

BOOK CATALOGUE – JUNE 2010

Great books out this month include Ilona Andrews' *Magic Bleeds*, Lisa Kleypas' *Married by Morning*, Richelle Mead's *Spirit Bound*, Stephenie Meyer's *The Short Second Life of Bree Tanner**, and Julia Quinn's *Ten Things I Love About You*. Enjoy! Also, for aspiring romance writers, the 17th Romance Writers Annual Conference will be held 20-22 August 2010 at Rydges Hotel in downtown Auckland. Please see www.romancewriters.co.nz for more details.

Top Books This Month		Books Available Soon	
Ilona Andrews	Magic Bleeds	Robyn Carr	A Summer in Sonoma
Mary Balogh	A Secret Affair*	Christina Dodd	Chains of Ice
Lisa Kleypas	Married By Morning	Janet Evanovich	Sizzling Sixteen
Deirdre Martin	Straight Up	Lisa Kleypas	Love in the Afternoon
Richelle Mead	Spirit Bound	Stephanie Laurens	The Brazen Bride
Stephenie Meyer	The Short Second Life of Bree Tanner*	Susan Mallery	Almost Perfect
Julia Quinn	Ten Things I Love About You	Nora Roberts	The Search
Karen Rose	Silent Scream	Gena Showalter	The Darkest Lie
Gena Showalter	The Darkest Passion	Nalini Singh	Bonds of Justice
Sherryl Woods	Honeysuckle Summer	Carrie Vaughn	Kitty Goes to War

Paperback Release

* Hardcover

& Anthology

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	<p>Title: Lisa Kleypas Author: Married By Morning Classification: Historical Book Type: Paperback Price: \$24 Annotation: <i>Hathaway Series</i>. Leo Hathaway must marry and produce an heir within a year to save his family home. His nemesis, Catherine Marks is intriguing, but hides a secret that could utterly destroy her.</p>		<p>Title: Spirit Bound Author: Richelle Mead Classification: Fantasy & Paranormal Book Type: Trade Paperback Price: \$25 Annotation: <i>Vampire Academy Series</i>. Rose and her best friend Lissa can't wait for their real lives beyond St. Vladimir Academy's iron gates to begin. But Rose's heart still aches for Dimitri, and now her worst fears are about to come true.</p>
	<p>Title: The Short Second Life of Bree Tanner Author: Stephenie Meyer Classification: Fantasy & Paranormal Book Type: Hardcover Price: \$27 Annotation: <i>Twilight Series</i>. The riveting story of Bree Tanner, a newborn vampire introduced in <i>Eclipse</i>, and the darker side of the world she inhabits. The novella chronicles the newborn vampire army's journey as they prepare to close in on Bella Swan and the Cullens, following their encounter to its unforgettable conclusion.</p>		<p>Title: Ten Things I Love About You Author: Julia Quinn Classification: Historical Book Type: Paperback Price: \$24 Annotation: Ten things you should know about this book. 1. Sebastian Grey is a handsome rogue with a secret. 2. Annabel Winslow's family voted her The Winslow Most Likely to Speak Her Mind and Most Likely to Fall Asleep in Church. 3. Sebastian's uncle is the Earl of Newbury, and if he dies without siring an heir, Sebastian inherits everything. 4. Lord Newbury detests Sebastian and will stop at nothing to prevent this from happening. 5. Lord Newbury has decided that Annabel is the answer to his problems. 6. Annabel does not want to marry Lord Newbury, especially when she finds out that he once romanced her grandmother. 7 is shocking, 8 is delicious, and 9 is wicked, all of which lead to 10. Happily. Ever. After.</p>

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Other Books Available This Month

Contemporary Romance & Romantic Suspense
Never Too Hot by **Bella Andre** (Paperback – \$24). *Hot Shots: Men of Fire Series*. Deep in the mountains of the Adirondacks, wounded firefighter Connor MacKenzie has come to rebuild the 100-year-old family cabin – and to be alone. A horrific blaze has left him scarred inside and out and certain of two things: He'll get back on his Hot Shot crew no matter what it takes, and any woman who ventures too close will not stay long ... Ginger Sinclair has been burned by a different kind of fire. Having just escaped from a bad marriage, she's done with men and relationships – until she meets Connor.

The House On Olive Street by **Robyn Carr** (Paperback Reissue – \$24). The loss of their close friend and a summer spent sorting through personal effects draws four women together. Sable – her bestselling novels have made her a star, but the woman who has everything, has nothing but a past she is desperate to hide ... Elly – the intellectual who has hidden herself within the walls of academia, is afraid to admit she is tired of being alone ... Barbara Ann – the talent behind twenty-six romance novels wakes up one day to discover she's lost control of her career, her sanity, her family ... Beth – her popular mysteries have become the only way she can fight against the tyranny of an abusive husband ... In the house on Olive Street, away from their troubles, the four women discover that their own lives begin to change.

The Night She Got Lucky by **Susan Donovan** (Paperback – \$24). Her marriage is over. Her newspaper career went belly up. And it won't be long before her two teenage sons are off to college ... Sometimes it seems like the only thing Ginger Garrison can count on is her beloved Bichon Frise and the loyal women in her dog-walking group. But her luck is about to take a turn ... A diplomatic snafu has sidelined the globe-trotting nature photographer Lucio "Lucky" Montevéz, a man known as much for his wild personal life as his wildlife images. Now stuck in the States and forced to shoot pet portraits for a living, his prospects look downright tame ... until Ginger enters his world. Lucky's a love-her-and-leave-her kind of guy, but something about Ginger makes him want to stick around.

Risk No Secrets by **Cindy Gerard** (Paperback – \$24). *Black Ops Series*. Twelve years of chasing bad guys didn't erase Sophie Baylor from Wyatt Savage's memory. If he had another chance, he'd never let her leave. So when she tracks him down from El Salvador and begs for help, he doesn't ask questions – he just goes ... Sophie is grateful her daughter survived a kidnapping attempt, but she won't forgive herself until the girl who was mistakenly abducted is safe. Wyatt is the only man brave enough to take on the mysterious terrorists behind the crime – and the one irresistible man she wishes she had never let go ...

Enemy Lover by **Karin Harlow** (Paperback – \$24). *Last Option Special Team Series*. It's Jax Cassidy's first mission for L.O.S.T. – one that will give the former cop who went rogue a chance to prove herself. Her assignment: gain the trust of assassin Marcus Cross ... eliminate him ... then take down Marcus's mentor, Joseph Lazarus, a man with a bold eye on the White House. But the woman who's known by her team for being a femme fatale succumbs to passion, only to discover Cross's deadly secret. He's a vampire, and Joseph Lazarus is his creator ... Left for dead by his platoon in Afghanistan, Special Ops sniper Marcus Cross was given a second chance at life. Only when Jax is sent to bring him in does Marcus begin to question Lazarus's motives and his own actions ...

Contemporary Romance & Romantic Suspense continued
Blood Game by **Iris Johansen** (Paperback Release – \$24). *Eve Duncan Series*. When a Georgia senator's daughter is found dead and drained of blood, Eve enters the world of a twisted psychopath – a man whose name appears on Eve's shortlist of killers connected to her own missing daughter, Bonnie ... Then Eve receives a terrifying trophy – and the games begin. Soon she must enlist the help of those she loves and trusts – Joe Quinn and Jane MacGuire – even if it means putting them in the path of someone whose thirst for blood is growing ...

Death Echo by **Elizabeth Lowell** (Hardcover – Available by Order – \$45). *St. Kilda Series*. When she joined St. Kilda's, the elite security consulting firm, Emma Cross thought she'd left behind the blood, the guilt, and the tribal wars that defined her life at the CIA. Yet, trading spying for investigating yacht thefts didn't alleviate the danger – or melt away her professional paranoia. Now, the same good instincts that got her into trouble at the agency might be what will help her survive her latest case ... Emma is tracking a yacht named *Blackbird*, a dead ringer for another ship that went missing a year earlier. Emma knows the boat's intended cargo is lethal. What she needs to find out is whether it's biological, chemical, or fissionable. She's got seven days to uncover the truth ... or a major American city will be lost ... Fortunately, her new partner is as menacing as the worst enemy she's ever faced – and as deadly.

Straight Up by **Deirdre Martin** (Paperback – \$24). *Wild Hart Series*. Hiding from New York's Irish mob, Liam O'Brien is in Ireland working as a bartender in his parents' old village. Hurt once by a man, Aislinn McCafferty is the local ice queen, which the unsuspecting Liam soon learns the hard way ... Accepting a wager from the pub's owner, Liam pursues Aislinn. But neither of them expects this donnybrook of the sexes to turn into an unlikely love ...

Flat Out Sexy by **Erin McCarthy** (Paperback Release – \$24). *Fast Track Series*. The last place widowed single mother Tamara Briggs wanted to find a man was at the racetrack. Been there, done that. But rookie driver Elec Monroe sure does get her heart racing.

Fade to Midnight by **Shannon McKenna** (Hardcover – \$39). *McCloud Brothers Series*. Davy ... Connor ... Sean ... Three brothers who have never forgotten their long lost brother, Kev, whom they believed to be dead. When the McCloud brothers discover Kev is alive, they won't rest until they find him ... Beaten and tortured almost to death, Kev Larsen was found eighteen years earlier in a warehouse alley. He survived his brutal ordeal, but his memories were erased. When he nearly dies from trying to save someone from drowning, the brain surgery he has to save his life triggers fragmented memories. With only these memories and the name of his torturer to guide him, Kev is determined to unlock the secrets to his past ... Edie Parrish has been good at not letting anyone get too close to her. If someone were to learn of her unusual gift, her life would be immediately jeopardized. But when Kev Larsen discovers who she really is, Edie has only one choice: to trust him. And soon, Edie can't resist her desire for him – even though she knows she'll have to pay a price for it ...

Crush On You by **Christie Ridgway** (Paperback – \$24). *Three Kisses Series*. The Baci sisters are on a mission to save the winery that's been in their family for generations – by transforming it into the perfect wedding destination. If only Alessandra Baci – affectionately known as the "Nun of Napa" – didn't need the help of tempting neighbor and business rival Penn Bennett.

Contemporary Romance & Romantic Suspense continued
Black Hills by **Nora Roberts** (Paperback Release – \$24). After twelve years, Lil Chance and Cooper Sullivan are reunited, but their reunion is less than ideal as heartless killings begin and a killer of twisted and unnatural instincts singles them out as prey. In the rugged Black Hills of South Dakota, shadows keep secrets, hunters stalk the land, and childhood friendship matures into adult passion.

Silent Scream by **Karen Rose** (Paperback – \$24). When a teenage girl dies in a suspicious fire, Detective Olivia Sutherland is assigned to track down the arsonist. Making her work harder is firefighter David Hunter. He's not only sharing the case but sparking memories of their long-ago night of passion, when feelings were left unspoken and hearts were broken ... David has his own ghosts and regrets. But while he and Olivia try to face the wall of pain between them, a diabolical puppet master is pulling strings to make a group of youngsters do his bidding. Soon Olivia and David are scouring the city for a criminal who is moving in for the kill.

Honeysuckle Summer by **Sherryl Woods** (Paperback – \$24). *Sweet Magnolias Series*. Her devastating marriage behind her, Raylene Hammond is thankful for her friends, the Sweet Magnolias. They've taken her in, shielding her from the world. Then she meets sheriff's deputy Carter Rollins, and Raylene's haven no longer feels safe ... Raylene knows Carter is a man worth loving, but she may never be strong enough to accept what he's offering. How long can she ask him to wait? Maybe they'll never have more than this one summer.

Crime & Mystery

Evidence by **Jonathan Kellerman** (Paperback Release – \$27). *Alex Delaware Series*. In a half-built mansion in Los Angeles, a watchman stumbles onto the bodies of a young couple – murdered and left in a gruesome postmortem embrace. Veteran homicide cop Milo Sturgis is shocked at the sight: a twisted crime that only Milo and psychologist Alex Delaware can hope to solve. While the female victim's identity remains in question, her companion is ID'd as architect Desmond Backer, notorious for his power to seduce women. The deeper Milo and Alex dig for clues, the longer the list of suspects grows. But when the investigation veers in a startling direction, it's the investigators who may wind up on the wrong end of a cornered predator's final fury.

Undone by **Karin Slaughter** (Paperback Release – \$24). *Grant County Series*. When a tortured young woman enters the trauma center of an Atlanta hospital, Dr. Sara Linton is thrust into a police investigation with Special Agent Will Trent and his partner, Faith Mitchell. Though guarding their own wounds and their own secrets, Sara, Will, and Faith find that they are all that stand between a madman and his next victim.

Fantasy & Paranormal Romance

The Time Weaver by **Shana Abe** (Hardcover – Available by Order – \$45). *Drakon Series*. Honor Carlisle may have been born into the drakon clan but she's always felt like a stranger to her kin. It's an intuition that proves true when she receives a mysterious letter – a letter sent by her future self. Honor learns she is a Time Weaver: a creature with the ability to transport herself into the past or future ... But the letter contains a dire warning. If Honor remains in her home, she is certain to be killed. Fleeing for sanctuary among old friends, she practices her Weaving and unknowingly draws closer to an even more immediate danger. Honor encounters the very man she should most avoid: the prince of a rival tribe ... While they are soulmates, they risk fulfilling a terrible prophecy – for their union is destined to wreak havoc.

Fantasy & Paranormal Romance continued
Magic Bleeds by **Iлона Andrews** (Paperback – \$24). *Kate Daniels Series*. Kate Daniels cleans up the paranormal problems no one else wants to deal with – especially if they involve Atlanta's shapeshifting community ... And now there's a new player in town – a foe that may be too much for even Kate and Curran, the Lord of the Beasts, to handle. Because this time, Kate will be taking on family.

Moon Sworn by **Keri Arthur** (Paperback – \$24). *Riley Jenson Guardian Series*. Shape-shifting werewolf and vampire Riley Jenson is through with death – causing it, solving it, surviving it. Her soul mate, Kye Murphy, is dead – at Riley's hands. Not even the seductive embrace of her vampire lover, Quinn, can fully ease her mind, for she has begun questioning everything – including her job at the Directorate ... Now, the ritualistically slain bodies of ex-cons have started turning up. Reluctantly, Riley takes the case, but something worse is waiting in the wings. A vicious enemy from her past is determined to strip Riley of everything that gives her life meaning: her lover, her brother – and even her own identity. Can Riley survive this ultimate assault?

Out of Mind by **Stella Cameron** (Paperback – \$24). *Court of Angels Series*. Willow Millet longs to deny her family's gifts – paranormal talents known to few, shared by even fewer. Benedict Fortune is one such – a connection that should have strengthened the bond between him and Willow. But her self-doubt has driven them apart ... Married to her business, Willow's concierge we-can-do-anything service is thriving until it is hit by a string of bizarre and fatal accidents – every victim a client. Now her livelihood depends on two enigmatic socialites and their decadent parties. In this anything-goes atmosphere, Willow and Ben are thrown together again and their need for each other is strong, but they are challenged at every turn ... For dark forces are stalking Willow – coveting her gift as a means of cheating death ... and ruling New Orleans forever.

Skin Tight by **Ava Gray** (Paperback – \$24). *Skin Series*. Uncovering the truth was forensic accountant Mia Sauter's specialty – until Addison Foster's betrayal. Now he's back to confront the explosive chemistry between them – and her very survival depends on him.

Bullet by **Laurell K. Hamilton** (Hardcover – \$45). *Anita Blake Series*. The triumvirate created by master vampire Jean-Claude, necromancer Anita Blake, and werewolf Richard Zeeman has made Jean-Claude one of the most powerful vampires in the U.S. He's consolidating power in himself and those loyal to him, doing in America what Belle Morte did in Europe when she was at her height of power. She almost owned Europe, and there are those who are determined that Jean-Claude won't do the same in America ... Assassins are coming to St. Louis to kill them all. Anita knows they're coming, but even being forewarned doesn't mean you can win.

Skin Trade by **Laurell K. Hamilton** (Paperback Release – \$24). *Anita Blake Series*. When a vampire serial killer sends Anita Blake a grisly souvenir from Las Vegas, she has to warn Sin City's local authorities what they're dealing with. Only it's worse than she thought. Police officers and one executioner have been slain – paranormal style.

The Enchantment Emporium by **Tanya Huff** (Paperback Release – \$24). *Gale Series*. The Gale family can change the world with the charms they cast, and they like to keep this in the family. Alysha Gale is tired of having all her aunts try to run her life, both personally and magically. So when the letter from her Gran arrives willing her a “junk” shop in Calgary,

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Alysha jumps at the chance. It isn't until she gets there that she realizes her customers are fey. And no one told her there's trouble brewing in Calgary – trouble so big that even calling in the family may not save the day ...

Stormwalker by **Allyson James** (Paperback – \$24). *Stormwalker Series*. Janet Begay is a Stormwalker, capable of wielding the raw elemental power of nature, a power that threatens to overwhelm her. Only her lover, Mick, is able to calm the storm within her – even as their passion reaches unimaginable heights of ecstasy ... But when an Arizona police chief's daughter is taken by a paranormal evil, they find themselves venturing where no human can survive – for only together can they overcome the greatest danger they've ever faced.

Unholy Ghosts by **Stacia Kane** (Paperback – \$24). *Downside Ghosts Series*. The world is not the way it was. The dead have risen, and the living are under attack. The powerful Church of Real Truth, in charge since the government fell, has sworn to reimburse citizens being harassed by the deceased. Enter Chess Putnam, a fully tattooed witch and freewheeling ghost hunter. She's got a real talent for banishing the wicked dead. But Chess is keeping a dark secret ...

Daemon's Mark by **Caitlin Kittredge** (Paperback – \$24). *Nocturne City Series*. Someone, or some "thing," is setting fire to the homes of the city's most infamous non-humans, racking up a body count that's growing by the day. And strange, otherworldly creatures no one has seen before – selkies, trolls, and harpies – are causing chaos throughout the city. Racing to stop the carnage, Luna turns to sexy federal agent Will Fagin for help ...

No Werewolves Allowed by **Cheyenne McCray** (Paperback – \$24). *Night Tracker Series*. As a half-human, half-Drow private eye, Nyx is the go-to girl for tracking Demons in the night. So when several of New York's Werewolves go missing, Alpha Werewolf Dmitri Beketov hires Nyx for the job ... Nyx usually prefers to work solo, but with this case she's going to need all the help she can get. Enter Detective Adam Boyd: he's watching her back, but is this human too sexy for his – and her – own good? Meanwhile, a powerful, malevolent force is exterminating paranorms and "unworthy" humans alike ...

Cheat the Grave by **Vicki Petterson** (Paperback – \$24). *Sign of the Zodiac Series*. Las Vegas socialite and otherworldly avenger Joanna Archer gave up everything when she embraced mortality – abandoning her powers and altering her destiny to save a child ... and a city. Now her former allies are her enemies ... And a beast is on her trail – an insane killer blinded by bloodlust, who's determined to rip much more from Joanna than merely her now-fragile life. Survival is no longer an option in this dark realm where good and evil have blurred into confusing shades of gray – unless she can destroy everything she once believed in.

The Darkest Passion by **Gena Showalter** (Paperback – \$24). *Lords of the Underworld Series*. For weeks, the immortal warrior Aeron has sensed an invisible female presence. An angel-demon-assassin – has been sent to kill him. Or has she? Olivia claims she fell from the heavens, giving up immortality because she couldn't bear to harm him. But trusting – and falling for – Olivia will endanger them all. So how has this "mortal" with the huge blue eyes already unleashed Aeron's darkest passion? ... Now, with an enemy hot on his trail and his faithful demon companion determined to remove Olivia from his life, Aeron is trapped between duty and consuming desire. Worse still, a new executioner has been sent to do the job Olivia wouldn't ...

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Dreamveil by **Lynn Viehl** (Paperback – \$24). *Kyndred Series*. Rowan Dietrich grew up on the streets. Now she's out to start anew, find a job – and keep her identity as a Kyndred secret, as well as her ability to dreamveil herself into the object of others' desires ... But Rowan isn't using her gift when world-class chef Jean-Marc Dansant is stricken by her beauty and strength. And when dark secrets from her past threaten her new life and love, Rowan realizes she can't run forever ...

Red-Headed Stepchild by **Jaye Wells** (Paperback – \$24). *Sabina Kane Series*. In a world where being of mixed-blood is a major liability, half-mage, half-vampire Sabina Kane is an assassin. Her latest mission threatens the fragile peace between the vampire and mage races, and Sabina must figure out which side she's on ... She's never brought her work home with her – until now. This time, it's personal.

The Mage in Black by **Jaye Wells** (Paperback – \$24). *Sabina Kane Series*. Sabina doesn't have the best track record when it comes to family. After all, her own grandmother, the leader of the vampire race, tried to kill her. When she arrives in New York to meet the mage side of her family, the reunion takes the fun out of dysfunctional ... On top of that, the Hekate Council wants to use her as a pawn in the war against the vampires. Her mission will take her into the Black Light district, entangle her in mage politics, and challenge her beliefs about the race she was raised to distrust. And Sabina thought vampires were bloodthirsty ...

Historical & Regency Romance

A Secret Affair by **Mary Balogh** (Hardcover – \$45). *Huxtable Series*. Her name is Hannah Reid. Born a commoner, she has been Duchess of Dunbarton since she was nineteen years old, the wife of an elderly duke to whom she has been rumored to be consistently and flagrantly unfaithful. Now the old duke is dead and, more beautiful than ever at thirty, Hannah has her freedom. And she knows just what she wants to do with it. To the shock of a friend, she announces her intention to take a lover – and not just any lover, but the most dangerous and delicious man in upper-class England: Constantine Huxtable ... Constantine's illegitimacy has denied him the title of Earl, so now he denies himself nothing ... or so the ton would have it. Rumored to be living the free and easy life of a sensualist in his country estate, he always chooses recent widows for his short-lived affairs. Hannah will fit the bill nicely ... But once these two find each other, they discover that it isn't so easy to extricate oneself from the fires of desire – without getting singed. For the duchess and the dark lord each have secrets to reveal, and when all is said and done, neither will be able to say which one fell in love first, who tamed whom, and who has emerged from this game of hearts with the stronger hand.

The Infamous Rogue by **Alexandra Benedict** (Paperback – \$22). The daughter of a wealthy bandit, Sophia Dawson once lost herself in the arms of Black Hawk, the most infamous pirate ever to command the high seas. But now, determined to put her sinful past behind her, she prepares to enter society as the bride of a well-born nobleman who knows nothing of her scandalous youth. All goes according to plan until her ex-lover – now a respectable sea captain but just as handsome and dangerous as ever – appears and once again tempts her with desire ... From the moment he sees Sophia, James Hawkins wants only one thing: Revenge. He'll see to it that the beauty pays for abandoning their affair. And so begins a battle of wills that can end only in ruin ... or wicked surrender ...

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The Notorious Scoundrel by **Alexandra Benedict** (Paperback – \$24). Like an irresistible siren, the veiled dancer with the bewitching green eyes lures dukes and earls down into London's underworld to see her dance – and succumb to her spell. Some say she's a princess, but only one man knows her darkest secret ... She is Amy Peel, an orphan from the city's rookeries, and she believes the bold rogue who unmasks her to be nothing but a scoundrel – albeit a dangerously handsome one ... He is Edmund Hawkins, swashbuckling pirate turned reluctant gentleman, and he will not let Amy slip through his grasp, especially when he learns she's in greater peril than she could possibly know. He will do everything in his power to protect her – for this notorious scoundrel has unbelievably lost his heart ...

Seduction Becomes Her by **Shirlee Busbee** (Paperback Release – \$22). *Becomes Her Series*. As guardian to her two young siblings after her parents' death, Daphne Beaumont struggles to keep the family together. But when Daphne's brother suddenly inherits a sizable estate from a distant relative, they are able to leave London behind for a prosperous new life in Cornwall. Devoted to her charges, Daphne doesn't believe marriage is in her future, despite her newfound wealth and striking beauty – until she meets Charles Weston ...

A Gentleman Always Remembers by **Candace Camp** (Paperback – \$24). *Willowmere Series*. Married young to a charming but improvident army officer, Eve Hawthorne was widowed with little left except for a few extravagant trifles. Desperate to avoid her domineering stepmother, she accepts employment as chaperone to the Earl of Stewkesbury's American cousins. Who better than a levelheaded widow to remind these young girls that they no longer live on a frontier? But when she flirts with a handsome stranger who turns out to be the earl's brother Fitz, Eve worries she's given the wrong impression. Trying to prove herself responsible – with Fitz challenging her at every turn – is hard enough, but a blackmailer with an interest in Eve's prior marriage proves far more troubling. With the earl away, Eve can turn only to Fitz for help ...

My Reckless Surrender by **Anna Campbell** (Paperback – \$24). A well-practiced rake, weary of easy conquests and empty pleasures, Tarquin Vale, Earl of Ashcroft, knows women – and his every instinct warns him to beware of this one. Diana Carrick's brazen overtures have thrown the sinfully handsome lord completely off his guard. Why, the exquisite temptress stated outright that she wishes to be his lover. But it is neither Diana's boldness nor her beauty that intrigues him so – it is the innocence he senses behind her worldly mask ... Intent upon the seduction that will finally free her, Diana has set her sights on the notorious Ashcroft – never dreaming that there is much more to the rogue than sin and devilry. His kiss is bewitching, his caress intoxicating – and even the dangerous secret Diana must protect cannot shield her from Ashcroft's allure ... Unwittingly, they are playing with fire. Now the fuse has been lit and there is no escape ... except surrender.

One Dance With a Duke by **Tessa Dare** (Paperback – \$24). *The Stud Club Series*. A handsome and reclusive horse breeder, Spencer Dumarque, the fourth Duke of Morland, is a member of the exclusive Stud Club, an organization so select it has only ten members – yet membership is attainable to anyone with luck. And Spencer has plenty of it, along with an obsession with a prize horse, a dark secret, and, now, a reputation as the dashing "Duke of Midnight." Each evening he selects one lady for a breathtaking midnight waltz. But none of

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the women catch his interest, and nobody ever bests the duke – until Lady Amelia d'Orsay tries her luck ... In a moment of desperation, the unconventional beauty claims the duke's dance and unwittingly steals his heart. When Amelia demands that Spencer forgive her scapegrace brother's debts, she never imagines that her game of wits and words will lead to breathless passion and a steamy proposal. Still, Spencer is a man of mystery, perhaps connected to the shocking murder of the Stud Club's founder. Will Amelia lose her heart in this reckless wager or win everlasting love?

Wicked Becomes You by **Meredith Duran** (Paperback – \$24). She's been burned not once but twice by London's so-called gentlemen ... Gwen Maudsley is pretty enough to be popular, and plenty wealthy, too. But what she's best known and loved for is being so very, very nice. When a cad jilts her at the altar – again – the scandal has her outraged friends calling for blood. Only Gwen has a different plan. If nice no longer works for her, then it's time to learn to be naughty. Happily, she knows the perfect tutor – Alexander Ramsey, her late brother's best friend and a notorious rogue. So why won't a confirmed scoundrel let her be as bad as she wants to be? Unbeknownst to Gwen, Alex's aloof demeanor veils his deepest unspoken desire. He has no wish to see her change, nor to tempt himself with her presence when his own secrets make any future between them impossible. But on a wild romp from Paris to the Riviera, their friendship gives way to something hotter, darker, and altogether more dangerous. With Alex's past and Gwen's newly unleashed wildness on a collision course, Gwen must convince Alex that his wickedest intentions are exactly what she needs.

If He's Wild by **Hannah Howell** (Paperback – \$22). *Wherlocke Series*. Lady Alethea Vaughn Channing is haunted by a vision of a man in danger – the same man who she has seen in dreams time and time again. She doesn't even know his name, and yet she feels the connection between them, knows she is the only one standing between him and disaster ... But rakish Lord Hartley Greville is capable of protecting himself, as he has proven more than once in his perilous work as a spy for the crown. If he's to carry out his duty, he'll need to put aside the achingly beautiful woman with the strange gift. And yet, when Alethea's visions reveal a plot that could endanger children, Hartley will not be able to ignore the destiny that binds them together – or resist the passion burning between them ...

The Naked Viscount by **Sally MacKenzie** (Paperback – \$22). *Naked Nobility Series*. After eight Seasons in London, Miss Jane Parker-Roth is ready to quit the dull search for a husband in favor of more exciting pursuits. So when she encounters an intruder in her host's townhouse, she's not about to let the scoundrel escape. Until she discovers she's wrestling a viscount – Lord Motton, the one noble she wouldn't mind meeting in the dark. And when their struggle shatters a randy statue of the god Pan, even more mischief ensues ... Motton was indeed searching for evidence of a scandal, but the shocking clues inside the nude statue are far from what he expected. The same can be said of Jane, who shows a talent for interfering in his affairs. And as his quest becomes more than a little improper, he finds the impetuous Miss has a talent for that as well ...

Seven Secrets of Seduction by **Anne Mallory** (Paperback – \$24). Scandalous and provocative, "The Seven Secrets of Seduction" is an intoxicating insight into the mind of men and the desires of women – and the book has all the ton talking ... Well-educated, but

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not part of society, Miranda Chase is just as captivated by the erotic pages as everyone else in London. Intrigued by the layers she sees beneath the book's surface, she writes an editorial about it, never realizing that her passionate words will draw an actual viscount to her uncle's bookshop ... Maximilian, Viscount Downing, has very particular ideas about passion and sees truth only in desire. He freely flaunts his sensual power and seeks nothing more than another conquest – the one that could justify his entire debauched existence. But Miranda's blend of innocence, trust, and love cause a strange thing to happen on the way to this seduction. Something that just might threaten the very fabric of his jaded heart ...

How to Beguile a Beauty by **Kasey Michaels**

(Paperback – \$24). *Daughtry Series*. When her beloved dies in battle, Lady Lydia Daughtry assumes she'll never love again. Until a handsome duke awakens a part of her she never knew existed. But how can she have such feelings for Tanner Blake, who is a constant reminder of all she has lost? ... Tanner Blake, duke of Malvern, promised his dying friend he'd take care of his "dearest Lyddie." So how dare he covet the young woman for himself – especially since he is all but betrothed to another? His solution: find Lydia a suitable husband immediately. But when their lives become fraught with mystery and danger, Tanner's vow becomes personal ... renewing his desire to keep Lydia by his side forever.

One Perfect Rose by **MaryJo Putney** (Paperback Reissue – \$22). *Fallen Angels Series*. Stephen Kenyon, Duke of Ashburton, has always taken his duties seriously – until shocking news sends him running from his isolating world of wealth and privilege to roam the countryside as an ordinary man. When he meets Rosalind Jordan, a founding woman who has grown into an enchanting, compassionate woman, she stirs the deepest desires of his heart. Yet how can Stephen declare his love when he is haunted by the knowledge that made him flee his old life? And how can Rosalind risk loving a man who can never be hers?

Shameless by **Karen Robards** (Hardcover – Available by Order – \$45). *Banning Sisters Series*. Lady Elizabeth, the youngest and most headstrong of the three Banning sisters, has been engaged three times, and has most scandalously broken off all three engagements. Her fear of becoming any man's property has kept her from marriage and earned her a reputation in the ton as a heartbreaking flirt ... Neil Severin is a wicked rogue, black of heart and black of reputation. A man of no morals, devoid of compassion, he is a government-sanctioned assassin. And his newest target is a man Beth holds dear. When the flame-haired beauty thwarts his plan, Neil exacts his own brand of spicy revenge.

His at Night by **Sherry Thomas** (Paperback – \$24). Elissande Edgerton is a desperate woman, a virtual prisoner in the home of her tyrannical uncle. Only through marriage can she claim the freedom she craves. But how to catch the perfect man? ... Lord Vere is used to baiting irresistible traps. As a secret agent for the government, he's tracked down some of the most devious criminals in London, all the while maintaining his cover as one of Society's most harmless – and idiotic – bachelors. But nothing can prepare him for the scandal of being ensnared by Elissande ... Forced into a marriage of convenience, Elissande and Vere are each about to discover that they're not the only one with a hidden agenda. With seduction their only weapon – and a dark secret from the past endangering both their lives – can they learn to trust each other even as they surrender to a passion that won't be denied?

Hot Romance

Dane by **Elizabeth Amber** (Trade Paperback – \$31).

Lords of Satyr Series. When Dane Satyr approaches Eva for her services as a matchmaker, she offers him more than just introductions. Dane has discovered that Eva is a Satyr like himself, full of insatiable passion and dark desires. Their attraction combusts instantaneously, unlocking pleasures that neither can resist repeating ... even as Eva seeks out a mortal bride for Dane ... Dane knows that the anonymous enemies of his past are now smiling in his face, but unmasking them is no easy task. A ring of sex slavers is at work amidst the high society he courts, and revealing his sensual powers could expose his greatest vulnerability. But having sampled the delights of a satyr mistress, Dane finds his own desires rising against him as well ...

Shoulda Been a Cowboy by **Lorelei James** (Trade Paperback – \$32). *Rough Riders Series*. Soldier Cameron McKay has found his niche, and it ain't ropin' steers and wearin' spurs. His deputy sheriff job, plus battle injuries that ended his military career, keep him right where he wants to be: Off the ranch and away from his family's pity. His darkest war memories are on lockdown, leaving him skeptical he'll ever find a woman who wants a man who's less than whole ... Domini Katzinski has had to control every aspect of her life since age eleven, when she was orphaned in the Ukraine. Watching others' relationships crumble has convinced her to focus on the short-term and find a take-charge man to whom she can relinquish total sexual control. Cam fits the bill: gorgeous, with a brooding vulnerability no one else seems to see. Plus, he has his own handcuffs ...

Beast Behaving Badly by **Shelly Laurenston** (Trade Paperback – \$31). *Pride Series*. Ten years after Blayne Thorpe first encountered Bo Novikov, she still can't get the smooth-talking shifter out of her head. Now he's shadowing her in New York – all seven-plus feet of him – determined to protect her from stalkers who want to use her in shifter dogfights. Even if he has to drag her off to an isolated Maine town where the only neighbors are other bears almost as crazy as he is ...

Mainstream & Chick Lit

The Elegance of the Hedgehog by **Muriel Barbery**

(Trade Paperback Reissue – \$32). Renée Michel is the 54-year-old concierge of a luxury Paris apartment building. Her exterior and demeanor belie her keen mind. Paloma Josse is a 12-year-old genius who behaves as everyone expects her to: a mediocre pre-teen high on adolescent subculture, a good but not outstanding student, an obedient if obstinate daughter. She plans to kill herself on the sixteenth of June, her thirteenth birthday ... Both Renée and Paloma hide their talents and qualities from the bourgeois families around them, until a Japanese gentleman named Ozu moves into building. Only he sees through them, perceiving the secret that haunts Renée, winning Paloma's trust, and helping the two discover their kindred souls.

The Beach House by **Jane Green** (Trade Paperback Release – \$32). Nan Powell is a free-spirited, sixty-five-year-old widow who's not above skinny-dipping in her neighbors' pools when they're away and who dearly loves her Nantucket home. But when she discovers that the money she thought would last forever is dwindling, she realizes she must make drastic changes to save her beloved house. So Nan rents out rooms for the summer. Slowly people start moving in to the house, filling it with noise, laughter, and with tears. As the house comes alive again, Nan finds her family and friends expanding. Her son comes home for the summer, and then an unexpected visitor turns all their lives upside down.

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A Beginners Guide to Romance Fiction

Recommending books is difficult because of the importance of individual taste. However, there are a number of books and series that have achieved both widespread popularity as well as critical acclaim. A list of such titles is shown below, restricted to one entry per author per genre. The list does not include classic greats such as Jane Austen (*Pride and Prejudice*), Charlotte Bronte (*Jane Eyre*), Emily Bronte (*Wuthering Heights*) and Georgette Heyer (*These Old Shades*) – as the focus has been on books published in the last twenty-five or so years.

Author	Title (and Series)	Genre
Diana Gabaldon	Outlander (<i>Outlander Series</i>)	Historical
Jude Deveraux	A Knight in Shining Armor	Historical
Judith McNaught	Whitney, My Love (<i>Westmoreland Series</i>)	Historical
Julie Garwood	Ransom (<i>Highlands Lairds Series</i>)	Historical
Kathleen Woodiwiss	Shanna	Historical
Julia Quinn	The Duke and I (<i>Bridgerton Series</i>)	Historical
Lisa Kleypas	Dreaming of You (<i>Gambler Series</i>)	Historical
Loretta Chase	Lord of Scoundrels (<i>Scoundrels Series</i>)	Historical
Laura Kinsale	Flowers From The Storm	Historical
Johanna Lindsey	Gentle Rogue (<i>Malory Series</i>)	Historical
Stephanie Laurens	Devil's Bride (<i>Cynster Series</i>)	Historical
Lisa Valdez	Passion (<i>Passion Series</i>)	Historical
Elizabeth Hoyt	The Raven Prince (<i>Princes Trilogy</i>)	Historical
Mary Balogh	Slightly Dangerous (<i>Bedwyn Series</i>)	Historical
Gaelen Foley	The Duke (<i>Knight Series</i>)	Historical
Janet Evanovich	One for the Money (<i>Stephanie Plum Series</i>)	Contemporary/Crime
Linda Howard	Mr. Perfect	Contemporary
Jennifer Crusie	Bet Me	Contemporary
Judith McNaught	Paradise (<i>Second Opportunities Series</i>)	Contemporary
J.D. Robb	Naked In Death (<i>In Death Series</i>)	Contemporary/Crime
Sandra Brown	Envy	Contemporary/Suspense
Susan Elizabeth Phillips	Nobody's Baby But Mine (<i>Chicago Stars Series</i>)	Contemporary
Julie Garwood	Heartbreaker (<i>Buchanan Series</i>)	Contemporary/Suspense
Iris Johansen	The Killing Game (<i>Eve Duncan Series</i>)	Contemporary/Suspense
Suzanne Brockmann	Gone Too Far (<i>Troubleshooter Series</i>)	Contemporary/Suspense
Cherry Adair	Kiss and Tell (<i>T-FLAC Series</i>)	Contemporary/Suspense
Nora Roberts	Seaswept (<i>Chesapeake Bay Series</i>)	Contemporary
Rachel Gibson	Truly Madly Yours	Contemporary
Jayne Ann Krentz	All Night Long	Contemporary
Elizabeth Lowell	Pearl Cove (<i>Donovan Series</i>)	Contemporary/Suspense
Debbie Macomber	The Shop on Blossom St (<i>Blossom St Series</i>)	Contemporary
Stephenie Meyer	Twilight (<i>Twilight Series</i>)	Fantasy & Paranormal
Charlaine Harris	Dead Until Dark (<i>Sookie Stackhouse Series</i>)	Fantasy & Paranormal
Laurell K. Hamilton	Guilty Pleasures (<i>Anita Blake Series</i>)	Fantasy & Paranormal
J.R. Ward	Dark Lover (<i>Black Dagger Brotherhood Series</i>)	Fantasy & Paranormal
P.C. Cast	Marked (<i>House of Night Series</i>)	Fantasy & Paranormal
Patricia Briggs	Moon Called (<i>Mercy Thompson Series</i>)	Fantasy & Paranormal
Sherrilyn Kenyon	Fantasy Lover (<i>Dark Hunter Series</i>)	Fantasy & Paranormal
Kresley Cole	A Hunger Like No Other (<i>Immortals After Dark Series</i>)	Fantasy & Paranormal
Christine Feehan	Dark Prince (<i>Carpathians Series</i>)	Fantasy & Paranormal
Karen Marie Moning	Dark Fever (<i>Fever Series</i>)	Fantasy & Paranormal
Nalini Singh	Slave to Sensation (<i>Psy-Changeling Series</i>)	Fantasy & Paranormal
Gena Showalter	The Darkest Night (<i>Lords of the Underworld Series</i>)	Fantasy & Paranormal
Helen Fielding	Bridget Jones's Diary (<i>Bridget Jones Series</i>)	Chick Lit
Sophie Kinsella	Confessions of a Shopaholic (<i>Shopaholic Series</i>)	Chick Lit
Emily Giffin	Something Borrowed	Chick Lit
Marian Keyes	The Other Side of the Story	Chick Lit
Jennifer Weiner	Good in Bed	Chick Lit
Lora Leigh	Tempting the Beast (<i>Breeds Series</i>)	Hot
Jaid Black	The Empress New Clothes (<i>Trek Mi Q'An Series</i>)	Hot
Shayla Black	Decadent	Hot
Megan Hart	Broken	Hot

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Summary of This Month's Books

Author	Title	Classification	Price
Shana Abe	The Time Weaver*	Fantasy & Paranormal	\$45
Elizabeth Amber	Dane	Hot	\$31
Bella Andre	Never Too Hot	Contemporary/Suspense	\$24
Ilna Andrews	Magic Bleeds	Fantasy & Paranormal	\$24
Keri Arthur	Moon Sworn	Fantasy & Paranormal	\$24
Mary Balogh	A Secret Affair*	Historical	\$45
Muriel Barbery	Elegance of the Hedgehog	Mainstream & Chick Lit	\$32
Alexandra Benedict	The Infamous Rogue	Historical	\$22
Alexandra Benedict	The Notorious Scoundrel	Historical	\$22
Shirlee Busbee	Seduction Becomes Her#	Historical	\$22
Stella Cameron	Out of Mind	Fantasy & Paranormal	\$24
Candace Camp	A Gentleman Always Remembers	Historical	\$24
Anna Campbell	My Reckless Surrender	Historical	\$24
Robyn Carr	The House on Olive Street	Contemporary	\$24
Tessa Dare	One Dance with a Duke	Historical	\$24
Susan Donovan	The Night She Got Lucky	Contemporary	\$24
Meredith Duran	Wicked Becomes You	Historical	\$24
Cindy Gerard	Risk No Secrets	Contemporary/Suspense	\$24
Ava Gray	Skin Tight	Fantasy & Paranormal	\$24
Jane Green	The Beach House	Mainstream & Chick Lit	\$32
Laurell K. Hamilton	Bullet*	Fantasy & Paranormal	\$45
Laurell K. Hamilton	Skin Trade#	Fantasy & Paranormal	\$24
Karin Harlow	Enemy Lover	Contemporary/Suspense	\$24
Hannah Howell	If He's Wild	Historical	\$22
Tanya Huff	The Enchantment Emporium	Fantasy & Paranormal	\$24
Allyson James	Stormwalker	Fantasy & Paranormal	\$24
Lorelei James	Shoulda Been a Cowboy	Hot	\$32
Iris Johansen	Blood Game#	Contemporary/Suspense	\$24
Stacia Kane	Unholy Ghosts	Fantasy & Paranormal	\$24
Jonathan Kellerman	Evidence#	Crime	\$27
Caitlin Kittredge	Daemon's Mark	Fantasy & Paranormal	\$24
Lisa Kleypas	Married By Morning	Historical	\$24
Shelly Laurenston	Beast Behaving Badly	Hot	\$31
Elizabeth Lowell	Death Echo*	Contemporary/Suspense	\$45
Sally Mackenzie	The Naked Viscount	Historical	\$22
Anne Mallory	Seven Secrets of Seduction	Historical	\$24
Deirdre Martin	Straight Up	Contemporary	\$24
Erin McCarthy	Flat Out Sexy#	Contemporary	\$24
Cheyenne McCray	No Werewolves Allowed	Fantasy & Paranormal	\$24
Shannon McKenna	Fade to Midnight*	Contemporary/Suspense	\$39
Richelle Mead	Spirit Bound	Fantasy & Paranormal	\$25
Stephenie Meyer	The Short Second Life of Bree Tanner*	Fantasy & Paranormal	\$27
Kasey Michaels	How to Beguile a Beauty	Historical	\$24
Vicki Pettersson	Cheat the Grave	Fantasy & Paranormal	\$24
Mary Jo Putney	One Perfect Rose	Historical	\$22
Julia Quinn	Ten Things I Love About You	Historical	\$24
Christie Ridgway	Crush On You	Contemporary	\$24
Karen Robards	Shameless*	Historical	\$45
Nora Roberts	Black Hills#	Contemporary	\$24
Karen Rose	Silent Scream	Contemporary/Suspense	\$24
Gena Showalter	The Darkest Passion	Fantasy & Paranormal	\$24
Karin Slaughter	Undone#	Crime	\$24
Sherry Thomas	His at Night	Historical	\$24
Lynn Viehl	Dreamveil	Fantasy & Paranormal	\$24
Jaye Wells	Red-Headed Stepchild	Fantasy & Paranormal	\$24
Jaye Wells	The Mage in Black	Fantasy & Paranormal	\$24
Sherryl Woods	Honeysuckle Summer	Contemporary	\$24

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