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# Blood Song

*Anthony Ryan*

**From the publishers of David Gemmell, a powerful epic fantasy debut in that same tradition from an exciting new British talent**

We have fought battles that left more than a hundred corpses on the ground and not a word of it has ever been set down. The Order fights, but often it fights in shadow, without glory or reward. We have no banners.

Vaelin Al Sorna's life changes for ever the day his father abandons him at the gates of the Sixth Order, a secretive military arm of the Faith. Together with his fellow initiates, Vaelin undertakes a brutal training regime – where the price of failure is often death. Under the tutelage of the Order's masters, he learns how to forge a blade, survive the wilds and kill a man quickly and quietly.

Now his new skills will be put to the test. War is coming. Vaelin is the Sixth Order's deadliest weapon and the Realm's only hope. He must draw upon the very essence of his strength and cunning if he is to survive the coming conflict. Yet as the world teeters on the edge of chaos, Vaelin will learn that the truth can cut deeper than any sword.



## About the author

Anthony Ryan lives in London and is a writer of fantasy, science fiction and non-fiction. He previously worked in a variety of roles for the UK government, but he now writes full time. Anthony maintains an active blog at [www.anthonystuff.wordpress.com](http://www.anthonystuff.wordpress.com).

- Anthony Ryan was previously a self-published author who achieved considerable success with over 30,000 ebooks sold
- The natural successor to David Gemmell, he is set to become the hottest new British fantasy author in years
- A highly commercial, character-driven fantasy novel that is grand in scope and mixes explosive action with deadly intrigue
- Perfect for fans of David Gemmell, Brent Weeks, Peter Brett and Joe Abercrombie

**July**  
9780356502465  
Fantasy Fiction  
Hardback  
£14.99

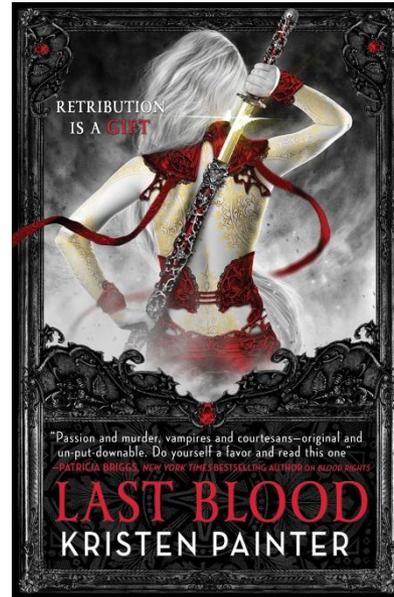
# Last Blood

*Kristen Painter*

**The apocalyptic final instalment in Kristen Painter's fast-paced and original urban fantasy series with a twist, about a race of humans bred to feed vampire nobility**

In the final showdown between the forces of dark and light, Mal and Chrysabelle face not only their old master, the vampire Tatiana, but the ancient evil that now controls her: the Castus Sanguis. Chrysabelle gathers her friends and family around her, forming a plan to bring an end to the chaos surrounding them. But the Castus is the most powerful being they've ever come up against. Defeating such evil will require a great sacrifice from someone on the side of light.

One of them will change sides. One of them will die. No one will survive unscathed. Can Chrysabelle save those she cares about or will that love get her killed? What price is she willing to pay to draw last blood?



- Perfect for fans of *True Blood* and *The Vampire Diaries*
- Fans of this series include top urban fantasy names such as Patricia Briggs, P.C. Cast and L. A. Banks

## About the author

A former New Yorker now living in Florida, Kristen has a wealth of fascinating experiences from which to flavour her stories, including time spent working in fashion for Christian Dior and as a maître d' for Wolfgang Puck. Find out more about Kristen Painter at [www.kristenpainter.com](http://www.kristenpainter.com) and on twitter @Kristen\_Painter.

**July**

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Fantasy Fiction

Paperback Original

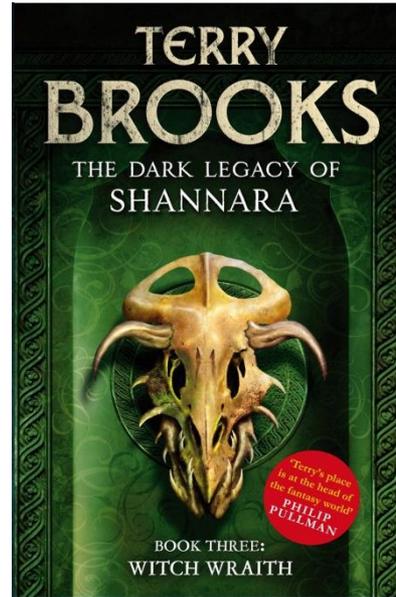
£8.99

# Witch Wraith

*Terry Brooks*

**The third title in a new Shannara fantasy series from the author who began the modern fantasy phenomenon**

The third and final novel in a new series from the master of fantasy, Terry Brooks. Returning to his core Shannara world, this spellbinding series will astound both seasoned Terry Brooks fans and those discovering his magical world for the first time.



- 'Terry's place is at the head of the fantasy world'  
– Philip Pullman, author of *Northern Lights*
- After writing a number of spin-off series, by huge demand, Terry now returns to his core Shannara world – always his most popular and bestselling
- The three books in this trilogy will appear within a year (Aug '12, Mar '13, Jul '13)
- Orbit UK has sold over 2 million copies of Terry Brooks titles and his last five hardbacks have all been SFF bestsellers
- Terry's writing is as popular and relevant as ever – shown by the fact he was voted author of the year by *SciFiNow* readers in 2010
- A bold and exciting new look for Terry's books

## About the author

Terry Brooks is the *New York Times* bestselling author of more than thirty books, including the Dark Legacy of Shannara adventures: *Wards of Faerie* and *Bloodfire Quest*; the Legends of Shannara novels: *Bearer of the Black Staff* and *The Measure of the Magic*; the Genesis of Shannara trilogy: *Armageddon's Children*, *The Elves of Cintra* and *The Gypsy Morph*; and *The Sword of Shannara*. The author was a practising attorney for many years but now writes full time. He lives with his wife, Judine, in the Pacific Northwest.

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Fantasy Fiction  
Hardback  
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# The Glass God

*Kate Griffin*

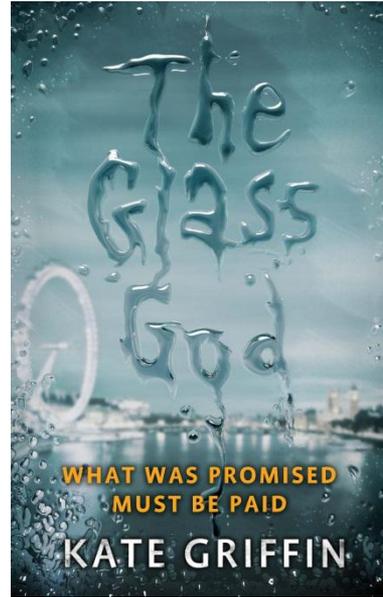
**The second book in a new urban magic series from the author of the Matthew Swift novels set in London's hidden otherworld**

Sharon Li: apprentice shaman and community support officer for the magically inclined.

It wasn't the career Sharon had in mind, but she's getting used to running Magicals Anonymous and learning how to Be One With The City.

When the Midnight Mayor goes missing, leaving only a suspiciously innocent-looking umbrella behind him, Sharon finds herself promoted. Her first task: find the Midnight Mayor. The only clues she has are a city dryad's cryptic warning and several pairs of abandoned shoes . . .

Suddenly, Sharon's job feels a whole lot harder.



- Susanna Clarke meets Neil Gaiman meets Jim Butcher
- The second book in a new series set in the same magical London as Kate Griffin's Matthew Swift series
- For fans of Jim Butcher, Ben Aaronovitch and Benedict Jacka
- Kate Griffin has received excellent critical acclaim from both print and online media, and has a dedicated readership

## About the author

Kate Griffin is the name under which Carnegie Medal-nominated author Catherine Webb writes fantasy novels for adults. An acclaimed author of young adult books under her own name, Catherine's amazing debut, *Mirror Dreams*, was written when she was only fourteen years old, and garnered comparisons with Terry Pratchett and Philip Pullman.

**July**

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Fantasy Fiction

Paperback Original

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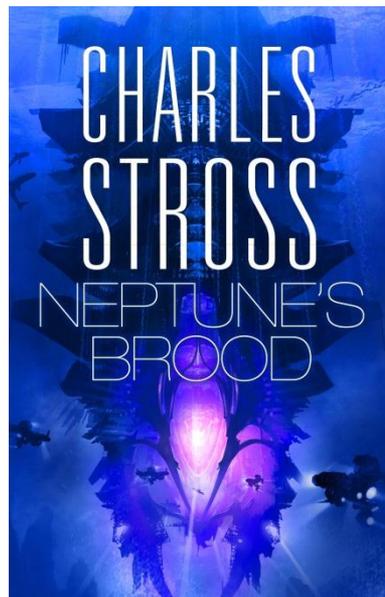
# Neptune's Brood

*Charles Stross*

**Brand new space opera from science fiction legend Charles Stross**

*'My friend has discovered faster-than-light travel! If we get in now, we can make it rich! Just send us your bank details today . . .'*

Krina Alizond-114 is a bookish historian of accountancy practices and a metahuman in a universe where the last natural humans went extinct 5,000 years ago. When a letter from her sister goes missing, Krina embarks on a dangerous journey across the star systems to find her, along the way getting caught up in an elegant and unprecedented financial scam that involves the mystery of the missing space colony – Atlantis.



- Charles Stross's novels have been nominated for the Hugo Award six years in a row – a new record
- Charlie has a cult fan following online, with thousands of followers on social media and thousands of visits every day at his blog
- 'Charles Stross is the most spectacular science-fiction writer of recent years' Vernor Vinge
- 'Charles Stross writes hard SF, paranormal espionage and near-future techno-thrillers with equal facility and intelligence' *Guardian*

## About the author

Award-winning British author Charles Stross has become a force to be reckoned with in the last few years as his profile continues to grow. He is seen as go-to commentator on all manner of SF and technological issues, he's vocal online and incredibly well connected. He has also had fantastic critical acclaim for his intelligent and often witty SF works.

Charles Stross was born in Leeds, England, in 1964. He has worked as a pharmacist, software engineer and freelance journalist, but now writes full time. You can find his popular website at <http://www.antipope.org/>.

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Science Fiction  
Hardback  
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# The Crown Tower

*Michael J. Sullivan*

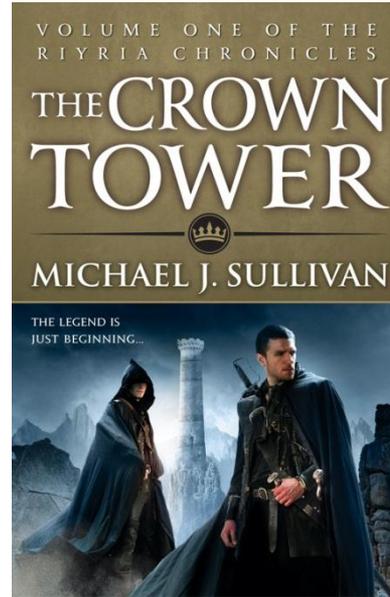
**Epic fantasy that will appeal to fans of Brent Weeks and Terry Brooks, as well as fans of Michael's bestselling fantasy series, *The Riyria Revelations***

Two men who hate each other. One impossible mission. A legend in the making.

Hadrian, a warrior with nothing to fight for, is paired with Royce, a thieving assassin with nothing to lose. Together they must steal a treasure that no one can reach. The Crown Tower is the impregnable remains of the grandest fortress ever built and home to the realm's most prized possessions. But it isn't gold or jewels that their employer is after, and if he can only keep them from killing each other, they might just get him his prize.

\*\*\* Fantasy Faction's Top Ten Anticipated Books for 2013 \*\*\*

\*\*\* BestFantasyBooks.com Most Anticipated Books of 2013 \*\*\*



- *The Crown Tower* is set in the same world as the *Riyria Revelations* series, and is a starting point for new readers
- An epic fantasy in the classical style that will appeal to fans of Terry Brooks and Brent Weeks, as well as screen fantasies such as *The Hobbit* and *Game of Thrones*.

## About the author

Born in Detroit, Michigan, Michael J. Sullivan has lived in Vermont, North Carolina and Virginia. He worked as a commercial artist and illustrator, founding his own advertising agency in 1996, which he closed in 2005 to pursue writing full time. He currently resides in Fairfax, Virginia, with his wife and three children.

**August**

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Fantasy Fiction, Historical Fiction, Myth & Legend Told As Fiction

Paperback Original

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# The Hydrogen Sonata

*Iain M. Banks*

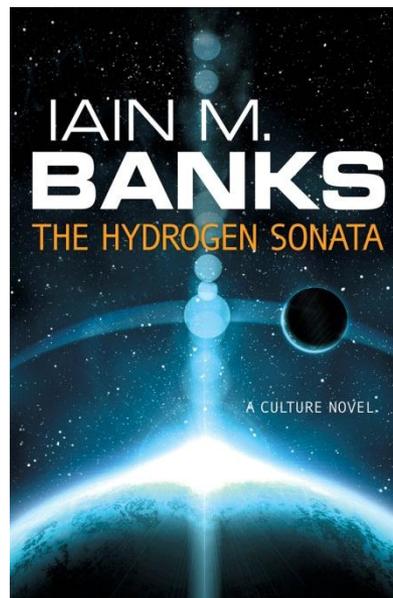
**A *Sunday Times* bestselling Culture novel from the UK's leading SF writer**

THE SCAVENGER SPECIES ARE CIRCLING

The Gzilt helped establish the Culture ten thousand years ago and now they've decided to follow the path of millions: they are going to Sublime, elevating themselves to a new and infinitely more rich existence.

But then the Regimental High Command is destroyed.

Aided only by an ancient, reconditioned android and a suspicious avatar, Lieutenant Commander Vyr Cossont must complete the last mission Command gave her: locate the oldest person in the Culture, a man over nine thousand years old, and find out what really happened so long ago.



## About the author

Iain Banks came to widespread and controversial public notice with the publication of his first novel, *The Wasp Factory*, in 1984. He has since gained enormous popular and critical acclaim for both his mainstream and his science fiction novels. Iain lives in Fife, Scotland.

- 'Twenty-five years after Banks' first Culture novel he is as exuberant, slyly funny and mind-stretchingly imaginative as ever' – *Sunday Times*
- 'Epic in scope, ambitious in its ideas and absorbing in its execution, and more fun than you'd expect an ultra-liberal space utopia to be' – *Independent on Sunday*
- *The Hydrogen Sonata* was a *Sunday Times* bestseller in hardback, and has so far sold nearly 100,000 copies in the UK
- We have sold 1.1 million of Iain M. Banks' books

**September**  
9780356501499  
Science Fiction  
Paperback  
£8.99

# Chosen

*Benedict Jacka*

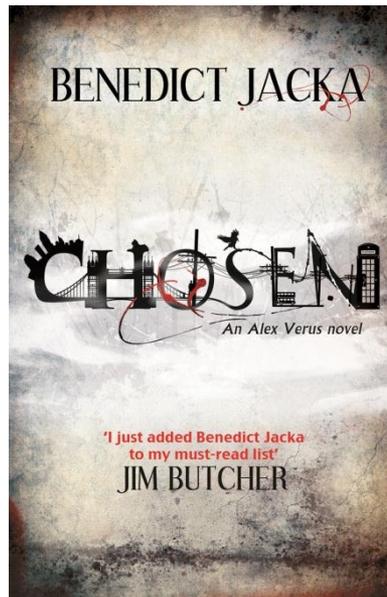
**Fourth book in a compelling new urban fantasy series set in Camden, featuring Alex Verus**

Life is quiet for Alex. Amazing.

With a flat full of friends (and the occasional fish), and business booming, why not enjoy the humdrum here and now?

But of course that's too good to be true. In a sudden and cruel pincer movement of fate, Alex finds himself fighting a sinister and powerful gang as well as his own demons – for the same crime.

Held hostage by the choices of his past, Alex's future is now in jeopardy . . .



- Fourth book in a brilliant new British urban fantasy series for fans of Jim Butcher's *Dresden Files*
- Jim Butcher himself is a fan!

## About the author

Benedict Jacka became a writer almost by accident, when at nineteen he sat in his school library and began writing in the back of an exercise book. Since then he has worked for the Civil Service, studied philosophy at Cambridge and been a bouncer, but has always found the time to keep writing.

**September**  
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 Fantasy Fiction  
 Paperback Original  
 £7.99

# Ender's Game

*Orson Scott Card*

**A film tie-in edition of this award-winning classic novel, to be released as a blockbuster movie starring Harrison Ford in October 2013**

The human race faces annihilation.

An alien threat is on the horizon, ready to strike. And if humanity is to be defended, the government must create the greatest military commander in history.

The brilliant young Ender Wiggin is their last hope. But first he must survive the rigours of a brutal military training programme – to prove that he can be the leader of all leaders.

A saviour for mankind must be produced through whatever means possible. But are they creating a hero or a monster?

This is the multiple award-winning classic *Ender's Game* – a ground-breaking tale of war, strategy and survival.



## About the author

Orson Scott Card is the award-winning author of the novels *Ender's Game*, *Ender's Shadow* and *Speaker for the Dead*, which are widely read by both adults and younger readers. He lives in Greensboro, North Carolina, with his wife and three children.

- A classic novel of the highest order – winner of both the Hugo and Nebula awards
- The film, made by Summit Entertainment, is set to be a massive hit – starring Harrison Ford, Ben Kingsley and Asa Butterfield (the star of Martin Scorsese's *Hugo*)
- Orbit has sold almost half a million books in the Ender series
- Contains an introduction from the author on the incredible reaction the book received
- Themes of leadership, morality and violence give this classic a broad appeal – the novel is being read increasingly in schools and is even used by the military as a training tool

**September**  
9780356501888  
Science Fiction  
Paperback  
£7.99

# Shaman

*Kim Stanley Robinson*

**An extraordinary portrayal of life in the Palaeolithic era, 20,000 years into our past, by the multi-award-winning author described recently by the *Sunday Times* as ‘one of science fiction’s greats’**

An award-winning and bestselling SF writer, Kim Stanley Robinson is widely acknowledged as one of the most exciting and visionary writers in the field. His last novel, *2312*, imagined how we would be living three hundred years from now. And, with his new novel, he turns from our future to our past – to the Palaeolithic era, and an extraordinary moment in humanity’s development. *Shaman* is an emotionally powerful and richly detailed portrayal of life 20,000 years ago; it will appeal both to his existing fans and a whole new mainstream readership.



- Robinson’s novels have won eleven major science fiction awards – including the Hugo, the Nebula, the World Fantasy Award and the John W. Campbell Memorial Award
- *Time* magazine has hailed Robinson as one of 32 leaders and visionaries on the environment and has called him ‘perhaps the foremost practitioner of literary utopias’
- Perfect for fans of Alastair Reynolds, Peter F. Hamilton and Iain M. Banks
- Kim Stanley Robinson wrote the award-winning Mars trilogy and more recently *2312*, both landmark science fiction epics



## About the author

Kim Stanley Robinson is a winner of the Hugo, Nebula and Locus awards. He is the author of over twenty previous books, including the bestselling Mars trilogy and the highly acclaimed *Forty Signs of Rain*. He lives in Davis, California.

**September**

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Science Fiction

Hardback

£18.99

# Cold Blooded

Amanda Carlson

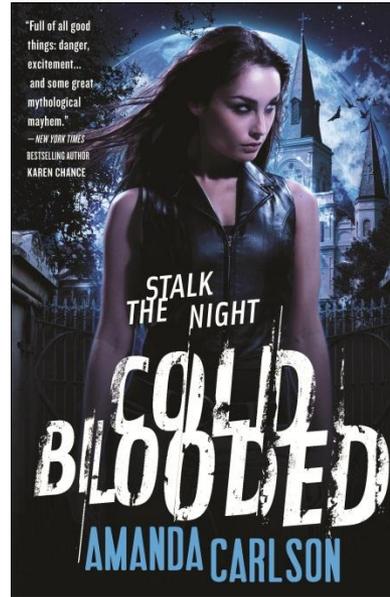
**The third Jessica McClain novel – a fast-paced and irresistibly sexy urban fantasy, perfect for fans of Kelley Armstrong**

The time has now come for female werewolf Jessica McClain to honour the oath she swore to the icy Vampire Queen.

With her mate Rourke at her side, Jessica is confident she'll be able to sail through this job without getting herself killed.

What Jessica doesn't know is that the queen has her own more dubious plans. But even that will be the least of her worries when the rebel faction of werewolves amasses for a brutal attack.

Life has always been tough for Jessica, but now she's facing an all-out war . . .



- This book has everything you'd ask for in an urban fantasy: action, humour, heaps of sexual tension, but most importantly, it has incredible, heart-thumping pace
- Draws immediate comparisons with bestselling author Kelley Armstrong – and with Kelley's *Women of the Otherworld* having ended in 2012, this is what her fans should read next
- Also perfect for fans of Patricia Briggs, Rachel Vincent and Ilona Andrews
- The author is extremely active online and even participated in a 32-date blog tour for book one in the series, *Full Blooded*, and will be doing the same for every book in the series



## About the author

Amanda Carlson is a Minnesota girl, born and bred. She started writing stories about teenage girls and their social missteps when she was in high school – and still has the handwritten spiral notebooks to prove it. She worked as a sign language interpreter and often dreams of Hawaii. She lives in Minneapolis with her family.

**October**

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Paperback Original

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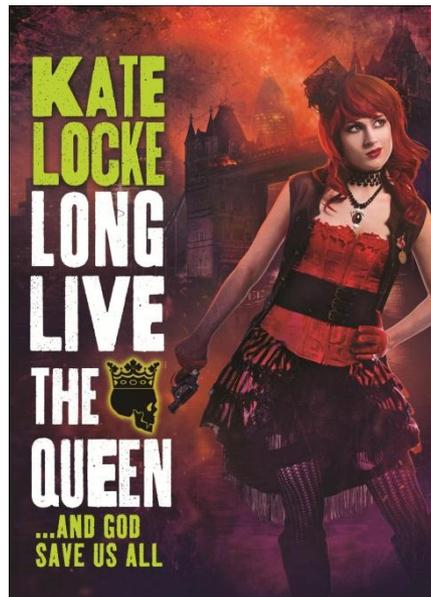
# Long Live the Queen

*Kate Locke*

**The final novel in this frightfully fun urban fantasy series full of goblins, corsets and undead aristocrats – set in an alternate world where the Victorian age never ended**

Xandra Vardan thought life would be simpler when she accepted the goblin crown and became their queen, but life has only become more complicated. The vampires, werewolves and humans all want the goblins on their side, because whoever has the goblins – wins.

With human zealots intent on ridding the world of anyone with plagued blood, and supernatural politics taking Britain to the verge of civil war, Xandra’s finding out that being queen isn’t all it’s cracked up to be, and if she doesn’t do something fast, hers will be the shortest reign in history.



- A highly original and imaginative series that is a brilliant mash-up of urban fantasy and alternate history
- Features a Victorian age that never ended – one where the Victorian fashions of an immortal vampire aristocracy mix with the modern technology of the humans living alongside them
- Perfect for fans of urban fantasy such as Kelley Armstrong, Charlaine Harris and Keri Arthur – and particularly Gail Carriger
- Also great for fans of genre mash-up books, such as *Pride and Prejudice and Zombies* and *Queen Victoria: Demon Hunter*

## About the author

Kate Locke is a shameless anglophile who wrote her first book aged twelve. Fortunately, that book about a British pop band is lost for ever. When not experimenting with new hair colours, Kate likes to hang out with her husband who, while not from England, can do a pretty convincing accent. She loves history, the paranormal, horror and sparkly things.

**October**  
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Fantasy Fiction  
Paperback Original  
£7.99

# Ancillary Justice

*Ann Leckie*

**A warship is destroyed but her artificially intelligent mind remains in a single human body – why was she destroyed and will she find revenge?**

*They made me kill thousands, but I only have one target now.*

The Radch are conquerors to be feared – resist and they’ll turn you into a ‘corpse soldier’ – one of an army of dead prisoners animated by a warship’s AI mind. Whole planets are conquered by their own people.

The colossal warship called *The Justice of Toren* has been destroyed – but one ship-possessed soldier has escaped the devastation. Used to controlling thousands of hands, thousands of mouths, *The Justice* now has only two hands, and one mouth with which to tell her tale.

But one fragile, human body might just be enough to take revenge against those who destroyed her.



- Inventive and intelligent space opera, *Ancillary Justice* is on a par with Iain M. Banks and Peter F. Hamilton
- Science fiction with a unique premise and deeply unusual characters

## About the author

The author of many published science fiction short stories, Ann Leckie lives in St Louis, Missouri, with her husband, children and cats. She’s currently the Secretary for the SFWA (Science Fiction & Fantasy Writers of America). You can find her website at [www.annleckie.com](http://www.annleckie.com) or chat to her on twitter at @Ann\_Leckie.

**October**  
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 Adventure / Thriller, Science  
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 Paperback Original  
 £7.99

# Last to Rise

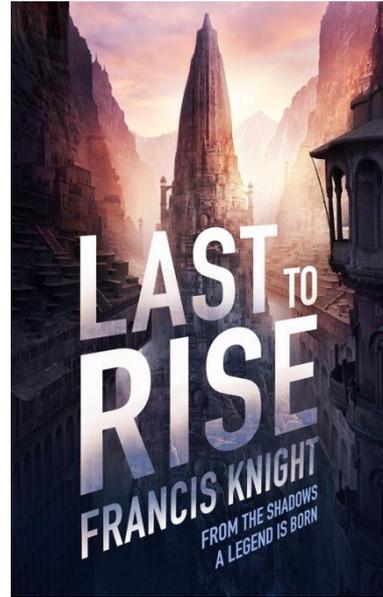
*Francis Knight*

**An anti-hero takes on dark magic and corruption in this compelling fantasy adventure – the third novel set in the vertigo-inducing city of Mahala**

The towering vertical city of Mahala is on the brink of war with its neighbouring countries. It might be his worst nightmare, but Rojan and the few remaining pain mages have been drafted in to help.

The city needs power in whatever form they can get it – and fast. With alchemists readying a prototype electricity generator, and factories producing guns faster than ever, the city's best advantage is still the mages.

Leading the alchemists is Rojan's sister, with a risky plan to help tap the mages' strength and overcome the armies marching towards them. With food in the city running out, and a battle brimming that no one is ready for, risky is the best they've got . . .



- From a British debut fantasy author comes this highly original trilogy that's drenched in atmosphere and will thrill you to the core
- Entrancing world-building based around the concept of a unique 'vertical' fantasy city
- A central character with a highly commercial and accessible voice, and a compelling noir plot
- Combines the murky atmosphere of *Sin City*, with the adventure and the pacing of Scott Lynch and Douglas Hulick

## About the author

Francis Knight was born and lives in Sussex, UK. She has held a variety of jobs from being a groom in the Balearics, where she punched a policeman and got away with it, to being an IT administrator. When not living in her own head, she enjoys SFF geekery, WWE geekery, teaching her children Monty Python quotes and boldly going and seeking out new civilisations.

**November**

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Fantasy Fiction

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# Arcanum

*Simon Morden*

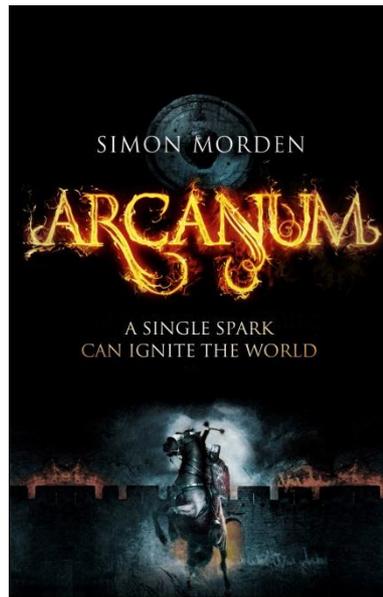
**From an award-winning author comes a powerful new epic fantasy. When the age of spellcasting comes to an end – the greatest of kingdoms will fall**

Carinthia: a kingdom of great influence, power – and formidable magic.

Long has the kingdom of Carinthia relied upon the spells of its Hexmasters to maintain its position of control. The great Prince Gerhard has ruled benignly over a kingdom that's never had to change for a thousand years. But now there are signs that their magic is failing, and the kingdom lies vulnerable to attack from all sides.

Some Carinthians would do anything to see the magic return: any act, no matter how terrible, is justified, so long as the Hexmasters can still cast spells to protect their homeland.

The kingdom is poised between chaos and order – and the smallest push is the distance between disaster and triumph.



- A magnificent new standalone epic fantasy novel, in which magic and science clash and great kingdoms fall
- Simon Morden's science fiction series The Petrovitch Trilogy won the prestigious Philip K. Dick Award for 2011 – and now he's masterfully turning his hand to epic fantasy
- Perfect for fans of intelligent and gritty epic fantasy, and historical fiction such as Joe Abercrombie, Steven Erikson, Raymond E. Feist and Neal Stephenson

## About the author

Dr Simon Morden is a bona fide rocket scientist, having degrees in geology and planetary geophysics, and is one of the few people who can truthfully claim to have held a chunk of Mars in his hands. Simon Morden lives in Gateshead with a fierce lawyer, two unruly children and a couple of miniature panthers.

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# Parasite

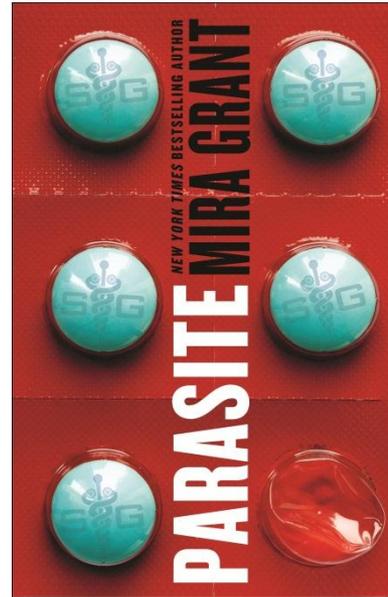
Mira Grant

From *New York Times* bestselling author Mira Grant comes this high-concept near-future thriller

A decade in the future, humanity thrives in the absence of sickness and disease.

We owe our good health to a humble parasite – a genetically engineered tapeworm developed by the pioneering SymboGen Corporation. When implanted, the tapeworm protects us from illness, boosts our immune system – even secretes designer drugs. It's been successful beyond the scientists' wildest dreams. Now, years on, almost every human being has a SymboGen tapeworm living within them.

But these parasites are getting restless. They want their own lives . . . and will do anything to get them.



- The start of a gripping new duology – blending science fiction and horror as only cult-hit author Mira Grant knows best
- Orbit UK has sold over 35,000 copies in Mira Grant's previous Newsflesh series
- Mira Grant has been nominated for a Hugo Award and is winner of the 2010 John W. Campbell Award for Best New Writer
- Mira Grant's debut hit *Feed* won Goodreads' 2010 choice award for Best Science Fiction, and made io9's Best Speculative Fiction of 2010 list

## About the author

Mira Grant lives in California, sleeps with a machete under her bed, and highly suggests you do the same. Mira Grant is the open pseudonym of Seanan McGuire, a successful fantasy writer and the winner of the 2010 John W. Campbell Award for Best New Writer.

**November**

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Science Fiction

Paperback Original

£7.99

## When It's Ajar

Tom Holt

**From one of the best-loved comic writers in fantasy fiction comes another absurdly witty science fiction title**

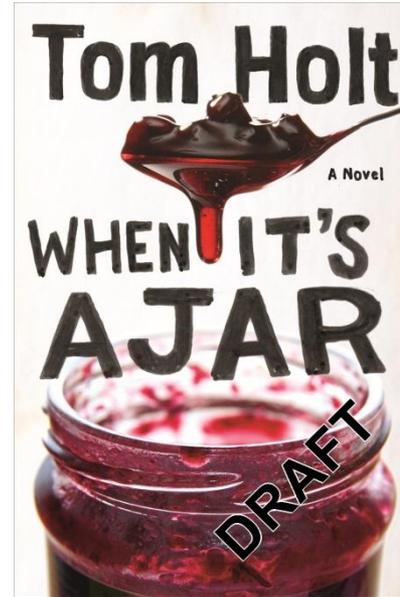
Maurice has just killed a dragon with a breadknife. And had his destiny foretold . . . and had his true love spirited away. That's precisely the sort of stuff that'd bring out the latent heroism in anyone. Unfortunately, Maurice is pretty sure he hasn't got any latent heroism.

Meanwhile, a man wakes up in a jar in a different kind of pickle (figuratively speaking). He can't get out, of course, but neither can he remember his name, or what gravity is, or what those things on the ends on his legs are called . . . and every time he starts working it all out, someone makes him forget again.

Forget *everything*.

Only one thing might help him. The answer to the most baffling question of all.

WHEN IS A DOOR NOT A DOOR?



- Tom Holt is an established force in comic writing with a history of great reviews
- Perfect for fans of Douglas Adams, Robert Rankin, Terry Pratchett and Christopher Moore
- Will be welcomed by Tom's army of loyal fans and by new readers

### About the author

Tom Holt's first book was published when he was just thirteen and, to his horror, he was hailed as an infant prodigy. While studying at Oxford, however, he discovered bar billiards and turned from poetry to comic fiction.

**December**  
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Science Fiction  
Paperback Original  
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## Seven Sorcerers

*John R. Fultz*

**The third instalment in this magnificent fantasy tale of epic proportions – where men walk side by side with giants, warriors do battle with monsters and mighty kingdoms clash**

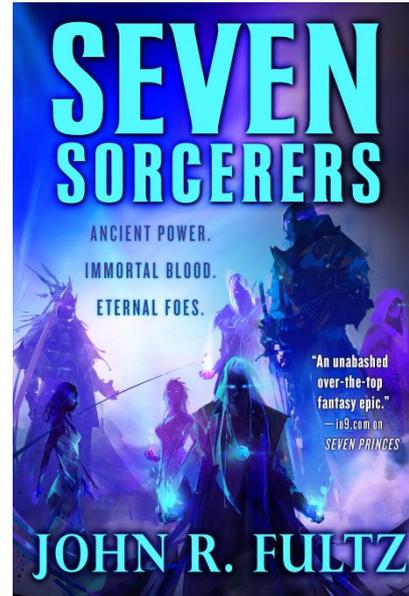
ANCIENT POWER. IMMORTAL BLOOD. ETERNAL FOES.

The Almighty Zyung drives his massive armies across the world to invade the Land of the Five Cities. So begins the final struggle between freedom and tyranny.

The Southern Kings D'zan and Undutu lead a fleet of warships to meet Zyung's aerial armada. Vireon the Slayer and Tyro the Sword King lead Men and Giants to defend the free world. So begins the great slaughter of the age.

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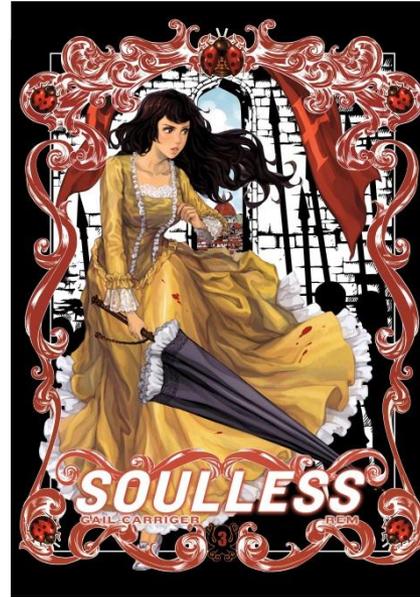
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Ms Carriger began writing in order to cope with being raised in obscurity by an expatriate Brit and an incurable curmudgeon. She escaped small-town life and inadvertently acquired several degrees in Higher Learning. Ms Carriger then travelled the historic cities of Europe, subsisting entirely on biscuits secreted in her handbag. She now resides in the Colonies, surrounded by a harem of Armenian lovers, where she insists on tea imported directly from London and cats that pee into toilets. She is fond of teeny tiny hats and tropical fruit.

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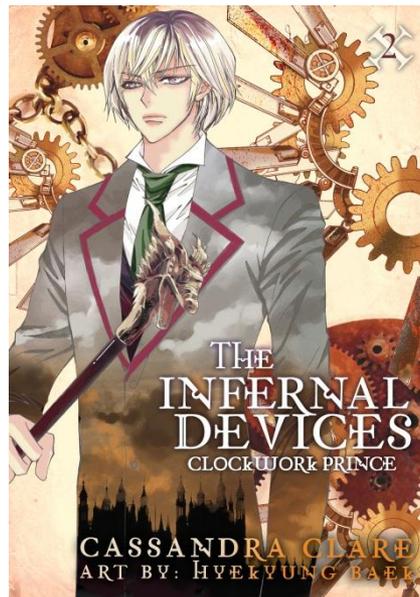
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