

# The City Of Falling Angels

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**Dreams of Falling** Oct 21 2021 One of PureWow's "Best Beach Reads of Summer 2018" New York Times bestselling author Karen White crafts evocative relationships in this contemporary women's fiction novel, set in the Lowcountry of South Carolina, about lifelong friends who share a devastating secret. On the banks of the North Santee River stands a moss-draped oak that was once entrusted with the dreams of three young girls. Into the tree's trunk, they placed their greatest hopes, written on ribbons, for safekeeping—including the most important one: Friends forever, come what may. But life can waylay the best of intentions.... Nine years ago, a humiliated Larkin Lanier fled Georgetown, South Carolina, knowing she could never go back. But when she finds out that her mother has disappeared, she realizes she has no choice but to return to the place she both loves and dreads—and to the family and friends who never stopped wishing for her to come home. Ivy, Larkin's mother, is discovered badly injured and unconscious in the burned-out wreckage of her ancestral plantation home. No one knows why Ivy was there, but as Larkin digs for answers, she uncovers secrets kept for nearly fifty years—whispers of love, sacrifice, and betrayal—that lead back to three girls on the brink of womanhood who found their friendship tested in the most heartbreaking ways.

*In the City of Falling Stars* Aug 26 2019 Fiction. Dead birds are falling out of the sky and Maurice Delahoussaye suspects the air in New Orleans may be unsafe. The Department of Wildlife and

Fisheries claims the birds were poisoned, while meteorologists suggest they were killed by a sudden change in temperature. There's even talk of terrorism, Bird Flu, West Nile Virus, or high levels of mold spores left over from the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. Gradually, Maurice becomes increasingly fearful that the government is hiding an ominous secret, and when he begins having strange religious premonitions suggesting that his wife is pregnant with Jesus Christ, he becomes convinced that the dead birds are a sign from God. **IN THE CITY OF FALLING STARS** is a tragicomedy that examines the increasing paranoia following the September 11th attacks, as well as a commentary on the devastating psychological scars that the storm left on the city of New Orleans.

Brightblade Aug 07 2020 A realm aside from our own is the center of the realities, home to every spectrum of magic. From the beautiful to the terrible, it was all held in delicate balance by the Eternal Emperor and his immortal children. For 10,000 years, the empire was the bastion that protected the sentient races from the darkness, but the revolution, and the War of the Gods has changed all that.... Jax is a pretty regular guy, has a job he tolerates, a girl he kinda, sorta loves...and he fights creatures from the UnderVerse in his sleep, leaving him covered in horrific scars when he wakes up. When his brother vanishes and five years later he's kidnapped as well, he's given a stark choice by his assnat of a father: Go to the UnderVerse in reality, travel to the capitol of that ruined realm at the center of reality, and open a portal for the Noble Houses to return home...or die. Slowly. That's the good news. The bad is that he has to survive the arena first, to prove his right to go. Twelve will enter, only one can leave....

*Every Falling Star* May 04 2020 Written for a young audience, this intense memoir explores the harsh realities of life on the

streets in contemporary North Korea. Every Falling Star is the memoir of Sungju Lee, who at the age of twelve was forced to live on the streets of North Korea and fend for himself. To survive, Sungju creates a gang and lives by thieving, fighting, begging, and stealing rides on cargo trains. Sungju richly recreates his scabrous story, depicting what it was like for a boy alone to create a new family with his gang, “his brothers,” to daily be hungry and to fear arrest, imprisonment, and even execution. This riveting memoir allows young readers to learn about other cultures where freedoms they take for granted do not exist.

*Seven Fallen Feathers* Apr 02 2020 The groundbreaking and multiple award-winning national bestseller work about systemic racism, education, the failure of the policing and justice systems, and Indigenous rights by Tanya Talaga. Over the span of eleven years, seven Indigenous high school students died in Thunder Bay, Ontario. They were hundreds of kilometres away from their families, forced to leave home because there was no adequate high school on their reserves. Five were found dead in the rivers surrounding Lake Superior, below a sacred Indigenous site. Using a sweeping narrative focusing on the lives of the students, award-winning author Tanya Talaga delves into the history of this northern city that has come to manifest Canada’s long struggle with human rights violations against Indigenous communities.

Falling Jul 06 2020 #1 NATIONAL BESTSELLER \* NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER “T. J. Newman has written the perfect thriller! A must-read.” —Gillian Flynn “Stunning and relentless. This is Jaws at 35,000 feet.” —Don Winslow “Falling is the best kind of thriller...Nonstop, totally authentic suspense.” —James Patterson “Amazing...Intense suspense, shocks, and scares...Chilling.” —Lee Child You just boarded a flight to New

York. There are one hundred and forty-three other passengers onboard. What you don't know is that thirty minutes before the flight your pilot's family was kidnapped. For his family to live, everyone on your plane must die. The only way the family will survive is if the pilot follows his orders and crashes the plane. Enjoy the flight.

**Zen and the Art of Falling in Love** Dec 11 2020 Explains how to apply Zen principles to create and maintain loving relationships, outlining thirteen essential practices that offer advice on how to overcome such challenges as miscommunication, insecurity, and jealousy. Reprint. 25,000 first printing.

Hard Rain Falling Aug 19 2021 Don Carpenter's *Hard Rain Falling* is a tough-as-nails account of being down and out, but never down for good—a Dostoyevskian tale of crime, punishment, and the pursuit of an ever-elusive redemption. The novel follows the adventures of Jack Levitt, an orphaned teenager living off his wits in the fleabag hotels and seedy pool halls of Portland, Oregon. Jack befriends Billy Lancing, a young black runaway and pool hustler extraordinaire. A heist gone wrong gets Jack sent to reform school, from which he emerges embittered by abuse and solitary confinement. In the meantime Billy has joined the middle class—married, fathered a son, acquired a business and a mistress. But neither Jack nor Billy can escape their troubled pasts, and they will meet again in San Quentin before their strange double drama comes to a violent and revelatory end.

Summary of John Berendt's *The City of Falling Angels* Jul 30 2022 Please note: This is a companion version & not the original book. Sample Book Insights: #1 The fire in Venice happened on Monday evening, January 29, 1996. Archimede Seguso, an 86-year-old man who lived in Ca' Capello, a sixteenth-century

house in the heart of Venice, waited patiently at the dinner table before joining his wife in the living room to lower the curtains. #2 The Seguso family had been glassmakers since the 14th century. Archimede Seguso was the greatest glassmaker of them all, and he had earned the nickname Wizard of Fire. He had been making glass since the age of eleven, and by the time he was twenty, he had earned the nickname Mago del Fuoco. #3 The Gran Teatro La Fenice was one of the most beautiful opera houses in the world, and one of the most significant. The Fenice had commissioned dozens of operas that had premiered on its stage. #4 The Fenice was a theater in Venice. It had been closed for renovations, and was due to reopen in a month. The canal along its rear façade was also closed, having been sealed off and drained so work crews could dredge the silt and sludge from it.

Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil Aug 31 2022

NATIONAL BESTSELLER • “Elegant and wicked.... [This] might be the first true-crime book that makes the reader want to book a bed and breakfast for an extended weekend at the scene of the crime.” —The New York Times Book Review Shots rang out in Savannah's grandest mansion in the misty, early morning hours of May 2, 1981. Was it murder or self-defense? For nearly a decade, the shooting and its aftermath reverberated throughout this hauntingly beautiful city of moss-hung oaks and shaded squares. John Berendt's sharply observed, suspenseful, and witty narrative reads like a thoroughly engrossing novel, and yet it is a work of nonfiction. Berendt skillfully interweaves a hugely entertaining first-person account of life in this isolated remnant of the Old South with the unpredictable twists and turns of a landmark murder case. It is a spellbinding story peopled by a gallery of remarkable characters: the well-bred society ladies of the Married Woman's Card Club; the turbulent young redneck gigolo; the hapless recluse who owns a bottle of poison so

powerful it could kill every man, woman, and child in Savannah; the aging and profane Southern belle who is the "soul of pampered self-absorption"; the uproariously funny black drag queen; the acerbic and arrogant antiques dealer; the sweet-talking, piano-playing con artist; young blacks dancing the minuet at the black debutante ball; and Minerva, the voodoo priestess who works her magic in the graveyard at midnight. These and other Savannahians act as a Greek chorus, with Berendt revealing the alliances, hostilities, and intrigues that thrive in a town where everyone knows everyone else. *Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil* is a sublime and seductive reading experience. Brilliantly conceived and masterfully written, this enormously engaging portrait of a most beguiling Southern city has become a modern classic.

**The City of God** Nov 29 2019

**City of the Falling Sky (the Seckry Sequence Book 1)** Oct 01 2022 When Seckry Sevenstars is forced out of his village by the greedy Endrin Corporation and relocated to the daunting metropolis of Skyfall City, he harbours resentment for the company and vows to get them back one day for taking away his home, his school and his friends. Fortunately, the marvels of the city do a good job in distracting Seckry from his anger and homesickness, and it isn't long before he's competing at Friction (the city's most popular multiplayer video game), slurping awe-inspiring multicoloured milkshakes, and getting butterflies on his first date. Then, when a mysterious email asks Seckry to break into the headquarters of the Endrin Corporation and steal a container full of worms for a hefty sum of money, his anger resurfaces, and he can't resist the revenge he promised himself. Alone at night, Seckry creeps through the sewers whilst wondering what experiments Endrin might be doing on the worms, and emerges into the silent complex. But the worms

aren't the only thing that he finds. Staring at him through the darkness, with wide, innocent eyes, is something that makes Seckry's heart almost stop. A girl. She's shaking, petrified, and has no recollection of who she is or what she's doing there. Floodlights bleach the area and Seckry has no choice but to grab a hold of the girl and escape with her. Suddenly the question of what Endrin were doing with a few worms becomes the last thing on Seckry's mind. What were Endrin doing with a human?

### **Fallen Angels** Sep 19 2021 IT ALL HAPPENED SO FAST

One minute the two space Hab astronauts were scoop-diving the atmosphere, the next they'd been shot down over the North Dakota Glacier and were the object of a massive manhunt by the United States government. That government, dedicated to saving the environment from the evils of technology, had been voted into power because everybody knew that the Green House Effect had to be controlled, whatever the cost. But who would have thought that the cost of ending pollution would include not only total government control of day-to-day life, but the onset of a new Ice Age Stranded in the anti-technological heartland of America, paralyzed by Earth's gravity, the "Angels" had no way back to the Space Habs, the last bastions of high technology and intellectual freedom on or over the Earth. But help was on its way, help from the most unlikely sources .... Join # 1 national bestsellers Larry Niven and Jerry Pournelle and Michael Flynn in a world where civilization is on the ropes, and the environmentalists have created their own worst nightmare: A world of Fallen Angels At the publisher's request, this title is sold without DRM (Digital Rights Management).

**Lessons in Falling** Feb 10 2021 When Savannah Gregory blows out her knee - and her shot at a gymnastics scholarship - she decides she's done with the sport forever. Without gymnastics, she has more time for her best friend, Cassie. She's content to let

her fun, impulsive best friend plan a memorable senior year. That is, until Cassie tries to kill herself. Savannah wants to understand what happened, but Cassie refuses to talk about it and for the first time, Savannah has to find her own way. The only person she can turn to is Marcos, the boy who saved Cassie's life. Being with him makes her see who she could be and what she really wants: gymnastics. But Cassie doesn't approve of Marcos or of Savannah going back to gymnastics, and the tighter she tries to hold on to Savannah, the farther it pulls them apart. Without Cassie to call the shots, Savannah discovers how capable she is on her own - and that maybe her best friend's been holding her back all along.

**The Trinity Awakening** Jun 16 2021 It's Seckry Sevenstars' second year at Estergate Institute, and things are already shaping up to be just as eventful as the first; a revolting looking Nasty has appeared in the Food Grabber machine, a new lesson called fringe science has been added to his timetable, Mrs Cutson is acting more sadistic than ever, and two exchange students from Norsegate have arrived, causing trouble and provoking Seckry and his friends. On top of this, the twenty eighth Friction Mega Meltdown is fast approaching, and Seckry can't wait to transform into Anikam so he can revenge on Norsegate in the best way possible - by winning the trophy for the second year in a row! But with a major update having just been implemented, can Seckry and his teammates adapt quickly enough to outwit their opponents and capture the win? With homework mounting and Friction training at its most intense, Seckry has very little time for distractions, but Kevan Kayne, thought to be dead, has appeared in the city, and suddenly, Seckry is forced to rethink everything he knew about Eiya's existence. Also, after realising that the blank birthday card last year was actually from his father, he cannot help but try to uncover the truth behind his

mysterious disappearance, and in his quest for answers, Seckry unearths long forgotten secrets buried within the school grounds. Secrets that will change his life forever. Get ready to join Seckry and friends for another epic adventure in this thrilling sequel to the bestselling *City of the Falling Sky*.

**Falling Back** May 16 2021 Jamie J. Fader documents the transition to adulthood for a particularly vulnerable population: young inner-city men of color who have, by the age of eighteen, already been imprisoned. How, she asks, do such precariously situated youth become adult men? What are the sources of change in their lives? *Falling Back* is based on over three years of ethnographic research with black and Latino males on the cusp of adulthood and incarcerated at a rural reform school designed to address “criminal thinking errors” among juvenile drug offenders. Fader observed these young men as they transitioned back to their urban Philadelphia neighborhoods, resuming their daily lives and struggling to adopt adult masculine roles. This in-depth ethnographic approach allowed her to portray the complexities of human decision-making as these men strove to “fall back,” or avoid reoffending, and become productive adults. Her work makes a unique contribution to sociological understandings of the transitions to adulthood, urban social inequality, prisoner reentry, and desistance from offending.

*Falling Is Not an Option* Oct 09 2020 *Falling Is Not an Option: A Way to Lifelong Balance* is a reference and instructional manual for an original form of balance-improving exercises called Postural Retraining, which are derived from T'ai Chi. The book distills generations of Chinese martial-arts wisdom about balance and stability into a practical and effective exercise system that can improve balance and stability in people of all ages, from seniors with insecure balance to elite athletes looking

to improve excellent balance.

**Falling Up in The City of Angels** Mar 26 2022 In this raw, honest, and poetic novel, Tony reveals to the reader (and to himself) the exciting and sometimes hollow search for meaning in LA-LA land. Garrett paints a vivid portrait of millennials and relationships in the age of Tinder and friends with benefits. He takes the reader on a voyeuristic journey through his new haunts of Santa Monica, Venice Beach, and Malibu with all their quirky, shady, and wondrous characters. Often compared to: - Bright Lights, Big City- Californication - The Great Gatsby- On The Road- The Catcher in the RyeA hopeless romantic and a perfectionist with a penchant for mistakes, the protagonist Tony falls in love with the allure of the City of Angels and learns to live with his own imperfections. He leaves behind everything familiar in his hometown of Atlanta with only \$1,800 to his name to pursue his dream of being a writer in Los Angeles. "Connor Judson Garrett's novel, *Falling Up in The City of Angels*, takes us on a fresh romp through the adventures of Tony, a young wannabe writer as he makes his way through his new home in LA, far from the only world he had ever known back in Georgia. And what a romp it will be as Tony stumbles and falls, yet, continues to pick himself up as he makes his way into adulthood. Garrett has crafted a truly wonderful, debut novel worthy of both our time and attention." - Robert Hicks, author of the New York Times Bestseller *The Widow of The South*

**Falling Palace** Nov 09 2020 A portrait of the sun-drenched volcanic city from an American who has lost his heart to the place and to a beguiling Neapolitan woman. In *Falling Palace* Dan Hofstadter brilliantly reveals Naples, from the dilapidated architectural beauty to the irrepressible theater of everyday life. We witness the centuries-old festivals that regularly crowd the

city's jumbled streets, and eavesdrop on conversations that continue deep into the night. We browse the countless curio shops where treasures mingle with kitsch, and meet the locals he befriends. In and out of these encounters slips Benedetta, the object of the author's affections, at once inviting and unfathomable. Weaving the tale of an elusive love together with a vivid portrayal of a legendary metropolis, this is a startling evocation of a magical place.

**The City of Falling Angels** Nov 02 2022 A #1 New York Times Bestseller! "Funny, insightful, illuminating . . ." —The Boston Globe Twelve years ago, *Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil* exploded into a monumental success, residing a record-breaking four years on the New York Times bestseller list (longer than any work of fiction or nonfiction had before) and turning John Berendt into a household name. *The City of Falling Angels* is Berendt's first book since *Midnight*, and it immediately reminds one what all the fuss was about. Turning to the magic, mystery, and decadence of Venice, Berendt gradually reveals the truth behind a sensational fire that in 1996 destroyed the historic Fenice opera house. Encountering a rich cast of characters, Berendt tells a tale full of atmosphere and surprise as the stories build, one after the other, ultimately coming together to portray a world as finely drawn as a still-life painting.

**The Mark of Fallen Flame** Sep 07 2020 The balance between good and evil comes down to one girl. But is the darkness really so bad? Emma Duvall starts senior year with one thing in mind: make Seattle, home. All her life her mother lived with one foot out the door, but no more. That is, until Emma discovers she has the power to turn terrifying creatures of the night to ash with a single touch. That one moment unveils a hidden world of supernatural beings, both good and bad. Suddenly her best friend is acting strange, the new guy that's mysteriously in every one of

her classes is too beautiful to be human, and an ancient, powerful being is stalking her. To top it off, the "good guys", the Giborim, aren't convinced that Emma can be trusted. But their unofficial leader, Blaze, becomes her unwilling protector--and perhaps something more--setting fire to millennia of hard-set prejudices. Especially when her newfound power awakens a deep and dark hunger that can only be sated with death.

**The Feeling of Falling in Love** Nov 21 2021 From the bestselling author of *I Wish You All the Best*, comes a new kind of love story, about the bad decisions we sometimes make... and the people who help get us back on the right path. Perfect for fans of *Red, White, and Royal Blue* by Casey McQuiston and *What If It's Us* by Adam Silvera and Becky Albertalli. Just days before spring break, Neil Kearney is set to fly across the country with his childhood friend (and current friend-with-benefits) Josh, to attend his brother's wedding—until Josh tells Neil that he's in love with him and Neil doesn't return the sentiment. With Josh still attending the wedding, Neil needs to find a new date to bring along. And, almost against his will, roommate Wyatt is drafted. At first, Wyatt (correctly) thinks Neil is acting like a jerk. But when they get to LA, Wyatt sees a little more of where it's coming from. Slowly, Neil and Wyatt begin to understand one another... and maybe, just maybe, fall in love for the first time.

**My Baby Blue Jays** Feb 22 2022 A blue jay building a nest outside his window prompts John Berendt to find his camera and record the familiar, yet always fascinating sequence of events that will unfold, from eggs being laid to chicks emerging and trying to fly. Children and adults alike will be astonished at the adventurous spirit of one particularly curious young blue jay as he ventures into the world. The author of the best-selling *Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil* brings his narrative

skill to this up-close and delightfully informal account of an event that recurs each spring.

*Falling Man* Jan 30 2020 There is September 11 and then there are the days after, and finally the years. *Falling Man* is a magnificent, essential novel about the event that defines turn-of-the-century America. It begins in the smoke and ash of the burning towers and tracks the aftermath of this global tremor in the intimate lives of a few people. First there is Keith, walking out of the rubble into a life that he'd always imagined belonged to everyone but him. Then Lianne, his estranged wife, memory-haunted, trying to reconcile two versions of the same shadowy man. And their small son Justin, standing at the window, scanning the sky for more planes. These are lives choreographed by loss, grief and the enormous force of history. Brave and brilliant, *Falling Man* traces the way the events of September 11 have reconfigured our emotional landscape, our memory and our perception of the world. It is cathartic, beautiful, heartbreaking.

**In the City of Falling Stars** Apr 14 2021 Dead birds are falling out of the sky and Maurice Delahoussaye suspects the air in New Orleans may be unsafe. The Department of Wildlife and Fisheries claims the birds were poisoned, while meteorologists suggest they were killed by a sudden change in temperature. There's even talk of terrorism, Bird Flu, West Nile Virus, or high levels of mold spores left over from the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. Gradually, Maurice becomes increasingly fearful that the government is hiding an ominous secret, and when he begins having strange religious premonitions suggesting that his wife is pregnant with Jesus Christ, he becomes convinced that the dead birds are a sign from God. *In the City of Falling Stars* is a tragicomedy that examines the increasing paranoia following the September 11th attacks, as well as a commentary on the devastating psychological scars that the storm left on the city of

New Orleans.

**The Upside of Falling** Jul 18 2021 A fun, flirty teen debut from Wattpad phenom Alex Light about a fake relationship and real love. It's been years since seventeen-year-old Becca Hart believed in true love. But when her former best friend teases her for not having had a boyfriend, Becca impulsively pretends she's been secretly seeing someone. Brett Wells has it all. As captain of the football team and one of the most popular guys in his school, he should have no problem finding someone to date, but he's always been more focused on his future than who to bring to prom. When he overhears Becca's lie, Brett decides to step in and be the mystery guy. It's the perfect solution: he gets people off his back for not having a meaningful relationship and she can keep up the ruse that she's got a boyfriend. Acting like the perfect couple isn't easy, though, especially when you barely know the other person. But with Becca still picking up the pieces from when her world was blown apart years ago and Brett just barely holding his together now, they begin to realize they have more in common than they ever could have imagined. When the line between what is pretend and what is real begins to blur, they're forced to answer the question: Is this fake romance the realest thing in either of their lives?

**Love in the Big City** Mar 14 2021 A funny, transporting, surprising, and poignant novel that was one of the highest-selling debuts of recent years in Korea, *Love in the Big City* tells the story of a young gay man searching for happiness in the lonely city of Seoul. *Love in the Big City* is the English-language debut of Sang Young Park, one of Korea's most exciting young writers. A runaway bestseller, the novel hit the top five lists of all the major bookstores, went into twenty-six printings, and was praised for its unique literary voice and perspective. It is now poised to capture a worldwide readership. Young is a cynical yet

fun-loving Korean student who pinballs from home to class to the beds of recent Tinder matches. He and Jaehee, his female best friend and roommate, frequent nearby bars where they push away their anxieties about their love lives, families, and money with rounds of soju and ice-cold Marlboro Reds that they keep in their freezer. Yet over time, even Jaehee leaves Young to settle down, leaving him alone to care for his ailing mother and to find companionship in his relationships with a series of men, including one whose handsomeness is matched by his coldness, and another who might end up being the great love of his life. A brilliantly written novel that takes us into the glittering nighttime of Seoul and the bleary-eyed morning after with both humor and emotion, *Love in the Big City* is a wry portrait of millennial loneliness as well as the abundant joys of queer life.

*Art of Falling* Dec 31 2019 One Wrong Step Could Send Her Over the Edge All Penny has ever wanted to do is dance—and when that chance is taken from her, it pushes her to the brink of despair, from which she might never return. When she wakes up after a traumatic fall, bruised and battered but miraculously alive, Penny must confront the memories that have haunted her for years, using her love of movement to pick up the pieces of her shattered life. Kathryn Craft's lyrical debut novel is a masterful portrayal of a young woman trying to come to terms with her body and the artistic world that has repeatedly rejected her. The *Art of Falling* expresses the beauty of movement, the stasis of despair, and the unlimited possibilities that come with a new beginning.

**City of Fallen Souls** Jan 24 2022 Jax survived the Smugglers Path, as did most of his party, but he's suffered losses, found out just how far he's willing to go for Oracle, and seen his own darker side... as have his followers. The *City of Himmel* crawls with depravity, violence and backstabbing, and if Jax wants to

keep his people, supply his growing war-machine, and have any kind of a chance at survival, he needs to not only survive there, he needs to rob it blind! Jax's simple, honest and straightforward methods of dealing with people would usually equate to a snowman vs a flamethrower's chance at survival, except he's got some new tricks, some new allies, and gives even less of a damn than usual about the odds. Join Jax, Oracle, and the squad as they explore Himmel, fight in the Arena and gather other waifs and strays not to mention making new, and far more powerful enemies than he ever dreamt he would encounter. Find out what happened to Thomas, why the Legion is hated and reviled, and if Jax ever manages to get his hearts desire... namely a cold beer, people to leave him the hell alone, and Oracle, naked, and some 'quality' time uninterrupted!

**Four Lost Cities: A Secret History of the Urban Age** Jun 04 2020 Named a Best Book of the Year by NPR and Science Friday A quest to explore some of the most spectacular ancient cities in human history—and figure out why people abandoned them. In *Four Lost Cities*, acclaimed science journalist Annalee Newitz takes readers on an entertaining and mind-bending adventure into the deep history of urban life. Investigating across the centuries and around the world, Newitz explores the rise and fall of four ancient cities, each the center of a sophisticated civilization: the Neolithic site of Çatalhöyük in Central Turkey, the Roman vacation town of Pompeii on Italy's southern coast, the medieval megacity of Angkor in Cambodia, and the indigenous metropolis Cahokia, which stood beside the Mississippi River where East St. Louis is today. Newitz travels to all four sites and investigates the cutting-edge research in archaeology, revealing the mix of environmental changes and political turmoil that doomed these ancient settlements. Tracing the early development of urban planning, Newitz also introduces

us to the often anonymous workers—slaves, women, immigrants, and manual laborers—who built these cities and created monuments that lasted millennia. *Four Lost Cities* is a journey into the forgotten past, but, foreseeing a future in which the majority of people on Earth will be living in cities, it may also reveal something of our own fate.

**The City of Dusk** Jun 24 2019 The realms are dying, and only the heirs can save the city - but at what cost. The Four Realms - Life, Death, Light, and Darkness - all converge on the city of dusk. For each realm there is a god, and for each god there is an heir. But the gods have withdrawn their favour from the once vibrant and thriving city. And without it, all the realms are dying. Unwilling to stand by and watch the destruction, the four heirs-Risha, a necromancer struggling to keep the peace; Angelica, an elemental with her eyes set on the throne; Taesia, a shadow-wielding rogue with rebellion in her heart; and Nik, a soldier who struggles to see the light- will sacrifice everything to save the city. But their defiance will cost them dearly. 'For Sim's most devoted fans' - Publishers Weekly 'A lot to love' - Kirkus Reviews

**The Fear of Falling** Apr 26 2022 In gritty Glasgow, a police detective confronts criminals—as well as an enemy that lies within . . . In the seedy environs of 1980s Glasgow, Scotland, it takes guts to be a cop. DI Luc Kidston has guts—though he also has a weak spot thanks to his fear of heights. Now he must focus on finding a samurai sword-wielding vigilante—and untangling the case of one of his protégés, who's been arrested for allegedly putting a woman into a coma. Solving both problems will lead Kidston to take some unorthodox steps, including hiring a forensic hypnotist. It will also bring him into conflict with his own colleagues and lead him to fight for his life in a terrifying showdown . . .

The Art of Falling Jun 28 2022 In this “delicate slow burn of a novel” (Jan Carson), a woman’s marriage and career are threatened by an old indiscretion just as she receives the opportunity of a lifetime—from the award-winning author of the “extraordinary” (Colum McCann) *Dinosaurs on Other Planets*. Nessa McCormack’s marriage is coming back together again after her husband’s affair. She is excited to be in charge of a retrospective art exhibition for a beloved artist, the renowned late sculptor Robert Locke. But the arrival of two enigmatic outsiders imperils both her personal and professional worlds: A chance encounter with an old friend threatens to expose a betrayal Nessa thought she had long put behind her; and at work, an odd woman comes forward with a mysterious connection to Robert Locke’s life and his most famous work, the *Chalk Sculpture*. As Nessa finds the past intruding on the present, she realizes she must decide what is the truth, whether she can continue to live with a lie, and what the consequences might be were she to fully unravel the mysteries in both the life of Robert Locke and her own. In this gripping and wonderfully written debut, Danielle McLaughlin reveals profound truths about love, power, and the secrets that define us.

*The Falling Sky* Mar 02 2020 Anthropologist Bruce Albert captures the poetic voice of Davi Kopenawa, shaman and spokesman for the Yanomami of the Brazilian Amazon, in this unique reading experience--a coming-of-age story, historical account, and shamanic philosophy, but most of all an impassioned plea to respect native rights and preserve the Amazon rainforest.

**The Edge of Falling** May 28 2022 Becoming famous after saving a girl on the brink of suicide, Caggie, who is grieving the death of a sister and a failed relationship, longs to be left alone before unexpectedly falling for the mysterious Astor, who

harbors his own dark secrets. By the author of *When You Were Mine*.

*The Sound of Things Falling* Dec 23 2021 \* National Bestseller and winner of the 2014 International IMPAC Dublin Literary Award \* Hailed by Edmund White as "a brilliant new novel" on the cover of the *New York Times Book Review* \* Lauded by Jonathan Franzen, E. L. Doctorow and many others From a global literary star comes a prize-winning tour de force – an intimate portrayal of the drug wars in Colombia. Juan Gabriel Vásquez has been hailed not only as one of South America's greatest literary stars, but also as one of the most acclaimed writers of his generation. In this gorgeously wrought, award-winning novel, Vásquez confronts the history of his home country, Colombia. In the city of Bogotá, Antonio Yammara reads an article about a hippo that had escaped from a derelict zoo once owned by legendary Colombian drug kingpin Pablo Escobar. The article transports Antonio back to when the war between Escobar's Medellín cartel and government forces played out violently in Colombia's streets and in the skies above. Back then, Antonio witnessed a friend's murder, an event that haunts him still. As he investigates, he discovers the many ways in which his own life and his friend's family have been shaped by his country's recent violent past. His journey leads him all the way back to the 1960s and a world on the brink of change: a time before narco-trafficking trapped a whole generation in a living nightmare. Vásquez is "one of the most original new voices of Latin American literature," according to Nobel Prize winner Mario Vargas Llosa, and *The Sound of Things Falling* is his most personal, most contemporary novel to date, a masterpiece that takes his writing—and will take his literary star—even higher.

**Tales of Falling and Flying** Jul 26 2019 "Mesmerizing and

magical. . . . A stunning book.” —NPR.org “Short stories so imaginative — and yet so perplexingly familiar — they could have formed in a dream. . . . Taut, meticulously balanced and written in Loory’s direct, witty prose, his own stories take a page from Aesop: high-flying tales nonetheless boiled down to the essentials.” —The Los Angeles Times “Ben Loory’s stories are little gifts, strange and moving and wonderfully human. I devoured this book in one sitting.” —Ransom Riggs, author of *Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children* A dazzling new collection of stories from the critically acclaimed author of *Stories for Nighttime* and *Some for The Day* Ben Loory returns with a second collection of timeless tales, inviting us to enter his worlds of whimsical fantasy, deep empathy, and playful humor, in the signature voice that drew readers to his highly praised first collection. In stories that eschew literary realism, Loory’s characters demonstrate richly imagined and surprising perspectives, whether they be dragons or swordsmen, star-crossed lovers or long-lost twins, restaurateurs dreaming of Paris or cephalopods fixated on space travel. In propulsive language that brilliantly showcases Loory’s vast imagination, *Tales of Falling and Flying* expands our understanding of how fiction can work and is sure to cement his reputation as one of the most innovative short-story writers working today.

*The Upside of Falling Down* Oct 28 2019 For Clementine Haas, finding herself is more than a nice idea. Ever since she woke up in an Irish hospital with complete amnesia, self-discovery has become her mission. They tell her she's the lone survivor of a plane crash. They tell her she's lucky to be alive. But she doesn't feel lucky. She feels...lost. With the relentless Irish press bearing down on her, and a father she may not even recognize on his way from America to take her home, Clementine assumes a new identity and enlists a blue-eyed Irish stranger, Kieran O'Connell,

to help her escape her forgotten life...and start a new one. Hiding out in the sleepy town of Waterville, Ireland, Clementine discovers there's an upside to a life that's fallen apart. But as her lies grow, so does her affection for Kieran, and the truth about her identity becomes harder and harder to reveal, forcing Clementine to decide: Can she leave her past behind for a new love she'll never forget?

*The Speed of Falling Objects* Jan 12 2021 From the author of *When Elephants Fly* comes an exceptional new novel about falling down, risking everything and embracing what makes us unique. Don't miss this compulsively readable novel about the most unlikely of heroes. Danger "Danny" Danielle Warren is no stranger to falling. After losing an eye in a childhood accident, she had to relearn her perception of movement and space. Now Danny keeps her head down, studies hard, and works to fulfill everyone else's needs. She's certain that her mom's bitterness and her TV star father's absence are her fault. If only she were more—more athletic, charismatic, attractive—life would be perfect. When her dad calls with an offer to join him to film the next episode of his popular survivalist show, Danny jumps at the chance to prove she's not the disappointment he left behind. Being on set with the hottest teen movie idol of the moment, Gus Price, should be the cherry on top. But when their small plane crashes in the Amazon, and a terrible secret is revealed, Danny must face the truth about the parent she worships and falling for Gus, and find her own inner strength and worth to light the way home.

**A History of Falling Things** Sep 27 2019 'Oh, you do look...really good, though. You know. In the face. Oh and, uh, I love you.' Prisoners of their fear of falling things - keraunothetophobiacs - Jacqui and Robin are restricted to living indoors. When they meet online a relationship begins which

forces them to confront their fear and discover what's real in their lives and what really matters. *A History of Falling Things*, a new play by the acclaimed young playwright James Graham, is a gentle love story that is fearful, funny and moving. The play premiered at Clwyd Theatr Cymru, Wales, in April 2009 before transferring to the Sherman Theatre, Cardiff.

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