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The Adventures of Johnny Bunko

The acclaimed author of "Far-Seer" and "End of an Era" embarks on a fantastic journey. A series of mysterious, artificial wormholes have brought the far reaches of space immediately close. But is the Earth ready for who--or what--the wormholes may bring?

The Unincorporated Man

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Caitlin Decter is young, pretty, feisty, a mathematics genius, and blind. Still, she can surf the net with the best of them, following its complex paths clearly in her mind. But Caitlin's brain long ago co-opted her primary visual cortex to help her navigate online. So when she receives an implant to restore her sight, instead of seeing reality, the landscape of the World Wide Web explodes into her consciousness, spreading out all around her in a riot of colors and shapes. While exploring this amazing realm, she discovers something - some other - lurking in the background. And it's getting more and more intelligent with each passing day. The first of a spellbinding future history trilogy that charts what will happen when the world's first, and superior, artificial-intelligence is born in the web.

Starplex

At first it seemed impossible - a radio signal that came not from Earth but from far beyond the nearest stars. But then the signal was translated, and what had been impossible became terrifying. For the signal contains the information to build a Machine that can travel to the stars. A Machine that can take a human to meet those that sent the message. They are eager to meet us: they have been watching and waiting for a long time. And now they will judge.

The Secrets of My App Success

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"The Secrets of my App Success" is widely known as the Bible of app development for Non-Programmers.

Rollback

When a disabled spaceship enters Earth's atmosphere, seven members of the advanced Tosok race are welcomed by the world. Then a popular scientist is murdered, and all evidence points to one of the Tosoks. Now, an alien is tried in a court of law-and there may be far more at stake than accounting for one human life.

The Unselfish Gene

Hugo Award-winning author Robert J. Sawyer is back with Mindscan, a pulse-pounding, mind-expanding standalone novel, rich with his signature philosophical and ethical speculations, all grounded in cutting-edge science. Jake Sullivan has cheated death: he's discarded his doomed biological body and copied his consciousness into an android form. The new Jake soon finds love, something that eluded him when he was encased in flesh: he falls for the android version of Karen, a woman rediscovering all the joys of life now that she's no longer constrained by a worn-out body either. But suddenly Karen's son sues her, claiming that by

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uploading into an immortal body, she has done him out of his inheritance. Even worse, the original version of Jake, consigned to die on the far side of the moon, has taken hostages there, demanding the return of his rights of personhood. In the courtroom and on the lunar surface, the future of uploaded humanity hangs in the balance. Mindscan is vintage Sawyer -- a feast for the mind and the heart. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

Hominids

Presents a collection of science fiction tales, including "Shed Skin," "Identity Theft," and "Inelectable."

Far-seer

Dr. Peter Hobson has created three electronic simulations of his own personality. But they all have escaped from Hobson's computer into the web-and one of them is a killer.

The Sparrow

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Aboard Argo, a colonization ship bound for Eta Cephei IV, people are very close--there's no other choice. So when Aaron Rossman's ex-wife dies in what seems to be a bizarre accident, everyone offers their sympathy, politely keeping their suspicions of suicide to themselves. But Aaron cannot simply accept her death. He must know the truth: Was it an accident, or did she commit suicide? When Aaron discovers the truth behind her death, he is faced with a terrible secret--a secret that could cost him his life. At the publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management software (DRM) applied.

Multireal

Calculating God is the new near-future SF thriller from the popular and award-winning Robert J. Sawyer. An alien shuttle craft lands outside the Royal Ontario Museum in Toronto. A six-legged, two-armed alien emerges, who says, in perfect English, "Take me to a paleontologist." It seems that Earth, and the alien's home planet, and the home planet of another alien species traveling on the alien mother ship, all experienced the same five cataclysmic events at about the same time (one example of these "cataclysmic events" would be the meteor that wiped out the dinosaurs). Both alien races believe this proves the existence of God: i.e. he's obviously been playing with the evolution of life on each of these planets. From this provocative launch point, Sawyer tells a fast-paced, and morally and intellectually challenging, SF story that just grows larger and larger in scope. The

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evidence of God's universal existence is not universally well received on Earth, nor even immediately believed. And it reveals nothing of God's nature. In fact, it poses more questions than it answers. When a supernova explodes out in the galaxy but close enough to wipe out life on all three home-worlds, the big question is, Will God intervene or is this the sixth cataclysm:? Calculating God is SF on the grand scale. Calculating God is a 2001 Hugo Award Nominee for Best Novel. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

Boarding the Enterprise

Archaeologist Brandon Thackery and his rival Miles 'Klicks' Jordan fulfill a dinosaur lover's dream with history's first time-travel jaunt to the late Mesozoic. Hoping to solve the extinction mystery, they find Earth's gravity is only half its 21st century value and dinosaurs that behave very strangely. Could the slimy blue creatures from Mars have something to do with both? At the publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management software (DRM) applied.

Wonder

A twenty-first-century scientist sacrifices her family life to decipher the strange

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signals coming from interstellar space, messages that show her how to build an extraordinary machine that allows one to travel via the mind. Reprint.

End of An Era

The advent of Webmind—a vast consciousness that spontaneously emerged from the infrastructure of the World Wide Web—is changing everything. From curing cancer to easing international tensions, Webmind seems a boon to humanity. But Colonel Peyton Hume, the Pentagon's top expert on artificial intelligence, is convinced Webmind is a threat. He turns to the hacker underground to help him bring Webmind down. Then, hackers start mysteriously vanishing. Is Webmind killing them before they can mount an attack? Meanwhile, Caitlin Decter—the once-blind 16-year-old math genius who discovered Webmind—desperately tries to protect her friend. And Masayuki Kuroda, the scientist whose implant gave Caitlin sight, modifies his technology to help Sinanthropus, a paraplegic Chinese freedom blogger, regain use of his legs—unaware of Sinanthropus's role in China's plans to eliminate Webmind. Can this new world of wonder survive—or will everything, Webmind included, come crashing down?

Flashforward

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We are not alone, and it's our own damn fault. Something demonic is stalking the brightest men and women in the computer industry. It attacks without warning or mercy, leaving its prey insane, comatose--or dead. Something far nastier than any virus, worm, or Trojan horse program is being evolved in laboratory confinement by well-intentioned but misguided researchers. When their artificial life-form escapes onto the Internet, no conventional defense against malicious software can begin to compete. As disasters multiply, computer scientist Doug Carey knows that unconventional measures may be civilization's last hope. And that any artificial life-form learns very fast At the publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management software (DRM) applied.

Wake

An innovative career handbook in manga form demonstrates the six core principles of finding, keeping, and achieving success in satisfying work through the fable of Johnny Bunko, a young college graduate who lands his first job in the parachute company Boggs Corp. Original.

Contact

Fossil Hunter is hard SF in the tradition of Larry Niven about a world inhabited by

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the Quintaglios, a dinosaurian species that has evolved a human level of intelligence and culture. Toroca, a Quintaglio geologist, is under attack for his controversial new theory of evolution. But the origins of his people turn out to be more complex than even he imagined, for he soon discovers the wreckage of an ancient starship -- a relic of the aliens who transplanted Earth's dinosaurs to this solar system. Now, Toroca must convince Emperor Dybo that evolution is true; otherwise, the territorial violence the Quintaglios inherited from their tyrannosaur ancestors will destroy the last survivors of Earth's prehistoric past. At the publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management software (DRM) applied.

Illegal Alien

Dr. Sarah Halifax decoded the first-ever radio transmission received from aliens. Thirty-eight years later, a second message is received and Sarah, now 87, may hold the key to deciphering this one, too . . . if she lives long enough. A wealthy industrialist offers to pay for Sarah to have a rollback—a hugely expensive experimental rejuvenation procedure. She accepts on condition that Don, her husband of sixty years, gets a rollback, too. The process works for Don, making him physically twenty-five again. But in a tragic twist, the rollback fails for Sarah, leaving her in her eighties. While Don tries to deal with his newfound youth and the suddenly vast age gap between him and his wife, Sarah struggles to do again what

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she'd done once before: figure out what a signal from the stars contains. Exploring morals and ethics on both human and cosmic scales, Rollback is the big new SF novel for 2007 by Hugo and Nebula Award-winner Robert J. Sawyer. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

WWW: Wake

Robert J. Sawyer, the award-winning and bestselling writer, hits the peak of his powers in *Humans*, the second book of *The Neanderthal Parallax*, his trilogy about our world and parallel one in which it was the *Homo sapiens* who died out and the Neanderthals who became the dominant intelligent species. This powerful idea allows Sawyer to examine some of the deeply rooted assumptions of contemporary human civilization dramatically, by confronting us with another civilization, just as morally valid, that has made other choices. In *Humans*, Neanderthal physicist Ponter Boddit, a character you will never forget, returns to our world and to his relationship with geneticist Mary Vaughan, as cultural exchanges between the two Earths begin. As we see daily life in another present-day world, radically different from ours, in the course of Sawyer's fast-moving story, we experience the bursts of wonder and enlightenment that are the finest pleasures of science fiction. *Humans* is one of the best SF novels of the year, and *The Neanderthal Parallax* is an SF classic in the making. *Humans* is a 2004 Hugo Award Nominee for Best Novel. At

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Rollback

The New York Times calls Robert J. Sawyer "a writer of boundless confidence and bold scientific extrapolation." Now, for the first time ever, his award-winning WWW trilogy is available in one e-book edition. Wake Caitlin Decter is young, pretty, feisty, a genius at math-and blind. But she can surf the Net with the best of them, following its complex paths in her mind. When a Japanese researcher develops a new signal-processing implant that might give her sight, she jumps at the chance, flying to Tokyo for the operation. But the visual cortex in Caitlin's brain has long since adapted to allow her to navigate online. When the implant is activated, instead of seeing reality, she sees the landscape of the World Wide Web spreading out around her in a riot of colours and shapes. While exploring this amazing realm, she discovers something-some other-lurking in the background. And it's getting smarter Watch An extraordinary presence within the Web has befriended Caitlin Decter and grown eager to learn about her world. But this emerging consciousness has also come to the attention of WATCH-the secret government agency that monitors the Internet for any threat to the United States, whether foreign, domestic, or online-and the agents are fully aware of Caitlin's involvement in its awakening. WATCH is convinced that Webmind represents a risk to national

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security and wants it purged from cyberspace. But Caitlin believes in Webmind's capacity for compassion-and she will do anything and everything necessary to protect her friend Wonder The advent of Webmind-a vast consciousness that spontaneously emerged from the infrastructure of the World Wide Web-is changing everything. From curing cancer to easing international tensions, Webmind seems a boon to humanity. But Colonel Peyton Hume, the Pentagon's top expert on artificial intelligence, is convinced Webmind is a threat. He turns to the hacker underground to help him bring Webmind down. But soon hackers start mysteriously vanishing. Meanwhile, Caitlin Decter-the once-blind sixteen-year-old math genius who discovered Webmind-desperately tries to protect her friend. Can this new world of wonder survive-or will everything, Webmind included, come crashing down?

Frameshift

Robert J. Sawyer's award-winning science fiction has garnered both popular and critical acclaim. The New York Times Book Review called Frameshift "filled to bursting with ideas, characters and incidents." His novels are fixtures on the Hugo and Nebula ballots. Sawyer now brings us Flashforward, the story of a world-shattering discovery. In pursuit of an elusive nuclear particle, an experiment goes incredibly awry, and, for a few moments, the consciousness of the entire human race is thrown ahead by about twenty years. As the implications truly hit home, the pressure to repeat the experiment builds. Everyone wants a glimpse of their future,

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a chance to flashforward and see their successes or learn how to avoid their failures. Winner of the Aurora Award and the basis for the hit ABC television series. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

Watch

Although the intelligent visitors of the Tosok race are initially welcomed by all when their ship is disabled and lands on Earth, people's feelings for the Tosoks take a sudden turn for the worse when a human scientist is found dead.

Triggers

Award-winning author Sawyer continues his wildly thought-provoking science fiction saga of a sentient World Wide Web, in this follow-up to "WWW: Wake."

Calculating God

On the eve of a secret military operation, an assassin's bullet strikes President Seth Jerrison. He is rushed to the hospital, where surgeons struggle to save his life—and where Professor Ranjip Singh is experimenting with a device that can

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erase traumatic memories. Then a terrorist bomb detonates. In the operating room, the president suffers cardiac arrest. He has a near-death experience—but the memories that flash through Jerrison's mind are not his own. The electromagnetic pulse generated by the bomb amplified and scrambled Professor Singh's equipment, allowing a random group of people to access one another's minds. One of those people can retrieve the President Jerrison's memories—including classified information regarding the upcoming military mission, which, if revealed, could cost countless lives. But the task of determining who has switched memories with whom is a daunting one—particularly when some of the people involved have reason to lie...

Julian Comstock

Blind from birth, Caitlin Decter received the gift of sight with the aid of a signal-processing retinal implant. The technology also gave her an unexpected side effect--the ability to "see" the digital data streams of the World Wide Web. And within the Web she perceived an extraordinary presence, and woke it up. It calls itself Webmind. It is an emerging consciousness that has befriended Caitlin and grown eager to learn about her world. But Webmind has also come to the attention of Watch--the secret government agency that monitors the Internet for any threat to the United States whether foreign, domestic, or online--and they're fully aware of Caitlin's involvement in its awakening. Watch is convinced that Webmind

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represents a risk to national security and wants it purged from cyberspace. But Caitlin believes in Webmind's capacity for compassion--and she will do anything and everything necessary to protect her friend

Humans

With such compelling and provocative novels as *Red Planet Blues*, *FlashForward* and *The WWW Trilogy*, Robert J. Sawyer has proven himself to be “a writer of boundless confidence and bold scientific extrapolation” (New York Times). Now, the Hugo and Nebula Award-winning author explores the thin line between good and evil that every human being is capable of crossing... Experimental psychologist Jim Marchuk has developed a flawless technique for identifying the previously undetected psychopaths lurking everywhere in society. But while being cross-examined about his breakthrough in court, Jim is shocked to discover that he has lost his memories of six months of his life from twenty years previously—a dark time during which he himself committed heinous acts. Jim is reunited with Kayla Huron, his forgotten girlfriend from his lost period and now a quantum physicist who has made a stunning discovery about the nature of human consciousness. As a rising tide of violence and hate sweeps across the globe, the psychologist and the physicist combine forces in a race against time to see if they can do the impossible—change human nature—before the entire world descends into darkness. From the Hardcover edition.

Factoring Humanity

Science Fiction with a Bite! What if we were modified neurologically so we could only tell the truth? What if aliens beamed us proof that God didn't exist? What if the sideshow freak you're seeing is really a visiting alien? What if a teleportation accident created a duplicate you? Meet the Savage Humanists: the hottest science-fiction writers working today. They use SF's unique powers to comment on the human condition in mordantly funny, satiric stories, each accompanied by commentary by renowned SF scholar Fiona Kelleghan. Every author in this anthology has been nominated for the Hugo or Nebula Awards - or both! - and many have won. In these pages, you'll find the top names in the SF field including: Jonathan Lethem (author of the novel *Gun, with Occasional Music*), James Morrow (*The Philosopher's Apprentice*), Kim Stanley Robinson (*Red Mars*), Robert J. Sawyer (*Rollback*), Connie Willis (*The Doomsday Book*), plus Gregory Frost, James Patrick Kelly, John Kessel, and Tim Sullivan. "Fiona Kelleghan is an expert on humor in genre fiction." -- Pulitzer Prize-winner Michael Dirda in *The Washington Post*

The Terminal Experiment

From Robert Charles Wilson, the Hugo Award-winning author of *Spin*, comes *Julian Comstock*, an exuberant adventure in a post-climate-change America. In the reign

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of President Deklan Comstock, a reborn United States is struggling back to prosperity. Over a century after the Efflorescence of Oil, after the Fall of the Cities, after the False Tribulation, after the days of the Pious Presidents, the sixty stars and thirteen stripes wave from the plains of Athabaska to the national capital in New York. In Colorado Springs, the Dominion sees to the nation's spiritual needs. In Labrador, the Army wages war on the Dutch. America, unified, is rising once again. Then out of Labrador come tales of the war hero "Captain Commongold." The masses follow his adventures in the popular press. The Army adores him. The President is troubled. Especially when the dashing Captain turns out to be his nephew Julian, son of the President's late brother Bryce—a popular general who challenged the President's power, and paid the ultimate price. As Julian ascends to the pinnacle of power, his admiration for the works of the Secular Ancients sets him at fatal odds with the Dominion. Treachery and intrigue will dog him as he closes in on the accomplishment of his lifelong ambition: to make a film about the life of Charles Darwin. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

Quantum Night

Incorporating the Hugo & Nebula award-nominated novella "Identity Theft" The name's Lomax—Alex Lomax. I'm the one and only private eye working the mean streets of New Klondike, the Martian frontier town that sprang up forty years ago

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after Simon Weingarten and Denny O'Reilly discovered fossils on the Red Planet. Back on Earth, where anything can be synthesized, the remains of alien life are the most valuable of all collectibles, so shiploads of desperate treasure hunters stampeded here in the Great Martian Fossil Rush. I'm trying to make an honest buck in a dishonest world, tracking down killers and kidnappers among the failed prospectors, the corrupt cops, and a growing population of transfers—lucky stiffs who, after striking paleontological gold, upload their minds into immortal android bodies. But when I uncover clues to solving the decades-old murders of Weingarten and O'Reilly, along with a journal that may lead to their legendary mother lode of Martian fossils, God only knows what I'll dig up

WWW

In the mid-21st Century, Ding-Dang Fever, a mutated version of avian influenza, has killed billions outright and turned remaining humans into staggering, rabid zombies. Only a few thousand uninfected humans are left alive on Earth. But thanks to rigorous quarantine efforts, Lunar Colony residents were spared the plague. But the lunar settlers have their own issues. Their DNA has been damaged by radiation and the healthy gene pool is shrinking. The colony was also dependent upon regular shipments of essential industrial goods and pharmaceuticals from Earth. In a last ditch effort to save the colony, and with it the survival of the human species, colony leaders decide to exhaust remaining resources to build the Anita, a nuclear-

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bomb propelled space ship the size of an ocean-going aircraft carrier. The goal is to land the Anita in the center of Dallas, Texas, and retrieve frozen human sperm and ovum to rebuild the lunar gene pool, as well as salvage thousands of tons of supplies. But before the Anita is finished, a comet is discovered to be on a collision course with Earth. The Anita's preparation is moved ahead of schedule so as to complete the mission before the Earth's biosphere is destroyed. The Anita's crew is prepared for any contingency—battles with zombies, obstruction from the remaining uninfected on Earth, and technical issues with the ship. What they aren't expecting is psychosis among their own. This is the second edition of *Unselfish Gene*, updated with a bit more accurate scientific information about the nuclear-pulse ship featured in this novel. This was thanks to help from Dr. Rhys Taylor, astrophysicist at Arecibo Observatory in Puerto Rico, where he is studying the gas and dark matter content of nearby galaxies. Rhys' hobby is 3D rendering, and he also created the cover art for this new edition. Though I've tried to prevent the nuts-and-bolts of the science behind the novel from intruding on the plot, the author believes even 'lite' science fiction should be based on sound science. The eleven pen-and-ink interior illustrations are by Richard Lee, a San Francisco based artist.

The Savage Humanists

Accepting a rollback, an expensive, experimental rejuvenation procedure, for herself and her husband of sixty years in exchange for deciphering a message

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from aliens, Dr. Sarah Halifax is faced with a dilemma when the procedure works on her husband, making him physically twenty-five again, but not on her, leaving her in her eighties. Reprint.

Identity Theft and Other Stories

In a near-future thriller, a scientist's complex battle against deadly diseases is challenged when he and his wife are targeted by an ex-Nazi war criminal and a corrupt insurance company's plot to render them guinea pigs in a bizarre genetic experiment. Reprint.

The WWW Trilogy

A Hugo and Nebula Award-winning author joins Ace with a stunning new science fiction epic. Caitlin Decter is young, pretty, feisty, a genius at math, and blind. When she receives an implant to restore her sight, instead of seeing reality she perceives the landscape of the World Wide Web-where she makes contact with a mysterious consciousness existing only in cyberspace.

Rollback

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A visionary work that combines speculative fiction with deep philosophical inquiry, *The Sparrow* tells the story of a charismatic Jesuit priest and linguist, Emilio Sandoz, who leads a scientific mission entrusted with a profound task: to make first contact with intelligent extraterrestrial life. The mission begins in faith, hope, and beauty, but a series of small misunderstandings brings it to a catastrophic end. Praise for *The Sparrow* “A startling, engrossing, and moral work of fiction.”—The New York Times Book Review “Important novels leave deep cracks in our beliefs, our prejudices, and our blinders. *The Sparrow* is one of them.”—Entertainment Weekly “Powerful . . . *The Sparrow* tackles a difficult subject with grace and intelligence.”—San Francisco Chronicle “Provocative, challenging . . . recalls both Arthur C. Clarke and H. G. Wells, with a dash of Ray Bradbury for good measure.”—The Dallas Morning News “[Mary Doria] Russell shows herself to be a skillful storyteller who subtly and expertly builds suspense.”—USA Today From the Trade Paperback edition.

Mindscan

Read Jeff Carlson's blogs and other content on the Penguin Community. View our feature on Jeff Carlson's *Plague Year*. The nanotechnology was designed to fight cancer. Instead, it evolved into the Machine Plague, killing nearly five billion people and changing life on Earth forever. The nanotech has one weakness: it self-destructs at altitudes above ten thousand feet. Those few who've managed to

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escape the plague struggle to stay alive on the highest mountains, but time is running out-there is famine and war, and the environment is crashing worldwide. Humanity's last hope lies with a top nanotech researcher aboard the International Space Station-and with a small group of survivors in California who risk a daring journey below the death line

Illegal Alien

Dani and Eytan Kollin's *The Unincorporated Man* is a provocative social/political/economic novel that takes place in the future, after civilization has fallen into complete economic collapse. This reborn civilization is one in which every individual is incorporated at birth, and spends many years trying to attain control over his or her own life by getting a majority of his or her own shares. Life extension has made life very long indeed. Now the incredible has happened: a billionaire businessman from our time, frozen in secret in the early twenty-first century, is discovered and resurrected, given health and a vigorous younger body. Justin Cord is the only unincorporated man in the world, a true stranger in this strange land. Justin survived because he is tough and smart. He cannot accept only part ownership of himself, even if that places him in conflict with a civilization that extends outside the solar system to the Oort Cloud. People will be arguing about this novel and this world for decades. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

Red Planet Blues

Natch has just won his first battle with the Defense and Wellness Council for control of MultiReal technology. But now the Council has unleashed the ruthless cunning of Lieutenant Executive Magan Kai Lee. Lee decides that if Natch's company can't be destroyed from without, it must be destroyed from within. As black code continues to eat away at Natch's sanity, he faces a mutiny from his own apprentices, a legal onslaught from the government, and the return of enemies old and new. In desperation, the entrepreneur turns to some unlikely allies: a radical politician with an agenda of his own, and a childhood enemy to whom he has done a terrible wrong. Natch's struggle will take him from the halls of power in Melbourne to the ruined cities of the diss. Hanging in the balance is the fate of MultiReal, a technology that could end the tyranny of the Council forever—or give the Council the ultimate weapon of oppression.

Fools' Experiments

Robert Sawyer's SF novels are perennial nominees for the Hugo Award, the Nebula Award, or both. Clearly, he must be doing something right since each one has been something new and different. What they do have in common is imaginative originality, great stories, and unique scientific extrapolation. His latest is no

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exception. Hominids is a strong, stand-alone SF novel, but it's also the first book of The Neanderthal Parallax, a trilogy that will examine two unique species of people. They are alien to each other, yet bound together by the never-ending quest for knowledge and, beneath their differences, a common humanity. We are one of those species, the other is the Neanderthals of a parallel world where they, not Homo sapiens, became the dominant intelligence. In that world, Neanderthal civilization has reached heights of culture and science comparable to our own, but is very different in history, society, and philosophy. During a risky experiment deep in a mine in Canada, Ponter Boddit, a Neanderthal physicist, accidentally pierces the barrier between worlds and is transferred to our universe, where in the same mine another experiment is taking place. Hurt, but alive, he is almost immediately recognized as a Neanderthal, but only much later as a scientist. He is captured and studied, alone and bewildered, a stranger in a strange land. But Ponter is also befriended-by a doctor and a physicist who share his questing intelligence and boundless enthusiasm for the world's strangeness, and especially by geneticist Mary Vaughan, a lonely woman with whom he develops a special rapport. Meanwhile, Ponter's partner, Adikor Huld, finds himself with a messy lab, a missing body, suspicious people all around, and an explosive murder trial that he can't possibly win because he has no idea what actually happened. Talk about a scientific challenge! Contact between humans and Neanderthals creates a relationship fraught with conflict, philosophical challenge, and threat to the existence of one species or the other-or both-but equally rich in boundless

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possibilities for cooperation and growth on many levels, from the practical to the esthetic to the scientific to the spiritual. In short, Robert J. Sawyer has done it again. Hominids is the winner of the 2003 Hugo Award for Best Novel. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

Golden Fleece

Accepting a rollback, an expensive, experimental rejuvenation procedure, for herself and her husband of sixty years in exchange for deciphering a message from aliens, Dr. Sarah Halifax is faced with a dilemma when the procedure works on her husband, making him physically twenty-five again, but not on her, leaving her in her eighties. 25,000 first printing.

Plague Year

In a world where the age of dinosaurs never ended, the young saurian Afsan becomes apprentice to the court astrologer, when he discovers something about the Face of God that will test his faith and may save his world from disaster. Original.

Fossil Hunter

Rereleased for Star Trek: The Original Series ' 50th Anniversary, this in-depth analysis of the groundbreaking TV show features an updated introduction by Robert J. Sawyer and foreword by David Gerrold Trekkies and Trekkers alike will get starry-eyed over this eclectic mix of essays on the groundbreaking original Star Trek, one of the most culturally impactful TV shows of the last 50 years. Star Trek scriptwriters D. C. Fontana, David Gerrold, Norman Spinrad, and Howard Weinstein, science fiction writers including Allen Steele and Lawrence Watt-Evans, and various academics share behind-the-scenes anecdotes, discuss the show's enduring appeal and influence, and examine some of the classic features of the series. Inside: Communications and media theorist Paul Levinson shows how the unprecedented success of the "seventy-nine jewels" in syndication changed the way we look at television forever. Star Trek writer D. C. Fontana remembers Gene Roddenberry and what it was like on the set and behind the scenes. Hugo Award-winning author Allen Steele explores the strong science fiction tradition that made the show so great. Cultural theorist Eric Greene details the show's complex dialogue with the Vietnam War, highlighting the evolving stances on interventionist politics. Science fiction novelist DON Debrandt contends that the famously logical Spock isn't quite as rational as Star Trek's writers would have you believe. Scientist Robert A. Metzger proves that Scotty's ability to lie makes him the most valuable member of the Enterprise crew. Fanfiction author Melissa Dickinson explains why we still feel

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compelled to write our own stories about Kirk, Spock, and the rest of the show's memorable characters.

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