

Dear Book Lovers,

2011 WAS ANOTHER great year for readers. So many fabulous books were published! We reviewed more than 250 books in each issue of RT BOOK REVIEWS — more than 3,000 titles for the entire year. Our ace reviewers and editors have scoured 12 months' worth of reviews to compile the best of the best for the annual RT BOOK REVIEWS Career Achievement and Reviewers' Choice Awards. For the Reviewers' Choice nominees, our star team selected only those novels that deeply resonated with them. The Career Achievement nominees have continuously crafted superior books throughout their careers in each category.

Winners will be announced in the May issue of RT, just prior to our 29th annual Booklovers Convention in Chicago, April 11 - April 15, 2012. Winners will be honored at a ceremony on April 13, and awards will be presented to the authors in attendance. We hope you will be there to celebrate with your favorites!

Career Achievement Nominees

Contemporary

Brenda Jackson
Linda Lael Miller
Carly Phillips
Jill Shalvis

Erotica

Lauren Dane
Joey W. Hill
Ann Jacobs
Michelle M. Pillow

Historical

Mary Balogh
Jennifer Blake
Liz Carlyle

Loretta Chase
Lynsay Sands

Inspirational

Wanda Brunstetter
Melody Carlson
Jane Kirkpatrick
Kim Vogel Sawyer
Kathleen Y'Barbo

Mainstream

Dorothea Benton Frank
Kristin Hannah
Debbie Macomber
Nicholas Sparks

Mystery, Suspense & Thriller

Rhys Bowen
Rita Mae Brown
Lee Child
Sue Grafton
Anne Perry
Victoria Thompson

Paranormal

Amanda Ashley
Sherrilyn Kenyon
Maggie Shayne
Nalini Singh

Romantic Suspense

Cherry Adair
Beverly Barton
Tara Janzen
Shannon McKenna

Sci Fi/Fantasy

Steven Brust
Jacqueline Carey
Lynn Flewelling
Mercedes Lackey
Connie Willis

Series

Helen Brenna
Jessica Hart

Rita Herron
Linda Warren

Urban Fantasy

P.N. Elrod
Yasmine Galenorn
Simon Green
Laurell K. Hamilton

Young Adult

Francine Pascal
Tamora Pierce
Christopher Pike

SOE (Seal of Excellence Winners) and RT Book of the Year Nominees

Each month the RT Book Reviews magazine and web editors go through the reviewers' Top Picks page and narrow the list down to six to nine books that garnered the most enthusiasm from our reviewers. Those books are then passed around until the editors — from both staffs — have read all of the books. After much debate and discussion (to put it mildly), one book is finally selected and receives the honored distinction, RT Seal of Excellence. This year we will be selecting a Book of the Year from the 12 winners. Below are the winners from January - November. The last one for the year will not be selected until December 1, when the 2011 Book of the Year will be selected. We will announce the SOE Book of the Year at the RT Awards ceremony on April 13.

January

ACROSS THE UNIVERSE
Beth Revis, *Razorbill*

February

THE PERFECT PLAY
Jaci Burton, *Heat*

March

AFTERTIME
Sophie Littlefield, *Luna*

April

THE ILLUSION OF MURDER
Carol McCleary, *Forge*

May

DRAGON BOUND
Thea Harrison, *Berkley Sensation*

June

BEAUTY QUEENS
Libba Bray, *Scholastic*

July

YOU'RE NEXT
Gregg Hurwitz, *St. Martin's*

August

IN SEARCH OF THE ROSE NOTES
Emily Arsenault, *Morrow*

September

NO PROPER LADY
Isabel Cooper, *Sourcebooks*

October

ANIMAL ATTRACTION
Jill Shalvis, *Berkley Sensation*

November

BOOK TITLE
Author, Publisher ??
(This will be determined end of this week)

Reviewers' Choice Nominees:

Best Series Romance Novels 2011

First Series Romance

THE SECRET OF CYPRIERE BAYOU

Jana DeLeon
Intrigue (Mar.)

REPROBATE LORD, RUNAWAY LADY

Isabelle Goddard
Historical (Apr.)

SOLDIER ON HER DOORSTEP

Soraya Lane
Romance (Jul.)

CAUGHT ON CAMERA

Meg Maguire
Blaze (Apr.)

AN INCONVENIENT OBSESSION

Natasha Tate
Presents (Oct.)

Harlequin American

FALLING FOR THE NANNY

(*Jun.*)
Jacqueline Diamond

A MOTHER'S HOMECOMING

(*Aug.*)
Tanya Michaels

HIS VALENTINE SURPRISE

(*Feb.*)
Tanya Michaels

THE BACHELOR RANGER

(*Jan.*)
Rebecca Winters

A TEXAS RANGER'S CHRISTMAS

(*Nov.*)
Rebecca Winters

Harlequin Blaze

TERMS OF SURRENDER

(*Jun.*)
Leslie Kelly

MAKING A SPLASH

(*Sep.*)
Joanne Rock

TURN UP THE HEAT

(*Feb.*)
Isabel Sharpe

COWBOY UP

(*Jul.*)
Vicki Lewis Thompson

HIGH STAKES SEDUCTION

(*May*)
Lori Wilde

Harlequin Desire

TO TOUCH A SHEIKH

(*Aug.*)
Olivia Gates

FALLING FOR THE PRINCESS

(*Jul.*)
Sandra Hyatt

A WIFE FOR A WESTMORELAND

(*Apr.*)
Brenda Jackson

RECLAIMING HIS PREGNANT WIDOW

(*Nov.*)
Tessa Radley

Harlequin Intrigue

THE SECRET OF CYPRIERE BAYOU

(*Mar.*)
Jana DeLeon

BRANDISHING A CROWN

(*Jan.*)
Rita Herron

DAKOTA MARSHAL

(*Aug.*)
Jenna Ryan

DARKWOOD MANOR

(*Feb.*)
Jenna Ryan

CAPTURING THE COMMANDO

(*Jun.*)
Colleen Thompson

Harlequin Nocturne

LORD OF THE WOLFYN

(*Nov.*)
Jessica Andersen

THE BEHOLDER

(*May*)
Connie Hall

ASHES OF ANGELS

(*Aug.*)
Michele Hauf

FALLEN

(*Apr.*)
Michele Hauf

LORD OF THE ABYSS

(*Dec.*)
Nalini Singh

Harlequin Presents

IN CHRISTOFIDES' KEEPING

(*Mar.*)
Abby Green

THE REAL RIO D'AQUILA

(*Dec.*)
Sandra Marton

DOUKAKIS'S APPRENTICE

(*Oct.*)
Sarah Morgan

THE RELUCTANT DUKE

(*May*)
Carole Mortimer



THE RETURN OF THE RENEGADE

(*Apr.*)
Carole Mortimer

Harlequin Presents Exira

HER SINGAPORE FLING

(*Mar.*)
Kelly Hunter

SURF, SEA AND A SEXY STRANGER

(*Apr.*)
Heidi Rice

THE PROUD WIFE

(*Apr.*)
Kate Walker

PROTECTED BY THE PRINCE

(*Feb.*)
Annie West

THE INHERITED BRIDE

(*May*)
Maisey Yates

Harlequin Romance

THE ARMY RANGER'S RETURN

(*Aug.*)
Soraya Lane

SOLDIER ON HER DOORSTEP

(*Jul.*)
Soraya Lane

THE SOLDIER'S UNTAMED HEART

(*Jan.*)
Nikki Logan

KISSES ON HER CHRISTMAS LIST

(*Dec.*)
Susan Meier

THE HEART OF A HERO

(*Sep.*)
Barbara Wallace

Harlequin Romantic Suspense

COWBOY UNDER SIEGE

(*Sep.*)
Gail Barrett

SPECIAL OPS BODYGUARD

(*Aug.*)
Beth Cornelison

SOLDIER'S LAST STAND

(*Jul.*)
Cindy Dees

BEST MAN FOR THE JOB

(*Aug.*)
Meredith Fletcher

STRANDED WITH HER EX

(*Apr.*)
Jill Sorenson

Harlequin Special Edition

ONE BRAVE COWBOY

(*Oct.*)
Kathleen Eagle

LIAM'S PERFECT WOMAN

(*Aug.*)
Beth Kery

MIRACLE UNDER THE MISTLETOE

(*Nov.*)
Tracy Madison

THE BRIDE PLAN

(*Apr.*)
Kasey Michaels

HIS COUNTRY CINDERELLA

(*Sep.*)
Karen Rose Smith

Harlequin SuperRomance

HERE COMES THE GROOM

(*Jan.*)
Karina Bliss

HER SURE THING

(*Aug.*)
Helen Brenna

REDEMPTION AT MIRABELLE

(*Sep.*)
Helen Brenna

RETURN TO THE BLACK HILLS

(*Apr.*)
Debra Salonen

THE PAST BETWEEN US

(*Mar.*)
Kimberly Van Meter

Kimani Romance

A CHRISTMAS AFFAIR

(*Nov.*)
Adrienne Byrd

REDEMPTION'S TOUCH

(*Jun.*)
Ann Christopher

COME AWAY WITH ME

(*Mar.*)
Celeste O. Norfleet

IMAGINE US

(*May*)
Maureen Smith

TWO TO TANGO

(*Jan.*)
Yahrah St. John

Steeple Hill Love Inspired

THE FARMER NEXT DOOR

(*Jul.*)
Patricia Davids

AT HOME IN HIS HEART

(*Aug.*)
Glynnna Kaye

HOME TO STAY

(*May*)
Annie Jones

FAMILY TO THE RESCUE

(*Mar.*)
Lissa Manley

THE PRODIGAL COMES HOME

(*Feb.*)
Kathryn Springer

Steeple Hill Love Inspired Historical

CALICO BRIDE

(*Jul.*)
Jillian Hart

THE ARISTOCRAT'S LADY

(*Sep.*)
Mary Moore

ROCKY MOUNTAIN REDEMPTION

(*Feb.*)
Pamela Nissen

FAMILY BLESSINGS

(*Oct.*)
Anna Schmidt

MARRYING MISS MARSHAL

(*Aug.*)
Lacy Williams

Steeple Hill Love Inspired Suspense

POINT BLANK PROTECTOR

(*Apr.*)
Stephanie Newton

DUTY TO PROTECT

(*Dec.*)
Roxanne Rustand

MURDER AT GRANITE FALLS

(*Apr.*)
Roxanne Rustand

UNDERCOVER PURSUIT

(*May*)
Susan May Warren

CHRISTMAS HAVEN

(*Nov.*)
Hope White

Best Historical Novels 2011

Historical Romance of the Year**BY HIS MAJESTY'S GRACE**Jennifer Blake
*Mira (Aug.)***THE BLACK HAWK**Joanna Bourne
*Berkley Sensation (Nov.)***LADY SOPHIE'S****CHRISTMAS WISH**
Grace Burrowes
*Sourcebooks (Oct.)***AN AFFAIR WITHOUT END**Candace Camp
*Pocket Star (Apr.)***TAKEN BY THE PRINCE**Christina Dodd
*Signet Select (Apr.)***NEVER A GENTLEMAN**Eileen Dreyer
*Forever (Apr.)***THE NORSE KING'S DAUGHTER**Sandra Hill
*Avon (Oct.)***WHEN PASSION RULES**Johanna Lindsey
*Gallery (Jun.)***ELEVEN SCANDALS TO START TO WIN A DUKE'S HEART**Sarah MacLean
*Avon (May)***UNCLAIMED**Courtney Milan
*HQN (Oct.)***NOWHERE NEAR RESPECTABLE**Mary Jo Putney
*Zebra (May)***BOND OF PASSION**Bertrice Small
*NAL (Oct.)***First Historical Romance****PLEASURE ME**Monica Burns
*Berkley (Mar.)***NO PROPER LADY**Isabel Cooper
*Sourcebooks (Sep.)***SECRETS OF A PROPER COUNTESS**Lecia Cornwall
*Avon (Apr.)***THE LANDLORD'S BLACK-EYED DAUGHTER**Mary Ellen Dennis
*Sourcebooks (Apr.)***HOW TO MARRY A DUKE**Vicky Dreiling
*Forever (Jan.)***INVITATION TO RUIN**Bronwen Evans
*Brava (Mar.)***THE ANGEL IN MY ARMS**Stefanie Sloane
*Ballantine (Jul.)***Historical Love & Laughter****LORD LANGLEY IS BACK IN TOWN**Elizabeth Boyle
*Avon (Jun.)***A NIGHT TO SURRENDER**Tessa Dare
*Avon (Sep.)***A BEGINNER'S GUIDE TO RAKES**Suzanne Enoch
*St. Martin's (Oct.)***HOW TO WOO A RELUCTANT LADY**Sabrina Jeffries
*Pocket Star (Feb.)***WICKED IN YOUR ARMS**Sophie Jordan
*Avon (Aug.)***CLOUDY WITH A CHANCE OF MARRIAGE**Kieran Kramer
*St. Martin's (May)***THE DEVILISH MONTAGUE**Patricia Rice
*Signet Eclipse (Jul.)***Innovative Historical Romance****THE MANY SINS OF LORD CAMERON**Jennifer Ashley
*Berkley Sensation (Aug.)***A COURTESAN'S GUIDE TO GETTING YOUR MAN**Celeste Bradley & Susan Donovan
*St. Martin's (Jul.)***WEDDING OF THE SEASON**Laura Lee Guhrke
*Avon (Jan.)***WAKING UP WITH THE DUKE**Lorraine Heath
*Avon (Jul.)***NOTORIOUS PLEASURES**Elizabeth Hoyt
*Vision (Feb.)***WHEN BEAUTY TAMED THE BEAST**Eloisa James
*Avon (Feb.)***REDEEMING THE ROGUE**Donna MacMeans
*Berkley Sensation (Aug.)***British Isle-Set Historical Romance****THE SEDUCTION OF HIS WIFE**Tiffany Clare
*St. Martin's (Feb.)***PRINCE OF RAVENSCAR**Catherine Coulter
*Putnam (Oct.)***CONFESSIONS OF AN IMPROPER BRIDE**Jennifer Haymore
*Forever (Aug.)***THE DARK EARL**Virginia Henley
*Signet Eclipse (Sep.)***SIN AND SURRENDER**Julia Latham
*Avon (Jan.)***TO SEDUCE AN ANGEL**Kate Moore
*Berkley Sensation (Sep.)***TAMED BY A HIGHLANDER**Paula Quinn
*Forever (Jul.)***Regency-Set Historical Romance****THE PERFECT MISTRESS**Victoria Alexander
*Zebra (Feb.)***THE SECRET MISTRESS**Mary Balogh
*Delacorte (Jul.)***SILK IS FOR SEDUCTION**Loretta Chase
*Avon (Jul.)***THE SINS OF VISCOUNT SUTHERLAND**Samantha James
*Avon (Jun.)***MY FAVORITE COUNTESS**Vanessa Kelly
*Zebra (May)***SEDUCING THE GOVERNESS**Margo Maguire
*Avon (Mar.)***Scotland-Set Historical Romance****IN BED WITH THE HIGHLANDER**Maya Banks
*Ballantine (Sep.)***SCANDAL IN SCOTLAND**Karen Hawkins
*Pocket (Jun.)***SECRETS TO SEDUCING A SCOT**Michelle Marcos
*St. Martin's (Aug.)***THE GUARDIAN**Margaret Mallory
*Forever (May)***THE VIPER**Monica McCarty
*Ballantine (Nov.)***A BORROWED SCOT**Karen Ranney
*Avon (Apr.)***HIGHLAND MASTER**Amanda Scott
*Forever (Feb.)***SINS OF A HIGHLAND DEVIL**Sue-Ellen Welfonder
*Forever (Jan.)***Historical Fantasy/ Paranormal****UNTAMED HIGHLANDER**Donna Grant
*St. Martin's (May)***IMMORTAL CHAMPION**Lisa Hendrix
*Berkley Sensation (Jan.)***THE ROSE GARDEN**Susanna Kearsley
*Sourcebooks (Oct.)***HEALING THE HIGHLANDER**Melissa Mayhue
*Pocket Star (Mar.)***QUICKSILVER**Amanda Quick
*Putnam (Apr.)***EARL OF DARKNESS**Alix Rickloff
*Pocket (Jan.)***Historical Romantic Adventure****CAPTURED BY A ROGUE LORD**Katharine Ashe
*Avon (Apr.)***THE BRIDE WORE SCARLET**Liz Carlyle
*Avon (Aug.)***TREASURE ME**Robyn DeHart
*Forever (Mar.)***MY IRRESISTIBLE EARL**Gaelen Foley
*Avon (Apr.)***THE MAKING OF A ROGUE**Shana Galen
*Sourcebooks (Apr.)***DANGEROUS IN DIAMONDS**Madeline Hunter
*Jove (May)***THE ORCHID AFFAIR**Lauren Willig
*Dutton (Jan.)***American-Set Historical Romance****THE SCENT OF JASMINE**Jude Deveraux
*Pocket (Jan.)***DEADLY VOWS**Brenda Joyce
*HQN (Mar.)***TEXAS BLUE**Jodi Thomas
*Berkley (Apr.)***CHASING THE SUN**Kaki Warner
*Berkley Sensation (Jan.)***Sensual Historical Romance****MIDNIGHT'S WILD PASSION**Anna Campbell
*Avon (May)***SEDUCTION AND SCANDAL**Charlotte Featherstone
*HQN (Jul.)***SEDUCTIVE AS FLAME**Susan Johnson
*Berkley Sensation (Dec.)***ONE NIGHT IS NEVER ENOUGH**Anne Mallory
*Avon (Mar.)***PRELUDE TO A SCANDAL**Delilah Marville
*HQN (Jan.)***ENGAGED IN SIN**Sharon Page
*Dell (Nov.)***SHAMELESS**Anne Stuart
*Mira (Jul.)***Historical Fiction****THE SCOTTISH PRISONER**Diana Gabaldon
Delacorte (Dec.)

FOR BEST BOOKS AND AUTHORS OF 2011

THE AMERICAN HEIRESS

Daisy Goodwin
St. Martin's (Jun.)

THE LADY OF THE RIVERS

Philippa Gregory
Touchstone (Oct.)

BEFORE VERSAILLES

Karleen Koen
Crown (Jul.)

LIONHEART

Sharon Kay Penman
Putnam (Oct.)

QUEEN BY RIGHT

Anne Easter Smith
Touchstone (May)

MADAME BOVARY'S DAUGHTER

Linda Urbach
Bantam (Aug.)

PALE ROSE OF ENGLAND

Sandra Worth
Berkley (Feb.)

Historical K.I.S.S. Hero

Kit Frazier
WICKED SEDUCTION

Jade Lee
Berkley Sensation (Mar.)

Trystan Kane
WHEN TEMPTING A ROGUE

Kathryn Smith
Avon (May)

Duncan MacLean
CAPTURED BY THE HIGHLANDER

Julianne MacLean
St. Martin's (Mar.)

James Ryding
SCANDAL OF THE YEAR

Olivia Drake
St. Martin's (Mar.)

Simon St. Maur
A LADY'S LESSON IN SCANDAL

Meredith Duran
Pocket Star (Jul.)

Leo Wade
EVERY SCANDALOUS SECRET

Gayle Callen
Avon (Oct.)

Aidan York
IT'S ALWAYS BEEN YOU

Victoria Dahl
Zebra (Aug.)

Best Mystery & Suspense Novels 2011

Contemporary Mystery

IN SEARCH OF THE ROSE NOTES
Emily Arsenault
Morrow (Aug.)

KILLED AT THE WHIM OF A HAT
Colin Cotterill
Minotaur (Jul.)

V IS FOR VENGEANCE
Sue Grafton
Putnam (Nov.)

THE WOODCUTTER
Reginald Hill
Harper (Jul.)

STAGESTRUCK
Peter Lovesey
Sobo (Jun.)

RINGER
Brian M. Wiprud
Minotaur (Jul.)

Historical Mystery

BYE BYE, BABY
Max Allan Collins
Forge (Aug.)

THE BELOVED DEAD
Tony Hays
Tor (Apr.)

CITY OF SECRETS
Kelli Stanley
Minotaur (Oct.)

A LONELY DEATH
Charles Todd
Morrow (Jan.)

TROUBLED BONES
Jeri Westerson
Minotaur (Oct.)

First Mystery

THOU SHALT KILL
Daniel Blake
Gallery (May)

DEATH ON TOUR
Janice Hamrick
Minotaur (May)

COOKIE DOUGH OR DIE
Virginia Lowell
Prime Crime (Apr.)

THE ILLUSION OF MURDER
Carol McCleary
Forge (Apr.)

THE BREATH OF GOD
Jeffrey Small
West Hills (Mar.)

PURGATORY CHASM
Steve Ulfelder
Minotaur (May)

Suspense / Thriller

DEATH IN HIGH PLACES
Jo Bannister
Minotaur (Aug.)

NOW YOU SEE ME
S.J. Bolton
Minotaur (Jun.)

LOVE YOU MORE
Lisa Gardner
Bantam (Mar.)

YOU'RE NEXT
Gregg Hurwitz
St. Martin's (Jul.)

AMONG THE MISSING
Morag Joss
Delacorte (Jun.)

THE GIRL WHO DISAPPEARED TWICE
Andrea Kane
Mira (Jun.)

IN DESPERATION
Rick Mofina
Mira (Apr.)

NEW YORK TO DALLAS
J.D. Robb
Putnam (Sep.)

GHOST HERO
S.J. Rozan
Minotaur (Oct.)

Amateur Sleuth

NAUGHTY IN NICE
Rhys Bowen
Prime Crime (Sep.)

TO HAVE AND TO KILL
Mary Jane Clark
Morrow (Jan.)

KILLING KATE
Julie Kramer
Atria (Aug.)

THE BUSY WOMAN'S GUIDE TO MURDER
Mary Jane Maffini
Prime Crime (Apr.)

TEMPEST IN THE TEA LEAVES
Kari Lee Townsend
Prime Crime (Aug.)

Best Romantic Suspense Novels 2011

Romantic Suspense

DEADLY LITTLE LIES
Jeanne Adams
Zebra (Sep.)

BEG FOR MERCY
Jami Alden
Forever (Jun.)

DEAD BY NIGHTFALL
Beverly Barton
Zebra (Dec.)

LOVE ME TO DEATH
Allison Brennan
Ballantine (Jan.)

LIVING ON THE EDGE
Shannon K. Butcher
Signet Eclipse (Mar.)

SNAPPED
Laura Griffin
Pocket Star (Sep.)

LOOSE ENDS
Tara Janzen
Dell (Feb.)

DARKNESS AT DAWN
Elizabeth Jennings
Berkley Sensation (Jul.)

IF YOU HEAR HER
Shiloh Walker
Ballantine (Nov.)

Paranormal Romantic Suspense

HUSH
Cherry Adair
Pocket Star (May)

SKIN HEAT
Ava Gray
Berkley Sensation (Jan.)

IN TOO DEEP
Jayne Ann Krentz
Putnam (Jan.)

COLD TOUCH
Leslie Parrish
Signet Eclipse (Jul.)

BURNING DARKNESS
Jaime Rush
Avon (Feb.)



DELANEY'S SHADOW
Ingrid Weaver
Berkley Sensation (Aug.)

Best Multicultural Novels 2011

Multicultural Romance

DEADLY DESIRES
Ann Christopher
Dafina (Oct.)

SWEET LITTLE LIES
Michele Grant
Dafina (Feb.)

A SILKEN THREAD
Brenda Jackson
Kimani (Mar.)

SOMETHING OLD, SOMETHING NEW
Beverly Jenkins
Morrow (Jun.)

THE HEART KNOWS
Renee Wynn
Genesis/Indigo Love Spectrum (Oct.)

Multicultural Fiction

SOMEBODY PICK UP MY PIECES

J.D. Mason
St. Martin's (Feb.)

SUSPICIONS
Sasha Campbell
Dafina (May)

BREAKING THE TIES THAT BIND
Gwynne Forster
Dafina (Oct.)

SHOULD HAVE KNOWN BETTER
Grace Octavia
Dafina (Nov.)

LOVE, HONOR, AND BETRAY
Kimberla Lawson Roby
Grand Central (Jan.)



Best Contemporary & Paranormal Romances 2011

Contemporary
Romance

HIGHLANDER FOR THE HOLIDAYS
Janet Chapman
Jove (Nov.)

MAKING WAVES
Tawna Fenske
Sourcebooks (Aug.)

BABY IT'S COLD OUTSIDE
Addison Fox
Signet Eclipse (Nov.)

ONLY YOURS
Susan Mallery
HQN (Sep.)

CALL ME IRRESISTIBLE
Susan Elizabeth Phillips
Morrow (Jan.)

THEN HE KISSED ME
Christie Ridgway
Berkley Sensation (Jan.)

ANIMAL ATTRACTION
Jill Shalvis

Berkley Sensation (Oct.)

A HOME BY THE SEA
Christina Skye
HQN (Nov.)

THE COMFORTS OF HOME
Jodi Thomas
Berkley (Nov.)

Futuristic
Romance

AFTERMATH
Ann Aguirre
Ace (Sep.)

BODY THIEF
C.J. Barry
Berkley Sensation (Nov.)

ENEMY GAMES
Marcella Burnard
Berkley Sensation (May)

NIGHTFALL
Ellen Connor
Berkley Sensation (Jun.)

SEDUCE ME IN DREAMS
Jacquelyn Frank
Ballantine (Apr.)

BORN IN SHADOWS
Sherrilyn Kenyon
Grand Central (May)

ALIEN IN THE FAMILY
Gini Koch
Daw (Apr.)

DARK TASTE OF RAPTURE
Gena Showalter
Pocket Star (Sep.)

Vampire
Romance

DEEPER THAN MIDNIGHT
Lara Adrian
Dell (Jul.)

BOUND BY NIGHT
Amanda Ashley
Zebra (Aug.)

BLOOD HUNT
Shannon K. Butcher
Signet (Aug.)

DARKNESS DAWNS
Dianne Duval
Zebra (Feb.)

ASCENSION
Caris Roane
St. Martin's (Jan.)

TWILIGHT FULFILLED
Maggie Shayne
Mira (Oct.)

ARCHANGEL'S BLADE
Nalini Singh
Berkley Sensation (Sep.)

LOVER UNLEASHED
J.R. Ward
NAL (Apr.)

Shapeshifter
Romance

ETERNAL PREY
Nina Bangs
Avon (Jan.)

MUST LOVE LYCANS
Michele Bardsley
Signet Eclipse (Sep.)

DARKFIRE KISS
Deborah Cooke
Signet Eclipse (May)

HOW TO FLIRT WITH A NAKED WEREWOLF
Molly Harper
Pocket (Feb.)

DRAGON BOUND
Thea Harrison
Berkley Sensation (May)

Paranormal
Romance

FATE'S EDGE
Ilona Andrews
Ace (Dec.)

NEVER AGAIN
Michele Bardsley
Signet Eclipse (Mar.)

ADAM
Jacquelyn Frank
Zebra (Nov.)

WITHIN THE FLAMES
Marjorie M. Liu
Avon (Dec.)

BODY OF SIN
Eve Silver
HQN (Sep.)

KISS OF SNOW
Nalini Singh
Berkley Sensation (Jun.)

CAPTIVE HEART
Anna Windsor
Ballantine (Feb.)

Paranormal
Fiction

MASTER AND APPRENTICE
Sonya Bateman
Pocket (Apr.)

A VAMPIRE CHRISTMAS CAROL
Sarah Gray
Kensington (Oct.)

GRAVEMINDER
Melissa Marr
Morrow (May)

ABSOLUTELY, POSITIVELY
Heather Webber
St. Martin's (Feb.)

Best Urban Fantasy Novels 2011

Urban Fantasy
Novel

MAGIC SLAYS
Ilona Andrews
Ace (Jun.)

SPIDER'S REVENGE
Jennifer Estep
Pocket (Oct.)

ONE GRAVE AT A TIME
Jeaniene Frost
Avon (Sep.)

COURTING DARKNESS
Yasmine Galenorn
Jove (Nov.)

PACK OF LIES
Laura Anne Gilman
Luna (Feb.)

SHADOW WALKER
Allyson James
Berkley Sensation (Jun.)

AFTERTIME
Sophie Littlefield
Luna (Mar.)

BLACKOUT
Rob Thurman
Roc (Mar.)

DEATH MAGIC
Eileen Wilks
Berkley Sensation (Nov.)

Urban Fantasy
Protagonist

Angel Crawford
MY LIFE AS A WHITE TRASH ZOMBIE
Diana Rowland
Daw (Jul.)

Darian
SHADES OF GRAY
Amanda Bonilla
Signet Eclipse (Dec.)

Sabina Kane
GREEN-EYED DEMON
Jaye Wells
Orbit (Mar.)

Kiera Kelly
BLOOD SACRIFICE
Maria Lima
Pocket (Sep.)

MacKayla Lane
SHADOWFEVER
Karen Marie Moning
Delacorte (Jan.)

Max
CRIMSON WIND
Diana Pharaoh Francis
Pocket (Jan.)

Anna Strong
CROSSROADS
Jeanne C. Stein
Ace (Sep.)

Jane True
TEMPEST'S LEGACY
Nicole Peeler
Orbit (Jan.)

Best Inspirational Novels 2011

Inspirational
Romance

THE GIRL IN THE GATEHOUSE
Julie Klassen
Bethany House (Jan.)

THE CROSSING
Gilbert Morris
Barbour (Feb.)

BATHSHEBA
Jill Eileen Smith
Revell (Mar.)

THIEF
Linda Windsor
David C. Cook (Jun.)

THE INCONVENIENT MARRIAGE OF CHARLOTTE BECK
Kathleen Y'Barbo
WaterBrook (Jun.)

Inspirational Novel
ANGEL SISTER
Ann H. Gabhart
Revell (Feb.)

MINE IS THE NIGHT
Liz Curtis Higgs
WaterBrook (Mar.)

WHO IS MY SHELTER?
Neta Jackson
Thomas Nelson (Mar.)

THERE YOU'LL FIND ME
Jenny B. Jones
Thomas Nelson (Oct.)

VEILED ROSE
Anne Elizabeth Stengl
Bethany House (Jul.)

THE HEART OF MEMORY
Alison Strobel
Zondervan (Mar.)

REMEMBERING CHRISTMAS
Dan Walsh
Revell (Sep.)

*Inspirational
Mystery / Suspense /
Thriller*

BLOOD COVENANT
Lisa Harris
Zondervan (Mar.)

THE BAKER'S WIFE
Erin Healy
Thomas Nelson (Oct.)

DIAGNOSIS DEATH
Richard Mabry
Abingdon (Apr.)

BOOK OF DAYS
James Rubart
B&H (Jan.)

Best Mainstream & Young Adult Novels 2011

Mainstream Fiction

CATFISH ALLEY

Lynne Bryant
NAL (Apr.)

SECRET DAUGHTER

Shilpi Somaya Gowda
Morrow (Apr.)

NIGHT ROAD

Kristin Hannah
St. Martin's (Apr.)

EVERY LITTLE THING

Pamela Klaffke
Mira (Feb.)

SAVE ME

Lisa Scottoline
St. Martin's (Apr.)

Young Adult Novel

BEAUTY QUEENS

Libba Bray
Scholastic (Jun.)

THE OTHER COUNTESS

Eve Edwards
Delacorte (Jul.)

WHERE SHE WENT

Gayle Forman
Dutton (Apr.)

TEN THINGS WE DID (AND PROBABLY SHOULDN'T HAVE)

Sarah Mlynowski
HarperTeen (Jul.)

Young Adult Paranormal/Futuristic Novel

DARKEST MERCY

Melissa Marr
HarperCollins (Mar.)

BUMPED

Megan McCafferty
Balzer+Bray (May)

ACROSS THE UNIVERSE

Beth Revis
Razorbill (Jan.)

THE SCORPIO RACES

Maggie Stiefvater
Scholastic (Oct.)

Best Young Adult Protagonist

Kit Corrigan

STRINGS ATTACHED

Judy Blundell
Scholastic (Mar.)

Kelsey Hayes

TIGER'S CURSE

Colleen Houck
Splinter (Jan.)

Rory Deveau

THE NAME OF THE STAR

Maureen Johnson
Putnam (Oct.)

Beatrice Prior

DIVERGENT

Veronica Roth
Katherine Tegen (May)

Best Erotic Romance & Erotica Novels 2011

Erotic Romance

SWEET POSSESSION

Maya Banks
Heat (Apr.)

THE PERFECT PLAY

Jaci Burton
Heat (Feb.)

EXPOSED

Naomi Chase
Dafina (Feb.)

SIMPLY FORBIDDEN

Kate Pearce
Aphrodisia (Feb.)

SO SENSITIVE

Anne Rainey
Aphrodisia (Jul.)

HOTTER THAN WILDFIRE

Lisa Marie Rice
Avon Red (Apr.)

Paranormal/Fantasy/Sci-Fi Erotic Romance

HIDDEN EMBERS

Tessa Adams
Heat (Apr.)

LADY DOCTOR WYRE

Joely Sue Burkhart
Sambain (Mar.)

TAKEN BY FIRE

Sydney Croft
Bantam (Jul.)

VAMPIRE INSTINCT

Joey W. Hill
Heat (Jul.)

BLOOD WICKED

Sharon Page
Aphrodisia (Mar.)

Erotic Fiction

DESIRE AND DECEPTION

Sharon Buchbinder
Red Sage (Aug.)

TOTAL ABANDON

Opal Carew
St. Martin's Griffin (Apr.)

ANY WICKED THING

Margaret Rowe
Heat (Mar.)

GUILTY PLEASURES

Bertrice Small
NAL (Aug.)

BLOOD LAW

Karin Tabke
Heat (May)

Best Digital-First and Indie Press 2011

Indie Press Paranormal/Fantasy/Futuristic

SILVER SHARK

Ilona Andrews
Self-published (Sep.)

THE SEXORCIST

Vivi Andrews
Sambain (May)

A HANDFUL OF PEARLS AND OTHER STORIES

Beth Bernobich
Self-published (May)

INFINITE BETRAYAL

Gayle Donnelly & Robyn Mackenzie
Liquid Silver (Nov.)

ALTERED DESTINY

Shawna Thomas
Carina (Sep.)

MAGICK CHARM

Jennifer Wells
Crescent Moon (Sep.)

Indie Press Romance

FEARLESS IN ALASKA

Izzy Ballard
40 Below (Sep.)

BRAND NEW ME

Meg Benjamin
Sambain (Apr.)

BOOMERANG BRIDE

Fiona Lowe
Carina (Aug.)

BLIND FAITH

CJ Lyons
Legacy (Mar.)

YOURS TO KEEP

Shannon Stacey
Carina (Jun.)

DARK APPROACH

Karen Wiesner
Whiskey Creek (Mar.)

Indie Press Erotic Romance/Fiction

COWGIRLS DON'T CRY

Lorelei James
Sambain (Oct.)

BEYOND EDEN

Kele Moon
Ellora's Cave (Mar.)

BUTTERCUP

Sienna Mynx
The Diva's Pen (Sep.)

JOHNNY LOVES KRISSEY

KyAnn Waters
Wild Rose (Feb.)

DOMS OF DARK HAVEN

Anthology
Loose Id (Jun.)

Best Science Fiction & Fantasy Novels 2011

Science Fiction Novel

THE SEA THY MISTRESS

Elizabeth Bear
Tor (Feb.)

UP AGAINST IT

M.J. Locke
Tor (Mar.)

EMBASSYTOWN

China Miéville
Del Rey (May)

THE QUANTUM THIEF

Hannu Rajaniemi
Tor (May)

RULE 34

Charles Stross
Ace (Jul.)

Fantasy Novel

WAYFINDER

C.E. Murphy
Del Rey (Sep.)

THE EDINBURGH DEAD

Brian Ruckley
Orbit (Aug.)

CAST IN RUIN

Michelle Sagara Luna
(Sep.)

DEATHLESS

Catherynne M. Valente
Tor (Apr.)

MECHANIQUE

Genevieve Valentine
Prime (Jun.)

AMONG OTHERS

Jo Walton
Tor (Jan.)

Epic Fantasy Novel

WITH FATE CONSPIRE

Marie Brennan
Tor (Sep.)

STANDS A SHADOW

Col Buchanan
Tor (Nov.)

THE KINGDOM OF GODS

N.K. Jemisin
Orbit (Nov.)

THE COLD COMMANDS

Richard K. Morgan
Del Rey (Oct.)

THE WISE MAN'S FEAR

Patrick Rothfuss
Daw (Mar.)