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Paul Braddon
THE ACTUALITY



**FEAR MAKES HER HUMAN
 HUMANS MAKE HER FEAR**

Evie is a near-perfect bioengineered human. In a broken-down future England where her kind has been outlawed, her 'husband' Matthew keeps her safe but hidden – until her existence is revealed. Now Evie must take her chances on the dark and hostile streets, where more than one predator is on the hunt.

Paul Braddon grew up in Surrey and lives in London with his wife Mary and son Thomas. He has a degree in English Literature and Language from Reading University. *The Actuality* is his debut novel.

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'Written with flair and humanity... mesmerising.' *THE TIMES*

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THE ACTUALITY

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KINGS OF A DEAD WORLD



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The solution is the Sleep.**

Inside a hibernating city, Ben struggles with his waking time and the disease stealing his wife from him. Watching over the sleepers, lonely Peruzzi craves the family he never knew.

Everywhere, dissatisfaction is growing. The city is about to wake.

Jamie Mollart's first novel, *The Zoo*, was published in 2015 and he was made an Amazon Rising Star. He is a long-running guest on Litopia, and has taught novel writing for Writing School Leicester.

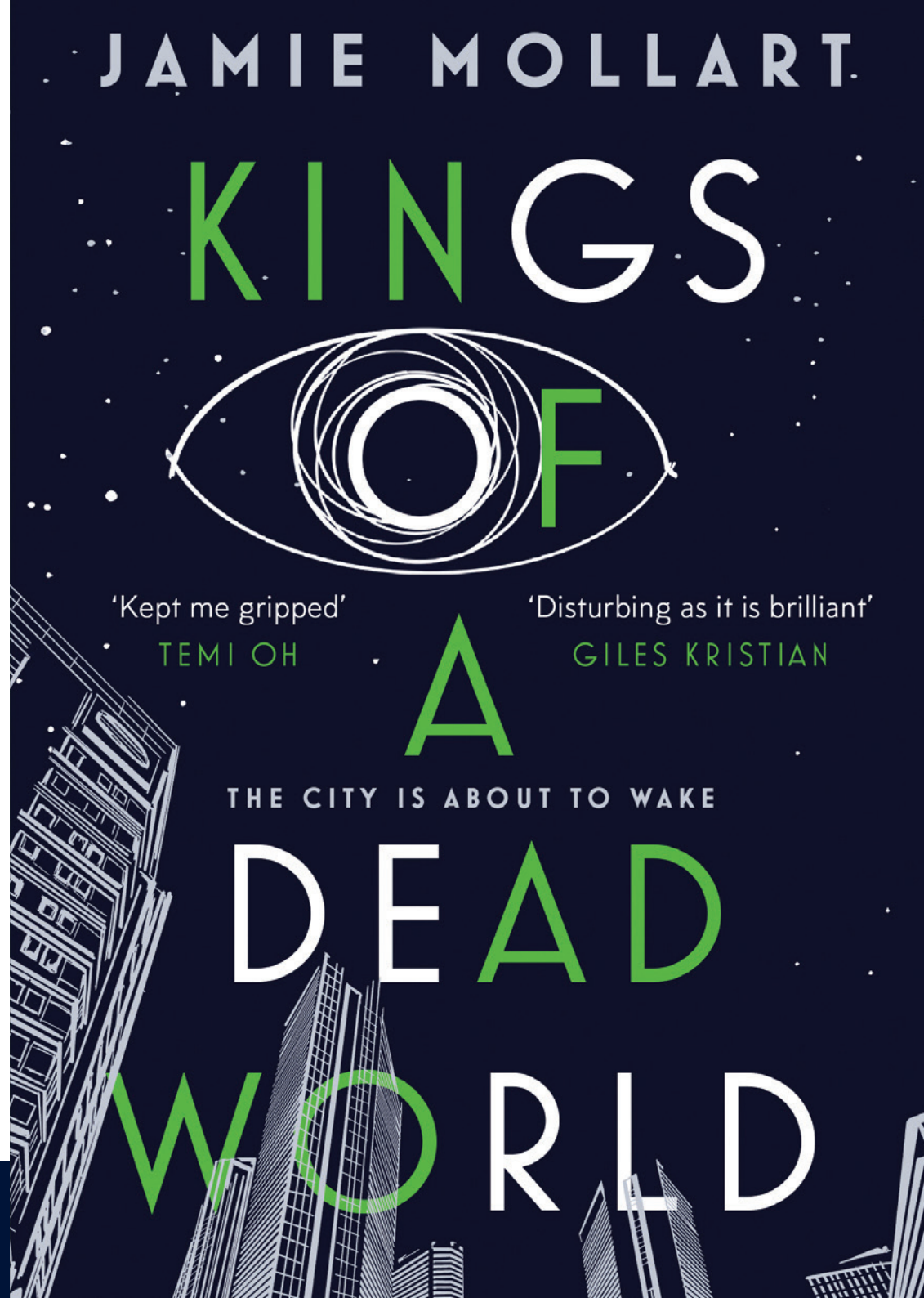
Jamie has won awards for his work in marketing, and is director of a creative advertising agency.

'Mollart's intriguing and timely premise is executed with verve.'

ALISON MOORE

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THE YEAR THE WORLD WENT MAD

A scientific memoir

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THE YEAR THE WORLD WENT MAD

A scientific memoir



In this astonishing book Mark Woolhouse recounts the history of the COVID-19 pandemic through the eyes of a scientist at the very centre of the action.

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Mark Woolhouse OBE is Professor of Infectious Disease Epidemiology at the University of Edinburgh, a post he has held for over twenty years. Well-known and respected in his field, he has received numerous awards and has been introduced on the *Today Programme* as 'one of Britain's most senior scientists'. Since January 2020, he has been heavily involved with the UK's response to COVID-19.

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SELL US THE ROPE

STEPHEN MAY

MARCH

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'When it's time to hang the capitalists, they will sell us the rope.'

May 1907. Young Stalin – poet, bank-robber, spy – is in London for the 5th Congress of the Russian Communist Party. As he builds his powerbase in the party, Stalin manipulates alliances with Lenin, Trotsky, and Rosa Luxemburg under the eyes of the Czar's secret police. Meanwhile he is drawn to the fiery Finnish activist Elli Vuokko and risks everything in a relationship as complicated as it is dangerous.

Stephen May is the author of five novels including *Life! Death! Prizes!* which was shortlisted for the Costa Novel Award and *The Guardian* Not The Booker Prize. He has also been shortlisted for the Wales Book of the Year and is a winner of the Media Wales Reader's Prize. He has also written plays, as well as for television and film. He lives in West Yorkshire.

'Original, adept and confident, with the spry sardonic voice of the new historical fiction.'

HILARY MANTEL

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Historical fiction

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Jennifer Morag Henderson

DAUGHTERS OF THE NORTH

Jean Gordon and Mary, Queen of Scots



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Jennifer Morag Henderson has had articles, short stories and poems published in magazines and anthologies, including *Riptide* (Two Ravens Press), *Northwords Now*, *The Dalhousie Review*, *Gutter*, by the BBC and others. As a playwright her work has been performed for the National Theatre of Scotland's Five Minute Theatre project, and elsewhere.

'A sweeping yet intricately researched tale of 16th century Scotland'
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**DAUGHTERS
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JEAN GORDON and MARY, QUEEN OF SCOTS



MARRAM

LEONIE CHARLTON

FOREWORD BY DAVID GANGE

Memories of sea
and spider silk



Leonie Charlton
MARRAM

Memories of Sea and Spider Silk



From the southern tip of Barra to the ancient stone circle of Callanish, Leonie and her friend Shuna ride off the beaten tracks on their beloved Highland ponies. In lyrical prose, she recounts their journey through the Hebridean landscape, and finally confronts her fractured relationship with her late mother.

Leonie Charlton travelled extensively as a child, living in England, Africa, Wales and Scotland. She has worked as a cowgirl in Australia, an English teacher in Japan, and her degree in Hispanic Studies took her to Catalonia for two years. *Marram* is her first full-length book although her fiction and poetry have appeared widely in magazines.

'Poetic.'

SCOTTISH FIELD

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'A beautiful, meditative memoir'
SUNDAY EXPRESS

'Mesmerising'
THE HERALD

'A special treasure' JULIET BLAXLAND

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St Petersburg to Venice



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C.J. Schüler is the author of three illustrated histories of cartography: *Mapping the World*, *Mapping the City* and *Mapping the Sea and Stars* and co-author of the bestselling *Traveller's Atlas*. His most recent book, *Writers, Lovers, Soldiers, Spies: A History of the Authors' Club of London, 1891–2016* was published in November 2016. He has also written on literature, travel and the arts for *The Independent*, *The Independent on Sunday*, *The Tablet*, *The Financial Times* and the *New Statesman*.

'Timely and powerful.'

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Cynthia Rogerson (aka Addison Jones) grew up in California. She is the author of five novels and a collection of short stories. She won the V.S.Pritchett Prize in 2008, and her short stories have been widely broadcast and anthologised. *I Love You Goodbye* was shortlisted for Best Scottish Novel in 2011. She holds a RLF Fellowship and is the chair of Moniack Mhor Writers' Centre. Her most recent novel, *Wait for Me, Jack* was published by Sandstone Press in 2017.

'Encompasses all the different kinds of love.'

MICHEL FABER

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Cynthia Rogerson

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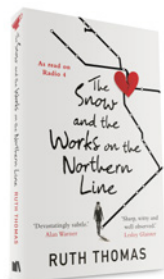
Things I Never Told My Mother



'A rich, lyrical text that will show the tears at the heart of things.'
 RICHARD HOLLOWAY

'A master of fresh and sparky writing.' *The Guardian*

2021 FICTION HIGHLIGHTS



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Ruth Thomas

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AS HEARD ON BBC RADIO 4

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The Crown Agent

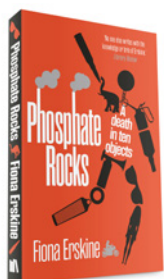
Stephen O'Rourke

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A ship adrift, all hands dead. A lighthouse keeper murdered in the night. The Crown needs man to find the truth. Doctor Mungo Lyon, his reputation tarnished by the Burke & Hare scandal, and forbidden to practise as a surgeon, is the wrong man.

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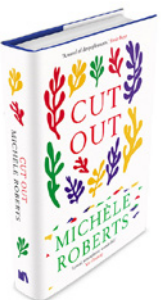
Phosphate Rocks

Fiona Erskine

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'Beautifully written and clever.' CRIME NOVELS OF THE YEAR, LITERARY REVIEW

As the old chemical works in Leith are demolished a long deceased body encrusted in phosphate rock is discovered. Seated at a card table he has ten objects laid out in front of him. Whose body is it? How did he die and what is the significance of the objects?



Cut Out

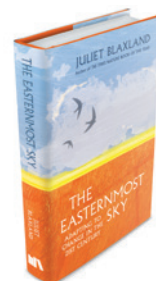
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Denis knows his mother kept things from him. His godmother, Clemence, knows the truth. In rich, sensuous prose, Roberts interweaves Denis's search for answers with Clemence's memories of the time she spent working for Matisse.

2021 NON FICTION HIGHLIGHTS



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Juliet Blaxland

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The Easternmost Sky is part memoir, part elegy and part warning.

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The Wood That Built London

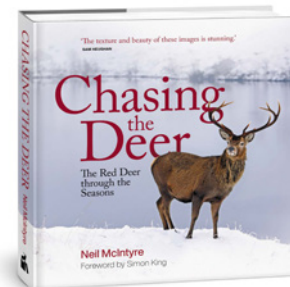
C.J. Schuler

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Imagine that much of this suburban townscape was once a vast wood, stretching unbroken for almost seven miles from Croydon to the Thames at Deptford.

This compelling narrative history charts the fortunes of the North Wood from the earliest times: its ecology, ownership, management, and its gradual encroachment by the expanding metropolis.



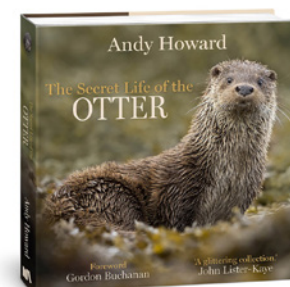
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