



LITERARY & FILM AGENCY  
**GRAND AGENCY**

**BOOKS TO FILM  
2022**



*At Grand Agency, we love a good story. A really good idea with strong characters is often suitable for more than one format. A beloved book becomes a film, a cool comic album develops into a VR-game, an exciting TV series takes the shape of a play at the theater, or a wild idea adapts into a radio drama or a wonderful musical. The narrators' imagination seems to have no limits, and the same applies to us.*

*When we started Grand Agency, our focus was on books and literary rights, but pretty soon we discovered that our writers' ideas wouldn't limit themselves to take place between paper covers. The strong stories wanted to find new ways and a large number of our authors' books have already been made into films or are being adapted right now for film and television. In this catalog we are proud to present both projects that are in progress, and a number of books that are just waiting to find their next form.*

*Welcome to our Grand universe.*

Lena Stjernström  
CEO and Agent

# GRAND AGENCY BOOKS TO FILM CATALOGUE

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## Based on the hugely successful 23 book crime series

The 8 season tv-series starring Swedish actress Eva Röse has aired in 46 countries across Europe and in the US. The series is based on the **Maria Wern** novels which are sold in 5 million copies. Upcoming season 9 will premiere 2024.

Title: The Maria Wern Series

Genre: Crime

Format: TV-series

Based on crime novels by: **Anna Jansson**

Company Credits: Warner Bros. International TV Nordic

Producers: Johanna Wennerberg, Erika Edman

Starring: Eva Röse, Erik Johansson and more



## THE UNLIKELY MURDERER

The tv-series adaptation of the book that closed the Palme case premiered on Netflix in 2021. Portraying Stig Engström is Swedish actor Robert Gustafsson (*The Hundred-Year-Old Man Who Stepped out of the Window and Disappeared*).

Title: The Unlikely Murderer

Genre: True Crime

Format: TV-series

Based on a novel by: **Thomas Pettersson**

Company Credits: FLX, Netflix

Producers: Pontus Edgren, Joshua Mehr

Director: Charlotte Brändström



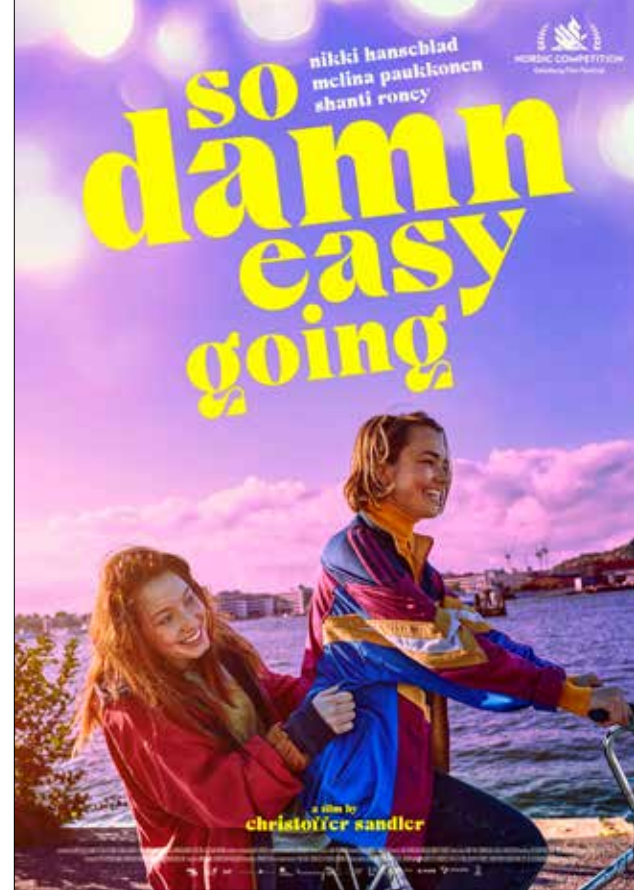


# SO DAMN EASY GOING & COMEDY QUEEN

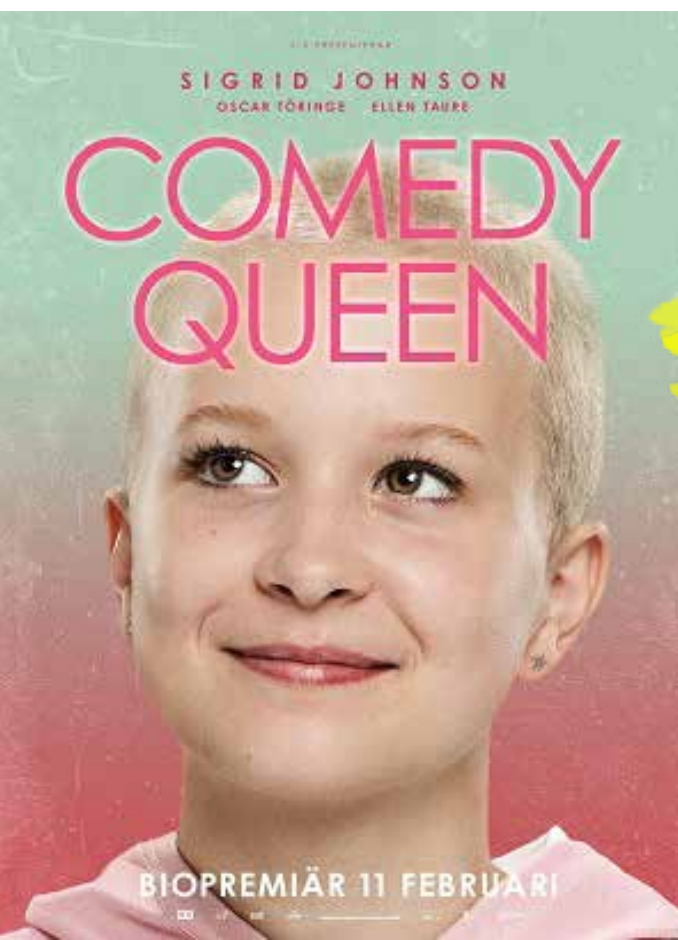
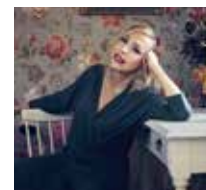
by Jenny Jägerfeld

*Opening Film at Göteborg  
Film Festival 2022!*

A smart, verbal and not fully socialized young woman at the center. Joanna's brain is like an amusement park at peak season. As long as she takes her ADHD meds, it isn't a problem. But that cost money, that doesn't exist. Joanna needs to get creative. In the midst of it all the confident Audrey emerges and Joanna's heart explodes. A story full of black humor, action and surprising twists.



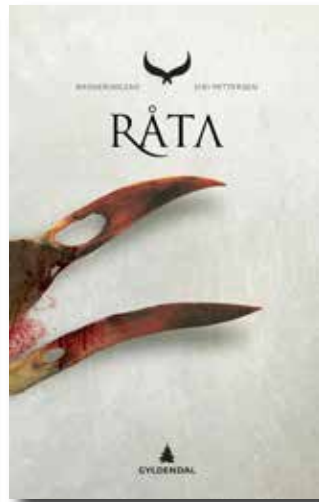
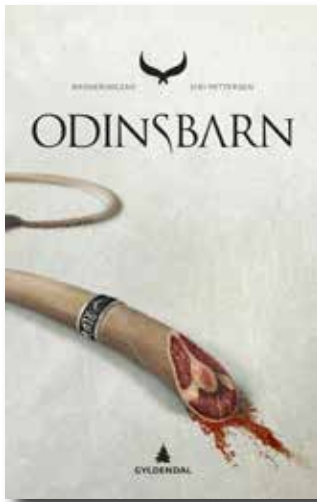
Title: So Damn Easy Going  
Genre: Drama  
Format: Feature Film  
Based on a novel by: Jenny Jägerfeld  
Company Credits: Cinenic  
Producers: Annika Hellström, Erika Malmgren



Sasha struggles with anger after her mother's suicide. She makes a number of resolutions to avoid following in her footsteps. Twice Crystal Bear winner (2015, 2022) Sanna Lenken delivers an empathic tribute to the desire to survive by those who are left behind.

*Winner of CRYSTAL BEAR for BEST FILM  
at the 72nd International Film Festival in Berlin!*

Title: Comedy Queen  
Genre: Children's fiction  
Format: Feature Film  
Based on a novel by: Jenny Jägerfeld  
Company credits: FLX, Sweden  
Producers: Anna Anthony, Rebecka Lafrenz  
Director: Sanna Lenken



## THE RAVEN RING TRILOGY

**A multi rewarded book series from Norway's most praised fantasy writer.**

In *The Raven Rings* trilogy the classic elements of fantasy have been reinvented. The protagonist is a resourceful, female outcast, living with a savage Northerner who deals drugs. She is not "chosen" and has no special powers. In fact, what sets her apart is the terrifying fact that she lacks the powers that everyone else has.

Genre: Fantasy  
Format: TV-series  
Based on a trilogy by: Siri Pettersen  
Option: Maipo Norway  
Producers: Cornelia Boysen, Synnøve Hørsdal

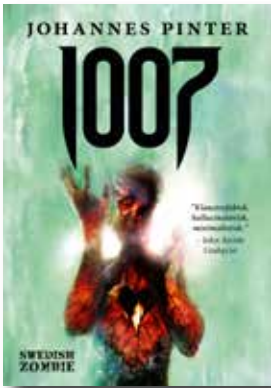


## ISABELLA

An honest and naked story of what it was really like during Isabella Löwengrip's successful years. What it is like to be a person who has built up an image of herself in social media that does not always match reality. But also an attempt to find the real Isabella after living as her persona since adolescence.

Genre: Biography picture  
Format: Feature film or TV-series  
Based on a biography by: Rebecka E Aldén  
Option: Lena Koppel  
Producer: Grace Film  
Director: Lena Koppel  
Manuscript by: Lena Koppel





# 1007

As a vampire, all you have to do is survive till sundown. The problem is that it's 1007 hours till dusk.

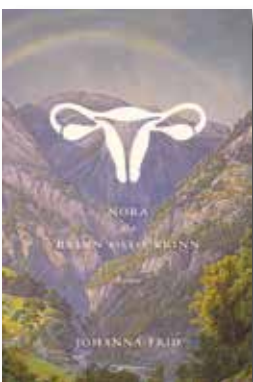
Genre: Horror  
Format: Feature Film  
Based on a novel by: Johannes Pinter  
Option: Solid Entertainment, Sweden  
Producer: Anders Banke



# HOW TO FALL IN LOVE WITH A MAN WHO LIVES IN A BUSH

A true and fun love story about unexpected love. The controlled English teacher Julia lives in Vienna. One day she meets Ben who lives in a bush.

Genre: Feelgood  
Format: Feature film  
Based on a novel by: Emmy Abrahamson  
Option: Nordisk Film, Sweden  
Producer: tba



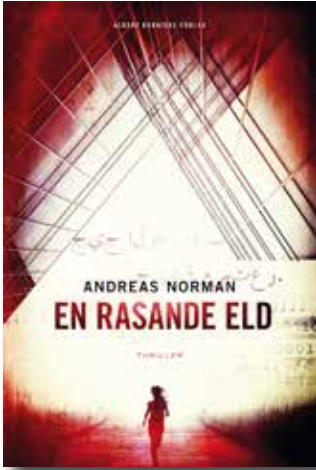
# NORA, OR BURN OSLO BURN

Autofictional novel full of pitch black humor. About pain and shame, jealousy and endometriosis.

Genre: Drama  
Format: Feature Film  
Based on a novel by: Johanna Frid  
Option: Newland Film / Filmance, Sweden  
Producers: Erik Torell, Bonnie Skoog Feeney, Anna Wallmark  
Director: Gustav Johansson

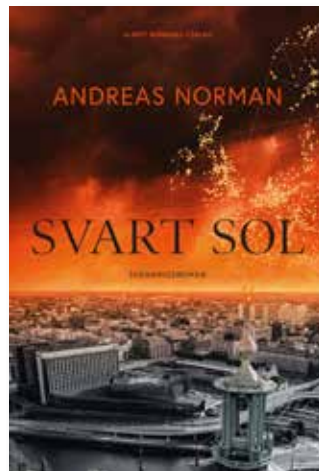
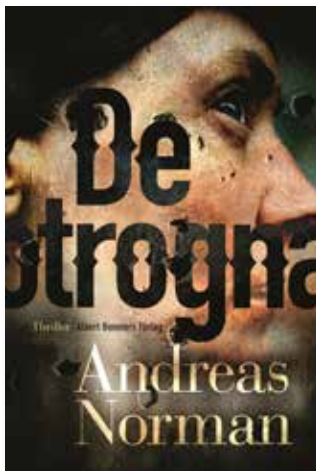






## INTO A RAGING BLAZE, SILENT WAR & BLACK SUN

Spy novels and domestic noir where treason begins at home. Neither Stockholm, Brussels, London nor Syria is a safe haven. Betrayal is universal.



Genre: Thriller  
Format: Feature Film  
Based on novels by: **Andreas Norman**  
Option: Anagram, Sweden  
Producer: Martin Persson  
Manuscript by: tba



## THE VON KLINT AND BERG SERIES

Meet police investigator Charlotte von Klint and her boss Per Berg at the Umeå police.

The clashes between the upper class investigator from Stockholm and the local habits and relationships within the police force and the people in the town runs through this high pitch and contemporary series set in the snowy Norrland city of Umeå. Packed with cliffhangers, loaded dialogues and exciting turns.

In the first book, **Snow Angel**, a boy jumps off a bridge, a woman is found murdered in her home, a teenage girl disappears without a trace. Three tragic incidents seemingly without any connection. But Charlotte von Klint and Per Berg start connecting the dots. The common denominator is narcotics.



Genre: Crime  
Format: TV-series  
Based on a series by: **Anki Edvinsson**  
Option: Scandinavian Content Group, Sweden  
Producer: Börje Hansson





# JENNY JÄGERFELD

Humor, imagination and psychological depth



## SPARKLE, DAZE, AMAZE!

Once a shooting star, Penny Löwe is out of ideas for a new book. One night she meets Lola who is ready to help Penny find her inspiration again. Together they construct an equally unconventional as life-threatening plan. Who is Lola – a gift from above or a muse from hell?



Genre: Drama

Format: Film

Based on a novel by: Jenny Jägerfeld

Option: B-Reel

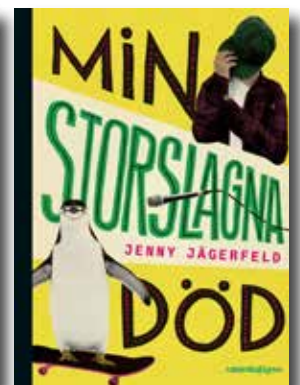
Producer: Frida Bargo

Director: Ylva Forner

### Praised Jenny Jägerfeld – the winner of:

- The August Prize
- The Astrid Lindgren Prize
- The Nils Holgersson Plaque
- The Swedish Radio's Children Book Award
- The Expressen Heffaklumpen Prize
- The Broocman Prize
- ... and many more.

## MY ROYAL GRAND GOLDEN LIFE, MY ROYAL GRAND GOLDEN DEATH & MY ROYAL GRAND GOLDEN LOVE



Sigge lives in a family with colourful members and where everything can happen. The unusual is the normal and everything goes. A magnificent and funny trilogy that will cover everything – life, death and not least love. About loneliness and friendship, exclusion and popularity and about choosing who you want to be.

Genre: Family

Format: TV-series

Based on novels by: Jenny Jägerfeld

Option: SF Studios

Producers: Ina Sohlberg, Karin Gidfors



# MATS STRANDBERG

The master of horror



## BLOOD CRUISE

On the cruise ship between Sweden and Finland everything is routine. But on this particular cruise, two passengers are unlike any other. Something evil is on board. And on the Baltic Sea, no-one can hear you scream.

Genre: Horror

Format: TV-series

Based on a novel by: Mats Strandberg

Option: Silvio Entertainment, Sweden, Imaginarium UK

Producer: Alexander Rönnerberg, SVT

Manuscript by: Mats Strandberg, Chris Andrew & Malin Lagerlöf



## THE HOME

Once inseparable, Joel and Nina haven't spoken for 20 years. When Joel's mom develops dementia, he has no choice but to return home ...

Genre: Horror

Format: Feature Film

Based on a novel by: Mats Strandberg

Option: [sic] Film & Inland, Sweden

Producer: Mattias J. Skoglund

Director: Siri Hjorton Wagner

Manuscript by: Mats Strandberg & Mattias J. Skoglund



## THE END

A comet is rushing towards earth. How do you spend your last weeks?  
A pre-apocalyptic love story at the end of the world.

Genre: YA Pre-Apocalyptic

Format: TV-series

Based on a novel by: Mats Strandberg

Option: Yellowbird, USA

Producer: Marianne Gray

Manuscript by: tba

## THE CONFERENCE

A group of municipal employees arrive at a picturesque conference center, situated by the lake at the foot of a mountain. They are there to discuss a controversial project that has angered many, both in the small town and among themselves. What they don't know is that someone is watching them from the other side of the lake. And when darkness starts to fall, they begin to disappear – one by one.

***The Conference*** is a blood soaked thriller about the worst teambuilding exercise you could possibly imagine.

Genre: Horror

Format: Feature film

Based on a novel by: Mats Strandberg

Option: SF Studios

Producers: Ina Sohlberg, Jonathan Ridings







## THE SPRING TIDE SERIES

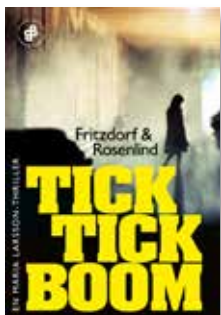
From Sweden's highest acclaimed crime creators **Cilla & Rolf Börjlind**, *The Spring Tide* series has sold over 1 million books and twice topped the Der Spiegel Best seller list.

The young ambitious police officer Oilvia Rönning and the outsider and ex cop Tom Stilton make a perfect pair in these contemporary stories with social pathos and dark humor. Previous projects from Cilla & Rolf Börjlind: 26 *Martin Beck* films and tv-series, *The Grave*, *The Murders* and the *Arne Dahl* series, to name a few.

Genre: Crime  
Format: TV-series  
Based on novels by: **Cilla & Rolf Börjlind**  
Option: Pampas Film  
Producers: tba

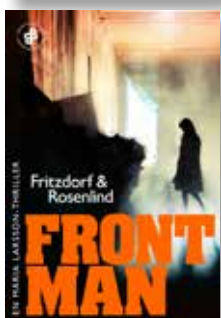


## TICK TICK BOOM & FRONTMAN



### CONTEMPORARY DRAMA THRILLERS

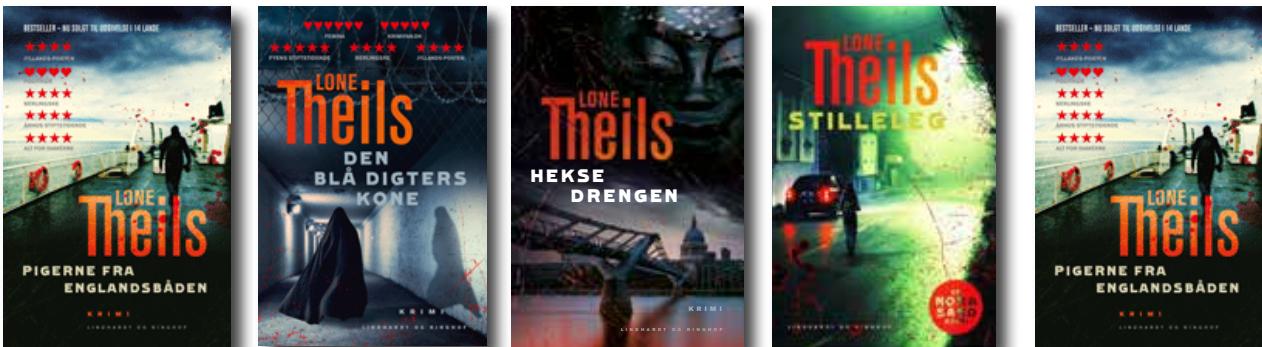
Crime Inspector Maria Larsson and her team, are up for extraordinary challenges in the hunt of murderers in contemporary Stockholm. In the first book, someone is placing bombs in the city and the clock is ticking. In the second, the murder of a high military officer turns into a highly political game which put moral at stake, both Maria's own, and the whole society's.



Genre: Thriller  
Format: TV-series  
Based on novels by: **Lotta Fritzdorf & Johan Rosenlind**  
Option: Art & Bob  
Producer: Rebecka Hamberger



# THE NORA SAND SERIES



Inspired by true crime, the **Nora Sand** novels are fast paced, contemporary crime with foreign correspondent Nora Sand as main character. A stubborn and a hardworking journalist, who doesn't shy away from trouble – unless of course they happen in her private life.

Genre: Crime  
Format: TV-series

Based on a crime series by: Lone Theils

Option: REinvent Packaging, Denmark / Shuuto Arctic  
Producer: Rikke Ennis, Kristene Berg, Arne Berggren



# THE SIGNE BRASK SERIES

**The Return** and **Undermined** are the first and second title in this series filled with quiet and somber West Jutland horror.

The recently graduated police assistant Signe Brask makes a terrible mistake when she promises a family she will find their missing 10-year-old daughter. Ten years later a girl shows up at Signe's door, claiming to be the missing Mille.

Multitalented journalist Lone Theils returns to her home town in this brilliantly constructed story with the tone of *The Killing*.



Genre: Crime  
Publisher: Storytel/People's  
Based on a crime series by: Lone Theils  
Option: Tales Inc, Denmark  
Producer: Kim Magnuson

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– internationally!**

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# ATMOSPHERIC SUSPENSE

by Karin Aspenström



## DARK TRACKS

A house with secrets hidden in the walls. A mythical suicide from a bygone era, tall tales still haunting the village.

## THE GREAT BETRAYAL

Just one night away from the gray every day life.  
One night away from the family, that's all she asked for.



Genre: Thrillers  
Format: Stand alone novel & Audio original  
English material: Sample and synopsis  
More info: <https://grandagency.se/authors/karin-aspenstrom/>



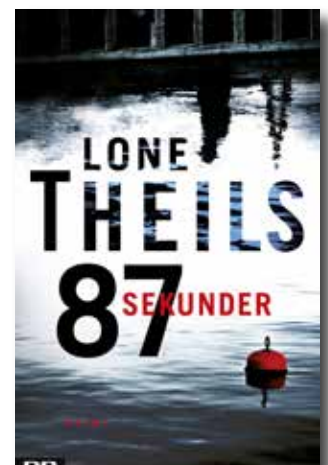
# 87 SECONDS

by Lone theils

Lone Theils wrote **87 Seconds** based on her research for a series of radio programs on *Danmarks Radio*. 87 seconds is the time a person on average holds their breath under water before the brain sends a desperate and deadly signal to the body to breathe.

A young woman is found drowned in Christianshavns Kanal. When investigator Georg Guldman discovers that it is a case of murder, it quickly turns out that the woman is not the only victim. The threads of the investigation leads to the Copenhagen restaurant scene, the house of parliament Christiansborg and the Opera House. It's not until the court room, that the gruesome truth come to light one day. Or does it?

Genre: Crime  
Publisher: DR and Lindhardt & Ringhof  
Format: Stand alone crime novel  
More info: <https://grandagency.se/books/5388-2/>



# EVOCATIVE PSYCHOLOGICAL THRILLERS

by Rebecka E. Aldén



## THE SEA RESCUE SERIES

A strong, original concept set in the seductively beautiful Swedish archipelago.

The first part, **Black Sails**, is a dense and evocative psychological thriller.

*The Sea Rescue* series centres on a rescue station located on an idyllic island in the Stockholm archipelago and run by a small, tight-knit group of volunteers. It's a psychological yet action-packed drama. Relationship-driven, with a nice sense of community among the sea rescue volunteers that the reader gets to know. *Dead Calm* meets the Swedish TV series *The Archipelago Doctor*.

Genre: Psychological thriller  
Publisher: Romanus & Selling

Currently on shopping agreement with Gray Space Productions

Format: Series

English material: Sample and synopsis on Black Sails

More info: <https://grandagency.se/books/black-sails-svarta-segel/>

## FEMINIST DOMESTIC NOIR WITH FEMALE PROTAGONISTS



### DEADLINE

*Big Little Lies* meets *The Devil Wears Prada*

Anna gets the perfect job at the fashion magazine Suzanna. But nothing will be perfect and the workplace will turn out to be hell.

### AND FLOWERS DIE

Gloria is in love but the visit in her boyfriend's summer house will bring up terrible memories.



### THE EIGHTH DEADLY SIN

Behind a perfect facade, dark secrets and betrayals are hidden.



Genre: Psychological thrillers

Format: Stand alone novels

English material: Sample and synopsis

More info: <https://grandagency.se/authors/rebecka-e-alden/>



# CONTEMPORARY NOIR

by Charlotte Al-Kahlili



## MAELSTROM

### *The Night Of meets The Thin Blue Line*

**A murder has far wider ramifications than just the violent act of the perpetrator.**

Adam, a troubled guy from the suburbs, is stabbed to death. It is a seemingly ordinary crime, the kind we quickly read about in the newspaper and then just as quickly forget. But however unnoticeable the murder may appear, it has unleashed a vortex of unpredictable repercussions that will crumble the lives of the people connected to the victim.

We are dragged into a maelstrom of human experiences, secrets, sorrows and hopes. And above all hovers the question: what happened to Adam?

*Maelstrom* is a stunning suspense novel, a page turner with an intriguing true crime atmosphere.

## AN INNOVATIVE APPROACH TO NORDIC NOIR INSPIRED BY TRUE CRIME

**Like True Crime, but fiction.** Taking a new approach to traditional storytelling, *Maelstrom* is written with multi perspectives, where each character is experiencing their own version of reality. They are all heroes in their own lives, and also their own worst enemies. The core of the narrative is the murder of a young man. *Maelstrom* is saturated with themes of betrayal, absent fathers, and fractured relationships.

**Charlotte Al-Khalili** writes contemporary crime fiction and suspense. Inspired by the newspaper headlines, she depicts how regular people get entangled in circumstances beyond their control, and their struggle to navigate uncharted waters.

Genre: Crime  
 Publisher: Norstedts  
 Format: Stand alone  
 English material: Sample and synopsis  
 More info: <https://grandagency.se/authors/charlotte-al-khalili/>





# CRIME AND PUNISHMENT WITH CONSIDERABLE ACCURACY

by Anna Karolina



## THE EBBA TAPPER SERIES

In *The Defender*, former Police officer Ebba Tapper is about to drink herself to death when she is head hunted by the charismatic defense lawyer Angela Köhler to one of Sweden's most prestigious law firms and thrown into the country's most spectacular murder investigation. We get to follow two strong female protagonists who dislike each other from the very minute they meet. But they need one another.



In *The Body Guard*, Köhler's Law Firm gets a new high-profile case. Anita Spendel, CEO of Sweden's largest freight company Spendels, is suspected of murdering her husband Martin Spendel. According to Anita, he has disappeared voluntarily.

Genre: Crime  
Publisher: Bokfabriken  
Format: Series  
English material: Full translations  
More info: <https://grandagency.se/books/the-defender/>



## THE AMANDA PALLER SERIES

**Hard boiled police series inspired by Anna Karolina's career as a police officer. Contemporary and fast paced.**

Amanda Paller is prepared to do anything to become a good cop. But she has chosen the profession for a special reason, she wants to know what has happened to her missing sister. She spares no means and often gets close to the criminals she is set to hunt. Sometimes too close. When she has a baby with a heavily criminally charged man, it becomes increasingly difficult to keep up the facade in front of her colleagues.

Genre: Crime  
Publisher: Bokfabriken  
Format: Series  
English material: Synopsis  
More info: <https://grandagency.se/authors/anna-karolina/>



# COZY CRIME

by Marianne Cedervall



## THE SAMUEL WILLIAMS SERIES

Priest Samuel Williams reluctantly arrives to his new job in a small, snowy town in Sweden. The first thing he sees when he enters the church yard is a man placed up against an iron cross making it look as if he was crucified. The job in the sleepy village will demonstrably not be as calm and bland as he first had thought. A cozy crime series with colorful characters.

**A SWEDISH FATHER BROWN!**



Genre: Detective novels  
 Publisher: Lind & Co  
 Format: Series  
 English material: Sample and synopsis  
 More info: <https://grandagency.se/books/die-for-our-sins/>



## THE ANKI AND TRYGGVE SERIES

In the fictional small village of Mullvalds, odd things happen constantly. The curious Anki, who has recently moved to the village, and the retired police officer Tryggve see it as their task to investigate these mysteries. Disappearances, family secrets and old injustices lead to violence and murder in the picturesque village.

Genre: Detective novels  
 Publisher: Lind & Co  
 Format: Series  
 English material: Sample and synopsis  
 More info: <https://grandagency.se/books/marked-by-shadows/>

# THE KRISTOFFER BARK SERIES

by Anna Jansson



**450 000 BOOKS SOLD IN SWEDEN!**

Detective Inspector Kristoffer Bark and his team at the police department in Örebro investigates cold cases, but not without personal cost. You will get to know each character and their own personal story, in this colorful group. Bark himself suffers from a deep tragedy that still haunts him.

## NEW CRIME SERIES FROM THE AUTHOR OF MARIA WERN

Book 1 – a deep lake, a missing daughter and a stubborn investigator who never gives up.

Book 2 – the group is assigned a new case and learn that one of their colleagues has been the victim of harassment.

Book 3 – a detective story that spans over four generations of women – and a love story set in the shadow of Västra Mark mental hospital that operated from 1930 until its closure in the 1980s.

Book 4 – when the remains of a nine-year-old-girl are found in a nature reserve, a story on betrayal and manipulation unfolds. The traces lead back fifty years in time to a foster home for young girls.

Genre: Crime  
Publisher: Norstedts  
Format: Series  
English material: Synopsis and full translations  
More info: <https://grandagency.se/authors/anna-jansson/>



# THE DARKNESS BETWEEN US

by Molly & Rolf Börjlind

## FAMILY NOIR WITH THE TONE OF SHARP OBJECTS



**Rolf Börjlind**, Sweden's nestor in the suspense genre, join forces with his daughter Molly and creates a psychological thriller about family secrets and old wounds. Emmie returns to the family house on the island. She needs to know what happened to her brother who disappeared when they were children. But their parents avoid the questions. And their home soon turns into a horrifying place.

Genre: Psychological thriller  
Publisher: Tiden  
Format: Audio original, 8 episodes  
English material: Sample and synopsis  
More info: <https://grandagency.se/books/the-darkness-between-us/>





# THE NATHALIE SVENSSON SERIES

by Jonas Moström



**Thrilling crime novels with psychiatrist and criminal profiler Nathalie Svensson in the forefront**

Suspenseful crime with traditional investigations in Scandinavian settings, where the relationships between the main characters are as intriguing as the murder mysteries.

Genre: Crime  
 Publisher: Norstedts  
 Format: Series  
 English material: Sample and synopsis  
 More info: <https://grandagency.se/authors/jonas-mostrom/>



## SLUMBER

by Lena Ollmark & Håkan Östlundh

**EERIE SUSPENSE**

An eerie thriller set in an abandoned hospital that is to be rebuilt into a hotel. Johan and his team are isolated in the dark woods in the north of Sweden, and one by one they either disappear or is found dead. What is hiding in the old sanatorium?

Genre: Thriller/Horror  
 Publisher: Tiden  
 Format: Audio original, 8 episodes  
 Material: Concept pitch in Swedish  
 More info: <https://grandagency.se/authors/lena-ollmark-hakan-ostlundh/>





# HIGH END LITERARY CRIME SERIES

by Håkan Östlundh



## THE PROPHET TRILOGY

*The Prophet Trilogy* describes a frightening world where a life is nothing worth in the pursuit of power and money. Two odd protagonists, a young man and a woman who meet due to seemingly random circumstances. Smart characters move easily between the corridors of power in Stockholm, the countryside and at luxury yachts in the Mediterranean Sea.

Compelling international thriller trilogy - fast paced with an exceptionally clever revenge plot

Genre: Crime  
Publisher: Polaris  
Format: Thriller trilogy  
English material: Sample, synopsis  
More info: <https://grandagency.se/author/hakan-ostlundh/>

## THE FREDRIK BROMAN SERIES



An exceptionally intelligent and capable criminal inspector and a not so successful husband. Fredrik Broman is very human and once you get to know him, you want to know how everything will work out for him. An extremely well constructed and well written series with strong multifaceted characters.

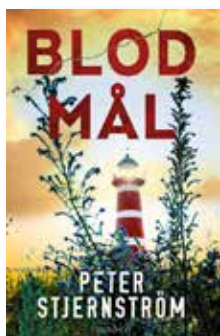
Relaunch and new Fredrik Broman novel 2023

Genre: Crime  
Publisher: Forum  
Format: Series  
English material: Synopsis and full translations  
More info: <https://grandagency.se/books/seaweed/>



# DARK TALES IN THE NATURE NOIR GENRE

by Peter Stjernström



## THE GOTLAND MYSTERIES: BLOOD MEAL & SEA LEAP

Tourists and locals all love the beautiful east coast of Gotland with its' white beaches, shallow bays, spectacular nature and warm summer sun. In the Gotland Mysteries, the pleasant conditions are disturbed when an epidemic breaks out in the tourist town of Ljugarn and when someone burns live horses in ritual forms. Two different investigation teams takes form. Different sides of the island and of human nature come face to face in dramatic stories. Objectivity against superstition, good against evil, human against animal, revenge against forgiveness, love against hate.



### DOES NATURE HAVE IT'S OWN AGENDA?

Genre: Suspense  
 Publisher: Lind & Co  
 Format: Series of suspense novels set on the Island of Gotland  
 English material: Sample and synopsis  
 More info: <https://grandagency.se/authors/peter-stjernstrom/>



## THE BUTTERFLY BOY & THE CAGE GIRL

Butterflies and bees, what are the secrets of their nature? How do they find their way, what is the drive behind killer bees? Dark tales of human obsession and abuse of knowledge in the chase for power, revenge and glory.



## STATION K

A young pregnant woman trying to understand why her mother chose to leave everything for nothing. Cats completely out of control. How do the threads go together?

Genre: Nature noir  
 Publisher: Bladh by Bladh  
 Format: Stand alone novels  
 English material: Sample and synopsis  
 More info: <https://grandagency.se/authors/peter-stjernstrom/>  
 Promo video for The Butterfly boy: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x08jfINBkls>



## DENSE, BEAUTIFUL AND GRAND PROSE

by Anne Cathrine Bomann

**CRITICALLY ACCLAIMED INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLER!**

“

It is a shrewd, skilful tale of loneliness, the search for meaning and a place in the world, and the problems of truly relating to another human being.” **INDEPENDENT / UK**

agathe



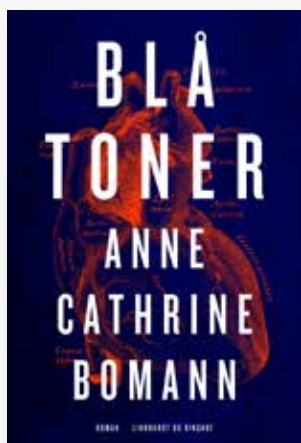
## AGATHE

**A big story in a small format.**

With elegant language, this quiet novel about an old psychiatrist, has taken the world by storm and is sold to 29 countries. The man in the book is prepared to let his already dull life fade off into further grayness, when he meets Agathe, a young woman who's anxious questions forces him to confront his fear of true intimacy outside of the clinic. Is it too late to reconsider your existence as a 71-year-old?

Genre: Novel  
Publisher: Lindhardt & Ringhof  
Format: Stand alone novel  
English material: Synopsis and full translation  
More info: <https://grandagency.se/books/agathe/>

What happens when the existential pain of losing a loved one turns into mental illness?



## BLUE NOTES

**Blue Notes** is a novel about grief, love and science. Examining the question of how far we should go in a world where new diagnosis and possibilities of treatment constantly present themselves. How much grief is too much? And how far should we go to avoid pain?

This novel shares important themes with Bomann's debut novel *Agathe*. It explores the search for identity, loneliness, and the ever difficult relations between people – as well as the healing power of love.

Genre: Novel  
Publisher: Lindhardt & Ringhof  
Format: Stand alone novel  
English material: Synopsis  
More info: <https://grandagency.se/books/blue-notes/>

# STORIES THAT STAY FOR A LONG TIME

by Johan Ehn

For those who like *The Intouchables* and *A Man Called Ove*



## NOT DEAD YET

A gripping elegy over a political dream era, and a celebration of life itself.

After invasive surgical procedures eighty-four-year-old Elis finds himself bound to a high tech bed in the newly built hospital, where long hours of solitude brings him to periods of focused stillness. He begins to “cross over” into dreamlike states of mind, but they’re not regular dreams – they’re something more. In these “rifts” he gains access to crucial moments in his life and meets those who have meant the most to him. At the hospital, Elis becomes close friends with the vibrant nurse Tony who dares to joke about death. Elis realises he’s running out of time if he wants to find the answers to all the questions that have been haunting him.

Genre: Novel

Publisher: Romanus & Selling

Format: Stand alone novel

English material: Sample and synopsis

More info: <https://grandagency.se/books/not-dead-yet/>

WINNER OF THE NILS HOLGERSSON PLAQUE 2020!

NOMINATED FOR THE 2020 NORDIC COUNCIL CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE’S LITERARY PRIZE!



## THE HORSE BOYS

Past and present intertwined in a brutal love story and an unexpected friendship.

Sasha and Janek grow up at the orphanage in Czechoslovakia in the middle of the 1920s. Janek is quiet and introvert and Janek is social and outgoing. The boys train acrobatics and perform the most astonishing acts on horseback. When one is treated badly, they escape and join a circus. Together they travel through Europe and perform as “The Golden brothers”. But their relationship is more than fraternal. In their teens, they discover that they are sexually attracted to each other.

A love story between two generations of young men, set in Stockholm today and in 1930’s Berlin.

Genre: LGBTQIA+ History

Publisher: Gilla Böcker

Format: Stand alone novel

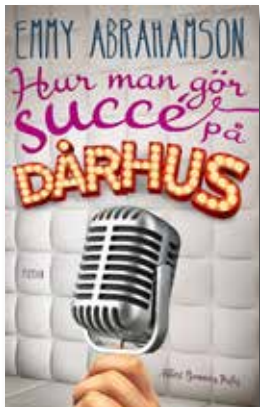
English material: Sample and synopsis

More info: <https://grandagency.se/books/the-horse-boys/>



# HOW TO GRADUATE FROM THE LAUGHING ACADEMY & HOW TO GET THROWN OVERBOARD

by Emmy Abrahamson



In *How to Graduate From the Laughing Academy* the anti-heroine, a not so successful stand-up comedienne finds herself in a psychiatric ward and has some hard truths to face up to before she can find the road to recovery.

*How to Get Thrown Overboard* is a story full of black humor about how to survive the company of your mother on a cruise ship filled with cocktails and senior citizens.

**Emmy Abrahamson**

**– Sweden's answer to Amy Schumer!**

Genre: Feel good  
Publisher: Albert Bonniers Förlag  
Format: Stand alone novels  
English material: Synopsis  
More info: <https://grandagency.se/authors/emmy-abrahamson/>



## KARMA COMA

by Johannes Pinter

A horror story exploring the human psyche: could anyone be a murderer if the moral compass is put out of play?



A man with a demolished head. Three mutilated school boys. An old man suffocated with a pestle.

The equally odd and terrible murders are reported to the Södertälje police at an alarming pace. Police investigator Valter K is puzzled by the outbreak of brutal aggression, and by the fact that the perpetrators immediately turn themselves in – they are all ordinary middle-class without a criminal history.

Genre: Horror  
Publisher: Vertigo  
Format: Stand alone novel  
More info: <https://grandagency.se/books/karma-coma/>



# THE ASTONISHING TALE OF GEORG VON NOTHING

by Cilla & Rolf Börjlind

**From Sweden's crime masters – a tall tale with humor, generosity and pure joy!**



At the bottom of a deep bay is a small village called Shadowhill. Due to the high mountains the sun only reaches down to the village every five years, at the summer solstice, a phenomenon that occurs just when our story takes place. The year is 1960.

Shadowhill consist of blazing love, brewing injustices, pitch black jealousy and the bottle-bottomed bad health. But here is also laughing youngsters, tough straight-backed ladies with will power strong as amber and men with unbreakable bonds of friendship.

One day a stranger shows up in the godforsaken village. He carries a shoe box under his arm and claims that his name is George von Nothing.

George turns out to have very special and unexpected talents, that shake the familiar life of the people in the village. He puzzles and charms everyone he meets and makes them open up their innermost hidden places.

When the sun finally reaches down to the village everything turns into a dazzling celebration. At the culmination of the grandiose village party, the great magician George von Nothing performs his last astonishing magic trick for a stunned audience. After which life in Shadowhill side returns to its pleasant little course again.

Almost.

**Something completely new from the crime duo with the spirit of Steinbeck or *The 100-Year-Old Man*.**

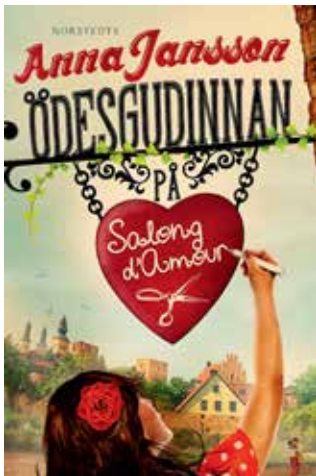
Like a good tomato sauce, the tale about **Georg von Nothing** has been simmering with the authors for a long time. When they sat down to write the story it more or less wrote itself and you can tell, they had a very good time writing! This tall tale is a funny, warm and inspiring story that makes you think of the early works by **John Irving** or **John Steinbeck**.

Genre: Novel  
 Publisher: Norstedts  
 Format: Stand alone  
 English material: Sample and synopsis  
 More info: <https://grandagency.se/authors/cilla-rolf-borjlind/>



# THE SALON D'AMOUR SERIES

by Anna Jansson



## FEARLESSLY ROMANTIC & HUGELY ENTERTAINING!

It is never a coincidence who you end up with when you go for a hair cut at **Salon d'Amour**. It is a thoroughly arranged meeting. And it's never too late to find love.

Angelika Lagermark runs a hair salon and puts an extra spice to everyday life by matchmaking. Keeping it a well-hidden secret, her customers are clueless. They just accidentally fall victim to love.

The books are a celebration to ordinary troubles without ordinary solutions. The longing for love and friendship, small town problems, nasty neighbors and family issues. But nothing is impossible to solve for the heartwarming hero and goddess of fate.

Angelika welcomes you in!

Genre: Feelgood  
Publisher: Norstedts  
Format: Stand alone novels in a series  
English material: Sample and synopsis  
More info: <https://grandagency.se/books/goddess-fate-salon-damour/>







# MONSTERS IN THERAPY

by Jenny Jägerfeld & Mats Strandberg

## Jenny's and Mats' own words on the book

"The idea for this book came to us when we had just seen the premiere of a theatre adaptation of FRANKENSTEIN. We started talking about how the classic horror story is actually a family drama. We said, jokingly, that it could all have ended so differently if only Victor, Elizabeth and the Monster had gone to family therapy. And then we looked at each other, and we just knew."

## A HYBRID OF FICTION, NON FICTION AND SELF HELP

Four iconic monsters of Gothic horror literature – **Dr. Jekyll**, **Carmilla**, **Frankenstein's monster** and **Dorian Gray** – struggle with timeless dilemmas. Their therapist; sharp and modern, has her own dark secrets.

Genre: Narrative non fiction  
 Publisher: Norstedts  
 Format: Stand alone  
 English material: Sample and synopsis  
 More info: <https://grandagency.se/authors/jenny-jagerfeld-mats-strandberg/>



# LETTERS TO MEN

by Bianca Kronlöv

**OVER 40 000 BOOKS SOLD!**  
**VOICE OF THE YEAR 2022 - THE SELMA AWARD!**



"When it comes to the issue of men's violence, it is not enough for a few men to get involved in the issue. A first step to change can be to read this book, which efficiently and pedagogically punctures the defenses and excuses we men use to avoid calling ourselves out or showing moral courage." **DAGENS NYHETER**

Comedian and actress Bianca Kronlöv writes letters to men she has met.

About emotions, sex, violence, masculinity. To the slack and the hard. To dad and grandpa. To the unborn son. To the one night stand. To you who have bought the myth and to you who have never raised your hand. Are you one of them?

Genre: Narrative non fiction  
 Publisher: Albert Bonniers Förlag  
 Format: Stand alone  
 English material: Sample and synopsis  
 More info: <https://grandagency.se/books/letters-to-men/>





# The Vardari Trilogy

Norway's fantasy queen Siri Pettersen is back with a spellbinding fantasy mystery on a Norse foundation, about blood, desire and addiction.

*The Iron Wolf* is the first book in the trilogy Vardari, an independent series set in the universe of the award-winning fantasy phenomenon, *The Raven Rings*.



## The Iron Wolf

Juva hates blood readers. Praised for their Sight, they are nothing but swindlers, preying on people's fears, for power and profit. Born by blood reader kin herself, she knows only too well, and she has vowed never to become one of them.

But when her family is threatened by vardari, the eerie lasting ones, who never age, Juva is desperately entangled in a hunt for the blood readers' legacy: a dark secret that once changed the world, and may do so again.

In order to survive, she has to confront the childhood memory she fought to forget: That time she saw the devil.

- A little girl is forced to forget that she saw the devil
- An immortal has to commit murder to hide an old sin
- A wolf-sick betrays his lover, to obtain eternal life
- A mysterious clockwork starts ticking, after six hundred years
- A grim secret, guarded for generations, has gone missing

Genre: YA Fantasy

Publisher: Gyldendal

Format: Trilogy

English material: Sample and synopsis

More info: <https://grandagency.se/books/the-iron-wolf/>



## Amazing Siri Pettersen - the winner of:

- The Norwegian South Literary Award
- The Norwegian Havmann Award
- The Norwegian YA Award
- The Norwegian Booksellers' Grants
- The ARK Bookchain's "Book of the year" Award
- The Norwegian Fabel Award
- ... and many more



## More from Siri Pettersen

# Bubble

Abbie is angry. She is forced to get out of bed, forced to attend school, forced to learn things she'll never need to know, forced to live with the nickname Bubble. She is bound to follow other people's rules, in a crappy town, in a crappy world.

After the worst day in school, she finds a mysterious glass globe in the graveyard, with a ragdoll inside, and everything changes.



Genre: Children's novel, 9-12

Publisher: Gyldendal

Format: Stand alone novel

English material: Sample and synopsis

More info: <https://grandagency.se/books/bubble/>

# WEIRD, DARKLY FUNNY AND "NOIR-ISH" STORIES

by Gustav Tegby



## ARMY OF ORPHANS - CHANGELINGS BOOK 1

Dorian finds out that he's a changeling, a mythical being that has grown up as a human. A new, overwhelming reality reveals itself, where your parents might not be your real ones. Where everything is both more beautiful, more difficult and more strange than you had ever imagined.

Dorian now realizes why he's always felt a bit odd. But he also realizes that he has powers. And that maybe, he has accidentally used those powers to do something terrible.

Genre: age 11-13

Publisher: Rabén & Sjögren

Format: Trilogy

English material: Sample and synopsis

More info: <https://grandagency.se/books/the-leftover-army-changelings-1/>



## TOUCHED

### A NERVE-WRACKING PARANOIA THRILLER

A normal life outside the apartment is impossible.

Because Elin was born with an incredible ability.

Or rather a curse.

Everyone she touches die.

At least if you believe what her father says.

Genre: YA

Publisher: Rabén & Sjögren

Format: Stand alone novel

English material: Sample and synopsis

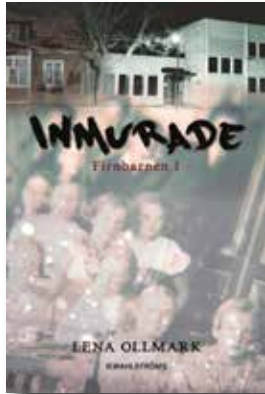
More info: <https://grandagency.se/books/touched/>





# HORROR FOR CHILDREN

by Lena Ollmark



## THE CHILDREN FROM THE FIRN VILLAGE

The most frightening ghost stories are not at all set on old attics and in abandoned buildings, but rather where one is supposed to feel most secure and safe. At home, in school, with the adults you're supposed to trust.

In the village where Leo, Natta and Teddy live, old events, accidents and injustices never seem to come to rest.

Genre: Children's horror, age 9-12  
 Publisher: B Wahlström  
 Format: Trilogy  
 More info: <https://grandagency.se/authors/lena-ollmark/>

## THE WHIPPING BOY & DREAM CREATURES



*The Whipping Boy* is the first part of Nightground, a new horror trilogy by Lena Ollmark, about revenge and horror in a world of good and bad dreams. In a forest area in Disby there is an abandoned old playground. Something terrible happened there once many years ago. Everyone in the small village knows the story, but no one talks about it.

In the second part, *Dream Creatures*, the nightmares that haunted Tess are gone. The grief of her best friend Elle, who died in a car accident, had made her believe that nightmares could really harm her. But all that was behind her now. She has made many new friends and for the first time in her life, Tess was in love.



Genre: Children's horror, age 9-12  
 Publisher: B Wahlström  
 Format: Trilogy  
 English material: Synopsis  
 More info: <https://grandagency.se/books/the-whipping-boy/>



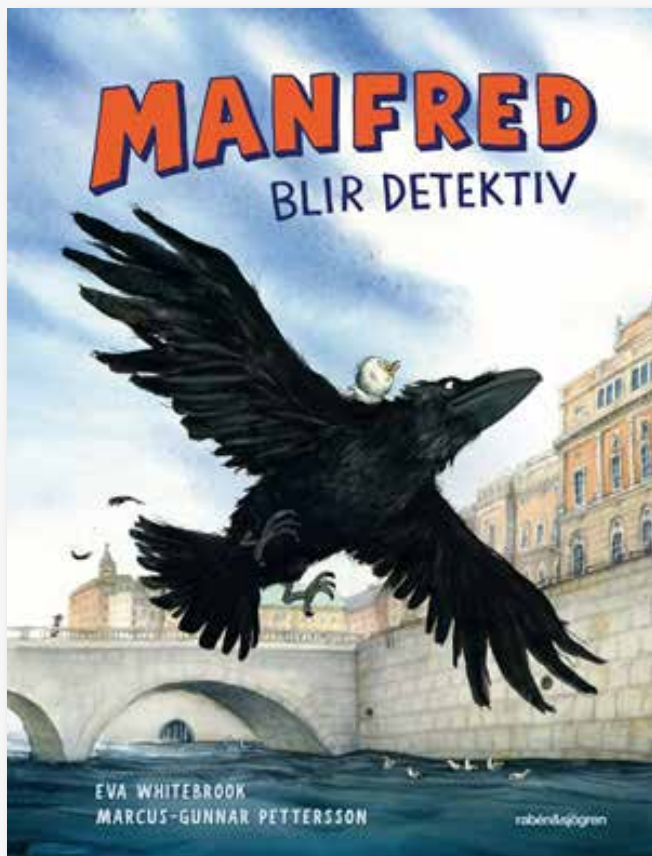


# MANFRED BECOMES A DETECTIVE

by Eva Whitebrook

**For everyone who loves *Pettson & Findus*  
and *Mamma Mu***

*In the middle of Stockholm, next to the Strömmen canal, there is a house called The Sager Palace. Inside lives the Prime Minister, but on the roof someone quite different has made his home...*



In this first book of a new series, Manfred the raven both finds his true calling as a detective, and in Moses the seagull, his faithful sidekick. A warm and exciting story, with wonderful humour and unforgettable characters in both the text by Eva Whitebrook and illustrations by Marcus-Gunnar Pettersson.

When Manfred, a miserable old raven, discovers a lost seagull chick on his roof one day, his humdrum existence is turned upside down. Manfred detests seagulls, and this chick is hungry, squeaking and whining. He has to find the parents and be rid of the infuriating chick as fast as possible. But this is trickier than he thought and turns into a real detective case. He puts the chick, which he calls Moses, on his back and sets off on an exhilarating adventure high above the rooftops of Stockholm. On the way, we meet all kinds of birds that might help them. There's Carmen, the music-loving herring gull on the roof of the Opera; Semlan, the authoritative owl at the Royal Library, and Skeriffen, the fearsome goshawk who happily takes the law into his own wings.

Will Manfred succeed in his first mission and find Moses's parents? And will the little downball even manage to thaw the raven's heart?

Genre: Family / Children, age 3-6

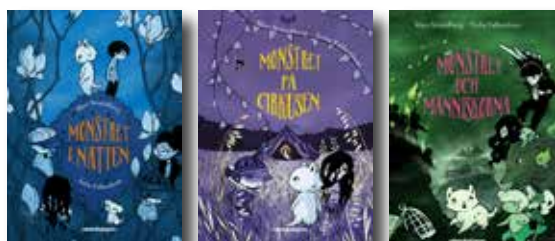
Publisher: Rabén & Sjögren

English material: Full English translations

More info: <https://grandagency.se/authors/eva-whitebrook/>

# FRANK THE MONSTER

by Mats Strandberg



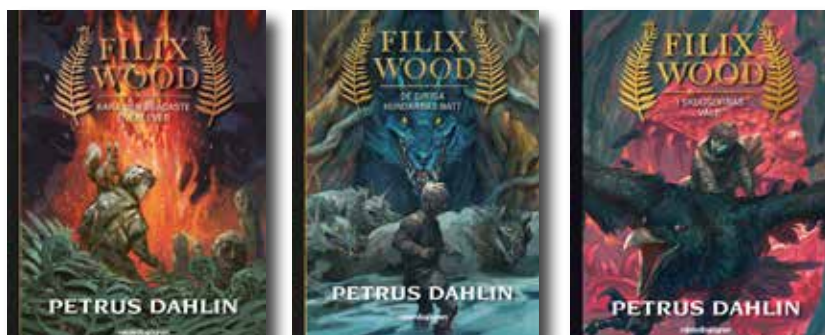
After a night with a full moon, Frank wakes up all muddy. A story about monsters and humans, about not fitting in, and about finding your pack.

Genre: Children's horror trilogy, age 6-9

Publisher: Rabén & Sjögren

English material: Sample and synopsis + full translation on book 1

More info: <https://grandagency.se/authors/mats-strandberg/>



## FILIX WOOD & GHOST SAVIORS by Petrus Dahlin

### FANTASY ADVENTURES IN A WORLD OF IT'S OWN

Join Filix Wood on a journey into an undiscovered and mysterious world, where being strong seems to be the only thing that counts and where the evil from the underworld constitutes a constant threat. A fantasy adventure about courage, friendship and loyalty.

Genre: Fantasy, age 9-12  
 Publisher: Rabén & Sjögren  
 Format: Trilogy  
 English material: Sample and synopsis  
 More info: <https://grandagency.se/books/filix-wood-survival-of-the-weakest/>



**WITH OVER 30 BOOKS IN HIS BACKLIST, PETRUS DAHLIN IS ONE OF SWEDEN'S MOST READ CHILDREN'S BOOK WRITERS**



Get ready for high pace and action, crazy characters, quirky inventions but above all GHOSTS! Ghosts are threatened with extinction because of all the new technology, light, and traffic in the world. And it will be up to the twins Sam and Sara to help them! But don't be afraid, the ghosts in these books are almost always kind.

Genre: Children's fiction, age 6-9  
 Publisher: Rabén & Sjögren  
 Format: Trilogy  
 English material: Sample and synopsis



## THE KRANKY ONES

an idea by Lena Ollmark & Petrus Dahlin

Genre: Family  
 Format: TV-series  
 Material: Pitch material and synopsis

**TV references: Absolutely Fabulous, Black books and Shameless**

### Welcome home to the Krank family.

A family that claims that if you are ill, you have the right to be angry, kranky and offended. Family members constantly feel misunderstood, feel they have infinite rights and are constantly searching for validation. To "feel" is a human right. Just like asserting one's rights. That's why they end up constantly in quarrels and conflicts. They quarrel with neighbors, with the municipality, at school, at work and not least with each other. Or as they sum it up: "Some people are lifestyle criminals. We are lifestyle-offended." The Krank family simply do not get the attention and admiration they so well deserve.



## THE EMIL WERN SERIES

by Anna Jansson

**DETECTIVE NOVELS ABOUT THE UPRIGHT EMIL WERN, SON OF MARIA WERN**

Genre: Family / Children Detective stories, age 6-9  
Publisher: Rabén & Sjögren  
Format: Children's detective series  
English material: Sample and Synopsis  
More info: <https://grandagency.se/authors/anna-jansson/>



## LEO THE LUREMAKER

by Emil Maxén



**Fishing facts for the beginner! About love for nature, the fish and fishing.**

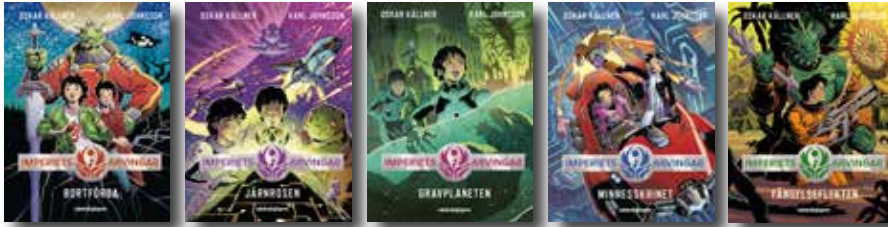
When Leo gets to come along on a fishing trip with his friend Josie and her uncle Jacob, Leo immediately realizes that fishing is the thing for him. Soon enough everything in Leo's life circles around pike fishing. And suddenly Leo has signed up for a big competition! Does he stand a chance against all the older, more experienced fishermen with loads of modern equipment? And most importantly, will he catch the big pike?

Emil Maxéns humorous and exciting story and basic fishing tips makes the book a must for all who want to try out pike fishing for the first time. What lures to use and when? What rods? How do you make a fishing lure? And which fish should you release in order to govern biological diversity?

Genre: Family / Children, age 6-9  
Publisher: Bonnier Carlsen  
Format: Stand alone novel  
English material: Synopsis and English reading material  
More info: <https://grandagency.se/books/leo-the-luremaker/>







# HEIRS TO EMPIRE

by Oskar Källner & Karl Johnsson

## BRINGING GEEK CULTURE TO THE NEXT GENERATION

The story of Alice's and Elias' journey is an epic space adventure packed with action, excitement and likeable characters. A colorful universe paired with intelligent species, all with their own distinctive characteristics, culture, biology and technology. Awe-inspiring miracles and shadowy mysteries in fast paced adventures into the unknown.

Genre: Children's SCI FI  
 Publisher: Rabén & Sjögren  
 English material: Synopsis and full translations  
 More info: <https://grandagency.se/authors/oskar-kallner-karl-johnsson/>



# MONSTER MONSTER

by Johannes Pinter

Five children whose creative abilities become magic and the protagonists are exposed to monsters from their own nightmares. In order to save themselves, and their town, they have to work together. Funny, witty and scary!

Genre: Children's horror, age 6-9  
 Publisher: Egmont  
 English material: Sample and synopsis  
 More info: <https://grandagency.se/authors/johannes-pinter/>





# Stories from the multi talented Sara B. Elfgren

## IN DREAMS & GRIM

**NOMINATED FOR THE NORDIC COUNCIL LITERATURE PRIZE**

*In Dreams* is a modern gothic story about teens at one of the most elite schools in Stockholm, told from the perspective of an outsider.

The school that everyone longs to go to harbors many secrets. A tragedy that occurred a long time ago has transformed into an urban legend. Or are strange things actually happening? A mysterious and complex story about what happens when dreams clash with a harsh reality, and about losing and finding oneself. Infatuation. Art. And magic.



*Grim* is a gothic suspense novel. A story of friendship and family, community and alienation, and the life-altering forces of art and creativity.

Eighteen-year-old Kasper has gone through a rough time, but now he has landed his dream job at the amusement park Gröna Lund. Thirty years earlier, sixteen-year-old Håkan's life changes when he meets Grim. They live and breathe music and have big plans for their death metal band. But it all comes to nothing when Grim dies.

Genre: Cross over, YA  
Publisher: Rabén & Sjögren  
Format: Standalone novels  
English material: Synopsis and full translations  
More info: <https://grandagency.se/authors/sara-b-elfgren/>



## THE BIG BANQUET

by Sara B. Elfgren & Emil Maxén

Little Amund works in Duke Ludbert's enormous kitchen. The Duke's youngest daughter, Otilia, watches with disgust as the court indulges in excesses.

One day, Duke Ludbert decides to throw a huge banquet – three days, three nights, two hundred unique dishes per day and fancy guests from near and far. But the Duke's jealous twin brother plans to sabotage the feast ...

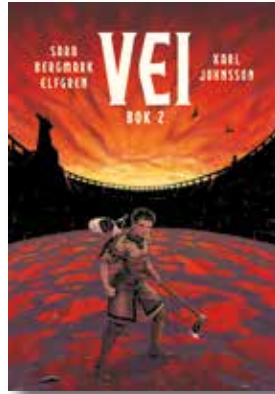
Amund and Otilia must come to the rescue and are drawn into a dangerous and thrilling adventure involving disdainful dukes, conniving pugs, and hideous beasts.



**ADAPTED TO CHRISTMAS CALENDER 2020 FOR SWEDISH RADIO**

Genre: Childrens' adventure, age 6-9  
Publisher: Rabén & Sjögren  
Format: Stand alone illustrated novel  
English material: Sample and synopsis  
More info: <https://grandagency.se/books/the-big-banquet/>  
Link to the SR adaption: <https://sverigesradio.se/julkalendern>





# VEI

by Sara B. Elfgren & Karl Johnsson

**WEI 2 – WINNER OF URHUNDEN 2021!**

**Nordic mythology meets *Game of Thrones*  
meets *Hunger Games***

## VEI BOOK 1 & 2

An unconscious woman is floating in the sea. She is found by Vikings in search of Jotunheim, the land of giants. The woman's name is Vei and soon she is drawn into a bloody battle between giants, Norse Gods and humans. Who can she trust?

“

Even if, like me, you have a lifelong obsession with Norse myths, I promise you you've never seen them like this – this strange, this vivid, this real. Vei takes the whole Norse cosmos and turns it on its head and brings it back to life in one stunning masterstroke. You cannot miss it.” **LEV GROSSMAN**

Genre: Graphic novels  
Publisher: Kartago  
Format: 2 book series  
English material: Manuscripts  
More info: <https://grandagency.se/books/vei-book-1/>



## GREAT JOBAL FROM KROKJALA

by Emil Maxén

**The Armageddon of the rural areas is waiting around the corner**



Genre: Graphic novels  
Publisher: Cobolt  
Format: 3 stand alone novels in a series  
English material: Synopsis  
More info: <https://grandagency.se/authors/emil-maxen/>





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