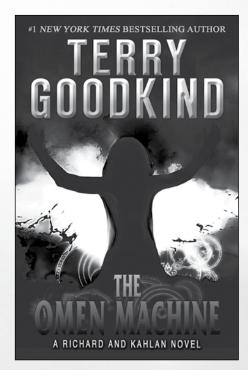
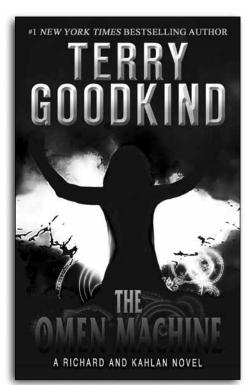
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# **Terry Goodkind** THE OMEN MACHINE

# The instant #1 New York Times bestseller, now in paperback

n accident leads to the discovery of a mysterious machine that has rested hidden Adeep underground for millennia. The machine awakens to begin issuing a series of increasingly alarming, if minor, omens. The omens turn out to be astonishingly accurate, and ever more ominous. As Zedd tries to figure out how to destroy the sinister device, the machine issues a cataclysmic omen involving Richard and Kahlan, foretelling an impending event beyond anyone's ability to stop.

As catastrophe approaches, the machine then reveals that it is within its power to withdraw the omen...in exchange for an impossible demand.

## MARKETING PLANS

- The Omen Machine mass market will be featured in the marketing campaign created for the new hardcover in the series publishing in the same month, including:
  - -Year-round promotion thru a dedicated brand/promotion manager -Continuous updates on terrygoodkind.com
- -Fan outreach thru Goodkind's Facebook author page (100,000+ friends) -An extensive advertising and publicity campaign including print, web, and fan conventions
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#### **KEY POINTS**

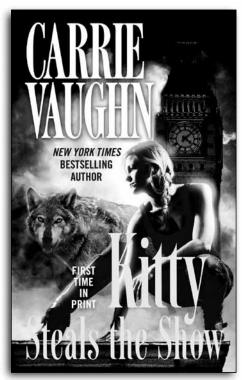
- This book launches a new sequence of books about Richard and Kahlan, beloved protagonists of the Sword of Truth sequence.
- In hardcover The Omen Machine was an instant #1 New York Times bestseller.
- This is not a Sword of Truth novel, but is an epic fantasy set in the same world.
- Terry Goodkind's last nine Sword of Truth novels have been New York Times hardcover and mass market bestsellers.
- Confessor was a hardcover and mass market bestseller on national and international lists. In hardcover it exceeded Phantom for the number of weeks on the New York Times bestseller list and was steadier in position.
- Phantom hit #1 on the New York Times bestseller list as well as seven other major national and international bestseller lists, and was in the top ten of six more.
- A 22-episode television series based on Wizard's First Rule launched in Fall 2008 by ABC Studios.
- All of his novels have been Main Selections of the Science Fiction Book Club.

## PRAISE FOR TERRY GOODKIND

#### "Mr. Goodkind's compelling prose weaves a magic spell over readers."

-RT BOOK REVIEWS ON FAITH OF THE FALLEN

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Author residence:Boulder, CO
Author comparison: Patricia Briggs



# Carrie Vaughn KITTY STEALS THE SHOW

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# The latest novel in the New York Times bestselling series

Kitty has been tapped as the keynote speaker for the First International Conference on Paranatural Studies, taking place in London. The conference brings together scientists, activists, protestors, and supernatural beings from all over the world—and Kitty, Ben, and Cormac are right in the middle of it.

Master vampires from dozens of cities have also gathered in London for a conference of their own. With the help of the Master of London, Kitty gets more of a glimpse into the Long Game—a power struggle among vampires that has been going on for centuries—than she ever has before. In her search for answers, Kitty has the help of some old allies, and meets some new ones, such as Caleb, the alpha werewolf of the British Isles. The conference has also attracted some old enemies, who've set their sights on her and her friends.

All the world's a stage, and Kitty's just stepped into the spotlight.

# **KEY POINTS**

- Several Kitty Norville books have hit the *New York Times* bestseller list, each one higher on the list.
- Vaughn has also published two YA novels and several short stories, and is a contributor to George R. R. Martin's Wild Cards anthologies.
- www.carrievaughn.com

#### PRAISE FOR CARRIE VAUGHN

"Vaughn's trademark sense of humor continues to distinguish this urban fantasy series, and the seamless integration of a variety of paranormal creatures (including vampires, werewolves, and shape-shifters) in the everyday world is entertaining... readers new to the Kittyverse will also find a fine introduction to this richly populated, fascinating paranormal world." —LIBRARY JOURNAL ON KITTY'S GREATEST HITS

★ "What makes Vaughn's terrific stories really pop is how she manages to combine outright thrills with an offbeat sense of humor and then mesh it with Kitty's dogged determination. The result—entertainment exemplified!" —RT BOOK REVIEWS, 4½ STARS TOP PICK! ON KITTY'S BIG TROUBLE

"This refreshing froth of light entertainment avoids werewolf dominance clichés and obvious racial stereotypes in favor of communication, action, and adorable old-married-couple sweetness." — PUBLISHERS WEEKLY ON KITTY'S BIG TROUBLE

"I relished this book. Enough excitement, astonishment, pathos, and victory to satisfy any reader." —CHARLAINE HARRIS ON KITTY AND THE MIDNIGHT HOUR

## **ALSO AVAILABLE**

The Kitty Norville series

Kitty's Big Trouble (Tor MM, 7/11, 978-0-7653-6565-1, \$7.99/\$9.99) Kitty Goes to War (Tor MM, 7/10, 978-0-7653-6561-3, \$7.99/\$9.99)

After the Golden Age (Tor MM, 2/12, 978-0-7653-6460-9, \$7.99/\$9.99) Discord's Apple (Tor MM, 3/11, 978-0-7653-6459-3, \$7.99/\$9.99)



# **ALEX BLEDSOE**

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Author residence:Mount Horeb, WI
Author comparison: Jim Butcher



# Alex Bledsoe THE GIRLS WITH GAMES OF BLOOD

TOR

# A tale of vampires and revenge....

Listen to what I tell you, son, every word is true / The sisters haunt the night, and might fight over you

Nothing can steal your soul and stamp it in the mud / Like being the new play-pretty for the girls with the games of blood

The old song warned of the beautiful Bolade sisters, Patience and Prudence, whose undying rivalry was said to stretch even beyond the grave. But Count Rudolfo Zginski has never heard this song. A suave Continental vampire, staked to death more than sixty years ago, he has only recently risen again to stalk the nights of Memphis, Tennessee, circa 1975. Although new to the modern world, he has quickly developed a taste for its luxuries—in particular, high-speed automobiles.

Yet the seventies are not without their perils, even for so cunning a predator. Zginski's pursuit of a cherry 1973 Ford Mustang brings him into conflict with a legendary redneck sheriff with a short temper and a big baseball bat. His fascination with an enticing undead chanteuse and her equally seductive sister threatens not only his own ageless existence, but that of the small coven of modern-day vampires he has grudgingly taken under his wing. Zginski has escaped limbo once, but can he free himself from the tangled web of the girls who play games of blood?

# **KEY POINTS**

- Stand-alone follow-up to Blood Groove. Does not need to be read in order.
- Will appeal to fans of classic vampires, as well as more modern vampires such as Anne Rice's.
- All of Bledsoe's novels receive favorable reviews.

# PRAISE FOR ALEX BLEDSOE

"Hot and sticky and tangy as a slab of Memphis ribs. A trippy vamp-noir seventies feed-fest, complete with the requisite sex, drugs, and vintage rock."

-E. E. KNIGHT, BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF VAMPIRE EARTH ON BLOOD GROOVE

★ "Bledsoe effortlessly draws readers into his created world and manages to stay true to both fantasy and mystery traditions."

- ★ "Bledsoe's clever combination of noir and myth makes for an engaging story, and placing investigator Eddy at the center offers a fresh twist.... Fans of Bledsoe's other blends of fantasy and noir will love his latest, and new readers will be able to jump right in." —BOOKLIST, STARRED REVIEW ON DARK JENNY
- ★ "A perfect blend of Arthurian legend and hard-boiled detecting... Bledsoe skillfully combines humor, action, deduction, and emotion to make the material fresh and engaging for fans of both fantasy and noir."

---PUBLISHERS WEEKLY, STARRED REVIEW ON DARK JENNY

## ALSO AVAILABLE

Dark Jenny (Tor MM, 6/12, 978-0-7653-6589-7, \$7.99/\$9.99) Burn Me Deadly (Tor MM, 3/12, 978-0-7653-6204-9, \$7.99/\$9.99) The Sword-Edged Blonde (Tor MM, 7/09, 978-0-7653-6203-2, \$6.99/\$8.99)

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Author residence: Lancaster, UK
Author comparison: Mark Charan Newton,
Brent Weeks,
Peter V. Brett
Steven Erikson

# **Col Buchanan**

# STANDS A SHADOW

# A quest for vengeance takes a master assassin into the heart of a conflict between two warring nations in this stunning epic fantasy adventure

In *Farlander*, the first book of the Heart of the World series, readers met Ash, an aging master assassin of the famed order of Roshun, and his apprentice Nico, a boy who always managed to be in the wrong place at the right time. Ash and Nico were sent on a suicidal mission to fulfill a contract against the favored son of the Holy Matriarch, the ruler of Mann. The assassination of the Matriarch's son maintained the honor and reputation of the Roshun, but further destabilized a nation already beset by strife. For Ash, fulfilling the contract came at an enormous personal cost.

Now in *Stands a Shadow*, driven by grief and anger, Ash embarks on a journey that takes him through the Free Ports and toward the embattled city of Bar-Khos. He arrives at the city as the Holy Matriarch of Mann orders her forces to breach the walls of Bar-Khos and bring it under her control. Renouncing the ways of the Roshun, Ash disguises himself among the Mannian soldiers, determined to go to any lengths to have his revenge against the Matriarch....

# **KEY POINTS**

- This is the second book in the promising series, which offers a new twist on epic fantasy.
- Fresh, accessible, commercial fantasy fiction with an epic scope.
- Farlander was a big debut novel for Tor UK in 2010, and we expect book two will follow its success.

# PRAISE FOR COL BUCHANAN

"With a narrative that is riveting from beginning to end, from the big battles to the

★ smallest interactions, this is the rare book that a reader wishes would never end." — RT BOOK REVIEWS, 4½ STARS ON STANDS A SHADOW

"Well rendered and nicely paced... Stirring combat and vivid details." —KIRKUS REVIEWS ON STANDS A SHADOW

"Something special...Buchanan writes vividly and well, and the story grips from the astonishing opening sequence to the unexpected conclusion."

—THE TIMES (UK) ON FARLANDER

"Completely absorbing. Once I was into it, I just couldn't put it down. I'm looking forward to the sequel!"

-GLEN COOK, AUTHOR OF THE BLACK COMPANY SERIES ON FARLANDER

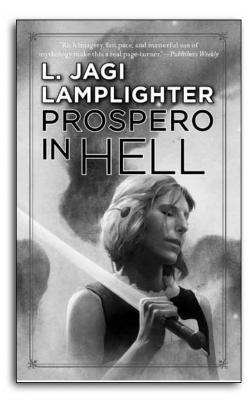
"Gripping... Delightfully undermin[es] expectations." —SFX ON FARLANDER

# ALSO AVAILABLE

Farlander (Tor MM, 9/11, 978-0-7653-6660-3, \$7.99/\$9.99)



#### WOMEN IN FANTASY



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978-0-7653-1930-2
Author residence: Centreville, VA
Author comparison: Stephanie Meyer,
Jim Butcher,
Laurell K. Hamilton

# L. Jagi Lamplighter PROSPERO IN HELL

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# The exciting, suspenseful story of Miranda's search for Prospero, the fabled sorcerer of *The Tempest*

The search of a daughter for her father is but the beginning of this robust fantasy adventure. For five hundred years since the events of William Shakespeare's *The Tempest*, Miranda has run Prospero, Inc., protecting an unknowing world from disasters both natural and man-made. Now her father has been taken prisoner of dark spirits in a place she could only guess. Piecing together clues about her father's whereabouts and discovering secrets of her shrouded past, she comes to an inescapable conclusion she has dreaded since Prospero was lost.

Prospero has been imprisoned in Hell, kept there by demons who wish to extract a terrible price in exchange for his freedom. As the time of reckoning for Miranda draws near, she realizes that hundreds of years of their family's magic may not be enough to free her once-powerful father from the curse that could destroy them... and the world.

# **KEY POINTS**

- The sequel to Prospero Lost, but can be read as a stand-alone novel.
- A secret-history book, with lots of intriguing references to the Prosperos's behind-the-scenes role in European history.
- Miranda is a sympathetic figure, torn between love and family, and is also a strong female protagonist.

## PRAISE FOR PROSPERO LOST

- ★ "Featuring glimpses into a rich and wondrous world of the unseen, this is no ordinary urban fantasy, but a treasure trove of nifty ideas and intriguing revelations." PUBLISHERS WEEKLY, STARRED REVIEW
- ★ "Lamplighter plays fast and loose with Shakespeare in this modern-day fantasy filled with homages to both the Bard and John Milton." —LIBRARY JOURNAL, STARRED REVIEW

"This edgy postmodern Secret History straddles urban fantasy and slipstream while effortlessly ringing the changes on classic SF tropes. Lamplighter is a writer to watch." —JAMES MALLORY, BESTSELLING COAUTHOR OF THE PHOENIX TRILOGY

"A truly original take on Shakespeare's *The Tempest*. Should appeal to fans of Zelazny's Chronicles of Amber series."

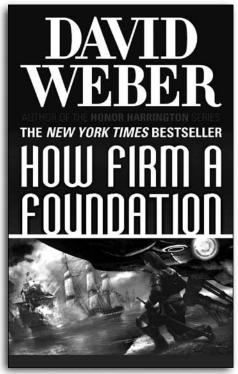
-KAGE BAKER, AUTHOR OF IN THE GARDEN OF IDEN

## **ALSO AVAILABLE**

Prospero Lost (Tor MM, 7/10, 978-0-7653-5883-7, \$7.99/\$9.99)



# LEAD SCIENCE FICTION



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Author residence: Greenville, SC
Author comparison: Frank Herbert,
Isaac Asimov,
Robert A. Heinlein

**ALSO AVAILABLE** 

A Mighty Fortress (Tor MM, 3/11, 978-0-7653-5407-5, \$8.99/\$10.99) By Heresies Distressed

(Tor MM, 3/10, 978-0-7653-5399-3, \$7.99/\$9.99)

By Schism Rent Asunder (Tor MM, 6/09, 978-0-7653-5398-6, \$8.99/\$10.99) Off Armageddon Reef

(Tor MM, 1/08, 978-0-7653-5397-9, \$7.99/\$9.99)



# **David Weber** HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION

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# The new novel in the bestselling series that began with Off Armageddon Reef, By Schism Rent Asunder, By Heresies Distressed, and the top ten New York Times bestseller A Mighty Fortress

The Charisian Empire, born in war, has always known it must fight for its very survival. What most of its subjects don't know even now, however, is how much more it's fighting for. Emperor Cayleb, Empress Sharleyan, Merlin Athrawes, and their innermost circle of most trusted advisers do know. And they know if they lose it will be far worse than their own deaths and the destruction of all they know and love.

For five years, Charis has survived all the Church of God Awaiting and the corrupt men who control it have thrown at the island empire. The price has been high and paid in blood. Despite its chain of hard-fought naval victories, Charis is still on the defensive. It can hold its own at sea, but if it is to survive, it must defeat the Church upon its own ground. Yet how does it invade the mainland and take the war to a foe whose population outnumbers its own fifteen to one? How does it prevent that massive opponent from rebuilding its fleets and attacking yet again?

Charis has no answer to those questions, but needs to find one...quickly.

# **KEY POINTS**

- Each book in the series has hit the *New York Times* hardcover bestseller list at a higher rank than the previous one.
- How Firm a Foundation is the fifth novel in Weber's Safehold series. In hardcover it debuted at #8 on the New York Times bestseller list.
- This is epic science fiction comparable in its broad appeal to Frank Herbert's Dune.
- David Weber is a science fiction phenomenon, best known for his New York Times bestselling Honor Harrington novels.
- Weber has written many successful science fiction novels, including Mutineers' Moon, The Armageddon Inheritance, Heirs of Empire, and Path of the Fury.
- His novels have regularly been Main Selections of the Science Fiction Book Club.
- The next book in the series is scheduled for September 2012.
- www.davidweber.net

## PRAISE FOR DAVID WEBER

★ "Combines superb action SF elements and (surprise!) homage to the great novels of the Age of Fighting Sail (by C. S. Forester, Patrick O'Brian, and their ilk). Weber has an enormous audience that welcomes each enormous book."

-BOOKLIST, STARRED REVIEW ON A MIGHTY FORTRESS

- ★ "Highly recommended." —LIBRARY JOURNAL, STARRED REVIEW ON BY SCHISM RENT ASUNDER
- ★ "Gripping... Shifting effortlessly between battles among warp-speed starships and among oar-powered galleys, Weber brings the political maneuvering, past and future technologies, and vigorous protagonists together for a cohesive, engrossing whole." — PUBLISHERS WEEKLY, STARRED REVIEW ON OFF ARMAGEDDON REEF

# BRENDA COOPER

"Fast-paced and full-bodied. *The Sther Ship and the Set is* character-driven hard SF at its best." *THE SEATLE TIMES* 

# WINGS OF CREATION

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Author residence: Kirkland, WA
Author comparison: Larry Niven,
Louise Marley

# Brenda Cooper WINGS OF CREATION

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# War is brewing in a strange, exciting world where men and women have the power to fly

Joseph has succeeded in rescuing his sister, Chelo, from a pitched battle on the colony planet Fremont. Now he; Chelo; the love of his life, Alicia; and all of their extended family are finally returning home. Halfway there, a probe intercepts them, carrying a message from Joseph's enigmatic teacher, Marcus, warning of an encroaching war.

Joseph is wanted for escaping to save Chelo. To stay safe, he must bring his family and friends to the renowned planet of Lopali, where men and women can fly, and peace and freedom abound. Or do they? Alicia has always wanted to fly, but the modifications that give humans wings can kill as often as they work.

Joseph must learn to actually change humans, to free the fliers of a tyranny that has enslaved them since their species was born. If he can do this, the fliers have agreed to help him stop the war. But it's not as easy as it seems.

# **KEY POINTS**

- Brenda Cooper's *The Silver Ship and the Sea* was the winner of the 2008 Endeavor Award, awarded to a distinguished science fiction or fantasy novel written by a writer based in the Pacific Northwest. It was also selected as a *Booklist* 2007 Editor's Choice for Adult Books for Young Adults.
- All of Cooper's novels have been praised for their YA appeal, and have found their way onto many school reading lists.
- Brenda Cooper is a futurist who works with Glen Hiemstra at Futurist.com.
- Her solo and collaborative short fiction has appeared in multiple magazines, including Analog, Asimov's, Strange Horizons, Oceans of the Mind, and The Salal Review.
- Larry Niven and Brenda Cooper have collaborated on many short fiction projects including "Ice and Mirrors," which appeared in *Scatterbrain*.

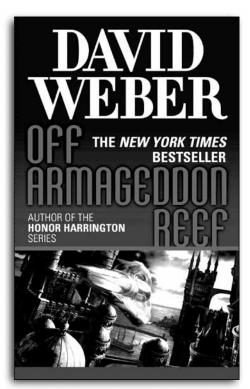
# PRAISE FOR BRENDA COOPER

- ★ "The distinctive characterizations remain complex, internally and in interrelationships, and Cooper's depictions of both worlds are exceptional. A welcome follow-up." —BOOKLIST, STARRED REVIEW ON READING THE WIND
- ★ "Distinctive characterizations, well-limned interrelationships, and the vividly realized Fremont contribute to an exciting coming-of-age story with a strong message about the evils of prejudice...YAs are sure to relate to the travails and exploits of these extraordinary young people."

-BOOKLIST, STARRED REVIEW ON THE SILVER SHIP AND THE SEA

"Fast-paced and full-bodied, *The Silver Ship and the Sea* is character-driven hard SF at its best." —*THE SEATTLE TIMES* 





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Isaac Asimov,
Robert A. Heinlein

# **David Weber** OFF ARMAGEDDON REEF

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# The New York Times and USA Today bestselling science fiction epic from the author of the Honor Harrington series

Following the near-extinction of the human race, the rulers of the planet Safehold imposed a religion designed to keep humanity medieval forever—for humanity's protection. But when an android from the far-human past awakens, she learns that her fate is to overturn the technology that the Church of God Awaiting has used to impose their will. Taking on the new name "Merlin" and a new gender, Merlin plans to maybe, just maybe, kick off a new era of invention. Which is bound to draw the attention of the Church...and, inevitably, lead to war.

# **KEY POINTS**

- Off Armageddon Reef is a New York Times and USA Today bestseller.
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- ★ "Rich backgrounds and vivid characters combine to make this series opener a priority purchase for SF collections." —LIBRARY JOURNAL, STARRED REVIEW
- ★ "A large, splendid novel... The saga being Weber's form of choice and high achievement, hopes for the rest of it are definitely elevated."

*—BOOKLIST*, STARRED REVIEW

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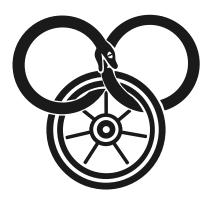
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# Robert Jordan and Brandon Sanderson

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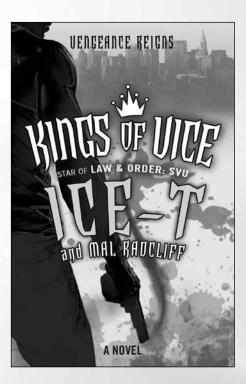


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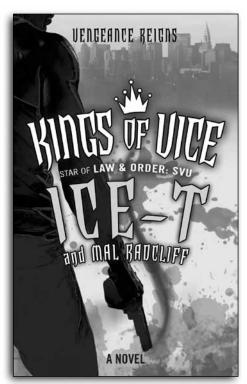
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"What an extraordinary ride!" —WHITLEY STRIEBER, NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF HYBRIDS

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# Ice-T and Mal Radcliff

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# **KINGS OF VICE**

# Rapper and *Law & Order: SVU* star Ice-T brings his unique knowledge of the streets to a gritty new crime thriller

Twenty years ago, Marcus "Crush" Casey was the leader of the Vicetown Kings, the most powerful crime syndicate in New York City. Then he was betrayed by his second-in-command and sent to prison.

Now he's back on the streets and he has a lot more on his mind than just getting even. He needs to take back everything he lost: Find the friend who betrayed him and killed his only son, keep the cops at bay, and resist the one woman he knows he can't have. His time on the inside gave him a conscience and he also wants to help clean up the crime-infested neighborhoods that used to be his home.

Crush will take back the Vicetown Kings and guide them to protect the city and its citizens...or die trying.

Ice-T's experience with crime and gangs in Los Angeles and his years on *Law* & *Order: SVU* make him the perfect person to tell this thrilling story of revenge and redemption. *Kings of Vice* marks a new entry into the type of urban fiction immortalized by writers like K'wan, Elmore Leonard, and Donald Goines.

# **KEY POINTS**

- As an original member of the infamous gang the Crips, Ice-T lends authenticity to his gritty tale of newly released vengeneance-happy gangster "Crush" Casey.
- Ice-T was born in Newark, New Jersey, and moved to Los Angeles, California. He began his career as a rapper in the 1980s and was signed to Sire Records in 1987. He's since sold more than ten million records. Ice-T formally began his acting career in the film *New Jack City*. He has played Detective Odafin "Fin" Tutuola on the NBC police drama *Law & Order: Special Victims* Unit since 2000.
- *Kings of Vice* is the first of at least two crime novels featuring "Crush" Casey. The second is scheduled for September of 2012.
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## PRAISE FOR KINGS OF VICE

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# Nicole "Coco" Marrow and Laura Hayden

# ANGEL

Internet and television sensation Nicole "Coco" Marrow, wife of rapper and actor Ice-T, brings us a sexy, genre-bending thriller

Abeautiful woman awakens on a plane and discovers that things are going terribly wrong. The plane is about to crash into the Hudson River...and she can't even remember her own name.

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Reporter Dante Kearns is fascinated by the woman the media dubs "the Angel of the Hudson," especially once he discovers her shocking secret. Angela can hear voices in her head—the thoughts of all men around her. And when a man gets close, her face and form change into the woman of his dreams.

Who is Angela? And why does she believe that she was murdered before she woke up on that plane in a stranger's body? Together, Angela and Dante are going to find answers, even if they have to bring down a killer to do so.

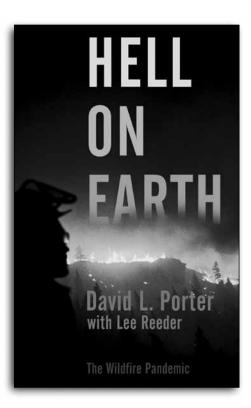
# **KEY POINTS**

- Nicole "Coco" Marrow's debut is a fun, sexy, and action-packed companion to her husband Ice-T's crime novel, *Kings of Vice*.
- Angel features a strong female protagonist with mind reading and shape-shifting powers.
- Nicole "Coco" Marrow is happily married to rapper and actor Ice-T. A former aerobics trainer, Coco has been featured in national magazines including *People*, *Us Weekly*, and *Playboy*, and was the subject of a highly rated *E! True Hollywood Story* on hip-hop wives.
- Visit her on the Web at www.cocosworld.com and follow her on Twitter @cocosworld.

# PRAISE FOR ANGEL

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# David L. Porter with Lee Reeder

# HELL ON EARTH

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The Wildfire Pandemic

# An eye-opening look at the increase in wildfires in the past decade and the ecological and long-term effects they will have on the planet

The world is burning, and it appears that we are to blame. Conditions that create large-scale fire disasters are occurring more frequently every year, spurred on by global warming. And the potential for damage, loss of life, and greater harm to the environment is staggering.

As devastating fires increase throughout the western and southern United States, the number of fires in the Brazilian rain forest continues to climb as well. Vast areas of the wilderness are dying, setting the stage for a human and environmental tragedy.

David L. Porter has been covering wildfires in the West for more than twelve years. After losing his home to a wildfire in 2003, he set out to find how and why this was happening, in the United States and around the world. *Hell on Earth* chronicles the origins of these catastrophes as well as the effects they are having on our planet.

# **KEY POINTS**

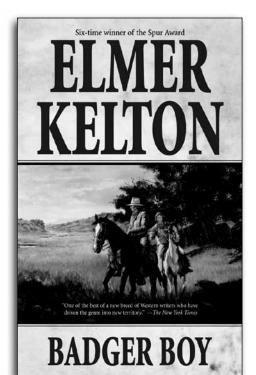
- On the wave of books like Al Gore's An Inconvenient Truth, the public shows an insatiable hunger for books that look at the problems caused by global warming.
- While covering wildfires in the San Bernardino Valley, the author lost his home and was catapulted into writing this book.
- According to the National Interagency Fire Center, over 70,000 separate fires have burned over 8 million acres in the United States alone, and that's just in 2007. Each continent offers equally alarming statistics.
- Aside from showing how global warming is a contributing factor to the wildfire epidemic, the author offers steps we can take within our local governments to help guard against the other causes of wildfires.
- David L. Porter was the managing editor of the *Mountain News* in Lake Arrowhead, California, and a specialist in covering ecological and environmental issues in rural San Bernardino County.
- Lee Reeder has been a journalist, editor, and researcher for thirty years. He is now a freelance writer and photographer who resides in the San Bernardino Mountains of Southern California with his wife and two of his three children.

# PRAISE FOR HELL ON EARTH

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# **Elmer Kelton**

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But Geneva has married in Rusty's long absence and the country has filled with hostiles—not just Indians, but hate-filled Confederates, overbearing Union soldiers, and army renegades. Rusty's youth as a captive of Comanches returns to haunt him when he takes as a prisoner Badger Boy, a white child taken from his murdered parents by a Comanche warrior.

# **KEY POINTS**

- Elmer Kelton was the author of over forty novels, and the winner of a record seven Spur Awards. Kelton was also voted "The Greatest Western Writer of All Time" by the Western Writers of America in 1995.
- Kelton was given his own holiday—Elmer Kelton Day—by the Texas State Legislature in appreciation for his contributions to Western literature.
- Elmer Kelton was a native of Texas.

# PRAISE FOR BADGER BOY

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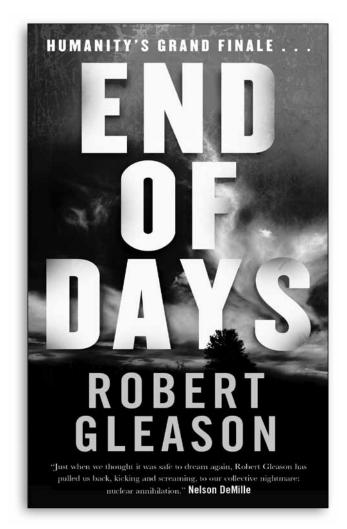
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