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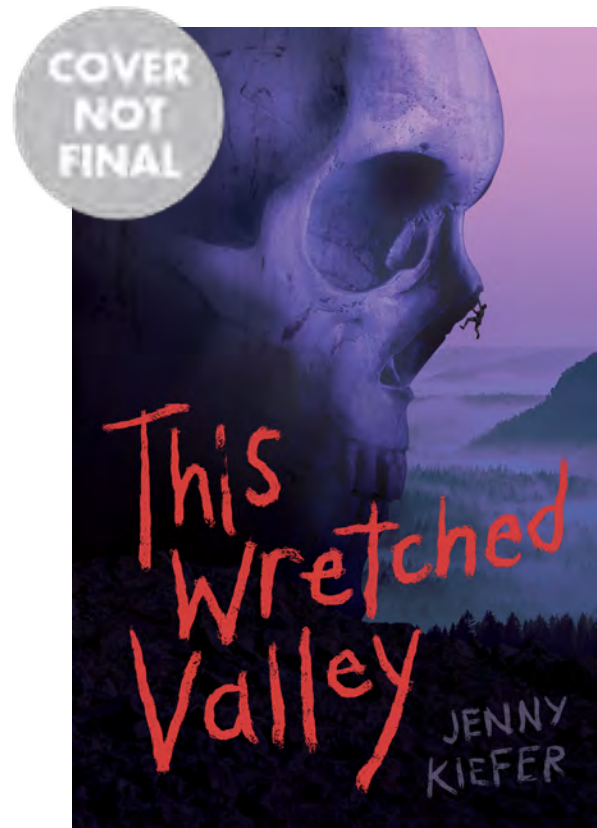
Rights Guide

Adult Fiction

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WHAT KIND OF MOTHER

by Clay McLeod Chapman

Specs:

Categories: Adult Fiction:
Horror, Psychological,
Supernatural, Horror-Thriller

Format: Hardcover, 304
pages, 1 color interior

On Sale Date: Sept. 2023

ARC Date: April 2023

Target Reader:

Fans of supernatural horror like
A Head Full of Ghosts by Paul
Tremblay

Fans of modern Southern
Gothic like *The Boatman's
Daughter* by Andy Davidson

Fans of domestic thrillers with
missing child plots like *We Are
All the Same in the Dark* by
Julia Heaberlin and *Local
Woman Missing* by Mary
Kubica

Rights:

Rights Available: Translation,
UK/ANZ/Commonwealth,
Ancillary/Paper Goods

Rights Sold: Audiobook



A palm-reading fortune teller is swept into a mind-bending missing-child case in this modern Southern Gothic horror with a twist you won't see coming.

"Clay McLeod Chapman is one of my favorite writers. His books are always white-knuckle reads--blazingly original, gorgeously written, and profoundly chilling."--Riley Sager, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Survive the Night*

Key Selling Points

- NICHOLAS SPARKS GONE WRONG: With its Southern setting and second-chance romance plot, *What Kind of Mother* sets itself up as a book club novel, takes a detour through domestic suspense, and then emerges as the kind of visceral supernatural horror that Clay's fans have come to expect and love.
- MODERN GOTHIC AND SOUTHERN-SET HORROR ARE POPULAR RIGHT NOW: From the blockbuster success of *Mexican Gothic* by Silvia Moreno-Garcia to newer releases like *The Hollow Kind* by Andy Davidson, modern Gothic and Southern-set horror are having a big moment.
- STRONG CROSSOVER TO DOMESTIC SUSPENSE AND THRILLER READERS: The missing-persons aspect and the page-turning thriller experience make this perfect for domestic suspense and thriller fans who are open to supernatural twists and turns, a la *Behind Her Eyes* by Sarah Pinborough.
- AUTHOR'S STAR RISING: *Ghost Eaters* received praise or blurbs from almost every major figure in the horror community & appeared on numerous Best Horror of 2020 lists. His Hollywood credit list is also burgeoning.

About the Book:

After striking out on her own as a teen mom, Madi Price is forced to return to her hometown of Brandywine, Virginia, with her seventeen-year-old daughter. With nothing to her name, she scrapes together a living as a palm reader at the local farmer's market.

It's at the market that she reconnects with her high school boyfriend Henry McCabe, now a reclusive local fisherman whose infant son, Skyler, went missing five years ago. Everyone in town is sure Skyler is dead but when Madi reads Henry's palm, she's haunted by strange and disturbing visions that suggest otherwise. As she follows the thread of these visions, Madi discovers a terrifying monster waiting at the center of the labyrinth—and it's coming for everyone she holds dear.

A thrilling and grotesque exploration of parental grief, *What Kind of Mother* cements Clay McLeod Chapman's reputation as a "star" (*Vulture*) and "the 21st century's Richard Matheson" (Richard Chizmar, *Chasing the Boogeyman*.)

About the Author:

Clay McLeod Chapman writes novels, comic books, and children's books, as well as for film and TV. He is the author of the horror novels *The Remaking*, *Whisper Down The Lane*, and *Ghost Eaters*. Visit him at claymcleodchapman.com

Praise for *WHAT KIND OF MOTHER*:

"Another stunner from Clay McLeod Chapman, cementing his place as **one of horror's modern masters**. Beautifully written, deftly plotted, and **completely engrossing**, *What Kind of Mother* will get under your skin and take your breath away and break your heart and chill you to the bone. **A profound exploration of parental love and loss, of regret and sacrifice.**" —Rachel Harrison, national best-selling author of *Cackle* and *Such Sharp Teeth*

"I'm not sure how Clay McLeod Chapman manages to be both tremendously tender and brilliantly hideous in *What Kind of Mother*, but he does in this **strange, poetic, and gut-wrenching portrait of parenthood.**"—Erika T. Wurth, author of *White Horse*

GHOST EATERS

by Clay McLeod
Chapman

Specs:

Categories: Adult Fiction:
Horror - Supernatural

Format: Hardcover, 304
pages, 1 color interior

Pub Month: September 2022

Target Reader:

Adult supernatural horror
readers

Fans of female-led, thrilling,
action-packed horror

Rights:

Rights Available: UK/ANZ,
Translation, Merch

Rights Sold: World English
Audio (Blackstone), Czech
(Euromedia), French
(Flammarion/Pygmalion)

Key Selling Points:

- High concept: a haunted pill
- The audience for supernatural horror is growing and hungry
- Rising star author with strong support from horror community



Named
Best Horror of
2022 by: Vulture,
Paste, Book Riot,
CrimeReads

"Anxiety-
inducing,
immersive, and
intense." Booklist,
starred review

"Should make
Clay McLeod
Chapman
a star" -Vulture

"A gothic-punk graveyard tale about what haunts history and what haunts the human soul. An addicting read that draws you into its descent from the first page."--Chuck Wendig, New York Times bestselling author of The Book Of Accidents

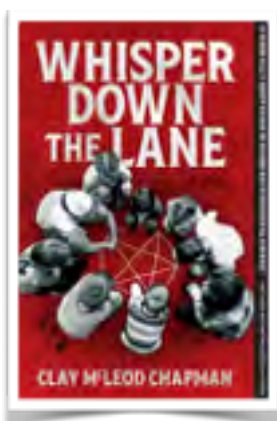
This terrifying supernatural page-turner will make you think twice about opening doors to the unknown.

Erin hasn't been able to set a single boundary with her charismatic but reckless college ex-boyfriend, Silas. When he asks her to bail him out of rehab--again--she knows she needs to cut him off. But days after he gets out, Silas turns up dead of an overdose in their hometown, and Erin's world falls apart.

Then a friend tells her about Ghost, a new drug that allows users to see the dead. *Wanna get haunted?* he asks. Grieving and desperate for closure with Silas, Erin agrees to a pill-popping "séance." But the drug has unfathomable side effects--and once you take it, you can never go back.

About the Author:

Clay McLeod Chapman writes novels, comic books, and children's books, as well as for film and TV. He is the author of the horror novels *The Remaking* and *Whisper Down the Lane*. Visit him at claymcleodchapman.com.

*Specs:*

320 pp
paperback, 1 c

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Horror

April 2022

Whisper Down The Lane

"A diabolically creepy hybrid of horror and psychological suspense that thrills as much as it unsettles."--Riley Sager, *New York Times* best-selling author of *Home Before Dark*

About the Book:

Richard doesn't have a past. For him, there is only the present: a new marriage, fatherhood, and a quiet life as an art teacher. Then the body of a ritually murdered rabbit appears on his school's playground, along with a birthday card for him. But Richard hasn't celebrated his birthday since he was known as Sean...In the 1980s, Sean was 5 years old when he told a lie about his teacher. And when cops and therapists questioned him, he told another. And another--which fueled a panic that destroyed the lives of everyone around him. Now someone is here to tell Richard that they knew what Sean did.

Rights:

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Rights Sold: Audio (Blackstone), French (Pygmalion/Flammarion)

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Horror

October 2019

The Remaking

"An ambitious mosaic novel exploring the power of urban myth and superstition"--*The Guardian*

A 2019 Goodreads Choice Awards Semifinalist

About the Book:

Inspired by a true story, this supernatural thriller for fans of horror and true crime follows a tale as it evolves every twenty years--with terrifying results.

About the Author:

Clay McLeod Chapman writes novels, comic books, and children's books, as well as for film and TV. He is the author of *Ghost Eaters* and *Whisper Down The Lane* as well as the forthcoming *Peeler* (Quirk, 2023).

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THIS WRETCHED VALLEY

by Jenny Kiefer

Specs:

Categories: Adult Fiction:
Horror, Supernatural Thriller,
Suspense, Survival

Format: Trade paperback
original, 304 pages, 1 color
interior

On Sale Date: January 2024

ARC Date: April 2023

Target Reader:

Fans of survival horror in the vein of Alma Katsu's *The Hunger*, *The Terror* by Dan Simmons, and Showtime's *Yellowjackets*

Fans of supernatural thrillers like *Ghost Eaters* by Clay McLeod Chapman and *Final Girls* by Riley Sager

Rights:

Rights Available: Translation,
UK/ANZ/Commonwealth,
Ancillary/Paper Goods

Rights Sold: Audiobook



This nail-biting, bone-chilling survival horror novel is inspired by the infamous Dyatlov Pass incident and is perfect for fans of Alma Katsu's *The Hunger* and Showtime's *Yellowjackets*.

Key Selling Points

- **FOR FANS OF SURVIVAL HORROR AND SUPERNATURAL THRILLERS:** Survival horror is an extremely hot subgenre of horror film and TV (see *Yellowjackets*, *The Ritual*, *Devil's Pass* and more)
- **CROSS-GENRE APPEAL:** Has a classic survival horror story framework but veers into supernatural thriller territory as the climbers begin to have horrific encounters with previous victims of the valley.
- **DEBUT AUTHOR WITH BIG POTENTIAL :** Kiefer is poised to be a rising star in the horror community. She's an award-winning writer who was selected as a 2021 PitchWars mentee, is an active member of the Horror Writers' Association, and regularly connects with other horror writers and readers on her active and growing Twitter account.
- **RISING HORROR INFLUENCER:** Jenny is also the founder/owner of Butcher Cabin Books, an indie horror bookstore with national reach.
- **PAGE TURNING READING EXPERIENCE:** The POV cycles between the four members of the hiking party: Dylan, Clay, Sylvia, and Luke, amping up the suspense as they begin to turn on each other, creating a compulsively readable feel.

About the Book:

This is going to be Dylan's big moment. Her friend Clay, a geology student, has discovered an untouched cliff face in the Kentucky wilderness, and she is going to be the first person to climb it. Together with Clay, his research assistant Sylvia, and Dylan's boyfriend Luke, she is going to document her achievement on Instagram and finally cement her place as the next rising star in rock climbing.

Six months later, three bodies are discovered in the trees just off the highway, near where the rock climbers were last seen. All are in various states of decay: one body a stark, white skeleton; the second a mummy-like husk of dehydrated skin; and the third a fresh but mutilated corpse with the tongue, ears, eyes, and fingers removed.

But Dylan is still missing. Followers of her Instagram account report disturbing livestreams, and some even claim to have caught glimpses of her vanishing into the thick woods, but no trace of her—dead or alive—has been discovered.

Were the climbers murdered? Did they succumb to cannibalism? Or are their impossible corpses the work of an even more sinister force? Is Dylan still alive, and does she hold the answers?

This page-turning debut will have you racing towards the inevitable conclusion.

About the Author:

Jenny Kiefer is a debut author, avid rock climber, and Kentucky resident. She also owns and manages Butcher Cabin Books, a horror bookstore in Louisville, Kentucky, with her mother. Her background is in copywriting and journalism, and she is the recipient of the *Miracle Monocle* Editor's Award for Emerging Writers (2017) and four Society of Professional Journalism Awards (2018). She was a 2021 Pitch Wars mentee and is a member of the Horror Writers Association.

THE BRIDE OF THE TORNADO

by James Kennedy

Specs:

Categories: Adult Fiction:
Horror, Surrealist Thrillers,
Supernatural, Visionary &
Metaphysical Fiction

Format: Hardcover, 336
pages, 1 color interior

On Sale Date: August 2023

ARC Date: February 2023

Target Reader:

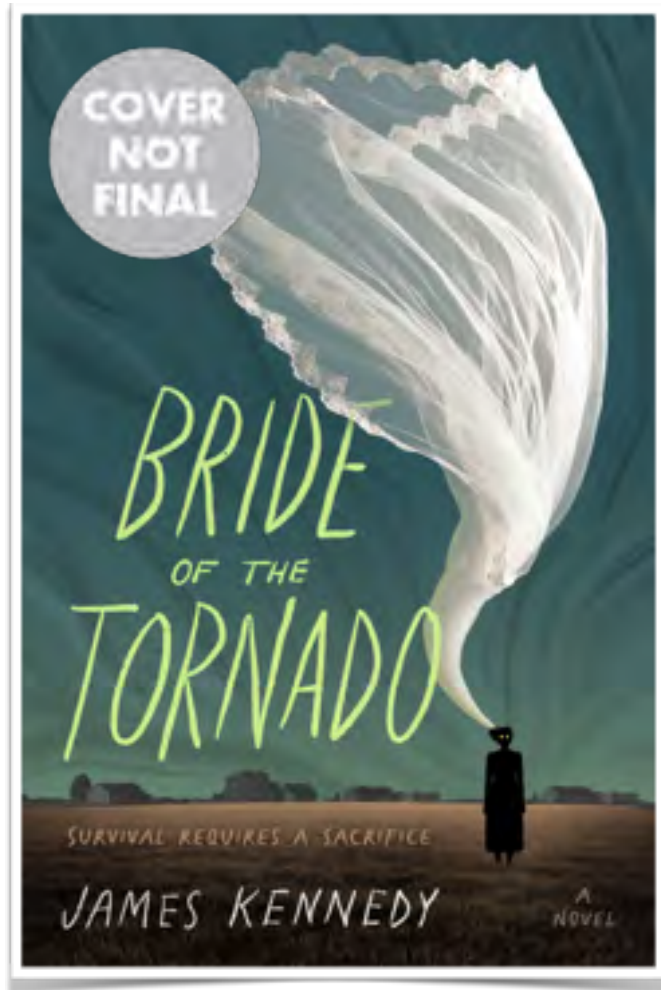
Readers of mind-bending
horror and speculative
mysteries and thrillers

Readers of Stephen King,
David Lynch, and Philip K. Dick

Rights:

Rights Available: Translation,
UK/ANZ/Commonwealth,
Ancillary/Paper Goods

Rights Sold: World English
Audio (Blackstone), Film Rights
(under option to Luma via
author's agent), Italian
(Mondadori)



**A young woman's
secretive small town is
engulfed by a mysterious
plague of storms every
generation--and she
must escape it before it
claims her.**

Stephen King's *The Mist* meets David
Lynch's *Twin Peaks* in this inventive, mind-
bending magical realist horror-thriller.

Key Selling Points

- FOR READERS WHO LIKE THEIR HORROR BIG, AMBITIOUS, AND SMART...: Will appeal to readers who are excited by the new wave of horror with fresh genre perspectives, like Stephen Graham Jones, Silvia Moreno-Garcia, and Alma Katsu.
- ...AND WHO CRAVE SURREAL PUZZLE-BOX STORIES: The reader enjoys David Lynch and has read *House of Leaves* by Mark Danielewski. They'll be drawn to mysterious elements like a cabin at the edge of town with a phone that never stops ringing, a waitress who gifts the protagonist a jar of oil and tells her to drink it at the appointed time, and more.
- CLIMATE ANXIETY FICTION BY WAY OF DAVID LYNCH'S TWIN PEAKS: An inventive premise, a story of man-made terror with supernatural consequences, and a claustrophobic small town setting.
- INCREDIBLE ACCOLADES FOR THE AUTHOR : *Dare to Know* has received rave reviews from the *Guardian*, *The Times*, the *Financial Times*, the trades, and SFF genre magazines and blogs. It has drawn a wide variety of comparisons from Philip K. Dick to *The Matrix* to David Lynch to Donna Tartt's *The Secret History*.

About the Book:

In a small town tucked away in the Midwestern corn fields, the grown-ups whisper about Tornado Day. Our narrator, a high school sophomore, has never heard such a phrase, but she soon discovers its terrible meaning: a plague of sentient storms is coming to destroy them.

The only thing that stands between the town and total annihilation is a teen boy known as the Tornado Killer. Drawn to this enigmatic boy, our narrator befriends him and begins to sense an unnatural connection between them. But the grown-ups are hiding a secret about the origin of the tornadoes and the Tornado Killer—and our narrator must escape before the primeval power that binds them all comes to claim her.

Audaciously conceived and steeped in existential dread, this genre-defying novel reveals the mythbound madness at the heart of small-town life.

About the Author:

James Kennedy is the author of *Dare to Know*. Before becoming a writer, he was a computer programmer with a degree in physics and philosophy.

Praise for Kennedy's *DARE TO KNOW*:

Named one of *The Times*' Best Books of 2021 and their #1 Book Of The Year in Science Fiction

"A surreal premise and an unconventional revelation fuel a cosmic journey....a **wholly original** novel."—*Esquire*

"Explores questions of free will, psychology, and human history in a **fascinating**, compulsively readable thriller."—*The Guardian*

"Imagine Donna Tartt's *The Secret History* getting a good edit at last, and you glimpse something of this book's occult power. **Essential reading** for the gathering dark."—*The Times Saturday Review*

"**Audaciously clever and well-written**...a quite superb piece of storytelling: vivid, thought-provoking, and unsettling."—*SFX Magazine* (5 stars)

DARE TO KNOW

by James Kennedy

Specs:

Categories: Adult Nonfiction

Format: Paperback, 304 pages, 1 color

Pub Month: September 2021

Target Reader:

Fans of near-future dystopian speculative fiction

Fans of mysteries/thrillers

Rights:

Rights Available: Translation, UK/ANZ, Audio, Merch

Rights Sold: World English Audio (Blackstone), Polish (Virtualo), Turkish (Perseus)

Key Selling Points:

- Named #1 sci-fi book of 2021 by *The Times*
- Timely concept calls to mind shows like *Black Mirror* and cultural conversations about the ethics of predictive technology
- Author has physics & programming background, which lends authenticity to the "death particles" science



Named #1 Sci-Fi Book Of The Year by *The Times*

"Fascinating, compulsively readable"
--*The Guardian*

"Wholly original"
Esquire

"Dare to Know is what happens when Willy Loman sees through the Matrix. A heartbreaking, time-bending, galactic mindbender."--Daniel Kraus, co-author of *The Shape of Water*

Our narrator is the most talented salesperson at Dare to Know, an enigmatic company that has developed the technology to predict anyone's death down to the second. Divorced, estranged from his sons, and broke, he's driven to violate the cardinal rule of the business by forecasting his own death day. The problem: his prediction says he died 23 minutes ago.

The only person who can confirm its accuracy is Julia, the woman he loved and lost during his rise up the ranks of Dare To Know. As he travels across the country, he's forced to confront his past, the choices he's made, and the terrifying truth about the company he works for.

Wildly ambitious & highly immersive, this thought-provoking thriller explores the destructive power of knowledge.

About the Author:

James Kennedy is the author of the forthcoming *Bride of the Tornado*. Before becoming a writer, he was a computer programmer with a degree in physics and philosophy, subjects he continues to explore in his writing.

THE BONUS ROOM

by Ben H. Winters

Specs:

Categories: Adult Fiction:
Horror, Supernatural Thriller,
Psychological Suspense

Format: Trade paperback,
256 pages, 1 color interior

On Sale Date: August 2023

ARC Date: February 2023

Target Reader:

Supernatural horror fans of
Clay McLeod Chapman, Sarah
Gailey, and T. Kingfisher

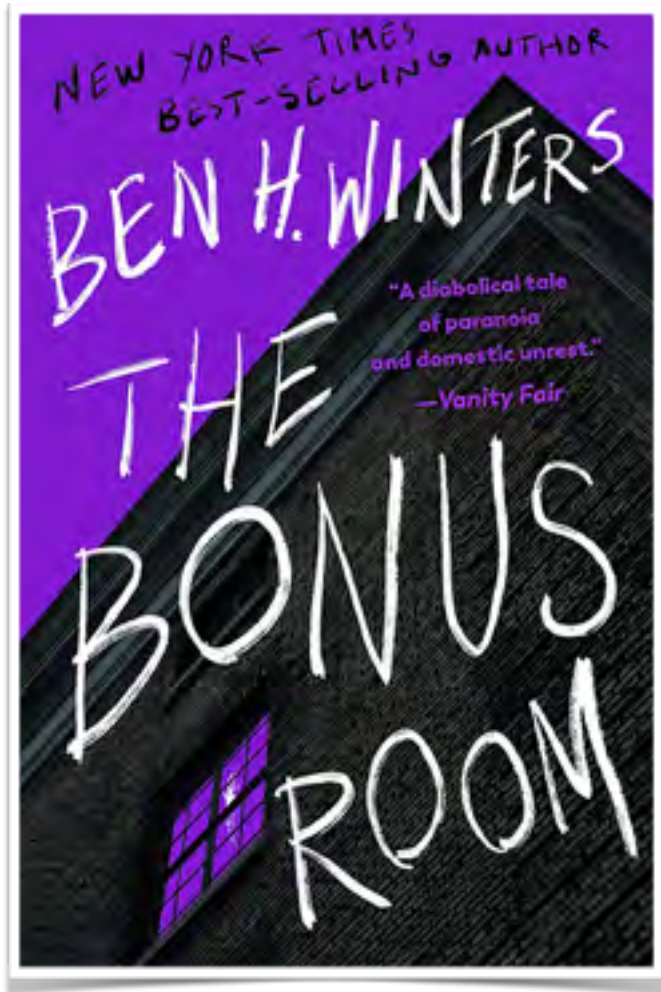
Psychological thriller fans of
Riley Sager

Fans of real-estate-gone-
wrong shows & movies like
Netflix's *The Watcher*,
Barbarian, *1BR*, and *The Rental*

Rights:

Rights Available: Film & TV,
Translation, UK/ANZ/
Commonwealth

Rights Sold: Audiobook,
French (Sonatine), Italian
(GeMS)



From *New York Times* best-selling and Edgar Award-winning author Ben H. Winters, this supernatural page-turner about a real-estate nightmare will make you think twice about your dream home.

Key Selling Points

- FOR FANS OF T. KINGFISHER, CLAY MCLEOD CHAPMAN, SARAH GAILEY, AND RILEY SAGER: Readers of *What Moves the Dead*, *Ghost Eaters*, *Just Like Home*, and *Lock Every Door* will enjoy this page-turning horror-thriller with just a hint of satirical edge.
- BESTSELLING, AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR: Ben H. Winters has had multiple books hit the NYT bestseller list and has won the Edgar Award for mystery writing, the Philip K. Dick Award in science fiction, the Sidewise Award for alternate history, and France's Grand Prix de l'Imaginaire.
- REAL-ESTATE HORROR IS THE NEW FAVORITE SUB-GENRE: The timing couldn't be more perfect. T. Kingfisher and Grady Hendrix have real-estate-themed horror novels out in 2023, and Hollywood has had recent success with *The Watcher*, *Barbarian*, *1BR*, and *The Rental*.
- PERPETUALLY TIMELY: Even when there's not an active outbreak, all current and former city dwellers will relate to the anxiety spiral caused by infestation fear.

About the Book:

Alex and Susan's new Brooklyn apartment seems too good to be true. Big kitchen, lots of light, a real bedroom for their little girl, even a studio for Susan to paint in—all for under \$4,000 a month. Yes, the landlord is a little intense, and they're not allowed in the basement, but who needs to go in the basement, right?

But then Susan starts hearing mysterious noises, feeling crawling sensations on her skin and in her throat, and seeing bugs nobody else can see. The exterminator swears there are no bedbugs in the building—but does that mean they're infested with something even worse?

This creepy-crawly thriller about a horrifying home infestation will get all the way under your skin.

Previously published in 2011 as *Bedbugs*.

About the Author:

Ben H. Winters is the *New York Times* best-selling, Edgar Award-winning, and Philip K. Dick Award-winning author of *The Quiet Boy*, *Golden State*, *Underground Airlines*, *The Last Policeman* and its two sequels, *Sense and Sensibility and Sea Monsters*, and several works for young readers. His first novel, *Sense and Sensibility and Sea Monsters*, was a *Times* bestseller. Winters was a producer on the FX show *Legion* and on the upcoming Apple TV+ drama *Manhunt*. He lives in LA with his wife, three kids, and one large dog.

Praise for the Book:

"A diabolical tale of paranoia and domestic unrest."

--*Vanity Fair*

"Winters expertly builds suspense in this chilling thriller"

--*Booklist*

"A psychological thriller with Hitchcockian suspense"

--*Los Angeles Times*



Specs:

The Last
Policeman Book
I (Aug 2012)

320 pp trade
paperback, 5 x 8,
1 color

The Last Policeman

Winner of the Edgar® Award for Best Paperback Original
150,000 English-language copies sold

About the Book:

What's the point in solving murders if we're all going to die soon, anyway?

Detective Hank Palace has faced this question ever since asteroid 2011GV1 hovered into view. There's no chance left. No hope. Just six precious months until impact. The economy spirals downward while crops rot in the fields. Churches and synagogues are packed. People all over the world are walking off the job—but not Hank Palace. He's investigating a death in a city that sees a dozen suicides every week—except this one feels suspicious, and Palace is the only cop who cares.

The first in a trilogy, *The Last Policeman* offers a mystery set on the brink of an apocalypse, confronting us with harder questions than "whodunit." *What is life worth? What would any of us do if we realized our days were numbered?*

Rights Sold: French, Italian, Japanese, Romanian, Slovak, Spanish, Turkish



Specs:

The Last
Policeman Book
II (Jul 2013)

320 pp trade
paperback, 5 x 8,
1 color

Countdown City

Winner of the Philip K. Dick Award

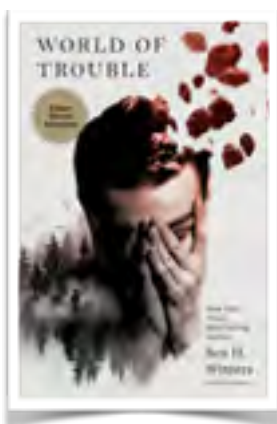
About the Book:

There are just 77 days before a deadly asteroid collides with Earth, and Detective Palace is out of a job. With the Concord police force operating under the auspices of the U.S. Justice Department, Hank's days of solving crimes are over...until a woman from his past begs for help finding her missing husband.

Brett Cavatone disappeared without a trace—an easy feat in a world with no phones, no cars, and no way to tell whether someone's gone “bucket list” or just gone. With society falling to shambles, Hank pieces together what few clues he can, on a search that leads him from a college-campus-turned-anarchist-encampment to a crumbling coastal landscape where anti-immigrant militia fend off “impact zone” refugees.

Countdown City presents another fascinating mystery set on the brink of an apocalypse—and once again, Hank Palace confronts questions way beyond “whodunit.”





Specs:

The Last
Policeman Book
III (Jul 2014)

320 pp trade
paperback, 5 x 8,
1 color

World of Trouble

Nominated for the 2015 Edgar® Award for Best Paperback Original

About the Book:

With the doomsday asteroid looming, Detective Hank Palace has found sanctuary in the woods of New England, secure in a well-stocked safe house with other members of the Concord police force. But with time ticking away before the asteroid makes landfall, Hank's safety is limited, and his only relative--his sister Nico--isn't safe. Soon, it's clear that more than one earth-shattering revelation is on the horizon, and it's up to Hank to solve the puzzle before time runs out... for everyone.

Praise:

"**Winters, a major talent**, gives us the best realized world on the verge of annihilation that this reviewer has seen since Cormac McCarthy."--*Sci Fi Magazine*

"Stubborn, earnest, self-deprecating, and decent, protagonist Hank Palace is a brilliantly realized character you want to follow to the very end--and beyond."--*San Francisco Chronicle*



About Ben H. Winters

Ben H. Winters is the author most recently of the novel *The Quiet Boy* (Mulholland/Little, Brown, 2021). He is also the author of the novel *Golden State*; the *New York Times* bestselling *Underground Airlines*; *The Last Policeman* and its two sequels; the horror novel *Bedbugs*; and several works for young readers. His first novel, *Sense and Sensibility and Sea Monsters*, was also a *Times* bestseller. Ben has won the Edgar Award for mystery writing, the Philip K. Dick award in science fiction, the Sidewise Award for alternate history, and France's Grand Prix de l'Imaginaire. Ben also writes for film and television; he was a producer on the FX show *Legion*, and on the upcoming Apple TV+ drama *Manhunt*. He has contributed short stories to many anthologies, as well as in magazines such as *Lightspeed*. He is the author of three "Audible Originals"--*Inside Jobs*, *Q&A*, and *Self Help*—and several plays and musicals. His reviews and essays have appeared in *Slate* and in the *New York Times Book Review*. Ben was born in Washington, D.C., grew up in Maryland, educated in St. Louis, and then grew up a bunch more, in various ways, in places like Chicago, New York, Cambridge, MA, and Indianapolis, IN. These days he lives in LA with his wife, three kids, and one large dog.



THE RESURRECTIONIST

by E.B. Hudspeth

Specs:

Categories: Fiction, Fantasy, Mythical Creatures, Horror, Science Fiction, Illustrated

Age Range: Adult

Format: Hardcover, 192 pages, 2 c highly designed interior with illustrations throughout, trim size 7-1/2 x 10-1/2

Pub Date: May 2013

Key Selling Points:

Still selling over 1000 copies per month 10 years after pub

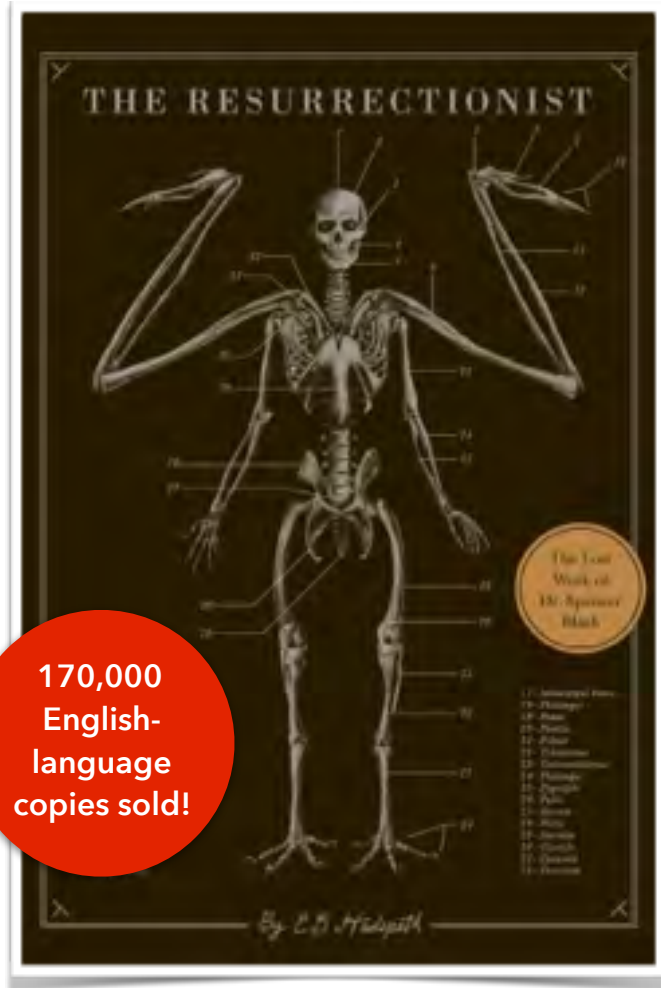
Has earned out advance in at least 5 territories

Average 4.7-of-5 rating on Amazon across 5,500 reviews

Rights:

Rights Available: Translation, Audio, UK/ANZ

Rights Sold: Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese, French (expired), Italian, Japanese, Korea, Russian, Ukrainian.



This macabre tale—part dark fantasy, part *Gray's Anatomy*—tells the chilling story of a man driven mad by his search for the truth, with hypnotic and horrifying images.

“Disturbingly lovely...*The Resurrectionist* is itself a cabinet of curiosities, stitching history and mythology and sideshow into an altogether different creature.

Deliciously macabre and beautifully grotesque.”—Erin Morgenstern, author of *The Night Circus*



About the Book:

Philadelphia, the late 1870s. A city of gas lamps, cobblestone streets, and horse-drawn carriages—and home to the controversial surgeon Dr. Spencer Black. The son of a grave robber, young Dr. Black studies at Philadelphia's esteemed Academy of Medicine, where he develops an unconventional hypothesis: that the mythological beasts of legend and lore—including mermaids, minotaurs, and satyrs—were in fact humanity's evolutionary ancestors. And beyond that, he wonders: what if there was a way for humanity to reach the fuller potential these ancestors implied?

The Resurrectionist offers two extraordinary books in one. The first part is a fictional biography of Dr. Spencer Black, from his childhood spent exhuming corpses through his medical training, his travels with carnivals, his cruel and crazed experiments, and, finally, his mysterious disappearance. The second part is Black's magnum opus: *The Codex Extinct Animalia*, a *Gray's Anatomy* for mythological beasts, all rendered in meticulously detailed anatomical illustrations.

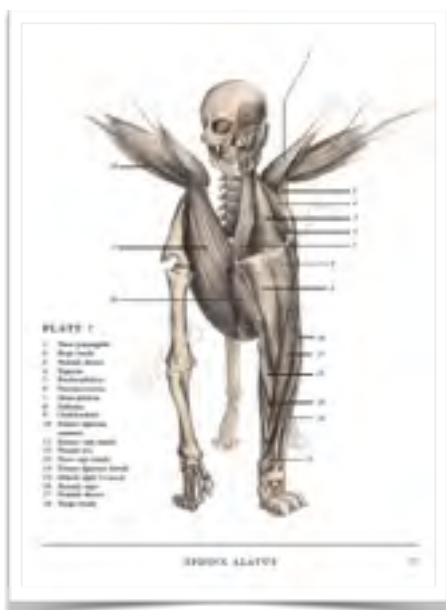
About the Creator:

E.B. Hudspeth is an artist and author living in New Jersey. This is his first book.

Praise:

"The book is a welcome addition to any library of dark fantasy, with its beautiful portraiture and gripping description of a man's descent into perversity."—*Publishers Weekly*, "Pick of the Week"

"Fans of Neil Gaiman, Hieronymus Bosch, and the Mütter Museum are sure to love [*The Resurrectionist*] and the rest will certainly be both astounded and intrigued by what you find inside!"—*The Garden Island*



*Specs:*

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Horror

336 pp
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color

July 2017

My Best Friend's Exorcism by Grady Hendrix

Over 150,000 English-language copies sold!

About the Book:

Abby and Gretchen have been best friends since childhood. But after an evening of skinny-dipping goes disastrously wrong, Gretchen begins to act...different. She's moody. She's irritable. And bizarre incidents keep happening whenever she's nearby. Abby's investigation leads her to some startling discoveries—and by the time their story reaches its terrifying conclusion, the fate of Abby and Gretchen will be determined by a single question: Is their friendship powerful enough to beat the devil?

About the Author:

Grady Hendrix is an award-winning and *New York Times* best-selling novelist and screenwriter.

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Now a motion picture starring Elsie Fisher, directed by Damon Thomas!

*Specs:*

Adult Fiction/
Horror

408 pp
hardcover, 1 color

April 2020

The Southern Book Club's Guide to Slaying Vampires by Grady Hendrix

Over 300,000 copies sold

"This funny and fresh take on a classic tale manages to comment on gender roles, racial disparities, and white privilege all while creeping me all the way out."—Zakiya Dalila Harris, author of *The Other Black Girl*

"One of the most rollicking, addictive novels I've read in years"—Danielle Trussani, for *The New York Times Book Review*

About the Book:

Steel Magnolias meets *Dracula* in this *New York Times* best-selling horror novel about a women's book club that must do battle with a mysterious newcomer to their small Southern town.

Rights:

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*Specs:*

Adult Fiction/
Horror

336 pp
paperback, 1c

**September
2018**

We Sold Our Souls by Grady Hendrix

Nominated for the 2018 Shirley Jackson Award for Best Novel

A 2018 Goodreads Choice Award finalist

"A fast-paced ride, firmly rooted in the pulp horror tradition... Hendrix's darkest novel yet will leave readers begging for an encore."--*Booklist* (☆)

About the Book:

From the *New York Times* best-selling author of *The Southern Book Club's Guide to Slaying Vampires* comes a hard-rocking, spine-tingling horror novel about a washed-up guitarist of a '90s heavy metal band who embarks on an epic road-trip across America and deep into the web of a sinister conspiracy.

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*Specs:*

Adult Fiction/
Horror

188 pp highly
designed 1c

**September
2014**

Horrorstör by Grady Hendrix

Film rights optioned by New Republic Pictures!

"Wildly inventive...Hendrix delivers both a palm-sweating horror story and a laugh-out-loud satire of retail."--*Esquire*

About the Book:

Something strange is happening at the Orsk furniture superstore. Every morning, employees arrive to find broken Kjerring bookshelves, shattered Glans water goblets, and smashed Liripip wardrobes. Sales are down, security cameras reveal nothing, & store managers are panicking.

To unravel the mystery, three employees volunteer to work a nine-hour dusk-till-dawn shift. In the dead of the night, they'll patrol the empty showroom floor, investigate strange sights and sounds, and encounter horrors that defy the imagination.

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Secret Santa

About the Book:

A fun, festive, and frightening horror-comedy!

Out of work for months, Lussi Meyer is desperate to work anywhere in publishing. A bizarre set of circumstances leads to her hire at an upmarket/literary firm where she's a bad fit, and to a mandate: Lussi must find the next horror superstar to compete with Stephen King and Anne Rice. It's the 1980s, after all, and horror is the hottest genre.

But as soon as she arrives, Lussi finds herself the target of her co-workers' mean-spirited pranks. The hazing reaches its peak during the company's annual Secret Santa gift exchange, when she receives a demonic-looking object. Suddenly, her coworkers start falling victim to a series of horrific accidents. Can Lussi figure out what's going on with the cursed object in her possession before it destroys the company?

About the Author:

Andrew Shaffer is the *New York Times* best-selling author of satire, humorous fiction, and nonfiction for Quirk, HarperCollins, and PRH.

Specs:

Nov 2020

Horror/Humor/
Thriller

216 pp trade
paperback, 5 x 8, 1
color

All rights available.



Pride and Prejudice and Zombies

About the Book:

The iconic original that spawned the mash-up fiction genre!

Complete with romance, heartbreak, swordfights, cannibalism, and thousands of rotting corpses, *Pride and Prejudice and Zombies* is an audacious retelling of English literature's most enduring novel. It's the perfect read for literature lovers, zombie fans, and anyone who loves a reanimated Austen.

About the Authors:

Jane Austen is the author of *Sense and Sensibility*, *Persuasion*, *Mansfield Park*, and other masterpieces of English literature. **Seth Grahame-Smith** is the author of *Abraham Lincoln*, *Vampire Hunter*. He also wrote the screenplay for the Tim Burton film *Dark Shadows*. He lives in LA.

Active Rights Sold:

German, Greek, Italian, Portuguese in Brazil, Turkish

Over one
million copies
sold!

Specs:

Mar 2009

Humor/Horror/
Romance

320 pp trade
paperback, 5 x 8,
1 color



*Specs:***Jun 2018**Mystery/Dark
Humor304 pp trade
paperback, 5-1/4 x
8, 1 color

Ten Dead Comedians

About the Book:

A savagely funny homage to the Golden Age of Mystery and a thoroughly contemporary show-business satire

As the story opens, nine comedians of various acclaim are summoned to the island retreat of legendary Hollywood funnyman Dustin Walker. The group includes a former late-night TV host, a washed-up improv instructor, a ridiculously wealthy “blue collar” comic, and a past-her-prime Vegas icon. All nine arrive via boat to find that every building on the island is completely deserted. Marooned without cell phone service or wifi signals, they soon find themselves being murdered one by one. But who is doing the killing, and why?

About the Author:

Fred Van Lente is the *New York Times* best-selling author of the comics *Odd Is On Our Side*, *Archer & Armstrong*, and *Action Philosophers*.

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*Specs:***July 2018**Mystery/Dark
Humor288 pp trade
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1 color

The Con Artist

About the Book:

This illustrated mystery will appeal to comic book fans and anyone who appreciates an unconventional whodunit.

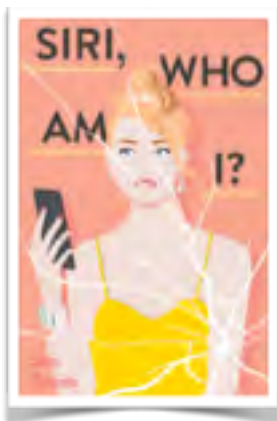
Comic book artist Mike Mason arrives at San Diego Comic-Con, seeking sanctuary with other fans and creators—and maybe to reunite with his ex—but when his rival is found murdered, he becomes the prime suspect. To clear his name, Mike will have to navigate every corner of the con, from zombie obstacle courses and cosplay flash mobs to intrusive fans and obsessive collectors, in the process unraveling a dark secret behind one of the industry’s most legendary creators.

About the Author:

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*Specs:*

352 pp
paperback, 5 x 8,
1 color interior

Siri, Who Am I?

"A wild ride...with endless turns and a happily-ever-after ending fit for a Friday night, feel-good rom-com movie"--*USA Today*

About the Book:

A Millennial with amnesia uses her Instagram account to piece together her identity in this hilarious and whip-smart comedy about the ups and downs of influencer culture.

About the Author:

Sam Tschida is from the wilds of Minnesota, where she lives with a motley crew of kids, dogs, and one handsome man.

Rights:

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*Specs:*

352 pp
paperback, 5 x 8,
1 color interior, 1
color spot
illustrations
throughout

My Lady's Choosing

About the Book:

You are the plucky but penniless heroine in the center of eighteenth-century society, courtship season has begun, and your future is at hand. With dozens of possible endings and multiple lovers to pursue, unexpected and multiple intertwining storylines make this novel a delight to read again and again.

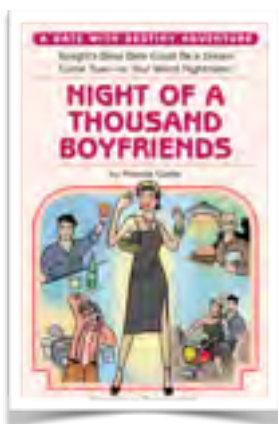
About the Author:

Larissa Zageris and **Kitty Curran** are the creative team behind the hit viral Kickstarter project *Taylor Swift: Girl Detective* as well as countless other zines and comics.

Rights:

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*Specs:***Feb 2003**Humor/
Choosable-Path/
Romance/Straight144 pp trade
paperback, 4-3/16 x
6-3/4, 1 color

Night of 1000 Boyfriends

*About the Book:***Will you find Mr. Right? Or Mr. Still-Lives-With-His-Mother?**

In *Night of 1000 Boyfriends*, you're going to have dinner with a man you've never met. It could be the perfect blind date—but the road to romance is fraught with danger: torn stockings, obnoxious roommates, maxed-out credit cards, adulterous husbands, and worse.

Can you surmount these obstacles and find true love? Or will you be alone in bed, remote control in hand, by 9:30?

It all depends on the choices YOU make.

About the Author:

Miranda Clarke lives in Philadelphia and often has difficulty making smart decisions (particularly when faced with a dessert tray).

All languages available.

*Specs:***Feb 2003**Humor/
Choosable-Path/
Romance/Gay144 pp trade
paperback, 4-3/16
x 6-3/4, 1 color

Escape from Fire Island!

*About the Book:***Can you save Fire Island before it's too late?**

It was supposed to be a nice, relaxing weekend—with a little swimming, a lot of cocktails, and more hot bodies than a year's subscription to *Men's Health* magazine. But when a vat of radioactive waste washes onto the beach, strange things start happening—and now an army of zombie drag queens is storming the coast! Can you save Fire Island before it's too late? Or will you perish at the hands of a thousand shrieking divas? It all depends on the choices YOU make.

If you run toward the nearest ferry terminal, turn to page 44. If you flirt with the cute Twink, turn to page 55. If you throw caution to the wind and join the nearest circuit party, turn to page 80.

About the Author:

James H. English is 5'11", 32 years old, single, and a resident of Queens, New York. He enjoys hot men, making ice cream, and tormenting the living in new and creative ways.

All languages available.



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