

A Talisman In The Darkness Selected Stories Of Olga Orozco

In Dark Lady, Richard North Patterson displays the mastery of setting, psychology, and story that makes him unique among writers of suspense, and one of today's most original and enthralling novelists. In Steelton, a struggling Midwestern city on the cusp of an economic turnaround, two prominent men are found dead within days of each other. One is Tommy Fielding, a senior officer of the company building a new baseball stadium, the city's hope for the future. The other is Jack Novak, the local drug dealers' attorney of choice. Fielding's death with a prostitute, from an overdose of heroin, seems accidental; Novak is apparently the victim of a ritual murder. But in each case the character of the dead man seems contradicted by the particulars of his death. Coincidence or connection? The question falls to Assistant County Prosecutor Stella Marz. Despite a traumatic breach with her alcoholic and embittered father, she has risen from a working-class background to become head of the prosecutor's homicide unit. A driven woman, she is called the Dark Lady by defense lawyers for her relentless, sometimes ruthless, style: in seven years only one case has gotten away from her, and only because the defendant took his own life. She has earned every inch of both her official and her off-the-record titles, and recently she's decided to go after another: to become the first woman elected Prosecutor of Erie County. But that was before the brutal murder of her ex-lover--Jack Novak. Novak's death leads her into a labyrinth where her personal and professional lives become dangerously intertwined. There is the possibility that Novak fixed drug cases for the city's crime lord, Vincent Moro, with the help of law enforcement personnel, and perhaps with someone in Stella's own office. . . . the bitter mayoral race which threatens to undermine her own ambitions . . . her attraction to a colleague who may not be what he seems . . . the lingering, complicated effects of her painful affair with Novak . . . the growing certainty that she is being watched and followed. Making her way through a maze of corruption, deceit, and greed, trusting no one, Stella comes to believe that the search for the truth involves the bleak history of Steelton itself--a history that now endangers her future, and perhaps her life. For his uncanny dialogue, subtle delineation of character, and hypnotic narrative, critics have compared Richard North Patterson to John O'Hara and Dashiell Hammett. Now, in the character of the Dark Lady, he has created a woman as fascinating as her world is haunting. Dark Lady is his signature work.

Clive Barker, Heather Graham, Lisa Morton, Ray Garton, and Ed Gorman lead readers down a twisted labyrinth of terror, horror, and suspense in Dark Screams: Volume Four, from Brian James Freeman and Richard Chizmar of the revered Cemetery Dance Publications. THE DEPARTED by Clive Barker On All Hallows ' Eve, a dead and disembodied mother yearns to touch her young son one last time. But will making contact destroy them both? CREATURE FEATURE by Heather Graham What could be better publicity for a horror convention than an honest-to-goodness curse? It ' s only after lights out that the hype—and the Jack the Ripper mannequin—starts to feel a little too real. THE NEW WAR by Lisa Morton Mike Carson is a war hero and a decorated vet. He doesn ' t deserve to be trapped in a hospital with some black thing sitting on his chest as patients die all around him. His only hope is to take out the nurse—before it ' s his turn. SAMMY COMES HOME by Ray Garton It ' s what every family prays for: a lost pet returning home. But when Sammy, the Hale family sheepdog, appears on their doorstep, he brings back something no parent would ever wish upon his or her child. THE BRASHER GIRL by Ed Gorman Cindy Marie Brasher is the prettiest girl in the Valley, and Spence just has to have her. Unfortunately, Cindy has a " friend " . . . a friend who tells her to do things . . . bad things. Praise for Dark Screams: Volume Four " Collectively, Volume Four constitutes the most cohesive, narratively enriching and entertaining Dark Screams entry to date. Be it the presence of genre icons Barker and Morton, stories from the lesser-known but equally talented Garton and Gorman, or the pure fun of Graham ' s tale, fans of horror of every variety will find something to love in these pages. " —LitReactor " The best of the bunch so far. " —Examiner.com " Stacks up well with any of the other three books so far [with] a fairly good variety in the kinds of horror stories too . . . If you ' re new to the series, this is a good jumping-on point. " —Wagging the Fox " Dark Screams is one of the best values on the horror market. . . . Do yourself a favor, and pick it up. " —Adventures Fantastic

Going on 16, pudgy, awkward, and painfully shy, Winifred-sometimes Fred-Evers is hardly the stuff of teenage fantasy. Worse she has an uncanny knack for destruction, especially when she's nervous. Then a talking cat walks into her life and changes it forever. His name is Oedipus and he's sure Fred's got something worth training in her. Some real magik. Oedipus and his owner, a gruff Magus named Zoe, take Fred into their tutelage, showing her a fantastic supernatural reality that exists beside our own, unseen by most. From that same reality comes a thread of old darkness rising. Children are disappearing from our reality and the supernatural. There are some that believe they've been taken to create a dark army that will shake both realities. The name they all whisper is Rath. There is a talisman that will consolidate his power but no one knows what it is or where it is-until the watchful eye falls on Zoe. When she disappears, apartment in shreds, Fred and Oedipus assume she's been kidnapped and that they're likely next. Enlisting the help of her best and only friend, a tough talking amazon of a girl, Nina, and a slightly disreputable genie, they take off to find Zoe. Fred quickly finds herself overwhelmed. With little training she can no more control than she can remember spells. She's left to find her own alternative and it will surprise even Fred with its power."

Zach and his sister Annis have been uprooted by their parents from their comfortable home to a remote and half-built barn in France. Zach is being removed from his 'bad-influence' friends, their parents are trying to salvage their marriage and still remain on speaking terms whilst the bitterness of their father's affair bubbles underneath the surface. And Annis - Annis just keeps going, keeping her head down, trying to keep it together. So far so normal. And then Zach, uncommunicative and contrary as ever these days, defies everything their parents have said and makes his way to the unsafe ruined building at the edge of their new garden, and leans up against the wall. The wall bulges, totters - and suddenly collapses on top of him. Annis, horrified, sees him crumpled on the ground. Desperate, she races towards him, not daring to think anything at all. She sees him, on the ground, broken, silent, not there any more. And then, unbelievably, he moves. Zach moves. Zach, in an extraordinary and instinctive decision, has broken his bond with his own soul, the essence of himself. By doing so he has cheated death. By doing so he has also cheated life. He is unable to touch any human person again. And the essence of himself, his 'other', his soul, is chasing him, determined to rejoin what should rightfully be together. Zach is on the run, from himself, whom he can never escape, from death, but also from the life that he can never enjoy again. Perhaps only a sister can help him now.

The Dark Lord

Exploring Stephen King's Magnum Opus

Pilar Pedraza and the Gothic Story of Development

In the Darkness, Hunting

Dark Moon

Step into the darkness with us. Hell's Talisman brings you seven stories of demons and hellish creatures. From summonings gone horribly wrong, to horrifying Halloween evenings, to unwanted birthday presents, twisted doctors, and sweet revenge, this book takes you on a journey through nightmares.

From New York Times bestselling author Jacquelyn Frank comes the captivating conclusion to the sizzling series featuring four immortal warrior brothers who love as hard as they fight. After drinking from the fountain of immortality along with his brothers, Maxum is condemned by the gods to be entombed in the earth. Even though he has now been granted a reprieve by day, each night he is buried anew, his rock-hard body immobilized, his bones crushed by the pressure. When he emerges, his body heals, but his spirit remains scarred. There is only one way for Maxum to be completely free: He must kill the god who cursed him. The task will require tremendous power, so Maxum embarks on a quest to gather talismans to equip him for the battle. Then an earthy wench seduces him and steals one of his magical amulets, but he catches her. Finding herself between a rock and a hard place, she strikes a bargain. The beautiful and alluring Airianne is a skilled thief—and she can help him in his acquisition of the talismans. Will this stealthy seductress also try to steal his heart—or will their boldness end up getting them both buried?

THIRD BOOK IN THE PALADIN TRILOGY In this third and final novel of the Paladin Trilogy, the dark purpose of the demonic scepter, the Ohric, is revealed at last. The Juggernaut is gone, Jalan's Drift is broken, and the Paladin has been cast down into darkness. Nothing now stands in the way of the scepter's true intent, and the Ohric now gathers all its forces to exert against a hidden monastery locked in the middle of an impassible wood and guarded by a legion of warrior monks sworn to defend the walls with their lives. They have good reason for their fealty. Secured deep beneath the monastery beyond a deadly labyrinth lies a talisman of power forged by the gods themselves to give dominion over all the creatures of the earth. And this is the treasure for which the Ohric's dark master now extends his hand?

Doug Stavers discovers that his possession of the Messiah Stone, a talisman with a mysterious connection to the planet Mars that gives its owner the power to induce total belief in the minds of those near him, has made him the target of every government o

Living Entities of Power

Dark Star Rising

Darker Matter - Book 1 Dakor's Darkness

Darkness Ascending

Unfolding Nayala

"She's been banished from her home without a word of explanation. Assassins are hot on her tail, and she's fleeing without a plan. On the whole, her future looks grim. Then again, it's nearly impossible to catch a dark elf. And even tougher to kill one." --Inside front cover.

Somewhere on Prithvi, a mortal survives a supernatural attack. In the dark realm of Atala, an evil goddess prepares to do the unspeakable. And a Yakshi finds herself at the heart of an other-worldly storm. Ardra has only known life as a Yakshi, designed to seduce and kill men after drawing out their deepest, darkest secrets for her evil mistress Hera, queen of the forsaken realm of Atala. Then, on one strange blood moon night, her chosen victim, Dwai, survives, and her world spins out of control. Now Ardra must escape the wrath of Hera, who is plotting to throw the universe into chaos. To stop her, Ardra needs to find answers to questions she hasn't dared to ask before. What power does the blood moon hold? Is the sky city of Aakasha as much a myth as its inhabitants ? the ethereal and seductive Gandharvas and Apsaras? Who is Dara, the mysterious monster-slayer, and what makes Dwai impervious to her powers? A heady concoction of fantasy and romance, Dark Things conjures up a unique world wrought of love and sacrifice, of shadows and secrets, of evil and those who battle it.

Includes information on what talismans are and how they work: a brief history of talismans in the Western Magical tradition; how to use names of power, angels, magical languages, and color magic; how to draw talismans, consecrate them, and even destroy them.

A strange assortment of humans and otherworldly beings joins a young soldier of God on his perilous quest through an alternate, technology-free reality ruled by an all-powerful Evil In an alternate world where the Dark Ages never ended, " the Evil " that arises every five hundred years has prevented all manner of technological advancement, even well into the twentieth century. The son of a powerful English noble, young Duncan Standish has always longed to be a soldier of the Lord, and now he ' s been offered a rare opportunity to fulfill his dream. Entrusted with the delivery of an ancient manuscript—purported to be irrefutable evidence of the existence of Jesus Christ—to a noted Oxford scholar, Duncan must journey many perilous miles in the company of a motley group of fellow travelers, including a goblin, a ghost, and other magical and non-magical companions. But the road they traverse together is fraught with terrible trials that would test even the most devout, for the Evil is strong in this place of dark wonders. Multiple Hugo, Nebula, and Locus Award – winner and SFWA Grand Master Clifford D. Simak moves easily from science fiction to quest fantasy in this enthralling tale of magic, peril, and discovery on an Earth that never was. Rich in color, thrills, and wild invention, and populated by a highly original and unforgettable cast of characters, Fellowship of the Talisman showcases the author ' s peerless storytelling skills, demonstrating once again that the great Simak had few equals in the realm of twentieth-century speculative fiction.

Dark Messiah

How to Use Their Power for Attraction, Protection & Transformation

Light Magic for Dark Times

The Seven Secrets of Crystal Talismans

Supernatural Spells, Charms, and Rituals for Health, Wealth, and Happiness

Orozco's stories portray, in impressionistic, and dreamy language, a childhood spent in a small town on the Argentine pampas.

A world once destroyed by a godwar and now healing since the arrival of the young gods who imprisoned the hellgod. A world seething with danger, intrigue, and wild magic, its lands scarred by the wars waged by both men and Gods. These are the lands that Chimquar the Lionhawk travels. A woman who passes for a man. A priest. A parasite. A parasite who chooses to live her life on its own terms. Chimquar the Lionhawk first appeared in the World Fantasy Award Winning Anthology Amazons Edited by Jessica Amanda Salmonson. Now, in this collected volume of her tales, find out why Chimquar has been called the most complex character to exist in Heroic Fantasy and one of the first female heroes. Tom Harlan brings his Oath of Empire series to a shattering conclusion in The Dark Lord. In what would be the 7th Century AD in our history, the Roman Empire still stands, supported by the twin pillars of the Legions and Thaumaturges of Rome. The Emperor of the West, the Augustus Galen Atreus, came to the aid of the Emperor of the East, the Emperor of Persia. But despite early victories, that war has not gone well, and now Rome is hard-pressed. Constantinople has fallen before the dark sorceries of the Lord Dahak and his legions of the living and dead. Now the new Emperor of Persia marches on Egypt, and if he takes that ancient nation, Rome will be starved and defeated. Bradley White is a great sorcerer, perhaps the equal of Dahak, lord of the seven serpents. He is now firmly allied with his Imperial brother and Rome. And though they are caught tight in the Dark Lord's net of sorcery, Queen Zoe of Palmyra and Lord Mohammed have not relinquished their souls to evil. Powerful, complex, engrossing --Thomas Harlan The first three volumes, The Shadow of Ararat, The Gate of Fire, and The Storm of Heaven have been universally praised. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

Pagan prescriptions for the twenty-first century—guaranteed to banish stress, ease tension, and add comfort, joy, and magic to your daily life. In this utterly unique grimoire, bestselling author Cerridwen Greenleaf gathers celestial lore, history, and mythology, from the Dark Ages. With mystical practices of the original Gothic tribes, Scandinavian legends, and a practical Wiccan guide into the witches coven. Here, you'll learn about little-known pagan gods and goddesses, supernatural witch and warlock spells, and spiritual ways to consecrate and wield magical tools. Magicians, alchemists, witches and wise women of ancient times knew how to harmonize their lives with the heavens. How do you do it today? Look inside to see the ideal times to manifest money, land a job interview, or even plant your magical herbs. Drawing on these ancient pagan beliefs Dark Moon Magic's tools of divination, amulets and charms, and witch and warlock spells can help you embrace a life of abundance and joy. You'll also find: How to plant a fairy garden How to use the Celtic Calendar for an entire year of spells, charms, festivals and rituals Astrological and lunar connections you can use for money, love, success, and healing Praise for Cerridwen Greenleaf "Ancient wisdom for modern witches." —Witch Bree "Trust your intuition, go with your instincts, and listen to your heart. By following these three simple guidelines you can create a life of abundance and joy." —Arin Murphy-Hiscock, author of The Green Witch

The Dark Gift

Dark Things

Dark Screams: Volume Four

Dark Moon Magic

Real Magik Darkness Rising

Tap into the age-old, secret power of runes to create a better and more enriching life. Generally associated with the ancient Northern European peoples, runes are magical symbols that convey the story of creation, life, destruction, and rebirth, and how these forces are constantly occurring on many levels of being. Runes connect with your body, mind, spirit, and the environment, and they are incredibly powerful. Learn the history of runes and the meanings and associations of each symbol. Then discover a wide variety of ways to use these tools to find answers to personal questions, increase self-awareness, relieve stress, gain a sense of personal empowerment, clear out blockages in your life, and even foretell future events. Cast and read runes, create runic charms, do runic rituals, and more. You will find within them the power to transform yourself. Bonus: extensive mythological glossary.

Woman's Talisman is a guide for readers to examine their feelings and come to terms with their gender. The book follows a man who has been diagnosed with a terminal illness and has a short time to live. He is an echo of the original man, Adam, and is seeking the knowledge and compassion of Eve, the primal soul of a woman. This journey illuminates readers' journeys and prompts them to think about their own lives and their understanding. The journey proceeds through several days of experiences in this world and others. It is a process of enlightenment. "In two different parts of the world one man and one woman were mourning for different reasons, but for one ultimate goal, finding their beloved...the dying man was fighting with death's glory to find his beloved, and the moaning woman was fighting with life's glory to find her man. The story is written in a flowing, lyrical style similar to ancient texts and the bible. It is part poetry and part metaphorical narrative.

Bradley White is an ordinary man who is transported against his will to a land incalculably distant where magic has shaped its growth and development, and where science has no place. He is forced by a ruthless being of unimaginable might to undertake an impossible task, one in which he will surely fail. The stakes couldn't be higher; if he does fail, then all that he holds dear will be destroyed. S. White is not spared. He cannot hope to take on and defeat his adversary, but if he cannot find a way, then all is lost. His journey through this strange world is also a journey of self-discovery as he battles against despair and helplessness in his desperate attempt to find a way to save his family.

When the world around you turns dark, tap into the light. If you're having a hard time finding that light, facing trauma and division, or want to send healing vibes to a friend, the inspired, easy-to-do spells of Light Magic for Dark Times can assist. Luna Luna magazine's Lisa Marie Basile shares inspired spells, rituals, and practices, including: A new moon ritual for attracting a lover A spell to banish negative energy A meditation for engaging with death A mermaid ritual for going with the flow A zodiac practice for tapping into celestial mojo A rose-quartz elixir for finding self-love A spell to recharge after a protest or social justice work These 100 spells are ideal for those inexperienced with self-care rituals, as well as experienced witches. They can be cast during a crisis or to help prevent one, to protect loved ones, to find strength. Whether you're working with the earth, performing a cleanse with water or smoke, healing with tinctures or crystals, meditating through grief, brewing, enchanting, or communing with your coven, Light Magic for Dark Times will help you tap into your inner witch in times of need.

A Novel of War and Magic

Dark Company

The Talisman Series Box Set

Making Talismans

Stories

Narrator Christopher Crow takes the reader on a dark odyssey into realms where he has been given The Dark Gift by a fallen angel; it is the ability to enter other's dreams and bring back their most private memories, filling the angel's being with other's memories, which she feeds on. Crow writes from a single room cell below ground; physically he goes nowhere, but by the viaducts of his imagination we journey with him into timeless, mythic landscapes, delving further and further until we come to that place which is the birthing place of imagination and creation.

Prepared with the full cooperation of Stephen King, a comprehensive overview of the author's seven-volume series, The Dark Tower, analyzes each volume in the series, from The Gunslinger to The Dark Tower, discusses the link between the books and King's other novels, and offers insights from the author on the creative process involved. Original.

"Brink melds hard-boiled mystery, robot sex slaves, and a twist on Greek myth, all of which evokes Blade Runner and leaves you wanting more." -- Tales of the Talisman Magazine A Dark Fantasy Double-Feature The Prince and the Darkness combines A Long Walk Down a Dark Alley and The Prince of Luster and Decay into one bargain-priced volume. The first four short stories feature wise guys and private eyes, black magic, bleak futures, and the feminine wiles of inhuman beauties. Your imagination will flicker with the atmospheric images of mobsters and monsters, all cast in black and white-and red. These deliciously dark tales are followed by a lengthy novelette of sword and soldiery warfare, where the enemy isn't just fought on bloody battlefields, but in the very soul as well.

A retired Los Angeles homicide detective living in a rural Wisconsin town, Jack Sawyer is called in to assist the local police chief in solving a gruesome series of murders that causes Jack to experience inexplicable waking nightmares.

Dark Assemblages

The Little Giant Encyclopedia of Runes

Angel W

Bound in Darkness

A Trick of the Dark

Daunted with necromancy, incantations and hex is Nayala's quest to find her mother. Something that Nayala carries with her is a totem, a strong talisman which the Dark Forces desire from her. The villainous shadow wizard Endool stratagems and play's to put an end to her

quest. However Nayala’s virtue will succor her with friends who will aid her to fight her nemesis... The plot will with time pellucid and answer the questions, Is the talisman diabolic? Where is Nayala’s Mother? What power lies in the talisman? Who all aid her? But it will retain a sobering fact that “there exists no darkness that can defeat light”.

Talisman, Warrior, Prophetess, Bard, and Druid--the full Talisman Series is all in one place. Binge read the stories of your favorite band of hot Celtic warriors as they take on the war goddesses of the Celtic pantheon. Talisman: Trying his sign on Alyssa Macaulay and discovering she's his talisman, his fated mate, should be cause for their celebration. Too bad Alyssa thinks Rowan Sheridan is only looking for a good time. She has no idea who and what they are. The goddess's imminent arrival doesn't give Rowan time to show her either. Somehow, he needs to compress the lifetime of training she should have had into a week--and convince her the one amazing night they shared is only the beginning of a lifetime of love. Warrior: Ceri Ross is a flirt and a talisman with obligations to the warrior community. Though she must bond with her fated mate and not get involved with random unattached warriors, it seems she didn't get the memo. None of which helps Rio Sheridan: the woman calls to him like a siren. Prophetess: Alaisdair Graham is desperate. Gone into hiding thirteen years ago when he didn't find his talisman in time, he knows the reprieve from the goddess's curse is short. If he doesn't find his mate in the next fortnight, he won't live long enough to celebrate another Samhain. Into his life walks Shanley Conlan, and he thinks the cosmos have taken his side at last. All he has to do is convince her--before the goddess strikes and takes them all. Bard: A chance encounter at a mountain cabin seals their fate. The woman Seamus Lochlann has searched for, the woman the gods determined to be his mate, is the only woman who's ever turned him down. Fallon Graham can't believe she's fated to the warrior Maeve has marked for herself. When the goddess strikes, they have a choice--succumb to the unholy power of the goddess or believe their love can tell a different story. Druid: An unconventional love affair between a talisman and a druid could lead to disaster--for both of them. Sloane MacIntosh fears for Davy Sutherland's life if she gives in to the intense attraction she feels for him. Yet she can't seem to help herself. Whenever he's near, heat and desire ripple through her. Davy's world is one of healing and storytelling--not actual battle. But when the goddess arrives, tempting and demanding in equal measure, Davy must find a way to compose a new story, one that allows him a chance at the warrior life he's always wanted and the love a woman he never saw coming.

It has happened at last. Queen Nefasti’s friends are deserting her on all sides, treachery threatens from inside her own castle, and an invasion led by an old and angry acquaintance is knocking at the very gates to the Kingdom of Vadio. Dark Magic has stirred up things best left alone. Nefasti has been given a final choice, marry The Lord High Protector’s son, or suffer dire consequences. All of this threatens to ruin her 16th birthday celebrations, and probably end her life.

In Dark Assemblages, Kay Pritchett, after surveying the novelistic production of celebrated Neo-Gothic writer Pilar Pedraza (1951-), focuses on the relevance of the Spanish author's fiction to contemporary social concerns. Pedraza's Gothic stories of development reveal the power of conventional representations (fixed images) to undermine personal growth, bringing identity into line, rather, with the objectives of oppressive social structures (dark assemblages).

Black House

Dark Rosaleen

A Particular Darkness

The Road to The Dark Tower

Dark Congress

The mysterious powers of gems, crystals, and minerals are finally explained in this practical guide to creating talismans. Casting a modern light on the age-old practice of talismans, gemologist Henry M. Mason correlates the mystical properties of these wondrous objects with the science of gemology. Connecting with the universal life force, the proper talisman can focus and magnify your own qualities—helping you fulfill dreams and desires. Mason's seven secrets explore how crystal structure, color, and chemistry contribute to a talisman's natural energies for aiding in attraction, protection, self-improvement, creativity, tranquility, spiritual awakening, and more. From selecting and preparing the proper mineral to empowering your talisman, this guide takes you through every step of creating and using talismans and amulets for optimum effect.

Still recovering from tragedy and grieving a devastating loss, Iraq war veteran and sheriff's detective Katrina Williams copes the only way she knows how - by immersing herself in work. A body's just been pulled from the lake with a fish haul, but what seems like a straightforward murder case quickly becomes murkier than the depths of the lake.

Since the beginning of time, the demonic races have gathered every century to resolve conflicts among them and to determine the course of their future. This centennial event was called the Dark Congress. In the second century b.c., however, the Dark Congress failed to resolve their conflicts. Instead, the Congress ignited into a war that drove wedges between the various demon races from that time until now. And all of it began as a result of Kandida, the great North African river demon, being nearly killed by forces in the Congress and magically entombed in the riverbank. But now, Kandida is free, and for the first time in centuries, the Dark Congress is being called again. All demon races and other varieties of supernatural creatures have been called to gather at the Hellmouth in Providence, Rhode Island. Some gather in hopes of resolution, some in favor of war, and Kandida is tasked to broker a treaty and guide the Congress to peace, wherein everyone might simply agree to disagree. And so the demons gather under a banner of a truce. But the demons still harbor many bitter disagreements with one another. The Congress must have an arbiter of these conflicts, and that someone is Buffy Summers. Buffy is horrified and disgusted to be included. After all, she is not a demon...is she? She knows so little about her powers that she cannot say for certain where they truly spring from. How can she spend so much time wallowing in the darkness without becoming part of it? Can she possibly agree to a truce with all the horrors of the world, and allow them to come Providence without any attempt to stop them? And does she have a choice?

The iconic, “extraordinary” (The Washington Post) collaboration between bestselling authors Stephen King and Peter Straub—an epic thriller about a young boy’s quest to save his mother’s life. Jack Sawyer, twelve years old, is about to begin a most fantastic journey, an exalting, terrifying quest for the mystical Talisman—the only thing that can save Jack’s dying mother. But to reach his goal, Jack must make his way not only across the breadth of the United States but also through the wondrous and menacing parallel world of the Territories. In the Territories, Jack finds another realm, where the air is so sweet and clear a man can smell a radish being pulled from the ground a mile away—and a life can be snuffed out instantly in the continuing struggle between good and evil. Here Jack discovers “Twinners,” reflections of the people he knows on earth—most notably Queen Laura, the Twinner of Jack’s own imperiled mother. As Jack “flips” between worlds, making his way westward toward the redemptive Talisman, a sequence of heart-stopping encounters challenges him at every step. An unforgettable epic of adventure and resounding triumph, The Talisman is one of the most influential and highly praised works of fantasy ever written.

Dark Knights

Dark Lady

The Fellowship of the Talisman

Woman's Talisman

A Talisman in the Darkness

“Gemmell not only knows how to tell a story, he knows how to tell a story you want to hear. He does high adventure as it ought to be done.”—Greg Keyes, author of The Briar King One awesome night, the sadistic, seemingly invincible Daroth vanished from the face of the earth. Gone were their cities, their armies, their reigns of terror. Not a trace of this conquering race remained. Until a thousand years later. . . . With the rising of a dark moon above the Great Northern Desert, comes a black tidal wave that sweeps across the land. Suddenly, the desert vanishes beneath lush fields and forests and a great city glitters in the morning light. From this city reemerges the blood-hungry Daroth, powerful and immortal, immune to spear and sword. They have only one desire: to rid the world of humankind forever. Now the fate of the human race rests on the talents of three heroes: Karis, warrior-woman and strategist; Tarantio, the deadliest swordsman of the age; and Duvodas the Healer, who will learn a gruesome truth. “Gemmell’s great reading; the action never lets up; he’s several rungs above the good—right into the fabulous!”—Anne McCaffrey

Young half-Elven Saljanon discovers that his father was murdered on his way home from work and his mother replaced by a shape-shifter. His mother, a princess of the Elven kingdom of Esmendrill, is being held by the hated Dark God Parklathvar in his stronghold of Teufelschloss. Thus begins Saljanon's quest to rescue his mother against terrifying odds and the awesome powers of the Dark God. Along the way, he assembles a band of brave young men and an aging old warrior, who pit their skills and strength against shape-shifters, Troll warriors, zombie soldiers, and Saljanon's own long-lost sister!

Natale Ghent brings us an engrossing fantasy set in the near-future about the war between two worlds and a girl pitted in the battle of good and evil. Seventeen-year old Caddy is haunted by visions of global destruction. They come on like seizures, taking her to a desolate place where dispossessed souls struggle to be heard. It is one possible future--one she feels she must prevent. But in a world where food and money are scarce, and the struggle over resources between the continents is escalating toward war, Caddy has little hope. When her father goes missing, she searches for him and is abducted into a cabalistic society called The Dreamers--visionaries who "dream" to sustain the light against the dark energies that threaten to take over the planet. Caddy is shepherded into the society by a high school classmate called Poe, and through him, uncovers long-hidden truths about herself and her father. The situation darkens when Caddy learns that the dreamers are hunted and killed by an ancient order known as the Grey Men--a cult dedicated to eradicating the light to assist a demonic entity they call The Speaker. By killing the dreamers, the grey men open rifts in the light that allow The Speaker to seed evil and darkness on the earth plane with the ultimate goal of destroying the planet. Things become more complicated when Meg, a girl from Caddy's high school, who has been ushered into this other reality, clashes with Caddy to supress the forces of light and to try to win back Poe's heart. As she falls deeper and deeper into the world of the dreamers, Caddy discovers layers of deceit and treachery realizes it's up to her to find a way to overcome the dark and prevent the light from being extinguished forever. . .

Alyssa had good reason to feel disillusioned with men. She had already had one bad experience and she had no desire to repeat it. So when her brother, Craig, returned to New Zealand with the unexpected addition of Marcus Thorn, she soon made up her mind that the less she saw of him the safer she would feel. But Marcus had other ideas.

The Talisman

Hell's Talisman

Necessary Dark

More than 100 Spells, Rituals, and Practices for Coping in a Crisis

Dark Talisman

W.W.II was not, for Pilot Officer Tate, one story. It was departing and arriving over and over again. It was leaving old friends, gaining new ones and living through their deaths. It was losing command of ones life and becoming the creature of a cause called great and necessary. It was being good at what one does, and hoping to be lucky. It was a barrier to a past that could not be revisited, while being lured to think of a future despite the odds against having one. It was loving ones fellow warriors in ways that can never be repeated. It was, in Tates case, growing up and becoming an adult knowing only how to bomb and destroy and fly back to base in whatever way possible. And, in the end, it was feeling guilty for having survived. Robert Harlows semi-autobiographical 8th novel makes this, and more, hugely accessible.

A Novel

A Dark Fantasy Double Feature

The Prince and the Darkness

The Diabolical Talisman