

## Porn King The Autobiography Of John Holmes

What the Person and Work of Jesus Really Means Christians, rightly called "people of the cross," look to Jesus's death and resurrection as the central points of his earthly mission. But in order to understand more fully the person and work of Christ, it's important for believers to fix their minds on his entire ministry—his life, death, resurrection, and ongoing ministry today—and not solely on his work on the cross. In *Man of Sorrows, King of Glory*, Jonty Rhodes uses the traditional roles of Jesus as prophet, priest, and king (often referred to as his "threefold office") to show how his whole life—in humiliation on earth and now exaltation in glory—is lived for us. As believers explore Jesus's life, death, resurrection, and ascension, they will develop a holistic portrait of the Messiah and a deeper appreciation for God's plan to reclaim sinners. In *Cobra Killer*, authors Andrew E. Stoner and Peter A. Conway tell for the first time in full detail the twisted story of a pair of young, aspiring gay adult film producers whose quest for fame at any cost leads to the gruesome murder of the man who stands in their way, gay porn entrepreneur Bryan Kocis. News of the killing of the forty-four-year-old (stabbed twenty-eight times, his throat slashed to near decapitation) in his suburban home sends shock waves through the bucolic Pennsylvania town. Neighbors were horrified to hear about the murder but equally astonished to learn that Kocis ran a small but thriving online porn operation from his home. The murder investigation leads police and prosecutors to the far reaches of the country, from Virginia to New York City, to Las Vegas, and ultimately to a nude beach in San Diego, where investigators facilitate an incredible clandestine suspect surveillance. The manhunt nets Harlow Cuadra and his lover Joseph Kerekes, both former military men, turned male models, turned hustlers, turned porn producers, who finally land at the bottom of a deadly conspiracy. *Cobra Killer* takes readers into the sometimes alluring, sometimes dangerous and often surprising world of gay porn and the deceit, schemes, and ultimate betrayals lying underneath the fantasy.

An autobiography of super-sized porn star King Gluttony. The unique story of a 750-pound man's journey into feederism and gaining. Enter the secretive world of Feederism, Gaining, fat fetishes and Plus Sized Porn. King Gluttony shares his life story from the beginning till today. he lived by the phrase "you buy it, I eat it". Find out What it is like living as 750 LB Man and what is it like to be the sexual fantasy of thousands of people online in the pornography world? Sometimes gain comes from loss, find out why this is true in the case of feederism. Red Riding Hood runs a local Tavern with her grandmother, Ruby. She doesn't need a man in her life to be happy, and she prides herself in being an independent woman. During a busy night, a highwayman named, Robin One Eye, shows up offering her protection as a pack of werewolves in the area have become a threat to the local public. He requires a fee, but Red refuses; she's ready to take her chances with the wolves. Unfortunately, One Eye keeps coming back, sabotaging her business and threatening clients, forcing Red to seek help with the one and only, Alpha King. A hot, arrogant werewolf who's had his eye on her since he stepped foot into Farrington. But Red's been independent for far too long to get tied up again, especially when William not only wants her soul, but heart as well.

Twin Cities Album

The John Holmes Story

Alpha King (Adult Fairy Tale Romance, Red Riding Hood Book #2)

Cobra Killer

The Chef's Secret

A Polyester Smoothie

Philip Carlo's *The Ice Man* spent over six weeks on the New York Times Bestseller List. Top Mob Hitman. Devoted Family Man. Doting Father. For years, Richard "The Iceman" Kuklinski led a shocking double life, becoming the most notorious professional assassin in American history. He hosted neighborhood barbecues in suburban New Jersey. Richard Kuklinski was Sammy the Bull Gravano's partner in the killing of Paul Castellano, head of the Gambino crime family, at Sparks Steakhouse. Mob boss John Gotti hired him to torture and kill the neighbor who accidentally killed his child. For an additional price, Kuklinski would make his victims suffer; he conducted this sadistic business with coldhearted intensity and efficiency, never disappointing his customers. By his own estimate, he killed over two hundred men, taking enormous pride in his variety of techniques. This trail of murder lasted over thirty years and took Kuklinski all over America and to the far corners of the earth, Brazil, Africa. Along the way, he married, had three children, and put them through Catholic school. His daughter's medical condition meant regular stints at hospitals, where Kuklinski was remembered, not as a gangster, but as an affectionate father, extremely kind to children. Each Christmas, Kuklinski's home was festooned in colorful lights; each summer was a succession of block parties. His family never suspected a thing. Richard Kuklinski is the subject of the major motion picture titled "The Iceman" (2013), starring James Franco, Winona Ryder, Ray Liotta, and Chris Evans.

The eldest daughter of the Times Square "King of Porn," Romola Hodas recounts her chaotic childhood amid the turmoil of publically disgraced father, the daughter of the man who almost single-handedly built New York City's pornography and adult entertainment empire from the 1960s to the spectacular and public fall from grace. Behind the salacious headlines, Marty's family paid a terrible price. In her shockingly honest, no-holds-barred memoir, Romola describes hanging out as a child in her father's porn shops on 42nd Street and meeting the eclectic clientele who frequented them; making friends with the girls who performed live sex acts on stage, and spying on her parents' sex orgies and crazy all-night swinger parties. She relates, in moving detail, how she cared for her three younger siblings when her brilliant, bipolar mother broke with reality, and how she survived physical, and emotional abuse; a year in reform school; her father's three stints in prison; two kidnapping attempts by the mob (one while in a rehab camp); and how her baby brother, Jarrett, actually was briefly kidnapped by mobsters wanting to send Marty Hodas a clear, unambiguous message. All its darkness, *The Princess of 42nd Street* is, at its heart, an uplifting and inspirational story of how one young woman overcame incredible odds to become a successful businesswoman who now devotes her life to helping others. Raw, unflinching, and devoid of self-pity, *The Princess of 42nd Street* is a one-of-a-kind story.

This is the hardback version. In the world of adult cinema, one name stands out above all others: John Holmes. For nearly 20 years, from 1970 to 1990, Holmes reigned as the undisputed king of X-rated films, having appeared in a record 2,200 plus productions, from the landmark *Johnny Suede* (one of which became the first adult motion picture to gross over \$1 million) to the legendary *Insatiable* with Marilyn Chambers. To a legion of fans, he was known as "Mr. Big." To industry insiders, he was "Mr. Nice Guy." Yet for all of his fame and notoriety, Holmes remained an intensely private person and a mystery man. - that is, until now. In a startlingly frank autobiography, *PORN KING* was written in large part prior to his death (the material added by his widow, Laurie). Holmes tells the story of his incredible life. This is not a typical celebrity story, filled with bright lights, giant sound stages and movie moguls. It is, instead, a rare portrait of a young man drawn into an unknown Hollywood, a secret, forbidden world. The parallels between his astounding career and the sexual revolution in American films. Holmes knew his subject better than anyone. He tells of a lucrative but often harrowing "other" life as a male prostitute to the rich and famous, a shattering fall into drugs and his side of the street. Murders and his desperate crosscountry flight afterwards. From start to finish, in this newly revised edition, complete with never-before-told details of Holmes in his private life, *PORN KING* is a sizzling, sensuous, fast-paced story laced with controversy. If ever there was an untold story, it's this.

Detective Harry Bosch was sure he'd shot the serial killer responsible for a string of murders in LA . . . but now, a new crime makes him question his convictions. The Dollmaker was the name of the serial killer who had stalked Los Angeles ruthlessly, leaving grisly calling cards on the faces of his victims. Now with a single faultless shot, Detective Harry Bosch thinks he has ended the city's nightmare. But the dead man's widow is suing LAPD for killing the wrong man-- an accusation that rings terrifyingly true when a new victim is discovered with the Dollmaker's macabre signature. For the second time, Harry must hunt down a death-dealer who is very much alive, before he strikes again. It's a blood-tracked quest that

from the hard edges of the L.A. night to the last place he ever wanted to go-- the darkness of his own heart. With *The Concrete Blonde* winning author Michael Connelly has hit a whole new level in his career, creating a breathtaking thriller that thrusts you into a blistering battle-- and a desperate search for a sadistic killer.

What the Humiliation and Exaltation of Jesus Mean for Us

My Screwed Life

A Deal with the Elf King

The Pornographer Diaries

Demon Shield

Secret Confessions of a Porn Star

Most people might, understandably, predict that the world's first porn star was a woman, but they would be wrong. John Curtis Holmes was just a simple country boy from Ohio when he moved to California in 1964. It was the infancy of hardcore, so in Holmes' wildest dreams, he could not have predicted the turbulent ride on which he had embarked by publicizing his private parts. With the fame he achieved by playing his most famous character - a gun toting detective named Johnny Wadd - came money. Holmes was pleased to spend it on his wife and mistresses, but soon was in over his head after he became addicted to cocaine. Unfortunately for Holmes, in the years that followed, his addiction led him into several desperate choices - including setting up a robbery at the home of Ed Nash, a powerful L.A. nightclub owner. The robbery resulted in one of the most gruesome, unsolved, multiple-murders in Hollywood history. Amazingly, before his untimely death in 1988, Holmes regained his momentum, remarried and rebuilt his life and career. However, the grave consequences of his addiction, his association with the Wonderland murders, and his AIDS-related death made him an infamous figure in pop culture. Digging past the stigmas, *John Holmes: A Life Measured in Inches* - the first biography about John C. Holmes - unearths the human being behind the penis and proves that there was more to him than could be measured in inches. This biography includes material from the authors' new interviews with: Laurie Holmes, Bill Amerson, Bob Chinn, Julia St. Vincent, Detective Tom Lange, Detective Frank Tomlinson, Paul Thomas, Ron Jeremy, Seka, Marilyn Chambers, Candida Royalle, Rhonda Jo Petty, Dr. Sharon Mitchell, Bill Margold, and many others! *John Holmes: A Life Measured in Inches* also includes 114 reviews of John's most notable feature films, 86 loops synopses, 3 photos sections with rare nudes, and a 21 page comprehensive filmography. "The tree of life represents the roots of man. The branches are the different directions a man can take, live or exist. When you're dead, those that you leave behind will put you in a part of that tree. It represents what was, what is and what will be. It's eternal." -- John Holmes

To the ladies of the adult film industry of the 1970s and 80s, John Holmes was a polyester smoothie; a real charmer, a silver tongued devil and a thief of hearts. But behind the scenes, John was a little boy in a man's body who used sex and drugs and alcohol to fill the void that had been empty all of his life; someone to love and someone to love him. He thought he'd finally found true love in a young girl named Dawn, and she eventually moved in with Holmes and his sympathetic wife, Sharon, though drugs soon changed the dynamic to erratic behavior: Holmes beat and prostituted Schiller before she fled, and he became entangled in the so-called Wonderland murders of 1981. *A POLYESTER SMOOTHIE* examines John Holmes life from BEHIND the scenes, without all of the hoopla that led to him being hailed as the 'King of Porn.' As one former porn fan so eloquently put it, "I say to the porn world, and all the people who idolize him, you're idolizing this person who was horrid, and if you're going to have a hero, get someone else."

Now a major motion picture streaming on Netflix! *Mile 81* meets "N." in this novella collaboration between Stephen King and Joe Hill. As USA TODAY said of Stephen King's *Mile 81*: "Park and scream. Could there be any better place to set a horror story than an abandoned rest stop?" In *The Tall Grass* begins with a sister and brother who pull off to the side of the road after hearing a young boy crying for help from beyond the tall grass. Within minutes they are disoriented, in deeper than seems possible, and they've lost one another. The boy's cries are more and more desperate. What follows is a terrifying, entertaining, and masterfully told tale, as only Stephen King and Joe Hill can deliver.

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A Novel

The Wicked King

The Life and Times of Porn King John Holmes and the Wonderland Murders

The Autobiography of John C. Holmes (Hardback)

Jim Dunn

Absolute Mayhem

*The enchanting and bloodthirsty sequel to the New York Times bestselling novel The Cruel Prince. You must be strong enough to strike and strike and*

strike again without tiring. The first lesson is to make yourself strong. After the jaw-dropping revelation that Oak is the heir to Faerie, Jude must keep her brother safe. To do so, she has bound the wicked king, Cardan, to her, and made herself the power behind the throne. Navigating the constantly shifting political alliances of Faerie would be difficult enough if Cardan were easy to control. But he does everything in his power to humiliate and undermine her even as his fascination with her remains undiminished. When it becomes all too clear that someone close to Jude means to betray her, threatening her own life and the lives of everyone she loves, Jude must uncover the traitor and fight her own complicated feelings for Cardan to maintain control as a mortal in a Faerie world.

A young, hip, sexy novel that takes readers behind the velvet rope of the glamorous and shady entertainment industry Nothing prepares Tyler Blake for the fast-paced living of New York City. A small-town girl from Georgia, she quickly gets caught up in the glamorous entertainment industry. While pursuing her dream of becoming an actress, Tyler continually gets sidetracked by men who promise to help her and finds herself going from one dysfunctional relationship to another. Just when Tyler finally believes she has found her ideal man, in hip-hop producer Brian McCall, everything begins to go horribly wrong. Trapped in a nightmarish relationship, Tyler is determined not to go down without a fight. "Passion, deception, heartbreak, love and a delicious read...what more do you need!" -- B. Lawson Thornton, Essence bestselling author of Misery Loves Company

The sexiest job in the world?

Introduced by Naomi Mitchison. Set over two thousand years ago on the clam and fertile shores of the Black Sea, Naomi Mitchison's *The Corn King and the Spring Queen* tells of ancient civilisations where tenderness, beauty and love vie with brutality and dark magic. Erif Der, a young witch, is compelled by her father to marry his powerful rival, Tarrik the Corn King, so becoming the Spring Queen. Forced by her father, she uses her magic spells to try and break Tarrik's power. But one night Tarrik rescues Sphaeros, an Hellenic philosopher, from a shipwreck. Sphaeros in turn rescues Tarrik from near death and so breaks the enchantment that has bound him. And so begins for Tarrik a Quest – a fabulous voyage of discovery which will bring him new knowledge and which will reunite him with his beautiful Spring Queen. 'This breathtaking recreation of life in the ancient world welds the power of myth and magic to a stirring plot.' Ian Rankin

*The Serpent King*

I, Goldstein

*The Pornographer's Poem*

*Libidinal Economy*

*How to Be a Porn Star*

*American Dirt*

Is regarded as the most important response to the philosophies of desire, as expounded by thinkers such as de Sade, Nietzsche, Bataille, Foucault and Deleuze and Guattari. It is a major work not only of philosophy, but of sexual politics, semiotics and literary theory, that signals the passage to postmodern philosophy.

INSTANT NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER "It's never quite the book you think it is. It's better." –Dwight Garner, *The New York Times* From John Darnielle, the New York Times bestselling author and the singer-songwriter of the Mountain Goats, comes an epic, gripping novel about murder, truth, and the dangers of storytelling. Gage Chandler is descended from kings. That's what his mother always told him. Years later, he is a true crime writer, with one grisly success—and a movie adaptation—to his name, along with a series of subsequent less notable efforts. But now he is being offered the chance for the big break: to move into the house where a pair of briefly notorious murders occurred, apparently the work of disaffected teens during the Satanic Panic of the 1980s. Chandler finds himself in Milpitas, California, a small town whose name rings a bell—his closest childhood friend lived there, once upon a time. He begins his research with diligence and enthusiasm, but soon the story leads him into a puzzle he never expected—back into his own work and what it means, back to the very core of what he does and who he is. *Devil House* is John Darnielle's most ambitious work yet, a book that blurs the line between fact and fiction, that combines daring formal experimentation with a spellbinding tale of crime, writing, memory, and artistic obsession.

"The Pornification of America" explores how "raunch culture" is negatively influencing American society"--

Jim Dunn: Porn King is for anyone who believes that porn and pyramid schemes can solve all government debt problems. Jim Dunn is your average early thirties advertising jock whose career takes a turn towards re-branding exotic magazines, failing internet porn channels and social network pyramid schemes. Running a small-town New Jersey mayoral campaign is the last straw for Jim, and he embarks on an early mid-life crisis. Lucky for Jim, Brad of the failing internet channel wants to retire and is convinced he found the right heir with a passion for shouting ass shots on set. Jim believes that confidence must come from a source other than his former status and he re-brands himself as CEO of Royal Asses, Inc. His non-girlfriend and her a-sexual lawyer friend would rather Jim dedicate his time to their pro-consumerist lawsuits. They want Jim to offer testimony and denounce his former ways of saddling people with insecurities to sell products. Jim organizes fantasy nights for gym teachers and comptrollers, launches a cruise-line and an empire is born. But Corporate America, Inc., a pseudo-government outfit upset with the lawsuits treats Jim to an aqua-aerial view of New Jersey and he is dangled head first over the Hudson River. Who's to blame for Jim's new aggravation? The non-girlfriend and a-sexual lawyer are prime suspects. They have bigger aspirations than protecting the consumer from brainwashing by faux-chocolate bar companies. If the non-girlfriend can leverage her fortune made by hawking refurbished bras and telepathic doghouses, she plans

**to create a new liquidity crisis to get revenge on her daddy. Whoopsie. In or out, Jim?  
The Story of a 750 LB Man Into the World of Feederism and Plus Sized Porn!**

**A Perfect Husband**

**The Concrete Blonde**

**King Gluttony**

**Four Novellas**

**My Life as Pornographer, Pundit, and Social Outcast**

2020 ALA Alex Award Winner 2020 Stonewall — Israel Fishman Non-fiction Award Honor Book In 2014, Maia Kobabe, who uses e/em/eir pronouns, thought that a comic of reading statistics would be the last autobiographical comic e would ever write. At the time, it was the only thing e felt comfortable with strangers knowing about em. Now, Gender Queer is here. Maia's intensely cathartic autobiography charts eir journey of self-identity, which includes the mortification and confusion of adolescent crushes, grappling with how to come out to family and society, bonding with friends over erotic gay fanfiction, and facing the trauma and fundamental violation of pap smears. Started as a way to explain to eir family what it means to be nonbinary and asexual, Gender Queer is more than a personal story: it is a useful and touching guide on gender identity—what it means and how to think about it—for advocates, friends, and humans everywhere. This special deluxe hardcover edition of Gender Queer features a brand-new cover, exclusive art and sketches, and a TK from creator Maia Kobabe.

Four novellas from Stephen King bound together by the changing of seasons, each taking on the theme of a journey with strikingly different tones and characters. This gripping collection begins with "Rita Hayworth and the Shawshank Redemption," in which an unjustly imprisoned convict seeks a strange and startling revenge--the basis for the Best Picture Academy Award-nominee The Shawshank Redemption. Next is "Apt Pupil," the inspiration for the film of the same name about top high school student Todd Bowden and his obsession with the dark and deadly past of an older man in town. In "The Body," four rambunctious young boys plunge through the facade of a small town and come face-to-face with life, death, and intimations of their own mortality. This novella became the movie Stand By Me. Finally, a disgraced woman is determined to triumph over death in "The Breathing Method."--Provided by publisher. This century's most ardent advocate of the First Amendment, controversial and outspoken, hated and adored, the infamous Larry Flynt's life needs no exaggeration to make it one of the most interesting stories of our time. The real events of Flynt's life are captured here for the very first time, from his roots in Appalachia to his troubles in Beverly Hills. Updated to include Flynt's role in the recent "Washington Madam" brouhaha.

The founder of Screw magazine candidly discusses his life and career, from his numerous arrests and four tumultuous marriages to the threats on his life and his year spent homeless on the streets of New York.

The Fighting Life of Porn King Al Goldstein

The Corn King and the Spring Queen

John Holmes: A Life Measured in Inches (NEW 2nd EDITION)

Daughter of a Porn King

Veritas

The King of porn

*As a grade seven student living in an affluent suburb of Vancouver, our unnamed narrator and his closest friend Nettie, are introduced to the exciting world of super-8 filmmaking by a progressive young teacher. Together Nettie and the narrator find in film a means of expressing their somewhat skewed world views. At the age of sixteen the narrator shoots his first adult film, surreptitiously capturing his neighbours having sex. He believes that through representations of sexual activity he can comment on that which he finds both painful and confusing. Nettie, an idealistic poet now away at school, sees in pornography the opportunity to do something artistic, liberating, and socially relevant, and she pushes the narrator to make films that subvert the way the world is constructed. Ultimately, despite his radical intentions, the narrator falls into a world of greed, delusion, and hypocrisy - the same world he once rebelled against. From a New York Times–bestselling author: A searing account of cold-blooded murder as told by “one of the chief practitioners of the true crime genre” (The Baltimore Sun). Michael Peterson was a decorated war veteran and bestselling novelist. His wife, Kathleen, was a high-powered executive and devoted mother. To everyone who knew them, they seemed to be the perfect couple living a life most people would kill for. Then came the tragic night Michael found Kathleen at the bottom of the stairs in a pool of blood. He claimed her death was an accident. The prosecution thought different and put him on trial—and behind bars. Then, in a stunning reversal, a judge gave Michael another chance to stand trial as his children steadfastly proclaimed his innocence. But what happened next would stun observers as new evidence and bizarre theories were introduced in a legal battle that would drag on until it became one of the longest trials in state history. Aphrodite Jones draws on exclusive interviews and revelatory facts to deliver “a richly detailed and deeply researched tale of a greedy, sociopathic killer” (Caitlin Rother, New York Times–bestselling author).*

*Use the author's 20 years of experience in the adult industry to find out everything you ever needed to know about how to actually become a porn star (both males and females). This book covers how to pick a name, how to get an agent and even important information on how to build your brand once you get into the industry.*

*The full, amazing sordid, riches to rags story of self-made sultan of Times Square, Al Goldstein ruled over his mythic realm of sin and corruption for decades, chronicling its forbidden pleasures in the pages of his*

*trailblazing sex paper Screw. The overweight cab driver and welfare recipient and became the most outspoken figurehead of the sex revolution, a multi-millionaire and tireless opponent of all things establishment. He had sex with the world's most famous porn starlets, rubbed elbows with Henry Miller and Phillip Roth, attended celebrity orgies with Gay Talese and Hugh Hefner, and then lost it all, morphing into America's most famous homeless drifter of the new millennium. He threw his heart, soul and fortune into a series of bruising First Amendment battles and became a folk hero to the disgruntled masses, giving the finger to the world as his ex-wives and battles drained him, America's last angry dirty old man.*

*How Raunch Culture Is Ruining Our Society*

*Beneath Contempt & Happy To Be There*

*A Harvard Professor, a Con Man and the Gospel of Jesus's Wife*

*Porn King*

*Confessions of a Mafia Contract Killer*

*The Princess of 42nd Street*

So begins the no-holds-barred autobiography of Monica Mayhem—a porn star and proud of it. In her funny and disarmingly candid voice, she reveals the ins and outs of making it big in Los Angeles, the pornography capital of the world. Just a girl who was taunted at school because her eyes were “too big,” and who carved out a respectable career for herself in oil futures in the financial markets of Sydney and London, go on to make over four hundred hardcore adult movies (and counting), win numerous industry awards, and even land herself a role in the first Sex and the City movie? From her childhood to her first show at the famous Spearmint Rhino in London to her favorite sex toys, Monica reveals how she built her empire—which now includes hundreds of films, a website, and lucrative burlesque performances. Absolute Mayhem is the lid on the sex, rock, and mayhem of Monica's truly extraordinary professional life and unveils the private person behind it all.

OPRAH'S BOOK CLUB PICK "Extraordinary." --Stephen King "This book is not simply the great American novel; it's the great novel of the Americas. It's the great world novel! This is the international story of our times. Masterful." --Sandra Cisneros También de este lado hay sueños. On this side, too, there are dreams. Lydia Quixano Pérez lives in the Mexico of Acapulco. She runs a bookstore. She has a son, Luca, the love of her life, and a wonderful husband who is a journalist while there are cracks beginning to show in Acapulco because of the drug cartels, her life is, by and large, fairly comfortable. Even though she knows they'll never sell, Lydia stocks some of her all-time favorite books in her store. And then one day a man enters the shop to browse and comes up to the register with a few books he would like to buy--two of them by Javier. Javier is erudite. He is charming. And, unbeknownst to Lydia, he is the jefe of the newest drug cartel that has gruesomely taken over the city. When Lydia's husband's tell-all profile of Javier is published, none of their lives will ever be the same. Forced to flee, Lydia and eight-year-old Luca soon find themselves miles and worlds away from their comfortable middle-class existence. Instantly transformed into migrants, Lydia and Luca ride the trains that make their way north to the United States, which is the only place Javier's reach doesn't extend. As they join the countless people trying to make it to the north, Lydia soon sees that everyone is running from something. But what exactly are they running to? American Dirt will leave readers utterly changed. It is a literary achievement filled with poignancy, drama, and humanity on every page. One of the most important books for our times. Already being hailed as "a Grapes of Wrath for our times" and "a new American classic," Jeanine Cummins's American Dirt is a rare exploration into the inner hearts of people willing to sacrifice everything for a glimmer of hope.

Named to ten BEST OF THE YEAR lists and selected as a William C. Morris Award Winner, The Serpent King is the critically acclaimed, much-beloved story of three teens who find themselves--and each other--while on the cusp of graduation from high school with hopes of leaving their small-town behind. Perfect for fans of John Green's Turtles All the Way Down, "Move over, John Green; Zentner is coming for you." —The New York Public Library "Will fill the infinite space that was left in your chest after you finished The Perks of Being a Wallflower." —BookRiot.com Dill isn't the most popular kid at a rural Tennessee high school. After his father fell from grace in a public scandal that reverberated throughout their small town, Dill became a target. Fortunately, his two fellow misfits and best friends, Travis and Lydia, have his back. But as they begin their senior year, Dill feels the coils of his future tightening around him. His only escapes are music and his secret feelings for Lydia--neither of which he is brave enough to share. Graduation feels more like an ending to Dill than a beginning. But even before then, he must cope with another ending--one that will rock his life to the core. Debut novelist Zentner provides an unblinking and at times comic view of the hard realities of growing up in the Bible belt, and an intimate look at the struggles to find one's true self in the wreckage of the past. "A story about friendship, family and forgiveness as funny and witty as it is utterly heartbreaking." —PasteMagazine.com "A brutally honest portrayal of teen life . . . [that is] a love letter to the South from a man who really understands it." —Mashable.com "I adored all three of these characters the way they talked to and loved one another."—New York Times

Annette Marsten has been singled out as one truly vulnerable to the powers of evil and is gradually drawn under a dark control--until she has been transformed into something dark and malevolent, something that can only be stopped by a demonologist Merin Whitley in a horrifying battle against darkness.

*Devil House*

*King of Joy*

*Different Seasons*

*The Pornification of America*

*Surviving My Childhood as the Daughter of Times Square's King of Porn*

*Gender Queer: A Memoir Deluxe Edition*

Perfect for fans of *A Court of Thorns and Roses* and *Uprooted*, this stand-alone, fantasy romance about a human girl and her marriage to the Elf King is impossible to put down! The elves come for two things: war and wives. In both cases, they come for death. Three-thousand years ago, humans were hunted by powerful races with wild magic until the treaty was formed. Now, for centuries, the elves have taken a young woman from Luella's village to be their Human Queen. To be chosen is seen as a mark of death by the townsfolk. A mark nineteen-year-old Luella is grateful to have escaped as a girl. Instead, she's dedicated her life to studying herbology and becoming the town's only healer. That is, until the Elf King unexpectedly arrives... for her. Everything Luella had thought she'd known about her life, and herself, was a lie. Taken to a land filled with wild magic, Luella is forced to be the new queen to a cold yet blisteringly handsome Elf King. Once there, she learns about a dying world that only she can save. The magical land of Midscape pulls on one corner of her heart, her home and people tug on another... but what will truly break her is a passion she never wanted. *A Deal with the Elf King* is a complete, stand-alone novel, inspired by the tales of Hades and Persephone, as well as *Beauty and the Beast*, with a "happily ever after" ending. It's perfect for fantasy romance fans looking for just the right amount of steam and their next slow-burn and swoon-worthy couple.

The author tells the story of her life, including her struggles with self-esteem, eating disorders, and her father's business in the U.S. porn industry.

A captivating novel of Renaissance Italy detailing the mysterious life of Bartolomeo Scappi, the legendary chef to several popes and author of one of the bestselling cookbooks of all time, and the nephew who sets out to discover his late uncle's secrets—including the identity of the noblewoman Bartolomeo loved until he died. When Bartolomeo Scappi dies in 1577, he leaves his vast estate—properties, money, and his position—to his nephew and apprentice Giovanni. He also gives Giovanni the keys to two strongboxes and strict instructions to burn their contents. Despite Scappi's dire warning that the information concealed in those boxes could put Giovanni's life and others at risk, Giovanni is compelled to learn his uncle's secrets. He undertakes the arduous task of decoding Scappi's journals and uncovers a history of deception, betrayal, and murder—all to protect an illicit love affair. As Giovanni pieces together the details of Scappi's past, he must contend with two rivals who have joined forces—his brother Cesare and Scappi's former protégé, Domenico Romoli, who will do anything to get his hands on the late chef's recipes. With luscious prose that captures the full scale of the sumptuous feasts for which Scappi was known, *The Chef's Secret* serves up power, intrigue, and passion, bringing Renaissance Italy to life in a delectable fashion.

From the National Book Critics Circle Award-winning author comes the gripping true story of a sensational religious forgery and the scandal that shook Harvard. In 2012, Dr. Karen King, a star religion professor at Harvard, announced a breathtaking discovery just steps from the Vatican: she'd found an ancient scrap of papyrus in which Jesus calls Mary Magdalene "my wife." The mysterious manuscript, which King provocatively titled "The Gospel of Jesus's Wife," had the power to topple the Roman Catholic Church. It threatened not just the all-male priesthood, but centuries of sacred teachings on marriage, sex, and women's leadership, much of it premised on the hallowed tradition of a celibate Jesus. Award-winning journalist Ariel Sabar covered King's announcement in Rome but left with a question that no one seemed able to answer: Where in the world did this history-making papyrus come from? Sabar's dogged sleuthing led from the halls of Harvard Divinity School to the former headquarters of the East German Stasi before landing on the trail of a Florida man with an unbelievable past. Could a motorcycle-riding pornographer with a fake Egyptology degree and a prophetess wife have set in motion one of the greatest hoaxes of the century? A propulsive tale laced with twists and trapdoors, *Veritas* is an exhilarating, globe-straddling detective story about an Ivy League historian and a college dropout--and how they worked together to pass off an audacious forgery as a long-lost piece of the Bible.

**Dirty Little Secrets**

**In the Tall Grass**

**Man of Sorrows, King of Glory**

**The Ice Man**

**Gay Porn, Murder, and the Manhunt to Bring the Killers to Justice**

**An Unseemly Man**

Named a *Writer to Watch* by the Los Angeles Times, Richard Chiem brings readers a novel that is equal parts sledgehammer and sweet song--a neon, pulsing portrait of grief, and an electrifying story of one woman's survival against all odds. Corvus has always had an overactive imagination. Growing up, she develops a unique coping mechanism: she can imagine herself out of any situation, no matter how terrible. To get through each day, Corvus escapes into scenes from fantasy novels, pop songs, and action/adventure movies, and survives by turning the everyday into just another role to play in the movie of her life. After a tragic loss, Corvus finds a sadness so great she cannot imagine it away. Instead, she finds Tim, a pornographer with unconventional methods, who offers her a new way to escape into movies. But when a sinister plot of greed and betrayal is revealed, Corvus must fight to reclaim her independence, and discovers she is stronger than even she could have imagined.