Iris Johansen

Shadow Play

An explosive new Eve Duncan thriller from the New York Times #1 bestselling author

Eve Duncan: the most sought-after artist in the field of forensic sculpting. Dedicated to her work ever since her daughter Bonnie was taken and killed at the age of seven, Eve feels a sense of duty to those whose bones are now in her hands. When a sheriff in California contacts her with a request for help on the reconstruction of the skull of a nine-year-old girl whose body has been buried for eight years, the ghost of the girl begins communicating with her. Not since Bonnie has Eve had such an experience, and suddenly she finds herself determined to solve the murder and help the little girl find peace. Except that the killer is still out there, and he knows Eve is on the case. And he won't rest until anything and anyone that could reveal his identity is eliminated...

KEY SELLING POINTS:

• Shadow Play is the start of a brand new Eve Duncan three book arc. Fans can't get enough of Eve Duncan trilogies and this is the start of what is sure to be her best one yet!
• Iris Johansen knows how to engage her fans and keep them wanting more. Her Facebook fan page has more than 95,000 fans and is constantly growing.

"In a genre laden with macho, action-hero figures, Johansen's shrewd and steely female operative is as tough as they come." - Booklist on Live to See Tomorrow

ALSO AVAILABLE:

SUPER LEAD

Sherrilyn Kenyon

Born of Betrayal

The next novel in the blockbuster League series from #1 New York Times bestselling author Sherrilyn Kenyon, now in mass market!

Years ago, family loyalty caused Fain Hauk to give up everything he loved: His military career. His planet. His fiancée. Even his name.

Now decades later, everything has changed. He's built a new life out of the ashes of his old, and he's vowed to never let anything threaten his loved ones again.

But when old enemies align themselves with new ones, he's caught in the middle of a brutal war. And when fate throws his former fiancée back into his world and she has her own agenda that includes taking his head for what he did to her years ago, more than just his life is at stake. The fate of the Ichidian universe and that of his brothers-in-arms hangs in the balance. Winner take all.

It's killed or be killed, and never has the battle been more fierce...

Or more fun.

KEY SELLING POINTS:

• The previous two books in the League: Nemesis Rising series, Born of Deiance and Born of Fury hit the Publishers Weekly, and New York Times hardcover fiction lists. Born of Fury also hit the Publishers Weekly mass market list.
• Kenyon is also a #1 bestseller in the Young Adult category for her Dark-Hunter spin-off series, The Chronicles of Nick!
• Her Dark-Hunter and Chronicles of Nick series are soon to be major motion pictures.

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Ben Coes

Independence Day

By New York Times bestseller, Ben Coes, a deadly plot on U.S. soil unfolds, and Dewey Andreas has only three days to save millions

Cloud, the code name a high-level Russian hacker, has acquired a nuclear weapon. It’s an older bomb from the USSR’s Cold War arsenal with the power to devastate a major city. Fueled by a dark and personal vendetta, Cloud has put it onto an anonymous trawler, piloted by jihadists, headed straight to America.

Dewey Andreas, a former Delta working as an agent for the CIA, is still grieving the murder of his fiancée. He’s lost his focus, his edge—and the confidence of his superiors. But when an overseas mission to capture Cloud goes awry, Dewey becomes America’s last hope of putting a stop to the bomb. Now it’s up to Dewey to put his past behind him and risk everything to find one of the world’s most elusive enemies…or witness a terrorist attack timed to coincide with the country’s biggest holiday: Independence Day.

KEY SELLING POINTS:

• We are publishing this premium mass market edition to tie-in with the new hardcover, First Strike in June 2016.
• Ben Coes has hit the New York Times, USA Today and Publishers Weekly bestseller lists.
• Readers will rejoice that this thrilling installment in the nationally bestselling Dewey Andreas series is now in paperback.
• Ben Coes's fans are rabid for more Dewey Andreas, and his fans are growing by the day; at the time of launch, he has 271,000 fans on Facebook.
• Visit BenCoes.com

ALSO AVAILABLE:

LEAD

Paul Doiron

The Precipice

In this riveting new novel, Bowditch joins a desperate search for two missing hikers amid a frightening rash of coyote attacks.

When two female hikers disappear in the Hundred Mile Wilderness—the most remote stretch along the entire two-thousand mile Appalachian Trail—Maine game warden Mike Bowditch joins the search to find them.

When their bodies are discovered—the bones picked clean by coyotes—rumors spread that the women were stalked and killed by the increasingly aggressive canines. Faced with a statewide panic, Maine's governor places an emergency bounty on every dead coyote.

Bowditch is prepared to go along with the order, but his new girlfriend, the brilliant but volatile biologist Stacey Stevens, insists the women were murdered. When Stacey disappears on the outskirts of the Hundred Mile Wilderness, Bowditch realizes must discover the truth in order to find her.

KEY SELLING POINTS:

• Paul Doiron's sales keep growing exponentially with each new book release. The Precipice is his best yet, and the perfect time to move him to mass market for the first time.
• Doiron consistently garners stellar reviews: John Lescroart, Nelson DeMille, Nevada Barr, CJ Box, John Connolly, and many, many more have nothing but resounding praise for Doiron's books, calling them "riveting," "haunting," "thoroughly satisfying," "utterly impressive," and "powerful."
• The Poacher's Son, his debut novel, was nominated for the Edgar, Anthony, and Macavity awards for best first novel and won the Strand Critics award in the same category.
• With this new book, The Toronto Star has called Doiron "the Tony Hillerman of the East."

"Doiron [makes] the Maine woods live and breathe. . . . Multidimensional characters and a high level of suspense help make this a winner." -Publishers Weekly (starred) on The Precipice

"The Precipice is loaded with detailed descriptions of the beauty of Maine [and] vivid and real characters." -NPR - Atlanta
Darynda Jones

The Dirt on Ninth Grave

Grim Reaper Charley Davidson is back in the ninth installment of Darynda Jones' *New York Times* bestselling paranormal series

In a small village in New York Charley Davidson is living as Jane Doe, a girl with no memory of who she is or where she came from. So when she is working at a diner and begins to realize she can see dead people, she's more than a little taken aback. Stranger still are the people entering her life. They seem to know things about her that they hide with lies and half-truths. Soon, she senses something far darker: a force that wants to cause her harm. Then she is confronted by a man who claims to have been sent to kill her. Sent by the darkest force in the universe that won't stop until she is dead. Finding her identity and recovering what she's lost will take all her courage and a touch of the power she feels flowing through her veins. She almost feels sorry for him.

KEY SELLING POINTS:

- Darynda Jones's sales have grown hugely in e, but also in p--unit sales POS from book 1-8 are up over 300%.
- We will be releasing a special short story, Brighter Than the Sun, in October that will be from Reyes' point of view. This is the perfect between the book treat for loyal fans as well as a great starting point for new fans.
- Darynda Jones is constantly guest blogging and networking with romance blogs, paranormal communities, and authors to spread the word about her series. She is a huge presence in the online community.
- Visit daryndajones.com

"Hilarious, terrifying and poignant - a truly tremendous read!" - *Romantic Times Book Reviews* (4 ½ stars) on *Seventh Grave and No Body*

"Übertalented Jones keeps stirring the pot and throwing in crazy new developments, guaranteed to keep her characters and readers zanily off balance." - *RT Book Reviews on Sixth Grave on the Edge*

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Lora Leigh

Secret Pleasure

The sizzling new story in the Bound Hearts series from #1 New York Times bestselling author Lora Leigh, now in mass market.

Sebastian and Shane De Loren were born to love Alyssa Hampstead. No other woman on Earth can burn for them, ignite with passion between them, the way Alyssa does. But after three sensual months of pleasure come to a crashing halt, Sebastian and Shane are fighting with everything they've got, risking it all to have Alyssa one more time...

Alyssa has closed off her heart. A senator's daughter in the political spotlight, she'd rather be quiet and safe than feel the emotional intensity Sebastian and Shane roused within her years ago. But when the sexy cousins blaze their way back into her life, Alyssa cannot help but succumb to the heady pleasures the two men can give her. And as an unknown enemy draws near, Alyssa will need Sebastian and Shane to protect her...and satisfy every forbidden craving...

KEY SELLING POINTS:

• After a few year hiatus for the Bound Hearts series it’s finally back! Now in mass market, Now is mass market for the first time, which is Leigh’s strongest format by far, fans are in for a not so secret pleasure.
• The intensity and emotion in Lora Leigh's writing, combined with strong plots and scorchingly hot love stories are clearly winning more and more readers' hearts with each book.
• Lora Leigh is a New York Times mass market bestseller as well with her sexy, suspenseful Elite Ops, The Callahans, and Men of Summer series.

"Scorching hot and a lot of fun. Readers who like strong heroines, mysterious heroes and erotica with a side of suspense will love this one." -RT Book Reviews

"Guilty Pleasure is a rich, delicious story that's filled with action, adventure and the sizzling hot sensuality that author Lora Leigh is known for." -Fallen Angels

ALSO AVAILABLE:

Gayle Lynds

The Assassins

A white-knuckle thriller--one of the last great Cold War killers decides it's time to play a final game on an international scale

Former spy Judd Ryder is walking home when he spots a man, who looks just like Ryder, coming out of his house. Then the imposter is killed in a deliberate hit-and-run. Ryder learns that the key to the murder is an infamous Cold War assassin, the Carnivore. Two of the last people to see the Carnivore were Ryder and CIA trainee Eva Blake.

From Washington D.C. to Marrakech and Baghdad, the assassins wage a final battle--this time against one another--fighting for their reputations and Saddam Hussein's long-missing billion-dollar fortune. In the end, only one can be left standing. Caught in the crossfire, Judd and Eva go on the run while desperately unraveling the tangled past and battling not only for their lives, but for their destinies.

KEY SELLING POINTS:

• Lynds, a multiple-time New York Times bestselling thriller writer returns with the sequel to The Book of Spies (2010).
• Lynds is a major figure in the thriller writing world; she is a co-founder of the International Thriller Writers (ITW), and her Covert-One novels with Robert Ludlum have been continuously in print for the past fifteen years, selling many millions of copies.
• Lynds is an iconic espionage writer-her sales, domestic and foreign, are steady, and reflect her solid international fan base

"Everything a reader could possibly want. A thought provoking tale that will surely stand with the year's best thrillers." -David Baldacci

"Rich settings, beautifully crafted characters, and a compulsively readable storyline.... Outstanding." -Douglas Preston

"A classic last-man-standing story of deceit and betrayal" -Nelson DeMille

"Delivers on everything it promises: devious players, shifting alliances, and no one you should trust." -Brad Meltzer
Olivia Drake

His Wicked Wish

For fans of Lisa Kleypas and Stephanie Laurens comes the fifth book in The Cinderella Sisterhood series

Nathan Atwood grew up chafing under the thumb of his stern father and a lifetime of family secrets. But when his older brother's death brings him home from his life abroad, Nathan--now a viscount and heir to an earldom--concocts a plan to get revenge: he will find the most unsuitable commoner he can and marry her, doing his "duty" before leaving, never to return. Madelyn Swann is a notorious actress in dire circumstances. With few options and a dangerous threat looming over her, she decides to auction off her virginity to the highest bidder. She agrees to be part of Viscount Rowley's scheme, never expecting to find pleasure with the man who married her for vengeance. Will love prevail, or will Nathan's desire for vengeance be too strong to overcome?

KEY SELLING POINTS:

• His Wicked Wish is the fifth book in the exciting historical series, the Cinderella Sisterhood.
• With heartfelt romance, sizzling passion, beautifully crafted characters, and exciting adventure, His Wicked Wish is perfect for readers of Lisa Kleypas and Julia Quinn.
• Olivia Drake has been praised by #1 bestselling authors Susan Wiggs and Christina Dodd.

"Abducted By a Prince is imbued with humor, poignancy and characters who come alive. Then, Drake adds romance and passion until the mix is perfectly unforgettable." -RT Book Reviews (4 ½ stars) on Abducted by a Prince

"Hugely entertaining, with a plotline that has enough twists and turns to keep a reader hooked." -Night Owl Reviews (Top Pick) on Abduced by a Prince

"Romantic and enchanting. Olivia Drake delivers another engaging read." -Lily Pond Reads on Abducted by a Prince

ALSO AVAILABLE:

Lily Blackwood

The Beast of Clan Kincaid

This Highlander will stop at nothing to reclaim what's his in this debut series filled with drama, passion and revenge.

As a twelve-year-old Niall Braewick watched his home burn. In a desperate attempt to save Niall and his two brothers, his father, the Laird of Clan Kincaid, ordered his sons be disguised and whisked from the castle to safety. Amidst the night's chaos the brothers are separated and forced to leave their old identities behind...

Fifteen years later, Niall returns to his boyhood home as a skilled mercenary and an outsider, but he's thirsty to avenge his parents' deaths. And Elspeth of Alwyn, the daughter of the very man who destroyed his clan, is his best tool for revenge. But Elspeth's beauty and spirit prove a more formidable match for the clansman's heart than any warrior. Will what started as a quest for revenge turn into something more?

KEY SELLING POINTS:

• This is the first book in a fantastic new historical romance series set in the Highlands with a fierce, Alpha warrior and plenty of drama and passion. Perfect for fans of Monica McCarty's "Highland Guard" series.
• Romance readers love Highlanders and SMP knows how to do them well! This new series has sex, passion, revenge, and a classic romance feel that hits right to the heart of the market.
• We have two other Scottish romances from Lily Blackwood signed up and will be publishing them four months apart.

MARKETING

National Print Publicity
Online Publicity
National Print Advertising
Online Advertising Campaign
NetGalley Outreach
Extensive Blog Outreach
Extensive Online Promotion at Heroes and Heartbreakers.com
Email Marketing Campaign
Anne Calhoun

Under The Surface

An explosively sexy start of a romantic suspense series.

Detective Matt Dorchester keeps his emotions on a tight leash. But when he goes undercover to protect Eve Webber, a bar owner-turned-informant with a hit out on her, things spiral dangerously close to the edge of no return. A relationship is strictly forbidden, but they can't resist the sexual chemistry seething between them. When Eve's life is threatened, Matt must choose between a life on lockdown and a once-in-a-lifetime love

KEY SELLING POINTS:

- Anne Calhoun is a fantastic new addition to our list. In the tradition of Lora Leigh's Elite Ops series Under the Surface will feature high octane adventure, an alpha ex-military hero, and explosive chemistry all with a thread of suspense.
- We will be launching the series with three connected e-novellas in February, March and April 2016. Each super sexy novella will feature a deliciously alpha male Navy Seal, and the woman who turns his world upside down.
- Anne writes erotic romance for Penguin and has a steadily growing fanbase. This is a new direction for her and with heart-of-the-market story lines and packaging and an aggressive publication schedule this new series is sure to be a breakout hit.

"Uncommonly good storytelling."-Beth Kery, New York Times and USA Today bestselling author

"Scintillating sexual chemistry."-Lauren Dane, New York Times bestselling author

"Calhoun's romances define the erotic."-Alison Kent, national bestselling author
Sabrina York

Lana and the Laird


Lachlan is a man ready to come alive. A Duke by day and raised in Britain, he's a true highlander at heart, waiting to to burst free. Yet a terrible curse has been put upon his family, and generations of proof have shown that Lachlan does not have long to live. No matter how much land and riches he amasses, he will never have the treasure he wants most - a loving wife and happy family. But when Lachlan meets a dreamy, fiery Scottish lass, Lachlan is prepared to fight for his life...and show his stunning lady the true alpha highlander he is...

Lana spends her time in a world of dreams and shadows. Blessed - or cursed - with the ability to see the dead, she's always believed no man would want a wife considered touched. But when Lana's gift proves helpful to the handsome, powerful duke who fears his future, she finds that she is willing to share her innermost thoughts...and her innermost desires...

KEY SELLING POINTS:
• This is the next novel in a series featuring sexy, alpha Highlanders that’s a surefire hit with historical romance readers.
• Highlander romance is hot right now with series such as the Scandalous Highlanders by Suzanne Enoch and Montgomerys and Armstrongs by Maya Banks!
• Sabrina York is a New York Times and USA Today bestselling author with a strong presence in the romance community.

ALSO AVAILABLE:

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NetGalley Outreach
Extensive Blog Outreach
Extensive Online Promotion at HeroesandHeartbreakers.com
Email Marketing Campaign
Visit SabrinaYork.com
Laura Trentham

Kiss Me That Way

The start of a sassy and steamy Southern contemporary romance series.

A river divides Cottonbloom in two: the upscale enclave on the Mississippi side and the rundown, rough and tumble side in Louisiana. They’re worlds apart—but nothing can build a bridge like love...

Cade Fournette never had it easy Cottonbloom. He stuck around long enough to raise his orphaned siblings and then hightailed it out West—and never looked back. Even though he’s made a success of himself in Seattle, Cade never lost the toughness and the angry edge that helped him survive down South. His only weak spot: the girl he left behind...

Monroe Kirby came from the wealthy side of town, but that didn’t protect her from her mother’s drinking—or her mother’s boyfriend. It was Cade who did that, on a long-ago hot September night, before he disappeared…along with a piece of her heart. Now Monroe is a physical therapist who can fight for herself, and it’s Cade who could use some conditioning when he makes an unexpected return back home. Will he and Monroe pick up where they left off and finally explore their mutual passion—or will the scars and secrets of the past divide them once more?

KEY SELLING POINTS:

- *Kiss Me That Way* is the start of the wonderfully romantic Cottonbloom series. We will be publishing this series at a special $5.99/$6.99 price point in a back-to-back-to-back publishing event! *Kiss Me That Way* will be followed by *Then He Kissed Me* in July and *Till I Kissed You* in August.
- The Cottonbloom series features a summer festival and a town divided. Divided by a state line, divided by a river that provides the heartbeat of the town, divided by old loves and prejudices. With humor, sass and emotion the series is perfect for fans of Sheila Roberts, Rae Anne Thayne and Hope Ramsey.
- Laura's Falcon Football e-original series received a starred *Library Journal* a rave *Publishers Weekly* review and two *RT Reviews* Top Picks. Everyone who reads falls in love with ...

"Laura Trentham writes an intricately woven story that throbs with rich emotion. I laughed, I cried, I loved *Slow and Steady Rush!*" Bestselling Author Candis Terry
Maggie McConnon

Wedding Bel Blues

In this charming debut, Bel McGrath, a bridesmaid, learns a secret about her cousin and witnesses a man fall to his death.

Are they tying the knot?
Belfast McGrath has spent the last fifteen years avoiding her big, bustling, brash Irish family. But when her five-star culinary career goes up in flames, she retreats to Foster’s Landing—where she’s immediately tapped as her cousin Caleigh’s maid-of-honor. It’s a perfect recipe for disaster...especially when Bel learns that the wedding preparations included Caleigh having one last one-night stand.

Or the noose?
When Caleigh’s lover plunges from the second-floor balcony during the reception, Bel can’t help but think his death was no accident. Soon Detective Kevin Hanson, who just happens to be Bel’s long-ago love, arrives on the scene—looking hotter than ever. Heartbreak and homicide hardly help Bel to feel more at home, but if she is going to make a new beginning for herself, including putting the past behind her, she must first steer clear of a cold-hearted killer.

KEY SELLING POINTS:

• With her charming debut, Maggie McConnon has written exactly the kind of book this audience loves. Cute and fun, with an intricate puzzle and strong characters at its heart, this book caters perfectly to the cozy mystery audience.

• With a wedding in each book and a wedding caterer as the central character, this series will revolve around the twin themes of food and weddings, which couldn’t be a more perfect combination for packaging and promoting a cozy mystery series.

• We own three books in this series and will publish every nine months.

MARKETING

National Print Publicity
National Online Publicity
Promotion on Criminal Element's Cozy Shopping List
Library Marketing Campaign
Early Reader Review Campaign
Dusty Richards

Servant of the Law

A western reissue in the tradition of bestselling author William W. Johnstone

Bobby Budd rode out of Colorado with one killing behind him and dozens yet to go. From New Mexico to Indian Territory, Budd became one of a rootless army of half-crazed, half-drunk killers for hire, building an ugly legacy as the Coyote Kid. Honest men paid the Kid to rid themselves of rustlers. Along the way, the innocent died, too.

Now former Apache campaigner Major Gerald Bowen is bringing law to the land, hiring a few good frontier marshals and putting them on the bloody trail of the territory's worst outlaws. John Wesley Michaels is one of those lawmen, and the Coyote Kid is his quarry. But when Michaels gets to Arizona, a stubborn woman insists on riding by Michaels' side. She's met the Coyote Kid face-to-face--and she wants to be the one to gun him down.

KEY SELLING POINTS:

• Modeled after the William W. Johnstone Westerns, we are repackaging our Dusty Richards backlist for a new audience.
• This compelling western is filled with all the excitement this audience craves.
• Dusty Richards has written over a dozen westerns, to rave reviews.

Praise for The Lawless Land:

"Action explodes on the opening page...the pace does not let up until the last outlaw has been salted away--and there are plenty of them." - Elmer Kelton, author of The Bitter Trail

"A gritty, fast-paced story . . . a classic Western." - W.Michael Gear and Kathleen O'Neal Gear

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