



LONDON BOOK FAIR 2019

Featured Authors

KATHARINE ASHE

“Ashe strikes gold in her fourth Devil’s Duke Regency [...] Ashe allows desire to build slowly between the two, giving them time to demonstrate goodness, honor, and love before they act on their long-simmering passions. A subplot involving murdered women and grave-robbing adds mystery to this thoroughly pleasurable historical.” —*Publishers Weekly* (starred review) on *The Prince*

Katharine Ashe is the *USA Today* bestselling and award-winning author of historical romances reviewers call “intensely lush” and “sensationally intelligent.” A two-time nominee for the prestigious RITA Award of the Romance Writers of America, she has appeared on Amazon’s Best of the Year and Best of the Month lists multiple times. Katharine is also a professor of history and popular culture at Duke University, where she hosts the UNSUITABLE Speakers Series about Women, History and Popular Fiction. In addition, Ashe convenes Facebook Feminist Romance Lovers Book Club.

Katharine is working on an historical novel that brims with the qualities her readers adore about her books: vibrant characters, page-turning mystery, non-stop action, rich historical detail and an epic love story.

Books in her latest series include *The Prince*, *The Duke*, *The Earl*, and *The Rogue*. **Select titles have been sold to Jai Lu in France, 20/20 in Portugal, Urano in Spain, De Vrijbouter in The Netherlands, Oakla in Japan, Epilson in Turkey, and Elexmedia Komputindo in Indonesia. Audio rights to her backlist sold to Tantor.**

WENDY BALDWIN

Debut novel *Connecting Dot* is book-club-friendly fiction with a good mix of atmospheric history and indelible characters – think Dave Eggers *Heroes of the Frontier* meets Maria Semple’s *Where’d You Go Bernadette*. *Connecting Dot* is a quirky tale of love, loss, and starting over. The prose hits a sweet spot between up market and down home.

Looking everywhere has gotten Dot nowhere. The untimely deaths of her mother and brother, as well as her dad’s inexplicable suicide, leave her orphaned and off track. At 23, and unmoored by grief, Dot takes solace in the company of her only living blood relative, Great Aunt Zyrah. But when weeks of smoking weed and surfing the sofa turn into months, 81-year-old Aunt Z forces Dot to seek help *and* gainful employment. Her new and seemingly dead-end job at Aunt Z’s chain of funeral homes proves to be much more than a steady paycheck. As a stylist to the dead, the work feeds her deep craving for belonging and offers an ironic escape from her lingering loneliness.

But just when Dot’s found a promising new romance, an adorable stray dog, and her new normal, she also finds the missing note. This discovery, and her dad’s mysterious instructions launch Dot on a journey to connect with the past. From San Angelo to Saskatoon, she finds momentum in forward motion. Long, lonely runs over rural ranchland and solo time behind the wheel prove to be more therapeutic than any counseling. Along the way, she finds her True North and comes to terms with her ever-changing concepts of home and family, connecting Dot to a future she’d been too stuck to imagine.

MAYA BANKS

"[A] one-two punch of entertainment that will leave readers eager for the next book."—*Publishers Weekly*

"Her characters are a testament to the strength of the human spirit, and to the power love has to heal even the deepest wounds." *New York Times* and *USA Today*
bestselling author Linda Howard

***Wherever You Are* is the next KGI novel of nonstop suspense and explosive passion from the #1 *New York Times* bestselling author Maya Banks.** When some well-deserved R & R turns into a volatile situation for Skylar Watkins, she knows her team will never get to her in time. Her only hope is a promise once made to her by a desperate man... Driven by a steely demeanor and fierce loyalty, the warrior now tasked with saving Skylar's life knows her value to the KGI. He's seen firsthand how daring—and lethal—she can be. He'll get her back or die trying, but what he isn't prepared for is the desire to keep her close, for wanting her to remain in his arms and under his watch...forever. *Wherever You Are* will be published by Berkley in 2019.

Maya Banks is the #1 *New York Times* and #1 *USA Today* bestselling author of the Surrender trilogy, the Breathless trilogy, the KGI series, the Sweet series, the Colters' Legacy novels, and The Enforcers series. **Maya recently signed a seven-figure deal with Berkley for three more KGI novels.**

Select titles have been sold to Headline in the UK, Lyx in Germany, Bragelonne in France, Meulenhoff in The Netherlands, Roca in Spain, Harper Italia and Fanucci in Italy, 20/20 in Portugal, Autentica, Leya and Universo dos Livros in Brazil, Schibe in Norway, Basam In Finland, Rosinant and Lindhardt and Ringhof in Denmark, Oakla in Japan, Korim in Israel, Baronet in Czech, Backviet in Vietnam, Azbooka Atticus in Russia, Stilus in Croatia, Učila in Slovene, Geopen in Hungary, Albatross in Poland, Sun Color in Complex Chinese, Amarin in Thailand, and Precious Paper in Tagalog. Audio rights to front and backlist sold to Tantor and Brilliance.

LOUISE BAY

"Great dialogue, sparkling chemistry, powerfully sexy love scenes and well-developed characters. Park Avenue Prince is as swoon-worthy story that's as much satisfying as it is angsty."—*USA Today*

***USA Today* and *Der Spiegel* bestselling author** Louise Bay writes sexy, contemporary romance novels. She has **sold over 1,000,000 copies** of her books in the English language worldwide. *Hollywood Scandal* was named as one of the year's best romances in 2017 by *USA Today*. In 2018 Audible put *Duke of Manhattan* into their top 100 all-time favorite romances. Bay's latest novel *International Player* was sold to Audible in a **six-figure deal**... She recently signed a **second six figure deal** with Audible for an *Untitled* novel to be published in 2020.

Bay's upcoming novel *International Player* will be released in April 2019. Being labelled a player never stopped me from being successful with women. Until I met Truly Harbury. Truly was the first girl who ever turned me down. The first female friend I ever had. And she might just be the first woman I ever fall in love with. When an emergency means she needs my help running her family's charity, I'm happy to introduce her to the glitz and glamour of the London business world. The more time we spend together, the more I want to convince her I'm not a man to avoid. She's the first woman I ever fell in love with. I just need to know if she could ever love me too.

Previous books include stand alones *Hollywood Scandal*, *Love Unexpected*, *Hopeful* and *International Player*. Series include The Royalty series: *The King of Wall Street*, *Park Avenue Prince*, *Duke of Manhattan*, *The British Knight*, and *The Earl of London*; The Empire State series: *A Week in New York*, *Autumn in London* and *New Year in Manhattan*; The Night Series: *Parisian Nights*, *Promised Nights*, and *Indigo Nights*; and The Always in Summer Collections: *A Ruthless Gentleman* and *The Wrong Gentleman*

Bay's books have been sold to Lyx in Germany, Always in Italy, Angel in Brazil and Adel Publishing in Israel. Audio rights sold to Audible.

SHAYLA BLACK

"A Shayla Black story never disappoints!" —Sylvia Day, #1 *New York Times* bestselling author

Shayla Black is the *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling author of more than sixty novels. For over fifteen years, she's written contemporary, erotic, paranormal, and historical romances via traditional, independent, foreign, and audio publishers. Her books have sold **millions of copies** and been published in a dozen languages.

Devoted to Love is the second in the sexy 'Devoted Lovers' series publishing with Berkley in July 2019. *Devoted to Pleasure* published in 2018.

Other series include More Than Words series: *More Than Love You*, *More Than Want You*, *More Than Need You*, *More Than Crave You* and *More Tempt You*, publishing April 30th, 2019. The Doms of Her Life series launched with *The Choice* in March 2018, *The Chase* will be published Fall of 2019 with an with additional novel releasing 2020.

Select titles have been sold to Egmont in Germany, Fanucci in Italy, Jai Lu in France, Pamies in Spain, Grupo Saida de Emergencia in Portugal, Lafont in Brazil, Turbulenz in Denmark, Dharma in Turkey, Ulpus-Haz in Hungary and Rinomin in Israel. Audio rights to full front and backlist sold to Tantor.

SHAYLA BLACK and LEXI BLAKE

"Shayla Black and Lexi Blake never fail to heat up the page, and the Perfect Gentlemen series is no exception. Hot and edgy and laced with danger, the stories in the Perfect Gentlemen series are just that---perfect." —J. Kenner, *New York Times* and international bestselling author of the Stark series

From *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling authors Shayla Black and Lexi Black comes *The Perfect Gentlemen* series. They are the Perfect Gentlemen of Creighton Academy: privileged, wealthy, powerful friends with a wild side.

Books include *Scandal Never Sleeps*, *Seduction in Session*, *Big Easy Temptation*, *Smoke and Sin* and *At the Pleasure of the President*, publishing in April 2019.

Books in the series have sold to Egmont in Germany and Jai Lu in France. Audio rights to the series sold to Tantor.

JACI BURTON

Jaci Burton's stories are full of heat and heart." —Maya Banks, #1 *New York Times* bestselling author

Jaci Burton is a *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling author. Her upcoming novel *Hot to the Touch* launches her Brotherhood in Fire series in May 2019. The second book will release in March 2020.

Burton just signed a six-figure deal with Berkley books for a new series *Boots and Bouquets*. More to come...

Select rights have been sold to Sieben in Germany, Bragelonne in France, Pamies in Spain, Fanucci in Italy, Angel in Brazil, Lampsi in Greece, Ulipius in Hungary, Nemesis in Turkey, Crystal in Thailand.

SYLVIA DAY

Sylvia is the #1 *New York Times*, #1 *USA Today* & #1 international bestselling author of over twenty award-winning novels translated into 41 languages. With tens of millions of copies of her books in print, she is a #1 bestseller in 28 countries. Sylvia's novels claimed spots on the top bestselling books on global year-end sales round ups, making her one of the most widely read authors in the world today.

Her latest book in the *Crossfire* series *One With You* was one of the top bestselling books of 2016 throughout the world: #2 most popular book on Google Play UK, #5 fiction book on iTunes AUS, #7 most popular book on Google Play, #8 fiction book on iTunes US, #10 on Amazon.CA's Top Selling Books of 2016, and #18 on Amazon's Top Selling Books of 2016.

Sylvia is currently working on her new duology *Blacklist* which has already been sold to Penugin UK, Random House Germany, Jai Lu in France, Mondadori in Italy, Planeta in Spain, HarperHolland in The Netherlands, Porto in Portugal, Politikens in Denmark, Companhia das Letras in Brazil, Grazyna Smosa-Wozniak in Poland and Psychogios in Greece. Audio rights published by Brilliance.

VANESSA FEWINGS

"There is no doubt that Fewings is a gifted writer with an eye for detail and mastery at creating intimate scenes and action sequences." —*RT Book Reviews*

Vanessa Fewings is the *USA Today* bestselling author of the Enthrall Sessions. The Icon trilogy is her sizzling new romantic series from HQN Books and includes *The Chase*, *The Game*, and *The Prize*. Her most recent release *Perfume Girl* published November 2019.

Select titles have been sold to Jai Lu in France and Dressler Dublin in Poland

SHIRA GOLDMAN

Shira Goldman has written for *Center of the Universe* with John Goodman on CBS, *Notes from the Underbelly* with Jennifer Westfeldt on ABC, and *The Starter Wife* with Debra Messing on USA Network. She sold two pilots to Touchstone Television Productions and MTV Networks.

Her debut novel *Legacy* is currently **being developed as a television series with Seth MacFarlane's Fuzzy Door Media**. Think *Prep* meets *Mean Girls* – it's fun, funny and shocking...

Having just staged and won a coup to be President of Kappa Delta Gamma, Abigail Williamston will do anything to regain her chapter's fallen status as the hottest and most exclusive sorority on the planet, or at least their southern Texas university campus. But her misguided and highly emotionally charged mission derails, taking a completely new path when pudgy, mysterious and relentlessly cheerful Lily arrives on the house doorstep, demanding membership rights, lodging and – most threatening of all – sisterhood.

M. LEIGHTON/MICHELLE LEIGHTON

"A phenomenal writer." —*Bookish Temptations*

***New York Times*, *USA Today*, and *Wall Street Journal* bestselling M. Leighton** is the author of several series including 'The Wild Ones' and 'The Bad Boys' - **combined sales of well over one million**—digital and print, independent and traditional.

Her upcoming novel *Right Next Door* releases this summer. John and Mary Stanley thought they struck neighbor gold when they moved to the Coves. They had so much in common with the couple next door – age, hobbies, kids and favorite wine. They seemed to be the perfect fit. At first.... But then things started to happen. Odd things. Destructive things. Violent things. When Mary receives a letter my mistake, she realizes that her neighbors aren't at all what they seem.

Previous books have been sold to Hodder in the UK, Heyne in Germany, Bragelonne in France, AdA French Canadian, Pamies in Spain, Record in Brazil, Newton Compton in Italy, Gyldendal in Denmark, Filia in Poland, Konyvmolykepzo in Hungary, Optimum in Turkey, and Azbooka-Atticus in Russia.

MARY MCNEAR

"This triumphant story had me reading until the wee hours of the morning."—
#1 *New York Times* bestselling author Debbie Macomber on *The Space Between Sisters*

"Butternut Lake is so beautifully rendered, you'll wish it was real. Mary McNear takes the reader on an emotional journey with this story of second chances, starting over, and the healing power of love. A book to relax, enjoy and savor any time of year, but especially during the long, lazy days of summer." —Susan Wiggs, #1 *New York Times* bestselling author

"A great, emotional read for every woman who must face the past before moving forward." —Sherryl Woods, #1 *New York Times* bestselling author

"A delicious setting and a heroine to cheer for, Moonlight on Butternut Lake is my favorite kind of book, one that treads that pleasurable line between romance and women's fiction. Enjoy!" —Susan Elizabeth Phillips, *New York Times* bestselling author

Mary McNear is the *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling author of the bestselling Butternut Lake' series published by HarperCollins. Readers who love Susan Wiggs and Susan Mallery will adore McNear's Butternut novel. Books in the series include *Up At Butternut Lakes*, *Butternut Summer*, *Moonlight at Butternut Lake*, *The Space Between Sisters*, *The Secrets We Carried*, and a novella "Butternut Lake: The Night Before Christmas."

Select titles have been sold to Jai Lu in France, Fanucci in Italy, Meulenhoff in The Netherlands, ERA in Bulgaria and Eram in Estonia.

NON-FICTION

DOROTHY LEE BARNETT

"Lee Barnett's courageous and strong voice shines through this memoir. A fast-paced adventure spanning countries and decades, it asks the important question — what would you do to protect your beloved child? Barnett answers this with intense love, bravery and honesty. This memoir is not only important but also compelling and powerful. This is your next must-read!" —*New York Times* bestselling author Patti Callahan Henry

Dorothy Lee Barnett's memoir *A Mother's Promise* – a compelling and harrowing story that has captivated the world. Lee's story has been featured on **CBS 48 Hours**, **NBC Dateline** as well as tv and print around the globe. *A Mother's Promise* has been pre-

empted by Penguin Random House Australia and is schedule for publication in April 2019.

Lee Barnett eluded the FBI for almost two decades after fleeing the US with her 11-month old daughter Savanna, eventually settling in Australia. In 2013, after nearly 20 years of alluding the FBI as an international fugitive, her luck ran out. Full of intrigue, suspense, and a mother's undying love of her child, Barnett's story correlates to what is happening in society today – a woman forced to fight a system that would rather believe she is crazy than a victim of an abusive relationship.

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