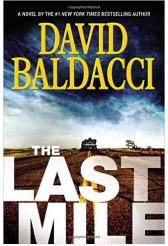
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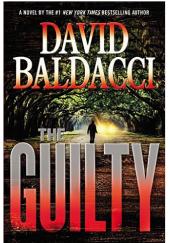
# **THE LAST MILE**—the 2<sup>nd</sup> title in the Amos Decker series after bestselling MEMORY MAN!



Publisher: Grand Central Publishing U.S. Pub: April 19, 2016 Foreign Sales: United Kingdom—Pan Macmillan; Dutch—Bruna; Swedish— Bokfabriken; Portugal—Clube do Autor; Polish—Dolnoslaskie; German—Heyne; Latvian—Kontinents

SYNOPSIS: Convicted murderer Melvin Mars is counting down the last hours before his execution--for the violent killing of his parents twenty years earlier--when he's granted an unexpected reprieve. Another man has confessed to the crime. Amos Decker, newly hired on an FBI special task force, takes an interest in Mars's case after discovering the striking similarities to his own life: Both men were talented football players with promising careers cut short by tragedy. Both men's families were brutally murdered. And in both cases, another suspect came forward, years after the killing, to confess to the crime. A suspect who may or may not have been telling the truth. The confession has the potential to make Melvin Mars--guilty or not--a free man. Who wants Mars out of prison? And why now? But when a member of Decker's team disappears, it becomes clear that something much larger--and more sinister--than just one convicted criminal's life hangs in the balance. Decker will need all of his extraordinary brainpower to stop an innocent man from being executed.

#### THE GUILTY—the 4<sup>th</sup> title in the Robie series!



Publisher: Grand Central Publishing U.S. Pub: November 17, 2015 Foreign Sales: United Kingdom—Pan Macmillan; Holland—Bruna; Sweden— Bokfabriken; Portugal—Clube do Autor; German—Lubbe; Hebrew—Modan

#### SYNOPSIS:

Will Robie is the government's most professional, disciplined, and lethal assassin. He infiltrates the most hostile countries in the world, defeats our enemies' advanced security measures, and eliminates threats before they ever reach our shores. But now, his skills have left him. Sent overseas on a critical assignment, he fails, unable to pull the trigger. Absent his talents, Robie is a man without a mission, and without a purpose. To recover what he has lost, Robie must confront what he has tried to forget for over twenty years: his own past. Will Robie escaped his small Gulf Coast hometown of Cantrell, Mississippi after high school, severing all personal ties, and never looked back. Not once. Not until the unimaginable occurs. His father, Dan Robie, has been arrested and charged with murder. Father and son haven't spoken or seen each other since the day Robie left town. In that time, Dan Robie-a local attorney and pillar of the community-has been elected town judge. Despite this, most of Cantrell is aligned against Dan. His guilt is assumed. To make matters worse, Dan has refused to do anything to defend himself. When Robie tries to help, his father responds only with anger and defiance. Could Dan really be guilty? With the equally formidable Jessica Reel at his side, Robie ignores his father's wishes and begins his own desperate investigation into the case. But Robie is now a stranger to his hometown, an outsider, a man who has forsaken his past and his family. His attempts to save his father are met with distrust and skepticism . . . and violence. Unlike the missions Robie undertook in the service of his country, where his target was clearly defined, digging into his father's case only reveals more questions. Robie is drawn into the hidden underside of Cantrell, where he must face the unexpected and possibly deadly consequences of the long-ago choices made by father and son. And this time, there may be no escape for either of them.

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#### **THE KEEPER**—2<sup>nd</sup> title in the Vega Jane series after THE FINISHER

Publisher: Scholastic U.S. Release: September 8, 2015 Foreign sales of THE KEEPER: UK—Pan Macmillan; Chinese (complex)—Fantasy Foundation; Spanish—Ediciones B; Bulgarian—Ciela Norma; Dutch—Bruna

"What happens when an international best-selling crime novelist tries his hand at a youth fantasy? Well, in this case, success." – Starred Booklist Review for THE FINISHER

#### SYNOPSIS of THE FINISHER:

At first glance, there isn't much going on in the village of Wormwood. Like most other Wugmorts (or Wugs), 14-year-old Vega Jane is dirty, hungry, and deprived. The few things that keep her going are her friend, Delph, her brother, John, and a tree where she goes to ponder. She also has her job at the Stacks, putting the finishing touches on pretty objects. But everything changes one morning when she spies her mentor, Quentin Herms, heading into the Quag, the terrifying forest that surrounds Wormwood. There are beasts inside the Quag, and supposedly nothing past it, so why would Herms run? The cryptic note he leaves behind raises more questions, and despite danger from many directions, Vega's a girl who wants answers.

#### SYNOPSIS of THE KEEPER:

Vega Jane was always told no one could leave the town of Wormwood. She was told there was nothing outside but the Quag, a wilderness filled with danger and death. And she always accepted it — until the night she stumbled across a secret that proved that everything she believed was a lie. Now just one thing stands between Vega Jane and freedom — the Quag. In order to leave Wormwood and discover the truth about her world, Vega Jane and her best friend, Delph, must find a way to make it across a terrifying land of blood-thirsty creatures and sinister magic. But the Quag is worse than Vega Jane's darkest imaginings. It's a living, breathing prison designed to keep enemies out and the villagers of Wormwood in. The Quag will throw everything at Vega Jane. It will try to break her. It will try to kill her. And survival might come at a price not even Vega Jane is willing to pay. With The Keeper, the follow-up to the global #1 bestseller and award winner The Finisher, master storyteller David Baldacci unleashes a hurricane of action and adrenaline that takes readers to the breaking point.

#### DAVID BALDACCI TITLES

THE LAST MILE—Spring '16 Novel #2 in the series featuring Amos Decker

THE GUILTY—Fall '15 Novel #4 in the series featuring Will Robie and Jessica Reel

THE KEEPER—Sept. '15 Novel #2 in the children's series featuring Vega Jane

MEMORY MAN—Spring '15 Novel #1 in the series featuring Amos Decker

THE ESCAPE—Fall '14 Novel #3 in the series featuring John Puller

THE TARGET—Spring '14 Novel #3 in the series featuring Will Robie and Jessica Reel

THE FINISHER—March '14 Novel #1 in Baldacci's new middle grade/ YA series featuring Vega Jane

KING & MAXWELL – Fall '13 Featuring King & Maxwell from THE SIXTH MAN This title is the 6th book in the series

THE HIT – Spring '13 Features Will Robie from THE INNOCENT

THE FORGOTTEN – Fall '12 Features John Puller from ZERO DAY

THE INNOCENT – Spring '12 Introduces Will Robie, CIA assassin

ZERO DAY – Fall '11 Introduces John Puller, a military criminal investigator

ONE SUMMER – Summer '11 Stand alone/non-thriller

THE SIXTH MAN – Spring '11 King and Maxwell #5

HELL'S CORNER – Fall '10

Camel Club #5

DELIVER US FROM EVIL – Spring '10 The second international thriller featuring Shaw from THE WHOLE TRUTH

TRUE BLUE– Fall '09 Introduces Mace Perry – a Washington D.C. cop

FIRST FAMILY – Spring '09 King and Maxwell #4

DIVINE JUSTICE – Fall '08 Camel Club #4

THE WHOLE TRUTH – Spring '08 First international thriller -- introduces Shaw, an operative.

STONE COLD – Fall '07 Camel Club #3

SIMPLE GENIUS – Spring '07 King and Maxwell #3

THE COLLECTORS – Jan. '06 Camel Club #2

CAMEL CLUB – Fall '05 Camel Club #1

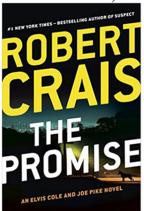
HOUR GAME -- 2004 King and Maxwell #2

SPLIT SECOND – 2003 King and Maxwell #1 Introduces Sean King and Michelle Maxwell, ex-secret service agents

Stand alone books: THE CHRISTMAS TRAIN -- 2003 LAST MAN STANDING -- 2001 WISH YOU WELL -- 2000 SAVING FAITH -- 1999 THE SIMPLE TRUTH -- 1999 THE WINNER -- 1997 TOTAL CONTROL -- 1997 ABSOLUTE POWER -- 1996

## **ROBERT CRAIS**

# **THE PROMISE**—featuring Elvis Cole and Joe Pike (special guests Scott and Maggie from SUSPECT)



Publisher: Putnam U.S. Release: November 10, 2015 Foreign sales: UK—Orion; Heyne—German; Czech—Metafora; Japan—Tokyo Sogensha

**MWA Grandmaster Crais is at the top of his game in his 16th Elvis Cole novel** (after 2012's Taken). When the L.A. PI goes looking for chemical engineer Amy Breslyn, who has absconded with \$460,000 from her company, Woodson Energy Solutions, he learns that Amy's motive involves her journalist son, who died in a terrorist bombing in Nigeria 16 months earlier. The investigation takes Cole to a house in Echo Park crammed with explosives—a locale that also attracts LAPD K-9 officer Scott James and his German shepherd Maggie (the protagonists of 2013's Suspect). At the house, a criminal mastermind eludes the team, but when the crook realizes that James can identify him, he determines to eliminate the K-9 officer. Meanwhile, the Major Crimes squad becomes suspicious of Cole, who calls on his partner, the ultracryptic Joe Pike, for help. Pike in turn enlists the talents of former Delta Force op Jon Stone, now a mercenary. The resolution of the complicated conspiracy is both clever and touching.

-- Starred Review, Publishers Weekly

#### SYNOPSIS:

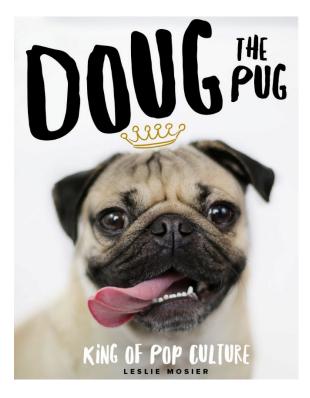
Loyalty, commitment, and the fight for justice have always driven Elvis Cole and Joe Pike. If they make a promise, they keep it. Even if it could get them killed. When Elvis Cole is secretly hired to find a grief-stricken mother, he's led to an ordinary house on a rainy night in Echo Park. Only the house isn't ordinary, and the people hiding inside are a desperate fugitive and a murderous criminal with his own dangerous secrets. As helicopters swirl overhead, Scott and Maggie track the fugitive to this same house, coming face-to-face with Mr. Rollins, a killer who leaves behind a brutally murdered body and enough explosives to destroy the neighborhood. Scott is now the only person who can identify him, but Mr. Rollins has a rule: Never leave a witness alive. For all of them, the night is only beginning. Sworn to secrecy by his client, Elvis finds himself targeted by the police even as Mr. Rollins targets Maggie and Scott. As Mr. Rollins closes in for the kill, Elvis and Joe join forces with Scott and Maggie to follow a trail of lies where no one is who they claim -- and the very woman they promised to save might get them all killed.

## PHILIP CAPUTO

#### **DELIVER US FROM EVIL**

U.S. Publisher: Henry Holt U.S. Release: Winter 2017 (not final)

SYNOPSIS: Pulitzer Prize-winner Philip Caputo's DELIVER US FROM EVIL is about Father Timothy Riordan, a white priest in a Mexican border town who is caught between drug cartels, an untrustworthy military, corrupt law enforcement and his faith. The little town of San Patricio is plagued by violence and gang warfare. To aid the authorities in their apprehension of the criminals, they ask the unthinkable of Father Riordan: "tell us what you hear in Confession." Riordan struggles between his allegiance to God and Church, and the parishioners whom he loves and who trust him. But isn't the only way out of this tragedy to reveal the truth? In order to restore peace and community, he must decide which is the lesser evil: to sacrifice his commitment to his vocation in an attempt to save his people, or to remain "the good priest" in the face of chaos and desperation. This is a powerful and provocative novel, beautifully written by the inimitable Philip Caputo. **DOUG THE PUG King of Pop Culture** Leslie Mosier



Publisher: St. Martin's Press U.S. Release: November 1, 2016 Foreign Sales: UK—Boxtree

Gift book of approximately 150 photos of Internet Celebrity Doug the Pug with captions.

SYNOPSIS: Doug the Pug is the King of Pop Culture. Over 5 million adoring fans on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, and Snapchat can't get enough of him. Doug spreads love everywhere he goes, and now with his literary debut, he's coming to a living room near you. It's hard to find a more well-connected pup than Doug. He's bumped noses with the hottest stars out there: Justin Bieber, Steven Tyler, Ed Sheeran, John Legend, and Chrissy Teigen, just to name a few. Did you catch him in Fall Out Boy's latest music video? Doug can ball with the best of them. He's a rising star and everyone's favorite squishy face. Doug even made appearances at music festivals including Lollapalooza and Billboard Hot 100 Music Fest, but he doesn't let fame go to his head. He's a simple dog with a great big heart.

Doug currently has 4 million likes on Facebook and 1.5 million followers on Instagram. According to Facebook analytics, Doug is supremely popular abroad in Mexico, Brazil, Germany, and Italy (among other countries.)

#### WHERE I LIVE

Brenda Rufener Young Adult Fiction

Publisher: Harper Teen (World English) U.S. Release: Winter 2018

SYNOPSIS: WHERE I LIVE by Brenda Rufener features Linden Rose, a homeless protagonist who secretly lives in the halls of her high school.

No one at Hinderwood High knows Linden's secret because she lives by a set of rules:

- 1. Prevent the in-class nap.
- 2. Never carry too many belongings.
- 3. Avoid looking the part.

Complete at 68,500 words, WHERE I LIVE is a novel for mature teens in the voice-driven vein of ALL THE BRIGHT PLACES and EVERYTHING, EVERYTHING. Linden is her own kind of teenage hero—what she lacks in super powers, she more than makes up in inner strength and attitude. The writing is thoughtful and evocative, with dialogue that rings true. WHERE I LIVE deep dives into the difficult topics of homelessness and violence against women, making them human and palpable and avoiding "a very special episode" territory.

#### CROSS

Julie Aitcheson Young Adult Fiction

Publisher: Harmony Ink (North American) U.S. Release: Fall 2017

SYNOPSIS: Officially named Aurora, Roy is a teen growing up in 1992 in Benbow, West Virginia, though she likens herself closer to a prince than the princess her name suggests. A talented artist, Roy spends most of her time creating mixed media artwork from the small "vintage" Airstream trailer that she shares with her New Age truck driving mother. Roy and her childhood best friend Oscar are in love, though Roy is confident the term "girlfriend" could never apply to the person she is inside. Roy is unable to accurately describe the feeling— she identifies best with a gay man, as she loves Oscar and his rapidly maturing male body. CROSS illuminates the discussion before being transgender was part of the zeitgeist.

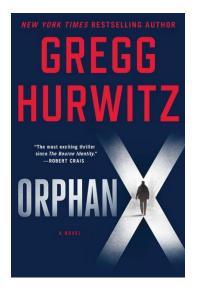
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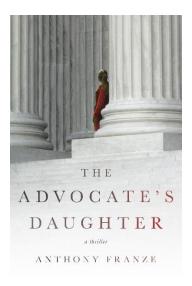
"Read this book. You'll thank me later." - David Baldacci

## **ORPHAN X by Gregg Hurwitz**

- Publisher: Minotaur
- U.S. Release: January 19, 2016 Instant national bestseller A Best of the Month book on Amazon, iBooks, Indie Next and Fresh Fiction Sequel to be published January, 2017
- **Film:** Warner Brothers pre-empted in a major deal, for producers Bradley Cooper and Todd Phillips
- Foreign Licenses: UK/BC—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

#### SYNOPSIS:

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.



"Taut and twisting – it crackles with authenticity." -- Lisa Unger

"An absorbing story about families and the sacrifices we make for the people we love." –Alafair Burke

"Sophisticated, suspenseful...A winner." --Lee Child

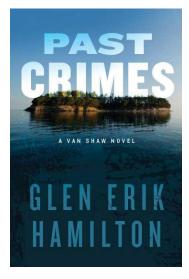
"A brilliant thriller that's smart, well-written, and heartstopping."—Linda Fairstein

## THE ADVOCATE'S DAUGHTER by Anthony Franze

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

#### **SYNOPSIS:**

Among Washington, DC power players, everyone has secrets they desperately want to keep hidden, including Sean Serrat—a Supreme Court lawyer who transformed his misspent youth into a model adulthood and one of the most respected legal careers in the country. But just as he learns he's a candidate for Supreme Court Justice, Sean's daughter, a talented law student, goes missing. Her lifeless body is soon found and her boyfriend arrested, with damning evidence against him. While Sean and his family work through their grief in the days that follow, Sean begins to suspect the authorities arrested the wrong person. As he delves into the mysteries of his daughter's last days, Sean discovers a trail of shocking secrets that not only leads back to his own shrouded past, but also to the dangerous lies of powerful people who will stop at nothing to ensure that Sean and his family never expose the truth.



"An outstanding debut."-Library Journal, starred review

"Readers will be eager to see more of this tough, clever hero." – Publishers Weekly, starred review

"A remarkably confident and self-assured debut thriller." – *BookReporter* 

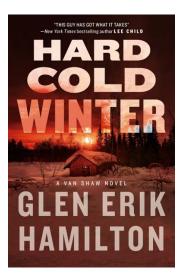
"Hamilton is an author to watch." -- Booklist

## **PAST CRIMES** By Glen Erik Hamilton

- Publisher: Morrow
- U.S. Release: March 3, 2015
  Nominated for Edgar Award: Best First Novel
- **Foreign licenses: UK/BC**—Faber & Faber; **Israel**—Kor'im Publishers; **Turkey**—Pay Kitap; **Japan**--Hayakawa

#### SYNOPSIS:

An emotionally powerful thriller about the bonds between family, friends, and the criminals among them, and the shared past none of them can escape. Van Shaw was raised to be a thief, but at the age of eighteen he went straight – abruptly abandoning that illicit life, as well as his career-criminal grandfather who taught him the trade. Now, after ten years of estrangement, Van's grandfather has suddenly asked him to come home. Van dutifully returns, only to find his grandfather shot in the head and bleeding out on the floor. While the police focus on Van as the primary suspect, Van plunges back into an underworld he vowed he'd never re-enter, putting his own criminal sensibilities to work again, to ferret out the attacker and unearth the shocking secret of why his grandfather called him home after so many years. But in a violent, high-stakes world where the lines between right and wrong are easily blurred, Van finds that the secrets held by those closest to him are the deadliest of all.



# 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."

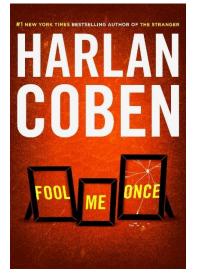
--Library Journal, starred review

#### HARD COLD WINTER by Glen Erik Hamilton

- Publisher: Morrow
- U.S. Release: March 8, 2016
- Foreign licenses: UK/BC--Faber & Faber; Japan—Hayakawa
- Additional two-book deals in US and UK for series to continue through 2019

#### SYNOPSIS:

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.



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"Stellar... Coben is like a skilled magician, saving the best, most stunning trick for the very end." --Publishers Weekly, starred, boxed review

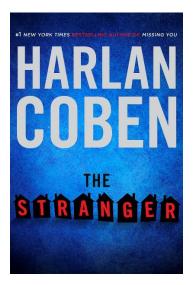
"Once again, Coben marries his two greatest strengths masterfully paced plotting that leads to a climactic string of fireworks and the ability to root all the revelations in deeply felt emotions—in a tale guaranteed to fool even the craftiest readers a lot more than once." --Kirkus, starred review

#### FOOL ME ONCE by Harlan Coben

- Publisher: Dutton
- U.S. Release: March 22, 2016
- Foreign licenses: UK/BC—Century; France—Belfond; Netherlands—Meulenhoff Boekerij; Germany—Goldmann; Poland—Albatros; Denmark—Gads; Thailand— Amarin; Russia—Azbooka-Atticus; Croatia—Znanje; Brazil--Sextante

#### 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.



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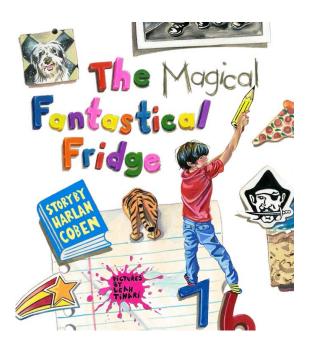
## THE STRANGER by Harlan Coben

- Publisher: Dutton
- U.S. Release: March 24, 2015
- Foreign licenses: UK/BC— Orion; France—Belfond; Netherlands—De Boerkerij; Brazil—Sextante; Denmark—Gads; Germany—Random House; China—Harbin; Norway—Cappelen Damm; Czech Republic—Euromedia; Hungary—Jaffa; Poland— Albatros; Greece—Metaixmio; Spain—RBA Libros; Israel—Kinneret; Serbia— Laguna; Russia—Azbooka-Atticus; Bulgaria—Colibri; Korea—Moonhak Soochup; Croatia—Znanje; Thailand—Amarin; Lithuania--Jotema

#### SYNOPSIS:

The Stranger appears out of nowhere, perhaps in a bar, or a parking lot, or at the grocery store. His identity is unknown. His motives are unclear. His information is undeniable. Then he whispers a few words in your ear and disappears, leaving you picking up the pieces of your shattered world. Adam Price has a lot to lose: a comfortable marriage to a beautiful woman, two wonderful sons, and all the trappings of the American Dream: a big house, a good job, a seemingly perfect life. Then he runs into the Stranger. When he learns a devastating secret about his wife, Corinne, he confronts her, and the mirage of perfection disappears as if it never existed at all. Soon Adam finds himself tangled in something far darker than even Corinne's deception, and realizes that if he doesn't make exactly the right moves, the conspiracy he's stumbled into will not only ruin lives—it will end them.

## Harlan Coben's first picture book!

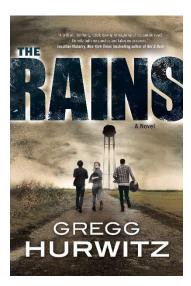


#### THE MAGICAL FANTASTICAL FRIDGE By Harlan Coben Illustrated by Leah Tinari

- Publisher: Dial
- U.S. Release: February 16, 2016
- Foreign licenses: UK/BC—Arrow; France—Pocket Jeunesse

#### SYNOPSIS:

Walden's wish is granted when he gets to escape his family's routine by being magically transported into the world of the items posted on the refrigerator. There, he fends off a monster of his own creation, escapes a pack of energetic monkeys, swims with the fish in a giant aquarium, and much more. By the story's end, the reader is left with a feeling of having been on a grand adventure without ever leaving home, and our young hero realizes just how much he loves his family.



"THE RAINS is a brilliant, terrifying, rule-breaking reimagining of the zombie novel. Hurwitz pulls no punches and takes no prisoners in this gripping teen novel. Highly recommended!"

--Jonathan Maberry, *New York Times* best-selling author of *Rot and Ruin* and *V-Wars* 

### THE RAINS by Gregg Hurwitz

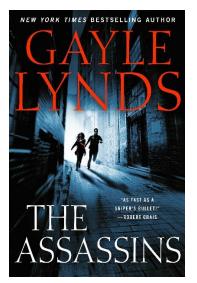
- Publisher: Tor Teen
- U.S. Release: October, 2016, with sequel to be published in October, 2017

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

The first Young Adult novel by Gregg Hurwitz and the first in 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.



"A masterwork of international suspense... Outstanding." -- Douglas Preston

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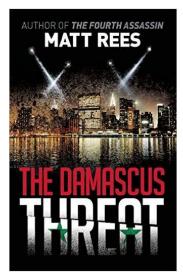
"Cold War thriller writing at its best." -- Peter James

## THE ASSASSINS by Gayle Lynds

- Publisher: St. Martin's Press
- U.S. Release: June 30, 2015
- Foreign Sales: UK/BC—Corvus; Germany— Heyne; Turkey--Olympos

#### **SYNOPSIS:**

Former CIA agent Judd Ryder approaches his house in Washington, D.C. just in time to see a man who looks remarkably like him, and wearing his clothing, leave it. Moments later, Judd witnesses that man killed in a hit-and-run that is no accident—clearly, someone wants Judd dead. But his former partner Eva Blake is at risk, too—the dead man was carrying a cellphone from which only one number has been called: hers. As the two race to uncover the players behind the scheme, they become the center of an epic battle being waged among the world's top six assassins. However, in this game the stakes are much higher than individual survival, and Judd and Eva must stop the mastermind behind it all before world becomes a drastically more dangerous place.



Praise for Matt Rees' novels: "Astonishing" -- *The New York Times* "Outstanding" -- *The Economist* "Richly detailed"-- *Washington Post* "Evocative, compassionate" -- *San Francisco Chronicle* 

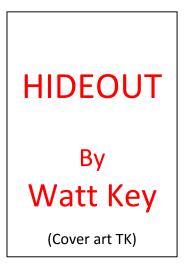
#### THE DAMASCUS THREAT by Matt Rees

# The first novel in an exciting international series of thrillers from award winning author Matt Rees.

- Publisher: Crooked Lane
- U.S. Release: August 9, 2016, with next novel to be published in August, 2017

#### **SYNOPSIS:**

Welcome to the world of ICE (Immigration and Customs Enforcement): a little-known branch of Homeland Security, whose agents are tasked with investigating large-scale crimes that cross international borders. Dominic Verrazzano is a former soldier who got to know the arms trafficking trade a bit too well. Now an agent for ICE, he uses his knowledge and skills to protect his country from external threats. Dr. Amy Weston is a chemical weapons expert with an unwanted secret--what she knows could destroy thousands of lives. When she is shot and killed en route to meet with Verrazzano, her secrets die with her, but she leaves behind a terrifying clue. It becomes the mission of Verrazzano and his team to uncover what she hoped to reveal to him--a deadly plot with global ramifications--as the clock ticks ever closer to catastrophe.



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

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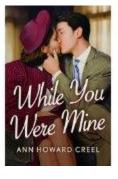
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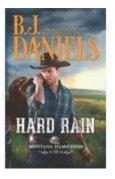
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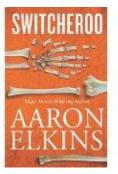
#### SYNOPSIS:

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.

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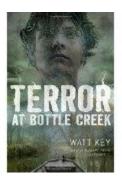
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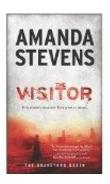
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