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# IN A THOUSAND DIFFERENT WAYS

## by Cecelia Ahern

Life is aglow with an infinite number of colours...

Gold is the colour of innocence, green stands for stability, and blue represents sadness. As a child, Alice discovers that she can see other people's emotions and moods in colours emanating from their bodies. These auras reveal whether someone is telling the truth or lying; happy or secretly close to tears; or filled with rage.

Awash in a sea of other people's emotions, Alice struggles to surround herself with the colours of happiness. At first, nature and the outdoors are her only opportunity to experience some peace. But as she strikes out on her own, a wise neighbor who recognizes Alice's gift teaches her how to cope with the daily flood of feeling, preparing her for an encounter with a man seemingly without colours. Alice, who once sought to mute the vivid colours around her, finally embraces all the shimmering facets of life for herself.

Emotional and wise, colourful and tender, IN A THOUSAND DIFFERENT WAYS celebrates the infinite facets of living, the joys of being together and the manifold colours of love.

- The Apple TV series ROAR was based on her collection of short stories.

**Cecelia Ahern** was born and grew up in Dublin. Her novels have been translated into thirty-five languages and have sold more than twenty-five million copies in over fifty countries. Two of her books (PS, I LOVE YOU and LOVE, ROSIE) have been adapted as films and she has created several TV series. She and her books have won numerous awards, including the Irish Book Award for Popular Fiction for THE YEAR I MET YOU. She lives in Dublin with her family.



**HarperCollins UK**  
**April 2023**

Format: Manuscript

**Rights Sold:**

German - Piper Verlag

# NEW TRILOGY IN THE ALL SOULS SERIES

by Deborah Harkness

The #1 *New York Times* Bestselling author returns to the ALL SOULS universe with a new trilogy centered on Diana, Matthew, and their twins.

The *All Souls* series began with a trilogy of novels focused on the main protagonist, Diana Bishop, as she grapples with understanding her magical talents and what it means to be a weaver. While the first trilogy focused on facing difficult truths, reaching for what you truly desire, and understanding who you are meant to be and where you come from, these next three books will explore unresolved issues from the first three books through the lens of Diana's decision to embark on the dark, labyrinthine path of higher magic.

Rather than facing external adversaries, Books V-VII will turn to the enemies within: the dark sides of ourselves, our families, and our communities which we often lack the courage to face. Light and dark exist in every creature. But all of us have dark shadows that grow into monsters when fed with fear rather than love. The trick is to never let go of the light, and to strive to become the beacon of hope in the darkness.

- SHADOW OF NIGHT and THE BOOK OF LIFE each debuted at #1 on the New York Times Bestseller list
- The trilogy was adapted into a hit TV show, entitled A DISCOVERY OF WITCHES, starring Teresa Palmer and Matthew Goode.

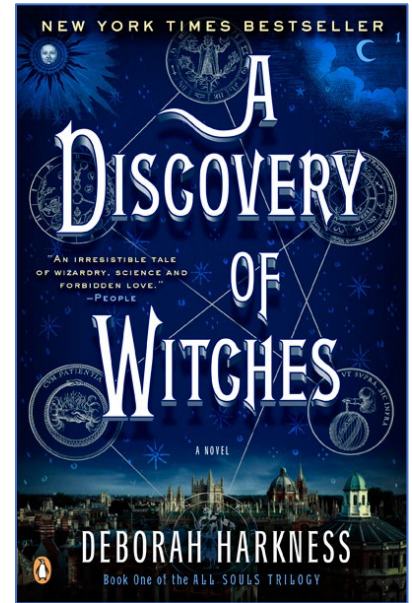
Praise for THE ALL SOULS TRILOGY:

“Romantic, erudite, and suspenseful . . . Harkness attends to every scholarly and emotional detail with whimsy, sensuality, and humor.”  
—O, *The Oprah Magazine*

“Harkness conjures up a scintillating paranormal story. . . . Discover why everyone's talking about this magical book.”  
—USA Today

*A Discovery of Witches* becomes increasingly charming as it goes along... A shrewdly written romp and a satisfying snow-day read... By the book's rousing end . . . I was impatient for the sequel.”  
—NPR

**Deborah Harkness** is the number one *New York Times* bestselling author of *A Discovery of Witches*, *Shadow of Night*, and *The Book of Life*. A history professor at the University of Southern California, Harkness has received Fulbright, Guggenheim, and National Humanities Center fellowships. She lives in Los Angeles.



## Recent Publishers:

- Bulgarian - Bard
- C. Chinese - Tsinghua
- S. Chinese - Locus
- Croatian - Fraktura
- Czech -- Euromedia
- Danish - Lindhardt
- Dutch - Meulenhoff
- English - Headline and Viking
- French - Editions Calmann-Levy
- German - Random House Verlag
- Hungarian - Cartaphilus  
Konyvkiado
- Italian -- Piemme
- Japanese -- Villagebooks
- Polish -- MAG
- Portuguese - Casa das Letras
- Br. Portuguese - Editora Rocco
- Romanian -- Litera
- Russian -- Azbooka-Atticus
- Slovakian -- Ikar
- Spanish - PRH Grupo Editorial
- Thai - Nation International  
Edutainment
- Turkish - Pegasus
- Ukrainian - Hemiro
- Vietnamese - Alpha

# CARRIE SOTO IS BACK

by Taylor Jenkins Reid

In this powerful novel about the cost of greatness, the #1 *New York Times* Bestselling author returns with the story of a legendary athlete attempting a comeback when the world considers her past her prime.

Carrie Soto is fierce, and her determination to win at any cost has not made her popular. But by the time she retires from tennis, she is the best player the world has ever seen. She has shattered every record and claimed twenty Grand Slam titles. And if you ask Carrie, she is entitled to every one. She sacrificed nearly everything to become the best, with her father, Javier, as her coach. A former champion himself, Javier has trained her since the age of two.

But six years after her retirement, Carrie finds herself sitting in the stands of the 1994 US Open, watching her record be taken from her by a brutal, stunning player named Nicki Chan.

At thirty-seven years old, Carrie makes the monumental decision to come out of retirement and be coached by her father for one last year in an attempt to reclaim her record. Even if the sports media says that they never liked “the Battle-Axe” anyway. Even if her body doesn’t move as fast as it did. And even if it means swallowing her pride to train with a man she once almost opened her heart to: Bowe Huntley. Like her, he has something to prove before he gives up the game forever.

In spite of it all, Carrie Soto is back, for one epic final season. In this riveting and unforgettable novel, Taylor Jenkins Reid tells her most vulnerable, emotional story yet.

- Debuted at #1 on the *New York Times* Bestseller list and at #4 on the *Sunday Times* Bestseller list in the UK
- Taylor Jenkins Reid is the author of eight novels, including the global phenomenon *THE SEVEN HUSBANDS OF EVELYN HUGO*

Praise for *CARRIE SOTO IS BACK*:

“This Nineties tennis romp is a crowd-pleaser. Taylor Jenkins Reid captures all the sweat, rivalry and glamour of elite sport.”

—*The Times*

“Reid’s writing is extraordinary in its empathy for women navigating uncharted fame and success. Following the mental trajectory of a certified champion like Soto is endlessly fascinating and makes the book impossible to put down.”

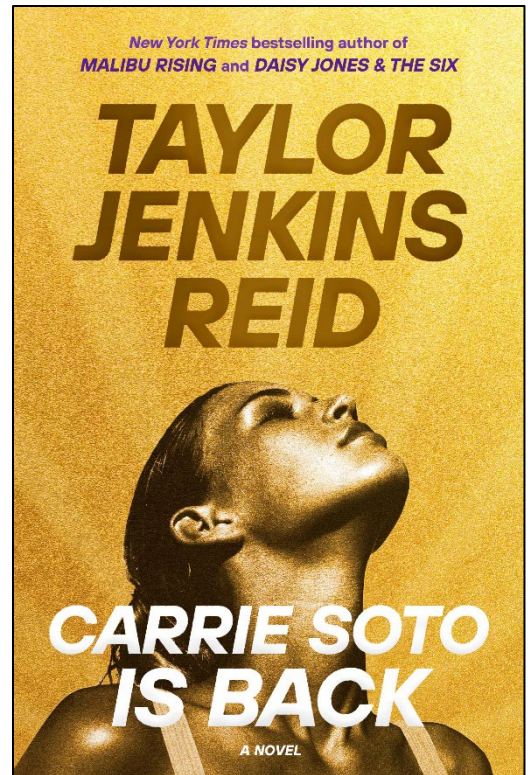
—*USA Today*

“With a wonderfully complex character, a world you can’t help being seduced by, and an important message about it never being too late, TJR has served up another ace.”

—*Heat Magazine*, Five stars and Book of the Week

Taylor Jenkins Reid is an author and screenwriter from Acton, Massachusetts. She is the author of six previous novels, which have been named best books of the summer by *People*, *Cosmopolitan*, *Glamour*, *InStyle*, *PopSugar*, *Buzzfeed*, *Goodreads*, and others. She lives in Los Angeles with her husband, their daughter, and their dog.

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**Ballantine  
Hutchinson  
August 2022**

**Rights Sold:**

Arabic - Arab Cultural Center

Croatian - Vorto

Czech - Dobrovsky

Dutch - Ambo Anthos

German - Ullstein

Portuguese (Bra) -  
Companhia Das Letras

Portuguese - Topseller

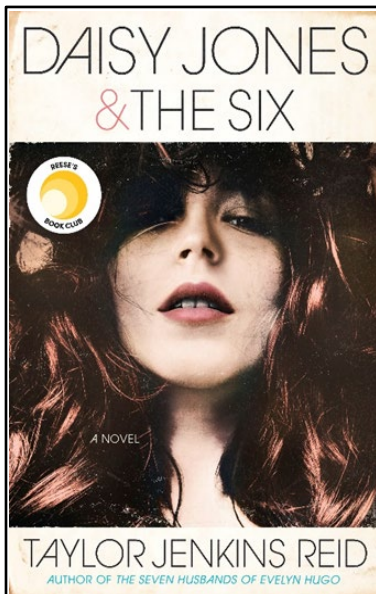
Romanian - Corint

Slovak - Slovensky Spisovatel

Spanish—Uranio

# Taylor Jenkins Reid Backlist

Fiction



## DAISY JONES AND THE SIX

Ballantine/Hutchinson  
March 2019

**\*\*Soon to be an Amazon Prime series starring Sam Claflin and Riley Keogh\*\***

A gripping novel about the whirlwind rise of an iconic 1970s rock group and their beautiful lead singer, revealing the mystery behind their infamous breakup.

### Rights Sold:

Bulgarian - Locus  
Croatian - Vorto  
Czech - Dobrovsky  
Danish - Politikens  
Dutch - Ambo Anthos  
French - Leduc  
Finnish - Gummerus  
German - Ullstein  
Greek - Aiolos  
Hebrew - Keter  
Hungarian - Könyvmolyképző  
Italian - Sperling & Kupfer  
Japanese - Sayusha  
Korean - Dasan

Lithuanian - Alma Littera  
Macedonian - ARS Lamina  
Norwegian - Cappelen Damm  
Polish - Poznańskie  
Portuguese (Bra) - Companhia das Letras  
Portuguese - 20|20 Editora  
Romanian - Corint  
Russian - Exmo  
Serbian - Laguna  
Slovak - Slovensky spisovatel  
Slovenian - Učila  
Spanish - Blackie Books  
Swedish - Bookmark  
Turkish - Penguin Kitap

### Rights Sold:

Bulgaria—Locus  
Croatian—Vorto  
Czech – Dobrovsky  
Dutch - Ambo Anthos  
Estonian-Rahva Ramaat  
Finnish – Gummerus  
French – Leduc  
German – Ullstein  
Greek—Aiolos  
Hebrew – Keter  
Hungarian-Konyvmolykepzo  
Italian - Sperling & Kupfer  
Korean – Dasan

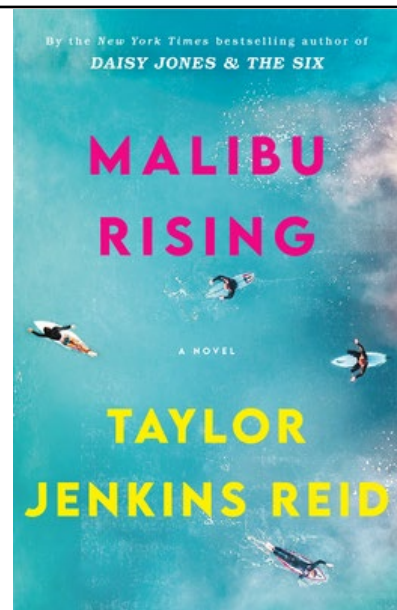
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Macedonian - ARS Lamina  
Norwegian - Cappelen Damm  
Polish - Poznańskie  
Portuguese (Bra) - Companhia das Letras  
Romanian - Corint  
Serbian - Laguna  
Slovak - Slovensky spisovatel  
Slovenian - HKZ  
Spanish - Urano  
Turkish - Yabanci  
Ukrainian - ArtBooks

## MALIBU RISING

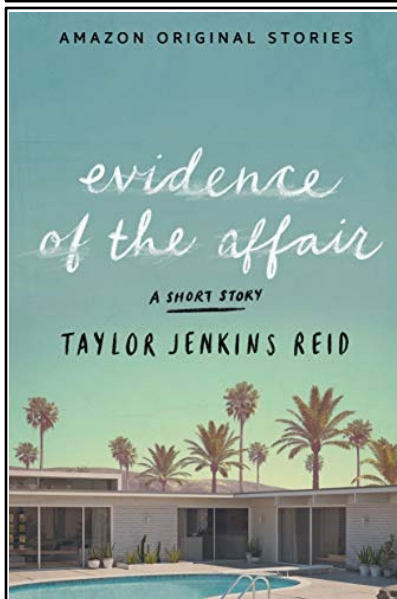
Ballantine/Hutchinson  
June 2021

A #2 *New York Times* bestseller, a #2 *Sunday Times* bestseller, and an Amazon Best Book of 2021.

Four famous siblings throw an epic party to celebrate the end of the summer. But over the course of twenty-four hours, their lives will change forever.



AMAZON ORIGINAL STORIES



## EVIDENCE OF THE AFFAIR

Amazon Original Stories  
2021

**The repercussions of an illicit affair unfold in this short story by bestselling author Taylor Jenkins Reid.**

Told entirely through the letters of two comforting strangers and those of two illicit lovers, EVIDENCE OF THE AFFAIR explores the complex nature of the heart. And ultimately, for one woman, how liberating it can be when it's broken.

### Rights Sold:

Portuguese (Bra.) - Companhia das Letras  
Dutch - Ambos Anthos  
Italian - Sperling & Kupfer  
Turkish - Yabanci

# DREAMLAND

by Nicholas Sparks

A poignant love story about risking everything for a dream—and whether it’s possible to leave the past behind.

Colby Mills once felt destined for a musical career, until tragedy grounded his aspirations. Now the head of a small family farm in North Carolina, he spontaneously takes a gig playing at a bar in St. Pete’s Beach, Florida, seeking a rare break from his duties at home.

But when he meets Morgan Lee, his world is turned upside-down, making him wonder if the responsibilities he has shouldered need dictate his life forever. The daughter of affluent Chicago doctors, Morgan has graduated from a prestigious college music program with the ambition to move to Nashville and become a star. Romantically and musically, she and Colby complete each other in a way that neither has ever known.

While they are falling headlong in love, Beverly is on a heart-pounding journey of another kind. Fleeing an abusive husband with her six-year-old son, she is trying to piece together a life for them in a small town far off the beaten track. With money running out and danger seemingly around every corner, she makes a desperate decision that will rewrite everything she knows to be true.

In the course of a single unforgettable week, two young people will navigate the exhilarating heights and heartbreak of first love. Hundreds of miles away, Beverly will put her love for her young son to the test. And fate will draw all three people together in a web of life-altering connections . . . forcing each to wonder whether the dream of a better life can ever survive the weight of the past.

- #1 *New York Times* Bestseller
- An immediate bestseller in both Italy and Germany
- Film Rights sold to Universal Pictures

Praise for previous novel *THE WISH*:

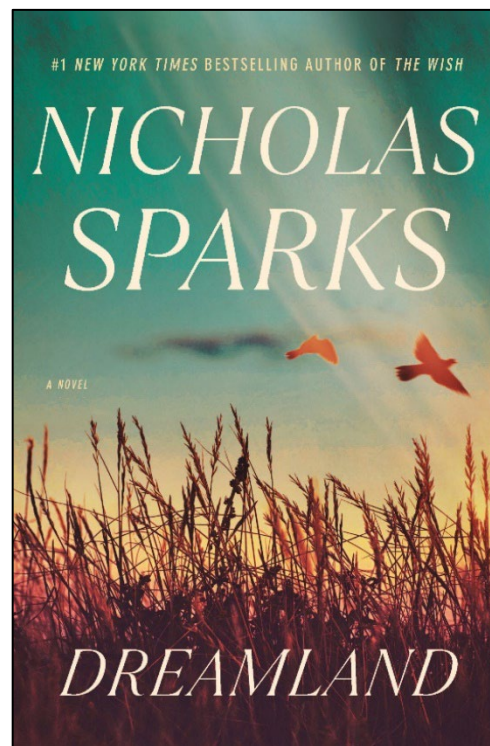
"If it's never too early for Christmas in your world, get in the mood with this awww-worthy story of first love and its echoes that takes place during the holidays."  
—*Good Housekeeping*

"Sure to top the book lists of romance fans near and far."  
—*CNN Underscored*

"Sparks has definitely mastered the art of love."  
—*Associated Press*

"Sparks is a poet . . . a master."  
—*Philadelphia Inquirer*

Nicholas Sparks is one of the world’s most beloved storytellers, with over 105 million books sold worldwide. His novels include fifteen #1 *New York Times* bestsellers, and all of his books have been *New York Times* and international bestsellers and were translated into more than fifty languages. Eleven of Nicholas Sparks’ novels—*THE CHOICE*, *THE LONGEST RIDE*, *THE BEST OF ME*, *SAFE HAVEN*, *THE LUCKY ONE*, *THE LAST SONG*, *DEAR JOHN*, *NIGHTS IN RODANTHE*, *THE NOTEBOOK*, *A WALK TO REMEMBER*, and *MESSAGE IN A BOTTLE*—have been adapted into major motion pictures.



Random House  
Little, Brown UK  
September 2022

#### Rights Sold:

Albanian - Bota  
Portuguese Brazilian -  
Sextante  
Bulgarian - ERA  
Czech - Euromedia  
French - Michel Lafon  
German - Heyne  
Hungarian - General Press  
Italian - Sperling & Kupfer  
Lithuanian - Balto Leidybos  
Norwegian - Cappelen Damm  
Polish - Albatros  
Portuguese - Leya  
Romanian - Litera  
Serbian - Laguna  
Slovenian - Učila

# THANK YOU FOR LISTENING

by Julia Whelan

From the author of *MY OXFORD YEAR*, this uplifting novel tells the story of a former actress turned successful audiobook narrator—who has lost sight of her dreams after a tragic accident—and her journey of self-discovery, love, and acceptance when she agrees to narrate one last romance novel.

For Sewanee Chester, being an audiobook narrator is a long way from her old dreams, but the days of being a film star are long behind her. She's found success and satisfaction from the inside of a sound booth and it allows her to care for her beloved, ailing grandmother. When she arrives in Las Vegas last-minute for a book convention, Sewanee unexpectedly spends a whirlwind night with a charming stranger.

On her return home, Sewanee discovers one of the world's most beloved romance novelists wanted her to perform her last book—with Brock McNight, the industry's hottest, most secretive voice. Sewanee doesn't buy what romance novels are selling—not after her own dreams were tragically cut short—and she stopped narrating them years ago. But her admiration of the late author, and the opportunity to secure her grandmother more help, makes the decision for her.

As Sewanee begins work on the book, resurrecting her old romance pseudonym, she and Brock forge a real connection, hidden behind the comfort of anonymity. Soon, she is dreaming again, but secrets are revealed, and the realities of life come crashing down around her once more.

If she can learn to risk everything for desires, she has long buried, she will discover a world of intimacy and acceptance she never believed would be hers.

- Amazon Best Book of the Month
- Amazon Sarah Selects Book Club pick
- National Public Radio Book of the Day

Praise for THANK YOU FOR LISTENING:

"Hilarious and touching...this novel has everything the best romance novels should have: a reluctant protagonist, a hot partner, loving family/friends and true love. What more can you ask for?"

—*USA Today*, ★★★★★ review (Out of 4!)

"A compulsively readable story about self-discovery with plenty of laughs and spice along the way."

—*Kirkus Reviews*, starred review ★

"Whelan has a fine touch with the characters. This is one to revel in."

—*Publishers Weekly*

"Whelan draws on her experience narrating audiobooks in this poignant and charming novel... Whelan's skillfully nuanced writing truly shines."

—*Booklist*, starred review ★

"... a witty, clever, and open-hearted love story full of delicious twists on all your favorite romance tropes... A must-read for anyone who loves a good love story."

—Taylor Jenkins Reid, NYT bestselling author of *THE SEVEN HUSBANDS OF EVELYN HUGO*

**Julia Whelan** is a screenwriter, lifelong actor, and award-winning audiobook narrator. She graduated with a degree in English and creative writing from Middlebury College and Oxford University.



**Avon (WE)**  
**August 2022**

**Rights Sold:**

Bulgarian - Ciela

German - Penguin Verlag

Portuguese (Bra) - Sextante

Polish - Kobiece

Turkish- Go Kitap

# THE GOLDEN GATE

by Amy Chua

A propulsive historical thriller set in the San Francisco Bay Area before and during WWII, Chua's page-turning debut brings to life an historical era rife with turbulent social forces and groundbreaking forensic advances, when race and class defined the very essence of power, sex and justice

As Detective Al Sullivan attempts to solve the case of murdered presidential candidate Walter Wilkinson, shot in his suite at the fabled Claremont Hotel, he finds his investigation leading back again and again to the 1930 death of 7 year-old Iris Stafford, a descendant of the Bainbridge clan, one of San Francisco's wealthiest families. Yet the threads connecting candidate Walter Wilkinson to the long-dead girl are tangled - and the clues obscured by the turbulent crosswinds of the ongoing war, the Japanese American internment, California's racist legacy and simmering labor unrest.

At the center of the mystery are the three beautiful Bainbridge heiresses: sisters Nicole and Cassie, and their enigmatic cousin Isabella, sister of dead Iris. Did one of them have a reason to kill Wilkinson? Did Madame Chiang Kai-Shek, in residence in Berkeley under opaque circumstances, have something to do with his presence at the Claremont? What about the Communist labor radicals, whose hatred of Wilkinson's establishment ties were matched only by the brutality of police repression? Caught between an ambitious D.A., the heiresses' iron-willed grandmother, the geopolitical forces of the war, and his conflicted attraction to the fascinating Isabella, Sullivan must navigate a landscape in which his own history is a double-edged sword.

- German rights preempted by Goldmann

Praise for THE GOLDEN GATE

"We thought the plot was intriguing and clever and loved the beautifully evoked period setting... The way the author skilfully weaves information about the history of California into the narrative also gives the story a wonderful richness and breadth."

—Sarah Hodgson, acquiring editor at Corvus

**Amy Chua** is a professor at Yale Law School and the author of previous nonfiction narratives, including *A WORLD ON FIRE* and *BATTLE HYMN OF THE TIGER MOTHER*.



**Minotaur  
Corvus  
Fall 2023**

Format: Manuscript

**Rights Sold:**

German - Goldmann

# PLEASE JOIN US

## by Catherine McKenzie

From the bestselling author of *YOU CAN'T CATCH ME* and *SIX WEEKS TO LIVE*

At thirty-nine, Nicole Mueller's life is on the rocks. Her once brilliant law career is falling apart, and she and her husband, Dan, are soon to be forced out of the apartment they love. After a rebuke from her firm's senior partners, she receives an invitation from an exclusive women's networking group, Panthera Leo. Membership is anonymous, but every member is a successful professional. It sounds like the perfect solution to help Nicole revive her career. So, despite Dan's concerns that the group might be a cult, Nicole signs up for their retreat in Colorado.

Once there, she meets the other women who will make up her Pride. A CEO, an actress, a finance whiz, a congresswoman: Nicole can't believe her luck. The founders of Panthera Leo are equally as impressive. They explain the group's core philosophy: they're a girl's club in a boy's club world.

Nicole is all in. And when she gets home, she soon sees dividends. Her new network quickly provides her with clients that help her relaunch her career, and a great new apartment too. The favors she must provide in return seem benign. But then she's called to the congresswoman's apartment late at night where she's pressed into helping her cover up a crime. And suddenly, Dan's concerns that something more sinister is at play seem all too relevant. Can Nicole extricate herself from the group before it's too late? Or will joining Panthera Leo be the biggest mistake of her life?

- TV rights optioned by Fox Square productions

### Praise for *PLEASE JOIN US*:

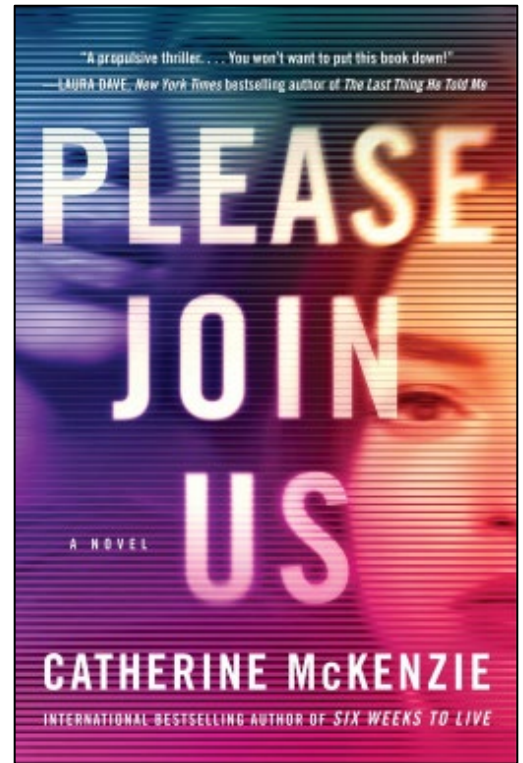
"[An] entertaining psychological thriller... Readers will cheer the quick-witted Nicole all the way to the satisfying conclusion." *—Publishers Weekly*

"A superior crime novel... exceptionally crisp and clever... Nobody and nothing—not even murder—can be ruled out in this juicy story of endless possibilities." *—The Toronto Star*

"Catherine McKenzie has reached new heights with *PLEASE JOIN US*, her propulsive thriller about secret organizations, hidden agendas, and the lengths one woman will go to reclaim her life. You won't want to put this book down!"

—Laura Dave, bestselling author of *THE LAST THING HE TOLD ME*

**Catherine McKenzie** was born and raised in Montreal, Canada. Catherine practiced law for twenty years before leaving to write full time. She's the author of numerous bestsellers including *I'LL NEVER TELL* and *THE GOOD LIAR*. Her works have been translated into multiple languages and *PLEASE JOIN US*, *I'LL NEVER TELL*, and *YOU CAN'T CATCH ME* have all been optioned for development into television series.



**Atria**  
**Simon & Schuster Canada**  
**August 2022**

# SECRETS SO DEEP

by Ginny Myers Sain

From the bestselling author of *DARK AND SHALLOW LIES* comes a moody and atmospheric paranormal thriller about a seventeen-year-old girl returning to an exclusive theater camp to uncover the truth of what really happened there twelve years ago, the night her mother drowned.

Twelve years ago, Avril's mother drowned at Whisper Cove theater, just off the rocky Connecticut coastline. It was ruled an accident, but Avril's never been totally convinced. Local legend claims that the women in the waves—ghosts from old whaling stories—called her mother into the ocean with their whispering. Because, as they say at Whisper Cove, what the sea wants, the sea will have.

While Avril doesn't believe in ghosts, she knows there are lots of different ways for places, and people, to be haunted. She's spent the past twelve years trying to make sense of the strange bits and pieces she does remember from the night she lost her mother. Stars falling into the sea. A blinding light. A tight grip on her wrist. The odd sensation of flying. Now, at seventeen, she's returning to Whisper Cove for the first time, and she might finally unravel the mystery of what really happened.

As Avril becomes more involved with camp director Willa and her mysterious son Cole, Whisper Cove reveals itself to her. Distances seem to shift in the strange fog. Echoes of long-past moments bounce off the marsh. And Avril keeps meeting herself—and her dead mother—late at night, at the edge of the ocean.

*The truth Avril seeks is ready to be discovered. But it will come at a terrible cost.*

- *New York Times* bestseller!

Praise for previous novel *DARK AND SHALLOW LIES*:

"Infused with Creole and Cajun legends and language, Myers Sain's dreamy prose conjures a mythical Southern Gothic atmosphere... Taut pacing builds sustained terror on the page with each successive suspect in this formidable debut."

—*Publishers Weekly*, starred review ★

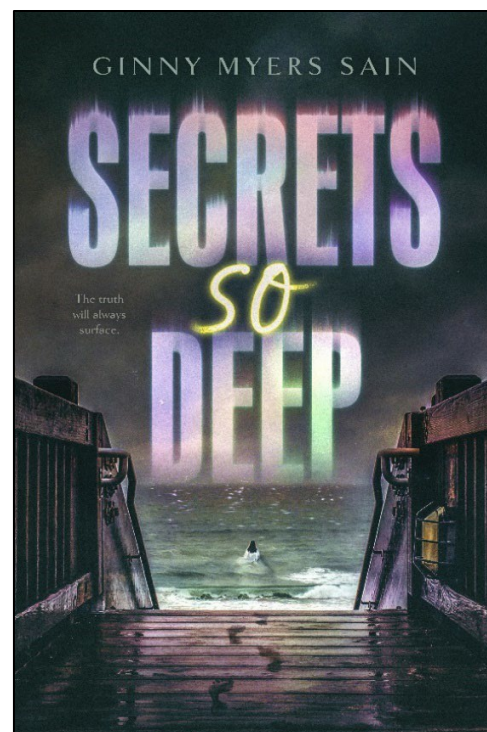
"Sain does a beautiful job of combining the paranormal with a page-turning mystery and intense romance, all set against a theater backdrop. A great coming-of-age tale."

— *Booklist*

"Sorrowful, haunting, and romantic; a true page-turner."

— *Kirkus Reviews*

**Ginny Myers Sain** lives in Tulsa, Oklahoma, and has spent the past twenty years working closely with teens as a director and acting instructor in a program designed for high school students seriously intent on pursuing a career in the professional theatre. Having grown up in deeply rural America, she is interested in telling stories about resilient kids who come of age in remote settings.



**Razorbill  
Egmont  
September 2022**

**Rights Sold:**

German - Panini

# THE PUTTERMANS ARE IN THE HOUSE

by Jacquetta Nammar Feldman

An all-new heartfelt middle grade novel from Jacquetta Nammar Feldman, author of the *Junior Library Guild Gold Standard Selection* **WISHING UPON THE SAME STARS**.

Sammy and Matty are the Putterman twins—the perfect team of two. But Matty has a secret he’s not ready to share with his family yet, and he suddenly quits baseball and stops talking to his sister. With their twin telepathy broken, Sammy doesn’t know what to do without her teammate.

Becky Putterman is sick of her family only cheering for her cousins, Sammy and Matty. They all used to be friends, but since everything became about the twins, Becky’s felt left out. With her bat mitzvah around the corner, she hopes it’ll finally be her turn in the spotlight.

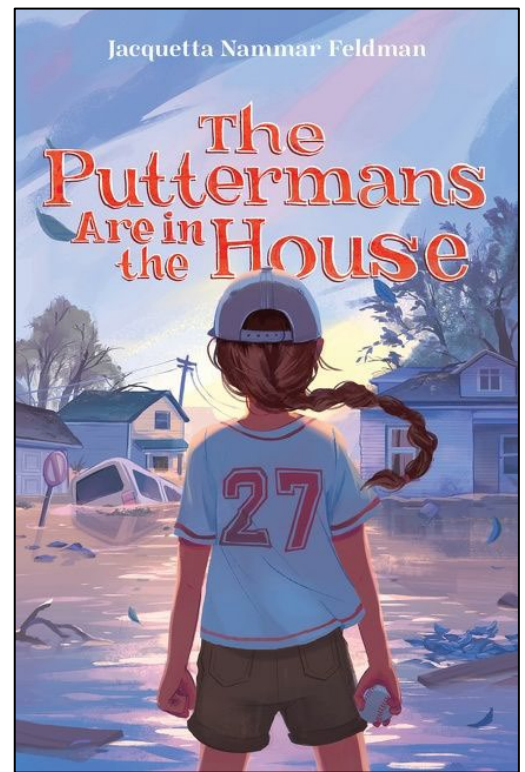
But then Hurricane Harvey hits Houston, Texas, and the twins’ house is damaged in the flood. Their family moves in with Becky’s—which no one is happy about. As their grief, anger, and uncertainty grows, they’ll soon find they need each other now more than ever before. With all nine Puttermans under one roof, can Sammy, Matty, and Becky find a way to glue their family back together?

## Advance Praise for THE PUTTERMANS ARE IN THE HOUSE:

“A heartfelt home run for hope and healing, THE PUTTERMANS ARE IN THE HOUSE is a dynamic story that proves when families come together, they can truly weather any storm... Jacquetta Nammar Feldman’s sophomore novel is out-of-this-park good.” --Michael Leali, author of THE CIVIL WAR OF AMOS ABERNATHY

“A sad and sweet novel that takes a hurricane and turns it on its head: instead of leaving only destruction, this one becomes the crucible for restoration... Faced with past resentments, present insecurities, and future disappointments, these characters come together by helping each other find what they most truly love—and the surprising wholeness that results is a story worth telling.” --Gary Schmidt, bestselling author of National Book Award finalist OKAY FOR NOW and the Newbery Honor Books LIZZIE BRIGHT AND THE BUCKMINSTER BOY and THE WEDNESDAY WARS

**Jacquetta Nammar Feldman** loves writing poetry and stories of all kinds. When she’s not curled up with a book or typing at her computer, she can be found hiking the beautiful hills of Austin, Texas, with her husband, two labradoodles, and a Havanese. She earned her B.S. in Advertising from the University of Texas at Austin, and she’s currently a candidate for an MFA in Writing for Children & Young Adults at the Vermont College of Fine Arts.



HarperCollins (WE)  
January 2023

Format: Manuscript

# YOU BET YOUR HEART

by Danielle Parker

A riveting, swoon-worthy YA romance centered on two high achievers fighting for the title of high school valedictorian and falling in love along the way, from debut author Danielle Parker.

Sasha Johnson-Sun might not know everything—like how to fully heal after her dad’s passing or how many more Saturdays her mom can spend cleaning houses. But the one thing Sasha is certain of? She will graduate this year as Skyline High’s class valedictorian.

At least, she was sure before the principal calls Sasha and her cute, effortlessly gifted ex-best friend, Ezra Davis-Goldberg, into his office to deliver earth-shattering news: they’re tied for valedictorian and the scholarship attached...

This outcome can’t be left to chance. So, Sasha and Ezra agree on a best-of-three, winner-take-all academic bet. As they go head-to-head, they are forced not only to reexamine why they drifted apart but also to figure out who they’ve become since. With her future hanging in the balance, Sasha must choose: honor her family’s sacrifices by winning (at all costs) or give her heart a shot at finding happiness?

- Sold at heated auction for six-figures
- To be published by Nicola and David Yoon’s new imprint, Joy Revolution
- Most requested manuscript at 2021 Pitch Wars showcase, with 56 agents requesting

## Advance Praise for YOU BET YOUR HEART:

“A fun, fast-paced, and flirty rom com. Come for the swoons, stay for the feels.” —Samantha Markum, author of THIS MIGHT END BADLY

**Danielle Parker** is a high school English teacher in the Pacific Northwest and has also worked as an editorial assistant at Weldon Owen/Insights Editions.



**Joy Revolution/Delacorte**  
**June 2023**

Format: Manuscript

### Rights Sold:

Portuguese (Brazilian) - Globo  
Alt  
Spanish - Anaya

# BEFORE TAKEOFF

by Adi Alsaid

THE SUN IS ALSO A STAR meets JUMANJI when two teens meet and fall in love during a layover-gone-wrong at the Atlanta airport in this thrilling new novel from the author of LET'S GET LOST!

James and Michelle find themselves in the Atlanta airport on a layover. They couldn't be more different, but seemingly interminable delays draw them both to a mysterious flashing green light—and each other.

Where James is passive, Michelle is anything but. And she quickly discovers that the flashing green light is actually a button. Which she presses. Which may or may not unwittingly break the rules of the universe—at least as those rules apply to Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta.

Before they can figure up from down, strange, impossible things start happening; snowstorms form inside the B terminal; jungles sprout up in the C terminal; and earthquakes split the ground in between. And no matter how hard they try, it seems no one can find a way in or out of the airport. James and Michelle team up to find their families and either escape the airport or put an end to its chaos—before it's too late.

## Praise for BEFORE TAKEOFF:

"Alsaid's ominous, high-stakes narrative steadily creeps toward a gripping resolution, balancing suspense, fantasy, drama, and cinematic romance for a multilayered read."

—*Publishers Weekly*, starred review ★

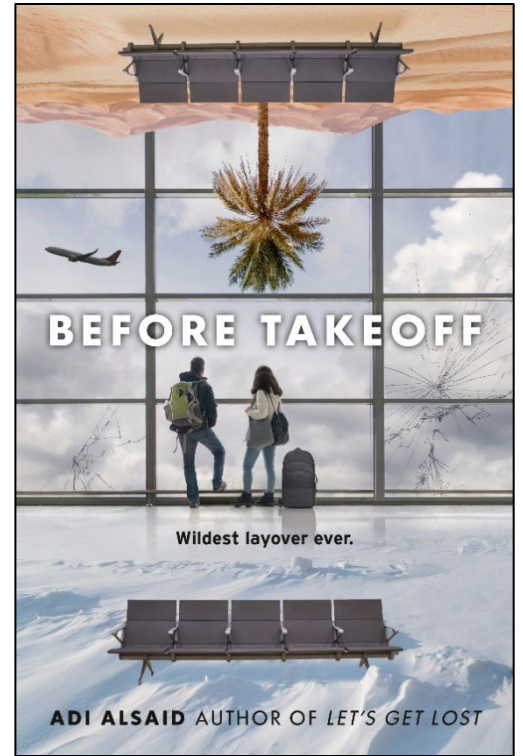
"This is a creative literary work with some thriller and romance elements that broaden its appeal. An intelligent narrative featuring introspective characters."

—*Kirkus Reviews*

"An honest, evocative... examination of humanity, full of both fear and hope."

—*School Library Journal*, starred review ★

Adi Alsaid was born and raised in Mexico City, where he spilled hot sauce on things. Along with writing and traveling the world, Adi has coached high school and elementary school basketball. In addition to Mexico, he has lived in Tel Aviv, Las Vegas, Monterey, and Chicago. **BEFORE TAKEOFF** is his sixth novel.



Knopf BFYR  
June 2022

# LOVE TIMES INFINITY

by Lane Clarke

A complicated—and often hilarious—love story about a Black high schooler’s experience with friends, family, and identity.

Navigating junior year, Michie is struggling to answer the question of who she is for her scholarship essays and the only chance she has at making it into Brown as a first-generation college student. Or maybe it’s not so much that Michie doesn’t know who she is as it is that she doesn’t *like* who she is: having been estranged from her mother from the age of five and surrendered to her grandmother, Michie has made an art of hiding, especially from herself. After all, if her own mother doesn’t think she’s worthy of love, who will?

Then a new student—basketball superstar Derek de la Rosa—enrolls in her school and enlists Michie as a tutor to catch up in Spanish class and turns Michie’s life upside down. Derek is very cute, very talented, very popular, and very much focused on Michie, no matter how invisible she thinks she is.

When Michie’s mother reaches out to make amends, while her scholarship essay deadline is looming, Michie will have to decide if she wants to reopen old wounds or close the door on her past once and for all. As she spends more time with Derek, she will have to figure out how close she can risk getting to him, and how much of her heart she is willing to share. While Michie may not know who she is, she’s starting to realize who she wants to become—if only she can take the chance: on Derek, on herself, and on her future.

· Sold at auction in a two-book, mid six-figure deal

## Praise for **LOVE TIMES INFINITY**:

“Clarke artfully explores weighty topics such as trauma, grief, and abandonment using pensive narration, and mirthful dialogue provides levity. Michie’s encouraging support systems, healthy relationship with therapy, and heart-wrenching journey toward self-acceptance depicts a story overflowing with kindness and healing.”

—*Publishers Weekly*, starred review ★

“Come for the sweet-as-sugar romance; stay for the gorgeous prose, nuanced characters, and a deeply satisfying read. Believe me: you want this charming, beautiful story to warm and fill your heart.”

—Ashley Woodfolk, acclaimed author of *NOTHING BURNS AS BRIGHT AS YOU*

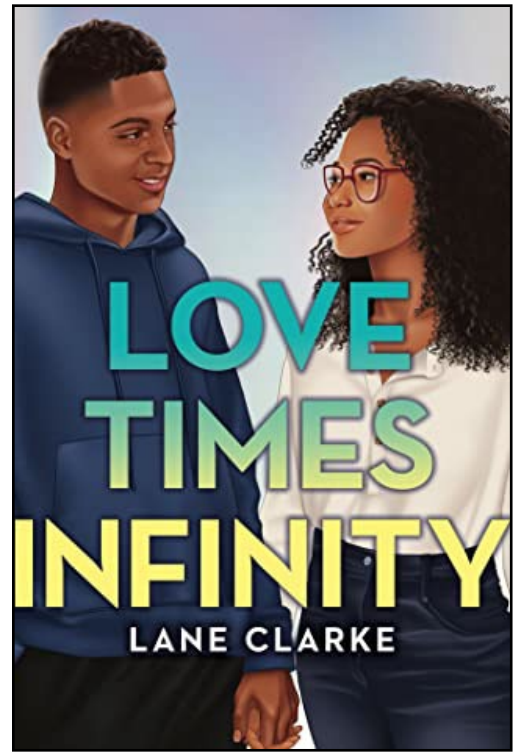
“A moving reminder to love—and allow ourselves to be loved—without measure.”

—Daniel Aleman, author of *INDIVISIBLE*

“Lane Clarke’s one-of-a-kind voice had me hooked from the very first page....This book is truly something special.”

—Elise Bryant, author of *HAPPILY EVER AFTER*

**Lane Clarke** received her bachelor’s degree in English Literature from Virginia Tech, where she received an honorable mention in the 2015 Steger Poetry Prize, administered by Nikki Giovanni. She got her J.D. from Chicago University and now lives in Northern Virginia and practices law in Washington D.C. *LOVE TIMES INFINITY* is her debut novel.



Poppy/Little, Brown  
BFYR (WE)  
July 2022

# THE WITCH AND THE VAMPIRE

by Francesca Flores

A queer Rapunzel retelling where a witch and a vampire who trust no one but themselves must journey together through a cursed forest with danger at every turn.

Ava and Kaye were once the closest of friends, until Kaye’s mother was killed during a brutal vampire attack on their small town. Two years later, Kaye is training as a fire witch—a vampire hunter—and she’s convinced that Ava, now a vampire, is her mother’s killer. Ava spends her days trapped in a tower by her own family. But when she learns her mother is planning to bring down the barrier that separates mortals and vampires—and protects both—she knows she must stop her.

When another attack allows Ava to escape, her only refuge is the vampire queen, in the middle of the treacherous woods. She finds an unlikely companion in Kaye, who agrees to accompany her through the forest. Kaye, for her part, knows this is her only chance to condemn Ava and avenge her mother’s death.

But with trees that devour humans whole, Ava’s stepfather in pursuit, and threats lurking everywhere, the woods have a new peril around each corner. As their old friendship wars with their new enmity, Ava and Kaye are each other’s greatest danger—and one another’s only hope of making it through the forest alive.

- Sold in a three-book, mid six-figure, pre-emptive deal to Eileen Rothschild at Wednesday Books

## Advance Praise for THE WITCH AND THE VAMPIRE:

“This incredible book is full of everything you’ll ever need—a lush, interesting world, action, incredible character work, and, of course, witches and vampires galore. I had a fantastic time and I couldn’t put it down.”

-Jessica Lewis, author of *BAD WITCH BURNING*

“An enchanting world with fast-paced action, plenty of twists, and a sweet romance at the center. For anyone who wished *Tangled* had been a little more dark and a lot more gay.”

-Sonia Hartl, author of *THE LOST GIRLS*

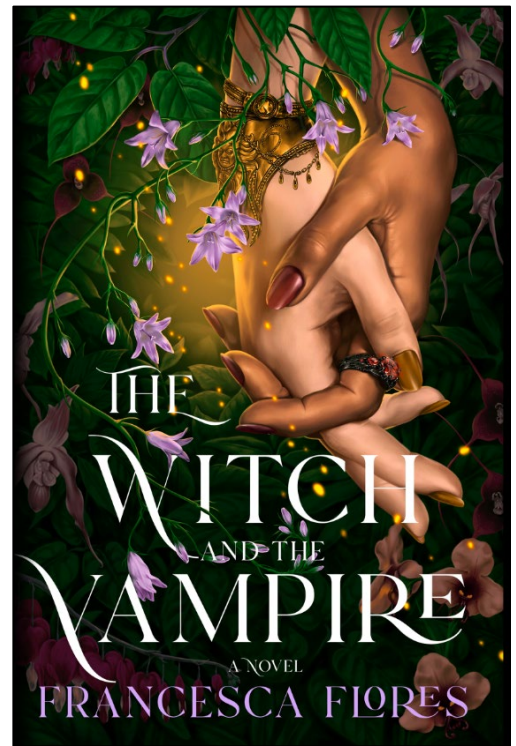
“*THE WITCH AND THE VAMPIRE* casts a pulse-pounding spell on readers from the start and never relents. Its magic lies in the complex exploration of self, how family and ideological differences play a role in defining it, and the healing nature of sweet, patient love.”

-Amparo Ortiz, author of *BLAZEWRATH GAMES*

“Flores conjures a bewitchingly atmospheric world of deadly magic, ancient rivalries, and cursed forests underpinned by a sumptuous, slow-burn romance that puts a fresh spin on the canon of witches and vampires.”

-Amélie Wen Zhao, author of *SONG OF SILVER, FLAME LIKE NIGHT*

**Francesca Flores** is a writer, traveler, and linguist. Raised in Pittsburgh, she read every fantasy book she could get her hands on and started writing her own stories at a young age. She began writing the *City of Diamond and Steel* duology while working as a corporate travel manager. Francesca currently resides in San Francisco.



Wednesday Books (WE)  
March 2023

Format: Manuscript

**Rights Sold:**

Polish - Proszynski

# BRIGHTER THAN THE SUN

by Daniel Aleman

This timely and thought-provoking story about a teen girl shouldering impossibly large responsibilities and ultimately learning that she doesn't have to do it alone is the perfect follow-up to Daniel Aleman's award-winning debut novel, *INDIVISIBLE*.

Every morning, sixteen-year-old Sol wakes up at the break of dawn in her hometown of Tijuana, Mexico and makes the trip across the border to go to school in the United States. Though the commute is exhausting, this is the best way to achieve her dream: becoming the first person in her family to go to college.

When her family's restaurant starts struggling, Sol must find a part-time job in San Diego to help her dad put food on the table and pay the bills. But her complicated school and work schedules on the US side of the border mean moving in with her best friend and leaving her family behind.

With her life divided by an international border, Sol must come to terms with the loneliness she hides, the pressure she feels to succeed for her family, and the fact that the future she once dreamt of is starting to seem unattainable. Mostly, she'll have to grapple with a secret she's kept even from herself: that maybe she's relieved to have escaped her difficult home life, and a part of her may never want to return.

## Praise for previous novel *INDIVISIBLE*:

"Aleman strikingly foregrounds the experiences of children impacted by U.S. deportation policy in this weighty novel, which will leave an indelible mark on the hearts of readers." —*Publishers Weekly*, starred review ★

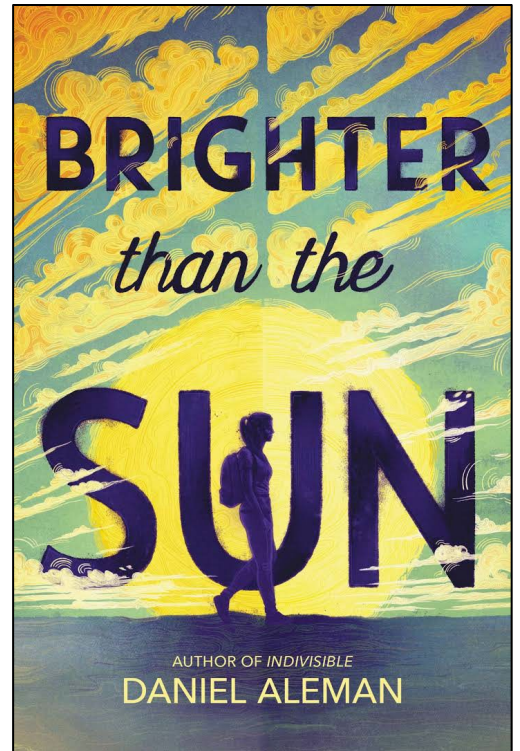
"Stellar, clear and emotional, realistic and suspenseful. The story is complex and heart-wrenching, yet full of hope and familial love."

—*Booklist Reviews*, starred review ★

"Heart-wrenching.... An ode to the children of migrants."

—*Kirkus Reviews*

**Daniel Aleman** was born and raised in Mexico City; his family moved to the United States when he was a teenager, and Daniel now lives in Toronto, where he went to college. This story is partially inspired by the separation, difficulties, and ultimately, the great opportunities his family encountered since making the decision to immigrate to the U.S. and Canada.



Little, Brown BFYR  
(WE)  
March 2023

Format: Manuscript

# LASAGNA MEANS I LOVE YOU

by Kate O'Shaughnessy

What are the essential ingredients that make a family? Eleven-year-old Mo is making up her own recipe in this unforgettable story that's a little sweet, a little sour, and totally delicious.

Nan was all the family Mo ever needed. But suddenly she's gone, and Mo finds herself in foster care after her uncle decides she's not worth sticking around for.

Nan left her a notebook, and advised her to get a hobby, like ferret-racing or palm-reading. But how could a *hobby* fix anything in her newly topsy-turvy life?

Then Mo finds a handmade cookbook filled with someone else's family recipes. Even though Nan never cooked, Mo can't tear her eyes away. Not so much from the recipes, but the stories attached to them. Though, when she makes herself a pot of soup, it is every bit as comforting as the recipe notes said.

Soon Mo finds herself asking everyone she meets for their family recipes. Teaching herself to make them. Collecting the stories behind them. Building a *website* to share them. And, okay, secretly hoping that a long-lost relative will find her and give her a family recipe all her own.

But when everything starts to unravel with her foster family, Mo realizes that if she wants a family recipe—or a real family—she's going to have to make it up herself.

Praise for previous novel *THE LONELY HEART OF MAYBELLE LANE*:

"A rich and rewarding debut." —*Kirkus Reviews*, starred review ★

"Lyrical and full of heart, this road trip story gets to the core of what it means to create family, to be brave, and to accept the flaws of being human."

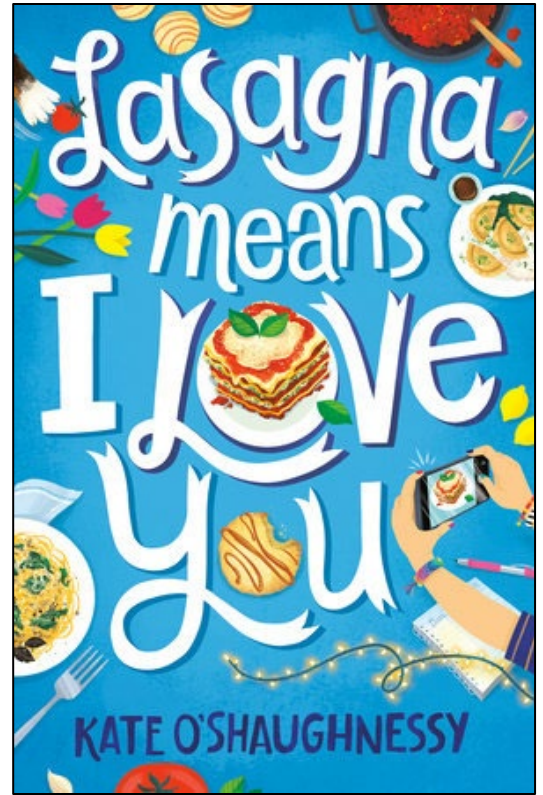
—*Publishers Weekly*, starred review ★

"O'Shaughnessy creates a whimsical world where words and sounds carry everyday magic. Hand to fans of Kate DiCamillo." —*Booklist*

"Packed with the triumphs, mishaps and self-discovery essential to a great road trip story, *Maybelle's* mission to Nashville takes readers on a quest that emphasizes the importance of found family and hope. O'Shaughnessy keeps the resolution touchingly and realistically imperfect while lightening each central character's burdens through the support of the others. Lonely or not, *Maybelle Lane's* heart beats with grace and courage."

—*Shelf Awareness*

**Kate O'Shaughnessy's** love of reading and writing stories began in early childhood and only grew stronger. She has been a chef, earned a fellowship with the Yale Sustainable Food Program, and backpacked around the world.



Knopf BFYR (WE)  
April 2023

Format: Manuscript

# IF I CAN GIVE YOU THAT

by Michael Gray Bulla

For fans of Kacen Callender and Mason Deaver comes a heart-tugging coming-of-age YA debut that takes a poignant look at gender identity, sexuality, friendship, and family—both the one we're born into and the one we find for ourselves.

Seventeen-year-old Gael is used to keeping to himself. Though his best friend convinces him to attend a meeting of Plus, a support group for LGBTQIA+ teens, Gael doesn't plan on sharing much. Where would he even start?

Between supporting his mother through her bouts of depression, dealing with his estranged father, and navigating senior year as a transgender boy at a conservative Tennessee high school, his life is a lot to unload on strangers.

But after meeting easygoing Declan, Gael is welcomed into a new circle of friends who make him want to open up. As Gael's friendship with Declan develops into something more, he finds himself caught between his mother's worsening mental health and his father's attempts to reconnect.

After tragedy strikes, Gael must decide if he can risk letting the walls around his heart down and fully opening up to those who care for him.

## Advance Praise for IF I CAN GIVE YOU THAT:

"Sweet and powerfully compassionate, IF I CAN GIVE YOU THAT explores the power of family--the ones we choose and the ones chosen for us."

—Z.R. Ellor, author of MAY THE BEST MAN WIN

"Bulla deftly weaves joy and sorrow, sweetness and hardship in this delightful debut."

—Adi Alsaid, author of LET'S GET LOST and WE DIDN'T ASK FOR THIS

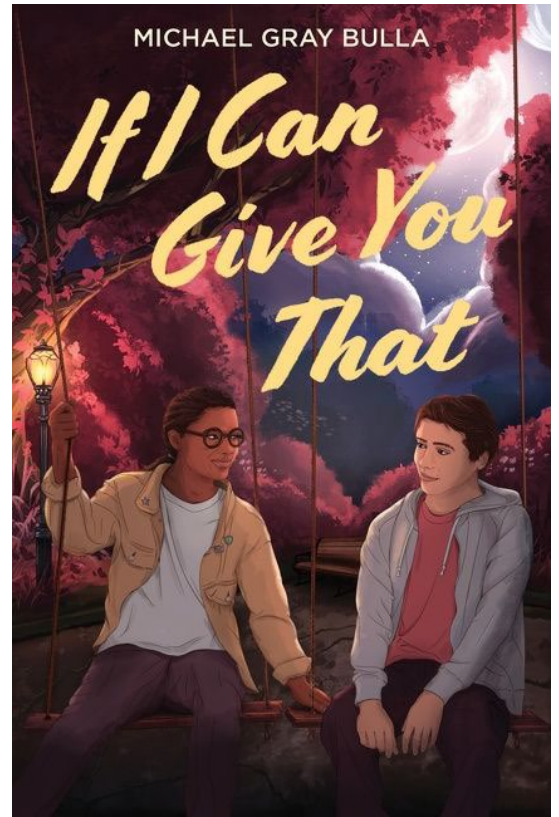
"Michael Gray Bulla's IF I CAN GIVE YOU THAT offers an emotional and deeply honest depiction of queerness and mental health. At times heartwarming and at times heartbreaking, this remarkable debut novel will remind you that loving fearlessly and letting other people in is the best way to live—especially when times get tough."

—Daniel Aleman, author of INDIVISIBLE

"A deeply realized trans coming-of-age story that's more of a glorious coming-of-self. This book takes no easy exits and provides no simple answers in exploring family, first love, and the power of self—and it soars! Debut author Michael Gray Bulla is a voice to watch."

- Adam Sass, award-winning author of SURRENDER YOUR SONS and THE 99 BOYFRIENDS OF MICAH SUMMERS

**Michael Gray Bulla** is a young adult novelist and poet from Franklin, Tennessee. He was named the 2017 Nashville Youth Poet Laureate with Southern Word. His first poetry collection, LETTERS TO HOME, was published in 2019.



Harper/Quill Tree (WE)  
February 2023

Format: Manuscript

# THE HONEYS

by Ryan La Sala

From Ryan La Sala, the wildly popular author of *REVERIE*, comes a twisted and tantalizing horror novel set amidst the bucolic splendor of a secluded summer retreat.

Mars has always been the lesser twin, the shadow to his sister Caroline's radiance. But when Caroline dies under horrific circumstances, Mars is propelled to learn all he can about his once-inseparable sister who'd grown tragically distant.

Mars's genderfluidity means he's often excluded from the traditions –and expectations – of his politically-connected family. This includes attendance at the prestigious Aspen Conservancy Summer Academy where his sister poured so much of her time. But with his grief still fresh, he insists on attending in her place.

What Mars finds is a bucolic fairytale not meant for him. Folksy charm and sun-drenched festivities camouflage old-fashioned gender roles and a toxic preparatory rigor. Mars seeks out his sister's old friends: a group of girls dubbed the Honeys, named for the beehives they maintain behind their cabin. They are beautiful and terrifying – and Mars is certain they're connected to Caroline's death.

But the longer he stays at Aspen, the more the sweet mountain breezes give way to hints of decay. Mars's memories begin to falter, bleached beneath the relentless summer sun. Something is hunting him in broad daylight, toying with his mind. If Mars can't find it soon, it will eat him alive.

- An instant *Indiebound* Bestseller

## Praise for THE HONEYS:

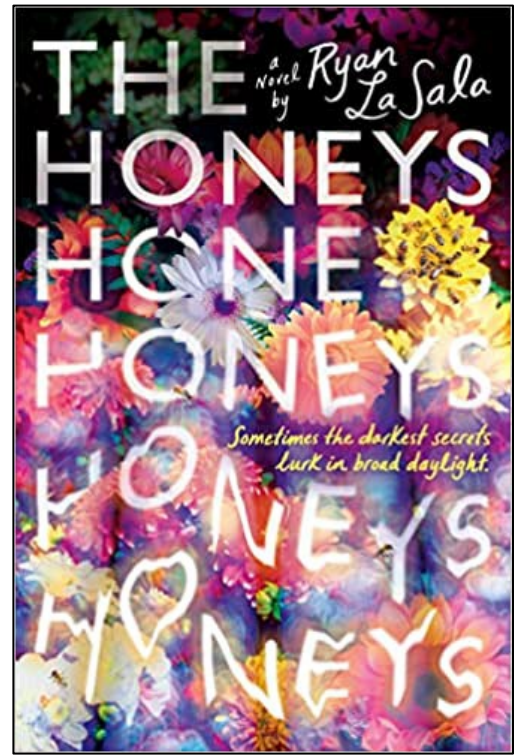
"La Sala gives real-life fears a supernatural twist, cleverly using folk horror and psychological-thriller elements... The eerily ambivalent conclusion is pure horror gold."  
 –*Booklist*, starred review ★

"A sparkling and powerful exploration of grief, gender roles, and escaping the strong grip of expectations, this is a must-purchase for all libraries serving teens."  
 –*School Library Journal*, starred review ★

"Tantalizing and memorable, La Sala's elite summer camp-set horror novel is a tribute to the healing and revolutionary power of solidarity... La Sala's slow plot reveal is gripping, and the narrative lush prose crafts both deliciously creepy horror scenes and a nuanced, self-assured protagonist consumed by grief and longing for acceptance."  
 –*Publishers Weekly*, starred review ★

"La Sala delivers a sharply observed, imaginative tale of grief, destruction, and the transcendent nature of the reinvention that follows the aftermath of death... As rich and complex as dark amber honey."  
 - *Kirkus*

Ryan La Sala writes about surreal things happening to queer people. He is the author of *REVERIE* and *BEDAZZLED* and lives in New York City.



Push/Scholastic (WE)  
 August 2022

### Rights Sold:

Portuguese (Bra) - Editora Nacional

Korean - Books21

# LOOKING FOR SMOKE

by K.A. Cobell

Set against the backdrop of the North American Indian Days—an annual celebration in Browning, Montana on the Blackfeet Nation—a group of four teenagers find themselves in the middle of a murder investigation after a classmate is found dead.

Since moving to the Blackfeet Reservation with her parents, Mara Racine has felt like an outsider, taunted by her classmates for growing up off the reservation and being “only half” Native American. So no one’s more surprised than Mara when Loren Arnoux, who was particularly cruel, includes her in a traditional Blackfeet Giveaway honoring Loren’s missing sister, Cheyenne.

Mara thinks she’ll finally make some friends. Instead, Samantha Calf Tail, a girl from the Giveaway group, is murdered.

Now, Mara finds herself a person of interest in the Tribal Police’s investigation, along with the others who were last seen with Samantha: grief-stricken Loren, who was Samantha’s best friend until Cheyenne’s disappearance drove a wedge between them; class clown Brody Clark, whose unrequited attraction for Samantha is an open secret; and Eli First Kill, who has his own complicated history with Samantha.

Each of them a suspect.

Each of them hiding secrets.

When Cheyenne’s body is found days later, it becomes clear that there is a connection between the two cases - and that the Tribal Police seem less interested in justice than pinning it on someone and moving on. Mara, Loren, Brody, and Eli must now take matters into their own hands and clear their names—even though the murderer may be among them, and finding out the truth could mean becoming the killer’s next victim.”

- Sold in a 2 book, seven-figure deal at auction

**K.A. Cobell** is a Pitch Wars mentee and an enrolled member of the Blackfeet Nation. She currently lives in Washington State, where she spends her time writing books, chasing her kids through the never-ending rain, and scouring the inlet beaches for sand dollars and hermit crabs. *LOOKING FOR SMOKE* is her debut novel. It was included in the Pitch Wars showcase this year, where it was requested more than any other title (by over 50 agents!).



HarperCollins/Heartdrum  
2024

Format: Manuscript

## JUST LIKE ME: A Syrian Refugee Speaks Out by Muzoon Almellean

The inspiring true story of a Syrian refugee who fought hard for what she needed—and grew into one of the world's leading advocates for education.

"I had nothing but my voice, so I used it."

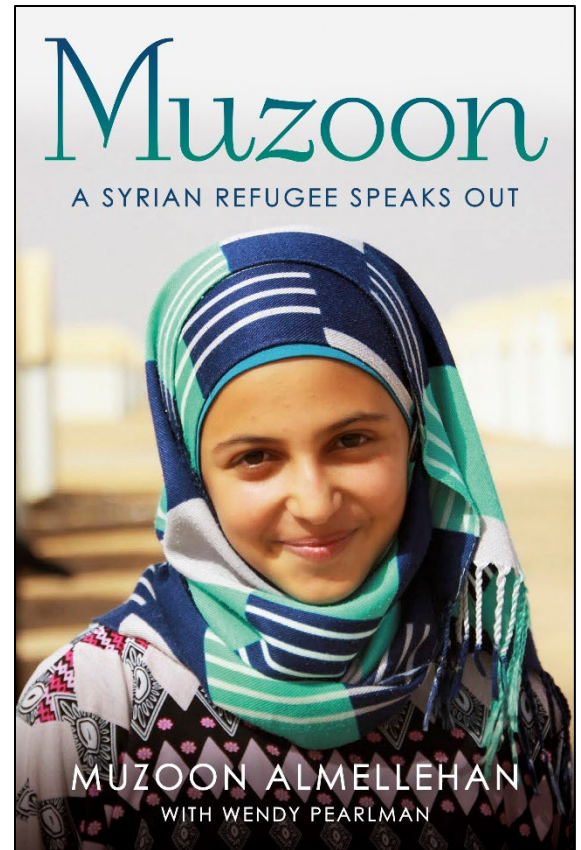
When her family had to flee Syria, 14-year-old Muzoon was told to pack only the most essential things—and so she packed her schoolbooks.

This eye-opening memoir tells the story of a young girl's life in Syria, her family's wrenching decision to leave their home, and the upheaval of life in a refugee camp. Though her life had utterly changed, one thing remained the same. She knew that education was the key to a better future—for herself, and so that she could help her country. She went from tent to tent in the camp, trying to convince other kids, especially girls, to come to school. And her passion and dedication soon had people calling her the "Malala of Syria."

Muzoon has grown into an internationally recognized advocate for refugees, for education, and for the rights of girls and women, and is now a UNICEF goodwill ambassador—the first refugee to play that role.

Muzoon's story is absolutely riveting and will inspire young readers to use their own voices and stand up for what they believe in.

**Muzoon Almellean** (Arabic: مزون المليحان) is a Syrian activist and refugee resettled in the United Kingdom. She has been campaigning for children's education in emergencies since she was forced to flee Syria in 2013. Muzoon began advocating for girls' education as part of a UNICEF-supported back-to-school campaign, during which she went tent to tent, speaking with the parents of children at risk of child marriage or early labor. Since then, Muzoon has been recognized by the BBC's list of 100 inspirational and innovative women, Time Magazine's 30 Most Influential Teens, and Teen Vogue's 21 Under 21. In 2017, Muzoon received the Glamour Women of the Year Award. She is known for her work promoting the importance of education for Syrian girls. In June 2017, she became the youngest GoodWill Ambassador of UNICEF.



**Knopf BFYR (WE)  
March 2023**

Format: Manuscript

# IMPOSTER TO IMPACT: Push Through Doubt and Embrace Your Own Potential

By Deesha Dyer

A collection of candid stories and lessons for creating social impact, based on the author's path from community college and advocacy to the White House.

When Deesha first applied to the White House internship program, she was a 31-year-old community college student and aspiring hip-hop journalist working in an administrative role at a real estate company. When she eventually arrived at her dream job, her fellow interns were Ivy League graduates in their 20's with previous political experience. But in spite of the little voice in her head telling her she didn't deserve to be there, Deesha thrived, eventually accompanying President Obama on high-level trips, and continuing to work for the administration full-time after her internship ended. Ultimately, she earned the key role of Social Secretary, where she orchestrated everything from major diplomatic summits to functions with Beyoncé and the Pope.

Today, Deesha works as an award-winning strategist and community organizer. She designed and taught the acclaimed course "From Imposter to Impact" at Harvard's Kennedy School of Government and her signature keynote speech of the same name draws on her personal story exploring the roots of imposter syndrome and how a person can overcome it. Her company, Hook & Fasten, is a social impact agency that specializes in transformational relationships between corporations and communities, diversity & inclusion and executive operations. Her book will guide and inspire readers to create their own lasting impact.

Michelle Obama said, "From the day Deesha started in the Social Office... she impressed me with her passion, creativity, public-mindedness, and relentless competence... I am thrilled that she has agreed to continue her service."

Deesha Dyer is an award-winning strategist, on-the-ground community organizer, and executive operations expert. She specializes in transforming ideas into causes that create tangible change. For nearly two decades, she has produced social-impact campaigns across entertainment, politics, philanthropy and business.



Hachette/Legacy Lit  
Spring 2024

Format: Proposal

# ELIZABETH TAYLOR: The Grit & Glamour of an Icon By Kate Andersen Brower

From the #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of *THE RESIDENCE* and *FIRST WOMEN*, the first ever authorized biography of the most famous movie star of the twentieth century, Elizabeth Taylor.

No celebrity rivals Elizabeth Taylor’s glamour and guts or her level of fame. She was the last major star to come out of the old Hollywood studio system and she is a legend known for her beauty and her magnetic screen presence in a career that spanned most of the twentieth century and nearly sixty films. But her private life was even more compelling than her Oscar-winning on-screen performances. During her seventy-nine years of rapid-fire love and loss she was married eight times to seven different men. Above all, she was a survivor—by the time she was twenty-six she was twice divorced and once widowed. Her life was a soap opera that ended in a deeply meaningful way when she became the first major celebrity activist to lead the fight against HIV/AIDS. A co-founder of amfAR, she raised more than \$100 million for research and patient care. She was also a shrewd businesswoman who made a fortune as the first celebrity perfumer who always demanded to be paid what she was worth.

In the first ever authorized biography of the Hollywood icon, Kate Andersen Brower reveals the world through Elizabeth’s eyes. Brower uses Elizabeth’s unpublished letters, diary entries, and off-the-record interview transcripts as well as interviews with 250 of her closest friends and family to tell the full, unvarnished story of her remarkable career and her explosive private life that made headlines worldwide. *ELIZABETH TAYLOR* captures this intelligent, empathetic, tenacious, volatile, and complex woman as never before, from her rise to massive fame at age twelve in *National Velvet* to becoming the first to negotiate a million-dollar salary for a film, from her eight marriages and enduring love affair with Richard Burton to her lifelong battle with addiction and her courageous efforts as an AIDS activist.

Here is a fascinating and complete portrait worthy of the legendary star and her legacy.

- Featuring photographs, unpublished letters, and private reflections from Elizabeth Taylor herself, all cleared for world use

### Advanced Praise for ELIZABETH TAYLOR

“Elizabeth’s heart, mind, and passion come vividly alive on each page. We see her as a woman who struggled and ultimately survived to rewrite the playbook on celebrity and power. I never wanted it to end!”

— Brooke Shields

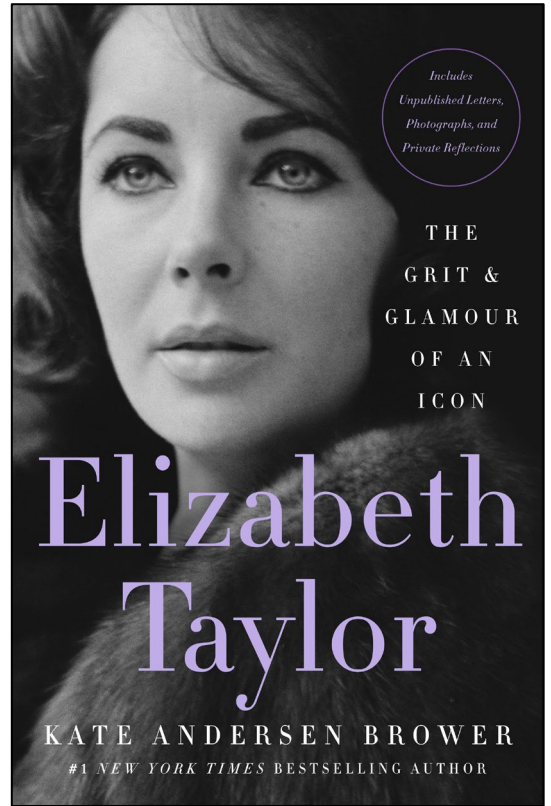
“Brower’s book took me back to the early days when Elizabeth fought so hard against the stigma surrounding people living with HIV and AIDS. She lived by the credo, ‘To whom much is given, much is required.’... Her true nature is revealed here in these pages and her life story deserves to be told in a moving and transparent way.”

— Magic Johnson

“A dazzling portrait of an incredible woman. Elizabeth’s life was more captivating than any film could ever be.”

—Demi Moore

**Kate Andersen Brower** is the author of the #1 *New York Times* bestseller *THE RESIDENCE* and the *New York Times* bestseller *FIRST WOMEN*, and *FIRST IN LINE*. She has written for *Vanity Fair*, *Time*, the *Washington Post*, and the *New York Times*. She lives outside of Washington, D.C., with her husband, their three young children, and their Wheaten Terrier.



Harper (WE)  
December 2022

Format: Galleys

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## ON A MOVE:

### A Memoir

By Mike Africa Jr.

Activist, performer, podcaster and lifelong member of MOVE—a black civil liberties group in Philadelphia—Mike Africa Jr.’s memoir is both a harrowing examination of the generational effects of institutional racism and police violence, and an inspiring reflection on the power of love, family, and remaining hopeful in the face of unimaginable tragedy and injustice.

ON A MOVE will blend personal narrative with the untold history of the MOVE organization. It is the story of one man’s journey, being born in a prison cell to dealing with the wrongful incarceration of his parents—to ultimately freeing his parents from prison when he was 40 years old. This story unfolds out of what should be one of the most notorious events in the country’s modern history of police violence: the 1985 bombing of the residential headquarters of MOVE by the Philadelphia police. Then just 6 years old and only a couple miles away at his grandmother’s house, Mike watched the smoke rise as 11 members of MOVE, his family, perished.

But Mike’s story is not only one of tragedy and inherited trauma. It is about coming-of-age as an activist, and, against all odds, learning to find purpose and resilience. Determined to free his parents, Mike taught himself the law as a teenager, learned public speaking to garner more support, and repeatedly ran up against the hardest lesson of all— how to suffer indignities within the very system that had taken his parents from him. In 2018, Mike succeeded in freeing not only his parents, but several other unjustly incarcerated MOVE members as well.

Mike Africa Jr. is a sought-after speaker, performer and writer who has been featured in *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *NPR*, *Salon*, and *The Guardian* and he starred in the HBO documentary “40 Years a Prisoner.”



**Mariner Books  
April 2024**

Format: Proposal

# WOULD YOU RATHER: THE NEUROSCIENCE OF BECOMING MORE PURPOSEFUL AND PERSUASIVE

by Dr. Emily Falk

An examination of the neuroscience of decision making, **WOULD YOU RATHER** introduces readers to the brain’s value system—a physical region of the brain responsible for every decision we make—and explores how understanding that system can help us make better decisions, become more open-minded, and generally improve our lives.

Bringing the fresh perspective of a neuroscientist to a conversation long dominated by behavioral economists and social psychologists, Dr. Falk’s research is focused on a straight-forward question: What is actually happening in the brain when people make decisions? The answer is the value calculation, which has surprisingly little to do with what we typically think of as “values,” such as religion, political views, family tradition, or even our own stated goals. Dr. Falk reveals how our brains use the value calculation to balance a messy array of information to reach decisions in real time by playing a moment-to-moment, behind the scenes game of “would you rather” with a very simple set of inputs: self-relevance, social relevance, and what is front of mind in the moment. Understanding the science behind this value calculation, and how we can tip the scales in favor of the behaviors and values we want to prioritize, can allow us to make better decisions for ourselves - and make us more persuasive with others.

As millions of people are re-thinking their careers, re-examining their relationships, and prioritizing self-care, there has never been a more important time for a book to help readers make more meaningful decisions and connections. Most of us have default answers for both the big and small questions in our lives, but **WOULD YOU RATHER** will teach you how to reconsider what you *really want* to place front and center in your value system, and how to realign your choices in ways that will help you interrupt default thinking, recommit to your most positive habits, and open you up to new paths, new friendships, new perspectives, and new discoveries.

- Sold at auction in both the US and UK/ANZ

**Dr. Emily Falk** is a Professor of Communication, Psychology, Marketing and Operations, Information and Decisions, at the University of Pennsylvania, and a Distinguished Fellow of the Annenberg Public Policy Center. A leading expert in the science of attitude and behavior change, Dr. Falk has been recognized with numerous awards in her field, including a DARPA Young Faculty Award, the NIH Director’s New Innovator Award, and a Fulbright grant. Her work has been widely covered in the New York Times, Wall Street Journal, Washington Post, BBC, Forbes, Los Angeles Times, Scientific American and others.



## W.W. Norton Profile Winter 2024

Format: Proposal

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# LIFE ON OTHER PLANETS

A Memoir

by Dr. Aomawa Shields

The stunning and inspiring memoir of a classically-trained actor, mother, and one of the few Black female astronomers searching for life in the universe while building a meaningful life here on Earth

As a kid, Aomawa Shields was always bumping into things, her neck craned up at the sky, dreaming of becoming an astronaut. A year into an astrophysics PhD program, plagued by self-doubt and discouraged by a white male professor who suggested that she—a young Black woman who also loved fashion, makeup, and the arts—didn't belong, she left astronomy and pursued acting professionally for a decade, before a day job working for NASA's Spitzer Space Telescope drew her back to the stars. She was the oldest and the only Black student in her PhD cohort. This time, no professor, and no voice in her own head, would stop her. Now an astronomer and astrobiologist at the top of her field, Dr. Shields studies the universe outside our Solar System, researching and uncovering the planets circling distant stars with just the right conditions that could support life—while also using her theater education to communicate the wonder and magic of the universe with those of us here on Earth. But it's been a journey as winding and complex as the physics she has mastered.

LIFE ON OTHER PLANETS is a journey of discovery on this world and on others, a story of creating a life that makes space for joy, love, and wonder while being driven by one of our biggest questions: Is anybody else out there? It is about the possibility of living between multiple worlds and not choosing—but instead charting a new path entirely.

**Dr. Aomawa Shields** acted professionally for ten years in Los Angeles. But the stars called her back and she returned to her first love--astronomy--and resumed her acclaimed research on exoplanetary ice and weather. Now, Dr Shields is a Clare Boothe Luce Associate Professor at the University of California, Irvine where she focuses on exploring the possible climates and potential habitability of extrasolar planets, particularly those orbiting low-mass stars. Dr Shields uses her theater and writing background to communicate science to the public in engaging, innovative ways. A mother of a young daughter, Aomawa is writing this book to share her knowledge of what life on other planets can teach us about our own home.



**Viking  
Constable  
April 2023**

Format: Manuscript

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# OVERSHARING

## The Science and Power of TMI

by Leslie K. John

A research-driven investigation into how we reveal information – and how much – to those around us by a Professor of Business Administration at Harvard Business School.

How and why do we share what we feel, what we think, and who we are? And what are the consequences of those choices? Grounded in a decade and a half of original research, **OVERSHARING** introduces readers to a cluster of concepts Professor John devised to answer those questions; disclosure dilemmas, decisions, and dynamics. Zooming in to unpack the psychological and cognitive processes that prompt us to reveal and conceal, and zooming out to highlight the situational cues that nudge us one way or another, she arrives at a strikingly counter-intuitive conclusion: *Oversharing is underrated*. Yes, there's such a thing as Too Much Information (TMI), but there's also such a thing as Too Little Information (TLI)—and it poses serious psychological and social risks.

Organized in three parts—Games, Rewards, and Risks—**OVERSHARING** identifies the games we play with information, their signature moves and motives, and offers deep and often startling insights that will help readers navigate the fine line between TLI and TMI with skill. An exploration of strategic decision-making with a big ehart, this timely book urges us to keep our eyes on the ultimate prize – trust, that state of social grace that enables so many of life's greatest rewards, from the quality of our relationships to our ability to influence and impact the world around us.

- Sold at auction in a major deal!

**Leslie K. John** is a behavioral decision scientist, a leading privacy expert, and a full professor at the Harvard Business School. Professor John studies how people decide whether to share information, how their decisions are shaped by internal and environmental factors, and how those decisions are perceived by others. Her award-winning research has been published in leading academic journals and has received broad media coverage in outlets including the *New York Times*, the *Wall Street Journal*, *Financial Times*, and *Time Magazine*.



**Avery (WE)  
Spring 2025**

Format: Proposal

**Rights Sold:**

Korean - Gimm Young

Chinese (Simplified) - Dook

# ATTENTION SPAN: Finding Focus and Fighting Distraction by Gloria Mark, PH.D.

A groundbreaking new book about attention that can help us perform better - and be happier - in the digital world.

Psychologist Gloria Mark began researching how technology affects human attention when the first personal computers were beginning to arrive in offices. Over the last 30 years, she has tracked changes in our attention spans, stress levels, and the fundamental way our brains process information.

Now in ATTENTION SPAN, Dr Mark shows how much of what we think we know about attention is wrong. She explores the current crisis of focus and productivity that is so deeply entwined with rising rates of anxiety and depression, and investigates what we might be able to do about it. Delving into the newly celebrated concept of ‘kinetic attention’, she introduces a more balanced understanding of the rhythm between deep focus and less focused states, which may actually serve to make us happier and more productive in the long term.

## Praise for ATTENTION SPAN

"Gloria Mark is the definitive expert on distraction and multitasking in our increasingly digital world. Her book is a must-read for anyone concerned about our diminishing attention span."

—Cal Newport, *New York Times* bestselling author of A WORLD WITHOUT EMAIL and DEEP WORK

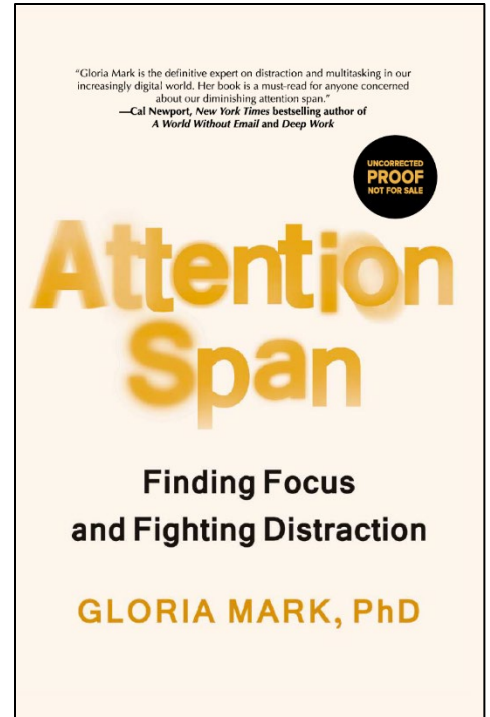
"This book covers decades of Gloria Mark’s fascinating research journey into how the rise of computing has affected our personal lives: how we are overstressed, we multitask too much, we are constantly interrupted even by ourselves, and our attention spans have declined to an astonishing 47 seconds. If you are interested in your well-being and how to gain agency in this digital age then you need to read this book."

—Susan David, bestselling author of EMOTIONAL AGILITY

"Gloria Mark’s book is a thorough review of the impact these interruptions have on our lives and mental health. Some interruptions are welcomed, deliberately self-created. Most, however, are not. All interruptions impact the focus of attention, and attention is a critically limiting aspect of human cognition. Don't be distracted by my review -- go read the book. It is an important and valuable contribution to living in this world of interruptions."

—Don Norman, author of THE DESIGN OF EVERYDAY THINGS

**Dr. Gloria Mark** is the Chancellor’s Professor of Informatics at the University of California, Irvine, visiting senior researcher at Microsoft Research, and a leading expert in the fields of attention, multitasking, and human-computer interaction. Dr. Mark is a two-time Google Research award-winner whose work has been featured in *The New York Times*, *Fast Company*, *The Atlantic*, *The New Yorker*, *NPR*, *Quartz*, and *Slate*. Dr. Mark received her PhD from Columbia University in psychology, was inducted into the ACM SIGCHI Academy in 2017, has received the prestigious NSF Career grant and has been a Fulbright Scholar.



**Hanover Square Press  
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January 2023**

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## HOW TRUST WORKS:

The Science of How Relationships are Built,  
Broken and Repaired  
by Peter H. Kim

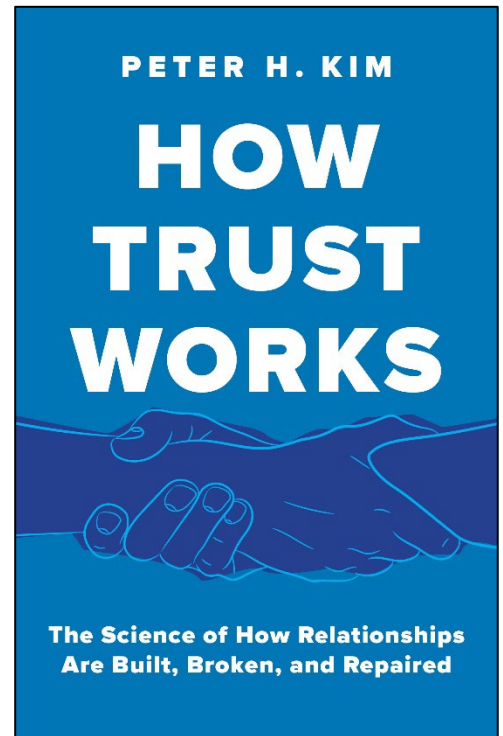
A timely and important examination of one of the most essential factors in all successful relationships: trust—how it is established, how it becomes broken, and how it can be repaired

Dr. Peter Kim explains the two most powerful determinants of trust, perceived competence, and perceived integrity, and why those determinants can be weighted so unevenly when we are deciding whether to trust or forgive someone—or not. Humans are bad at determining the trustworthiness of other people, and we are even worse at defending our own trustworthiness when it comes under fire. Yet despite this shortcoming, and the fact that we are all keenly aware of how important trust is in all of our personal and professional relationships, surprisingly little substantive research had been done on the topic before Dr. Kim began his inquiries. In fact, the majority of our institutional knowledge at the time seemed to rely almost entirely on case studies and other anecdotes. Dr. Kim was forced to develop his own set of rigorous scientific tools that would help him analyze how people interact with one another in the face of conflict.

Drawing on two decades of original research, Dr. Kim illustrates how the patterns he identified in the lab play out in the real world using both recent and recognizable public examples of trust violations and attempts at repair. We have never been in greater need of a serious conversation about trust and how to repair it, and Dr. Kim's work will spark a conversation based on rigorous scientific research rather than mere conjecture.

- Sold in a six-figure deal to Flatiron

Dr. Kim is a Professor of Management and Organization at the University of Southern California Marshall School of Business and a leading expert in the field of trust, betrayal and redemption. His work has been published in leading scientific journals, as well as in popular news outlets such as *The New York Times*, *TIME*, *The Washington Post*, *The Atlantic*, *NPR*, and others. Dr. Kim was born in Korea, and his family came to the United States when he was a child. He has an extensive international speaking circuit, and has given talks in Australia, France, Germany, the Netherlands, Turkey, Hong Kong, Japan, South Korea and Canada.



Flatiron (WE)  
August 2023

Format: Manuscript

Rights Sold:

Korean - Prunsoop

# DARK SQUARES

A Memoir

By Danny Rensch

A chess player, a childhood prodigy and a cult? An honest, emotionally-driven and triumphant memoir that will have you bear witness to one man's search for truth.

Danny Rensch is the face of Chess.com and a household name in the gaming world. But what Danny has never revealed before is his upbringing in a cult known as the Church of Immortal Consciousness (aka the Collective).

Like many cults, the Collective was emotionally, physically, sexually, and psychologically abusive towards its members, no matter their age. But Danny was special: Steven Kamp, the leader of the Collective, was obsessed with chess, and Danny was a child prodigy.

Danny began excelling at chess, winning tournaments, traveling the world, and making a name for himself. As Danny's star rose, the cult leaders began to pry Danny away from his mother, telling him that she wasn't as worthy a person as he was. And just as Danny was reaching new heights, a devastating injury grounded his international chess career. Now basically bedridden, it seemed like Danny's life was over. But then came a little start-up called Chess.com, and the rest is history.

**Danny Rensch** is an International Chess Master, world renowned Chess Broadcaster and Commentator, Chief Chess Officer for Chess.com, and a chess celebrity. Danny was a 7-time All-American Chess Player and a multiple time National Scholastic Chess Champion. He has essentially become the face of Chess.com and is one of the most recognizable figures in the online gaming and exports industry.



**Public Affairs  
Wildfire/Headline  
Spring 2024**

Format: Proposal

# SURELY YOU CAN'T BE SERIOUS: The True Story of *Airplane!*

By David Zucker & Jim Abrahams

An oral history of the making of *Airplane!* and the ZAZ (Zucker, Abrahams, Zucker) trio - charting the rise of their comedy troupe Kentucky Fried Theater in L.A. all the way to premiere day, and beyond.

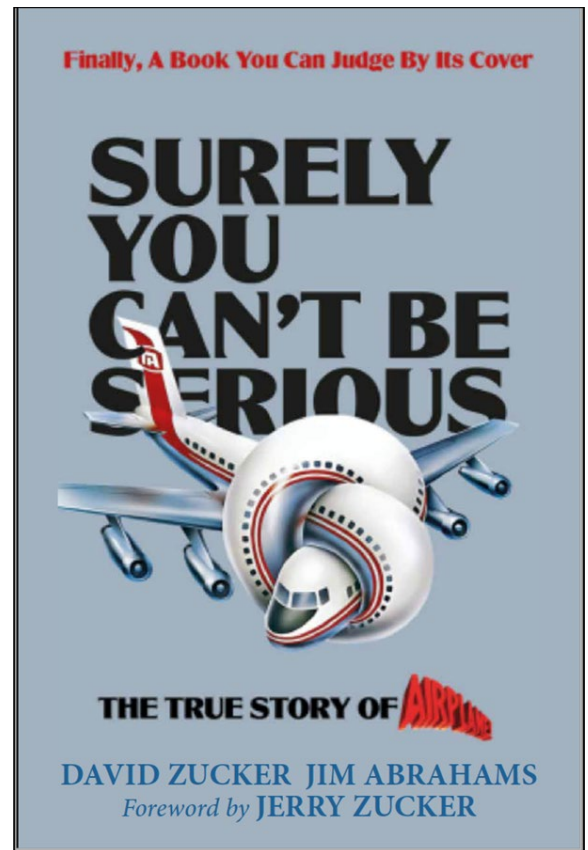
*Airplane!* premiered on July 2nd, 1980. The film launched in 705 theaters in the United States and Canada, grossing \$6,052,514 in its first five days of wide release, finishing second for the weekend with a gross of \$4,540,000. Overall that year, it grossed \$83 million and was the fourth highest-grossing film of 1980. Worldwide, the film earned \$130 million in its initial release. The film's original budget was \$3.5 million. To date it has made nearly \$200 million in sales, has a cross generational fan base for the ages and has influenced a multitude of comedians on both sides of the camera—from directors like Peter Farrelly (*There's Something About Mary*; *Dumb & Dumber*)—to Bill Hader (*Saturday Night Live*; HBO's *Barry*).

From their humble beginnings in Wisconsin, the directors talk you through what drew them to filmmaking and in particular, comedy. With anecdotes, behind the scenes trivia and never-before-known factoids - these titans of comedy filmmaking unpack everything from how they got Peter Graves to play his first comedy role after a career of "straight" roles, who was the prankster on set, to that jive talk scene! The book also features testimonies and personal anecdotes from well-known faces in the film, television, and comedy sphere - proving how influential *Airplane!* has been from day one.

- Includes behind the scenes photos from the ZAZ archive, and celebrity anecdotes from Hollywood's biggest comedy names

**Jim Abrahams** is one third of the ZAZ (Zucker, Abrahams and Zucker) trio and is the director, producer and writer of *Airplane!* (1980), *The Naked Gun* series and *Hot Shots!* (1991). The trio created the Kentucky Fried Theater sketch comedy show in Madison, Wisconsin, but moved the show in 1972 to Los Angeles.

**David Zucker** is one third of the ZAZ (Zucker, Abrahams and Zucker) trio and is one of Hollywood's most successful comedy filmmakers of all time. A selection of his worldwide box office hits are *Airplane!*, *Ruthless People*, the three *Naked Gun* films, *Phone Booth*, and the record-breaking *Scary Movie* 3 and 4.



St. Martin's Press  
Fall 2023

Format: Proposal & Partial Manuscript

# Future Publications

## THE RITUAL EFFECT by Dr. Michael Norton

Scribner  
Penguin Business  
Fall 2023

An investigation of the science of ritual, demonstrating how they improve performance, help us achieve goals, deepen relationships, solidify our sense of purpose and more, based on Dr. Norton's groundbreaking research in behavioral economics.



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## UNTITLED PROJECT ABOUT WISE INTERVENTIONS by Dr. Greg Walton

Harmony  
Fall 2024

A scientific exploration how we can predictably intercept self-defeating thinking in ways that redefine our sense of self, help us develop and nurture more positive relationships, and even contribute to environments where everyone can experience an authentic sense of wellbeing.



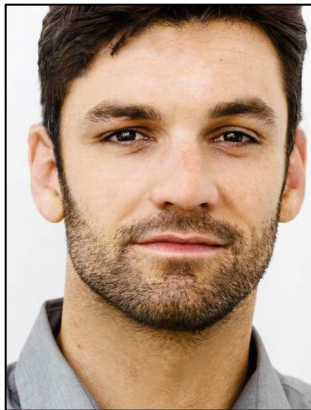
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## OUTRAGE MACHINE by Tobias Rose-Stockwell

Hachette  
Piatkus  
2023

An invaluable guide to understanding the underlying machinery and technology that controls modern society. The culmination of 15 years of research and inquiry, this book contextualizes our rapid societal change and offers new mental models for how to manage our time, our technology, and our attention.



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## LIGHT UP THE WORLD by Alison Wood Brooks, PH.D.

Crown  
Penguin Business  
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The first book on the *science* of conversation, combining big data from thousands of natural conversations, with key concepts from psychology, philosophy, and economics. An exuberant guide that shows us how to improve our relationships, our productivity, and our quality of life, one conversation at a time.



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# Did You Miss

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PHILOSOPHY WITH KIDS

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### NASTY, BRUTISH, AND SHORT:

Adventures in Philosophy with Kids

By Dr. Scott Hershovitz

Penguin Press

Allen Lane

May 2022

An irreverent, original, and deeply humane philosophical investigation that will delight anyone who likes thinking and laughing. NASTY, BRUTISH, AND SHORT is a unique tour through the art of thinking, guided by a celebrated philosophy professor and his two young sons.

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## The Anatomy of Anxiety

UNDERSTANDING  
AND OVERCOMING  
THE BODY'S  
FEAR RESPONSE

Ellen Vora, M.D.

### THE ANATOMY OF ANXIETY: UNDERSTANDING AND OVERCOMING THE BODY'S FEAR RESPONSE

By Dr. Ellen Vora

HarperWave

Orion Spring

March 2022

From acclaimed psychiatrist Dr. Ellen Vora, comes a groundbreaking understanding of how anxiety manifests in the body and mind and what we can do to overcome it. THE ANATOMY OF ANXIETY offers nothing less than a paradigm shift in our understanding of anxiety and mental health, suggesting that anxiety is not simply a brain disorder but a whole-body condition.

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# CAN'T HURT ME

## Master Your Mind and Defy the Odds

### by David Goggins

The inspirational story of overcoming adversity, pushing past pain, and reaching your full potential from international icon and *New York Times* bestselling author David Goggins. Having sold over 4 million copies, CAN'T HURT ME is a global phenomenon with a cult following.

For David Goggins, childhood was a nightmare—poverty, prejudice, and physical abuse colored his days and haunted his nights. But through self-discipline, mental strength, and hard work, he transformed himself from a depressed, overweight young man with no viable future into a worldwide icon and one of the globe's top ultra-endurance athletes.

In CAN'T HURT ME, he shares his astonishing life story and provides the no-nonsense roadmap to unleashing the inner strength that each of us possess. Goggins believes that we must face the hard truths about ourselves before we can enact any significant change, and that most of us tap into only 40% of our capabilities ("The 40% Rule"). With tough-love guidance and personal stories, he provides a path to demolishing fear and becoming the best version of yourself. His philosophy of mental toughness as a lifestyle has been embraced by millions of readers.

With a fan-base that spans the globe, David Goggins's reach knows no bound. YOU CAN'T HURT ME is part memoir, part self-help, and includes the unflinching truths and hardline directives ("I don't stop when I'm tired. I stop when I'm done.") that have helped him conquer immense obstacles to become the toughest man in the world. There are no shortcuts, but his path is clear.

- On the *New York Times* best seller list for over 25 weeks
- CAN'T HURT ME has sold over four million copies
- Featured on *The Today Show*, *CBS News*, *Runners World* and *Outside Magazine*, among many others

#### Praise for CAN'T HURT ME:

"A remarkable description of Goggins' journey and the capacity to leverage and better the mind. Most importantly, it teaches you how."

—Andrew D. Huberman, Ph.D. Professor of Neurobiology, Stanford University School of Medicine

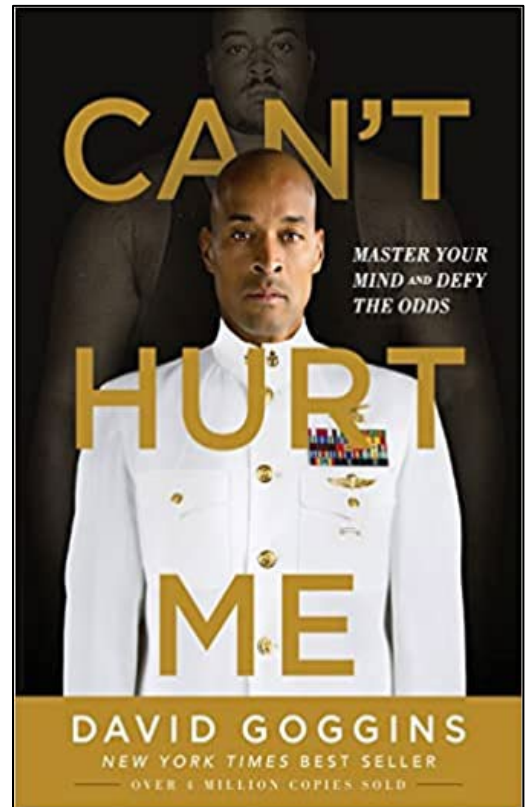
"I firmly believe people like [Goggins] can change the course of the world just by inspiring people to push harder and dig deeper."

—Joe Rogan

"Goggins proves your body can handle anything if you let your mind keep up."

—Marcus Luttrell, author of the *New York Times* bestseller *Lone Survivor*

**David Goggins** is a retired Navy SEAL and the only member of the U.S. Armed Forces ever to complete SEAL training, U.S. Army Ranger School, and Air Force Tactical Air Controller training. Goggins has competed in more than sixty ultra-marathons, triathlons, and ultra-triathlons, setting new course records and regularly placing in the top five. A former Guinness World Record holder for completing 4,030 pull-ups in seventeen hours, he's a much-sought-after public speaker who's shared his story with the staffs of *Fortune* 500 companies, professional sports teams, and hundreds of thousands of students across the country.



**Lioncrest Publishing**  
**December 2018**

## MICROSKILLS:

### The Tiny Steps That Lead to The Biggest Accomplishments

By Adaira Landry, MD MEd and Resa E Lewiss, MD



The promise of MICROSKILLS is simple: every big goal, complicated task, healthy habit, and even what we think of as innate character traits, can be broken down into simple, measurable, and *tiny* skills that can be easily practiced and mastered.

In the tradition of ATOMIC HABITS and THE CHECKLIST MANIFESTO, Dr. Landry and Dr. Lewis have identified the major issues with the ways we learn, work, and measure success—and almost all those issues can be solved with a set of small actions:

Microskills turn lofty goals like “increasing productivity” into little, concrete actions you can practice daily, like keeping count of your available hours each day to prevent over-committing and highlights how what we consider as innate character traits that you either “have it, or you don’t” are skills that can be practiced and mastered. Microskills help us identify knowledge gaps early by breaking down assignments into their smallest component steps and outlines the problems that can be avoided by making assumptions, or not asking for help. Without reinventing the wheel, Microskills is a way to re-work what you are already doing, but to make it better.

As women in medicine, Dr. Landry and Dr. Lewiss knew from the beginning that they would have to work twice as hard to get just as far as their white male colleagues. Dr. Lewiss was the first female professor of emergency medicine in her department. Dr. Landry was the sole Black woman faculty member in her department for 6 years.

Survival in that environment goes beyond grit and passion, it requires strategic navigation and understanding—which is how the authors began developing their Microskills.

Dr. Lewiss and Dr. Landry have spoken on stages like TEDmed, appeared as guests on popular business and education podcasts, and written for *Forbes*, *Fast Company*, *Nature*, *Science*, and *The Harvard Business Review*. Their work has also been featured in *The New York Times*, *Slate*, *USA Today*, and more. Dr. Lewiss is a Harvard, UPenn, and Brown University trained ER Physician and Professor at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital, and Dr. Landry is an ER Physician and Assistant Professor at Harvard Medical School. Both award-winning mentors who have taught hundreds of students and physicians how to work effectively and efficiently when the stakes are high and the odds are unfavorable.

Hanover Square  
Spring 2024

Format: Proposal

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Korean - Prunsoop

## SEE, SOLVE, SCALE: HOW ANYONE CAN TURN AN UNSOLVED PROBLEM INTO A BREAKTHROUGH SUCCESS

By Danny Warshay

Inspired by Brown University's beloved course—The Entrepreneurial Process—Danny Warshay's See, Solve, Scale is a proven and paradigm-shifting method to unlocking the power of entrepreneurship.

The Entrepreneurial Process—which has been recognized as Brown University's #1 highest-rated course—has empowered thousands of students to start their own ventures. You might assume these ventures started because the founders were born entrepreneurs. You might assume that these folks had technical or finance degrees, or worked at fancy consulting firms, or had some other specialized knowledge. Yet that isn't the case. Entrepreneurship is not a spirit or a gift. It is a process that anyone can learn, and that anyone can deploy to turn a problem into a solution with impact.

In **SEE, SOLVE, SCALE**, Danny Warshay, the creator of the Entrepreneurial Process course and founding Executive Director of Brown's Center for Entrepreneurship, shares the same set of tools with aspiring entrepreneurs around the world. He overturns the common misconception that entrepreneurship is a hard-wired trait or the sole province of high-flying MBAs, and provides a proven method to identify consequential problems and an accessible process anyone can learn, master, and apply to solve them.

Leveraging Warshay's own successful entrepreneurship successes and his 15 years of experience teaching liberal arts students, **SEE, SOLVE, SCALE** debunks common myths about entrepreneurship and empowers everyone—especially those who other entrepreneurship books have ignored and left behind. It's lasting message: Anyone can take a world-changing idea from conception to breakthrough entrepreneurial success.

### Praise for **SEE SOLVE SCALE**:

"Sneaking into Danny's famous course at Brown was one of the best entrepreneurial investments I've ever made. Now with See, Solve, Scale anyone can learn Danny's essential business secrets to bring their ideas to life."

—Joe Gebbia, co-founder of Airbnb and Chairman of Airbnb.org

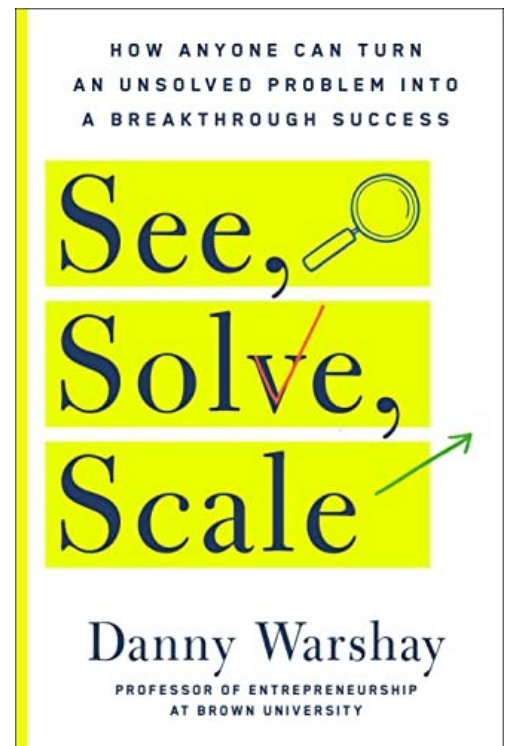
"Want to make the world a better place? Learn how to be an entrepreneur! In See, Solve, Scale, Danny is masterful at breaking that intimidating word into simple, clear steps that anyone can follow."

—Evan Sharp, co-founder of Pinterest

"If you are an entrepreneur or ever dreamed of creating something that matters, this book is a low-risk, high-reward resource for making it happen."

—Teresa Amabile, Baker Foundation Professor, Harvard Business School

**Danny Warshay** holds an MBA from Harvard and a BA from Brown. In addition to teaching, he is the executive director of Brown's Nelson Center for Entrepreneurship, whose board includes leading business leaders like Bank of America CEO Brian Moynihan and AWAY luggage founder Steph Korey.



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## HOW TO BE A BOSS B\*TCH:

STOP APOLOGIZING FOR WHO YOU ARE AND GET THE LIFE YOU WANT

By Christine Quinn

Christine Quinn, the breakout star of Netflix's hit *Selling Sunset*, shows women how to unapologetically own their power in business and relationships to live the life they want.

*"Let's get one thing straight right up front: If you're going to call me a bitch, I'm going to take it as a compliment."*

Part prescriptive how-to, part manifesto, part tell-all, Christine Quinn's HOW TO BE A BOSS B\*TCH candidly covers sex and money, fashion and fame, gossip and gratitude, confidence and consciousness. Quinn has been called everything from "the most-talked-about woman on TV" to "the villain 2020 needed," and she isn't shy about any of the qualities that got her the success she has today: tenacity, confidence, and fearlessness, all while dressed in full glam and designer. By sharing details of her journey from high school dropout to self made millionaire, reality TV star, and fashion and beauty entrepreneur, Quinn gives her readers the tools to define their own Boss Bitch style and manifest their own success—without being held back by society's terms.

From branding yourself with a signature style that reflects your unique strengths, to using your opponent's poison as your power, to learning the basics of a successful negotiation, to getting fired—and being ecstatic about it, *How to Be a Boss Bitch* is a modern guide to living a bold, authentic life.

- Quinn has done several exclusives with *People* and has been on the covers of *Playboy*, *Maxim*, and *Grazia*.
- The hit Netflix series, *Selling Sunset*, streams globally in over 190 countries.
- 1.7 million followers on Instagram and almost 30K followers on Twitter
- *Selling Sunset* has been renewed for a 6th and 7th season on Netflix

Christine Quinn is the star of Netflix's hugely popular *Selling Sunset* and a member of the elite real estate firm selling high-end luxury properties to affluent clients in the Los Angeles area. She lives in Los Angeles with her husband and son.



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# THE 12 HOUR WALK:

INVEST ONE DAY, CONQUER YOUR MIND, AND UNLOCK YOUR BEST LIFE

By Colin O'Brady

From the *New York Times* bestselling author of *THE IMPOSSIBLE FIRST*, a compelling blend of riveting adventure stories and hard-won wisdom that reveals how you can harness your inner strength, overcome your limiting beliefs, and embark on a transformative, one-day journey that will unlock your best life.

Millions of people dream of living a more fulfilling life, yet many of us settle for a life of comfortable complacency and quiet desperation, allowing excuses and negative thoughts to invade our mindset. What if I fail...I don't have enough money...I don't have what it takes—we allow these voices to run our lives.

Now, *THE 12-HOUR WALK* provides the inspiration and catalyst for getting unstuck. Featuring the hard-earned life lessons of ten-time world record breaking explorer Colin O'Brady, with captivating stories set to the most extreme places on Earth—from Antarctica to the perilous Drake Passage to the peaks of Mt. Everest and K2—this book shows us how to embrace our abilities, step out of our comfort zone and embark on our own life-changing personal journey.

With Colin as our guide, *THE 12-HOUR WALK* asks us to invest one day in ourselves. The reward? Unlocking our best lives and embracing our full potential. By walking alone, unplugging, listening to the voice within, and rewriting the limiting beliefs that are etched into our psyche, we can break free of the patterns that hold us back and cultivate a "Possible Mindset." *THE 12-HOUR WALK* gives you the wisdom and confidence to become the hero of your own destiny.

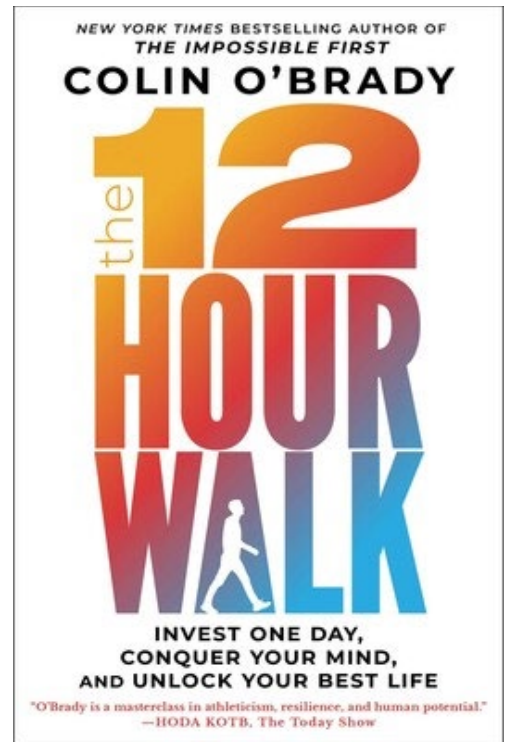
## Praise for *THE 12 HOUR WALK*

"A must read...If you're looking for mental clarity, add *THE 12-HOUR WALK* to your tool kit...Take the Walk and you'll be on your way toward vibrant health."  
—Dr. Mark Hyman, author of fourteen NYT bestsellers

"What explains Colin O'Brady's superhuman accomplishments? In replaying some of his most harrowing moments, *THE 12-HOUR WALK* provides intriguing answers. What's more, it's full of insights and inspiration that can help you unlock your own best self."  
—Mark Parker, Executive Chairman of Nike Inc. and former CEO

"Colin O'Brady is a fountain of inspiration. *THE 12-HOUR WALK* reminds us that every great achievement starts with a strong mindset. When we spend time alone, we can access our intuition and our deepest thoughts. Those thoughts are the fuel that tell us we can go the distance. We just have to listen."  
—Sara Blakely, founder of Spanx, Selected as one of *Time Magazine's* 100 Most Influential People

Colin O'Brady is a ten-time world record breaking explorer, *New York Times* bestselling author, entrepreneur, speaker, and an expert on mindset. Colin's highly publicized expeditions have been seen by millions and his work has been featured by *The New York Times*, *The Tonight Show*, *BBC*, *The Joe Rogan Experience*, *Forbes*, and *Today*. He is a regular speaker at Fortune 100 companies like Nike, Google, and Amazon. Learn more about *THE 12-HOUR WALK* here: <https://12hourwalk.com/>



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## WILLPOWER WORKS:

### Stop Sabotaging Yourself and Start Reaching Your Full Potential

By Rob Dial

The host of the *Mindset Mentor* podcast shares the advice and tools from years of study and interviews that have worked for thousands of coaching clients.

Rob Dial has transformed millions of lives through his role as host of the *Mindset Mentor* podcast, with 3.5 million downloads a month. His book will use principles of neuroplasticity and mindfulness to help readers change their brains and break out of self-sabotaging patterns. He uses personal stories to demonstrate how to create routines and tools that will help readers to visualize and achieve their success.

Rob receives thousands of DMs from listeners thanking him for helping them break life-long patterns of self-sabotage to finally change careers, lose weight, overcome anxiety, and find meaningful relationships. Self-sabotage keeps us locked in behaviors like procrastination, perfectionism, workaholism, and saying yes to commitments we can't see through, ultimately preventing us from making progress toward our true goals. Our strongest emotions get the better of us, even with the best intentions. By drawing on principles of neuroplasticity and mindfulness techniques, you can change your brain and develop the willpower to break free of these self-sabotaging patterns.

In **WILLPOWER WORKS**, Rob will share the brain and personality science he has learned in years of study, the advice and tools that have worked for 1000s of coaching clients, and his personal journey of self-sabotage following the death of his alcoholic father while Rob was in his teens. Rob will promote his book through his podcast platform, which reaches 1.1M unique listeners per month with episodes featuring guests like Matthew McConaughey and Jay Shetty, and Facebook, where he has 2.6M followers and videos regularly go viral, such as "Your Job is a Waste of Your Life" with 99M+ views. He will also engage his network which includes Tom Bilyeu, Aubrey Marcus, Rich Roll, and more. His book would be his first foray into traditional media.

- Sold at auction in a mid six-figure deal
- Rob Dial is the host of the hugely popular podcast "The Mindset Mentor," which receives 3.5M+ downloads per month and is consistently ranked the #1 personal development podcast in iTunes.

**Rob Dial** started his career in sales at age 19 and worked his way up to owning and operating a multi-million-dollar office by age 24. After studying with leaders in the personal development field, he launched his podcast, *The Mindset Mentor*, in 2015. In 2017, he started producing viral Facebook videos that have garnered upwards of 98M+ views, 51M+ view and 23M+ views, with totals well over a billion total views. He now reaches 3M+ followers on social media.



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# IT'S NOT HYSTERIA:

## An Inclusive Guide to Gynecologic Health

### By Dr. Karen Tang

IT'S NOT HYSTIERIA is a gynecologic encyclopedia covering everything from anatomy to conditions like PCOS, endometriosis, and fibroids to more complex and emotional aspects of gynecologic care like fertility, sexual health, and surgeries such as sterilizations and hysterectomies. In addition to educating about the truth of these conditions and procedures that are too often misdiagnosed or misunderstood, Dr. Tang's book will offer concrete tools such as symptom guides, worksheets, and sample questions for readers to advocate for themselves with their healthcare provider.

Reproductive healthcare, from abortion to gender affirming care, is under siege; misinformation is proliferating online and in the media; the healthcare system continues to reel from the pandemic; and this perfect storm is destined to disproportionately impact people with uteruses, people of color and those in the LGBTQIA+ community. By bringing together decades of credentialed expertise and the practical information and tools readers need to take control of their bodies and their medical choices, IT'S NOT HYSTERIA will empower readers in the face of uncertainty.

Dr. Tang has extensive followings on Instagram, TikTok, YouTube as @KarenTangMD, with more than 400,000 followers on TikTok and 45,000 followers on Instagram, all growing at a rapid rate.

**Dr. Karen Tang** is a nationally recognized leader in women's health and minimally invasive gynecologic surgery (MIGS). She has trained medical students and residents at Harvard, Oregon Health and Sciences University, University of Miami and UPenn, and has given lectures across the U.S. on topics of women's health and minimally invasive surgery.



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# BE THE LOVE: SEVEN WAYS TO UNLOCK YOUR HEART AND MANIFEST HAPPINESS

By Sarah Prout

Filled with practical guidance, soulful exercises, and nuggets of wisdom, Sarah Prout's **BE THE LOVE** is your invitation to use the power of your emotions to achieve happiness.

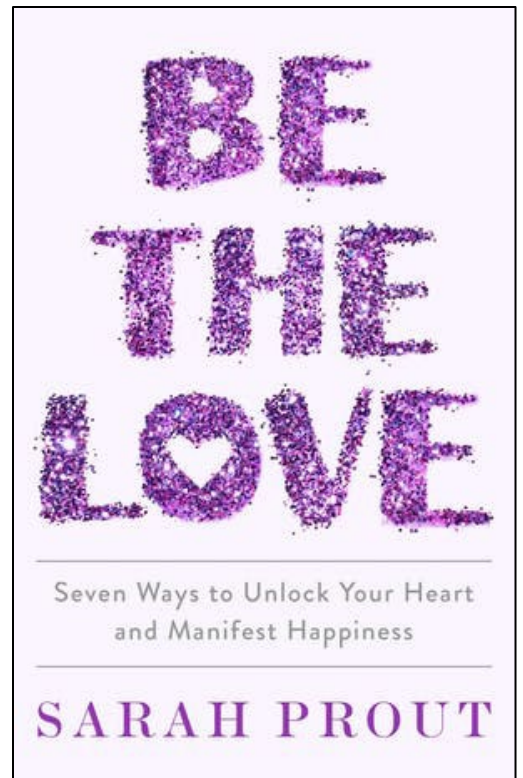
Emotional empowerment expert Sarah Prout shares how to Be the Love you believe you wish to feel, and how to do it by embracing lessons such as overcoming comparison traps, finding freedom in forgiveness, and accepting that making choices is how life happens, but living with your choices is how growth happens. These lessons are illustrated by Prout's own raw, personal stories that range from humorous to harrowing.

By following the seven pieces of advice and trying them out in your own life, you will create radical and magical inner transformation, and inner transformation will lead to outer results—whether that's within your career, relationships, or something as simple as your own self-confidence as you walk down the street. If you live your life with self-love and self-compassion as your North Star, then you will thrive.

Praise **BE THE LOVE**:

"Inspiring and uplifting"—*Marci Shimoff, #1 New York Times best-selling author of CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE WOMAN'S SOUL*

Inspirational speaker and emotional empowerment expert, **Sarah Prout** runs a successful spiritual lifestyle brand alongside her husband. Named a "Manifestation Guru" by *Cosmopolitan Magazine*, Sarah is an award-winning entrepreneur, podcast host, bestselling author, and mother of four. She is the author of the bestselling book *Dear UNIVERSE: 200 Mini-Meditations for Instant Manifestations*.



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