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Machine of Death A Collection of Stories about People who Know how They Will Die *Machines of Death LLC Presents fantasy stories written by Internet authors that explore how people, cultures, and societies are affected by the predictions of the Machine, an object that provides short yet vague phrases about how a person will die.* **The Book of Basketball The NBA According to the Sports Guy** *ESPN An opinionated tour of the past, present, and future of pro basketball, written by ESPN's "Sports Guy" columnist, shares insights on everything from major NBA events and underrated players to how Hall of Famers should be selected.* **Doubled and Redoubled** *Wildside Press LLC He was in a rut, doing the same things every day—because every day was one day! The classic science fiction story that introduced the "time loop" phenomenon.* **Bridge of Clay** *Knopf Books for Young Readers The unforgettable, New York Times bestselling family saga from Markus Zusak, the storyteller who gave us the extraordinary bestseller THE BOOK THIEF, lauded by the New York Times as "the kind of book that can be life-changing." NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY ENTERTAINMENT WEEKLY • THE WALL STREET JOURNAL "One of those monumental books that can draw you across space and time into another family's experience in the most profound way." —The Washington Post "Mystical and loaded with heart, it's another gorgeous tearjerker from a rising master of them." —Entertainment Weekly "Devastating, demanding and deeply moving." —Wall Street Journal The breathtaking story of five brothers who bring each other up in a world run by their own rules. As the Dunbar boys love and fight and learn to reckon with the adult world, they discover the moving secret behind their father's disappearance. At the center of the Dunbar family is Clay, a boy who will build a bridge—for his family, for his past, for greatness, for his sins, for a miracle. The question is, how far is Clay willing to go? And how much can he overcome? Written in powerfully inventive language and bursting*

with heart, *BRIDGE OF CLAY* is signature Zusak. **Practical Mental Magic** Courier Corporation Outstanding collection of nearly 200 crowd-pleasing mental magic feats requiring no special equipment. Author offers insider's tips and expert advice on techniques, presentation, diversions, patter, staging, more. **Runaway Road** Devney Perry Londyn McCormack didn't have a typical childhood. She ran away from home at sixteen, escaping parents more interested in drugs than their daughter. She doesn't have loving siblings or an adorable pet. Her only family is the five other runaway kids who shared her junkyard home. Life pulled them all in separate directions, taking her to Boston. For a short time, she thought she'd found something permanent. But after a devastating divorce, she's running away again, this time to find a lost friend. She's driving across the country in her convertible. As a teenager, the rusty car was her shelter. As an adult, it's her ride to freedom. Except one flat tire derails her trip. Her life collides with Brooks Cohen. They walked away from the first crash. The second might destroy them both. **Unbound Transgender Men and the Remaking of Identity** Vintage Award-winning sociologist Arlene Stein takes us into the lives of four strangers who find themselves together in a sun-drenched surgeon's office, having traveled to Florida from across the United States in order to masculinize their chests. Ben, Lucas, Parker, and Nadia wish to feel more comfortable in their bodies; three of them are also taking testosterone so that others recognize them as male. Following them over the course of a year, Stein shows how members of this young transgender generation, along with other gender dissidents, are refashioning their identities and challenging others' conceptions of who they are. During a time of conservative resurgence, they do so despite great personal costs. **Development Sociology Actor Perspectives** Routledge In this exciting and challenging work, Norman Long brings together years of work and thought in development studies to provide a key text for guiding future development research and practice. Using case studies and empirical material from Africa and Latin America, *Development Sociology* focuses on the theoretical and methodological foundations of an actor-oriented and social constructionist form of analysis. This style of analysis is opposed to the traditional structuralist/institutional analysis which is often applied in development studies. With an accessible mix of general debate, critical literature reviews and original case study materials this work covers a variety of key development issues. Among many important topics discussed, the author looks at commoditisation, small-scale enterprise and social capital, knowledge interfaces, networks and power, globalisation and localisation as well as policy formulation and planned intervention processes. This book should be read for its desire to pursue a form of analysis that helps us to understand better (and more realistically) the kinds of development interventions and social transformations that have characterised the second half of the twentieth century and will no doubt continue to characterise future development studies. **A Very Punchable Face A Memoir** Crown "Saturday Night Live head writer and Weekend Update co-anchor, Colin Jost, has six sets of stitches on his face alone. He's been punched in at least four different sketches on Saturday Night Live, including once by his boss, Lorne Michaels. But if there's one trait that makes someone well suited to comedy, it's being able to take a punch-metaphorically and, occasionally, physically. From growing up as an overweight kid in a family of firefighters on Staten Island to commuting three hours a day to high school and "seeing the

sights" (like watching a Russian woman throw a stroller off the back of a ferry) to attending Harvard while Facebook was created (and choosing comedy instead!), Colin shares how he has navigated the world like a "slightly smarter Forrest Gump." You'll also discover things about Colin that will surprise and confuse you. You'll go behind the scenes at SNL (where he's written some of the most iconic sketches and characters of the past fifteen years) and Weekend Update (where's he's been "the white guy next to Leslie Jones.") And you'll experience the life of a touring stand-up comedian—from performing in rural cafeterias at noon to opening for Dave Chappelle at Radio City Music Hall. For every accomplishment (hosting the Emmys), there is a setback (hosting the Emmys). And for every absurd moment (watching paramedics give CPR to a raccoon), there is an honest, emotional one (recounting his mother's experience on the scene of the Twin Towers' collapse on 9/11.)

A Very Punchable Face reveals the brilliant mind behind some of the dumbest sketches on television and lays bare the heart and humor of a hardworking guy—with a face you can't help but want to punch."-- **This Is How You Die Stories of the Inscrutable, Infallible, Inescapable Machine of Death** Grand Central Publishing If a machine could predict how you would die, would you want to know? This is the tantalizing premise of *This Is How You Die*, the brilliant follow-up anthology to the self-published bestseller, *Machine of Death*. **THIS IS HOW YOU DIE** Stories of the Inscrutable, Infallible, Inescapable Machine of Death The machines started popping up around the world. The offer was tempting: with a simple blood test, anyone could know how they would die. But the machines didn't give dates or specific circumstances—just a single word or phrase. **DROWNED, CANCER, OLD AGE, CHOKED ON A HANDFUL OF POPCORN.** And though the predictions were always accurate, they were also often frustratingly vague. **OLD AGE**, it turned out, could mean either dying of natural causes, or being shot by an elderly, bedridden man in a botched home invasion. The machines held onto that old-world sense of irony in death: you can know how it's going to happen, but you'll still be surprised when it does. This addictive anthology—sinister, witty, existential, and fascinating—collects the best of the thousands of story submissions the editors received in the wake of the success of the first volume, and exceeds the first in every way.

The Reckoning Stones A Novel of Suspense Llewellyn Worldwide Let whoever is without sin cast the first stone Nobody believed that Pastor Matt raped her. The tight-knit religious community punished her when she spoke out, expected fifteen-year-old Mercy to repent for making false allegations. Instead, she ran. And somebody—her father?—beat Pastor Matt into a coma and left his wife for dead. Twenty-three years later, Iris has put a life together, transformed herself from runaway teen Mercy Asher to sought-after jewelry designer Iris Dashwood. But now that Pastor Matt's awake, she's sliding back, losing ground to the painful memories she's barely kept at bay. Iris has no choice but to return to Lone Pine—to confront the man who tore her life apart and recover the truth from a community that protects its own. Winner of the 2016 Colorado Book Award for Mystery Praise: "Outstanding."—Library Journal (starred review) and Pick of the Month "DiSilverio skillfully crafts a suspense novel full of deceit that spans decades." —RT Book Reviews () "Riveting! Powerful, disturbing and ultimately, inspirational."—Hank Phillippi Ryan, Agatha, Anthony, Macavity, and Mary Higgins Clark Award-winning author "This utterly compelling novel grabs you on page one and drags you into the dark heart of a family and a church

gone wrong . . . A triumph!"—Catriona McPherson, Anthony Award-winning author of *As She Left It* "Tense and all-too-believable . . .

Laura DiSilverio's taut mystery packs an emotional punch."—Meg Gardiner, Edgar Award-winning author of *China Lake*

Psychoanalytic Diagnosis, Second Edition Understanding Personality Structure in the Clinical Process Guilford

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McWilliams makes psychoanalytic personality theory and its implications for practice accessible to practitioners of all levels of

experience. She explains major character types and demonstrates specific ways that understanding the patient's individual

personality structure can influence the therapist's focus and style of intervention. Guidelines are provided for developing a systematic

yet flexible diagnostic formulation and using it to inform treatment. Highly readable, the book features a wealth of illustrative clinical

examples. New to This Edition *Reflects the ongoing development of the author's approach over nearly two decades. *Incorporates

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Scholarship **Don't Get on the Plane Why a Sex Change Will Ruin Your Life** Createspace Independent Publishing Platform Don't

get on the plane, is a detailed examination and analysis of the history of the doctors and procedures for gender confusion. It helps you

to understand why cross sex living isn't a viable lifestyle. In order for us to understand why transgender and transsexuals are limited

to hormones, plastic surgery and sex change, it is vital that we look at the development of the medical training, as well as the core

assumptions that the early doctors who treated this condition made about their patients. Don't get on the plane, then asks a basic and

fundamental question, "is SRS the right treatment for this condition?" Unfortunately, the answer is far too obvious...NO. There has not

been, nor is there currently being done, detailed, exhaustive and scientifically based research on the causative factors of this

condition. There have been dozens of detailed studies of patients and their backgrounds, which answer the "WHAT" but fail completely

to answer the "WHY" and without knowing the why of gender confusion, medicine is operating in the same ignorance and arrogance

as it did when Magnus Hirschfeld killed Einer Wegener (*The Danish Girl*) with his experimental surgery in 1930. When politically

correct governments and legislative bodies cater to this very small minority in hopes of gaining support from this community, they do

so by actually harming the very people they wish to help. By embracing this brutal sexual mutilation as "normal", they are pushing off

any rationale scientists might have to commit to real, and scientific based research into the cause of it by decades. By embracing and

supporting cross sex living and all the medications and surgeries that doctors are offering us, transsexuals are condemning

themselves to a life of being a social pariah. No one wants this. Yet thousands of people each year are being led by well-meaning

doctors and therapists down this road. I am a Male to Female transsexual. I began living as a woman in 1978. I underwent SRS surgery

by Dr. Stanley Biber in 1990. I speak from experience. This book is the culmination of a half century of personal experience with this

subject matter. **Collecting the Art of G. I. Joe Volume 1 (1982-1983)** This 62 page 8"x11" celebration of the painted art of G.I.Joe:

A Real American Hero features every carded figure, vehicle, playset, poster and peripheral product featuring painted art released from 1982-1983. This soft cover book features 100# paper and an epic card stock AccuFoil 11"x16" wraparound cover! **Chasing Forever** Createspace Independent Publishing Platform I always thought I was going to end up marrying Lucy, the woman I loved with my entire existence. Unfortunately, the woman staring back at me, readying to say our vows, wasn't the blue-eyed woman I loved. She was the woman who was chasing after my best friend, but we somehow ended up on the damn altar in a church in Madrid. Lucy gave up on me, you see. A mixture of love and hate shone in her eyes when she pleaded for me to cancel this farcical union. All I needed was for her to say it--for her to tell me that she loved me. But what did she do? She walked away...for the second time. That truly gutted me. I knew then that she would never choose me, nor would she fight for me--or for the love we had once so profoundly shared. Seeing her again in Rome months later twisted me inside out. Because time didn't make my feelings ebb away. In fact, they were rotting in me, slowly poisoning everything I'd once cherished, loved and believed. Could I risk myself again? Or should I just let bygones be bygones and walk away just as she had done? **Dungeon World Smoke & Spice - Revised Edition Cooking With Smoke, the Real Way to Barbecue** Harvard Common Press 300-plus recipes. The only cookbook devoted to smoke-cooked barbecue, a hot trend. **The Word Rhythm Dictionary A Resource for Writers, Rappers, Poets, and Lyricists** Scarecrow Press This new kind of dictionary reflects the use of "rhythm rhymes" by rappers, poets, and songwriters of today. Users can look up words to find collections of words that have the same rhythm as the original and are useable in ways that are familiar to us in everything from vers libre poetry to the lyrics and music of Bob Dylan and hip hop groups. **Off Sides** Big Dog Books, LLC "I'm not sure what possessed me to do it. Maybe it was the impossible expectations I faced, maybe it was my own self-loathing. But I just knew I needed something different to happen. I needed someone...something...to derail me from my current path. Otherwise, I would become lost...a hollowed out shell of a man. So I did it. I approached her, then I pursued her, then I made her mine. And my life was saved..." Ryan Burnham is the privileged son of a U.S. Congressman and captain of his university's hockey team. While he is on the verge of fulfilling his dreams to play in the NHL, his parents want him on a different course. One he is expected to accept for the sake of his family's public image. Forced to abandon her music career after the heart breaking death of her parents, Danny Cross exists on the opposite side of the tracks from Ryan. She is struggling to make her own way, working two jobs, attending college part time and volunteering in a homeless shelter. She is on a mission to build her own success. With a chance meeting, their vastly different worlds collide, causing each to evaluate whether they are truly on the correct path to self-fulfillment and happiness. Can their relationship survive? Particularly when others are against them every step of the way. A lot can happen in just ten short days... **Note From Sawyer Bennett: This book is part of the Off Series but it can be read as a stand alone book. Nothing in the prior or subsequent books will diminish your understanding of this novel. This is a New Adult, Contemporary Romance. **Off Sides - Book #1 Off Limits - Book #2 Off The Record - Book #3 Off Course - Book #4 Off Chance - Book #5 The Encyclopedia of Daytime Television** Watson-Guption Publications This daytime television resource covers all

the series that aired for three or more weeks on a commercial network between 1947 and 1996, plus 100 nationally syndicated programmes from that period. Each entry tells the dates the show ran, who its principal cast members were, and more. **Shaxoa's Gift** DelSheree Gladden Uriah thought his battle would be over once he saved Claire's life, but his search to save their love and uncover the truth of his destiny is nowhere near finished. After losing Claire to the Twin Soul bond, Uriah intends to seek out the Matwau and let the monster have exactly what he wants...Uriah's death. Only the words of the shaman, who has already betrayed him more than once, stops him. Her promise that there is still a chance of saving Claire from the bond and keeping her love for Uriah whole sends him on a new hunt to find a shaxoa witch who is rumored to have more power and knowledge than anyone has seen in centuries. No matter the price, Uriah promises to find the Shaxoa and rescue Claire from a fate she doesn't want. Claire promises to hold off the cruel desires of the Twin Soul bond until he returns. Keeping their promises may require more of them than they ever could have imagined. As Uriah searches for a way to break the bond and Claire's desperation to resist the bond intensifies, both learn truths about themselves that will change everything. **The Fifth Vital** Mike Majlak USA TODAY BESTSELLING BOOK! Mike Majlak was a seventeen-year-old from a loving, middle-class family in Milford, Connecticut, when he got caught up in the opioid epidemic that swept the nation. For close to a decade thereafter, his life was a wasteland of darkness and despair. While his peers were graduating from college, buying homes, getting married, having kids, and leading normal lives, Mike was snorting OxyContin, climbing out of cars at gunpoint, and burying his childhood friends. Unable to escape the noose of addiction, he eventually lost the trust and support of everyone who had ever loved him. Alone, with nothing but drugs to keep him company, darkness closed in, and the light inside him--the last flicker of hope--began to dim. His dreams, potential, and future were all being devoured by a relentless addiction too powerful to fight. Despair filled him as he realized he wasn't going to survive. Somehow, he did... HE NOT ONLY SURVIVED, HE THRIVED. Now he's a social media personality with millions of followers, and an entrepreneur, marketer, podcaster, YouTuber, and author who hopes to use his voice to shine a light for those whose own lights have grown dim. This is his story. **Cleo Porter and the Body Electric** Feiwei & Friends In a future forever changed by a pandemic, a girl survives in total isolation. A woman is dying. Cleo Porter has her medicine. And no way to deliver it. Like everyone else, twelve-year-old Cleo and her parents are sealed in an apartment without windows or doors. They never leave. They never get visitors. Their food is dropped off by drones. So they're safe. Safe from the disease that nearly wiped humans from the earth. Safe from everything. The trade-off? They're alone. Thus, when they receive a package clearly meant for someone else--a package containing a substance critical for a stranger's survival--Cleo is stuck. As a surgeon-in-training, she knows the clock is ticking. But people don't leave their units. Not ever. Until now. **Cow Care in Hindu Animal Ethics** Springer Nature This open access book provides both a broad perspective and a focused examination of cow care as a subject of widespread ethical concern in India, and increasingly in other parts of the world. In the face of what has persisted as a highly charged political issue over cow protection in India, intellectual space must be made to bring the wealth of Indian traditional

ethical discourse to bear on the realities of current human-animal relationships, particularly those of humans with cows. Dharma, yoga, and bhakti paradigms serve as starting points for bringing Hindu--particularly Vaishnava Hindu--animal ethics into conversation with contemporary Western animal ethics. The author argues that a culture of bhakti--the inclusive, empathetic practice of spirituality centered in Krishna as the beloved cowherd of Vraja--can complement recently developed ethics-of-care thinking to create a solid basis for sustaining all kinds of cow care communities. ; Offers a focused insight into a key aspect of Hindu religious practice Integrates primary research and tertiary sources to give a multifaceted understanding of the intricacies of cow care practice Challenges conventional Western thought on cow care and its worldwide implications for animal ethics. **Sheltered** Ellora's Cave Evie has lived her entire life under her abusive father's thumb. He controls everything. Where she goes to college, who she sees, what she does. But when she meets Van-a punk who shows her how different life could be-she realizes how much she's been missing. Van offers her excitement, protection, love...and most of all, sex-even if he's at first reluctant to give her all the things she's been craving. She wants to explore this new world of arousal and desire, but Van is only too aware of how fragile she is, how innocent... And how much is at stake, when their love is forbidden. **Forbidden Disclosure** Createspace Independent Pub Francesco Giordano wants to retire and turn over his shipping empire to his only son Daniel. But the young, gorgeous, and sexy Daniel is more interested in fast cars, the family jet, and bedding women. When Francesco decides the best way to make his son grow up is to change his identity and move him away from his Manhattan penthouse, Daniel's world begins to rock. Sent to a little town in Tennessee, stripped of his family name and all access to money, Daniel finds himself on a mission to prove to his father that he can make it. If he doesn't, he risks losing the family business and billions of dollars. Country life isn't setting very well with the fast-paced New Yorker, until he meets the woman who stirs up every one of his senses. Katherine is beautiful, sassy, and has no intentions of hooking up with the new stranger in town. She leaves without a word. Will Daniel risk it all to find her? **Fresh Temptation** Cara Green has a young son, three part-time jobs, and a growing uncertainty about her future. Their worlds collide as Cara serves Victor at an upscale party in Manhattan, upsetting Victor's ex-fiancee, Alexis, in the process. **Liberating Lacey** Elloras Cave Pub Incorporated Newly divorced Lacey Meyers wasted too many years yawning through sex in the missionary position. Now she's looking for a hookup with a man who can make her shatter. What she gets is a hot younger cop with handcuffs. . .and he's not afraid to use them. Hunter Anderson knows the score-though classy, successful women like Lacey might play with guys like him, at the end of the evening, they walk. But when one night leads to another and then another, he finds himself getting too attached to a woman he can't have. Lacey knows Hunter-gorgeous, hard-edged and eight years younger-won't want anything permanent. No matter how hot and daring he makes her first public sex, quickie, backseat encounter and secret fantasy role-play, she can't mistake adventurous sex for emotional involvement. They both know it's got to end, and soon, or someone's going to get hurt. But can either of them go back to life without the other? Reader Advisory: Lacey's highly erotic "forced" sex fantasy comes true in this book. Lucky her! **The Illio Disasters: Core Concepts and**

Ethical Theories Springer This Open Access Book is the first to examine disasters from a multidisciplinary perspective. Justification of actions in the face of disasters requires recourse both to conceptual analysis and ethical traditions. Part 1 of the book contains chapters on how disasters are conceptualized in different academic disciplines relevant to disasters. Part 2 has chapters on how ethical issues that arise in relation to disasters can be addressed from a number of fundamental normative approaches in moral and political philosophy. This book sets the stage for more focused normative debates given that no one book can be completely comprehensive. Providing analysis of core concepts, and with real-world relevance, this book should be of interest to disaster scholars and researchers, those working in ethics and political philosophy, as well as policy makers, humanitarian actors and intergovernmental organizations.. **The Descendants of Edward Greenlee of West Virginia Annemann's Card Magic** Courier Corporation 2 books bound as 1. Full Deck of Impromptu Card Tricks and Miracles of Card Magic. 112 tricks ? forces, self-working, prepared, etc. 48 illustrations. **Elements of Language Second Course** Holt McDougal Elements of Language 2009 provides practical teaching strategies, differentiated instruction, and engaging presentation tools that offer more ways to reach more students than ever before. In partnership with teachers like you, Holt created Elements of Language to provide practical teaching strategies for today's challenging classroom, innovative ways to differentiate instruction, and streamlined technology tools. Designed with your students in mind, this program offers you the flexibility and options to manage your diverse classroom.--Publisher. **Teaching As A Reflective Practice The German Didaktik Tradition** Routledge This volume presents a mix of translations of classical and modern papers from the German Didaktik tradition, newly prepared essays by German scholars and practitioners writing from within the tradition, and interpretive essays by U.S. scholars. It brings this tradition, which virtually dominated German curricular thought and teacher education until the 1960s when American curriculum theory entered Germany--and which is now experiencing a renaissance--to the English-speaking world, where it has been essentially unknown. The intent is to capture in one volume the core (at least) of the tradition of Didaktik and to communicate its potential relevance to English-language curricularists and teacher educators. It introduces a theoretical tradition which, although very different in almost every respect from those we know, offers a set of approaches that suggest ways of thinking about problems of reflection on curricular and teaching praxis (the core focus of the tradition) which the editors believe are accessible to North American readers--with appropriate "translation." These ways of thinking and related praxis are very relevant to notions such as reflective teaching and the discourse on teachers as professionals. By raising the possibility that the "new" tradition of Didaktik can be highly suggestive for thinking through issues related to a number of central ideas within contemporary discourse--and for exploring the implications of these ideas for both teacher education and for a curriculum theory appropriate to these new contexts for theorizing, this book opens up a gold mine of theoretical and practical possibilities. **The 8-Hour Diet Watch the Pounds Disappear Without Watching What You Eat!** Rodale Books A paradigm-shifting diet plan that allows you to eat anything you want, as much as you want—and still strip away 20, 40, 60 pounds, or more. After conducting extensive

research at the Salk Institute and the National Institute on Aging, poring over copious amounts of new research in intermittent fasting, and engaging 2,000 people for a test panel, bestselling authors David Zinczenko and Peter Moore determined that people can lose remarkable amounts of weight eating the foods they like best—as long as they eat within a set 8-hour time period. Fasting is, of course, an ancient spiritual and health practice, but it's also a way to sidestep many of the ills of the modern world—including diabetes, heart disease, and cognitive impairment. Zinczenko and Moore demonstrate how simply observing this timed-eating strategy, even just three days a week, will reset your metabolism so that you can enter fat-burning mode first thing in the morning—and stay there all day long. And by focusing on eight critical, nutrient-rich Powerfoods, you can build in a second layer of protection against Alzheimer's, heart disease, and even the common cold. In the book, you will find motivating strategies, delicious recipes, and an 8-minute workout routine to maximize calorie burn. The 8-Hour Diet promises to strip away unwanted pounds and give you the focus and willpower you need to reach your goals for weight loss and life. **Tiberius Found** Andrew Goodman What would you do if you discovered your whole life to be a lie? Daniel Henstock thinks he's an ordinary schoolboy but on his sixteenth birthday his world is turned upside down. He is the world's first one-hundred percent genetically-engineered human - assigned the codename Tiberius - and Gregory Dryden, the man responsible, wants him back so that he can continue his deadly experiments. Running for his life, Daniel flees to New York and is forced to go 'off-grid'. In this near-future America, where the security-obsessed authorities require citizens to carry DNA cards, Daniel meets the feisty and beautiful Eleanor. But by falling for her, Daniel also puts her in terrible danger. Daniel pursues the facts about his origins but is hunted by an agent sent by Dryden to bring him to heel. Can Daniel find out the truth whilst trying to evade those who think they own him? As his enemies close in Daniel must draw on resources he never knew he had to win his freedom - but in doing so he may be walking into a deadly trap ... **TIBERIUS FOUND** is the first instalment in a thrilling series - **The Emperor Initiative** - that introduces an engaging new hero that will appeal to fans of Alex Rider and Jason Bourne. **Cubism and Abstract Art** Routledge Originally published in 1936, in this classic account of the development of abstract art Alfred Barr analyses the many diverse abstract movements which emerged with bewildering rapidity in the early years of the twentieth century, and which had an impact on every major form of art. Barr traces the history of nonrepresentational art from its antecedents in late nineteenth-century painting in France - Seurat and Neo-Impressionism, Gauguin and Synthetism, and Cézanne - through abstract tendencies in Dada and Surrealism. He distinguishes two main trends in abstract art: the geometrical, structural current as it developed in Cubism and later in Constructivism and Mondrian, and the intuitional, decorative current running from Matisse and Fauvism through Kandinsky and, later, Surrealism. He shows how individual movements influenced one another, and how many artists experimented with more than one style. Barr also discusses the involvement of a number of abstract movements in architecture and the practical arts - the Bauhaus in Germany, de Stijl in Holland, Purism in France, and Suprematism and Constructivism in Russia. **Chasing a Dream** Five Star (ME) Hunted by a powerful man who wants her dead, Tess Sinclair flees her Texas home in search of anonymity, safety, and a

new life. While a flat tire and stormy weather slow her escape, they prove the least of her worries. Just hours after her getaway, a hired gunman tracks her down. Grabbed in a parking lot, Tess is certain she'll be killed . . . until a handsome hitchhiker intervenes. But can she trust the blue-eyed cowboy who appoints himself her guardian? Nothing can stop Justin Boyd from his pursuit of a music career in Nashville - except a woman in peril. Haunted by his sister's murder, Justin can't walk away from Tess until he knows she's safe. Justin puts his dreams of the music spotlight on hold until he can make amends for mistakes from his past. Yet the stakes in this game of vengeance are higher than he ever imagined, and the price for freeing Tess might be his own life. Golden Heart Award-winning author Beth Cornelison and her family live in Louisiana. **Auberon An Expanse Novella** Hachette UK A novella set in the universe of James S. A. Corey's NYT-bestselling Expanse series, Auberon explores a new and alien world and the age-old dangers that humanity has carried with it to the stars. Now a Prime Original series. This story will be available in the complete Expanse story collection, Memory's Legion. Hugo Award Winner for Best Series Auberon is one of the first and most important colony worlds in humanity's reach, and the new conquering faction has come to claim it. Governor Rittenaur has come to bring civilization and order to the far outpost and guarantee the wealth and power of the Empire. But Auberon already has its own history, a complex culture, and a criminal kingpin named Erich with very different plans. In a world of deceit, violence, and corruption, the greatest danger Rittenaur faces is love. *The Expanse Leviathan Wakes Caliban's War Abaddon's Gate Cibola Burn Nemesis Games Babylon's Ashes Persepolis Rising Tiamat's Wrath Leviathan Falls Memory's Legion The Expanse Short Fiction Drive The Butcher of Anderson Station Gods of Risk The Churn The Vital Abyss Strange Dogs Auberon The Sins of Our Fathers* **United States Code**