

# **New Orleans: A Selective Bibliography**



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# Fiction

## **Abel, Kenneth**

*The burying field*

**M A139bu**

After four white teenagers desecrate an old slave burial ground and racial tensions erupt in violence, Danny Chaisson finds himself on the wrong side of a vicious war over land, power, and memory in a small Louisiana town when he is hired by a rich real estate developer to protect his interest in a valuable piece of property.



## **Alison, James**

*The marriage of the sea*

**F A413m**

Oswaldo fantasizes about avoiding the ravages of time that have beset him and his beloved Venice, while Max plans on leaving London for New Orleans in pursuit of a woman he barely knows.

## **Barnes, Linda**

*Cities of the dead*

**MPB**

Financial wizard Mary Spraggue Hillman and her actor nephew, Michael Spraggue, attempt to clear quiet Dora Levoyer of the murder of Cajun master chef Joseph Fontenot during a New Orleans banquet.

## **Blake, Jennifer**

*Wildest dreams*

**F B6362w**

After her grandmother dies, Joletta Caressa inherits a New Orleans perfume shop and an ancient diary that could lead her to the discovery of a fragrance formula that dates back to Cleopatra.

## **Bosworth, Sheila**

*Slow poison : a novel*

**F B7471**

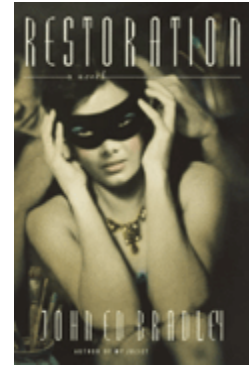
Back in her hometown, Rory Cade must face the machinations of her father's new bride--a femme fatale with a childlike face--and her own feelings for a young Irishman.

**Bradley, John Ed**

*Restoration : a novel*

**F B8116r**

More than sixty years after artist Levette Asmore committed suicide after destroying his most famous work, a controversial mural, journalist Jack Charbonnet and art restorer Rhys Goudeau discover that the painting may still exist.



**Brite, Poppy Z.**

*Prime : a novel*

**F B862p**

Two years after the opening of their restaurant, Rickey and G-Man are determined to gain financial independence from their backer, Lenny, especially with Lenny under investigation by an ambitious New Orleans D.A.

**Brown, Sandra**

*Fat Tuesday*

**F B8796fa**

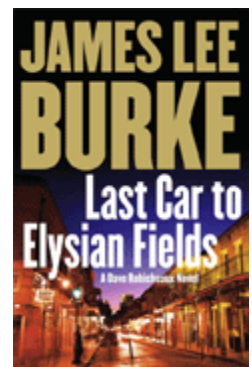
In the French Quarter during Mardi Gras week, New Orleans narcotics cop Burke Basile sets out to avenge the acquittal of the murderer of his partner by kidnapping the sheltered wife of the defense attorney.

**Burke, James Lee**

*Last car to Elysian Fields : a novel*

**M B9595La**

A tale of conspiracy, passion and murder, set in the steamy underworld of Louisiana. A car crash that kills three teenaged girls brings the detective face-to-face with a grief-crazed father and a psychologically compromised assassin.



**Chopin, Kate**

*The awakening*

**F C549a**

Edna Pontellier, a young married woman with two small children in this story from 1899, gradually awakens to her individuality and sexuality and experiences love outside of her passionless marriage.

**Colbert, James**

*All I have is blue*

**F C684a**

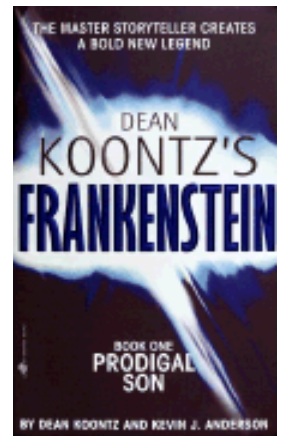
Ruth and Skinny save an eleven-year-old boy from drowning after the boat he is on explodes, but find themselves pursued by unsavory characters when the little boy disappears.

**Coontz, Dean**

*Dean Koontz's Frankenstein. Book one, Prodigal son*

**F K825p PB**

Detective Carson O'Connor and her partner, Michael Maddison, are confronted by a serial killer in search of victims that possess the humanity missing in himself.



**Crews, Harry**

*The knockout artist*

**F C927k**

Eugene Talmadge Biggs escapes poverty in Georgia to become a boxer in New Orleans, selling his soul to the city's seamy underworld for money to send home to his family.

**Dancer, Rex**

*Postcard from Hell*

**F D173p**

Photographer Andy Derain leaves the rat race for carefree New Orleans and then the islands--and lands in the middle of drug smugglers, blackmail, high-speed motorboat chases, and deadly shootouts.

**Davis, J. Madison**

*Red knight : a novel*

**M D2632r**

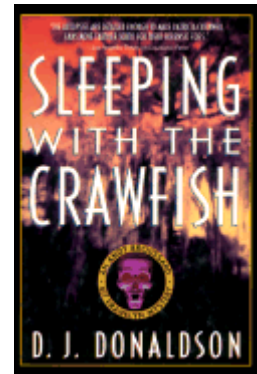
Private eye Dub Greenert races against time to find a mysterious assassin stalking Raleigh Lee Menzies--nicknamed the Red Knight--who was a leading activist in the Civil Rights Movement during the 1960s.

**Donaldson, D. J.**

*Sleeping with the crawfish : an Andy Broussard/Kit Franklyn mystery*

**M D676s**

When a body is delivered to his lab, forensic pathologist Andy Broussard discovers that the deceased is a convict allegedly serving time in the Louisiana state prison, and when prison officials claim the man is still in his cell, Andy and Kit follow a trail of murder and scandal.



**Dunbar, Anthony P.**

*Shelter from the storm*

**M D899s**

As a violent storm sweeps New Orleans during Mardi Gras, lawyer-detective Tubby Dubonnet tries to prevent a band of bank robbers from making an escape.

**Eddy, Paul**

*Flint*

**M E212f 2000**

Nearly killed in an undercover sting operation, talented policewoman Grace Flint undertakes a mission of personal revenge and unleashes a terrifying chain of events that will result in treachery, murder, and extortion.

**Edwards, Louis**

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**M E263n 1997 GPB**

An independent journalist who works on an alternative newspaper finds herself drawn to a drug dealer named Strip and the community in which he lives in as she investigates the murder of an eighteen-year-old boy.



**Fennelly, Tony**

*The hippie in the wall*

**M F335h**

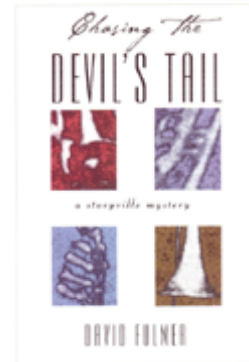
Twenty years earlier, Margo Fortier, now prominent in New Orleans high society, had danced topless in the French Quarter, and when a walled-up body is found in her old club, Margo uncovers a conspiracy that threatens her position and her life.

**Fulmer, David**

*Chasing the devil's tail*

**M F973c 2001**

In New Orleans' red light district in the early twentieth century, politician Tom Anderson hires Creole detective Valentin St. Cyr to investigate the deaths of several prostitutes, each of whom is found with a black rose.



**Girardi, Robert**

*Madeleine's ghost*

**F G5181m**

When a feisty poltergeist invades his Brooklyn apartment, Ned Conti begins a journey from the back streets of New York to New Orleans, along which he seeks to turn a long-dead nun into Brooklyn's first saint.

**Hall, Barbara**

*A summons to New Orleans : a novel*

**F H1742s 2000**

Betrayed and abandoned by her husband, who has run off with a younger woman, Nora heads for New Orleans with Simone, a rape victim faced with getting through her assailant's trial, and Poppy, a woman who has recently discovered the joys of religious faith.



**Hambly, Barbara**

*Die upon a kiss*

**F H199d 2001**

In 1835 New Orleans, Benjamin January, a free man of color, becomes caught up in an insidious and deadly plot when he rescues opera impresario Lorenzo Belaggio, who has brought a production of the opera Othello to town, from a violent attack in the alley outside the stage door.

**Henley, Patricia**

*In the river sweet*

**F H5143i**

Fifty-year-old Ruth Anne Bond finds her happy marriage, rich life, and firm Catholic faith turned upside down when a secret that she has kept from the family for nearly thirty years is revealed by contact from her illegitimate son.

**Hoag, Tami**

*A thin dark line*

**F H6785t**

Follows the struggle of Louisiana investigator Annie Broussard to bring to justice the killer of a young woman, a quest that allies her with a shady, volatile fellow detective.

**Inness-Brown, Elizabeth**

*Burning Marguerite*

**F I585b 2002**

Awakening on a cold winter morning to find the body of his ninety-four-year-old "Tante" Marguerite Deo lying dead outside his cabin, carpenter James Jack must confront the mystery of her death and the secrets that have impacted his own life.



**Lochte, Dick**

*Blue bayou*

**M L812b**

Just out of rehab, New Orleans P.I. Terry Manion is forced into an investigation into the alleged suicide of his old friend and mentor, J. J. Lengendre, and finds himself in a deadly battle for his life in the heart of the Cajun bayou country.

**Martin, Valerie**

*The great divorce*

**F M3833g**

A New Orleans zoo veterinarian finds her marriage crumbling as her husband becomes increasingly obsessed by two other women including a young secretary and a long-dead Creole woman who was hanged before the Civil War.

**McCloskey, Walter**

*Risking Elizabeth*

**M M1272r**



When he falls in love with the wealthy femme fatale Elizabeth Bennett, lawyer Harry Preston descends to scandal, corruption, and hedonism in a New Orleans far different from the one of his youth.

**Michaels, Fern**

*Listen to your heart*

**F M6211Li PB**

Finding herself alone for the first time in her life, New Orleans caterer Josie Dupre becomes involved with entrepreneur Paul Brouillette when their dogs fall in love, in a story that is complemented by accompanying recipes.

**Neate, Patrick**

*Twelve bar blues*

**F N3565t**

Lick Holden, a talented but tormented young coronet player, sets out to conquer the steaming jazz scene of early twentieth-century New Orleans.



**Orloff, Erica**

*Diary of a blues goddess*

**F O72d GPB**

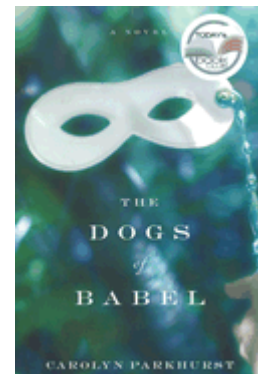
Living in a haunted former brothel with her free-spirited grandmother, her "sometimes" boyfriend, and a notorious drag queen, wedding singer Georgia Ray Millier, who longs to be a "Blues Goddess," must harness the power of courage and confidence to realize her dreams.

**Parkhurst, Carolyn**

*The dogs of Babel*

**F P2463d**

Discovering clues that indicate his beloved wife may not have died accidentally, Paul Iverson begins a perilous search for the truth while attempting to teach his dog, who witnessed the crime, to communicate.



**Parry, Owen**

*The rebels of Babylon*

**F P265r**

When a Yankee heiress is murdered in Civil War-era, Union-occupied New Orleans, prim Methodist detective Abel Jones launches an investigation that takes him from the French Quarter alleys, to nearby plantations, to the local bayous.

**Plain, Belva**

*Crescent City : a novel*

**F P6983c**

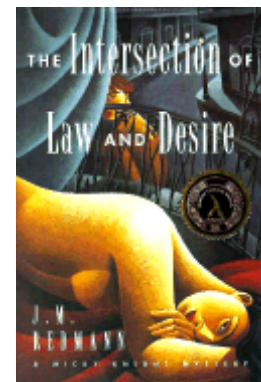
Unhappily married, Miriam Raphael struggles to reconcile her duties as a southern wife with forbidden passion, ambition, and personal convictions and principles, amid the turmoil of Civil War New Orleans.

**Redmann, J.M.**

*The intersection of law and desire*

**M R318i**

Lesbian detective Micky Knight agrees to help a friend's daughter, who is believed to have been sexually abused, a case that takes Knight from New Orleans' wealthiest environs to its poorest clubs, and into her own dark past.



**Rice, Anne**

*Interview with the vampire*

**F R495i**

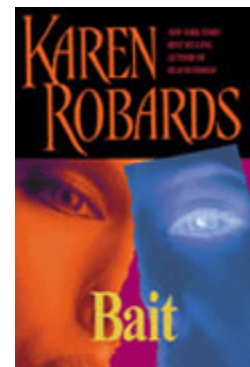
The confessions of a vampire--a story of danger and flight, of love and loss, of suspense and resolution, and of the extraordinary power of the senses.

**Robards, Karen**

*Bait*

**F R629ba**

Attorney Maddie Fitzgerald is unnerved by attractive FBI agent Sam McCabe who reveals that Maddie is being targeted by an elusive hired killer.



**Roberts, Nora**

*Midnight Bayou*

**F R646mi 2001**

While working on the restoration of Manet Hall, Declan Fitzgerald begins seeing visions of past eras filled with sorrow and terror, and he turns to

Angelina Simone to distract him from the eerie events, not realizing that Angelina has a connection to Manet Hall.

**Sallis, James**

*Bluebottle : a Lew Griffin novel*

**M S168b 1999**

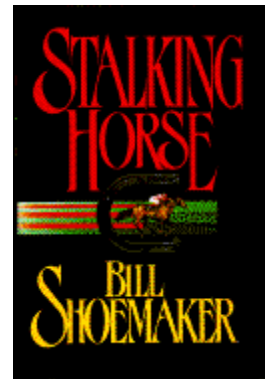
Losing nearly a year of his life after being shot while leaving a club with an older white woman, New Orleans sleuth Lew Griffith sets out to find out what really happened and follows a trail that leads him to a ruthless white supremacist group and some very odd allies.

**Shankman, Sarah**

*Now let's talk of graves*

**M S5282**

Atlanta reporter Sam Adams attends New Orleans' Mardi Gras with her friend Kitty Lee, but the festivities turn ugly when Kitty's brother Church is mysteriously killed and Sam must investigate.



**Shoemaker, Bill**

*Stalking horse*

**F S5591s**

Hoping to redeem his reputation after a race-fixing scandal bars him from the track, successful jockey Coley Killebrew accepts a challenge by the man who set him up and begins investigating an underground operation in New Orleans.

**Skinner, Robert**

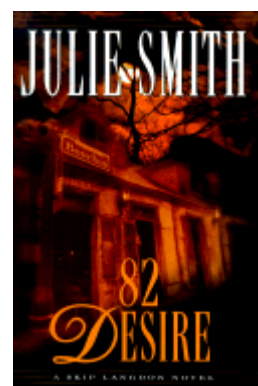
*Skin deep, blood red*

**M S6283s**

Protecting a secret that could destroy him, 1936 New Orleans nightclub owner Wesley Farrell is blackmailed into working for a mob boss in the wake of a corrupt cop's murder and must identify the murderer before he himself becomes the next victim.

**Smith, Julie**

*82 Desire : a Skip Langdon novel*



**M S6533e 1998**

New Orleans police detective Skip Langdon ferrets out the corruption and secret desire behind the disappearance of a politician's husband, the murder of a detective, and the role of a woman poet.

**Taylor, Mel**

*The mitt man : a novel*

**F T2442m 1999**

When small-time hustler and preacher King Fish gets caught while trying to steal a rich white man's wallet, he is convicted and sent to jail, where he encounters Jimmie Lamar, and together they devise a clever heist of epic proportions.

**Toole, John Kennedy**

*A confederacy of dunces*

**F T671c**

A fat New Orleans misanthrope who constantly rebukes society, Ignatius Reilly, gets a job at his mother's urging but ends up leading a workers' revolt.

**Tyree, Omar**

*Leslie : a novel*

**F T992L**

Idolized by her family and admired by her peers and teachers at Dillard University, New Orleans native Leslie Beaudet becomes the center of a disturbing murder mystery that reveals her misunderstood personal struggles and craving for power.



**Waller, Leslie**

*Blood and dreams*

**F W198b**

As the determined Kate Blood pursues the one man who must reject her--the aristocratic Edmund Crozat--all of nineteenth-century New Orleans dreads a match that would destroy the purity of a great Creole line.

**Williamson, Penelope**

*Wages of sin*

**F W732w**

When the body of a local priest is discovered in an abandoned waterfront warehouse, Damon Rourke investigates and soon discovers that the priest was

really a woman whose long-standing masquerade may have contributed to her murder.

**Williamson, Penn**

*Mortal sins*

**M W732m 2000**

When Creole aristocrat Charles St. Claire is found with his throat slashed, with his blood-drenched wife, Hollywood sex goddess Remy Lelourie, next to him, police investigator Daman Rourke must confront old loyalties and his need to find the killer as he follows a deadly trail of betrayal and murder through the dark underside of Jazz Age New Orleans.

**Womack, Steven**

*Murphy's fault : a mystery*

**M W8727**

Ordered by his boss, a New Orleans banker, to break up a lawsuit that will seriously threaten the banker's business interests, Jack realizes that the man whose reputation he has agreed to smear is his beloved ex-father-in-law.

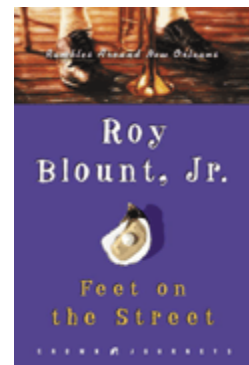
## Non-Fiction

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