# NEW STAR PRESS

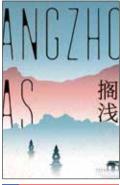












# Highlights



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## **New Star Press**

New Star Press was founded in 1989. Originally a national publishing agency exclusively mandated as an issuer of government white papers for foreign use, its products did not enter the domestic market. On October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2004, with the approbation of the General Administration of Press and Publication (GAPP), New Star Press became an integrated publishing entity allowed to publish and distribute both at home and abroad. At present, New Star Press has already successfully undergone two rounds of financing and successively brought in two new investors, Gansu Duzhe Publishing & Media Corp. and Jiantou Huawen Communication Investment Co., Ltd. It has also established a modern corporate management.

Important product lines of New Star Press include the Midnight Series, the Phantom Series, and the Biography Library, for which have been launched year after year numerous detective, sci-fi, fantasy and biographical top brands considered masterpieces in Chinese publishing circles. Meanwhile, New Star Press has also published a batch of top-quality non-fiction titles, such as *Why Marx Was Right*, *The Art of Chinese Living*, and *Out of Control*, thus extending its influence.

As an imprint of the China International Publishing Group (CIPG), New Star Press considers "introducing China to the world" its duty. It has published a great number of books on China in numerous languages including English, Japanese, Korean, Russian, German, etc., and becomes an important channel for foreign readers to learn about China.

New Star Press is composed of strong authoring and editing teams. 90 percent of the world's masters of mystery have settled for New Star Press, including Agatha Christie, Ellery Queen, Raymond Chandler, Jeffery Deaver, Soji Shimada, Kotaro Isaka, et al. Other famous writers include William Gibson, Orson Scott Card, Ray Bradbury, Frederic Evans Wakeman, Israel Epstein, Ye Xin, Ma Yong, Lao Shu, Liu Sha He and Tang Haoming, et al.





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#### Midnight Library

Welcome to Midnight Library, the premier publishing platform for mystery and crime fiction. Our mission is to provide readers with the most authoritative collection of works in this genre. Since 2006, we have carefully selected the best classic and contemporary novels, scouring 170 years of crime fiction to introduce these works to our audience in a systematic and professional manner.

With over 600 titles published, and more than 130 contracted authors - with over 100 books currently in progress - we have established ourselves as a leading authority in the mystery and crime fiction world. Our commitment to showcasing the best in this genre has earned us a loyal following of readers who trust us to bring them the very best in mystery and crime fiction.

In addition to our extensive catalog of titles, we are also proud to introduce our Midnight Library Original Series, featuring new and emerging authors from China. With over 100 leading Chinese detective fiction authors, we are excited to bring these fresh voices to the world stage.

At Midnight Library, we are passionate about sharing the best in mystery and crime fiction with readers around the world. Join us on our journey as we continue to curate and publish the very best works in this genre.

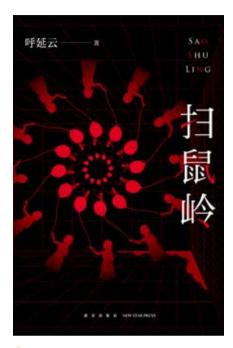


## Huyan Yun

#### **Detective/Crime Series**

Huyan Yun is a famous detective novel writer. He made his debut in 2009 with *Transmutation*, and his early works were biased towards the original style puzzle stories. Since then, he has persistently explored and innovated in the subject matter and form of detective novels, as well as the combination with traditional culture. He specialises in presenting complex real-life themes in a grand narrative style, and his writing style is majestic and bold, making him unique among Chinese detective writers.

#### **Burnt Bodies at the Deratization Hill station**



Genre: Mystery / Speculative Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-4062-5 Pub. Date: Jun, 2020

500pp ¥ 58.00

#### Rights sold:

Vietnamese language(IPM) Translation rights available Ten years ago. When Zhou Liping, who was under the age of 18, was arrested in a serial murder case that resulted in the deaths of four people in the western suburbs, everyone decided that he was the real culprit, except for Lin Xiangming, a student at the Police University who assisted in the task force's investigation, who insisted that Zhou was only responsible for the last case. Zhou Liping was eventually sentenced to only ten years in prison.

Ten years later. Late at night on the Deratization Hill station, a blazing fire breaks out in the tunnel breezeway of the abandoned underground station. Firefighters find several bodies at the bottom of the breezeway, and surveillance video and physical evidence at the scene all show that it was the recently released Zhou Liping who was responsible for the tragedy. This time, who will clear his nafme?

#### **Key features**

Annual Mystery/Speculative Book on Douban

Corpse found in an abandoned subway station, unveiling a cruelly inhumane murder case

All material evidence at the crime scene, leading to reemergence of a past serial killer

Elite groups again work in liaison, challenging "multiple impossible crimes"

"The best mystery gives a false answer from the beginning".....

## **Empty City Scheme**



Genre: Mystery / Speculative Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-4757-0 Pub. Date: May, 2022

504pp ¥ 59.00

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The relocation of the entire city of Pingzhou has officially come to an end, and the city's Children's Hospital will be moved to the new campus, leaving only one department in the emergency department in the vast old city.

On New Year's Eve, the celebration for the inauguration of the new district of Pingzhou is about to take place, when suddenly the sad news arrives that the bus carrying the main staff of the emergency department of the city's children's hospital has crashed into a bridge, plunging into an icy river and killing all the people on board. Zhou Yun, the recently dismissed head of the department, was called upon to lead the few remaining staff to stand by and deal with the influx of children and parents during the peak emergency period.

While Zhou Yun and the others are busy, a series of attacks on children occur one after another, with victims being sent to the emergency department in a steady stream, plunging the hospital into chaos, while no one knows the true face of the killer or his true intentions. This is the beginning of a thrilling battle of attack and defence, where the enemy is outnumbered, where life and death are unpredictable, where ups and downs are unpredictable, and where the battle is a thrilling one.

#### **Key features**

Huyan Yun's new full-length masterpiece - a six-hour city-wide assault and defence battle!

Mysterious delivery man, attacking innocent children one after another.

Late night in the emergency room, a dangerous situation with life and death uncertain.

"The water is flat, each flows east and west, north and south; life has a destiny, so how can you walk and sigh and sit and worry?"

The strongest protagonist of the Huyen Yun series returns! With his own power, he turns the tide!

## Change



Genre: Mystery / Speculative Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-4804-1 Pub. Date: May, 2022

444pp ¥ 56.00

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"In the dark, she touched the bone."

In the basement of the villa area, the police rescued a female college student: the victim was badly injured and dying, with a matchbox beside him - the only clue left by the murderer to the police. Case after case, the crime is escalating. In the face of the tricks set by the murderer, the task force is going astray step by step.

Young police elites such as Lin Xiangming, Liu Simiao and Lei Rong joined forces to use advanced criminal investigation technology to gradually approach the truth. When everyone thought the case was about to be solved, the god of death appeared in unexpected places.

#### **Key features**

Huyanyun's first full-length novel - newly revised, reprinted and published.

The prequel of the leading role group of "Sweeping the Rat Ridge": the police elite join forces to arrest the murderer.

The starting point of the protagonist of "Empty City Plan": the serial murders have other secrets.

"A wandering soul turned into a long snake, with venomous teeth in its mouth. It did not bite people, but itself, and finally died..."

The youth of a group of people, the youth memory of a generation.

#### Broken mirror



Genre: Mystery / Speculative Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-5002-0 Pub. Date: Nov, 2022

404pp ¥ 59.00

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On a summer night, at a "Horror Forum", Xiao Qing, a singer who sang in the bar, told a story of "mirror murder": a wife and her best friend conspired to kill her husband. Later, the ghost of the husband broke the mirror again and again, and finally revenge.

Fan Yifan and Yang Wei thought that Xiaoqing was alluding to them. After a quarrel, Xiaoqing left. Yang Wei couldn't tell a story, so she suggested another way to replace it. She made a phone call to her lonely room in front of everyone, but the phone was answered in the room that was supposed to be empty.

Yang Wei hurried home to check, and the crowd followed her closely. But when they rushed into the room, Yang Wei was killed. The crime scene was exactly the same as the story told by Xiao Qing: it was also a sharp blade inserted into the heart and blood owed into the river. There were also broken lenses left on the floor.

#### **Key features**

At midnight, the scene of "Horror Forum" changed suddenly!

How did the mysterious murderer break through the mirror in the old building murder case?

"The mirror is gone with everyone, and the mirror is not returned. There is no shadow of Chang'e, and the moon is shining in the sky."

The situation of the world confronts justice, and the collision between intrinsic reasoning and traditional culture.

## Impossible Survival



Genre: Mystery / Speculative Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-5184-3 Pub. Date: Apr, 2023

372pp ¥ 56.00

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It was blowing hard on the grassland at midnight.

A bloodstained woman in white, standing alone on the national highway. At the nearby "Lake Inn", six horrific dead bodies lying in the karaoke room with the door and windows locked.

The complicated crime scene has put the criminal investigation in a difficult situation. Perplexed, the provincial Public Security Bureau asked for help from Beijing to transfer Liu Simiao, top domestic criminal forensics expert, to their bureau in order to assist in the investigation. However, something frighteningly inexplicable makes Liu Simiao unable to participate in the investigation.

Who would solve the "Lake Inn Murder"? How did the culprit kill six people? The locked room mystery has been prepared for more than 30 years, of which the truth is sinking into the lake . . .

#### **Key features**

Mystery murder by lake, "a ballet dancer" picking up memory pieces

On-site investigation, "doppelganger speculation" revealing the thrilling truth

Out of traps, the survivor of locked room murder mounted a counterattack!



#### Lu Qiucha

#### **Detective/Crime Series**

Lu Qiucha was born in Beijing in 1988, and graduated with a Master's degree in Classical Literature from the Institute of Ancient Books at Fudan University. He was a member of the Fudan University Reasoning Association during his school years. Currently a resident of Kanazawa, Japan. He won the Best Newcomer Award in the 2nd Chinese Reasoning Grand Prix with his short story "Prelude", and has published his detective series of the same name in the organizer's magazine "Age - Reasoning" from time to time.

Influenced by Shinzo Mitsuida, Yusaka Maji, Rintaro Hazuki, Hironobu Yonezawa, Tomoko Kano and others, he is an avid reader of Japanese speculative fiction. He is convinced that speculative fiction has its own value as an exploration of human intellect and irrationality, and cannot be replaced by pure literature or other genres of fiction. Although it is an imported genre, it is a necessity in modern society. Therefore, He vowed to promote this path as his lifelong ambition.

## The Rite of Spring



Genre: Mystery / Speculative Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-1924-9 Pub. Date: Mar, 2016

252pp ¥ 30.00

Rights sold:

Japan, Korea, Vietnam

"From a first reading of the Li Sao to a thorough reading of Qu Yuan's entire works, analysed in the light of all the available data, it seems to me that Qu Yuan was not only a scholar and a learned woman, but also a witch who participated in the state rituals of Chu, and one who wore male clothing from childhood until her twilight years".

In the first year of the Tian Han period, Yu Ling Kwai, the daughter of a powerful Chang'an family who first visited the Yunmengze in Chu, alerted the Guan family, who had once been in charge of the state rituals of Chu, with the above idea. As the eldest daughter, Yu Ling Kwai was forbidden to marry for the rest of her life as the 'witch' who presided over the family rituals. This rule had been passed down through the family for generations. During her visit, her relationship with the family's daughter, Guan Lushen, has become strained, and the sudden spate of murders makes Lushen suspect that this foreigner is the source of all the nightmares. Who is behind the murders? Is the killer's motive linked to the rituals or to the bloodshed of the Kuan clan four years ago? Betting on the family's reputation, Yu Ling Kwai is determined to find the real killer.

#### **Key features**

Winner of the Best Newcomer Award at the 2nd Chinese Speculative Fiction Competition

A "dazzling" book that stunned the original crime writing community

The secret of Qu Yuan's identity is hidden in the long words of Li Sao.

Japanese Top 4 Speculative Fiction List Results of the Year (2018)

- Hara Shobo Honkaku Mystery Best 10 (本格ミステリ・ベスト 10, Honkaku Misuteri Besuto 10) No.3
- TAKARAJIMASHA "This is an amazing book of argument!" No.4
- HAYAKAWA PUBLISHING CORPORATION "This speculation is so good!" No.5
- Bungeishunju "Bungeishun's weekly Mystery Best 10" No.6

## If and only if the snow is white



Genre: Mystery / Speculative Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-1430-5 Pub. Date: Apr, 2017

272pp ¥ 35.00

#### Rights sold:

Japan, Korea, Vietnam

On a snowy night, a young girl in a single dress wanders alone in the silence of the campus, wrapped in the biting cold until she becomes a corpse and continues to complain about the indifference of the world. There were no footprints of the perpetrator on the snow, the scene of the body was a secret room, and the case ended in suicide.

Five years have passed and the new student council president, Feng Luqui, has begun a private investigation into the matter, which the parties involved are trying to avoid but which inevitably stings the scars of the past. Just as some progress is being made, a snowy room is once again discovered on campus.

#### **Key features**

Youth authentic reasoning, challenging snow locked room mystery

One of the best-sellers in Japan, widely welcomed by speculative fiction fans

## Le deuil des primeveres



Genre: Mystery / Speculative Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-3160-9 Pub. Date: Aug, 2018

240pp ¥ 39.00

Rights sold:

Japan, Korea, Vietnam

Lin Yuanjiang took a leap of faith and ended his life.

In the eyes of my teachers and classmates, I would have been the saddest person on campus. We would walk to the library together during lunch breaks and exchange ideas about the books we had recently read. To the world, I was her only 'friend'. At the request of her mother, I opened her diary. I expected to find in it the reason for her suicide, and I did. However, the answer, which was completely different from the truth, changed my life forever - in black and white, Faroe complained that I had driven her to her death.

I just wanted to live my own life, not be the protagonist of any twisted and exaggerated story.

#### **Key features**

Touching on the sensitive minds of young girls

Friendship and competition Family and growing up

A true account of school life

An analysis of youthful angst with a touch of warmth

## Literary girl versus mathematical girl



Genre: Mystery / Speculative Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-3530-0 Pub. Date: Apr, 2019

236pp ¥ 39.00

Rights sold:

Japan, Korea

"Although detective novels are written in natural language, they share the same properties as formal systems." The literary girl, Lu Qiucha, accidentally enters the dormitory of the math girl, Han Cailu, in order to explore the rigor of detective novels, and thus begins a series of adventures involving both the mind and body. Can the truth of a detective novel be proven as irrefutably as a mathematical theorem? Can the proof history of Fermat's Last Theorem, which has plagued the mathematical community for 358 years, be rewritten as a murder mystery? Can cases that seem to lack sufficient evidence for deduction be approached from a different angle to reveal the truth? In the end, how will their friendship conclude?

#### **Key features**

A literary girl with a love of reasoning versus a lonely, cool mathematical genius.

A collection of short stories exploring the rigour and freedom of logical thinking

In the name of a starry-eyed master in the history of mathematics, a new way to argue and debate



#### Shi Chen

## Detective/Crime Series About the Author

Shi Chen is a member of the Shanghai Writers' Association, a winner of the MIGU Fantasy Excellence Award, and one of the few local original mystery writers who adheres to classical concepts. He writes on a wide range of subjects, including mystery, suspense, martial arts, and fantasy. His short speculative and suspense fiction has been published in well-known magazines such as Age of Reasoning, World of Reasoning, Most Reasoning, World of Suspense, and Mankind's Suspense. Chen's collection of short speculative stories was recommended by the authoritative Japanese speculative magazine, Honge Reasoning World. His representative works include "The Broken Chapter of Sin," "The Obsidian Pavilion Incident," "The Mirror Prison Island Incident," "The Five Elements Tower Incident," and "The Water Margin Hunter."

## The Prison Island Murder



Genre: Mystery / Speculative Chinese edition (paperback)

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257pp ¥ 32.00

Rights sold:

Japan, Korea, Vietnam

Legend has it that if one commits a sin during their lifetime, even if it remains hidden from the world, they will be sent to the hell of sinful mirrors after death. In this place, the sinful soul will reveal itself and pay the price for its crimes by being burned by the fires of Hell for eight hundred and sixty-four billion years.

Mirror Hell Island is an isolated asylum for criminals. One day, a woman with amnesia wakes up from a dream to find herself trapped on this island, surrounded by hundreds of mentally ill criminals. As she interacts with them, she realizes that her origins are not as simple as she thought. Who is she really? How will she escape this island of lies?

Meanwhile, mathematician Chen Torch receives an invitation from Detective Tang Wei to investigate a murder that took place in a secret room on Mirror Island. The former director of the mental hospital died in a brutal cell, but the killer is nowhere to be found. As the investigation progresses, bizarre events begin to occur. Chen Torch accidentally discovers that the island is hiding a shocking secret...

#### **Key features**

A genius mathematician detective to rival Galileo

An original and logical puzzle involving a daughter with amnesia

A mysterious murder weapon in the void of an island full of criminals

Recommended by Japan's leading magazine "Honge's World of Deductive Reasoning" as the latest work of Ellery Queen's logic.

#### The Fatal Tower Murder



Genre: Mystery / Speculative Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-2632-2 Pub. Date: Jul. 2017

256pp ¥ 35.00

Rights sold: Japan

The Five Elements Pagoda, a strange structure located in the Tengchong area of Yunnan Province, has five floors made of five different materials, corresponding to the five elements of the Five Elements: gold, wood, water, fire and earth. Rumour has it that the Five Elements Pagoda is cursed, especially the room at the top of the pagoda, which is the most inauspicious, and that those who live there will eventually meet with misfortune.

Wealthy businessman Lam Chi Kin becomes the latest victim of the Five Elements Tower when he falls from a sealed room at the top of the tower for no apparent reason. With the police at their wits' end, more murders follow, leaving the Lin family without a head. ..... Can mathematician Torch Chan, who has helped the police solve many strange cases, solve the mystery of this bizarre building?

#### Celebrity endorsement

Mathematician Chen Tor is one of the most famous "genius" detectives in the history of Chinese thought, and his ability to deduce logic in his novels is breathtaking. In this collection of short stories, in addition to his usual brilliant 'logical' deductions, the title story, 'The Incident at the Five Elements Tower', showcases the author's powerful imagination in a 'Shimada-ryu' style!

-Waspy (genre scholar and editor-in-chief of Selected Chinese Suspense Novels)

#### **Key features**

Fantastic architecture, unlikely crimes in a towering chamber

A new novel that retains the essence of Ellery Queen's logic

Recommended by the leading Japanese mystery magazine

## The Puppet Village Murder



Genre: Mystery / Speculative Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-3161-6 Pub. Date: Aug, 2018

244pp ¥ 39.00

Rights sold: Japan, Vietnam

A village famous for its puppets, the inhabitants of Trap Village disappeared overnight without a word! Without a trace of violence, for no reason at all, hundreds of people vanished, leaving a mystery for future generations to solve. Since then, the inhabitants of neighbouring villages have referred to the village as 'the village cursed by the puppets' and have been silenced by any mention of it.

Years later, Han Jin's party, led by Jiang Chao, a netizen explorer of ruins, arrives at the village, which is considered a forbidden place. With ancient monuments filled with incantations, dolls scattered throughout, and a series of strange deaths ......, can Han Jin, once again in danger, wait for Chen Torch's rescue in the supernatural Village of the Curse?

#### **Key features**

The evil of the doll curse, the hidden secrets of an abandoned village

Who is behind all the crimes?

The third in the series from mathematician Torch Chan

A new work that continues the essence of Ellery Queen's logic

Recommended by Japan's leading magazine

## The Vain City Murder



Genre: Mystery / Speculative Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-4073-1 Pub. Date: Jul, 2020

236pp ¥ 42.00

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Instruments of torture are often regarded as sinister objects that ordinary people avoid and are reluctant to learn about. However, Mr Yuan Bingde has a passion for torture instruments and has not only paid high prices for various antiques, but has also spent a lot of money building a private museum. Some people called his museum the "City of Wasted Death", probably because the collection was so full of grievances that it gave visitors the feeling of being in a city of wasted death in hell.

After Yuan's death, Chen Tor and Han Jin are put in charge of the Museum of Torture and become embroiled in a property dispute. A murder occurs unexpectedly, a fire breaks out, and a mysterious killer relentlessly pursues the survivors of the Yuan family. What is the secret of the "City of Wasted Death"?

#### **Key features**

A museum of torture instruments, a life and death sentence with unknown rules

When murder becomes torture, can it still be called "the perfect murder"?

## The Obsidian Hall Incident



Genre: Mystery / Speculative Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-5012-9 Pub. Date: Feb. 2023

252pp ¥ 48.00

All rights available

Twenty years ago, Shanghai businessman Gu Yonghui hosted a banquet in his mansion, attended by only five celebrities: female star Luo, film director Heyuan, literature professor Zhou Weicheng, writer JiLi, and doctor Liu Guoquan. All of them died, and the room was painted in red paint, as well as the bathroom with cosmetics. Gu Yonghui was found dishevelled and incoherent in a villa a few kilometers away, unable to explain the events of the night. Under intense pressure, the police arrested him for murder and closed the case.

After 20 years, Gu Yonghui's only son invites a group of renowned experts from various fields, including physics, mathematics, and criminal psychology, to investigate the case and uncover the truth behind the serial murders that occurred in the mansion. Gu Yonghui left behind a strange fairy tale, which may hold the key to solving the case. However, the investigation takes a deadly turn when Gu Yang, Gu Yonghui's son, is killed in the mansion's chamber of secrets. Could the real murderer from twenty years ago be among the crowd of investigators?

#### **Key features**

The first book in the "Mathematician Chen Xiao" series is now available.

A strange fairy tale holds the key to uncovering the truth behind the twenty-year-old mansion murders.

A closed circle of murder, with an invisible killer hiding in plain sight.

#### The Ruthless Man



Genre: Mystery / Speculative Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-5011-2 Pub. Date: Aug, 2022

264pp ¥ 48.00

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In "Last Chance," three desperate old men, each with their own troubles, meet in a nursing home. After discovering that their favorite nurse, Aunt Cao, is being abused by her son, the trio decides to take matters into their own hands. However, things take a dark turn when their attempt at revenge is filmed, and they receive a blackmail letter demanding a murder in return. With time running out, the three men find themselves caught in a dangerous web of deceit, as they struggle to uncover the truth and clear their names. "Last Chance" is a gripping novel that tackles complex issues like family estrangement, the challenges of aging, and the dark side of institutional care. With its unique blend of social commentary and suspenseful plot twists, it is sure to keep readers on the edge of their seats.

#### **Key features**

Chinese reasoning circle of the hot original author

A new breakthrough in integrating social elements

Direct hit the estrangement between relatives, the plight of the elderly and the chaos of pension institutions



#### Lu Yehua

#### **Detective/Crime Series**

Lu Yehua, a prominent member of the Shanghai Writers Association, known as "the king of humorous thought in China." Lu Yehua has made a name for himself with his unique style of writing, blending humor and reasoning in his works.

His most notable creation is the 212 serialized short story collection titled "Sister Lulu's Ultra Realistic Detective Notebook" This work was the first of its kind to combine funny and reasoning, making it a favorite among readers.

Lu Yehua's other masterpieces include "A Rainbow Tonight" and "Super Power Detective Office," which have garnered critical acclaim and a devoted following. His works have been compared to that of Agatha Christie, particularly her novels "The Long Night" and "They Came to Baghdad."

In 2018, Lu Yehua teamed up with fellow writers Shi Chen and Sun Qinwen to launch the country's first reasoning culture dialogue program, "QED". This groundbreaking initiative aimed to foster a culture of critical thinking and reasoning in China, solidifying Lu Yehua's reputation as a pioneer in his field.

Lu Yehua's unique ability to blend humor and reasoning has made him a beloved figure in the literary world, and his works continue to captivate readers across China and beyond.

## **Superpower Detective Office**



Genre: Mystery / Speculative Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-2202-7 Pub. Date: Aug, 2016

252pp ¥ 32.00

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Phantom City is a detective city: Tough Guy Detective, Housewife Detective, Food Detective... there are many different "detective offices" in the city.

The Superpower Detective Agency is one of them. As the name suggests, all the detectives in this office have "superpowers", only... everyone's superpowers are a bit... useless.

But with the title of "Detective", we must use our wits to fight the evil criminal forces! The Detective of the Super Power Detective Office swear to the lamp, must use super powerful logical reasoning and super useless super power, crack the mystery, protect the safety of a party! At this time, in the corner where these detectives do not know, there is a mysterious evil organisation quietly approaching...

#### **Key features**

"I'm an original mystery novel (no one takes seriously), classified as detached, nonsense, (no one interested) humorous reasoning, many (no one can read) logical flow and (no one understands) chamber, but I hope the book can easily laugh while carrying a heavy mystery."

## **Superpower Detective Office 2**



Genre: Mystery / Speculative Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-2638-4 Pub. Date: Jun, 2017

264pp ¥ 35.00

All rights available

Mirage City, a city of spies. The various spies show their skills for the people to eliminate harm, but also secretly compete. Only a case ten years ago has not been solved, its behind the scenes still let the detectives scared. They are the "secret organization".

Superpower detective agencies should also do their part! Although the detectives have some useless superpowers... Li Qinghu, Zuo Rou, Ye Fei Dao, faint, four superpower detectives trace the mysterious organization. Unexpectedly, however, the mysterious organization is also targeting the detectives.

#### **Key features**

The second bomb boss of Super Power Detective Office came out

Are deep in despair even funny, you are also super power ah

If the detectives have superpowers, wouldn't they solve the case in minutes?!

Hhosts in the day, dead bodies, messages before death, collective case

Four serious cases, give four serious detectives to solve, this is finally not a foolish reasoning!

## Over the Rainbow



Genre: Mystery / Speculative Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-2817-3 Pub. Date: Oct, 2017

312pp ¥ 36.00

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The Rainbow Tower, as the name suggests, is a colorful wall building that looks like a rainbow. This stylish building is the landmark of Shanghai Garden Hotel. The Sink Ice Month who works in the cafe comes here for the first time to encounter the murder case, and the scene is strange.

At the scene of the novel editor Zhao Zhiqi and beautiful writer Ding Rui, casual Zhao editor suddenly pointed out the murderer, but there is no evidence. The editor's reasoning is ignored, but let the sink ice month noticed a few doubts.

The "chasing the fierce" the road is actually to dig out the secret of others, the sinking ice moon is involved in it, but found some shady things, much better than the hypocrisy in the city today. It was like seeing a rainbow in the dark night.

#### **Key features**

No ambition, it's just a novel you want to read in one sitting.

What is more important, technique or motivation? Is there still a hidden killer you have never seen before?

The mystery novel has been around for almost 200 years, and it only deals with these two questions. Maybe this book will give you a new idea.

## Catch the Star



Genre: Mystery / Speculative Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-3228-6 Pub Date: Nov, 2018

220PP ¥ 36.00

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Mei send dust woke up in the office, want to go out to eat breakfast and then start another day of struggle, only to hear the news of an old friend was killed in the breakfast stall.

An old friend with whom he had a brief friendship two years ago. That night, it is the prelude to a major change in the life of the plum send dust, at a loss he got to know the "dead", two people completed a "criminal action", after never met again.

#### I thought he had been killed.

Mei Dust began to secretly investigate, the sad past and immediate worries inevitably hit him, then someone was killed again.

The core of the story

The nine-to-five routine is disrupted in one day, and a hunt for the past begins.

It could probably happen to you and me.



#### Zhi Wen

#### Crime Series

Zhi Wen, a Beijing-based lawyer and an avid enthusiast of crime painting. In 2004, he founded the Fingerprint Crime Research Studio, a group of fellow enthusiasts, and in 2007, he went on to open a theme cafe of the same name.

In 2017, Zhi Wen's talents as a screenwriter shone through with the nationwide hit "Day and Night." However, his passion for crime writing extends beyond the screen, as evidenced by his novel "Redemption on the Blade" and his other writing works, including "White Night Chasing the Fierce" and "Rebirth."

Zhi Wen's skill in weaving intricate and suspenseful stories has earned him a loyal following. He brings a unique perspective to his writing, having spent years immersed in the world of crime painting. Readers can expect a thrilling journey filled with twists and turns in each of his works.

## River in the Back light



Genre: Mystery / Speculative Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-2486-1 Pub Date: Jun, 2017

476pp ¥ 39.00 Interpol Captain Zhao Xincheng, just fierce blood, excellent skills, and familiar with the criminal drawing technology, case after case, won the leadership, just the double-edged sword character also led to his repeated punishment. At the same time, the capital murder case often, the victim's sex, age and occupation have nothing in common, more inconceivable is that his colleagues also suffered poison.

With the help of Yuan Shi and Han Bin, who is also a lawyer at the municipal bureau, Zhao Xincheng launched an investigation into the case. Unexpectedly, closer to the truth, more suspicious, just as the serial murder case is about to crack, he discovers in "tip of the iceberg" under the cover, still hidden, a paragraph of entanglement 10 years old feud.

#### **Key features**

Contemporary the most textured Chinese tough-guy school crime novels

Criminal police, forensic doctors, lawyers, criminal artists...

Lawrence Block Recommend Contemporary European and American detective novel master

The same series of works "White Night chase fierce" film and television copyright has been sold NETFLIX Translation rights sold: Vietnam, Thailand

Reference: "Day and Night", "Criminal Psychology", "True Detective"

#### Out of court



Genre: Mystery / suspense reasoning legal criminal investigation

Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-4945-1 Pub Date: Aug, 2022

708pp ¥ 98.00

#### **Chapter: The Drowning Man**

Gold lawyer Qiao Shaoting is the "undefeated legend" of Tianjin lawyers, with his own unique methods of handling cases and rules of conduct. On the agent of a "bizarre no corpse case", a friend died in the car, and he was framed as a criminal suspect, was put in a detention centre, temporarily withheld the lawyer's practice card, owed a huge debt, fell into the dark moment of life.

However, in the face of many crises, he still at all costs, persistent in the truth of the case, and excellent young lawyer Xiao Zhen partner, together follow up the death penalty review of the case. And Qiao Shaoting this investigation, will also be Tianjin Hong Kong City Jin Fu, Dezhi two major law firms of the undercurrent surging pulled on the bright face...

#### Chapter: Fade Zone

Judge Lu Nan went to South Tianjin to review the death penalty of a "bizarre broken body tragedy" nine years ago. During the investigation, he found that it appeared to be a "Chen Man gang smuggling case". In order to find

the truth as soon as possible, Lu Nan and the Qiao Shaoting in Tianjin Port together, race against time, encircling intercept, hope can rely on each "extreme operation" through severe crisis.

#### **Key features**

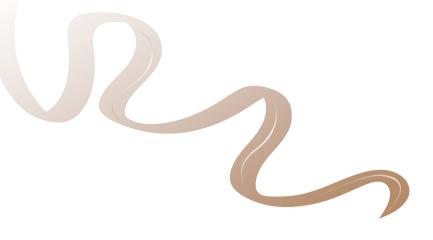
Youku.com hit series "Out of court" script novel

A novice lawyer assistant judge

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## Qing Ke

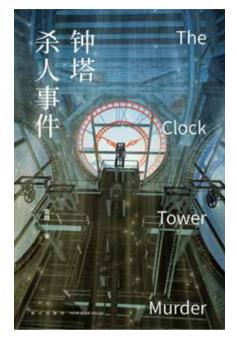
#### **Detective/Crime Series**

Qing Ke, an emerging mystery writer currently pursuing a Master's degree at Southern University of Science and Technology. As an avid reader, Qing Ke draws inspiration from literary giants such as Higashino Keigo and Island Field Division, honing a keen interest in intricate plots and mind-bending reasoning.

Qing Ke's dedication to the craft is apparent in their writing process, often spending days conceiving and perfecting the tricks and turns that will leave readers on the edge of their seats. The result is a captivating series of works, with "The Killing of Zhong Tower" serving as a shining example of their storytelling prowess.

Qing Ke's talent has not gone unnoticed. Their long story, "The Dream of Babel," was selected for the runoff selection of the Mystery Novel competition, while their short story, "The Counterattack of Reasoning Writer," won second prize at the 3rd Chinese Reasoning Grand Prix. With a bright future ahead, Qing Ke is sure to become a household name in the world of mystery writing.

#### The Clock Tower Murder



Genre: Mystery

Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-3014-5 Pub Date: Apr, 2018

276 pp ¥ 38.00

All rights available

What should an enviable final trip look like? Is in the tropical island beach bathing, or lazy wandering in the streets of Barcelona, or on the African prairie and wildlife close contact - certainly not like me, ran to the mountains, live in a strange heights, keep the index clock tower every day, from time to time even in the night encounter haunted doll!

The unforgettable experience of many years ago made me revisit my hometown. But instead of resolving the doubts in my heart, I suffered three bloody murders in a row. The secret room in the snow, the imprisoned boy and the bell tower that seems to point back in time - who can help me find the final truth?

#### **Key features**

Reasoning new power in the literary world, the fifth edition of the finalist

Back in time, flying bodies, retrograde human figures

The dazzling space-time trap, the only truth has several positive solutions?

Benge reasoning of the original work, "silence" detective debut

## The Solar Eclipse Murder



Genre: Mystery

Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-3517-1 Pub Date: Apr, 2019

248 pp ¥ 39.00

All rights available

The death of a mystery novelist, Chen Mosi and Lu Yu into the strange crime vortex. Two people instead of the dead to the Sun and Moon Villa guest, accidentally learned that ten years ago there was a team of astronomy enthusiasts in this party, during which the murder occurred. The parties are secretive about this, but some people constantly hinted through a variety of ways, the murderer of the case is still not committed.

Blood case with snow again came to the Sun and Moon Mansion, Chen Mosi will be before and the past murderer captured?

#### **Key features**

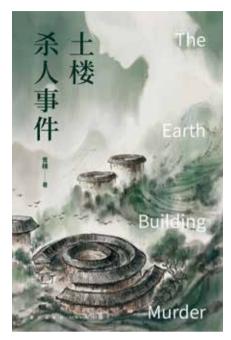
Reasoning new power in the literary world, the fifth edition of the finalist.

The eccentric party of astronomy enthusiasts, the bizarre murder in the snowy wild village.

Is it the murderer who passes through the time rift?

Benge's reasoning ambition, "silence" detective debut again.

## The Earth Building Murder



Genre: Mystery

Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-51334567-5 Pub Date: Nov, 2021

296 pp ¥ 48.00

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Legend has it that when Emperor Wudi of the Southern Ming Dynasty was pursued by the Qing army, he lost a large number of treasures on the run. In recent years, the mysterious Tulou settlement of Longfeng Village has unearthed the relevant cultural relics, but the legendary treasure has not been seen.

Chen Mosi and Lu Yu come to Longfeng Village and live in the village's largest earth lou. After a dispute over the development of a tourism project, a series of murders occur, which seem to be closely related to the centuries-old dispute between two families in Longfeng Village. Mysterious hangings, multiple chambers in the Tulou, hidden Longwu treasures... Silent detectives will face complex cases that are difficult to solve.

#### **Key features**

Earth buildings form multiple dense rooms;

Strange ways to solve the criminal myth;

Reasoning literary world new power highland barley;

The "Silence" detective series is a new masterpiece.



## Yuan Ning

#### About the author

Yuan Ning (original name Yuanning) is an accomplished mystery novelist and middle school Chinese teacher based in Dandong, Liaoning province. With over eight years of experience in writing, she has garnered a reputation for producing well-crafted and engaging stories.

Yuan Ning is known for her easy-going nature and her passion for reading. She is an avid fan of Sherlock Holmes and Poirot, and draws inspiration from their stories in her own writing. In 2008, she began writing mystery novels and quickly gained recognition for her works.

Her stories have been published in the prestigious magazine "Mystery World", including the highly acclaimed "Judge Dee Mystey", "Tang Case Unknown Series", and "Red Line Series". Her works have received critical acclaim for their gripping plots, well-developed characters, and masterful use of language.

In addition to her writing accomplishments, Yuan Ning has also been recognized for her skills as a detective novel expert. Her work Take Red for Green won the first prize in the first Chinese Reasoning Competition.

Overall, Yuan Ning is a talented and accomplished writer who has made significant contributions to the mystery genre. Her works are a testament to her creativity, passion for storytelling, and mastery of the written word.

## The Voices of Ganzhou



Genre: Mystery

Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-3374-0 Pub Date: Jan, 2019

300 pp ¥ 42.00

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Di Renjie as the imperial envoy patrol to the jurisdiction of Ganzhou Zhangye, in the happy atmosphere of song and dance, but hidden uneasy breath. The rich businessman inside the city dies in their own courtyard, the treasure phase temple outside the city is now surprised 15 coke corpse, and the dance group leader who intends to enter Beijing to sacrifice art also dies mysteriously inside the inn, each case seems to be related to the mysterious witch. Seemingly calm Zhangye County dark tide turbulent, all the forces are ready to move, Di Renjie can clear the fog, find out the truth?

### **Key features**

Ancient temple burnt corpse, witch fans, businessmen and ugly, border secret;

Complex bureau within the bureau, the case, only Di Renjie can see through the truth;

The first Chinese language reasoning Grand Prix first prize winner Yuanning "Datang Di Gong case" series of new long works;

Dreaming back to the prosperous Tang Dynasty to reproduce the history of the mystery;

Is the truth hard to find or difficult?

# Legends of Chang'an



Genre: Mystery

Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-4152-3 Pub Date: Sep, 2020

320 pp ¥ 45.00

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In the Middle Tang Dynasty, Chang'an City, the powerful terrain, the city square neat, day and night staged a prosperous brocade, but also hidden turbulent undercurrent.

Chang'an City recently happened some strange cases: the lady of the rich family in the lights of the Lantern Festival inexplicably missing; underground "ghost hand" pulled people into the ground, then the ground is restored; the hunter in a cave in the Qinling Ziwu Valley, found the cave wall is frozen an army......

Dali Temple Shaoqing Su Xulou and friends Shi nameless, Li Zhongqing launched an investigation into the case. Three people have very different personalities, or cunning, or sharp, or cold, what kind of story will happen in the process of detective? Can they tell us the truth?

## **Key features**

The Tang Dynasty background detective case short story collection.

Chang'an, under the prosperity, undercurrent surging; mystery, curtain.

Junyi trio, the investigation of the mysterious case, staged a daily mystery.



## Wen Zeer

#### About the Author

Wen Zeer, a scientist as a novelist and a novelist as a scientist. Living in Europe for many years, writing six or seven novels, travelling to dozens of countries, playing with the giant radio microscope in the German Academy of Sciences and visiting the Italian Mafia in Sicily; after reading the books on the wall, eating a few dishes, now tired, sitting in a corner of free will to talk to you who are reading these words.

## The Wild Hunter



Genre: Mystery

Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-3999-5 Pub Date: Jun, 2020

456 pp ¥ 56.00

All rights available

I was trapped in the hut like a bear,

I became a snake crawling on the ceiling,

I am the fox at the window,

I am the raven that warms itself against the wall,

I changed back into myself and died in my own arms.

One author found four "impossible" murders in his wilderness cabin, but the victims were inhuman. Black bear, boa constrictor, red fox, raven - only these four animals could complete the perfect chamber, four terrible dark magic. Skilled hunters, folklore carpenters, mysterious teenage girls, simple villagers... this remote land seems to be shrouded in a sense of evil and mystery. Where does reality end and where does it begin? Is the truth revealed credible? As the case unfolds, he begins to question his identity and his faith, and gradually loses his way. Like a hunter wandering in the wilderness.

# **Key features**

#### This is such a book:

It pays tribute to the great fictional characters and the great fictions that do not exist;

No one is murdered in this book:

There is an amazing kind of murder in this book;

The whole text is a pile of ordered subjective fragments, there is no God;

You would like to know where the case happened. -- is not on earth, but you can find it;

You will never know who the main character is.

## Cold Steel



Genre: Mystery

Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-3694-9 Pub Date: Jul, 2020

280 pp ¥ 42.00

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Eight years ago, on a full moon night, Elize, the only daughter of an heir to a bank, was hacked to death. The weapon was a sharp broadsword, earning the murderer the name 'Sickle Romeo'. Since then, every March on the night of the full moon, an innocent man has died under the knife of "Sickle Romeo". Stranger still, the heads were dumped at a bus stop near the scene of the crime.

Eight years later, the murderer has still not been arrested, and Wenel begins to investigate the case, only to find that the suspects have an alibi. And then the moon comes round again.

### **Key features**

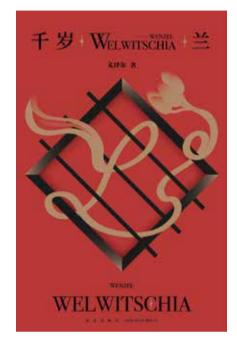
The first part of the "Free Will City" series comes with the Free Will Traffic Zoning Map;

Virtual urban background, complete story system set up

Vivid characters, wonderful story

Open design of clues to enhance reader participation.

# **Weluitschia**



Genre: Mystery

Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-4212-4 Pub Date: Dec, 2020

268 pp ¥ 45.00

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An intruder in the detective's office in the morning, human features sealed in the pungent formalin solution, a death threat pasted on a copy paper... a dormant serial killer - Scissorhand Ivan. Was Evant back, or was the killer someone else? For a while, the City of Free Will was once again in a state of panic.

Everything in life is fictional, hypothetical and dubious, while everything in the novel could be true.

### **Key features**

The pioneer of native Gothic thought;

The second part of the "City of Free Will" series;

Vzel's reasoning at the beginning of the universe;

A dark fairy tale from the home of Sleeping Beauty;

A black elegy of distortion.

# Tequila Sunrise



Genre: Mystery

Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-4333-6 Pub Date: Mar, 2021

228 pp ¥ 42.00

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John Baines, a famous wine taster in the city of Free Will, hosted a red wine party with celebrities from all walks of life. Oddly enough, most of the guests had been on holiday with him. During the dinner, John was stabbed in the stomach, and on his deathbed he dipped his left forefinger in his blood and wrote the strange, twisted word 'SOL' on his thigh.

### **Key features**

The third part of the "Free Will City" series

Drunk on killing wine

A unique interpretation of Blizzard Villa



# Sun Guodong

#### About the author

Sun Guodong, loves this case reasoning, loves all can make people feel "clever" tricks, logical deduction, entry point and other elements, at present, such as reasoning writers are Kojima Masashi, Ma Ye Masong, Dashan Cheng Ichiro, Yosaki I, etc., translated and published "the night she died" and other works.

# The Thunder



Genre: Mystery

Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-3609-3 Pub Date: Aug, 2019

300 pp ¥ 42.00

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Wu Hanfeng, an ordinary company employee, follows his mysterious girlfriend Wang Yuhan to her hometown, an island called Yunlei Island, where the island's communication system is unexpectedly destroyed and a series of murders occur. It is inconceivable that the crime scene represents the so-called "secret room" state, and the murderer's modus operandi also seems to contain the relevant elements such as gold, wood, water and fire. Unable to explain the truth, Wu Hanfeng also feels doomed at the last minute of the case written on the paper, in the bottle, thrown into the sea. Can the truth of the Yunlei Island murder case still come to light?

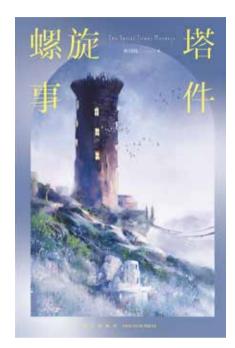
### **Key features**

The mysterious family of the distant sea island, the bizarre serial murder case.

The survivor, the perpetrator, who is telling the truth?

Challenge the original work of the impossible crime.

# The Spiral Tower Murders



Genre: Mystery

Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-5063-1 Pub Date: Feb, 2023

232 pp ¥ 42.00

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Song Lixue, a philosophy student at Tianya University, and Sun Xiaoling, a "genius" in the physics department, were invited to a birthday party for Shen Yixin, the daughter of the Qingyun Group, along with Shen's mother, fiancé and four high school classmates. The banquet is held in the remote village of Gunan. The two buildings of the "spiral village" and the "spiral tower" for accommodation stand side by side.

A tense episode did not affect the warm atmosphere of the banquet. After the banquet, everyone stayed in the Spiral Tower. The next day, Shen Yixin was found to have fallen from the room on the twelfth floor, the room is locked from the inside, is a "high tower secret room". At the same time, the only suspension bridge leading to the outside world has been damaged. People are trapped, bizarre secret room murders occur, how does the killer use the "spiral tower" to achieve an almost perfect crime?

### **Key features**

Wilderness lonely tower, the mysterious banquet

The Spiral Tower builds multiple chambers, impossible murder overnight!



## An Bushao

#### About the author

An Bushao has published more than a hundred short stories in magazines such as Age of Mystery and Mystery World, and has published The Half-Body Detective (four parts) and The Legend of Invisible Disintegration. Her works usually contain elements of impossible crime, criminal psychology and suspenseful love, and her style is varied and fascinating.

# Mystery In the Palace # 1



Genre: Mystery

Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-4621-4 Pub Date: Jan, 2022

284 pp ¥ 48.00

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### **Brief Introduction**

Fang Xinmei, the daughter of a famous Jiangnan policeman, becomes a courtesan to the Minister of Medicine to find out the truth about her father's murder, but becomes embroiled in a palace mystery.

A palace maid, La Mei, who reveals that she has seen the obscene happenings in the palace, drowns in the ancient Du Yue Xuan well one snowy night, and a trail of footprints in the snow at the scene remains untraced.

The princess fled to the Rooster Temple and eloped with her lover. The next day, the monks of the temple were slaughtered and the doors were locked from the inside at the time of the murder.

The missing princess was found in plain sight during a night of fun at the Green House Club.

As the case becomes increasingly bizarre, Xin Mei's investigation puts her in harm's way, and with the help of the mysterious eunuch Zhen and the Doctor, will the budding policewoman be able to unravel the mystery surrounding the palace?

### **Key featuress**

The first book in the series by popular Chinese speculative fiction author Dark Cloth Burning Courtesan Fang Xinmei

A sensitive palace maid partners with a gentle gentleman, accidents and plots, life and fate, there is no truth in the deep palace!

# Mystery In the Palace # 2



Genre: Mystery

Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-4972-7 Pub Date: Sep. 2022

328pp ¥ 49.00

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#### **Content Introduction**

Candidates from all over the world rush to the capital to take the Imperial Examinations. In less than two days, one candidate was brutally murdered in his own room. The examination rooms were separated by brick walls and guarded, a kind of 'double secret room'. How did the killer sneak into the room? How did the murder weapon disappear?

"When Fang Xinmei, Xuanzhen and Mu Hong are ordered to investigate, they accidentally discover a series of broken palms and are almost killed by an arrow. At the same time, a poem on the golden statue of Maitreya Buddha suddenly appears in the palace about malpractice in the imperial examinations.

An untraceable arrow, an unexplained "oracle", a poisoned murder in full view of the public ...... A series of mysteries surrounding the Imperial Examinations unfold as Fang Xinmei may finally find the truth of the case, while the power struggle and emotional entanglements at court continue.

### **Key featuress**

The second book in the series from popular Chineselanguage mystery writer Dark Cloth Burning Palace Constable Fang Xinmei

Benji's deductive reasoning, old-fashioned charm.

The Sons Banquet - Half a glass of wine takes a life.

Is there something else going on with the opening of the school?



# Lei Jun

#### About the author

Born in Guangzhou in 1980, he graduated from the Guanghua School of Management at Peking University in 2002. He has been writing speculative fiction for many years and was a finalist for the Shimada Shoji Award for two consecutive years with his novels "Ghostly Love" and "Yellow", for which he won the first prize of the fourth Shimada Shoji Award. The Killing Game is a collection of short speculative fiction written by the author on the theme of "game".

# Game × Murders



Genre: Mystery

Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-3476-1 Pub Date: May, 2019

376 pp ¥ 45.00

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#### **Content Introduction**

The "killing game", also known as the "police game", is a game of intelligence and mental strength. In short, it is a game in which multiple players compete on eloquence and analytical reasoning, with psychology playing a key role. Depending on the rules, it can take different forms such as werewolf killing, script killing and escape room. What is meant to be a relaxing game is, in the eyes of those with evil intentions, the perfect opportunity to satisfy their own selfish desires and hide their unsavoury crimes.

With five different games, each with their own set of rules, who will emerge victorious in this dazzling encounter?

### **Key featuress**

Each game has a hidden agenda!

Lei Jun, winner of the fourth Shimada Shoji Award, is a master of contemporary Chinese logic.

A logical maze of solid layouts, precise details and brilliant ingenuity.

A collection of short deduction stories for pure puzzle fun.

# **Ghostly Love**



**IGenre:** Mystery

Chinese edition (paperback)

SBN: 978-7-5133-4040-3 Pub Date: Jul, 2020

Pages: 264 pp

¥ 45.00

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#### Content Introduction

The latest serial murders continue to challenge Yang Keping's psychological limits. The victims are all women, and each death is more tragic than the last: first a student in a white dress, hanging from a tree; then a young boss's wife, her head missing, lying in a pool of blood; then a long-haired woman with layers of hair stuck to her face, drowned; and finally an unnamed woman wearing a cross necklace, burnt black and unidentifiable. The investigation is in trouble.

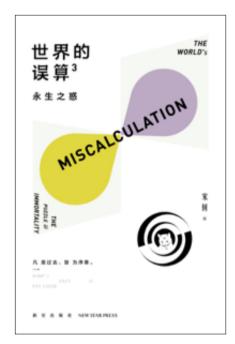
One night, Yang Keping was visiting the Night Road bar as usual when he felt a woman in the corner watching him with a sense of déjà vu. As he was about to leave, the woman followed him and said softly, "There is something impure in you.

### **Key featuress**

Lei Jun, a stalwart of contemporary Chinese thought, winner of the 4th Shoji Shimada Award

Finalists for the 3rd Annual Shoji Shimada Award for Speculative Fiction.

# The Miscalculation of the World 3: The Perplexity of Immortality



Genre: Mystery

Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-3776-2 Pub Date: Jul, 2020

320 pp ¥ 42.00

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#### About the author

Song Zhao, a popular Douban writer, was born in the 1970s and has long worked in the media and PR industry.

It is my personal quest to strike a balance between literature and popular fiction. It is hoped that the work can avoid the weakness of pure literature in terms of lack of storytelling, and the common problem of popular fiction in terms of lack of substance. His major works include The World's Miscalculation: Perfect Flaws, The World's Miscalculation 2: Born to be Human, The Insomniac, The Four Seasons and The Tyre.

#### **Contents Introduction**

In the wilderness, Rocky and his girlfriend Vali are experimenting in a mirror world that is the opposite of the one they live in. The people there are immortal and are constantly experimenting to solve the mystery of immortality. When the two worlds of the Vali meet, which is the real one?

Meanwhile, a movement begins in the commune, with Xu Wei Ran and others seeking only one truth: who is behind all the manipulation of the traditionalists, the new humans and the artificial intelligence? Instead, they unexpectedly receive an invitation to immortality ......

## **Key featuress**

The third book in a trilogy of local science fiction novels, The Miscalculation of the World is a magnificent finale to an anti-utopian fable.

A panoramic view of the magnificent illusion created by virtual reality

Sharp analysis of the spiritual dilemma of future human society

Deep exploration of the human balance sheet in the age of artificial intelligence

# Fifty-eight Hours Late



Genre: Mystery

Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-3965-0 Pub Date: Jun, 2020

236 pp ¥ 42.00

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#### **About the Author**

Bu Lai is a foreign engineer specialising in electromechanical control engineering. He has a passion for detective novels, and he especially likes logical works that are close to reality, but with exciting mysteries and reasonable answers. This is his first full-length novel.

#### **Content Introduction**

A student and a member of the faculty of the School of Energy took a train to attend a large academic seminar somewhere, and on the way the tutor was killed in his sleeper compartment, and the other members of the faculty became suspects, but no one had time to commit the crime.

On a snowy night, a train stops unexpectedly and two more murders occur in quick succession. Trains slowly become 'islands' as delays increase .....

### **Key featuress**

A mysterious body is found on a snowy night train!

Passive isolation in a time of crime, suspects with their own agendas.

All innocent, or is it a mass murder?

Invisible sinners, dead ends of logic, push the limits of your thinking!

# The Secret of the Schoolgirl



Genre: Mystery

Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-4136-3 Pub Date: Dec, 2020

280 pp ¥ 45.00

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#### About the Author

Fu Qiang, a senior engineer with a PhD in physics from Peking University, is now engaged in Party-building work at a central finance company. A member of the Beijing Writers' Association and the Chinese Writers' Association, he is the author of the full-length science fiction novels "The Abyss of Time", "Picking the Stars" and "The Secret of My Sister", and the collection of short and medium-length science fiction novels "The Game of the Lonely". He has been writing online science fiction since 2020.

#### Content Introduction

The Secret of the Schoolmistress, a major AR game, started out in a very small circle, but spread across the internet and gained instant fame.

Snowhawk, the game's creator and protagonist, and the game's story are based on real events that occurred during her brief transfer to the school. Back then, the mysterious schoolgirl introduced herself to the class by announcing, "I have a secret, and whoever finds out about it can come and find me". Word quickly spread throughout the school, but the excitement didn't last long, as a serial killer began to haunt the school.

The case remains unsolved, and the truth seems to be hidden in the game by Schoolgirl Snowhawk. A team called Sunflower is determined to take on the challenge of The Secret of the Schoolgirl, can they solve all the mysteries perfectly?

### **Key features**

A desperate rendezvous on the edge of a black hole, the logic of reality in fictional space.

It's a virtual gaming experience, but a real-life bloodbath.

Will you leave everything behind and join the game of chance when the end is near?

## Love in Chains



Genre: Mystery

Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-3905-6 Pub Date: Jul, 2020

248 pp ¥ 42.00

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#### About the author

Yong Qing is an MPAcc student at CSUF in Changsha and a contract writer for Years of Reasoning, World of Reasoning and Super Watch.

He was the scriptwriter for Tencent Animation's "China's Good Stories" and the argumentation consultant for the online film "The Divine Catcher of the Golden Tomb". His short story "Six Degrees of Separation" was shortlisted in the first World Chinese Suspense Literature Competition, and "The Tomb Guard's Handbook" and "The Hunt for Murder" were included in the 2017 and 2018 Chinese Suspense Novels.

#### Content Introduction

Many years ago, the serial killer "The Angel in Red" caused an uproar in the community when one of his imitators escaped after killing Liu's parents. Years after the incident, Liu still insists on investigating the cause of his parents' death, but he has not been able to find out the truth. When the same crime is suddenly repeated, could the killer be the one who slipped through the net all those years ago? To find out the real culprit, Liu resorts to knocking on the door of the Drama House and turning to Huo Yuwei, the so-called 'Queen of Leaks'. When the white mask and bloody fangs reappear at the crime scene, how will he face the new pain and old wounds? ......

#### **Key featuress**

The Queen of Leaks can see through even the toughest cases!

Burying the darkness of humanity in the name of love

# The Tower of Angels



Genre: Mystery

Chinese edition (paperback)

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#### **About the Author**

Riccardo is a writer of mystery novels and architects, born in Shanghai in 1990. The Tower of the Descent of the Angels is his first full-length work.

#### **Content Introduction**

Freelance writer Ye Shen gets lost during a field research trip and strays into a mysterious village deep in the mountains, where she comes across a crumbling tower. She is intrigued by the wonderful customs within the village, and after experiencing the sacrifice herself, she realises that it is actually a ritual sacrifice of a living person to the flock of crows that inhabit the tower!

The sheltered valley, the bizarre faith, the bloodthirsty architecture, Ye Shen has unknowingly fallen deep into the whirlwind of the mistery .....

### **Key featuress**

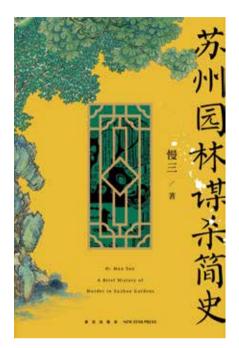
Mystical rustic beliefs, bloodthirsty high tower rituals

What is the angel that bewitches the crowd?

Ricardo's newest novel of deduction, a full-length masterpiece

Witness the long fall of sinful miracles and sorrowful truths

# A Brief History of Murder in Suzhou Gardens



Genre: Mystery

Chinese edition (paperback)

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#### About the Author

Born in 1982 in Hengyang, Hunan, he is a native of China. He has drifted north for eleven years and now lives in Suzhou. He is a suspense fanatic and a Hitchcockian. He has worked as a TV reporter, talk show writer and film scriptwriter, and now writes full-time. He was first noticed for his novels published on Douban, and has published a collection of short stories "Do you want to buy trousers in this rain?

#### Content Introduction

Jane Yao has always wanted to escape from that home.

After his parents divorced, his father spent his days living in his ancestral antique shop deep in the hutongs, slovenly and money-obsessed, forcing Jane Yao to recite Tang poems and Song lyrics and to appear on various television programmes to show off. After graduating from high school, Jane Yao was finally able to study abroad with the financial support of her mother.

Before he leaves, Jane Yao accompanies her father on a trip to Suzhou to fulfil his last wish. But on the first day of his visit to the gardens, his father is involved in a murder case and becomes a suspect. What's more unexpected is that his father seems to have taken on the body of a girl tour guide!

### **Key featuress**

An unbelievable "spirit possession"

A garden mystery with a murderous twist

Take a tour of the hidden corners of the famous city in the south of the Yangtze River and discover the amazing truths hidden between the mountains and the rock pools

# **Hesitate of Killing Intent**



Genre: Mystery

Chinese edition (paperback)

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#### About the Author

Chen Junlin, male, hibernates in a state-owned bank from 9 to 5. He has no social life, and spends his days creating fantasy that combines fantasy with reality. His work "The Wandering Kill" was shortlisted for the 6th Shimada Shoji Award for Speculative Fiction, and "The Time I Never Existed" was shortlisted for the 1st QED Speculative Fiction Award.

#### Content Introduction

As a professor of law, Fang Mou has spent his life treating the law like a god, and now the test of the gods has come before him.

By chance, Fang Mu learns the truth about the death of his wife and daughter more than 20 years ago, but the statute of limitations has expired and the murderer is still at large. The loss of his family is a lifelong pain, but the law cannot judge this crime, and he is tormented by thoughts of revenge. To take extrajudicial revenge would be a violation of his faith; to forgive the murderer would be a shame to his wife and daughter.

As if by divine inspiration, a perfect and brutal plan for the "impossible crime" emerges in his mind. At that moment, a kidnapping at the University of Political Science and Law shatters the peace, and while everyone is searching for the hostages, the real crime is unfolding on the other side of the city.

### **Key featuress**

Sixth Annual Shoji Shimada Award for Speculative Fiction Finalist

A work of Benge with elements of jurisprudence

A lifelong pursuit of jurisprudence, impeccable procedural justice

Unquenchable hatred, the depths of despair at the loss of a wife and daughter

# **Restricted Holmes Machine**



Genre: Mystery

Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-4407-4

Pub Date: Jul, 2021

264 pp ¥ 45.00

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#### About the Author

Plum Blossom, a fantasy-loving creator, loves to read. She often builds stories in her mind and looks forward to the day when they will come to life. She has had her works published in Reasoning World magazine, including Luminosity and the Loner, The House Tree Man in Summer, and The Demon of the Empty Elevator, among which Luminosity and the Loner was an instant hit, winning both the First Prize and the Newcomer Award at the Third Chinese Reasoning Awards. The Restricted Sherlock Holmes Machine is his first full-length work.

#### **Content Introduction**

The Restriction Theorem, known as the "Restriction Theorem for the Application of Intelligent Machines", specifies the restrictions on the application of strong artificial intelligence. In the case of intelligent reasoning machines, for example, any case to which the restricted theorem applies cannot be solved by an intelligent reasoning machine. Such cases are not common, but every one of them is tricky.

Jewel Technologies attempts to "resurrect" Sherlock Holmes using artificial intelligence technology as a permanent solution to all the problems of Fortuna. But at a

critical stage of development, the company receives a threatening letter from the Anti-Sherlock Holmes Mechanisation Society, and soon afterwards, the project's chief scientist is killed and the development data disappears. Soon after, a new victim is found dead in a secret room.

Intelligent reasoning machines fail and humans finally have a chance to shine.

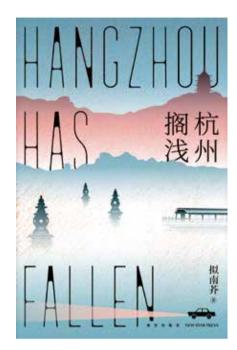
### **Key featuress**

Artificial Intelligence vs Sherlock Holmes How can a famous detective in electronic shackles break through the cage of logic?

First prize winner of the 3rd Chinese Reasoning Award, Mei Shu's first full-length novel

Where modern technology and classical reasoning collide

# Hangzhou Has Fallen



Genre: Mystery

Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-4584-2 Pub Date: Aug, 2021

344 pp ¥ 45.00

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#### **About the Author**

He has published nearly one million words of mystery and suspense works in the paper media, and is fond of mystery novels by Natsuhiko Kyogoku, Shinzo Mitsuida and Mikihiko Renjo.

#### **Content Introduction**

The city of Hangzhou is under siege by "zombies" and the sporadic resistance of the survivors cannot prevent the apocalyptic scenario from coming. During a survival operation, KAI Xiaonan fights to save Zhuang Xiaodie, but he and his teammates get involved in a mysterious organization. Subsequently, a series of unexpected events occur, which not only endanger the survival of the team, but also contain unbelievable mysteries, as if there is a force that determines the life and death of everyone .....

### **Key featuress**

A new novel by contemporary speculative writer Mimic South Mustard, "Stranded in Hangzhou

Waste Land Setting Sci-Fi Suspense

The Crumbling City of Ruins The Tumbling City of Doom

# **Zoo Nation**



Genre: Mystery

Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133- 4681-8

Pub Date: Nov, 2021

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#### About the author

Wang Xiaohe, A fan of post-80s speculative fiction, with a love for classical speculation and neo-benge. He also translates and writes plays in his spare time.

WoW Scriptwriter, game designer. A ninety-two year old punk girl who loves the world. This is her first full-length novel.

#### **Content Introduction**

Animal City detective Bremen has a problem. The ambassador sent by the humans for peace talks has been killed in his hotel room, a murder that will do nothing to help peace between the two countries. Even if it was the private act of an extremist who hates humans, it's hard to explain in this case, it's tantamount to a declaration of war!

At the behest of Animal City's iron-fisted General, Bremen and his assistant Quack must race against time to solve a case far more complex than they ever imagined. As primates begin to disappear and reptiles plot a rebellion, the detective's mission is no longer just to find the truth.

## **Key featuress**

A stunning new Chinese-language "setting-based" mystery

New horizons, new limits of thinking

Primate after primate goes missing as human emissaries are devoured

Peace in Animal City challenged as never before

The unseen killer, the unfathomable motive

The only person who knows the truth is Bremen, the donkey detective of Animal City.

# The Suitcase Under the Bed



Genre: Mystery

Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-4496-8 Pub Date: Dec, 2021

316 pp ¥ 48.00

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#### About the Author

Wu Ang was graduated from the Chinese Department of Fudan University in Shanghai and the Institute of Literature of the Academy of Social Sciences. She used to work for Sanlian Life Weekly and now lives in Beijing and Yunnan.

#### **Content Introduction**

A mysterious commission has been accepted by a detective by the thousands:

The case file has a photograph of a man and a woman sitting naked back-to-back.

The backs of the two are stitched together as if they were a pair of wings of a butterfly.

The commission leads him to Hong Kong, to the mixed-up Chungking Mansions.

In the room arranged for him by his client, he accidentally discovers a large, battered suitcase.

The suitcase is locked by a lock with an R. What is it really containing?

A cliffside villa, a ruthless 'tanner', a reclusive girlfriend ......

Can Ichimoku break through the fog and get to the bottom of this case?

## **Key featuress**

Poet, writer, Woo Aung, crime literature

Detective by the Thousands Series Part 1

One of China's rare local "tough guys"

Brutal murders, mysterious commissions, a down-and-out detective lost between spirits and Chungking Mansions.

# Goodbye, Rest Island



Genre: Mystery

Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-4707-5 Pub Date: Jan, 2022

Pages: 264 pp

¥ 48.00

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#### **About the Author**

Wang Jiajun is a post-1980s mystery writer, a member of the Shanghai Writers' Association, and a member of the Chinese Mystery Writers' Association and the China Public Security University Seminar in 2008. He has been a finalist for four consecutive years for the "Shimada Shoji Speculative Fiction Award" for his work "The Magic Life" (published as "The Magic Murder Book"), "Tampering" (published as "My Name is Black"), "The Man of Fervent Hope" (published as "Tenderness Blooms by the Window"), "Alpha's Labyrinth", and "Murder Strategy". He also won the Best Idea Award at the 4th Huawen Cup Detective Novel Awards.

#### **Content Introduction**

Yongle Island, a small island six hours' journey from Shanghai, is home to fishermen who believe in A-Ma. They have built a temple of A-Ma on the neighbouring An Rest Island and go to the temple to pray for blessings before each trip to sea. However, on the night of the typhoon, Shen Gu's parents suddenly disappeared, along with An Rest Island .....

Fifteen years later, as the Sino-Japanese university Go exchange tournament reaches a crucial game, Shen Kuo, who has kept China's hopes of a comeback alive, suddenly returns to his hometown. When a long-lost deceased family member is discovered in the waters near Yongle Island, Shen Kuo, who is determined to find out the whereabouts of his parents, is drawn into an ominous murder case ......

### **Key featuress**

An island that disappeared overnight, an old friend who returned on a stormy night, a murderous intent across time and space

Consecutive finalist for the Chinese Prize for Reasoning by Shoji Shimada

## Block Garden



Genre: Mystery

Chinese edition (paperback)

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264 pp ¥ 48.00

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#### About the author

Born in 1998, Bai Yuexi is a working game writer who has published his work under the pseudonym "Tsuji" in magazines such as "Reason" and "Reason World". He likes Ayatsuji and Yusuke Asaji, and chose his pen name after combining their styles. In his spare time, he has a wide range of interests and has produced shows such as the "Yui-no-matsuri" festival, hoping to showcase his favourite things in a variety of ways.

### **Synopsis**

A group of people from a university club, the Haiya Poetry Club, go to the Seven Stars Pavilion, a residence, to meet. The previous owner was a fan of the Three Kingdoms and had placed various exhibits related to Zhuge Liang in the building. When the owner's son drives his car off a cliff and burns to death, the house is thrown into panic. .....

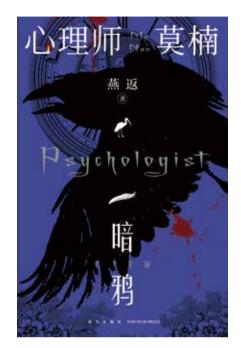
The mystery writer Shirakoshi Gap is accidentally given a handwritten diary of a schoolboy, Kai, who transforms the real world at will by manipulating blocks, ending with a bloodstain the size of a child's palm. On the advice of Detective Mildred, he begins to investigate the contents of the handwritten note and its source, gradually getting closer to a bizarre murder.

## **Key features**

Challenges the classic "Stormy Hill" mystery model

Winner of the 7th Shimada Shoji Award for Excellence in Science Fiction

# Psychologist Monan: Dark Crow



Genre: Mystery

Chinese edition (paperback)

ISBN: 978-7-5133-4933-8 Pub Date: Jun, 2022

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#### About the author

Yan Hui is a member of the Fujian Writers' Association. He has published a number of novels, including The Offering for Murder, The Mutilated Image 17: The Killing Intentions of the New Epidemic, and The Substitute. He won third prize in the Chinese Grand Prix of Reason and many of his novels have been selected for various Chinese mystery and reason annuals and sold for film and television rights. His early works are in a strong Japanese style, focusing on trickery and multiple reversals, but he now devotes himself to creating localised and original speculative stories with a lighter pace and distinctive style.

#### **Content Introduction**

Every day, an obsessive-compulsive counters the arrival times of buses at the entrance to his neighbourhood. One day he discovers that the bus is considerably late, and the next day a neighbour turns up dead in his flat, and his record becomes the suspect's alibi.

The thespian, obsessed with plastic surgery, went to rehearsals at the theatre house on the remote island. Another member of the troupe died tragically in a room locked from the inside, where the deceased had heard strange answering noises before the murder.

They end up in a psychiatric clinic, Starlight Point, to be treated by the eccentric psychologist Mo Nan, who can revive patients. The clues unearthed during the treatment lead to the same criminal organisation .....

## A Secret Carved in Bone



Genre: Mystery

Chinese edition (paperback)

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256 pp ¥ 45.00

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#### About the author

Zhao Jingyi is a talented mystery writer and a dedicated Japanese translator, known for her passion for promoting Japanese mystery novels. She has translated several novels, including "The Scottish Game" and "Knocking on the Door of the Secret Room 2."

#### **Book Introduction:**

The discovery of a body leads to the reopening of two old cases, and despite many clues, the source of the crime is difficult to find. Police officer Zhou Yu decides to investigate both the old and new cases together, but things take a suspicious turn when he locates his target.

With an indecipherable alibi, unconnected people involved in the case, and evasive families of the victims, the story of the cold bones buried in the dirt for decades begins to unfold on a hot summer's day.

## **Key featuress**

This thrilling mystery novel presents a wonderful combination of Bengean thinking and socialism, bringing together two different ideologies in a unique way. A mysterious delivery leads to an exciting adventure that keeps readers on the edge of their seats. And the burning question remains: what is the connection between three bodies buried more than a decade apart? Find out in this captivating novel.

# **Domino Girls**



Genre: Mystery

Chinese edition (paperback)

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216 pp ¥ 48.00

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#### About the author

Born in 1997 in Jingmen, Hubei Province, Zheng Qiruo became interested in the works of Agatha Christie and Conan Doyle when he was young. In high school, he read a lot of Japanese mysteries and light novels, especially daily mysteries and setting mysteries, and was influenced by Mikihiko Renjo, Hironobu Yonezawa, Shakku Aizawa, Vixen Nishio, Nasu Mushroom and Elichi.

#### **Content Introduction**

In an age where bionic beings are commonplace, Domino Mansion provides entertainment for the world. It acts as a gateway to memory erasure, and those who come here will lose themselves - after all, the bionic human has no 'self' at all, and those who come here to amuse themselves will forget who they are.

In the midst of this "paradise", a series of incredible attacks occur. As she investigates and gathers evidence, she wonders if she has a "heart" in the eyes of humans.

The building will fall, the paradise will die, and where will the young girls go? .....

#### **Key featuress**

The New Chinese Thinking Star, Zheng Qiruo

SF X Benji: A masterpiece of mystery

A skyscraper in a futuristic world

A series of "murders" against the bionic man



# Fantasy Library

In 2012, New Star Press launched a new product line called "Fantasy Library" that focuses on fantasy literature. The goal of the "Fantasy Library" is to publish popular works of fantasy literature such as science fiction, fantasy, and Chinese mythology that are loved by readers. From its inception, the "Fantasy Library" has been committed to creating a high-quality brand based on classic works, a core value based on original works, and a best-selling variety based on popular works. On this basis, a variety of sub-category products were planned, such as cyberpunk, space opera, epic fantasy, romantic fantasy, and science fiction light novels, to meet the increasingly segmented taste demands of readers.

# The Plant Shop: KZ Earth Travel Journal



Chinese edition

ISBN:

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Pub Date: June, 2023

¥ 68.00

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#### About the Author

Gao Yu, a visual designer and digital artist, graduated from the Royal College of Art with a degree in Information Experience Design and currently works in London and Beijing. She enjoys observing nature and using software such as sculpture and dynamic modelling to create a unique aesthetic expression. She is passionate about exploring the relationship between society, ecology and technology using different media such as fiction, imagery and installation art, and immersing audiences in the worlds she constructs through multi-sensory experience design. She works in the fields of fiction, visual design, experience design, digital art and illustration.

#### **Content Introdution**

Welcome to the Plant Shop: KZ's Earth Travel Journal is an original and thought-provoking science fiction novel that explores the future trajectory of human and Earth life in text and image form. The main character, KZ, is a robot-like alien who arrives on Earth at a time when the planet's

life forms have changed and plants no longer exist in nature, and KZ begins his exploration of the planet with the help of the Earth Book, recounting a brutal and wonderful journey through life in diaries and scanned documents. At the end of the novel, KZ tells us that he has taken some of his records (diaries, installations, videos, etc.) with him to the year 2022.

In addition to the English and Chinese texts, the author has created more than 30 high-quality images to complement and spread this fictional story. By contemplating and constructing future life forms, the novel reminds the reader of the hidden power of plants themselves; after all, in light of their long, slow evolution, humans may be nothing more than products of the plant world, and in the long song of the earth, human life is even more insignificant and accidental. This is a science fiction novel free from the coldness of technology, full of humanism and moving towards the true nature of life.

# The Apocalypse



Chinese edition

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352 pp ¥ 56.00

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#### About the Author

Yan Leisheng is a famous science fiction, fantasy and martial arts writer, and the vice-chairman of the Zhejiang Online Writers Association. He is one of the leading figures of the early generation of Chinese online writers. He has won the China Science Fiction Galaxy Award and the Chinese Science Fiction Nebula Award. He is also the author of the official novel of the Assassin's Creed series for Ubisoft, the fourth largest game company in the world. This is the first full-length book in his fifteen-year "Wukongwon" series.

#### **Content Introdution**

In the second year of Tianqi, the parasitic plant "Letter Vine", which has an important communication function, has been sabotaged one after another, and Fang Zino, a student of the Martial Arts Academy, was involved. He has three days to find enough evidence to clear his name. In desperation, Fang Zino reveals his situation to a friend he has never met before, a mysterious friend who is so curious about Fang's plight that he leans in to help. As they investigate, they discover that it was an accident caused by an experiment, and behind the experiment lies a shocking conspiracy about parallel time and space.

# The Art of Clash of Kings: Origin



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164pp

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#### About the author

Founded in 2012, the game studio of COK Clash of Kings has more than 100 R & D personnel. The epic strategy game COK Clash of Kings was independently developed, released and launched on July 1, 2014. The game has made remarkable achievements in the world, ranking the top five in 50 countries and the top ten in 80 countries. In the United States, the United Kingdom, Germany, Russia, South Korea, India, Brazil, North Korea, Singapore, Malaysia and other Southeast Asian countries, as well as Chinese Taiwan, all ranked in the top 10.

COK Clash of Kings restores the true portrayal of many civilizations in the middle ages. It is full of fire, strife, and maneuver, making people feel as if they are in the scene. While respecting history and maintaining the characteristics of major civilizations, the original painters of COK also gave unique colors to the map scenes, creating distinctive features of heroes, soldiers and Dragons among different civilizations, which can not help but make people feast their eyes.

### Möbius Continuum



Chinese edition (paperback)
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### About the author

Gu Shi, who is a science fiction writer, a city planner, the gold medal winner of Galaxy award and Chinese science fiction Nebula award, and the member of the Science Fiction Advisory Committee (SFAC) of XPRIZE foundation.

Gu has published more than 20 sci-fi novels in Super Goodlooking, Science Fiction World, New Science Fiction, Clarkesworld and other domestic and foreign magazines science 2011. The representative work of Gu are Möbius Continuum which has won the "Best Short Story Award of the 28th China Science Fiction Galaxy Award" in 2017, Gambling Brain which has won the "Best Medium Story Award of the 30th Galaxy Award", and Chimera has won the "Best Medium Gold Award of the 7th Global Chinese Science Fiction Nebula Award" in 2016, and also has been selected in the Best Medium Long Story list of the "Hugo Award" in 2017.

### Chimera

To save her son from kidney failure, she used biotechnology to grow his kidney in pigs. Unexpectedly, the animal developed her son's nervous system. When the pig looks at her with the same eyes as her son, how should she face it?

#### Reflection

The mysterious prophet can see everything, but his sad past.

### Memory of Time

I have not been born since you were born. You have grown old since I was born..... How will the nurse spend their last time when she fall in love with the superstar?

### The Flower Sutra

### Coming Soon

Chinese edition (hardcover)

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500pp ¥ 88.00

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### About the author

Huang Yueyuan (1880-1964), also known as Shan Qu Guan Sou, was born in Fenghua, Zhejiang Province. He was an authority on horticulture during the Republican period. In his early years, Huang Yueyuan joined the League in Japan, and in 1909, he bought 10 acres of land in Taoxi, Songbang, Zhenru, and ran the Huang's livestock farm, which was known locally as the "Huang's Garden". During the Xinhai Revolution, he followed Chen Yingshi and served in the Shanghai Military Governor's Office. Afterwards, he abandoned his political career and returned to his farm, and devoted himself to the study of horticulture. Before the War of Resistance against Japan, he held several exhibitions of large and small chrysanthemums in Huang's garden in Zhenru, and won many gold and silver medals and shields from China and abroad.

Huang De Lin (1905-2005) was the son of Huang Yue Yuan, an internationally renowned horticulturist. After the public-private partnership of "Huang Garden" in 1956, he became the representative of the private owner of Shanghai Flower and Tree Company in the western district. In 1959, he was

transferred to Longhua Nursery as the chief technical director until his retirement.

This is a colour-illustrated edition of the Republican gardening classic, The Flower Sutra, updating all the original black and white illustrations with gouache-style colour illustrations and inviting botanical experts to revise any errors and omissions in the original book. The Flower Sutra is the result of decades of horticultural experience by Huang Yueyuan and Huang Deyin, and has been revised and edited by Zhou Qingzhu and Zheng Yimei, with a preface by each of them. From the perspective of the scientific cultivation of flowers and trees, it discusses meteorology, soil, fertilizers, pests and diseases, equipment and management, as well as the different cultivation methods of various flowers and fruits, which can be considered a masterpiece in the field of horticulture and of high practical value. In addition, dozens of famous people in Shanghai during the Republican era have written prefaces and inscriptions for this book, giving it a strong cultural flavour and making it very suitable for collection.

## **Sparkle**



Chinese edition

ISBN: 978-7-5133-5045-7

Pub Date: Jan, 2023

373pp ¥ 59.00

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### About the author

Chen Zijun was born in Zhuhai, Guangdong in 1993. In 2011, he was admitted to the Qian Xuesen Mechanics Class of the School of Aerospace Engineering at Tsinghua University. In 2020, he graduated from the Department of Engineering Mechanics, School of Aerospace Engineering at Tsinghua University with a Ph.D. degree in Aerodynamics. He is working as a researcher in aerospace technology. Chen has been engaged in science fiction writing since 2011 and has achieved multiple honors in the science fiction community. In 2013, he won the Best New Writer Award for the 25th Galaxy Award by his works The Mirage and The Light of Elke. In 2014, his short story The Cavendish Trap won the 26th Galaxy Awardthe for Best Short Story. In 2016, his novella Sparkle won the 28th Galaxy Award for the Best Novelette, and in the same year, his Song of the Ocean won the 7th Chinese Nebula Awards for the Best Short Story.

### **Content Introdution**

This book is a retrospective of young sci-fi writer Chen Zijun's ten-year writing career. It includes eight popular masterpieces such as Sparkle, The Spell and The Cavendish Trap, as well as two previously unpublished excellent new works, The Gourmet at the End of the Sea and Sextet by the Cold Lake. Chen's works often explore real cuttingedge scientific issues and tell stories of humanity yearning for distant places during the "Age of Space Exploration" and struggling tragically to survive great disasters by means of technology. His style is splendid and majestic, infused with idealistic passion and technical romance.

### **Summer of Other Times**



Chinese edition

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411pp ¥ 58.00

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### About the author

Jia Xi is a native of Chengdu loving hot-pot, but unlike most Chengdu people he is totally unable to handle spicy food. Jia was once a director and copywriter of "Tenth Projection Room" of CCTV (China Central Television). When he was in junior middle school his imaginative paintings were passed around his classmates. After finishing his master's degree he started to earn his living in Beijing. In his spare time, and through his own sheer force of will, he translated English novels of hundreds of thousands words, which, regrettably, were not published. After all these ups and downs, Jia has achived a life with his cat, child, comrades around, therefore, his burning desire for writing has been rekindled and he will hold on to it this time.

### **Content Introdution**

Zhao Qiushuang, a teenager in Beijing, decided to search for her father who had disappeared, as a step towards adulthood. She found out that her father had been a scientist involved in a top-secret project on an isolated

island off the coast of Fujian province in 1986. People on the island were either killed or missing, and the records were sealed. Zhao contacted her cousin on the Internet, intending to solve the mystery that they inherited from the elder generation together with him. When she came to the seaside town, only to find that her cousin had disappeared. Fortunately, two seaside youths came to her aid and accompanied her onto the island. An exciting adventure began. They discovered an area on the island where time passed at a different rate from the outside world, as well as an abandoned research institute. Gradually, the truth of the bygone tragedy was uncovered. Just as they were about to leave the island, their frightening adversary, lurking in the shadows, mounted an attack......

Meanwhile, a body floated from the sea with its skull cut open and its brain missing. Detctives Liu Ke and Liao Zhejie were involved into this case, but they were constantly thwarted by their leaders. They insisted on investigation, discovering an imminent catastrophe that would disrupt the whole town.....

## **Artificial Deity**



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### About the author

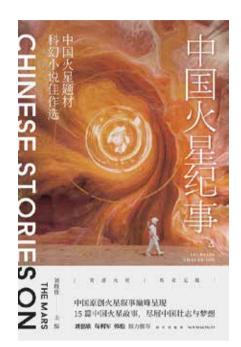
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Suo Hefu, a native of Nanjing, Master, representative of 90s sci-fi writers. His debut novel was published in 2013. He has published dozens of sci-fi novels and popular science articles, winning the Chinese Galaxy Awards and the Chinese Nebula Awards for several times.

### Content Introdution

Artificial intelligence, the unpredictable artificial deity, appears on the page in various guises. These stories feature AI characters who, in one guise or another, showcase the boundless creativity that arises from our fear of them. There are those who are magical destroyers bringing about the end of humankind in shocking and terrifying ways. Some become a part of human lineage and take on the task of keeping their graves, struggling and suffering to the bitter end only to save humanity. Others strive to improve themselves, aspiring to become equals with humans, while some appear as innocent creatures, exploring the temporal world of humans. This book offers a heartfelt reflection on the intricacies of life and death, success and failure, and the emotions that come with it. It is a collection, both elegiac and ironical, providing a stimulating and exhaustive inquiry into the intricate relationship between artificial intelligence and humanity. These stories showcase the creative and imaginative quality of science fiction writing in China. The Windy City, Ways of Machine, and At Bygone Dusk, widely acclaimed, won Chinese Galaxy Awards.

### Chronicles of Mars: Selected Excellent Chinese Science Fiction Works with Martian Themes



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Wu Yan, a native of Beijing, Ph.D. in management, scifiction writer, senior sci-fiction research scholar; professor and director of Academic Methodology and Cultural Creativity Teaching and Research Department at Southern University of Science and Technology; former director and professor of Science Fiction and Creative Education Research Center, College of Arts and Letters, Beijing Normal University, deputy director of Chinese Children's Literature Research Center, deputy director of Science Literature Committee of Chinese Science Writers Association, and president of World Chinese Science Fiction Association. Since 1991, he set up China's first science fiction literature course. In 2003, he and Wang Quangen founded China's first science fiction literature master's program. Since 1978 he has published more than 30 works, including two science fiction novels, five collections of stories and novellettes, and three anthologies edited and translated by him. Apart from these, his articles are more than a million words and collections edited by him more than millions of words. Some of his works have been translated into English, Japanese and Italian and published. From 1986 to 1999, he won the Chinese Galaxy Award for Science Fiction for three times. His works include Adventure of the Mind and The Fatal Sixth Day, as well as academic compositions Psychology of Leadership, Fundamentals of Educational Management and On Science Fiction Literature. He has won the National Book Award, the Best Works Award of the Publicity Department, CCCPC, the National Science Popularization Award of the China Association for Science and Technology, and the Chinese Galaxy Award. His works have been translated into many languages. He once served as the president of the Chinese Science

Fiction Association and he was on jury judging the Chinese Nebula Awards. In addition, he used to be a member of Western Returned Scholar's Association, the Children's Literature Committee subordinate to Beijing Writer's Association, the Chinese Writers' Association, and the Science Fiction Research Association (SFRA).

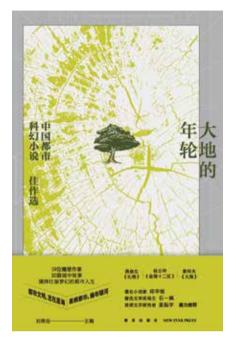
Su Xuejun, a well-known science fiction writer, member of Beijing Writer's Association and China Science Writers Association. Born in 1972, he graduated from Beijing Institute of Technology majoring in Electronic Engineering, after which he worked in Xinjiang for eight years, and now he is on business and owns a factory in Beijing. He has written hundreds of thousands of words on science fiction over the years, and his short stories *Ancient Stars* and *Dust Storm on Mars* have won the Galaxy Award. He is also the author of the sci-fi novels *The Fire of the Ice Prison* and *The Messenger of the Stars*.

### Content Introdution

This book collects the best Mars narrative masterpieces written during the most prosperous period in Chinese science fiction history in the past three decades, showcasing Chinese spiritual adventure on Mars and their longing for the red planet. Some of the stories in the book follow the spirituality of China's science fiction pioneer, Zheng Wenguang, vividly showing the magnificent journey of the Chinese people painstakingly exploring and remoulding Mars. These realistic, scientifically heroic narratives of Mars are rich in the unique Chinese spirit of "Man's will decides", which is the backbone of the entire work. Other novels follow the early American romantic Mars narrative trend, depicting the mysterious and aesthetic charm of Mars. The seven works in the second half strive to diversify Martian narratives and expand the frontiers of science fiction concerning Mars.

Among them, Vicissitudes and Dust Storm on Mars have won the Galaxy Award.

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### About the author

Yan Leisheng (born 1970, Lin Ping, Hangzhou), original name Zhang Jian, vice-chairman of Zhejiang Online Writers Association. He comes from an engineering background but loves poetry and writing. Yan's work is inderdisciplinary, covering a wide variety of genres, including wuxia novels, science fiction, thriller, fantasy, old poetry and modern literature, among which he is fascinated by ancient poetry. Known as one of the best fantasy writers in mainland China, Yan's use of language is characterized by simplicity, clarity, freshness and naturalness. His skillful writing displays his acute perceptions into the complexities of psychology and relationship. As a veteran sci-fiction fan, Yan Leisheng has admired old sci-fiction writers such as Le Yonglie, Zheng Wenguang, Tong Enzheng. His scifiction novels have been published in "Science Fiction World" and gained several prizes. His major works include the series Truth Can Be Known, the alternate history novel Heaven's Vigorous Movement, story collection Buried Alive and prose collection Picking Up Phrases from Somebody: Classic Allegories, etc.

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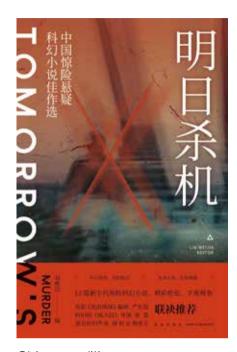
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### Content Introdution

City is the space featured by humanity. The only meaning of the city is to serve the life of human beings. In the background of all stories, cities always represent the will of human beings. Stories set in cities are undoubtedly the "most human" stories. This book contains excellent scifiction masterpieces that describe and explore the future of urban life. Food, clothing, housing, transportation, illness, death, finance and economy ...... are all subsumed by sci-fiction writers into exquisite and vivid stories of the future city. Urban life can be seen as a 10,000-year-long training for mankind to enter the era of space civilization. *Growth Rings of the Earth* exhausts urban possibilities and steps into the universe.

Come and Encounter Paradise, Put Off the Fire and Growth Rings of the Earth in this book won Galaxy Awards.

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Zhang Ran, a native of Taiyuan, worked as a journalist in Beijing for ten years, and then engaged in sci-fiction writing. Zhang shows considerable literary talent and his writing has great literary value. His sci-fi debut Yitai (Ether) received rave reviews, winning the first prize for the year's Galaxy Award. In October 2015, his The Ravenous won him Galaxy Award and the Chinese Nebula Awards for the Best Novellette. The next year, When the Sun Fell again won the Galaxy Award for the Best Novellette. His short story Master Zhao was highly acclaimed by the editors from People's Literature.

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### **Content Introdution**

Sci-fi thriller is a historic genre. The founding work of scifiction, Frankenstein, is categorized as a sci-fi thriller. There has been countless classics of this genre.

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thirteen original, captivating sci-fi thrillers since the turn of the 21st century. These thirteen stimulating and intriguing stories comprise a world full of murder, creating a vivid picture of future. In this colorful future world, there are extraterrestrial intelligences manipulating ancient people, hiding in the depths of earth under unimaginable guises and intending to take over their home. Artificial intelligence maneuvers its way to the huge conspiracy of multinational companies, designing strategies and battling wits. There are intricate spaceship murders, in which people fight for survival. There are people going through the ends of the earth in pursuit of the murderer who, interestingly, attempts to get away like the cicada sloughing its skin. There is father and son falling out and becoming enemies, transmitting the idea that when a mantis is trying to catch a cicada, a canary is behind it. As science and technology continue to advance by leaps and bounds, conspiracies and crimes become increasingly fierce, evil, and frightening. *The Promised Son, Electric Soul, The Ravenous, Magic of Possession*, and *Slyness* collected in the book have won the Galaxy Awards.

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