



# BOOKWATCH Plus!

More About Selected New Titles



## New Library Publication

In each issue of the new **BOOKWATCH Plus!** supplement, we will be highlighting new titles in the John D. Ong Library collection. Don't miss these exciting new titles!

## New Titles for November

### **The Big Over Easy** by Jasper Fforde

Nursery rhymes commingle with violent crime in this novel which tells the story of Jack Spratt and his search for Humpty Dumpty's killer.

### **By Blood Written** by Steven Womack

Critically acclaimed but financially unsuccessful, a novelist decides to write sensational, horrific crime novels and makes the tragic decision to research the plots firsthand. **(Alumni Author)**

### **Dead As a Doornail** by Charlaine Harris

A small town Louisiana waitress with a gift of mind reading encounters werewolves, vampires and shapeshifters as she searches for an elusive sniper targeting people with supernatural abilities.

### **Housekeeping** by Marilynne Robinson

Two sisters endure a life of impermanence and transition as they grow up shuffled from relative to relative following the suicide of their mother.

### **The Hungry Tide** by Amitav Ghosh

An American biologist of Indian descent explores the exotic, dangerous world of the Sundarbans, a grouping of islands in the Bay of Bengal.

### **Locked Rooms** by Laurie R. King

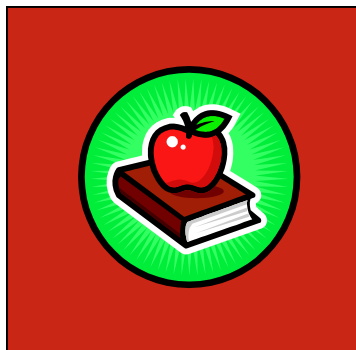
When Mary Russell and her husband Sherlock Holmes travel to San Francisco to settle details of her family estate, repressed memories and childhood trauma cause Mary to lose her memory, and the couple collaborates to solve the mysteries of her ancestors.

### **The Madonna of Excelsior** by Zakes Mda

A woman in South Africa is one of many accused of breaking the Immorality Act in this apartheid story set in the 1970s.

### **Man Camp** by Adrienne Brodeur

A biologist and her friend decide to create a camp to train men in chivalry, domestic skills and other qualities they deem essential in a mate with the unexpected result of learning some life lessons themselves.



### **The Missing Person** by Alix Ohlin

An art history student living in New York City returns home to help locate her brother and is drawn back into the complicated family life she tried to escape.

### **Mr. Muo's Travelling Couch** by Dai Sijie

Educated in the principles of western psychology, a lovelorn man returns to his native communist China and goes on a quest to save the object of his affection from the clutches of the local judge.

### **The Mysterious Flame of Queen Loana** by Umberto Eco

A Milanese rare book dealer loses his memory except for the ability to recall books and poetry he has read, and he reconstructs his life by reading old papers and documents in his childhood home.

### **No Country for Old Men** by Cormac McCarthy

When a man comes across a murder victim, a drug stash and \$2 million, he is caught in a frantic chase along the Texas and Mexico border.

### **Popular Music from Vittula** by Mikael Niemi

A far-north Swedish community exists in bleakness and isolation while still nurturing their customs and culture.

### **Queen of Dreams** by Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni

A young woman feels closer ties to her Indian heritage and to her mother, a dream teller, by reading her mother's journals.

### **The Undomestic Goddess** by Sophie Kinsella

A lawyer abandons her career after she makes a serious mistake and becomes a housekeeper at a country estate through a series of humorous happenstances.

### **The Warlord's Son** by Dan Fesperman

An American journalist and a Pakistani translator serve different agendas as they travel together in war-torn Afghanistan.

### **A Watery Grave** by Joan Druett

A half-Maori, half-American linguist is given the task of finding a killer on board an exploration expedition ship off the coast of Virginia in 1838.

### **Zorro** by Isabel Allende

The legendary story is retold as the hero leaves his native California to be educated in Spain with the ultimate goal to return to his homeland to battle injustice for his people.