Will she be convicted and executed for the crime, or can he save her life and win her hand in marriage? *Strong Poison* is the first of a series of Lord Peter Wimsey and Harriet Vane mysteries in which their complex romantic relationship is revealed in detail. This superb classic was originally published in 1930.

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**DOTOTHY L. Sayers** (1893-1957) was born in Oxford, England. Her first novel, 1923's *Whose Body?*, introduced sleuth Lord Peter Wimsey. Though late in life she wrote only scholarly works and spiritual introspection, she is best known as "the Doyenne of the Golden Age of the Mystery."

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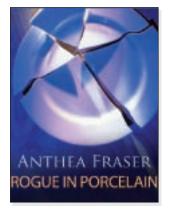
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**AUTHOR** 

**Arthur Conan Doyle** (1859–1930) was born in Edinburgh and studied medicine. He began writing while he waited for his practice to grow and with 1887's *A Study in Scarlet*, he created Sherlock Holmes, one of the most famous literary characters of all time.



# Anthea Fraser Rogue in Porcelain A Rona Parrish Mystery

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Writing an article on old family businesses, Rona Parish contacts Curzon, local manufacturers of fine bone china, when she learns they're launching a spectacular new line. But her research digs up old family secrets—and a fresh corpse. Little does she realize that she will directly precipitate a terrible tragedy, a tragedy whose roots stretch back to George Curzon, son of the firm's founder and known to his contemporaries as the Rogue in Porcelain...

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#### AUTHOR

Anthea Fraser is the author of dozens of acclaimed mysteries, among them A Family Concern, Person or Persons Unknown, Brought to Book, Fathers & Daughters, Motive for Murder, The Ten Commandments, and Jigsaw, all of which are available from BBC Audiobooks America.

#### **Miss Read**

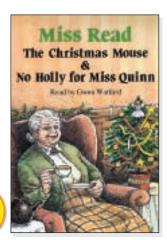
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AUTHOR

**Josephine Cox** was born in a cotton-mill house in Blackburn, one of ten children. She has won the Superwoman of Great Britain Award. Many of her novels are available from BBC Audiobooks America, including *The Journey, Jinnie, The Beachcomber*, and *Rainbow Days*.

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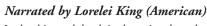
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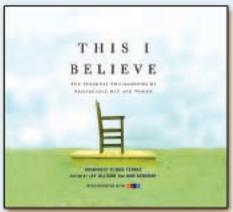
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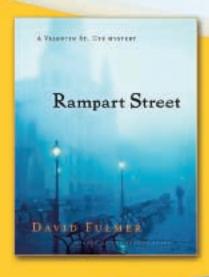
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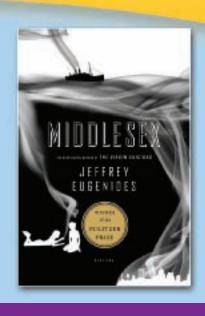
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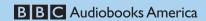
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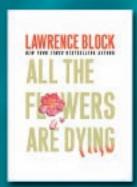
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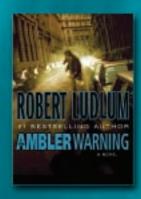


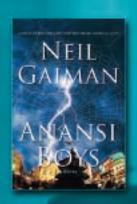


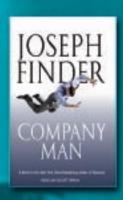
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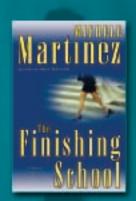
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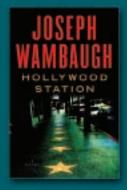
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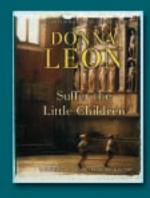
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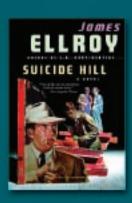
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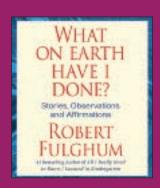
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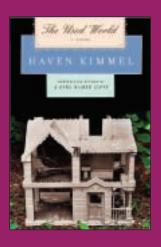
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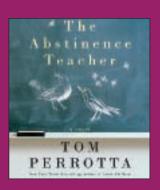
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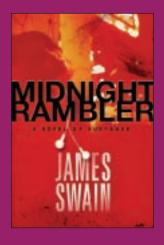
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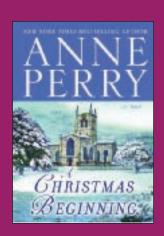


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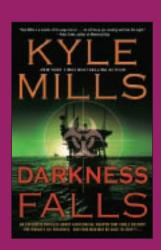


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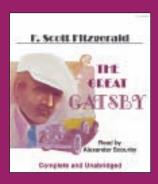
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