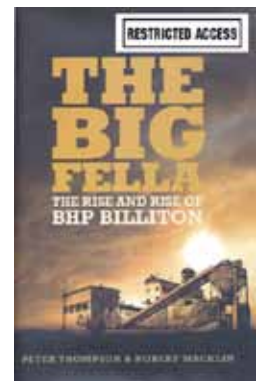
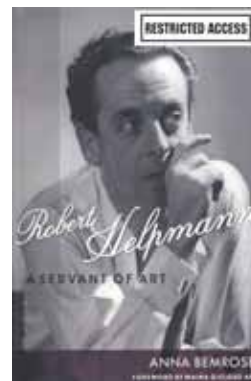
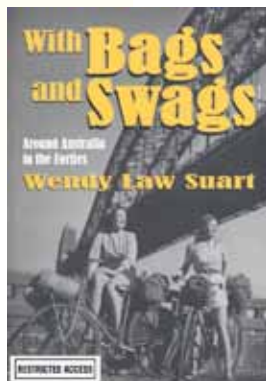
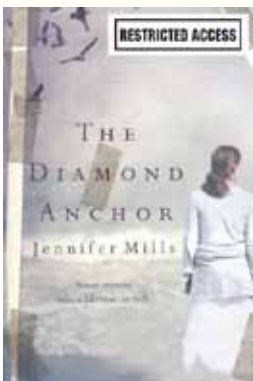


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Biddy Blatherskate's Blunder

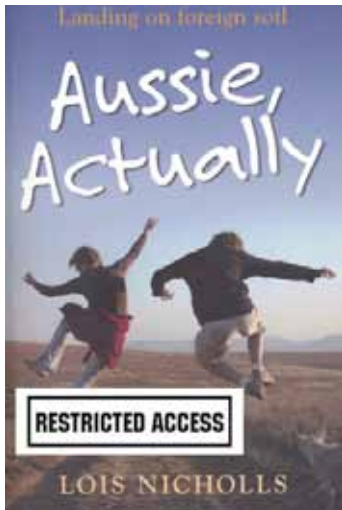
narrator: Gilbert Case

Rain, grey clouds, and a stash of boring-old-gold to look after make Biddy Blatherskate miserable. She would trade anything for a holiday in the sun, even her father's gold. Corey, an Australian on holiday in Ireland, would trade anything for a pot of gold. With much suspicion on both sides they agree to do a swap. Corey gets the gold, Biddy gets a passport and they both get into a crock of trouble! What else would you expect if you do business with a leprechaun?

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NICHOLLS, Lois

adult fiction



Aussie Actually

narrator: Jane Prior

Lois Nicholls is 3 months pregnant. With husband and clingy toddler in tow, she sets off from Durban, South Africa, to a sweltering Brisbane, arriving on Australia Day 1997. She is not prepared for the sheer magnitude of the move but battles on in a fog of homesickness using humour to get by.

Aussie, Actually is a warts and all account of Lois's eleven year sojourn as a migrant wife and mother living in Brisbane, Australia. This book captures her humorous and honest life experiences living as a new Australian.

Aussie, Actually will allow South Africans a glimpse of an immigrant's impression of living Down Under. For those contemplating a permanent move to Australia, Aussie, Actually will reveal the everyday experiences not covered in the emigration manual!

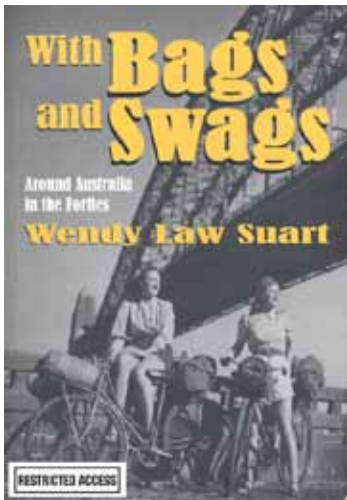
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STUART, Wendy Law

biography

With Bags and Swags

narrator: Margaret Williams



Back in the 1940s life was very different. On leaving school, teenagers were expected to get a good, steady job but Melbourne school friends Wendy Law and Shirley Duncan wanted to travel. Already they had made short bike trips around Victoria and even gone as far as Adelaide.

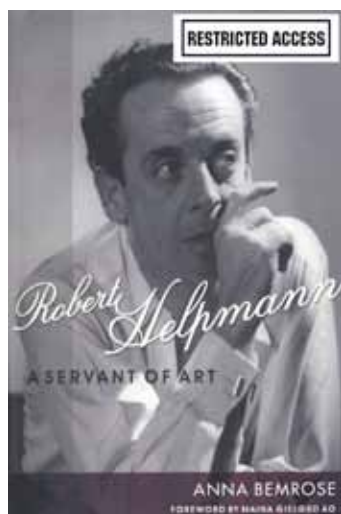
When the war ended they wanted to go to Europe but in 1946 Europe was struggling with refugees, bombed cities and rationing. The girls decided to ride to Queensland for the winter while Europe was settling down. They lived frugally, earning their way, getting lifts over difficult terrain and enjoying wonderful hospitality from Australians everywhere. Gradually their horizons expanded and they travelled on to Darwin, down to Adelaide, then over to the West. The four-footed companion they acquired went with them.

What they didn't realize was that Australia is almost as big as China and is equivalent in size to twenty European countries! Things which we regard as commonplace now, such as instant coffee and thermal clothing, were not known then but the Girl Cyclists battled their way around the vast continent and three years later returned to tell an amazing story.

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BEMROSE, Anna

biography



Robert Helpmann; A Servant of Art

narrator: Hugh Taylor

The definitive career biography of one of our greatest performing artists, published to coincide with the centenary of his birth in early 2009.

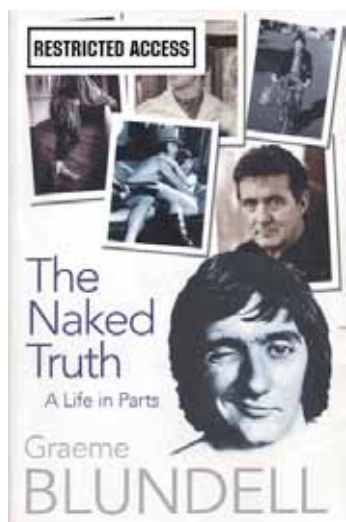
Ballet dancer; mime artist; make-up artist; musicals performer; choreographer; actor on stage and screen; director of ballets, plays and operas; co-artistic director of the Australian Ballet; and director of the 1970 Adelaide Festival of Arts - Sir Robert Helpmann was all of these and more. The importance and richness of his contribution to the performing arts both in Australia and overseas is without parallel.

Despite the extraordinary breadth of his career and the acclaim his work in Australia received at the time, very little has been written about Helpmann's career in Australia. This beautifully illustrated biography develops a career profile of Helpmann assessing the nature and value of his contribution to the performing arts in Australia.

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BLUNDELL, Graeme

biography



The Naked Truth - A Life in Paris

narrator: John Burnley

THE NAKED TRUTH is the very personal story of Graeme Blundell - Australia's first sex icon (by chance), a founder of Melbourne's theatre groups La Mama and Playbox which showed audiences that actors could speak in Australian English, and now an acclaimed writer and journalist.

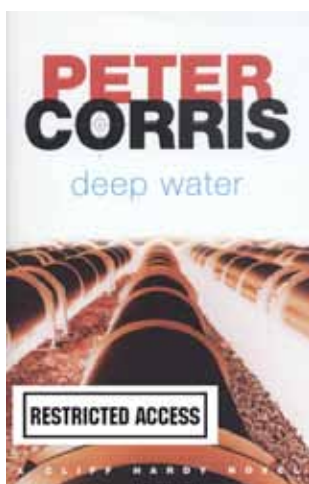
From his childhood in Melbourne's working-class outer suburbs Graeme passionately followed his dreams to become a central part of Australian popular culture. He has worked in films, TV and theatre.

The hit movie Alvin Purple made him Australia's first permissive pin-up, and he became a symbol of the early seventies. Actor, director, producer, biographer, critic and journalist, Blundell established theatre companies and was there when they closed, watched the film industry through its many renaissances, and television as it became an addictive digital environment.

In THE NAKED TRUTH Blundell writes about Australian life in the 40s, 50s and on with the insight of someone who was always part of the action - whether he wanted to be or not.

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CORRIS, Peter
adult fiction mystery



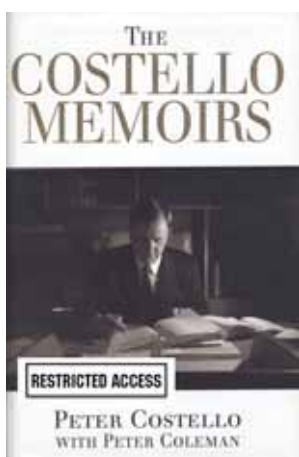
Deep Water
narrator: Tony Saunders

Stripped of his private detective licence and devastated by the murder of his partner Lily Truscott, Cliff Hardy travels to the US to help Lily's brother's tilt for a world boxing title. In San Diego he suffers a heart attack and undergoes a quadruple bypass. He meets nurse Margaret McKinley, an expatriate Australian who is concerned about the disappearance in Sydney of her father - renowned geologist Dr Henry McKinley.

Hardy undertakes to investigate in association with Hank Bachelor, his former associate who now runs his own agency. It turns out that McKinley had discovered a way to tap into the massive Sydney basin aquifer, a possible solution to the city's water problems. Working with Margaret who visits Sydney, Bachelor, and his daughter, Megan, Hardy confronts an old enemy and contending forces bent on exploiting the discovery and prepared to kill for it. Energised by the case and by his attachment to Margaret, Hardy obeys the strict rules for the restoration of his health - but in pursuing the truth and the malefactors, he makes his own rules.

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COSTELLO, Peter
autobiography



The Costello Memoirs
narrator: Tony Saunders

The Costello Memoirs is a frank and fearless look inside the engine-room of the Liberal Party and the Howard Government.

In a political career spanning eighteen years, Peter Costello, Australia's longest serving Treasurer, steered the Government through some of its greatest economic and political challenges, paying off Government debt, introducing the GST and fighting five elections.

What were the backroom deals that made the GST possible? How did Costello transform the Australian economy from Asia's 'white trash' into the economic powerhouse able to withstand the financial meltdown of the late 1990s?

What did Costello make of the Liberal Leaders he served with, and why did he find it so easy to trounce Labor's shadow treasurers?

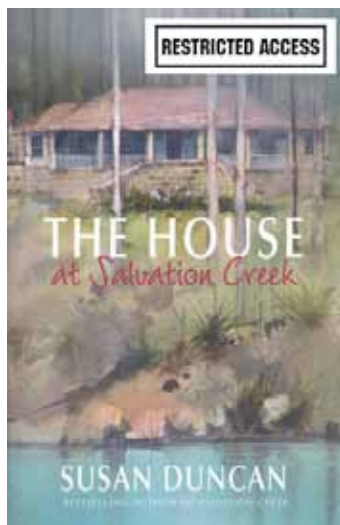
For the first time, the facts about the McLachlan memorandum on the leadership transition from Howard to Costello are revealed. How-and why-did the Liberal Party pass up the chance to make generational change and revitalise a Government that was sliding into defeat?

The Costello Memoirs answers these questions, and charts the victories and defeats in one man's very public life.

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DUNCAN, Susan

adult fiction general



The House At Salvation Creek

narrator: Margaret Nielsen

Continuing the story of Susan Duncan's bestselling and much-loved memoir, *Salvation Creek*, *The House* picks up after Bob and Susan marry and, two years later, move from her Tin Shed into his 'pale yellow house on the high, rough hill', Tarrangaua, built for the iconic Australian poet, Dorothea Mackellar.

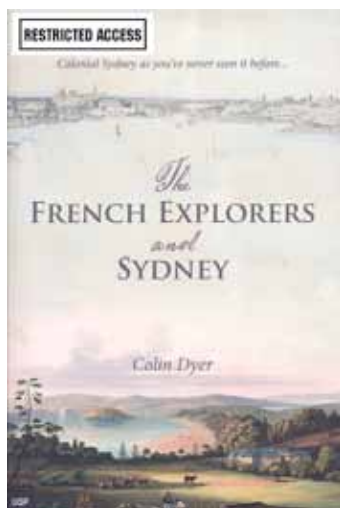
Set against the backdrop of the small, close-knit Pittwater community with its colourful characters and quirky history, *The House* is about what happens when you open the door to life, adventure, and love. But it's also about mothers and daughters, as Susan confronts her mother's new frailty and her own role in what has always been a difficult relationship.

Where *Salvation Creek* was about mortality - living life in the face of death - *The House* is about stepping outside your comfort zone and embracing challenges, at any age. In turn funny and moving, Susan Duncan's beautifully written sequel reminds us to honour what matters in life, and to disregard what really doesn't.

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DYER, Colin

Australiana



The French Explorers and Sydney

narrator: Tony Saunders

The early years of Sydney were witnessed by seven expeditions of French exploration between 1788 and 1831. These expeditions spent well over a year in the new town of Sydney meeting most of its leading citizens and visiting its expanding environs. The French explorers, including Freycinet, Laperouse and Bougainville, were received and entertained by Sydney's dignitaries. Their revealing accounts present intimate details of everyday lives at all levels of society, from the Governors' parties to the sickening spectacle (as de Bougainville saw it) of convicts on the treadmills in Sydney's penitentiary. *The French Explorers and Sydney* contains previously unpublished translations of European experiences in the early colonial period.

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FITZSIMONS, Peter

biography



Charles Kingsford Smith and Those Magnificent Men

narrator: John Sharpe

Sir Charles Kingsford Smith is one of Australia's most loved heroes.

In an action-packed life, the indomitable "Smithy" went from fighting as a soldier among the carnage of Gallipoli and the Western Front, to taking to the skies against the likes of the Red Baron - for which he won the Military Cross for gallantry - before becoming the greatest peacetime aviator of his generation.

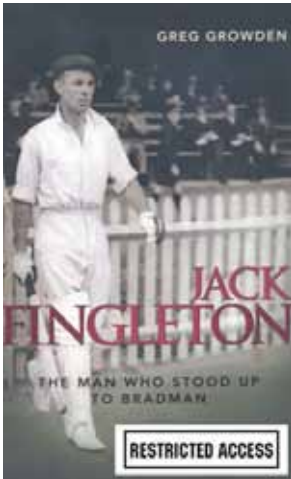
Along with Charles Ulm, he was the first man to conquer the Pacific by air, the first to fly across the Tasman Sea, the fastest man to fly from England to Australia, and the first pilot to circumnavigate the globe by crossing the equator.

With typical flair, FitzSimons also tells the story of the several breakthroughs, some of which were discovered in Australia, which laid the foundation for the Wright brothers' success in 1903; the first flight across the Channel in 1908; Germany's Red Baron terrorising the Allies in 1917-18, before being shot down by an Australian; Ross and Keith Smith's breakthrough first flight from England to Australia in 1919; the formation of QANTAS in 1921; Lindbergh's stunning vault between America and Europe in 1927; the Great Centenary Air Race, the loss of the Southern Cloud; the saga of Bert Hinkler and much, much, more . . .

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GROWDEN, Greg

biography



Jack Fingleton

narrator: Clem Fechner

Fingleton was an outstanding opening batsman with a reputation for fearlessness against the most hostile and dangerous opening attacks. He faced up to England's feared 'Bodyline' bowlers, and became the first batsman in history to score four successive Test centuries.

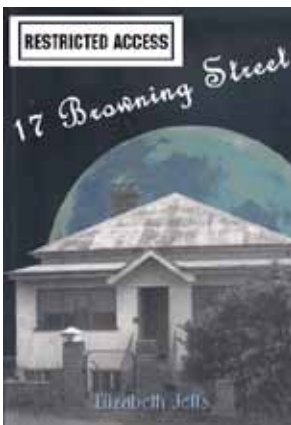
Later he gained a reputation as possibly Australia's greatest cricket writer, with his work syndicated throughout Australia and overseas. He also moved in the corridors of power as a political journalist, and was on intimate terms with several prime ministers. He was the author of a number of authoritative books, including *Cricket Crisis* and *Brightly Fades the Don*.

Fingleton led a varied and at times turbulent life. Married to the daughter of noted feminist Jessie Street, over several decades he was involved in an on-again, off-again feud with one-time teammate Sir Donald Bradman. Greg Growden's access to previously unpublished correspondence has helped him shed new light on their relationship, and on the rich life of a witty, evocative, complex and altogether unforgettable Australian.

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JEFFS, Elizabeth

Australiana



17 Browning Street

narrator: Kaye Stevenson

An intriguing local history told by an old rooming house in West End.

It is a story of people who usually go unheard. It tells of residents who found a roof here. It tells of the family who ran the rooming house for seventy years and how each generation has managed this double-edged sword.

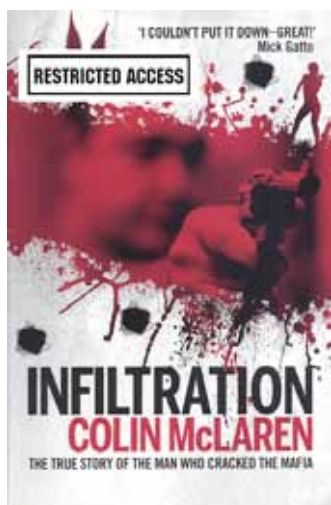
It is written against a changing West End and the tension between the modern sophisticate and the downtrodden fringe dweller who co-exist here but rarely interact.

Above all, it is a book, we, as a community should read.

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McLAREN, Colin

true crime



Infiltration

narrator: John Sharpe

For two years police detective Colin McLaren disappeared off the face of the earth, eventually surfacing in Griffith as a dodgy art dealer with a pretty girlfriend, and talking his way into the Mafia. For days, weeks, then months and years, Colin eats with them, sits in their homes and cuddles their kids, all the while climbing the N'Dranghetta, finally befriending the Griffith Godfather, Antonio Romeo.

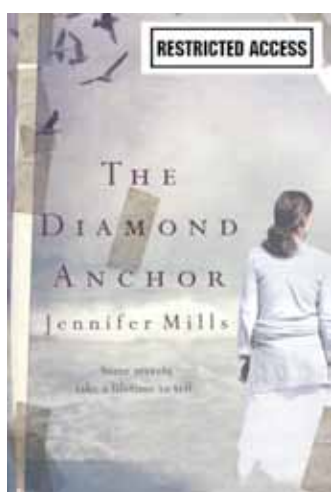
This is the world of listening devices, wire taps and of trying to stay sane while doing deals to buy pure cocaine and tonnes of cannabis. Meanwhile, the Mafiosi know they have a snitch and are leaving no stone unturned in their search for the traitor...

Infiltration tells the story of two of the bloodiest decades in organised crime, when the police ethos was to shoot first and ask questions later.

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MILLS, Jennifer

adult fiction general



The Diamond Anchor

narrator: Pat Shipley

An unexpected letter from her childhood friend Grace forces May to relive their extraordinary past and confront the events that drove them apart fifty years earlier.

May's father won the Diamond Anchor, a dilapidated pub perched on the ocean's edge, in a game of cards - a gamble which positioned her at the heart of the close-knit community for seventy years, and gave her custody of its stories.

Now trying to maintain a careful balance between the demands of the collapsing building and her own solitary life, May must decide whether to reach out to Grace, whose health is fading, or let her go.

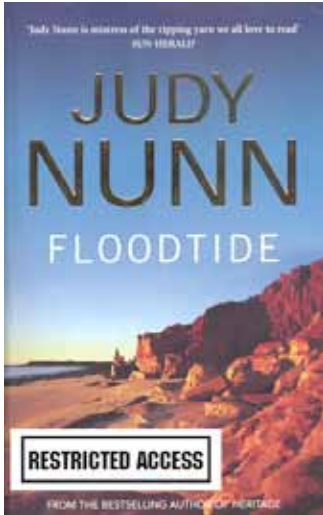
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NUNN, Judy

adult fiction general

Floodtide

narrator: Barbara Duncan



'The denuded earth of the iron-ore loading yards, the huge jetties thrusting their way out into the clear blue sea, the endless ponds of the solar salt farm, stretching stark and white over hundreds of hectares ...all appeared a hideous invasion upon nature. But to Mike McAllister, there was something faintly ludicrous about it. Man's interference seemed petty in the face of such unconquerable timelessness. In millions of years, mankind would cease to exist, but this terrain would not. This was the Pilbara.'

Floodtide is a brilliant observation of turbulent times in the mighty 'Iron Ore State' - Western Australia. The novel traces the fortunes of four men and four families over four memorable decades: The prosperous post-war 1950s when childhood is idyllic and carefree in the small, peaceful city of Perth ...The turbulent 60s when youth is caught up in the conflict of the Vietnam War and free love reigns ...The avaricious 70s when Western Australia's mineral boom sees the rise of a new young breed of aggressive entrepreneurs ...The corrupt 80s and the birth of 'WA Inc', when the alliance of greedy politicians and powerful businessmen brings the state to its knees, even threatening the downfall of the federal government.

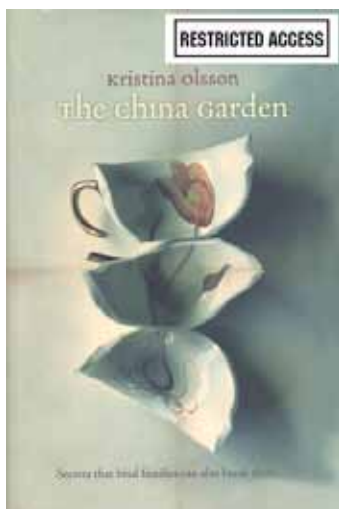
Each of the four who travel this journey has a story to tell. An environmentalist fights to save the primitive and beautiful Pilbara coast from the careless ravaging of mining conglomerates, a Vietnam War veteran rises above crippling injuries to discover a talent that gains him an international reputation and an ambitious geologist joins forces with a hard-core businessman to lead the way in the growth of Perth from a sleepy town to a glittering citadel. But, as the 90s ushers in a new age when innocence is lost, all four are caught up in the irreversible tides of change, and actions must be answered for.

Floodtide is a character-driven, merciless rush of blood from the pen of Judy Nunn, one of Australia's master storytellers.

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OLSSON, Kristina

adult fiction general



The China Garden

narrator: Kaye Stevenson

When her mother dies, Laura returns to her coastal hometown. At the reading of the will, Laura discovers that her mother had a child that she adopted out. She also bequeathed a painting to someone who is a stranger to Laura. These revelations completely shift Laura's understanding of her mother. Her life becomes entangled with the lives of Cress, an older and respected member of the community, Kieran, Cress' intellectually disabled grandson, and Abby, a teenaged girl who has become friends with Kieran. Their stories intersect and parallel each other as their individual secrets emerge and these very different people are forced to find trust and comfort in each other.

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SUMMERS, Anne

adult non-fiction —general



The Lost Mother

narrator: Kaye Stevenson

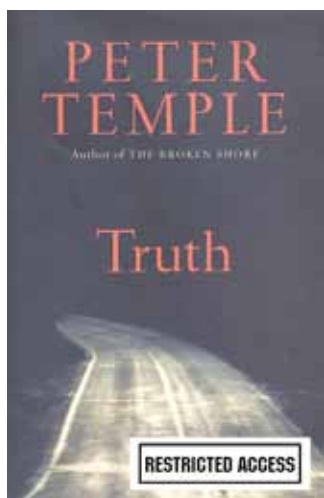
In 1933, the artist Constance Parkin saw Summers' mother, a ten-year-old school girl, at Mass one Sunday morning in Brighton. Evidently attracted by something about the young girl's features, Parkin asked if she might paint her portrait. Over the next few months, Parkin painted two portraits of Eileen Hogan, Anne Summers mother: 'Alice', in which the schoolgirl holds a large Alice in Wonderland book, and 'A Saint', a religious painting in which the young girl is draped in fabric so as to appear like the Madonna.

Alice was eventually purchased by Summers grandmother from the Catholic Archdiocese in 1970. The whereabouts of A Saint remains unknown. Summers search for the painting is simultaneously an intriguing literary mystery and a touching attempt to bring closure and understanding to her turbulent relationship with her mother.

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TEMPLE, Peter

adult fiction mystery



Truth

narrator: John Sharpe

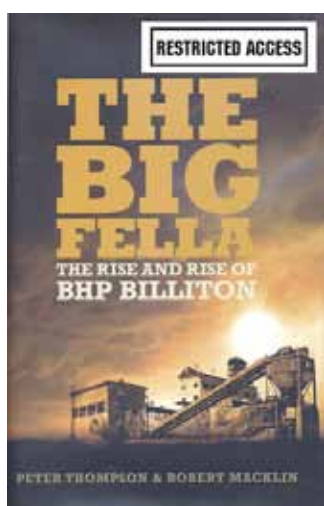
Stephen Villani is the acting head of the Victoria Police homicide squad. But his first months on the job have not gone well: two Aboriginal teenagers shot dead in a botched operation he authorised in the provincial city of Cromarty; and, no progress on the killing of a man in front of his daughter outside a private girls' school.

Now five men are found dead in horrifying circumstances on the outskirts of the city. Villani's superiors and the media are baying for arrests. To add to his woes, some of the country's richest people are alarmed by the baffling killing of a young woman in the high-security tower where they live. Villani, a man who has built his life around his work, begins to find the certainties of both crumbling. As the pressure mounts, he finds that he must contemplate things formerly unthinkable. "Truth" is a novel about murder, corruption, family, friends, honour, honesty, deceit, love, betrayal and truth.

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THOMPSON, Peter

adult non-fiction



The Big Fella - The Rise and Rise of BHP Billiton

narrator: Tony Saunders

BHP is part of Australia's DNA; but it remains an enigma. The Big Fella: The rise and rise of BHP Billiton is the compelling story of how BHP and its partner Billiton rose from the humblest beginnings in the Australian Outback and on the Indonesian island of Belitung to starry heights on the great bourses of the world. Based on more than 60 exclusive interviews, it rips away the superficial gloss to expose the political and industrial forces that really drive Big Business in the 21st century.

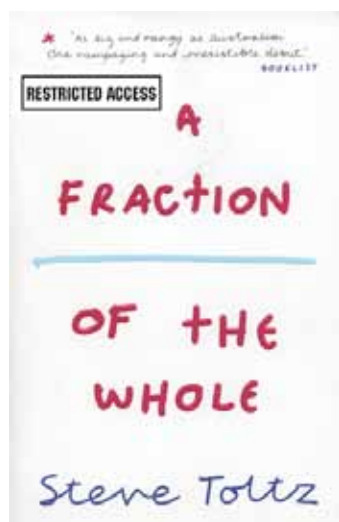
In an investigative tour de force, authors Peter Thompson and Robert MacLellan reveal the visions, the schemes, the scandals and the corporate life-and-death struggles that have characterised BHP's evolution from the first lucky strike by the mysterious Charles Rasp at Broken Hill in 1883 to its merger with Billiton in 2001 to its daring \$150 billion bid for Rio Tinto six years later.

The result is a gripping story of foresight and blunder, of nation-building and rampant ego, of greed and of grace, written by two master storytellers with, for the first time, access to the key players themselves.

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TOLTZ, Steve

modern fiction



A Fraction of the Whole

narrator: Pierce Bragg

For most of his life, Jasper Dean couldn't decide whether to pity, hate, love, or murder his certifiably paranoid father, Martin, a man who over analysed anything and everything and imparted his self-garnered wisdom to his only son. But now that Martin is dead, Jasper can fully reflect on the crackpot who raised him in intellectual captivity, and what he realises is that, for all its lunacy, theirs was a grand adventure.

As he recollects the events that led to his father's demise, Jasper recounts a boyhood of outrageous schemes and shocking discoveries—about his infamous outlaw uncle Terry, his mysteriously absent European mother, and Martin's constant losing battle to make a lasting mark on the world he so disdains.

It's a story that takes them from the Australian bush to the cafes of bohemian Paris, from the Thai jungle to strip clubs, asylums, labyrinths, and criminal lairs, and from the highs of first love to the lows of failed ambition. The result is a rollicking roller coaster ride from obscurity to infamy, and the moving, memorable story of a father and son whose spiritual symmetry transcends all their many shortcomings.

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TREDINNICK, Mark

Australiana



The Blue Plateau - A Landscape Memoir

narrator: John Sharpe

The Blue Plateau is a lyrical natural history of the Blue Mountains, and a memoir of one man's attempt to belong there.

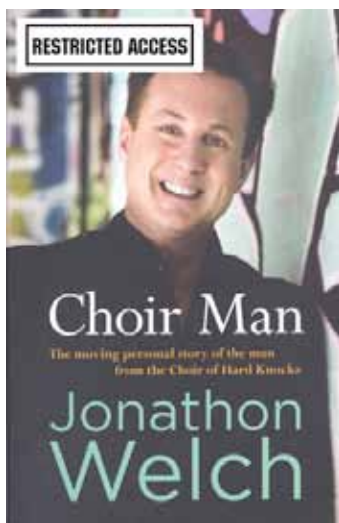
An inspired meditation on the contours of the land and its people, of time and place and family, the rhythms of nature and the rhythms of friendship, it is a book of many belongings. Here you will meet the plateau's first people; you will meet Les and Henryk and Jim; you will walk the Kedumba and the Kanimbla in drought and fire and flood.

Evocative and deeply moving, The Blue Plateau is a poet's story of an astonishing place and a loving portrait of home.

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WELCH, Jonathon
autobiography

Choir Man
narrator: Hugh Taylor



He is the man who brought you the award-winning Choir of Hard Knocks - made up of the homeless and the disadvantaged - the judge on Battle of the Choirs, a highly renowned opera singer and conductor who has worked with some of Australia's most talented performers.

But Jonathon Welch's own story is less well known, and here he tells it in his own words for the first time. His modest beginnings in suburban Melbourne where he exhibited early "theatrical" tendencies, his life at the centre of a family falling apart, his coming to terms with his sexuality and the rifts that caused, the discovery of his singing talent, his stellar career in the heady worlds of opera and theatre and the crisis which caused him to question his life's direction and to walk away from it all.

In this warm and candid memoir, Jonathon reflects on the forces which shaped him and made him an advocate for social change - and how music was at the centre of helping him put his own life - and that of many others - back together again.

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