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A Demon's Trade Kathrin Hutson 2021-12-28 Demons might not be real. But she is. As a tracker of curse magic, dark artifacts, and forbidden netherwork, Kali Sullivan is one of a kind, and not just as a bounty hunter. They think she's a demon. What they don't know can definitely kill them—and worse. It only takes one slip to throw a curse into utter chaos. So when an overconfident target gets himself killed before Kali can take him in, she's left to pick up the pieces. And to figure out which magical nutjob had the bright idea to start tattooing casting circles on their victims. When staking out another dark-magic suspect reveals far more than who's behind the attacks on humans, the ghosts of Kali's past come calling in an unexpected way. Their messages give a whole new meaning to who and what she truly is, and it's darker than she thought. Especially when the one job Kali refused is the one she really should have taken. Fans of Patricia Briggs and Kim Harrison will love this action-packed Urban Fantasy Adventure from International Bestselling Author Kathrin Hutson. *Set in the same universe as Kathrin Hutson's Accessory to Magic series.*

American Mountain People 1973

Icons of Horror and the Supernatural S. T. Joshi 2007 Offers entries on 24 of the significant archetypes of horror and the supernatural, from the classical epics of Homer to the novels of Stephen King.

The Soul Thief Kim Richardson 2017-02-07 Alexa has a very big problem. She's dead. Worse, instead of meeting her maker, she's pulled into the world of the Guardian Angel Legion: a secret band of angels dedicated to protect mortal souls from demons. But Alexa's life takes a thrilling and terrifying turn when she's sent back to the mortal world to investigate a series of murders and missing souls when she's attacked by a demon. But are demons responsible for the killings? Or is it something else? To make matters even worse, an ancient, evil shadow grows over the world, and with it a force more terrible and destructive than the world has ever seen. Can Alexa find a way to stop it or doom the mortal world forever? A fiercely entertaining fantasy filled with adventure, intrigue, and romance, the rich world of The Soul Thief is perfect for fans of The Mortal Instruments and The Dark Artifices. Books in The Horizon Chronicles The Soul Thief (The Horizon Chronicles Book 1) The Helm of Darkness (The Horizon Chronicles Book 2) The City of Flame and Shadow (The Horizon Chronicles Book 3) Summer/Fall 2017 (The Horizon Chronicles Book 4) Winter 2017

The Book of the Dead E. A. Wallis Budge 2019-09-25 Reproduction of the original: The Book of the Dead by E. A. Wallis Budge

The City of Flame and Shadow Kim Richardson 2017-10-13 The mortal world is at risk. Darkness brews in Horizon. Hades is mustering the full force of his power with the help of the Helm of Darkness, and he releases an apocalyptic nightmare onto the mortal world. Alexa and Milo must travel to another dimension, a world of flames and ash and shadow, in search of a secret weapon that can destroy Hades. While Alexa realizes exactly how much she's willing to risk for Milo, can she harness her newfound powers to help save the mortal world? Don't miss the third installment of The Horizon Chronicles.

Netherworld Kim Richardson 2012 Kara had only just begun to enjoy her life as a mortal with David—when they are pulled back suddenly into the world of the supernatural. The Legion has made an important discovery: a new Elemental child, whose whereabouts are unknown. Kara and her friends embark on another dangerous journey to seek out this child. But is this kid really an Elemental—or something else entirely?

Chicken Soup for the Couple's Soul Jack Canfield 2012-08-07 Whether single, separated or someone's spouse, everyone wants to find and keep this elusive thing called love. Bestselling author and foremost relationship expert Barbara De Angelis teams up as a co-author of Chicken Soup for the Couple's Soul, a collection of heartwarming stories about how real people discovered true love with the person of their dreams.

Seirs Kim Richardson 2018-02-08 Having just accomplished her last mission, Kara learns that the evil Seirs are slaughtering Sensitives that refuse to swear an allegiance to Lilith—the Netherworld's princess and her diabolical half-sister. While on assignment, Kara discovers that Lilith is searching for an ancient weapon that can destroy mankind. With the

help of her friends, Kara finds herself on another dangerous mission entrusted to her. But can Kara find the weapon before Lilith annihilates the entire human race?

The Last Samurai Mark Ravina 2011-03-29 The dramatic arc of Saigo Takamori's life, from his humble origins as a lowly samurai, to national leadership, to his death as a rebel leader, has captivated generations of Japanese readers and now Americans as well - his life is the inspiration for a major Hollywood film, *The Last Samurai*, starring Tom Cruise and Ken Watanabe. In this vibrant new biography, Mark Ravina, professor of history and Director of East Asian Studies at Emory University, explores the facts behind Hollywood storytelling and Japanese legends, and explains the passion and poignancy of Saigo's life. Known both for his scholarly research and his appearances on The History Channel, Ravina recreates the world in which Saigo lived and died, the last days of the samurai. *The Last Samurai* traces Saigo's life from his early days as a tax clerk in far southwestern Japan, through his rise to national prominence as a fierce imperial loyalist. Saigo was twice exiled for his political activities -- sent to Japan's remote southwestern islands where he fully expected to die. But exile only increased his reputation for loyalty, and in 1864 he was brought back to the capital to help his lord fight for the restoration of the emperor. In 1868, Saigo commanded his lord's forces in the battles which toppled the shogunate and he became a leader in the emperor Meiji's new government. But Saigo found only anguish in national leadership. He understood the need for a modern conscript army but longed for the days of the traditional warrior. Saigo hoped to die in service to the emperor. In 1873, he sought appointment as envoy to Korea, where he planned to demand that the Korean king show deference to the Japanese emperor, drawing his sword, if necessary, to defend imperial honor. Denied this chance to show his courage and loyalty, he retreated to his homeland and spent his last years as a schoolteacher, training samurai boys in frugality, honesty, and courage. In 1876, when the government stripped samurai of their swords, Saigo's followers rose in rebellion and Saigo became their reluctant leader. His insurrection became the bloodiest war Japan had seen in centuries, killing over 12,000 men on both sides and nearly bankrupting the new imperial government. The imperial government denounced Saigo as a rebel and a traitor, but their propaganda could not overcome his fame and in 1889, twelve years after his death, the government relented, pardoned Saigo of all crimes, and posthumously restored him to imperial court rank. In *THE LAST SAMURAI*, Saigo is as compelling a character as Robert E. Lee was to Americans—a great and noble warrior who followed the dictates of honor and loyalty, even though it meant civil war in a country to which he'd devoted his life. Saigo's life is a fascinating look into Japanese feudal society and a history of a country as it struggled between its long traditions and the dictates of a modern future.

The Seventh Sense Kim Richardson 2013 From award-winning author Kim Richardson comes this first installment of a non-stop thrill-ride and gripping new fantasy series. Perfect for fans of Percy Jackson and the Olympians and Harry Potter. Grab it for FREE now! Fourteen-year-old Zoey is a street-savvy orphan, careful to live life under the radar, because of a powerful secret. But her life changes forever when she's recruited by a mysterious society called The Agency, a group of people that control the balance between monsters and humans. As Zoey begins her training at the academy, she makes two new friends—hilarious and clever Simon, and handsome, mysterious Tristan. Along the way, she discovers a treacherous plan that points to a demon invasion, and possibly the end of the world. Zoey is determined to uncover the truth—but the closer she gets, the more she risks her life. The first book in this enthralling new series by award-winning author Kim Richardson leads readers on a fantastic journey filled with danger and action, lies and deadly truths that will have readers clinging to the edge of their seats.

Shadow Witch Kim Richardson 2020-08-05 Are you ready for your next magical adventure? Okay, so I'm in trouble. Big trouble. I'm broke. Worse, my boyfriend of five years just dumped me. What do I do? I move in with my three eccentric aunts in their family home, Davenport House. Sounds exciting, only this massive farmhouse likes to eat men. If I were a regular human, I would have run out screaming like a banshee. As a witch-I do absolutely nothing. Hey, maybe they deserved it? I'm back in Hollow Cove, the flamboyant paranormal community, where nymphs, werewolves, trolls, shifters, witches, and other paranormals live comfortable lives away from prying human eyes. As I settle into my new life, I decide to accept my aunts' proposal and join the family business—the business of protecting our town and killing anything that would want to harm it. But I've been away from the paranormal world for quite some time, and my magical abilities are a little bit rusty. Heck, they're practically invisible. Things soon spiral down the crapper when people in our community start dropping like flies. And when demons start showing up in Hollow Cove, it's up to me to take care of them. Permanently. This is going to be awesome. I just know it. Get ready for this heart-pounding and laugh-out-loud magical adventure! *Shadow Witch* is the first novel in *The Witches of Hollow Cove* series. If you like fast-paced urban fantasy adventure with a kick-butt heroine and plenty of action, suspense, and humor, you'll love *Shadow Witch*.

Curses & Blood Kim Richardson 2020-04-16 Don't miss the next thrilling installment in *The Dark Files* series, *Curses & Blood*! Just when I thought I could kick back and relax, the madness of the Netherworld and demons pulls me right back in. *Curses & Blood* is a fast-paced urban fantasy adventure with a kick-butt heroine and plenty of action, suspense and humor. Grab your copy today. *The Dark Files* series: *Spells & Ashes* (*The Dark Files* Book 1) *Charms & Demons* (*The Dark Files* Book 2) *Hexes & Flames* (*The Dark Files* Book 3) *Curses & Blood* (*The Dark Files* Book 4)

The Blindfold Siri Hustvedt 2017-05-02 From the author of *The Blazing World*, “a work of dizzying intensity...eloquent and vivid” (Don DeLillo), about a young Midwestern woman who finds herself entangled in intense circumstances—physical, cerebral, and existential—when she moves to New York City. Iris Vegan, a young, impoverished graduate student from the Midwest, finds herself entangled with four powerful but threatening characters as she tries to adjust to life in New York City. Mr. Morning, an inscrutable urban recluse, employs Iris to tape-record verbal descriptions of objects that belonged to a murder victim. George, a photographer, takes an eerie portrait of Iris, which then acquires a strong life of its own, appearing and disappearing without warning around the city. After a series of blinding migraines, Iris ends up in a hospital room with Mrs. O., a woman who

has lost her mind and memory to a stroke, but who nevertheless retains both the strength and energy to torment her fellow patient. And finally, there is Professor Rose, Iris's teacher and eventually her lover. While working with him on the translation of a German novella called *The Brutal Boy*, she discovers in its protagonist, Klaus, a vehicle for her own transformation and ventures out into the city again—this time dressed as a man.

Les gardiens des âmes: Volume 4 - 6 Kim Richardson 2015-03-17 Découvrez le monde de la série *Les gardiens des âmes*, une histoire paranormale et mystérieuse qui a captivé les lecteurs à travers le monde. Description des livres : *LES ENFERS, Tome #4* Kara commence juste à profiter de sa vie de mortelle avec David lorsqu'ils sont soudain ramenés dans le monde surnaturel. La Légion a fait une découverte capitale : un nouvel enfant élémentaire existe quelque part. Kara se prépare aussitôt pour la bataille, et tombe nez à nez avec les Cultistes maléfiques — un groupe de mortels dévoué aux Enfers. Pire encore, on vient d'enlever quelqu'un qui lui est cher. Kara et ses amis embarquent pour une autre aventure périlleuse à la recherche de cet enfant. Mais celui-ci est-il réellement élémentaire — ou bien est-ce un être complètement différent ? *LES CULTISTES, Tome #5* Lorsque Kara Nightingale est brusquement frappée par la foudre et meurt — encore une fois — À peine rentrée de sa dernière mission, Kara apprend que les Cultistes sont en train de massacrer tous les Extralucides qui refusent de prêter allégeance à Lilith — la princesse des Enfers, sa demi-sœur diabolique. Au cours de sa mission, Kara découvre que Lilith est à la recherche d'une arme ancestrale capable de détruire toute l'humanité. Après avoir kidnappé les enfants Extralucides, voilà que Lilith et ses fidèles Cultistes s'en prennent au reste des mortels. Kara se retrouve entraînée avec ses amis dans la nouvelle quête périlleuse qui lui est confiée. Mais réussira-t-elle à retrouver l'arme avant que Lilith n'anéantisse le monde des humains ? *MORTELLE, Tome #6* Alors que Kara commençait à s'habituer au monde des vivants, elle reçoit une visite surprise et se retrouve dans l'Horizon—la Légion lui a donné une seconde chance. Kara et ses amis doivent affronter une nouvelle menace : un mage noir, redoutable ennemi juré de la Légion. Mais Kara découvre que leurs armes d'AG n'ont aucun effet sur la magie noire. Parviendra-t-elle alors à vaincre le mage et à sauver le monde mortel des ténèbres ? Pire encore, la Légion ordonne à Kara de poursuivre sa mission en civil, sous une forme à laquelle elle ne se serait jamais attendue...

In Praise of the Goddess 2003-12-01 About 16 centuries ago, an unknown Indian author or authors gathered together the diverse threads of already ancient traditions and wove them into a verbal tapestry that today is still the central text for worshippers of the Hindu Devi, the Divine Mother. This spiritual classic, the *Devimahatmya*, addresses the perennial questions of the nature of the universe, humankind, and divinity. How are they related, how do we live in a world torn between good and evil, and how do we find lasting satisfaction and inner peace? These questions and their answers form the substance of the *Devimahatmya*. Its narrative of a dispossessed king, a merchant betrayed by the family he loves, and a seer whose teaching leads beyond existential suffering sets the stage for a trilogy of myths concerning the all-powerful Divine Mother, Durga, and the fierce battles she wages against throngs of demonic foes. In these allegories, her adversaries represent our all-too-human impulses toward power, possessions, and pleasure. The battlefields symbolize the field of human consciousness on which our lives' dramas play out in joy and sorrow, in wisdom and folly. The *Devimahatmya* speaks to us across the ages of the experiences and beliefs of our ancient ancestors. We sense their enchantment at nature's bounty and their terror before its destructive fury, their recognition of the good and evil in the human heart, and their understanding that everything in our experience is the expression of a greater reality, personified as the Divine Mother.

Creature Codex Wolfgang Baur 2018-10 A Rampage of New 5th Edition Monsters! DM: "A mysterious figure in a cloak approaches you in the tavern..." PALADIN: "Aha! This must be a wizard with a map to a dungeon!" DM: "...and he's ticking." ROGUE: "RUN!" Whether you need scuttling dungeon denizens, alien horrors, or sentient avatars of the World Tree, the *Creature Codex* has you covered! Nearly 400 new foes for your 5e game--everything from acid ants and grave behemoths to void giants and zombie lords.

Creature Codex includes: * A dozen new demons, and five new angels * Wasteland dragons and dinosaurs * All-new golems, including the altar flame golem, doom golem, and keg golem * Monsters inspired by Mesoamerican, Hindustani, and Asian legends and folklore * Chieftains and other leaders for ratfolk, centaurs, goblins, trollkin, and more * New undead, including a heirophant lich suitable for lower-level characters (but plenty tough!) ...and much more! Use them in your favorite published setting, or populate the dungeons in a world of your own creation. Pick up *Creature Codex* and surprise your players with monsters they won't be expecting!

The Memoirs of Lady Hyegyong JaHyun Kim Haboush 2013-09-14 Lady Hyegyong's memoirs, which recount the chilling murder of her husband by his father, form one of the best known and most popular classics of Korean literature. From 1795 until 1805 Lady Hyegyong composed this masterpiece, depicting a court life Shakespearean in its pathos, drama, and grandeur. Presented in its social, cultural, and historical contexts, this first complete English translation opens a door into a world teeming with conflicting passions, political intrigue, and the daily preoccupations of a deeply intelligent and articulate woman. JaHyun Kim Haboush's accurate, fluid translation captures the intimate and expressive voice of this consummate storyteller. Reissued nearly twenty years after its initial publication with a new foreword by Dorothy Ko, *The Memoirs of Lady Hyegyong* is a unique exploration of Korean selfhood and an extraordinary example of autobiography in the premodern era.

Nine-Headed Dragon River Peter Matthiessen 1998-04-28 In August 1968, naturalist-explorer Peter Matthiessen returned from Africa to his home in Sagaponack, Long Island, to find three Zen masters in his driveway—guests of his wife, a new student of Zen. Thirteen years later, Matthiessen was ordained a Buddhist monk. Written in the same format as his best-selling *The Snow Leopard*, *Nine-Headed Dragon River* reveals Matthiessen's most daring adventure of all: the quest for his spiritual roots.

The Night Country Melissa Albert 2020-01-07 The New York Times bestselling sequel to Melissa Albert's beloved *The Hazel Wood*! In *The Night Country*, Alice Proserpine dives back into a menacing, mesmerizing world of dark fairy tales and hidden doors of *The Hazel Wood*. Follow her and Ellery Finch as they learn *The Hazel Wood* was just the

beginning, and that worlds die not with a whimper, but a bang. With Finch's help, Alice escaped the Hinterland and her reclusive grandmother's dark legacy. Now she and the rest of the dregs of the fairy tale world have washed up in New York City, where Alice is trying to make a new, unmagical life. But something is stalking the Hinterland's survivors—and she suspects their deaths may have a darker purpose. Meanwhile, in the winking out world of the Hinterland, Finch seeks his own adventure, and—if he can find it—a way back home... Don't miss *Tales from the Hinterland*, coming January 12, 2021!

Gödel, Escher, Bach Douglas R. Hofstadter 2000 'What is a self and how can a self come out of inanimate matter?' This is the riddle that drove Douglas Hofstadter to write this extraordinary book. In order to impart his original and personal view on the core mystery of human existence - our intangible sensation of 'I'-ness - Hofstadter defines the playful yet seemingly paradoxical notion of 'strange loop', and explicates this idea using analogies from many disciplines.

The Soul Guardians Series, Books 1-3 Kim Richardson 2013 Love THE MORTAL INSTRUMENTS? Grab this box set and join the thousands of fans who have discovered the bestselling Soul Guardians Series. Over 6000 star reviews on Amazon and Google Play. This bundle includes the first three books: MARKED (Book 1) * READERS FAVORITE AWARD WINNER * Sixteen-year-old Kara Nightingale's ordinary life is suddenly turned upside down when she dies and wakes up in a strange new world with a new career—as a rookie for the Guardian Angel Legion. Kara is pulled into the supernatural, where monkeys drive the elevators, oracles scurry above giant crystal balls, and where demons feed on the souls of mortals. ELEMENTAL (Book 2) Kara is suddenly struck by lightning and dies—yet again—she finds herself back in Horizon, where angels, oracles and other supernatural beings occupy a mystical world unknown to humanity. HORIZON (Book 3) A horde of demons is released into the mortal world, through the Mirror of Souls...

Sexual Personae Camille Paglia 1991 Offers a unified theory of Western culture, identifying major patterns that have endured over the centuries

Elemental Kim Richardson 2011-08-21 When seventeen year-old Kara Nightingale is suddenly struck by lightning and dies—yet again—she finds herself back in Horizon. Hunted by the Legion, Kara takes refuge with a new band of angel friends. And when Kara decides to venture into the Netherworld to find her mother's missing soul, will her powers be enough to save her mother and save the mortal world?

The Devouring Simon Holt 2008-09-01 When Reggie finds an old journal and reads about the Vours, supernatural creatures who feast on fear and attack on the eve of the winter solstice, she assumes they are just the musings of some lunatic author. But soon, they become a terrifying reality when she begins to suspect that her timid younger brother might be one of their victims. Risking her life and her sanity, Reggie enters a living nightmare to save the people she loves. Can she devour own her fears before they devour her? Bone-chilling, terrifying, thrilling...what are you waiting for?

Les gardiens des âmes, Tome 4 : Les Enfers Kim Richardson Kara commence juste à profiter de sa vie de mortelle avec David lorsqu'ils sont soudain ramenés dans le monde surnaturel. La Légion a fait une découverte capitale : un nouvel enfant élémentaire existe quelque part. Kara se prépare aussitôt pour la bataille, et tombe nez à nez avec les Cultistes maléfiques — un groupe de mortels dévoué aux Enfers. Pire encore, on vient d'enlever quelqu'un qui lui est cher. Kara et ses amis embarquent pour une autre aventure périlleuse à la recherche de cet enfant. Mais celui-ci est-il réellement élémentaire — ou bien est-ce un être complètement différent ?

Marihuana E.L. Abel 2013-06-29 Of all the plants men have ever grown, none has been praised and denounced as often as marihuana (*Cannabis sativa*). Throughout the ages, marihuana has been extolled as one of man's greatest benefactors and cursed as one of his greatest scourges. Marihuana is undoubtedly a herb that has been many things to many people. Armies and navies have used it to make war, men and women to make love. Hunters and fishermen have snared the most ferocious creatures, from the tiger to the shark, in its herculean weave. Fashion designers have dressed the most elegant women in its supple knit. Hangmen have snapped the necks of thieves and murderers with its fiber. Obstetricians have eased the pain of childbirth with its leaves. Farmers have crushed its seeds and used the oil within to light their lamps. Mourners have thrown its seeds into blazing fires and have had their sorrow transformed into blissful ecstasy by the fumes that filled the air. Marihuana has been known by many names: hemp, hashish, dagga, bhang, loco weed, grass-the list is endless. Formally christened *Cannabis sativa* in 1753 by Carl Linnaeus, marihuana is one of nature's hardiest specimens. It needs little care to thrive. One need not talk to it, sing to it, or play soothing tranquil Brahms lullabies to coax it to grow. It is as vigorous as a weed. It is ubiquitous. It flourishes under nearly every possible climatic condition.

Hatred Berit Brogaard 2020-10-16 Hatred is often considered the opposite of love, but in many ways is much more complicated. It also may be considered one of the dominant emotions of our time, as individuals, groups, and even nations express or enact hatred to varying degrees. What is hatred? Where does it come from and what does it reveal about the hater? And is hatred always a bad thing? Brogaard makes a deep dive into the moral psychology of one of our most complex, and vivid emotions. She explores how hatred arises between people and among groups. She also shows how hate, like anger, can sometimes be appropriate and fitting. Other other questions she addresses are, how does hate differ from anger, disgust, fear, and other related emotions? Is fear an essential part of hatred? How does hatred affect what happens inside the brain? How did hate evolve in human history? Is hatred ever morally justified? Can you hate and love at the same time? Can one hate oneself? How do implicit biases trigger hatred of groups? This accessible, timely, and novel look at an underexplored emotion will employ examples from current events as well as art and literature and popular culture.

Transforming Gender and Emotion Sookja Cho 2018-03-22 The Butterfly Lovers Story, sometimes called the Chinese Romeo and Juliet, has been enduringly popular in China and Korea. In *Transforming Gender and Emotion*, Sookja Cho demonstrates why the Butterfly Lovers Story is more than just a popular love story. By unveiling the complexity of

themes and messages concealed beneath the tale's modern classification as a tragic love story, this book reveals the tale as a rich academic subject for students of human emotions and relationships, comparative geography and culture, and narrative adaptation. By examining folk beliefs and ideas that abound in the narrative—including rebirth and a second life, the association of human souls and butterflies, and women's spiritual power—this book presents the Butterfly Lovers Story as an example of local religious narrative. The book's cross-cultural comparisons, best manifested in its discussion of a shamanic ritual narrative version from the Cheju Island of Korea, frame the story as a catalyst for inclusive, expansive discussion of premodern Korean and Chinese literatures and cultures. This scrutiny of the historical and cultural background behind the formation and popularization of the Cheju Island version sheds light on important issues in the Butterfly Lovers Story that are not frequently discussed—either in past examinations of this particular narrative or in the overall literary studies of China and Korea. This new, open approach presents an innovative framework for understanding premodern literary and cultural space in East Asia.

The Natural Genesis - Gerald Massey 2007-03-01 Egyptologist Gerald Massey challenged readers in *A Book of the Beginnings* to consider the argument that Egypt was the birthplace of civilization and that the widespread monotheistic vision of man and the metaphysical was, in fact, based on ancient Egyptian mythos. In *The Natural Genesis*, Massey delivers a sequel, delving deeper into his compelling polemic. In Volume I, he offers a more intellectual, fine-tuned analysis of the development of society out of Egypt. From the simplest signs (numbers, the cross) to the grandest archetypes (darkness, the mother figure), Massey carefully and confidently lays the cultural and psychosocial bricks of Evolutionism. British author GERALD MASSEY (1828-1907) published works of poetry, spiritualism, Shakespearean criticism, and theology, but his best-known works are in the realm of Egyptology, including *A Book of the Beginnings* and *Ancient Egypt: The Light of the World*.

Smalltime: A Story of My Family and the Mob Russell Shorto 2021-02-02 A Kirkus Reviews Best Nonfiction Book of 2021 Family secrets emerge as a best-selling author dives into the history of the mob in small-town America. Best-selling author Russell Shorto, praised for his incisive works of narrative history, never thought to write about his own past. He grew up knowing his grandfather and namesake was a small-town mob boss but maintained an unspoken family vow of silence. Then an elderly relative prodded: You're a writer—what are you gonna do about the story? *Smalltime* is a mob story straight out of central casting—but with a difference, for the small-town mob, which stretched from Schenectady to Fresno, is a mostly unknown world. The location is the brawny postwar factory town of Johnstown, Pennsylvania. The setting is City Cigar, a storefront next to City Hall, behind which Russ and his brother-in-law, "Little Joe," operate a gambling empire and effectively run the town. *Smalltime* is a riveting American immigrant story that travels back to Risorgimento Sicily, to the ancient, dusty, hill-town home of Antonino Sciotto, the author's great-grandfather, who leaves his wife and children in grinding poverty for a new life—and wife—in a Pennsylvania mining town. It's a tale of Italian Americans living in squalor and prejudice, and of the rise of Russ, who, like thousands of other young men, created a copy of the American establishment that excluded him. *Smalltime* draws an intimate portrait of a mobster and his wife, sudden riches, and the toll a lawless life takes on one family. But *Smalltime* is something more. The author enlists his ailing father—Tony, the mobster's son—as his partner in the search for their troubled patriarch. As secrets are revealed and Tony's health deteriorates, the book becomes an urgent and intimate exploration of three generations of the American immigrant experience. Moving, wryly funny, and richly detailed, *Smalltime* is an irresistible memoir by a masterful writer of historical narrative.

The Immortalization Commission John Gray 2011-04-12 A great philosopher will change the way you think about your life. For most of human history, religion provided a clear explanation of life and death. But in the late 19th and early 20th centuries new ideas — from psychiatry to evolution to Communist — seemed to suggest that our fate was now in our own hands. We would ourselves become God. This is the theme of a remarkable new book by one of the world's greatest living philosophers. It is a brilliant and frightening look at the problems and opportunities of a world coming to grips with humankind's now solitary, unaided place in the universe. Gray takes two major examples: the belief that the science-backed Communism of the new USSR could reshape the planet, and the belief among a group of Edwardian intellectuals — popularized through mediums and automatic writing — that there was a non-religious form of life after death. Gray presents an extraordinary cast of philosophers, journalists, politicians, charlatans and mass murderers, all of whom felt driven by a specifically scientific and modern world view. He raises a host of fascinating questions about what it means to be human. The implications of Gray's book will haunt its readers for the rest of their lives.

Dark Strike Kim Richardson 2020-06-02 Rowyn and Tyrius are back! And the world will never be same again... After the Legion of angels killed me-transformed me to an angel and then brought me back-I thought I could rest for a little while. I would put my feet up... have some quality time with my sexy elf. I was wrong. I've barely survived the fight with the archdemon Lucian when another problem arises. A priest has been murdered, and the church is looking to me to help them. A darkness closes in on the city, and the magic and undercurrents of this new evil pull me onto a dangerous path. I can't see how we can survive this new darkness, no matter how much I fight it. But when the life of someone close to me is threatened, I can only do one thing. Stupid, yes. But it's the only way. One thing is for sure. If I go down, I'll bring them down with me. *Dark Strike* is a sassy, fast-paced urban fantasy filled with demons, angels, vampires, werewolves, witches, fae, leprechauns, and shifters. If you enjoy urban fantasy books with a kick-ass heroine and plenty of action, suspense and humor, you'll love *Dark Strike*.

The Soul Guardians Series, Books 4-6 Kim Richardson 2013 Grab this box set and save 27%. From the award-winning author comes a gripping, supernatural adventure that will keep you on the edge of your seat. **NETHERWORLD (Book 4)** Kara had only just begun to enjoy her life as a mortal with David—when they are pulled back suddenly into the

world of the supernatural. The Legion has made an important discovery: a new Elemental child, whose whereabouts are unknown. SEIRS (Book 5) Kara learns that the evil Seirs are slaughtering Sensitives that refuse to swear an allegiance to Lilith—the Netherworld's princess and her diabolical half-sister. MORTAL (Book 6) As Kara settles back into the world of the living, she gets an unexpected surprise and finds herself back in Horizon—the Legion has given her a second chance.

Marked Kim Richardson 2011-03-21 READERS FAVORITE AWARDS WINNER 2011 Sixteen-year-old Kara Nightingale's ordinary life is suddenly turned upside down when she dies and wakes up in a strange new world with a new career—as a rookie for the Guardian Angel Legion. Kara is pulled into the supernatural, where monkeys drive the elevators, oracles scurry above giant crystal balls, and where demons feed on the souls of mortals. With the help of her Petty Officer David, Kara hurtles towards an adventure that will change her life...

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The Helm of Darkness Kim Richardson 2017-05-28 Against all odds, Alexa survives the pagan god Hades' clutches and returns to Horizon—but at a steep cost. Part of her soul is missing, and with that, a darkness brews inside her. When the Legion pairs her with a new petty officer, Milo, a mysterious angel who seems as annoyed as she is to be teamed together, they head to New York City on a lead and things quickly move from bad to worse.

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