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ADULT FICTION

## MARIE BENEDICT

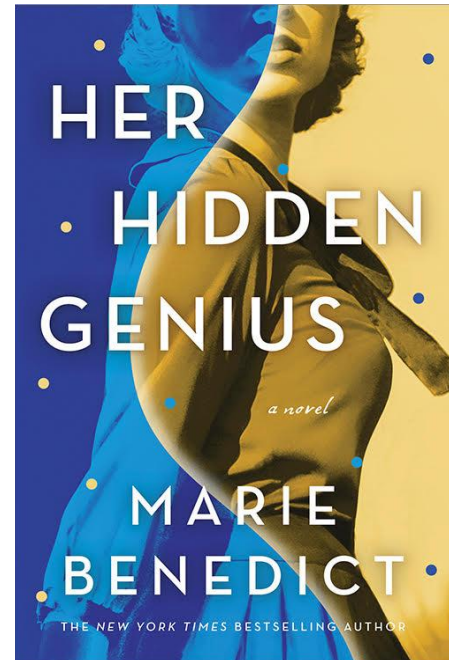
### HER HIDDEN GENIUS

• *Sourcebooks*, January 2022

The next book by the *New York Times* bestselling author of *THE MYSTERY OF MRS. CHRISTIE* and *THE ONLY WOMAN IN THE ROOM*

"What an important book this is. Through Marie Benedict's trademark insight and immersive historical research, Rosalind Franklin and her extraordinary legacy are beautifully restored to public recognition. A must-read for anyone interested in science or forgotten heroines."

—Kate Moore, *New York Times* bestselling author of *THE RADIUM GIRLS* and *THE WOMAN THEY COULD NOT SILENCE*



Discover the story of a woman who fought through a male-dominated field to unlock the secrets of DNA.

Rosalind Franklin knows if she just takes one more x-ray picture, she can unlock the building blocks of life. Never again will she have to listen to her male colleagues complain about her, especially Maurice Wilkins who would rather conspire about genetics with James Watson and Francis Crick than work alongside her. Then it finally happens—the double helix structure of DNA reveals itself to her with perfect clarity. Photograph 51. But Rosalind never could have predicted how far her colleagues would go to erase her name from the history books.

Marie Benedict's next powerful novel shines a light on a woman who died to discover our very DNA, a woman whose contributions were suppressed by the men around her but whose relentless drive advanced our understanding of humankind.

**MARIE BENEDICT** is a former lawyer who lives in Pittsburgh, PA. She is also the author of the *USA Today* bestselling *THE OTHER EINSTEIN*, *CARNEGIE'S MAID*, *LADY CLEMENTINE*, and many more. Please click here to see more: [authormariebenedict.com](http://authormariebenedict.com).

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## LILY CHU



### **THE STAND-IN**

- US & UK Audio: Audible Originals
- US & UK Print: Sourcebooks, August 2021
- ★ **Sold in an eight-house auction**

**“I loved this book! Grace is the perfect, relatable, hilarious rom-com heroine.” —Farah Heron**

When a mysterious black SUV pulls up next to Gracie Reed, she can't believe that Wei Fangli and Sam Yao, Chinese cinema's golden couple, are inside. She's even more shocked when Fangli says she has a proposal for her. After seeing a picture online that mistakenly identified Gracie as Fangli, the famous actress has tracked her down to offer her a job: All Gracie needs to do is pretend to be the star at public events for the next couple of months.

Which means she will have to be escorted by Sam Yao, Fangli's co-star, the most attractive (and rudest) man Gracie has ever met.

Gracie agrees—partly because it will provide her with the money she needs to get her mother (who suffers from dementia) into an expensive private nursing home and partly because she can't resist an opportunity to experience something different from her usual, boring life.

Her contract says she needs to live with Sam, so she moves into his exclusive hotel suite and a world of luxury she never knew existed. But impersonating Fangli is not as easy as she thought. As Gracie spends more time as Fangli, she realizes that neither Fangli nor Sam are what they seem. Will Gracie be able to keep up the deal without losing herself...and her heart?

**LILY CHU** loves staying up far too late reading a good book and ordering the second-cheapest wine on the menu. She writes romantic comedies set in Toronto with strong Asian characters. **THE STAND-IN** was her debut novel. Her next book, **MINCOGNITO**, is about a K-pop star hiding in Canada. It will be published next July.

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## SUSAN WALTER

### **GOOD AS DEAD**

• *Lake Union (Amazon Publishing), October 2021*

★ *An Amazon First Reads Selection*

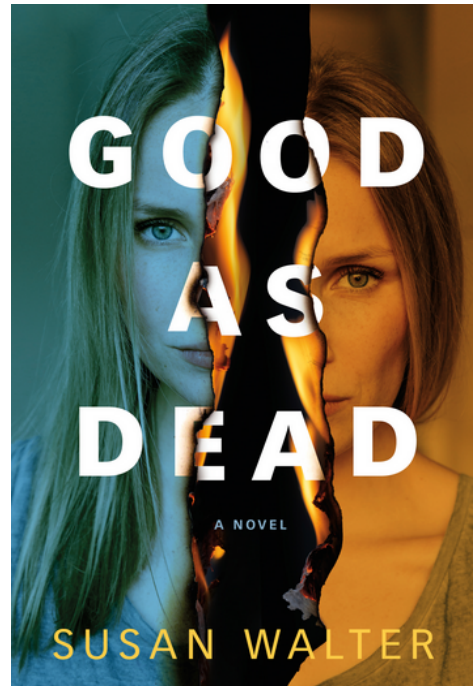
★ *Instant bestseller*

**Debut domestic suspense that starts with a deadly car crash, followed by a strange cover-up. A perfect, smart page-turner!**

It is uncomfortably obvious that Holly Kendrick, with her box-dyed hair and cheap jeans from Target, does not belong in the chic neighborhood of Calabasas—and certainly not in the nicest house on the block. But that's where she was put to recover from the accident that killed her husband. Holly would be more than happy to put it all in the rearview mirror, but her teenage daughter, who masterminded the deal while her mom was unconscious, loves her bougie new neighborhood and the boy that comes with it. Besides, where else would they go?

So Holly swallows her secrets, where they gnaw at her until it hurts to breathe. Her neighbors have a lot of questions, and she's dying for someone to confide in. But she can't. Because her husband's death wasn't exactly an accident...

**SUSAN WALTER** has been a writer, producer and most recently a director working in film and television for over two decades. Her feature film, *ALL I WISH*, which she also wrote, stars Sharon Stone, Tony Goldwyn, Famke Janssen and Ellen Burstyn. The film was released by Universal Pictures in 2018 and is now streaming on Netflix. Susan is a native of Boston and graduated cum laude from Harvard University. She is at work on her second novel now.

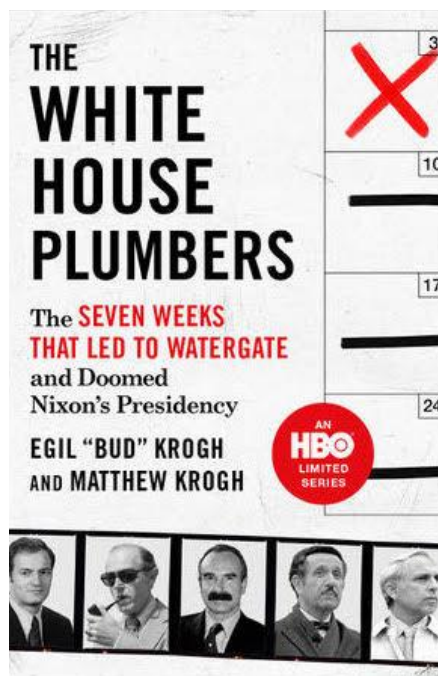


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ADULT NON-FICTION

## EGIL “BUD” KROGH & Matthew Krogh



### THE WHITE HOUSE PLUMBERS: The Seven Weeks that Led to Watergate and Doomed Nixon's Presidency

• *St. Martin's Press, April 2022*

Originally published 15 years ago under the title **INTEGRITY**, this jaw-dropping nonfiction has a new life thanks to Hollywood.

The basis of HBO's five-part series starring Woody Harrelson, Justin Theroux, Domhnall Gleason, Judy Greer, Lena Headey (and many more), this is the true story of the Plumbers, a secret investigative unit inside President Richard Nixon's White House, formed to plug the leaks of the Pentagon Papers (and other classified documents that were appearing in the *New York Times*.)

Bud Krogh, who co-directed the unit, along with David Young who worked for Secretary of State Henry Kissinger, hired G. Gordon Liddy and E. Howard Hunt to break into the psychiatrist's office of Daniel Ellsberg, who they suspected was doing the leaking. The plan was so ill-conceived as to be almost unbelievable. Almost darkly funny, if not also tragic. This bungled crime and cover-up foretold the Watergate scandal and was the beginning of the end for Richard Nixon.

**EGIL “BUD” KROGH** was an American lawyer in the Nixon administration who became well known for pleading guilty to his crimes in what led to the Watergate scandal. **MATTHEW KROGH** is his son, a writer who lives in Bellingham, Washington.

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## CHILDREN'S FICTION

### GINA CHEN

#### **VIOLET MADE OF THORNS**

• Delacorte (Penguin Random House), Summer 2022

**A darkly romantic, fairytale-inspired YA fantasy for fans of THE CRUEL PRINCE and SERPENT & DOVE.**

Violet is a prophet and a liar, influencing the court as Seer with her cleverly phrased—and not always true—divinations. Honesty is for suckers like the oh-so-*not*-charming Prince Cyrus, who plans to strip her of her title once he's crowned.

After the king asks her to falsely prophesy Cyrus's love story for an upcoming ball, Violet awakens a dreaded curse about the prince's future bride. Her wits may protect her in the ruthless court, but they can't protect her against fate—nor the doomed attraction growing between her and the prince...

This first book in a duology is for readers interested in: a sharp-tongued anti-heroine, a diverse cast, and love/hate romance.

**GINA CHEN** spent most of her life thinking she hated writing, until she churned out a few hundred thousand words of fanfiction and decided that maybe she was a writer. Her stories lean toward the fantastic, featuring heroines, antiheroines, and the kind of cleverness that brings trouble. She has a fondness for fairy tales, demon tales, romantic comedies, and quiz shows. She lives in Southern California, where the sun is as plentiful as its tea shops.



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## RACHEL GRIFFIN



### **THE NATURE OF WITCHES**

• *Sourcebooks, June 2021*

★ ***An instant New York Times bestseller!***

**A fierce, romantic YA about a world on the brink of destruction, the one witch who holds the power to save it, and the choice that could cost her everything she loves.**

**"A refreshing take on witches...imaginative, romantic and inspiring."**

**—Shelf Awareness**

For centuries, witches have maintained the climate, their power from the sun peaking in the season of their birth. But now their control is faltering as the atmosphere becomes more erratic. All hope lies with Clara, an Everwitch whose rare magic is tied to every season.

In Autumn, Clara wants nothing to do with her power. It's wild and volatile, and the price of her magic—losing the ones she loves—is too high, despite the need to control the increasingly dangerous weather. In Winter, the world is on the precipice of disaster. Fires burn, storms rage, and Clara accepts that she's the only one who can make a difference. In Spring, she falls for Sang, the witch training her. As her magic grows, so do her feelings, until she's terrified Sang will be the next one she loses. In Summer, Clara must choose between her power and her happiness, her duty and the people she loves...before she loses Sang, her magic, and thrusts the world into chaos

**RACHEL GRIFFIN** lives just outside of Seattle. She witnessed the 2017 total solar eclipse and became a certified weather spotter for the National Weather Service while doing research for this project. She is currently at work on her next novel, *WILD IS THE WITCH*.

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## KALYN JOSEPHSON

### RAVENFALL

• *Delacorte (Random House), Fall 2022*

**This delightful MG contemporary fantasy is *Practical Magic* for the Scooby-Doo crowd, and full of quirky characters and a charming, immersive setting.**

Thirteen-year-old Annabella Ballinkay has never been normal, even by her psychic family's standards. Unlike the rest of them, she's unable to use her magical abilities to help run Ravenfall, their sprawling B&B, which has developed a campy, occultist reputation among tourists. It's hard to contribute when your only power is seeing death—whenever Anna touches someone who's experienced loss, she relives it through them.

So when fourteen-year-old Colin Pierce arrives at the Ravenfall Inn in search of answers about the men who killed his brother, she jumps at the chance to help. But the murder of Colin's brother isn't the only mystery they have to solve.

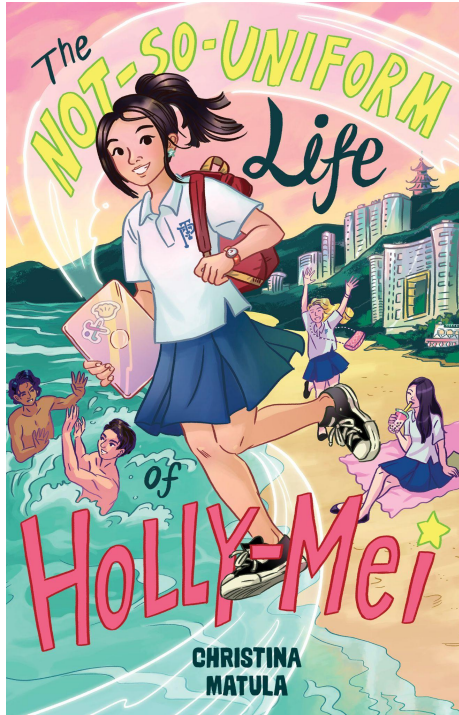


**KALYN JOSEPHSON** is also the author of *THE STORM CROW*, which was one of Indigo's best YA books of 2019, and the upcoming YA novel, *THIS DARK DESCENT*.

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## CHRISTINA MATULA



### **THE NOT-SO-UNIFORM LIFE OF HOLLY-MEI**

• HarperCollins (Inkyard), April 2022

Packed with humor and heart, this debut middle grade trilogy follows a girl finding her place in a brand-new world of private school and frenemies when her family moves to Hong Kong.

Holly-Mei Jones couldn't be more excited about moving to Hong Kong for her mother's job. Her new school is right on the beach and her family's apartment is beyond beautiful. Everything is going to be perfect . . . right?

Maybe not. It feels like everywhere she turns, there are new rules to follow and expectations to meet. On top of that, the most popular girl in her grade is quickly becoming a frenemy. And without the guidance of her loving Ah-ma, who stayed behind in Toronto, Holly-Mei just can't seem to get it right.

It will take all of Holly-Mei's determination and sparkle (and maybe even a tiny bit of stubbornness) to get through seventh grade and turn her life in Hong Kong into the ultimate adventure!

**CHRISTINA MATULA** is from Ottawa, Canada and is of Taiwanese-Hungarian heritage. Being a child of immigrant parents, she has always been curious about other cultures and far-off places. She loves eating dumplings, playing field hockey, and hiking with her family and puppy. She holds an MFA in Creative Writing from the University of Hong Kong.

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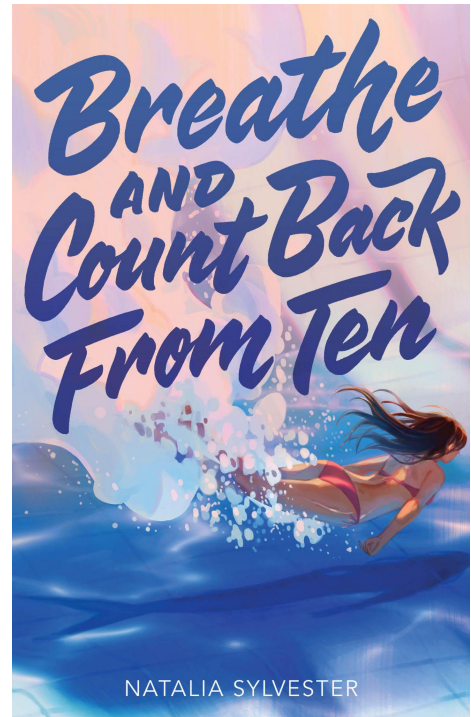
## NATALIA SYLVESTER

### **BREATHE AND COUNT BACK FROM TEN**

• Clarion Books (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt), May 2022

**A gorgeously written and authentic novel about being comfortable in your own skin.**

In a land-locked town in Central Florida, 17-year-old Verónica finds herself fighting both her painful hip dysplasia and her overprotective immigrant parents, all while finding love, finding herself, and chasing her dream to become a professional, performing mermaid in this gorgeously written, authentic novel about secrets and finding your wings (or tail).



**NATALIA SYLVESTER**, was born in Lima, Peru, and came to the U.S. at age 4 and grew up in Florida and the Rio Grande Valley in Texas. She received a BA in Creative Writing from the University of Miami. Her adult novel, *EVERYONE KNOWS YOU GO HOME* (Little A), won an International Latino Book Award, the 2018 Jesse H. Jones Award for Best Work of Fiction from the Texas Institute of Letters, and was named a Best Book of 2018 by Real Simple magazine. *RUNNING* was her YA debut, also published by Clarion Books/HMH.

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## DEEBA ZARGARPUR



### **FARRAH NOORZAD AND THE RING OF FATE**

• *Labyrinth Road*, Summer 2023

**Centering the rich Afghan mythology of the Seven Jinn Kings, this middle-grade debut will appeal to any kid who loves being immersed in big magical adventures.**

All her life, 11-year-old Farrah Noorzad has been desperate to make her father proud. But she only gets one day a year—her birthday—to spend time with him, before he jets back across the world to his real family in Abu Dhabi.

This year, when he gives her a mysterious, whispering ring, and tells her she can make a wish on it, Farrah doesn't think twice. She takes the ring and wishes with everything in her heart to find a place in his world.

But her wish backfires and her father vanishes before her eyes. Guided by the whispering ring, she meets Idris, a half-jinn with milky white eyes and hair, who reveals her true heritage: she is also a half-jinn...and her father is one of the seven great jinn kings. As if that weren't unbelievable enough, he explains that her wish has trapped her father inside the ring, and the other six jinn kings will follow if she can't find a way to undo her mistake.

With the clock ticking, Farrah makes an unlikely alliance with Idris and Yaseen, the half-brother she's never met. In order to free their father, the trio will have to face the most devious jinn king of all.

**DEEBA ZARGARPUR** is an Afghan-Uzbek American. She credits her love of literature across various languages to her immigrant parents, whose eerie tales haunted her well into the night. If given the choice, Deebea would spend her days getting lost in spooky towns with nothing but a notebook and eye for adventure to guide her.

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