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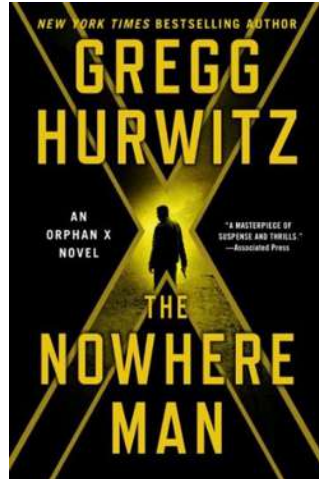
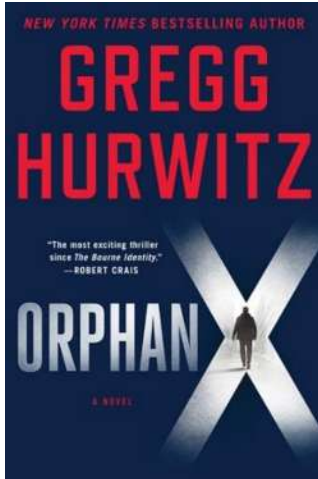
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“Outstanding...a smart, stylish, state-of-the-art thriller” – *The Washington Post*

“Read this book. You’ll thank me later.”
– David Baldacci

“Orphan X returns in an even more intense and harrowing thriller” – *Associated Press*

[“The Nowhere Man] will keep readers on the edge of their seats, but it’s Hurwitz’s engaging, sympathetic characters who place this thriller above the pack”
– *Publishers Weekly*, starred review

ORPHAN X and THE NOWHERE MAN by Gregg Hurwitz

- Publisher: Minotaur
- U.S. Release:
ORPHAN X: January 19, 2016 – National bestseller; *Sunday Times* Top Ten, Australia Top Ten; New Zealand #1
THE NOWHERE MAN: January 17, 2017 – National bestseller; #1 *Sunday Times* bestseller, #1 in New Zealand, Top Ten in Australia
HELLBENT, the third novel in the Orphan X series will be published in the US in January, 2018

Accolades for **ORPHAN X**, the first novel in the series:

Amazon: Best Book of the Year, 2016

iBooks: Best Book of the Year So Far, June 2016

ABA: Indie Next Great Reads list for February, 2016

Audible: The Best of 2016 – Mysteries & Thrillers

American Library Association: “Adrenaline” category winner– 2017 Reading List

- **Foreign Licenses**
ORPHAN X: **UK/CW**—Michael Joseph; **Italy**—DeAgostini; **Brazil**—Planeta; **Czech Republic**—Talpress; **Israel**—Dani Books; **Japan**—Kadokawa; **Spain**—Ediciones B; **Germany**—HarperCollins Germany; **Russia**—Hemiro/Family Leisure Club; **Sweden**—Bokfabriken; **Poland**—Albatros; **Portugal**--Saida de Emergencia; **Taiwan**--Sharp Point Press; **Finland**—Scanria; **Thai**—Amarin; **Netherlands**—Bruna; **Vietnam**—Tre Publishing; **Hungary**—Fumax; **Slovak**—Motyl; **Estonia**—Ajakirjade; **Turkey**—Pegasus

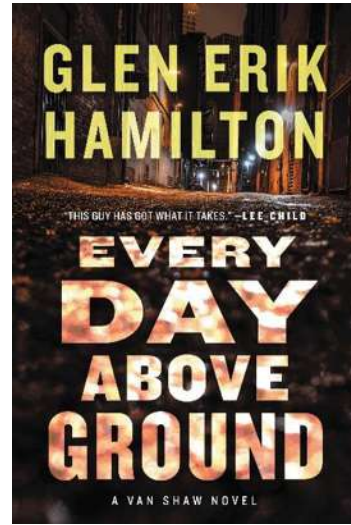
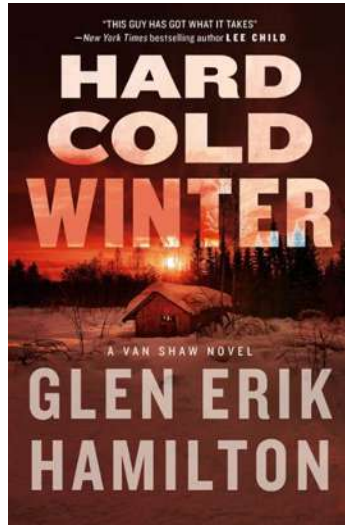
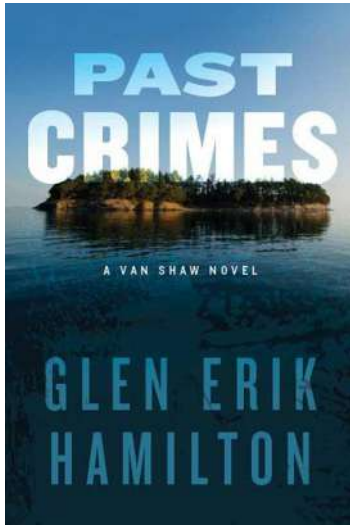
THE NOWHERE MAN: UK/CW—Michael Joseph; **Italy**—DeAgostini; **Netherlands**—Bruna; **Swedish**—Bokfabriken; **Estonia**—Ajakirjade; **Czech Republic**—Talpress; **Israel**—Dani Books; **Germany**—HarperCollins Germany; **Poland**—Albatros; **Taiwan**—Sharp Point Press; **Hungary**—Fumax

SYNOPSIS for ORPHAN X:

Evan Smoak is Orphan X: a hero unlike any seen before. Trained in secrecy from childhood to be a superior assassin, he now uses those skills to aid desperate people in dire situations, removing the abusers from their lives and asking nothing in return, other than the forwarding of his phone number to someone else in need. Though officially he doesn't exist, he has powerful enemies from his past who want to eliminate him, and he hides from them in plain sight through a seemingly ordinary life in Los Angeles. In this inaugural book in the Orphan X series, one of Evan's rescue missions goes horribly wrong, and Evan realizes the person he is trying to save just may be the person who destroys him.

SYNOPSIS for THE NOWHERE MAN:

He was once called Orphan X. As a boy, Evan Smoak was taken from a children's home, raised and trained as part of a secret government initiative buried so deep that virtually no one knows it exists. But he broke with the program, choosing instead to vanish off the grid and use his formidable skill set to help those unable to protect themselves. One day, though, Evan's luck runs out . . . Ambushed, drugged, and kidnapped, Evan wakes up in a locked room with no idea where he is or who has captured him. As he tries to piece together what's happened, testing his gilded prison and its highly trained guards for weaknesses, he receives a desperate call for help. With time running out, he will need to out-think, out-manuever, and out-fight an opponent the likes of whom he's never encountered to have any chance of escape. He's got to save himself to protect those whose lives depend on him. Or die trying . . .



PAST CRIMES
HARD COLD WINTER
EVERY DAY ABOVE GROUND

By Glen Erik Hamilton
The Van Shaw Series

- Publisher: William Morrow
- U.S. Release of Book #3, EVERY DAY ABOVE GROUND: July 25, 2017

PAST CRIMES, the first novel in the Van Shaw series,
was one of the most lauded mysteries of 2016:

Anthony Award: Best First Novel – **Winner**

Macavity Award: Best First Novel – **Winner**

Strand Magazine Critics Award: Best First Novel – **Winner**

Edgar Award: Best First Novel -- **Finalist**

Barry Award: Best First Novel – **Finalist**

Nero Award: Best American Mystery – **Finalist**

- **Foreign licenses:**
PAST CRIMES: **UK/CW**—Faber & Faber; **Israel**—Kor'im Publishers; **Turkey**—Pay Kitap; **Japan**--Hayakawa
HARD COLD WINTER: **UK/CW**—Faber & Faber; **Turkey**—Pay Kitap; **Japan**--Hayakawa
EVERY DAY ABOVE GROUND: **UK/CW**—Faber & Faber

The second novel in the Edgar-nominated Van Shaw series is:

“...brimming with action, conflict, and realistic and compelling characters. From the very first page, this thriller is clever, timely, and definitely an attention grabber. Readers of the first book will be delighted with the backstory, and aficionados of the genre will eat this one up.”

--*Library Journal*, starred review

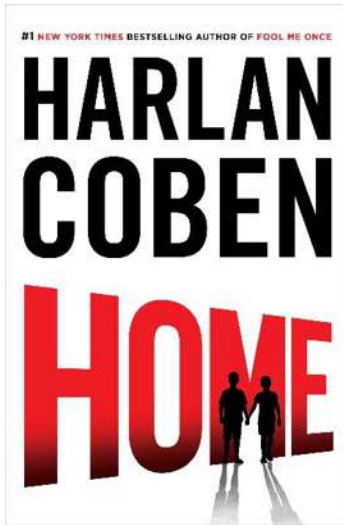
SYNOPSIS for HARD COLD WINTER: When Van Shaw learns that a young woman with ties to his own criminal past has vanished, he ventures deep into the remote forest of the Olympic Mountains to find her. After discovering a brutal murder scene, Van is caught between the interests of a billionaire businessman on one side and vicious gangsters on the other, all of whom are connected to the young woman. To survive, Van will have to face some of the toughest questions of his life, including those pertaining to his future with his girlfriend, Luce. With the clock ticking, a desperate Van needs every ally he can get, especially as someone prepares to unleash a firestorm on Seattle that could burn them all to ashes.

“Readers will be eager to see more of this tough, clever hero.”

--*Publishers Weekly*, Starred Review

SYNOPSIS for EVERY DAY ABOVE GROUND:

A favor for a dying ex-con turns into a violent battle against a mysterious enemy for Van Shaw. It sounds like a thief’s dream to Van Shaw: A terminally ill ex-con tells him of an easy fortune in gold, abandoned and nearly forgotten after its original owner died in prison. For the dying man, the money is a legacy to ensure his preteen daughter’s future. For Van, the gold is cash he desperately needs to rebuild his destroyed family home. The grandson of a career criminal who taught him all the tricks of his trade, Van suspects that nothing is ever that easy. Sure enough, the safe holding the fortune is a trap—set by a mysterious player armed with tremendous resources and a lifetime of hatred. Now, Shaw’s partner is in the clutches of the hunters, and the former army ranger may be their next prey. But when the ex-con’s innocent daughter is threatened too, Van’s own hard childhood means he can’t let her come to harm. To discover who has them in the cross hairs, Shaw must seek out the hunters’ real prey. For years, Van Shaw has tried to live every day above ground, on the right side of the law, even though crime is his gift...and in his blood. If he survives the coming storm, he’ll have to decide what he wants—and whether he can live as an outlaw without sacrificing his honor.



“Grab the plot thread and hang on for dear life”
– *New York Times Book Review*

“A gripping tale... There’s more than one shocking twist here,
which makes for an exciting, unpredictable journey.”
– *Library Journal*

“Coben is simply one of the all-time greats.”
– Gillian Flynn

#1 New York Times bestseller **HOME** by Harlan Coben

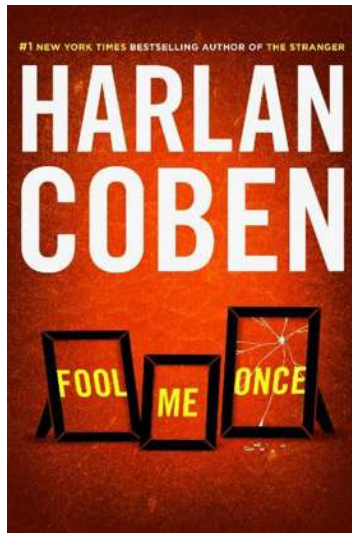
- Publisher: Dutton
- U.S. Release: September 20, 2016

An Amazon Best Book of the Year

- **Foreign Licenses:** UK/CW—Century; France—Belfond; Netherlands—Meulenhoff Boekerij; Germany—Goldmann; Poland—Albatros; Denmark—Gads; Brazil—Sextante; Hungary—Jaffa Kiado; Croatia—Znanje; Lithuania—Jotema; Spain—RBA; Thailand—Amarin; Norway—Cappelen Damm

SYNOPSIS:

A decade ago, kidnapers grabbed two boys from wealthy families and demanded ransom, then went silent. No trace of the boys ever surfaced. For ten years their families have been left with nothing but painful memories and a quiet desperation for the day that has finally, miraculously arrived: Myron Bolitar and his friend Win believe they have located one of the boys, now a teenager. Where has he been for ten years, and what does he know about the day, more than half a life ago, when he was taken? And most critically: What can he tell Myron and Win about the fate of his missing friend? Drawing on his singular talent, Harlan Coben delivers an explosive and deeply moving thriller about friendship, family, and the meaning of home.



“Stellar... Coben is like a skilled magician, saving the best, most stunning trick for the very end.”

--*Publishers Weekly*, starred, boxed review

“Once again, Coben marries his two greatest strengths—masterfully paced plotting that leads to a climactic string of fireworks and the ability to root all the revelations in deeply felt emotions—in a tale guaranteed to fool even the craftiest readers a lot more than once.”

--*Kirkus*, starred review

#1 New York Times bestseller **FOOL ME ONCE** by Harlan Coben

- Publisher: Dutton
- U.S. Release: March 22, 2016

Amazon -- A Best Book of the Year (2016)

Kirkus -- A Best Book of 2016

Library Journal -- A Best Book of 2016

- **Foreign licenses:** UK/CW—Century; France—Belfond; Netherlands—Meulenhoff Boekeriej; Germany—Goldmann; Poland—Albatros; Denmark—Gads; Thailand—Amarin; Russia—Azbooka-Atticus; Croatia—Znanje; Brazil—Sextante; Czech Republic—Euromedia; Slovak—Ikar; Bulgaria—Colibri; Israel—Kinneret; Hungary—Jaffa Kiado; Lithuania—Jotema; Japan—Shogakukan; Korea—Moonhak Soochup; Ukraine—Hemiro; Norway—Cappelen Damn; Serbia—Laguna; Finland—Minerva; Georgia—Palitra L Publishing; Sweden—Bookmark; Spain—RBA

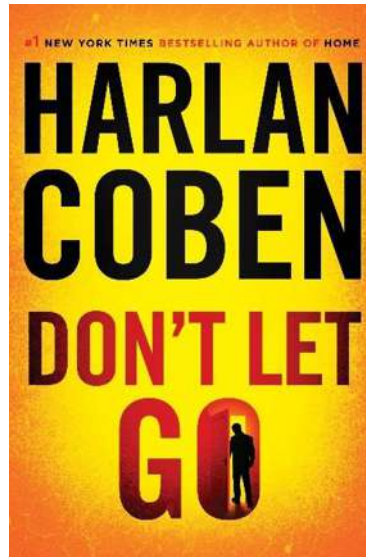
SYNOPSIS:

Former special ops pilot Maya, home from the war, sees an unthinkable image captured by her nanny cam while she is at work: her two-year-old daughter playing with Maya’s husband, Joe—who had been brutally murdered two weeks earlier. The provocative question at the heart of the mystery: Can you believe everything you see with your own eyes, even when you desperately want to? To find the answer, Maya must finally come to terms with deep secrets and deceit in her own past before she can face the unbelievable truth about her husband—and herself.

Harlan Coben's books are licensed in 44 languages

Worldwide sales are over 70 million copies

10 consecutive #1 *New York Times* bestsellers to date

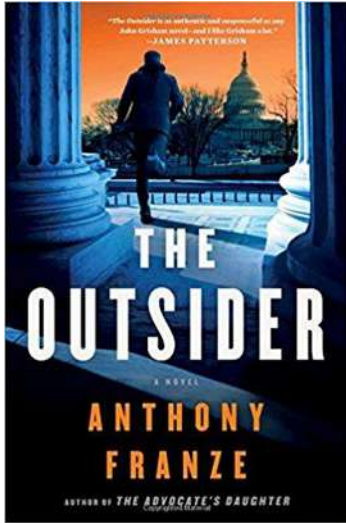


Coming in September, 2017
DON'T LET GO by Harlan Coben

- Publisher: Dutton—US; Century—UK/CW
- Also licensed in France to Belfond, in Netherlands to Meulenhoff Boekerij and to Goldmann in Germany

SYNOPSIS:

Fifteen years ago in a small affluent town in New Jersey, two teenagers were found dead. One of them was Napoleon Dumas' twin brother, Leo; the other was Leo's girlfriend, Emily, the daughter of the town's sheriff. Most people concluded it was a double suicide. Some, including Nap himself, did not. Not long after that tragedy, Nap's girlfriend broke up with him and disappeared from his life. Now Nap is a cop in the same New Jersey town where he grew up, and his missing girlfriend has suddenly surfaced—her fingerprints have shown up at a nearby crime scene. Thrown into a labyrinth of family lies, Nap joins forces with the now retired sheriff, and in uncovering the truth about what happened that night so many years ago, they will discover that conspiracies big and small can kill.



"*THE OUTSIDER* is as authentic and suspenseful as any John Grisham novel--and I like Grisham a lot."

—James Patterson

"Crafty and clever! The explosive plot will leave you breathless."

—Lisa Gardner

"Franze has cemented himself as a top-notch legal thriller writer.

If you like Grisham, you will love this book."

—J.T. Ellison

"With an insider's eye for detail, Franze is taking the legal thriller to new heights."

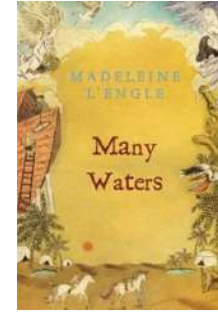
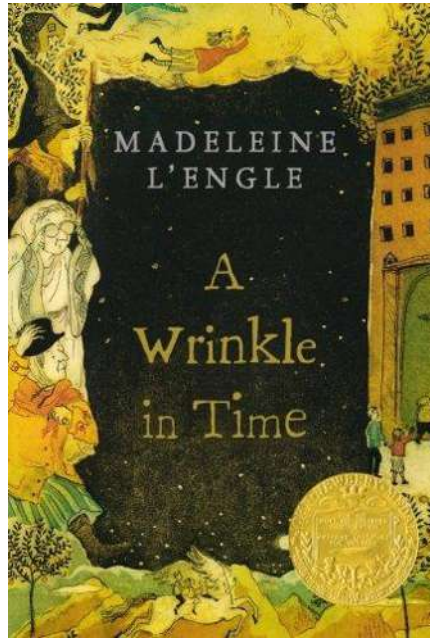
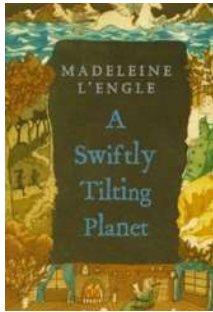
—Linwood Barclay

THE OUTSIDER by Anthony Franze

- Publisher: Minotaur
- U.S. Release: March 21, 2017

SYNOPSIS:

Things aren't going well for Grayson Hernandez. He just graduated from a fourth-tier law school, he's drowning in student debt, and the only job he can find is as a messenger. The position stings the most because it's at the Supreme Court, where Gray is forced to watch the best and the brightest--the elite group of lawyers who serve as the justices' law clerks--from the outside. When Gray intervenes in a violent mugging, he lands in the good graces of the victim: the Chief Justice of the United States. Gray soon finds himself the newest--and unlikeliest--law clerk at the Supreme Court. It's another world: highbrow debates over justice and the law in the inner sanctum of the nation's highest court; upscale dinners with his new friends; attention from Lauren Hart, the brilliant and beautiful co-clerk he can't stop thinking about. But just as Gray begins to adapt to his new life, the FBI approaches him with unsettling news. The Feds think there's a killer connected to the Supreme Court. And they want Gray to be their eyes and ears. Little does Gray know that the FBI will soon set its sights on him.



A WRINKLE IN TIME (Time Quintet) by Madeleine L'Engle

A WRINKLE IN TIME is the beloved Newbery Medal-winning classic fantasy novel for children, first published in the US in 1962. It has remained in print with Farrar Straus & Giroux and has gone on to sell millions of copies around the world, in dozens of languages. It is the first in the Time Quintet series of novels.

A WRINKLE IN TIME will be released in the US by Disney as a major motion picture on April 6, 2018.

Directed by Ava DuVernay, Academy Award nominee. Screenplay by Jennifer Lee, Academy Award winner for Frozen and Zootopia.

“A coming of age fantasy story that sympathizes with typical teen girl awkwardness and insecurity, highlighting courage, resourcefulness and the importance of family ties as key to overcoming them.” —Carol Platt Liebau, author, in the *New York Post*

“An exhilarating experience.” —*Kirkus Reviews*

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**BECOMING
MADELEINE
L'ENGLE**

By
**Charlotte Jones Voiklis
and Lena Roy**

(Cover art TK)

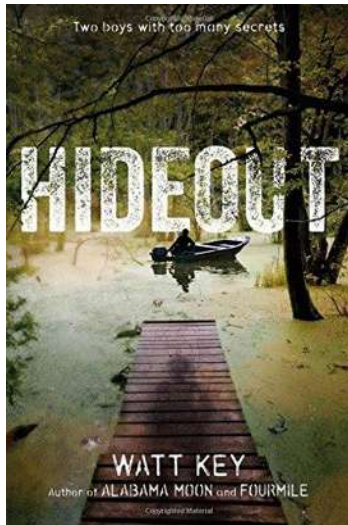
Madeleine L'Engle (1918-2007) is the author of more than 60 books for children and adults, among them the beloved *A Wrinkle in Time*, winner of the Newbery Medal and first in the Time Quintet series of novels. Her books have won or been finalists for dozens of additional awards, and in 1998 she was named the recipient of the American Library Association's Margaret A. Edwards Award, honoring her lifetime contribution in writing for teens. Her work has been published in three dozen languages around the world.

**BECOMING MADELEINE:
A Biography of Madeleine L'Engle
by Charlotte Jones Voiklis and Lena Roy**

- Publisher: Farrar, Straus & Giroux Books for Young Readers
- U.S. Release: February 20, 2018

SYNOPSIS:

Written by Madeleine L'Engle's granddaughters, *BECOMING MADELEINE* is a close-up look at the life of an iconic author, from childhood through adulthood, for middle-grade readers. From her often lonely days as an only child living at boarding school, to her struggling but exciting years as a young woman living in New York City and working in the theater world, to her married life in Connecticut raising a family, the experiences that shaped her imagination and inspired her writing are explored in captivating detail.



“A wonderfully atmospheric, edge-of-seat middle-grade adventure”
—*Shelf Awareness*

“In the tradition of Gary Paulsen’s survival tales...filled with action”
—*School Library Journal*

“An exciting adventure”
—*Booklist*

HIDEOUT by Watt Key

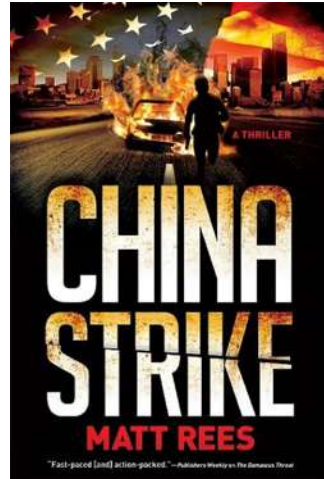
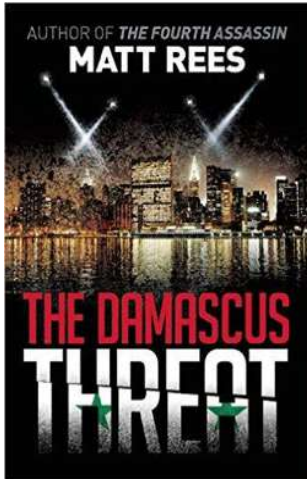
- Publisher: Farrar Straus Giroux Books for Young Readers
- U.S. Release: January, 2017

Watt Key’s work appears on *Time* magazine’s list of
The 100 Best Young Adult Novels of All Time

He has received numerous awards, including the prestigious E. B. White Read Aloud Award for Older Readers, the ALA Best Book for Young Adults Award and the VOYA Top of the Top Shelf Fiction for Middle School Readers Award.

SYNOPSIS:

When twelve-year-old Sam Ford ventures deep into a local--but off-limits--swamp to see if he can find the body of a man rumored to have died there, he encounters much more trouble than he could have imagined. In a condemned fishing camp, he meets Davey, a boy his own age, who has run away from his foster home and is hiding alone in the wilderness in a dilapidated shack while he waits for his older brother and his father, an ex-con, to find him. Sam, doubtful that either will ever arrive, can see that Davey is barely surviving and decides to help him with food and supplies, all the while feeling guilty about keeping Davey’s secret from his family, especially his policeman father. When Davey’s older brother arrives with two friends, it’s clear they’re not there for Davey’s sake but for illicit purposes, and Sam is now in the middle of it all.



“Crackerjack entertainment”
– *Kirkus*

“Fast-paced, action-packed”
– *Publishers Weekly*

“Rees sets the bar high for future novels. The plot is thick and juicy and keeps you at the edge of your seat until the very last page.”

– *The San Francisco Book Review*

THE DAMASCUS THREAT and CHINA STRIKE by Matt Rees

An exciting new international series of thrillers from award winning author Matt Rees.

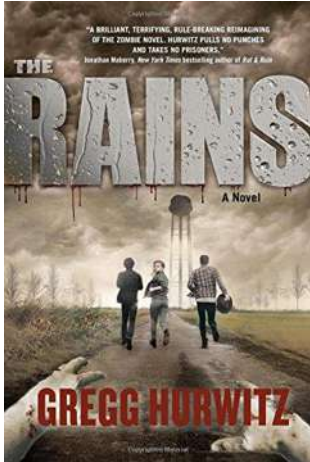
- Publisher: Crooked Lane
- U.S. Release: THE DAMASCUS THREAT: August 9, 2016
CHINA STRIKE: July 11, 2017

SYNOPSIS for THE DAMASCUS THREAT:

Welcome to the world of ICE (Immigration and Customs Enforcement): a little-known branch of Homeland Security, whose agents investigate large-scale crimes that cross international borders. Dominic Verrazzano, a former soldier who is intimately familiar with the arms trafficking trade, is now an agent for ICE. Dr. Amy Weston is a chemical weapons expert with an unwanted secret. When she is killed en route to meet with Verrazzano, her secrets die with her, but she leaves behind a terrifying clue. It becomes Verrazzano’s mission to uncover her secret—a deadly plot with global ramifications—as the clock ticks ever closer to catastrophe.

SYNOPSIS for CHINA STRIKE:

Chaos erupts across the globe when thousands of cars simultaneously speed out of control in the United States and Europe. The death toll is enormous, and there is only one thing connecting the crashes--every single car is the same model. Amidst the bewilderment of the tragedy, ICE Special Agent Dominic Verrazzano is called to the Brooklyn Detention Center, where Tom Frisch, recently arrested for attempting to assassinate a U.S. President, claims to have knowledge about the mastermind behind the crashes. However an even bigger catastrophe, involving many more motor companies, is already in the works. Verrazzano has no choice but to take Frisch with him as he tracks down an enemy that both men know far too well—their old Special Forces commander and father figure.



“Will leave readers wanting more.”
—*Kirkus Reviews*

“A tense, disturbing tale that’s simultaneously a story driven by brotherly love and the determination to survive against impossible odds.”
—*Publishers Weekly*

“An edge-of-your-seat test of survival... Refreshing and surprising.”
—*School Library Journal*

THE RAINS and LAST CHANCE by Gregg Hurwitz

- Publisher: Tor Teen
- U.S. Release: THE RAINS: October, 2016
LAST CHANCE: October, 2017

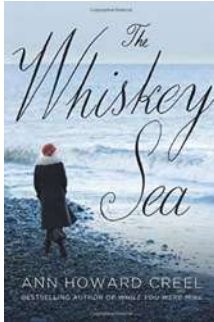
Riveting science fiction and an edge-of-the-seat adventure that rings with emotional truth.

The first Young Adult novels by Gregg Hurwitz—a two-book series.

SYNOPSIS:

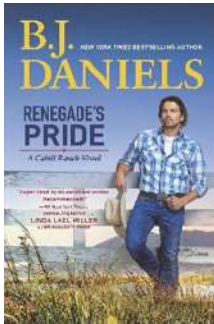
Shortly after a seemingly harmless shower of meteorites lands in the small, isolated town of Creek’s Cause, 15-year-old Chance Rain and his 17-year-old brother, Patrick, are violently attacked by a woman who lives on the neighboring farm—only she is not the woman they know. She has been infected with a parasite and become a terrifying other kind of being—as has everyone over the age of 17—whose mission is to capture children and haul them off for purposes unknown. Chance, Patrick and Patrick’s girlfriend, Alex, survive the initial onslaught and make their way to the high school, where other young survivors are hiding. They soon discover that the parasite transforms people when they turn 18, and Patrick has only a few days left. Determined to save Patrick’s life and the lives of those around them, the three embark on a mission to uncover the truth about the parasites and the captured children, and what they find is horrifying. Battling an enemy not of this earth, Chance and Patrick ultimately become humanity’s only hope for salvation.

Titles for which foreign rights are handled by their publishers:



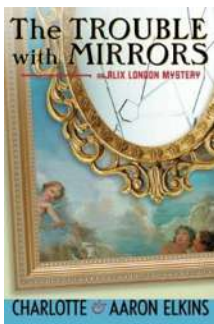
THE WHISKEY SEA
by Ann Howard Creel

Publication: August 23, 2016
Publisher: Lake Union



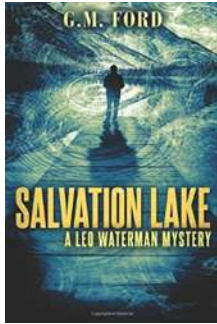
RENEGADE'S PRIDE
Cahill Ranch #1
by B. J. Daniels

Publication: February 28, 2017
Publisher: Harlequin/HQN



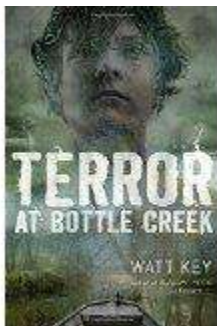
THE TROUBLE WITH MIRRORS
An Alix London mystery
by Charlotte and Aaron Elkins

Publication: October 25, 2016
Publisher: Thomas & Mercer



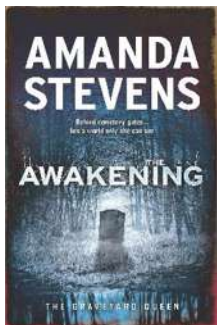
SALVATION LAKE
A Frank Corso mystery
by G. M. Ford

Publication: July 12, 2016
Publisher: Thomas & Mercer



TERROR AT BOTTLE CREEK
by Watt Key

Publication: January 5, 2016
Publisher: Farrar Straus Giroux Books for Young Readers



THE AWAKENING
#6 in the Graveyard Queen series
by Amanda Stevens

Publication: March 28, 2017
Publisher: Harlequin/MIRA

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