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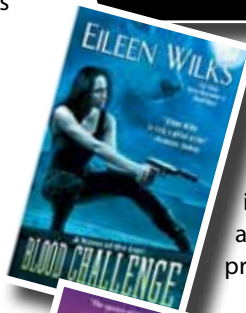
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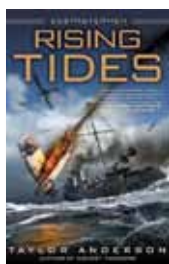


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**FANTASY**



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**Hb = Hardback**

# ★ FAVE RAVES

our favourites – new and classic

## FAVE NEW

### The Strange Affair of Spring Heeled Jack

by Mark Hodder



If a picture is worth a thousand words, this cover should be worth a thousand reads! As soon as I laid eyes on it, I knew it would soon be on my To Read pile; what I didn't realise was that the first chapter would put it into the category of 'must-finish-no-matter-what-time-it-is'!

This book is more than a fun, beautifully described romp through the streets of a steampunk-powered London. It's a really cool bit of mythology with a good helping of alternate history, and I love a new take on a classic idea! Rachel Vincent unveiled alternate banshees in **My Soul to Take** (Pb \$16.95), Seressia Glass revived Nubian warriors in **Maat in Shadowblade** (Pb \$13.95), and now Hodder has injected a whole new level of cool into the stilt-walking, blue-lightning-shooting Spring Heeled Jack legend.

Fair warning though: this may be steampunk with serious brains, but it can also be a bit pulpish. And yet you won't be able to put it down until the last piece falls into place. Hodder nails the dialogue and characterisation - Sir Richard Francis Burton is an excellent hero - strong, brave, devilishly intelligent, worldly and bearing a really cool scar from a spear to the face. No wonder he's the only man who can be trusted to track down the mysterious Spring Heeled Jack and the wolf-men. And he's not the only charmer; Hodder draws on true history, introducing Darwin and Florence Nightingale, giving them sinister new angles and ideas! Burton is soon joined by little Algernon Swinburne, a diminutive poet who only feels truly alive when risking life and limb.

This brilliantly imagined alternative time is detailed and well thought out. Not only are there steam-powered contraptions wandering the streets of London, but the Eugenics have long since had a hand in animal modifications for the glory of the British Empire. The result? A dog-run local postal system and a parakeet-dependent secret message service with one flaw: the birds like to swear! This leads to brilliant little moments when a serious message from Lord Palmerston is peppered with shrieks of "You're welcome ARSE FACE, message ends."

Victoriana lovers take note: there are more than enough hansom cabs and chimney sweeps here to keep you happy until the next Cherie Priest book comes out. But your distant cousins - the readers of alternate history - will get all the twists and turns of time-jumping and misplaced technology. The solution: get two copies, then you don't have to share! 371pp Tp \$26.95 - *Sofia*

## FAVE CLASSIC

### The Painted Man Demon War Cycle #1

by Peter V Brett



Late 2008 brought a new author to my Must Read list. This novel received much hype, yet it took me a while to jump on the bandwagon, so at least I didn't have to wait long for the sequel, **Desert Spear** (Pb \$29.99), released early 2010. This is a novel of vibrant characters and a driving story in a world of unique magic and a deadly enemy.

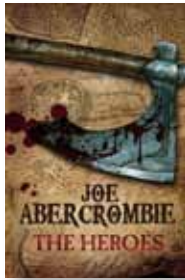
Mankind only has dominion over the earth during the day. As the sun sets, humans retreat to shelter for fear of the corelings (elemental demons) who rise from the centre of the earth and prey on humans without quarter. Three centuries ago, the corelings brought civilisation to its knees. Now humans live behind walled cities and towns, desperately seeking safety from an enemy they cannot fight or defeat. Their only protection are the ancients runes that form 'wards'. These are painted, drawn and in some cases carved on all buildings, fences and walls, creating geometric barriers of energy that are the only deterrent to the demons. There are legends of wards that were once in mankind's possession, allowing them to wage war on the corelings, but these were lost centuries ago and are relegated to the status of myth. The superstitious believe that one day a Deliverer will come to save them...

There are no massive info-dumps in Brett's writing; he cleverly reveals the world and its history through his characters, who are fleshed out with real emotion and real issues. Grief and rage cause Arlen to run heedlessly from the safety of shelter and he finds himself caught outdoors at night. The tale of his journey from boy to man is filled with danger and discovery - of himself and his world. Leesha's journey of self-discovery takes place within the confines of her town. She is forced to wade against a tide of expectation and convention, blazing a trail that leads her to an understanding of wards that has been long forgotten. And Rojer - orphaned by a coreling attack - grows up an outcast in the 'care' of a drunken Jongleur. He takes refuge from the world in his prodigious musical talent, inadvertently discovering more about the corelings than anyone could have ever guessed...

Brett weaves these three separate stories with a consummate skill that belies his tag as a first-time writer. Slowly he tightens the strands, bringing each thread together to form a strong and exciting whole. This is a brilliant debut from a fresh and compelling new voice in fantasy fiction. Once I waited with anticipation for the next Jordan book; now I also await the next one by Peter V Brett. 560pp Pb \$20.99 - *Mark*

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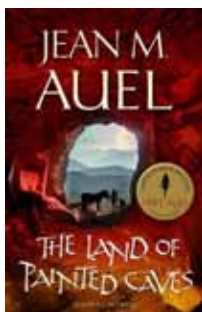


transformed into acceptance of the girl - so different from them - under the guidance of its medicine woman Iza and its wise holy man Creb. First published in 1980, this epic tale of love, identity and struggle was the first instalment in the highly acclaimed series that has been loved by children and adults alike for decades. 512pp Pb \$22.99

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Tanner, a young boy living in the land of Avantia, has been chosen by a magnificent Beast - the young phoenix Firepos - to be her rider. It is their destiny to seek three other Beasts, and their Chosen Riders, for they all have an epic task to undertake. Together they must do battle with the cruel warlord Derthsin and his terrible armies that wreak havoc and destruction... Also available: **Chasing Evil** (#2) and **Call to War** (#3) (Pb \$15.99 each), continuing this fantasy series suitable for young adults. 192pp Pb \$15.99

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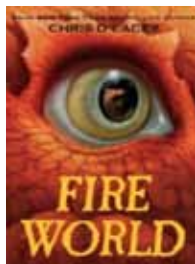
**Unseen**

*Outcast Season #3.* After Cassiel and Warden Luis Rocha rescue a child from a maniacal Djinn, they realise that the girl is manifesting an incredible amount of power, and her kidnapping was not an isolated incident. The Djinn - aided by her devoted followers - is capturing children all over the world, and indoctrinating them to use their strength for herself. With no other options, Cassiel infiltrates the Djinn's organisation - because if Cassiel cannot stop the Djinn's apocalyptic designs, all of humanity may be destroyed! 320pp Pb \$13.95

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**Jon Courtenay Grimwood**

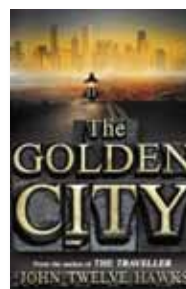
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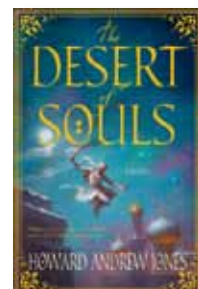
*Faerie Path #5.* A deadly plague is sweeping through Faerie. The realm has lost its cloak of immortality, and Tania must find a way to save her people. Under guidance of the Dream Weaver, Tania and her companions head off to locate the Divine Harper, who can help them renew the Faerie Covenant of Immortality. When Tania's beloved, Edric, appears, it looks as if they have help - or do they? Tania must decide if she is prepared to make the ultimate sacrifice to save all those she holds most dear... 368pp Pb \$14.95



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When 17-year-old Donna Underwood was seven, a fey attack killed her father and drove her mother mad. Donna's own injuries were fixed by magic, branding her hands and arms with iron tattoos. The child of alchemists, Donna feels cursed by her heritage. The only thing keeping her sane is her best friend, Navin Sharma. When the vicious wood elves abduct Navin, Donna must accept her role in the centuries-old war between the humans and the fey - even if it means betraying everything her parents fought to protect. Pb \$18.95

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They called him the Terror of the East. Adorned in a suit of enchanted black armour, Corvis Renbaine carved a bloody path through Imphallion - aided by Davro, a savage ogre, and Seilloah, a cannibalistic witch, and Khanda, his demon slave. But instead of ruling Imphallion, Rebaine settled down with the young noblewoman Tyannon to live in obscurity and raise a family. When his daughter is assaulted by the upstart warlord Audriss' goons, Rebaine is stirred to action. Donning his black armour, he seeks his former allies to rescue the country he once tried to conquer... 480pp Pb \$22.99



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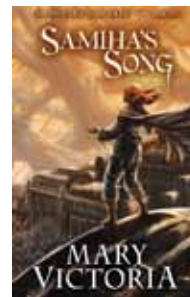
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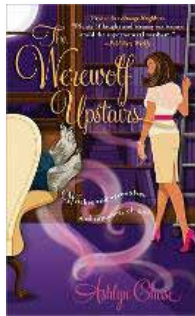
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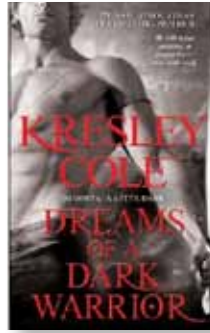
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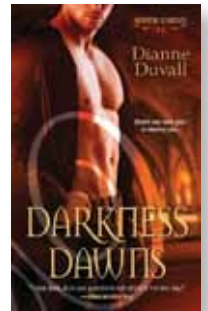
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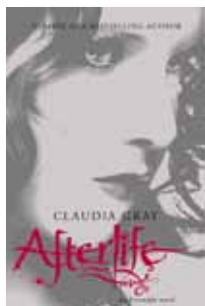
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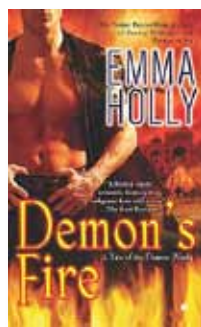
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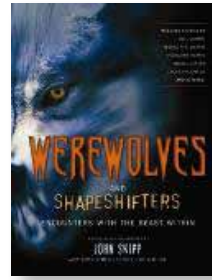
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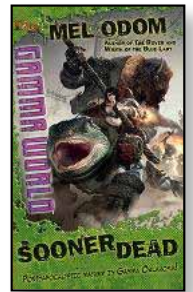
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*Star Trek: Typhon Pact*

*#3. The reproductive*

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# What We've Been Reading

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**Last Sacrifice** (*Vampire Academy #6*) by Richelle Mead (Pb \$19.95). After Rose is accused of murdering the queen, her friends band together to help clear her name. Rose has always been an enthralling protagonist and doesn't disappoint this time. Mead doesn't 'write down' to her younger audience, which means adults can also get caught up in the whirlwind of Rose's life and her ultimate choice between Dimitri and Adrian. An excellent conclusion to this addictive series! – *Allison*

**Precursor** (*Foreigner #4*) by C J Cherryh (Pb \$15.95). Paidhi-translator, Bren Cameron, and his servants are engaged in negotiations between the indigenous Atevi and the invasive Humans. But it seems not all humans want to get back into orbit, nor do all the Atevi want to be rid of humans... but neither do they want them controlling a space station above their planet. I love Cherryh and her writing style always leaves you wanting more. You just know the crap is going to hit the fan, but you still want to watch it all in slow motion anyway! – *CM*

**Mars Needs Moms!** by Berkeley Breathed (Pb \$27.95). The imminent movie release had me pulling this off the shelf. This is such a beautiful book! Breathed's artwork is just beautiful and he's nailed the struggles that often go on between parent and child. A fantastic picture book for young and old! – *Steph*

**Kill the Dead** (*Sandman Slim #2*) by Richard Kadrey (Hb \$35.95). Another 'adventure' for Sandman Slim – once a young, arrogant sorcerer who has recently returned from Hell. Satan is in LA overseeing the movie production of his biopic and Sandman has been hired to protect him. Meanwhile, there are some weird missing persons cases going down and Sandman is still up to his ears in it with the various factions of Heaven! – *Steph*

**Midnight** (*Jack Nightingale #2*) by Stephen Leather (Tp \$32.99). I don't know if it was because I read two anti-hero type books in succession, but I didn't quite enjoy this as much as the first novel. Set only a week after the end of Nightfall (Pb \$19.99), Jack is searching for his sister, and just like last time, those around him must suffer. He also strikes a deal with a devil that has a real bite! *Steph*

**Goblin Quest** by Jim C Hines (Pb \$13.95). Jig, a Goblin, is the runt of his race. Yet he ends up on a quest (as a prisoner, for the most part) for the Rod of Creation, along with a classic party of adventurers - a Wizard, an obnoxious Prince, a Dwarf and an Elf. All he needs to do is survive the Hobgoblins, an ancient Dragon... and many others! A tale that doesn't take itself too seriously and serves as a pleasant break between epic undertakings. – *Craig*

**Elric: The Sleeping Sorceress** (*Last Emperor of Melnibone #3*) by Michael Moorcock (Pb \$24.95). This sees Elric and his soul-eating sword Stormbringer seeking the sorcerer Theleb K'aarna, tracing the downfall of Melnibone, and the events leading to Elric's realisation of his destiny as a servant of the Lords of Chaos and an incarnation of the Eternal Champion. Dark, decadent and the perfect anti-hero, Elric is one of dark fantasy's iconic figures, signalling a new direction in the genre when first published in the late 1960s. Recommended for fans of Gene Wolfe and China Mieville. – *David*

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