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Release Notes

Release 1.0 – March 2026

Initial release of the catalog

Introduction

Welcome to the Greybeard Publishing library, listing the titles available. The catalog is scheduled to be updated several times a year, as new releases warrant.

Most of the titles included in the catalog are available in multiple formats, including Kindle ebook, paperback, large print paperback, hardcover and audiobook. Find info and links on the [greybeard publishing](#) website.

Author information and links in the [author platform](#) section of this catalog.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

While the titles are available through many booksellers and locations, including the links on the greybeard publishing website, the listings in this catalog will offer each title's main Amazon book page.

The Black Tower – the complete series

A team of scientists travels the eighty floors of a strange black tower, where each floor is an alternate world fraught with danger, striving to reach the top floor and the dark force behind the creation of the looming monolith.

This omnibus contains all eleven episodes in the serial.



[Black Tower on Amazon](#)

Recipient of the Readers' Favorite Five Stars award:

"The threads of each story weave together, wrapping you up like a spider with its prey and holding on tight until you reach the thrilling conclusion." – **Readers' Favorite Reviewer**

"I highly recommend this book to anyone who likes their sci-fi with a bit of intrigue, adventure, suspense and a splash of creepy horror." – **five stars**

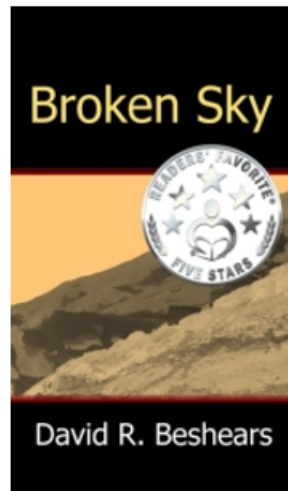
"The most interesting SF I've read in years. Well done! Will there be a sequel?" - **five stars**

This omnibus edition available in all formats.

Individual episodes are available in kindle and audiobook formats.

Broken Sky

A cluster of old buildings, isolated on a quiet, desolate plain. Overhead, the sky is a smear of reds and purples, a shell enclosing the world. Here, strangers who have banded together for survival must strike out into the alien wilderness in search of a way home.



[Broken Sky on Amazon](#)

Recipient of the Readers' Favorite Five Stars award:

*"If you love survival stories set in dystopian worlds, do not miss out on **Broken Sky**. Full of suspense, mystery, and intrigue, this sci-fi tale hooks you in from the very first page and keeps you engaged until the last. David R. Beshears' worldbuilding is captivating."*

– Readers' Favorite Reviewer

Both novella and screenplay adaptations have placed finalist in literary and screenwriting competitions.

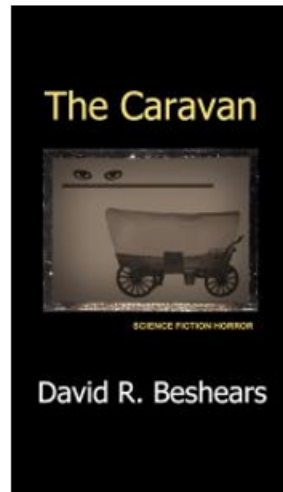
Industry feedback re screenplay:

"Great visuals and a really effective atmosphere of foreboding."

"Inventive script with an inspired world...unique and highly visual."

The Caravan

In a post-apocalyptic landscape, a band of marauders unexpectedly finds itself on the receiving end when it attacks a nomadic caravan and discovers the intended victims are not at all as they appear.



[The Caravan on Amazon](#)

Recipient of the Readers' Favorite Five Stars award:

*"For fans of post-apocalyptic fiction, such as The Walking Dead or Into The Badlands, **The Caravan** is an absolute must-read. Concisely written and featuring a narrative laced with tension and intrigue, this book keeps you hooked with an irresistible blend of suspense, mystery, and action. Author David R. Beshears shows his mastery of short yet gripping narratives once again with this engrossing story about a group of survivors in a post-apocalyptic Earth."*

– **Readers' Favorite Reviewer**

The **novella** placed finalist in a recent literary competition.

The **screenplay** adaptation of the novella placed finalist in several recent screenwriting competitions.

Industry feedback of the screenplay:

"Character descriptions are vivid... the dialog is excellent."

"The concept is a very clever one, immediately calls to mind the tropes and conventions of a classic western while also mixing in the high concept of a science fiction story."

The Christmas Cave

Thirteen-year-old Jack and his sister Amanda go in search of a mythical cavern their grandmother went looking for fifty years earlier... when her brother Bill was lost, never to be seen again.



[The Christmas Cave on Amazon](#)

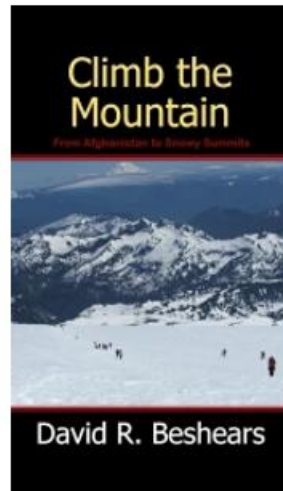
Recipient of the Readers' Favorite Five Stars award:

*"I really enjoyed reading **The Christmas Cave** by David R. Beshears. It's the kind of story that's easy to get into and hard to put down. I liked that it had a little mystery, a little magic, and a lot of heart."* – **Readers' Favorite Reviewer**

The **screenplay** adaptation was a finalist in a Screencraft Family Screenplay competition

Climb the Mountain

Memoir chronicling a family's struggle to bring their son back from the depths of severe traumatic brain injury.



[Climb the Mountain on Amazon](#)

On October 12, 2007, a young soldier is injured in Afghanistan. For the next two years, as he is moved from Bagram to Germany to Walter Reed to Palo Alto and finally home to Washington State, his family never leaves his side. And throughout those years, his father writes daily emails to family and friends, chronicling the journey from a dusty road in Afghanistan to the snowy northwest summits.

NOTE:

All royalties from Climb the Mountain are donated to the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) organization.

Family Alone

A family explores a world suddenly devoid of people, in search of an answer.

Five flash fiction episodes, adapted from the webseries.

The complete series.



[Family Alone on Amazon](#)

Flash fiction series

A direct adaptation of the webseries scripts.

An early Saturday morning, a quiet middle-class neighborhood.

A family packing their car for a weekend camping trip.

But something isn't right.

The neighborhood is too quiet.

The world is too quiet.

A family explores a world suddenly devoid of people, in search of an answer.

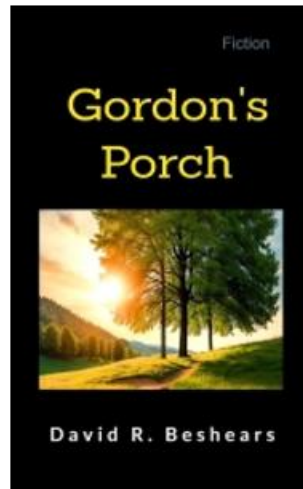
Family Alone is the collection of "flash fiction" short stories adapted from the five-episode webseries. The adaptations closely follow the design and presentation of the scripts.

This collection of flash fiction is approximately 7600 words in length, and so considered to be a *long short story*. As such, it is available in ebook format only.

Gordon's Porch

Life, the world and the neighborhood as seen from the sage and sensible perspective of 80 yr/old Gordon and his friends.

Book one of a planned trilogy.



[Gordon's Porch on Amazon](#)

"Gordon's Porch by David R. Beshears is a contemplative look at aging, loss, and the bonds of friendship in a uniquely close-knit community. The author's writing is simple and straightforward, comfortably bringing readers into the tranquil rhythm of Gordon's daily life... a heartfelt look at how love and companionship endure even in the face of loss, old age, and the passage of time. Recommended." - Readers' Favorite reviewer

KHDZ

John Smith is the first person ever sent downstairs due to a mix-up in the paperwork. While this is sorted out, he is assigned to work at Hades' local television station, where he must deal with strange characters and stranger programming.

All the more bizarre, he arrived just in time for Founder's Day.



[KHDZ on Amazon](#)

"You'll be recommending this book to your friends before you are even halfway through it. A+ all the way – highly recommend" -- **top 500 reviewer**

"If you like Neil Gaiman or Terry Pratchett you will enjoy this short book. I was chuckling along from the first couple of pages and the whole book kept me entertained." - **goodreads reviewer**

Industry feedback re: screenplay adaptation:

"The concept is brilliant and eye-catching."

"The situation is entertaining, the shows are fun, and life at the station with all its quirky characters is easy to become invested in... a fun script and a very talented writer."

"The author has come up with a very inventive concept and gives us a very sympathetic protagonist. Not only that, the author understands how to balance the wit of the set-up with the real emotional issues faced by the characters."

Last Day at Sharp Park

A family of wizards explores a hidden world that was taken out of the physical realm by a six-year-old boy with extraordinary powers and find the boy and his grandma haven't aged a day in half a century.



[Last Day at Sharp Park on Amazon](#)

Miles Bennett is the immortal patriarch of a family of wizards. He must walk the fine line between the politics of a secret organization of which his family is a part and the world of the Normals, all the while investigating a dark menace that is just beginning to make its presence felt by those with the sense.

The novella has been adapted to the pilot episode of the Miles Bennett television series.

The screenplay adaptation was a finalist in a screenwriting competition.

Mrs. Weddington's Yard

The quiet existence of a menagerie of animals is disrupted when Mother fails to show up one morning to care for them.

A literary fantasy, first in upcoming novella series.



[Mrs. Weddington's Yard on Amazon](#)

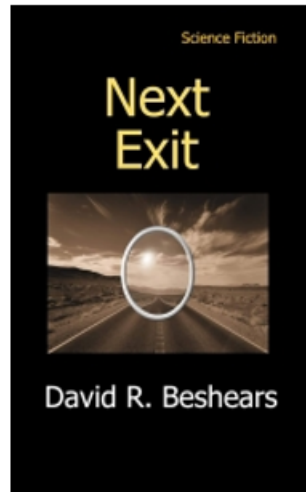
Recipient of the Readers' Favorite Five Stars award:

David R. Beshears does a great job of capturing what animals may think or feel in Mrs. Weddington's Yard. I found myself caring about them and empathizing with their fears, which is a sign of good storytelling. Anyone who likes fantasy-driven stories about animals with a touch of heart will love this book."

– Readers' Favorite Reviewer

Next Exit

A simple, eight room motel sits isolated on a lonely desert highway; a disparate group of residents live in this ethereal world, a world now threatened by a powerful research facility seeking to retrieve their property: residents with powers of their own.



[Next Exit on Amazon](#)

Recipient of the Readers' Favorite Five Stars award:

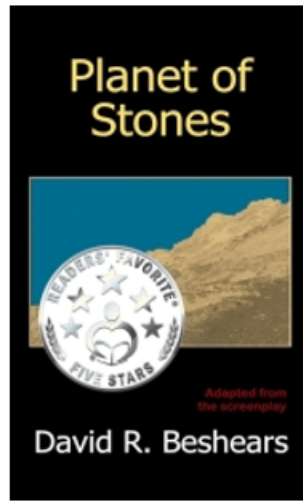
"A suspense-filled mystery with sci-fi undertones, Next Exit is a surreal odyssey you do not want to miss. Author David R. Beshears layers the narrative with a healthy dose of tension and intrigue, building an engrossing plot that unravels its secrets one shocking reveal at a time, keeping you on the edge of your seat until the very end."

– **Readers' Favorite Reviewer**

The novella is adapted directly from the screenplay.

Planet of Stones

Connelly is sent 100,000 years into the past to study the tribes of two recently discovered humanoid species. Two years in, his mission is not what he thought it was and the future no longer exists.



[Planet of Stones on Amazon](#)

Recipient of the Readers' Favorite Five Stars award:

*"The novella skillfully blends science fiction, adventure, and ethical quandaries, creating a narrative that is engaging and thought-provoking. The immersive world-building in **Planet of Stones** captivated me. David R. Beshears skillfully brings to life the alien landscapes and their inhabitants with vivid imagery and attention to detail."* – **Readers' Favorite Reviewer**

The **screenplay adaptation** has placed finalist in multiple screenwriting competitions.

Feedback regarding the screenplay adaptation:

"An immersive, entertaining sci-fi experience."

"Successfully transplants a nearly human-like arc onto a non-human character, which is a difficult task to pull off."

"You create a real sense of not only discovery, but also adventure."

"You have a strong talent for writing scene description in a way that highlights the specific elements that make screenwriting unique."

"You capture the sense of a stranger in a strange land wonderfully."

Ravenhill Court

The year is 1964. Thirteen-year-old Ben Foster and his friends explore the strange goings-on in their isolated neighborhood, with each discovery bringing them closer to uncovering the incredible secret underlying Ravenhill Court.



[Ravenhill Court on Amazon](#)

Present day...

A man returns to a long-abandoned neighborhood. Doors stand ajar, shutters hang open, lawns and landscaping are unkempt. The man sits on the curb and opens a leather-bound journal. Through the journal, he recalls the events that took place in Ravenhill decades earlier.

Journey back to 1964...

The man is just a boy. He and his friends find that their neighborhood, a cul-de-sac set into the foothills along the California coast, is not all that it appears. There are strange happenings; some amazing, some terrifying, and all pointing to the fact that this little community of families might just be something other than what the rest of the world perceives it to be.

Recipient of the Readers' Favorite Five Stars award:

"This is an excellent science fiction/fantasy story, particularly suitable for the young adult market, but equally applicable to all ages. Clever, witty, and sometimes dark humour will always have a place on our bookshelves."

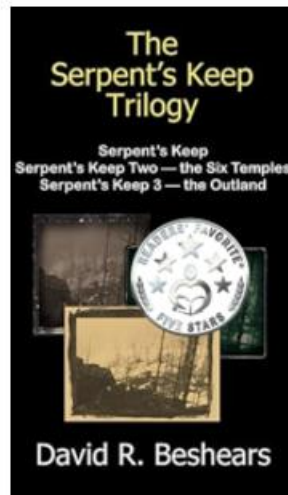
– Readers' Favorite reviewer

Serpent's Keep

Serpent's Keep... book one of the Serpent's Keep Trilogy.

"I bequeath to my nephew all that I own, all that I dream, and all that I am, in the hope that my life's quest will become his quest."

-- Those few cryptic words send Jake into a world that couldn't possibly exist.



[Serpent's Keep on Amazon](#)

[The Serpent's Keep Trilogy on Amazon](#)

[Serpent's Keep Series Page on Amazon](#)

Book One, Serpent's Keep, recipient of the Readers' Favorite Five Stars award:

"Amazing adventures keep the pages turning in this terrific young adult fantasy by David R. Beshears. Serpent's Keep is unique, imaginative, and quite well developed... Interesting characters and wonderful descriptions of unusual locations add to the enjoyment of this story that you wish would never end. Great, imaginative story!" – **Melinda Hills for Readers' Favorite**

The Serpent's Keep Trilogy, recipient of the Readers' Favorite Five Stars award:

"I thoroughly enjoyed reading this spellbinding, magical, and suspenseful fantasy epic for its unique and intrepid characters and its evocative and atmospheric worldbuilding." – **Saifunnissa Hassam for Readers' Favorite**

The miniseries **screenplay adaptation** of Serpent's Keep, book one of the trilogy, was a top ten finalist in an International screenwriting competition.

Shipwreck on ShadowWorld

Thirteen-year-old Jim survives a fiery crash landing in the desolate landscape of ShadowWorld, only to come face to face with bizarre aliens, mystifying cultures, and an unforgiving planet as he searches for rescue.



[Shipwreck on ShadowWorld on Amazon](#)

[Kimara Crossing on Amazon](#)

[Future Prince Series on Amazon](#)

"This book was an awesome adventure... took me to strange places where I got to meet some very interesting characters."

-- **Dan Absalonson, author and audiobook narrator.**

"Shipwreck on ShadowWorld is a captivating read for young adult fans of science fiction and adventure. Beshears combines a richly imagined world with a heartfelt story of survival and justice."

-- **Carol Thompson for Readers' Favorite**

Industry feedback re screenplay adaptation:

"Well structured, exciting and extremely intriguing."

"The characters are believable... visual elements are inventive and exciting."

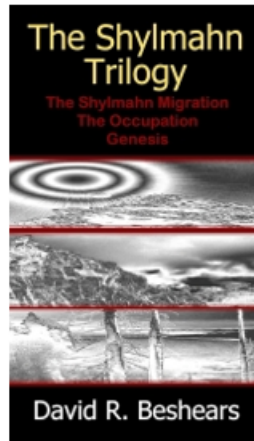
"Pacing works well, creating honest momentum... the plot is balanced with excitement all the way through to the climax, which makes this quite a rewarding read."

Shylmahn Trilogy

The Shylmahn Migration... book one of the **Shylmahn Trilogy**

For the Shylmahn, it was grand adventure...

Brings gritty realism to the nightmare of an overwhelming invasion of Earth.



[The Shylmahn Migration on Amazon](#)

[The Shylmahn Trilogy on Amazon](#)

Recipient of the Readers' Favorite Five Stars award:

"Author David R. Beshears writes with an emotional intelligence that makes the big concepts hit even harder. I was fascinated by how the Shylmahn weren't cartoon villains like you so often see in alien stories like this. They had their logic and their own sense of mission that made perfect sense and was well-described. Seeing Earth through their eyes made the whole conflict feel more tragic than explosive. I also appreciated how the human stories felt grounded and believable, not overly heroic. The pacing is tight, the world feels fully realized, and there's an underlying empathy that elevates the whole thing."

– Readers' Favorite Reviewer

"Intelligent science fiction"

William C. Brown, Ph.D.

Author of 'The Evolutionary Science of Extraterrestrial Life'

"Outstanding writing in a fine story"

"Very well designed and very well executed"

David L. Powell, Ph.D., English and American Literature

Sisters in Space

Claire and Amelia wake from cryo aboard a small escape shuttle, find themselves adrift eighty years in deep space. This is the story of their journey home.

This volume contains all **seven episodes** of the serial.



[Sisters in Space on Amazon](#)

Recipient of the Readers' Favorite Five Stars award:

"Sisters in Space is a delightful little space opera adapted from a multi-episode screenplay by David R. Beshears. It reads like a science fiction anthology with seven interconnected stories. It resembles a fusion of The Outer Limits and Lost In Space." – **Readers' Favorite Reviewer**

Note:

The screenplay adaptation of **Episode One** of the series was a **top three finalist** in a recent webseries screenwriting competition.

The Storekeeper

The Storekeeper, residing in an old, weathered general store and train station. The Storekeeper welcomes those arriving and guides them on their way to the stories waiting for them further up the line.



[The Storekeeper novella on Amazon](#)

[The Storekeeper stageplay on Amazon](#)

The novella is the recipient of the Readers' Favorite Five Stars award:

"David Beshears employs a variety of literary devices to create atmosphere, deepen themes, and build the metafictional narrative: allegory, symbolism, foreshadowing, personification, irony, repetition, and dialogue as characterization. These devices create a thought-provoking story that blends speculative fiction with philosophical inquiry. The Storekeeper is a uniquely engaging novella that showcases Beshears' incredible writing talent."

– **Readers' Favorite Reviewer**

The novella has been adapted to an anthology tv pilot episode **screenplay**.
The novella has been adapted to a three-act stageplay, which has placed finalist in a **stageplay** screenwriting competition.

Sutherland House – the complete series

Matthew and Jennifer Sutherland, father and daughter, wage a secret war against a hidden society of immortals with extraordinary abilities, a society Sutherland House once dominated. Now estranged from the other Primary Families, they are all that stands between humanity and the mysterious, terrifying agenda of the Society.



[Sutherland House on Amazon](#)

The complete five-episode series

The series has been adapted to screenplays, limited series.

The first episode was a finalist in a screenwriting competition.

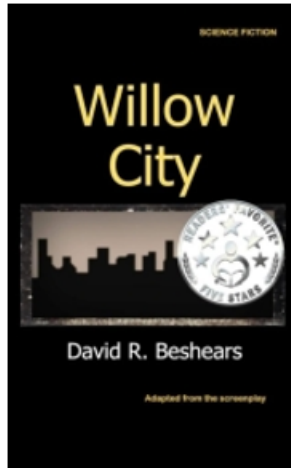
Recipient of the Readers' Favorite Five Stars award:

"David R. Beshears excels in creating a world that's grounded and otherworldly. The Society, with its unique abilities and intricate hierarchies, is a fascinating construct that adds intrigue to the plot. The pacing of the series is well-balanced, with moments of quiet introspection seamlessly interspersed with scenes of tension and action. The dialogue is sharp and authentic, revealing the characters' personalities and motivations while driving the story forward."

– Readers' Favorite Reviewer

Willow City

A soldier returns home to the damp, gray streets of Willow City to search for his missing brother. Willow City, one of the eight authoritarian city-states of the Federation. Willow City, a world of dark secrets and shadowy characters.



[Willow City on Amazon](#)

Dystopian science fiction in an atmosphere of black & white film noir.

Recipient of the Readers' Favorite Five Stars award:

"Willow City by David R. Beshears is a science fiction story with a strong film noir flavor, adapted from Beshears' own screenplay. Set in a tightly controlled city-state, the novel follows Alan Thornton, a retired Master Sergeant, who returns to Willow City to investigate the mysterious disappearance of his brother Richard... Willow City will appeal to readers who enjoy atmospheric, character-driven mysteries set against dystopian backdrops. It blends the sensibilities of classic detective fiction with speculative elements, offering a portrayal of loyalty, resistance, and quiet defiance in a society where every move is monitored."

– Readers' Favorite Reviewer

Yesterday's Shadows

Most of my short stories have been lost, particularly those written using my old typewriter back before I had a computer, and more than a few written with only pencil and paper. But I did manage to hang onto a couple from way back when.

I thought I'd bring some of these old stories out into the light.



[Yesterday's Shadows on Amazon](#)

Yesterday's Shadows

Written about 1975, heavy on TZ influence

Reunions

First published in Necrology Magazine, Tales of Macabre

Last Day at Sharp Park

Written in 1971, when I was fifteen years old.

The Light in the Mist

A Victorian Fairie Tale (well, sort of...)

Room

The assignment was to write a "white room" story...

The Meadow

The story of a twelve-year-old boy on a hunting trip with his grandpa

At Variance Series

The At Variance Collection...
Twenty-nine novellas and short stories in four collections.



[At Variance on Amazon](#)

[At Variance Volume 2 on Amazon](#)

[At Variance 3 on Amazon](#)

[At Variance Volume 4 on Amazon](#)

At Variance – five novellas adapted from screenplays

At Variance Volume 2 – seven novellas adapted from screenplays

At Variance 3 – thirteen short stories and novellas

At Variance Volume 4 – four novellas and flash fiction

A number of the novellas included in this collection were independently the recipients of the Readers' Favorite Five Stars award, are individually available in kindle, paperback, large print paperback and hardcover format.

Author Platform

David is an award-winning author of dozens of books in science fiction and fantasy. His work has been praised by literary professors and by PhDs in science, by fans and by book reviewers around the world.

David lives in Washington State with his wife Sylvia. When not writing, he can usually be found on any one of a dozen northwest mountains.

His **author platform** includes:

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