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The Machine's Child Grove/Atlantic, Inc.

Zen Sand is a classic collection of verses aimed at aiding practitioners of k ô an meditation to negotiate the difficult relationship between insight and language. As such it represents a major contribution to both Western Zen practice and English-language Zen scholarship. In Japan the traditional Rinzai Zen k ô an curriculum includes the use of jakugo, or "capping phrases." Once a monk has successfully replied to a k ô an, the Zen master orders the search for a classical verse to express the monk ' s insight into the k ô an. Special collections of these jakugo were compiled as handbooks to aid in that search. Until now, Zen students in the West, lacking this important resource, have been severely limited in carrying out this

practice. Zen Sand combines and translates two standard jakugo handbooks and opens the way for incorporating this important tradition fully into Western Zen practice. For the scholar, Zen Sand provides a detailed description of the jakugo practice and its place in the overall k ô an curriculum, as well as a brief history of the Zen phrase book. This volume also contributes to the understanding of East Asian culture in a broader sense.

The Year's Best Science Fiction: Twenty-Fifth Annual Collection

Subterranean

The Anvil of the WorldTor Books

Mendoza in Hollywood Grove/Atlantic, Inc.

Nine-year-old Emma is lost at sea in a terrible storm. She awakens on a desolate island, frightened and lonely. Yet brave, quick-witted Emma will not be alone for long, as the ghost of a bellboy appears with the tragic tale of the Grand Wenlocke. More than a century ago, a brilliant inventor built a splendid Victorian resort, the Grand Wenlocke. The hotel was powered by a Difference Engine, a miraculous device that could slow down time (making your vacation just as long as you'd like). But just before it was scheduled to open, the Grand Wenlocke mysteriously sank under the sand. Now the storm that brought

Emma to the island has awakened the hotel, perfectly preserved and as incredible as ever. While exploring the magical hotel, Emma encounters a kind-hearted cook and her faithful little dog, a seemingly fearsome pirate captain, and the imperious young heir to the Wenlocke fortune (should it ever be recovered). Adventure, friendship, peril, and perhaps even treasure—all these and more await Emma at the hotel under the sand.

Japanese-English and English-Japanese Dictionary Macmillan

This collection brings together the early Company stories in one volume for the first time with three previously unpublished works, including 'The Queen in Yellow', written exclusively for this compilation. In these tales sci-fi fans follow the secret activities of the Company's field agents -- once human, now centuries-old time-travelling immortal cyborgs -- as they attempt to retrieve history's lost treasures. Botanist Mendoza's search for the rare hallucinogenic Black Elysium grape in 1844 Spanish-held Santa Barbara, facilitator Joseph's dreamlike solicitation of the ailing Robert Louis Stevenson in 1879, and marine salvage specialist Kalugin's recovering of an invaluable Eugène Delacroix painting from a sunken yacht off the coast of Los Angeles in 1894 are included.

The Women of Nell Gwynne's Tor Books

Widely regarded as the essential book for every science-fiction fan, The Mammoth Book of Best New SF 17 continues to uphold its standard of excellence with more than two dozen stories from the previous year. This year's volume includes not just a host of established masters but also many bright, young talents of science fiction. It embraces every aspect of the genre - soft, hard, cyberpunk, cyber noir, anthropological, military and adventure. Plus the usual thorough summations of the year and a

recommended reading list.

Woodworking for Beginners Deep Vellum Publishing
An insightful, accessible anthology of some of China's greatest poets.

They're Cows, We're Pigs Little, Brown Books
for Young Readers

Nineteen fiery dragon stories from the world's best fantasy writers Whether portrayed as fire-breathing reptilian beasts at war with humanity or as noble creatures capable of speech and mystically bonded to the warriors who ride them, dragons have been found in nearly every culture's mythology. In modern times, they can be found far from their medieval settings in locales as mundane as suburbia or as barren as post-apocalyptic landscapes - and in THE DRAGON BOOK, today's greatest fantasists reignite the fire with legendary tales that will consume readers' imaginations. With stories by NEW YORK TIMES bestselling authors Jonathan Stroud, Gregory Maguire, Garth Nix, Diana Gabaldon, Tamora Pierce, Harry Turtledove, Sean Williams and Tad Williams as well as tales by Naomi Novik, Peter Beagle, Jane Yolen, Adam Stemple, Cecelia Holland, Kage Baker, Samuel Sykes, Diana Wynne Jones, Mary Rosenblum, Tanith Lee, Andy Duncan and Bruce Coville.

The Empress of Mars Lulu Press, Inc

This is the third novel in what has become one of the most popular series in contemporary SF, now back in print from Tor. In the 24th century, the

Company preserves works of art and extinct forms of life, for profit, of course. It recruits orphans from the past, renders them all but immortal, and trains them to serve the Company, Dr. Zeus. One of these is Mendoza the botanist. The death of her lover has been followed by centuries of heartbreak. She spends a period of time in early twentieth century Hollywood in the days of D.W. Griffith, and then Mendoza is in the midst of the Civil War, and runs into a man that looks disturbingly similar to her lost love. She is about to find love again, and be in more trouble than she could ever have imagined.

Black Projects, White Knights Library of Alexandria

Recently returned from war, young Edward Anton Bell-Fairfax is grateful to be taken under the wing of the Gentleman's Speculative Society. At the Society, Edward soon learns that a secret world flourishes beneath the surface of London's society, a world of wondrous and terrible inventions and devices used to tip the balance of power in a long-running game of high-stakes intrigue. Through his intensive training Edward Anton Bell-Fairfax, unwanted and lonely boy, becomes Edward Anton Bell-Fairfax, Victorian super-assassin, fleeing across the Turkish countryside in steam-powered coaches and honing his fighting skills against clockwork opponents. As Edward travels across Europe with a team of companions, all disguised

as gentleman dandies on tour, he learns more about himself and the curious abilities he is gradually developing. He begins to wonder if there isn't more going on than simple international intrigue, and if he and his companions are maybe part of a political and economic game stretching through the centuries. But, in the end, is it a game he can bring himself to play? Edward Anton Bell-Fairfax, the idealistic assassin. Perhaps the most dangerous man alive. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

The Best of Kage Baker Macmillan

A conclusion to the story of Mendoza and the Company finds the immortal Lewis stripped of his vision and befriended by an extraordinary child, the Victorian superman Edward plotting world domination, and the Enforcer Budu enlisting an unexpected ally.

Mother Aegypt and Other Stories Tor Books

In the new millennium, what secrets lay beyond the far reaches of the universe? What mysteries belie the truths we once held to be self evident? The world of science fiction has long been a porthole into the realities of tomorrow, blurring the line between life and art. Now, in The Year's Best Science Fiction Twenty-Fifth Annual Collection the very best SF authors explore ideas of a new world. This venerable collection of short stories brings together award winning authors and masters of the

field such as Robert Reed, Ian McDonald, Stephen Baxter, Michael Swanwick, Paolo Bacigalupi, Kage Baker, Walter Jon Williams, Alastair Reynolds, and Charles Stross. And with an extensive recommended reading guide and a summation of the year in science fiction, this annual compilation has become the definitive must read anthology for all science fiction fans and readers interested in breaking into the genre. "This venerable annual's twenty-fifth edition represents a milestone for editor Dozois. He has kept faith with the series for a quarter-century without ever shortchanging, or even showing any signs of shortchanging, readers on either quality or abundance of selections."--Booklist

In the Garden of Iden Tor Books

A dark, thought-provoking adventure that "artfully evokes the blood-soaked reality of 17th-century pirates" (Entertainment Weekly). This "wryly humorous, satiric, and often macabre novel" (Library Journal) follows Jean Smeeks, a Flemish thirteen-year-old who signs up as an indentured servant with the French West Indies Company, but instead winds up a slave on the notorious island of Tortuga. Over time, he learns the arts of herbal medicine and surgery—a skill that allows him to join a band of Caribbean pirates. Contrasting Jean's romantic pull toward the "Brethren of the Coast"—an all-male society pursuing socialist, anti-colonialist ideals—with the brutal reality of their lawless existence, *They're Cows, We're Pigs* is a "unique and memorable" novel whose "pirate world leaves you as a good book should: thinking" (The Boston Herald).

Psion Night Shade

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Leaving Tabasco Tor Books

Before the Riders came to their remote valley the Yendri led a tranquil pastoral life. When the Riders conquered and enslaved them, only a few escaped to the forests. Rebellion wasn't the Yendri way; they hid, or passively resisted, taking consolation in the prophecies of their spiritual leader. Only one possessed the necessary rage to fight back: Gard the foundling, half-demon, who began a one-man guerrilla war against the Riders.

His struggle ended in the loss of the family he loved, and condemnation from his own people. Exiled, he was taken as a slave by powerful mages ruling an underground kingdom. Bitterer and wiser, he found more subtle ways to earn his freedom. This is the story of his rise to power, his vengeance, his unlikely redemption and his maturation into a loving father--as well as a lord and commander of demon armies. Kage Baker, author of the popular and witty fantasy, *The Anvil of the World*, returns to that magical world for another story of love, adventure, and a fair bit of ironic humor. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

The House of the Stag Macmillan

Newbery Medal winner Kelly Barnhill spins a wondrously different kind of fairy-tale: In most fairy tales, princesses are beautiful, dragons are terrifying, and stories are harmless. But this isn't most fairy tales... Princess Violet is plain, reckless, and quite possibly too clever for her own good. Particularly when it comes to telling stories. One day she and her best friend, Demetrius, stumble upon a hidden room and find a peculiar book. A forbidden book. It tells a story of an evil being, called the Nybbas, imprisoned in their world. The story cannot be true--not really. But then the whispers start. Violet and Demetrius, along with an ancient, scarred dragon--the last dragon in existence, in fact--may hold the key to the Nybbas's triumph or its demise. It all depends on how they tell the story. After all, stories make their own rules. *Iron Hearted Violet* is a story

about the power of stories, our belief in them, and how one enchanted tale changed the course of an entire kingdom. A 2012 Andre Norton Award Finalist
Parents' Choice Gold Award Winner

The Children of the Company Tor Books

Hugo and Nebula Award-nominee Kage Baker, creator of *The Company* series and the fantasy novel *Anvil of the World*, delivers a spectacular collection that includes stories set in both universes, as well as several stand-alone pieces that demonstrate why she is one the most talked-about writers in the sf/fantasy genre. From contemporary settings to a not-so-innocent America of the 50s and 60s, to the roaring 20s, to Victorian England and to imaginary realms beyond, Kage Baker's fiction delivers layers of historical and social detail that become the stage on which her instantly recognizable characters perform. Her insightful portraits of humanity create an immediacy that is undeniable and compelling. While the settings and characters of *Mother Aegypt* will leave you breathless, it is Baker's accessible, yet oddly whimsical style that will keep you turning pages and coming back for more. Kage Baker's remarkable narrative talents are a gift to readers of fantastic fiction. Her stories invariably deliver a sense of wonder and magic that transcends place and time.

The Life of the World to Come Tor Books

The stories in this collection imaginatively take readers far across the universe, into the very core of their beings, to the realm of the Gods, and to the moment just after

now. Included are the works of masters of the form and the bright new talents of tomorrow. This book is a valuable resource in addition to serving as the single best place in the universe to find stories that stir the imagination and the heart.

The Bird of the River Robinson

"A truly extraordinary saga . . . The characterizations are consistently superb, and [Hobb] animates everything with love for and knowledge of the sea."—Booklist
Bingtown is a hub of exotic trade and home to a merchant nobility famed for its liveships—rare vessels carved from wizardwood, which ripens magically into sentient awareness. Now the fortunes of one of Bingtown's oldest families rest on the newly awakened liveship Vivacia. For Althea Vestrit, the ship is her rightful legacy. For Althea's young nephew, wrenched from his religious studies and forced to serve aboard the ship, the Vivacia is a life sentence. But the fate of the ship—and the Vestrits—may ultimately lie in the hands of an outsider: the ruthless buccaneer captain Kennit, who plans to seize power over the Pirate Isles by capturing a liveship and bending it to his will.
BONUS: This edition includes an excerpt from Robin Hobb's *Mad Ship*. Praise for Robin Hobb and the *Liveship Traders Trilogy* "Fantasy as it ought to be written . . . Robin Hobb's books are diamonds in a sea of zircons."—George R. R. Martin "A major work of high fantasy, reading like a cross between Tolkien and Patrick O'Brian . . . one of the finest

fantasy sagas to bridge the millennium."—Publishers Weekly "Rich, complex . . . [Hobb's] plotting is complex but tightly controlled, and her descriptive powers match her excellent visual imagination. But her chief virtue is that she delineates character extremely well."—Interzone

The Sons of Heaven Macmillan

A young woman encounters strange events in her Mexican hometown in this novel by an author who "immerses us...in her wickedly funny and imaginative world" (Latina). Leaving Tabasco tells of the coming of age of Delmira Ulloa, raised in an all-female home in Agustini, in the Mexican province of Tabasco. In Agustini it is not unusual to see your grandmother float above the bed when she sleeps, or to purchase torrential rains at a traveling fair, or to watch your family's elderly serving woman develop stigmata, then disappear completely, to be canonized as a local saint. But as Delmira becomes a woman, she will set out on a search for her missing father, and must make a choice that could mean leaving her home forever, in a tale filled with both depth and delightful mystery that poses questions about just how real the real world is. "To flee Agustini is to leave not just a town but the viscerally primal dreamscape it represents."—The New York Times Book Review "Vibrant...Each chapter is an adventure."—The Boston Globe "We happily share

with [Delmira] her life, including the infinitely charming town she inhabits [and] her grandmother's fantastic imagination."—The Washington Post Book World

Not Less Than Gods Tor Books

The 25th Anniversary Edition of the first "Cat" novel by bestselling author Joan D. Vinge. Psion is action-adventure cyberpunk at its highest level When first published, readers young and old eagerly devoured the tale of a street-hardened survivor named Cat, a half-human, half-alien orphan telepath. Named an ALA Best Book for Young Adults, Cat's story has been continued by Hugo-award winning and international best-selling author Joan D. Vinge with the very popular Catspaw and Dreamfall. Now, 25 years later, this special anniversary edition of Psion contains a new introduction by the author and "Psiren," a story never before included in any trade edition of Psion. This tough, gritty tale of an outsider whose only chance for redemption is as an undercover agent for an interstellar government that by turns punishes and helps him, is as fresh and powerful today as it was in 1982. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.