

BOOK CATALOGUE – JAN/FEB 2019

Welcome back! Happy New Year and best wishes for 2019! This combined catalogue has lots of goodies including Catherine Anderson's *Strawberry Hill*, Amanda Bouchet's *Nightchaser*, Christine Feehan's *Vengeance Road*, Elizabeth Hoyt's *Not the Duke's Darling*, Jayne Ann Krentz's *Untouchable*, J.D. Robb's *Connections in Death*, Lynsay Sands' *The Wrong Highlander* and Jill Shalvis' *Playing for Keeps*. Enjoy!

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	<p>Title: Nightchaser Author: Amanda Bouchet Classification: Fantasy & Paranormal Book Type: Mass Market Paperback Price: \$17 Annotation: <i>Nightchaser Series.</i> Captain Tess Bailey, the galaxy's most wanted, is in deep trouble. She and her crew are on the run from a tyrant who'll take them dead or alive. Tess's best hope is a tall, dark, and much-too-appealing stranger who says he can help her. But his motivations are far from clear ... Shade Ganavan: arrogance, charm ... and that special something that makes you want to kick him ... With the dreaded Dark Watch closing in, what Tess and Shade don't know about each other might get them killed ... unless they can set aside their differences and learn to trust each other before it's too late.</p>		<p>Title: Vengeance Road Author: Christine Feehan Classification: Fantasy & Paranormal Book Type: Mass Market Paperback Price: \$17 Annotation: <i>Torpedo Ink Series.</i> Breezy Simmons was born into a ruthless motorcycle club – and now that she's out, she's never going to be that girl again. But when her past catches up with her, Breezy must go to Sea Haven to seek out the man who almost destroyed her. The man who chose his club over her and left her feeling used and alone ... Vice president of Torpedo Ink, Steele never thought he'd find something as pure as his feelings for Breezy or that keeping her safe would mean driving her away with cruel words that turned her love for him to ash ... Now, Steele won't let her walk away twice.</p>
	<p>Title: Not the Duke's Darling Author: Elizabeth Hoyt Classification: Historical Book Type: Mass Market Paperback Price: \$17 Annotation: <i>Greycourt Series.</i> Freya de Moray is many things: a member of the secret order of Wise Women, the daughter of disgraced nobility, and a chaperone living under an assumed name. What she is not is forgiving. So when the duke of Harlowe, the man who destroyed her family, appears at the country house party she's attending, she starts planning her revenge ... Christopher Renshaw, the duke of Harlowe, is being blackmailed. Intent on keeping his secrets safe, he agrees to attend a house party where he will put an end to this coercion once and for all. Until he recognizes Freya, masquerading among the party revelers, and realizes his troubles have just begun ...</p>		<p>Title: Untouchable Author: Jayne Ann Krentz Classification: Contemporary/Suspense Book Type: Trade Paperback Price: \$30 Annotation: <i>Sons of Anson Salinas Series.</i> Jack Lancaster, consultant to the FBI, has always been drawn to cold cases. As a survivor of a fire, he finds himself uniquely compelled by arson cases. His almost preternatural ability to get inside the killer's head has garnered him a reputation – and complicated his personal life. The more cases Jack solves, the closer he slips into the darkness. His only solace is Winter Meadows, a meditation therapist. After particularly grisly cases, Winter can lead Jack back to peace. But as long as Quinton Zane is alive, Jack will not be at peace for long, as Zane sets out to get rid of Anson Salinas's foster sons, starting with Jack.</p>

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Other Books Available This Month

Contemporary Romance & Romantic Suspense **Strawberry Hill** by **Catherine Anderson**

(Paperback – \$17). *Mystic Creek Series*. As a camp cook, Vickie Brown loves feeding any size crowd in the great outdoors – with one notable exception. She never would have predicted she'd join the crew led by gruff cowboy Slade Wilder, the man who broke her heart just days before their wedding ... Life has gone on since Vickie left him, but Slade can admit his attraction to the one woman he's ever loved remains stronger than ever. If he wasn't in such desperate need of an experienced cook for his paying guests, he would send Vickie packing. He knows better than to seek out the company of the woman who broke off their engagement so many years ago ... Except there's no escaping each other in the confines of the wilderness area, especially once their anger begins to soften in the shared close quarters. But after Vickie finds the courage to confront Slade, it will take a leap of faith for them to put their past behind him, even if it's the only way to recapture their once-in-a-lifetime love.

The Family Gathering by **Robyn Carr** (Paperback Release – \$18). *Sullivan's Crossing Series*. Having left the military, Dakota Jones is at a crossroads. With his brother and one sister happily settled in Sullivan's Crossing, he shows up hoping to clear his head before moving on to his next adventure. He's immediately drawn to the down-to-earth people and the simple way of life ... But Dakota is unprepared for how quickly things get complicated. As a newcomer, he is on everyone's radar – especially the single women. While he enjoys the attention, he's really only attracted to the one woman who isn't interested ... When the Jones siblings all gather for a family wedding, they are drawn together in a way they never were as children. In the struggle to accept each other, warts and all, the true nature and strength of their bond is tested. They come to realize that your family are the people who see you for who you really are and love you anyway. And for Dakota, that truth allows him to find the home and family he's always wanted.

The Best of Us by **Robyn Carr** (Trade Paperback – \$28). *Sullivan's Crossing Series*. Dr. Leigh Culver loves practicing medicine in Timberlake, Colorado. It is a much-needed change of pace from her stressful life in Chicago. The only drawback is she misses her aunt Helen, the woman who raised her. But it's time that Leigh has her independence, and she hopes the beauty of the Colorado wilderness will entice her aunt to visit often ... Helen Culver is an independent woman who lovingly raised her sister's orphaned child. Now, with Leigh grown, it's time for her to live life for herself. The retired teacher has become a successful mystery writer who loves to travel and intends to never experience winter again ... When Helen visits Leigh, she is surprised to find her niece still needs her, especially when it comes to sorting out her love life. But the biggest surprise comes when Leigh takes Helen out to Sullivan's Crossing and Helen finds herself falling for the place and one special person. Helen and Leigh will each have to decide if they can open themselves up to love neither expected to find and seize the opportunity to live their best lives.

Contemporary Romance & Romantic Suspense contd **Dead Girl Running** by **Christina Dodd** (Paperback

Release – \$17). *Cape Charade Series*. I have three confessions to make: 1. I've got the scar of a gunshot on my forehead. 2. I don't remember an entire year of my life. 3. My name is Kellen Adams ... and that's half a lie ... Girl running ... from a year she can't remember, from a husband she prays is dead, from homelessness and fear. Tough, capable Kellen Adams takes a job as assistant manager of a remote vacation resort on the North Pacific Coast. There, amid the towering storms and the lashing waves, she hopes to find sanctuary. But when she discovers a woman's dead and mutilated body, she's soon trying to keep her own secrets while investigating first one murder ... then another ... Now every guest and employee is a suspect. Every friendly face a mask. Every kind word a lie. Kellen's driven to defend her job, her friends and the place she's come to call home. Yet she wonders – with the scar of a gunshot on her forehead and amnesia that leaves her unsure of her own past, could the killer be staring her in the face?

Final Shadows by **Kay Hooper** (Paperback Release – \$20). *Bishop Files Series*. Tasha Solomon's world turned upside-down when the psychic abilities she had tried so hard to live with in secret suddenly made her a target stalked by unseen enemies ... John Brodie is by nature, by training, and by instinct a Guardian. He is a member of an intricate and secretive network of individuals who have devoted their lives to the deadly struggle of saving psychics in danger of being taken or being killed. It is a war very few other people even know exists, and yet its tentacles stretch deeply and dangerously into every aspect of society ... Tasha has abilities not even she is aware of, abilities that the other side would give virtually all they possess to destroy. And if being hunted like an animal were not bad enough she has to learn how to become a warrior in a battle she did not choose, to save people she does not know, and possibly even the very world around her ... If John Brodie can keep her alive long enough.

You Will Suffer by **Alexandra Ivy** (Paperback – \$17). *Agency Series*. The rolling fields outside Curry, Oklahoma, are a beautiful spot to ramble on an early spring day ... and a lonely place to die. Among the prairie grass and wildflowers, a killer kneels beside a curled-up figure, plunging a syringe beneath skin to deliver the fatal dose. And as the victim's last breath mingles with the air, it sends a warning out to the world: This is just the beginning ... Rejecting her judge father's prestigious connections, Ellie Guthrie opened her own law firm in Curry. But something strange is going on. Ellie's tires are slashed. Dead rats are dumped on her patio. Her neighbor, former FBI agent Nate Marcel, insists on watching out for her. And then bodies begin turning up – supposed overdoses that Nate suspects are something much more sinister ... There's a killer in town, toying with her, drawing both Ellie and Nate into a web of murder and vengeance. To find answers, she'll have to unearth this small community's dark and twisted past ... before it's her turn to die.

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One Tough Cowboy by **Lora Leigh** (Paperback – \$17). *Moving Violations Series*. For as long as Samantha can remember, Hunter – a man as strong as steel, with a heart of gold – has been her hero. It came as no surprise to Samantha when she found out that the ranch-hardened cowboy who always protected her from bullies went on to become the town’s sheriff. What does surprise her is how incredibly hot he still is. And how much she still wants him ... And, lo and behold, Hunter still has feelings for Samantha. The long-smoldering heat of their innocent flirtation has grown into a full-raging fire. But when tragedy strikes, and their small-town community is shattered, Hunter vows to do everything he can to keep his childhood sweetheart safe. But can Samantha trust that Hunter has her best interests at heart ... and that, after all these years, his love is true?

Secrets of the Tulip Sisters by **Susan Mallery** (Paperback Release – \$18). Kelly Murphy’s life as a tulip farmer is pretty routine – up at dawn, off to work, lather, rinse, repeat. But everything changes one sun-washed summer with two dramatic homecomings: Griffith Burnett – Tulpen Crossing’s prodigal son, who’s set his sights on Kelly – and Olivia, her beautiful, wayward and, as far as Kelly is concerned, unwelcome sister. Tempted by Griffith, annoyed by Olivia, Kelly is overwhelmed by the secrets that were so easy to keep when she was alone ... But Olivia’s return isn’t as triumphant as she pretends. Her job has no future and, ever since her dad sent her away from the bad boy she loved, she has felt cut off from her past. She’s determined to reclaim her man and her place in the family – whether her sister likes it or not. For 10 years, she and Kelly have been strangers. Olivia will get by without her approval now ... While Kelly and Olivia butt heads, their secrets tumble out in a big, hot mess, revealing some truths that will change everything they thought they knew. Can they forgive each other – and themselves – and redefine what it means to be sisters?

Out of Time by **Monica McCarty** (Paperback – \$17). *Lost Platoon Series*. With his men scattered to all corners of the globe after a disastrous secret op in Russia, Lieutenant Commander Scott Taylor is trying to find out who was responsible for leaking the information that killed half his platoon. Were it not for Natalie Andersson, the woman he’d been secretly dating in the Pentagon who’d warned him of the danger, he knows they’d all be dead. Scott is devastated when he hears that the woman he loved and hoped to marry has been killed for helping him – until he learns that Natalie was the spy who betrayed them. But when his search to clear his

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 name brings him face-to-face with a very much alive Natalie, Scott realizes that justice and vengeance might not be as clear-cut as he thought ... Natalie Andersson, or as she was born Natalya Petrova, has put the memories of her early childhood in Russia behind her. She never dreamed that she would be at the center of an elaborate “sleeper” espionage program. Even when she learns the truth, she refuses to spy for the country of her birth, until the Russians threaten the lives of the only family she’s ever known. But Natalie is the worst spy in the history of spying, falling for her target. When her attempt at misdirection leads to irreversible consequences, she’s forced to run for her life, with her lover hot on her tail.

The Good Ones by **Jenn McKinlay** (Paperback – \$17). *Happy Ever After Series*. Ryder Copeland is an accomplished architect ... not to mention tall and sexy. He’s everything a hero should be, and Lord knows Maisy Kelly has read enough of her great-aunt Eloise’s romance novels to recognize one when she sees one. But like all fairy tales, Maisy can’t help but wonder if this Prince Charming is too good to be true ... Ryder is drawn to the shy, curly-haired professor who hires him to convert the Victorian house she’s inherited into a bookstore. Attracted to a woman for the first time since his divorce, Ryder finds himself wishing for a future with Maisy that he knows is impossible. And the closer he gets to her, the harder it’s going to be to walk away.

The Fearless King by **Katee Robert** (Paperback – \$17). *Kings Series*. Fake boyfriend. Real danger ... Journey King is an expert at managing the family business. But when her sadistic father returns to Houston hell-bent on making a play for the company, intent on seizing control of the company by terrorizing his children, Journey will do anything to stop him, even if that means going to Frank Evans for help. Frank deals in information, the dirtier the better. Rugged and rock-solid, he’s by far her best ally – and also the most dangerous ... Frank knows better than to get tangled up with the Kings. But something about Journey’s rare vulnerability drags him deep into enemy territory ... and into her darkest past. Pretending to be her boyfriend may be necessary for their plan to work, but Frank soon finds helping Journey is much more than just another job – and he’ll do whatever it takes to keep her safe.

Dirty Little Secret by **Jennifer Ryan** (Paperback – \$17). *Wild Rose Ranch Series*. Noah Cordero is a modern-day cowboy who loves three things: ranching, his younger sister, and his step-father. John Cordero groomed Noah to take over the Montana spread where he learned to ride and work

Romance Writers of New Zealand (RWNZ) Short Story Contest

The Chapter Book & Tea Shop is sponsoring the RWNZ Short Story Contest again. Details can be found on www.romancewriters.co.nz/shop/contests/chapter-short-story. To enter, you must be a RWNZ member and submit a previously unpublished short story of less than 1,800 words between 1–30 Apr. Entry fee is \$20. Chapter is providing \$500 worth of gift vouchers as prizes for the top three entries.

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the land. But when John unexpectedly dies, he leaves half the ranch to a woman Noah doesn't even know ... Roxy shares Noah's last name, but not his blood. Estranged from her father, haunted by regrets, and eager to escape her notorious mother's past, she is forced to fulfill her father's last wishes. Inheriting means sharing a home with infuriating, challenging, and oh-so-tempting Noah. But John didn't just make her owner of his ranch and guardian to her sister; his hidden sideline is her worst nightmare – she's the new owner of the notorious Nevada brothel called Wild Rose Ranch where she grew up ... As their strictly business relationship starts to turn to true love, Roxy begins to wonder: What will happen when Noah discovers her dirty little secret?

Playing For Keeps by **Jill Shalvis** (Paperback – \$17). *Heartbreaker Bay Series*. If you're planning on falling in love you'd better be sure someone is there to catch you ... When it comes to the confident, charismatic Caleb Parker, Sadie Lane feels the spark – the kind that comes from rubbing each other the wrong way. She's yoga pants, he's a suit. She's a tattoo artist, he's a straight-laced mogul. But after they accidentally co-rescue an abandoned dog from a storm, Sadie sees a vulnerable side to the seemingly invincible hottie ... Caleb doesn't do emotions. Growing up the underdog, he's learned the hard way to build up an impenetrable wall. Perfect for business. Disastrous for relationships. He's never worried about it before – not until he finally gets behind Sadie's armor and begins to fall ... Both guarded and vulnerable, Sadie and Caleb are complete opposites. Or are they? Shocked at their undeniable connection, can they ever admit to wanting more? That all depends on what they're each willing to risk ...

Lilac Lane by **Sherryl Woods** (Paperback Release – \$18). *Chesapeake Shores Series*. Single mom Kiera Malone struggled for years to raise her three children in a small town on the coast of Ireland. Just when she's let down her guard and allowed herself to love again, her fiance suffers a fatal heart attack and leaves her alone yet again. Overwhelmed by her loss, she's persuaded to visit her father, Dillon O'Malley, and her daughter, Moira O'Brien, in Chesapeake Shores. With the promise of family ties and a job at O'Brien's, her son-in-law's Irish pub, she takes what seems like the biggest risk of her life ... As it turns out, though, crossing the ocean is nothing compared to moving into a charming cottage on Lilac Lane, right next door to Bryan Laramie, the moody chef at O'Brien's, who doesn't do anything the way Kiera believes it should be done. Their kitchen wars quickly become the stuff of legends in Chesapeake Shores, and the town's matchmakers conclude where there's heat, there's sure to be passion ... As these two deal with their wounded pasts and discover common interests, they might just find the perfect recipe for love.

Hidden by **Rebecca Zanetti** (Paperback – \$17). *Deep Ops Series*. *Hide*. That's all Pippa can do to escape the terror chasing her. But now that she's off the grid in a safe house, she finds plenty of interesting things to watch through the window. Like her new neighbor, with his startling green eyes,

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killer smile, and sexy bad-boy tattoo ... *Run*. Malcolm West is fleeing the hell he unleashed in his last assignment as an undercover cop. A backwoods bungalow sounds like the perfect place to start over. Until he discovers he's been set up ... *Fight*. Someone's gone to a lot of trouble to bring them together. No matter how much he resents that, and his own driving needs, Malcolm will have to dig deep and let loose the banished killer inside himself, or Pippa's fears could come true faster than the flip of a bolt in a lock ...

Twisted Truths by **Rebecca Zanetti** (Paperback – \$17). *Blood Brothers Series*. You can't escape the past ... Noni is desperate. Her infant niece has been kidnapped, and the only person who can save her is a private detective with too many secrets to count – and more enemies than he can name. A man who walked away from Noni without any warning a year ago, a man who broke her heart. But with Talia's life on the line, Noni needs his help now more than ever – and this time, she won't take no for an answer ... The moment Denver Jones sees Noni, the memories come rushing back. The fire in her eyes. The determination in her voice. The danger of having her in his life ... Denver had to push her away once, but now, with vicious criminals threatening Noni and her niece, he'll do whatever it takes to protect them. But enemies from his past are circling, and they'll use anything – and anyone – to get to Denver.

Crime & Mystery & Thriller

Hellbent by **Gregg Hurwitz** (Paperback Release – \$20). *Orphan X Series*. Taken from a group home at age twelve, Evan Smoak was raised and trained as an off-the-books government assassin: Orphan X. After he broke with the Orphan Program, Evan disappeared and reinvented himself as the Nowhere Man, a man spoken about only in whispers and dedicated to helping the truly desperate ... But this time, the voice on the other end is Jack Johns, the man who raised and trained him, the only father Evan has ever known. Secret government forces are busy trying to scrub the remaining assets and traces of the Orphan Program and they have finally tracked down Jack. With little time remaining, Jack gives Evan his last assignment: find and protect his last protégé and recruit for the program ... But Evan isn't the only one after this last Orphan – the new head of the Orphan Program, Van Sciver, is mustering all the assets at his disposal to take out both Evan (Orphan X) and the target he is trying to protect.

Call Me Evie by **J.P. Pomare** (Trade Paperback – \$30). *NZ Author*. Don't trust him. It wasn't me. It couldn't have been me ... Evie and her uncle Jim have just moved to the small, isolated beach town of Maketu in New Zealand – a far cry from their hometown of Melbourne ... But Evie isn't her real name. And Jim isn't really her uncle ... Jim tells Evie she did something terrible back home, that he's hiding her to protect her. But Evie can't remember anything about that night – she doesn't know if he's telling the truth. In a house that creaks against the wind, Evie begins to piece together her fractured memories of the events that led her here. Jim says he's keeping her safe. Evie's not sure she can trust Jim, but can she trust her own memories? Is Jim really her savior ... or her captor?

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Leverage in Death by **J.D. Robb** (Paperback Release – \$18). *In Death Series*. The airline executives were about to finalize a merger at a nine a.m. meeting. Then marketing VP Paul Rogan walked into the plush conference room, strapped with explosives ... Eve Dallas quickly confirms that Rogan, a dedicated employee and family man, was cruelly coerced to set off the bomb. He was motivated only by a desperate need to save his wife and daughter from the masked men holding them hostage – even if it meant committing suicide and mass murder. But what was the motive of the two masked men, who are now in the wind? ... The police investigation reveals months of intricate planning by the perpetrators, but the targeting appears random – and the timing seems pointless. Despite the chaos and bad publicity, blowing up one meeting isn't going to put the brakes on the merger. All it's accomplished is shattering a lot of innocent lives. With the help of her billionaire husband - who knows finance and has friends in both high and low places – Eve must untangle the reason for an inexplicable act of terror.

Connections in Death by **J.D. Robb** (Trade Paperback – \$30). *In Death Series*. Homicide cop Eve Dallas and her billionaire husband, Roarke, are building a brand-new school and youth shelter. They know that the hard life can lead kids toward dangerous crossroads – and with this new project, they hope to nudge a few more of them onto the right path. For expert help, they hire child psychologist Dr. Rochelle Pickering – whose own brother Lyle pulled himself out of a spiral of addiction and crime with Rochelle's support ... Lyle is living with Rochelle while he gets his life together, and he's thrilled to hear about his sister's new job offer. But within hours, triumph is followed by tragedy. Returning from a celebratory dinner with her boyfriend, she finds Lyle dead with a syringe in his lap, and Eve's investigation confirms that this wasn't just another OD. After all his work to get clean, Lyle's been pumped full of poison – and a neighbor with a peephole reports seeing a scruffy, pink-haired girl fleeing the scene ... Now, Eve and Roarke must venture into the gang territory where Lyle used to run and the ugly underground world of tattoo parlors and strip joints where everyone has taken a wrong turn somewhere. They both believe in giving people a second chance. Maybe even a third or fourth. But as far as they're concerned, whoever gave the order on Lyle Pickering's murder has run out of chances ...

Fantasy & Paranormal Romance

Burn Bright by **Patricia Briggs** (Paperback Release – \$17). *Alpha and Omega Series*. Charles Cornick is the son of the leader of the North American werewolves – and his father's enforcer. Anna Latham, a rare Omega wolf with a calming presence, is his mate. They go where they are needed, handling problems in werewolf packs throughout the country. But this time the danger is closer to home ... They are the wild and the broken. The werewolves too damaged to live safely among their own kind. For their own good, they have been exiled to the outskirts of Aspen Creek, Montana. Close enough to the Marrok's pack to have its support; far

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enough away to not cause any harm ... With their Alpha out of the country, Charles and Anna are on call when an SOS comes in from the fae mate of one such wildling. Heading into the mountainous wilderness, they interrupt the abduction of the wolf – but can't stop blood from being shed. Now Charles and Anna must use their skills – his as enforcer, hers as peacemaker – to track down the attackers, reopening a painful chapter in the past that springs from the darkest magic of the witchborn ...

Mystic by **Cheryl Brooks** (Paperback – \$17). *Cat Star Legacy Series*. Her love is the one thing he never saw coming ... Sulaksha Enduran is still reeling from the death of her lover. He died of a mysterious plague – and it's out of control. Sula is determined to find answers on her own, until an impossibly sexy Zetithian saves her life and joins her quest ... Despite the prescient abilities and power over the wind that enable Zetithian mystic Aidan Banadansk to rescue Sula from certain death, he couldn't have predicted her unique effect on him. It shrouds her future in mystery ... and fills him with unparalleled desire ... But Sula's investigation has put her in the crosshairs of a deadly conspiracy. With an entire planet's population at stake, Sula and Aidan must risk it all to save the planet, the galaxy ... and each other.

Cast in Oblivion by **Michelle Sagara** (Trade Paperback – \$30). *Chronicles of Elantra Series*. Politics are hell ... Kaylin wasn't sent to the West March to start a war. Her mission to bring back nine Barrani might do just that, though. She traveled with a Dragon, and her presence is perceived as an act of aggression in the extremely hostile world of Barrani-Dragon politics. Internal Barrani politics are no less deadly, and Kaylin has managed – barely – to help the rescued Barrani evade both death and captivity at the hands of the Consort ... Before the unplanned “visit” to the West March, Kaylin invited the Consort to dinner. For obvious reasons, Kaylin wants to cancel dinner – forever. But the Consort is going to show up at the front door at the agreed-upon time. The fact that she tried to imprison Kaylin's guests doesn't matter at all ... to her ... A private Barrani Hell, built of Shadow and malice, exists beneath the High Halls. It is the High Court's duty to jail the creature at its heart – even if it means that Barrani victims are locked in the cage with it. The Consort is willing to do almost anything to free the trapped and end their eternal torment. And she needs the help of Kaylin's houseguests – and Kaylin herself. Failure won't be death – it will be Hell. And that's where Kaylin is going.

Ocean Light by **Nalini Singh** (Paperback Release – \$17 USA/\$23 International). *Psy-Changeling Trinity Series*. Security specialist Bowen Knight has come back from the dead. But there's a ticking time bomb in his head: a chip implanted to block telepathic interference that could fail at any moment – taking his brain along with it. With no time to waste, he should be back on land helping the Human Alliance. Instead, he's at the bottom of the ocean, consumed with an enigmatic changeling ... Kaia Luna may have traded in science for being a chef, but she won't hide the facts of Bo's condition from

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him or herself. She's suffered too much loss in her life to fall prey to the dangerous charm of a human who is a dead man walking. And she carries a devastating secret Bo could never imagine ... But when Kaia is taken by those who mean her deadly harm, all bets are off. Bo will do anything to get her back – even if it means striking a devil's bargain and giving up his mind to the enemy.

The Thief by **J.R. Ward** (Paperback Release – \$17). *Black Dagger Brotherhood Series*. Sola Morte, former cat burglar and safe-cracker, has given up her old life on the wrong side of the law. On the run from a drug lord's family, she is lying low far from Caldwell, keeping her nose clean and her beloved grandmother safe. Her heart, though, is back up north, with the only man who has ever gotten through her defenses: Assail, who never meant to fall in love – and certainly not with a human. But they have no future, and not just because she doesn't know he is a vampire, but because he is not about to stop dealing arms to the Black Dagger Brotherhood ... Fate, however, has other plans for them. When Assail falls into a coma and lingers on the verge of death, his cousins seek out Sola and beg her to give him a reason to live. The last thing she wants is a return to her past, but how can she leave him to die? ... As a lethal new enemy of the vampires shows its face, Sola finds herself not only a target, but a mission-critical force in a war she doesn't understand. And when Assail's truth comes out, will she run from the horror ... or follow her heart into the arms of the male who loves her more than life itself?

Historical & Regency Romance

The Duke I Once Knew by **Olivia Drake** (Paperback – \$17). *Unlikely Duchesses Series*. For years, Abigail Linton devoted herself to caring for her parents and her siblings' children. Now, eager to create a life of her own, Abby seizes upon a position as a governess on a neighboring estate. Unfortunately, her absentee employer is Maxwell Bryce, the Duke of Rothwell, the notorious rake who once broke her youthful heart. But since he hasn't set foot on his estate for fifteen years, Abby assumes she'll never have to lay eyes on him ever again ... Then, from out of nowhere, Max appears. He is stunned to come face to face with the girl next door he fell for years ago – before he went away, and she stopped writing to him ... even though Abby swears that he is the one who left her without a word. Could it be that this spirited, witty spinster has won Max's heart all over again – and that they may have a second chance at love?

Tempt Me with Diamonds by **Jane Feather** (Paperback – \$17). *London Jewels Series*. Diana Sommerville seems to have it all – beauty, brains, and vast wealth, thanks to her family's ownership of a diamond mine abroad. But when her beloved brother dies in battle and leaves a lion's share of his estate to his best friend, Diana finds herself in a situation that seems scripted for the stage: sharing her family home with the man she used to love – and now loathes. Worse, her unfaithful former fiance has already moved in ... Rupert Lacey didn't expect Diana to take the news without a fight. Still, he didn't expect her to bring the battle directly to their newly shared doorstep – complete with a full set of trunks and a full set of orders to the staff. Yet there she is, bold, regal ... magnificent as ever ... Now, they would

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face a formidable challenge: to ignore each other – and the unanswered questions that stood between them. The only sure thing is their still-blazing desire. But with a woman like Diana, it will take nothing less than a momentous misunderstanding, a missing prized mare, and a shocking revelation to restore a love that hasn't lost its shine ...

Governess Gone Rogue by **Laura Lee Guhrke**

(Paperback – \$17). *Dear Lady Truelove Series*. Dear Lady Truelove ... My twin brother and I need a new mother, though Papa insists he'll never marry again. Must be nice, brainy, and fond of cats ... Lady Truelove may be London's most famous advice columnist, but James St. Clair, the earl of Kenyon, knows his wild young sons need a tutor, not a new mother. They need a man tough enough to make his hellions tow the line, and James is determined to find one ... Miss Amanda Leighton, former schoolteacher and governess, knows she has all the qualifications to be a tutor. And while female tutors are unheard of, Amanda isn't about to lose the chance at her dream job because of pesky details like that. If Lord Kenyon insists on hiring a man, then she has only one option ... Jamie isn't sure what to make of his new employee until he realizes the shocking truth – beneath the ill-fitting suits, his boys' tutor is a woman. An unconventional, outspoken, thoroughly intriguing woman. Despite Amanda's deception, he can't dismiss her when his boys are learning so much. Yet Jamie, too, is learning surprising lessons – about desire, seduction, and passionate second chances....

The Highland Renegade by **Amy Jarecki**

(Paperback – \$17). *Lords of the Highlands Series*. Famed for his fierceness, Laird Robert Grant is above all a loyal Highland clan chief. But when redcoats capture his rival's daughter, he sets aside their feud and races to her rescue. Aye, Janet Cameron is beautiful, cunning, and so very tempting, but a Cameron lass is the last woman he should ever desire ... Janet refuses to meekly surrender, not even when surrounded by foes. She takes every chance to escape, first from the English soldiers and then from the wickedly handsome Robert. Yet with each day they spend together, his unexpected gallantry chips away at her reserve little by little. As danger and treachery loom, can she trust him enough to choose love over vengeance?

What a Widow Wants by **Jenna Jaxon**

(Paperback – \$17). *Widow's Club Series*. The widowed Lady Stephen Tarkington, Fanny to her friends, has finished mourning her cad of a husband and is ready to enjoy her freedom. The kind of freedom neither a gently bred miss nor a close-watched wife is permitted: dressing up as Aphrodite for a masquerade, drawing gentlemen away from the party, and hinting at late-night assignations with her dance partners. All is going pleurably according to plan – until the Roman god Fanny kisses during a masquerade turns out to be Matthew, Lord Lathbury, whose proposal she refused years ago ... Lathbury is charming, passionate, inventive, everything Fanny wants in a lover – but unfortunately, he's on the hunt for a wife. He's more than willing to use all his wicked skills to persuade her back to the altar, but he can't wait forever. And now Fanny's position is more precarious than she once thought. If the tongues of the ton set to wagging, it's possible no

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offer in the world will save her from ruin. But does she want to be saved?

Dare to Love a Duke by **Eva Leigh** (Paperback – \$17). *London Underground Series*. Thomas Powell, the new duke of Northfield, knows he should be proper and principled like his father. No more dueling, or carousing, or frequenting masked parties where Londoners indulge their wildest desires. But he's not ready to give up his freedom just yet. The club is an escape, a place where he can forget about society and the weight of his title ... and see her, the woman he's wanted forever ... Lucia - known as Amina – manages the Orchid Club, a secret society where fantasies become reality. But for Lucia, it's strictly business, profitable enough to finance her dream: a home for the lost girls of the streets. Surrounded by lovers, she only observes, unwilling to risk her future for any man. No member has ever intrigued her ... until him, the masked stranger whose heated looks sear her skin. After months of suppressed longing, they dare to give in to temptation ... But the late duke's legacy comes with a shocking secret, and the scandal threatens to destroy everything Tom loves ... his family, the Orchid Club, and even Lucia.

Marry Me By Sundown by **Johanna Lindsey** (Paperback Release – \$17). *Callahan-Warren (Montana) Series*. After a social whirlwind in London, Violet Mitchell is summoned back to Philadelphia only to discover her family living on the edge of financial ruin while their father seeks new wealth in Montana's gold fields. With the family's home and social standing at risk, Violet makes a drastic decision ... Meanwhile, Montana rancher Morgan Callahan rode away from his family's cattle farm to make his own fortune. Now as he finishes exploiting a mother lode of silver, a young woman claiming to be his late partner's daughter turns up wanting to be taken to her father's mine. Suspecting that the pretty schemer works for the mining outfit that is trying to steal his land, he has no qualms about snatching her and holding her at his camp where she can do no harm ... But he underestimated the new thorn in his side. Determined to claim what rightfully belongs to her family, Violet summons up the courage and grit to cope with the hazards and discomforts of an untamed land and the disturbingly masculine stranger who holds her fate in his hands. But an error of judgment brings down a hailstorm of danger that upends her plans and deepens her bond to a man who may turn out to be all she desires.

Ten Kisses to Scandal by **Vivienne Lorret** (Paperback – \$17). *Misadventures in Matchmaking Series*. Briar Bourne's matchmaking career could be summed up in two words – comic disaster. Unless she can learn about the irresistible forces that draw men and women together, her professional future looks rather bleak. But Briar has an intriguing plan – enlisting London's most irredeemable rake to teach her everything he knows about attraction. Given his notorious reputation, it's no surprise Nicholas Blacklowe, the earl of Edgemont, requests one thing in exchange for his tutelage. For every lesson, he wants a kiss in return. And what harm could there be in a simple kiss? After all, Briar would never fall for a scoundrel ... Nicholas has no romantic notions about love, and no intention of changing his ways.

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He's only helping Briar so she can find the perfect bride for his jilted cousin. Yet Briar is so clever, so curious, so candid – so blasted tempting – that soon, Nicholas can't stop wondering what it might be like if he was irresistible to her ... Ten lessons. Ten kisses. And a million ways to fall scandalously in love.

Highlander Ever After by **Paula Quinn** (Paperback – \$17). *Highland Heirs Series*. As the clan chief's son, Adam MacGregor is duty-bound to marry a royal heir. Yet when he meets his bride – a beautiful but haughty young lass who thinks he is nothing more than a common savage – he realizes she's more than he bargained for. But the more Adam gets to know his new wife, the more intent he is on proving her wrong about him ... Sina de Arenberg wants nothing to do with the unsavory MacGregors, especially the fierce Highlander she now calls husband. But the more time she spends with the man she married, the more she sees his honor and courage. Just when she thinks there might be a future for her and Adam, Sina is called back to court. England isn't the place she remembers, though, and soon she'll be forced to choose between the life she once knew, and the Highlander who has captured her heart.

The Wrong Highlander by **Lynsay Sands** (Paperback – \$17). *Highland Brides Series*. Lady Evina Maclean has heard much about Rory Buchanan's skill as a healer. What she hasn't heard is how good the brawny Highlander looks bathing in a waterfall. But Evina can't afford the distraction, for her ailing father urgently needs care. Only when she's rendered Buchanan unconscious and dragged him back to her family's castle does the truth emerge – it's not Rory she's kidnapped but his brother Conran ... Other ladies try to ensnare Conran with flattery. Evina hits him over the head with the hilt of her sword to save her kin – and Conran likes the spirited redhead all the more for it. He's learned enough from his brother to heal Evina's father, but there are other dangers swirling around the Maclean clan. And while the beautiful, independent lady has sworn not to marry, this Highlander may be just the right man for her.

Dangerous by **Minerva Spencer** (Paperback – \$17). *Outcasts Series*. Lady Euphemia Marlinton hasn't been free in seventeen years – since she was captured by Corsairs and sold into a harem. Now the sultan is dead and Mia is back in London facing relentless newspapermen, an insatiably curious public, and her first Season. Worst of all is her ashamed father's ultimatum: marry a man of his choosing or live out her life in seclusion. No doubt her potential groom is a demented octogenarian. Fortunately, Mia is no longer a girl, but a clever woman with a secret – and a plan of her own ... Adam de Courtney's first two wives died under mysterious circumstances. Now there isn't a peer in England willing to let his daughter marry the dangerously handsome man the ton calls "The Murderous Marquess". Nobody except Mia's father, the desperate Duke of Carlisle. Clearly Mia must resemble an aging matron, or worse. However, in need of an heir, Adam will use the arrangement to his advantage ... But when the two outcasts finally meet, assumptions will be replaced by surprises, deceit by desire – and a meeting of minds may lead to a meeting of hearts – if the secrets of their pasts don't tear them apart.

Book Selection

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Summary of This Month's Books

Author	Title	Classification	Price
Catherine Anderson	Strawberry Hill	Contemporary	\$17
Amanda Bouchet	Nightchaser	Fantasy & Paranormal	\$17
Patricia Briggs	Burn Bright#	Fantasy & Paranormal	\$17
Cheryl Brooks	Mystic	Fantasy & Paranormal	\$17
Robyn Carr	The Family Gathering#	Contemporary	\$18
Robyn Carr	The Best of Us*	Contemporary	\$28
Christina Dodd	Dead Girl Running#	Contemporary/Suspense	\$17
Olivia Drake	The Duke I Once Knew	Historical	\$17
Jane Feather	Tempt Me with Diamonds	Historical	\$17
Christine Feehan	Vengeance Road	Fantasy & Paranormal	\$17
Laura Lee Guhrke	Governess Gone Rogue	Historical	\$17
Kay Hooper	Final Shadows#	Contemporary/Suspense	\$20
Elizabeth Hoyt	Not the Duke's Darling	Historical	\$17
Gregg Hurwitz	Hellbent#	Crime/Mystery/Thriller	\$20
Alexandra Ivy	You Will Suffer	Contemporary/Suspense	\$17
Amy Jarecki	The Highland Renegade	Historical	\$17
Jenna Jaxon	What a Widow Wants	Historical	\$17
Jayne Ann Krentz	Untouchable*	Contemporary/Suspense	\$30
Eva Leigh	Dare to Love a Duke	Contemporary/Suspense	\$17
Lora Leigh	One Tough Cowboy	Historical	\$17
Johanna Lindsey	Marry Me By Sundown#	Historical	\$17
Vivienne Lorret	Ten Kisses to Scandal	Historical	\$17
Susan Mallery	Secrets of the Tulip Sisters#	Contemporary	\$18
Monica McCarty	Out of Time	Contemporary/Suspense	\$17
Jenn McKinlay	The Good Ones	Contemporary	\$17
J.P. Pomare	Call Me Evie*	Crime/Mystery/Thriller	\$30
Paula Quinn	Highlander Ever After	Historical	\$17
J.D. Robb	Leverage in Death#	Crime/Mystery/Thriller	\$18
J.D. Robb	Connections in Death*	Crime/Mystery/Thriller	\$30
Katee Robert	The Fearless King	Contemporary/Suspense	\$17
Jennifer Ryan	Dirty Little Secret	Contemporary	\$17
Michelle Sagara	Cast in Oblivion*	Fantasy & Paranormal	\$30
Lynsay Sands	The Wrong Highlander	Historical	\$17
Jill Shalvis	Playing for Keeps	Contemporary	\$17
Nalini Singh	Ocean Light#	Fantasy & Paranormal	\$17/\$23
Minerva Spencer	Dangerous	Historical	\$17
J.R. Ward	The Thief#	Fantasy & Paranormal	\$17
Sherryl Woods	Lilac Lane#	Contemporary	\$18
Rebecca Zanetti	Hidden	Contemporary/Suspense	\$17
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