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*The Whispers* Grey Eagle Publications  
'I WENT THROUGH A LONG PERIOD WHERE I WAS AFRAID OF DOING THINGS I WANTED TO DO, AND YOU GET YOUR COURAGE BACK, WHICH IS WHAT'S IMPORTANT' – GEORGE MICHAEL Born Georgios Kyriacos Panayiotou, George Michael was raised in a family of Greek Cypriot immigrants in North London, and dreamed of stardom when he was a little boy. At just twelve years old he met Andrew Ridgeley and the two of them went on to achieve stunning success in the early 1980s with Wham!, creating music that remains popular to this day. Yet despite the enormous success of Wham!, George wanted more, and so set about recreating himself as a serious solo artist, reaching heights of even greater success. Ironically, however,

even from the early days he was plagued with insecurity about his sexuality, which, combined with the calamity of losing his first lover to AIDS and his mother to cancer, plunged him into a lifelong struggle with drug addiction. He died, at the tragically early age of just fifty three, on Christmas Day 2016. George Michael's life and career brought him international fame, and his sudden and unexpected death shocked the world. His unrivalled popularity as an artist, however, and the music he made, have turned him into one of the immortal greats of pop music. As Emily Herbert shows in this new biography, his legacy is not just his music, but his many extraordinary, and often anonymous, acts of charity.

*The Book Charmer* Coronet

It's that time of year again . . . Turn up 'Last Christmas', get the mince pies out and head back to the 80s in the remarkably honest and fascinating

autobiography from one half of the world's greatest pop duo THE SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER 'I couldn't put it down. Such a fantastic book' Chris Evans, Virgin Radio \_\_\_\_\_ School mates. Band mates. Soul mates . . . When Andrew Ridgley took George Michael, the new boy at school, under his wing, he discovered a soul mate. In Wham! George and Me, Andrew tells the story of how they rode a rollercoaster of success around the world while making iconic records and surviving superstardom with their friendship intact. It is a memoir of love, music, the flamboyant 1980s and living in a pop hurricane. No one else can ever tell their story - because no one else was there . . . For the first time, Andrew Ridgeley tells the inside story of Wham!, his life-long friendship with George Michael and the formation of a band that changed the shape of the music scene in the early eighties. \_\_\_\_\_ 'A joyous celebration of the Wham! years. For anyone who was a teenager in the early 1980s, it will take you on a nostalgia trip. It's an honest but affectionate account of a remarkable duo who remained true to their origins and their friendship throughout it all' Daily Express 'As infectious as their music' Daily Mirror 'A remarkably generous memoir. In more than one sense, the biography of a friend' Spectator 'A great story' Saturday Live, Radio 4 'A lovely book. A love letter to George' Graham Norton, BBC One 'Charming, heartfelt . . . there's a real poignancy to Ridgeley's description of Wham!'s glory days' Sunday Times *Whispers Through a Megaphone* Devney Perry

A Newbery Medal winning modern classic about a racially divided small town and a boy who runs. Jeffrey Lionel "Maniac" Magee might have lived a

normal life if a freak accident hadn't made him an orphan. After living with his unhappy and uptight aunt and uncle for eight years, he decides to run--and not just run away, but run. This is where the myth of Maniac Magee begins, as he changes the lives of a racially divided small town with his amazing and legendary feats.

### **Dave Barry's Book of Bad Songs**

Macmillan

Stephanie Costas has always had a passion for humanity. As a digital forensics examiner, she fights bad guys from the technical front. When a closed cold case is dug up, she finds herself becoming consumed to set things right. No amount of eighties music or repeated viewings of her favorite movie Dirty Dancing were enough to distract her. She needed a vacation in the worst of ways. When she set foot in the gorgeous tropical resort in Greece, she had no idea she'd meet a man claiming to be Hades, god of the Underworld. And she certainly had no idea that he was telling the truth. Her Greek vacation was about to become very...interactive. A Hades/Persephone re-imagining.\*\*The Contemporary Mythos series will feature a different Greek god in each book re-exploring their myths and combining contemporary romance tropes. Though they will all stand alone, the stories will also intersect for those that read them all.\*\*

*Careless Whispers* Pushkin Press  
History.

Careless Whispers Macmillan

Down Farm Road 308, an hour's drive south of Dallas, amidst sprawling fields of cotton lies a small community-- Penelope, Texas (population 211). Here, where the only thriving businesses are the granary and the post office, unless you count the soft-drink machine in front

of the fire station, two-time Edgar Award-winning writer Carlton Stowers discovered a special town that came together, not only to support their six-man highschool football team--the Penelope Wolverines--through thick and a lot of thin, but also, and more importantly, each other. *Where Dreams Die Hard* is a warm and revealing portrait of the American heartland--and of one small town's love affair with the team that unites it. "Through his unforgettable depiction of innocence, goodness, loyalty, and friendship...Carlton Stowers gives us a moving portrait of a community that, in the words of one of the Penelope faithful, is like 'stepping into a Norman Rockwell painting.'" (Billie Letts, author of *Where the Heart Is*) "High school football in Texas is both sport and religion, and Stowers brilliantly brings this to light in *Where Dreams Die Hard*." (Jim Dent, author of *The Junction Boys*)

*Careless Whispers* Simon and Schuster  
A middle grade debut that's a heartrending coming-of-age tale, perfect for fans of *Bridge to Terabithia* and *Counting By 7s*. Eleven-year-old Riley believes in the whispers, magical fairies that will grant you wishes if you leave them tributes. Riley has a lot of wishes. He wishes bullies at school would stop picking on him. He wishes Dylan, his 8th grade crush, liked him, and Riley wishes he would stop wetting the bed. But most of all, Riley wishes for his mom to come back home. She disappeared a few months ago, and Riley is determined to crack the case. He even meets with a detective, Frank, to go over his witness statement time and time again. Frustrated with the lack of progress in the investigation, Riley decides to take matters into his own hands. So he goes on a camping trip with his friend Gary to

find the whispers and ask them to bring his mom back home. But Riley doesn't realize the trip will shake the foundation of everything that he believes in forever.

*Wham! George & Me* HQN Books  
George Michael is one of the world's top pop music vocalists. This book tells how the boy from a working class background made it to the top of the music charts in countries all over the world. It tells the story of George's involvement with the group Wham and of the \$3 million deal with the Coca Cola company. George's songs, his music, his craft as well as his family, friends and life on and off the road are all included. His observations and comments on other musical stars are also quoted.

*Hades* Penguin UK

She's falling in love with the one man she can't trust... Elaina Robidoux knows how people view her: coldhearted, ambitious, ruthless. But it doesn't matter. Running the family business is all she's ever wanted and she's so close she can almost taste it...until her father fires her and hires her nemesis—arrogant, unflappable Alex Tyson. Elaina may be hurt but she refuses to be defeated, so she throws herself into creating a business of her own. But she never dreamed that to close her first deal, she'd need Alex's help... Alex understands the power of a family legacy better than most and the last thing he wanted was to take that from Elaina. Her beauty and fierce strength are undeniable, but there's a softer side that no one but him seems to see. She's been taught that emotions are a liability, yet one impulsive kiss starts a chain reaction that neither of them wants to stop. But can love ignite—and survive—when secrets and loyalties collide? "[An] exceptional tale of forbidden love." —Publishers Weekly,

starred review, on Forbidden Promises Praise for Synithia Williams's Jackson Falls series "Williams (His Pick for Passion) makes waves with this exceptional tale of forbidden love." —Publishers Weekly, starred review, on Forbidden Promises "A romance for readers looking for equal parts passion and family drama." —Kirkus Reviews on Forbidden Promises "Politics, passion, and family drama combine to make a deliciously soapy second-chance, brother's-best-friend romance. Readers of Alisha Rai's Forbidden Hearts series or Reese Ryan's Engaging the Enemy will be tantalized and surprised by the many twists and turns." —Library Journal on Forbidden Promises

*Careless Whiskers* Penguin

It's a good thing Gabe Bristow lives and breathes the Navy SEAL credo, "the only easy day was yesterday," because today, his life is unrecognizable. When his prestigious career comes to a crashing halt, he's left with a bum leg and few prospects for employment that don't include a desk. That is, until he's offered the chance to command a private hostage rescue team and free a wealthy American businessman from Colombian paramilitary rebels. It seems like a good deal—until he meets his new team: a drunk Cajun linguist, a boy-genius CIA threat analyst, an FBI negotiator with mob ties, a cowboy medic, and an EOD expert as volatile as the bombs he defuses. Oh, and who could forget the sexy, frustratingly impulsive Audrey Van Amee? She's determined to help rescue her brother—or drive Gabe crazy. Whichever comes first. As the death toll rises, Gabe's team of delinquents must figure out how to work together long enough to save the day. Or, at least, not get themselves killed. Because Gabe's finally

found something worth living for, and God help him if he can't bring her brother back alive. Each book in the HORNET series is STANDALONE: \* SEAL of Honor \* Honor Reclaimed \* Broken Honor \* Code of Honor \* Reckless Honor \* Honor Avenged

**The Gestapo** St. Martin's Paperbacks  
When librarian Charlie Harris' daughter is falsely accused of murder, he and his faithful feline Diesel must leap forward to crack the case in this all-new installment in the New York Times bestselling series. Charlie Harris has sworn off investigating murder and mayhem after a recent close call. Instead, he's delighted to cheer on his daughter, Laura, who's starring in a production of *Careless Whispers*. The theater department at Athena College is debuting the play written by a fledgling playwright with local connections and Charlie's son-in-law, Frank Salisbury, will be calling the directorial shots. Laura is upset to learn that Luke Lombardi, an overbearing actor she knew from her time in Hollywood will also be taking part in the production as a guest artist. Lombardi arrives with an entourage in tow and promptly proceeds to annoy everyone involved with the production. When he collapses and dies on stage, after drinking from a glass Laura handed him, she becomes the chief suspect in his murder. Charlie knows his daughter is innocent, and he's not going to let anyone railroad his little girl. So, despite his intentions to put his amateur sleuthing days behind him, Charlie has to take center stage, and with Diesel's help, shine a spotlight on the real killer. [Creating a World Without Poverty](#)  
Honford Star

A Seductive Kiss Francis Ray Bestselling author Francis Ray celebrates the lifelong bonds between the Grayson

family and their friends—with a heartwarming love story years in the making... Dianna Harrington is known throughout the world as "The Face"—the stunningly beautiful spokesmodel for her family's fashion empire. She could probably have her pick of any man she wants. But Dianna would rather kick back and relax with a good friend—namely Alex Stewart, who she's known, and harbored a crush on, her whole life... Ever since they were kids, Alex has been Dianna's protector and pal, a shoulder to cry on. But as the brother of her best friend, Alex always seemed untouchable. Now a handsome, successful New York lawyer, Alex never realized how lonely Dianna's life has been—or how innocent she is in the ways of love. Alex wants more than anything to reach out to her, to heal her heart. But is his desire worth the risk? After a lifetime of longing building up between them, something's gotta give. Maybe all it takes is just one kiss...

*Denial* Vintage

An important part of the Keep Calm and Carry On phenomenon, Fougasse's work is a key aspect of life on the Home Front, particularly associated with the Blitz and the Battle of Britain in the early years of the Second World War.

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Independent Publishing Platform

Ignazio Vitale n'est pas un homme bon. Je le soupçonne dès notre première rencontre, je sens le danger qui entoure cet homme. Il a une façon d'exiger l'attention, de prendre le contrôle, de savoir ce que je pense avant même que je le sache. C'est à la fois inquiétant et attirant. C'est sombre et redoutable. C'est tout ce que j'ai toujours voulu, et pourtant la dernière chose dont j'ai besoin. Une obsession. Il ne lui faut pas longtemps pour m'attirer dans sa toile,

me charmer jusque dans son lit et me prendre au piège de sa vie, une vie dont j'ignore tout avant qu'il soit trop tard. Il a des secrets, des secrets que je ne peux percer et qui m'empêchent de partir, même si je le supplie de me laisser m'en aller. Je l'aperçois parfois dans ses yeux, cette noirceur terrifiante et fascinante à la fois. C'est un monstre dans un emballage somptueux, et ce que je découvre en le démasquant change absolument tout. J'ai envie de le haïr. Parfois même, j'y parviens. Et pourtant, ça ne m'empêche pas de l'aimer.

*The Sense of an Ending* HQN Books  
LONGLISTED FOR THE BAILEYS WOMEN'S PRIZE FOR FICTION 2016 'Wise, witty and utterly delightful. A book with a big, beating heart' Laurie Penny 'A beautifully written, funny, moving, life-affirming piece of wonder' Julie Hesmondhalgh Miriam hasn't left her house in three years, and cannot raise her voice above a whisper. She still lives in the shadow of her dead mother... But today she has had enough, and is finally ready to rejoin the outside world.

Meanwhile, Ralph has made the mistake of opening a closet door, only to discover that his wife Sadie doesn't love him... And so he decides to leave his home. Miriam and Ralph's chance meeting in a wood during a summer storm leads to an unusual friendship, and quirky twists. Rachel Elliott's loveable characters confront the hardest things in life with delicious humour and steady courage. Because sometimes, our over-connected world can seem too much for just one person...

**The Book of Whispers** Omnibus Press  
BOOKER PRIZE WINNER • NATIONAL BESTSELLER • A novel that follows a middle-aged man as he contends with a past he never much thought about—until his closest childhood friends return with

a vengeance: one of them from the grave, another maddeningly present. A novel so compelling that it begs to be read in a single sitting, *The Sense of an Ending* has the psychological and emotional depth and sophistication of Henry James at his best, and is a stunning achievement in Julian Barnes's oeuvre. Tony Webster thought he left his past behind as he built a life for himself, and his career has provided him with a secure retirement and an amicable relationship with his ex-wife and daughter, who now has a family of her own. But when he is presented with a mysterious legacy, he is forced to revise his estimation of his own nature and place in the world.

**Scandalous Secrets** Public Affairs  
New York Times bestselling author Karen Hawkins crafts an unforgettable story about a sleepy Southern town, two fiercely independent women, and a truly magical friendship. Sarah Dove is no ordinary bookworm. To her, books have always been more than just objects: they live, they breathe, and sometimes they even speak. When Sarah grows up to become the librarian in her quaint Southern town of Dove Pond, her gift helps place every book in the hands of the perfect reader. Recently, however, the books have been whispering about something out of the ordinary: the arrival of a displaced city girl named Grace Wheeler. If the books are right, Grace could be the savior that Dove Pond desperately needs. The problem is, Grace wants little to do with the town or its quirky residents—Sarah chief among them. It takes a bit of urging, and the help of an especially wise book, but Grace ultimately embraces the challenge to rescue her charmed new community. In her quest, she discovers the tantalizing promise of new love, the

deep strength that comes from having a true friend, and the power of finding just the right book. “A mesmerizing fusion of the mystical and the everyday” (Susan Andersen, New York Times bestselling author), *The Book Charmer* is a heartwarming story about the magic of books that feels more than a little magical itself. Prepare to fall under its spell.

*George Michael - The Life: 1963-2016*  
Entangled: Amara

What do you do when you want the one person you can never have? Get in and get out. That was India Robidoux's plan for this family visit. But when her brother needs her help with his high-profile political campaign, India has no choice but to stay and face the one man she's been running from for years—Travis, her sister's ex-husband. One hot summer night when Travis was still free, they celebrated her birthday with whiskey and an unforgettable kiss. The memory is as strong as ever—and so are the feelings she's tried so hard to forget. Travis Strickland owes everything to the Robidoux family. There's nothing he wouldn't do for them—his divorce could never change that. Still, he has one regret. Impulsive and passionate, India always understood him better than anyone else. And the longer they work together on the campaign, the more torn he is. Coming between her and her sister is out of the question. But how can he let love pass him by a second time?

Careless Whispers: The Life and Career of George Michael Simon and Schuster  
George Michael is an enigma. While he is one of the most open and vocal pop superstars on the planet, he also fiercely protective of his privacy. From the formation of Wham! In 1981 he immediately found fame and fortune beyond his wildest dreams. His music

formed the soundtrack to the 1980s and he achieved all of this despite growing up in a dysfunctional family where his father openly proclaimed that George had no talent. Wham! split in 1986 but Michael went on to greater things as a solo artist. Along the way he has been embroiled in several controversies, but in refreshing contrast to other superstars, he has been happy to address his issues head-on in the media. Rob Jovanovic's biography tackles all the issues that formed George Michael and his place as a cultural icon. It also, for the first time, analyses Michael's musical output and groundbreaking videos. [Scream at the Sky](#) Omnibus Press Can they do what's right...without betraying their hearts? Senatorial candidate Byron Robidoux always does the right thing. And, after years of focus and dedication, his life and campaign are

going exactly to plan—until a blackmailer jeopardizes everything. No one is supposed to know that thirteen years ago, Byron told a lie to protect a college friend. And now that lie could destroy his career...and threaten the woman he never stopped loving. Zoe Hammond hardly recognizes the refined and handsome politician Byron has become. The last time she saw him, he was the friend who saved her life by claiming to be the father of her unborn baby. For that, she'd do anything for him. Except Byron's world of wealth, reputation and deceit isn't a place where Zoe or her daughter belong. But when a menace from the past comes calling again, staying with Byron is best for them all. And, as the searing attraction between them builds, they soon realize some things are worth fighting for...especially love.