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The Flesh Cartel, Season 14:

Independence Day Riptide Publishing

It is the twilight of mankind. Depleted by generations of war with a dark race, the human kingdoms and their ancient alliance stand on the brink of extinction. The outlands are soaked with the blood of the fallen. The midlands are rotting with decadence and despair. Elfkind, estranged by past crimes, watches and waits for nature to run its course. And then the two collide. Ayden's life has long been guided by two emotions: love for his sister, and hatred of all things human. When he's captured in battle, he must for his sister's sake swallow his pride and endure slavery in the service of a human prince. To his dismay, this close-up view of his enemy is nothing like he expected. Now curiosity and contempt make a battlefield of his soul, even as he struggles to pick up the pieces of his shattered worldview. Freyrik Farr, Crown Prince of Farr Province, finds his new elven prisoner puzzling. He's always known elves to be beautiful and dangerous, but never has one affected him as deeply as Ayden. Can his life of service to his people leave room for this attraction? Dancing on a dagger's edge between duty and high treason, Freyrik discovers that some choices can change a life, and some an entire world. Between prejudice, politics, pride, and survival, Ayden and Freyrik must carve a new path, no matter how daunting. For nothing less than the fate of both their peoples rests on the power of their perseverance -- and their love.

The Bad Canadian Riptide Publishing

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Captive Prince Riptide Publishing

Aldous Huxley's lifelong concern with the dichotomy between passion and reason finds its fullest expression both thematically and formally in his masterpiece Point Counter Point. By presenting a vision of life in which diverse aspects of experience are observed simultaneously, Huxley characterizes the symptoms of "the disease of modern man"

in the manner of a composer - themes and characters are repeated, altered slightly, and played off one another in a tone that is at once critical and sympathetic. First published in 1928, Huxley's satiric view of intellectual life in the '20s is populated with characters based on such celebrities of the time as D.H. Lawrence, Katherine Mansfield, Sir Oswald Mosley, Nancy Cunard, and John Middleton Murray, as well as Huxley himself. A major work of the 20th century and a monument of literary modernism, this edition includes an introduction by acclaimed novelist Nicholas Mosley (author of *Hopeful Monsters* and the son of Sir Oswald Mosley). Along with *Brave New World* (written a few years later), Point Counter Point is Huxley's most concentrated attack on the scientific attitude and its effect on modern culture.

The Flesh Cartel, Season 2: Fragmentation Riptide Publishing

Broadway darling Nicky Avery gives commanding performances on stage, but when he comes home at night, it's Devon Turner who commands him. Devon-that's "Sir" to Nicky, of course-owns Nicky heart and soul. And neither of them could possibly be happier. *Sublime* explores the gifts of submission and domination and the depths of love and trust upon which such relationships are built. The ten short stories in this collection range from sweet and sensual to hot and hardcore, from cross-dressing to knife play, and so much more. Dom or sub, curious beginner or 24/7 lifestyler, the stories in *Sublime* will tease and tantalize, arouse and thrill. And don't mind Devon and Nicky . . . they like to be watched anyway. (Note: This book contains explicit M/M sexual acts and various BDSM practices.)

The Flesh Cartel, Season 7: Homecoming Riptide Publishing

From the New York Times bestseller of *The Paris Architect* Someone has to take the blame. When the Britannia Theatre's balcony collapses, killing over a dozen people, the fingers point at the architect. He should have known better, should have made it safer, should have done something. Douglas Layton knows the flaw wasn't in his design, but he can't fight a

guilty verdict. When he is finally released from prison, he has nothing: no job, no family, nowhere to go. He needs to assume a new identity and rebuild his life. But he soon finds himself digging up the past in a way he never anticipated. If the collapse was not an accident ... who caused it? And why? And what if they find out who he used to be?

The Master & Margarita Riptide Publishing
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MEDAL FOR OUTSTANDING NATURAL

HISTORY WRITING "Both a love song to trees, an exploration of their biology, and a wonderfully philosophical analysis of their role they play in human history and in modern culture." —Science Friday The author of *Sounds Wild* and *Broken* and the Pulitzer Prize finalist *The Forest Unseen* visits with nature's most magnificent networkers — trees David Haskell has won acclaim for eloquent writing and deep engagement with the natural world. Now, he brings his powers of observation to the biological networks that surround all species, including humans. Haskell repeatedly visits a dozen trees, exploring connections with people, microbes, fungi, and other plants and animals. He takes us to trees in cities (from Manhattan to Jerusalem), forests (Amazonian, North American, and boreal) and areas on the front lines of environmental change (eroding coastlines, burned mountainsides, and war zones.) In each place he shows how human history, ecology, and well-being are intimately intertwined with the lives of trees. Scientific, lyrical, and contemplative, Haskell reveals the biological connections that underpin all life. In a world beset by barriers, he reminds us that life's substance and beauty emerge from relationship and interdependence.

The Flesh Cartel, Season 3: Choices Harper Collins

When desire rises, angels will fall. Over the past century, Belphegor has made a name for himself in Heaven's Demon District as a card sharp, thief, and charming rogue. Though he's content with his own company, he enjoys applying the sweet sting of discipline to a willing backside—angel, demon, and even the

occasional human. He's not particular. But when a hotheaded young firespirit steals his purse—and his heart—all bets are off. Vasily, a former rentboy and cutpurse from the streets of Raqia, has never felt safer than in the arms—and at the feet—of the Prince of Tricks. He's just not sure if Belphagor returns his feelings. The attentions of a rich, angelic duke provide the perfect opportunity to find out whether Belphagor is willing to fight for him, but the foolish game backfires—spectacularly. When the duke frames Vasily in an assassination plot, Belphagor will do whatever it takes to clear his lover's name and expose the real traitor. Because for the first time in his life, the Prince of Tricks has something to lose. See this title's page on RiptidePublishing.com for content warnings.

Prince of Tricks Cornell University Press

"The family elements in the story - the real struggles with marriage, raising a family, making a living, and just trying to enjoy life - have broadened the book's appeal to a wider audience, primarily women who are not into technology." **DARK END OF SPECTRUM** will make you think twice before turning on your cell phone or PDA! **DARK END OF THE SPECTRUM** is a frighteningly plausible and headline ripping tale of the real threats that loom in cyberspace and beyond with a Michael Crichton realism. Based on the author's years of research into the hacker culture. **DARK END OF THE SPECTRUM** is a thriller that will connect with everyone with a cell phone, PDA or wireless device. When a group of digital terrorists known as ICER take over the US power grid and the cell phone network, they give the government an ultimatum - bomb the borders of Afghanistan and Pakistan with nuclear weapons to put an end to Al-Quada or they will start downing commercial airliners. When the government refuses, ICER destroys most of the downed aircraft in airports all over the country. When ICER sends a pulse that will kill millions on the East Coast, only security expert Dan Riker can stop them, but ICER has kidnapped Dan's family. Will Dan save his family or will millions die?

Stories from Nature's Great Connectors Macmillan

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sister, and hatred of all things human. When he's captured in battle, he is enslaved in the service of a human prince, Freyrik Farr. Freyrik's always known elves to be beautiful and dangerous, but never has one affected him as deeply as Ayden. Teetering on a dagger's edge between duty and high treason, Freyrik discovers that some choices can change a life, and some an entire world. Between prejudice, politics, pride, and survival, Ayden and Freyrik must carve a new path, no matter how daunting. For nothing less than the fate of both their peoples rests on the power of their perseverance — and their love.

Book One of The Maker's Song Penguin

When King Hezekiah discovers that God's Law forbids him to take multiple wives, he must choose one woman to love. He must also choose to trust God's promises when he decides to rebel against his powerful Assyrian overlords. Hezekiah seeks to strengthen his nation's fortifications by building a tunnel in Jerusalem to hide his water supply. The tension mounts as the Assyrians march closer--and Hezekiah's tunnel remains incomplete. With his officials advising him to submit to the Assyrians, Hezekiah's faith is once more severely tested. *Chronicles of the King Book 2.*

The Song of Songs in the Early Middle Ages Riptide Publishing

Nikolai Petrovic is a man of refinement. He collects fine art, enjoys gourmet cuisine, and trains boutique sex slaves for some of the wealthiest — and most morally dubious — men and women in the world. Charged by a wealthy client to buy a man to train but not break — to shape into a skilled, obedient slave who will yield with hatred rather than love in his eyes — Nikolai finds the perfect raw material in Mathias Carmichael. But there's a problem: he was auctioned off in a lot with his beautiful younger brother. Douglas Carmichael is a lovely, trainable thing, but Nikolai never takes on more than one slave at a time. As a master trainer who's never once failed in his task, he knows he's up to the challenge, but it will take formidable skill and planning to mold these drastically different brothers into their best selves. And in order to make them obedient to Nikolai and their future masters above all others, he'll first have to break their greatest loyalty of all: their dedication to each other. **READER DISCRETION ADVISED.**

How a Radio Station Defined Politics, Counterculture, and Rock and Roll Del Rey
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hundred years of bitterness in his heart, wanted no part of love. Yet they came together despite themselves and the wills of their peoples, joining hearts and minds to fight.

The Flesh Cartel, Season 13: The House Always Wins Riptide Publishing

Best selling author Steven Erikson returns with the latest in the morbid history of the Malazan Empire In Northern Genabackis, a raiding party of savage tribal warriors descends from the mountains into the southern flatlands. Their intention is to wreak havoc amongst the despised lowlanders, but for the one named Karsa Orlong it marks the beginning of what will prove to be an extraordinary destiny. Some years later, it is the aftermath of the Chain of Dogs. Tavore, the Adjunct to the Empress, has arrived in the last remaining Malazan stronghold of Seven Cities. New to command, she must hone twelve thousand soldiers, mostly raw recruits but for a handful of veterans of Coltaine's legendary march, into a force capable of challenging the massed hordes of Sha'ik's Whirlwind who lie in wait in the heart of the Holy Desert. But waiting is never easy. The seer's warlords are locked into a power struggle that threatens the very soul of the rebellion, while Sha'ik herself suffers, haunted by the knowledge of her nemesis: her own sister, Tavore. And so begins this awesome new chapter in Steven Erikson's acclaimed Malazan Book of the Fallen . . . At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

The Flesh Cartel, Season 15: Twenty-Five BRILL

Relates a tale of the bestial Trollocs, the witch Moiraine, and three boys, one of whom is fated to become the Dragon--the World's only hope and the sure means of its destruction

WBCN and the American Revolution Tor Books

"Teddy Wayne has written a brilliant book. Karim Issar is one of the freshest, funniest heroes I've come across in a long time." — Ben Fountain, bestselling author of *Brief Encounters with Che Guevara* "An innovative and incisive meditation on the wages of corporate greed, the fundamental darkness of its vision lit by the author's great comic intelligence and wit." — Kathryn Davis, author of *The Thin Place, Hell: A Novel*, and *Versailles* With a fresh and singular voice, Teddy Wayne marks his literary debut with the story of one 26 year old Middle Eastern man's attempt to live the American Dream in New York City. Like the award-winning *Netherland* and *The Reluctant*

Fundamentalist, Kapitoil provides an absorbing look into American culture and New York finance from an outsider's perspective.

Great German Composers Simon and Schuster

As the visual representation of an essentially oral text, Sylvia Huot points out, the medieval illuminated manuscript has a theatrical, performative quality. She perceives the tension between implied oral performance and real visual artifact as a fundamental aspect of thirteenth- and fourteenth-century poetics. In this generously illustrated volume, Huot examines manuscript texts both from the performance-oriented lyric tradition of *chanson courtoise*, or courtly love lyric, and from the self-consciously literary tradition of Old French narrative poetry. She demonstrates that the evolution of the lyrical romance and *dit*, narrative poems which incorporate thematic and rhetorical elements of the lyric, was responsible for a progressive redefinition of lyric poetry as a written medium and the emergence of an explicitly written literary tradition uniting lyric and narrative poetics. Huot first investigates the nature of the vernacular book in the thirteenth and fourteenth centuries, analyzing organization, page layout, rubrication, and illumination in a series of manuscripts. She then describes the relationship between poetics and manuscript format in specific texts, including works by widely read medieval authors such as Guillaume de Lorris, Jean de Meun, and Guillaume de Machaut, as well as by lesser-known writers including Nicole de Margival and Watriquet de Couvin. Huot focuses on the writers' characteristic modifications of lyric poetics; their use of writing and performance as theme; their treatment of the poet as singer or writer; and of the lady as implied reader or listener; and the ways in which these features of the text were elaborated by scribes and illuminators. Her readings reveal how medieval poets and book-makers conceived their common project, and how they distinguished their respective roles. Counterpoint (Book I of Song of the Fallen)

Riptide Publishing

Sublime service, made to order. The Flesh Cartel: An international, multi-billion-dollar black market that trades in lost souls. Or more specifically, their bodies. Highly organized and frighteningly efficient, the Flesh Cartel could teach even the KGB a thing or two about breaking a human mind. Fortunately for their ultra-rich clients, they're just as skilled at putting people back together again — as perfect pets, well-trained and eager to please. No matter what your secret tastes or dark desires, the Flesh Cartel — for the right price, of course — will hand-design the plaything of your dreams. **READER DISCRETION ADVISED.**

Bach to Dvůrák Riptide Publishing
IN A PLACE OF PEACE DURING A TIME OF WAR THE UNFORGIVEN WILL NOT GO FORGOTTEN. Edenville, 1940. In a rural hamlet where the majority of men are overseas to fight Hitler's Nazi war machine, someone is killing veterans of the first world war. Wartime Special Constable 'Lame' Eddie Sommers, a crippled rich boy and the butt of derision, is doing his best to fill a uniform he believes in, yet wears too large. Inexperienced and out of his depth, he turns to a former detective and veteran of the western front for assistance. Involving Marshall Geary might be his biggest mistake. Marshall wears a copper mask, as much to hide behind as to conceal his disfigurements. He struggles against howling flashbacks and the lingering stench of his own concealed crimes. In a town meant for sanctuary, repressed horrors awaken like worms in a collapsing coffin. The closer they get to the truth, the nearer everyone is dragged to their limits, their failings and their buried pasts.

From Song to Book Riptide Publishing
HIS NAME IS DANTE. Dark. Talented. Beautiful. Star of the rock band Inferno. Rumored owner of the hot New Orleans nightclub Club Hell. Born of the Blood, then broken by an evil beyond imagination. HIS PAST IS A MYSTERY. F.B.I. Special Agent Heather Wallace has been tracking a sadistic serial murderer known as the Cross Country Killer, and the trail

has led her to New Orleans, Club Hell, and Dante. But the dangerously attractive musician not only resists her investigation, he claims to be "nightkind": in other words, a vampire. Digging into his past for answers reveals little. A juvenile record a mile long. No social security number. No known birth date. In and out of foster homes for most of his life before being taken in by a man named Lucien DeNoir, who appears to guard mysteries of his own. HIS FUTURE IS CHAOS. What Heather does know about Dante is that something links him to the killer -- and she's pretty sure that link makes him the CCK's next target. Heather must unravel the truth about this sensual, complicated, vulnerable young man -- who, she begins to believe, may indeed be a vampire -- in order to finally bring a killer to justice. But Dante's past holds a shocking, dangerous secret, and once it is revealed not even Heather will be able to protect him from his destiny....

The Flesh Cartel, Season 17: Boxed In Bethany House

Bridging the hatred of centuries did not come easy for Freyrik Farr and Ayden Vaska. As prince of a war-torn human province, Freyrik could ill afford to fall for an enemy. And Ayden, an elven warrior with three hundred years of bitterness in his heart, wanted no part of love. Yet they came together despite themselves and the wills of their peoples, joining hearts and minds to fight a race of Dark Beasts threatening the extinction of mankind. Yet the Dark Beast threat pales beside the dangers of a summons to the human High Court, home of the Aegis Exalted and the harshest test yet of Ayden's and Freyrik's fledgling love. When the Aegis strips Ayden of his magic, Freyrik is forced to choose between his love for elf, Aegis, and king, all the while seeking the one uncertain path that might save his doomed race. Time is fast running out for mankind, and only by making peace amongst themselves and with their ancient elven enemies can they end the Dark war — and undo the tragedy that's plagued humans, elves, and Dark Beasts alike for the last three hundred years.