Exit Strategy
The Murderbot Diaries
by Martha Wells

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The fourth and final part of the Murderbot Diaries series that began with All Systems Red.

Murderbot wasn't programmed to care. So, its decision to help the only human who ever showed it respect must be a system glitch, right?

Having traveled the width of the galaxy to unearth details of its own murderous transgressions, as well as those of the GrayCris Corporation, Murderbot is heading home to help Dr. Mensah—its former owner (protector? friend?)—submit evidence that could prevent GrayCris from destroying more colonists in its never-ending quest for profit.

But who's going to believe a SecUnit gone rogue?

And what will become of it when it's caught?

I love Murderbot! - Ann Leckie, author of Ancillary Justice

"Clever, inventive, brutal when it needs to be, and compassionate without ever being sentimental." - Kate Elliott, author of the Spirit Walker trilogy

"Endearing, funny, action-packed, and murderous." - Kameron Hurley, author of The Stars Are Legion

Author Bio

Location: College Station, Texas

MARTHA WELLS has written many fantasy novels, including The Wizard Hunters, Wheel of the Infinite, the Books of the Raksura series (beginning with The Cloud Roads and ending with The Harbors of the Sun), and the Nebula-nominated The Death of the Necromancer, as well as YA fantasy novels, short stories, and non-fiction.
The Armored Saint
by Myke Cole

Myke Cole, author of the beloved military fantasy Shadow Ops series, debuts a new epic fantasy trilogy with *The Armored Saint*, a tale of religious tyrants, arcane war-machines, and underground resistance that will enthral epic fantasy readers of all ages.

After witnessing a horrendous slaughter, young Heloise opposes the Order, and risks bringing their wrath down on herself, her family, and her village. She must confront the true risk that wizards pose to the world, and weigh the safety of her people against justice.

Cole weaves... a fantasy world that feels comfortably familiar, then goes to places you'd never expect. You won't stop turning pages until the stunning finish. -Peter V. Brett

"Brutal and lovely—an inventive and poignant fantasy that's rich with keen characters, set in a vivid, fascinating world." -Cherie Priest

"A dark fantasy tale with sharp teeth and a hard punch. Heloise is the hero we need." -Chuck Wendig

Author Bio

Location: Brooklyn, NY

After a career in the military, police and intelligence services, MYKE COLE tracks fugitives as part of the investigative team on CBS' new hit show *Hunted*. Cole's three tours in Iraq inspired his military fantasy Shadow Ops series. But the work hasn't separated Cole from his nerd roots. He's still a voracious fantasy reader who never misses his weekly game night. Cole's fandoms range from *Star Wars* to military history. He lives in Brooklyn, NY.
The Queen of Crows
by Myke Cole

The Queen of Crows, book two of the Sacred Throne Trilogy, continues the epic story of Heloise as she continues her journey from obscurity to greatness. Despite the crippling injuries she’s received, Heloise stands tall against overwhelming odds with the help of alchemically-empowered armor and an unbreakable spirit.

Heloise has grown from a shell-shocked girl into a figure of revolution, and as she draws in allies, her cause grows ever stronger. The time for hiding underground is over. Heloise must face the tyrannical Order and lay siege to the Imperial Palace itself.

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Worlds Seen in Passing
Ten Years of Tor.com Short Fiction
by Irene Gallo

Since it began in 2008 Tor.com has explored countless new worlds of fiction, delving into possible and impossible futures, alternate and intriguing pasts, and realms of fantasy previously unexplored. Its hundreds of remarkable stories span from science fiction to fantasy to horror, and everything in between. Now Tor.com is making some of those worlds available for the first time in print.

This volume collects some of the best short stories Tor.com has to offer, with Hugo and Nebula Award-winning short stories and novelettes chosen from all ten years of the program.


Tor.com hasn't just become one of the most essential places to read short stories online, it's also helped rekindle my excitement about short fiction. A fresh new story going up at Tor.com is always an Event." - Charlie Jane Anders

"VanderMeer both defies and challenges genre boundaries, forcing readers to forget about traditional tropes and cliches and simply enjoy the storytelling." - John DeNardo, Kirkus on Jeff VanderMeer

"Genius crushed into an atom." - Martin Cahill, B&N Scifi and Fantasy Blog on Charlie Jane Anders


"Shiver-inducing, of the delicious (...)"

Author Bio

IRENE GALLO is the associate publisher of Tor.com and the creative director of Tor Books. As Tor Books' creative director, Irene has established the look and design of an incalculable number of books since 1993. She has won the World Fantasy Award, the Richard Gangel Award for Art Direction from the Society of Illustrators, thirteen Chesley Awards, and numerous gold and silver...
State Tectonics
by Malka Older

State Tectonics concludes the trilogy that began with Infomocracy:

- The book The Huffington Post called "one of the greatest literary debuts in recent history"
- Named one of the best books of the year by The Washington Post, The Verge, Flavorwire, Kirkus Reviews, and Book Riot
- A Locus Award Finalist for Best First Novel

The future of democracy must evolve or die.

The last time Information held an election, a global network outage, sabotage by major world governments, and an uncontrolled earthquake almost shook micro-democracy apart. Five years later, it's time to vote again, and the system that has ensured global peace for 25 years is more vulnerable than ever.

Unknown enemies are attacking Information's network infrastructure. Spies, former superpowers, and revolutionaries sharpen their knives in the shadows. And Information's best agents question whether the data monopoly they've served all their lives is worth saving, or whether it's time to burn the world down and start anew.

Praise for the Centenal Cycle

"Kinetic and gripping, the plot hurtles toward an electoral climax that leaps off the page." -NPR on Infomocracy

"Futurists and politics geeks will love this unreservedly." - The New York Times Book Review on Infomocracy

"A futuristic world with eerie parallels to current events… [an] uncanny political thriller." - The Washington Post on Infomocracy

"Smart, ambitious, bursting with provocative extrapolations." -Ken Liu on Infomocracy

Author Bio

Location: Washington, DC

MALKA OLDER is a Campbell Award finalist, humanitarian worker, and PhD candidate studying governance and disasters. She has more than eight years of experience working in disaster management, project management, and strategic communications. She has worked throughout the Middle East and Africa, and her insights into governance and disasters have been featured in a number of publications and news outlets.
The Labyrinth Index
by Charles Stross

The Lovecraftian Singularity has descended on the world, beginning an exciting new story arc in the Laundry Files series!

The arrival of vast, alien, inhuman intelligences reshaped the landscape of human affairs across the world, and the United Kingdom is no exception. Things have changed in Britain since the dread elder god Nyarlathotep ascended to the rank of Prime Minister. Mhari Murphy, recently elevated to the House of Lords and head of the Lords Select Committee on Sanguinary Affairs (think vampires), finds herself in direct consultation with the creeping chaos, who directs her to lead a team of disgraced Laundry personnel into the dark heart of America. It seems the Creeping Chaos is concerned about foreign relations.

A thousand-mile-wild storm system has blanketed the midwest, and the President is nowhere to be found. In fact, for reasons unknown the people of America are forgetting that the executive branch ever existed. The government has been infiltrated by the shadowy Black Chamber, and the Pentagon and NASA have been refocused on the problem of summoning Cthulhu.

Somewhere, the Secret Service battle to stay awake, to remind the President who he is, and to stay one step ahead of the vampiric dragnet that's searching for him.

For The Laundry Files

"Smart, literate, funny."-Lev Grossman, author of The Magicians

"A bizarre yet effective yoking of the spy and horror genres."-The Washington Post Book World

"Imagine a world where gnarly Lovecraftian demons are all too real yet are routinely neutralized with high-tech wizardry by a supersecret British spy agency, and you'll get an inkling (...)"

Author Bio

Location: Edinburgh, Scotland

CHARLES STROSS is a British SF writer, born in Leeds, England, and living in Edinburgh, Scotland. He has worked as a tech writer, a programmer, a journalist, and a pharmacist; he holds degrees in pharmacy and in computer science. He has written over forty books, including the Laundry Files, The Merchant Princes, and the Laundry Files. He is a member of the British Science Fiction Association.
An Oral History of Haden's Syndrome
by John Scalzi

Discover the history of Haden's Syndrome, the virus that created the world of John Scalzi's inventive near-future thrillers Lock In and Head On, in this prequel novella.

Not long from now, a virus will sweep the globe. Most will suffer no worse than flu-like symptoms, but an unlucky one percent will be changed forever. Hundreds of millions become "locked in", awake, aware, but completely unable to control their bodies.

This is the story of the doctors, scientists, engineers, politicians, and heroes who remade the world. It is the story of the chaotic outbreak, the fight for a cure, the changes that followed. It is an oral history, straight from the mouths of those who survived the most dynamic period in human history.

Praise for Lock In

"This is the kind of thriller that Michael Crichton, Lincoln Child, and James Rollins do so well. Add John Scalzi to that list." -Douglas Preston, #1 NYT bestselling author of The Kraken Project and Impact

"As much as Scalzi has the scientific creativity of a Michael Crichton, he also has the procedural chops of a Stephen J. Canell to craft a whodunit with buddy-cop charm and suspects aplenty-most of them in someone else's body." - USA Today

Author Bio

Location: Outside Dayton, Ohio

JOHN SCALZI is one of the most popular and acclaimed SF authors to emerge in the last decade. His massively successful debut Old Man's War won him science fiction's John W. Campbell Award for Best New Writer. His New York Times bestsellers include The Last Colony, Fuzzy Nation, and Redshirts, the latter winning the 2013 Hugo Award for Best Novel. Material from his widely read blog, Whatever (whatever.scalzi.com), has also earned him two other Hugo Awards. Scalzi also serves as critic-at-large for the Los Angeles Times. He lives in Ohio with his wife and daughter.