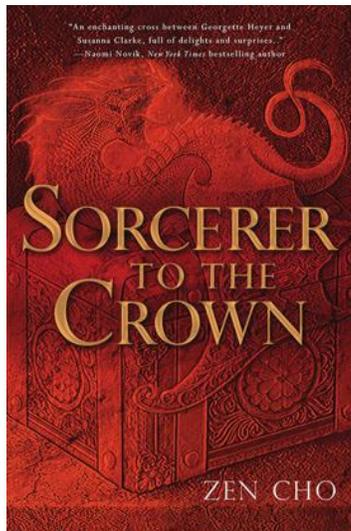


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Zen Cho

## **SORCERER TO THE CROWN** **ZEN CHO**

**S**ORCERER TO THE CROWN is a historical fantasy set in London in the early 1800s. Zacharias Wythe is England’s first black Sorcerer Royal. (As in, he’s a black guy. Not as in black magic. He’s the good guy!) But his life is still pretty awful. England is running out of magic, his colleagues are malicious and scheming to remove him from his position, and some think he killed his predecessor.

To restore balance, he must journey to find out why magic is running out. In his travels, he meets a woman with extraordinary powers, and together they set off on a path that will alter the nature of sorcery in Britain—and the world.

This book has everything readers could wish for in a historical fantasy: secret dragons, schoolgirl hijinks, confrontations at balls and overbearing aunts who are also witches.

♦ ♦ ♦

“An enchanting cross between Georgette Heyer and Susanna Clarke, full of delights and surprises. Zen Cho unpins the edges of the canvas and throws them wide.”

—*Naomi Novik, New York Times best-selling author of the Temeraire novels*

“A delightful and enchanting novel that uses sly wit and assured style to subvert expectations while it always, unfailingly, entertains. I loved it!”

—*Kate Elliott, author of the Spiritwalker series*

“A deliciously true tale of politics and power in a charming, cruel world—it demands and deserves to be read again and again. Cho has humor and flair to match Pratchett and Heyer plus her own marvelous style.”

—*Karen Lord, author of The Best of All Possible Worlds*

### **Publishers**

**World English: Ace/Tor**

**Ace/Tor**

**US pub: September 2015**

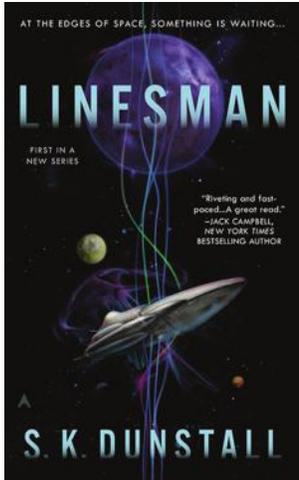
**Foreign: LDA**

**Audio: LDA**

**Film: LDA**

**Agent: Caitlin Blasdel**

**First in a brand new thought-provoking science fiction series.**



**Ean works with the lines—those mysterious bands of power that allow ships to enter the void and travel instantaneously.**

**Ace/Penguin**  
**US pub: June 2015**  
**Foreign: LDA**  
**Audio: LDA**  
**Film: LDA**  
**Agent: Caitlin Blasdel**

## **LINESMAN**

### **S.K. DUNSTALL**

**N**o ship can traverse the void without the lines. Only linesmen can work with them. But only Ean Lambert hears their song. And everyone thinks he's crazy...

Most slum kids never go far, certainly not becoming a level-ten linesman like Ean. Even if Ean is part of a small and unethical cartel, and even if the other linesmen disdain his self-taught methods, he's certified and working.

Then a mysterious alien ship is discovered at the edges of the galaxy. Each of the major galactic powers is desperate to be the first to uncover the ship's secrets, but all they've learned is that it has the familiar lines of energy—and a defense system that, once triggered, annihilates everything in a 200-kilometer radius.

The vessel threatens any linesman who dares to approach it, except Ean. His unique ability to hear the singing of the lines may be the key to understanding this alarming new force—and to reconfiguring the relationship between humans and the ships that serve them, forever.

LINESMAN is a first novel by Karen and Sherylyn Dunstall, sisters who live in Melbourne, Australia and write under the name S.K. Dunstall.

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“Riveting and fast-paced. LINESMAN is a great read.”  
—*NYT bestselling author Jack Campbell*

“Full of fast action, interplanetary intrigue, appealing characters, and a fascinating new take on the idea of the sentient spaceship, LINESMAN is a whole lot of fun to read. I want to hear the ships' lines singing!”  
—*Sharon Shinn, National Bestselling Author of ARCHANGEL*

**Publishers**  
**World English: Ace/Penguin**

**She wondered if he was an impostor. Real PSI soldiers were rarely seen on colonies, living primarily in nomadic tribes, many of them spending their entire lives, birth to death, on massive generation ships.**

**Nothing would change what happened. Danny was dead, and that was reality, and when all of this was untangled she would have to sit down and have a good hard look at that fact.**

**Harper Voyager  
US pub: Spring 2016  
Foreign: LDA  
Audio: HarperCollins  
Film: LDA  
Agent: Hannah Bowman**

## **THE COLD BETWEEN ELIZABETH BONESTEEL**

**T**HE COLD BETWEEN is the start of a stellar military science-fiction series, with a hint of mystery and romance. It combines the close-knit crew dynamics of Star Trek with the big concepts and high stakes of modern SF classics like James S.A. Corey's Expanse series.

Central Corps starship mechanic Elena Shaw doesn't have time to grieve when her crewmate Danny is murdered during shore leave on the rich-but-lawless colony planet Volhynia. All evidence points to Treiko Zajec: former captain of one of the huge generation ships making up the mostly benevolent outlaw tribe known as PSI, and Elena's lover. But Elena knows Trey is innocent—he was with her when Danny was killed—and the cops are covering for the real killer.

As Elena Shaw investigates the murder, she uncovers a conspiracy that Trey had discovered, centered on the mysterious explosion of a Central Corps starship twenty-five years before—a secret that got him killed.

With ranking officers in the Central government implicated, Elena and her lover, outlaw captain Treiko Zajec, strike out on their own to expose the conspiracy, and the threat it poses to human civilization throughout the galaxy

Harper Voyager bought the first three books in this new series in a world English, six-figure deal at auction.

Elizabeth Bonesteel lives in Massachusetts where she is a software engineer.

### **Publishers**

**World English: Harper Voyager**

***Del Rey pre-empted three books by this debut author, whose first work might be pitched as Alien meets James S.A. Corey.***



**C.A. Higgins**

***A spaceship on a top-secret mission. Two thieves who may be terrorists—or revolutionaries. An interrogator determined to find the truth, whatever the cost. And a mechanic whose loyalty to her ship outweighs her loyalty to the government.***

**Del Rey/Random House  
US pub: August 2015  
Foreign: LDA  
Audio: Del Rey  
Film: Brandy Rivers at ICM  
via LDA**

## **LIGHTLESS**

### **C.A. HIGGINS**

**A**s mechanic of the classified military starship Ananke, Althea Bastet's primary concern is always the safety of her ship. In this effort, the three-member crew is aided by stern oversight from members of the System, the all-powerful government.

When a charming thief who calls himself Ivan boards the ship, Althea and her two crewmates capture him—but not until after his escaping accomplice infects the ship's computer with an unknown virus.

Interrogator Ida Stays—envoy from the System—is always right. Based on her studies of Ivan's movements via the System's near-omnipresent surveillance, Ida is sure that Ivan is closely connected to a terrorist planning a major attack...she just has to prove it. But, as she learns when she arrives on the Ananke to interrogate him, Ivan is a very good liar.

As Ida gets closer to the answer she seeks, and discerns implications that could shatter the System's carefully controlled order, the starship's behavior grows erratic and dangerous to the crew. Althea slowly begins to realize that underneath Ivan's lies, he may be the only one who knows the truth that can save her ship.

And Althea cares more about her ship than she does the System.

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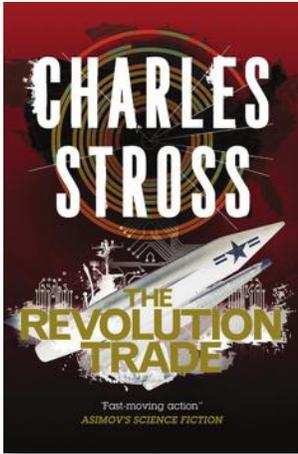
Higgins' writing is sophisticated and assured, and her astrophysics background informs the world she created.

Paced like a thriller, **LIGHTLESS** is a space opera with the chills of **ALIEN**.

#### **Publishers**

**World English: Del Rey (pub Summer 2015)**

**Bold contemporary multi-world fantasy from science fiction star Charles Stross.**



**Charles Stross**

## **MERCHANT PRINCES Series** **CHARLES STROSS**

**M**ERCHANT PRINCES is a thrill-a-minute saga about finding the family you never knew you had...and sometimes wishing you could take it all back. Miriam, a hip tech journalist who hails from Boston, discovers she has alternate world relatives known collectively as the Clan. With this new mafia-like family of world-skipping assassins comes an elite identity of her own for Miriam. Now her new home is caught in a civil war, she is pregnant with the heir to the throne, and if that's not enough, a splinter-group wants her on their side of a desperate power struggle. Meanwhile, unknown to the Clan, the U.S. government has knowledge of their worlds-wide dealings and plans to manipulate the Clan. But what the government doesn't know is that a rebel Clan faction plans to come after the U.S. president with nuclear weapons. Can anti-terror measures be taken in multiple dimensions?

♦ ♦ ♦

“Charles Stross brings info-tech philosophy to the world of fantasy. . . .Stories unfold across three worlds that are brought to life with humor-laced action.”

—*The Denver Post*

“Stross weaves a tale worthy of Robert Ludlum or Dan Brown.”

—*PW*

“The world-building in this series is simply superb, in other words—it is engaging, crystal-clear and disturbingly real...”

—*Sci-Fi.com*

The six-book series was released as three omnibuses in 2014, and three new books in the series are under contract. Stross's novellas **PALIMPSEST**, **THE CONCRETE JUNGLE** and **EQUOID** won Hugos in 2010, 2005 and 2010, respectively.

### **Publishers**

US (#1-6):	Tor	Hebrew (#1):	Yaniv
UK (#1-6):	Pan Macmillan	Russian (#1-2):	AST
Czech (#1-6):	Talpress		
Estonian (#1-4):	As Varrak		
French (#1-4):	Laffont		

**Tor**  
**US pub: Ongoing**  
**Foreign: LDA**  
**Audio: Recorded Books**  
**Film: LDA**  
**Agent: Caitlin Blasdel**

**Charlie Stross has won three Hugos and has become one of science fiction's biggest stars.**



**Charles Stross**

**Ace**  
**US pub: July 2015**  
**Foreign: LDA**  
**Audio: Recorded Books**  
**Film: Steve Fisher on behalf of LDA**  
**Agent: Caitlin Blasdel**

## **THE ANNIHILATION SCORE**

### **The Laundry Series**

#### **CHARLES STROSS**

“Men in Black” meet James Bond in Charles Stross’s Laundry series of SF spy thrillers starring IT geek (and master of the supernatural) Bob Howard.

The one-time IT consultant now labors as a field agent for “the Laundry,” a super-secret British spy agency tasked with keeping mankind safe from evil magicks and wizardry that few of us recognize exists.

Now a junior manager within the Laundry, Bob realizes his job has gotten only tougher when a new threat arises from the darkness: a vampire-like infection has overtaken the traders employed by a merchant bank in London.

Bureaucracy and magical horror collide in the sixth book in the series, as Bob and his eccentric assortment of colleagues attempt to save the world from what appears to be a conspiracy between man and monsters.

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“The act of creation seems to come easily to Charles Stross... He is peerless at dreaming up devices that could conceivably exist in six, sixty, or six hundred years’ time.”

—*The New York Times*

“Where Charles Stross goes today, the rest of science fiction will follow tomorrow.”

—*Gardner Dozois*

“Charles Stross may be the science fiction field’s most exciting writer.”

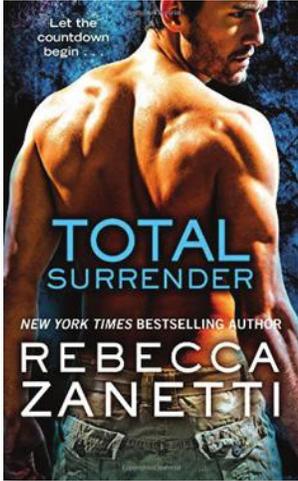
—*SF REVU*

The fifth book in the Laundry series, *THE RHESUS CHART*, was published in July 2014. Stross is also author of the wildly successful fantasy series, *The Merchant Princes*, which relaunched with new omnibus editions in 2014. Stross’ novella *EQUOID*, a Laundry story, won a Hugo Award in 2014.

#### **Publishers**

UK: Orbit/LittleBrown  
US: Tor/Ace

**New York Times and USA Today bestselling author Rebecca Zanetti is breaking out in a major way.**



Rebecca Zanetti

**With sexy sizzle and fast-paced danger, Zanetti has created a heady romance with an emotional punch that fans of J.R. Ward will devour.**

Grand Central  
US pub: Ongoing  
Foreign: LDA  
Audio: Grand Central  
Film: LDA  
Agent: Caitlin Blasdel

## **SIN BROTHERS Series** **REBECCA ZANETTI**

**F**or Nate Dean, love is a four-letter word. As part of a secret black-ops military unit, he and his brothers were genetically engineered by the government to be ruthless soldiers with an expiration date. They were loyal only to one another . . . until Nate laid eyes on the woman who stole his heart and blew his world apart. Now, years later, his family is still paying the price for his mistake. But as time runs out, there's only one person who can save his family: the very woman Nate swore he'd never trust again.

The fourth in the series, **TOTAL SURRENDER** was published in **March 2015**. Zanetti is also the author of very popular **THE DARK PROTECTORS** series, published by Kensington, and the **Maverick Montana** series published by Entangled.

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“Everything you could want in an action/adventure is in this book. Wow, just wow, Rebecca Zanetti...**FORGOTTEN SINS** is nonstop action and drama. It is a fantastic start to a new series. One I will be waiting for with anticipation.” —*K&T Book Reviews*

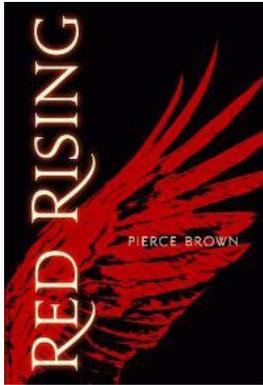
“Totally swoon-worthy.” —*Reading Teen*

“For a romantic suspense junkie such as myself, I really enjoyed **FORGOTTEN SINS**... The story drew me in right away from the first page, and I didn't put it down until I was finished.” —*Ms. Romantic Reads*

**Publishers**  
World English: Grand Central

**“Set in the future and reminiscent of The Hunger Games and Game of Thrones...”**

–Kirkus



Pierce Brown

**Del Rey**  
**US pub:** January 2014  
January 2015  
January 2016  
**Foreign:** LDA  
**Audio:** Audible  
**Film:** Universal via CAA  
**Agent:** Hannah Bowman

## **RED RISING GOLDEN SON MORNING STAR PIERCE BROWN**



**R**ED RISING is triggering reader excitement all around the world. Darrow is a Red, a member of the lowest caste in the color-coded society of Mars. Like his fellow Reds, he labors in the planet’s merciless mines, believing he and his people are making the surface of Mars livable for future generations.

But Darrow and his kind have been betrayed. Soon he discovers that humanity already reached the surface years ago. Vast cities and sprawling parks spread across the planet. Darrow—and Reds like him—are nothing more than slaves to a decadent ruling class.

Revolutionaries help Darrow to escape the mines and to escape his past; they graft onto his back the wings that mark him as a Gold, the planet’s ruling caste.

Now he’s ready to win a place of power among Mars’ cruel rulers, and to explode the lies that forge his world.

Named one of the best books of the year by Entertainment Weekly, Buzzfeed and Shelf Awareness.

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“Top-notch...the first book in a new trilogy marrying the Occupy Movement, *The Lord of the Flies*, and a really serious game of Risk.” —*USA Today*

“Has a dark and twisted power of its own that will captivate readers and leave them wanting more.” —*Library Journal* [★starred review]

“Ender, Katniss, and now Darrow.” —*Scott Sigler*

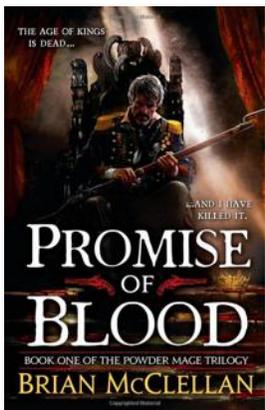
### **Publishers**

**North America English: Del Rey**

**UK/Commonwealth English: Hodder & Stoughton**

Bulgaria:	Ciela Norma	Korean:	Minumsa
Chinese (complex):	Doing	Latvian:	Prometjs
Chinese (simplified):	Dook	Norwegian:	Aschenhoug
Croatian:	Profil	Polish:	Drageus
Czech:	Triton	Portuguese (Brazil):	Globo
Danish:	Gyldendal	Portuguese (Portugal):	Presença
Estonian:	As Varrak	Rumanian:	Editura Art
French:	Hachette	Russian:	Azbooka-Atticus
German:	Heyne	Serbian:	Urban
Greek:	Metaichmio	Spanish:	RBA
Hebrew:	Kinneret	Swedish:	Norstedt
Hungarian:	Agave	Thai:	Earnest
Indonesian:	Gramedia	Turkish:	Pegasus
Italian:	Mondadori	Vietnamese:	Nha Nam
Japanese:	Hayakawa		

**Fully realized characters contend with a stunning tangle of plots, counterplots, perfidies and conundrums against a highly textured backdrop. The action sequences that intersperse all this are as ferocious as ever... A slam-bang conclusion to an outstanding trilogy.” –Kirkus (★) on THE AUTUMN REPUBLIC**



Brian McClellan

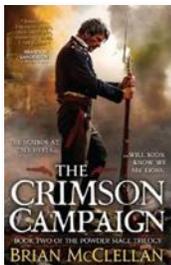
**“You can’t break Kresimir’s promise,” gasps a mage cryptically as revolutionaries kill him to overthrow their king.**

**Orbit US**

US pub: April 2013  
May 2014  
February 2015

Foreign: LDA  
Audio: Audible  
Film: LDA  
Agent: Caitlin Blasdell

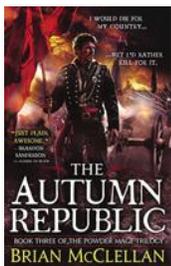
**PROMISE OF BLOOD  
THE CRIMSON CAMPAIGN  
THE AUTUMN REPUBLIC  
BRIAN McCLELLAN**



The Powder Mage trilogy offers epic fantasy set in a world inspired by the brilliant turmoil of 19th century Europe.

Swords have been replaced by muskets and pistols; serfs have organized into workers’ unions; and the old ways of sorcery are being threatened by powder mages: a breed of marksmen given remarkable abilities through snorting gunpowder.

Think Brandon Sanderson with a twist of Naomi Novik.



“This is a stew of splendidly diverse and flavorsome ingredients, outstanding action sequences and well-handled, relentless...plotting... A thoroughly satisfying yarn that should keep readers waiting impatiently for further installments.”

–Kirkus [★starred review]

“The world of the privileged sorcerers and the strange abilities of the powder mages who can manipulate gunpowder are just as well drawn in this captivating universe.”

–RT Book Reviews (4-1/2 stars)

“*Promise of Blood* is a hugely promising debut. Guns, swords, and magic together? What more could you want? How about tense action, memorable characters, rising stakes, and cool, cool magic? Not only the finest flintlock fantasy I’ve read, but also the most fun. Brian McClellan is the real thing.” –New York Times *bestseller Brent Weeks*

“I love the world Brian McClellan builds, Powder Mages with flintlock pistols against white-gloved Privileged for the fate of a nation and more. *Promise of Blood* feels like the start of something amazing.” –*Django Wexler*

“This book is just plain awesome. I found myself enjoying every moment of it. Innovative magic, quick-paced plot, interesting world. I had a blast.”

–*Brandon Sanderson*

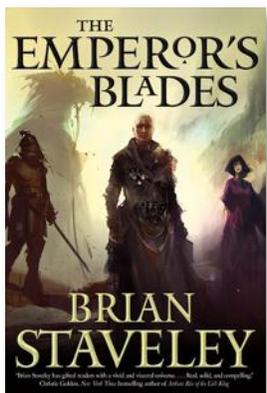
**Publishers**

World English: Orbit US  
Bulgarian: MBG  
French: Panini  
Hebrew: Korim

Hungarian: Fumax  
Polish: Fabryka Słow  
Russian: Azbooka-Atticus

**A complex and richly detailed world filled with elite soldier-assassins, mystic warrior monks, serpentine politics, and ancient secrets.**

—*Library Journal* [★starred review]



**Brian Staveley**

## **THE EMPEROR'S BLADES THE PROVIDENCE OF FIRE BOOK 3 BRIAN STAVELEY**



When the emperor of Annur is murdered, his children must fight to uncover the conspiracy—and the ancient enemy—that effected his death.

Kaden, the heir apparent, was for eight years sequestered in a remote mountain monastery, where he learned the inscrutable discipline of monks devoted to the Blank God. Their rituals hold the key to an ancient power which Kaden must master before it's too late. When an imperial delegation arrives to usher him back to the capital for his coronation, he has learned just enough to realize that they are not what they seem—and enough, perhaps, to successfully fight back.

Meanwhile, in the capital, his sister Adare, master politician and Minister of Finance, struggles against the religious conspiracy that seems to be responsible for the emperor's murder. Amid murky politics, she's determined to have justice—but she may be condemning the wrong man.

Their brother Valyn is struggling to stay alive. He knew his training to join the Kettral—deadly warriors who fly massive birds into battle—would be arduous. But after a number of strange apparent accidents, and the last desperate warning of a dying guard, he's convinced his father's murderers are trying to kill him, and then his brother. He must escape north to warn Kaden—if he can first survive the brutal final test of the Kettral.

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“Will hold your attention until the last page. This intense novel is impossible to put down.” —*RT Book Reviews* (4 stars)

“Debut novelist Staveley introduces a trio of royal offspring separated by distance, training, and the conspiracy that killed their father in this quick-paced, multithreaded fantasy.” —*Publishers Weekly*

“Come for the intrigue, assassination, death priests, black-ops bird riders, and giant poisonous hive-lizards. Stay for Staveley's characters, his language, and his way-cool fantasy Zen.” —*Max Gladstone, author of Three Parts Dead*

**Tor**  
US pub: January 2014  
January 2015  
Foreign: LDA  
Audio: Brilliance  
Film: Jon Cassir for LDA  
Agent: Hannah Bowman

### **Publishers**

<b>World English:</b>	<b>Tor</b>	Hungarian:	Gabo
Bulgarian:	MBG	Italian:	Gargoyle
Czech:	Fantom	Polish:	Rebis
Dutch:	Luitingh-Sijthoff	Portuguese (Brazil):	Novo Seculo
German:	Heyne	Turkish:	Pegasus Yayinlari

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