

## The Bone Collector The Thrilling First Novel In The Bestselling Lincoln Rhyme Mystery Series Lincoln Rhyme Thrillers

The book that started the New York Times bestselling collaboration of Douglas Preston and Lincoln Child. Just days before a massive exhibition opens at the popular New York Museum of Natural History, visitors are being savagely murdered in the museum's dark hallways and secret rooms. Autopsies indicate that the killer cannot be human... But the museum's directors plan to go ahead with a big bash to celebrate the new exhibition, in spite of the murders. Museum researcher Margo Green must find out who-or what-is doing the killing. But can she do it in time to stop the massacre? Special lower priced edition available for a limited time.

A lone sniper. Eight million targets. An entire city on edge... A mysterious sniper is killing random New York City citizens at the same time every day. Detective Joe Bannon and his partner Hannah Trimble follow the trail of clues down repeated blind alleys. With citizens fearing to venture outside, the streets of Manhattan have become nearly deserted. When the sniper begins escalating the profile of his targets, higher level government agencies are pulled in. But the shooter always seems to be one step ahead of the law and slips away whenever the authorities get close. As copycat killings begin spreading to other cities across the U.S., the President hatches a dangerous plan to trap the killer. Can Joe and Hannah catch the assassin before he executes the most closely guarded man in history? Catch the excitement - read the reader reviews: "The best thriller I've read in the last 12 months." "Gripping page turner." "Nonstop scary thrill ride." "Couldn't put it down." "The best of the best." "McLeay: A star is born." "A remarkable work." "You need to read this one." Get your pulse pounding today with this unputdownable thriller!

An anthology of short fiction includes "The Christmas Present," a holiday tale featuring Lincoln Rhyme, as well as "Gone Fishing," "Triangle," "The Kneeling Soldier," and "Without Jonathan."

Someone is sending a message to Congressman Grant Copeland and bodies are turning up with striking similarities. A single shot to the head. A single word written on a piece of fabric left in the victims' mouths. The BAU team at FBI's Washington Field Office is asked to consult. Special Agent Kate Reid and Agent Vasquez work under SSA Jameson now that Nick Scarborough has been transferred to Quantico. With Kate in the process of applying for a transfer to join him, this investigation is crucial as she is assessed by her potential new supervisor, SSA Noah Quinn. The case, however, is thrown into disarray when Detective Anthony Phelps, an unwitting participant in this joint investigation, attempts to shut out Kate and her team. Determined to get to the bottom of Phelps' motivation, Kate begins to lose focus on the victims and instead shifts her resources to discovering what the detective is hiding and why he seems hell-bent on protecting the congressman. With leads running dry, Agent Jameson issues Kate an ultimatum. Back off the detective and return her attention to finding the killer, or risk denial for the highly-coveted position at Quantico. Will Kate listen to her head or her heart? Robin Mahle continues the action-packed and thrilling Kate Reid series with this latest installment. Book 7 promises to bring greater challenges for our heroine and a choice that could alter her future once again. For more information, visit Robin's website: [www.robinmahle.com](http://www.robinmahle.com)

The "master of ticking-bomb suspense" (People) Jeffery Deaver delivers the latest thriller featuring his beloved protagonists Lincoln Rhyme and Amelia Sachs as they search for a criminal whose fascination with breaking locks terrorizes New York City. A woman awakes in the morning to find that someone has picked her apartment's supposedly impregnable door lock and rearranged personal items, even sitting beside her while she slept. The intrusion, the police learn, is a message to the entire city of carnage to come. Lincoln Rhyme and Amelia Sachs are brought in to investigate and soon learn that the sociopathic intruder, who calls himself "the Locksmith," can break through any lock or security system ever devised. With more victims on the horizon, Rhyme, Sachs and their stable of associates must follow the evidence to the man's lair... and discover his true mission. Their hunt is interrupted when an internal investigation in the police force uncovers what seems to be a crucial mistake in one of Rhyme's previous cases. He's fired as a consultant for the NYPD and must risk jail if he investigates the Locksmith case in secret. The Midnight Lock is a roller-coaster read that takes place over just a few days' time, features surprise after surprise and offers a fascinating look at the esoteric world of lockpicking.

The page-turning New York Times bestseller from Jeffery Deaver's "simply outstanding" (San Jose Mercury News) Lincoln Rhyme series! The FBI has recruited forensics expert Lincoln Rhyme and his protégée, Amelia Sachs, to capture "the Ghost," a homicidal immigrant smuggler. But when they corner him aboard a cargo ship, the bust goes disastrously wrong and the Ghost escapes. Now the killer must eliminate two families who witnessed his flight before they jumped ship and vanished. . . . Searching New York City's Chinatown, can Rhyme and Sachs find the Ghost's targets before he does?

A war is coming, a battle that will stretch from the prehistoric forests of the ancient past to the cutting-edge research labs of today, all to reveal a true mystery buried deep within our DNA, a mystery that will leave readers changed forever . . . In this groundbreaking masterpiece of ingenuity and intrigue that spans 50,000 years in human history, New York Times bestselling author James Rollins takes us to mankind's next great leap. But will it mark a new chapter in our development . . . or our extinction? In the remote mountains of Croatia, an archaeologist makes a strange discovery: a subterranean Catholic chapel, hidden for centuries, holds the bones of a Neanderthal woman. In the same cavern system, elaborate primitive paintings tell the story of an immense battle between tribes of Neanderthals and monstrous shadowy figures. Who is this mysterious enemy depicted

in these ancient drawings and what do the paintings mean? Before any answers could be made, the investigative team is attacked, while at the same time, a bloody assault is made upon a primate research center outside of Atlanta. How are these events connected? Who is behind these attacks? The search for the truth will take Commander Gray Pierce of Sigma Force 50,000 years into the past. As he and Sigma trace the evolution of human intelligence to its true source, they will be plunged into a cataclysmic battle for the future of humanity that stretches across the globe . . . and beyond. With the fate of our future at stake, Sigma embarks on its most harrowing odyssey ever—a breathtaking quest that will take them from ancient tunnels in Ecuador that span the breadth of South America to a millennia-old necropolis holding the bones of our ancestors. Along the way, revelations involving the lost continent of Atlantis will reveal true mysteries tied to mankind's first steps on the moon. In the end, Gray Pierce and his team will face to their greatest threat: an ancient evil, resurrected by modern genetic science, strong enough to bring about the end of man's dominance on this planet. Only this time, Sigma will falter—and the world we know will change forever.

Detective Sergeant Etta Fitzroy is the first to recognize the connection between the disappearance of a young girl and a cold case that almost cost her the career she's sacrificed so much for. A faceless psychopath is walking the streets of London, tantalizing the authorities with clues.

In the wee hours of a 1960s Tokyo morning, a dead body is found under the rails of a train, and the victim's face is so badly damaged that police have a hard time figuring out the victim's identity. Only two clues surface: an old man, overheard talking in a distinctive accent to a young man, and the word "kameda." Inspector Imanishi leaves his beloved bonsai and his haiku and goes off to investigate—and runs up against a blank wall. Months pass in fruitless questioning, in following up leads, until the case is closed, unsolved. But Imanishi is dissatisfied, and a series of coincidences lead him back to the case. Why did a young woman scatter pieces of white paper out of the window of a train? Why did a bar girl leave for home right after Imanishi spoke to her? Why did an actor, on the verge of telling Imanishi something important, drop dead of a heart attack? What can a group of nouveau young artists possibly have to do with the murder of a quiet and "saintly" provincial old ex-policemen? Inspector Imanishi investigates.

Sy Middleton, a teenager living in Manhattan, enters a secret world when he is initiated into Earth-tribe and becomes a Triber. In the Middle Realm, Tribers from Earth-, Fire-, Air- and Water-tribe train to enhance their powers and compete in monthly Lunar Festivals. The Zodiac Council has protected the Lower and Middle Realms from the Darkforce for thousands of years, but the balance of power has shifted, placing humanity at risk. The Darkforce has stolen the Book of Dreams. Sy and his friend Joshua Ryderson embark on a quest to find it...

From the Sunday Times bestselling author of *The Goodbye Man*, discover Jeffery Deaver's gripping series featuring much-loved protagonists Lincoln Rhyme and Amelia Sachs. 'If you want thrills, Deaver is your man' *Guardian* When a man is snatched from a New York street in broad daylight, the only clue is a miniature noose left on the pavement. By the time criminal forensic scientist Lincoln Rhyme is involved, a video of the missing man is already online, his dying breaths set to a grisly music by someone calling himself *The Composer*. Rhyme and fellow investigator Amelia Sachs must follow *The Composer* across the globe as he continues his horrifying creation, kidnapping further victims to add their last breaths to his piece. But with Rhyme and Sachs in a whole new world with its own rules, how can they possibly guess what danger they're in when the music finally stops? 'One of the most consistent writers of clever, entertaining and often thought-provoking thrillers in the world' Simon Kernick 'Deaver is a master of plot twists, and they are abundant in this story...essential for fans of the franchise' *Daily Mail*

In this twisty thriller from the New York Times bestselling master of suspense, reward-seeker Colter Shaw infiltrates a sinister cult after learning that the only way to get somebody out . . . is to go in. In the wilderness of Washington State, expert tracker Colter Shaw has located two young men accused of a terrible hate crime. But when his pursuit takes a shocking and tragic turn, Shaw becomes desperate to discover what went so horribly wrong and if he is to blame. Shaw's search for answers leads him to a shadowy organization that bills itself as a grief support group. But is it truly it a community that consoles the bereaved? Or a dangerous cult with a growing body count? Undercover, Shaw joins the mysterious group, risking everything despite the fact that no reward is on offer. He soon finds that some people will stop at nothing to keep their secrets hidden. . . and to make sure that he or those close to him say "goodbye" forever.

In his classic thriller *The Bone Collector*, Jeffery Deaver introduced readers to Lincoln Rhyme—the nation's most renowned investigator and forensic detective. Now, a new killer is on the loose: a criminal inspired by the *Bone Collector*. And Rhyme must untangle the twisted web of clues before the killer targets more victims—or Rhyme himself. The killer's methods are terrifying. He stalks the basements and underground passageways of New York City. He tattoos his victims' flesh with cryptic messages, using a tattoo gun loaded with poison, resulting in an agonizing, painful death. When a connection is made to the *Bone Collector*—the serial killer who terrorized New York more than a decade ago—Lincoln Rhyme and Amelia Sachs are immediately drawn into the case. Rhyme, Sachs, and the NYPD must race against time to answer the many questions the investigation uncovers: Whom will the killer attack next? What is the message behind the victims' tattoos? Does the killer's own inking—a fanged centipede sporting a woman's face—hold any significance? And what is his ultimate mission? As time runs out, Rhyme discovers that the past has returned to haunt him in the most troubling way imaginable...

A *New York Times* Book Review Top 10 Crime Novel of the Year From the bestselling and award-winning master of suspense, the first novel in a thrilling new series, introducing Colter Shaw. "You have been abandoned." A young woman has gone missing in Silicon Valley and her father has hired Colter Shaw to find her. The son of a survivalist family, Shaw is an expert tracker. Now he makes a living as a "reward seeker," traveling the country to help police solve crimes and private citizens locate missing persons. But what seems a simple investigation quickly thrusts him into the dark heart of America's tech hub and the cutthroat billion-dollar video-gaming industry. "Escape if you can." When another victim is kidnapped, the clues point to one video game with a troubled past—*The Whispering Man*. In that game, the player has to survive after being abandoned in an inhospitable setting with five random objects. Is a madman bringing the game to life? "Or die with dignity." Shaw finds himself caught in a cat-and-mouse game, risking his own life to save the victims even as he pursues the kidnapper across both Silicon Valley and the dark 'net. Encountering eccentric game designers, trigger-happy gamers and ruthless tech titans, he soon learns that he isn't the only one on the hunt: someone is on his trail and closing fast. *The Never Game* proves once more why "Deaver is a genius when it comes to manipulation and deception" (Associated Press).

Shocking family secrets come to light when a young woman is murdered "If you read one detective thriller this year make it *Dead Secret*." I really couldn't put this mystery down. Great pace, well-developed characters with some very dark pasts." Ann Abrams "A brilliant new detective writer who will have you reading all night. I loved it." Chris Child Who killed Amy Hill? Amy Hill, a nineteen-year-old student, is strangled and her body dumped on open ground in the city. New police partners, D.I. Jim Neal and D.S. Ava Merry are called in to investigate this brutal crime. The last person to see Amy alive was Simon, the son of a family friend, but before he can be properly questioned he disappears. Detectives Neal and Merry are led on a trail of shocking family secrets and crimes. Can this duo track down the murderer before anyone else dies? Stopping this tragic cycle of violence will put D.S. Merry's life at risk in a thrilling and heart-stopping finale. If you like Angela Marsons, Rachel Abbott, Ruth Rendell, or Mark

Billingham you will be gripped by this exciting new crime fiction writer. DEAD SECRET is the first in a new series of detective thrillers featuring D.S. Ava Merry and D.I. Jim Neal. Ava Merry is a young policewoman, recently promoted to detective sergeant. She is a fitness fanatic with a taste for dangerous relationships. Jim Neal is a single dad who juggles his devotion to his job with caring for his son. Set in the fictional Northern city of Stromford, this detective mystery will have you gripped from start to shocking conclusion.

Now a major television series starring Russel Hornsby, Arielle Kebbel, and Michael Imperioli, "Lincoln Rhyme is more relentless than ever" (People) and Jeffery Deaver delivers "supercharged tension" (USA TODAY) in this New York Times bestselling suspense masterwork. NYPD criminalist Lincoln Rhyme joins his brilliant protégé Amelia Sachs, in the hunt for the Coffin Dancer—an ingenious killer who changes his appearance even faster than he adds to his trail of victims. They have only one clue: the madman has a tattoo of the Grim Reaper waltzing with a woman in the front of a coffin. Rhyme must rely on his wits and intuition to track the elusive murderer through New York City—knowing they have only forty-eight hours before the Coffin Dancer strikes again. Coffin Dancer is a "heart-stopping" (Booklist) thriller from #1 international bestselling author Jeffery Deaver's "simply outstanding" (San Jose Mercury News) Lincoln Rhyme series.

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The Bone Collector Penguin

In 1907 Vancouver, Canada, after helping unearth a skeleton to be returned for burial in China, fourteen-year-old Bing experiences strange events that cause him to confront his fear of both ghosts and of his father.

One of the skills developed in preschool is math. This workbook is for counting and object familiarization. Your child will love how information is presented in big, gorgeous pictures. The vibrant colors are very attractive, and the overall activity is quite engaging. Who said learning to count is boring when you have this book around?

Four electrifying suspense novels featuring brilliant criminalist and quadriplegic Lincoln Rhyme: THE BONE COLLECTOR, THE COFFIN DANCER, THE EMPTY CHAIR and THE STONE MONKEY

"The master of ticking-bomb suspense" (People) returns with a devilishly good thriller, and reward seeker Colter Shaw's most personal case to date. Just hours after the harrowing events of The Never Game and The Goodbye Man, Colter Shaw finds himself in San Francisco, where he has taken on the mission his father began years ago: finding a missing courier bag containing evidence that will bring down a corporate espionage firm responsible for hundreds, perhaps thousands, of deaths. Following the enigmatic clues his father left behind, Shaw plays cat and mouse with the company's sadistic enforcers, as he speeds from one gritty neighborhood in the City by the Bay to another. Suddenly, the job takes on a frightening urgency: Only by finding the courier bag can he expose the company and stop the murder of an entire family—slated to die in forty-eight hours. With the help of an unexpected figure from his past, and with the enforcers closing the net, Shaw narrows in on the truth—and learns that the courier bag contains something unexpected: a secret that could only be described as catastrophic. Filled with dozens of twists and reversals, The Final Twist is a nonstop race against time to save the family.... and to keep the devastating secret Shaw has uncovered from falling into the wrong hands.

Hunting down a killer and master illusionist whose first of several brutal murders took place at a prestigious New York music school, investigator Lincoln Rhyme and his protégé, Amelia Sachs, work together to prevent a terrifying act of vengeance.

A bus full of children is taken hostage in this "screaming hit" (The New York Times Book Review) from the author of The Never Game and The Bone Collector. Along a windswept Kansas road, eight vulnerable girls and their helpless teachers are forced off a school bus and held hostage in an abandoned slaughterhouse. The madman who has them at gunpoint has a simple plan: One hostage an hour will die unless the demands are met. Called to the scene is Arthur Potter, the FBI's best hostage negotiator. He has a plan. But so does one of the hostages—a beautiful teacher who's willing to do anything to save the lives of her students. Now the clock is ticking as a chilling game of cat and mouse begins.

Destiny Allen, a Web designer for software giant Scenaria Security Systems, finds herself involved in a deadly puzzle that blurs the boundaries between the virtual and the real. At stake: the infrastructure of modern America. Her resources: Dina Gustafson, a college friend, and Karl Lustig, an Israeli technology journalist with friends in dark places. The challenge: sort the good guys from the bad before the lights go out. A fast-paced technology thriller, Web Games is about real risks and virtual worlds, about Internet threats as close as tomorrow's nightly news, and about the ever-escalating warfare between black-hat hackers and modern society.

From The Bone Collector to the brand-new James Bond masterwork, "there is no thriller writer today like Jeffery Deaver" (San Jose Mercury News)! John Pellam had a promising career as a Hollywood stuntman, until a tragedy sidetracked him. Now he's a divorced, hard-living location scout who travels the country in search of shooting sites, and pulling his camper into any small town brings out the locals seeking their fifteen minutes of fame. But behind an idyllic locale in upstate New York is a hotbed of violence, lust, and conspiracy, and Pellam is thrust into the heart of an unfolding drama and the search for a killer when a brutal murder has him hunting down justice on behalf of a dear friend.

Chasing down a vicious serial killer who complicates his crimes by leaving behind iron-clan evidence implicating innocent people, Lincoln Rhyme and Amelia Sachs reluctantly team up for the investigation only to find themselves rendered the killer's next targets. By the author of The Cold Moon. 300,000 first printing.

He'll slice your flesh. Your bones he'll keep. The Bone Keeper's coming. And he'll make you weep. What if the figure that haunted your nightmares as a child was real? Twenty years ago, four teenagers went exploring in the local woods, trying to find the supposed home of the Bone Keeper. Only three returned. Now, a woman is found wandering the streets, horrifically injured, claiming to have fled the evil urban myth. And then a body turns up.

DANGEROUSLY GOOD. DISTINCTIVELY DEEVER. Lincoln Rhyme and Amelia Sachs return to New York City to confront a killer terrorizing couples at their happiest—and most vulnerable. In the early hours of a quiet, weekend morning in Manhattan's Diamond District, a brutal triple murder shocks the city. Lincoln Rhyme and Amelia Sachs quickly take the case. Curiously, the killer has left behind a half-million dollars' worth of gems at the murder scene, a jewelry store on 47th street. As more crimes follow, it becomes clear that the killer's target is not gems, but engaged couples themselves. The Promisor vows to

take the lives of men and women during their most precious moments--midway through the purchase of an engagement ring, after a meeting with a wedding planner, trying on the perfect gown for a day that will never come. The Promisor arrives silently, armed with knife or gun, and a time of bliss is transformed, in an instant, to one of horror. Soon the Promiser makes a dangerous mistake: leaving behind an innocent witness, Vimal Lahori, a talented young diamond cutter, who can help Rhyme and Sachs blow the lid off the case. They must track down Vimal before the killer can correct his fatal error. Then disaster strikes, threatening to tear apart the very fabric of the city--and providing the perfect cover for the killer to slip through the cracks.

A taut psychological thriller and "a crime novel of the very first order" from the author of Rattle (David Baldacci, #1 New York Times--bestselling author). It was only months ago that Detective Sergeant Etta Fitzroy was held captive by serial killer Brian Howley. Incredibly, she escaped. But so did he. What was found in the macabre museum Howley called home was unnerving enough. For Fitzroy, what the Butcher of Bromley didn't leave behind chills her to the bone: not a single trace of his most recent abductee. All Fitzroy wants to know now is . . . dead or alive, where is the girl? Hiding in plain sight with a new name and a new identity, Howley is making plans for an ingenious new start, and he's daring Fitzroy to come along. Clue by terrifying clue, she's following in a killer's footsteps, but even she can't imagine where they'll lead. Because Howley's endgame has a terrifying twist—one that will not only change his fate, but the fate of everyone Fitzroy is risking her life to protect. "With a creepy and menacing undertone and one of the scariest antagonists ever, this is sure to give readers nightmares. Cummins excels at raising the level of dread and suspense, and this unpredictable, impossible-to-put-down read is dark, gripping, and eerie . . . for fans of Karin Slaughter and those who love well-written psychological thrillers." —Library Journal (starred review) Praise for Rattle "Up there with the best of them . . . an exceptionally creepy psychopathic killer." —The Times, London "A thriller that is capable of keeping you up all night—and then haunting your dreams." —Daily Mail

A serial killer is abducting, torturing, and murdering young women in a small community in central Maine. Seeming to select his victims at random, he acts out the rituals of the Spanish Inquisition. Seven billion people on earth; it was only a matter of time before you discovered the truth. Your legends--your myths and religions--have called us by many names. Since the beginning, our kind has walked among you as your protectors. We are the only ones who know who you are and why you are here. He wasn't meant to disappear; you weren't meant to know why. Our objective was clear: hunt them, kill them and leave. Once you know, there will be no going back. They will come for you. Are you ready?

**DON'T MISS THE NBC TELEVISION SERIES LINCOLN RHYME: HUNT FOR THE BONE COLLECTOR** The first novel in the New York Times bestselling series featuring forensic detective Lincoln Rhyme—from the author of *The Never Game*. "Lightning-paced...a breakneck thrill ride."—*The Wall Street Journal* Lincoln Rhyme was once a brilliant criminologist, a genius in the field of forensics—until an accident left him physically and emotionally shattered. But now a diabolical killer is challenging Rhyme to a terrifying and ingenious duel of wits. With police detective Amelia Sachs by his side, Rhyme must follow a labyrinth of clues that reaches back to a dark chapter in New York City's past—and reach further into the darkness of the mind of a madman who won't stop until he has stripped life down to the bone.

Receiving a grisly communication in the wake of an eminent Canadian paleontologist's disappearance, Kay Scarpetta investigates the discovery of a body in Boston Harbor and clues about other unsolved cases, a situation that makes Scarpetta wonder who she can trust.

In *Bending to Beauty*, Dian Zirilli-Mares uses powerful words and metaphors to craft poems that express universal truths. This is why, as the poet examines the loves and losses of life - she writes of our lives as well. We see clearly that we share dreams, joys, fears. Readers of a certain age will relish poems of childhood memories, as Ms. Zirilli-Mares captures a precious time and place, now long-gone. They will identify with her wry poems of shock and disbelief in growing older. But no matter the focus, the poet "pares close to the bone," exploring, yet never shrinking from, the truth. The reward, as revealed in the title poem, is a "bending to beauty" that makes one stronger. Poem after poem, *Bending to Beauty* probes the complicated, painful, and wondrous that is life - and holds it up for all to recognize.

"There was a young man named Tom Alley, who enjoyed going on picnics on overcast days, moonbathing on his terrace, and falling asleep upside down, hanging from a pole he had installed for that purpose..."However not everything goes smoothly for Tom who, being from out of town, never heard the refrain, "If you pass by a thing in the shape of a bone, listen well: It is better to leave it alone."Half prose, half poetry, this funny and thrilling story tells the adventure of the fearless and stubborn Tom and his meeting with the legendary Bone Collector.For children ages 7 to 11 (and for grown ups too... if they dare).Old as the wind that roams the earthWhistling outside on winter nights,Cracking the twigs, trudging the roads,Making one miss the morning light,There's one that comes and goes aloneGroping and turning every stone.Clickety-Clickety, Clickety-Clack!The Bone Collector performs his task.Clickety-Clickety, Clickety-Clack!What's that about? Better not to ask!Fragment of the Ballad of the Bone CollectorABOUT THE AUTHORMartin Monreal was born in Argentina. Studied Literature at the University of Buenos Aires and Animation at Pratt Institute, New York. He is now head of the Communications Department at Escuela Da Vinci (Buenos Aires). He has done a well received new translation of "Alice in Wonderland to Spanish", and has edited some anthologies of classic horror fiction such as *The Vampire Genome*, *Twilight Creatures* and *Trail of the Necronomicon: The Stories that Influenced H.P. Lovecraft*.

From *International Thriller Writers* comes *Watchlist*: two powerful novellas featuring the same thrill cast of characters in one major suspenseful package. The *Chopin Manuscript* and then *The Copper Bracelet* were a collaboration by some of the world's greatest thriller writers, including Lee Child, Joseph Finder, Lisa Scottoline, and Jeffery Deaver, who conceived the characters and set the plot in motion. The other authors each wrote a chapter and Deaver then completed what he started, bringing both novellas to their startling conclusions. In the first novella, *The Chopin Manuscript*, former war crimes investigator Harold Middleton possesses a previously unknown score by Frederic Chopin. But he is unaware that, locked within its handwritten notes, lies a secret that now threatens the lives of thousands of Americans. As he races from Poland to America to uncover the mystery of the manuscript, Middleton will be accused of murder, pursued by federal agents, and targeted by assassins. But the greatest threat will come from a shadowy figure from his past: the man known only as Faust. Harold Middleton returns in *The Copper Bracelet*—the explosive sequel to *The Chopin Manuscript*—as he's drawn into an international terror plot that threatens to send India and Pakistan into full-scale nuclear war. Careening from Nice to London and Moscow to Kashmir to prevent nuclear disaster, Middleton is

unaware that his prey has changed and the act of terror is far more diabolical than he knows. Will he discover the identity of the Scorpion in time to halt an event that will pit the United States, China, and Russia against each other at the brink of World War III?

From the Sunday Times bestselling author of The Goodbye Man, discover Jeffery Deaver's chilling thriller that inspired the film starring Angelina Jolie and Denzel Washington and is now a major NBC TV series. Their first case, their worst killer . . . New York City has been thrown into chaos by the assaults of the Bone Collector, a serial kidnapper and killer who gives the police a chance to save his victims from death by leaving obscure clues. Baffled, the cops turn to the one man with a chance of solving them - Lincoln Rhyme. Left paralysed by a debilitating accident, ex NYPD cop Rhyme has to dig deep into the only world he has left - his astonishing mind - to have any hope of solving the case. With the help of a young police officer, Amelia Sachs, he starts to close in on the killer. But as he edges closer to the truth, the Bone Collector is closing in on Lincoln Rhyme himself. 'This is a novel that will chill your blood on the warmest day of any summer holiday. Keep looking over your shoulder . . .' Independent on Sunday

Environmentalists worry about too much carbon dioxide, but what's too little? What if global financiers manipulated the global warming crisis to gain control over humanity's resources, freedoms, and population? What if someone with the financial and technical abilities decided mankind was a virus and used carbon dioxide trapping technology to plunge population levels by crashing life-essential CO2 to new lows? These are questions Anna Picard must face in The Carbon Trap, the first book in The Carbon Series. At the height of the global warming crisis, the United Nations attempts to control all carbon emissions, and authorizes a series of programs it deems necessary to save humanity. A progressive US government enthusiastically endorses the UN Carbon Trapping program, and to help pay for it, will impose carbon taxes, draconian regulations, and... it will secretly sell Alaska. Anna Picard is an amoral fixer, an employee of Agenda 21 member and global financier Alexis Swanson had trained to help recruit his corporate army and neutralize his enemies. It is her job to unleash a global hacker network to help destroy the carbon based industries and funnel insider-trading profits to Swanson. One of her recruits is Dr. Sven Johansson, a brilliant geneticist and President of Snath Biotechnology, who designs life forms to trap CO2. But Sven has more ambitious plans. At a UN conference in the Maldives held to impose draconian carbon regulations, not everyone is happy, some industrial executives realize data has been falsified. To protect her scheme, Anna frames one of the execs for murder. Her plans are complicated when she falls in love with Dr. Pete Heyward, the son of the man she framed for murder. Pete is a US Marine amputee who sees past her malevolent deeds and tries to rejuvenate the morality of her youth. After a series of genetically modified carbon trapping life forms is unleashed upon the Earth, Anna must confront the evils she helped unleash, and prevent an even bigger disaster from unfolding that would destroy most life on Earth. This is a high-tech ecological thriller that takes the reader from the Maldives, to the French Riviera, and the heartland of Texas. It introduces cutting edge technologies and concepts, used for the first time in a novel, that reveal striking implications for society.

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