

# More Historical Fiction

**Rothman, Claire, *The Heart Specialist***

The epic story of Agnes White, a lonely orphaned girl who rises to the status of one of the world's most celebrated pioneering women doctors. She masters the science of the human heart, becoming a scholar of international fame.

**Russell, Mary Doria, *A Thread of Grace***

In September 1943, Claudette Blum and her father flee across the Alps into Italy with other Jews seeking refuge.

**Stachniak, Eva, *The Winter Palace: a novel of Catherine the Great***

A reimagining of the early years of Catherine the Great traces the story of two young women: Barbara, a servant who will become one of Russia's most cunning royal spies, and Sophia, a pretty, naive German duchess who will become Catherine the Great.

**Stephenson, Neal, *Quicksilver***. First book of the Baroque Cycle. The exploits of an alchemy-rejecting scientist, a vagabond leader, and a Turkish harem escapee intersect in the world of the American colonies and the courts of Louis XIV.

**Stewart, Amy, *Girl Waits with Gun***

An enthralling novel based on the forgotten true story of one of the nation's first female deputy sheriffs. 1914 New Jersey

**Tremayne, Peter, *Whispers of the Dead***. A collection of short stories featuring Sister Fidelma, a nun of the Celtic Church and advocate of Ireland's ancient Brehon law courts.

**Waldo, Anna Lee, *Circle of Stones***. A twelfth-century Welsh woman gives birth to a child prophesied to lead his people, then becomes a formidable player in the socio-religious activities of her day.

**Wangerin, Walter, *Paul : a novel***

An intimate portrait of a complex individual through whom God was at work, turning the world upside down. With vivid imagination and scholarly depth, it weaves together the history of the early church with the life story of its greatest apostle--Paul.

**Wilder, Thornton, *The Bridge of San Luis Rey***, A bridge accident in 18th century Peru.

**Wright, Ronald, *The Gold Eaters***

A sweeping, epic historical novel of exploration and invasion, of slaves and conquerors. Sixteenth century South America.

**Young, Robyn, *Brethren***

A detailed, epic historical adventure set in Paris, London, Egypt, and Palestine on the eve of the last crusade

**Zacharius, Walter, *Songbird***, a Jewish teen embarks on a journey through Poland during WWII to join the ranks of a secret cadre of militia to help save Jewish citizens and subsequently works as a double agent.



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**Agee, Jonis, *The Bones of Paradise***

A multi-generational family saga, of history, vengeance, race, guilt, betrayal, family, and belonging set in the unforgiving Nebraska Sandhills in the years following the massacre at Wounded Knee.

**Barnes, Julian, *Arthur & George*.** Two boys--one who is forgotten by history, and one who becomes the creator of the world's most famous detective--pursue their separate destinies until they meet in a remarkable alliance.

**Buck, Pearl, *The Good Earth*.** Wang Lung, a Chinese peasant, rises from poverty to become a rich landowner with the aid of his patient wife in the 1920s.

**Doig, Ivan, *Dancing at the Rascal Fair*.** Two young Scotsmen settle in Montana in the late 1800s.

**Dunant, Sarah, *In the Company of the Courtesan*.** In 1527, when the city of Rome is sacked and burned by an invading army, famed courtesan Fiammetta Bianchini and her dwarf companion escape to Venice to rebuild their business.

**Estleman, Loren D., *The Confessions of Al Capone*.** In 1944, an FBI agent is dispatched by J. Edgar Hoover to infiltrate Capone's organization an effort that is

compromised by Capone's haunted memories of prison and declining health.

**Falcone, Ildelfonso, *Cathedral of the Sea*,** follows the fortunes of the Estanyol family in medieval Barcelona, whose rise from peasantry is marked by their son's role in building the Santa Maria del Mar cathedral and his forbidden love for a Jewish woman.

**Hicks, Robert, *The Widow of the South*.** A story based on the true experiences of a Civil War heroine finds Carrie McGavock witnessing the bloodshed of the Battle of Franklin, falling in love with a wounded man, and dedicating her home as a burial site for fallen soldiers.

**Hoffman, Alice *The Marriage of Opposites***

This novel offers a lush, lyrical depiction of 19th-century Jewish life in the Danish West Indies

**Kirk, David, *Sword of Honor***

Great samurai Musashi Miyamoto travels to Kyoto for a reckoning after a price is put on his head and falls in love with a blind witch. Tokugawa period, 1600 – 1868.

**Kirkpatrick, Jane, *One Glorious Ambition: the compassionate crusade of Dorothea Dix***

A fictionalized retelling of the life of the nineteenth-century social reformer describes her early efforts to care for her younger brothers, her desire to find God's purpose for her life, and her work on behalf of the mentally ill.

**Min, Anchee, *Becoming Madame Mao*.** A fictional portrait of Jiang Ching follows her life from her youth as the unwanted daughter of a concubine, to her search for fame as an actress in Shanghai, to her marriage to revolutionary Mao Zedong, to her role in the turbulent Communist rule of China.

**Mitchell, David, *The Thousand Autumns of Jacob De Zoet*.**

Jacob arrives in Nagasaki Harbor's Dejima in 1799 with intentions to make his fortune and return home to marry his fiancé but meets the disfigured daughter of a samurai doctor and finds his plans changing.

**Moran, Michelle, *Nefertiti : a novel***

Nefertiti and her younger sister, Mutnodjmet, have been raised in a powerful family that has provided wives to the rulers of Egypt for centuries. Ambitious, charismatic, and beautiful, Nefertiti is destined to marry Amunhotep, an unstable young pharaoh.

**Otto, Whitney, *Eight Girls Taking Pictures***

A profoundly moving portrayal of the lives of women, imagining the thoughts and circumstances that produced eight famous female photographers of the twentieth century.

**Nordhoff, Charles, *Mutiny on the Bounty*,** Fletcher Christian, a mate on the HMS bounty prepares to seize control of a ship torn apart by the sadism of her captain in 18th century Great Britain.