

Pandemic Daniel Kalla

Dr. Joel Ashman is terrified when his mentor, anger management specialist Dr. Stanley Kolberg, is found murdered, bludgeoned almost beyond recognition, especially when he finds himself the target of an unknown stalker, and his quest for answers takes him deep into a chilling world of violence, depravity, and the tortured past of one young woman. Reprint.

Swept up in a wave of violence when the Japanese Imperial Army tightens its stranglehold on the Shanghai refuge for thousands of desperate European Jews, surgeon Franz Adler falls in love with a nurse and endeavors to safeguard a refugee hospital.

In the spring of 1944, I realized that I was not going to survive the war... Shtefan Brandt, adjutant to a colonel of the Waffen SS, has made it through the war so far in spite of his commander's habit of bringing his staff into combat, and a pair of secrets that are far more dangerous than the battlefield. Shtefan is a Mischling and one of the thousands of German citizens of Jewish descent who have avoided the death camps by concealing themselves in the ranks of the German army. And he is in love with Gabrielle Belmont, the colonel's French mistress. Either of those facts could soon mean his end, were Colonel Erich Himmel to notice. Colonel Himmel has other concerns, however. He can see the war's end on the horizon and recognizes that he is not on the winning side, no matter what the reports from Hitler's generals may say. So he has taken matters into his own hands, hatching a plot to escape Europe. To fund his new life, he plans to steal a fortune from the encroaching Allies. A fortune that Shtefan, in turn, plans to steal from him... Atmospheric and intense, *The Soul of a Thief* captures the turbulent emotional rush of those caught behind the lines of occupied France, where one false step could spell death, and every day brings a new struggle to survive.

When a deadly superflu is unleashed on the world, scientist James Logan must confront a desperate terrorist, armed government agents, and Virus Thirteen to save his wife and the world.

"A great hero, a really exciting series." —Joseph Finder For hostage rescue specialist Jonathan Grave, every mission is a matter of life or death. But he faces his most personal challenge yet when two boys are abducted while being driven to Resurrection House, the school Jonathan founded as a sanctuary for children of incarcerated parents. The boys were entrusted to Jonathan's care. Now they're missing. It's time to fight fire with fire . . . The boys' mom, Connie Kendall, is awaiting trial on drug smuggling charges. Prosecutors want her to testify against the brutal Cortez Cartel to help bring down their ruthless operations. If she cooperates, she'll get an easier sentence. But with her kids in the grip of the cartel, her lips are sealed. As Jonathan and his team of skilled operatives close in on the kidnappers, they realize that their enemies aren't just hell-bent on selling drugs. Rival factions have even deadlier agendas. The clock is ticking on an attack that could kill thousands in a single breath. And it's almost zero hour . . .

Passion, espionage, and battlefield drama: the loves and fears of one remarkable family unfold against the Second World War's Pacific theatre in Daniel Kalla's *Nightfall Over Shanghai*. It's 1944 and the Japanese are losing the war, but Shanghai is more dangerous than ever, particularly for the Adler family. After fleeing Nazi Europe, Dr. Franz Adler and his daughter, Hannah, have adjusted to life in their strange adopted city, but they are now imprisoned in the Shanghai Ghetto for refugee Jews. Franz is compelled to work as a surgeon for the hated Japanese military, while his beloved Eurasian wife, Sunny, is recruited into a spy ring, providing crucial information to the Allies about the city's port. Inadvertently, Hannah is drawn into the perilous operation, just as she also becomes drawn to the controversial Zionism movement. After the Japanese launch a major new offensive against the Chinese, Franz is forced into the unthinkable: he is sent inland to work as a field doctor on the frontlines. There, he must contend with his tangled loyalties, aerial bombings overhead, and his uncertain feelings for a vulnerable Canadian nurse. In 1945, American B-52s bomb Shanghai in strategic raids. While the war seems to be winding down in the Far East, many questions remain unanswered for the Adlers. As the bombers circle ominously overhead, they must now struggle for more than simple safety. For the first time in many war-riven years, they face the challenge of re-envisioning their lives, and the prospect of forging a hopeful path forward for the future-if they can first survive. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

An enthralling, hopeful novel about the power of human connection in a time of crisis, as the bonds of love, family, and duty are tested. NATIONAL BESTSELLER. How quickly he'd forgotten a fundamental truth: the closer you got to the heart of a calamity, the more resilience there was to be found. This is the story of a handful of people living through an unfolding catastrophe. Elliot is a first responder in New York, a man running from past failures and struggling to do the right thing. Emma is a pregnant singer preparing to headline a benefit concert for victims of a growing outbreak--all while questioning what kind of world her child is coming into. Owen is the author of a bestselling novel with eerie similarities to the real-life crisis, and as fact and fiction begin to blur, he must decide whether his lifelong instinct for self-preservation has been worth the cost. As we discover these characters' ties to one another--and to the mystery of the so-called ARAMIS Girl--what emerges is an extraordinary web of connection and community that reveals none of us is ever truly alone. Brilliantly told by an unforgettable chorus of voices, this glittering novel is a moving and hopeful meditation on what we owe to ourselves and to each other. It reminds us that disaster can bring out the best in people--and that coming together may be what saves us in the end.

In the wake of a pandemic virus that rapidly spreads throughout the world killing millions of people, Dennis and Andi Jensen flee the ensuing panic and escape to the mountains while scientist Cara Porter makes a potentially fatal mistake in her laboratory. By the author of *Wave*. 12,500 first printing.

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Return to World War II Shanghai in Dan Kalla's thrilling historical novel *Rising Sun, Falling Shadow*, the sequel to *The Far Side of the Sky* It's 1943 and the Japanese juggernaut has swallowed Shanghai and the rest of eastern China, snaring droves of American and British along with thousands of "stateless" German Jewish refugees. Despite the hostile environs, newlyweds Dr. Franz Adler and his wife, Sunny, adjust to life running the city's only hospital for refugee Jews. Bowing to Nazi pressure, the Japanese force twenty thousand Jewish refugees, including the Adlers, to relocate to a one-square-kilometer "Shanghai Ghetto." Heat, hunger, and tropical diseases are constant threats. But the ghetto also breeds miraculous resilience. Music, theater, sports, and Jewish culture thrive despite what are at times subhuman conditions. Navigating subversion and espionage, Nazi treachery and ever-worsening conditions while living under the heel of the Japanese military, the Adlers struggle to keep the hospital open and their family safe and united. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

The mysterious disappearance of treasure hunter and adventurer Maxwell Broadbent--along with that of his riches--sends his three sons on a search for their father, who has hidden himself and his treasures, in order to claim their inheritance, which also includes an ancient Mayan codex containing revolutionary pharmacological secrets that someone will do anything to find. Reprint.

In this brilliant debut thriller, reminiscent of the works of John le Carre and Olen Steinhauer and infused with the authenticity of the author's travels, a young American State Department intern based in Turkey becomes "the woman who knows too much" and is marked for death. Penny Kessler, an intern at the US Embassy in Ankara, Turkey, wakes up in a hospital on the morning of July 5th to find herself at the center of an international crisis. The day before, the Embassy was the target of a devastating terrorist attack that killed hundreds of Penny's friends and colleagues. Not only has a photograph of Penny as

she emerged from the rubble become the event's defining image, but for reasons she doesn't understand, her bosses believe she's a crucial witness. Suddenly, everyone is intensely interested in what Penny knows. But what does she know? And whom can she trust? As she struggles to piece together her memories, she discovers that Zach Robson, the young diplomat she'd been falling for all summer, went missing during the attack. And one of the CIA's most powerful officials, Christina Ekdahl, wants people to believe Zach was a traitor. What actually happened? Penny barely has time to ask before she discovers that her own government wants her dead. Soon, with only a single ally—a rookie intelligence officer fresh out of the Navy—she is running a perilous gauntlet, ruthlessly pursued by Turkey's most powerful forces and by the CIA. To survive, Penny must furiously improvise. Tradecraft takes a lifetime to master. She has less than thirty-six hours. And she's only twenty-one years old. This is her first real test—one she can't fail.

A fierce and illuminating debut from FOLD founder Jael Richardson about a young woman who must find the courage to determine her own future and secure her freedom Set in an imagined world in which the most vulnerable are forced to buy their freedom by working off their debt to society, Gutter Child uncovers a nation divided into the privileged Mainland and the policed Gutter. In this world, Elimina Dubois is one of only 100 babies taken from the Gutter and raised in the land of opportunity as part of a social experiment led by the Mainland government. But when her Mainland mother dies, Elimina finds herself all alone, a teenager forced into an unfamiliar life of servitude, unsure of who she is and where she belongs. Elimina is sent to an academy with new rules and expectations where she befriends Gutter children who are making their own way through the Gutter System in whatever ways they know how. When Elimina's life takes another unexpected turn, she will discover that what she needs more than anything may not be the freedom she longs for after all. Richardson's Gutter Child reveals one young woman's journey through a fractured world of heartbreaking disadvantages and shocking injustices. Elimina is a modern heroine in an altered but all too recognizable reality who must find the strength within herself to forge her future and defy a system that tries to shape her destiny.

No treatment. No cure. No hope Once it seemed as though penicillin and other antibiotics had won humanity a lasting victory over harmful bacteria. But now hardier bugs, resistant to most common classes of antibiotics, are emerging—with potentially catastrophic consequences. When Dr. Catalina Lopez of the Center for Disease Control first receives a report of a lethal new "superbug" immune to all known antibiotics, she realizes that she has a major health crisis on her hands. An ultra-resistant form of group A strep is spreading like wildfire throughout hospitals and emergency rooms in Seattle and the Pacific Northwest. Doctors, lacking any effective way to combat the infection, can do nothing but stand by and watch their patients die, one after another. Dr. Graham Kilburn, an infectious disease specialist in Vancouver, is one such doctor. Desperate to contain the spread of the new superbug, he joins forces with Lina Lopez as they try to find some way to halt the growing epidemic. What they don't realize is that shadowy forces are conspiring to spread the disease on purpose—and they will stop at nothing to avoid exposure. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

INSTANT NATIONAL BESTSELLER In this riveting novel from international bestselling author Daniel Kalla, a Vancouver doctor and a detective face the deadly consequences of the opioid crisis as they track down the supplier of fentanyl that landed a group of teens in the ER with critical overdoses. Deliberately or not, they must've been poisoned...And if it happened to them... There will be others. Dr. Julie Rees, a toxicologist and ER doctor, is stunned when her emergency room is flooded with teenagers from the same party, all on the verge of death. Julie knows the world of opioids inside and out, and she recognizes that there's nothing typical about these cases. She suspects the teens took—or were given—fentanyl. But why did they succumb so quickly? Detective Anson Chen is determined to find out. He and Julie race to track down the supplier of the deadly drugs. But the trail of suspects leads everywhere, from unscrupulous street dealers to ruthless gang leaders who hide behind legitimate business fronts and the walls of their mansions. As Anson and Julie follow clues through the drug underworld, Julie finds herself haunted by memories of her troubled past—and the lover she lost to addiction. When other overdoses fill the ER—and the morgue—Julie realizes that something even more sinister than the ongoing fentanyl crisis is devastating the streets. And the body count is rapidly rising. A gripping thriller, *The Last High* explores the perfect storm of greed, addiction, and crime behind the malignant spread of fentanyl, a deadly drug that is killing people faster than any known epidemic.

Genesis of a Plague Right now, in a remote corner of rural China, a farmer and his family are sharing their water supply with their livestock: chickens, ducks, pigs, sheep. They share the same waste-disposal system, too. Bird viruses meet their human counterparts in the bloodstreams of the swine, where they mix and mutate before spreading back into the human population. And a new flu is born.... Dr. Noah Haldane, of the World Health Organization, knows that humanity is overdue for a new killer flu, like the great influenza pandemic of 1919 that killed more than twenty million people in less than four months. So when a mysterious new strain of flu is reported in the Gansu Province of mainland China, WHO immediately sends a team to investigate. Haldane and his colleagues soon discover that the new disease, dubbed Acute Respiratory Collapse Syndrome, is far more deadly than SARS, killing one in four victims, regardless of their age or health. But even as WHO struggles to contain the outbreak, ARCS is already spreading to Hong Kong, London, and even America. In an age when every single person in the world is connected by three commercial flights or fewer, a killer bug can travel much faster than the flu of 1919. Especially when someone is spreading the virus on purpose... At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

Everything seems quiet on Ann Brooks's suburban cul-de-sac. Despite her impending divorce, she's created a happy home and her daughters are adjusting to the change. She feels lucky to be in a supportive community and confident that she can handle any other hardship that life may throw her way. But then, right before Thanksgiving, a crisis strikes that turns everybody's world upside down. Suddenly her estranged husband is forced back onto her doorstep, bringing with him his beautiful graduate assistant. Trapped inside the house she once called home, confronted by challenges she never could have imagined, Ann must make life-or-death decisions in an environment where the simple act of opening a door to a neighbor could jeopardize all she holds dear. The choices she makes will impact the lives of those around her irrevocably and linger in the reader's memory in this marvelous first novel, written with authority, grace, and wisdom. BONUS: This edition contains a *The Things That Keep Us Here* discussion guide.

A deadly political rivalry that ended in two brutal executions...An intricate love triangle that altered the course of history...A religious revolution that changed the world... THE TREASURE... For two thousand years, an undiscovered treasure rested in the rocky wilds of the French Pyrenees. A series of scrolls written in the first century by Mary Magdalene, these startling documents hold the power to redefine the events and characters of the New Testament. Protected by supernatural forces, the priceless cache can only be uncovered by a special seeker, one who has been chosen for the task by divine providence - The Expected One. THE CHOSEN ONE... When journalist Maureen Paschal begins the research for a new book, she has no idea that she is stepping into an ancient mystery so complex and dangerous that thousands of people have killed and died for it. As a long buried family scandal comes to light, she can no longer deny her own role in a deadly drama of epic international consequences.

Dooley McSweeney and his wife discover their beloved little boy, adopted from Russia six years earlier, did not come from Russia, and they embark on a dangerous, politically sensitive search for their child's true identity.

Haunted by the drug-related death of his identical twin two years earlier, Seattle ER doctor Ben Dafoe is horrified when his former fiancée is targeted in a stabbing attack, a crime in which Ben becomes a prime suspect as he begins to think his twin is still alive. Reprint.

This original novel explores what happens when two of Western society's most recent threats--SARS and terrorism--unite. "Daniel Kalla expertly weaves real science and medicine into a fast-paced, nightmarish thriller--a thriller all the more frightening because it could really happen."--Tess Gerritsen. Original.

Rachel Whitman has everything. She's young, attractive, and affluent. Her husband is the brilliant CEO of his own company. They have a big new house in a flossy Boston suburb. They have all the brand-name "toys" that go along with wealth. And they have a gorgeous, sweet little six-year-old son named Dylan. But Dylan has learning disabilities. Although intelligence isn't everything, Rachel lives in a community where the rewards for brainpower are conspicuous. She fears her son will grow up never fully appreciating the wonders of life. Like so many middle-class parents who would do anything to improve life for their children—whether it means fixing hair, teeth, or nose—Rachel cannot accept that her child is less than perfect. Tortured by the idea that something she did in the past caused Dylan's problems, Rachel becomes obsessed with a secret and expensive medical procedure that claims to turn slow children into geniuses. Should she and her husband sacrifice their new fortune on the risky, experimental procedure for the sake of their son's happiness? Unaware of the real consequences of the brain enhancement procedure, Rachel can't know that the costs of the operation go far beyond financial ones. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

#1 National Bestseller Finalist, CBC Canada Reads Finalist, Scotiabank Giller Prize By turns savage, biting, funny, poetic, and heartbreaking, Megan Gail Coles's debut novel rips into the inner lives of a wicked cast of characters, exposing class, gender, and racial tensions over the course of one Valentine's Day in the dead of a winter storm. Valentine's Day, the longest day of the year. A fierce blizzard is threatening to tear a strip off the city, while inside The Hazel restaurant a storm system of sex, betrayal, addiction, and hurt is breaking overhead. Iris, a young hostess, is forced to pull a double despite resolving to avoid the charming chef and his wealthy restaurateur wife. Just tables over, Damian, a hungover and self-loathing server, is trying to navigate a potential punch-up with a pair of lit customers who remain oblivious to the rising temperature in the dining room. Meanwhile Olive, a young woman far from her northern home, watches it all unfurl from the fast and frozen street. Through rolling blackouts, we glimpse the truth behind the shroud of scathing lies and unrelenting abuse, and discover that resilience proves most enduring in the dead of this winter's tale.

How to find guilt-free time for what you really want to do, and why it matters Do you feel like you're always busy, even as your to-do list continues to grow? Do you think you can't keep up as it is, let alone add another thing to your plate? An award-winning journalist, avid reader and new mom, Karma Brown dreamed of writing her first novel. But between diapers and tight deadlines, how could she? Like so many of us, she felt stretched taut and hyper-scheduled, her time a commodity over which she had lost control. For Brown, the answer to this problem was to rise earlier every day and use that time to write. Although she experienced missteps along the way, after committing to her alarm clock and an online community of early risers, she completed a debut novel that became a national bestseller. In *The 4% Fix*, Karma Brown reveals the latest research about time management and goal-setting and shares strategies that have worked for her as well as for others. Refreshingly, her jargon-free approach doesn't include time-tracking spreadsheets, tips on how to squeeze in yoga exercises while cooking dinner, or methods that add bulk to those never-ending lists. How will you use this one hour—only 4% of your day—to change your life?

A stroke of the pen and history is changed. In 1938, British prime minister Neville Chamberlain, determined to avoid war, signed the Munich Accord, ceding part of Czechoslovakia to Hitler. But the following spring, Hitler snatched the rest of that country, and England, after a fatal act of appeasement, was fighting a war for which it was not prepared. Now, in this thrilling alternate history, another scenario is played out: What if Chamberlain had not signed the accord? In this action-packed chronicle of the war that might have been, Harry Turtledove uses dozens of points of view to tell the story: from American marines serving in Japanese-occupied China and ragtag volunteers fighting in the Abraham Lincoln Battalion in Spain to an American woman desperately trying to escape Nazi-occupied territory—and witnessing the war from within the belly of the beast. A tale of powerful leaders and ordinary people, at once brilliantly imaginative and hugely entertaining, Hitler's War captures the beginning of a very different World War II—with a very different fate for our world today. BONUS: This edition contains an excerpt from Harry Turtledove's *The War that Came Early: West and East*.

A sweeping epic of two families—one Dutch, one English—from the time when New Amsterdam was a raw and rowdy settlement, to the triumph of the Revolution, when New York became a new nation's city of dreams. In 1661, Lucas Turner, a barber surgeon, and his sister, Sally, an apothecary, stagger off a small wooden ship after eleven weeks at sea. Bound to each other by blood and necessity, they aim to make a fresh start in the rough and rowdy Dutch settlement of Nieuw Amsterdam; but soon lust, betrayal, and murder will make them mortal enemies. In their struggle to survive in the New World, Lucas and Sally make choices that will burden their descendants with a legacy of secrets and retribution, and create a heritage that sets cousin against cousin, physician against surgeon, and, ultimately, patriot against Tory. In what will be the greatest city in the New World, the fortunes of these two families are inextricably entwined by blood and fire in an unforgettable American saga of pride and ambition, love and hate, and the becoming of the dream that is New York City.

"Part historical novel, part futuristic adventure . . . chock full of curious lore and considerable suspense."—Entertainment Weekly It is history's most feared disease. It turned neighbor against neighbor, the civilized into the savage, and the living into the dead. Now, in a spellbinding novel of adventure and science, romance and terror, two eras are joined by a single trace of microscopic bacterium—the invisible seeds of a new bubonic plague. In the year 1348, a disgraced Spanish physician crosses a landscape of horrors to Avignon, France. There, he will be sent on an impossible mission to England, to save the royal family from the Black Death. . . . Nearly seven hundred years later, a woman scientist digs up a clod of earth in London. In a world where medicine is tightly controlled, she will unearth a terror lying dormant for centuries. From the primitive cures of the Middle Ages to the biological police state of our near future, *The Plague Tales* is a thrilling race against time and mass destruction. For in 2005, humankind's last hope for survival can come only from one place: out of a dark and tortured past. Praise for *The Plague Tales* "Benson reveals a formidable talent as she blends historical fiction with a near-future bio-thriller."—Publishers Weekly (starred review) "Harrowing . . . Will give readers both nightmares and thrills . . . A carefully woven page-turner from which . . . Robin Cook and Michael Crichton could learn."—Library Journal "A hard-to-put-down thriller steeped in historical fiction and bio-tech sci-fi."—Middlesex News (Mass.)

Spring may be just around the corner, but Canadians are still in the midst of a winter chill. Avoid the snow and warm yourself up with some of Simon & Schuster Canada's hot new thrillers. Follow Dr. Bruno Hamel and Detective Hervé Mercure in Patrick Senécal's engrossing and daring thriller, *Seven Days*, about a monster who becomes a victim and a victim who becomes a monster. Curl up by the fire with *The Homecoming*, a gripping new mystery from bestselling author Andrew Pyper about a man who discovers that his inheritance comes with unexpected terms. Head to Italy with Daniel Kalla's *We All Fall Down*, where infectious disease expert Alana Vaughn is in a race against time to uncover the truth behind the recurrence of the Black Death before millions perish. Stay up all night and binge S.J. Maher's timely and terrifying new thriller, *Social Misconduct*, an immersive and cautionary tale about a woman who is the target of a social-media smear campaign after landing her perfect job. With chapter excerpts from the following spring 2019 releases: *Seven Days*, by Patrick Senécal *The Homecoming*, by Andrew Pyper *We All Fall Down*, by Daniel Kalla *Social Misconduct*, by S.J. Maher Discover your new favourite thriller this spring! The Team at Simon & Schuster Canada If you would like to learn more about any of our authors or the titles featured, please visit us at SimonandSchuster.ca, follow us on Twitter at [@simonschusterCA](https://twitter.com/simonschusterCA), or like us at [Facebook.com/SimonandSchusterCanada](https://facebook.com/SimonandSchusterCanada).

Now in paperback--the timely and terrifying investigation into the dark underworld of biological weapons from the #1 "New York Times" bestselling author of "The Hot Zone."

Forensic psychiatrist Frank Clevenger returns in this arresting new thriller from bestselling author Keith Ablow. Having achieved celebrity status with his last case, Clevenger is tapped by the FBI to catch an elusive murderer known as the Highway Killer, who has left twelve bodies strewn across twelve states. But the Highway Killer isn't just a serial killer--he's a psychiatrist whose brilliance as a doctor is matched only by his precision as a murderer. When he writes to a national newspaper challenging Clevenger to cure him through an exchange of open letters, a gripping public therapy unfolds. With the Highway Killer's brutality reaching new heights as he confronts his mind's darkest demons, will Clevenger exorcise those demons before they spin completely out of control?

Espionage and betrayal become part of one family's struggle to survive in the sequel to the bestselling author's *The Far Side of the Sky*. It's 1943, and the Japanese war machine has swallowed up Shanghai, the once-thriving "Paris of the East," upending life for its Chinese population, as well as the city's thousands of American, British and officially stateless European residents. Newlyweds Dr. Franz Adler and his wife, Soon Yi (Sunny), struggle to keep the city's only hospital for refugee Jews open, while Shanghai's Allied citizens are interned in squalid camps outside the city. The Japanese force 20,000 Jewish refugees, including the Adlers, to relocate to a one-square-kilometre area in the slums of the city--the Shanghai Ghetto. For those trapped inside, heat, starvation and disease are constant threats. Sunny, a Shanghai native desperate to defend her lifelong home, is tempted into the dangerous embrace of the local Resistance movement, while a mysterious Chinese man brought critically wounded to the hospital may represent an even greater threat. Meanwhile, as the tide of the war begins turning in the rest of the world, the local Nazis maintain a persistent, menacing interest in Shanghai's Jewish population. *Rising Sun, Falling Shadow* blends a rich portrait of a city under siege with medical drama, romance and intrigue, showing us both the heroism and the treachery that can result when ordinary people find themselves faced with extraordinary dangers.

RICK WARD WANTS TO GO TO WAR. And he's not sure why. Maybe he's running from his dad and his crazy temper. Maybe he's running from his girl, who seems to think he's more of a joke than a man. Or maybe he's just running -- to find himself. But after Rick ventures into the Vietnam jungle, he discovers that no one -- not protestors, politicians, or writers -- has got a clue. War is far bigger, scarier, and more complicated than anything he ever could have imagined.

A daring post-apocalyptic novel from a powerful rising literary voice With winter looming, a small northern Anishinaabe community goes dark. Cut off, people become passive and confused. Panic builds as the food supply dwindles. While the band council and a pocket of community members struggle to maintain order, an unexpected visitor arrives, escaping the crumbling society to the south. Soon after, others follow. The community leadership loses its grip on power as the visitors manipulate the tired and hungry to take control of the reserve. Tensions rise and, as the months pass, so does the death toll due to sickness and despair. Frustrated by the building chaos, a group of young friends and their families turn to the land and Anishinaabe tradition in hopes of helping their community thrive again. Guided through the chaos by an unlikely leader named Evan Whitesky, they endeavor to restore order while grappling with a grave decision. Blending action and allegory, *Moon of the Crusted Snow* upends our expectations. Out of catastrophe comes resilience. And as one society collapses, another is reborn.

The McGrath family is deeply involved in the running of a Seattle hospital, as Dr. Tyler McGrath tries risky experimental treatments to battle childhood cancer, while his wife, also a doctor, discovers that her research on multiple sclerosis may be compromised.

Not since *Pandemic* have we seen a thriller like this from bestselling author Daniel Kalla: The plague has hit Italy. Can Dr. Alana Vaughn find the source in time to save the world? No person is left unscathed, no family untouched. Death grows insatiable. Alana Vaughn, an infectious diseases expert with NATO, is urgently summoned to Genoa by an ex-lover to examine a critically ill patient. She's stunned to discover that the illness is a recurrence of the Black Death. Alana soon suspects bioterrorism, but her WHO counterpart, Byron Menke, disagrees. In their desperate hunt to track down Patient Zero, they stumble across an 800-year-old monastery and a medieval journal that might hold the secret to the present-day outbreak. With the lethal disease spreading fast and no end in sight, it's a race against time to uncover the truth before millions die.

A compelling, modern-day American hero leads the way in this intense international thriller. Akil Hassan was the CIA's top agent inside the Middle East, a natural destined for an illustrious career, until he broke the Agency's rules. Cast out, his dreams shattered, he's now being offered a second chance. What he doesn't realize is that his life is about to be turned upside down, because tomorrow morning a terrorist is going to unleash a group of suicide bombers on New York City killing hundreds of innocent civilians, including a member of Akil's own family. But the bloodshed, as bad as it is going to be, is nothing compared to what's coming next. Intelligence out of Baghdad indicates a far deadlier attack is in the works, one involving the highest levels of the Iranian Government. In order to stop it, in order to save tens of thousands of lives, Akil will have to risk everything by breaking the Agency's rules all over again. And this time there will be no second chances. One man. One chance. Everything to lose. **PRAISE FOR THE DAMASCUS LETTER:**

"As a former Intelligence Officer there are two elements of *THE DAMASCUS LETTER* that worry me - first, how does the author get so many details so perfectly right? And, secondly, how does he write so well? This book is cool, lean, hard-edged, and a runaway freight of a story, but it's also layered, full of rich characters who are completely realized, even the transient ones, and the plot is all too plausible, and all too real. In short, a damn good book. I wish I'd written it." -- David Stone, New York Times Bestselling Author of *The Echelon Vendetta* & *The Skorpion Directive* "The Damascus Letter is a wonderful surprise. First time novelists in the espionage genre are held to a higher standard among their peers and very few rise to the challenge, but Daniel Dick's mastery of plot and character, his sense of realism and authoritative writing style herald a rare and exciting new voice in the genre." -- Michael Frost Beckner, Hollywood Screenwriter of *Spy Game* & *Sniper* "A nail-biter of a thriller, loaded with ultra-relevant issues and themes.

Suspenseful, even-handed and well-researched, *The Damascus Letter* puts a frighteningly human face to the threat of terror. Well worth the read!" -- Daniel Kalla, International Bestselling Author of *Pandemic* & *Of Flesh And Blood*.

The Hawthorne House was once known for its remarkable success rate with autistic children. Now, fifteen years after it closed former residents have returned to Hawthorne

House for their first-ever reunion. But the gala event turns into a bloody nightmare when the House's revered founder, Dr. Jay Schermerhorn, is found tortured to death in the mansion's basement. Schermerhorn had enjoyed a worldwide reputation for his innovative methods and compassionate treatment of autistic children. How could anyone have hated him enough to kill him? As Chicago detectives probe deeply into the history of Hawthorne House, a troubling picture emerges--of a man who inspired both fear and hatred in the children and families who came to him for help.

Pristine water—hidden for millions of years, untouched by pollution, and possessing natural healing powers—is found miles under Antarctic ice. The scientists who make this astonishing discovery stand to win worldwide acclaim and earn billions. While people around the world line up for a taste of the therapeutic water, a cluster of new cases of mad cow disease explodes in a rural French province. Dr. Noah Haldane and his World Health Organization team are urgently summoned. Fresh from a brush with a pandemic flu, Noah recognizes the deadliness of a prion—the enigmatic microscopic protein responsible for mad cow disease—that kills with the speed and ferocity of a virus. Despite intense international pressure to declare the outbreak a random occurrence, Noah suspects that factors other than nature have ignited the prion's spread among animals and people in France. Facing a spate of disappearances and unexplained deaths, Noah uncovers a conspiracy that stretches from St. Petersburg, Russia, to Beverly Hills, and from the North to the South Pole. He soon realizes that the scientific find of the century—a lake the size of Lake Superior buried three miles under Antarctica—might hold the key to a microscopic Jurassic Park. With a billion-dollar industry hanging on his silence, Noah has to stay alive long enough to sound the alarm. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

When Violet runs away from home in 1918 to find her suffragist sister, she ends up in Nashville, Tennessee, where "Suffs" and "Antis" are gathered, awaiting the crucial vote on the nineteenth amendment.

As people line up for a taste of therapeutic water from a spring found miles beneath the Antarctic ice, cases of mad cow disease break out across France, and Dr. Noah Haldane uncovers a conspiracy in which the ancient lake from Antarctica could hold the k

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