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Next Episode Jul 05 2020 First published in 1965, Hubert Aquin's *Next Episode* is a disturbing and yet deeply moving novel of dissent and distress. As he awaits trial, a young separatist writes an espionage story in the psychiatric ward of the Montreal prison where he has been detained. Sheila Fischman's bold new translation captures the pulsating life of Aquin's complex exploration of the political realities of contemporary Quebec.

Up and Down May 03 2020 The author of the Stephen Leacock Medal-winning *The Best Laid Plans* brings his trademark humour and sharp storytelling to a new novel set in the high-stakes world of a global public relations agency. On his first day at Turner King, David Stewart quickly realizes that the world of international PR (affectionately, perhaps ironically, known as "the dark side") is a far cry from his previous job on Parliament Hill. For one, he missed the office memo on the all-black dress code; for another, there are enough acronyms and jargon to make his head spin. Before he even has time to find the washroom, David is assigned a major project: devise a campaign to revitalize North America's interest in the space program - maybe even show NASA's pollsters that watching a shuttle launch is more appealing than going out for lunch with friends. The pressure is on, and before long, David finds himself suggesting the most out-of-this-world idea imaginable: a Citizen Astronaut lottery that would send one Canadian and one American to the International Space Station. Suddenly, David's vaulted into an odyssey of his own, navigating the corporate politics of a big PR agency; wading through the murky but always hilarious waters of Canada-U.S. relations; and trying to hold on to his new job while still doing the right thing. Equal parts clever and satirical, thoughtful and affecting, *Up and Down* is Terry Fallis at his best, confirming his status as a Canadian literary star.

Brock's Agent Sep 18 2021 For fans of Bernard Cornwell's *Sharpe* series, *Brock's Agent* is the first in a heroic series of novels about Brock's troop. Introducing Jonathan Westlake, a man of courage and integrity in a war that divides a continent, in a tale of love and treachery, fame and fortune. Jonathan Westlake is a hero to be reckoned with. Canada, 1812. Jonathan Westlake, a happy-go-lucky fur trader, falls into a deadly scuffle to protect a beautiful young woman as he returns from another successful mission. With blood on his hands, the heroic Westlake faces execution. But thanks to his quick-thinking mother he is granted one hope of redemption: join the army, and prove his courage on the battlefield. With war between America and Britain imminent, Westlake serves under Major General Isaac Brock, who has a special task for his young apprentice. Westlake must travel under cover into the heart of the United States, and make common cause with the settlers' oldest foe.

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Stones from the River Sep 26 2019 From the acclaimed author of *Floating in My Mother's Palm* and *Children and Fire*, a stunning story about ordinary people living in extraordinary times—"epic, daring, magnificent, the product of a defining and mesmerizing vision" (Los Angeles Times). Trudi Montag is a Zwerg—a dwarf—short, undesirable, different, the voice of anyone who has ever tried to fit in. Eventually she learns that being different is a secret that all humans share—from her mother who flees into madness, to her friend Georg whose parents pretend he's a girl, to the Jews Trudi harbors in her cellar. Ursula Hegi brings us a timeless and unforgettable story in Trudi and a small town, weaving together a profound tapestry of emotional power, humanity, and truth.

The Ship of Dreams Mar 01 2020 This original and "meticulously researched retelling of history's most infamous voyage" (Denise Kiernan, New York Times bestselling author) uses the sinking of the Titanic as a prism through which to examine the end of the Edwardian era and the seismic shift modernity brought to the Western world. "While there are many Titanic books, this is one readers will consider a favorite" (Voyage). In April 1912, six notable people were among those privileged to experience the height of luxury—first class passage on "the ship of dreams," the RMS Titanic: Lucy Leslie, Countess of Rothes; son of the British Empire Tommy Andrews; American captain of industry John Thayer and his son Jack; Jewish-American immigrant Ida Straus; and American model and movie star Dorothy Gibson. Within a week of setting sail, they were all caught up in the horrifying disaster of the Titanic's sinking, one of the biggest news stories of the century. Today, we can see their stories and the Titanic's voyage as the beginning of the end of the established hierarchy of the Edwardian era. Writing in his signature elegant prose and using previously unpublished sources, deck plans, journal entries, and surviving artifacts, Gareth Russell peers through the portholes of these first-class travelers to immerse us in a time of unprecedented change in British and American history. Through their intertwining lives, he examines social, technological, political, and economic forces such as the nuances of the British class system, the explosion of competition in the shipping trade, the birth of the movie industry, the Irish Home Rule Crisis, and the Jewish-American immigrant experience while also recounting their intimate stories of bravery, tragedy, and selflessness. Lavishly illustrated with color and black and white photographs, this is "a beautiful requiem" (The Wall Street Journal) in which "readers get the story of this particular floating Tower of Babel in riveting detail, and with all the wider context they could want" (Christian Science Monitor).

The Terry Fallis 3-Book Collection Feb 21 2022 Since winning the Stephen Leacock Medal for Humour in 2008 for his first novel, *The Best Laid Plans*, Terry Fallis has been celebrated as one of Canada's new humour writers, compared to the likes of Robertson Davies and Leacock himself. In this new eBook collection, Fallis's three novels -- *The Best Laid Plans* (also the 2011 Canada Readers winner), *The High Road*, and *Up and Down* (both shortlisted for the Stephen Leacock Medal for Humour) -- are packaged together for the first time. In *The Best Laid Plans* and *The High Road*, follow Daniel Addison navigate Parliament Hill as the political aide to Angus McLintock, the no-hope candidate he helped into government. Political storms, visiting dignitaries, surprise elections, Watergate-style break-ins -- these deftly written political satires will have readers laughing out loud. In *Up and Down*, Fallis takes readers from Parliament Hill to the world of corporate politics, where David Stewart's first day on the job -- and quick thinking -- swiftly lands him on an out-of-this world project: a revitalization of North America's interest in the space program. What follows is a clever and satirical, thoughtful and affecting story rife with classic U.S.-Canadian misunderstandings and hysterical plot twists.

The Best Laid Plans Apr 25 2022 He wanted power; she wanted revenge. The magnificent novel by the internationally bestselling author of *The Other Side of Midnight* and *Morning, Noon and Night*.

They Know Not What They Do Feb 09 2021 A FAMILY UNDER THREAT. A FATHER'S WORST NIGHTMARE... On the surface, Joe Chayefski has it all. A great job, a beautiful wife and two perfect daughters. But when the lab he works in as a neuroscientist is attacked, Joe is forced to face the past and reconnect with the son he abandoned twenty years earlier. As Joe struggles to deal with the sudden collision of his two lives, he soon finds he needs to take drastic action to save the people he loves. Gripping and suspenseful, *They Know Not What They Do* skilfully weaves together the big issues of the day- the relationship between science and ethics, and people's increasing inability to communicate - into an ambitious page-turner of a novel.

Wife Seller! Apr 01 2020 *Wife Seller!* An historical fiction novel. Susannah Ashton is desperate to escape from the escalating brutality of her husband. She and her friends arrange to have her sold to help her escape from Yorkshire to Dorset. The plan does not work as anticipated, and she is sold to another and married to a man who lives in Canada. Because her arms ache for children, she decides to mother her new husband's two small wards. An ocean and a new identity will save her from charges of bigamy. Or will they? Susan's experiences in Canada ensure that readers will be fascinated with her challenges right up to the very end.

King Leary Jan 11 2021 Selected as the 2008 CBC Canada Reads Winner! "A dazzling display of fictional footwork... The author has not written just another hockey novel; he has turned hockey in a metaphor for magic." Maclean's Percival Leary was once the King of the Ice, one of hockey's greatest heroes. Now, in the South Grouse Nursing Home, where he shares a room with Edmund "Blue" Hermann, the antagonistic and alcoholic reporter who once chronicled his career, Leary looks back on his tumultuous life and times: his days at the boys' reformatory when he burned down a house; the four mad monks who first taught him to play hockey; and the time he executed the perfect "St. Louis Whirlygig" to score the winning goal in the 1919 Stanley Cup final. Now all but forgotten, Leary is only a legend in his own mind until a high-powered advertising agency decides to feature him in a series of ginger ale commercials. With his male nurse, his son, and the irrepressible Blue, Leary sets off for Toronto on one last adventure as he revisits the scenes of his glorious life as King of the Ice.

The Best Laid Plans Aug 30 2022 WINNER OF CBC CANADA READS WINNER OF THE STEPHEN LEACOCK MEDAL FOR HUMOUR Here's the set up: A

burnt-out political aide quits just before an election—but is forced to run a hopeless campaign on the way out. He makes a deal with a crusty old Scot, Angus McIntock—an engineering professor who will do anything, anything, to avoid teaching English to engineers—to let his name stand in the election. No need to campaign, certain to lose, and so on. Then a great scandal blows away his opponent, and to their horror, Angus is elected. He decides to see what good an honest M.P. who doesn't care about being re-elected can do in Parliament. The results are hilarious—and with chess, a hovercraft, and the love of a good woman thrown in, this very funny book has something for everyone.

All Inclusive Dec 10 2020 A story about one all-inclusive resort, the ghost of an unknown father, and the tragedies we can't forget. What's it like when everyone's dream vacation is your job? Ameera works at a Mexican all-inclusive resort, where every day is paradise — if "paradise" means endless paperwork, quotas to meet, and entitled tourists. But it's not all bad: Ameera's pastime of choice is the swingers scene, and the resort is the perfect place to hook up with like-minded couples without all the hassle of having to see them again. Despite Ameera's best efforts to keep her sideline a secret, someone is spreading scandalous rumours about her around the resort, and her job might be at stake. Meanwhile, she's being plagued by her other secret, the big unknown of her existence: the identity of her father and why he disappeared. Unbeknownst to Ameera, her father, Azeez, is looking for her, and they both must come to terms with the reason why he abandoned her. A moving new work from award-winning author Farzana Doctor, *All Inclusive* blurs the lines between the real world and paradise, and life and death, and reminds us that love is neither easily lost nor found. Now Magazine Best Author • Kobo Best Book of the Year — Canadian Favourites Category

Ru Sep 06 2020 *Ru*: In Vietnamese it means lullaby; in French it is a small stream, but also signifies a flow - of tears, blood, money. Kim Thy's *Ru* is literature at its most crystalline: the flow of a life on the tides of unrest and on to more peaceful waters. In vignettes of exquisite clarity, sharp observation and sly wit, we are carried along on an unforgettable journey from a palatial residence in Saigon to a crowded and muddy Malaysian refugee camp, and onward to a new life in Quebec. There, the young girl feels the embrace of a new community, and revels in the chance to be part of the American Dream. As an adult, the waters become rough again: now a mother of two, she must learn to shape her love around the younger boy's autism. Moving seamlessly from past to present, from history to memory and back again, *Ru* is a book that celebrates life in all its wonder: its moments of beauty and sensuality, brutality and sorrow, comfort and comedy.

Albatross May 27 2022 NATIONAL BESTSELLER A funny and smart new novel about destiny--and what it means to forge your own path--from two-time Leacock Medal winner Terry Fallis. Adam Coryell is your average high-school student--well, except for that obsession with fountain pens--when his life changes forever. Based on a study by a quirky Swedish professor that claims that every human being, regardless of athletic inclination, has a body that is suited to excel in at least one sport, it turns out that Adam is good--very good, in fact--at golf. Even though he'd never even picked up a golf club. Almost instantly, and with his coach, hard-nosed Bobbie Davenport by his side, Adam and his new-found talent skyrocket to a prodigy-level stardom that includes tournament titles, sponsorship deals, throngs of fans following his every move, and fodder for tabloids. But here's the catch: Adam doesn't really like golf. And as the life he once knew slips away--including the love of his life, the dream of being a writer, and everyday normalcy--he can't help but wonder if all this success and fame is worth it . . . or if it's enough for him. Heartwarming and funny, sweeping and entertaining, *Albatross* takes readers on a journey of self-discovery.

Tom Thomson Oct 27 2019 A fictional journal covering the last few months of painter Tom Thomson's life. Includes a few letters written by Thomson.

One Brother Shy Dec 22 2021 From the two-time winner of the Stephen Leacock Medal for Humour: a story about a man tormented by an event from his youth, and the journey he finds himself on to heal and to learn who he is. Few people know the real Alex MacAskill. Most of the world sees a painfully and chronically shy software engineer in his mid-20s, soft-spoken, a bit of a loner, and someone easy to escape notice wherever possible—and that's just the way Alex wants it. Because no matter how many years have passed, the incident known only as "Gabriel" in the MacAskill family is something that still haunts him. But when his mother, one of the only people in the world who Alex felt comfortable as himself around, dies after a long illness, he suddenly has no choice but to face the very thing that he's been avoiding since that night in high school. In an instant, Alex finds himself trying to piece together the mystery of his identity, and on a search for parts of his family he never knew existed—a search that takes him from Ottawa to London to Moscow, encountering along the way echoes of the Cold War, painful memories from his past, and even the 1972 Russian hockey team—a search that ultimately helps Alex discover himself. With his trademark wit and captivating storytelling, Terry Fallis has written a novel unlike any of his others. *One Brother Shy* is at once poignant and humorous, heartbreaking and heartwarming, and readers will not soon forget Alex MacAskill.

Poles Apart Dec 30 2019 *Eve of Equality*, a new feminist blog, becomes an overnight sensation when a wildly popular talk show host stumbles upon it, tweets about it, and promotes it on her show. The anonymous blog is intelligent, thoughtful, and bold, brazenly taking on various injustices in the lives of women. But it's the blogger Eve's post about the controversial entrepreneur behind XY, a new chain of high-end strip clubs opening up across the country, that sets off a firestorm. In a matter of hours, the site crashes, its Twitter count jumps from a paltry 19 followers to nearly 250,000, and Eve is suddenly lauded as the new voice of modern feminism. But who, exactly, is the Eve behind *Eve of Equality*? Well . . . not who you might think. Meet Everett Kane, aspiring writer and fervent feminist. He writes his erudite blog in his new apartment, at his kitchen table, and his life is about to change forever. Hilarious and smart, and offering timely commentary on a subject that is flooding our headlines, newsfeeds, Twitter streams, and conversations, *Poles Apart* is Terry Fallis at his best, confirming his status as a king of CanLit comedy.

The Art of Being Lewis Nov 28 2019 Between indecent exposure and intellectual property theft, it's tough being Lewis this year. East Coast architect Lewis Morton thought he had it all: loving wife and children, dream job, and a house that meets his exacting architectural standards. But after his beloved mentor dies unexpectedly and Lewis gets pulled into a lawsuit that threatens to destroy his career and possibly his life, the respectable identity he has carefully constructed for himself after fleeing his Jewish childhood in Montreal begins to disintegrate. In trying to build his new future he must first come to terms with his past. Who is Lewis Morton, and who will he choose to become?

Assuming Names Nov 08 2020 When it was over, there were a lot of questions. The detectives were embarrassed but they still wanted answered, "How did a 15-year-old runaway successfully pose as a world traveled countess?" The newspapers turned it back on them, practically sneering, "How did she do it while under investigation by the FBI, DEA, and Interpol?" The Mafia had been demanding the same thing for six months, "What is your real name?" And the psychologists asked the question they always ask, "Why?" It's the why of it that will keep a girl in trouble. *Assuming Names* is the true story of a young con artist. It's the tale of a runaway that assumed the title of countess and then went on to fool the FBI, DEA, and Interpol—as well as a number of other celebrities and institutions—with an elaborate tale of world intrigue.

Black Irises Aug 06 2020 A tale of dark secrets unearthed in a small town during an election campaign

The Woefield Poultry Collective Aug 18 2021 *Woefield Farm* is a sprawling thirty acres of scrub land, complete with dilapidated buildings and one half-sheared, lonely sheep named Bertie. It's "run"—in the loosest possible sense of the word--by Prudence Burns, an energetic, well-intentioned twenty-something New Yorker full of back-to-the-land ideals, but without an iota of related skills or experience. Prudence, who inherited the farm from her uncle, soon discovers that the bank is about to foreclose on *Woefield Farm*, which means that she has to turn things around, fast. But fear not! She'll be assisted by Earl, a spry seventy-something, banjo-playing foreman with a distrust of newfangled ideas and a substantial family secret; Seth, the alcoholic, celebrity-blogging boy-next-door who hasn't left the house since a scandal with his high school drama teacher; and Sara Spratt, a highly organized eleven-year-old looking for a home for her prize-winning chickens, including one particularly randy fellow soon to be christened Alec Baldwin. Full of off-beat charm and characters you won't soon forget, *The Woefield Poultry Collective* is a heartwarming novel about learning how to take on a challenge, facing your fears and finding friendship in the most unlikely of places.

The High Road Jun 27 2022 This deeply funny satire continues the story of Honest Angus McIntock, an amateur politician who dares to do the unthinkable: tell the truth. Just when Daniel Addison thinks he can escape his job as a political aide, Angus McIntock, the no-hope candidate he helped into Parliament, throws icy cold water over his plans. Angus has just brought down the government with a deciding vote. Now the crusty Scot wants Daniel to manage his next campaign. Soon Daniel is helping Angus fight an uphill battle against "Flamethrower" Fox, a Conservative notorious for his dirty tactics. Together they decide to take "The High Road" and--against all odds--turn the race into a nail-biter with hilarious ups and downs, cookie-throwing seniors, and even a Watergate-style break-in. But that's only the beginning. Add a political storm in the capital and a side-splitting visit from the U.S. President and his alcoholic wife, and Terry Fallis's second novel is a wildly entertaining read full of deft political satire and laugh-out-loud comedy.

That Summer in Paris Jun 15 2021 It was the fabulous summer of 1929 when the literary capital of North America moved to La Rive Gauche—the Left Bank of the Seine River—in Paris. Ernest Hemingway was reading proofs of *A Farewell to Arms*, and a few blocks away F. Scott Fitzgerald was struggling with *Tender Is the Night*. As his first published book rose to fame in New York, Morley Callaghan arrived in Paris to share the felicities of literary life, not just with his two friends, Hemingway and Fitzgerald, but also with fellow writers James Joyce, Ford Madox Ford, and Robert McAlmon. Amidst these tangled relations, some friendships flourished while others failed. This tragic and unforgettable story comes to vivid life in Callaghan's lucid, compassionate prose.

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Operation Angus Jul 29 2022 From bestselling author Terry Fallis comes the long-awaited follow-up to *The Best Laid Plans* and *The High Road*—a comic spy story that

heralds the return of Angus McLintock. Angus McLintock, accidental Member of Parliament, has won re-election and is now the Minister of State for International Relations—or, in other words, he's the junior global affairs minister. In this new post, he and his trusty Chief of Staff, Daniel Addison, are in London to meet with their international counterparts to discuss the upcoming G8 Summit in Washington. Unfortunately, Angus is not in charge of Canada's involvement in the summit—that task falls to the actual Global Affairs Minister, not the junior one. What Angus is responsible for is planning a brief post-summit meeting in Ottawa between the Prime Minister and the President of Russia, the former head of the KGB. The London meetings are all going to plan until Daniel receives a cryptic, late-night text, from a burner phone, directing him to a pub around the corner from their hotel. There is important information he needs to know, the mysterious texter says—but he must keep the meeting a secret, and must come alone. Naturally, he immediately tells Angus, who of course tags along to the pub—just as reinforcement. The soon-to-be-retired MI6 agent who is waiting for Daniel is not pleased, but there are more pressing matters at hand: Chechen separatists are plotting to assassinate the Russian President—and it's going to happen when he's in Ottawa to meet with the Prime Minister, just weeks away. Angus and Daniel have to put a stop to it before it's too late. Naturally, no one in Ottawa will take them, or their top-secret intelligence, seriously, so they're on their own. In an instant, they are thrown into a race against the clock to uncover the Chechen sleeper cell, thwart their plans, and ultimately save the Russian President. Along the way, in classic Angus and Daniel style, they have to dodge bitter rivals, enraged protestors, and even a runaway Cessna. This is a madcap cloak-and-dagger adventure with humour and heart that will delight and entertain readers until the very last page.

Charlie Farquharson's History of Canada Jan 29 2020

Love and Laughter in the Time of Chemotherapy Mar 13 2021 Manjusha Pawagi, a successful family court judge, has written a not-so-typical memoir about her experience with cancer. Wryly funny and stubbornly hopeful, this is her quirky take on what it's like to face your own mortality when, to be honest, you thought you'd live forever. She describes how even the darkest moments of life can be made worse with roommates; details how much determination it takes to ignore the statistics; and answers the age-old question: what does it take to get a banana popsicle around here?

The Loyalist Legacy Jun 03 2020 After the crushing end of the War of 1812, William and Catherine Garner find their allotted two hundred acres in Nissouri Township by following the Thames River into the wild heart of Upper Canada. On their valuable land straddling the river, dense forest, wild beasts, displaced Natives, and pesky neighbors daily challenge them. The political atmosphere laced with greed and corruption threatens to undermine all of the new settlers' hopes and plans. William knows he cannot take his family back to Niagara but he longs to check on his parents from whom he has heard nothing for two years. Leaving Catherine and their children, he hurries back along the Governor's Road toward the turn-off to Fort Erie, hoping to return home in time for spring planting. With spectacular scenes of settlers recovering from the wartime catastrophes in early Ontario, Elaine Cougler shows a different kind of battle, one of ordinary people somehow finding the inner resources to shape new lives and a new country. The Loyalist Legacy delves further into the history of the Loyalists as they begin to disagree on how to deal with the injustices of the powerful "Family Compact" and on just how loyal to Britain they want to remain.

No Relation Mar 25 2022 Winner of the Stephen Leacock Medal for Humour This is the story of a young copywriter in New York City. He's worked at the same agency for fifteen years, and with a recent promotion under his belt, life is good. Then, one morning this copywriter finds himself unceremoniously fired from his job, and after he catches his live-in girlfriend moving out of their apartment a couple hours later, he's also single. Believe it or not, these aren't the biggest problems in this copywriter's life. There's something bigger, something that has been haunting him his whole life, something that he'll never be able to shake. Meet Earnest Hemmingway. What's in a name? Well, if you share your moniker with the likes of some of the most revered, infamous, and sometimes dreaded names in history, plenty. This is Earnest's lifelong plight, but now he's had enough. It's time to take back his name. With the help of peers from newly-established support group for people with famous names, Earnest embarks on an unorthodox and kooky journey of self-discovery.

The Best Laid Plans May 15 2021 From Lynn Schnurnberger, bestselling co-author of *Mine Are Spectacular!* and *The Botox Diaries*, comes a novel of big secrets, family ties, and a reminder that sometimes *The Best Laid Plans* can lead to delightful surprises. Tru Newman is one of the Upper East Side "M&Ms"—the wealthy stay-at-home moms who are into personal Maintenance and Mothering. Having been raised by a beauty queen mother who constantly picked on her, Tru loves looking after her investment banker husband, Peter, and their twin teen daughters. But her perfect world spins off its axis the night Tru throws a charity benefit and discovers that Peter's been out of work for three months. Even worse, the family's been living on a house of cards—specifically, Visa and Amex—that's about to collapse. Suze Orman tells Tru to "Get a job!" But doing what? When Tru's best friend, Sienna Post, loses her position as an anchor on the local nightly news, the two hatch a profitable if illegal plan: They'll open an escort service with "working girls" all over the age of forty. Modeling themselves on Carla Bruni ("after she married the president of France, not before, when she was dating Mick Jagger"), their smart, sexy, seasoned escorts become a big hit with a roster of thirty-year-old clients. If only Tru's legit life could fall so easily into place: Her husband's new job has him working side by side with a flirtatious neighbor, her fourteen-year-old twins are competing over a two-timing, Clearasil-using Casanova, and after suffering a heart attack in her bodybuilding class, Tru's hypercritical mother moves in with her. Not to mention that the gossip columns get wind that Tru and Sienna's "temp agency" isn't on the up-and-up—and the DA is on their case. But for the savvy and spirited Tru, these new obstacles bring unexpected benefits—from Geisha facials, to massage toys that are "better than chocolate," to the realization that at midlife, she's more comfortable than ever before in her own skin and more grateful for all that she has. By turns touching and laugh-out-loud funny, this is a must-read for every woman who knows it's never too late to make a fresh start.

Ease Oct 20 2021 "Ease can help you tame overwhelm, reclaim your spark, and boost your personal and professional well-being."--back cover.

Alone: A Love Story Aug 25 2019 A memoir of falling in love, the fallout of infidelity, and everything messy in between — and the inspiration behind the hit CBC podcast. "Beautifully and powerfully written, *Alone: A Love Story* left me heartbroken and inspired at the same time." — Terry Fallis "A lyrical tribute to the intoxicating, dramatic, destructive and ultimately empowering nature of love." — Anna Maria Tremonti "Michelle Parise is the best company. Her passion and humour leap off the page." — Camilla Gibb The church wedding, the new house, a beautiful baby ... Michelle was sold a dream and bought into it. But one day, nine years in, she wakes up in an empty bed, and The Husband isn't there. Then, he drops The Bomb — he was having an affair with a woman at work. Adrift and on the edge of forty — fuelled by grief, booze, and one-night stands — Michelle battles the monster she calls Loneliness, juggling being a part-time parent and part-time partier. Though dangerously close to rock bottom, Michelle takes a chance on love again with a dashing but complicated man — The Man with the White Shirt. Michelle, an expert in "emotional forensics," dives into the wreckage with candour and humour, uncovering a story about falling in and out of love, divorce, single parenthood, and the messy world of dating. What she finds, beneath it all, is life and the courage to face it alone. "Michelle Parise knows how to shape and deliver a story that will keep you coming back for more." — The Atlantic

Up and Down Jan 23 2022 On his first day at Turner King, David Stewart quickly realizes that the world of international PR (affectionately, known as "the dark side") is a far cry from his previous job with the Canadian government. For one, he missed the office memo on the all-black dress code; for another, there are enough acronyms and jargon to make his head spin. Before he even has time to find the washroom, David is assigned a major project: devise a campaign to revitalize North America's interest in the space program—maybe even show NASA's pollsters that watching a shuttle launch is more appealing than going out for lunch with friends. The pressure is on, and before long, David finds himself suggesting the most out-of-this-world idea imaginable: a Citizen Astronaut lottery that would send one American and one Canadian to the International Space Station. Suddenly, David's vaulted into an odyssey of his own, navigating the corporate politics of a big PR agency; wading through the murky waters of U.S.-Canada relations; and trying to hold on to his new job while still doing the right thing. Equal parts clever and satirical, thoughtful and affecting, *Up and Down* is Terry Fallis at his best.

Operation Angus Oct 08 2020 From bestselling author Terry Fallis comes the long-awaited follow-up to *The Best Laid Plans* and *The High Road*—a comic spy story that heralds the return of Angus McLintock. Angus McLintock, accidental Member of Parliament, has won re-election and is now the Minister of State for International Relations—or, in other words, he's the junior global affairs minister. In this new post, he and his trusty Chief of Staff, Daniel Addison, are in London to meet with their international counterparts to discuss the upcoming G8 Summit in Washington. Unfortunately, Angus is not in charge of Canada's involvement in the summit—that task falls to the actual Global Affairs Minister, not the junior one. What Angus is responsible for is planning a brief post-summit meeting in Ottawa between the Prime Minister and the President of Russia, the former head of the KGB. The London meetings are all going to plan until Daniel receives a cryptic, late-night text, from a burner phone, directing him to a pub around the corner from their hotel. There is important information he needs to know, the mysterious texter says—but he must keep the meeting a secret, and must come alone. Naturally, he immediately tells Angus, who of course tags along to the pub—just as reinforcement. The soon-to-be-retired MI6 agent who is waiting for Daniel is not pleased, but there are more pressing matters at hand: Chechen separatists are plotting to assassinate the Russian President—and it's going to happen when he's in Ottawa to meet with the Prime Minister, just weeks away. Angus and Daniel have to put a stop to it before it's too late. Naturally, no one in Ottawa will take them, or their top-secret intelligence, seriously, so they're on their own. In an instant, they are thrown into a race against the clock to uncover the Chechen sleeper cell, thwart their plans, and ultimately save the Russian President. Along the way, in classic Angus and Daniel style, they have to dodge bitter rivals, enraged protestors, and even a runaway Cessna. This is a madcap cloak-and-dagger adventure with humour and heart that will delight and entertain readers until the very last page.

Searching for Terry Punchout Jul 25 2019 Adam Macallister's sportswriting career is about to end before it begins, but he's got one last shot: a *Sports Illustrated* profile about hockey's most notorious goon, the reclusive Terry Punchout—who also happens to be Adam's estranged father. Adam returns to Pennington, Nova Scotia, where Terry now lives in the local rink and drives the Zamboni. Going home means drinking with old friends, revisiting neglected relationships, and dealing with lingering feelings about his father and dead mother—and discovering that his friends and family are kinder and more complicated than he ever gave them credit for. *Searching for Terry Punchout* is a charming and funny tale of hockey, small-town Maritime life, and how, despite our best efforts, we just can't avoid turning into our parents.

Ragged Company Apr 13 2021 Four chronically homeless people—Amelia One Sky, Timber, Double Dick and Digger—seek refuge in a warm movie theatre when a severe Arctic Front descends on the city. During what is supposed to be a one-time event, this temporary refuge transfixes them. They fall in love with this new world, and once

the weather clears, continue their trips to the cinema. On one of these outings they meet Granite, a jaded and lonely journalist who has turned his back on writing “the same story over and over again” in favour of the escapist qualities of film, and an unlikely friendship is struck. A found cigarette package (contents: some unsmoked cigarettes, three \$20 bills, and a lottery ticket) changes the fortune of this struggling set. The ragged company discovers they have won \$13.5 million, but none of them can claim the money for lack proper identification. Enlisting the help of Granite, their lives, and fortunes, become forever changed. Ragged Company is a journey into both the future and the past. Richard Wagamese deftly explores the nature of the comforts these friends find in their ideas of “home,” as he reconnects them to their histories.

Ten Birds Jun 23 2019 Ten little birds need to get to the other side of the river, and each comes up with his own unique solution.

The Best Laid Plans Sep 30 2022 WINNER OF CBC CANADA READS Here’s the set up: A burnt-out political aide quits just before an election--but is forced to run a hopeless campaign on the way out. He makes a deal with a crusty old Scot, Angus McLintock--an engineering professor who will do anything, anything, to avoid teaching English to engineers--to let his name stand in the election. No need to campaign, certain to lose, and so on. Then a great scandal blows away his opponent, and to their horror, Angus is elected. He decides to see what good an honest M.P. who doesn’t care about being re-elected can do in Parliament. The results are hilarious--and with chess, a hovercraft, and the love of a good woman thrown in, this very funny book has something for everyone.

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