

# NANCY YOST LITERARY AGENCY LONDON 2023



121 W. 27TH ST., SUITE 1201, NEW YORK, NY 10001; RIGHTS@NYLITERARY.COM





# LONDON BOOK FAIR 2023

## TABLE OF CONTENTS

- NYLA-Handled Translation Rights
- Publisher-Handled Translation Rights
- Just Sold!
- Frankfurt '23 Preview
- List of Co-Agents

121 W. 27th St., Suite 1201, New York, NY 10001

[rights@nyliterary.com](mailto:rights@nyliterary.com)

# Hot List, NYLA-held Rights

Katelyn Doyle | JUST SOME STUPID LOVE STORY

Flatiron/2024 (Translation: NYLA)

Major deal for 2 books, 7-publisher US auction; rights sold so far in 12 countries; auctions in Brazil, Germany, Poland, Portugal, Spain; UK and Norwegian pre-empts!

Rights sold in: Brazil/Arqueiro; Germany/Blanvalet; Hungary/Central; Israel/Kinneret; Italy/Newton & Compton; Netherlands/Bruna; Norway/Gursli Berg; Poland/Marginesy (Luna); Portugal/PRH (Topseller); Serbia/Laguna; Spain/Urano; UK/Piatkus



A rom-com screenwriter who doesn't believe in love...her high school ex, a hopelessly romantic divorce attorney who does. When both are forced to sit together at their 15-year reunion, sparks fly, and a bet is made: whoever can more accurately predict the outcome of five relationships over the next five years must declare that the other is right about love. The two are then launched into a series of entanglements, breakups, friendship attempts, and accidental run-ins until they reach a breathtaking conclusion that will force them to confront one more relationship—theirs. Are they truly meant to be...or is their story one of timeless heartbreak?

Perfect for fans of Emily Henry’s *People We Meet on Vacation* and *Josh and Hazel’s Guide to Not Dating* by Christina Lauren.

Katelyn Doyle has already won the hearts of countless readers through the historical romances she’s penned as *USA Today* bestselling author Scarlett Peckham. *The Washington Post* selected her debut, THE DUKE I TEMPTED, as one of the Best Romance Novels of 2018. *Entertainment Weekly* has called Peckham’s storytelling "breathtakingly human." She showcases the witty, romantic, and feminist voice that has already earned acclaim everywhere, from *Kirkus* and NPR to *The New York Times Book Review* (twice).

[Film & Television Rights Represented by Lucy Stille]

## THE SOCIETY OF SIRENS SERIES

Avon/2 books

(UK/Translation: HarperCollins)

Meet the SOCIETY OF SIRENS—three radical, libertine ladies determined to weaponize their scandalous reputations to fight for justice and the love they deserve...

For foreign rights, contact Carolyn Bodkin: carolyn.bodkin@harpercollins.com

Current Publishers: France/J'ai Lu



## THE CHARLOTTE STREET SERIES

Indie Published/3 books

(UK/Translation: NYLA)

"Peckham evokes a wide arc of desire, fear, love, humor and sadness...[A]nd bravery, too—the bravery that comes from the person you love asking what you want, and meeting you there."—*The New York Times*

The critically-acclaimed and much lauded series about highborn English members of an exclusive, private club who indulge their secret erotic fantasies—and the alpha women who love them.

Current Publishers: Brazil/Arqueiro; France/J'ai Lu; Italy/HarperCollins; Japan/Oakla; Netherlands/Bruna





# Hot List, NYLA-held Rights

**\*\*ILONA ANDREWS NEW SERIES!\*\***  
**KATE DANIELS, THE WILMINGTON YEARS**

#1 NEW YORK TIMES, WASHINGTON POST, WALL STREET JOURNAL BESTSELLER, AND USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR  
FOREIGN RIGHTS SOLD IN 17 COUNTRIES  
ALMOST 2 MILLION REVIEWS/RATINGS ON AMAZON & GOODREADS  
OVER 130K FOLLOWERS ACROSS SOCIAL MEDIA  
OVER 402K VIEWS ON BOOKTOK  
OVER 14 MILLION UNIQUE WEBSITE VISITS

Over 1 million copies of the #1 *New York Times* bestselling Kate Daniels series are in print, and we are thrilled to present a surprise new series, The Wilmington Years! Along with everyone’s favorite mercenary Kate, who cleans up after magic goes wrong, these short novels will feature familiar faces, new friends, and their special brand of chaos! Several titles are planned, starting with MAGIC TIDES.



**Ilona Andrews | MAGIC TIDES**  
NYLA/Dec. 13, '23/*Kate Daniels: The Wilmington Years #1*  
(Translation: NYLA)

Kate, Curran, and their son, Conlan settle in a new city, vowing to keep a low profile...but some things never change! Magical mayhem is about to erupt when Kate undertakes the supposedly simple rescue of a kidnapped youth, while Curran guards the homefront. With monsters on land and sea, Kate’s got her work cut out for her—and that low profile is about to wash away with the raging tides!

[Film & Television Rights to KATE DANIELS previously optioned by Voodoo Television & Jerry Daigle, producer of ODD THOMAS]

**Ilona Andrews | MAGIC CLAIMS**  
NYLA/ June 13, '23/ *Kate Daniels: The Wilmington Years#2*  
(Translation: NYLA)

A mysterious evil stirs in the woods and demands a tribute. Lives are in danger, ancient magic awakens, and the Beast Lord wants a moat for his son...

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

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





# Hot List, NYLA-held Rights

## THE DuBELLS SERIES

J.J. McAVOY

APHRODITE AND THE DUKE:

ONE OF ENTERTAINMENT WEEKLY'S BEST ROMANCES OF THE SUMMER

A BOOKPAGE FALL MOST ANTICIPATED ROMANCE PICK

A BUZZFEED HISTORICAL ROMANCE BOOKS TO READ BASED ON YOUR FAVORITE BRIDGERTON CHARACTER PICK

INSIDE SOAP (UK) MAGAZINE HOT LIST PICK

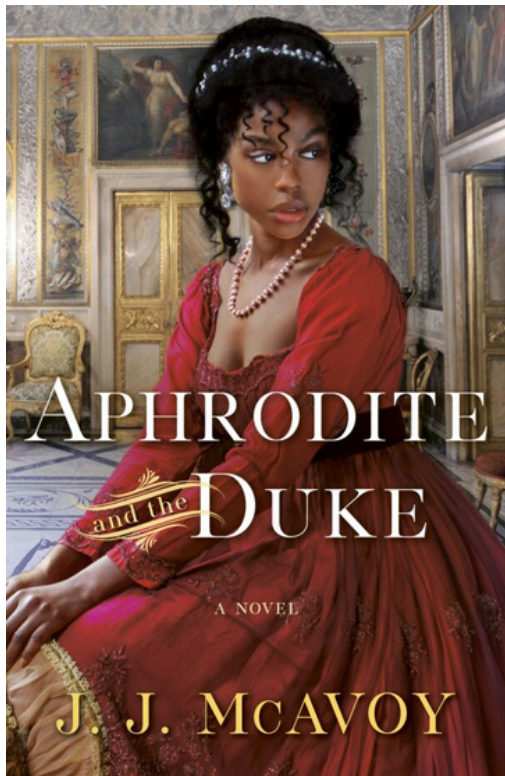
A GOODREADS NEW HISTORICAL ROMANCES TO RELISH IN 2022 PICK

VERITY AND THE FORBIDDEN SUITOR:

ONE OF BOOKPAGE'S MOST ANTICIPATED ROMANCE NOVELS OF 2023

ONE OF GOODREADS' BIGGEST NEW SPRING ROMANCE NOVELS

STARRED REVIEW IN LIBRARY JOURNAL



### J.J. McAvoy | APHRODITE AND THE DUKE

Dell/Aug. 23, '22/DuBells #1

(Translation: NYLA)

"Bridgerton lovers have found their next read. J. J. McAvoy is a welcome new voice in historical romance."—*New York Times* bestselling author Sarah MacLean

Pre-empted for 6 figures in a 3-book deal! When her formidable mother summons her back to London to aid in her sister's debut, Aphrodite DuBell has no choice but to acquiesce, even though widowed Duke Evander Eagleman, who jilted her four years ago, will be present. Now that he is unattached, the Duke wants nothing more than to win Aphrodite back. But just as the couple make strides to mend old wounds, Evander's true reason for rejecting Aphrodite threatens their coveted future...and even their lives.

**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

[Represented for film by Nikki Terpilowski, Holloway Literary & Talent]

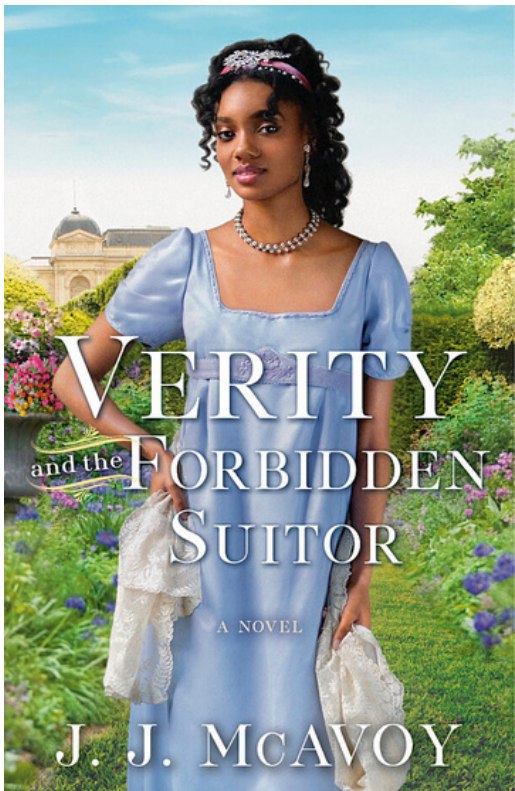
### J.J. McAvoy | VERITY AND THE FORBIDDEN SUITOR

Dell/April 11, '23/DuBells #2

(Translation: NYLA)

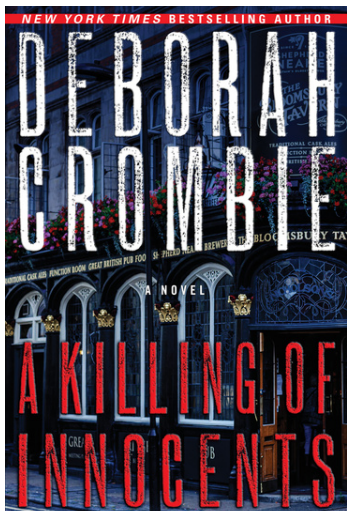
"This charming book is likely to be popular with fans of romance, historical fiction, and multicultural reimaginings of historical romance, such as TV's *Bridgerton*. Recommended..."—*Library Journal* \*Starred Review\*

During a visit to her friends and relatives by marriage, the DuBells, Verity Eagleman meets Theodore Darrington, a doctor who is also the bastard son of a Marquess—forbidden to marry into the nobility. But their passion ignites, and soon Verity and Theodore must decide whether to follow their hearts or succumb to societal pressures... because the union of an heiress and an outcast is a match made for scandal....





# Hot List, NYLA-held Rights



## Deborah Crombie | A KILLING OF INNOCENTS

Morrow/ Feb. 7, '23/*Duncan Kincaid & Gemma James #19*

(Translation: NYLA)

*New York Times* and internationally bestselling author Deborah Crombie's enthralling and emotionally textured series follows Scotland Yard detectives Duncan Kincaid and Gemma James as they try to solve the stabbing deaths of a young trainee doctor and her colleague before panic can spread across London.

**Current Publishers:** Germany/Goldmann (Der Spiegel bestseller); Japan/Kodansha; UK/Macmillan

**Previous Publishers:** Bulgaria/Sluntse; China/Shaanxi Normal University; Czech Republic/Motto; Estonia/Varrak; France/Albin Michel & Livre de Poche; Greece/Alexandria; Italy/Mondadori; Netherlands/Bruna; Norway/Tiden Norsk; Slovak Republic/Slovensky; Turkey/Elips Kitap & Pegasus; Spain/Navona



## Jeaniene Frost | BOTH FEET IN THE GRAVE

NYLA/April 18, '23/*Night Huntress #10*

(Translation: NYLA)

"Cat and Bones are combustible together." — Charlaine Harris

From the *New York Times* bestselling author of the *Night Huntress* series comes the second book in the *USA Today* bestselling alternate perspective on the origin saga of Cat and Bones. Cat disappeared from Master Vampire, anti-hero and lethally scary Bones' life to protect him, but Bones won't let anything stand in the way of getting her back...

**Previous Publishers:** Brazil/Novo Seculo; Bulgaria/Ibis; China(complex)/ King-In; Czech Republic/Fantom, Baronet; France/Bragelonne; Germany/Blanvalet; Hungary/Konyvmolykepzo & Ulpius-Haz; Indonesia/Pustaka Zahra; Israel/Ahavot; Italy/Fanucci; Netherlands/Xander, DeVrijbuiters; Norway/Schibsted; Poland/MAG & Papierowy Ksiezy; Romania/Leda; Russia/Azbooka; Spain/Ediciones B; Sweden/Bonnier; Taiwan/KingIn; Thailand/Nokhook; Turkey/Artemis; UK/Orion, Gollancz



## Alexis Daria | TAKE THE LEAD

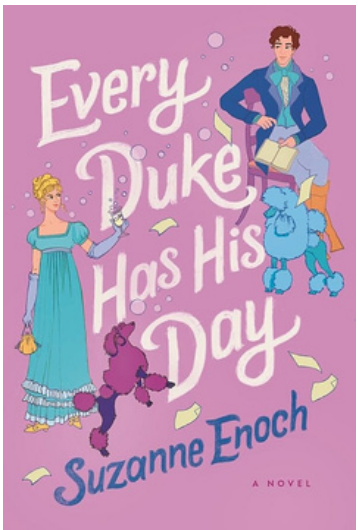
Griffin/ Feb. 14, '23/*Dance-Off Series #1*

(Translation: NYLA)

From the author of the critically acclaimed, international bestseller YOU HAD ME AT HOLA, comes a fun, sizzling rom-com about finding love on and off the dance floor. *Publishers Weekly* says it all in a Starred Review: "Bestseller Daria (A LOT LIKE ADIOS) brings heat to the dance floor in this delightful rom-com about reality TV stars who find love during a celebrity dance competition...The structure of the competition keeps the pages flying, and Daria does a fantastic job making the thrilling dance routines jump and twirl off the page. Add in the protagonists' opposite personalities and fiery attraction, and this whirlwind romance scores a 10 out of 10. "

**Previous Publishers:** Brazil/HarperCollins; France/Bragelonne; Germany/Rowohlt; Netherlands/Z&K; Turkey/Yabanci; UK/Piatkus

[Film/TV rights represented by Sean Daily, Hotchkiss & Daily]



## Suzanne Enoch | EVERY DUKE HAS HIS DAY

St. Martin's Press/Sept. 19, '23

(Translation: NYLA)

When a no-nonsense scientist and a Society flirt accidentally wind up with the wrong dogs after a very inauspicious introduction (think Darcy in a wet shirt!), mayhem ensues in the second of NYT bestselling Enoch's historical rom-coms. Sold in a two-book deal for six figures, and described as *Bringing Up Baby* if written by Jane Austen...

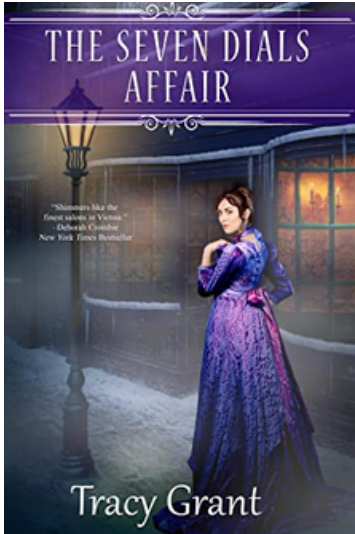
**Current Publishers:** Spain/Urano; **Option Publishers:** Czech Republic/Baronet; France/J'ai Lu

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

[Film/TV rights represented by Debbie Deuble-Hill, APA]



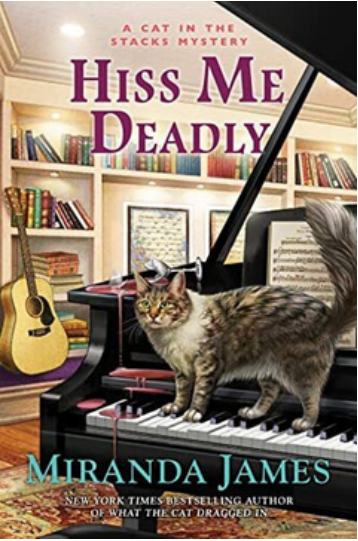
# Hot List, NYLA-held Rights



**Tracy Grant | THE SEVEN DIALS AFFAIR**

Indie Published/May 18,'23/*Rannoch-Fraser Mysteries* #27 (Translation: NYLA)

In 1821 London, former spies Malcolm and Mélanie Rannoch join forces with a Bow Street runner to investigate the murder of his estranged wife. As they dig deeper into her past, they uncover secrets that challenge their understanding of those closest to them. With time running out, the Rannochs must solve the case before someone else they love becomes a victim.



**Miranda James | HISS ME DEADLY**

Berkley/June 27, '23/*Cat in the Stacks Series Book* #15 (Translation: NYLA)

In this new installment of the *New York Times* bestselling *Cat in the Stacks* mysteries, librarian Charlie Harris and his cat Diesel investigate a string of incidents targeting controversial musician Wil Threadgill. But when a member of Wil's band is killed, they must delve into the past to uncover who could hate Wil enough to want him dead... before the killer can strike another fatal note.

**Current Publishers:** Canada/Flammarion; China/Beijing White Horse; France/J'ai Lu; Spain/Alma  
**Previous Publishers:** Russia/AST



**Molly Harper | WITCHES GET STUFF DONE**

Audible Original, Sourcebooks/Sept. 5,'23/*Starfall Point Trilogy* #1  
(UK/ANZ: Sourcebooks; Translation: NYLA)

The first paranormal romantic comedy in the *Starfall Point Trilogy* by the #1 audiobook bestselling author of numerous hilarious and heartfelt series, is a laugh-out-loud heartwarmer about learning how to open one's heart to the impossible and the extraordinary. When a mysterious aunt leaves Riley Everett her entire estate, including stewardship of a Winchester style mansion, Riley soon discovers that she is in way over her head—unfinished business, family secrets, blood magic, ghosts, and the new knowledge that she, herself, just might be a witch.



**Seana Kelly | BEWICCHED**

NYLA/May 2, '23 (Translation: NYLA)

The beloved *USA Today* bestselling author of the *Sam Quinn* series (over 100,000 copies sold!) brings readers a brand new series about Arwyn Cassandra Corey, a witch who has A LOT on her plate: trying to open an art gallery and tea bar while also dulling her ability to read minds with just a touch, and, of course, navigating pressure to assume her position in her ancient magical family. Arwyn has no interest in power or politics and would rather stick to her art, help the less fortunate, and admire the laid-back, sexy, growly new werewolf who's just joined the construction crew; never mind that his pack is threatening to hunt him down and tear him apart...



# Hot List, NYLA-held Rights

## Stephanie Laurens

#1 NEW YORK TIMES, WALL STREET JOURNAL, PUBLISHERS WEEKLY, AND USA TODAY  
BESTSELLING AUTHOR

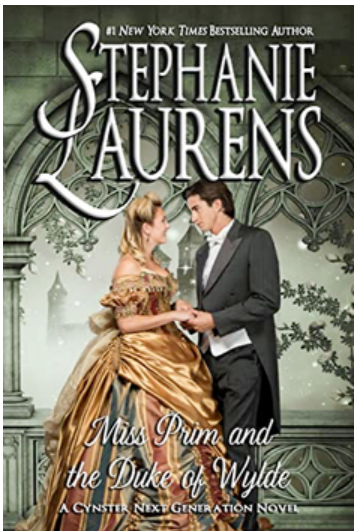
Over 10 million copies of Stephanie Laurens' iconic Cynster series are in print, with foreign sales in more than 20 countries! Stephanie Laurens is one of the premier authors of historical romance writing today, creating the quintessential alpha heroes and intelligent, independent heroines, characters who have stolen the hearts of readers for decades.



### MISS FLIBBERTIGIBBET AND THE BARBARIAN

March 16, '23/*Cynster Next Generation Book #12* (Translation: NYLA)

In #1 *New York Times* bestselling author Stephanie Laurens' latest installment of the Cynster family saga, a gentleman and a lady become unlikely allies on a journey to recover a stolen magnificent stallion known as The Barbarian. But their adventure uncovers shocking secrets that threaten to upend everything they thought they knew and reveals their own scorching desires.



### MISS PRIM AND THE DUKE OF WYLDE

Aug.17, '23/*Cynster Next Generation Book #13* (Translation: NYLA)

When Meg Cynster and the Duke of Wylde are forced to declare themselves engaged to protect her reputation, they must navigate the Season pretending to be in love. But once they seriously consider making their fake engagement real, accidents and attacks begin to happen, and it becomes clear that someone has been intent on preventing the marriage all along...Another page-turning romance laced with intrigue from #1 *New York Times* bestselling Laurens.

[For a full list of publishers and rights holders, turn to the last page.]

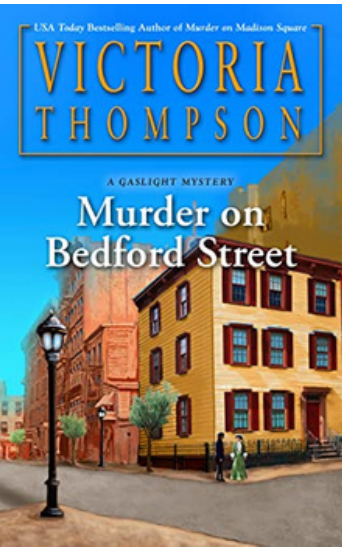


### Annie Rains | THE GOOD LUCK CAFE

Forever/March 14, '23/*Somerset Lake #4* (Translation: NYLA)

"Annie Rains puts her heart in every word!"—Brenda Novak, *New York Times* bestselling author

*USA Today* bestselling author Annie Rains returns to Somerset Lake, North Carolina in a heartwarming tale of love and second chances about a woman who will stop at nothing to save her mother's beloved cafe from demolition, even if it means running for mayor—against an old flame—and leading to a battle of wills that reignites their attraction...



### Victoria Thompson | MURDER ON BEDFORD STREET

Berkely/April 25, '23/*Gaslight Mysteries #26* (Translation: NYLA)

"[Thompson] is at the forefront of historical mystery writers."—*Publishers Weekly*

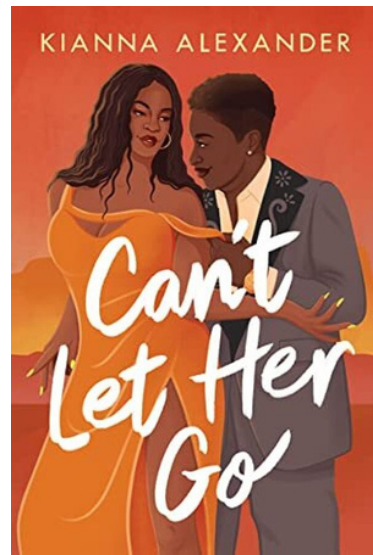
In this thrilling new novel in the *USA Today* award-winning and nationally bestselling series, private detective Frank Malloy and his midwife bride, Sarah, take on the case of a young mother who has been wrongfully committed to an insane asylum. But their investigation reveals dark secrets about her family and a potential danger to her son. They soon realize that their dangerous and cunning adversary will stop at nothing to protect his—or her—secrets.

**Previous Publishers:** Germany/Heyne, Weltbild; Israel/Ofarim; Italy/Mondadori; Japan/Kodansha; Thailand/Class Act; Russia/Exmo

[Series optioned for film by Cue the Dog/New Day Films]



# Hot List, Publisher-held Rights



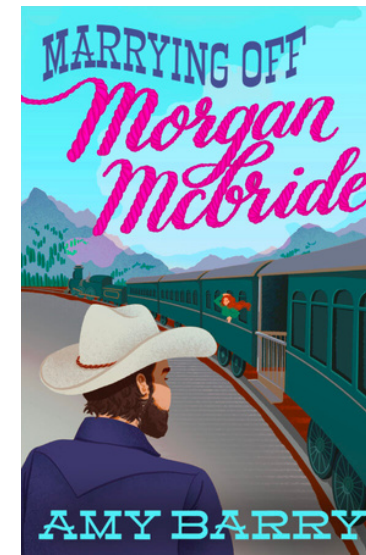
**Kianna Alexander | CAN'T LET HER GO**

Montlake/June 20, '23

(Translation: Amazon)

Friends to lovers? There's a lot to consider, a lot to hope for, and a lot at risk in this new steamy and emotional romance by the bestselling author of CAN'T RESIST HER.

For foreign rights, contact [globalrights@amazon.com](mailto:globalrights@amazon.com)



**Amy Barry | MARRYING OFF MORGAN MCBRIDE**

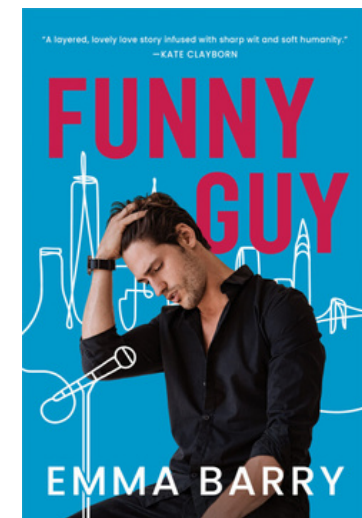
Berkley/May 30, '23

(Translation: PRH)

“Barry’s snappy prose and standout scene setting make Buck’s Creek a destination readers will want to return to.”—*Publishers Weekly*

Barry, the author of KIT MCBRIDE TAKES A WIFE, returns readers to the McBride clan in another laugh-out-loud historical romance. The McBride brothers are in for a matrimonial surprise when an enterprising woman answers their little sister's advertisement...for a mail-order bride.

For foreign rights, contact Tawanna Sullivan:  
[tsullivan@penguinrandomhouse.com](mailto:tsullivan@penguinrandomhouse.com)



**Emma Barry | FUNNY GUY**

Montlake/May 16, '23

(Translation: Amazon)

This heartfelt new rom-com by the author of CHICK MAGNET gives readers a down-on-his-luck comedian who is trying to escape the notoriety of his ex’s smash hit song...immortalizing his childish ways. But when he must unexpectedly move in with his best female friend, what also is unexpected are the feelings developing as they navigate her tiny New York apartment during a pandemic...

For foreign rights, contact [globalrights@amazon.com](mailto:globalrights@amazon.com)



**Alexandria Bellefleur | THE FIANCEE FARCE**

Avon/April 18, '23

(Translation: HarperCollins)

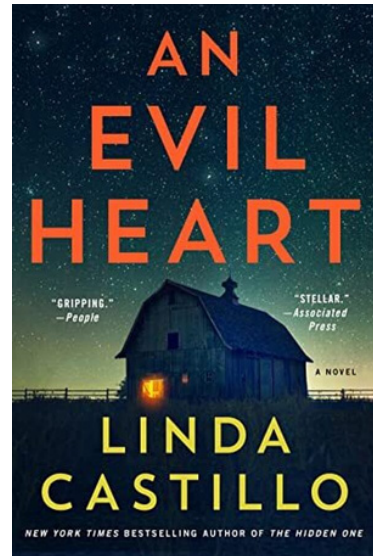
The bestselling and award-winning author of WRITTEN IN THE STARS introduces a shy bookstore owner who claims to be dating the beautiful cover model from her favorite romance novel. But when their path unexpectedly does cross, an awkward situation becomes mutually beneficial—because her fake girlfriend is actually in need of a real wife.

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

**Publisher Sold Rights in: Brazil/HarperCollins; Finland/Otava; Netherlands/Zomer & Keuning; UK/Piatkus**



# Hot List, Publisher-held Rights



## Linda Castillo | AN EVIL HEART

Minotaur/July 11, '23/*Kate Burkholder Series #15*

(Translation: SMP)

NYT and *Der Spiegel's* bestselling Castillo's next novel in the Kate Burkholder series follows Painters Mill Police Chief Kate she tries to solve the execution-style murder of a young Amish man, pitting her against a dangerous and unexpected opponent.

For foreign rights, contact Marta Fleming: [marta.fleming@stmartins.com](mailto:marta.fleming@stmartins.com).

**Publisher Sold Rights in:** ANZ/Reader's Digest Australia; **Brazil**/Nova Seculo; **China**/Wanrong Books; **Czech Republic**/Moba, Reader's Digest; **Denmark**/H.R. Ferdinand, Den Grimme Ælling; **Finland**/Reader's Digest; **France**/Payot & Rivages; **Germany**/Argon, Fischer Kreuger (pre-empt), Reader's Digest; **Hungary**/General Press & Reader's Digest Hungary; **Italy**/Fanucci & Piemme; **Macedonia**/Sakam Knigi; **Netherlands**/Bruna; **Poland**/Sonia Draga; **Portugal**/Reader's Digest Portugal; **Sweden**/Polaris; **Thailand**/We Learn; **Turkey**/Pegasus; **UK**/Pan Macmillan

[Film rights represented by Steve Fisher, APA]



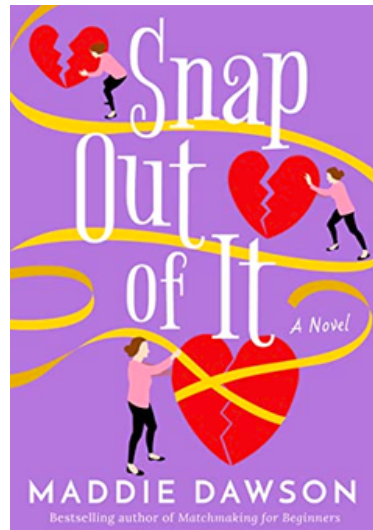
## Sarah Echavarre | WHAT WE REMEMBER

Lake Union Press/Jan. 10, '23

(Translation: Amazon)

From the author of *THREE MORE MONTHS* comes a new novel perfect for fans of Barbara O'Neal and Jessica Strawser about loss, the power of memories, and the enduring bonds of family. When a hospital chaplain finally feels ready to work after a trauma shattered her life, she takes a summer job caring for a dementia patient and begins to form bonds again. But the trauma she's kept buried for so long will be rediscovered too, and what she learns could change her life again, forever.

For foreign rights, contact Alex Levenberg: [globalrights@amazon.com](mailto:globalrights@amazon.com)



## Maddie Dawson | SNAP OUT OF IT

Lake Union/Jan. 3, '23

(Translation: Amazon)

Another profound, charming, and laugh-out-loud story from the bestselling author of *MATCHMAKING FOR BEGINNERS* starring Billie Slate, whose new business—dressing as The Heartbreak Bunny to cheer up the newly lovelorn—is going better than she could have ever imagined. But when The Heartbreak Bunny goes viral and wreaks havoc on her daughter's marriage—and her own love life—can she help her daughter, and perhaps even allow herself to fall in love?

[Film/TV rights represented by Kim Yau, Echo Lake Entertainment]

For foreign rights, contact Alex Levenberg: [globalrights@amazon.com](mailto:globalrights@amazon.com)

**Previous Publishers:** **Brazil**/Larousse, Universo dos Livros; **Bulgaria**/Iztok-Zapad; **Croatia**/Mozaik; **Czech Republic**/Euromedia (auction); **Estonia**/Eesti Raamat; **Germany**/Aufbau, Droemer; **Hungary**/Konyvmolykepzo; **Indonesia**/PT Bhuna; **Israel**/Yedioth; **Italy**/Giunti; **Korea**/Sallim Publishing; **Poland**/Niezwykle; **Russia**/Arkadia (auction); **Serbia**/Stylos Art Publishing House, Vulkan; **Ukraine**/Ridna Mova



## Karen Hawkins | THE SECRET RECIPE OF ELLA DOVE

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

(Translation: S&S)

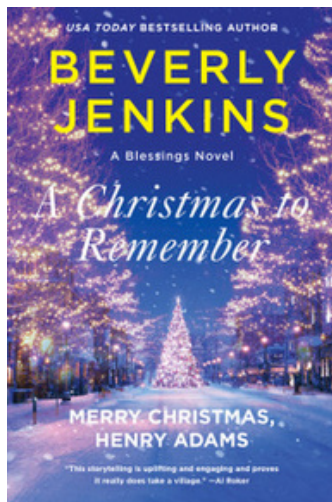
In the newest novel in the “sometimes whimsical, often insightful, always absorbing” (*Shelf Awareness*) *Dove Pond* series by *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling Hawkins, three lives converge as a wildly talented baker returns to Dove Pond to face her past, discovering that love can, and will,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

For foreign rights, contact Cordia Leung: [cordia.leung@simonandschuster.com](mailto:cordia.leung@simonandschuster.com)

**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



# Hot List, Publisher-held Rights



## Beverly Jenkins | A CHRISTMAS TO REMEMBER

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

(Translation: Avon)

USA Today bestselling legendary author Beverly Jenkins returns to her beloved *Blessings* series with a Christmas wedding in the town of Henry Adams, Kansas. Ever since Bernadine Brown bought the town, her relationship with diner owner Mal July has had its share of ups and downs. But now that wedding preparations are in full swing, that long-awaited walk down the aisle begins to look more and more like an obstacle course.

For foreign rights, contact Carolyn Bodkin: [Carolyn.bodkin@harpercollins.com](mailto:Carolyn.bodkin@harpercollins.com)  
**Publisher Previously Sold Rights in:** Brazil/Sextante; France/J'ai Lu; Italy/Mondadori; Portugal/Sextante

Film/TV rights represented by Jody Hotchkiss, Hotchkiss & Daily  
[TV/Film Rights Sold to Hallmark]



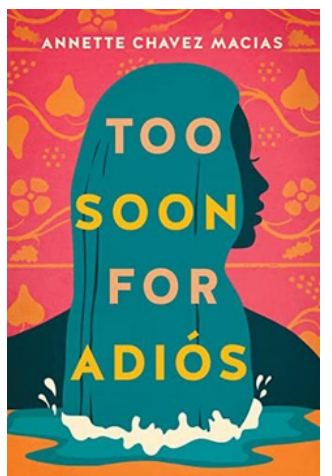
## Rachel Lacey | STARS COLLIDE

Montlake/May 9, '23

(Translation: Amazon)

From the award-winning author of *READ BETWEEN THE LINES*, comes a sexy slow-burn romance about two dynamic divas: one, the reigning queen of pop who is exhausted and lonely after years of performing, and a new-to-the-scene rising star. After the two are paired together for a performance, they soon realize they have more in common than their musical talents and must decide if what is between them is a one-hit wonder...or worthy of one of the greatest love songs of all time.

For foreign rights, contact [globalrights@amazon.com](mailto:globalrights@amazon.com)



## Annette Chavez Macias | TOO SOON FOR ADIOS

Lake Union/March 18, '23

(Translation: Amazon)

A profound story of self-discovery by the critically acclaimed author of *BIG CHICAS DON'T CRY*. When Gabby meets her biological father for the first time—at her mother's funeral—she doesn't know what is more surprising: that he offers her a house to make up for his absence or that she accepts it. As she undertakes a renovation, she learns more about herself than she ever dared to think possible. But is she ready to open herself up to the truth of what happened in her past—and the promise of what could be?

For foreign rights, contact [globalrights@amazon.com](mailto:globalrights@amazon.com)



## Amy T. Matthews | SOMEONE ELSE'S BUCKET LIST

Kensington/May 23, '23

(Translation: Kensington)

In this binge-worthy, bittersweet, sisterly *P.S. I Love You* that is perfect for fans of Josie Silver and Rebecca Serle, Jodie Boyd is struggling with anxiety and direction in her life when her successful and adventurous sister Bree dies of leukemia, leaving her family with a staggering medical debt. Bree's last recorded post on Instagram challenges Jodie to complete her public bucket list so that a corporate sponsor will pay off the debt... if Jodie can keep all of Bree's followers. Jodie plunges in, never imagining that in death, her sister will teach her how to live and that the last item on the list—"Fall in love"—may just prove to be the easiest.

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



## Jessie Mihalik | CAPTURE THE SUN

Voyager/May 9, '23/*Starlight's Shadow Book* #3

(Translation: HarperCollins)

Acclaimed author Jessie Mihalik returns with the thrilling conclusion to her *Starlight's Shadow* trilogy. An intergalactic thief must join forces with the charming teleporter who stole her last job—and may now be her only hope for saving her former crew.

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



## Namrata Patel | SCENT OF A GARDEN

Lake Union/June 13, '23

(Translation: Amazon)

An ex-pat perfumer in Paris who loses her sense of smell is forced to return to her California wine-country roots and figure out what's next in this exhilarating novel about family, self-discovery, and taking risks by the critically-acclaimed author of *THE CANDID LIFE OF MEENA DAVE*.

For foreign rights, contact [globalrights@amazon.com](mailto:globalrights@amazon.com)

**Publisher Sold Rights in:** Hungary/Szazad Kiado



# Hot List, Publisher-held Rights



## Annie Rains | **THROUGH THE SNOW GLOBE**

Kensington/Aug. 22, '23

(Translation: Kensington)

*It's a Wonderful Life* meets *Groundhog Day* in *USA Today* bestselling author Annie Rains's new novel, as a woman dangerously close to losing it all receives an unexpected Christmas gift that prompts a surprising journey of self-discovery...and another chance at happiness.

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



## Sariah Wilson | **THE HOLLYWOOD JINX**

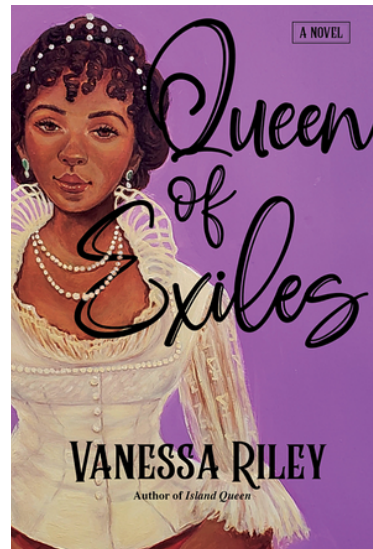
Montlake/Feb. 7, '23

(Translation: Amazon)

The small town of Patience needs a financial boost, and its temporary librarian has just the plan: invite movie star Nick Haddon to the town's harvest festival and let the money roll in. But no one thought he'd say yes—much less that he'd bring a documentary crew to stream his visit—setting the scene for an unpredictable romance in a new fun and flirty novel by Sariah Wilson, the bestselling author of *THE CHEMISTRY OF LOVE*.

For foreign rights, contact [globalrights@amazon.com](mailto:globalrights@amazon.com).

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



## Vanessa Riley | **QUEEN OF EXILES**

William Morrow/July 11, '23

(Translation: HarperCollins)

"A sweeping look at the political, social, and romantic intrigue surrounding Haiti's first and only queen. Riley's depiction is richly imagined and wholly original." — Fiona Davis, *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Magnolia Palace*

Acclaimed historical novelist Vanessa Riley's new novel is based on the life of an extraordinary woman from history: Haiti's Queen Marie-Louise Coidavid, a canny and bold survivor who chose the ideals of political struggle and escaped a coup in Haiti to set up her own royal court in Italy during the Regency era.

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

**Publisher Previously Sold Rights in:** Italy/Mondadori; Romania/Litera



# Just Sold!

Lake Union Publishing has bought the next work of women's fiction from **Maddie Dawson**, the bestselling author of SNAP OUT OF IT and MATCHMAKING FOR BEGINNERS. **MY WEDDING MIGHT JUST BREAK YOUR HEART** is a warmhearted and humorous look at human frailty and the folly of love, set against the backdrop of the disco eighties when women were asserting their need to work (and their need to wear padded-shoulder suits). It follows a teacher who is pushed out of her chosen path after a life-altering incident and is exposed to unexpected perils...and possibilities (Translation: Amazon).

**Rights previously sold in:** **Brazil**/Larousse, Universo dos Livros; **Bulgaria**/Iztok-Zapad; **Croatia**/Mozaik; **Czech Republic**/Euromedia (auction); **Estonia**/Eesti Raamat; **Germany**/Aufbau, Droemer; **Hungary**/Konyvmolykepzo; **Indonesia**/PT Bhuna; **Israel**/Yedioth; **Italy**/Giunti; **Korea**/Sallim Publishing; **Poland**/Niezwykle; **Russia**/Arkadia (auction); **Serbia**/Stylos Art Publishing House, Vulkan; **Ukraine**/Ridna Mova

**THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING EARNHURST**, a sparkling historical romantic comedy by award-winning and bestselling author **Suzanne Enoch**, has been sold in a two-book, 6-figure deal and as an initial title on Tor's new Bramble list. The novel, in which an enterprising bride facing an arranged marriage goes undercover to discover the truth about her notorious fiancé, will publish in Fall '24 (Translation: NYLA).

**Rights previously sold in:** **Brazil**/Grupo Autentica, Leabhar; **Czech Republic**/Baronet; **France**/J'ai Lu; **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; **Film/TV rights:** Debbie Deuble-Hill, APA.

Montlake has picked up the next romance from the author of STARS COLLIDE **Rachel Lacey**. **COVER STORY** is about 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 (Translation: Amazon).

Three Jane Austen-inspired contemporary romantic comedies by the author of BOOKED ON A FEELING **Jayci Lee**, have sold to Griffin. The first, **THAT PRINCE IS MINE**, follows a love-averse Korean chef in search of a perfect-on-paper husband who is waylaid from her practical, heartbreak-proof 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: St. Martin's Press).

In **Sheryl Lister's** (A TABLE FOR TWO) **NO RESERVATIONS**, publishing Winter 2024, 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. Sold in a two-book deal to Harper Muse (Translation: HarperCollins).

Severn House has bought *Pennsylvania Dutch Mysteries* author **Tamar Myers' THE MERMAID'S TALE**, a new novel about what happens when citizens in a failing coastal town devise a plan to bring tourists back by "discovering" the remains of a mermaid and how they succeed beyond their wildest dreams—almost half the country begins to believe in mermaids and sightings of the sea creatures are reported around the world—and the lengths they will go to to protect their secret (Translation: NYLA).

A SUMMER FOR SCANDAL's **Lydia San Andres's** next untitled historical romance features a poet-turned-businessman hero and a world-traveling heroine who team up—and fall in love—after an unexpected adventure, has sold in a two-book deal to Harlequin Historical (Translation: Harlequin).

**Victoria Thompson's** next two **Gaslight Mysteries** have sold to Berkley. The first, **MURDER IN ROSE HILL**, is set to publish in spring '24 and follows midwife Sarah Brandt and her detective husband Frank Malloy who seek to discover whether the death of a dedicated female journalist is related to her investigation of unregulated home cure medicine purveyors or more personal opposition to her pursuit of a career (Translation: NYLA).

**Rights previously sold in:** **Germany**/Heyne, Weltbild; **Israel**/Ofarim; **Italy**/Mondadori; **Japan**/Kodansha; **Thailand**/Class Act; **Russia**/Exmo; **Series optioned for film by:** Cue the Dog/New Day Films.

In **Sariah Wilson's** (CINDER NANNY, ROOMMAID) newest rom-com **HYPNOTIZED BY LOVE**, a hypnotist who helps people overcome anxiety is targeted by a journalist who aims to debunk her methods—and who just happens to be her high school nemesis. It was sold in a three-book deal to Montlake for publication in 2024 (Translation: Amazon).

**Rights previously sold in:** **Estonia**/Ersen; **Italy**/Newton Compton; **Poland**/Wydawnictwo Kobiiece; **Russia**/EXMO; **Ukraine**/Vivat



# Frankfurt '23 Preview

## Sandra Balzo | ANY POT IN A STORM

Severn House/ Sept. '23/Coffeehouse Mysteries  
NYLA)

(Translation:

Coffeehouse owner Maggy Thorsen has agreed to attend a writers retreat in a forest, even though she is no fan of the outdoors. But bugs are the least of her worries when lightning strikes the lodge and she discovers the body of the retreat's organizer...

## Alexis Daria | ALONG CAME AMOR

Avon/Sept. 5, '23  
HarperCollins)

(Translation:

From the international bestselling author of YOU HAD ME AT HOLA and A LOT LIKE ADIOS comes a steamy love story of a divorced schoolteacher who discovers that her perfect no-strings fling is anything but...

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

Dell/Feb. '24/DuBells Book #3

(Translation: NYLA)

Hathor DuBell always wanted to marry a duke, but she may get more than she asked for in the third book in this critically-acclaimed series acquired in a 6-figure, 3-book pre-empt.

## Kit Rocha | CONSORT OF FIRE

Montlake/Nov. 28, '23/Bound to Fire and Steel Box #1

(Translation: NYLA)

The bestselling author duo's first book in their brand new *Bound To Fire and Steel* epic romantasy series, in which a princess and her assassin handmaid are sent to kill an ancient dragon god, plunging all three into a darkly sensual world of secrets, power, and love.

# NYLA Co-Agents

**Baltic States, the Balkans, Central Europe:** Andrew Nurnberg Associates

**Brazil and Portugal:** Agência Riff

**China, Taiwan, Indonesia, Thailand, and Vietnam:** Grayhawk Agency

**France:** Agence Eliane Benisti

**Germany:** Thomas Schlück Agency

**Greece:** JLM Literary Agency

**Israel:** Deborah Harris Agency

**Italy:** Natoli, Stefan & Oliva

**Japan:** Japan UNI Agency & Tuttle-Mori Agency

**Korea:** KCC

**Netherlands and Scandinavia:** Marianne Schönbach Literary Agency

**Poland:** GRAAL Literary Agency

**Russia:** Van Lear Agency

**Spain:** Carmen Balcells Agencia Literaria

**Turkey:** Anatolia Lit Agency

**UK:** Abner Stein



# Stephanie Laurens: Series & Rights Holders

#1 New York Times bestselling author Stephanie Laurens began writing romances as an escape from the dry world of professional science. Her hobby quickly became a career when her first novel was accepted for publication, and with entirely becoming alacrity, she gave up writing about facts in favor of writing fiction.

Laurens's novels are primarily set in the British Regency to early Victorian times, and her settings range from Scotland to India. Laurens has published over seventy works of historical romance, including 40 New York Times bestsellers. All her works are continuously available in print, and digital formats in English worldwide and have been translated into many other languages. For a full list of titles and rights holders, please contact Cheryl@nyliterary.com

## Stephanie Laurens/Historical Romance Backlist Available

#1 NEW YORK TIMES, WALL STREET JOURNAL, PUBLISHERS WEEKLY, AND USA TODAY  
BESTSELLING AUTHOR

Over 10 million copies of Stephanie Laurens’ iconic Cynster series are in print, with foreign sales in more than 20 countries! One of the premier authors of historical romance writing today, Laurens creates the quintessential alpha heroes and intelligent, independent heroines, characters who have stolen the hearts of readers for decades.

- The Cynster Novels (Translation: NYLA)
- The Bastion Club Novels (Translation: NYLA)
- The Adventurers Quartet (Translation for Germany/Spain: NYLA; Other Territories: Mira)
- Cavanaugh Siblings (Translation for Germany/Spain: NYLA; Other Territories: Mira)
- Cynsters Next Generation (Translation for Germany/Spain: NYLA; Other Territories: Mira)
- Devil’s Brood Trilogy (Translation: NYLA)
- The Casebook of Barnaby Adair Novels (Translation: Avon)
- Lady Osbaldestone’s Christmas Chronicles (Translation: NYLA)



Current Publishers: **Brazil**/Arqueiro; **Croatia**/Znanje; **Czech Republic**/Baronet, Euromedia; **France**/J'ai Lu, Leduc; **Germany**/Blanvalet, Cora; **Greece**/Compupress; **Italy**/Mondadori, HarperCollins; **Japan**/Hara Shobo, Ohzora; **Netherlands**/De Vrijbuiters, House of Books; **Poland**/BIS, Hachette; **Portugal**/Saida de Emergencia; **Romania**/Litera; **Russia**/AST; **Slovenia**/Ucila; **Spain**/Debolsillo, EdicionesB; **Taiwan**/Treotype; **Thailand**/Grace; **Turkey**/Artemis

Previous Publishers: **Bulgaria**/SBB Media; **Canada**/ADA (French); **Czech Republic**/BIS, Baronet, Euromedia; **Hungary**/Gabo; **Indonesia**/Pustaka Zahra; **Japan**/Harlequin, Sony, Futami Shobo; **Korea**/Shin Young; **Netherlands**/House of Books; **Norway**/Bladkompaniet; **Slovak Republic**/Ikar, Slovensky; **Slovenia**/Anu Elara; **Spain**/Mondadori, Ediciones B, Planeta; **Taiwan**/Lin Pai; **Turkey**/Epsilon; **UK & ANZ**/Piatkus; **Vietnam**/Nha Nam

Publisher Sold Rights in: **Brazil**/Sextante; **Czech Republic**/Euromedia, Baronet; **Germany**/Blanvalet; **Hungary**/Gabo; **Italy**/Mondadori, Fanucci; **Poland**/BIS; **Romania**/Litera; **Russia**/AST; **Slovenia**/Ucila; **Spain**/Planeta

For rights at Avon, contact Carolyn Bodkin: Carolyn.Bodkin@harpercollins.com  
For rights at Mira, contact Reka Rubin: Reka.Rubin@Harlequin.com  
For a full list of titles, contact Cheryl Pientka: Cheryl@nyliterary.com