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BIG DEAL!

Olivia Dade | ZOM ROMCOM

Supernatural Rom-Com, 3-book, 6-figure auction/Berkley
Publication in 2025 (UK/Translation: PRH)

ZOM ROMCOM, a laugh-out-loud **supernatural romantic comedy** that delivers teary-eyed sentiment, mildly terrifying situations, and heart-stopping feels—sometimes all at once—by Olivia Dade, beloved author of SPOILER ALERT and ALL THE FEELS, has been acquired by Berkley in a 6 figure, 3-book WORLD RIGHTS deal. A monster-filled adventure that's also hilariously and heartwarmingly human it's described as *The Last of Us* meets Jenna Levine's *My Roommate is a Vampire*, and a perfect storm of high stakes, comedy, and romance.

Eden "Edie" Brandstrup is dumbfounded when, while attempting to save her seemingly harmless human neighbor from the first major zombie breach in two decades, she is saved by him instead. As it turns out, he's actually a super-old, super-surly vampire. And for all her neighbor's newly revealed cynicism and lethality, Gaston "Max" Boucher (yes, Gaston) is unexpectedly insistent that she stay in his safety bunker until the breach is resolved.

But Edie can't risk more innocent people getting killed—and Max won't let her save them alone. As they unravel a sinister conspiracy to set zombies loose on the world (again), the duo meet a host of lovable allies and discover they're not the only ones willing to fight for the future of humanity. Despite the awful timing, Edie finds herself falling for the vampire helping her save the world—but all their dangerous plans could end their future before it even begins. Does having a love worth living for mean having a love you'd die for? And in a world that grows deadlier by the minute, will Edie let herself love Max anyway?

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Olivia Dade has worn many hats—holder of an M.A. in American History, high school teacher, Colonial Williamsburg interpreter, lifelong nerd—but has most recently earned herself a dear place in readers' hearts as a romance novelist. Leading the pack in plus-sized representation with her *Spoiler Alert* and *There's Something About Marysburg* series, Dade's talent shines brighter than ever in ZOMROMCOM—the undeniable beginning of another romantic adventure.

**Previous Publishers: Brazil/Intrinseca; Germany/Rowohlt; Netherlands/Z&K; Poland/Wydawnicza Folia; Turkey/Yabancı, Ithaki; UK/Piatkus**

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**BRAND NEW!**

## Jennifer K. Lambert | ONEIRA

ROMANTASY STAND ALONE NOVELS, 2-book, 6-figure pre-empt/Tor  
Publication in 2025 (UK/Tor; Translation: NYLA)

**"This is the kind of book that brings the good kind of hate mail. You made readers cry so much they hate you, but they love it so much they need to tell you why."\***

With atmospheric and lyrical stylings akin to *THIS IS HOW YOU LOSE THE TIME WAR* and Genevieve Gorniches's *THE WITCH'S HEART*, ONEIRA is a debut star-crossed lovers fantasy romance that is perfect for fans of Madeline Miller, Stephanie Garber, Elodie Harper, and Erin Morgenstern.

Oneira's tale begins at the end, or so she thought. Exiling herself from the warring courts of men, she seeks peace in a remote forest where the mountains meet the beach. She's long accepted that her death is near, as it and destruction have been her constant companions since she was a child when her family sold her to the Academy of Sorcerers.

Her seclusion is first interrupted by three otherworldly companions—a near-mythical wolf, a goddess's avatar in the form of a kestrel, and a feline that embodies magic itself. Then on a whim, or perhaps at the behest of fate, Oneira invites a second interruption when she makes an unlikely and otherworldly trip to the most extensive library in existence. Which is the home of her most powerful rival, the sorcerer Stearanos.

There, she finds herself stealing a book from him, and this act of reckless thievery inadvertently initiates an unlikely correspondence. Taunting notes and clever retorts reveal a connection neither has—nor could ever find—in any other. But a relationship is far too dangerous to pursue despite their mutual desire.

When Stearanos is called to war, he pleads with Oneira to help, jeopardizing the vows Oneira made to herself on her darkest day and to the Queen she once served. Faced with the impossible, to save her love or herself, Oneira must once again choose between life and death.

ONEIRA gives fantasy readers everything they could want: expansive world-building, an intriguing magic system, a timeless *Romeo and Juliet* story, and beyond all else—a yearning for something more.

*\*Executive Editor Ali Fisher, Tor Bramble*

# Hot List, NYLA-held Rights



## Ilona Andrews | MAGIC CLAIMS

Indie Published/ June 13, '23/ *Kate Daniels: The Wilmington Years #2*  
(Translation: NYLA)

#1 *New York Times* bestselling author Ilona Andrews pens a new heart-pounding Kate Daniels adventure! Kate and Curran, craving a quiet life, are instead thrust into a high-stakes battle when a desperate town begs for their help against a malevolent force. With the fate of an entire community hanging in the balance, they must risk everything to forge a new future for their family and pack. Because failure is not an option.

**Series Current Publishers:** France/MxM Bookmark; Germany/LYX; Poland/Fabryka Slow; Russia/EXMO; Taiwan/Gaea

**Previous Publishers:** Brazil/Saida de Emergencia; Czech Republic/Fantom Print; France/Bragelonne; Hungary/ Konyvmolykepzo; Indonesia/Pustaka Zahra; Italy/Casa Nord; Russia/AST; Spain/Ediciones Versatil; Thailand/Grace; UK/Gollancz

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## Katelyn Doyle | JUST SOME STUPID LOVE STORY

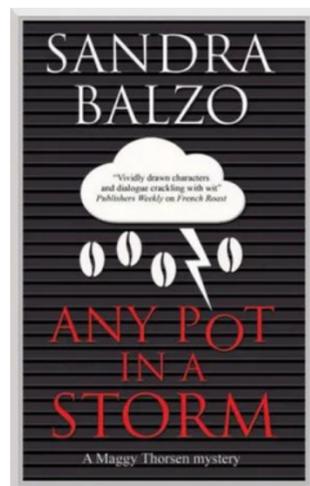
Flatiron/June 4, 2024 (Translation: NYLA)

Flatiron Lead Summer '24 title  
Major deal for 2 books, 7-publisher US auction  
Rights sold in 19 countries

When a cynical rom-com writer reunites with her high school sweetheart, now a romantic divorce attorney, at their 15-year reunion, sparks fly...and they make a bet: predict the outcomes of five relationships in five years, and the winner gets to declare their philosophy on love as truth. Through a series of comical entanglements, unexpected friendships, chance encounters, and wrenching realizations, they navigate the complexities of love, questioning if they're destined for heartbreak...or meant to be. Perfect for fans of Christina Lauren and Emily Henry.

**Rights sold in:** Brazil/Arqueiro; Denmark/Flamingo; France/Chatterley; Germany/Blanvalet; Greece/Patakis; Hungary/Central; Israel/Kinneret; Italy/Newton & Compton; Lithuania/Alma Littera; Netherlands/Bruna; Norway/Gursli Berg; Poland/Luna; Portugal/Topseller; Romania/Trei; Russia/Eksmo; Serbia/Laguna; Spain/Urano; UK/Piatkus, Ukraine/Vivat

[Film & Television Rights represented by Lucy Stille]



## Sandra Balzo | ANY POT IN A STORM

Severn House/ Sept. 5, '23/*Coffeehouse Mysteries #16*  
(Translation: NYLA)

The new installment of the acclaimed Anthony and Macavity award-nominated series —“delightful ... Balzo puts a 21st-century spin on the traditional cozy” (*PW*). Coffeehouse owner and amateur sleuth Maggy Thorsen reluctantly joins a writers retreat in a forest lodge, despite her aversion to the outdoors. However, her dislike of bugs becomes the least of her concerns when a storm reveals the body of the retreat's organizer, thrusting Maggy into a gripping whodunit. For fans of Richard Osman and Miranda James.



## Suzanne Enoch | EVERY DUKE HAS HIS DAY

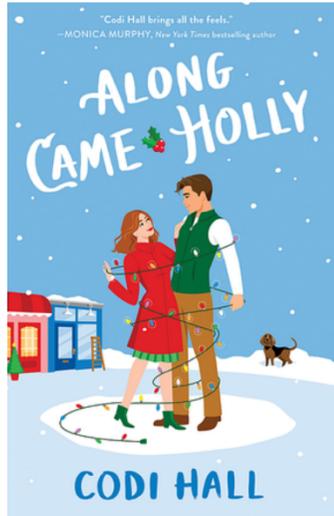
St. Martin's Press/Sept. 19, '23 (UK & Translation: NYLA)

*New York Times*, *USA Today*, and *PW* bestselling author Enoch ensures much mayhem and mirth when Brain meets Beauty in this sparkling, fresh take on the classic *Bringing Up Baby*—if Jane Austen had written it!—earning a starred *Book Page* review!—in her second historical rom-com bought by SMP for six figures.

**Current Publishers:** Czech Republic/Baronet; Italy/Mondadori; Spain/Urano  
**Previous Publishers:** Brazil/Grupo Autentica, Leabhar; Czech Republic/Baronet; France/J'ai Lu (option); Germany/Der Club, LYX and dotbooks; Indonesia/PT Gramedia Pustaka Utama; Italy/HarperCollins Italia & Mondadori; Japan/HaraShobo & Ohzora; Netherlands/DeVrijbouter, HarperCollins Holland; Norway/Schibsted; Romania/Litera; Russia/AST; Spain/Libros Del Atril; Taiwan/Spring; Thailand/In Love; Turkey/Pegasus; Vietnam/BachvietBooks

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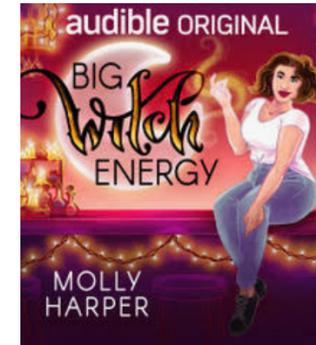


## Codi Hall | **Along Came Holly**

Sourcebooks/Sept. 26, '23/*Mistletoe Romance #3*

(UK/ANZ: Sourcebooks; Translation: NYLA)

The national bestselling author of *NICK AND NOEL'S CHRISTMAS PLAYLIST* returns with another laugh-out-loud Christmas romance featuring the spirited owner of a holiday shop who finds herself locked in a rivalry turned unexpected partnership with the Scrooge-like hardware store owner next door, as a prank war evolves into a festive collaboration, unraveling into a sweet and unexpected romance amidst the twinkling lights of Mistletoe, Idaho.



## Molly Harper | **BIG WITCH ENERGY**

Audible Original, Sourcebooks/Audible publication: Oct. 19, '23; Sourcebooks publication in 2024/*Starfall Point Trilogy #2*

(UK/ANZ: Sourcebooks; Translation: NYLA)

The second installment of beloved #1 Audible bestselling author Molly Harper's witty and heartwarming paranormal rom-com series gives readers Caroline Wilton, a dedicated bar owner and witch, who finds her world upended when her lost love, the dashing doctor Ben Hoult, reenters her life as a single father. As they rekindle their connection, they embark on a thrilling journey to unravel a centuries-old murder, all while battling vengeful spirits and rediscovering the magic of love.

Previous Publishers: Israel/Magia



## Molly Harper | **WITCHES GET STUFF DONE**

Audible Original, Sourcebooks/Sept. 5, '23/*Starfall Point Trilogy #1*

(UK/ANZ: Sourcebooks; Translation: NYLA)

In the first book of a heartwarming trilogy, *NICE GIRLS DON'T HAVE FANGS* bestselling author Harper presents a very funny paranormal romantic comedy that follows Riley Everett as she inherits a haunted mansion and uncovers her potential as a witch, leading her to navigate a world of family secrets, blood magic, ghostly encounters, and new love.

Previous Publishers: Israel/Magia



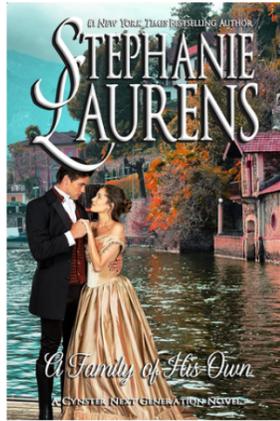
## Seana Kelly | **THE VIPER'S NEST ROADHOUSE AND CAFÉ**

Indie Published/Oct. 31, '23/*Sam Quinn #6*

(Translation: NYLA)

Over 100,000 copies of the *Sam Quinn* series sold! Werewolf book nerd Sam Quinn and her vampire husband, Clive, are about to face their most dangerous challenge yet—a showdown with Clive's "maker." They must rally every ally they have, including a nocturne of vampires, in a courageous battle that could alter their lives forever.

# Hot List, NYLA-held Rights



## Stephanie Laurens | A FAMILY OF HIS OWN

Indie Published/March 14, '24/*Cynster Next Generation* (UK& Translation: NYLA)

Over 10 million copies of #1 *New York Times* bestselling author Stephanie Laurens' iconic *Cynster* series are in print, with foreign sales in over 20 countries! In her newest historical romance-adventure in the *Cynster Next Generation* series, Laurens returns to the quintessential question: What is family? When the last unmarried *Cynster* gets caught up in a deadly pursuit across Europe, he must pretend to be the husband of a single Englishwoman and father to her two godchildren in order to avoid detection as they travel back to England.

**Current Series Publishers:** Germany/Blanvalet

**Current and Previous Publishers, other series:** Brazil/Sextante, Arqueiro; Bulgaria/SBB Media; Canada/ADA (French); Croatia/Znanje; Czech Republic/BIS, Baronet, Euromedia; France/J'ai Lu, Leduc; Germany/Blanvalet, Cora; Greece/Compupress; Hungary/Gabo; Indonesia/Pustaka Zahra; Italy/Mondadori, Fanucci, HarperCollins; Japan/Hara Shobo, Ohzora, Harlequin, Sony, Futami Shobo; Korea/Shin Young; Netherlands/, House of Books, De Vrijbouter; Norway/Bladkompaniet; Poland/BIS, Hachette; Portugal/Saida de Emergencia; Romania/Litera; Russia/AST; Slovak Republic/Ikar, Slovensky; Slovenia/Anu Elara; Učila; Spain/Debolsillo, EdicionesB; Mondadori; Planeta; Taiwan/Lin Pai, Treetype; Thailand/Grace; Turkey/Epsilon, Artemis; UK & ANZ/Piatkus; Vietnam/Nha Nam



## J.J. McAvoy | HATHOR AND THE PRINCE

Dell/March 19, '24/*DuBells* #3 (Translation: NYLA)

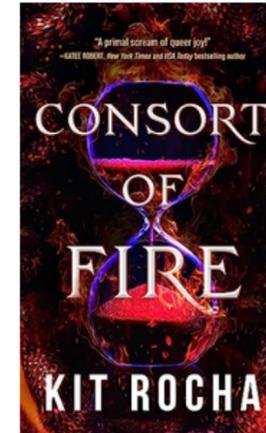
"J.J. McAvoy is a welcome new voice in historical romance."—*New York Times* bestselling author Sarah MacLean

In the joyful conclusion to the critically-acclaimed, reimagined Regency trilogy pre-empted by Dell for 6 figures, Hathor DuBell, the last of her family yet to find her match, finally sees her chance at love during a week-long society event hosted by the Queen, herself. Anticipation turns to surprise as she meets a genuine prince—the Queen's nephew—and a playful competition blossoms into a heartfelt romance. Amidst swirling gossip and grand balls, Hathor defies societal norms to forge her own path, culminating in a season finale that promises both romance and revelation. For fans of Julia Quinn and Eloisa James.

**Series Current Publishers:** Brazil/Record; France/l'ai Lu; Israel/Adel; UK/Quercus

**Previous Publishers:** Brazil/The Gift Box, Leabhar; France/J'ai Lu; Hungary/Konyvmolykepzo Kiado; Israel/Adel, Pandora; Poland/Wydawnictwo Niezwykle; Turkey/Ephesus

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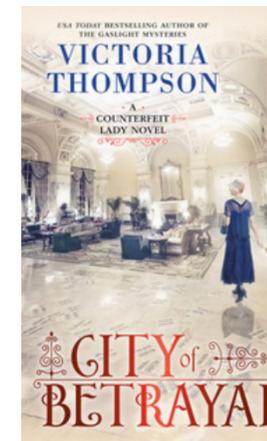


## Kit Rocha | CONSORT OF FIRE

Montlake/Nov. 28, '23/*Bound to Fire and Steel Box* #1 (Translation: NYLA)

"The fiery breath of a dragon pales in comparison to the incendiary heat of this epic erotic fantasy."—*Kirkus*

From *USA Today* best-selling writing duo Kit Rocha, comes the first book in a fiery new erotic romantasy duology pulsating with ancient magic and simmering intrigue! For 3000 years, a dragon god has safeguarded the borders of the Sheltered Lands demanding only one thing in return every century: the ruler's heir as consort. Princess Sachielle is the 31st consort, and she and her handmaid—and lover—have been mandated by their king to slay the dragon in 5 weeks, or Sachi will be killed by an ancient curse. However, they never counted on uncovering the dragon's surprising nature...or their own...



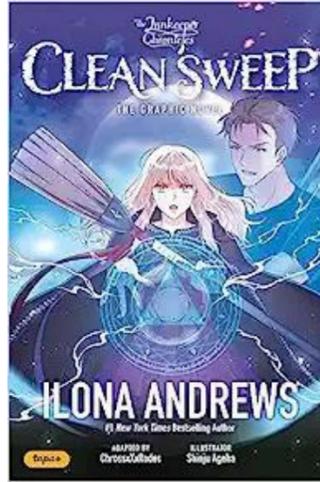
## Victoria Thompson | CITY OF BETRAYAL

Berkley/Dec. 5, '23/*A Counterfeit Lady* #7 (Translation: NYLA)

A new page-turning, early 20th Century mystery from the bestselling award-nominated Thompson, for fans of *The Gilded Age* and *The Buccaneers*! Elizabeth Bates, former con woman, is now a respectable member of high society and is using all of her unorthodox skills to help the Suffragists secure the right to vote. But she never counted on the tricks men play to keep the vote out of women's hands. If she doesn't devise the perfect con, women will never get a chance to have their say...a nail-biting look at real history.

**Previous Publishers (other series):** Germany/Weltbild, Russia/Exmo

# Hot List, Publisher-held Rights



## Ilona Andrews | The Innkeeper Chronicles: CLEAN SWEEP, The Graphic Novel

Andrews McMeel/Feb. 13, '24/*Innkeeper Chronicles* (Translation: NYLA; Art: Tapas)

The graphic novel adaptation of CLEAN SWEEP, book 1 of the *Innkeeper Chronicles* by #1 *New York Times* bestselling authors Ilona Andrews that introduces readers to Dina DeMille and her inn, where extraterrestrial visitors can relax and be themselves during their stay...

**Current (Print) Publisher:** France/MxM

**Previous (Print) Publisher:** Germany/Amazon Crossing

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## April Asher | NOT YOUR CRUSH'S CAULDRON

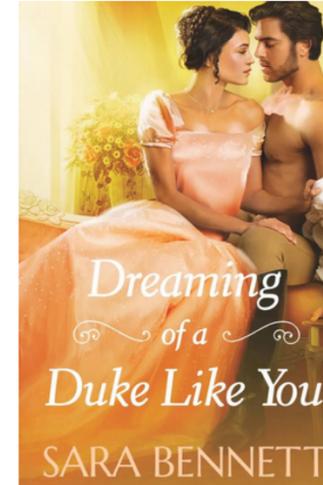
St. Martin's Press, Griffin/Feb. 13, '24/*Supernatural Singles* #3 (Translation: SMP)

In April Asher's new *Supernatural Singles* novel, a witch takes a stroll on the wild-ish side, sparking an alert that saddles her with her very own Guardian Angel...who happens to be her secret crush—and new roommate.

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**Previous Publishers:** Turkey/Artemis

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## Sara Bennett | DREAMING OF A DUKE LIKE YOU

Forever/Oct. 10, '23/*Duke of Grantham* #1

(Translation: Hachette)

*Publishers Weekly* says it's impossible not to fall in love with “the lovable misfits” in the first book in Bennett's new Regency series that follows a duke with a reputation to uphold and a woman with a scandalous past who take a gamble on their forbidden romance. Perfect for fans of *USA Today* bestsellers Sophie Jordan and Kerrigan Byrne!

For foreign rights, contact Francesca Begos: [Francesca.Begos@hbgusa.com](mailto:Francesca.Begos@hbgusa.com).

**Previous Publishers:** Brazil/Leabhar; France/J'ai Lu; Germany/HarperCollins; Hungary/General Press; Italy/Mondadori, HarperCollins; Japan/Taka Shobo; Netherlands/DeVrijbouter; Russia/AST; Thailand/In-Love; Turkey/Nemesis



## Olivia Dade | AT FIRST SPITE

Avon/Feb. 20, '24/*Harlot's Bay* #1

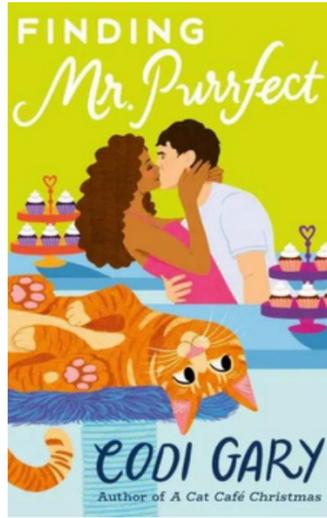
(Translation: Avon)

The bestselling author of SPOILER ALERT and ALL THE FEELS welcomes readers to Harlot's Bay in this delightfully sexy rom-com about a woman who buys the town's famous Spite House, only to realize the infuriating man she can't stand lives right next door—and that their unwilling proximity might spark something neither can ignore.

For foreign rights, contact Carolyn Bodkin: [carolyn.bodkin@harpercollins.com](mailto:carolyn.bodkin@harpercollins.com).

**Previous Publishers:** Brazil/Intrinseca; Germany/Rowohlt; Netherlands/Z&K; Poland/Wydawnicza Folia; Turkey/Yabancı, Ithaki; UK/Piatkus

# Hot List, Publisher-held Rights



## Codi Gary | FINDING MR. PURRFECT

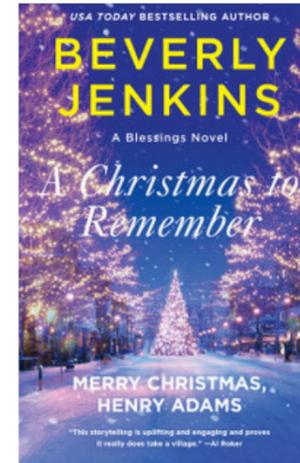
Forever/Jan. 16, '24

(Translation: Hachette)

Frenemies + Fake Dating = Falling for the wrong person . . . for all the right reasons.

A baker with a knack for felines and fruit tarts, always falls for the wrong men. But when she enlists the best friend of her best friend's boyfriend to fake-date her, unexpected sparks fly. As their pretend romance takes an unexpected turn, they find themselves on the brink of a real, forever kind of love that has them both apprehensive and...exhilarated.

For foreign rights, contact Francesca Begos: Francesca.Begos@hbgusa.com.



## Beverly Jenkins | A CHRISTMAS TO REMEMBER

Morrow/Oct. 24, '23/Blessings #11

(Translation: HarperCollins)

NAACP and *USA Today* bestselling legendary author Beverly Jenkins returns to her Blessings women's fiction series—described by Library Journal as a blend of Fannie Flagg charm with a dollop of the kindness of Jan Karon's Mitford novels! Since her purchase of the town of Henry Adams, Kansas to aid foster kids, Bernadine Brown has become a beloved member of the community. But as she and diner owner Mal July orchestrate their long-awaited Christmas wedding, obstacles continually block their path to the altar.

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**Previous Publishers:** Brazil/Sextante; France/J'ai Lu; Italy/Mondadori; Portugal/Sextante

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## Karen Hawkins | THE SECRET RECIPE OF ELLA DOVE

Gallery/Aug. 15, '23/Dove Pond #3

(Translation: S&S)

In the newest novel in the “sometimes whimsical, often insightful, always absorbing” (*Shelf Awareness*) *Dove Pond* series by *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling Hawkins, three lives converge as a wildly talented baker returns to Dove Pond to face her past, discovering that love can, and will, always find a way. For fans of Alice Hoffman and Sarah Addison Allen.

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**Current Publishers:** Arabic/Madarek Publishing House; Bulgaria/Ciela Norma; Czech Republic/Reader's Digest; Estonia/Eram Books; Finland/Reader's Digest; Hungary/Reader's Digest; Portugal/Reader's Digest; UK/Orion



## Sheryl Lister | NO RESERVATIONS

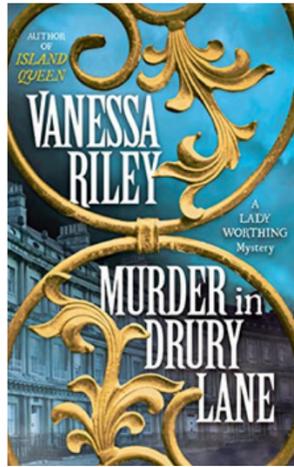
Muse/Jan. 9, '24

(Translation: HarperCollins)

A woman with terminal cancer books a dream trip for her three best friends to take after her death, never imagining that as the trip dates move closer, marriages would crumble, businesses implode, and new love would bloom while her friends honor her by learning to live the way she wanted: without reservation.

For foreign rights, contact Robert Downs: Robert.downs@harpercollins.com

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## Vanessa Riley | MURDER IN DRURY LANE

Kensington/Oct. 24, '23/*Lady Worthing Mysteries* #2

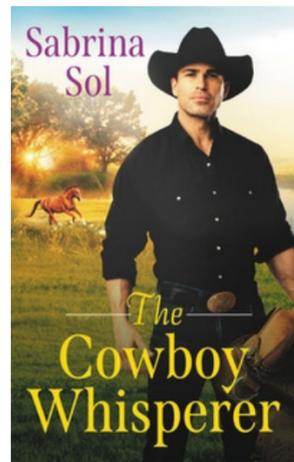
(Translation: Kensington)

Offering “a vibrant picture of the roles Black and mixed-race people played in Regency life” (*Publishers Weekly*), this unique historical mystery series, featuring a mixed-race heroine with a notorious past, will appeal to *Bridgerton* fans who want a sharper edge to their drama. Lady Abigail Worthing has always found respite at the theater but fears that someone from her past wants her permanently silenced. And on one particular June evening, everything collides, and the performance takes an unwelcome turn . . .

For foreign rights, contact Susanna Gruninger: [sgruninger@kensingtonbooks.com](mailto:sgruninger@kensingtonbooks.com)

**Previous Publishers:** Hungary/Konyvmolykepzo; Italy /Mondadori; Russia/MTS; UK/HarperCollins

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## Sabrina Sol | THE COWBOY WHISPERER

Forever/Nov. 28, '23

(Translation: Hachette)

Fans of Rebekah Weatherspoon and R.C. Ryan will love *BookRiot* and *PopSugar* favorite Sol’s next Western romance that follows an Olympic equestrian hopeful seeking redemption at a family-run California ranch. She finds herself clashing with the ruggedly handsome stable manager whose uncanny training advice leads her to success in the ring. As their fiery dynamic escalates, her impending departure for the Olympics threatens to tear them apart, forcing them to confront their deepest desires.

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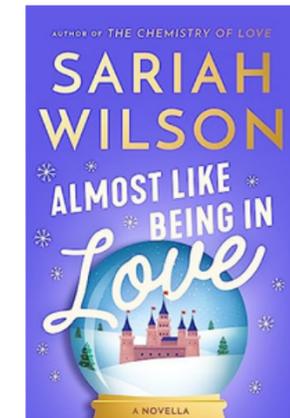
## Gigi Templeton | SPICED RIGHT

Montlake/Jan. 23, '24

(Translation: Amazon)

Author of the HARD KNOX series Gigi Templeton’s SPICED RIGHT, pitched as a Yellowstone setting with the emotional pull of Colleen Hoover, in which a charismatic Texas rancher who hosts his own YouTube BBQ channel and a recovering recluse who creates a line of fiery dry rubs and sauces that reunites them via social media and renews a sizzling chemistry, sold to Montlake in a two-book deal.

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## Sariah Wilson | ALMOST LIKE BEING IN LOVE

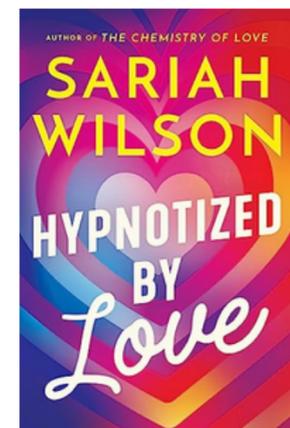
Montlake/Nov. 14, '23

(Translation: Amazon)

The best-selling author of THE CHEMISTRY OF LOVE gives readers this heartwarming holiday novella that pairs a modern-day American woman and a seventeenth-century Scottish laird who fall in love at first sight.

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**Rights Previously Sold In:** Estonia/Ersen; Italy/Newton Compton, Poland/ Wydawnictwo Kobiece; Russia/EXMO; Ukraine/Vivat



## Sariah Wilson | HYPNOTIZED BY LOVE

Montlake/Feb. 6, '24

(Translation: Amazon)

The power of suggestion does wonders for the heart in the newest captivating romantic comedy by the bestselling author of THE CHEMISTRY OF LOVE. Sold in a three-book deal, HYPNOTIZED BY LOVE follows a hypnotist who is targeted by a journalist planning to debunk her methods—and who just happens to be her high school nemesis.

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**Rights Previously Sold In:** Estonia/Ersen; Italy/Newton Compton, Poland/ Wydawnictwo Kobiece; Russia/EXMO; Ukraine/Vivat

# Just Sold!

Canongate/Severn House has acquired a **new mystery series** by **Sandra Balzo** featuring a dog-walker sleuth who gets “the scoop” on all the neighborhood’s little messes...and murders. The two-book deal included the next installment of the author’s beloved *Coffehouse Mysteries* series. (Translation: NYLA)

Montlake has bought a new sexy and uplifting rom-com from **Emma Barry**, author of one of the *NYT*’s Best Romances of 2023 pick CHICK MAGNET. **THE COMEBACK KID** follows a Hollywood “himbo”’s attempted comeback via a steamy adaptation of a historical novel which hits a snag...when he falls for the show’s new intimacy coordinator. (Translation: Amazon) **Previous Publishers:** Italy/Queen Edizioni

Dragonblade Flame has acquired the new *Disgraceful Duchesses* Regency romance series by *Romancing the Dukes* author **Sara Bennett**, known for her irresistible characters and sumptuous settings. The books will feature three beautiful but impoverished sisters brought to London by their mother for one thing: To marry a lord. (Translation: NYLA). **Previous Publishers:** Brazil/Leabhar; France/J’ai Lu; Germany/HarperCollins; Hungary/General Press; Italy/Mondadori, HarperCollins; Japan/Taka Shobo; Netherlands/DeVrijbouter; Russia/AST; Thailand/In-Love; Turkey/Nemesis

Two teachers with totally opposite teaching styles find themselves tipsy and acting on repressed desires at the end of the school year party, resulting in...an unexpected surprise when school is back in session in **THE PREGNANCY TEST**, the newest enemies-to-lovers rom-com by THE VALENTINE HATE author **Sidney Halston**. Acquired by Avon. it’s described as *Abbott Elementary* meets *Knocked Up*. (Translation: Avon) **Film/TV representation:** Tara Timinsky, Grandview

In **JESSAMINE BRICKER HAS NO PLAN**, a proposal planner and some unruly bachelorettes stay at a family-run spa where hijinks, hookups, murder, and long-buried secrets come to light. Pitched as *The White Lotus* meets *Bridesmaids*, Berkley acquired this debut next-gen mystery, plus one untitled mystery, from bestselling audiobook author **Molly Harper**. (Translation: Berkley) **Previous Publishers:** Israel/Magia

Author of BOOKED ON A FEELING **Jayci Lee’s THAT PRINCE IS MINE**, is the first in a trio of Jane Austen-inspired romantic comedies acquired by Griffin. The series kicks off with a love-averse Korean royal court cuisine instructor in search of a perfect-on-paper husband, who is waylaid from her practical, heartbreak-proof life plan when she meets a gorgeous professor—and prince in disguise—who will do anything to prove to her that love and happily ever after can be theirs. (Translation: SMP) **Previous Publishers:** UK/Headline; **Film/TV representation:** Jiah Shin, CAA

Montlake has acquired **Jayci Lee’s** debut romantasy **NINE-TAILED**, the first book in a series based on Korean folklore and pitched as if Sarah J. Maas wrote a K-Drama. A 100-year-old fox spirit on the run from the world of gods confronts a malevolent shaman intent on usurping a mysterious power within her to unleash an ancient darkness. (Translation: Amazon) **Previous Publishers:** UK/Headline; **Film/TV representation:** Jiah Shin, CAA

Three generations of widows are forced to live together again, causing old resentments and buried secrets to resurface in the next work of women’s fiction, currently untitled, by the author of BIG CHICAS DON’T CRY and TOO SOON FOR ADIOS **Annette Chavez Macias**, again acquired by Montlake. (Translation: Amazon) **Film/TV representation:** Becca Rodriguez, Curate

Lake Union has picked up the next work of women’s fiction by the author of THE CANDID LIFE OF MEENA DAVE **Namrata Patel**. In **THE CURIOUS SECRETS OF YESTERDAY**, the youngest daughter of a long line of maternal spice masters discovers a generations-old family feud, takes it upon herself to heal fractured relationships, uncovers the secrets of her own history, and finds love in more ways than one. (Translation: Amazon) **Previous Publishers:** Hungary/Század Kiadó; Russia/Exmo; **Film/TV representation:** Lucy Stille

# London '24 Preview

## Linda Castillo | THE BURNING

Minotaur/Jul. 9, '24/*Kate Burkholder* #16  
(Translation: SMP)

The murder of an excommunicated Amish man — whose cruel behavior could no longer be tolerated by the community — leads Kate to a troubling history, and an even more troubling tie to her own brother's past. **Film/TV rights represented by:** Steve Fisher, APA

## Alexis Daria | ALONG CAME AMOR

Avon/2024/*Primas of Power* #3  
(Translation: HarperCollins)

The third rom-com following bestselling novels YOU HAD ME AT HOLA and A LOT LIKE ADIOS by international bestselling author Daria, features a divorcee on a mission for no-strings fun who collides with a determined hotelier with no time for love. **Film/TV rights represented by:** Sean Daily, Hotchkiss & Daily

## Maddie Dawson | LET'S PRETEND THIS WILL WORK

Lake Union/May 21, '2024  
(Translation: Amazon)

The bestselling author of SNAP OUT OF IT and MATCHMAKING FOR BEGINNERS, Dawson gives readers a warmhearted and humorous look at human frailty and the folly of love in her next work of women's fiction that follows a teacher who, after a life-altering incident, is pushed out of her chosen path and exposed to unexpected possibilities. Set against the backdrop of the disco eighties when women were asserting their need to work (and to wear padded-shoulder suits).

## Karen Hawkins | THE BOOKSHOP OF HIDDEN DREAMS

Gallery/Summer, '24/*Dove Pond* #4  
(Translation: S&S)

*New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling author Karen Hawkins focuses on acclaimed historian Tay Dove, whose unique Dove sister "talent" is her ability to perceive feelings and visions from antique items. Now she's returned home to explore a hidden treasure trove belonging to Sarafina Dove who mysteriously disappeared over 150 years ago... but whose deeds may change Dove Pond now and forever... A series "rooted in kindness and friendship, the belief we can all be better, and the hope that starting over is possible."—*Manhattan Book Review*

## Miranda James | REQUIEM FOR A MOUSE

Berkley/June 25, '24/*Cat in the Stacks* #16  
(Translation: PRH)

With only weeks before his wedding, librarian Charlie Harris and his ever-intuitive feline friend Diesel must catch a killer in a deadly game of cat and mouse where no one is who they seem to be...

## Rachel Lacey | COVER STORY

AMZ Montlake/Mar. 26, '24  
(Translation: Amazon)

Author of STARS COLLIDE Rachel Lacey's COVER STORY, a sapphic bodyguard romance featuring an A-list actress in need of extra protection who hires a female bodyguard to pose as her girlfriend in order to keep the real story under wraps.

## Vanessa Riley | A GAMBLE AT SUNSET

Kensington/March. 26, '24  
(Translation: Kensington)

Award-winning author Vanessa Riley turns all convention on its head for the first in an enchanting, dazzlingly diverse new Regency romance trilogy featuring a duke, three sisters, and a tantalizing bet with a most desirable reward... **Film/TV rights represented by:** Sean Daily, Hotchkiss & Daily

## Victoria Thompson | MURDER IN ROSE HILL

Berkley/April 23, '24/*Gaslight Mystery* #27  
(Translation: NYLA)

The *USA Today* bestselling author of MURDER ON BEDFOR STREET, midwife Sarah Malloy and her private detective husband Frank discover that the cure is worse than the disease when they investigate the death of an ambitious young woman in this atmospheric, riveting mystery. **Series optioned for film:** Cue the Dog/New Day Films

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