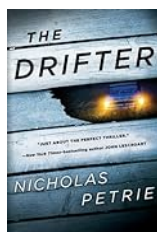
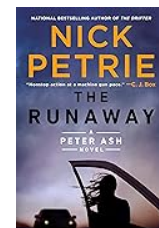
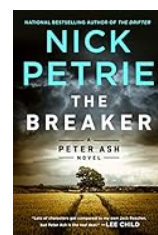
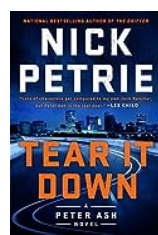
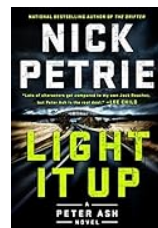
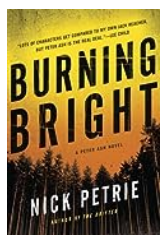


SERIES CHECKLIST: NICK PETRIE – PETER ASH SERIES

1. The Drifter
2. Burning Bright
3. Light It Up
4. Tear It Down
5. The Wild One
6. The Breaker
7. The Runaway
8. The Price You Pay



The Drifter (#1)

Peter Ash came home from the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan with only one souvenir: what he calls his "white static," the buzzing claustrophobia due to post-traumatic stress that has driven him to spend a year roaming in nature, sleeping under the stars. But when a friend from the Marines commits suicide, Ash returns to civilization to help the man's widow with some home repairs. Under her dilapidated porch, he finds more than he bargained for: the largest, ugliest, meanest dog he's ever encountered...and a Samsonite suitcase stuffed with cash and explosives.

Read the description for 'The Price You Pay' (Book #8) under the new books this month section!

BOOKS TO DVD



Barbie #1: Fashion Superstar By Sarah Kuhn & Alitha Martinez

Barbie is facing the same problems every young person is facing today, figuring out how to choose a career, in an economic environment that is becoming increasingly difficult for anyone to find a job. But Barbie is nothing, if not optimistic and determined. Her interest in clothes leads her to seek employment in the highly competitive world of fashion. But as what? A model? A designer? Or something she never even dreamed of? As Barbie pursues her dream, she meets a diverse bunch of all-new friends that can help her...and some that may actually try to end her fashion career before it even starts!

Barbie

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Barbie and Ken are having the time of their lives in the colorful and seemingly perfect world of Barbie Land. However, when they get a chance to go to the real world, they soon discover the joys and perils of living among humans.



QUOTE OF THE MONTH

Eat Pray Love by Elizabeth Gilbert

"People think a soul mate is your perfect fit, and that's what everyone wants. But a true soul mate is a mirror, the person who shows you everything that is holding you back, the person who brings you to your own attention so you can change your life."



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BOOK OF THE MONTH



Bulletproof Barista By Cleo Coyle

Only Murders in Gotham, the smash-hit streaming program, is famous for filming in authentic New York locations and using real New Yorkers as extras. For its second season, they've chosen to spotlight the century-old Village Blend and its quirky crew of baristas. Shop manager Clare Cosi is beyond thrilled to be part of the production. Hollywood legend, Jerry frequented the Blend during his early years performing in Greenwich Village comedy clubs. But the past may hold more than nostalgia for Jerry. Suspicious accidents begin plaguing his shoot. Then a real bullet is fired from a stage gun, and Clare becomes convinced something sinister is afoot.

READ ALIKES



Murder on Tour By V.M. Burns

Bookstore owner Samantha Washington is thrilled to see her debut historical mystery finally on the shelves, but a killer seems determined to steal away the spotlight. While Sam wraps up her first whirlwind book tour, Nana Jo has kept Market Street Mysteries running smoothly. The last stop is a prestigious book festival in Sam's hometown of North Harbor, Michigan. But not everyone thinks the guest of honor, bestselling author Judith Hunter, deserves stellar reviews. When a publicist is poisoned during a cocktail reception, Sam wonders if the killer missed the intended target.



Pink Lemonade Cake Murder By Joanne Fluke

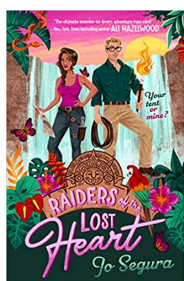
The Tri-County Summer Solstice Celebration has come to town, and even among local artisans, athletes, and marching bands, Hannah attracts fans of her own while serving lip-smacking pink lemonade desserts. But the mood sours when a body turns up, leading revelers to wonder if the festivities mark both the longest day of the year and the deadliest. A retired professional MLB player has met a terrifying end and, considering the rumors swirling about his past, the list of suspects could fill a small stadium. Among them could soon be Delores, Hannah's mother, who publicly held a grudge against the victim.



Dead on Target By M.C. Beaton & R.W. Green

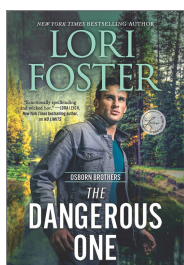
A visit to the local village fete for a spot of fun and relaxation turns into a nightmare for Agatha Raisin when she discovers the body of the local landowner in the woods, with an arrow in his chest and his trousers round his ankles. At first her old adversary, Detective Chief Inspector Wilkes, declares the death a tragic accident, believing the victim has been hit by a stray arrow. Agatha is convinced the man was murdered and is shocked when Wilkes eventually agrees, particularly as he considers her to be his prime suspect.

GENRE SPOTLIGHT: ROMANCE



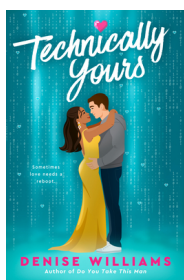
Raiders of the Lost Heart By Jo Segura

It's been Corrie's life goal to lead an expedition into the Mexican jungle in search of the long-lost remains of Chimalli, an ancient warrior of the Aztec empire. But when she is invited to join an all-expenses-paid dig to do just that, Corrie is sure it's too good to be true...and she's right. As the world-renowned expert on Chimalli, she should be leading the expedition, not sharing the glory with her disgustingly handsome nemesis. Dr. Ford certainly isn't thrilled either, but as the dig begins, it becomes clear they'll need to work together when they realize a thief is lurking around their campsite.



The Dangerous One By Lori Foster

Hunter left his family, his friends, and his job as a park ranger after uncovering a disturbing crime scene. Haunted by nightmares, He relocated to a small cabin where he lives off the land. To pay the bills, he works on classic cars, keeping his interactions with others to a minimum. Still, Hunter can spot trouble from a mile away, and when he encounters Jodi, he knows she's trouble of the most tempting kind. But when Jodi's own past comes knocking, Hunter gets drawn out of his own darkness and into hers.



Technically Yours By Denise Williams

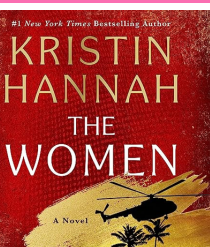
When Pearl is appointed acting director of OurCode, a nonprofit aimed at inspiring high schoolers to code, she has a chance to make lasting change for the organization. But Pearl didn't expect the one man she hasn't stopped thinking about in seven years to be the newest member of her board of directors. Cord fell for Pearl when they met seven years ago, but when she broke his heart he decided love wasn't for him. After five years with no contact, their connection is immediate but going public with a romance between them might derail Pearl's career and the progress she's made at OurCode.



Calling on the Matchmaker By Jody Hedlund

Haunted by the death of her sister, Finola Shanahan has resolved that she's not worthy of a family of her own and commits to spending her days caring for immigrants in the slums. Unwilling to consider marriage, Finola has perfected the ability to sabotage the relationships her parents arrange for her. At wit's end, her father calls upon the local Irish matchmaker, who pairs her with wagonmaker Riley Rafferty. After her usual tricks fail, Finola quickly realizes she can't outsmart or outwit the dashing, and daring man.

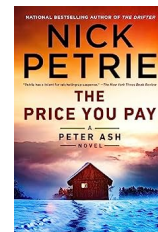
AUDIOBOOK SPOTLIGHT



The Women By Kristin Hannah

Women can be heroes. When twenty-year-old nursing student Frankie hears these words, it is a revelation. Raised in Southern California and sheltered by her parents, she has always prided herself on doing the right thing. But in 1965, the world is changing, and she suddenly dares to imagine a different future. When her brother ships out to Vietnam, she joins the Army Nurse Corps and follows him. As green and inexperienced as the men sent to Vietnam to fight, Frankie is over-whelmed by the chaos and destruction of war. Each day is a gamble of life and death, friendships run deep and can be shattered in an instant.

NEW BOOKS COMING OUT THIS MONTH



The Price You Pay (Peter Ash #8) By Nick Petrie

Peter Ash's friend Lewis has helped him out of jam more times than he can count, and has saved his life more than once. So he doesn't hesitate when Lewis asks a favor. Lewis has left his criminal past behind, but a former associate may be in trouble, and he and Peter must make a trip to check in on the man. But their visit immediately takes a dark turn when they arrive to find a smoldering cabin. They soon realize that someone has stolen notebooks full of incriminating secrets about Lewis's long-ago crimes.

The Bad Weather Friend By Dean Koontz

Last Night By Luanne Rice

The Ghost Orchid By Jonathan Kellerman

The Women By Kristin Hannah

The Teacher By Freida McFadden

Fourteen Days By The Authors Guild

A Love Song for Ricki Wilde By Tia Williams

Bride By Ali Hazelwood

One Wrong Word By Hank Phillippi Ryan

Burma Sahib By Paul Theroux

Chasing Endless Summer By V.C. Andrews

Redwood Court By DeLana R.A. Dameron

The Year of the Locust By Terry Hayes

All My Secrets By Lynn Austin

Girls With Bad Reputations By Xio Axelrod

When Grumpy Met Sunshine By Charlotte Stein

Last Seen in Havana By Teresa Dovalpage

The Uncharted Flight of Olivia West By Sara Ackerman

Death of a Spy By M.C. Beaton & R.W. Green

A Sign of Her Own By Sarah Marsh

Lone Wolf By Gregg Andrew Hurwitz

Embers in the London Sky By Sarah Sundin

Union Station By David Downing

One Wrong Move By Dani Pettrey

Crosshairs By James Patterson & James O. Born

The Summer Book Club By Susan Mallery



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Soul Collections - February 22nd at 5:30pm The Fire Next Time by James Baldwin

Soul Collections book club meets to discuss both fiction and non-fiction books written by Black authors. Join us in our 3rd Floor Meeting Room while we enjoy great conversation about this month's book. This is a free program and open to all!

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