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## Romance March 2009

"A kiss is a lovely trick designed by nature to stop speech when words become superfluous."  
~ Ingrid Bergman (1915-1982), Academy Award-winning actress

### New and Recently Released!

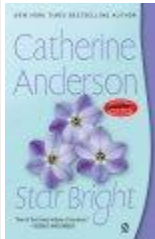
#### ***Star Bright* - by Catherine Anderson**

**Publisher:** Penguin Group USA

[Check Library Catalog](#) **Pub Date:** 1/6/2009

**ISBN:** 9780451225719

**ISBN-10:** 0451225716



Contemporary Romance. After faking her own death to escape her abusive husband, Rainie Hall arrives in Crystal Falls, Oregon, where she renames herself Anna Pritchard and finds work as a bookkeeper on a horse farm. Anna and her boss, Parker Harrigan, quickly become more than just friends, but unbeknownst to Anna, her sadistic husband isn't about to let her go. This compelling, family-focused story, the 3rd in the Harrigan family series, will delight readers who like romances that deal with serious issues.

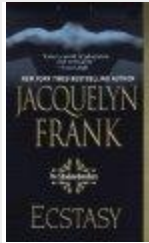
#### ***Ecstasy: The Shadowdwellers* - by Jacquelyn Frank**

**Publisher:** Kensington

[Check Library Catalog](#) **Pub Date:** 12/30/2008

**ISBN:** 9780821780701

**ISBN-10:** 0821780700



Paranormal Romance. In this 1st book in a new series from popular author Jacquelyn Frank (the Nightwalker series), beautiful healer Ashla Townsend finds herself in a strangely empty and permanently dark Manhattan. After she rescues Trace, a powerful Shadowdweller gravely injured in a sword fight, the two realize that they are destined for each other, but an assassination plot threatens to tear them apart. If you like this highly sensual and emotionally charged tale, don't miss the next book in the series, *Rapture*.

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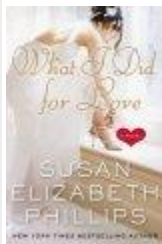
### ***What I Did for Love* - by Susan Elizabeth Phillips**

**Publisher:** William Morrow

[Check Library Catalog](#) **Pub Date:** 1/27/2009

**ISBN:** 9780061351501

**ISBN-10:** 0061351504



Contemporary Romance. Former it-girl and Hollywood actress Georgia York's once spectacular life is now in tatters. Her career has flatlined, her movie-star husband has just dumped her for another woman, and--thanks to the paparazzi--her public image is a joke. Just when it seems life couldn't get any worse, she goes on a Las Vegas bender that culminates in an elopement with one of her former co-stars, Bramwell Shepard. If only the newlyweds could stop arguing, they might discover that they are meant to be together. *Publishers Weekly* says this comedic romp is "massively entertaining."

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### ***Kill for Me* - by Karen Rose**

**Publisher:** Grand Central

[Check Library Catalog](#) **Pub Date:** 2/2/2009

**ISBN:** 9780446510301

**ISBN-10:** 0446510300



Romantic Suspense. In the final book in the Vartanian trilogy (*Die for Me* and *Scream for Me*), author Karen Rose returns to Dutton, Georgia, where Georgia Bureau of Investigations special agent Luke Papadopoulos and his partner, Daniel Vartanian, are hot on the trail of human traffickers. As they close in on their suspects, Luke gets to know Daniel's sister, Susannah, a New York attorney who has

returned to Dutton to testify against the men who raped her years before. Containing high doses of both sexuality and violence, *Kill for Me* is for readers who like graphic, edge-of-the-seat romantic suspense.

### ***The Temptation of the Night Jasmine* - by Lauren Willig**

**Publisher:** Dutton

[Check Library Catalog](#) **Pub Date:** 1/22/2009

**ISBN:** 9780525950967

**ISBN-10:** 0525950966



Historical Romance. In 1803 England, Robert Lansdowne, Duke of Dovedale, has returned to his Sussex estate after a decade abroad. There he encounters Lady Charlotte, a distant cousin who has loved him since childhood, but their mutual attraction is complicated by his plan to avenge his mentor's death. Meanwhile, in present-day London, Ph.D. student Eloise Kelly has begun an affair with the hunky Colin Selwick while continuing to research the exploits of a Napoleonic-era spy ring. Full of intrigue and adventure, this delightful tale is the 5th book in author Lauren Willig's Pink Carnation series.

### **Focus on: Werewolves!**

### ***Touch of Evil* - by C.T. Adams & Cathy Clamp**

**Publisher:** Tor

[Check Library Catalog](#) **Pub Date:** 3/1/2006

**ISBN:** 9780765354006

**ISBN-10:** 0765354004



Paranormal Romance. Six years ago, Katie Reilly's former lover turned her over to the Thrall, a horde of parasitic vampires. Katie survived her encounter with her humanity intact, but she became next in line to reign as queen of the Thrall. When she meets handsome firefighter and werewolf Tom Bishop, has she finally found the one man who can save her from a future as a vampire? *Touch of Evil* is the 1st dark and riveting book in the Thrall series; next up is *Touch of Madness*.

### ***The Darkest Kiss* - by Keri Arthur**

**Publisher:** Dell Spectra

[Check Library Catalog](#) **Pub Date:** 4/29/2008

**ISBN:** 9780553591149

**ISBN-10:** 0553591142



Paranormal Romance. Armed with a kick-butt attitude and snakeskin stilettos, guardian Riley Jensen must use all of her powers as a half-vampire, half-werewolf to track down two vicious serial killers. The first targets high-society women--and their lovers--and the other selects victims with tragic pasts. In the midst of her investigation, Riley reunites with sexy vampire Quinn O'Connor, whose kiss

penetrates the depths of her heart and soul. Set in Australia, *The Darkest Kiss* is the 6th book in the Riley Jenson Guardian series.

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### ***Dead and Loving It* - by MaryJanice Davidson**

**Publisher:** Berkley Sensation

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**ISBN:** 9780425207956

**ISBN-10:** 0425207951



Linked Novellas. In this quartet of novellas, author MaryJanice Davidson's Wyndham werewolves (*Derik's Bane*) and vampire queen Betsy Taylor (*Undead and Unwed*, etc.) join up for fast-paced and sexy hijinks. Characters include a spinster werewolf, a blind werewolf physician, a lonely Santa Claus, and plenty of vampires. With "sassy dialogue, lusty lovemaking, [and] irreverent humor" (*Booklist*), *Dead and Loving It* is for readers craving a fun paranormal escape.

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### ***Chasing Midnight* - by Susan Krinard**

**Publisher:** HQN

[Check Library Catalog](#) **Pub Date:** 10/1/2007

**ISBN:** 9780373772186

**ISBN-10:** 0373772181



Historical Paranormal. On the streets of Jazz Age New York City, centuries of tension between vampires and werewolves threaten to erupt into an all-out race war. In the middle of this madness, wealthy loup-garou Griffin Durant encounters vampire Allegra Chance, who is leading a double life as a flapper in Greenwich Village. Though they should be mortal enemies, Griffin and Allegra find themselves drawn together by a primal hunger. Check this one out for its "deliciously dark and dangerous mood" (*Booklist*) and unique setting in 1920s Manhattan.

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### ***Come the night* - Susan Krinard**

**Publisher:** HQN

[Check Library Catalog](#) **Pub Date:** 10/1/2008

**ISBN:** 9780373773152

**ISBN-10:** 0373773153



Gillian Maitland, forced to marry a werewolf of her father's choosing, is torn between duty and desire when the father of her child, Ross Kavanaugh, returns to England a changed man and a murder suspect.

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### ***Darkness everlasting* - Alexandra Ivy**

**Publisher:** Zebra Books

[Check Library Catalog](#) **Pub Date:** 5/1/2008

**ISBN:** 9780821779392

**ISBN-10:** 0821779397

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Trapped in the middle of a war between vampires and werewolves, Darcy Smith, possessing a secret that could destroy an entire race of demons, is torn between two men--Anasso, her vampire protector, and Salvatore, the ruthless leader of the weres.

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## ***New Moon* - by Rebecca York**

**Publisher:** Berkley Sensation

[Check Library Catalog](#) **Pub Date:** 3/6/2007

**ISBN:** 9780425216026

**ISBN-10:** 0425216020



Paranormal Romance. When werewolf Logan Marshall becomes ensnared in a vicious trap, he is rescued by Rinna, a shapeshifting white wolf from a parallel universe. Logan quickly realizes that Rinna is his lifemate, but before they can spend eternity together, he must save her--and Earth--from the wrath of a cruel nemesis. Part of the author Rebecca York's dazzling Moon series, this book's "combination of werewolves, romance, suspense, science fiction, and fantasy is a winning one" (*Booklist*).

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