



Fiction with a Literary Twist

Ahab's Wife or the Star Gazer by Sena Naslund - A companion to Herman Melville's "Moby-Dick," in which Una Spenser tells the story of her life, and discusses her loving marriage to Captain Ahab before the white whale took his leg and drove him into madness.

The Book of Air and Shadows by Michael Gruber -

Intellectual property lawyer Jake Mishkin and bookstore employee Albert Crosetti discover a Jacobean document that suggests the existence of an unknown Shakespeare play, and realize their lives are in danger when the Shakespearean scholar they are working with is murdered.



The Eyre Affair by Jasper Fforde - Thursday Next, a Special Operative in literary detection in a time-altered Great Britain in which messing with the classics is a punishable offense, sets out to apprehend a criminal who is murdering characters from works of literature and has chosen Jane Eyre as his next victim.

The Jane Austen Book Club by Karen Fowler - Five women and one man in California's Central Valley begin a six-month series of romantic entanglements after forming a Jane Austen book discussion club.

Frankenstein by Dean Kootz - Tough New Orleans detective Carson O'Connor and her partner, Michael Maddison, investigate a string of murders, unaware that the culprit they seek was created by Victor Frankenstein, who has survived two hundred years and is populating the city with a new race of "perfect" beings, and that his original creation, Deucalion, is hunting his maker.



Lord Byron's Novel: Evening Land by John Crawley - Presents a story that deals with the supposed discovery of a novel by Lord Byron that was hidden away by his daughter Ada about Ali, the illegitimate son of the demonic Lord Sane, who was taken from his life in Albania to be raised as a proper English gentleman.

March by Geraldine Brooks - Follows the experiences of Mr. March, the father in Louisa May Alcott's "Little Women," as he witnesses the cruelty and racism of both Northern and Southern soldiers and the harsh realities of Civil War.



Masks of the Illuminati by Robert Anton Wilson - Unknown physics professor Albert Einstein and obscure Irishman James Joyce, drinking together in a Swiss rathskeller, put their heads together to solve a mystery brought to them by terror-stricken young Englishman, Sir John Babcock.

Mr. Darcy's Daughters by Elizabeth Aston - Imagines the adventures of Elizabeth and Darcy's five daughters alone in London twenty years after the close of Jane Austen's novel "Pride and Prejudice."

The Poe Shadow by Matthew Pearl - Baltimore lawyer Quentin Clark investigates the puzzling circumstances of Edgar Allan Poe's death, finding inspiration and hidden clues in the stories Poe left behind.

Confessions of a Jane Austen Addict by Laura Viera Rigler - Courtney Stone wakes up in the nineteenth-century, living the life of an upper-class Englishwoman, and must find a way to convince those around her she has not lost her mind and must return to twenty-first-century California.

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