

NEW AUTHORS, NEW TALES

H.P. Lovecraft and others LOVECRAFT MYTHOS NEW & CLASSIC COLLECTION

Featuring new stories specially commissioned for the collection, this offering of H.P. Lovecraft's shared universe is a thrilling immersion into the world of Old Ones and the Elder Gods, an ancient race of terrifying beings. In Lovecraft's vision we live in a deep, but fragile illusion, unable to comprehend the ancient beings, such as the Cthulhu who lies dead but dreaming in the submerged city of R'lyeh, waiting to rise then wreak havoc on our realm of existence.

Lovecraft used the mythos to create a background to his fiction, and challenged many writer companions to add their own stories. Clark Ashton Smith, Robert E. Howard, Robert Bloch, Frank Belknap

Long and Henry Kuttner were amongst the first but over the years many others, such as Ramsey Campbell, Lin Carter and August Derleth added their voices to the many mythic cycles, developing themes and new fictional pathways for the town of Arkham, and the creatures Azathoth and Nyarlathotep.

The Lovecraft Mythos is fertile ground for any writer of supernatural, horror, fantasy and science fiction, so for this edition we opened our submissions for brand new stories, many published here for the first time, to continue expanding the shared universe.

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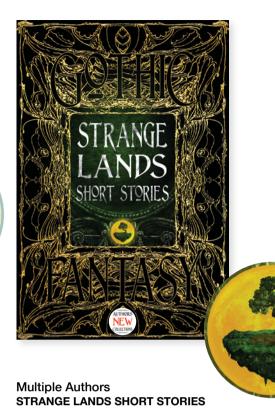
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Strange lands in fiction stretch from deep below the earth, to the outer reaches of space. This incredible new collection combines the talents of a new generation of writers with classic and ancient storytellers: from H.G. Wells to Edgar Allan Poe, Daniel Defoe to Jules Verne. Find here too the Land of the Lotus Eaters from Homer's *Odyssey*, the mad horrors of H.P. Lovecraft, the utopian fantasies of Samuel Butler and, from Hans Christian Andersen, an early fantasy about visiting the moon. *Strange Lands* is fabulous collection of enduring and brand new tales.

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H.P. Lovecraft was the inventor of cosmic horror, of weird fiction and the Cthulhu mythology. His stories found purchase in the fertile earth of pulp fiction where he inspired many other writers from Robert E. Howard to Clark Ashton Smith. This volume features a wide range of Lovecraft's classic tales. Foreword writer S.T. Joshi is a leading authority

on H.P. Lovecraft, as well as other writers mostly in the realms of supernatural and fantasy fiction. He is the author of *The Weird Tale* (1990), *The Modern Weird Tale* (2001), *Unutterable Horror: A History of Supernatural Fiction* (2012) and *I Am Providence: The Life and Times of H. P. Lovecraft* (2010).

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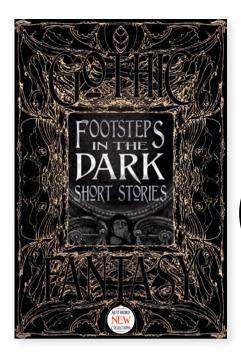
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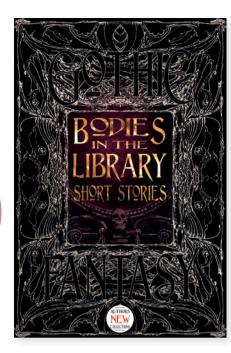




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Emily Alder (foreword) and multiple authors FOOTSTEPS IN THE DARK SHORT STORIES

Dedicated to that ominous strain of horror that sends a shiver down your spine, this selection of masterful tales gathers the weird and wonderful from a rich tradition of genre writing. The sound of a sinister tread in an apparently abandoned house; mysterious crimes committed in the dead of night; a glimpse of a monstrous apparition through the murky gloom: all find their home here.

This latest anthology in the popular series of Gothic Fantasy collections features new stories by contemporary authors alongside classic tales by E.T.A. Hoffmann, Robert Louis Stevenson, Edith Nesbit, Sheridan Le Fanu, Hugh Walpole, Amyas Northcote, Ralph Adams Cram, Harriet Prescott Spofford, Edith Wharton, M.R. James, E.F. Benson (and more).

Emily Alder is Lecturer at Edinburgh Napier University, where she teaches literature, film, popular culture and ecocriticism from the nineteenth century to the present. She is an interdisciplinary researcher whose interests lie in literature and science and the environmental humanities. Spoken, written and visual parratives communicate, construct and help us

to understand individuals, materials and practices in the social and physical world around us, and Emily's research seeks to learn more about these relationships in the contexts of genre fiction, science and environmental problems. Current projects include a monograph, Weird Fiction and Science at the Fin de Siècle, co-editing a Gothic Studies special issue on the topic of Nautical Gothic, and co-leading the Ade of Frankenstein project which commemorated the bicentenaries of Mary Shelley's Frankenstein in 2016 and 2018. She has published and presented on the fin-de-siècle Gothic and 20/21st-century Gothic/ Horror/SF and is now editor of the journal Gothic Studies for the

Rosemary Herbert (foreword) and multiple authors BODIES IN THE LIBRARY SHORT STORIES

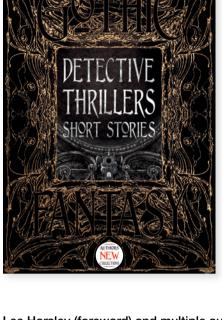
Following the great success of our Gothic Fantasy deluxe edition short story compilations, including *Cosy Crime*, *Murder Mayhem* and *Lost Worlds*, this latest in the series is packed with amateur detectives solving mysterious murders, suspicious butlers and terrifying encounters set in locked rooms, stately mansions, haunted castles and eerily silent libraries.

This collection contains our usual mix of classic and brand new writing, with delightful tales of dastardly dealings from Wilkie Collins, R. Austin Freeman, Anna Katharine Green, Thomas W. Hanshew, E.W. Hornung, Gaston Leroux, Guy de Maupassant, Edgar Wallace and Oscar Wilde. Of course, new stories from contemporary authors give a voice to new writers through our open submission windows.

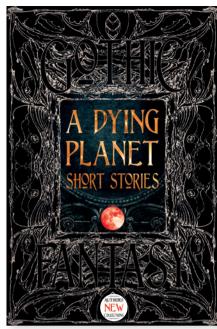
Rosemary Herbert is editor in chief of *The Oxford Companion to Crime & Mystery Writing* and author of *Front Page Teaser: A Liz Higgins Mystery*. A former Harvard University reference

librarian, and a longtime journalist and literary critic, her books also include Whodunnit? A Who's Who in Crime & Mystery Writing, Murder on Deck! Shipboard & Shoreline Mystery Stories, and Twelve American Crime Stories.

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Lee Horsley (foreword) and multiple authors DETECTIVE THRILLERS SHORT STORIES

The thrill of the chase, the steely-eyed detective (either gentle or hard-boiled), the dark alleys and the double-cross, the unsolvable crime by a masterful criminal mind: this new title in our Gothic Fantasy Short Stories series features chills and double twists, unexpected turns and private investigators with an eye for the unusual, and contains a cunning mix of classic and brand new writing.

Great detective thriller writers such as Arthur Conan Doyle, John Buchan, G.K. Chesterton, Arthur Morrison and the Mother of Detective fiction herself, Anna Katharine Green, join rarely seen tales by modern authors, and completely new stories, published here for the first time by, amongst others, T.Y. Euliano, Tracy Fahey, Tom Mead Marie Vibbert. As always our submission windows are packed with great reads so the successful stories are always a joy to publish.

Lee Horsley (foreword) is a retired Reader in Literature and Culture at Lancaster University. She has written books on twentieth-century politics and literature, including *Fictions of Power in English Literature 1900-1950* (1995). During the last couple of decades she has written numerous articles and books about crime and detective fiction. Her publications include *The Noir Thriller* (2001; 2009), *Twentieth-Century*

Crime Fiction (2005), and (as co-editor) The Blackwell Companion to Crime Fiction (2010; paperback reissue 2020). Her strongest interest is in the hard-boiled and noir writing which came to dominate pulp publishing in the 1920s and which has, over the whole of the last century, continued to exert a hugely important and varied influence on

Dave Golder (foreword) and multiple authors A DYING PLANET SHORT STORIES

Resources running low, the population exploding, the planet is in danger: are we masters of our own destruction, or have we been invaded by aliens bent on mass extinction? Is this a pattern across the entire universe, or just our small sector of cosmic life?

This new title in our successful Gothic Fantasy Short Stories series explores the theme of a dying planet, written by a fabulous mix of classic, ancient and brand new writing, with contemporary authors from all over the world. For the first time we've made a conscious effort to reach beyond our usual submissions seeking a broader voices. This book offers a glorious mix of American, British, Canadian, Italian, Indian, Spanish and Chinese writers with contributions from Elizabeth Rubio, John B.

Rosenman, Francesco Verso, Marian Womack, Zach Shephard, E.E. King, Raymond Little, Ken Liu, Shikhandin, Alex Shvartsman and many more. In these pages too, first-time contributions jostle with the work of Camille Flammarion, Clark Ashton Smith, Stanley G. Weinbaum, Jack London, William Hope Hodgson, H.G. Wells and, stretching back much further, to the Norse Eddas and Sagas, and an Ancient Egyptian Myth on the death of humankind.

Dave Golder (foreword) is a former editor of *SFX* magazine (which he helped to launch), SFX.co.uk and *Comic Heroes* magazine, but he first began writing professionally about science fiction with a regular feature in *Your Sinclair* called The Killer Kolumn From Outer Space. He has also written for various gaming magazines despite only ever having finished two games completely. And one of those was Kung Fu Panda. He now works freelance and is pretending to write a novel.

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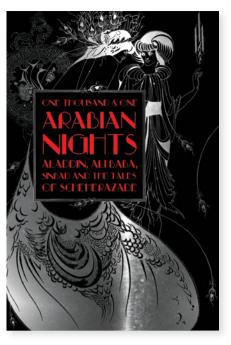








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Tales of the enchanting 'Thousand and One Nights' have entered the folklore of the entire world but their origins lie in the Arabic and Indian oral traditions of the early middle ages. Their power to entice lies in the tenacity of the storyteller Scheherazade who weaves a new tale each night, to save herself from execution. Popular characters such as Aladdin, Ali Baba and Sinbad the sailor have become part of the Arabian Nights, added in later years, but told within the intriguing structure of the original. Such additions were made by translators and collaborators from many European and Eastern sources but it was Richard Burton's edition that brought these popular folk tales to the attention of a Victorian-era readership eager to explore new cultures. It is Burton's edition that forms the basis of this new collection, with stories that survive still from the original featured here too: 'The Merchant and the Genie', 'The Fisherman and the Genie', 'The Porter and the Three Ladies', 'The Three Apples'.

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This edition is based on the elegant poetry of Alfred Lord Tennyson.

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Multiple Authors NATIVE AMERICAN MYTHS & TALES

The mythology and folk tales of the native, indigenous and First Nation tribes are many and varied, ranging from those of the Iroquois in the Northeast, and the Blackfoot and Cheyenne of the Great Plains, to the Cherokee of the Southeast, and the Navajo and Apache of the Southwest, among countless more. Though they retain distinctive identities, the tribes shared a deep-seated respect for Nature, its cycles, bounty and dangers, each of which reverberates through tales that abound with the symbolism of flora and fauna, the elements and the heavenly bodies.

This new selection of myths offers a broad insight into the nature and lifestyle of the ancestral lands of the Native American tribes that once stretched from the tip of Alaska, down to the

Bay of Mexico. Hundreds of languages, with traditions and folkore, grew independently across the continent, flourishing in deserts, mountains and lush valleys of a vast land. The loss of such ancient traditions is a reminder of the damage humans can wreak through ignorance, desperation and greed, as settlers from Europe swept imperiously across the newly discovered, but long-populated lands of the so-called New World.

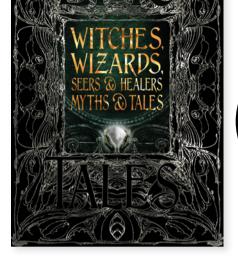
From 'The Great Deeds of Michabo' to 'The Legend of Hiawatha', from trickster creator-deities, heroes and supernatural beings to epic voyages and an affinity with animals, there is so much to discover in this comprehensive new book. It's the latest addition

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In the West we tend to think of witches in terms of the witch trials, when fear, ignorance and religious fervour brought the poor to heel, and fostered suspicion of those who dared to be different, or knowledgeable, or independent of mind. Witches and wizards are often associated with pre-Christian societies, Celtic in particular, (and therefore popular in tales of fantasy), but the nature of their wisdom can be found in so many fascinating cultures across the world.

Ancient societies, particularly where natural religions with many gods abound, often highlight the power of an elder, or a seer, a healer or a wise friend. Tales of wizards and witches reach across traditions as folk try

to explain natural phenomena and engage with the world around them. Those who understood the properties of healing in plants, or could make a prediction of weather events to rescue crops, became worshipped as elders, as keepers of knowledge.

collected here in this new book of myths and tales.

In tribal African societies, Polynesian cultures and East Asian traditions there are tales of those with great knowledge who are often described as witches or wizards. The Baba Yaga of Eastern Europe, the Skinwalkers of the Navajo, Merlin and Morgana la Faye of Arthurian Legend and the fox witches of Japan are but a few of the many examples. Some work for good, others with ill-intent, but all become the focus of folkloric legend,

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Maria Tatar (foreword) and multiple authors HEROES & HEROINES MYTHS & TALES

Our worldwide storytelling heritage is vast and varied and yet contains common threads, themes and motifs running throughout the many legends, whether they hail from the dusty plains of Africa or the cherry-blossom-blanketed hills of Japan. This new anthology, in Flame Tree's covetable series of myths and tales, gathers together the most iconic and entertaining tales of adventure and daring from around the world. From Perseus the Gorgon-Slayer of Greek mythology, and the exploits of Frithiof the Bold of Norse saga fame, to the tragic tale of Irish heroine Deirdre, these exciting stories vibrate with the heart and soul of age-old narrative. An extended introduction is followed by four main sections, with mythic stories from Mexico, Egypt, India and more: Tales of Warriors, Travel & Adventure; Heroes & Heroines in Literature & Poetry; Legends of the Gods, Demigods & Culture Heroes; Leading Ladies & Affairs of the Heart.

Maria Tatar is the John L. Loeb Research Professor of Germanic Languages, Literatures and Folklore Mythology at Harvard University, where she is also a Senior Fellow at the Society of Fellows. Her books include Enchanted Hunters: The Power of Stories in Childhood and The Annotated Brothers Grimm.

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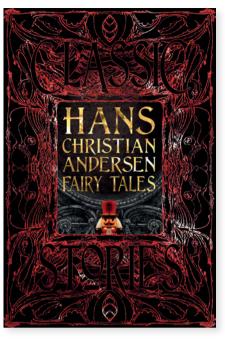
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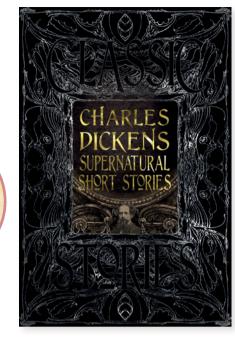
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Hans Christian Andersen **FAIRY TALES**

The author Hans Christian Andersen is regarded as a national treasure by his homeland Denmark, but his popularity extends far beyond his native shores. As one of the most translated authors in the world, there are hundreds of editions of his books in many languages.

He is known predominantly for his remarkable series of fairy tales, many of which remain classics today, providing both inspiration for many film versions of his famous tales, as well as new collections of his stories. Evocative and poignant, their rich narratives are hugely compelling and tend to explore morality in an accessible and thought-provoking way. He was a great admirer of Dickens, and they conducted a literary frienship for many years.

This latest collection celebrates Andersen's unique literary output and gathers together a large selection of much-loved tales such as 'The Little Mermaid', 'The Emperor's New Clothes', 'The Ugly Duckling', 'The Princess and the Pea' and 'The Snow Queen'

Hans Christian Andersen was born in Denmark in 1805. When he was fourteen years old, he moved to Copenhagen with the intention of becoming an actor, but it was his writing that would earn him success. Although he published poetry, plays

and travel sketches based on his travels, he is now most remembered for his fairy tales, which have influenced generations of children's authors. The first two volumes of Fairy Tales Told for Children were published in 1835, and when his fairy tales were translated a decade later he received long-lasting recognition in the field.

Charles Dickens SUPERNATURAL SHORT STORIES

Charles Dickens is a much-loved author for his vast and important contributions to English literature. This collection brings together his supernatural short stories, some of which were included in his longer works, and others that originally featured in magazines, including 'The Bagman's Story', 'The Ghost in the Bride's Chamber' and 'To Be Read at Dusk', among others. They are all fantastically gripping stories from one of the greatest writers of all-time. Essential collaborations with his acolytes Wilkie Collins and Elizabeth Gaskill are also included.

Dr Emily Bell (foreword) is a Dickens expert, editor and biographer. She was the first Communications Committee Chair of the international Dickens Society, and has published on Dickens, life writing and commemoration. Dr Bell edited Dickens after Dickens for White Rose University Press, a volume of new research analysing Dickens's legacy in unconventional forms. She is a member of the board of the Oxford Dickens series, and is currently editing Dickens' later short fiction for this series. Dr Bell also acts as editor for the Dickens

Letters Project, and has a new biography of Dickens forthcoming.

much of his life in Kent and London. A

with a strong sense of realism, yet instilled his stories with a sense of charm, fantastic characters and humour like no other. He continued to work himself hard, until his death in 1870, leaving 'The Mystery of Edwin Drood' unfinished.

The iconic Charles Dickens was born in 1812 in Portsmouth, though he spent prolific writer, Dickens kept up a career in journalism as well as writing short stories and novels, with much of his work being serialized before being published as books. He gave a view of contemporary England





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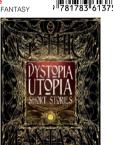




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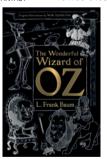


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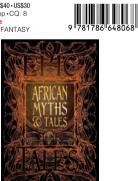
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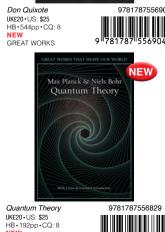




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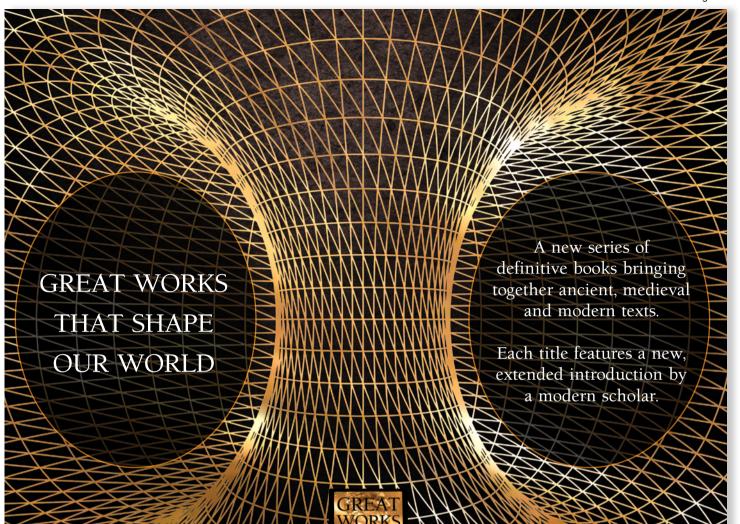
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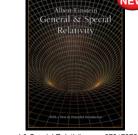


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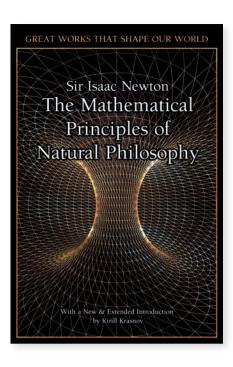
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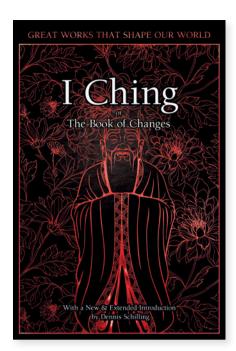
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Sir Isaac Newton (1642-1727) was an English physicist and mathematician who was a leading figure in the scientific revolution. His work throughout the seventeenth century provided the basis for modern science, including his three laws of motion and the law of universal gravitation. Newton's career was prolific. He was president of the Royal Society and in 1705 he was knighted, becoming the first ever scientist to receive the honour.

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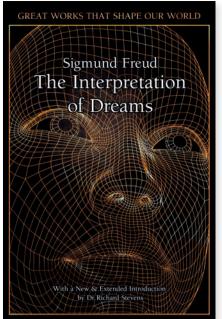
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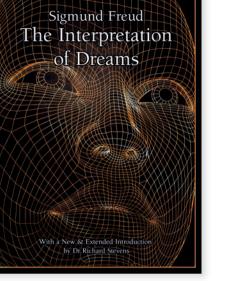


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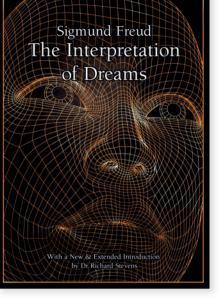


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