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FICTION

AN UNRESTORED WOMAN by Shobha Rao (Summer 2016)

Acquiring editor: Amy Einhorn; Material: manuscript; Page count: 256

In this stunning collection of interconnected stories from a talented debut author, the partition of India and Pakistan in 1947 cuts a jagged path through the lives of ordinary women and men, leaving ripples of sorrow through time and space. Each couplet of stories spans the Indian subcontinent, from refugee camps and torched trains to the spacious verandas of the British Raj, and billows into the wider world. An old woman recounts the murdering of what was most precious to her, and the many small cuts that led her to that act. A girl forced into prostitution wields patience as deftly as a weapon, and manages to escape her fate. An Indian servant falls in love with his employer, and spins a twisted web of deceit. The characters in these fearless stories stumble—occasionally towards love, more often towards survival—and find that history, above all, is their truest and greatest opponent. And what emerges, in the midst of newly erected barriers, boundaries, and nations, is a journey into the center of the only place that matters—the human heart.

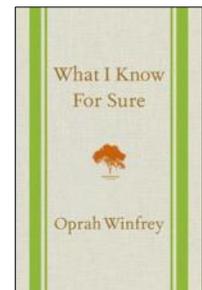
Foreign sales: **UK**/Virago

NON-FICTION

WHAT I KNOW FOR SURE by Oprah Winfrey (September 2014)

Acquiring editor: Bob Miller; Material: finished copies; Page count: 240

After film critic Gene Siskel asked her, “What do you know for sure?” Oprah Winfrey began writing the “What I Know For Sure” column in *O, The Oprah Magazine*. Saying that the question offered her a way to take “stock of her life,” Oprah has penned one column a month over the last fourteen years, years in which she retired *The Oprah Winfrey Show* (the highest-rated program of its kind in history), launched her own television network, became America’s only black billionaire, was awarded an honorary degree from Harvard University and the Presidential Medal of Freedom, watched friends and colleagues come and go, lost beloved pets and adopted new ones, and celebrated milestone birthdays. Throughout it all, she’s continued to offer her profound and inspiring words of wisdom in her “What I Know For Sure” column in *O, The Oprah Magazine*. Now, for the first time, these thoughtful gems have been revised, updated, and collected in *What I Know For Sure*, a beautiful book packed with insight and revelation from Oprah Winfrey. Organized by theme—joy, resilience, connection, gratitude, possibility, awe, clarity, and power—these essays offer a rare and powerful glimpse into the mind of one of the world’s most extraordinary women. Candid, moving, exhilarating, uplifting, and dynamic, the words Oprah shares in *What I Know For Sure* shimmer with the sort of wisdom and truth that readers will turn to again and again.

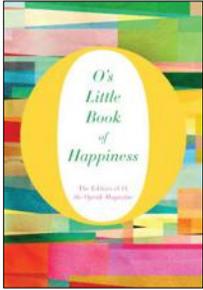


#1 New York Times bestseller!

Foreign sales: **Brazil**/Sextante, **Bulgaria**/Hermes, **China**/Xiron Books, **Croatia**/Profil, **Denmark**/Rosinante, **French World**/Tresor Cache, **Germany**/Fischer, **Holland**/A.W. Bruna, **Hungary**/Édesvíz, **Italy**/Rizzoli, **Korea**/Bookhouse, **Slovenia**/Mladinska Knjiga, **Spanish World**/Santillana, **Taiwan**/Commonwealth Publishing Group, **UK**/Pan Macmillan

O'S LITTLE BOOK OF HAPPINESS by The Editors of O, The Oprah Magazine (May 2015)

Acquiring editor: Bob Miller; Material: manuscript due December; Page count: 224

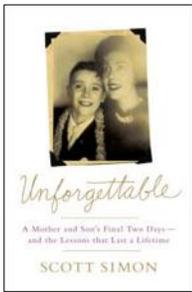


A sprightly dose of practical and insightful inspiration, a sprinkling of feel-good science, and a bounty of joyful stories by great writers, *O's Little Book of Happiness* features some of the best writing to have appeared in *O, the Oprah Magazine* over its fifteen year history. From an ode to life's deliciousness by Anne Lamott, to a primer on boosting your bliss from Gretchen Rubin, a guide to trading stress for serenity by Shonda Rhimes, a moving glimpse inside the mind of Neil de Grasse Tyson, and much, much more, the editors at *O* have combed through the magazine's extensive archives to assemble this poignant and rousing collection.

This will be the first in a series, with the next title, *O's Little Guide to Finding Your True Purpose*, following in Fall 2015.

UNFORGETTABLE: A Mother and Son's Final Two Days—and the Lessons That Last a Lifetime by Scott Simon (April 2015)

Acquiring editor: Bob Miller; Material: manuscript due November; Page count 256

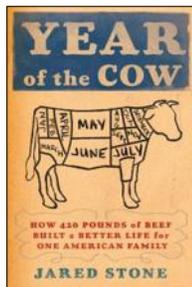


I'm getting a life's lesson about grace from my mother in the ICU. We never stop learning from our mothers, do we? When NPR Weekend Edition Saturday host Scott Simon began tweeting from his mother's hospital room in July 2013, he didn't know that his missives would soon spread well beyond his 1.2 million followers. Squeezing the magnitude of his final days with her into 140-character updates, Simon's evocative and moving meditations spread virally. Simon chronicled his mother's death and reflected on her life, revealing her humor and strength, and celebrating the love of family. The world hung on Simon's every word and his mother's eventual passing made national news, attracting attention from news media like the Today Show, *The New Yorker* and *The New York Times*. Inspired by those famous tweets, Simon now offers a deeply affecting, heart-wrenching memoir that is one man's moving tribute to his mother's colorful life and graceful death, but it is also a powerful portrait of the universal bond between mother and child.

Praise for Scott Simon's tweets: "Poignant and haunting...Simon's tweets [are] meditative, almost ceremonious in their portrayal of the physical difficulty of dying and the impossible pain of saying goodbye"—Meghan O'Rourke, *The New Yorker*

YEAR OF THE COW: How 420 Pounds of Beef Built a Better Life for One American Family by Jared Stone (April 2015)

Acquiring editor: Bob Miller; Material: manuscript; Page count: 320



This is *Julie and Julia* meets Anthony Bourdain, as one man attempts to cook his way through an entire cow, hoping a more conscious relationship with food will give him clarity, better health, greater creativity, and not to mention hundreds of new recipes.

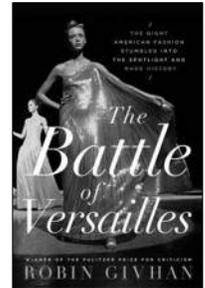
Praise: "In a winsome, endearing, and revealing story, Stone's nose-to-tail experience with a whole beef in his kitchen makes the daunting seem like can-do fun. The epiphanies occur in unexpected places, but each one expresses the connections, responsibilities, and opportunities all of us share with food and the land. A truly enjoyable read."—Joel Salatin, farmer profiled in *Food, Inc.* and *The Omnivore's*

Dilemma and author of *This Ain't Normal*

THE BATTLE OF VERSAILLES: The Night American Fashion Stumbled into the Spotlight and Made History by Robin Givhan (February 2015)

Acquiring editor: Colin Dickerman; Material: manuscript; Page count: 320

From Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Robin Givhan comes an expertly reported and vividly drawn account of arguably the most important moment in American fashion: the 1973 runway event at Versailles, in which a group of American designers including Oscar de la Renta, Halston, and Anne Klein triumphed over the lions of French couture, and the United States became the dominant force in the world of style and culture.



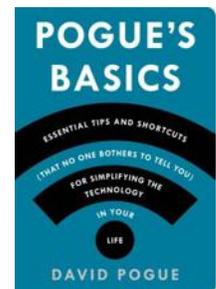
Praise: “In *The Battle of Versailles*, Pulitzer-prizing winning fashion critic Robin Givhan expertly captures the players and the scene of a turning point in both fashion and American culture, showing that chutzpah and savviness count as much as craftsmanship and refinement. With in-depth reporting and her warm, informative voice, Givhan proves that a fashion show is about far more than clothes. Indeed, as this fascinating book shows, it can spark a social revolution.”—Dana Thomas, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Deluxe: How Luxury Lost Its Luster*

Foreign sales: **Brazil**/Jorge Zahar

POGUE’S BASICS: Essential Tips and Shortcuts (That No One Bothers to Tell You) for Simplifying the Technology in Your Life by David Pogue (January 2015)

Acquiring editor: Bob Miller; Material: .pdf pages; Page count: 368

Did you know that you could scroll through a website using only your space bar? That if you type your airline and flight number into Google, it will tell you where your flight is, the gate, terminal, and how long until it lands? When David Pogue gave this kind of advice in the *New York Times*, his columns were consistently the most e-mailed of the week. When he gave a TED Talk of his tips, it was viewed by 1.3 million people in ninety days. Pogue’s tips have earned him 1.5 million followers on Twitter. And now that he is the columnist for Yahoo! Tech, the audience for this advice has grown by millions more. Here at last is the book all these fans have been waiting for: a book of 200 tips that will change your relationship to your phone, your computer, your tablet, your camera—to all of the technology in your life. The tech tips in *Pogue’s Basics* are all you will need to get by...the shortcuts to a happier technological life.



SLAUGHTERHOUSE 90210 by Maris Kreizman (Fall 2015)

Acquiring editor: Colin Dickerman; Material: proposal (manuscript due December); Page count: 256

In her critically acclaimed Tumblr, *Slaughterhouse 90210*, which has 125,000 followers, Maris Kreizman brilliantly brings together high and low culture, posting screengrabs from popular television shows and pairing them with literary quotes. Now in her book of the same name she broadens her subject matter beyond television to examine all areas of pop culture—from film, to music, politics, and technology.

UNDER THE SUN & THE MOON: The Life of Margaret Wise Brown by Amy Gary (Fall 2015)

Acquiring editor: Bob Miller; Material: proposal (manuscript due January); Page count: to come

Although parents and children around the world have formed a nighttime ritual listening to the lulling words of *Goodnight Moon*, few know that this classic work was part of a publishing revolution led by Margaret Wise Brown, a woman renowned not only for her prolific writing and publishing savvy, but also for her stunning beauty and thirst for life. In this definitive biography, Amy Gary—who for twenty-five years has curated the Margaret Wise Brown archive—captures the exceptional life of this woman who, before her untimely death at the age of forty-two, published hundreds of books while having a tumultuous series of love affairs with both men and women.

FINDING NORTH: A Journey into the Heart of Navigation by George Michelsen Foy (Fall 2015)

Acquiring editor: Bob Miller; Material: proposal (manuscript due December); Page count: 288

With the near ubiquity of handheld electronic devices and the increasingly complex systems governing air and even vehicular travel, we live in a world where it is nearly impossible to become lost. And yet, George Foy argues, we've never been more so. In *Finding North* Foy pursues the eye-opening truth about navigation across geographical and personal landscapes, memorably chronicling the stakes it has for us in human, medical, and psychological terms. This is a spellbinding investigation into one of the most fundamental aspects of what makes us who we are.