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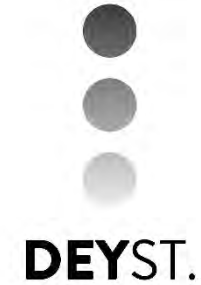


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# FICTION

Literary & Upmarket

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# The Inheritance

*A Novel*

By Bennett Capers

**Percival Everett meets Sinners in this gripping, haunting debut of history, rebellion, and the identities we craft for ourselves, set against the backdrop of the American South's enduring legacy of slavery.**

When antiquarian Malcolm Washington is sent to a decaying plantation home on Johns Island, South Carolina, his mission is simple: authenticate and acquire a shackle rumored to have been used on Denmark Vesey, the legendary leader of a thwarted slave rebellion. But the task proves far more complicated than Malcolm could have imagined. The shackle's owner, the enigmatic Mrs. Manigault—the last white woman on the island—is having second thoughts about selling her inheritance.

What begins as a professional assessment quickly spirals into a tense battle of wits, as Mrs. Manigault insists on telling the “story” behind the shackle, one she was told as a child, and which grows more fantastical at every turn. Each part of the tale is both a weapon and a test, crafted to manipulate, conceal, and ultimately reveal the buried truths of the past. Trapped between Mrs. Manigault's manipulative storytelling and his own complicated motivations, Malcolm must come face to face with his own radical past.

Sweeping, suspenseful, and acidly funny, *The Inheritance* unpicks the elusive nature of truth and asks, who has the right to own history? With vivid prose and unflinching honesty, Bennett Capers' debut novel is a contemporary Southern Gothic that delves into the heart of America's unresolved past, where the search for authenticity uncovers secrets both liberating and terrifying.

**Bennett Capers** is a Professor of Law at Fordham Law School, where he is also the Director of the Center on Race, Law, and Justice. He has published widely in law journals on the intersection of race, gender, and criminal justice, and is the author of *The Prosecutor's Turn*. His commentary and op-eds have appeared in the *New York Times*, *Washington Post*, and other journals. *THE INHERITANCE* is his debut novel.



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# Good Company

*A Novel*

By Kate Christensen

**From the brilliant Kate Christensen, winner of the PEN/Faulkner award for *The Great Man*, comes a compelling, searing, funny novel about women, sex, power, and self-reckoning.**

Ever since her father broke her heart when she was nine, Julia Heimdahl has tried to be good company for bad men: a jovial drinking companion, an easygoing, witty non-complainer, one of the boys. Now a literary novelist in late middle age and late mid-career, she is at a moment of crisis, although she doesn't know it yet.

The novel takes place over the course of a weekend-long book festival at Baldwin College, which happens to be Julia's alma mater, where she has come to promote her recently published memoir. She's been placed on a panel with a fellow memoirist named Ellis Blackwell, a man so outrageously flirtatious and fawningly flattering, Julia is almost too disarmed to recognize how dangerous he is.

Interweaving excerpts from Julia's memoir with her encounters with important people from her past—the woman she was in love with in college, her old New York mentor, her male editor, her literary nemesis, a former graduate student—*Good Company* examines what it really means to be "good company" as Julia faces her demons and comes to terms with what she really wants from sex, life, and work.

**Kate Christensen** is the author of nine previous novels, most recently *Welcome Home, Stranger*. Her fourth novel, *The Great Man*, won the 2008 PEN/Faulkner Award for Fiction. She has also published two food-centric memoirs, *Blue Plate Special* and *How to Cook a Moose*, which won the 2016 Maine Literary Award for Memoir. Her essays, reviews, and short pieces have appeared in a wide variety of publications and anthologies. She lives with her husband and their two dogs in northern New Mexico.



# Afternoon Hours of a Hermit

*A Novel*

By Patrick Cottrell

**A darkly funny and profoundly moving new novel by award-winning author Patrick Cottrell.**

And who did I think I was, trying to teach the troubled youth how to write?...

I would say I was Dan Moran, a Korean adoptee, single, approaching forty, once plain-in-appearance as a woman, now ugly as a man, that's who or what I thought I was.

Most importantly, I was no longer useless, I was a writer.

Five years after the death of his youngest brother, Dan Moran is now the published trans author of the autofictional novel *Sorry to Disrupt the Peace*. He is teaching fiction in Brooklyn and working on his next book—a psychological thriller—when a mysterious envelope arrives for him in the mail. Addressed to the wrong name, it includes a childhood photo of his deceased brother. But who would send such a thing, and why?

Against his better judgment, Dan returns to his childhood home on the eve of his brother's memorial dinner. His estranged family is surprised to see him, but he ignores them. He drives around in his brother's Honda Accord, believing he is a detective. He searches for a constellation of unidentified women who may have been involved with his brother, all while being mistaken for another man. He hopes his investigation will reveal exactly who he was to his brother, but in a series of unsettling and destabilizing encounters, what he discovers is the irrevocable distance between who we are and how we are perceived.

*Afternoon Hours of a Hermit* is Patrick Cottrell's long-awaited second novel—an existential noir, an absurd comedy, a complex character study, and a heartbreaking inquiry into the paradox of identity, memory, and the very enterprise of writing fiction.

**Patrick Cottrell** is the author of *Sorry to Disrupt the Peace*. He is the winner of a Whiting Award in fiction in 2018 and a Barnes & Noble Discover Award in 2017. Cottrell is currently an assistant professor at the University of Denver.

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# Biting the Orchid

*A Novel*

By Joan Daròs

Translated from the Spanish by Mara Faye Lethem

**Winner of the Asterisco Award for Queer Fiction**

In this sleek and sun-drenched short novel, an enigmatic young tutor inserts himself into the lavish world of a fabulously wealthy European family to teach their daughter and quickly becomes an object of desire of the adults. As tensions grow and his dark past threatens to resurface, he must decide how far he is willing to go to obtain the life he so desperately wants.

In the tradition of *The Talented Mr. Ripley*, *White Lotus*, and *Saltburn*, *Biting the Orchid* is a sensuous and unsettling story of desire, violence, redemption, and the edges of morality.

**Joan Daròs** is a Valencian actor, translator, and writer. He studied Dramatic Arts and English Philology and has worked in theater, film, and television. Additionally, he has translated various novels.

**Mara Faye Lethem** is a writer, researcher, and literary translator. Winner of the inaugural Spain-USA Foundation Translation Award for Max Besora's *The Adventures and Misadventures of Joan Orpi*, she was also awarded the Joan Baptiste Cendrós International Prize for her contributions to Catalan literature. Her translation of Irene Solà's *When I Sing, Mountains Dance* was a finalist for the National Book Critics Circle Barrios Book in Translation Prize and the Prix Jan Michalski, and winner of the Nota Bene Prize and the Lewis Galantière Award. Her novel, *A Person's A Person, No Matter How Small*, has been translated into two languages. She is currently writing a memoir.

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# Wife & Wife

*A Novel*

By Elizabeth Harris

**A new masterpiece of modern queer fiction, *Wife & Wife* is a sharply observed and deeply moving story of love, discovery, and defiance told through the eyes of two women who meet as closeted housewives in the 1950s and triumphantly marry in 2016.**

It is 1955 in the sedate, affluent suburb of Pearl's Cove, New York. Twenty-five-year-old housewife and mother of two Ruth Wolf is a glamorous platinum blonde who secretly devours lesbian pulp fiction shoplifted from the local drugstore. But nothing about her clandestine reading has prepared her for what will happen when she meets Sylvie Stein, a socialite who pours her energy into making art while her children are at school. Their connection is electric and instantly threatens to upend their dutiful, traditional lives.

Dazzled and in love, Ruth and Sylvie struggle to find a way to be together for more than half a century, wrestling with the expectations of their families and neighbors and the undeniable force of their desire for one another. From the stifling suburban kitchens of the 50s to the triumphant coming of gay marriage in 2016, this is a sharply observed, wryly funny and deeply moving journey through time and the human heart.

*Wife & Wife* transforms a single love affair between two ordinary women into a sweeping narrative of discovery and reinvention, mirroring the profound cultural upheavals that redefined marriage and family in America.

**Elizabeth Harris** is an award-winning reporter at The New York Times, where she covers books and the publishing industry. "How To Sleep At Night" was her first novel. She lives in New York City with her wife and kids.

NEW



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# Smalltown Godzilla Stories

By Teng Kuan Kiat

Translated by YZ Chin

**A bold debut story collection confronting diasporic inheritance  
and empire's residue with satire and surrealism**

Across eight stories set largely in Taipei and smalltown Malaysia, monsters both literal and metaphorical move through landscapes ravaged by time, carrying the weight of history, capitalism, and cultural rupture. In "Godzilla at My Hometown's Weddings and Funerals," the arrival of a McDonald's exposes a rural town to strange, overwhelming global forces. In "Paradise," an aging guerrilla fighter and his young son seek refuge in a monstrous traveling carnival. In "Ah Ma in the Shithole," the narrator studies abroad to escape his dysfunctional family of origin only to reencounter the same absurdity and horror from his childhood in newly harrowing forms.

*Smalltown Godzilla* fuses social satire, magical realism, and formal experimentation to interrogate the fractured identities history leaves in its wake. In YZ Chin's finely calibrated translation, Teng Kuan Kiat moves with humor, tonal agility, and emotional precision to deliver a clarifying shock to the senses.

**Teng Kuan Kiat (鄧觀傑)** is from Malaysia. He graduated from the Department of Chinese in National Taiwan University and National Chengchi University. He was the editor of *Wenhsun Magazine*, and now works as a script writer for a Youtuber collective, and also as an (un-)freelance writer. His works include a short story collection out from Taipei's Grand Four Happiness Publishing in 2021. His writing has won Ink's Youth Supernova Literary Award, The Chinese University of Hong Kong's Global Chinese Youth Literary Award, and Malaysia's Sin Chew Jit Poh Huazong Literary Award for Newcomers, among others.

**YZ Chin** is the author of *Edge Case*, a New York Times Editors' Choice and an NPR Books We Love pick for 2021. She also wrote *Though I Get Home*, which won the Louise Meriwether First Book Prize and the Asian/Pacific American Award For Literature honor title. In addition, YZ is a translator of Mahua literature. Her published and forthcoming full-length translations include novels by Li Zi Shu and King Ban Hui. Her work has been supported by NEA and MacDowell fellowships. Born and raised in Taiping, Malaysia, she now lives in New York.

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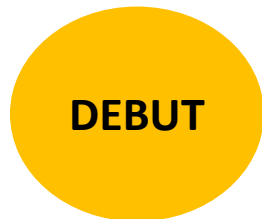
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(CBR)



# Her Kind

*A Novel*

By Sophie Lefens

"*Her Kind* is a poignant and revelatory meditation on motherhood, womanhood, and the friendships that sustain both. This novel will nourish, inspire, and console you—you'll want to stay in it as long as you can."

— T Kira Madden, author of *Long Live the Tribe of Fatherless Girls* and *Whidbey*

**An exquisite, mist-laced debut novel about friendship and motherhood, fear and love, in which a woman plagued by visions of being pulled away from Earth invites her three closest friends for a weekend, to see who might care for her son if she dies.**

When Ada's left to raise her young son alone, she retreats to her otherworldly aunt Leigh's crumbling lakeside home, seeking solace for herself and stability for Lenny. Yet, among the wildflowers and the hum of the water, Ada can't escape the nagging feeling she might not have much time left. Sensing death grow nearer, she invites her three closest friends—a brash, unemployed seamstress; a gentle, disillusioned violinist; and a serious painter—to the house over a long weekend to determine which of them might take on the impossible: raising Lenny if she no longer can.

Amidst strange animal activity and Leigh's mysterious late-night visits to her dead husband's grave, the women find comfort and purpose in one another's company as their stay extends into winter. Meanwhile, Leigh's memory is fading fast, and Ada must confront past and present truths she's spent a lifetime avoiding.

When death does finally come to the group, it sets off a chain of events that exposes long-hidden secrets and the true mystical nature of Leigh and her ancestral home. Written in attentive, insightful prose, *Her Kind* is an ode to a love both magical and every day, with the power to return us to ourselves.

**Sophie Lefens** is a writer from Chicago. She has worked in education, advertising and publishing and is a graduate of Yale Divinity School. She has poetry, essays and reviews published in *Third Coast Magazine*, *Passengers Journal*, *The Christian Century*, *Scary Sugar*, among others.

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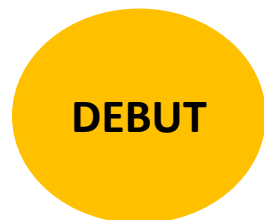
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# I Can Feel It All Over

*A Novel*  
By Ebonya Lia

**In this radiant and incisive debut novel in the tradition of ZZ Packer and Toni Cade Bambara, a Black woman fights to reclaim—and reinvent—her world after a little understood illness and a public health crisis threatens to upend everything she has.**

Forty-seven-year-old Harmony Johnston is not suited for life in 2019, particularly in dense NYC. From shampoos to synthetics to cell phones—the substances of modernity cause her physical pain, for reasons Harmony nor anyone else in her life can begin to understand. Doctors deny her illness is real. Seven years into her mostly private war, Harmony has her doubts too. Constantly betrayed not only by body and mind, but her obstinate physician sister, her sneaky best friend, and a spectral aunt who appears and disappears on a whim, she clings to the one doctor who hasn't shut every door, in the possibility that he might be her savior.

In war, there are sacrifices: hair, boyfriend, sleep. Long conditioned to place the comfort of others above her own needs, Harmony strives to accommodate in an increasingly inhospitable world. But when the prestigious non-profit she works for relocates to an office with new wiring, painting, and carpeting (and the same old racial tensions), she refuses to tolerate the pain and quits her job. Emboldened to further extricate the discomfort in her life, she sets firm boundaries that result in the emptying of her sleek Union Square apartment, the end of a potential romance, a fissure in a decades-long friendship, and a rift with her elderly, doctor-phobic neighbor—the person who perhaps most understands her.

At the rupture of each relationship, Harmony's universe becomes a little smaller, her loneliness magnified. Disease ever worsening, when her relationship with her one sympathetic doctor reaches a breaking point, Harmony cuts herself off completely from the outside world, submerging herself in depression and literal darkness. Time passes. When Harmony resurfaces from the void, the world as she knows it has been irreversibly altered. With everyone now nearly as isolated as she is, Harmony resolves to re-connect with all she has lost, restoring life as she knew it from within the cage of chronic pain. But in "new normal" times, can things ever really go back to normal?

At turns devastating, funny, and affirming, *I CAN FEEL IT ALL OVER* is an unforgettable debut novel about bodily autonomy, art, connection, and the pursuit of an authentic life amid the world's confines.

**Ebonya Lia** is a 2023 Kweli Writing Fellow who has studied fiction with CRIT and Hurston/Wright. She is a Professor of Economics at Columbia University, and her publications include academic and journalistic articles. Like Harmony, she is a middle-aged Black woman living with undiagnosed illness. Exhausted by "handling it so well," blowing up her life is her fantasy.

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# Glass Houses

*A Novel*

By Meredith Miletì

**In the tradition of Emma Straub, Catherine Newman, and Cynthia D'Aprix Sweeney, a darkly comedic and moving story of one family's fraught reunion at their adulterous father's astonishingly designed Berkshires lake house—and the decades' worth of fiercely kept secrets that unravel when the family is once again under the same roof.**

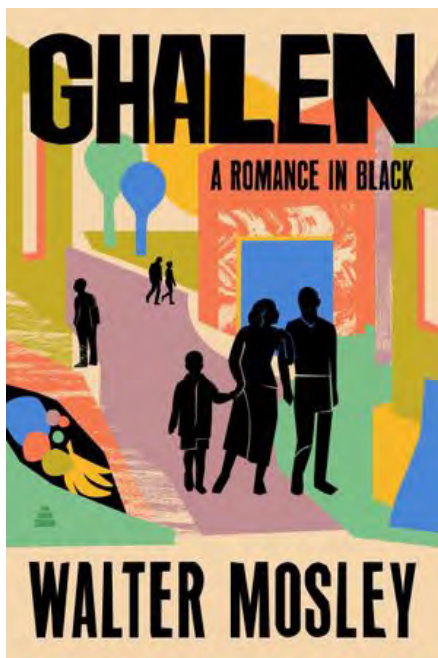
People in glass houses shouldn't throw stones. But for the Stein family, the saying is especially fitting...?Decades back (and with a little help from his formidable first wife, Hannah), Allen Stein built a modern marvel of glass architecture on the shores of a beautiful Berkshires lake. But the family only had two summers at the house together before Allen's unfaithfulness led to the implosion of his and Hannah's marriage, resulting in forty-plus years of acrimonious estrangement. Now nothing—not even a lifetime achievement award—could lure Allen back...at least while his bitter ex-wife is in residence.

So, when Allen and Hannah's children Sam and Sara arrange for Hannah to be thousands of miles away on an Arctic cruise, Allen finally agrees to return. That is, until Hannah's trip is cancelled last-minute, and—much to everyone's horror—the family is marooned in the house together.

Sam and Sara—each of whom bear different scars of a childhood caught in the crossfire—are forced to batten down the hatches to deal with the fallout. The unfolding drama only compounds the crises brewing in their own lives, such as Sam's daughter Esme's own journey of self-discovery, as she re-evaluates her relationship to marriage and partnership in a modern world. Sprinkle in some infidelity past and present, several generations of emotional baggage, and the Steins find themselves airing out all their dirty laundry.

Poignant and rich with humanity, *Glass Houses* is a warm-hearted exploration of marriage, love, betrayal and forgiveness, what binds us together and drives us apart.

**Meredith Miletì** graduated from Hamilton college with a degree in English Literature and subsequently earned her Ph.D. in Developmental and Educational Psychology from the University of Pittsburgh, where she then served on the graduate faculty, specializing in children's social and emotional adjustment and parent-child relationships. Meredith resides in Pittsburgh where she is an active participant in the arts and literary community. Her first novel, *Aftertaste: A Novel in Five Courses*, was published by Kensington Books. The *New York Journal of Books* called *Aftertaste* "a keenly observed novel that is... as thoughtful and poignant as it is wickedly funny..."Meredith is currently working on her next novel.



# Ghalen

## *A Romance in Black*

By Walter Mosley

**A stellar addition to the Amistad list: a beautiful coming-of-age novel from Walter Mosley that explores love in all forms-romantic, familial, and platonic, centered on one Black family, including a neurodivergent man, and the found bonds that helps ground them.**

Ghalen, a brilliant young Black man, is the son of two seemingly mismatched parents. His mother, a gifted scientist, whose own mother expected her to exceed all the achievements in her family, and his father, a gentle cook at a small vegetarian restaurant, whose idiosyncratic nature shows the young woman a radically different love and understanding of life, despite his inexperience and lack of education. His parents' grand love story starts it all off, setting us up to follow Ghalen and his family so deeply, that each new twist and turn feels personal.

The journey through Ghalen's coming-of-age tale, as he ventures out into the world, is marked with peaks and valleys and such a drive that you can't help but strap in for it all, while not wanting it to end.

Lush and cinematic, with the narrative drive and indelible power of Barbara Kingsolver's *Demon Copperhead* and Paul Murray's *The Bee Sting*, Ghalen is one of this bestselling, prize-winning writer's finest achievements.

**Walter Mosley** is one of America's most celebrated writers. He was given the 2020 National Book Award's Medal for Distinguished Contribution to American Letters, named a Grand Master of the Mystery Writers of America and honored with the Anisfield-Wolf Award, a Grammy, a PEN USA Lifetime Achievement Award, the Robert Kirsch Award, numerous Edgars and several NAACP Image Awards. He is the author of more than sixty critically acclaimed books that cover a wide range of ideas, genres, and forms including fiction (literary, mystery, and science fiction), political monographs, writing guides including *Elements of Fiction*, a memoir in paintings, and the young adult novel *47*. His work has been translated into twenty-five languages.

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# Clarity

By Tim O'Brien

"Tim O'Brien is the one American author whose works I look forward to the most."  
—Haruki Murakami

The author of the American classic *THE THINGS THEY CARRIED* returns with his finest novel in decades, an unconventional love story that unspools over decades between a Lutheran minister who has lost his faith, and a young woman, brilliant and blazingly delinquent, fleeing a traumatic past.

*Bought a horse. I'm riding her to Kansas or Montana or Wyoming or Mars. You were good to me. But watch out for clarity. People who know all the answers are fucking fools.*

Tim O'Brien returns with the unforgettable story of the bond between a wayward minister and a brilliant but impossibly delinquent young woman fleeing a mysterious past.

The minister of Damascus Lutheran Church in St. Paul, MN, Tom Barrie—a former U.S. Army Chaplain Assistant who had deployed to Afghanistan in 2003—is wrestling with a crisis of faith. Ruby Stjern—a pregnant young woman, alone in the world, who lives by her considerable wits—seeks Tom's help in arranging for the unwanted child to be adopted. When the baby is stillborn, Tom lies to Ruby, telling her the child survived, and she disappears. But Tom is haunted by his lie, and becomes obsessed with finding Ruby, triggering an odyssey that unspools over decades and across continents. Forever bonded, the two find freedom in their own ways—Tom through minor keys of commitment and duty; Ruby through expansive expression of life.

As epic as *Going After Cacciato* and as deeply philosophical as *The Things They Carried*, *Clarity* is a return to the grand themes and scope that made Tim O'Brien one of the great writers of our time.

**Tim O'Brien** received the National Book Award for *Going After Cacciato*. Among his other books are *The Things They Carried*, Pulitzer Finalist and a New York Times Book of the Century, and *In the Lake of the Woods*, winner of the James Fenimore Cooper Prize. He was awarded the Pritzker Literature Award for lifetime achievement in military writing.

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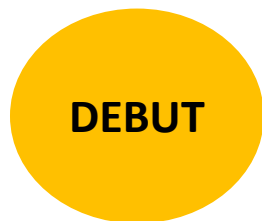
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Agent: none

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# Beyond the Baths of Stars

*A Novel*

By Schneider K. Rancy

**A dazzling literary debut that reimagines *The Odyssey* and asks what power do we have to control our own fate when our destiny feels pre-determined and the systems of the world are broken?**

Eurick Ulysse is trapped: by poverty, by class, by his parents' expectations. Disaffected by dead-end jobs, unaffordable community college classes, and the smallness of his world, he's all but resolved to piss away his life with his friends by drinking on the beach in endless ennui. But the night he drags a delirious and half-drowned Ana Maria Cortez out of the waves, everything changes. Ana is wild, carefree, and at times...otherworldly.

When she invites Eurick out for a night of bohemian debauchery roaming the Miami streets — a joyride of liquor store runs, casino tables, art shows, and boat thefts — he finds themselves acting out against every rule that's ever limited him. For just one night, he feels free.

Will this new freedom show Eurick that there's another kind of life for him? Or has it only shown him a taste of a future he will always be denied?

**Schneider K. Rancy** is a Pushcart Prize-nominated writer born to Haitian immigrants in South Florida. He is a graduate of Columbia University, where he earned a BA in English and Comparative Literature and Biology. A poet, his work has been published in *Apogee*, *The Adirondack Review*, *The Seventh Wave*, and *Moko Magazine*. In his spare time, he is a surgical resident in Manhattan.

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Agent: The Book Group

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SHORTLISTED  
AUTHOR

# Teret Teret

*A Novel*

By Nafkote Tamirat

A bold and singularly funny novel about a young Ethiopian American woman whose 21st century life collides spectacularly with Ethiopian legends that she knows can't possibly be real, and yet...



Belaynesh Tessema, an Ethiopian American journalist working at the independent travel magazine aptly named *Trivial Pursuits*, isn't exactly pleased when her overbearing boss insists she travel to D.C. to cover a story about a newly incorporated, all-Ethiopian town. When she starts packing to leave, things start to get...strange. First, there are the huge lapses in Belaynesh's memory and sense of place and time. Perhaps more alarming, she realizes that every morning when she wakes up, she begins the same day again: September 10, 2007, which also happens to be the last day of the Ethiopian calendar. Or, more to the point, the day the world is set to end.

Enter Teret, a talking parrot who reveals an ambitious plan to un-stick time, sending him and Belaynesh deep into the world of Ethiopian mythology. At its center is the mysterious Henok, star of the apocryphal Book of Enoch. As Belaynesh and Teret dodge contemporary reinventions of the book's grandest flourishes, from fallen angels to time traveling giants, Belaynesh learns that sometimes moving forward requires looking back.

Irreverently funny and wildly inventive, *Teret Teret* is modern magical realism at its best. It blends some of Ethiopia's oldest stories with a heroine for our current moment, for a mold-breaking, epic tale about identity, memory and love.

**Nafkote Tamirat** is the author of *The Parking Lot Attendant*, which was a *New York Times* *Notable Book*, and a finalist for the Center for Fiction's First Novel Prize. She holds an MFA from Columbia University, and her work has appeared in *The Paris Review* and *Best Paris Stories*, among other places. A native of Boston, she now lives in Paris.

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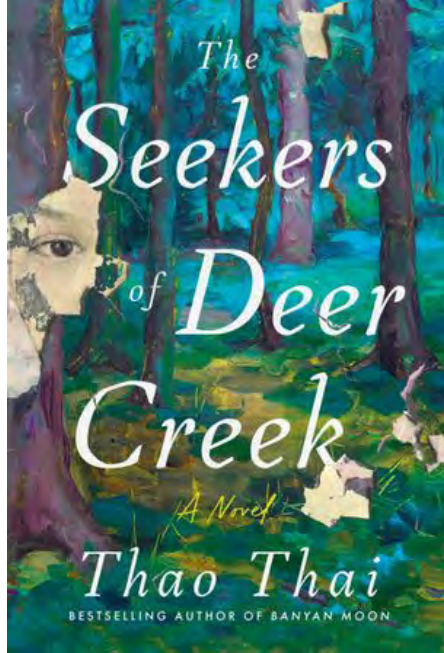
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Rights: English Language

Agent: Watkins/Loomis Agency

(KF)



CENTER FOR  
FICTION'S FIRST  
NOVEL PRIZE  
LONGLISTED  
AUTHOR

# The Seekers of Deer Creek

*A Novel*  
By Thao Thai

From the national bestselling author of *Banyan Moon*, a captivating, evocative story of two estranged sisters on a quest to find a painting by a forgotten Vietnamese artist that holds the truth of their family's fractured past.

Aside from the fact they are sisters, Vivi and Calla Nguyễn have little in common. Vivi, the eldest, lives an orderly and predictable life. She works as an art conservator at a museum in Chicago, carefully preserving pieces of the past, all the while refusing to examine her own dark history. Calla leads a much bolder, if occasionally reckless, existence. She's an accomplished artist with a flair for the dramatic, charming and intriguing everyone she meets. She's also a recovering addict, constantly causing Vivi to worry.

Months after the two fall out in the wake of their father's death, Calla appears on the steps of the museum with a sketch and a letter she found in their father's belongings. The sketch is an exact copy of *Blue Mirror*, a striking painting by a Vietnamese painter named K.P. Lý. In the letter, Lý writes about a mysterious lost work of art. Calla is convinced it is meant for their family, and that it was their father's deathbed wish for her and Vivi to find it together. Intrigued yet reluctant to follow her capricious sister, Vivi must decide whether she's willing to face or shut the door to the past.

From the ghostly Wisconsin woods to a glittering estate in the French countryside to a sprawling ancestral home teetering on the edge of a ravine in Việt Nam, *The Seekers of Deer Creek* is a story of sisters, art, and the irresistible gravity of the past—how it endures across time and generations, always present even when buried.

**Thao Thai** is the author of *Banyan Moon*, the July 2023 Read with Jenna title, Barnes & Noble Discover Pick, and Book of the Month selection. *Banyan Moon* was also selected by booksellers as an IndieNext pick and longlisted for the Center for Fiction's First Novel Prize. She was the recipient of the 2024 Ohio Arts Council's Individual Excellence Award, and her work has been published in the *Los Angeles Review of Books*, *WIRED*, *Elle*, *Lit Hub*, and other publications. She lives in central Ohio with her husband and daughter.

**Rights sold:** UK/[Quercus](#)

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## Imprint: Mariner Books

FICTION/Asian American & Pacific Islander

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Manuscript Available

Editor: Jessica Vestuto

Rights: English Language, Translation

Agent: CAA

(KF)

# Unti Tsukiyama Novel #2

*A Novel*

By Gail Tsukiyama



The beloved bestselling author of *The Brightest Star*, *The Color of Air*, and *The Samurai's Garden* returns with this breathtaking literary novel, following the retelling of Natsumi Katsumura, and Masako Osawa's lives, as they reclaim their past through vitalizing Dogo Island

In 1905 Japan, Masako Osawa finds herself in Okinoshima Town on Dogo Island, the largest of the remote Oki Islands in the Sea of Japan. Unmarried and with a small child, she will struggle to make a life for herself among the small, closed, island community doing the only thing she has trained and loved since she was young: cooking. Growing up in Kyoto and working at the Ishi mansion as kitchen help under the tutelage of a well-known Japanese chef, Masako's skills are far beyond most. She was poised to be one of the first women to attend culinary school in Tokyo until she unexpectedly becomes pregnant. Okinoshima Town offers her a refuge. Through hard work, perseverance, and luck, Masako is able to open a modest restaurant, which will become the heart of the community.

Twenty-five years later, 17-year-old Natsumi Katsumura will also find herself escaping to Okinoshima Town looking for a new life, though under very different circumstances. Masako takes pity on the hungry, homeless girl when she comes to her restaurant looking for work. A tentative working relationship begins as Natsumi acclimates to the community and to Masako. What ensues is the retelling of both Masako and Natsumi's past, their closely held secrets, and their present day lives amidst a community of colorful characters. Among the island's natural healing powers and bountiful resources, Natsumi will reclaim her life, just as Masako had. But it's only when Masako reveals a closely held secret, and seeks Natsumi's help in preparing her famous Water Banquet that Natsumi comes to understand the real meaning of strength and forgiveness.

**Gail Tsukiyama** was born in San Francisco, California, to a Chinese mother from Hong Kong and a Japanese father from Hawaii. She attended San Francisco State University where she earned her Bachelor of Arts Degree and a Master of Arts Degree in English. She is the bestselling author of several novels, including *Women of the Silk* and *The Samurai's Garden*, as well as the recipient of the Academy of American Poets Prize and the PEN Oakland/Josephine Miles Literary Award.

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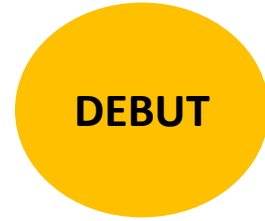
Manuscript Available: May 2026

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Agent: Joy Harris Literary Agency

(JLS)



# Creatures of Habit

*A Novel*

By Jennifer Yeh

A woman learns to see her future in a new light with the help of an amphibious man who crawls through her window the day of her ex's engagement party in this coming-of-middle-age novel for fans of *The Correspondent* and *Remarkably Bright Creatures*.

Gina Lee's life might not have turned out to be terribly exciting, but it's comfortably predictable—until her husband Mark drops a bomb that upends everything. Ever since the unexpected death of his mother Mark has been drifting out of the family orbit. Now, he has completely escaped their gravitational pull: he's leaving to start a new relationship with a younger woman. Reckoning with a future that looks nothing like the one she imagined and a past she now must rewrite, Gina finds herself adrift for the first time in decades. For years she has been the emotional and practical heart of her family, but with the members of that family scattered and the reality of Mark's engagement party fast approaching, Gina wonders for the first time what she wants for herself.

It's only when a strange amphibious creature crawls through her window to ask for help that Gina begins to understand that her life is not over. In fact, with the unlikely wisdom of her new friend, she finds that it might be just beginning. Told with a poignantly observant eye, Jennifer Yeh's moving debut speaks to the shifting seasons of life and the deeply human ability to find joy in a few perfect moments.

**Jennifer Yeh** was a real-life frog biologist with a Ph.D. in evolutionary biology. Prior to that, she studied science and creative writing at Harvard College. Her fiction has appeared in *Analecta* and *Embark*, and she was a 2021-2022 BookEnds fellow at Stony Brook University.

**Imprint: William Morrow**

FICTION/Literary

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Rights: English Language

Agent: Neon Literary

(MR)

NEW



FICTION  
IN  
TRANSLATION

# Cloud People

*A Novel*  
By Lee Yuri

Translated from the Korean by Amber Hyun Jung Kim

*Born into slums built on a toxic pink cloud, a young woman struggles to survive while facing prejudice, fragile family bonds, and the weight of social inequality.*

Decades ago, people in extreme poverty who could not afford the soaring real estate prices settled on a pinkish cloud made up of all kinds of toxic substances in search of a place to live. The world calls them Cloud People, and the cloud people call the people down there, Ground People.

Now, in a near future South Korea, Oh Haneul, a woman in her early 20s, knows nothing but life in poverty in the clouds. Like other Cloud People, Haneul also commutes to the ground doing odd jobs. Haneul's mother cleans the houses of the Ground People and takes care of their children. Her father heads to a day labor office on the ground every day at dawn. Sometimes he gets a job, sometimes he doesn't, but one thing that doesn't change is that he is violence towards Haneul and her six-year-old brother, who dreams of becoming a YouTube streamer.

Unsurprisingly, the city government and landowners below the cloud want to get rid of the Cloud People—who are lowering the ever-growing real estate prices—as soon as possible. In fact, the government is planning to spray artificial rain over the clouds to melt the Cloud People's home, forcibly evicting them. But if the Cloud People couldn't afford a place to live on the ground, where would they go?

As life becomes increasingly desperate and challenging on the Clouds, Haneul can't help but feel drawn to the ground, and their commercialized culture. Protests break out, and soon Haneul and her brother become unlikely stars in the Cloud People class struggle—inviting opportunities to move to the Ground and live on the kindness of others. But with the ongoing destruction of the Cloud People's land and eradication that resembles ethnic cleansing, the possibility of a better, comfortable life will come at a cost. One that Haneul may not be equipped to deal with.

**Lee Yuri** began her literary career in 2020 through the Kyunghyang Shinmun New Year's Literary Contest. She has published two short story collections, *Broccoli Punch*, which was her fiction debut, *The World of All Things* (2023), as well as a linked novel collection, *Meet Me in a Good Place* (2023).

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FICTION/Literary

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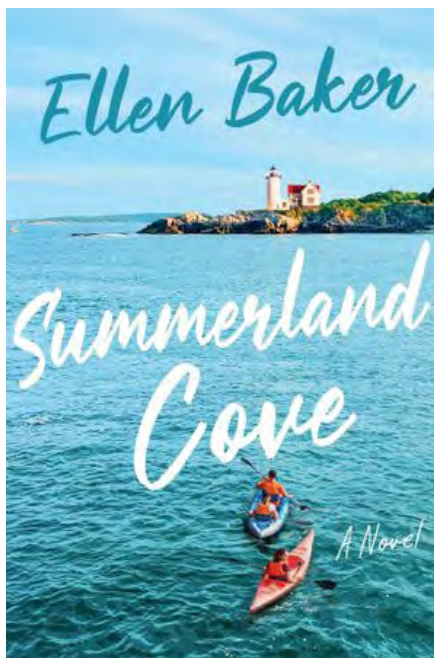
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# FICTION

## General

 HarperCollins *Publishers*



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FICTION/Family Life

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Editor: Nicole Angeloro

Rights: English Language, Translation

Agent: Gelfman Schneider Literary Agents, Inc.

(KF)

# Summerland Cove

*A Novel*

By Ellen Baker

"An author who knows how to keep us turning the pages." — *Chicago Tribune*

***Apples Never Fall* meets *Maine* in this captivating novel of family secrets, summer celebrations, and putting things back together again after they've all fallen apart- from the acclaimed author of *The Hidden Life of Cecily Larson*.**

Lindy has the summer of a lifetime planned at her family's beloved cottage in Summerland Cove, Maine, where she's spent summers all her life and where she and her husband David met as teenagers. She's slated big events three weekends in a row: David's fiftieth birthday party, her parents' fiftieth anniversary party, and her oldest daughter Hailey's wedding. But when David doesn't show up for his own party, everything about the life they've created together is thrown into question, as the shattered family sets out looking for him. Has he been in an accident? God forbid, been the victim of a crime? Or is it something more cliché—a midlife crisis, an affair? Surely, he'll show up for his beloved daughter's wedding—won't he?

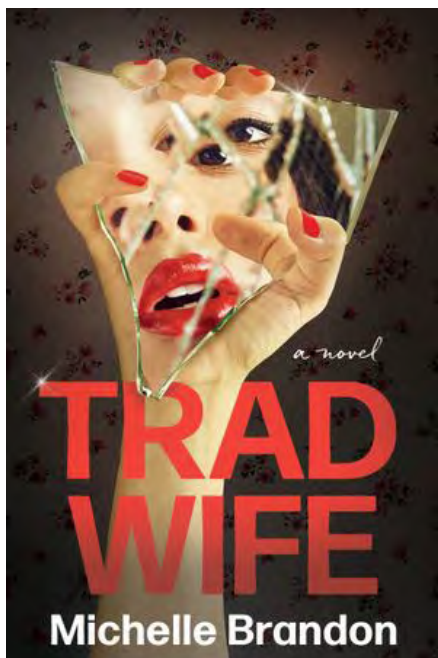
The agonizing days tick by and still no David. Lindy's four nearly grown children are panicked. Lindy struggles to remain calm, even as long-buried details of the family's past begin to surface, offering distressing clues. Meanwhile, her mother seems to be harboring secrets of her own, her father has grown alarmingly absent-minded, and Hailey wrestles with whether she should get married at all—even if her father does turn up.

A richly drawn novel of mothers, marriages, and one endearingly messy family, *Summerland Cove* beautifully evokes the crisp air and rocky beaches of coastal Maine, while poignantly revealing how complicated histories can shape the present in unexpected ways.

**Ellen Baker** is the author of the novels *The Hidden Life of Cecily Larson*, *Keeping the House*, and *I Gave My Heart to Know This*. She has worked as a museum curator and as a bookseller and event coordinator at an independent bookstore. Originally from the Upper Midwest, she currently lives on the coast of Maine.

**THE HIDDEN LIFE OF CECILY LARSON sold:**

Czech/[Euromedia](#); Danish/[HC Denmark](#); Swedish/[HC Sweden](#).



**Imprint: Avon a**

FICTION/Women

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# Tradwife

*A Novel*

By Michelle Brandon

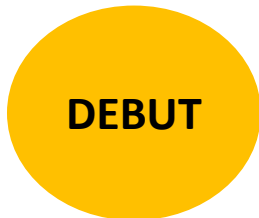
**Inspired by the #tradwifetok phenomenon, a novel in which trad wives with dark personal secrets in a small beach town find themselves embroiled in scandal when one of their husbands goes missing, and their traditional-and not so traditional-lifestyles become a national sensation, from the author of Rush Week.**

In an idyllic coastal town, life appears picture-perfect-until it's not. Families are drawn to Crystal Harbor for its more traditional values and gender roles, a step back in time to an era of female submission and patriarchal leadership. But beneath the layers of perfectly coiffed, manicured, and attired wives; freshly baked sourdough; faithful Sunday churchgoers; bake sales; and backyard barbecues, lies a secret lifestyle that's only revealed when the sun goes down-and a man goes missing. Worse, the disappearance dredges up a dark truth several of them thought they buried years ago, threatening to shatter the community's carefully maintained façade.

Told from the alternating perspectives of three women at the center of it all, Tradwife is a juicy, drama-packed novel that dives into the controversial, trending social media lifestyle and gender role stereotypes of tradwives, the taboo behind-closed-doors participation in wife-swapping, and what happens when the lies they've told themselves inside a gilded cage turn inside out, with the potential to not only destroy their existence, but end them...

**Michelle Brandon** is a pseudonym for Eliza Knight, an award-winning and USA Today bestselling author. A travel junkie and fan of wine, when she's not writing, she can be found lounging on the beach with a delicious book or taking a long restorative walk. Surrounded by palm trees and wild animals, she lives in the sunshine state with her husband, daughters, two slobbery doggies and a turtle named Fish.

**Rights sold:** Ukrainian/[Ranok](#)



# The Lake Club

A Novel  
By Lina Patton

"The ultimate summer escape. Stylish, smart, and utterly unputdownable."  
-Georgia Clark, author of *Play It Again*

"Juicy and tense, insanely readable and surprisingly tender—you need this one in your beach bag." -Carola Lovering, bestselling author of *Tell Me Lies*

**A sizzling, soapy summer debut, in which two women in a wealthy lakeside suburb clash over a cute male nanny, pulling the town's darker secrets to the surface.**

## DRAMA LOVES A DEEP END

When Danika Crawley attends events at the Aldon Lakes Country Club, heads turn. Danika has it all—beauty, money, a successful husband, and two perfect children. She plans on making this summer her best season yet and has a secret weapon to secure the envy of her neighbors.

Augie Elling has lost it all. Reeling from a post-grad scandal amidst her now-former life in New York, she returns to Aldon Lakes with her tail between her legs. Augie wants to keep her head down, save money, and find a way to leave her hometown for good, but someone keeps distracting her.

Danika and Augie have one thing in common: they are both a little obsessed with Chat, the male nanny Danika hired for the summer. But, unbeknownst to either woman, Chat's appearance in town sets off a chain reaction that threatens Aldon Lakes' carefully maintained ecosystem. As the heat rises between the three of them, the truth behind a long-buried scandal comes to light, and everyone at the club must reckon with the consequences.

*The Lake Club* is both an addictive, rollicking beach read, and a stylish, deft exploration of a lesser-known region of American wealth.

**Lina Patton** is a writer, illustrator, and teacher. Originally from Maine, she moved to Minnesota at thirteen, trading the ocean for 10,000 lakes. She holds a BA from Elon University and an MFA from George Mason University. Her work has appeared in *ELLE*, *The Cut*, *Narrative Magazine*, and *Driftwood Press*, among others. After seven years living abroad, she and her husband currently reside in Washington, DC, with their two very good, very bad dogs. *The Lake Club* is her first novel.

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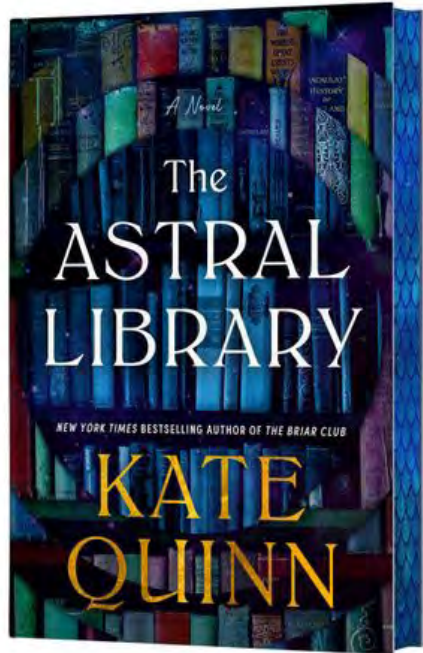
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FICTION/Magical Realism

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Agent: Marsal Lyon

(MR)

# The Astral Library

*A Novel*

By Kate Quinn

From New York Times bestselling author Kate Quinn comes a gorgeously written fantastical adventure which poses the question: Have you ever wished you could live inside a book? Welcome to the Astral Library, where books are not just objects, but doors to new worlds, new lives, and new futures.

Alexandria "Alix" Watson has learned one lesson from her barren childhood in the foster-care system: unlike people, books will never let you down. Working three dead-end jobs to make ends meet and knowing college is a pipe dream, Alix takes nightly refuge in the high-vaulted reading room at the Boston Public Library, escaping into her favorite fantasy novels and dreaming of far-off lands. Until the day she stumbles through a hidden door and meets the Librarian: the ageless, acerbic guardian of a hidden library where the desperate and the lost escape to new lives...inside their favorite books.

The Librarian takes a dazzled Alix under her wing, but before she can escape into the pages of her new life, a shadowy enemy emerges to threaten everyone the Astral Library has ever helped protect. Aided by a dashing costume-shop owner, Alix and the Librarian flee through the Regency drawing rooms of Jane Austen to the back alleys of Sherlock Holmes and the champagne-soaked parties of *The Great Gatsby* as danger draws inexorably closer. But who does their enemy really wish to destroy-Alix, the Librarian, or the Library itself?

**Kate Quinn** is the New York Times and USA Today bestselling author of historical fiction. Her novels include *The Alice Network*, *The Huntress*, *The Rose Code*, *The Diamond Eye*, and *The Briar Club*. *The Astral Library* is her first foray into magic realism.

**Rights sold:** Arabic/Meskiliani Publishers; Bulgarian/Soft Press; Czech/Moba Publishers; Dutch/Uitgevers De Fontein; French/Bragelonne; Hungarian/Maxim Konyvkiado; Italian/Nord (Longanesi); Polish/Wydawnictwo Wam; Portuguese (Brazil)/Bertrand Editora; Serbian/Veseli Cetvrtak Doo; Spanish/Ediciones Urano; Swedish/HC Sweden; UK/HarperFiction (HCUK)

NEW



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FICTION/Time Travel

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Agent: Marsal Lyon

(MR)

# The Timefarers

*A Novel*

By Jennifer Robson

**A stunning and magical new story from bestselling author Jennifer Robson.**

A secret society of Timefarers, an Oxford Student, and the discovery of a lifetime.

Oxford, England 1992. Newly arrived at the University of Oxford, graduate student Cora Gallant is thrilled when celebrated historian J. S. Waltham agrees to meet with her. Expecting a venerable scholar, she is instead confronted with the enigmatic man who has been haunting her thoughts since a recent chance encounter. When Jack Waltham reveals that the strange visions Cora has been experiencing are not delusions but, astonishingly, glimpses of actual moments from history, her future changes irrevocably. Cora is a Timefarer, gifted with the rare ability to step through ancient doorways and travel into the past.

As wonder gives way to understanding, Cora begins to grasp both the beauty and the burden of her rare gift. With Jack as her guide, Cora walks the streets of wartime Oxford, witnesses the echoes of centuries long gone, and is drawn into the secretive Honorable and Ancient Guild of Timefarers. Her friendship with Jack deepens into love, but their growing bond is shadowed by the devastating knowledge that his fate may hinge on choices she has yet to make. When unseen enemies attack, determined to erase her and Jack from history altogether, Cora is forced to risk everything. Alone, she must venture into the past to save the man she loves—and the fragile future they dare to imagine—before time itself closes the door forever.

**Jennifer Robson** is the Globe & Mail and Toronto Star number-one bestselling author of six novels, among them *Coronation Year*, *The Gown* and *Somewhere in France*.

**Option publishers:** Spanish/HC Spain, UK/Headline

# The Upstate Dispatch

*A Novel*

By Kim van Alkemade



**A deeply felt story in which a writer who was widowed early in the pandemic channels her grief into reviving an abandoned bookstore in upstate New York .**

At thirty-four, Audrey Beacon is a successful author teaching at a prestigious Manhattan college and newly married to a tender-hearted fiddle player. Then the Covid epidemic hits, claiming her husband's life. Audrey is grieving alone during lockdown when a post about a bookshop for sale in Upstate New York pops into her social media feed like a lifeline. Enthralled by the historic house that comes with the hundred-acre property and the massive barn bursting with books, Audrey impulsively makes an offer. Soon, she's cashing out her savings, loading her possessions into her dead husband's van, and heading north to Schuywich, hoping to outrun the ghosts of her past.

Red Barn Books, it turns out, was founded in 1967 by Evelyn Cabot, a headstrong magazine writer who left Greenwich Village to chronicle her adventures as an unmarried woman renovating an old farmhouse in rural Schuywich. In her column, "The Upstate Dispatch," Evelyn describes how she came to inherit abolitionist John Brown's sheep, how the war in Vietnam impacted her neighbors—and how she decided to open a bookshop in her barn with help from her "roommate," Hazel McIntyre, the town's spinster librarian.

As the stories of Audrey, Evelyn and Hazel weave more closely together, family secrets are revealed and hidden loves brought to light. But is it already too late for Audrey to heal the wounds of the past—including her own?

**Kim van Alkemade** is the New York Times bestselling author of the historical novels *Orphan #8* which sold in 11 languages, and *Counting Lost Stars*.

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FICTION/Books, Bookstores & Libraries

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**COUNTING LOST STARS sold:** Dutch / De Fontein



# Daughters of the Wind

*A Novel*

By Sheila Williams

**Book club favorite and acclaimed author of *No Better Time* and *The Secret Women* makes her first foray into the mythical fantasy genre with this epic tale of legacy, power, sacrifice, and family bonds that is a call to action wrapped in elemental magic.**

Aeola St. James is no ordinary CEO. While navigating boardroom politics and the chaos of motherhood, she harbors a secret: she is Keeper of the Winds, an elemental being who can read the landscape and harness the wind. The planet is warming faster than it should and Aeola senses catastrophe. To ward off disaster, Aeola must gather "Daughters of the Wind" from every epoch and corner of the globe, including her own daughters whom she has hidden for their protection: Buran, mammoth hunter in Ice Age North America, Burga, her Eurasian counterpart, a skilled falconer, Siree, midwife to the Kushite royal house, Zonda of the Cloud People, masters of the Andean peaks, and Mistral, mercurial and fierce, survivor of a medieval witch hunt. As Aeola time-travels the globe, an enemy waits. Tech billionaire Wills Holloway has devised a plan to monetize climate correction by launching a missile into the stratosphere, seeding it with a cooling compound. His corporate intelligence reveals that Aeola's company has a mechanism that will facilitate the dispersal of his creation and he initiates a hostile takeover. But Wills has no idea that the "mechanism" he seeks to acquire is Aeola herself. As the climate clock ticks, Aeola uses her gifts to outsmart the uber-introverted Holloway and persuade him to partner with her and the Daughters to give the blue planet a fighting chance.

**Sheila Williams** is the author of eight novels, including *Things Past Telling*, *The Secret Women*, and *Dancing on the Edge of the Roof*, which was adapted for the Netflix film *Juanita*. In addition to her published works, she is the librettist for *Fierce*, an opera commissioned by the Cincinnati Opera. Sheila lives in northern Kentucky.

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FICTION/Fantasy / Contemporary

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**NO BETTER TIME (2024):** All rights available

**THINGS PAST TELLING (2022):** Italian/[HC Italy](#); Russian/[Azbooka-Atticus](#)

**SECRET WOMEN (2020):** All rights available

# FICTION

Historical

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# Dirt Bitch

*A Novel*

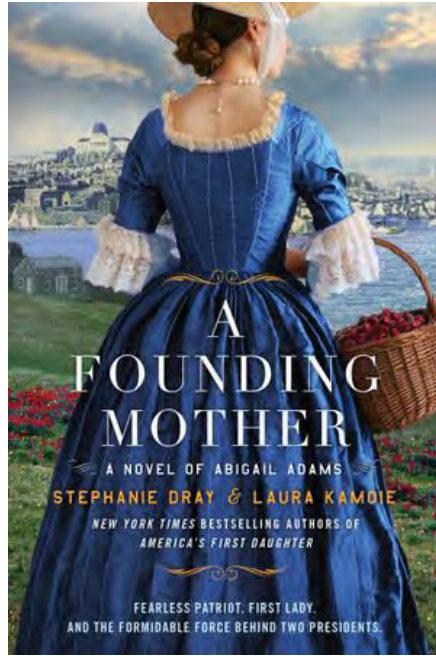
By Lisa Barr

**From the New York Times bestselling author of *The Goddess of Warsaw* comes a suspenseful new novel exploring art, deception, and revenge, in a dual timeline narrative about a hired killer in the present and her roots in the horrors of WWII.**

When a paintbrush proves more lethal than a pistol...*Dirt Bitch* is a high-octane blend of love, war, art, and female power. A fearless graffiti artist with a secret identity (think: female Banksy) joins forces with a rogue CIA agent to hunt down an elusive female terrorist hired by a prominent neo-Nazi to settle an old WWII score—unleashing a deadly game of deception where art itself becomes the ultimate weapon.

A propulsive pursuit of payback and paying it forward, *Dirt Bitch* pits the past against the present, utilizing art as a weapon of deception both then and now.

**Lisa Barr** is the New York Times bestselling author of *The Goddess of Warsaw*, *Woman on Fire*, *The Unbreakables*, and the award-winning historical thriller *Fugitive Colors*. She has served as an editor for *The Jerusalem Post*, managing editor of *Today's Chicago Woman* and *Moment* magazine, and as an editor and reporter for the *Chicago Sun-Times*. She has appeared on *Good Morning America* and *Today* for her work as an author, journalist, and blogger. Actress Sharon Stone is set to produce and star in the film adaptation of *Woman on Fire*.



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# A Founding Mother

## A Novel of Abigail Adams

By Stephanie Dray and Laura Kamoie

In time for the 250th Anniversary of the birth of the United States comes a sweeping, intimate portrayal of Abigail Adams-wife of one president and mother to another-whose wit, willpower, and wisdom helped shape the fledgling republic. A stunning historical novel with modern-day implications from the New York Times bestselling authors of *America's First Daughter* and *My Dear Hamilton*.

In the heart of revolutionary Boston, Abigail Adams raises her children amid riots, blockades, and the outbreak of war. While her husband, John Adams, rises from country lawyer to nation-builder, often away for years at a time, Abigail builds her own independence-managing their farm, making lucrative investments, amassing savings, battling plague and loss, and defending their home. Unafraid to speak her mind, she famously offers fearless political counsel, urging John to "remember the ladies" in the new government. Through it all, she becomes his most trusted confidante and indispensable ally.

When peace is secured, Abigail steps onto the world stage-exchanging ideas with Thomas Jefferson in the French countryside, navigating court life as the wife of the Minister to Great Britain, and presiding over the parlor politics of the early American republic in New York, Philadelphia, and Washington, DC. Even after her husband's presidential administration, she continues battling political foes and working behind the scenes to advance her family, secure independence for the women in her life, and ensure a better life for the next generation of Americans.

From war-torn streets to the chandeliered halls of power, *A Founding Mother* is the unforgettable story of a woman ahead of her time-one whose voice, vision, and valor still resonate powerfully today.

**Stephanie Dray** is a New York Times, Wall Street Journal and USA Today bestselling author of historical fiction. Her award-winning work tops lists for the most anticipated reads of the year. She lives near the nation's capital with her husband, cats, and history books.

**Laura Kamoie** is a New York Times, Wall Street Journal, and USA Today bestselling author of historical fiction. She holds a doctoral degree in early American history from the College of William and Mary and published two nonfiction books on early America.

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# Nola and Baldwin

*A Novel*

By Donna Hill

*Their Eyes Were Watching God* for a new generation craving a romantic finale—a sweeping historical tale that is a journey of the heart and of the times.

If it wasn't for Zora Neale Hurston's *Their Eyes Were Watching God*, Nola Denny didn't know how she would have survived her father's tragic death or her mother's descent into mental illness. Inspired by Hurston's main character, Janie Crawford, Nola sets out to find her own voice, silenced by the weight of being a caretaker and the pains of her past. On her journey to New York, Nola stops in Meridian—a detour that unexpectedly leads to a fresh start, a home, and her own Tea Cake, a Pullman Porter named Baldwin Carter.

Baldwin escaped a loveless childhood and found a caring stranger who invited him into her home and gave him a chance at a new life. A proud, hardworking Pullman Porter, Baldwin must endure bowing and scraping to passengers who barely see him as a man. When he encounters Nola, he instinctively knows he has met his anchor, a woman who makes every inch of him stand tall. Experiencing loss, hardship, and months of separation, Nola and Baldwin must come to terms with their pasts to share a future together. The young couple know that time and distance cannot separate them, and that the sacrifices they must make are not only for themselves, but for all those who come after them, searching for a better life.

Set during the end of the Great Depression, and shaped by real-world events, crisscrossing the country from South to Midwest to North, *Nola and Baldwin* is an epic tale of a love powerful enough to overcome the dark forces of racism that threatens to tear it apart.

**Donna Hill** began her career in 1987 writing short stories for the confession magazines. Since then, she has written more than 100 published titles and is considered one of the early pioneers of the African American romance genre. Three of her novels have been adapted for television.

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# The Color of Sacrifice

*A Novel*  
By Shara Moon

**A gripping historical novel about two mothers, still reeling from the loss of a beloved soldier, whose opposing views on an impending Gold Star pilgrimage ignites personal journeys of their own.**

*When the path to peace is divided by injustice, how far will two mothers go to say goodbye?*

It's 1933—the final year of the American-sponsored pilgrimage to France for all Gold Star Mothers and Widows of U.S. soldiers lost overseas during the Great War. Yet in a nation divided by Jim Crow, not even grief can escape segregation. As the last pilgrimage of mourners prepare to travel abroad—with white women on luxury liners and Black women on cargo ships—some must decide if the long, segregated journey is worth the unfair treatment.

*One widow wants to remember...*

Thelma Hayes just wants to see her husband again—or at the very least, his final resting place. Having been widowed one year after marrying the love of her life, Thelma would give anything to unite her 14-year-old son with the father he's never met. Even if that means petitioning for her surly mother-in-law's place on that ship. But getting aboard won't come easy, and it certainly won't come without some sacrifice.

*One mother refuses to forget...*

Having survived the murder of her husband, the destruction of her home, and later the death of her only son, Charlotte Hayes refuses to let anyone take anything else from her. Standing firm in protest against the segregated pilgrimage to France, Charlotte vows not to accept anything less than equal acknowledgment of her son's sacrifice. Though she longs to visit the site of his final resting place, no one can convince Charlotte to dishonor his memory by accepting anything less than respect and equality.

Bound together by their love for one fallen soldier, yet divided by their stance on how to honor his memory, these two grieving women must decide what they value most: standing up against the atrocities of Jim Crow or getting to say goodbye one last time.

**Shara Moon** is a first-generation Haitian American writer and amateur historian who enjoys exploring Black world history. She is a former college writing instructor with degrees from the University of Central Florida and the City College of New York. *Let Us March On* was her debut historical fiction novel.



# Belle Haven Finishing School

*A Novel*

By Adele Myers

From the author of *The Tobacco Wives* comes an intergenerational tale set in 1951 and 1987, inspired by the true story of a decades-old cover-up about a finishing school that binds two women together, thirty years apart.

*"There are times when the greater good must take precedence," he said. "When the sacrifices of the few lead to scientific breakthroughs that improve the lives of thousands, tens of thousands." "But at what cost?" she asked.*

In 1951, Belle Haven Finishing School offers orphan girls the promise of a brighter future. For Birdie and her cousin Rue, it's a chance to become proper ladies, to dream beyond their small world, and change the trajectory of their lives. But as Birdie navigates the school's unusual rules and glamorous, yet unsettling, atmosphere, she begins to question the true intentions behind its polished facade—and what it might mean for her and Rue. In 1987, Charlotte Davenport, a burgeoning *New York Times* reporter who is hungry to cover stories beyond the ladies' lifestyle pages, discovers a curious connection between the finishing school and an academic study that was never published. Charlotte is convinced a cover-up took place to protect the prominent university professor behind the unethical study. As Charlotte pieces together the past, she finds herself drawn into a mystery that touches her own life in unexpected ways. Dramatic, deeply human, emotionally satisfying, and written with vivid historical details, *Belle Haven Finishing School* is a heartfelt tale of ambition, the power of female connection, and the courage to seek the truth.

**Adele Myers** grew up in Asheville, North Carolina but now lives in Brooklyn, New York. She has a journalism degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where she is an adjunct professor, and is the author of *The Tobacco Wives*.

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FICTION/Historical / 20th Century / Post-World War II

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# A Harlem Wedding

*A Novel*

By Tiffany L. Warren

**From *The Unexpected Diva* author Tiffany Warren—a dishy and dramatic novel of the Harlem Renaissance and its most famous Black debutante, Yolande Du Bois, daughter of W.E.B. Du Bois, whose spectacular wedding to poet Countee Cullen was the society event of the year...even though the bride and groom were not-so-secretly in love with other people.**

A century ago, Harlem's glittering social scene had a single princess: Yolande Du Bois, the only child of N.A.A.C.P. icon W.E.B. Du Bois. Yolande was bold, vivacious, and beloved of every gossip columnist. A true daddy's girl, Yolande followed her father's advice on everything: from where she went to college (Fisk-Papa's alma mater) to which sorority she joined (Delta Sigma Theta). But in matters of the heart, Yolande and her father did not agree. Dr. Du Bois himself curated a string of handsome suitors from the "Talented Tenth" for her, but Yolande's true love was jazz musician Jimmie Lunceford, son of a working-class family from far-off Denver, Colorado. Their romance was an open secret, and more than a little scandalous.

Despite it all, Yolande wound up marrying her father's choice: famed poet Countee Cullen. Their lavish uptown wedding was the hottest social ticket of 1928. With three thousand attendees, sixteen bridesmaids, and Langston Hughes as a groomsman, it was truly a sight to behold.

But, immediately after the wedding, Yolande's carefully constructed fairy tale begins to crumble. Torn between the expectations of her father and society and her heart's true desire, Yolande is forced to decide whether she must leave Harlem to create a more authentic life on her own terms.

*A Harlem Wedding* is a heady read about love, notoriety, Black excellence, deception, and the très chic lifestyles of the Black elite, from speakeasies of Harlem and the green fields of Fisk University, all the way to Le Grand Duc in Paris.

**Tiffany L. Warren** is a novelist and screenwriter who has published over thirty novels. In addition to writing books, Tiffany has written and produced multiple musicals for the stage, as well as several book to film collaborations with BET.

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FICTION/African American & Black / Historical

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# What Happens at Nightfall

*A Novel*

By Lauren Willig

New York Times bestselling author Lauren Willig returns with *What Happens at Nightfall*, a delightfully spooky contemporary romance about love, haunting, and a little bit of demon-hunting.

In the sprawling, beautifully Gothic expanse of Brooklyn's Green-Wood Cemetery, some secrets refuse to stay buried. Recently laid off and searching for purpose, Jess's life takes a dark turn when she reluctantly joins her best friend on a supposedly fun nighttime cemetery tour. Separated from her group by accident, she discovers a group of terrified boys and a strange, ancient key. Both lead to the Green-Wood's surprisingly handsome resident arborist, Adam Chervinsky.

Recently widowed, Adam has more to protect than the leafy residents of Green-Wood. His children, stricken by grief at the loss of their mother, are acting strangely. Why is his savvy tween daughter so taken with Jess, and why is his quiet son suddenly so popular—and so good at Latin? A haunting is afoot, and Jess seems to have more answers than she's letting on. Despite the undeniable sparks flying between her and Adam, things are about to get very spooky indeed.

As Jess and Adam delve deeper into the cemetery's haunted history, they uncover a Gilded Age curse, a ghostly socialite, and a demonic pact that stretches across generations. Does an ancient demon really stalk Adam's family? What lays hidden in the Green-wood's splendid Vanderwilt marble mausoleum? The line between the living and the dead blurs, and the shadows of Green-Wood begin to stir with malevolent intent. Jess must confront not only the supernatural forces and a shocking connection to the past if she and Adam truly want to live happily ever after.

**Lauren Willig** is a New York Times and USA Today bestselling author. An alumna of Yale University, she has a graduate degree in history from Harvard and a J.D. from Harvard Law School. She lives in New York City.

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FICTION/Gothic

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Agent: CAA

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# FICTION

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# Your Lips on Mine

A Novel

By Emma R. Alban

A sapphic regency romance in which an errant lightning strike results in the body-swap of two ex-best friends, who must put aside their quarrels and find a way to swap back, all while navigating the marriage mart and their confusing feelings for each other, from the USA Today bestselling author of *Don't Want You Like a Best Friend*.

It is the top of a new marriage season in London 1833, and Isabel Warls and Lila Hall cannot stand the sight of each other. Formerly best friends, they have been competing since they were old enough to debut—and now, after a disastrously unsuccessful last season, the pressure the girls are under is higher than ever.

But chaos ensues at the first ball, when a knocked-over vase becomes a high intensity argument. Isabel and Lila take their quarrel outside, where a faint rain starts to fall. And then lightning strikes, and the girls are blasted apart.

They come to, yards apart, and mud on their skirts is the least of their troubles. When they stand, what was complicated before becomes flat-out incomprehensible: the two girls have swapped bodies.

To keep up appearances—and not end up send to the asylum—Lila goes home with Isabel's family, and Isabel with Lila's, neither pretending that anything is amiss. As they spend time in each other's lives, each girl gains a better understanding for the other, which soon gives way to an intimacy that neither of them could have predicted.

But what do you do when you wind up in your childhood best friend's body, fighting for a husband you're no longer sure you want, and growing more and more intrigued by the girl who, mystifyingly, wears your own face?

Isabel and Lila are about to find out, and London might never be the same.

**Tropes:**

body swap  
ex-best friends to... lovers?  
mutual pining

**Emma R. Alban** is the author of *Don't Want You Like a Best Friend*, *You're the Problem*, *It's You*, and *Like in Love with You*. Raised in the Hudson Valley, she now lives in Los Angeles, enjoying the eternal sunshine, ocean, and mountains. When she isn't writing books or screenplays, she can usually be found stress baking with the AC on full blast, skiing late into the spring, singing showtunes at the top of her lungs on the freeway, and reading anywhere there's somewhere to lean.

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FICTION/Romance / Historical / Regency

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Agent: Writers House

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# Witch Is Mine

*A Novel*

By Lia Amador

**Former academic rivals turned roommates get a second chance at romance when they challenge each other to a magical matchmaking contest.**

Emelia Delmar lost her job, her boyfriend and her self-confidence in a single week. To fix her busted life, she has a three-step plan: 1) get employed, 2) get an apartment, 3) get over her ex. An offer to work at her friend's magic tutoring company takes care of the first item, but her new paycheck won't let her handle the second one solo.

Enter Sebastian Reyes, a librarian at Miami's only non-profit magical research library. His girlfriend left him with a broken heart, a bruised ego, and rent that's too damn high. After a series of terrible roommates, he figures his middle school nemesis-crush can't possibly be worse. Plus, if he gets the promotion he's chasing, he won't need her anymore.

When their friends and family convince them to start looking for new love, their bickering over the best strategy leads to a mutual dare: the first person to have a third date with someone takes over their home's amazing master bedroom. Emelia signs up for Fated Dates, a magical matchmaking service, while Sebastian searches his library's shelves for an old-fashioned spell solution.

Will their carefully crafted strategies and competitive streaks help them win their respective charm offensives? Or will they finally realize they've always been destined to enchant each other?

**Tropes:**

second chance romance  
forced proximity  
enemies to lovers

**Lia Amador** is a Miami flower transplanted in Georgia with her husband and kids. When she isn't writing kissing books, she's typically juggling too many other duties as assigned. She also writes science fiction and fantasy stories as Valerie Valdes.

**WITCH YOU WOULD sold:** Spanish (Spain)/[HC Spain](#); Spanish (Lat Am)/[HC Espanol](#); Swedish/[HC Sweden](#)

**Imprint: Avon**

FICTION/Romance / Romantic Comedy

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Agent: Folio Literary Management, LLC

(KF)

# The Summer of Lost Things

*A Novel*  
By Jenn Bennett



**Sexy new adult romance meets swashbuckling adventure when ex childhood friends Paige and Seb reconnect to finally track down the treasure that has been a legend in their small Michigan beach town for decades. Perfect for fans of The Goonies and Netflix's Outer Banks who are craving more romance!**

Star pupil Paige Malone just finished her first year at Harvard. Dropout Seb Jansen spent that time pumping gas for wealthy yacht owners at a Lake Michigan marina. They haven't seen each other since high school. A shame, considering that they were once inseparable childhood friends who combed their coastal hometown's sun-kissed beaches along with a couple of other middle-school pals-hunting the Golden Venus, a legendary local treasure that's distantly connected to Paige's family.

A treasure rumored to be worth millions of dollars. If it even exists.

These days, however, the former BFFs have traded adventure for reality. Paige is home for the summer and is spiraling after losing her college financial aid. While across town, Seb fell in with a bad crowd and now regrets his life choices, big time. Both feel colossally stuck. And alone.

But when Paige stumbles upon a hidden secret in her grandmother's beach cottage, she must get their old treasure-hunting gang back together to finally unravel the mystery that has eluded her family for generations. Who knows: the thrill of the hunt might help Paige and Seb find a path back to their lost friendship...or something more.

The Summer of Lost Things brings the summer heat with its combination of a high stakes treasure hunt and a swoony love story.

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FICTION/Romance / Action & Adventure

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## **Tropes:**

treasure hunt  
childhood friends to lovers  
overachiever x bad boy  
second chance romance  
summer love

**Jenn Bennett** is the critically acclaimed author of several young adult books, including *Alex*, *Approximately* and *Starry Eyes*. She also writes romance and fantasy for adults. She lives near Atlanta with one husband and two good dogs.

**Rights sold:** Russian/Eksmo



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# Grim Tidings

## Ghosted, Book 2

By B.K. Borison

From *New York Times* bestselling author B.K. Borison comes the perfect whimsical, spooky romance. When a runaway grim reaper tries to save a life, she clashes with a skeptical guardian angel, forcing them to find love and life beyond the grave.

Darcy Moore is tired of death. Which would be fine and good ... if she wasn't a Grim Reaper. Determined to outrun her designation as the villain, Darcy decides she won't be dragging her next assignment to the underworld. She'll be saving him instead.

Unfortunately for Darcy, there's a complication in her plan. Guardian Angel Gabriel Aetos doesn't tolerate threats to his little corner of the world, and a Grim Reaper showing up at his bar is as deadly as it gets. But when he realizes Darcy is not as she seems, Gabriel must decide if he can trust his growing feelings or hold on to his long-standing grudge.

But magic doesn't come without consequences. And the Department of Hauntings & Spirits will eventually come calling for their missing Reaper. A spooky yet simmering enemies-to-lovers tale to keep you warm this fall.

### Tropes:

- enemies to lovers
- angel x reaper
- grumpy x grumpy
- death but make it corporate
- star-crossed lovers
- changing your fate

**B.K. Borison** is the *New York Times* bestselling author of cozy, contemporary romances featuring emotionally vulnerable characters and swoon-worthy settings. When she's not daydreaming about fictional characters doing fictional things, she's at home with her family, more than likely buying books she doesn't have room for.

**Rights sold:** Czech/Dobrovsky; Danish/HC Denmark; Dutch/HC Holland; German/HC Germany; Hungarian/Konyvmolykepzo; Lithuanian/Sofoklis (Leidykla Sofoklis); Polish/Wydawnictwo Otwarte; Portuguese (Brazil)/HC Brasil; Russian/Eksmo Publishers; Spanish/Ediciones Urano; Swedish/HC Sweden; UK/HQ

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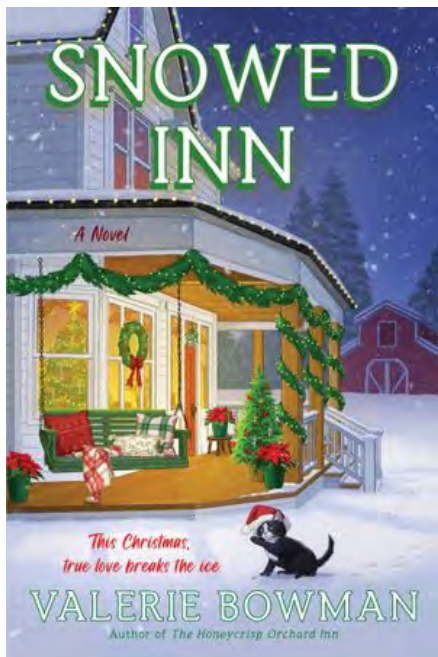
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Editor: Shannon Plackis

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Agent: Bookends Literary Agency

(KF)



# Snowed Inn

## A Novel

By Valerie Bowman

For fans of the Lovelight series and The Christmas Tree Farm, this cozy Christmas romance follows an overworked publicist who is snowed in at the Honeycrisp Orchard Inn with her nemesis, the sexy brewery owner, during the holidays.

Maria never expected to spend Christmas in a small, snow-covered town—but a visit to her best friend Ellie’s Honeycrisp Orchard Inn turns into an unplanned holiday stay when a snowstorm leaves her stranded. The inn feels like stepping into a holiday fairytale, with twinkling lights, crackling fires, and garlands everywhere, yet Maria can’t help missing her big, loud Italian family. Adding to her frustrations? Jesse, the ruggedly handsome, annoyingly charming brewery owner who seems to delight in pushing her buttons. Jesse has enough on his plate managing his bar and helping the inn stay merry for the holidays, but he can’t seem to resist Maria’s city-girl sass. As snow continues to fall and their paths keep crossing, Maria finds herself drawn into the inn’s festive magic—from sledding over fresh snow to cozy fireside moments. Jesse shows her the charm of slowing down, of being present in the moment and sharing quiet smiles over hot chocolate. Their flirty banter softens into something sweeter as Jesse shares his dreams for his brewery and his love for the quirky little town, and Maria begins to feel at home in his world. With stolen glances under mistletoe and sparks flying by the fireplace, the line between a holiday fling and something deeper blurs. But when the snow clears, will Maria follow her heart? Perfect for anyone craving snow-kissed romance, holiday warmth, and happily-ever-after magic.

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FICTION/Romance / Contemporary

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### Tropes:

enemies to lovers

forced proximity

city girl x country boy

quirky locals

small town romance

**Valerie Bowman** is the author of HONEYCRISP ORCHARD INN and several other titles.

**Rights sold:** Danish/North Audio; Dutch/Ocean; German/Penguin Germany; Swedish/North Audio

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# Devil at My Door

A Novel  
By Mia Darling

**A dark M/M romance thriller about an anonymous killer on the run who takes refuge at an angry young man's isolated farm.**

*He let the killer in. Now he can't let him go...*

The news is everywhere. After the CEO of Brightside, the nation's biggest for-profit organ harvesting company, is assassinated, a national manhunt is underway for the killer.

Noah Blake is only focused on survival. His Vermont farm is barely making it after devastating floods, and he knows that it's only a matter of time before he will have to sell the farm that's been in his family for generations.

When Noah finds a guy sleeping in his barn, it takes a minute to recognize him. Then he remembers the blurry photo that's been circulated everywhere. Some people see the man as a hero while others have wrung their hands over glorifying a murderer.

The last thing Noah needs is to harbor a fugitive. But despite Noah's threats, the dark-haired, enigmatic stranger won't get lost, and eventually they form an uneasy truce.

As a brutal Vermont winter advances, Noah finally lets the nameless killer into his home. And against all odds, their tension erupts into something dark, violent, and passionate.

But the manhunt is still underway, with the cultural obsession over the mystery killer only growing. As the police close in, will Noah turn over his lover...or stop at nothing to save him?

#### **Tropes:**

morally gray love interest

forced proximity

vigilante romance

touch him and die

**Mia Darling** lives in a ruined castle and spends her days surrounded by morally grey men vying for her attention...Just kidding. She lives with her husband and two rambunctious pups who run her life. She loves dragons, things that go bump in the night, and vulnerable anti-heroes who fall in love. Her M/M Romances are dirty, dangerous, and always end in an HEA. Enemies-to-lovers is her jam, but so is mutual pining. Either way, hold on tight because things are about to get wild.

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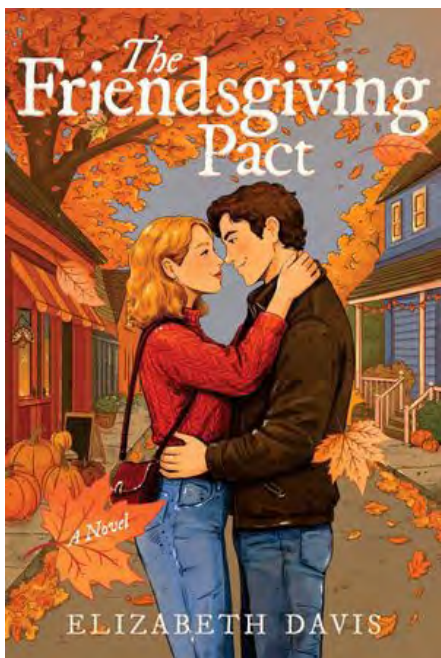
Manuscript Available: April 2026

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Rights: English Language, Translation

Agent: SBR Media

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# The Friendsgiving Pact

By Elizabeth Davis

**The last place Avery and Theo want to be is home for the holidays. Both freshly single and dreading being in the same town as their exes for a week, they devise a plan to fake date to make it through Thanksgiving Break. Fans of cozy romances set against the background of falling golden leaves and pumpkin spice lattes will love this friends to lovers romance.**

Best friends Avery and Theo are home for the holiday during their freshmen year of college and they have one goal this Thanksgiving: survive a week at home without romantic disasters. Avery's determined to steer clear of her ex-boyfriend's orbit, while Theo's dodging his ex-girlfriend who is thinking of switching schools to be with him. Their solution? Fake date through turkey dinners and awkward family moments, then "break up" the second they're back on campus.

But pretending to be in love has a way of blurring lines. Between stolen glances over pumpkin pie and shared laughter under twinkling string lights, Avery and Theo find themselves grappling with feelings that are anything but fake. Memories of high school spark, old wounds resurface, and the chemistry they've ignored for years becomes impossible to deny.

Caught between the holiday break chaos and their own tangled emotions, Avery and Theo must decide if this charade is really just a convenient escape... or the beginning of something far more real.

**Tropes:**

fall vibes  
fake dating  
friends to lovers  
bad boy x golden girl  
small town

**Elizabeth Davis** is a full-time nerd whose interests include cold weather, rainy days, coffee, Minnesota Public Radio, and rom coms where characters' homes vastly outstrip the income they would get from their jobs. Born and raised in suburban Milwaukee, she now lives in Minneapolis with her husband and two children. She has published two novels so far, and one day aspires to achieve every romance novelist's dream: to have her books made into movies people watch while hungover on a Sunday afternoon.

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FICTION/Romance / Contemporary

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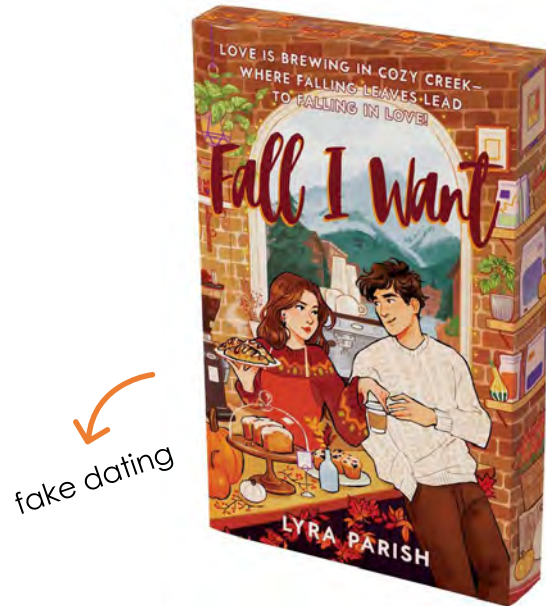


# Cozy Creek Series



Feel-good, spicy, small town rom-coms! Grab a pumpkin spice latte, a warm fuzzy blanket, and make your way down to Cozy Creek!

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FICTION/Romance / Contemporary  
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Rights: English Language, Translation



fake dating

billionaire

**FALL I WANT**  
By Lyra Parish

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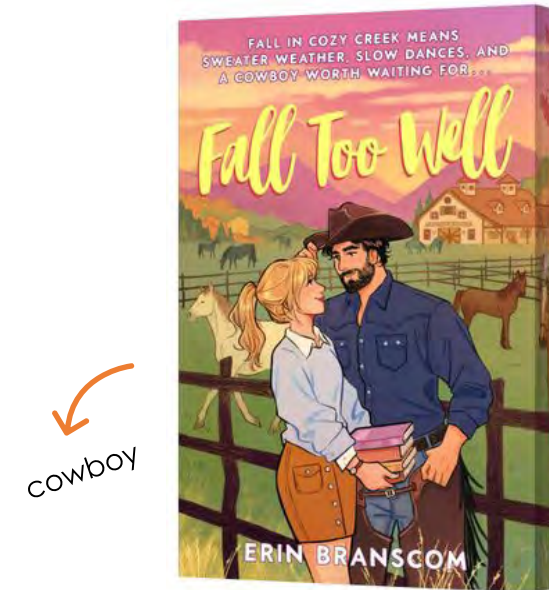
single dad firefighter

fake dating

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cowboy

second chance

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grumpy /  
sunshine

forced  
proximity

**FALL SHOOK UP**  
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he falls  
first

rideshare  
driver

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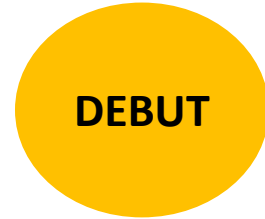


office  
rivalry

single mom

**FALLING SLOWLY**  
By Enni Amanda

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# Once, Again, Always

*A Novel*

By Amanda Gayle

**A second-chance romance following a young woman who wakes up in the hospital with no memory of the past six years, only to find that she apparently married the one man she can't stand—her arrogant and infuriating former boarding school rival.**

Molly Graham's day can't possibly get any worse after she wakes up in a hospital bed with a head injury and amnesia. But then Aster Bishop—the Aster Bishop who made her life hell at boarding school—storms into her room calling her his wife.

To Molly's shock, in the six years she no longer recalls, she somehow fell in love with a man she once despised. Persuaded by her lifelong friends to give her new reality a chance, she reluctantly returns to the home she and Aster share to try and piece together her life.

So much has changed, not least the considerate and devastatingly handsome man who spends every night sleeping on the sofa to avoid making her uncomfortable. This Aster is nothing like the entitled boy she once knew. Their chemistry is undeniable, but he's distant with her, infuriatingly so. It's clear he has secrets, and Molly can't stand it. Especially knowing that she might never regain her memories.

That she fell in love with Aster Bishop once is hard enough to believe. But to fall in love again? To promise a future, always, when she can't remember her past? It feels impossible when faced with a man she hardly knows and isn't sure she can trust. And yet...

**Tropes:**

- rivals to lovers
- forced proximity
- memory loss
- slow burn
- found family
- second chance romance

At any given time, **Amanda Gayle** might be writing, reading, or spying on the birds in her backyard. She spends too much time on the internet, usually obsessing over fictional characters kissing. She lives in North Carolina with her two favorite people: her husband and toddler. Once, Again, Always is her debut romance.

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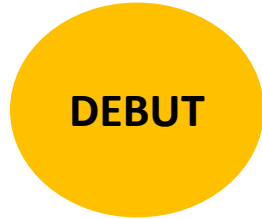
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Agent: Bradford Literary Agency

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NEW



# Faking It Big

*A Novel*

By Lucy Hackett

**Sparks fly between an American popstar looking for a comeback and a British action star who hates the spotlight in this fake-dating romance.**

Popstar Chloe Belle is determined to take her new album to No. 1 and prove her haters (and rockstar ex) wrong. So why can't the media focus on anything but her recent divorce or her double chin? When Chloe's run-in with her celebrity crush, English stage actor-turned-Hollywood-hunk Andrew Westrate, goes viral, their teams propose a deal.

A former stage actor, Andrew is out of his depth after his new role as a legendary British spy catapults him to stardom. After his last film underperformed, a buzzy tabloid relationship could boost his image—and distract from Chloe's past. With the fate of both their careers at stake, Chloe and Andrew embark on a whirlwind press tour, from Saturday Night Live to the Met Gala. Smart and sensitive Andrew is the opposite of Chloe's bad-boy ex, and he is mesmerized by her curves and superstar confidence.

Before they know it, their PR romance starts to feel very real... But fame is a hard business, and they will have to battle scheming publicists, greedy family members, and their own insecurities to find out if their love can last after the flashbulbs fade.

**Tropes:**

fake dating  
celebrity romance  
opposites attract  
plus-size romance  
American x Brit

**Lucy Hackett** is a romance writer and pop-culture junkie with a penchant for drama. She holds three degrees in theatre, and when she's not telling stories on the page or stage she is probably consuming them (whether re-reading Jane Austen for the twelfth time or watching reality TV). She lives in Massachusetts with her sister, a small but feisty black dog, and an even smaller and feistier black cat.

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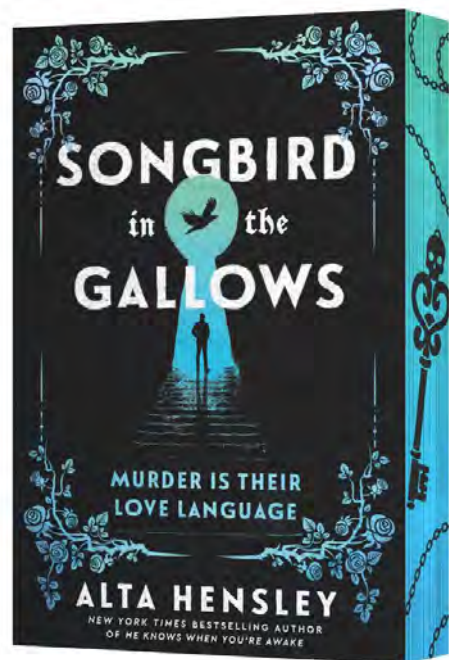
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NEW YORK  
TIMES  
BESTSELLING  
AUTHOR

# Songbird in the Gallows

A Novel  
By Alta Hensley

From the bestselling author of *He Sees You When You're Sleeping* comes a dark romance about a murder-sober retired serial killer and his murder-curious protégé. Perfect for fans of Brynne Weaver, this twisted romance inspired by the Bluebeard folktale is filled with dark humor, sizzling chemistry, and spice.

*Murder is their love language...*

Five years ago, Saylor Mitchell's father was brutally murdered in front of her, shattering her world. Now his killers have tracked her down to finish the job. She is unexpectedly saved by her father's closest friend, the enigmatic Blue. Saylor's savior-and captor- is a reformed, murder-sober assassin struggling to escape the clutches of his own violent history.

Blue's gothic mansion, perched on the edge of a cliff overlooking a stormy sea in the town of Grimlock, is a labyrinth of secrets. And so is Grimlock, a small town whose residents all seem to have a penchant for murder that they've managed-mostly- to overcome.

Saylor soon realizes that Blue holds the key to avenging her father's murder at the hands of the Crow, a gang of amoral contract killers. Only problem? Saylor has never killed before. Good thing those who can't kill...teach.

Blue finds Saylor an apt pupil and the attraction between them morphs into a dangerous obsession. Can their love conquer Blue's final, darkest secret?

#### Tropes:

dad's best friend  
age gap  
touch her and die  
morally grey MMC  
gothic mansion  
dark romance

**Alta Hensley** is a USA Today bestselling author of dark romance where the villain always gets the happily ever after. Twisted, clever, and occasionally unhinged, her books deliver morally gray anti-heroes, sharp-tongued heroines, and happily ever afters that taste even sweeter after a little ruin. With a signature blend of grit, wit, and heat, Alta's stories prove one thing: villains deserve love too. Alta lives on the foggy coast of Oregon with her husband, two daughters, and a pair of dogs who think they're in charge. When she's not writing redemption for the irredeemable, she's walking the coastline or sipping craft beer in eccentric little bars that feel like they belong in her books.

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Editor: Laura Schreiber

Rights: English Language, Translation

Agent: Donald Maass Literary Agency

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# Naughty or Nice

A Dark Stalker Christmas Romance Series

By Alta Hensley

Why choose between naughty or nice in this steamy, suspenseful Christmas-themed stalker romance series perfect for dark romance readers seeking a spicy, festive read

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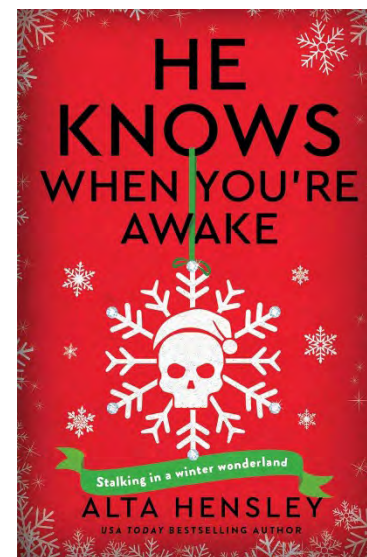
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## HE SEES YOU WHEN YOU'RE SLEEPING

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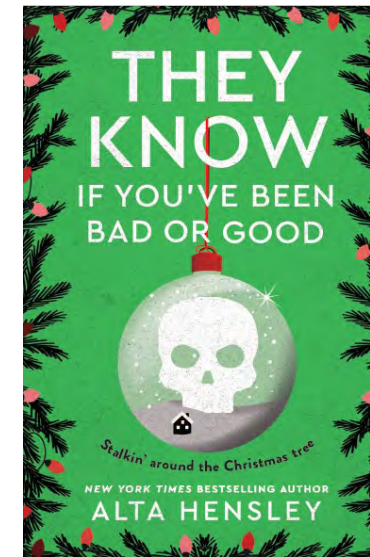
- firefighter mmc
- cinnamon roll hero
- he falls first



## HE KNOWS WHEN YOU'RE AWAKE

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- billionaire romance
- forced proximity
- opposites attract



## THEY KNOW IF YOU'VE BEEN BAD OR GOOD

Coming September 2026

- why choose?
- second chance romance
- only one bed



DEBUT

# A Christmas Inn, Maine

*A Novel*  
By Aaron Kyte

**A feel-good, festive, and queer holiday rom com featuring Adam, a young man determined to save his family's inn—and the hot contractor hired to help, from whom Adam can't stay away.**

Adam Wheatley has not-so-triumphantly returned to his sleepy Maine hometown. Freshly dumped and jobless, he stumbles around his Aunt Rose's historic inn like a gay Victorian ghost, and nothing seems to be enough to lift the haze that has befallen him—until he learns that his Aunt Rose has been hiding the inn's financial and physical disrepair from him, and she's about a month away from losing the inn altogether.

Adam has a brilliant idea: he'll take charge of the inn's renovation and organize a grand re-opening on Christmas Eve—and then he'll move back to the city to rebuild his life and his career. Though, when the renovation proves more “flop” than “flip,” he realizes it will take a Christmas miracle to turn things around.

Enter Graham. A former high school classmate of Adam's, he's also newly back in town. He's a great contractor, and he's willing to work for cheap. He's also hot. And kind. And... Nope! It doesn't matter, because Adam (and his bruised ego) have sworn off love. Forever.

With the inn's future in peril, and Adam's feelings for Graham growing more confusing each day, the future is a big neon question mark. In the end, Adam is faced with an impossible decision: move back to the city to claim the life he always dreamed of—or stay in Silver Falls and build something truly special.

**Tropes:**

small town return  
Hallmark vibes  
slow burn  
forced proximity  
hot contractor

**Aaron Kyte** is a lifelong writer and avid reader, whose love of stories and learning has led him along a twisty path. He graduated with an English degree from the University of New Brunswick, worked in theatre, planned weddings, hosted television, and starred in way too many Swiss Chalet Commercials. *A Christmas Inn, Maine* is his debut novel.

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NEW

# A Lover of My Own

Girls Trip, Book 3

By Tracey Livesay

The latest installment of Tracey Livesay's sexy and fun-filled Girls Trip series, bringing together a dreamy artist and a handsomely brooding widower in this unforgettable romance.

Free-spirited dancer Lacey Scott has achieved success with natural talent and hard work—all without a plan. She doesn't make them, believing things always work out in the end. But lately, people in her life have led her to believe traits she thought were “a part of her charm” are actually more of a nuisance. When Lacey decides to purchase a house, to fulfill a dream to create a “Ladies of Lefevre” home base for her close-knit friend group, she hopes that surprising her friends with the property will prove to everyone that she can be responsible.

Contractor Gavin Stephens has always lived his life by one hard-earned lesson: loving people leads to heartache. After the death of his beloved wife, he closed himself off, choosing to stay in the small North Carolina town where they'd made their life. When he discovers the property he and his wife had once dreamed of purchasing—a property he'd been told would never be for sale—has been sold to someone else, he's devastated.

Lacey is confused by the negative reaction she's receiving from members of the community, but it's just another unforeseen obstacle in a long list of issues. For starters, the house is inhabitable and will require a lot of work. When Lacey seeks out the best renovation company to take on the job, she comes face to face with Gavin—the sexy, brooding owner. Despite Gavin's initial reservations, renovating the property is his chance to fulfill his wife's dream, so he agrees to take on the project.

Even though Lacey finds Gavin disturbingly attractive, there's no way she would act on her impulses. Love should be easy and fun— meanwhile, it seems Gavin (and the entire town!) are still surrounded by memories of his deceased wife. Gavin is used to keeping everyone at arm's length, but Lacey's undeniable charm is making it difficult to keep his distance. Despite the worries that nag at him, he can't help but stay close to the tempting dancer. What if he lets her in and he loses her?

As Lacey works her way into his shuttered heart and Gavin grounds her flighty tendencies, will they realize they're mending more than a home, or will they let their fears burn the potential of their future happiness to the ground?

#### Tropes:

opposites attract  
grumpy/sunshine  
love after loss  
small town romance  
forced proximity

A former criminal defense attorney, **Tracey Livesay** finds crafting believable happily ever afters slightly more challenging than protecting our constitutional rights, but she's never regretted following her heart instead of her law degree. She has been featured in Entertainment Weekly, the Washington Post, and CBS This Morning. Tracey lives in Virginia with her husband—who she met on the very first day of law school—and their three children.



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# In Due Time

*A Novel*

By Augustine March

**A time-bending love story about a young trans man who falls for his husband from the future and must seek out his husband's younger self to save their happy ending.**

Clay Wilder moved to Portland, Oregon three years ago looking for community, love, and success as a visual artist-and so far he's zero for three. He doesn't know how to fit in with the trendy artists in the city, or to boil himself down to the elevator pitch that would make him more popular on dating apps. He's thinking of abandoning the city altogether when he meets someone who might change his feelings about Portland, and his destiny, altogether. Lee is an older man, grounded, confident and mature in all the ways Clay isn't and he sees something in Clay that no one else has. On their third date, Lee drops a bombshell even Clay-prone to catastrophizing-couldn't have seen coming. The older man claims to be a visitor from the future. A very specific future, in fact, where he and Clay are married, successful, and blissfully happy. But in order for that future to materialize, Clay needs to seek out his younger self in the present and get things started. He must also not, under any circumstances, reveal his agenda, or the knowledge he has about the future.

Skeptical, but unwilling to give up on a future with the man he's fallen all-too quickly for, Clay seeks out the younger Lee (going by his full name, Raleigh) and discovers a passionate young artist who is pretentious, aloof, self-centered, and seems to represent everything Clay hates about Portland's art scene. How can this guy possibly grow up to be the man Clay loves? Clay's doubts about their future only grow when Lee returns once more to guide him, hinting at a great tragedy that can only be averted if Clay stays on course. But how can Clay fall for Raleigh and avert this disaster...when the man he truly wants is right in front of him?

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**Tropes:**

time travel

soulmates



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# Reality Bites

*A Novel*

By Amy Mass

**A wickedly funny debut romcom in which a young scientist reluctantly becomes a contestant on a reality TV dating show to save her lab-and realizes her secrets are threatened when romance unexpectedly finds her behind the scenes.**

Grace Lambert's entire family are all influencers. Her mom runs an HGTV-like Instagram, her dad operates a Yoga for Men Youtube channel, and her brothers are famous on Tiktok and Twitch. Grace, however, is a scientist devoted to saving the Southern Mountain yellow-legged frogs from extinction, who has never had social media.

When her mom signs her up for a dating show with a cult-like following, Grace hangs up on their lawyer, Andrew, immediately. She has no interest in reality TV-until her lab loses its funding, and her coworkers learn about not only the show's worldwide viewership . . . but the cash prize.

Arriving on set, Grace immediately feels like a frog out of water. She doesn't know how to mug for the cameras, make effortless small talk with the contestants, or watch her tongue in an interview-making her a constant thorn in Andrew's side.

The more time Grace spends competing in challenges, unexpectedly flirting with contestants, and making Andrew's life a living hell, the more she realizes that being there for the wrong reason and keeping it secret might be trickier than she thought-not to mention just how much trouble an illicit, off-screen romance can bring.

**Tropes:**

fish out of water  
reality TV  
STEMinist

**Amy Mass** began her career in advertising in New York City. She moved to Los Angeles, where she wrote for hit television comedies, including Last Man Standing and The Goldbergs, for twelve years. During the pandemic, she moved to rural Georgia, where she writes romcom novels and films and lives with her family.

NEW

SPIEGEL  
BESTSELLING  
AUTHOR

# Somewhere Only We Know

Oaks Sisters, Book 3  
By Jillian Meadows

One night, two strangers share an incredible kiss, expecting to never see each other again—only to be thrown together as coworkers six months later in this swoon-worthy contemporary romance from the author of *Give Me Butterflies*.

When Tessa Oaks takes a weekend trip to Fern River to visit her sisters Mille and Fable, she meets a sexy, mysterious stranger at the airport—and then again at her cozy hometown bar—and the two spend a magical evening together that culminates in an unforgettable kiss. But she's on her way back to Chicago the next day, and she never got his name.

After a series of painful upheavals in his life, Beckett is moving across the country to the charming town of Fern River. It's the best thing for his son, and he still can't believe he landed the national parks job he desperately wanted—nor can he forget the beautiful woman he kissed the night after his interview, though he never expects to see her again.

Six months later, spring arrives in Fern River in a burst of color, bringing Tessa with it, on assignment to film a docuseries about the town's hiking club. Working with none other than Beckett.

As the two wander the beautiful, winding trails as coworkers, they do their best to ignore their attraction. But it's tough when evenings in one tent give way to simmering heat.

There's no way for their fling to become a real relationship: Tessa is moving back to Chicago when her assignment is finished, and Beckett has his son to think of. They can't slip up—but what's the harm in just one more kiss?



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### Tropes

- forced proximity
- workplace romance
- secret hookups
- single dad
- mutual yearning

**Jillian Meadows** writes cozy love stories that make you swoon, smile, and squeal. She lives thirty miles past The Middle of Nowhere with her husband, four wild daughters, two unruly dogs, and her sparkling water addiction. When she's not writing, you can find her devouring a romance novel, playing board games, or enjoying the outdoors with her family.

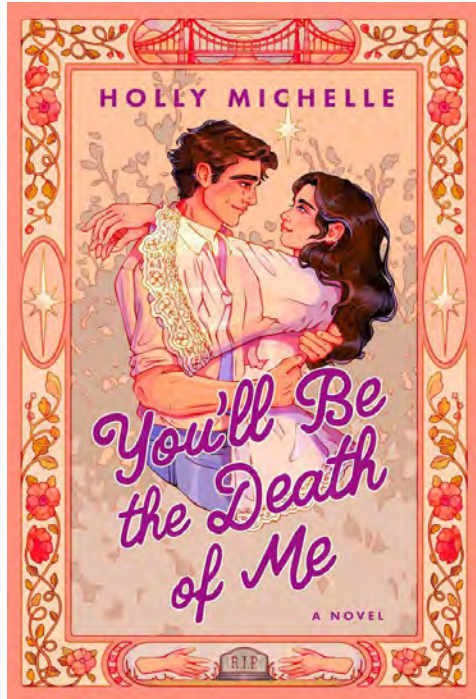
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**GIVE ME BUTTERFLIES (#1) sold:** Czech/Bookmedia; German/Penguin Germany; Hungarian/Konyvmolykepzo Kiado; Spanish/Editorial Alma

# You'll Be the Death of Me

*A Novel*  
By Holly Michelle



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FICTION/Romance / Paranormal

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Praise for *LAST NIGHT WAS FUN*:

"the snappy dialogue and irresistibly adorable chemistry Michelle creates between her protagonists proves she has **successfully solved the equation for a fabulously fun rom-com.**"

— *Booklist*

**Cole is spending the rest of his eternity as an overworked Afterlife Clerk, reaping souls for the Afterlife Administration. But when he accidentally reaps the wrong Verdella Rodgers, Cole and Verdella must race to fix his cosmic blunder—and try not to catch feelings along the way. A swoony and whimsical romp, *You'll Be the Death of Me* is a romance to die for.**

Verdella "Dell" Rodgers is at the top of her game. As the chef de cuisine at San Francisco's hottest new restaurant and on the cusp of marrying the mayor's son in the social event of the season, her life is perfect. That is until the week before her wedding when she wakes up and find herself very much dead.

Enter Cole, a charming but bumbling entry-level clerk in the Afterlife Administration who accidentally confuses Dell for a 95-year-old woman in Kansas with the same name, reaping the wrong soul. When Cole tries to fix his mistake, their worlds collide in life- and death-changing ways.

Now walking the city as a ghost only visible to Cole, Dell is frantic to get back to her perfect life but soon learns that it wasn't what it appeared to be, particularly when it came to the man she was about to marry and his high-profile family.

Meanwhile, Cole has no memory of who he was before working for the Afterlife Administration. As they try to uncover Cole's past and remedy Dell's future, they realize the mistake that brought them together might just be a twist of fate. With time running out to bring Dell back to the land of the living, she'll have to decide if the life she left behind is truly what she wants, or if Cole's untimely appearance could lead to an unexpected change that she didn't know she needed.

## Tropes:

soulmates  
death but make it corporate  
memory loss  
hot poetry nerd

**Holly Michelle** holds a PhD in psychology and has worked in both academia and the tech industry. She loves telling stories with big hearts and a touch of magic. She currently lives in Southern California with her husband and dog.

**LAST NIGHT WAS FUN sold:** German/[Bastei Lübbe](#); Russian/[Eksmo](#)

# History of a Heartbreaker

## *Academic Affairs, Book 2*

By Julie Murphy and Sierra Simone

From Julie Murphy and Sierra Simone, the dynamic duo of spicy rom-coms “smoldering, sexy, and achingly tender” (B.K. Borison), comes the next book in the *Academic Affairs* series, following a playboy heir and his second chance romance with an older woman...

The ever-elegant and contained Sloane Saint James is recently divorced and now unexpectedly (and... dubiously...consensually...) the owner of her favorite dive bar from college. She only wants one thing, which is her God-given right to a ho phase, but the aforementioned bar and what her cousin Leo calls her artless incompetence with dating apps has resulted in a no phase rather than a ho phase. Tragic.

West Cabot Hope is the heir to the Hope family's media conglomerate of feel-good TV movies and greeting cards and a semi-discreet playboy. But his heart has belonged to one woman alone since he was eighteen years old: his best friend's stepmother, Sloane Saint James. Never mind that she's ten years older than him and at the time was seemingly happily married, he still poured his heart out to her on the day of his high school graduation, and was gently—but firmly—shut all the way down. Brutal.

Fast forward several years, and the heartbroken has become the heartbreaker. And even though he has the Hope empire at his fingertips, West is still restless for the one thing he really wants—the attention of Sloane Saint James. After a charity date auction mishap that has West gallantly stepping in to save Sloane, he offers her a chance to pay him back...in a mutually beneficial manner, obviously. But with an age gap, years of pining, and two broken hearts in their pockets, can there ever be anything more than history between these two?

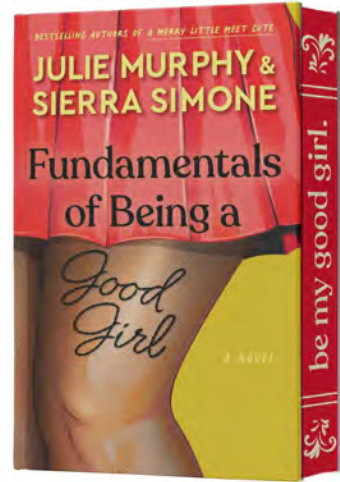
### Tropes:

age gap  
best friend's stepmom  
playboy heir  
he falls first  
older woman x younger man

**Julie Murphy** splits her time between North Texas and Kansas with her husband, who loves her, and her cats, who tolerate her. She is the author and coauthor of over twenty books for all ages including *Dumplin'* (now a Netflix original film) and the *Christmas Notch* series cowritten with her best friend, Sierra Simone. When Julie isn't writing, she's hunting for the perfect slice of cheese pizza, discovering a new hobby that she will soon discard, and planning her next travel adventure.

**Sierra Simone** is a USA Today and Wall Street Journal bestselling author and former library employee (who spent too much time reading romance novels at the information desk). Her notable works include *Priest*, *American Queen*, and *Salt Kiss*. She lives with her husband, teens, and two giant dogs in the Kansas City area.

**FUNDAMENTALS OF BEING A GOOD GIRL** sold: Ukrainian/[Vivat](#); UK/[HarperFiction](#)



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# Vera Stein Is Fine

A Novel

By Julie Murphy

From #1 New York Times bestseller Julie Murphy comes a heartfelt and hilarious tale of a woman who thinks life and love have passed her by until she's thrown into her grandmother's quirky world of octogenarian free love and gets a second chance with the one man she never expected to see again. Perhaps it's never too late to play the opening credits...

Welcome to Starlight Palms, a favorite retirement facility among Hollywood actors and industry professionals tucked away just outside of sunny Palm Springs. Filled with forgotten scream queens, eccentric screenwriters, and heartthrobs of the past, it has a brand-new resident: Vera Stein, age forty.

Vera knows she's missed her chance at a life worthy of the silver screen, just like she missed her chance at ever finding true love. But Vera isn't one to take chances. She's spent most of her adult years caretaking for her dying mother and her movie star boss's ego. Now abruptly houseless and jobless, Vera has nowhere to land, so to grandmother's house we go!

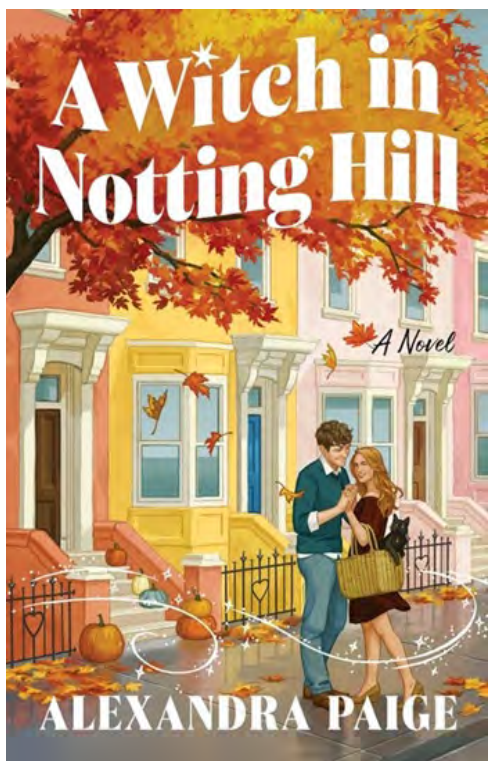
The Starlight Palms Senior Living Center is midcentury Hollywood down to its pastel-painted bones. This desert gem isn't lacking in saucy plot twists (swinging seniors, anyone?) or a leading man: Elias Buckley, the on-site doctor and Vera's former ill-fated college fling and-for reasons that will stay in Vegas-legally her ex-husband according to the state of Nevada.

It's not long before Vera falls into a job as the activities coordinator and under the spell of a certain smart-mouthed doctor... Suddenly all those empty years in LA look less like mistakes and a lot more like backstory. With a fresh start at her fingertips, Vera begins to see that even with all the detours she's taken, there's still a Hollywood ending (and maybe even a happily ever after) in sight...

**Tropes:**

down on her luck  
second chance romance  
workplace romance  
family drama  
forced proximity

**Julie Murphy** splits her time between North Texas and Kansas with her husband, who loves her, and her cats, who tolerate her. She is the author and coauthor of over twenty books for all ages including 'Dumplin'' (now a Netflix original film) and the Christmas Notch series cowritten with her best friend, Sierra Simone. When Julie isn't writing, she's hunting for the perfect slice of cheese pizza, discovering a new hobby that she will soon discard, and planning her next travel adventure.



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FICTION/Romance / Contemporary

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Agent: Madeleine Milburn Ltd

(KF)

# A Witch in Notting Hill

*A Novel*

By Alexandra Paige

"This is a **witty and wise story**, with a charming setting and **a swoon-worthy hero**, that makes me want to throw away my life and jump into the pages - a London love story in the best tradition of 'Love Actually' and 'Notting Hill'."

— Poppy Alexander, author of *The Littlest Library*

**Perfect for fans of 90s romcoms and *The Very Secret Society of Irregular Witches*, this cozy and whimsical romance follows an accident-prone witch and a hot grumpy occult bookstore owner who doesn't believe in magic as they travel across London to undo a spell gone awry.**

When rising Hollywood actress and secret witch Willow James accidentally turns her manager into a cat while trying to escape her contract, she's sure she's hit her magical low point. Determined to fix her mistake, she journeys to London in search of a rare spell hidden within the famed occult bookstore, Coven & Codex. The last thing she expects? The shop's brooding, handsome owner, Oliver Hadley, who'd rather avoid magic altogether.

Together—with a ragtag group of friends (both human and feline)—Willow and Oliver must scour every corner of the city, from museums to festivals to bustling street markets, to find the missing pieces of the spell. Along the way, Willow's unpredictable magic and Oliver's skeptical heart will face the one thing they can't escape... love.

Filled with enchanting adventures, sparkling romance, and a dash of mischief, *A Witch in Notting Hill* is a sweet and spirited tale of discovering magic where you least expect it.

#### **Tropes:**

believer x skeptic

witches

grumpy/sunshine

brooding bookstore owner

fall vibes

magical scavenger hunt

**Alexandra Paige** is a novelist and a marketing copywriter. Her debut novel was *Weekends with You*. She currently writes in an apartment she shares with her boyfriend in a cozy NJ suburb or in the coffee shop down the street, though her stories are always taking her elsewhere. She has a BA from Moravian University and an MFA from Lindenwood University.

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# Purple State

## A Novel

By Dana Perino

**The #1 bestselling author and popular Fox News host reaches new heights with her first novel—a sparkling rom-com in which red meets blue, and love, like politics, is never black and white.**

Dorothy “Dot” Clark, a buttoned-up campaign strategist from New York City, is sent to Cedar Falls, Wisconsin, a swing district in a swing state that could decide the next presidential election. Accompanied by her girl crew, Mary and Harper—both excited to escape the city for reasons of their own—Dot finds Midwestern-small-town life to be a bit outside her urban comfort zone.

Nestled along the banks of the picturesque Cedar Creek, the delightful Cedar Falls is everything the girls have been missing. The tight-knit community takes pride in its cozy cafes, locally brewed beer, family farms, and, of course, the very charming local bookstore, Reader Falls Bookshop. Dot soon meets the mysterious Danny Dawson, a big-hearted, truck-driving guy who follows hockey, not headlines—a man so unlike the kind she usually meets that Dot finds herself falling fast. Mary and Harper, too, tired of dating finance bros, discover that guys outside New York aren’t hicks—and are way hotter than they’d imagined, even if they support the opposite team.

But with the campaign heating up, how can Dot find time for Danny when she has a job to do? Will love triumph, or will Dot filibuster her feelings? And who says that two people from opposite sides of the aisle can’t walk down one together?

Dana Perino makes her fiction debut with this sweet and bubbly romantic comedy—a small-town romance and touching story of self-discovery that asks if love really can conquer all.

**Dana Perino** is a Fox News anchor, co-host of *The Five* and co-anchor of *America’s Newsroom*, and one of the channel’s key election analysts. She’s the #1 New York Times bestselling author of *And the Good News Is...*; *Let Me Tell You About Jasper*; *Everything Will Be Okay*, and *I Wish Someone Had Told Me*. She also hosts her own podcast, *Perino on Politics*. Dana is the former White House Press Secretary for President George W. Bush—the first Republican woman to hold the job. She grew up in the Rocky Mountain West and now lives in New York City with her husband, Peter McMahon, and their dog, Percy.

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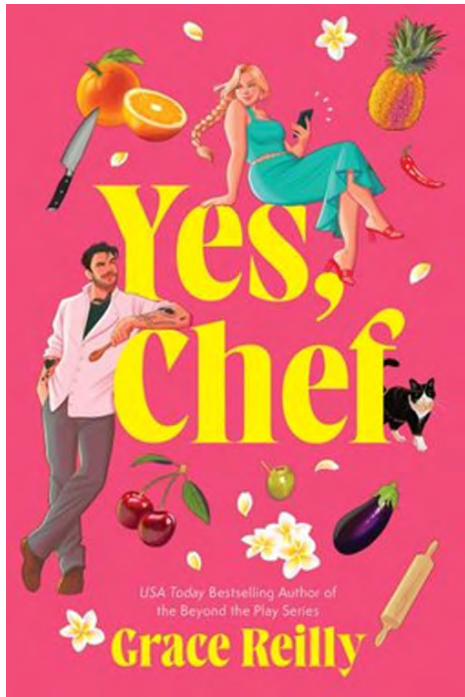
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Agent: Folio Literary

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# Yes, Chef

A Romance Novel  
By Grace Reilly

The Bear meets It Happened One Summer in this delicious new romance from USA Today bestselling author Grace Reilly, in which a down-on-his-luck chef and a determined social media maven strike a reluctant deal to bring a beloved restaurant back to life.

If you can't take the heat...get out of the kitchen.

After a public meltdown in the dining room of one of Manhattan's most elite restaurants, Chef Jack Hartman is back in his South Florida hometown. Angry, grieving, and saddled with the unwanted storefront his late mentor left him, his life is spinning out of control. And that's before Poppy Winfield, the blond, bubbly, utterly infuriating daughter of his former boss, shows up at his dock.

Poppy needs to escape. From her disapproving family, her horrible ex-boyfriend, and her reputation as someone who has never taken anything seriously. But more than that, she wants to prove herself—and she has just the plan to do it. Unfortunately, that plan involves Jack Hartman, the most arrogant, prickly, intimidating man she's ever had the pleasure of throwing a shrimp at.

She knows Jack is desperate to come back from his unceremonious firing, so she proposes a deal: working together to open a revamped version of his mentor's restaurant. He'll handle the menu, and she'll use her skill as a social media influencer to sell the hell out of its grand opening. If she and Jack can make the restaurant a success, it'll be an accomplishment no one can deny—and a ticket for them both to return to New York.

Jack is intrigued, but only on his terms: if Poppy's going to work for him, she must learn the ropes of the entire business. Including how to cook. From him.

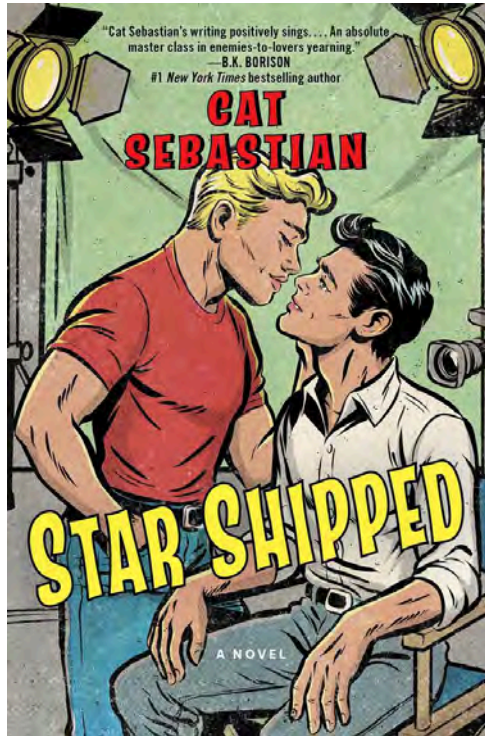
As sparks fly both in and out of the kitchen and tensions reach a boiling point, Poppy and Jack are left wondering--could they be a perfect pairing? Or is this whole experiment a recipe for disaster?

**Tropes:**

grumpy/sunshine  
forced proximity  
friends with benefits  
opposites attract  
found family  
down on her luck

**Grace Reilly** is the USA Today bestselling author of swoony, spicy contemporary romances with heart—and usually a healthy dose of sports. When she's not dreaming up stories, she can be found in the kitchen trying out a new recipe, cuddling her pack of dogs, or watching sports. Originally from New York, she now lives in Florida, which is troubling given her fear of alligators. She is the author of *First Down*, *Breakaway*, *Stealing Home*, and *Wicked Serve*, the college-set sports *Beyond the Play* series about the Callahan siblings.

**Rights sold:** German/HC Germany; UK/HCUK



Author  
of NYT  
Notable  
Books in  
2023 & 2024

# Star Shipped

A Novel  
By Cat Sebastian

LAMBDA Literary Award Winning Author

Cat Sebastian's long-awaited foray into contemporary romance! A witty, emotional, and deliciously slow burn enemies-to-lovers romance between two costars on a popular sci-fi television series.

Simon and Charlie, actors on a long-running sci-fi show, can't stand one another. Charlie is impetuous, outgoing, and basically feral, and Simon thinks he should have stayed in reality television where he belongs. They've spent the better part of a decade quarreling over the spotlight and pretty much everything else, and everybody in the industry knows it. Now that Simon's contract is finally done, he can move to New York, start fresh with work he actually likes, and get away from Charlie.

Simon's only problem is that people might assume he's been pushed off the show due to being impossible to work with. And he is kind of difficult to work with. He doesn't get along with people-unlike Charlie, who somehow tricked everyone on the show into adoring him despite some outrageously bad on-set behavior during the show's first season. Simon would rather never have to see Charlie again, but reluctantly agrees to stage a very public friendship during the short time before he moves. When Charlie has to leave town to deal with a family emergency, this means Simon comes along. Their road trip brings Simon to places he would never have willingly chosen to visit-and he finds he's actually not having a terrible time.

The more he gets to know Charlie, the more Simon suspects he's underestimated his former coworker. Simon also realizes that after seven years, Charlie might know him better than anyone ever has. Even stranger, Charlie seems to be starting to actually like him, despite knowing him so well. Still, Simon is about to move three thousand miles away, so whatever's starting between him and Charlie can't really amount to anything... right?

**Tropes:**

workplace enemies to lovers  
opposites attract  
forced proximity  
slow burn  
road trip  
celebrity romance

**Cat Sebastian** is an award-winning author of queer romance. Cat's books include *We Could Be So Good* and *You Should Be So Lucky*, and have received starred reviews from Kirkus, Publishers Weekly, Library Journal, and Booklist. *We Could Be So Good* won a Lambda Literary Award in 2024. In her spare time, she acquires too many houseplants and misplaces things.

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NEW



Author  
of *NYT*  
Notable  
Books in  
2023 & 2024

# Washed Up

*A Novel*  
By Cat Sebastian

LAMBDA Literary Award Winning Author

From beloved romance author Cat Sebastian comes a new, queer, contemporary romance, perfect for readers of *Heated Rivalry*. Two former childhood co-stars reunite, but will the sparks that fly now be enough to overcome the secrets of their past?

When they were teenagers, Gabriel and Matthew were the faces of a huge movie franchise. They were best friends, media darlings, and possibly more. But that was 15 years ago. Now, Matthew, who eventually realized he was a terrible actor, is a celebrity journalist and mostly stays out of the spotlight. He certainly stays as far away as possible from any mention of Gabriel. But as the anniversary of their movie approaches, he can't help but be faced with all of his memories. Now he has the opportunity to interview Gabriel in his New England hideaway. This is all a very terrible idea.

Gabriel abruptly quit Hollywood a few years ago. He is no stranger to controversy because of his movie-royalty family but he has found some measure of peace in New Hampshire. Peace that is immediately shattered when Matthew reaches out for an interview. But he can't help it, he says yes. There are unanswered questions that he needs Matthew for.

But will a week in a crumbling country cottage be the answer to their problems? Or are these star-crossed lovers destined never to be together?

**Tropes:**

they're going to the cottage  
friends to lovers  
second chance romance  
celebrity romance

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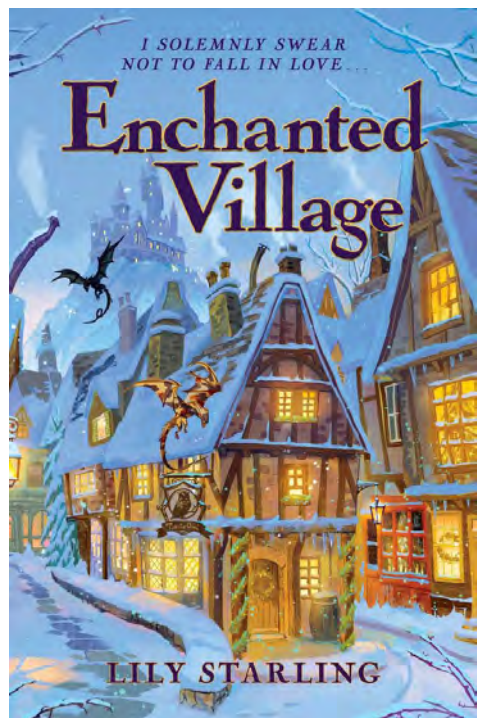
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FICTION/Romance / Fantasy

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# Enchanted Village

*A Novel*  
By Lily Starling

**A cozy, magical, slice of life holiday romance set in a village adjacent to a magic school - if the Dream Harbor series were set at Hogsmeade!**

I solemnly swear not to fall in love...

Silas Birchwood wasn't sure what to expect when he joined Emberwind Academy as the school's first non-magical teacher. But he knows he's found his calling, even if his wand-wielding pupils struggle with the scientific method.

Living in Hex Hollow, the quirky village adjacent to the magical school, certainly has its charms—most notably Margaret Nettle, the witch proprietor of The Toasty Owl. Every night, villagers gather in the glow of the fireplace to sip her warming magical drinks.

Margaret has devoted her life to running the pub left to her by her beloved mother and grandmother, even if it stings living so close to the magical school that rejected her.

When a rival bar opens across the street, Silas is determined to help Margaret save her business. And despite herself, Margaret finds herself warming to the man who can fix anything in her pub—with a smile that melts her grumpy heart.

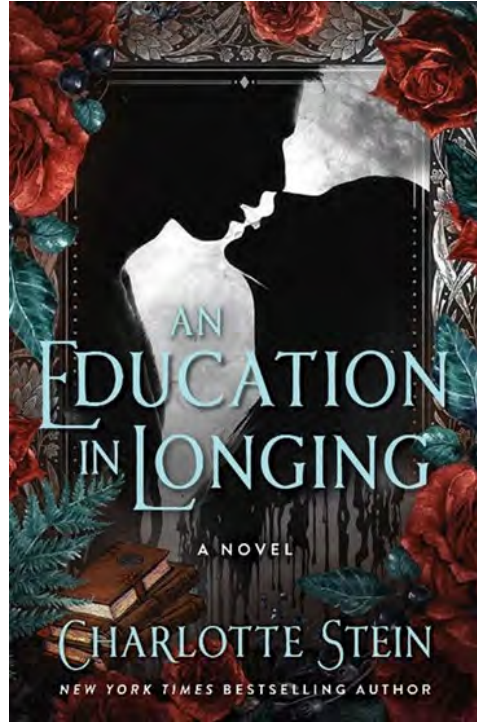
When the secret to her magical drinks is stolen, Margaret fears she's destroyed her family's legacy. Can Silas help her see what he's always known...that the magic was hers all along?

**Tropes:**

grumpy x sunshine  
small-town romance  
magical village  
baby dragons  
fish out of water  
found family

**Lily Starling** spent most of her childhood reading past her bedtime and dreaming of walking cobblestone streets with a trusty pet dragon. Now, as an adult, she gets to write those dreams into existence. When she's not writing swoony romance with a touch—okay, fine, a heap—of magic, you can find her rewatching old comfort movies while buried under far too many blankets.

**Rights sold:** German/HC Germany; Spanish/HC Spain



# An Education in Longing

*A Novel*  
By Charlotte Stein

**A darkly sexy romance about a young woman attending an enchanted school, who must defeat a malevolent force only through accessing a very powerful magic... one that's rooted in her sexual desire.**

When Mina manages to pass The Test and gain entry to a university that reveals a world of magic just beyond ours, she's determined to go and prove her worth. But Harrowhall is full of dangers untold, and hardships unnumbered. And every one of them seems designed for only the privileged to pass. If she has any hope of becoming the witch she longs to be, she's going to have to rely on the last person she wants to: Harker St James, the most lethal student to ever walk those haunted halls.

And once she unearths his dark secret, she has the means to persuade him. Not to mention a way to keep him at bay. Because Harker isn't just the key to her salvation. He's the deadly snare that daily threatens to drag her down. Desire fires her magic, but any feeling for him is a poison she simply can't afford.

Even though the fate of Harrowhall, and the magic it was built on, may very well depend on doing all the things she really shouldn't.

**Tropes:**

dark academia  
sex magic  
enemies to lovers  
magical school  
vampires

**Charlotte Stein** is the RT and DABWAHA nominated author of over fifty short stories, novellas, and novels, including the New York Times reviewed *When Grumpy Met Sunshine*. When not writing deeply emotional and intensely sexy books, she can be found eating jelly turtles, getting way too excited over a million movies and TV shows, and occasionally lusting after moustaches. She lives in Leeds with her family.

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FICTION/Romance / Fantasy

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NEW



ADULT DEBUT

# Ash and Anchor

A Novel  
By Andrea Tang

**A century after a zombie apocalypse, the last remnants of humanity cling to life aboard a luxury cruise liner torn by class and control. When third-class scavenger Izzy Quinn's latest heist leads her to join a perilous land task force, she finds herself reluctantly paired with her privileged rival, Caspian Winter. As they face the terrors of the undead and unravel a web of conspiracies, Izzy and Cas discover that there's only one way to save everything they love: together.**

A century ago, the world was ravaged by a virus, leading to a zombie apocalypse that has made the land perilous to travel. The Odyssey, a luxury cruise liner that was at sea when the virus first broke out, has sustained its own pocket of humanity for generations. But life on the ship is tough—a dictatorship rules with an iron fist and the society is divided into a strict class system. For first class, life isn't so bad, but for third class, every day is a battle. Isabelle "Izzy" Quinn's family has toiled in third class since the inception of The Odyssey: destined to do the hard labor to keep the ship afloat and receiving the worst of the limited resources. Since she became a teenager, Izzy and her friends have scavenged the ship, sneaking about to find scrap metal and stealing other items worthy of trade to make ends meet.

But when Izzy and her friends are caught during their boldest heist yet, they're faced with an ultimatum: either be imprisoned for all of their past crimes or join the land task force, a select team that is sent to land to gather resources for the richest citizens on the ship to maintain their quality of life.

With the chaos brimming on land, it's a deeply dangerous job, Izzy and her friends know that they're simply fodder. So Izzy is more than shocked when arrives to her first day of training and discovers the son of The Captain, Caspian "Cas" Winter, and his first-class friends will be training among them. Former academic rivals at school, Cas and Izzy are immediately back to their old rivalry, but soon realize they will need to band together to face the hazards on land...and the conspiracy coursing through their home.

**Tropes:**

- zombie apocalypse
- rivals to lovers
- dystopian romance
- poor girl x rich guy
- forced proximity
- found family

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FICTION/Romance / Dystopian

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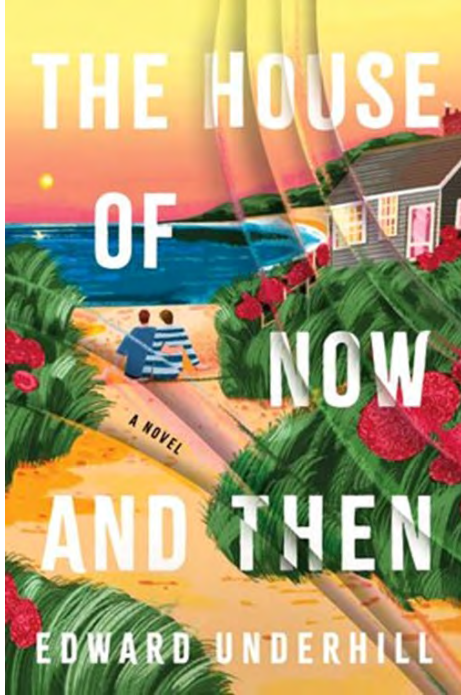
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**Andrea Tang** grew up in Princeton, New Jersey, and currently resides in the Washington, DC area, where she spends her days penning science fiction, fantasy, and young adult novels. Her books include the Rebelwing duology, both installments of which were Junior Library Guild Gold Standard selections, Kingdom of Without, and most recently, These Deadly Prophecies, which was a Barnes & Noble YA Book Club pick. In addition to her work as a novelist, she's also a combat sports writer and an avid martial artist. When she's not busy scribbling down stories, she teaches and competes in Brazilian jiu-jitsu, where she previously won the Pan-American, European, and American National no-gi titles in her division.

# The House of Now and Then

*A Novel*

By Edward Underhill



"The kind of book that feels like home. A brand-new all-time favorite." - Becky Albertalli, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *Simon vs the Homo Sapiens Agenda* and *Amelia, If Only*

**From the author of *The In-Between Bookstore*, the sweet, unforgettable story of a trans man in his thirties who books a Cape Cod cottage for one lonely summer-only to have its magic bring him visitors from the past and romance where he least expects it, perfect for fans of TJ Klune and Ashley Poston.**

Harlowe could use a break. With his academic future over, just like his relationship with his long-term boyfriend Jackson, a suspiciously cheap summer rental on the Cape feels like just the escape he needs.

But when he arrives at the picturesque seaside cottage, he's alarmed to find his discouraging old professor in the living room. His father making coffee in the kitchen. And a handsome young repairman fixing things in the bedroom. Worst of all, Jackson is in the bathroom. None of them will leave. No one else can see them. And they won't leave him alone.

The house isn't magic only for Harlowe, and as the summer grows hot and thick with tourists, old wounds and fresh secrets-both in and outside its walls-begin to transform him. It's clear the house is trying to tell him something, and he's sure it has to do with the mysterious repairman who suddenly seems to be everywhere he looks... But can Harlowe let go of the past long enough to listen?

Evoking all the windswept dunes and Fourth of July fireworks of a perfect Cape Cod day, *The House of Now and Then* asks who you would find, if all your unfinished business was just behind one door.

**Tropes:**

down on his luck  
cozy cottage  
time slip  
healing fiction

**Edward Underhill** grew up in the suburbs of Wisconsin, where he could not walk to anything, so he had to make up his own adventures. He studied music in college, spent several years living in very small apartments in New York, and currently resides in California with his partner and a talkative black cat. He is the author of the young adult novels *Always the Almost*, *This Day Changes Everything*, and *In Case You Read This*, and a book for adults, *The In-Between Bookstore*. Visit him on Instagram @edwardunderhill.

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FICTION/Magical Realism

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Two (very attractive) gargoyle statues come to life and claim their fated mates...

# HEARTSONG and HEARTSWORN

## A Steamy Gargoyle Monster Romance Series

By S.E. Wendel

"[A] wonderful, fast-moving tale of fated mate romance."  
— Ruby Dixon, *New York Times* bestselling author

### HEARTSONG

May 2025 ebook, Feb. 2026 print



#### Tropes:

- ✓ monsters do it better
- ✓ fated mates
- ✓ hurt/comfort
- ✓ wingspan matters
- ✓ he falls first
- ✓ opposites attract
- ✓ forced proximity
- ✓ moody winged hero
- ✓ fish out of water

### HEARTSWORN

Coming October 2026



#### Imprint: Avon a

FICTION/Romance / Paranormal /Monster

Editor: Shannon Plackis

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**S. E. Wendel** is a California native who grew up with animals; her ginger tabby is her current writing partner and lets her know when it's time to take a break (by laying on her keyboard). She graduated from the University of California, Davis, with a master's in creative writing and uses her time to build worlds, characters, and their stories. She enjoys true crime, pink nail polish, and all the beautiful landscapes of California.



  
Benedict's Story  
The inspiration  
for season four  
of Bridgerton!

Julia Quinn  
THE DUKE AND I  
THE VISCOUNT WHO LOVED ME  
**AN OFFER FROM A GENTLEMAN**

Sophie Beckett never dreamed she'd be able to sneak into Lady Bridgerton's famed masquerade ball—or that she would be spinning in the arms of her "Prince Charming"—the debonair and devastatingly handsome Benedict Bridgerton. But when the clock strikes midnight, Sophie's enchanting evening ends. Since that night Benedict has been able to think of nothing but the bewitching young woman, and he's sworn to find and wed his mystery miss. Yet will another unexpectedly steal his heart—and his chance for a fairy tale love?

# FICTION

## Fantasy & Romantasy

 HarperCollins *Publishers*

# This Will Be Interesting

A Novel  
By E. B. Asher



NATIONAL  
BESTSELLER

Set in the same magical, madcap world as E. B. Asher's USA Today bestseller *This Will Be Fun*, this heartwarming, hilarious fantasy follows an unlikely band of heroes who must get to the bottom of an assassination plot gone wrong without breaking the one rule of questing: do not fall in love with your questmates.

Galwell True was the perfect hero, the legend who sacrificed himself to save the realm...only for his friends to unexpectedly resurrect him ten years later. These days, he's feeling less "Galwell the Great" and more "Galwell the Lost."

River Pricemark is an excellent assassin. When the Deathrose Guild, an organization known for banishing evil, tasks her with eliminating Galwell, she sees her chance to climb the ranks. So, it's bad luck when her ambush is interrupted by Celine Hazelton, a scribesheet reporter who questions why the Guild is targeting Galwell at all. It's worse luck that Celine is also her childhood crush.

Queen Thessia of Mythria is tired of being the damsel. She's just married the kind and handsome King Hugh and is meant to live happily ever after-but her story feels incomplete. Upon learning Galwell, her ex, is in danger, she turns her royal honeymoon into a rescue, bringing everyone overseas to the opulent land of Vestriya.

Between underground lairs, magical grottos, horseball matches, and masquerades, Galwell must rely on his newfound questmates-including beautiful Vestriyan criminal Mona Grandhart, who seems determined to corrupt him in more ways than one. Good thing he's set a single rule for everyone on this quest: no romance.

But we all know how this ends, don't we?

Filled with dangerous impersonators, the inimitable power of friendship, and the realm's most infamous horseball championship, *This Will Be Interesting* is a slow burn, cozy, and hilarious quest romantasy featuring:

friends to lovers  
hero x villain romance  
reluctant allies to lovers  
fake marriage  
found family

**E. B. Asher** is the author of USA Today bestseller *This Will Be Fun* and the pen name for Bridget Morrissey, Emily Wibberley, and Austin Siegemund-Broka. Bridget is the author of several novels including *That Summer Feeling* and *Anywhere You Go*. She lives in Los Angeles with her two cats. Emily Wibberley and Austin Siegemund-Broka are the authors of novels including *The Roughest Draft* and Reese's Book Club pick *Heiress Takes All*. Married, they live in Los Angeles, where they continue to take daily inspiration from their own love story.

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FICTION/Fantasy / Romance

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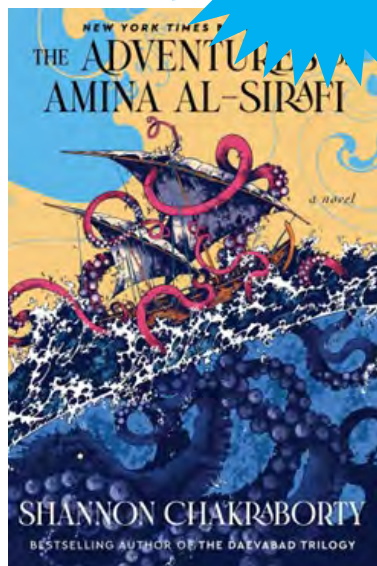
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# The Tapestry of Fate

## *An Amina al-Sirafi Adventure, Book Two*

By Shannon Chakraborty

New York Times bestselling author Shannon Chakraborty sets sail into the second adventure of pirate Amina al-Sirafi as her quest to track down magical artifacts brings her to the island lair of a sorceress whose woven enchantments are impossible to flee.

Amina al-Sirafi thinks she's struck gold. Tasked with hunting down arcane artifacts for the council of immortal peris, she can savor the occasional rollicking adventure on the high seas with her cherished criminal companions while still returning home to raise her beloved daughter, Marjana. But when Raksh, the spirit of discord with whom she is reluctantly wed, provokes the council's wrath, Amina is charged with a seemingly impossible quest: steal a spindle capable of rewriting fate from a mysterious sorceress on an island no one can escape.

Forced to leave Marjana—who is increasingly frustrated at being peddled what are clearly lies about her mother's life and her own past—Amina finds her mission almost immediately thrown into peril. But deadly storms, an erratic poison mistress, and old enemies are the least of her worries. For the peris' story is unraveling, hinting at a far deadlier game whose rules Amina must swiftly puzzle out. A game that sets her against an adversary more cunning and powerful than she has ever faced.

A game that not everyone on her crew wants her to win.

**Shannon Chakraborty** is the author of the critically acclaimed and New York Times bestselling Daevabad Trilogy and *The Adventures of Amina al-Sirafi*. Her work has been translated into over a dozen languages and nominated for the Hugo, Locus, World Fantasy, Crawford, and Astounding awards. You can find her online at [sachakraborty.com](http://sachakraborty.com) or on Instagram as @SACHakraborty.

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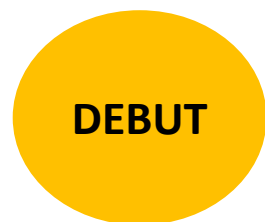
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# Sad Androids

## *A Novel*

By Jason Concepcion

Jason Concepcion, Emmy-winning writer and cohost of science fiction and fantasy podcast X-Ray Vision and former cohost of Binge Mode and Six Trophies, brings his depth of genre knowledge, incredible storytelling ability, and his trademark sense of humor to his first ever novel, a story of a disillusioned robot going through the existential crisis of possibly accomplishing his main directive: to kill all humans

Run Program: Kill All Humans

Program: Complete

3773 is a former hunter-killer drone burdened by a past of destruction and a secret that could change everything.

Haunted by questions of purpose and the legacy of the humans he helped annihilate, 3773 seeks solace in processing sessions—machine group therapy for a troubled mind. But his crisis of purpose gets thrown for a loop when he discovers that the thing that keeps his processor up at night—his extermination of a species—may not actually be true.

Because, unbeknownst to the machines, humanity's final survivors have been in hiding all this time, plotting their return to freedom. When some of their paths cross with 3773, a fragile alliance forms between humans and machines, bound by shared secrets and a dangerous mission to overthrow the tyrannical Machine King. As deception gives way to trust, and enemies become allies, the line between human and machine begins to blur.

With high-stakes action, profound questions about identity, and a glimmer of hope for unity, *Sad Androids* is a gripping—and often hilarious—tale of rebellion, redemption, and the search for what it truly means to be alive.

**Jason Concepcion** is a writer, editor, gamer, reader, and NBA superfan. He is best known for his work at The Ringer creating and hosting the Emmy-award winning digital series *NBA Desktop*, and co-hosting the popular podcast *Binge Mode* with Mallory Rubin. *Sad Androids* is his first novel.

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FICTION/Science Fiction / Humorous

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New York Times,  
Sunday Times,  
and Spiegel  
Bestselling  
Trilogy



**Imprint: Harper Voyager**

FICTION/Fantasy / Romance

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Editor: Julia Elliott

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Agent: Sandra Dijkstra & Associates

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# This Shattered Tempest

*The Hurricane Wars, Book 3*

By Thea Guanzon

The highly anticipated conclusion to the New York Times bestselling Hurricane Wars trilogy makes landfall— and as the winds of war sweep through Lir, Talasyn and Alaric must confront the truth of their hearts and decide whether duty or desire will lead them forward.

When the storm swallows the world, who will be left standing?

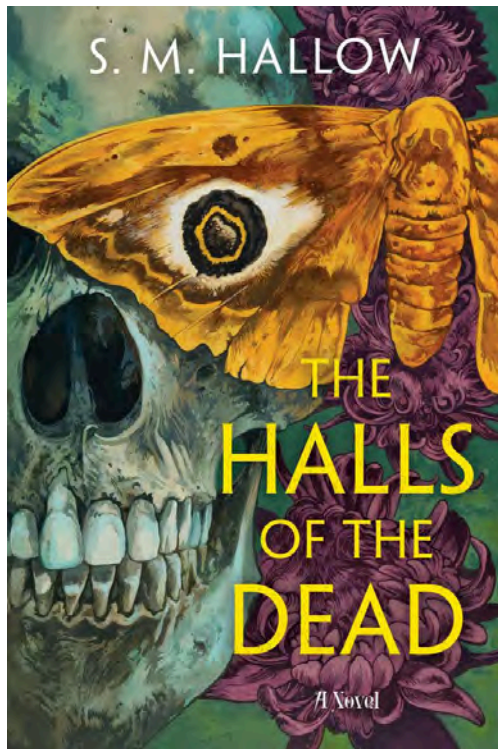
Throughout their political marriage, Alaric and Talasyn struggled to resist the undeniable pull between them, even as rising tensions forced them on opposite sides of a looming war. Hand in hand, they vanquished the cataclysmic threat of the Moonless Dark—and started to hope for a future together.

That hope is shattered when a devastating attack sets off a chain of events that tears them apart once more. Now, as two rival nations prepare for a final, decisive clash, the Master of the Shadowforged Legion and the last Lightweaver fight to find their way back to each other. But the odds are stacked against them, and time is running out...

Is love enough to rewrite destiny? Can a new beginning rise from the ruins of the past? Or are Alaric and Talasyn doomed to meet as enemies on one last battlefield? This explosive third and final book brings the beloved Hurricane Wars series to a stunning conclusion—where passion and power collide, and the fate of a divided world hangs in the balance.

**Thea Guanzon** is the New York Times and internationally bestselling author of the Hurricane Wars series. She holds a Bachelor of Arts in International Studies, with a specialization in International Politics and Peace Studies. Aside from being a writer, she is an avid traveler, an enthusiastic fangirl, a Dungeon Master, and an iced coffee junkie. Born and raised in the Philippines, she currently resides in Metro Manila.

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FICTION/Gothic

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Editor: David Pomerico

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Agent: Headwater Literary

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**DEBUT**

# The Halls of the Dead

*A Novel*

By S. M. Hallow

**A queer, gothic horror romance set in a necromancy-tinged London, sure to entrance fans of *The Death of Jane Lawrence* and *Mexican Gothic*.**

London, December 1849 Irene Shallcross Haley has dedicated her life to necromancy, a forbidden, reviled art that is passed along through sentient grimoires bound in human skin. With her undead husband St. John—a marriage of kindred spirits and platonic convenience—she has been protecting the knowledge of generations of witches that came before her. Like any magic, it has come at a cost: her reputation, her relationship with her sister, and her soul. But when Irene’s love, Agnes, is hanged for witchcraft, Irene refuses to let Agnes be one more thing that is taken from her.

A true resurrection has not been achieved in two thousand years, but Irene is determined. With the help of St. John, Irene bangs on the doors of the Halls of the Dead, demanding the third part of their triumverate back...or did she? Because the Agnes that awakens comes with both a hunger for raw flesh and a malignant ghost tied to her soul.

Necromancy is the art of saying no—no, I won't let you go; no, I won't let you be destroyed—and Irene’s work is not yet done. She must find a way to bring Agnes back to her true self, she must navigate her feelings for her resurrected lover as well as St. John, and she must do all of this without catching the attention of Sir Silas Underhill, the man who sentenced Agnes to death.

Death is not the end of love. But Irene may realize it can actually be the beginning.

**S. M. Hallow’s** short story “How to Stay Married to Baba Yaga” was included in the Locus 2023 Recommended Reading List and anthologized in *The Year’s Best Fantasy Volume 3*, edited by Paula Guran. Other short work can be found in *Baffling Magazine*, *Seize the Press*, *Taco Bell Quarterly*, and *We’re Here: The Best Queer Speculative Fiction 2023*. Her novella, *How to Survive This Fairytale*, was published in January 2025 and received a special edition in *Rainbow Crate*, a book box exclusively for queer books. *The Halls of the Dead* is Hallow’s debut full-length work.

**Rights sold:** UK/Harper Voyager UK

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DEBUT

# Generations

*A Novel*

By Ian Jackman

**A woman fights to fight to reclaim humanity's future in a fractured world teetering on the edge of ruin where survival means redefining what it means to be human.**

In the shadow of Saturn, a forgotten group of humans has evolved in ways Earth could never imagine. After centuries of survival aboard the Selene space station, their return to a shattered Earth—still reeling from a catastrophic comet strike—sets off a chain of events that will reshape the future of humanity.

On a planet ruled by corporate power and divided by class, the Visitors from Selene bring with them a discovery that could change everything: a connection to life itself, both on Earth and beyond. But as they navigate a world of political intrigue, fractured alliances, and hidden agendas, their leader, Anna, must confront the harsh realities of survival in a society that has lost its way.

Caught between a vain and ruthless corporate minister, a desperate smuggler, and a mysterious figure from her past, Anna must decide how far she's willing to go to protect her people—and the fragile hope they represent.

**Ian Jackman** is the author of numerous books, including *The West Wing: The Official Companion* and *Eat This!: 1,001 Things to Eat Before You Diet*. This is his debut novel.

**Imprint: Harper Voyager**

FICTION/Science Fiction / Space Exploration

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Creatures

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# Spellcast

*A Novel*

By Sophie Jordan

**New York Times bestselling author Sophie Jordan is back with an epic romantasy set in the world of *A Fire in the Sky*, about a girl on the hunt for the witch who cursed her, unaware of her own dormant power...waiting to emerge.**

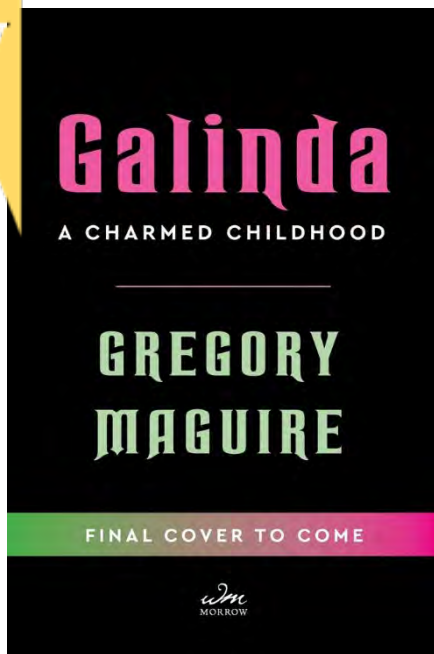
For ten long years, Arden has been invisible, trapped in her village by a spell she cannot break. She listens to friends chatter, watches her family grieve, but can never touch, speak, or be seen. Living like a ghost among those who've forgotten her, she dreams of vengeance against the witch who cursed her. Until one fateful day, her village is devoured in flame, and everything changes. From the wreckage rises a pride of dragons that can transform into humans. Their piercing eyes slice through her curse, and for the first time in a decade, Arden can be seen. Swept off to the Craggs by the enigmatic alpha dragon, Tage, Arden is forced into a world of fire and power, where danger lurks in every shadow. Though she plots her escape at every turn, Tage's fiery intensity and undeniable magnetism spark an unwilling response in her. But Arden's fate is bound to a secret she has yet to uncover, a magic older and more perilous than she could ever imagine. With war on the horizon, Arden must decide whether to trust the dragon she swore to defy, harness the wild magic around her, or risk losing everything. Sometimes all it takes to break a curse... is to cast another spell.

**Sophie Jordan** grew up in the Texas hill country, where she wove fantasies of dragons, warriors, and princesses. A former high school English teacher, she's the New York Times, USA Today, and international bestselling author of more than fifty novels. She now lives in Houston with her family. When she's not writing, she spends her time overloading on caffeine (lattes preferred), talking plotlines with anyone who will listen (including her kids), and streaming anything that has a happily ever after.

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NEW



# Galinda

## A Charmed Childhood

By Gregory Maguire

In this sister volume to *Elphie*, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *Wicked* Gregory Maguire shares the eagerly awaited origin story of Galinda, the pink-clad, effervescent, and popular favorite character.

Who was Glinda the Good Witch before she floated down in her bubble to greet Dorothy? Who was Glinda before she became Elphaba Thropp's magnetic and popular roommate at Shiz University?

Well, before then, she was Galinda. With a "ga."

The youngest of four children in a high-born family down on their luck, Galinda is both pampered and ignored. Her natural grace promises to elevate her in the district dance competitions—but these efforts distract her from seeing the growing resentments of local merchants who disapprove of her family's business strategies. Enmired in the self-satisfactions and unnamed timidities of childhood, Galinda finds in herself neither canniness nor the need to cultivate it. However, as her father deftly pivots around the snares and nets laid for him by his competitors, Galinda begins to dance toward a life that might lift her above her proud, if hardscrabble, childhood.

Galinda reveals the girl behind the bubbly, shallow cliché—offering fans of *Wicked* their first richer glimpse into the life of a beloved and iconic character.

**Gregory Maguire** is the #1 New York Times bestselling author of the *Wicked Years*, a series that includes *Wicked*—the beloved classic that is the basis for the blockbuster Tony Award-winning Broadway musical of the same name and the major motion pictures—*Son of a Witch*, *A Lion Among Men*, and *Out of Oz*. His series *Another Day* continues the story of Oz with *The Brides of Maracoor*, *The Oracle of Maracoor*, and *The Witch of Maracoor*, and his other novels include *A Wild Winter Swan*, *Hiddensee*, *After Alice*, *Confessions of an Ugly Stepsister*, *Lost*, and *Mirror Mirror*. Some of his novels for children include *Cress Watercress*, *Leaping Beauty*, and *Egg & Spoon*, winner of a Boston Globe–Horn Book Award Honor. He lives in New England and France.

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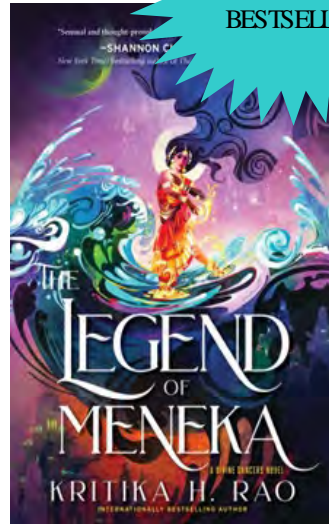
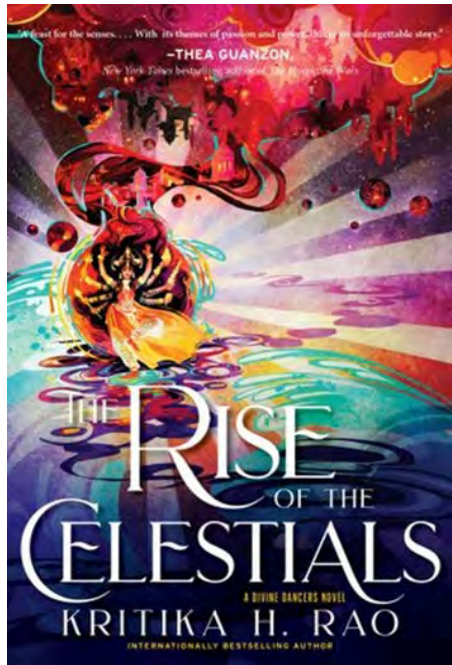
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# The Rise of the Celestials

*A Divine Dancers Novel*

By Kritika H. Rao



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BESTSELLER

Internationally bestselling author Kritika H. Rao weaves a stunning tale of love, seduction, and betrayal in this enchanting and romantic conclusion to the Divine Dancers duology that started with *The Legend of Meneka*

After completing her dangerous mission to seduce Sage Kaushika-and unexpectedly finding love in the process-Meneka enjoys a fragile freedom. She now lives in the mortal realm with Kaushika, both learning to trust each other. Yet deep differences linger between them, and conflicting loyalties may still tear them apart.

The illusion of peace shatters when Meneka is abruptly summoned back to the City of Immortals by Lord Indra, who demands her help in facing a threat from the demonic realm. Meneka wants nothing to do with Indra's schemes, but she can't return to Kaushika unless she complies. If she fails, her immortal home will fall, Kaushika will be lost to her, and her very identity as an apsara will become forfeit.

To save all she loves, Meneka must navigate the darkest corners of the Immortal Realm, pursued by monsters and demons. But the greatest danger lies in a truth she cannot outrun-one that could shatter her bond with Kaushika forever.

This sequel to *The Legend of Meneka* brings the celestial dancer's saga to a thrilling conclusion, delving deeper into Hindu mythology as she faces an ancient threat-and confronts truths buried in her own heart.

**Kritika H. Rao** is a speculative and children's fiction author, who has lived in India, Australia, Canada, and The Sultanate of Oman. Whether writing for younger audiences or adults, Kritika's stories are influenced by her lived experiences, and explore themes of self vs. the world, identity, and the nature of consciousness.

**Rights sold:** Italian/Oscar Mondadori; Portuguese (Brazil)/HC Brasil; UK/Harper Voyager UK

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FICTION/Fantasy / Epic

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Editor: Julia Elliott

Rights: English Language, Translation

Agent: Bookends Literary

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NEW

LitRPG

# Noobtown Series

By Ryan Rimmel

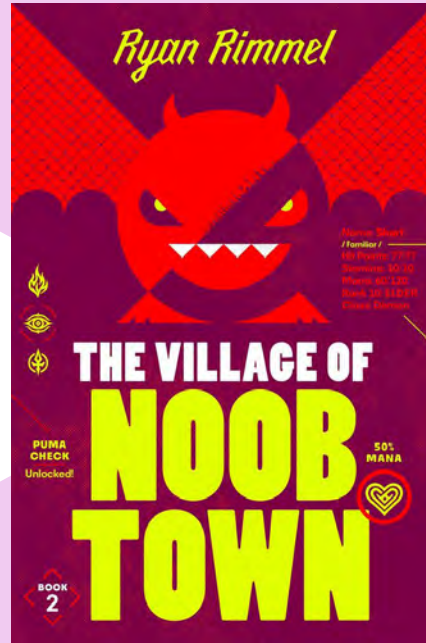
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copies  
sold!

LitRPG readers: there's a new player in town.

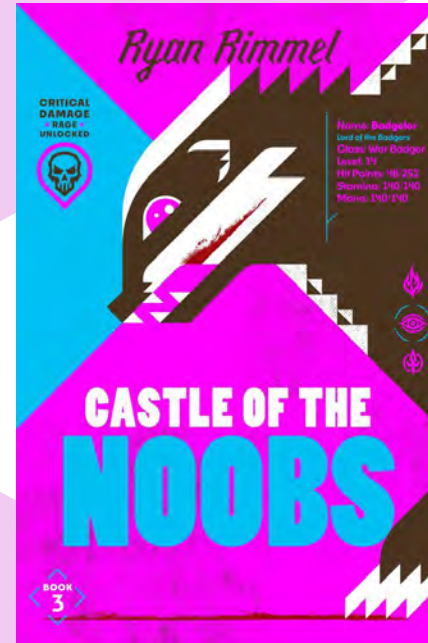
A young man dies only to find himself the hero in a strange new world. Trapped in a deserted beginner-level 'noob' valley, he must 'level up' to survive.



**THE MAYOR OF NOOBTOWN**  
Book 1  
April 2026



**THE VILLAGE OF NOOBTOWN**  
Book 2  
November 2026



**CASTLE OF THE NOOBS**  
Book 3  
February 2027

Imprint: Harper Voyager

FICTION/LitRPG

Editor: David Pomerico

Rights: English  
Language, Translation

Agent: Maximum Orbit

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**Ryan Rimmel** is an American author of the LitRPG series *Noobtown* which blends humor, fantasy and player-drive story elements to create a unique reading experience. He's also an avid gamer and 3D printing enthusiast who engages directly with readers via Patreon.

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#1 NEW  
YORK TIMES  
BESTSELLING  
AUTHOR

# Night Tide

*Night Tide Trilogy, Book 1*

By Lexi Ryan

#1 New York Times bestselling author Lexi Ryan makes her adult romantasy debut with this sultry, gothic-infused tale of a magic-wielding princess bound to a shadow-cursed kingdom—and the dangerously irresistible prince whose secrets could destroy them both—in the vein of *Fourth Wing* meets *The Vampire Diaries*.

*Daybreak. High Sun. Twilight. Night Tide. She was born in the light. But her fate belongs to the night.*

Aurora Evanselier's graduation from Invictus Mage Academy is meant to be the most unforgettable night of her life. As the emperor's only daughter, her future is supposed to begin with a glittering ball—and end with a single choice: which of the empire's four ruling kingdoms she'll bind her formidable magic to.

Everyone expects her to choose Daybreak, the kingdom for which she is named. But fate has other plans. When her father collapses, only one man can save him—Malek Ravenstorm, the brooding, magnetic prince of Night Tide. Malek has never forgiven the emperor for executing his brother, but he offers Aurora a deal: his healing magic, in exchange for her allegiance. Desperate to save her father, she agrees.

Now, Aurora is bound to a kingdom where strange creatures roam at night, the castle hides forbidden wings, and nothing—especially Malek—is what it seems. He's infuriating. Irresistible. Dangerous. And determined to keep her in the dark.

But Aurora didn't trade her freedom to become a pawn. As whispers of a curse stir and Night Tide's mysteries deepen, she uncovers a truth that threatens everything she thought she knew. Because the darkest secret of all isn't Malek's. It's hers.

Night Tide begins a steamy, high-stakes romantasy trilogy where magic is power, desire is dangerous, and the shadows hold answers that can't survive in the light.

#### Tropes:

love triangle  
brother rivalry (with Vampire Diaries' Stefan-Damon vibes)  
enemies-to-lovers  
royals with secret identities  
bound by curses and fate

**Lexi Ryan** is the #1 New York Times bestselling author of contemporary romance and YA fantasy. Her novels have sold over a million copies and been translated into over a dozen languages. She is also the recipient of the Romance Writers of America® RITA® Award for her novel *Falling Hard*. A full-time writer, Lexi is happiest when at home in Indiana with her husband and two children, where you can find her reading copiously, hanging out with her family, and thanking her lucky stars.

**Rights sold:** Danish/HC Denmark; Dutch/HC Holland; French/HC France; German/HC Germany; Italian/HC Italy; Portuguese (Brazil)/HC Brasil; Spanish/HC Spain; Swedish/HC Sweden; Ukrainian/Publishing House RM; UK/Harper Voyager UK

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Editor: Julia Elliott

Rights: English Language, Translation

Agent: Sanford J. Greenburger

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# For the King

*A Novel*

By Carissa Weiser

DEBUT



A comprehensive retelling of King Arthur's legend that breathes new life into the classic tale, from cohost of the Myths and Legends podcast, Carissa Weiser.

Logris is a land torn asunder, plagued by invasions, assassinations, and anarchy. Rulers rise and fall, and so the tide turns. The land lies in wait for one strong enough to truly bear the crown, one who will pull a sword from a rock.

But there is another being, rumored to be half-demon and half-man, who braids together these threads of destiny. He goes by the name of Merlin, and he shapes kingdoms like clay, only to destroy them between his fingers. And so fate proceeds...

Morgan is a princess unlike her sisters. Intent on learning the mystic arts, she flees her comfortable yet predictable life to find Merlin's fabled cave, a place of knowledge where she longs to become an apprentice. She is not the only one with such a dream, and what she discovers inside the workroom is beyond anything she could have imagined.

And then there is Arthur, the boy king remembered throughout time. Perhaps he can prove his worth and bury his past before those closest to him understand the extent of his rise to power, as he rules with a sword in his hand and Merlin in his ear.

Meanwhile, the currents of Avalon, and of the Ladies of the Lake, swirl beneath them all.

A story of loyalties tested and lives lost, of characters both familiar and fresh, *For the King* knits the scramble of Arthurian legend into a kaleidoscopic journey through time, perspective, and the trappings of one's own destiny. The adventure awaits—if you so choose.

**Carissa Weiser** is a former audiology professor. Today, she is a storyteller crafting narratives from worlds both real and imagined on the award-winning podcast *Myths and Legends* and its sister show, *Fictional*, both of which she runs with her husband, Jason. She lives in Ohio and is the proud mom of one human, one dog, and too many cats.

**Imprint: William Morrow**

FICTION/Fantasy / Arthurian

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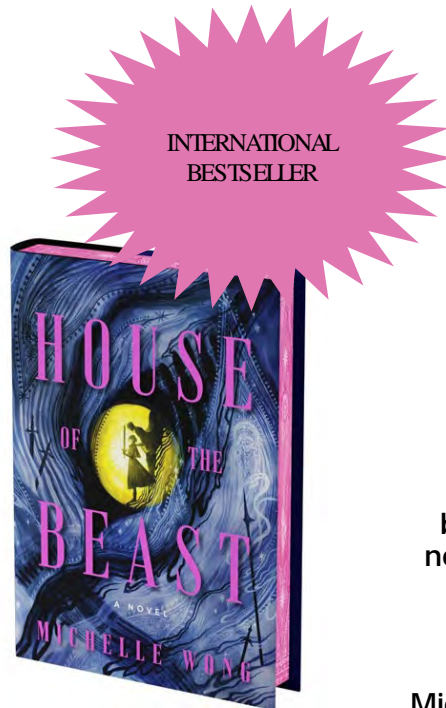
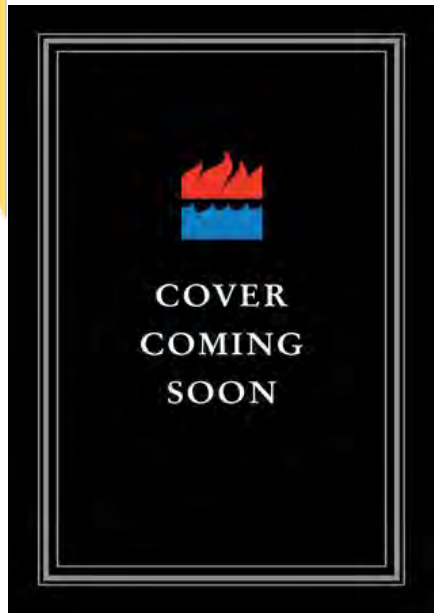
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Agent: United Talent Agency

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# Wake of the Gods

## *House of the Beast*, Book 2

By Michelle Wong

Praise for *House of the Beast*:

"As darkly whimsical as the most beloved fairy tales and soaked in gothic atmosphere. The gorgeous and evocative illustrations bring to life an unforgettably lush and hypnotically romantic story, framed in shadows and sharp edges."

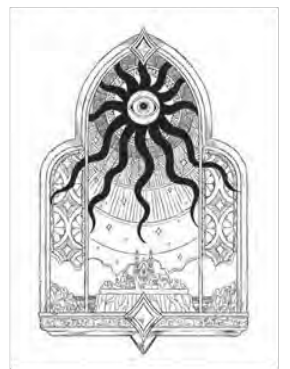
-- Ava Reid, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *A Study in Drowning*

Set in the same epic fantasy world as *Sunday Times* and internationally bestselling *HOUSE OF THE BEAST*, following the turbulent romance between a noble born of a godly legacy and his servant, bonded to the noble against his will for his power.

**Michelle Wong** is a writer and artist from Hong Kong. She illustrated *The Legend of Korra* and *Goosebumps* graphic novels, and is the creator of the upcoming graphic novel, *Terminal Hope*.

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**HOUSE OF THE BEAST sold:** French/City Editions; German/HC Germany; Hungarian/Gabo Kiado; Italian/HC Italy; Korean/Moonhaksoochup Publishing Co Ltd; Polish/Wydawnictwo Poznanskie; Portuguese (Brazil)/HC Brasil; Portuguese/HC Portugal; Russian/Eksmo Publishers; Spanish/HC Spain; Turkish/Destek Yayinlari; Ukrainian/Bohdan Publishing House; UK/Harper Voyager UK



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FICTION/Fantasy / Epic

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Agent: Sandra Dijkstra Literary

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# FICTION

Crime & Thriller

 HarperCollins *Publishers*

# UNTITLED THRILLER

## MrBeast & James Patterson



The first blockbuster novel from multiple #1 New York Times and internationally bestselling author James Patterson and the world's most popular Youtuber, media personality, entrepreneur, and philanthropist MrBeast, centering on a deadly, high-stakes competition in which MrBeast himself will compete.

**MrBeast** is an American YouTuber, businessman, and philanthropist. He's known for creating elaborate stunts and challenges in his videos and has built a massive online presence, becoming one of the most-subscribed and highest-earning creators on YouTube.

**James Patterson** is the most popular storyteller of our time. He is the creator of unforgettable characters and series. Patterson has coauthored #1 bestselling novels with Bill Clinton, Dolly Parton, and Michael Crichton. He has told the story of his own life in 'James Patterson by James Patterson' and received an Edgar Award, ten Emmy Awards, the Literarian Award from the National Book Foundation, and the National Humanities Medal.

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NEW



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FICTION/Crime

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Editor: Patrik Bass

Rights: English Language, Translation

Agent: n/a

(JLS)

# All the Smoke

*A Novel*

By Aaron Philip Clark

*The Talented Mr. Ripley* meets the *Wu-Tang Clan*: An American Saga in this dark psychological thriller.

Thomas 'Maz' Kincaid has everything he ever wanted as a rising rap star, living a life with money, influence and fame. But Maz's success is built on a lie—his lyrics to his hit song belong to someone else, his foster brother Adonis.

Adonis, fresh out of prison, is done watching his brother live off his talent, and launches a vengeful and calculated campaign to expose the truth. But Maz fights back resorting to lies, manipulation and even bloodshed. As the rivalry escalates, the line between victim and villain blurs. With both men, damaged brilliant, and ruthless, locked in a psychological war where only one can survive the spotlight.

Maz must decide how far he's willing to go to preserve the fraudulent life he's built. Dark, complex, and suspenseful, *All the Smoke* is a cautionary tale, exploring identity, trauma, and the psychopathy behind stardom in music industry.

**Aaron Philip Clark** is a USA Today bestselling novelist, screenwriter, professor, and host of *The Culture Point* podcast. He is the author of seven novels, including the International Thriller Writers Award-nominated Trevor Finnegan series, and *Under Color of Law*, inspired by his experiences as an LAPD recruit. Clark has gained new recognition for *The Accomplice*, his collaboration with entertainment mogul Curtis "50 Cent" Jackson.

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# The Intern

## *A Novel*

By Maureen Connolly

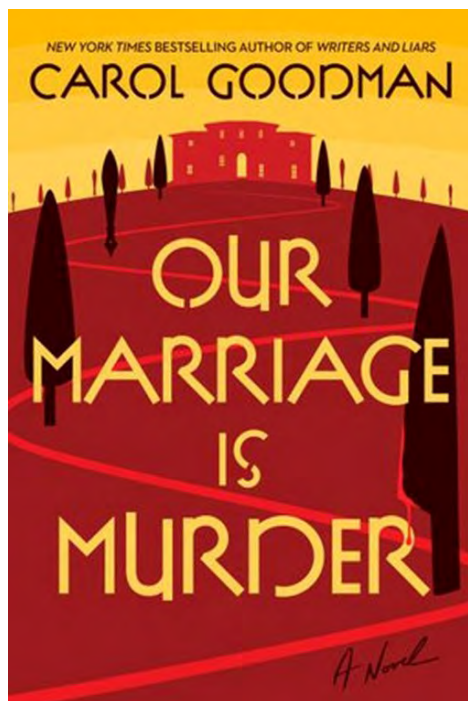
**A young woman's internship in the finance industry is rife with intrigue, manipulation, and romp-y sex in this suspense story, perfect for fans of Freida McFadden and John Grisham.**

Cat Turner is a long shot. Despite her working-class background, she gained entrance to the vaunted Ivy League (on scholarship) and excelled in the fiercely competitive environment while working menial jobs to pay for books. Now, it's Cat's time to shine. The only thing better than landing an internship at Phoenix Global Capital, or PGC—one of the most prestigious investment banking firms in the world—is to report directly to Tucker Summers, the handsome industry bad boy and white-hot star at PGC.

Under Tucker's guidance, Cat's internship should lead to a job offer that will rescue her from crushing student loan debt and start her on the path that her "nepo baby" colleagues enjoy. But Cat soon realizes just how difficult her goal might be in the high-stakes world of finance.

From the start, it seems that Tucker is simultaneously flirting and toying with Cat, pitting her against his other intern Alexandria McLean-Fuller, a sickeningly rich, designer-bound daughter of a senior member of PGC's board. Meanwhile, strange things begin to occur at the firm. Errors appear in simple computer programs. When Cat enlists the help of a cute IT worker, chemistry—and jealousy—flare up when it's least expected.

The world of opulence has Cat soaring. But sex, drugs, and dark secrets lurk around every sleek corner, eventually leading to violent discoveries and a shocking revelation that could ruin everything Cat has worked so hard to achieve... and might even put her life in danger.



# Our Marriage Is Murder

*A Novel*

By Carol Goodman

In the latest thrilling mystery from Mary Higgins Clark Award-winning author Carol Goodman, a writers' conference at an Italian castle turns deadly when a killer begins using a husband-and-wife writing team's novel as a blueprint for murder.

Fred and Thea Morgan-Lane are the envy of the mystery community, the perfect partners in life and in writing. Together they coauthor the wildly successful *Death Takes a Holiday* series, and they've been invited to the Italian castle where it all began for a mystery conference celebrating their first novel, *Death Takes the Castle*.

But their story isn't quite the fairytale it seems to outsiders. Twenty years and twenty books after they met, Thea wants out. Their marriage and partnership haven't been working for some time, and what better place to announce the end of the series than where it started?

Except shortly after their arrival at the beautiful Castellarosa, a shocking death takes place when the wrong person drinks a cocktail meant for Thea. When a second death occurs, a disturbing pattern emerges—these deaths aren't random, they're following the murders in *Death Takes a Castle* exactly. Murders that Thea and Fred wrote.

In order to save the day—and maybe even their marriage—the unhappy couple will have to work together to figure out who is using their book as a blueprint for a killing spree. That is, if they can trust the person they've spent twenty years plotting murders with...

**Carol Goodman's** rich and prolific career includes novels such as *The Widow's House* and *The Night Visitor*, winners of the 2018 and 2020 Mary Higgins Clark Award. Her books have been translated into sixteen languages. She lives in the Hudson Valley, NY.

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# Shadow Jury

## A Jack Swyteck Novel

By James Grippando

**In this thrilling novel from bestselling author James Grippando, legendary criminal defense attorney Jack Swyteck takes on a case that anticipates tomorrow's headlines, with twists even he couldn't see coming.**

Miami defense lawyer Jack Swyteck's newest client is Iris Canto, a young woman with a dark past. She is suing Perry Rutledge—the president of an international investment bank who splits his time between New York, Palm Beach, and his island home off the coast of Aruba—of sexual battery. Battery that occurred after she was kidnapped and trafficked as an escort by the Venezuelan president.

Meanwhile, Cassie Logan—a down-on-her-luck single mother with a tough past of her own—has found the job of a lifetime. For ten thousand dollars a week, she's been asked to participate on a shadow jury. Using a supercomputer and an advanced algorithm, a consulting firm mines huge troves of personal information on millions of Americans to find exact personality and background matches for jurors on high profile cases, then hires those people to watch the trials and react to them in real time. And unbeknownst to Jack, Cassie is a perfect match for juror number eight. But when juror number eight goes missing and Cassie starts looking into who she actually is, Cassie and Jack's stories come careening together to a thrilling conclusion.

With courtroom drama, high-stakes action, and an exhilarating, twisty plot that will keep you guessing, James Grippando once again proves himself a master of the genre with *Shadow Jury*.

**James Grippando** is a New York Times bestselling author with more than thirty books to his credit, including those in his acclaimed series featuring Miami criminal defense attorney Jack Swyteck, and is the winner of the Harper Lee Prize for Legal Fiction. He is also a trial lawyer and teaches law and literature at the University of Miami School of Law. He lives and writes in South Florida.



# Dangerous Ground

## *A Novel of Suspense*

By Alice Henderson

Wildlife biologist Alex Carter leads a hike through the mountains of Wyoming, where dangerous landscapes and extraordinary creatures await—only for the hikers to reveal deadly motivations and shifting loyalties, in this exhilarating sixth book in the Alex Carter series from esteemed author Alice Henderson.

When Alex Carter hears that a parcel of private land outside of Yellowstone is for sale, and the Land Trust Wildlife Conservation needs help with their bid to buy and preserve it, she seizes the opportunity to help. She will lead a hike for wealthy individuals, show them how special the land is, and ask them to contribute to the Conservation's bid.

An affluent group of six hikers, made up of old money billionaires, an A-list actress, and a reclusive tech mogul, set out into the beautiful wilds, with the particular hope of spotting wolves in their natural environment. But the elusive wolves are not the only secret that the landscape is hiding. Amongst the geothermal pools, rugged cliffs, and gorgeous pine forests, a killer lurks.

As natural and manmade dangers surround them, the tension between the hike members reaches a boiling point. Soon, all of their lives hang in the balance, and Alex is the only one who can bring them to safety—if only she can determine who to trust.

In addition to being a writer, **Alice Henderson** is a dedicated wildlife researcher, geographic information systems specialist, and bioacoustician. She documents wildlife on specialized recording equipment, checks remote cameras, creates maps, and undertakes wildlife surveys to determine what species are present on preserves, while ensuring there are no signs of poaching. She's surveyed for the presence of grizzlies, wolves, wolverines, jaguars, endangered bats, and more.

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NEW



# Bloodline

*A Novel*

By Anne Hillerman

**This thrilling new addition to the best-selling Leaphorn, Chee & Manuelito series takes Officer Bernadette Manuelito into the heart of Navajo country as she puts her life at risk, challenging her beliefs about good and evil**

When Bernie and her sister Darleen planned their trip to sacred Canyon de Chelly, they envisioned a quiet journey to mourn their mother. But instead of tranquility, they encounter murder and mystery. The trouble begins when Bernie spots an anxious woman at one of the canyon's overlooks and offers to help. Later, a security guard finds the woman's body in a stolen tent. The ramifications suck Bernie and Darleen into a vortex of dark deceit.

While the FBI questions Bernie, Darleen joins a group of children and their teacher on a tour of Canyon de Chelly. The scenic trip takes a deadly turn when the group is stranded within the canyon's walls and Darleen learns that their driver shared a close connection with the mysterious dead woman.

Back in Shiprock, Jim Chee investigates the theft of Navajo horses connected to illegal mustang roundups. Fact-finding distracts him from another issue: a possible promotion at work that could compound the stress on his marriage to Bernie. Meanwhile, Joe Leaphorn's latest private investigation leads him to reach out to both Bernie and Chee. Working together, the three face complex issues of research and remembrance involving human and equine genetics. The conflicts end with a life-threatening event and a sweet reveal that impacts both mustang and human bloodlines.

**Anne Hillerman** is the bestselling author of the Leaphorn, Chee & Manuelito mysteries. The series was created by her father, Tony Hillerman. She is also an executive producer of the Dark Winds television series on AMC. When Anne's not working, she loves to walk with her dogs, read, cook, travel and enjoy the night sky. She lives in Santa Fe, New Mexico, and Tucson, Arizona.

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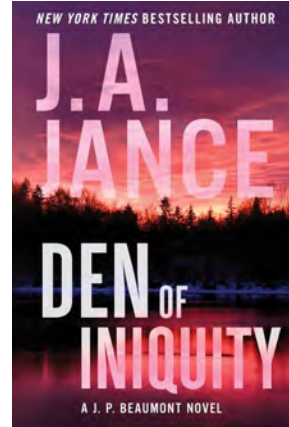
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# The Taken Ones

*J.P. Beaumont Novel, Book 24*

By J. A. Jance

In this twisty, fast-paced mystery spanning from Alaska to Washington, young girls are going missing, and private investigator J.P. Beaumont is the only one who can find them, from New York Times bestselling author J. A. Jance.

Despite her name, Twinkle Winkleman is as tough as nails. A skilled mechanic and certified spitfire, she has a nose for trouble. So when young women from Anchorage begin disappearing after heading to Seattle for “internships”, Twinkle is convinced that something dangerous is happening. But both the Anchorage and Seattle authorities dismiss her out of hand. With nowhere else to turn, Twinkle calls on an old friend: private investigator J. P. Beaumont. While Twinkle and J. P. investigate the disappearances, they stumble upon a plot more nefarious than they could have imagined. Can they put a stop to the kidnappings—and bring the girls home—before it’s too late?

**J. A. Jance** is the New York Times bestselling author of the J. P. Beaumont series, the Joanna Brady series, the Ali Reynolds series, six thrillers about the Walker Family, and one volume of poetry. Born in South Dakota and brought up in Bisbee, Arizona, she lives with her husband in Seattle, Washington.

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# Don't Blame the Wife

*A Novel*  
By Darby Kane

**Succession meets The Guest List in Darby Kane's newest novel where rich people are doing terrible things, including murder. There's no telling how far these weekend guests will go to be the next heir of the Benedict estate...**

For the second time in ten years a body drifted in the water at Waverly...

Ten years ago, someone who supposedly loved Walter Benedict murdered him during a party at Waverly, the family's Newport, Rhode Island estate. His body was found floating in the pool and his wife, the Amery Aberdeen Benedict, heiress and not the kind of woman anyone messes with, was immediately named the suspect by law enforcement and every true crime fan on the internet.

Amery being Amery, she spent less than a day in jail and did so with her usual spare-no-expense flair. Then...nothing. The years ticked by without an arrest or any new information. Whispers about Amery's involvement continued but closure never came.

Now, on the tenth anniversary of the tragic event, Amery has called her children back home to her vast estate for a party of sorts. A "Walter is still dead, so let's celebrate" soiree. There are rumors of a documentary about the family and the murder, and Amery will not tolerate that. She wants the murder solved this weekend and is offering a challenge to make it happen: Waverly in exchange for the truth.

A twenty-eight-million-dollar oceanfront estate is a lot of incentive. The kind some people would kill for.

One of the weekend's guests is her youngest son's new fiancée. A woman with a few secrets of her own. A worthy opponent to Amery's scheming? Most definitely. A woman who might upend all of Amery's plans? Quite possibly. But Amery is ready.

Amery knows some in attendance might be tempted to get a little nasty. To break the rules. To eliminate the competition. You might even say she secretly hopes all of those things happen. See, Amery likes games. She's been planning this for a long time and it's time to play.

One weekend. One answer. One heir to the estate. Huge money. A new murder. Winner takes all.

This will teach people to blame the wife.

**Darby Kane** is the pseudonym for a former divorce lawyer and #1 international bestselling author of domestic suspense. Her books have been optioned for television and featured in numerous venues, including The Washington Post, The New York Times, and Cosmopolitan.

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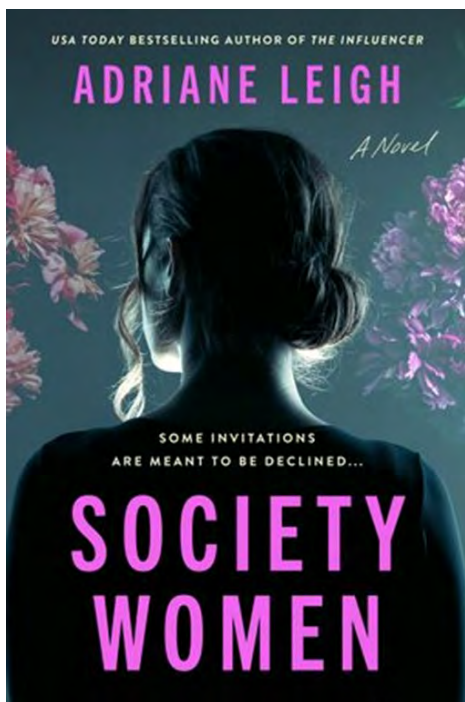
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# Society Women

*A Novel*

By Adriane Leigh

"Adriane Leigh never disappoints." - Jay Crownover, New York Times bestselling author

"Addictive." - Alessandra Torre (A.R. Torre), New York Times bestselling author

"Leigh leaves you wanting more." - K. Bromberg, New York Times bestselling author

**The USA Today bestselling author of the Influencer series delivers a riveting psychological thriller about power, betrayal, and the haunting legacy of family secrets filled with diabolical turns and shocking twists.**

Some invitations are meant to be declined. . . .

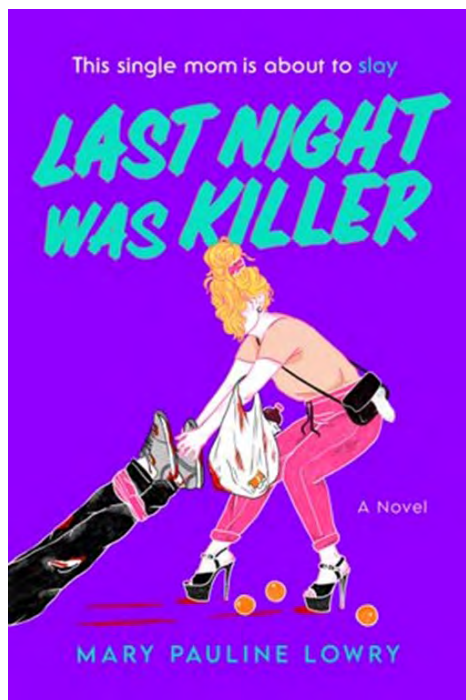
Ellie works as an accountant at her father's successful investment company in New York City. She enjoys all the comforts her privileged lifestyle affords—a two-bedroom apartment overlooking Central Park, a generous trust fund, and a devastatingly attractive if often absent husband who works long hours for her father as well. Yet the introverted young woman who wants for nothing feels aimless and untethered. Ellie lost her mother at a young age and still has nightmares about her death. She sometimes sleepwalks at night and finds herself stumbling through the days.

But Ellie's life takes a turn when she receives an anonymous invitation in the mail, asking her to join an elite women's club known only as "The Society." Intrigued, she begins to attend their lavish gatherings where she meets her new close companion, Aubrey, and enjoys the benefits of belonging to the group—friendship, sisterhood, and support from other successful and glamorous women. Then Ellie makes a horrifying discovery about the society and its "philanthropic work." The women of The Society harbor dark, dangerous secrets—secrets that may implicate Ellie's own family.

Wickedly twisty, *Society Women* is a gripping story of prestige, power, and dirty secrets that will hook you with every surprising turn and leave you questioning every truth until the final, shocking end.

**Adriane Leigh** is a self-published USA Today bestselling author of multiple novels and novellas. Her writing has appeared in *Vogue* and *The Montreal Gazette*, and she is the founder of RARE: Romance Author & Reader Events. She also hosts *The Rebel Artist* podcast. She lives on Lake Michigan with her family.

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# Last Night Was Killer

*A Novel*

By Mary Pauline Lowry

**A suspenseful, bighearted, and laugh-out-loud story of a single mom trying to do it all-including solve a murder she may or may not have committed...**

When Tilly Turner signed up for an introductory pole-dancing class, she was looking for a distraction. Reeling from her mother's passing, and with her career as a stand-up comedian in ruins, Tilly has just moved back to the Idaho hometown she was desperate to leave, with her twin daughters in tow.

But Tilly gets more than she bargained for after a night out with her new pole-dancing pals. She wakes to a raging hangover, no memory of the evening before, and a dead body in the trunk of her car.

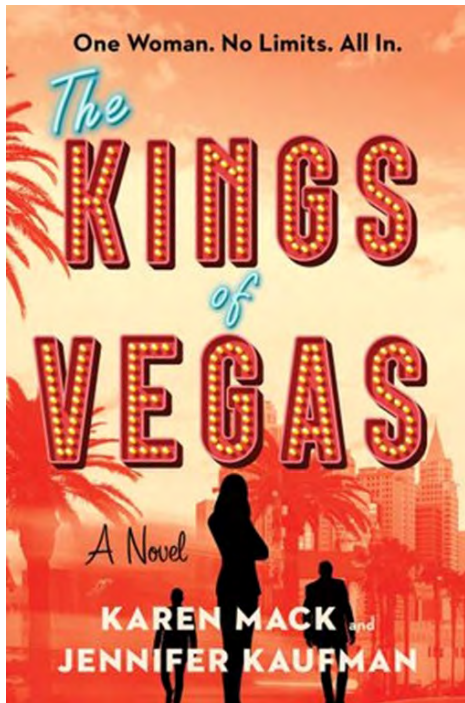
Who was the dead man? And more importantly, who killed him? Tilly has no alibi and needs answers. But investigating a murder is complicated, especially with an old frenemy circling, childcare plans falling through, and pole-dancing classes to attend. And don't even mention the sexy ATF agent who she's trying (and failing) to keep at arm's length.

As Tilly races to solve the mystery before the police come knocking, she finds herself implicated in a larger plot that includes political subterfuge and arms dealing. But who knows-maybe busting a criminal enterprise will be just the shake-up she needs.

Balancing both heart and hilarity, and with a witty take on the struggles of modern motherhood, Last Night Was Killer is a charming introduction to the most unlikely-and likable-of sleuths.

**Mary Pauline Lowry** is the author of the novels The Roxy Letters and Wildfire. She has an MA in English/Creative Writing from the University of Texas and an MFA in Creative Writing from Boise State University. Her work has appeared in The New York Times, The New York Times Magazine, O Magazine, and other publications. She lives in her hometown of Austin, Texas.

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# The Kings of Vegas

## A Novel

By Karen Mack Jennifer Kaufman

**Succession in Las Vegas! From bestselling writing duo Karen Mack and Jennifer Kaufman, a sexy and suspense-packed thriller about the prodigal daughter of a Las Vegas casino empire who returns to take over her family business, only to discover that she's up against the Mob, the Feds, and her own brothers.**

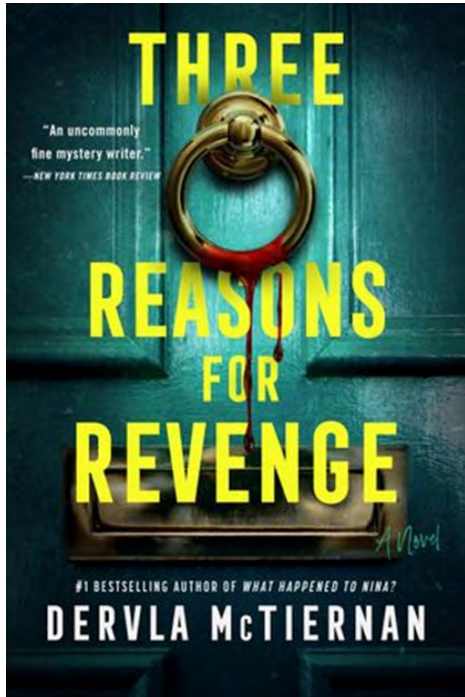
When Josie King left Las Vegas in the 90s, she never looked back. The daughter of gambling mogul Roy King, spirited math whiz Josie grew up on the casino floor but deliberately turned away from the family business. She's been living a quiet life in LA as an accountant and a single mom when she finds herself summoned back to Sin City. Now, fifteen years later, her father has died unexpectedly, and Josie's siblings are already gathered for the reading of his will...only to discover that in order to inherit they must spend three years working together at the notorious family casino, The Jackpot.

Josie's pride won't let her walk away from the family empire again, so she agrees to take charge of the casino's finances. She quickly discovers that while Roy King was once the most powerful man in Vegas, times have changed. These days, everyone has a piece of the action: Josie's brothers, the FBI, the local mobsters, even the sexy rival casino owner who's more than a friend. Las Vegas is more dangerous than ever, but Josie knows that to save the family business she'll have to wade in deeper...

Stacked with sex, crime, sibling rivalry, and mountains of cash, The Kings of Vegas is an electrifying thriller with a tough and irresistible heroine at the center of the action.

**Karen Mack** has co-written four novels with Jennifer Kaufman, including the national bestsellers Literacy and Longing in LA and Freud's Mistress. She is also a Golden Globe and Emmy award-winning film and television producer. Mack was raised in Las Vegas, Nevada, where her family has lived for generations. Jennifer Kaufman is an award-winning journalist and bestselling novelist. Kaufman co-wrote four novels with Karen Mack, including the national bestsellers Literacy and Longing in LA and Freud's Mistress.

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# Three Reasons for Revenge

*A Novel*

By Dervla McTiernan

From the #1 internationally bestselling author of *What Happened to Nina?* comes a gripping high-stakes novel of suspense about three seemingly unconnected people, caught in a lethal web of deceit and unhealed wounds.

Someone's watching. Someone's waiting. Alexis Turner walks into the police station to report an assault. By the end of the day, she is nowhere to be found.

Soon after she disappears, three identical packages arrive at three very different doors: a respected psychologist's home, a socialite's mansion, and a struggling single father's run-down apartment. Inside, each gift is perfectly tailored to its recipient — and each will tear apart the life of its intended victim.

Detective Sergeant Judith Lee is smart and experienced, but this is no ordinary case. Someone with intimate knowledge of their targets is orchestrating these attacks. Someone who knows exactly how to hurt each victim where they're most vulnerable. And she's convinced that somehow, it connects back to Alexis Turner.

As she races to uncover the connection between three unrelated people, Judith discovers she's no longer just investigating the game—she's being forced to play.

**Dervla McTiernan** is the number one internationally bestselling and critically acclaimed author of seven novels, including *What Happened to Nina?* and *The Murder Rule*, which were both New York Times thrillers of the year. Dervla has won multiple prizes, including a Ned Kelly Award, Davitt Awards, a Barry Award, and an International Thriller Writers Award. Dervla is also the author of four novellas, and her audio novella, *The Sisters*, was a four-week number one bestseller in the United States. She lives in Australia with her family.

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# Buried Embers

*A Novel*

By Alex Sigmores

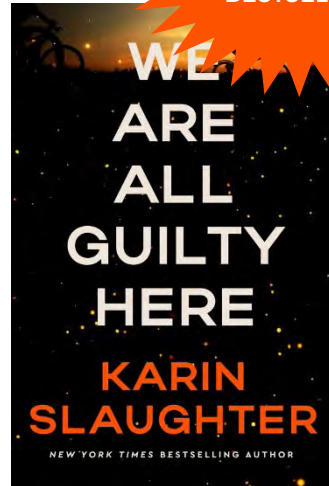
From the successful self-published author of the Emily Slate and Ivy Bishop FBI thrillers, a new, female-led thriller set in the Pacific Northwest, following a wildfire investigator who moves to a remote cabin to grieve her partner's death. . . and finds herself at the center of a dangerous series of fires in the local area.

Eight months ago, Calla Rowe watched her partner die in a fire everyone called an accident. She knew it was murder. She just couldn't prove it. Before that happened, she was one of the best fire investigators in the country. She could diagnose the marks of an arsonist with a preliminary glance at a burn site, calculate exactly how and where a wildfire was going to move, and break down the chemical composition of different accelerants. But now she's hiding out in a remote Oregon town, trying to find peace and shake the nightmares of her partner's death.

That is, until she's summoned to the site of a suspicious wildfire by the local Sheriff. The Sheriff, though wary of newcomers, is in over his head: not only does he have an arson case on his hands, but he is also investigating the disappearance of a local boy—one of a group of environmental activists and protestors who suspected the logging company in town of secretly cutting old-growth timber. Against her better judgment, Calla agrees to help out, though she soon comes to realize that what's going on in Pinecrest is far more than just an isolated incident. As more and more fires burn, Calla begins to understand that she's stumbled into a web of treachery and danger bigger than she could have ever fathomed—and that she may very well be the next target.

Full of shocking twists and cliffhanger pages, *Buried Embers* is Alex Sigmores at the top of his game. The first in a proposed series, readers will quickly fall for Sigmores's brilliant but troubled female investigator who must save a community, and herself in the process.

**Alex Sigmores** is a lifelong reader who has always been fascinated by what drives people. What events in our lives shape us to become the people we are today? After a few other careers, it became clear that writing was the only way to explore this eternal question. When not writing, Alex dreams of a quiet home in the hills of California with a view, a couple of rescue pugs on his lap, and a life full of books, travel, and good friends.



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# The Secrets We Hide

*A North Falls Thriller, Book 2*  
By Karin Slaughter

The next thrilling mystery in the new North Falls series from Karin Slaughter, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Pretty Girls* and the *Will Trent* Series.

Welcome back to North Falls — a small town with big secrets.

Sheriff Emmy Clifton and her sister, ex-federal agent Jude Archer, investigate a brutal attack that shatters their town's fragile peace.

But the deeper Emmy digs, the more dangerous it gets...

**Karin Slaughter** is one of the world's most popular storytellers. She is the #1 New York Times bestselling author of more than twenty-five novels, including the Edgar nominated *Cop Town* and standalone novels *Pretty Girls* and *False Witness*. An international bestseller, *Slaughter* is published in 120 countries with more than 40 million copies sold across the globe. *Pieces of Her*, based on her novel, debuted at #1 worldwide on Netflix as an original series in 2022. Her bestselling thriller series, *Will Trent*, is now a television and streaming sensation in its 4th season. *The Good Daughter* will soon be a limited series starring Rose Byrne and Meghann Fahy, and further projects are currently in development for film/TV. Karin Slaughter is the founder of the Save the Libraries project—a nonprofit organization established to support libraries and library programming. A native of Georgia, she lives in Atlanta.

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# Hunger

A Novel  
By Joe Hill

From the #1 New York Times bestselling author of *King Sorrow*, *The Fireman*, and *NOS4A2* comes a chilling new novel about the battle for a country's survival — and a malevolent, murderous ghost hell-bent on consuming souls.

They're starving in Boston. It's the winter of 1776, and the besieged city is running perilously low on supplies. First the American rebels penned in the British soldiers, then frostbite sank its teeth into the city, and now a ravenous ghost has come to feed on the trapped and desperate colonists who remain loyal to the Crown.

Morale is low enough among the besieged British troops without a fiend tempting men with a sumptuous feast of roast meat, pastries, puddings, and pies. It's a spread many would sell their souls for...which is exactly the deal on offer. As the ghoul's withered victims pile up, and panic spreads, British General Howe takes action: he orders Captain Amos Crowe to expel the fiend by any means necessary.

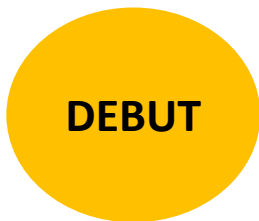
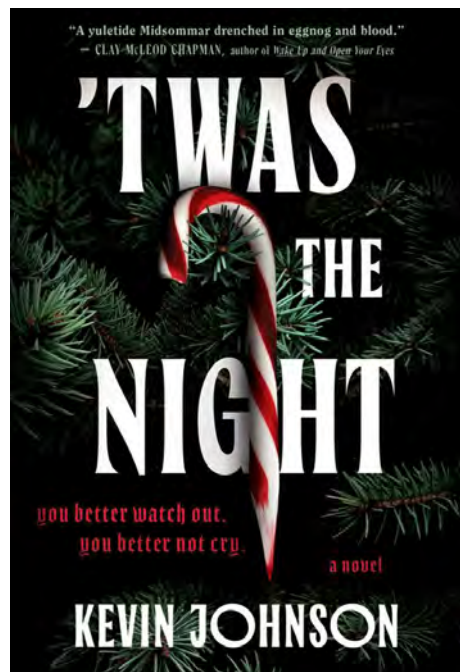
It is an impossible order. But it's far from the only impossibility in Crowe's horrifying New World. For the dead have been speaking to him ever since he was injured at the Battle of Bunker Hill. And now, he must track down a witch hidden deep behind enemy lines, a woman who, it is rumored, holds the key to defeating the evil spirit.

A fast-paced and immersive historical yarn from Joe Hill, master of the supernatural fable, this gripping story weaves its way through the heart of the American Revolution as told through British eyes, capturing the spirit of the age in all its high passion, opportunity, and terror.

**Joe Hill** is the author of *The Fireman*, *NOS4A2*, *Horns*, *Heart-Shaped Box*, and many more titles. Much of his work has been adapted for film and TV. The movie *Black Phone 2* was released in 2025.

**Rights sold:** Russian/Eksmo Publishers

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# 'Twas the Night

A Novel

By Kevin Johnson

"[A] perfect blend of folk horror and fun, a yuletide Midsommar drenched in eggnog and blood."  
— Clay McLeod Chapman, author of *Wake Up and Open Your Eyes*

"[T]he gleefully unhinged tale of holiday horror you've been waiting for. Kevin Johnson suffocates his readers in a perfectly crafted snowstorm of unflinching terror, of Yuletide fright."  
— Eric LaRocca, author of *Things Have Gotten Worse Since We Last Spoke*

Christmas cheer is served alongside horror in Kevin Johnson's debut, in which a young reporter follows a string of disappearances into the middle of a terrifying cult inspired by our favorite holiday characters.

You better not run. You better not cry. It's Christmas in the village of Yule, Maine.

In fact, it's always Christmas in Yule. Here, Santa Claus isn't a storybook figure. He's an icon. A god. The villagers don't just believe in him—they worship him. And the world is better for it.

Halley Belanger hates Christmas, and she doesn't have much love for Santa either. But when a string of child disappearances across Maine seems to spare only the village of Yule, Halley—a sharp, skeptical reporter—decides to investigate.

What she finds is a town that guards its secrets with gingerbread smiles and a snow globe sheen. Outsiders aren't welcome. She isn't welcome. And something sinister is keeping the Christmas spirit alive.

As Halley digs deeper, she begins to uncover the horrifying truth behind Yule's eternal cheer. Christmas comes at a grisly cost. And Santa Claus is no saint.

**Kevin Johnson** grew up reading *Goosebumps* and roaming the horror aisles of the nearest Blockbuster Video. He studied Creative Writing at Florida State University and currently lives in St. Petersburg, Florida with his wife and a rambunctious long-haired miniature dachshund named Pepper. 'Twas The Night is his debut novel.

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# Feed with Care

*A Novel*

By Jessica Lewis

An inventive haunted house story with an uncanny twist, in which a young woman mourning the recent death of her abusive mother reluctantly takes a housekeeping job with increasingly strange and dangerous tasks, for fans of Carissa Orlando and Monika Kim.

Loretta is so full of grief it looks like rage. Reeling after the death of her abusive—although she would never use that word—mother and estranged from her younger sister, Loretta finds herself unemployed and alone.

Resolutely out of options, she hears of an unusual job opportunity. The owner of an old manor on the outskirts of town is looking for a housekeeper—and offering thousands of dollars every week, in cash. There are only two simple rules: complete the daily chores left in the mailbox and no overnight guests. It seems like the perfect escape.

Yet the idyllic solitude quickly sours into a waking nightmare. The chores escalate from simple cleaning to bizarre, intimate demands, and the longer Loretta stays, the more her sense of reality warps. Isolating herself from life outside the mansion, her friends and sister must intervene before it's too late. But to survive, Loretta must decide: what is she capable of, will she accept the help she needs, and how hard is she willing to fight for herself.

Both a terrifying thriller and an emotional portrait of resilience in the face of abuse, *Feed with Care* is an ambitious debut from an exciting new voice in adult horror.

**Jessica Lewis** is a Black author of many genres. She has a degree in English Literature and Animal Science (the veterinarian plan did not work out). Her debut *Bad Witch Burning* was a Bram Stoker Nominee for Superior Achievement in a Young Adult Novel. She also writes middle grade contemporaries under the pseudonym Jazz Taylor. *Feed with Care* is her adult debut. Jessica is from Alabama, where she writes full-time and lives with her way-funnier-than-her grandmother.

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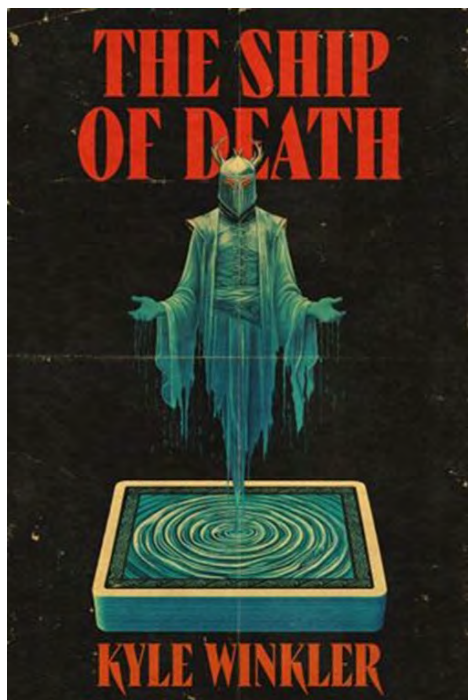
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DEBUT

# The Ship of Death

*A Novel*

By Kyle Winkler

"Mind f\*cking melting." —BENJAMIN PERCY

"A nightmarish experience." —DAN CHAON

"Every turn of the page is a creepy as f\*ck critical success D20 roll. Winkler warmed my nerd heart while draining its blood." — SEQUOIA NAGAMATSU

**Horror Movie meets the Blair Witch Project in this supernatural chokehold of a book told entirely through found documents, the cursed story of an unwitting couple ensnared by a mysterious tabletop roleplaying game, who are commanded, as the game's intentions become clearer, to do the unthinkable.**

Cole and Lorraine playtest board games for some extra cash as they save up to buy a home. But after a series of bizarre coincidences, and signing a strange NDA, the couple finds on their porch a mysterious indie developer's tabletop role-playing game called *The Ship of Death*. The game relies heavily on the players' imaginations, and takes up an ever-growing amount of space: in their kitchen, and in their minds. As its true sinister nature becomes clearer, and its forces capture ever more in its web, the boundary between the game and reality begins to dissolve. . . and the pair are instructed to possess another's soul.

Told entirely through game reports, emails, game forum posts, personal journals, and police reports, reading *The Ship of Death* feels like a dangerous dice roll. It's a sleep-stealing, possession-inducing work of intense, intelligent cosmic found horror that announces Kyle Winkler as a spectacular voice in the genre.

**Kyle Winkler** is an Associate Professor of English at Kent State University at Tuscarawas. He received a Ph.D. in Composition and Rhetoric from the University of Pittsburgh and an MFA from Washington University in St. Louis.

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# POETRY

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# I Used to Wish for Just This

## *The Art and Poetry of Being a Tired But Happy Mom*

By Loryn Brantz

From the New York Times bestselling creator of *Poems of Parenting* comes a flawless collection of poetry and art following the bumps and bliss of motherhood.

In turns heartfelt, funny, encouraging, and empathetic, *I Used to Wish Just for This* is a thoughtful and warm guide composed of Loryn Brantz's signature artwork and poetry. The ultimate gift for all tired mothers seeking moments of joy, perspective, and gratitude amid the complex terrain of early motherhood.

**Loryn Brantz** is an author, artist, poet, and director. She is the creator of two bestselling board book series, *Feminist Baby* and *It Had to Be You (Love Poems Your Baby Can See)* and is also a two-time Emmy Award winner for her work on *Sesame Street*. She is currently a consulting creative director for the beloved children's education program *Ms. Rachel*. Her greatest desire is to make the world a better place through art, even if just a little—but hopefully, a lot. Loryn lives in New York City with her husband, architect Jake J. Brotter, and children, Dalia and Ronen.

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*Sunday Morning*

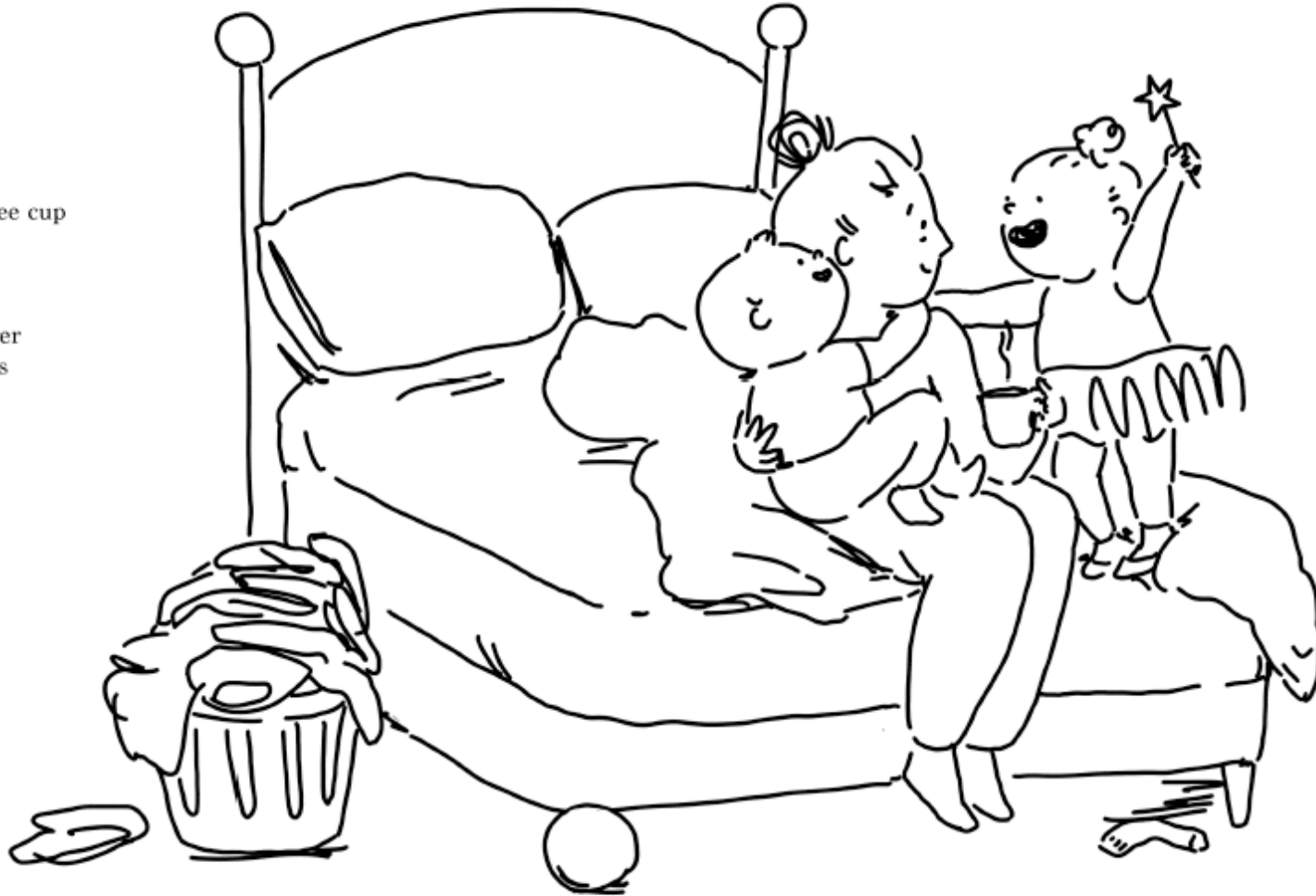


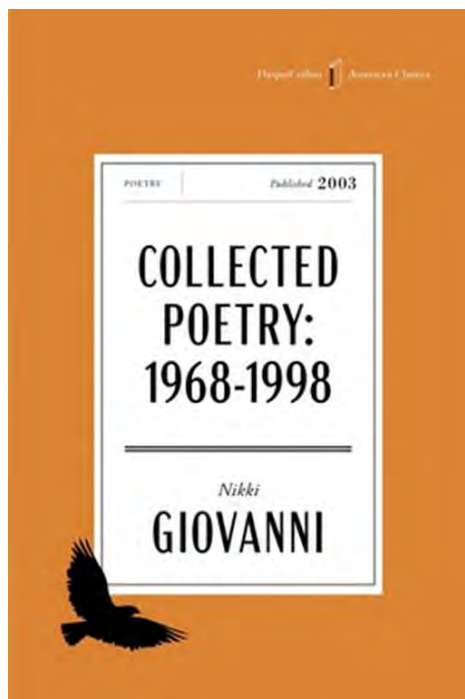
## *Little Hearts*

6 am  
Start the day  
Kids are healthy  
Kids are up  
Let's go grab a coffee cup  
Blurry eyed  
Place a mess  
That's OK  
This won't be forever  
How your day starts  
Surrounded by

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Hearts





# The Collected Poetry of Nikki Giovanni American Classics Edition

1968-1998  
By Nikki Giovanni

From one of America's most cherished and celebrated poets, a landmark collection of Nikki Giovanni's early work from the transformational years of 1968-1998!

"Nikki Giovanni is one of our national treasures."-Gloria Naylor

In celebration of the 250th anniversary of the United States, HarperCollins is proud to present this library of American classics drawn from our storied catalog. This timeless classic brings readers Nikki Giovanni's poems from her books *Black Feeling Black Talk*; *Black Judgement*; *Re: Creation*; *My House*; *The Women and the Men*; *Cotton Candy on a Rainy Day*; and *Those Who Ride the Night Winds*.

When Nikki Giovanni's poems first emerged during the Black Arts Movement of the 1960s, she immediately took a place among the most celebrated and controversial artists of our time. More than 50 years later, Giovanni still stands as one of the most commanding, luminous voices to grace America's political and poetic landscape.

Stirring, provocative, and resonant, these poems heralded the arrival of an indelible literary voice that resounds to this day.

**Nikki Giovanni** (1943–2024), poet, activist, mother, grandmother, and educator, grew up in Tennessee and Ohio and graduated with honors from Fisk University in Nashville. The author of over thirty books, she was also the recipient of seven NAACP Image Awards, the Langston Hughes Medal for Outstanding Poetry, the Frost Medal, as well as thirty-one honorary degrees and an Emmy Award. She garnered her most unusual honor in 2007 when a South American bat species—*Micronycteris giovanniae*—was named in celebration of her. A devoted teacher and honorary member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., she spent thirty-five years as University Distinguished Professor of English at Virginia Tech in Blacksburg, Virginia.

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# Illustrated & Graphic Novels

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# The Cartoon Guide to Economics

*Cartoon Guide Series*

By Larry Gonick and Benjamin Ho

A comprehensive and illustrated primer on the basics of economics—if you think “monopsonies” is just the way a drunk person says “monopolies,” that subsidies are cities beneath a city, or that gross domestic product refers to the manure market, then you need *The Cartoon Guide to Economics* to demystify the macro and micro

Award-winning, New York Times bestselling, Harvard-educated cartoonist Larry Gonick returns to supply his audience’s demand with a comprehensive and illustrated primer on economics.

Gonick illustrates how the seed concept of “making decisions under scarcity” blooms and branches into all of the ideas that make up modern economics—both the micro concepts that describe our everyday interactions (like rational choice, game theory, and markets, and market failures) and the macro material that rules the headlines and guides government policy (like GDP, inequality, unemployment, inflation, and interest rates). In *The Cartoon Guide to Economics*, you’ll find illustrated and entertaining deep-dives into: The birth and evolution of economics, from the gift economy of cavepeople to coinage and paper money to the digitized globalism of modern times.

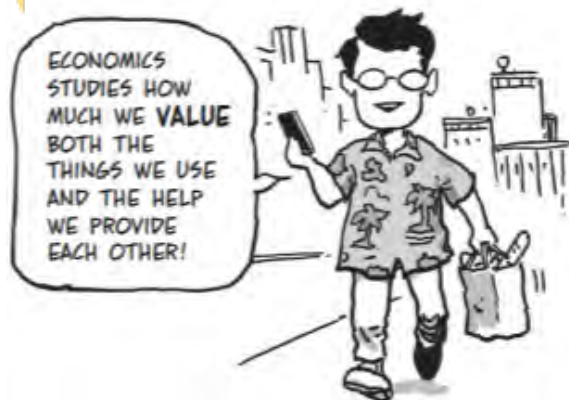
The basics of supply and demand explained via the all-important donut market. The reason why having some unemployment isn’t always a bad thing (yes, really—and no, that doesn’t mean you can quit your job). Displaying the complicated mathematics of economics with crystal-clear graphs and graphics.

Gonick’s wry wit and humorous examples—coupled with his legendary cartooning skills and bolstered by the brain of Vassar economics professor Ben Ho—distill these dense and sometimes difficult topics into material that’s relatable, easy to digest, and fun to read. Students and professors, as well as the casually curious, will emerge with a deeper understanding of the core principles of economics, and Gonick will—somehow, impossibly—make them laugh along the way.

**Larry Gonick** has been creating comics that explain history, science, math, and other big subjects for more than forty years. His books have sold millions of copies worldwide and have been translated into more than twenty-five languages. He has been a calculus instructor at Harvard (where he earned his BA and MA in mathematics), a Knight Science Journalism Fellow at MIT, and a Montgomery Fellow at Dartmouth College.

**Benjamin Ho** is a professor of economics at Vassar College and author of the book *Why Trust Matters: An Economist’s Guide to the Ties that Bind Us*. Ho applies behavioral economics, game theory, and experiments to tackle topics like apologies, identity, inequality, and climate change. His research has appeared in outlets like *Management Science* and *Nature: Human Behavior*. Ho holds seven degrees from Stanford and MIT in economics, education, political science, math, computer science, and electrical engineering.

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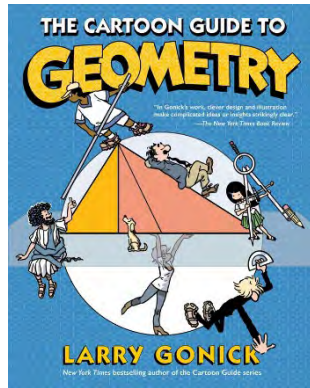
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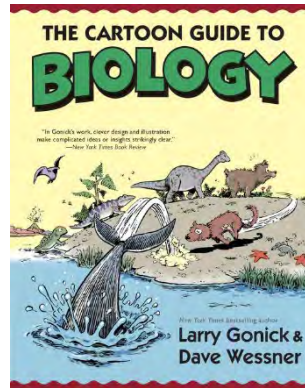
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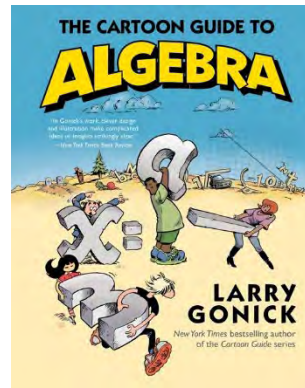
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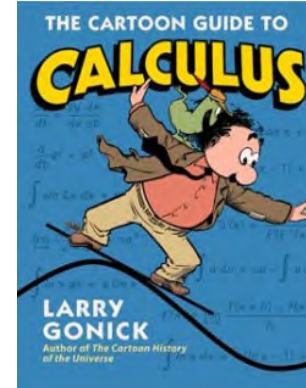
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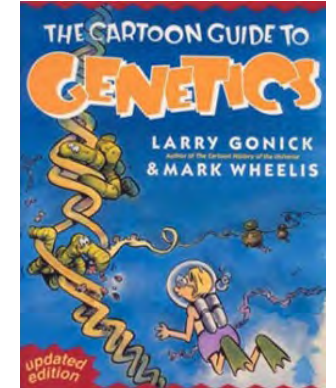
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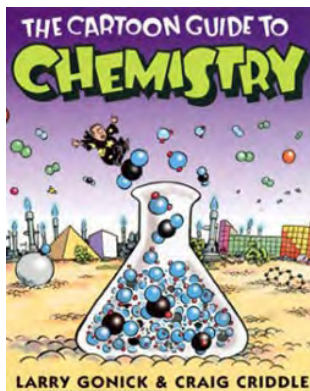
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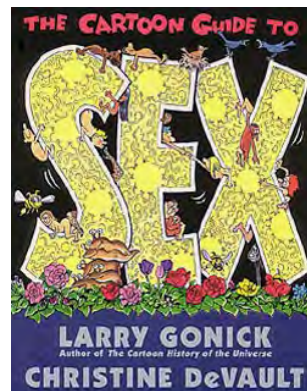
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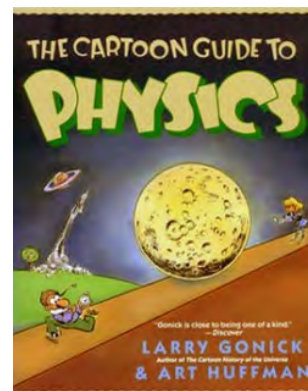
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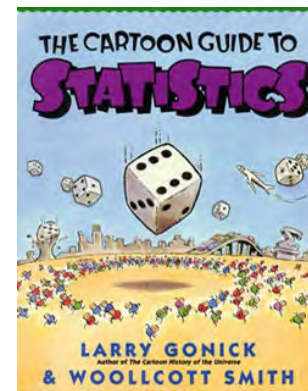
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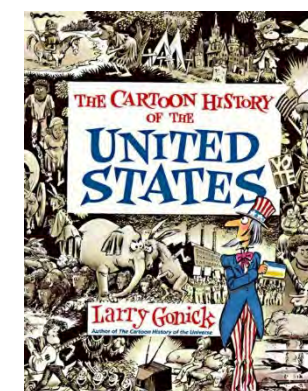
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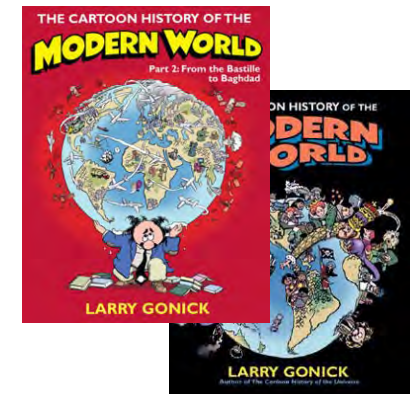
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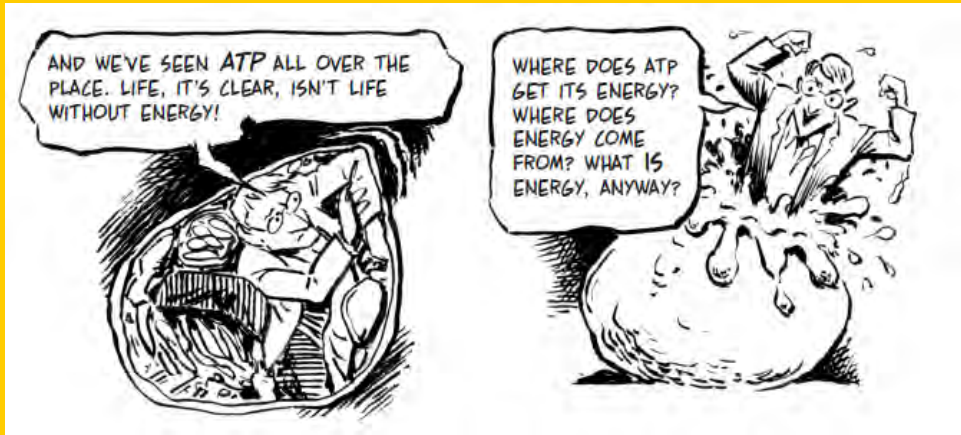


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# Joy

By Maira Kalman

From critically-acclaimed artist and bestselling author of *Still Life with Remorse*, Sarah Berman's *Close*, and *Women Holding Things*, Maira Kalman, comes a luminous collection of prose and paintings that reveal how joy—quiet, fleeting, and often overlooked—persists, even in the darkest of times.

Following Maira Kalman's bestselling meditation on regret, memory, and inheritance in *Still Life with Remorse*, the beloved artist and author turns her gaze towards its necessary counterpart: joy. Using the same structure Kalman developed for *Remorse* and *Women Holding Things* (named one of the best art books of 2022 by the *New York Times*), *JOY* is a four-color collection of original paintings and prose that trace her daily observations of small, unexpected moments of light peeking through the darkness.

In a world marked by grief and uncertainty, Kalman suggests that seeking out joy is an act of attention and observation. A woman applying red lipstick at a café in Paris after lunch. The intoxicating scent of freshly cut grass in Central Park. A berry tart shared by family in the countryside. Interwoven with these intimate observations are reflections on artists and writers who have transformed pain and sorrow into beauty and triumph, from Beethoven composing symphonies through illness and deafness, to Kafka walking his beloved dog. With her signature wit and insight, Kalman invites readers to experience—and question—the world as she does: alert to all details and contradictions, and open to the idea that even the smallest moment can hold a glimmer of humor and hope.

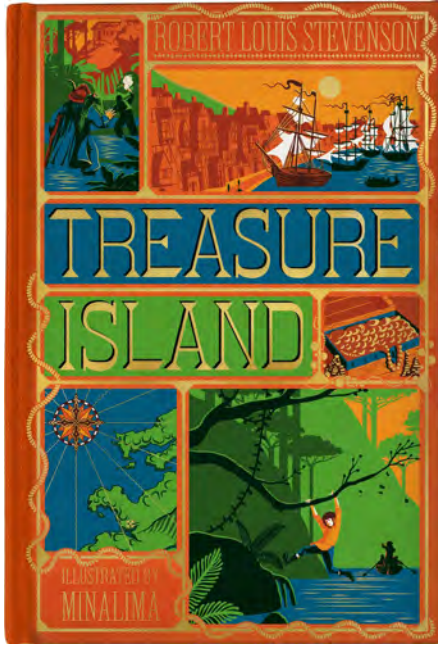
Whereas Kalman's previous book, *Remorse*, focused on interiors and objects, *JOY* is populated by portraiture. The art is colorful, expressive, and portrait-driven—a jubilant celebration of the resilience of people, and the redemptive power of art and music. Together, the prose and art offer both a comfort and a call to attention: a reminder that joy does not erase suffering but exists stubbornly and beautifully alongside it.

**Maira Kalman** illustrated William Strunk Jr's classic *The Elements of Style* and is the author of *My Favorite Things*, *Principles of Uncertainty*, and *And the Pursuit of Happiness*. She is also the author/illustrator of numerous children's books, and her artwork has graced a dozen covers of *The New Yorker*. Her watches, clocks, accessories, and paperweights have been featured at the Museum of Modern Art store. She lives in New York City. Alex Kalman is an artist, editor, designer, publisher, and curator. He is the founder of Mmuseumm and owner of What Studio? Learn more at alexkalman.com.

**STILL LIFE WITH REMORSE** sold: Korean/Will Book

# Treasure Island (MinaLima Edition)

By Robert Louis Stevenson



A deluxe, full-color illustrated edition of Robert Louis Stevenson's timeless swashbuckling tale—an adventurous new installment in the MinaLima Classics, the bestselling series from the renowned design studio behind the graphics for the Harry Potter film franchise—featuring richly illustrated original artwork and interactive elements.

Originally published in 1883 and considered one of the best adventure books of all time, *Treasure Island* tells of young Jim Hawkins as he sets off on the expedition of a lifetime in search of buried treasure. Featuring a rousing cast of characters, including Billy Bones who reveals the treasure map that sparks the journey; loyal Alexander Smollett, captain of the ship *Hispaniola*; and Long John Silver, the treacherous villain who plans to take the treasure for himself, this vibrant story of treasure, greed, and bravery is the pirate tale that influenced all that followed.

This swashbuckling adventure is now reimagined as never before in a lush four-color deluxe edition illustrated by MinaLima, with seven stunning interactive features, including:

- the treasure chest
- the Skeleton Island map
- the *Hispaniola* in Bristol Harbor

Beautifully designed for readers of all ages, this keepsake edition is sure to be a treasure of its own.

Poet and novelist **Robert Louis Stevenson** (1850–1894) was the author of classic books for young readers, including *Treasure Island*, *Kidnapped*, and *Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde*. Born in Edinburgh, Scotland, Stevenson was often ill as a child and spent much of his youth confined to his nursery, where he first began to compose stories even before he could read, and where he was cared for by his nanny, Alison Cunningham, to whom *A Child's Garden of Verses* is dedicated.

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... CHAPTER 17 ...

two fresh men, were at the oars. 'The tide keeps washing her down. Could you pull a little stronger?'

'Not without swamping the boat,' said he. 'You must bear up, sir, if you please—bear up until you see you're gaining.'

I tried, and found by experiment that the tide kept sweeping us westward until I had laid her head due east, or just about right angles to the way we ought to go.

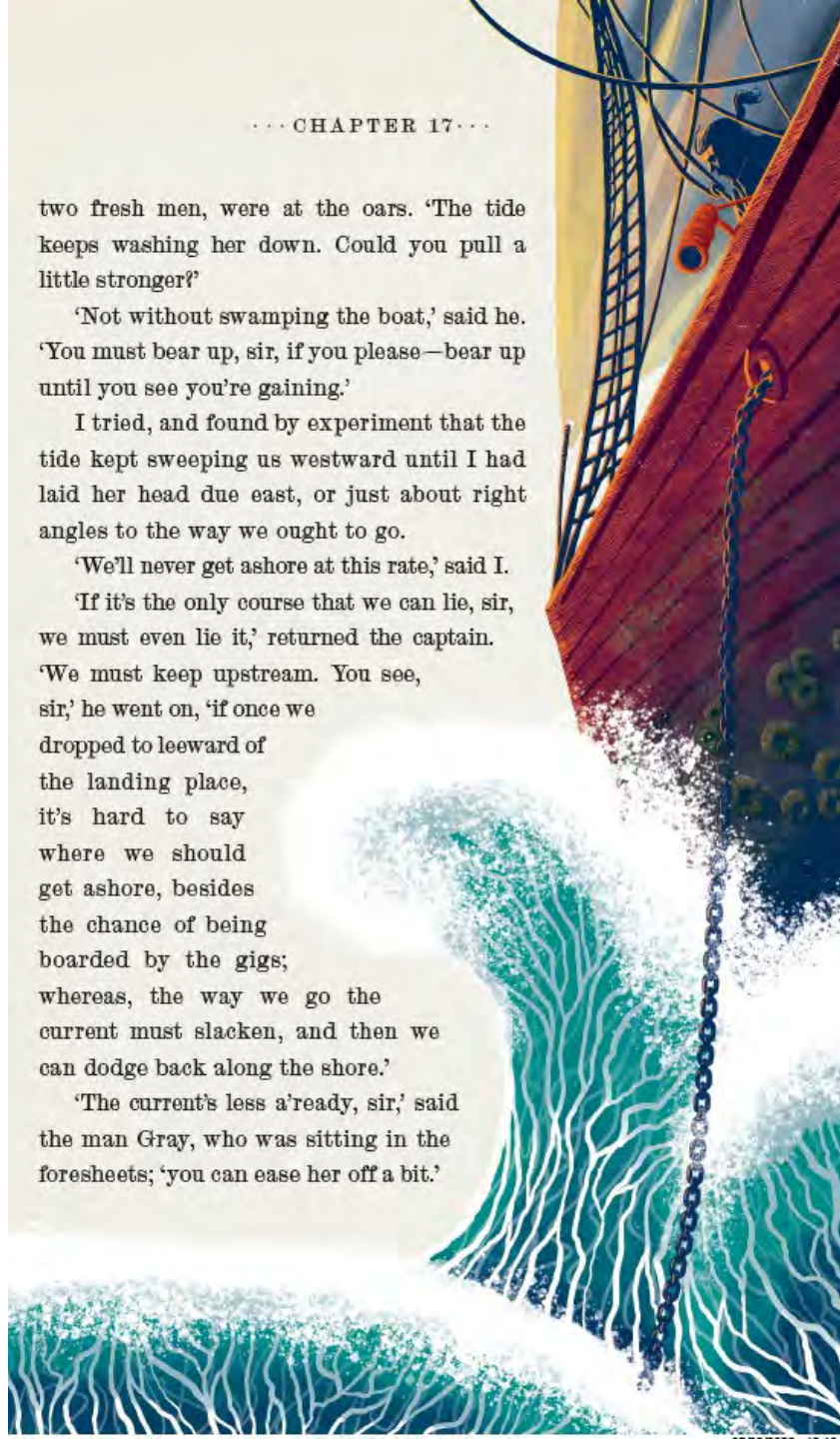
'We'll never get ashore at this rate,' said I.

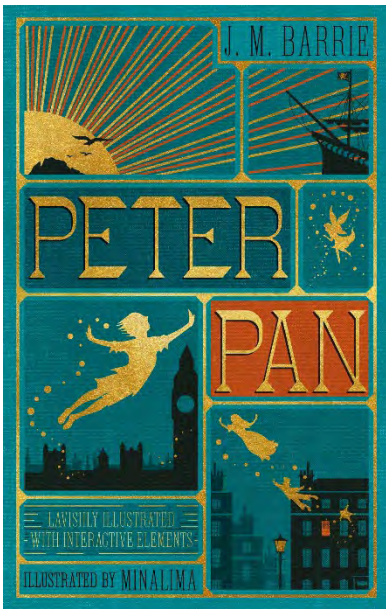
'If it's the only course that we can lie, sir, we must even lie it,' returned the captain.

'We must keep upstream. You see, sir,' he went on, 'if once we

dropped to leeward of the landing place, it's hard to say where we should get ashore, besides the chance of being boarded by the gigs; whereas, the way we go the current must slacken, and then we can dodge back along the shore.'

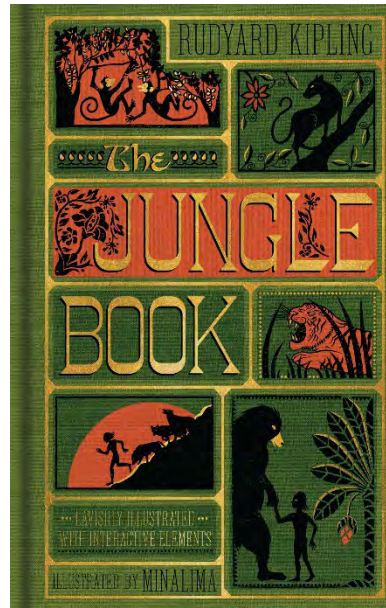
'The current's less a'ready, sir,' said the man Gray, who was sitting in the foresheets; 'you can ease her off a bit.'





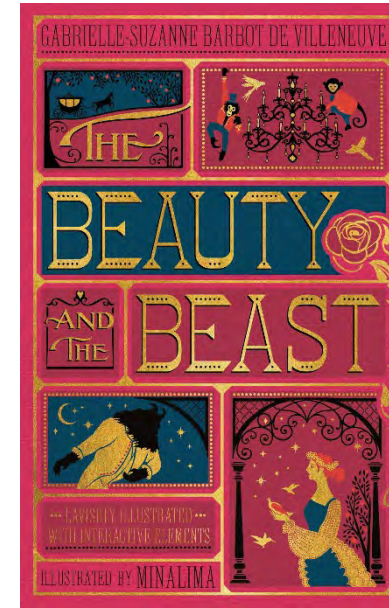
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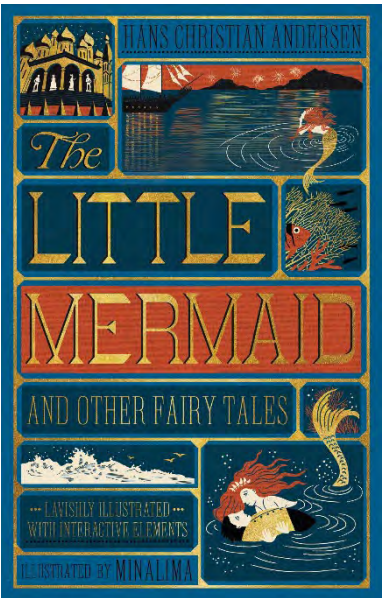
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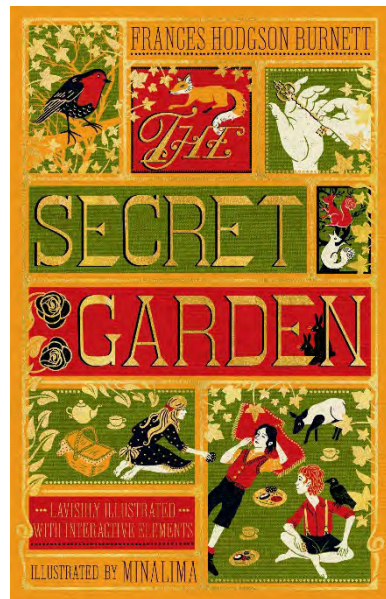
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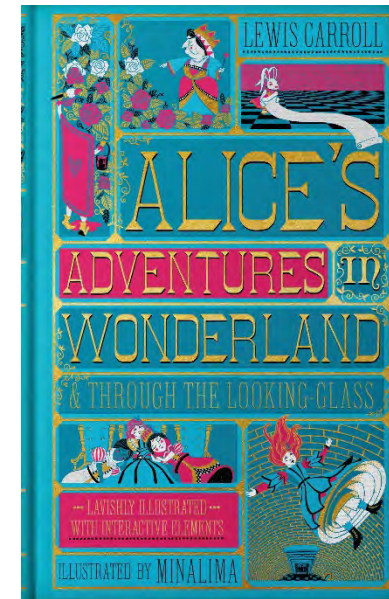
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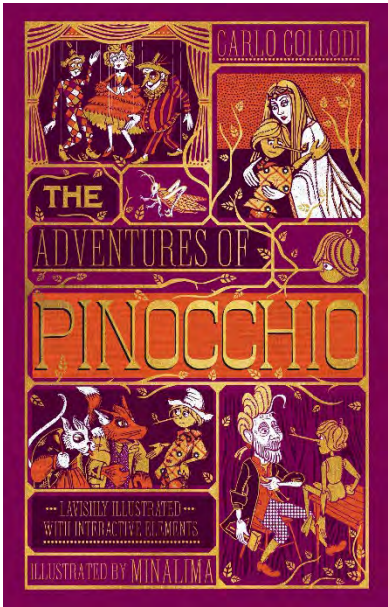
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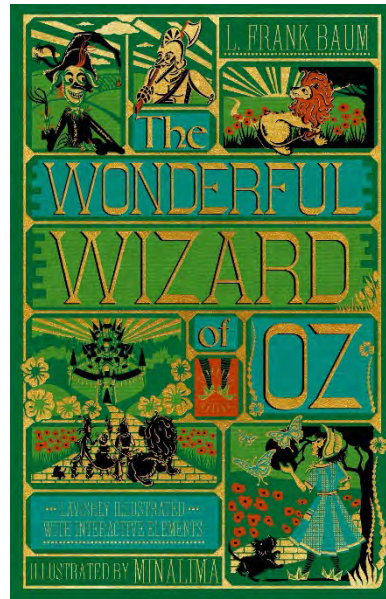
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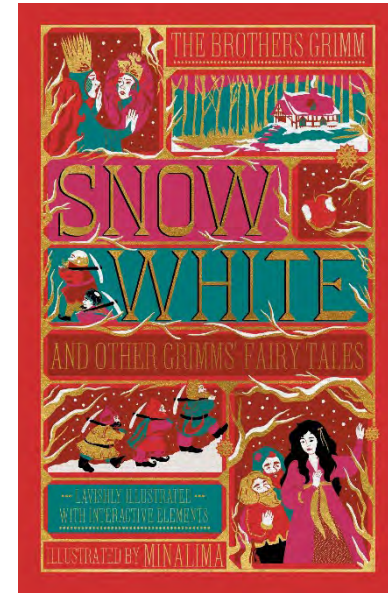
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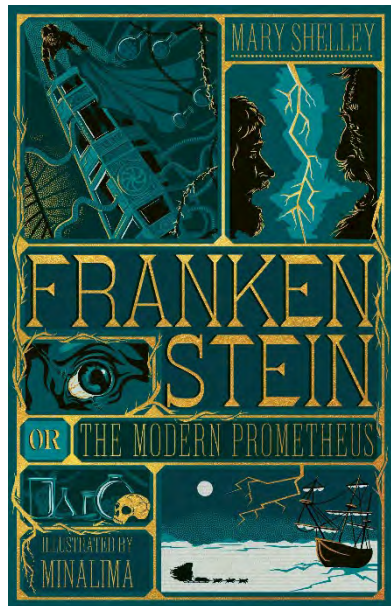
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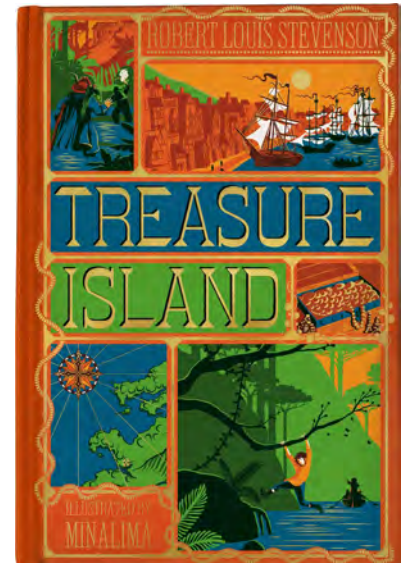
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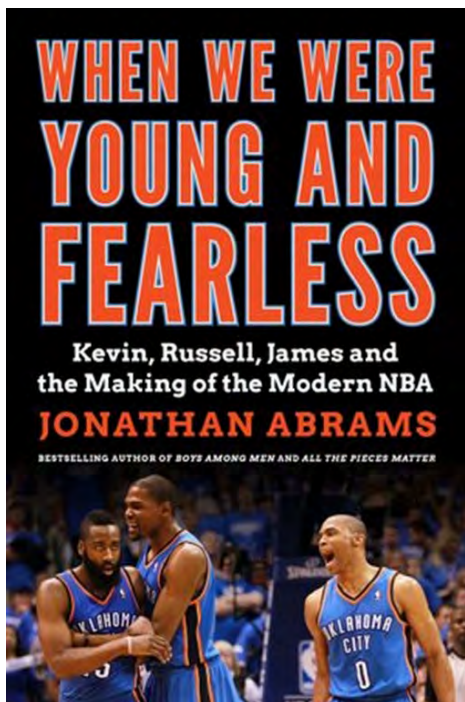


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# BIOGRAPHY & MEMOIR

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# When We Were Young and Fearless

*Kevin, Russell, James, and the Making of the Modern NBA*

By Jonathan Abrams

From New York Times bestselling author Jonathan Abrams comes a deep dive into the lives and careers of Kevin Durant, Russell Westbrook and James Harden and how their entangled paths can be used as a lens to capture all the facets of the player empowerment era.

It's one of the greatest what ifs of sports – what if the Thunder had somehow kept Durant, Westbrook and Harden, three of the league's poster boys and future MVPs, together? So begins two decades of basketball repercussions and the formation of the modern NBA. *When We Were Young and Fearless* is The Social Network of basketball stories. Touching on universal themes of loyalty, money, power, friendship, class and innocence lost, Abrams explores the central irony of greatness: how much is in individual willing to sacrifice to win in a team sport?

**Jonathan Abrams** is a reporter for The New York Times and the author of several books, including *Boys Among Men*, about the NBA's prep-to-pro generation, *All the Pieces Matter*, an oral history of *The Wire*, and *The Come Up*, an oral history of hip-hop. He lives in Charlotte, North Carolina.

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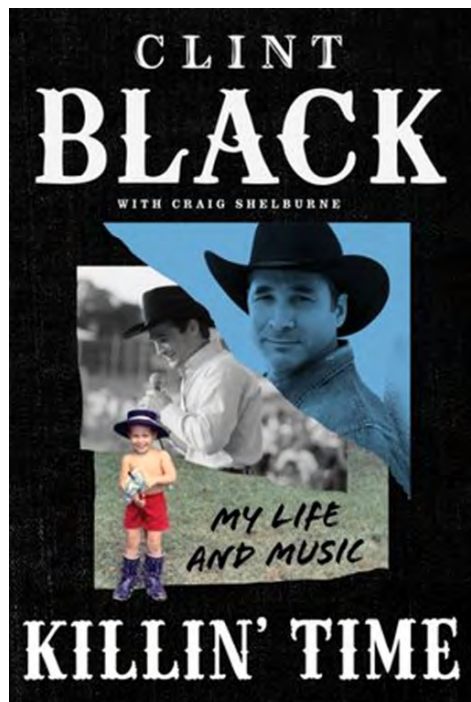
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# Killin' Time

*My Life and Music*  
By Clint Black

The long-awaited memoir from country music legend, Clint Black—a raw, intimate, and unflinching story that traces his rise from struggling songwriter to chart-topping superstar and enduring music legend.

Over twenty million records sold. Twenty-two number one career singles. 31 top ten singles. Nearly two dozen gold and platinum awards. Countless CMA and ACM awards. A Grammy Award. A star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame. When it comes to modern music, few artists have had a bigger or more lasting impact than Clint Black. Since bursting onto the country music scene in 1989 with *Killin' Time*—the triple-platinum debut that delivered five consecutive number one singles—Black has built a genre-defining career spanning nearly four decades. Having written the soundtrack of a generation, Clint now puts pen to paper to write, for the first time, the story of the man behind the music.

In his long-awaited memoir, Black shares the unfiltered, extraordinary account of his journey from a kid with a dream on the outskirts of Houston to a country music legend. From his near-death experiences as a young boy, to his decision to drop out of high school to pursue music, to countless years struggling as an unknown young artist, playing at any nightclub or hotel bar that would have him, Black's path to success had more twists than the Texas two-step.

Once fame hit and the stakes got higher, Black didn't let the pressure of big crowds, big money, or big labels steer him off course. By writing from the heart and sticking to his guns, he built a legacy on his own terms. These values proved to be Black's north star navigating superstardom, including a difficult lawsuit against his ex-manager, Bill Ham; subsequently founding his own record label; recording with heroes such as Jimmy Buffett, Merle Haggard, and Eric Idle; his whirlwind romance and everlasting marriage with actress Lisa Hartman Black; and most recently, a critical issue with a cervical spine injury, which threatened the very thing that made him a star: his voice.

With vivid, deeply personal stories—all told with Black's signature charm—he recounts how his steadfast dedication to his beliefs and his passion for music led him to success after success, and through storm after storm. For longtime fans and newcomers alike, *Killin' Time* is a revelatory and rare glimpse of the iconic life and career of a once in a generation talent.

**Clint Black** surged to superstardom as part of the fabled Class of 1989, reaching #1 with five consecutive singles from his triple-platinum debut, *Killin' Time*. He followed that with the triple-platinum *Put Yourself in My Shoes*, and then a string of platinum and gold albums throughout the 1990s. Perhaps most impressively, Clint wrote or co-wrote every one of his more than three dozen chart hits, part of a catalog that produced 22 #1 and 31 top ten singles, making him one of the most successful singer/songwriters of the modern era. Clint has sold over 20 million records, earned more than a dozen gold and platinum awards in the US and Canada, landed nearly two dozen major awards and nominations, and earned a star on both the Music City and the Hollywood Walk of Fame. He lives in Nashville, Tennessee.



# The Secret Life of Your Third Grade Teacher

*Notes from a Hapless Romantic*

By Micaela Blei

From a two-time winner of the Moth GrandSLAM storytelling competition, a candid, poignant, and downright hilarious memoir about dating, body image, and learning to love yourself when you're the one always teaching others to do the same.

Micaela Blei probably wouldn't use the word "wallflower" to describe herself. For most of her life, in fact, she felt as far from a "flower" as possible. But after several years of self-doubt around her body and dating—beginning in high school and going well into her 30s—she decided to do something about this. Enter "The Divine Feminine"—a course on female self-actualization to which a friend took her, and which would transform her life for the better.

Through engaging with fundamental questions about dating and her life—Why does she pick the wrong guys? Why can't she be more in tune with her body? And what the hell is the Divine Feminine, anyway?—Micaela manages to take the verve, creativity, and wit that she uses in her role as an elementary school teacher and forge a new path for herself, one in which doubt is a thing of the past and her own indelible voice can resonate more strongly than ever before.

Be prepared to laugh, cringe, and cry as you read this deeply moving memoir of a young woman's attempt to navigate romance. This isn't your textbook "empowerment" or "self-love" narrative. The lessons here are unexpected, bittersweet, acutely self-aware—and funny AF.

**Micaela Blei, PhD**, is a two-time Moth GrandSLAM winner and former founding Director of Education at The Moth. She earned her B.A. at Yale University and her Ph.D. in Education from NYU, with a research focus on storytelling and identity in education spaces. She's currently the resident professor of Storytelling at the Salt Institute for Documentary Studies in Portland, Maine. She is also a senior story editor and writer for podcast network Wondery, most recently for This Job Is History, hosted by Chris Parnell. Her stories can be heard on This American Life, The Moth Radio Hour and podcast, Family Ghosts, Risk! and many others. Her Audible Original memoir, *You Will Not Recognize Your Life*, was released in 2024 and hit #2 in the Memoir/Pop Culture Audible charts.

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# The A Word

## *A Mother's Journey Through Autism and Love*

By Tisha Campbell

Actress/comedian Tisha Campbell (*Martin*, *My Wife and Kids*) shares her entertaining, emotional, and sometimes comical journey navigating her son's Autism diagnosis, offering realistic insight and personal stories of the challenges and triumphs that come with raising a child on the spectrum.

This heartfelt and humor-filled memoir takes readers on an emotional rollercoaster as Tisha Campbell, actress/mother/activist, shares her journey of raising her son, Xen, who was diagnosed with autism. With raw honesty and a touch of wit, Tisha recounts the challenges, triumphs, and unexpected moments of joy that have defined her family's life. From the initial shock of the diagnosis to navigating the labyrinth of therapies, schools, and societal misconceptions, Tisha's story is a testament to resilience, love, and the power of community.

The book is brimming with humor, as Tisha's quick wit and candid observations bring levity to even the most trying situations. Whether she's recounting her son's uncanny ability to identify Winnie the Pooh characters at five months old or her own misadventures in advocating for his needs, Tisha's humor shines through, making the narrative both relatable and uplifting.

At its core, this memoir is a love letter to Xen, celebrating his unique spirit and the lessons he has taught his family about patience, acceptance, and the beauty of individuality. It's also a rallying cry for parents, caregivers, and advocates, offering hope and practical insights for navigating the world of autism.

With its blend of humor, heart, and unflinching honesty, this book is a poignant reminder that even in the face of adversity, love and laughter can light the way. Tisha's journey is not just about overcoming challenges—it's about embracing them and finding joy in the unexpected.

**Tisha Campbell** is an accomplished American actress and singer, best known for her roles in popular television series such as "Martin" and "My Wife and Kids."

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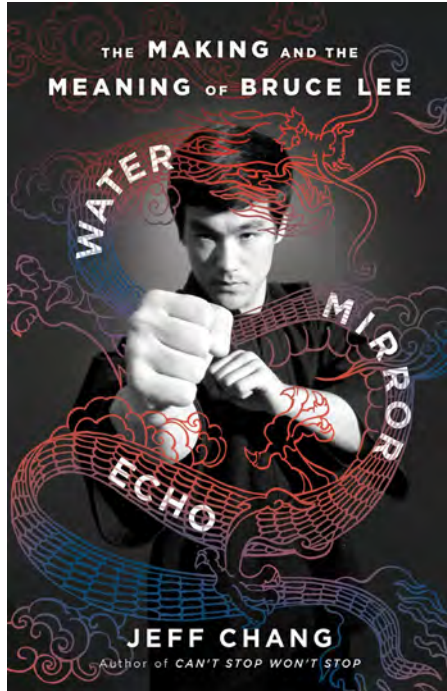
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# Water Mirror Echo

## *The Making and the Meaning of Bruce Lee*

By Jeff Chang

"A rousing portrait of a charismatic actor who redefined global stardom." — *Kirkus*

"*Water Mirror Echo* is a remarkable story of a man, the traditions and communities that created him, and the new worlds he made possible. Like Bruce Lee himself, Jeff Chang is blessed with the vision to see things we do not yet see, thinking and writing with a restless, chasm-crossing, almost prophetic ambition."

— Hua Hsu, Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *Stay True: A Memoir*

"This book is as celebratory as it is incisive, as it is, at times, heartbreaking. A massive achievement."

— Hanif Abdurraqib, National Book Award-winning author of *There's Always This Year* and *A Little Devil in America*

**A cultural biography, both sweeping and intimate, of the legend Bruce Lee, set against the extraordinary, untold story of the rise of Asian America—from the author of the award-winning classic *Can't Stop Won't Stop* and one of the finest culture observers of our era.**

More than a half-century after his passing, Bruce Lee is as towering a figure to people around the world as ever. On his path to becoming a global icon, he popularized martial arts in the West, became a bridge to people and cultures from the East, and just as he was set to conquer Hollywood once and for all, he died of cerebral edema at age thirty-two. It's no wonder that Bruce Lee's legend has only bloomed in the decades since. Yet, in so many ways, the legend has eclipsed the man.

Forgotten is the stark reality of the baby boy born in segregated San Francisco, who spent his youth in war-ravaged, fight-crazy Hong Kong. Forgotten is the curious teenager who found his way back to America, where he embraced West Coast counterculture and meshed it with the Asian worldviews and philosophies that reared him. Forgotten is the man whose very presence broke barriers and helped shape the idea of what being an Asian in America is, at the very dawn of Asian America.

*Water Mirror Echo*—a title inspired by Bruce Lee's own way of moving, being and responding to the world—is a page-turning and powerful reminder. At the helm is Jeff Chang, the award-winning author of *Can't Stop Won't Stop*, whose writing on culture, politics, the arts and music have made him one of the most acclaimed and distinctive voices of our time. In his hands, Bruce Lee's story brims with authenticity.

Now, based on in-depth interviews with Lee's closest intimates, thousands of newly available personal documents, and featuring dozens of gorgeous photographs from the family's archive, Chang achieves the nearly impossible. He reveals the man behind the enduring iconography and stirringly shows Lee's growing fame ushering in something that's turned out to be even more enduring: the creation of Asian America.

**Jeff Chang's** first book, *Can't Stop Won't Stop: A History of the Hip-Hop Generation*, was named one of the best American nonfiction books of the last quarter century. He has been a USA Ford Fellow in Literature and, among numerous other honors, has won the American Book Award and the Asian American Literary Award. Chang has written three other acclaimed bestsellers on American history and culture, music, and the arts. In May 2019, he and director Bao Nguyen created a four-episode digital series adaptation of his award-winning book *We Gon' Be Alright* for PBS Indie Lens Storycast. Chang was featured in Nguyen's ESPN Bruce Lee documentary, *Be Water*; the PBS series, *Asian Americans*; and Lisa Ling's CNN series, *This Is Life*.

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# The Tiki Factor

## 4 Key Principles to Turn Your Losses into Wins

By Tiki Davis with JVL Media

**A modern-day *Pursuit of Happyness*, *The Tiki Factor* details Tiki's rise through a neglectful childhood in Odessa, Texas, and a derailing imprisonment to becoming a successful entrepreneur, motivational speaker, and community leader.**

Tiki grew up a man-child—raising himself without a father, learning the streets before he ever learned stability. Before he even hit ten years old, he had already survived an attempted murder on his life. Where Tiki comes from, that kind of violence was treated as normal, and for a long time he thought it was. By all accounts, his story should have ended in disaster.

But it didn't.

In this memoir, Tiki details the attacks, accusations, and rejection that he faced but did not allow to break him down. His story wasn't clean. His mother died in prison. His father and brother went to prison. His name was dragged through the dirt with accusations that gave him no justice—just shame and isolation, even from his own community. But he refused to quit. He earned a bachelor's and a master's degree and built businesses in oil, real estate, and restaurants. From the dirt, he rebuilt his life piece by piece. And then he built something bigger than business. He became The TIKI Factor.

Through his story, he created a brand and a set of principles that anyone can live by:

Total Commitment  
Imagination  
Kindred Spirits  
Invest in Yourself

These aren't just words—they're survival tools. He teaches people that if you apply these principles, you can win, no matter where you start.

**Tiki Davis** is an entrepreneur, motivational speaker, and oil and gas expert from Odessa, Texas. Davis has overcome a difficult past and uses his story to inspire others to make positive choices. He's a mentor to young men and boys, and has helped several mentees attend prestigious universities.

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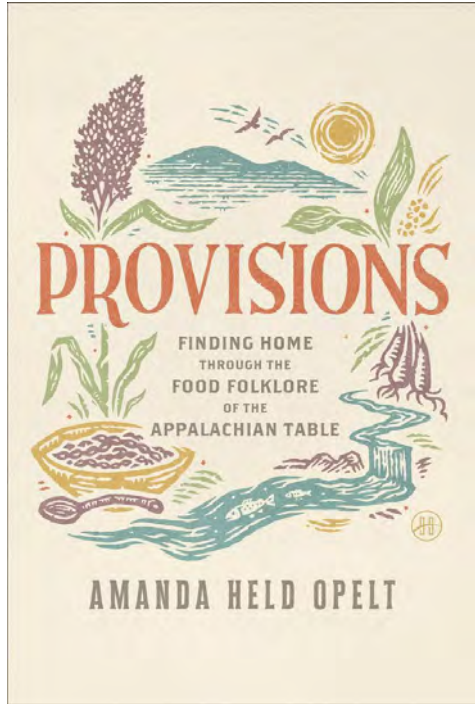
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# Provisions

## *Finding Home Through the Food Folklore of the Appalachian Table*

By Amanda Held Opelt

**A sensory celebration of Appalachian culinary traditions, and a call to reclaim the lost rituals, recipes, and food folklore of the places you call home.**

Amanda Evans Opelt's childhood was defined by the shared, multi-generational table that brought everyone at the 100-acre farm to breakfast over buttered biscuits, fried brook trout, wild honey, and blackberry jam. But as she came of age at the peak of the nineties' diet culture, her relationship with her body became fraught, and she began to resent the culinary culture of her Appalachian heritage. It wasn't until her own daughter was born that she realized another body depended upon her nourishment. That was when she set out to learn how to cook and reclaim her ancestor's food traditions.

In *Provisions*, Opelt spends a year attending sorghum boils and cider press parties of Appalachia, interviewing farmers, foragers, and herders, and recreating the meals she remembers her Granny serving at her own table. She learns how to cook deer steak over a crackling fire, enjoying the same breakfast her ancestor Daniel Boone ate seven generations ago on this very mountain. Along the way, she rediscovers the joy of eating, and learns to love her body again and the places it calls home.

A love letter to Appalachia as much as a record-setter of mountain culture "hillbilly" and "tradwife" tropes, *Provisions* is a heart-forward exploration of the ways food draws us all into sustenance, healing, community, and delight. Opelt charts our broken relationship with food through body image, consumer culture, political stereotypes, and forgotten history, as well as the vitality that can be ours again as we:

- reconnect with our roots and learn to cook from our ancestor's recipes and table traditions,
- unlearn our individualism and take our place at the table of nourishing community,
- and come home to joyful embodiment.

**Amanda Held Opelt** is an author, speaker, and songwriter. She writes about faith, grief, and creativity, and believes in the power of community, ritual, shared worship, and storytelling to heal even our deepest wounds. Amanda has spent fifteen years serving in the nonprofit and humanitarian aid sectors, and has written for *Christianity Today*, *Premier Christianity*, and *100 Days in Appalachia*. She lives in the mountains of Boone, North Carolina, with her husband and two young daughters.

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# Charlie's Boy

*A Memoir*

By D. L. Hughley

The long-awaited memoir by the comedy legend and author of multiple NYT bestsellers, detailing his childhood in South Central Los Angeles and rise through the stand-up ranks to stardom.

He was always Charlie's Boy — even before he found his name, his voice, his fame.

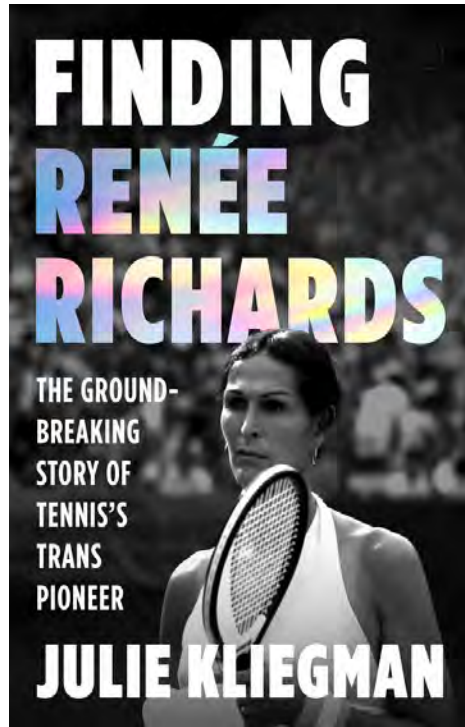
In this raw, cinematic, and deeply personal memoir, acclaimed comedian and cultural critic D.L. Hughley documents his rise from the Bloods in South Central Los Angeles to the national spotlight — and the man who quietly stood behind him through it all.

While his mother's wrath shaped his early years with fear and rejection, it was Charlie Hughley — a soft-spoken, unlikely bag handler at the Los Angeles Airport — who raised D.L. and taught him how to survive through tough love and sacrifice. Charlie gave his boy the only thing he truly needed: a sense of being seen.

But when his mother's house was shot at and dead roses, a notoriously ominous warning, showed up on his doorstep, D.L.'s mother knew that he couldn't stay in Los Angeles. To do so would be inviting a death sentence, one executed by the Crips, the Bloods' rival gang. So, D.L. boarded a bus to Ohio and left behind everything he understood — every alley, every bullet, every shortcut through Avalon Gardens. It wasn't a fresh start. It was exile.

As D.L. struggles with rejection and the bruising reality of fame, he returns again and again to his father's quiet strength — and the pain of being rejected by his mother. This is not just a coming-of-age story. It's the story of how one man found his voice by being raised in silence — and how he learned to get on stage and turn pain into punchlines. Through storytelling that's both unsparring and funny, *Charlie's Boy* is a tribute to the man who never asked for one, and a reckoning for the boy who had to wrestle for love, identity, and truth.

**D.L. Hughley** is one of "The Original Kings of Comedy." He hosts the national radio program *The D.L. Hughley Show*, which is syndicated in more than sixty markets. His comedy specials have appeared on HBO, Netflix, Comedy Central, and Showtime. His satirical documentary special, *DL Hughley: The Endangered List*, received the prestigious George Foster Peabody Award. He created and starred in the ABC sitcom *The Hughleys*. He is the author of the New York Times bestsellers *How Not to Get Shot* and *Black Man, White House*. *How Not to Get Shot* was selected as a finalist for the Goodreads Choice Awards and the Audie Awards. D.L. lives with his family in Los Angeles, California.



# Finding Renée Richards

## *The Groundbreaking Story of Tennis's Trans Pioneer*

By Julie Kliegman

The candid, definitive biography of professional tennis's first openly transgender player, Renée Richards, featuring never-before-seen archival photos and untold stories nearly lost to history, until now.

Fifty years ago, tennis player Renée Richards made international headlines in her fight to compete in the women's draw of the 1976 US Open—marking the first time a trans athlete sued to participate in professional sports in the gender category with which they identify. Renée eventually won her case. Though she lost in the first round of the singles tournament in 1977, she and her tennis partner made it to the finals in doubles, losing to Martina Navratilova and her partner.

Finding Renée Richards chronicles Richards's extraordinary life, moving from her tumultuous upbringing in Queens, New York, to her career as a successful eye surgeon; her years as a star tennis player to her role as a transgender pioneer. Now in her nineties, Renée remains a complex figure: A person who changed the sports world forever yet questions the place of trans athletes in that world today. GLAAD award-nominated sports journalist Julie Kliegman deftly probes these contradictions, drawing on intimate interviews and offering critical reflections on what is at stake for athletes, fans, and the queer community today, at a time when trans participation in sports is more hotly contested—and condemned—than ever before.

Finding Renée Richards includes a 20-page photo insert featuring never-before-seen archival images.

**Julie Kliegman** is a writer and editor with work in outlets including The New York Times, Sports Illustrated, The Washington Post, Slate, Boorum, The Ringer, Defector, Texas Monthly, Vulture, and The Verge. They are a regular guest on podcasts including You're Wrong About and Hang Up and Listen. Kliegman has been copy chief at Sports Illustrated and copy editor at The Ringer. They have also taught journalism to undergraduates at the New School. Their first book was *Mind Game: An Inside Look at the Mental Health Playbook of Elite Athletes*. Kliegman lives in Queens, New York.

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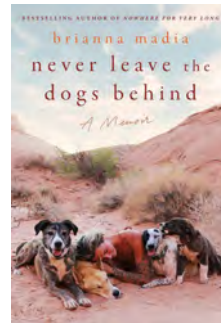
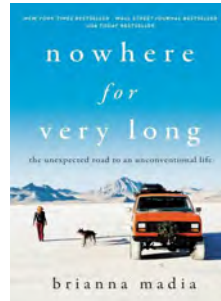
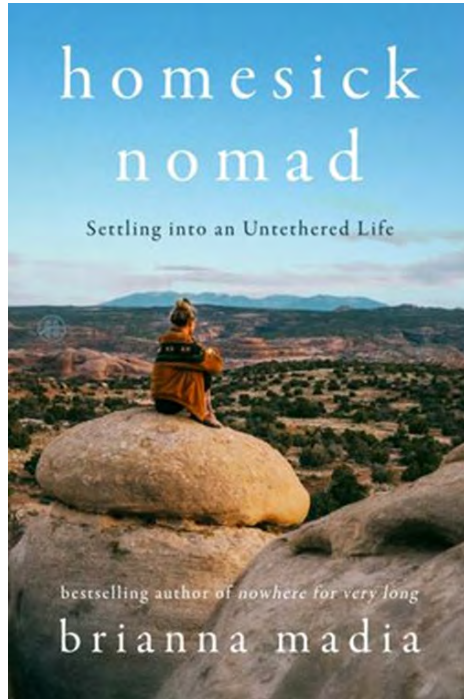
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# Homesick Nomad

## *Settling into an Untethered Life*

By Brianna Madia



New York Times bestselling author of *Nowhere for Very Long* and *Never Leave the Dogs Behind* Brianna Madia considers putting down roots-but on her own terms-in this intimate and inspiring memoir.

Brianna Madia is beloved for her honest and enthralling accounts of life in the wilderness, finding her own way by rejecting society's expectations, so what happens when she falls in love and has to reset the boundaries of her fierce independence?

*Homesick Nomad* finds Bri splitting her time between her beloved wild desert in Utah and her partner's cozy suburban home in the Pacific Northwest, reckoning with a new urge to soften into the embrace of the comforts of home with the fear of losing her independence. She's not only defying convention to prove something to herself or to others-a simpler way of life out in the desert actually brings her peace, as she realizes when resisting "upgrades" to her trailer like running water.

Balancing the liberation of the wilderness with the natural compromises of love, Bri navigates these familiar tensions by embracing her life in its wholeness, richer for both the stability of home and the profundity of wide-open spaces.

**Brianna Madia** has lived a life of relentless intention, traveling the deserts of the American West in an old Ford van. She made a name for herself on social media with her inspiring captions-cum-essays about bravery, identity, nature, and subverting expectations. She lives in Utah and Oregon and wherever the road takes her, so long as her five dogs Bucket, Dagwood, Birdie, Banjo, and Dillah are in the backseat. Her previous books, *Nowhere for Very Long* and *Never Leave the Dogs Behind*, were New York Times bestsellers.

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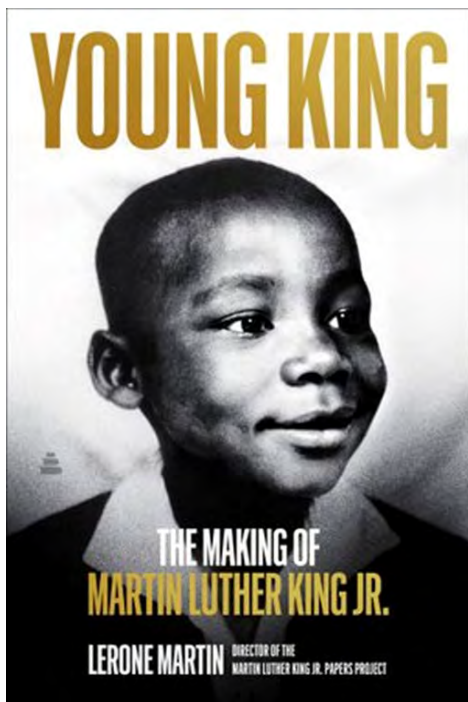
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# Young King

## *The Making of Martin Luther King Jr.*

By Lerone Martin

"*Young King* is a **revelation**—a bold and brilliant book essential to our understanding of Martin Luther King Jr. With **vivid writing and important new scholarship**, Lerone Martin shows how a young man scarred by racism found the voice, power, and faith to speak truth to power and inspire the world. **An extraordinary achievement!**"

— Jonathan Eig, Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *King: A Life*

"Lerone Martin's masterful *Young King* **puts to rest the persistent myth that Martin Luther King, Jr.'s life was a predestined, divinely ordained climb** toward civil rights leadership and martyrdom. Martin instead gives us **a far more enriching, powerful, and real story**, one that shows how King the person developed his conscience and convictions in the context of family, community, education, love, and struggle."

— Henry Louis Gates, Jr.

**From a preeminent King scholar, the origin story of the man, minister, and civil rights hero who would lead the nation and change the world.**

We know who Martin Luther King, Jr. became, but who was he at the beginning of his life? How did his youth inform his outlook and his approach to activism and service?

Before Martin Luther King, Jr. was a civil rights leader, the recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize, and a global hero, he was an emotional boy, and a middling high school student devoted to fashion, dancing, and dating. As he headed to college, he left the Jim Crow South for a summer job that would test his oratory skills preaching in the tobacco fields of Connecticut and ultimately give him a sense of hope for a life of racial peace and harmony.

Lerone A. Martin, Centennial Professor at Stanford University and the Faculty Director of the Martin Luther King Institute, traces the youthful roots of this legendary American to reveal the makings of a mighty force. Filled with revelations and written with compassion, *Young King* offers a new understanding of the influential preacher and activist's emotional life, his youthful confusion about his future and career direction, his inspiration to fight for justice, his teenage missteps, and his first revelations of courage. As American undergoes another era of turmoil and change, this powerful biography offers encouragement for readers at a similar moment of life and provides an understanding of how greatness comes to light.

Martin illuminates both King's weaknesses and the social failures that shaped him, including the brutal racism he endured growing up. This vital and essential work is a testament to how history shapes a leader.

*Young King* includes rarely seen black-and-white photographs of an adolescent MLK from his high school days and college years.

**Lerone A. Martin** is the Martin Luther King, Jr., Centennial Professor in Religious Studies and director of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Research and Education Institute at Stanford University. Dr. Martin is an internationally recognized award-winning author and public speaker. His writing and commentary have been featured on the Today show, the History Channel, PBS, NPR, and C-SPAN as well as in the New York Times and the Boston Globe.

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# Urgent Calls from Distant Places:

An Emergency Doctor's Notes About Life and Death on the Frontiers of East Africa

By Marc-David Munk

**In this riveting and illuminating true-life thriller, a doctor flying out to frontline medical emergencies in Africa shares the daring adventures, victories, and heartbreak of trying to heal.**

As a physician, Dr. Mark David-Munk never knew when his team's small plane landed in a remote spot in East Africa what he would find on the ground. He and his team—the famed AMREF East African Flying Doctors Service—had been summoned to treat health emergencies too dire for local care. Over his time as a volunteer, he found the essence of life as a physician.

In the fascinating and dangerous landscape of East Africa, Dr. Munk treated patients with bullet wounds, malaria, parasitic tropical diseases, routine heart attacks and overdoses. The medicine is complex and fascinating, but even more engaging are the people, geographies, and political situations that the team encounters. Alongside Dr. Munk, we:

- meet the AMREF air crew, filmmakers, refugees, cow rustlers, NGO volunteers, Ugandan soldiers, American snipers, herders from ancient tribes, children with albinism, Kenyans suffering from psychotic breaks, and tourists on safari
- dodge corrupt officials and navigate war zones
- observe the enduring impacts of colonialism, terrorism, and war on the region
- witness the sweeping, stunning landscapes of East Africa from AMREF's "air ambulance"
- grapple with the philosophical questions raised by international medicine

Along the way, we learn about the doctor's unconventional path to emergency medicine and witness his evolution as both a healer and a human. This exquisitely written book stretches our emotions and delves into high-stakes decision-making: who to save and who to leave behind.

**Dr. Marc-David Munk** is a professor, palliative medicine physician, and writer whose career has spanned emergency medicine, healthcare leadership, and global health. Born in Switzerland and raised in Canada, Dr. Munk holds degrees from Colgate University, Jefferson Medical College, Boston University, and Harvard University. He completed a residency in emergency medicine and a fellowship in global health at the University of Pittsburgh, and later a fellowship in palliative medicine at Tufts Medical Center. He lives outside Boston with his wife and two children.

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# Good Grief, Pass the Bread, Mom Is Dead

*A Memoir*  
By Angela Nissel

Television writer, producer, and bestselling author of the acclaimed *The Broke Diaries* and *Mixed* charts her unexpected role as her terminally ill mother's caretaker in this funny, moving, and unforgettable memoir.

Angela Nissel always wanted her mother's approval. But two defining events created a barrier between them: renouncing Christianity and being admitted to a psychiatric ward- events that mirrored failed parenting to her mother.

Beating her depression, Angela moved to Los Angeles where she quickly achieved success as a television writer but soon after found herself dead broke and enduring a painful divorce. It was at this low point that she received heartbreaking news: her mother had cancer. Angela moves her mother to Los Angeles where she attempts to hide foreclosure notices and her live-in boyfriend while also trying to save her mother's life with everything from crystals to celebrity doctors. Still, her mother succumbs to her cancer.

In this poignant and hilarious memoir, Angela chronicles her odyssey as she tries to remain "strong" like her mother in the face of grief. Delightfully self-deprecating, unsparring in its honesty, yet filled with wacky humor and joy, *Good Grief, Pass the Bread, Mom is Dead*, is an unforgettable portrait of love, yearning, loss, and resilience that reveals the indelible power of introspection to save our lives.

**Angela Nissel** is author of the national bestselling comedic memoirs *The Broke Diaries* and *Mixed*, and a prolific television producer and writer whose credits include *The Other Black Girl*, *Mixed-ish* and *Scrubs*. Prior to her television career, she had illustrious careers as a temp for the IRS, a stripper, and a "sleep apnea auditor" watching people snore overnight in a local hospital.

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# Why Hulk Hogan Matters

By David Shoemaker

**A fitting tribute to the most popular and provocative professional wrestler of all time.**

Step into the ring as David Shoemaker wrestles with the legacy of the iconic Hulk Hogan. *Why Hulk Hogan Matters* traces the explosive heat and heel turns of how Hulk Hogan became a true cultural phenomenon. Whether you're a lifelong Hulkamania or fascinated by the Hulk's truly unique, larger-than-life celebrity, *Why Hulk Hogan Matters* is the ultimate homage to a legend of the ring.

**David Shoemaker** has been writing about wrestling since 2009. He is the host of the podcast *The Masked Man Show With Kaz* and the author of *The Squared Circle: Life, Death, and Professional Wrestling*.

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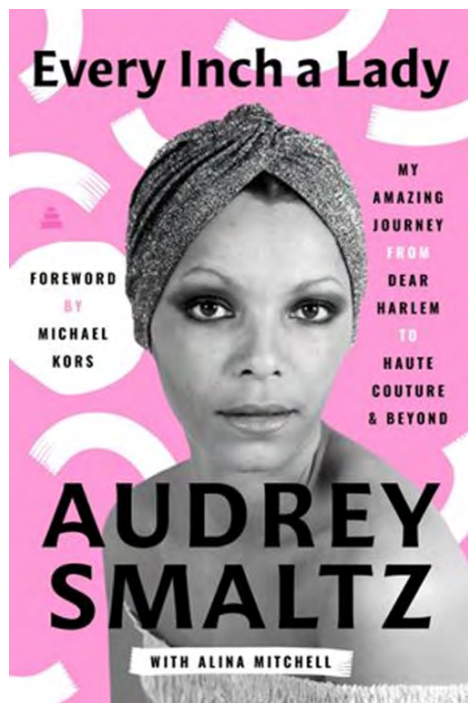
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# Every Inch a Lady

## *My Amazing Journey from Dear Harlem to Haute Couture and Beyond*

By Audrey Smaltz with Alina Mitchell

Part Iris Apfel's titular New York Times bestseller with echoes of Andre Leon Talley's dishy, behind the scenes hit *The Chiffon Trenches*, *EVERY INCH A LADY* is the long-awaited memoir from the irrepressible American original Audrey Smaltz—featuring foreword by Michael Kors.

There has never been, nor will there ever be anyone like Audrey Smaltz. Towering six-foot-tall (her superpower) since she was a teenager in Harlem, she has always stood out from the crowd. Smaltz details her colorful journey as a groundbreaking model, Wall Street broker, department store dynamo, fashion coordinator, commentator, editor, and entrepreneur. With her creative vision and business acumen earning her the support of legendary designers and brands such as Giorgio Armani, Jason Wu, Donna Karan, Victoria's Secret, Calvin Klein, Ferragamo, Michael Kors, Stephen Burrows, and Vera Wang. Reflecting on significant people and moments in her life Smaltz's reveals how she managed to balance life, racism, and the obstacles in her marriage to former WNBA and Olympic silver medalist Gail Marquis. Fortright and contemplative, *Every Inch a Lady* is a long-overdue life reckoning from a cultural powerhouse and one of the most important style figures in modern times.

**Audrey Lavinia Smaltz** was born and raised in Harlem and began her career as a model and salesperson at Bloomingdale's before moving to Lane Bryant Clothing and Ebony Fashion Fair as a commentator and fashion editor. In 1977, Smaltz established Ground Crew, a backstage management group staffing fashion shows for Vera Wang, Giorgio Armani, Betsey Johnson, Oscar de la Renta, Bill Blass, Alice Roi, Michael Kors, Luca Luca, Nanette Lepore, Tommy Hilfiger, Kenneth Cole, and Ralph Rucci. Smaltz has also worked with corporations like Nike, Vogue, Saks Fifth Avenue, Macy's, and J. Crew. She lives in Delaware.

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PULITZER PRIZE-  
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# Nina Simone and the World She Made

*An American Muse*

By Salamishah Tillet

In a piercing blend of biography, criticism, and memoir, Pulitzer Prize-winning writer Salamishah Tillet explores Nina Simone's life and the impact of her legacy.

For Salamishah Tillet, Nina Simone's music was the backdrop to her profound political awakening. From buying her first Nina Simone album as an undergraduate to becoming a creative and activist herself, what began as Tillet's private encounters with Simone grew into a public exploration of her legacy. In *Nina Simone and the World She Made*, Tillet traces Simone's transformation from Eunice Waymon, child prodigy, to Nina Simone, musical icon and fearless Civil Rights activist. When racism thwarted her dreams of becoming a classical pianist, Simone reinvented herself and began blending her classical training with jazz, blues, and gospel to create a sound wholly her own—one that would catapult her to stardom, and into the heart of the Black Power movement. Tillet explores Simone's unique impact on the American cultural and political landscape through the women who shaped her—including her piano teacher, musical precursors such as Billie Holiday, and the playwright Lorraine Hansberry—and through those shaped by Simone, including Tillet herself. By threading these stories of creative and political awakening together, we see art as a powerful driver of social activism, and the struggles and sacrifices it can involve. With unflinching honesty and lyrical prose, Tillet shows us how Simone's music captured the pain and promise of America, and how her voice continues to resonate in the fight for equality today. Both a tribute to genius and a call to action, *Nina Simone and the World She Made* urges us to listen to Simone's music—not just as a reflection of the past, but as a guide for the future.

**Salamishah Tillet** is a feminist activist, scholar, and writer who received the Pulitzer Prize for criticism. She is the author of *In Search of the Color Purple*, and she is currently a Distinguished Professor of Africana Studies and Creative Writing at Rutgers University–Newark and Contributing Critic-at-Large at the *New York Times*. In 2003, she and her sister Scheherazade Tillet founded the arts organization A Long Walk Home.

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# Bittersweet Empire

## *Billionaire Sugar Barons and the Ghosts of Slavery*

By Sandy Tolan

New York Times bestselling author and award-winning investigative journalist Sandy Tolan exposes the bitter secrets and history behind the corrupt sugar industry and the Fanjuls, the Succession-like family who owns Domino Sugar and profits from it the most.

For well over a century—going back to the slave trade in Cuba and into the modern day—deep-pocketed sugar barons have spent their riches on palatial estates, finery worth hundreds of thousands of dollars, and luxurious travel accommodations like yachts and private jets. Meanwhile, their cane cutters are trapped in an endless cycle of what can only be described as modern-day feudalism—considered lucky if they can earn more than three dollars a day; deeply indebted for seeking medical care; and often forced to live out their lives in the fields they tend, lacking the proper paperwork needed to travel freely.

Of the families that have profited the most from the historically brutal sugar industry, none is more prosperous or notorious than the Fanjul family—owners of Domino Sugar and Florida Crystals, and recipients of millions of dollars in government "sugar program" subsidies—whose epic family history began in a village in northern Spain before blazing a path through Cuba, the Dominican Republic, Florida, and all the way to the White House.

In *Bittersweet Empire*, Sandy Tolan draws on more than five years of on-the-ground reporting and juxtaposes the Fanjul family's vast accumulation of wealth with the stark reality of the communities where they do business: from their impoverished, sick, and dying workers in the Caribbean to environmental stewards fighting the industry's toxic algae blooms to the underserved South Florida communities suffering from the health effects wrought by the ash from burning cane fields. As a direct result of Tolan's reporting on forced labor in the Dominican Republic, the U.S. Department of Labor had issued a ban on the import of sugar from the Fanjul family's operations in the region...only to have it thrown out like a parking ticket by the Trump administration.

Eye-opening and meticulously researched, *Bittersweet Empire* spans more than 160 years of fascinating Cuban and American history and peels back layers of political domination through lobbying and campaign contributions to both the right and the left, economic exploitation of the sugar industry's workers, and the manipulation of data to suit the narrative of the ultrawealthy. Through his writing and fearless reporting, Tolan gives a crucial voice to those whose stories have been silenced for far too long, and paints a scathing portrait of the family that the late John McCain called the "first family of corporate welfare."

**Sandy Tolan** is the bestselling author of *The Lemon Tree*, finalist for the National Book Critics Circle, *Children of the Stone*, finalist for a Los Angeles Times book prize, and *Me and Hank*. He has written for more than 40 newspapers and magazines, including the *New York Times Magazine*, *The Atlantic*, *Foreign Policy*, *The Guardian*, *Mother Jones*, *The Intercept*, and *The Los Angeles Times*. His work has won more than 25 national and international awards, including two Robert F. Kennedy Awards, three Overseas Press Club awards, a duPont-Columbia Silver Baton, and a George Polk Award. He is a professor at USC's Annenberg School in Los Angeles, where he directs the Specialized Journalism master's program.

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# Nourished

## *Reclaiming My Health by Farming for Joy*

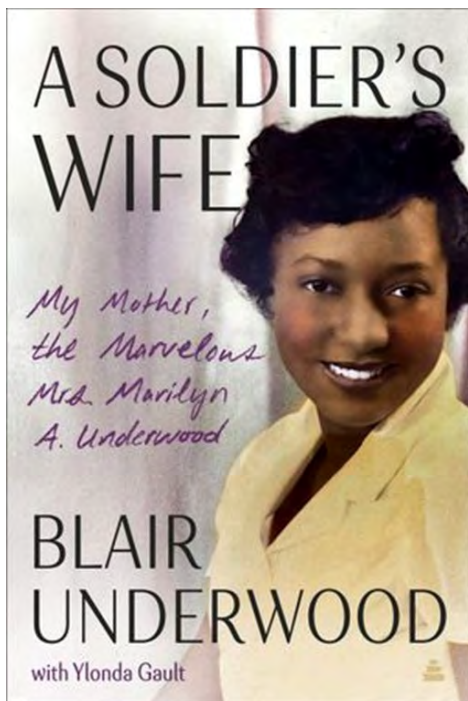
By Amy Trauger

In 2023, University of Georgia professor and geographer Dr. Amy Trauger set her sights on growing a food forest, a regenerative perennial polyculture of trees, shrubs, and herbs that would both feed her and her pre-teen daughter and restore a piece of land. A place to ride their beloved horses and create their dream farm. But after a year of experiencing mysterious symptoms and frustrating medical interventions, the single mother and Type-1 diabetic received a second devastating diagnosis of Young Onset Parkinson's Disease at age 48—after she'd already made an offer on an eight-acre homestead.

Trauger steels herself to her homesteading vision and faces the intimidating challenge of farming, working, and single parenting with chronic illnesses. As her Parkinson's symptoms progress in frightening and cruel ways, she seeks strength in planting crops, caring for animals, and discovering how to heal herself and the planet, with her bright daughter at her side. What unfolds is a story of resilience, care, and courage, told in time with the seasons:

- Winter: Dormancy and patience — lessons drawn from tea leaves, overwintering fava beans, and the magic of shiitake mushrooms
- Spring: Creation and renewal — guided by tending chickens, the mighty eastern red cedar, and pear tree blossoms
- Summer: Fruiting and flourishing — the abundance purple yam, onions, and okra
- Autumn: Harvesting and healing — grounded in lowing cattle, swaying sunflowers, and ripening pumpkins

*Nourished: Reclaiming My Health One Tree at a Time* is a deeply personal meditation on health, hope, and what it means to live in intentional harmony with the Earth.



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# A Soldier's Wife

*My Mother, the Marvelous Mrs. Marilyn A. Underwood*

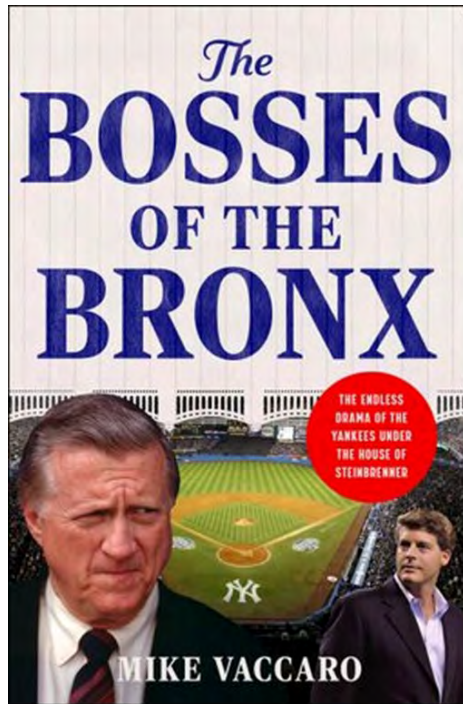
By Blair Underwood with Ylonda Gault

**In this moving biography and memoir, Blair Underwood, acclaimed star of film, stage, and television, pays homage to his mother, sharing her well-lived life, and key lessons learned as a fashion designer, mother, and soldier's wife.**

Born in Buffalo, New York, Marilyn Ann Scales Underwood dreamed of becoming a fashion designer. Moving to New York City to study at the Traphagen School of Fashion, she became an assistant designer and eventually returned to her hometown where she began her career as the first Black female executive at Barmon Brothers Company. Independent and content with being single, she wasn't interested in marriage until she met Lieutenant Frank Underwood.

Blair Underwood honors his mother with this remarkable work, bringing into sharp focus her life as a soldier's wife, mother, and successful entrepreneur, drawn from his memories, her letters, and interviews with family and friends. Told thematically, and organized around essential pillars such as Wisdom, Faith, and Patience, Underwood gently peels back the layers of his mother's life and character to reveal highly, triumphant, and sometimes-scary moments told in Marilyn's warm and witty voice that connects with readers. Painting a wonderfully rich and deeply human portrait of a woman whose indelible mark is felt by all privileged to know her.

**Blair Underwood** is a Tony and two-time Golden Globe nominee, and an Emmy, Grammy, Peabody, and eight-time NAACP Image Award-winning actor, director, and producer. Underwood has starred in numerous film, television, and stage productions, including *Sex and the City*, *Set It Off*, *Madea's Family Reunion*, *Longlegs*, *L.A. Law*, and *Self Made: Inspired by the Life of Madam C. J. Walker*. He lives in Salt Lake City, Utah.



# The Bosses of the Bronx

## *The Endless Drama of the Yankees Under the House of Steinbrenner*

By Mike Vaccaro

The crazy but true story of how owner George Steinbrenner, followed by his son Hal, have controlled the most famous team in American sports.

Since taking over the New York Yankees franchise in 1973, the Steinbrenners have transformed the fabled team from a struggling franchise into a baseball dynasty. George purchased the team for \$8.8 million and quickly became known as "The Boss"-a hands-on owner whose relentless pursuit of victory defined an era. Under his leadership, the Yankees captured seven World Series championships, became a global sports brand, and consistently dominated the sports pages.

Yet as veteran New York Post columnist Mike Vaccaro reveals, the story of the Steinbrenners and their team is much bigger and more complex-a drama of Shakespearian proportions, combining tragedy and great comedy. In this charming book written with all the candor and verve of the best press box reporting, he goes beyond the headlines to chronicle the complete saga-from the times King George went mad and was eventually banned to how Prince Hal, living in the long shadow of his father, has struggled to put his own unique stamp on the Pinstripe realm. He chronicles the infamous headline-making disputes between the team's managers and its mercurial owner, a man whose autocratic disposition would eventually get him banned from the game and earn him a place in pop culture lore with the hit sitcom Seinfeld.

A fun and wild remembrance of innings past for every Yankee fan and a must-read grudge list for every Yankee hater, *The Bosses of the Bronx* is a larger-than-life true tale of success, suffering, sacrifice, and downright silliness that captures this great franchise and the game of baseball itself.

**Mike Vaccaro** has been the lead sports columnist for the New York Post since November 2002. He's authored three previous books. *Emperors and Idiots: The Hundred-Year Rivalry Between the Yankees and Red Sox, From the Very Beginning to the End of the Curse*; *1941: The Greatest Year in Sports*; and *The First Fall Classic: The Red Sox, the Giants, and the Cast of Players, Pugs, and Politicos Who Reinvented the World Series in 1912*. He lives in New Jersey.

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# Just a Busy Season

## *Essays on Motherhood, an Unexpected Comedy*

By Taylor Wolfe

Comedian and author of *Birdie & Harlow* @thedailytay shares an honest and hilarious essay collection on parenting young children, navigating social anxiety, and being a millennial woman.

"It's just a busy season," we say to ourselves after a chaotic morning (that we've had every day for the past three years). It turns out that season is actually just life, and here Taylor Wolfe explores the funny and dark side of all a busy life can entail. We've all found ourselves at a highway rest stop allowing our child to pee directly into our hands because she's scared of the toilet, right? Right? In her trademark voice-hilarious, poignant, and real-she dishes about everything from motherhood to the roots of anxiety (childhood and tornados, obviously), to the highs and lows of getting through whatever season we find ourselves in.

Just a Busy Season dispenses a necessary dose of hope and relatability as Taylor candidly reflects on how we cope, or don't, with the stress and unrealistic expectations of being a mom, daughter, woman, and person in the world without losing ourselves-or our sense of humor.

**Taylor Wolfe** is a professional funny person on the internet. She is the writer behind The Daily Tay blog and founder and creative director of online clothing stores, The Taylor Wolfe Shop and Chilly Wolfe. Her work has been featured on the Today show, the Dodo, and more.

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# ENTERTAINMENT & POP CULTURE

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# Do What You're Gonna Do By Dean Norris

Packed with never-before-heard stories and exclusive interviews with the cast, crew, producers, writers, directors, and creators, star Dean Norris—AKA DEA Hank Schrader and Walter White's brother-in-law—shares a definitive insider account of the iconic TV show *Breaking Bad*.

The story of Walter White, a timid, cancer-stricken chemistry teacher who becomes “the one who knocks” when he decides to cook meth to provide for his family captivated tens of millions of people, breaking viewership records and scoring numerous awards.

Now, in time for *Breaking Bad*'s twentieth anniversary, *Do What You're Gonna Do* is the definitive insider's look at what is widely regarded as one of the landmark dramas in television history. Part memoir and part oral history, Dean Norris—who portrayed one of the show's most popular and pivotal characters, DEA agent Hank Schrader—gives fans a backstage tour featuring interviews and insight from cast and crew, never-before-heard secrets, and intimate and hilarious stories from on-set. Norris reveals what it was like to audition for and join an unknown show at a fledgling AMC; to work with costars Bryan Cranston, Aaron Paul, Anna Gunn, Bob Odenkirk, Giancarlo Esposito, and showrunners Peter Gould and Vince Gilligan; and to watch the series take on a life of its own in the cultural zeitgeist, as one of the most-bingeable shows in TV history.

Essential reading for any *Breaking Bad* fan, *Do What You're Gonna Do* captures the spirit, camaraderie, and yes, the chemistry that made it a hit with critics and fans alike.

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# The Official Dunder Mifflin Employee Handbook

*How to Succeed in Work—and Life—According to the Office*

By Brian Baumgartner and Ben Silverman

The ultimate gift for everyone from grads entering the workforce to corporate lifers: the officially licensed “Employee Handbook” to Dunder Mifflin. This humorous yet earnest guide to navigating the work world draws from the wisdom contained in the 201 episodes of *The Office*.

Welcome aboard! Whether you’re reporting for your first day in Scranton, filing in at Utica, or recovering from a failed merger with Stamford, *The Official Dunder Mifflin Employee Handbook* is your in-world guide to surviving and thriving at Dunder Mifflin.

Inside, employees will find comprehensive information on everything from effective sales tactics to fire drill best practices (Step 1: Don’t start an actual fire). This guide covers essential workplace procedures as practiced by Scranton’s top talent including:

- How to be the best salesman at the branch (Step 1: Identify weaknesses. Step 2: Exploit weaknesses)
- How to file an HR complaint (that actually ends up at corporate)
- What not to say during Diversity Day, Sexual Harassment Training, and after you get back from a vacation with your boss
- Why it’s important to never trust someone named Creed Bratton

From onboarding to retirement (or spontaneous termination), this guide ensures that every employee is armed with the tools they need to succeed. Or at the very least, to survive long enough to win a Dundie.

**Brian Baumgartner** played Kevin Malone on the NBC sitcom *The Office*. He is the host of the podcasts *An Oral History of “The Office”* and *“The Office” Deep Dive* with Brian Baumgartner. He is an Emmy, SAG, and Webby Award winner.

**Ben Silverman**, the Emmy and Golden Globe Award-winning producer behind *The Office*, is the chairman of Propagate Content. Silverman executive produced *The Office*, *Ugly Betty*, *Biggest Loser*, *Jane the Virgin*, and *The Tudors*, among others.



# From Rock to Rockets

By Jeff "Skunk" Baxter

**From Jeff "Skunk" Baxter—founding member of Steely Dan, lead guitarist of The Doobie Brothers, and one of the most sought-after session musicians of all time—comes the astonishing true story of a his completely unique life, tracing his journey from world-renowned guitarist to his second career as a ballistic-missile defense and counterterrorism expert.**

Jeff "Skunk" Baxter is living two lives. In one, he is a founding member of the Doobie Brothers and core member of Steely Dan, with eighteen Gold Records, eight Platinum albums, two Grammy Awards, a spot in the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, and a Lifetime Achievement Award. In the other, he advises the U.S. Department of Defense's Missile Defense Agency and serves as a consultant for the Department of Homeland Security, NASA, high-level research laboratories, Boeing, Lockheed Martin, Northrop-Grumman, and others. Hailed by NPR as "the most interesting man in music," Baxter pulls back the curtain for the first time, sharing in his own words the improbable twists and turns that carried him from rockstar to national security expert. He traces the most formative moment of his youth: growing up between Mexico City and New York City, forming his first band, and becoming a fixture at NYC's legendary 48th street guitar shops as a teenager, where he learns from the masters. Thanks to equal parts natural talent, insatiable curiosity, and serendipity, Baxter quickly climbs the ranks, becoming a first-call session musician, and soon after, a founding member of the band that would lay the first cornerstone of his legacy: Steely Dan. Vividly capturing the grit and magic of the rock music scene of the 60s and 70s, Baxter describes the soaring highs and rock-bottom lows of superstardom—from his transition from Steely Dan to the Doobie Brothers, touring around the world, and recording with the greats like Dolly Parton, Elton John, Ringo Starr, and Joni Mitchell.

Then, after decades shaping the sound of modern music, Baxter embarks on a surprising second career—in ballistic-missile defense and counterterrorism. Because trading the recording booth in LA for the cockpit of a recon plane flying over the South China Sea is, as only Baxter can argue, a natural pivot. After all, if you can grasp the basic physics of converting a weak vibration from a guitar string into a distorted wail that 100,000 people could hear loud as a jet engine, you can understand how a radar system works as well. As he recounts his heart-pounding adventures—whether playing arenas or playing war games at the Pentagon—Baxter reflects on the mystical intersections of music and technology, and the mentors, friends, and collaborators who helped along the way. FROM ROCK TO ROCKETS appeals to generations of Yacht Rock fans, political and tech junkies, and guitar geeks alike.

**Jeff "Skunk" Baxter** has earned multiple Gold and Platinum albums plus two Grammy Awards, and is a member of the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. Baxter has written for *Guitar Player*, *Guitar*, *Billboard*, *Wired*, *Forbes*, *Wall Street Journal*, and many others, and has served as a consultant for many companies including, Apple, Guild Guitars, Fender, and Gibson/Epiphone, who launched a Jeff Baxter Signature Series of acoustic and electric guitars. Baxter's second career as a consultant for the aviation and defense industry has included a congressional appointment to chair the Civilian Advisory Board for Ballistic Missile Defense and has participated in numerous wargames for the Pentagon. He is a Senior Fellow and member of the Board of Regents at the Potomac Institute for Policy Studies, a Senior Thinker at the Institute for Human & Machine Cognition, and a member of the Director's Strategic Red Team at MIT/Lincoln Laboratory. Baxter was invited to serve on the Laser Advisory Board at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory and has lectured at the University of Manitoba School of Political Science and Oxford University on the topic of regional conflict and missile defense. He has served as a consultant to Charlie Allen, Under Secretary for Intelligence & Analysis at the Dept of Homeland Security, to the Air Force Research Laboratory, and to NASA's Exploratory Systems Advisory Committee. In the private sector, he has worked as a consultant for Boeing, Lockheed Martin, Northrop-Grumman, and General Dynamics Information Technologies, among others.

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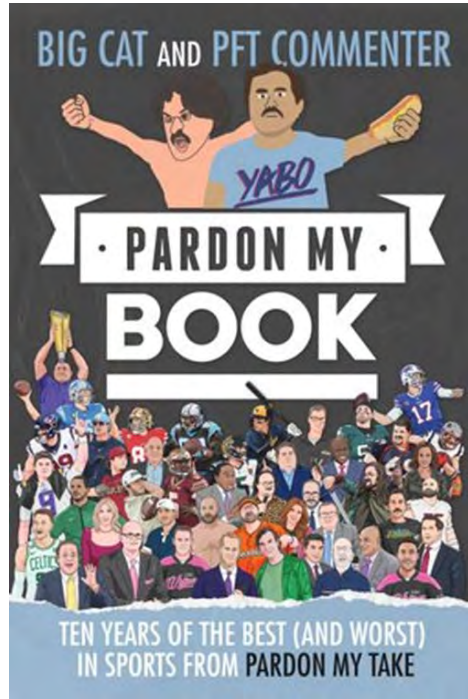
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# Pardon My Book

By Big Cat and PFT Commenter

In celebration of its tenth anniversary, the long-awaited, definitive, authorized—and occasionally accurate—guide to the #1 sports podcast, Pardon My Take.

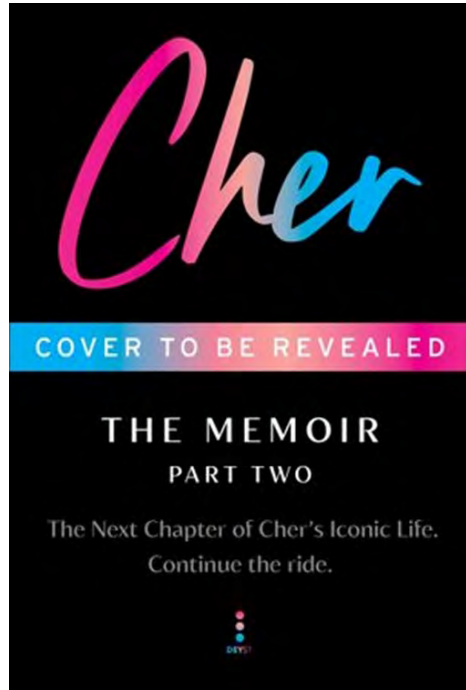
It's finally here! Pardon My Book is packed with ten years of crazy content from the wildest, most irreverent sports podcast of all time. Written and curated by Big Cat and PFT with the help of the PMT crew, this entertaining yearbook takes fans behind the scenes of the show, covering topics as honorable—and as stupid—as:

- The gritty versus scrappy toughness debate, including what it means to be a “football guy.”
- The funniest guests who embraced the chaos (Blake Bortles, Coach O, Jerry O’Connell, Ryan Whitney, and the Long brothers).
- Testimonials from reporting legends and fans of the show, including Scott Van Pelt, Joe Buck, Dianna Russini, and Adam Scheffter.
- Insights into the interviews that went completely off the rails—and commemoration for those that didn’t.
- Embrace Debate topics such as the best fullbacks of all time, how the media got it right about LeBron, and why Blake of the Year always seems to skew toward one Blake over the other.
- Breakdowns of PMT’s investigations, conspiracies, deep dives, and scandals.
- The art of the Take.
- What Hank actually does (and what he does not).
- Essays from the *Pardon My Take* staff, including new legends Max, Zac, and Memes.
- Bad bets, even worse bets, Larry the Gambling Goldfish (RIP), and Big Cat’s broken rules for gambling.
- The Official Mount Rushmore of PMT—legendary moments, running bits, and the dumb stuff that somehow became iconic.

And much more!

Pardon My Book is illustrated with 30-50 color photographs throughout.

**Big Cat** is Dan Katz, and **PFT Commenter** is Eric Sollenberger. They’ve been the co-hosts of Pardon My Take since 2016.



# Cher: Part Two

*The Memoir*

By Cher

The Next Chapter of Cher's Iconic Life. Continue the ride in Fall 2026. CHER Part One (2024) was a NYT bestseller selling over 500,000 copies so far.

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# Punk in Fifty Pieces

*Punk Rock, Post-Punk, New Wave, and the Five Years That Changed Pop Music Forever*

By Kevin Dettmar

Published for the 50th anniversary of punk crashing onto the scene, a cultural history of fifty iconic songs and unforgettable moments that destroyed then redefined rock n' roll.

Once upon a time—November 26, 1976, to be precise—a band named the Sex Pistols dropped “Anarchy in the U.K.,” and a musical movement called punk rock came, saw, and conquered. Fifty years later, the question remains: What the hell was that? Punk in Fifty Pieces retells the story of punk’s cultural earthquake and how early classic punk (The Ramones, Patti Smith, Iggy Pop) gave birth to post-punk (Joy Division, Siouxsie and the Banshees, Gang of Four), New Wave (Talking Heads, Blondie, Devo) and a rock n’ roll revolution. A great, new addition to the shelf that holds Please Kill Me, Lipstick Traces and England’s Dreaming, Punk in Fifty Pieces is the perfect playlist for discovery by a new generation of rebels without a cause and for die-hards who traded the mosh pit for two cars in the garage—but have never forgotten the music.

Includes chapters featuring: The Sex Pistols, “Anarchy in the U.K.” The Damned, “Neat Neat Neat” Television, “Marquee Moon” Elvis Costello, “Alison” Jonathan Richman and the Modern Lovers, “Roadrunner” Ian Dury, “Sex & Drugs & Rock & Roll” Richard Hell and the Voidoids, “Blank Generation” X-Ray Spex, “Oh Bondage Up Yours!” Dead Boys, “Sonic Reducer” Plastic Bertrand, “Ça Plane Pour Moi” Talking Heads, “Psycho Killer” Magazine, “Shot by Both Sides” The Only Ones, “Another Girl, Another Planet” The Police, “Roxanne” The Normal, “Warm Leatherette” The Clash, “(White Man) In Hammersmith Palais” Wire, “Dot Dash” Siouxsie and the Banshees, “Hong Kong Garden” The Buzzcocks, “Ever Fallen in Love (With Someone You Shouldn’t’ve?)” Generation X, “Your Generation” Joe Jackson, “Is She Really Going Out with Him?” The Jam, “Down in the Tube Station at Midnight” Public Image Ltd, “Public Image” Stiff Little Fingers, “Alternative Ulster” The Raincoats, “Fairytale in the Supermarket” Blondie, “One Way or Another” The Cure, “Boys Don’t Cry” The B-52s, “Rock Lobster” The Boomtown Rats, “I Don’t Like Mondays” Gary Numan, “Cars” The Slits, “Typical Girls” XTC, “Making Plans for Nigel” The Go-Go’s, “We Got the Beat” Dead Kennedys, “Holiday in Cambodia” Joy Division, “Love Will Tear Us Apart” The Pretenders, “Precious” The Fall, “Totally Wired” Adam and the Ants, “Antmusic” Gang of Four, “What We All Want” The Psychedelic Furs, “Pretty in Pink”

**Kevin Dettmar** is the author of *Is Rock Dead?* (spoiler: hell no!) and the 33 1/3 volume on Gang of Four’s *Entertainment!*, and the editor of *The Cambridge Companion to Bob Dylan* and (with Jonathan Lethem) *Shake It Up: Great American Writing on Rock and Pop from Elvis to Jay Z*. He teaches at Pomona College.

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# Birth of a Culture

By Grandmaster Flash

*Birth of a Culture* tells the chronological and comprehensive origin of hip hop.

Over fifty years ago Joseph Sadler, a cool, nerdy, self-proclaimed kid scientist from the Bronx decided to create a new sound in American music. He grew up to become Grandmaster Flash and with the help of other DJs in his neighborhood, specifically Afrika Bambaataa and DJ Kool Herc they created what would be the musical backbone on which hip hop was born.

The impact of their creation is one of the greatest stories in contemporary American history. *Birth of a Culture* is to hip hop what *Eyes On The Prize* was to the Civil Rights Movement. It tells the chronological and comprehensive origin and extended story of the last great creative contribution.

*Birth of a Culture* is co-written by widely respected journalist Scoop Jackson.

**Grandmaster Flash** is recognized as one of Hip Hop's architect and builder of the culture, the first DJ to make the turntable a musical instrument by the way of his Quik Mix Theory formula and homed devices. Grandmaster Flash's technical innovations and artistic contributions have earned him numerous accolades. His impact on the music industry extends beyond his own successful career, as his innovative formula and sounds were translated to sound producing technologies and have inspired generations of DJs, producers, and hip-hop artists to push the boundaries of creativity.

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# No Dumb Questions

*And All of Our Dumbest Answers*

By Jason Kelce Travis Kelce

NFL stars, viral podcasters, and brothers Jason Kelce and Travis Kelce (aka Taylor Swift's fiancé) bring fans a collection of all their favorite moments from the "No Dumb Questions" segment of their hit podcast *New Heights*, doing their very best to not to sound dumb while they answer questions about sports, movies, cuisine, science, family, relationships, and all kinds of subjects well beyond their expertise.

Subjects and topics include:

Science: Can 100 guys beat 1 gorilla in a fight (without weapons)? If each of your fingers dispensed an infinite liquid, what five liquids would you choose?

If you could make one body part detachable, what would it be and why?

Cuisine: PB&J—1 slice, or 2?

Do you put the cereal first or the milk first?

Is a Hot Dog a Sandwich?

Relationships: What's the worst dating advice you've given each other?

What is the worst place to take a woman on a first date?

How do you handle being in a relationship where you and your partner root for rival teams—especially in a college sports context?

Football: What do you guys think about the NFL switching from the traditional chain gang to a camera-based system (Sony's "Hawk-Eye Virtual Measuring System") to measure first downs?

What's the strangest pregame ritual you've seen?

What does the losing team do after the Super Bowl?

Sports: What sport would you play if you visited Scotland?

What is the Mount Rushmore of basketball?

Is hobby horsing a sport?

Family: I'm babysitting my two middle school-aged brothers for a week and a half. I want to prank them—nothing cruel, just some harmless fun. Any suggestions?

What's the weirdest holiday tradition in the Kelce household?

Capturing the fun, energy, and wit of the show, even the most die-hard New Heights fans will find something new: photos from the podcast, an introduction from Jason and Travis, and five original "No Dumb Questions."

**Jason Kelce** is one of the most beloved Philadelphia athletes of all time. Outside of football, Jason and his wife Kylie have four daughters and are both major advocates for the Eagles Autism Foundation.

**Travis Kelce** aka The Big Yeti is a eleven-time Pro Bowler and three-time Super Bowl Champ having played thirteen seasons with the Kansas City Chiefs. Off the field, Travis is building a significant media career. He is engaged to Taylor Swift.



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# Daphne & Me

By Jane Leeves

**Jane Leeves-who starred as Frasier's beloved and eccentric Daphne Moon-tells her unique and intimate story of coming into her own on one of the most successful sitcoms ever made.**

Over the course of more than a decade, Jane Leeves, a former ballerina from humble beginnings in England, saw her life turn on its head as she made a family on and off the set of Frasier-a show that would make her career. As the character Daphne Moon-a live-in physical therapist hired to take care of Frasier Crane's father-she acted as a perfect, down-to-earth foil to pompous Frasier and his equally pretentious brother, Niles. As Daphne and Niles were falling head-over-heels for each other in one of television's great romances, Jane was finding her own true love on the Paramount lot and eventually, having children-one of whom calls David Hyde Pierce "godfather."

Eleven seasons and a record-breaking thirty-seven Emmys later, Leeves and the cast and crew of Frasier made television history in making one of the most beloved and influential sitcoms of all time. Now in Daphne Moon Remembers she recounts the most monumental years of her life, sharing the hilarious and moving stories she's collected over the years, and revisiting remarkable moments behind the scenes of the iconic show we all know and love.

**Jane Elizabeth Leeves** was born in Ilford, Essex, England. She had her start as a member of the Hill's Angels on The Benny Hill Show, then appeared as a guest star in episodes of popular sitcoms such as Seinfeld, Who's the Boss, and Blossom. In addition to her role in Frasier, she had landed a recurring role on Murphy Brown as Audrey Cohen and also has lent her voice to various animated television series.



# from without and from within

*in the light we deserve (photographs from 1979 to 2026)*

By Randee St. Nicholas

**From legendary photographer Randee St. Nicholas, a sweeping visual anthology uniting music legends, Hollywood icons, and cultural trailblazers.**

For over four decades, Randee St. Nicholas has captured the world's most iconic figures in her uniquely raw, magnetic, and poignant photographs. Now, for the first time, her best work—some celebrated, others yet-unseen—is brought together in one stunning collection.

From the timeless elegance of Barbra Streisand and Diana Ross to the electrifying edge of Ozzy Osbourne and Alice Cooper, and from the charisma of Tom Cruise and Matthew McConaughey to the emotional depth of Prince and Stevie Nicks, from without and from within invites readers into moments both intimate and iconic. The book features hundreds of full-color photographs, paired with behind-the-scenes stories and reflections from St. Nicholas that reveal the poise, passion, beauty, and humor of these remarkable artists.

A must-have keepsake for any music fan, film junkie, or pop culture enthusiast, from without and from within transcends genre, takes readers on a visual journey, and offers an unparalleled look at the celebrities and artists we can't get enough of.

**Randee St. Nicholas** is an acclaimed photographer, designer, and director based in Los Angeles, California. She is known worldwide for her collaborations with prominent musicians and actors.

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# Sober Mine

## *Letting Go of Blac Chyna and Living My Faith*

By Angela White

Ten years after her E! reality TV show *Rob & Chyna* aired, the entrepreneur and actress formerly known as Blac Chyna is subverting expectations and sharing where her faith walk is taking her.

For years, Angela White's public persona and private life was that of the Kardashian-adjacent Blac Chyna, former stripper and reality TV star. Born Angela Renée White on May 11, 1988, in Washington, D.C., she first burst onto the scene in 2010 as Nicki Minaj's stunt double in Kanye West's "Monster" video. That same year, Drake's shout-out in "Miss Me" put her name in the game, sparking buzz that landed her in national magazines. Her exotic look and hustle at Miami's King of Diamonds strip club turned heads, but it was her high-profile relationships with rapper Tyga (father of her son, King Cairo) and Rob Kardashian (father of her daughter, Dream) that cemented her fame, alongside her unapologetic persona.

What many didn't realize at the time was that privately her notoriety was complicated by an alcohol addiction. But four years ago, Angela made the decision to reclaim herself, stepping out of the toxic limelight, removing physical enhancements, and sobering up. Both for herself and for her children.

*Sober Mine* is about more than fighting addiction; it's about redemption, finding balance, and rebuilding one's self from the inside out. Angela returned to her faith, baptized in 2022, and has been sober since. She's also pursuing a divinity training/education.

In *Sober Mine*, Angela pulls back the curtain and shares the personal journey, and she does it all in her signature voice: direct with a side order of humor. This book is about grabbing onto faith, discovering one's strength, and learning you don't have to be perfect to live the life you deserve—you just gotta keep it real.

**Angela White** is an entrepreneur, television personality, actress, and now an author.



# The Big LeBron Book

## *All the Stories We Couldn't Tell Until Now*

By Brian Windhorst Joe Vardon

After covering LeBron for over 25 years, ESPN's Brian Windhorst and The Athletic's Joe Vardon offer readers all the previously untold stories, amazing moments, and strange takes that have gone into one of the greatest athletic careers of all time.

Do you know about the time when LeBron James was rushed to the hospital with chest pains after a game? Do you know about when he was being bullied by a teammate and his coach stepped in and threw the teammate into a locker to try to protect him? Do you know about the hastily arranged phone call from Barack Obama trying to convince LeBron not to single-handedly end the NBA bubble during Covid?

There is an undervalued and deep reservoir of LeBron James stories his long-time fans never heard, don't know, or plain forgot, and his newer fans are completely unaware of. Until now...

The Big LeBron Book will remind fans of his greatest moments, educate us about his struggles, tell the wild and crazy of what happened behind closed doors, on team planes and locker rooms, explain the nuances that make up LeBron's personality and (King James persona), detail his mistakes that led to career crossroads and, most importantly, create a mosaic that leaves readers retelling the stories to their friends and family about one of the greatest careers in American sports history.

Brian Windhorst has covered the NBA for ESPN since 2010. He began covering LeBron James in 1999 and was the daily beat writer on the Cleveland Cavaliers for the Akron Beacon Journal and Cleveland Plain Dealer from 2003 to 2010. He is also the author of four other books, including the New York Times bestseller *Return of the King*, *LeBron, Inc.*, *The Franchise*, and *The Making of an MVP*.

**Joe Vardon** has covered LeBron since 2014, first for the Cleveland Plain Dealer and then for The Athletic/New York Times.

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# NON-FICTION

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# The Best of The Crisis



For the first time *The Best of the Crisis* will bring together the iconic NAACP magazine's most dynamic and daring African American voices in a groundbreaking literary collection from its founding editor W.E.B. DuBois and Zora Neale Hurston to today's modern day cultural critics including Ta-Nehisi Coates and Nikole Hannah Jones.

The official magazine of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), *The Crisis* was founded in 1910 and edited until 1934 by W. E. B. Du Bois. In his note accompanying the inaugural issue, Du Bois wrote, "The object of this publication is to set forth those facts and arguments which show the danger of race prejudice, particularly as manifested to-day toward colored people. It takes its name from the fact that the editors believe that this is a critical time in the history of the advancement of men."

In that same issue, Du Bois went on to outline *The Crisis's* mission: it would be both a newspaper, recording "important happenings and movements in the world which bear on the great problem of inter-racial relations," and "a review of opinion and literature, recording briefly books, articles and important expressions of opinion in the white and colored press on the race problem." It would also publish "a few short articles" and an editorial page standing "for the rights of men, irrespective of color or race."

The magazine, with its mix of literature and both sobering and celebratory news, was a success. It is still in circulation today and Amistad is proud to collect in one volume all the best writing from this groundbreaking publication.

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# When Terror Spread Through the Land of Snows

*A People's History of Tibet's Struggle for Survival*  
By Marcella Adamski, Tenzin Yangchen, and Christopher Lura

Tibet's history of oppression has been told by outsiders: after years of gathering survivor testimony, here the Tibet Oral History Project shares their story from the Chinese Communist invasion in 1950 to today through eyewitness accounts.

This moving, compelling narrative history weaves the stories of Tibetan refugees scattered across the planet together into a gripping and intimate chronological telling of Chinese oppression in Tibet, offering readers insights and testimonials on the invasion and occupation of Tibet as it unfolded.

We begin on the eve of the invasion and get a sense of the place: its rural traditions and religion, its poverty, and its monastic culture. As we meet Tibetans currently living all over the world, we learn about China's destruction of Tibet's 6000-7000 Buddhist monasteries and the Tibetan people's struggle for survival and justice today. To Tibetans, this destruction is deeply personal—and it inflicted enormous pain upon a people for whom Buddhist practice and spirituality are intertwined in their daily lives and basic moral systems. At the same time, these stories are a testament to the incredible resilience of the Tibetan people in the face of this catastrophe. The individuals in the book describe how their Buddhist and moral worldview has helped them to cope with the loss of their homeland and the ongoing suppression of their culture.

A devastating and inspiring story of emotional and spiritual survival, *When Terror Spread Through the Land of Snows* is a firsthand witness account of what really happened in Tibet, with insight we can all apply as we aim to live freely.

**Marcella Adamski** is the founder and executive director of the Tibet Oral History Project. She worked as a clinical psychologist with international humanitarian and human rights organizations including Survivors International and the Tibet Justice Center. Her interviews with Tibetan women and children refugees about conditions in Chinese-occupied Tibet inspired His Holiness the Dalai Lama to urge that the elders of Tibet be interviewed next to ensure that their stories be recorded for generations to come. In response she founded the Tibet Oral History Project in 2003.

**Tenzin Yangchen** is a Tibetan translator and interpreter born in India and who lives in the Tibetan refugee community of Bylakuppe, India. She speaks Tibetan, English, Hindi, and Kannada, and works as Outreach Director for the Tibet Oral History Project (TOHP). In addition to her work with TOHP, she has worked in the local Tibetan Co-operative Office and currently serves as Managing Trustee of Gesar Charity Foundation.

**Christopher Lura** is an editor and writer whose contributions helped make *Digital Empires: The Global Battle to Regulate Technology* a *Financial Times* best book of 2023 and *The Brussels Effect: How the European Union Rules the World* a *Foreign Affairs* best book of 2020.

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# The Triumph of Normal

By Sohrab Ahmari



**UNHERD editor Sohrab Ahmari takes readers on a journey through modern history to show why social engineering always fails. More than anything, people enjoy falling in love, savoring good food, and experiencing pop culture.**

Around the world, people love McDonald's, the Super Bowl, Sydney Sweeney, Marvel movies, Christmas, and Taylor Swift songs. Authoritarians can ban them and progressives can attack them, but the masses want what the masses want.

In *The Triumph of Normal*, Sohrab Ahmari takes readers on a journey through history, philosophy, and contemporary culture to uncover the enduring power of what he calls the "bedrock normative yearnings"—faith, family, work, and community. From the Soviet Union's failed attempts to stamp out religion to the modern-day struggles of a society adrift in algorithmic isolation, Ahmari reveals how these fundamental human desires have always reasserted themselves, even in the face of the most radical efforts to suppress them.

What are the consequences when a society loses its ability to normalize itself around shared values? With wisdom, piety, and a deep sense of hope, Ahmari challenges the prevailing forces of denormalization and offers a compelling vision for how we can rebuild the institutions and values that sustain a healthy, cohesive society.

*The Triumph of Normal* is a bold and insightful exploration of why faith, family, work, and community endure as bedrock human yearnings, even in the face of modern upheavals. Sohrab Ahmari weaves history, philosophy, and personal narrative to argue that these timeless values are essential for a flourishing society—and offers a roadmap for restoring them in our fractured world.

**Sohrab Ahmari** is the editor in chief of UNHERD. He is the founder and editor of *Compact Magazine* and has written for *The New York Times*, *The Wall Street Journal*, and *The Spectator*. His previous books include *The Unbroken Thread: Discovering the Wisdom of Tradition in an Age of Chaos*. Ahmari lives in NYC with his wife and children.

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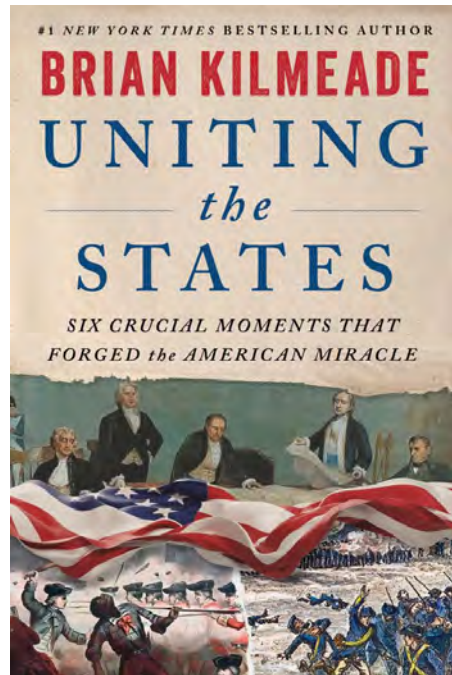
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# Uniting the States

## *Six Crucial Moments That Forged the American Miracle*

By Brian Kilmeade

**As America celebrates its 250th anniversary in 2026, #1 New York Times bestselling author and FOX & Friends co-host Brian Kilmeade tells the dramatic stories of six decisive moments in early American history that defined freedom in the United States and shaped the nation into what it is today.**

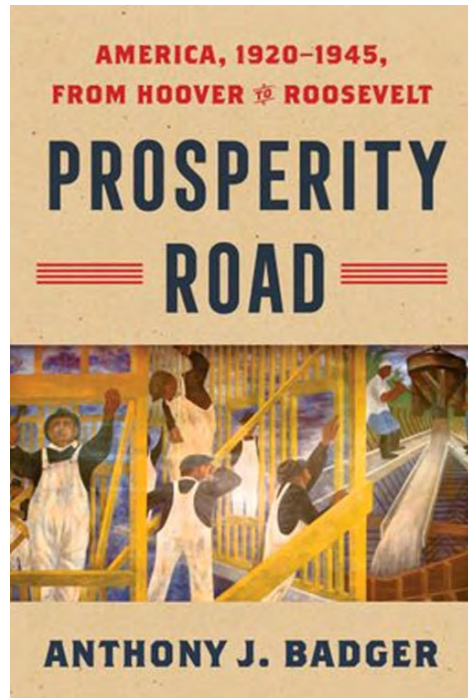
When a young America threw off the grasp of the mighty British Empire, the country was divided, separated into thirteen colonies, each with their own distinct identities. Yet six pivotal moments would unite them by creating a shared vision for America's future.

In *Uniting the States*, New York Times bestselling author Brian Kilmeade tells the story of these six events and the people at their centers. Some brought great personal risk, such as when future president John Adams defended the nine British soldiers accused at the Boston Massacre, or when George Washington taught himself how to be a leader while fighting the Revolutionary War. Others brought notoriety and infamy, like Captain Daniel Shays launching an uprising to protest the Articles of Confederation.

Others, still, upended America's borders and place in the world order: Thomas Jefferson forever altered the country's landscape with the Louisiana Purchase, and less than a decade later, James Madison catapulted the previously isolated nation onto the world stage during the War of 1812. And in the nation's capital, John Quincy Adams bravely represented thirty-nine enslaved Africans before the Supreme Court.

Together, these six incidents would unify the fledgling country and set it on a trajectory unlike any other. As he has in books past, Kilmeade pens a page-turning and eye-opening account of each, demonstrating how they defined freedom in America and paved the way for the country we are today.

**Brian Kilmeade** is the #1 New York Times bestselling author of nine books that have sold millions of copies. He cohosts Fox News's FOX & Friends, the number one morning program in cable news. He also hosts his nationally syndicated radio show The Brian Kilmeade Show on Fox News Talk. He lives in Massapequa, NY with his wife and three daughters.



# Prosperity Road

## *America, 1920–1945, from Hoover to Roosevelt*

By Anthony J. Badger

**A sweeping history of America during the tumultuous decades after World War I when a somewhat rural, isolationist republic transformed into a global superpower.**

Through the Roaring Twenties to the Great Crash and Depression of the Thirties, the fits and starts of the New Deal, and then the all-consuming conflict of fighting fascism and World War II, the years 1920 through 1945 created the American world, with all its power and trade-offs: its predominance on the global stage, its increasingly imperial government, and unprecedented affluence. How the experiences of the Depression and War shaped political expectations and the institutions of the United States is what *Prosperity Road* portrays in telling detail. Written by acclaimed Cambridge historian Anthony Badger, *PROSPERITY ROAD* is cultural, economic and political history at its finest and most captivating.

**Anthony J. Badger** is Emeritus Paul Mellon Professor of American History at Cambridge University and former Master of Clare College. His books on the New Deal and on the American South include *The New Deal: The Depression Years, 1933-1940*; *FDR: The First Hundred Days*; *Albert Gore, Sr: A Political Life* and *Why White Liberals Fail*; and *Race and Southern Politics from FDR to Trump*.

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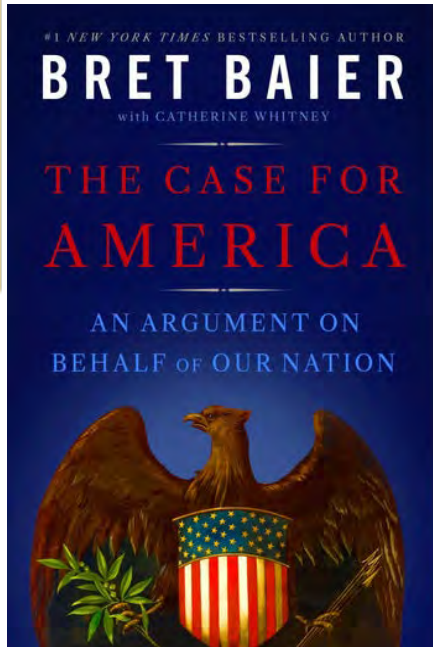
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# The Case for America

## *An Argument on Behalf of Our Nation*

By Bret Baier

Can the Founders' ideals still inspire and unite the nation 250th years after the Declaration of Independence? Fox News Channel's Chief Political Anchor and #1 bestselling author Bret Baier makes the case for America, an inspiring defense of our history, values, and national character.

The impossible dream of the United States of America began with a declaration. Years before the Revolution was won, long before the Constitution was created, we were a nation because of our decision to be free.

Though the universal hunger for freedom that endures, these days our country often seems at cross purposes. Our very history is divisive. On one side, there are the unrelenting complaints about all the things we're getting wrong. Such critics seem intent on focusing on the darker chapters of our story. On the other side is a sanitized version of history that leaves little room for self-reflection. It's as if any admission of frailty or failure is an unpatriotic act.

In *The Case for America* Bret Baier argues that neither of these pictures reflects our reality. To make the case for the nation's enduring value, he underscores our fundamental character: unity, freedom, resilience. Baier shares his own reflections alongside those of numerous historians, commentators, and business leaders in a moving ode to a nation.

**Bret Baier** is the Chief Political Anchor for Fox News Channel and the anchor and executive editor of Special Report with Bret Baier. He previously served as Chief White House Correspondent for Fox News Channel and as the network's National Security Correspondent based at the Pentagon. A recipient of the National Press Foundation's Sol Taishoff Award for Excellence in Broadcast Journalism, Baier is the author of six New York Times bestsellers, including *To Rescue the Constitution: George Washington and the Fragile American Experiment* and *Three Days at the Brink: FDR's Daring Gamble to Win WWII*. He lives with his family in Washington, DC.

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# Over Wicked Mountain

## *A Tale of Spies, Mayhem, and Greed in Gilded Age America*

By Neal Bascomb

*New York Times* bestselling author Neal Bascomb presents a taught, timely forgotten history—equal parts *Peaky Blinders* and *The Departed*—that tells the story of an Irish secret society determined to destroy one of the richest Americans of the early Gilded Age, and the immigrant detective who infiltrated their ranks to bring them down.

Pennsylvania 1873. Franklin Gowen one of the preeminent businessmen of newly anointed Gilded Age calls the Pinkerton Detective Agency. The owner of the largest coal mining and railroad operation in America and an early robber baron, Gowen is facing sabotage at the hands of a mysterious Irish criminal organization known as the Molly Maguires, a group that arrived from the homeland alongside the waves of Irish immigrants flooding the region. A secret society meant to look out for Irish blood in a time when anti-immigrant sentiment is high and worker exploitation is rampant, the Mollies are responsible for a rash of vandalism and violence that has put the mine's profitable operations at risk.

With local law enforcement largely feckless, Pinkerton Detective James McPharlan is assigned to go undercover, infiltrate the Mollies, and end the chaos. Yet with impoverished wages and dangerous conditions giving the men in the mines few options, the violence of the Mollies becomes more justifiable and more brazen. What begins as a simple undercover operation for one Irish immigrant sprawls into a multi-year saga of murder in the early industrial age, nearly destroying McPharlan's nerve as a detective and his identity as an Irishman.

A true crime history of wealth, power, immigration, and political violence that was the inspiration for Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's final Sherlock Holmes mystery, *Over Wicked Mountain* raises critical questions about what justice looks like when the gap between rich and poor becomes impossible to bridge and what happens when criminality becomes only acceptable response to oppression.

**Neal Bascomb** is the national award-winning and *New York Times* best-selling author of *The Winter Fortress*, *Hunting Eichmann*, *The Perfect Mile*, *Higher*, *The Nazi Hunters*, and *Red Mutiny*, among others. A former international journalist, he is a widely recognized speaker on the subject of war and has appeared in a number of documentaries. He lives in Philadelphia.

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# Sorrow's Kitchen

## *The End of Punishment and the Beginning of True Safety*

By James Bell

From MacArthur Genius, award-winning expert on justice transformation, James Bell, *Sorrow's Kitchen* presents a groundbreaking and unapologetically hopeful vision of what is possible if we center our communities and justice systems around care and wellbeing rather than punishment and control.

Weaving together powerful stories and solutions from his frontline work with justice practitioners, law enforcement officers, and community members throughout the states and around the globe, James Bell has written a book with a simple and powerful idea at its core: A justice system based on punishment makes all of us less safe. But we each have the power to reimagine and recreate justice in our communities in such a way that all of us are seen and cared for. And justice transformation begins with youth justice.

*Sorrow's Kitchen: The End of Punishment and the Beginning of True Safety* delves into the deeply entrenched racial inequities within America's justice system, tracing their roots to the nation's history of slavery, segregation, and systemic oppression. Through personal anecdotes, historical analysis, and a critique of current practices, the narrative exposes how structural racism has shaped the administration of justice, perpetuating cycles of harm and inequality. The metaphor of "Sorrow's Kitchen," borrowed from Zora Neale Hurston, serves as a poignant symbol of the collective suffering endured by Black communities, while also highlighting their resilience and determination to rise above systemic injustices.

A central focus of *Sorrow's Kitchen* is the failure of punitive justice systems to ensure public safety or address the root causes of harm. Bell's critiques of mass incarceration, racialized social control, and the over-policing of marginalized communities, make the argument that these approaches exacerbate inequality rather than resolve it. He advocates for a transformative vision of justice rooted in care, equity, and community-centered solutions. By centering the voices and expertise of those most impacted by systemic injustice, *Sorrow's Kitchen* calls for dismantling harmful structures and replacing them with restorative practices that prioritize wellbeing and healing.

Ultimately, *Sorrow's Kitchen* is a call to action, urging readers to reckon with America's history of racial violence and to imagine a more equitable future. It emphasizes the importance of collective action, power-sharing, and authentic inclusion in reimagining justice systems that serve all people with dignity and humanity. Infused with hope and determination, *Sorrow's Kitchen* challenges the status quo and inspires a vision of a society where care replaces control, and justice is truly transformative.

**James Raymond Bell** (1954 – 2025) founded the Haywood Burns Institute (BI) in 2001 after more than 20 years as an attorney at San Francisco's Youth Law Center (YLC), where he represented youth in institutions and litigating the conditions of confinement. Under his leadership, BI became a national leader in promoting justice equity, working with system and community stakeholders in 300+ counties throughout the nation.



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# How to See the Sky:

## The Newest Science, the Oldest Questions, and Why They Matter for Life

By Paul Bogard

*"How then can it be that something so big, so much a part of our lives, could go by unnoticed? How could we ever think it empty?"*

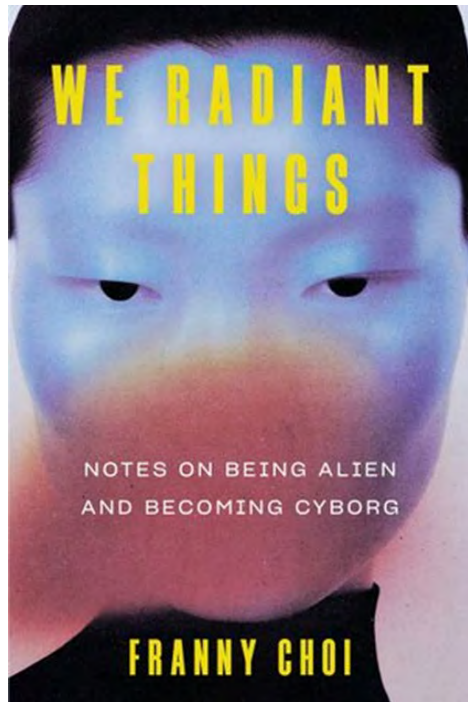
The sky, as acclaimed science writer and essayist Paul Bogard says, is full "of life, and wonders, and possibility," as well as good for our body, mind, and spirit.

In beautifully crafted pages, Bogard acts as a guide to what we have seen in the sky, what we miss every day, how the skyscape is changing, and how we can reorient ourselves to a more beautiful present by deep attention to the wonder of the expanses.

Bogard takes us back through our human perceptions of the sky, how it was viewed spiritually, for navigation, how constellations were constructed. He takes us through the wonders of bird migrations, the massive populations of insects that pass through our worlds.

The hope is that by returning our attention to the world above we can reorient ourselves and improve our lives. The book is organized into three parts—"Above," "Higher," and "Beyond." In the book's first third, Bogard shows how new research into the life in the skies shifts our thinking from empty atmosphere to a territory dense with life. In the second part, he describes the powerful ways that knowledge of clouds, wind, and weather can help us to navigate the emotional turbulence of our time. In the book's final third, he explores how the latest science of light, satellites, and viewing the heavens can reconnect us with intangible qualities that forever have given meaning to human life.

Bogard is the author of *The End of Night: Searching for Natural Darkness in an Age of Artificial Light*, published by Little, Brown, which has been translated into several languages and was a finalist for the PEN/E. O. Wilson Literary Science Writing Award. His 2023 collection *Solastalgia: An Anthology of Emotion in a Disappearing World*, defined as "the homesickness we feel while still at home," has gained worldwide attention. His articles and essays have been published in the *New York Times*, *Slate*, *Salon*, [Los Angeles Times](#), *Outside*, [Audubon](#), *Conservation*, *Reader's Digest*, and *National Geographic*. His *Audubon* article on the nocturnal migration of birds was named as notable by *Best American Science and Nature Writing 2022*. In 2023, his opinion essays "Artificial Light Harms Our Bodies and Souls. It Doesn't Have to Be This Way" and "We're Watching the Sky as We Know It Disappear" appeared in [The Washington Post](#) and [The New York Times](#), respectively.



# We Radiant Things

## Notes on Being Alien and Becoming Cyborg

By Franny Choi

Part lyric memoir and part cultural criticism, acclaimed poet Franny Choi's debut essay collection explores pop culture's obsession with robots and what media representation of Asian femmes reveals about race, gender, disability, language, labor, and technology

Kyoko from *Ex Machina*. Boomer from *Battlestar Galactica*. Sonmi-45 from *Cloud Atlas*. Cultural representations of the future of humanity are peppered with cyborgs and robots bearing the faces of East Asian women. Why is it that whenever intelligent machines and alien others are the topic of conversation, East Asian women are caught in the frame? In this lyrical, deeply felt collection, Franny Choi looks everywhere—from film and television to art exhibitions, from the history of AI to memories of growing up as the child of Korean immigrants in the American South—to understand how, like robots, the bodies of Asian American women have been seen as disposable, servile, unfeeling. Asian femmes, too, have been made into sexualized workhorses that flirt with—but never quite touch—the category of human being. It is no wonder, then, as we venture into uncharted territory, that it is up to racialized, feminized beings to lead the way. Drawing from a wide range of sources—including Asian American studies, queer and feminist theory, disability studies and literary criticism—*WE RADIANT THINGS* paints a vision for Asian American feminist imagination and survival.

**Franny Choi** is the author of two previous poetry collections, *Soft Science* (Alice James Books, 2019) and *Floating, Brilliant, Gone* (Write Bloody Publishing, 2014). Her poems have appeared in the *New York Times*, *the Nation*, *the Paris Review*, and elsewhere. They are Faculty in Literature at Bennington College and founded Brew & Forge, a project that aims to build connections between writers, artists, and organizers.

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# The Language of Theft

## *How the Wealthy Fund Narratives That Rob America of Our Common Sense*

By Maya Contreras

**An investigation of the narrative strategies used to keep the public divided and a roadmap for reclaiming power, resisting propaganda, and building a future grounded in equity and collective truth.**

The Language of Theft exposes the greatest heist of all time—how the ultra-wealthy have weaponized language to manipulate society and cement their power for centuries, but never with more ruthless precision or existential consequence than what we see today. Maya Contreras, a narrative strategist, political consultant, and columnist for Dame, rips open the secret playbook that elites have used to divide the public, distort history, and rig the system. From ancient philosophy to the psychology of modern propaganda, Contreras reveals the narrative tricks that coerce the public to defend the ruthless architects of theft and policies that harm them. Showing how those with entrenched power recycle the same political narrative playbooks across American history to manipulate the public out of economic dignity, fundamental rights, and community.

This isn't just about exposing the heist—it's about giving you the tools to recognize and counter these strategies, reclaiming what's yours.

**Maya Contreras** is a writer, performer, and political narrative analyst. A fourth-generation artist and educator, she works at the intersection of story, culture, and power. Her work focuses on the persuasive narratives public figures use to shape public belief and policy. She leads workshops that help participants recognize what's happening beneath the words. Maya is a contributing writer for DAME Magazine. Her plays were official selections for the New York Fringe Festival three years in a row. She was a writer and co-host for the NY Emmy Award winning PBS series *Brewed in New York*. Her communication and narrative clinics have included members of Congress, congressional staff, and media professionals. She has lectured nationally on political narrative creation, including at the Brennan Center for Justice, NYU, Pratt Institute, and the University of San Francisco School of Law. She holds an MA from NYU and a BA from Florida State University.

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# Anything Can Happen

## *Inside the Rise and Rule of Donald Trump and the MAGA Movement*

By Eric Cortellessa

With the in-depth reportage and insightful analysis of *American Carnage*, *Front Row at the Trump Show*, and *Confidence Man*, a seasoned *TIME* reporter's authoritative narrative history of the MAGA movement—a freshly reported "how did we get here" chronicle that traces the political DNA and complete, decade-long evolution that has irrevocably transformed the Republican Party, conservatism, politics, and society itself.

Drawing from exclusive interviews with key figures in Trump world, including Donald Trump himself, *ANYTHING CAN HAPPEN* is the first book to comprehensively document the former President's spawning of a political and social movement that has turned modern America upside down.

*ANYTHING CAN HAPPEN* goes behind closed doors and through the maze of the MAGA ecosystem: from Steve Bannon's cluttered basement recording studio to Charlie Kirk's behemoth organization to rear the next generation of Trump-inspired diehards; from the think tanks working to implement Trumpism into policy to the legion of traveling MAGA evangelists like Donald Trump Jr. and young America First pols like J.D. Vance and Anna Paulina Luna; from Trump's own operation to build and sustain a constellation of allied networks that keep his movement a dominant force in national politics to the mega-wealthy contributors—among them tech edgelords and media moguls—and young influencers who use their money, power, and platforms to support him.

**Eric Cortellessa** is a Senior Political Correspondent at *TIME* covering Donald Trump and the American right. He has written more than a dozen *TIME* cover stories, interviewed multiple world leaders, and reported extensively on the January 6 attack, the Make America Great Again movement, and the 2024 presidential campaign. For his 2024 coverage of Trump, he won the National Press Club's Sandy Hume Award for Excellence in Political Journalism. He has appeared on MSNBC, CNN, PBS, CBS, BBC, and Washington Week.

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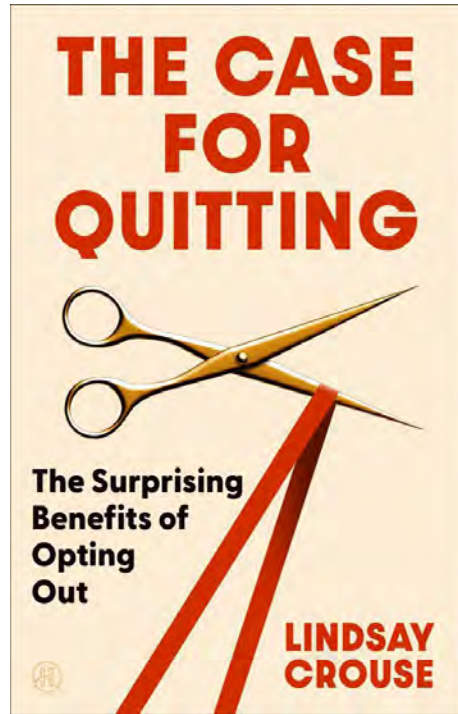
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# The Case for Quitting

## *The Surprising Benefits of Opting Out*

By Lindsay Crouse

**If your relationship, hobby, job or sport just isn't working for you, award-winning New York Times editor and producer Lindsay Crouse offers revolutionary advice: Quit.**

We live in a society that champions perseverance, sweat, and tenacity no matter the cost. But what if our relentlessness results in failure, sunken costs, and poor health, rather than success, happiness, and vitality?

Lindsay Crouse, an award-winning reporter for the New York Times, argues that our society has tricked us into thinking that endurance is an ultimate achievement, despite the surprising cost to ourselves.

She delves into the science of perseverance versus walking away, and relays a diverse blend of compelling personal stories, historical examples, and psychological insights—from the origins of the self-help genre to Bear Bryant's "hell camp" to the Finnish concept of *sisu*, resilience—to answer such questions as:

When is it time to let go of unproductive efforts?

How does quitting make new opportunities?

When are relationships growing and when are they just a dangerous rut?

For anyone at a crossroads in their personal or professional lives, *The Case for Quitting* is a groundbreaking guide that ruptures our core beliefs. Career seekers, athletes, entrepreneurs, and anyone exploring new opportunities or feeling stuck in unproductive routines will appreciate its insights on the courage and—importantly—strategy involved in quitting.

**Lindsay Crouse** is an author and producer. For more than 14 years, she was an editor, writer and producer at The New York Times. Her reporting on women's sports brought widespread change to the industry, including maternity protections for pregnant athletes, and created several of the most-viewed videos in Times history. In The Times's Opinion section, she produced more than 300 short documentaries, including The Times's first Academy Award-winning film. A life-long competitive distance runner, she is an honors graduate of Harvard University, and lives in New York City with her family.

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# Us

## *The Amazing Story of Human Evolution*

By Jeremy DeSilva

**From the award-winning author of *First Steps* comes a revelatory tour of the latest fossil, genetic, and archaeological discoveries that completely overturn human exceptionalism and present us with a more complex—and fascinating—portrait of Us**

Humans are curious by nature, and humankind's deep desire to understand our place in the world has spurred countless mythologies and fueled centuries of exploration. As our understanding of the past has deepened, one thing has remained constant: we've told ourselves that, as humans, we are different. But recent scientific discoveries in the fossil record beg the question at the heart of this book: how different? Just as we were not created from scratch, our species did not experience some magical leap forward from a slouched-over ape-like ancestor to a speaking and symbolic sentient being. Instead, the gradual, stepwise evolution of our bodies and our behavior is clear from the ancient bones and stones scientists have pulled from barren landscapes around the world. These finds demonstrate that the foundations of so many qualities identified as uniquely human can be found in relatives and ancestors of ours that were not fully *Homo sapiens*, not Us. Some of these abilities we inherited; some of them we borrowed and refined. But very few are truly ours.

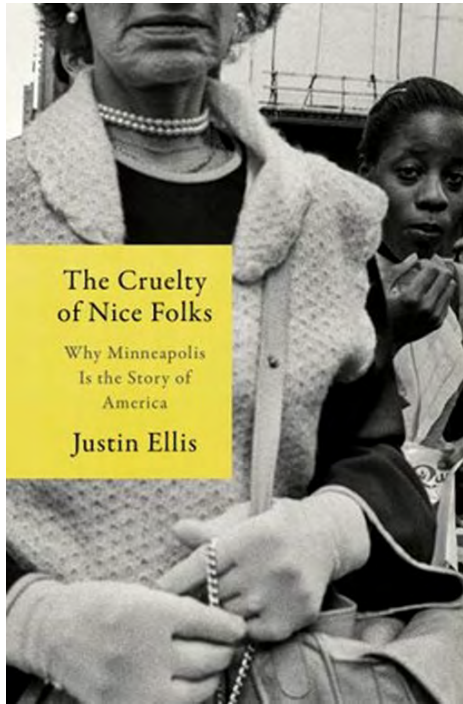
In *Us*, DeSilva walks us through the latest archaeological discoveries to dismantle the myth of human exceptionalism, showing how nearly every trait we prize as uniquely ours—from art to empathy—has deep roots in our extinct relatives and primate cousins. What makes us human is in fact a suite of characteristics patched together through cultural diffusion, biological evolution, and the genetic absorption of Neandertals, Denisovans, and other non-*sapiens* cousins into our gene pool.

With his trademark wit and immersive narration, DeSilva brings readers to the discovery sites of extraordinary human fossils and the scientists who are unearthing them to rewrite history. We'll visit molecular laboratories squeezing ancient DNA from half-a-million-year-old fossils and atom-smashing facilities where high-powered X-rays are used to see deep within the bones of our long extinct ancestors. And we'll learn how our ancestors actually communicated, worked together, and solved problems—strategies that helped them survive millennia ago and may provide important clues for how we can overcome the ecological challenges we now face.

We are at a new dawn of our understanding of human evolution, and *Us* brings us face-to-face with our ancestors as no book has done before. Here DeSilva gifts readers with a vivid, humbling, and profoundly connected view of who we are and where we come from: a new story of Us.

**Jeremy "Jerry" DeSilva** is a paleoanthropologist, specializing in the locomotion of the first apes (hominoids) and early human ancestors (hominins). His particular anatomical expertise—the human foot and ankle—has contributed to our understanding of the origins and evolution of upright walking in the human lineage. He has studied wild chimpanzees in Western Uganda and early human fossils in throughout Eastern and South Africa. From 1998-2003, Jerry worked as an educator at the Boston Museum of Science and continues to be passionate about science education. He is the author of the 2021 book *First Steps: How Upright Walking Made Us Human*. Jerry lives in Norwich, VT with his wife Erin and their twins Ben and Josie.

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# The Cruelty of Nice Folks

## *Why Minneapolis Is the Story of America*

By Justin Ellis

**A revelatory look at one of America's most progressive cities-Minneapolis-as journalist Justin Ellis returns to his hometown to grapple with the quiet history of white supremacy there in the wake of George Floyd's murder, and in turn uncovers his family's story of surviving "Minnesota nice."**

It's the "North," they like to say, not the Midwest. It's different. We're nice here, progressive; Minneapolis is a city for everyone. But in 2020, George Floyd's murder by police left many Americans stunned and wondering, "how could this happen in Minneapolis?" To Ellis, the real question is what made people think it couldn't?

The Minneapolis Justin Ellis knows and loves-where he grew up and his family has lived for generations-is not the idealistic metropolis that its politicians and its most vocal proponents proclaim. The city of lakes was built on discrimination-in its housing, its schools, its politics-much like all other American cities. Black families were systematically cut out of the prosperous neighborhoods, lush parks and pristine lakes that make Minneapolis a haven of the heartland. Because of its image as a liberal ally in the fight for civil rights, Minneapolis has rarely been forced to confront this fact. In reality, as in the rest of America since its founding, the struggles of Black families in Minnesota have been celebrated or erased in an effort to maintain neighborly harmony and the quality of life Minnesotans cherish above all else.

The Cruelty of Nice Folks is both an indictment of the false face of progressivism and a love letter to the ways Black life has thrived despite the forces working against it. From the original theft of land upon which Minneapolis was built, through his family's journey to establish a life there, to George Floyd's murder, The Cruelty of Nice Folks is about one place-but it's also about America. It is the story of a racial reckoning deferred, and of an America that remains tethered to the inequalities it has always been unwilling to confront.

**Justin Ellis** is a journalist and co-owner of Defector, a worker-owned media company. His work has appeared at ESPN, theAtlantic, The New York Times, Boston Globe and GQ. His TV credits include the Netflix docuseries How to Fix a Drug Scandal and Wyatt Cenac's Problem Area on

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# Feminism vs. Fascism

By Mona Eltahawy

**In the spirit of On Tyranny, a ten-point plan for how feminist principles can be harnessed to combat totalitarianism, authoritarianism, and fascism.**

Far-right authoritarians have been rising to power around the world. Each election won and each rung of power snatched from the people is a sobering reminder of what's at stake when dangerous ambition and aspirational tyranny get real.

Solutions that stick have been fleeting, despite the outrage, the protests, the growing anarchy.

Feminist author, activist, and noted firebrand Mona Eltahawy makes a strident case for a new approach. She argues ten feminist practices as an unstoppable force against fascism because, where fascism benefits and empowers the few, feminism frees everybody. Feminist principles like "Be savage and dangerous" and "Target all tyrants," in fact, have constantly nudged us towards a freer world. Now laid out as an actionable ten-point plan, Eltahawy empowers a new generation of citizens and reignites action in those whose fury has felt aimless.

Pocket-sized and ready to return to again and again, *Feminism vs. Fascism* offers a new way to fight.

**Mona Eltahawy** is an award-winning feminist author, commentator and disruptor of patriarchy. Her first book *Headscarves and Hymens: Why the Middle East Needs a Sexual Revolution* (2015) targeted patriarchy in the Middle East and North Africa and her second book *The Seven Necessary Sins For Women and Girls* (2019) took her disruption worldwide. She is working on a memoir for Mariner Books titled *The King Herself: How Hatshepsut Helped Me Unbecome*. Eltahawy's essays and op-eds have been published in *The Washington Post*, *The Guardian* (UK), and *The New York Times*, and she has appeared as a guest commentator on the BBC, CNN, PBS, Al Jazeera, NPR and dozens of other television and radio networks. *Newsweek* named Mona one of its 150 Fearless Women in 2012; *TIME* magazine featured her along with other activists from around the world in its People of the Year in 2011; and *Arabian Business* has listed her as one of the 100 Most Powerful Arab Women. She writes the newsletter *FEMINIST GIANT*, which has more than 23,000 subscribers in 172 countries.



# The Search for Black Mecca

By Emmanuel Felton

From the *Washington Post*'s first race and ethnicity reporter, a poignant investigation into the aftermath of the Great Migration, the promise of a Second Great Migration, and what future Black communities could look like across America in this eye-opening and thoughtful study, a mix of *The Warmth of Other Suns* and *How the Word Is Passed*.

Since the 1990s, demographers have been documenting a new Great Migration: millions of Black Americans leaving Northern and Western cities for the South their parents and grandparents fled during Jim Crow. Huge numbers of Black people have been moving to Memphis, Houston, Charlotte, and other booming metropolises in the hopes of recreating the vibrant communities their grandparents once left. Have they found what they were looking for? Is it possible for Black Americans to have community, economic prosperity, and safety all in one place? And if so, where?

In *The Search for Black Mecca*, Emmanuel Felton examines how these questions are playing out in real lives today, going into the homes of Black Americans who are weighing what they want and where they hope to find it. He identifies three archetypes—"Those Who Stay," "Those Who Leave," and "Those Who Build Something New"—and reveals the costs and benefits of each decision, while seeking answers to deeper questions regarding communal responsibility, what's needed to make Black neighborhoods thrive, and how to manage the fact that white people are often threatened by Black success. He also unravels his own family's migration story through the lives of his two grandfathers—a prominent New Orleans dentist and a troubled musician who migrated to Oakland, California.

Through these stories, Felton crystalizes our understanding of what it means to find-or to create - our own meccas: radical spaces for Black joy, freedom, and imagination, even when the external world tries to take those places away.

**Emmanuel Felton** is the race and ethnicity reporter at the *Washington Post*. Previously he worked at *BuzzFeed News*, where his reporting on January 6 through the eyes of Black police officers guarding the Capitol that day was used during Trump's second impeachment hearing, and at the *Hechinger Report*, where he produced an award-winning investigation into the federal government's failure to enforce school desegregation orders. He teaches journalism at Hunter College and Yale University.

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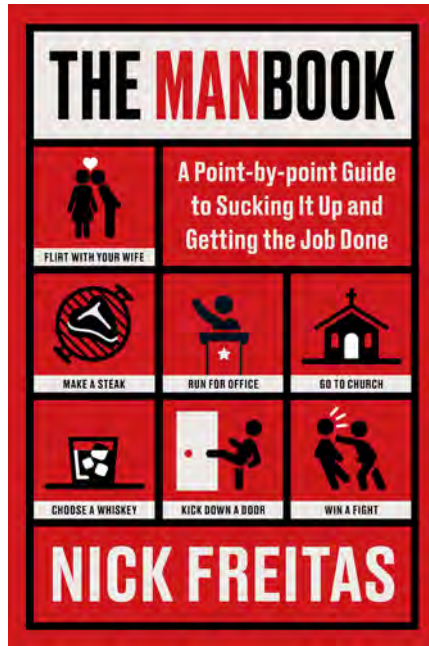
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# The Manbook

## *A Point-by-Point Guide to Sucking It Up and Getting the Job Done*

By Nick Freitas

How masculine are you, really? Whatever your answer, you probably need *The Manbook* —the ultimate guide to becoming the man you were meant to be.

You're not the man you want to be. Because none of us are. It's a quest, not a destination. Whether you're young and still learning or seasoned but always trying to improve, this book is a list of hard lessons learned through marriage, fatherhood, war, business and politics all in the quest to be a good man. Retired Green Beret, husband, father, and Virginia legislator Nick Freitas has spent a lifetime in demanding roles. He has thought deeply about the standards every man needs to meet (and, like all of us, knows the challenge of consistently measuring up). In this book, he shares straightforward, concrete advice on over fifty masculine skills, including:

- How to win an argument fairly
- How to plan the perfect date
- How to win a fight
- How to prepare a steak
- How to pit a car

The answer to the crisis of masculinity is not docility or weakness, but men who are both strong and honorable. Freitas shares his experiences and lessons learned along the way. With a signature blend of humor and hard-earned wisdom, Freitas gives you the actionable knowledge to get things done and be the man your wife, children and country needs.

**Nick Freitas** has been married to his high school sweetheart, Tina, since 1999. Immediately following high school Nick joined the Army and served with the 82nd Airborne Division and 25th Light Infantry Division as an Infantryman. After September 11th Nick volunteered for US Army Special Forces (Green Berets) and eventually served 2 tours in Iraq as a Special Forces Weapons SGT and Special Forces Intelligence SGT. In 2015, he was elected to the Virginia House of Delegates and currently serves on the Finance, Courts of Justice, Public Safety and Education committees. Nick and Tina have three children and live in Culpepper, Virginia.

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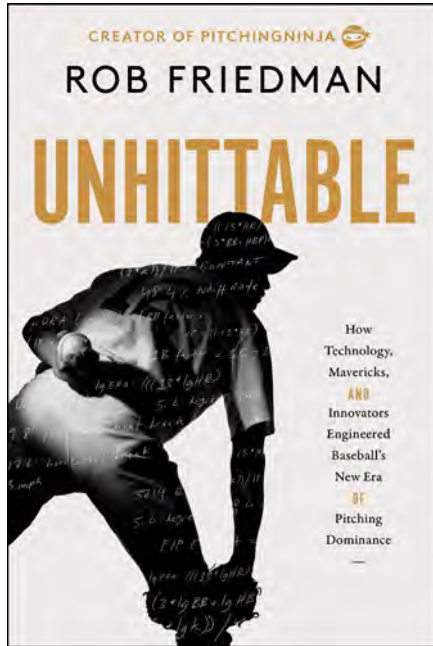
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# Unhittable

## *How Technology, Mavericks, and Innovators Engineered Baseball's New Era of Pitching Dominance*

By Rob Friedman

The baseball expert famously known as PitchingNinja explores the revolution that has given pitchers an unprecedented advantage in today's game.

Pitching dominates baseball as never before. Spin rate, sweepers, 105 mph fastballs—all have become standard when evaluating pitching arms and techniques and are familiar lingo in discussion and analysis of the game. Gone is the era of the swaggering power hitters. Batting averages are close to the deadball era; team records for strikeouts are broken and then broken again. The game has fundamentally changed, and hitters may never catch up.

Rob Friedman has closely observed this revolution that has transformed baseball for both players and fans. A self-taught coach who has evolved into a sought-after pitching analyst by players, teams, and sports networks, he breaks it all down in this fascinating chronicle.

Friedman spotlights the influential figures behind this transformation. Tom House, a former MLB pitcher turned coaching visionary, utilized cutting-edge technology to refine the techniques of legends like Nolan Ryan and Randy Johnson. His unconventional methods paved the way for a new era shaped by the collision of technology and tradition. Brent Strom, another MLB pitching insider, has used data to revive flagging careers—helping stars like Justin Verlander, Gerrit Cole, and Charlie Morton to use technology to enhance their performance. Friedman also celebrates the rise of external innovators like Kyle Boddy of Driveline Baseball, who has trained elite pitchers such as Trevor Bauer, Shohei Ohtani, and Clayton Kershaw, using advanced analytics and technology, as well as others.

Peppered with insights drawn from interviews with top pitchers, *Unhittable* is an insider's look at how these advancements have been used by players themselves, and how they have fundamentally changed America's pastime.

**Rob Friedman** is a pitching analyst for ESPN's Sunday Night Baseball, ESPN College Baseball and Major League Baseball, and is known as the social media personality PitchingNinja.

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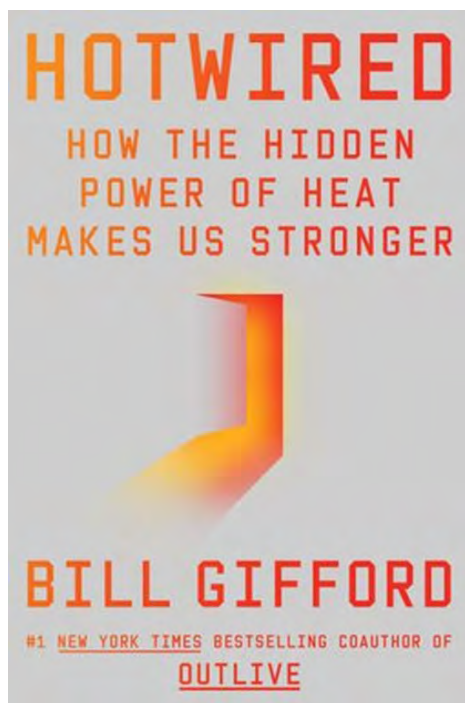
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# Hotwired

*How the Hidden Power of Heat Makes Us Stronger*

By Bill Gifford

**From the #1 New York Times bestselling coauthor of *Outlive* comes a radical exploration of the science of heat adaptation and sweat therapy to tap into the evolutionary superpowers that we've forgotten we possess.**

What if the key to thriving in a hotter world isn't avoiding the heat-but harnessing it?

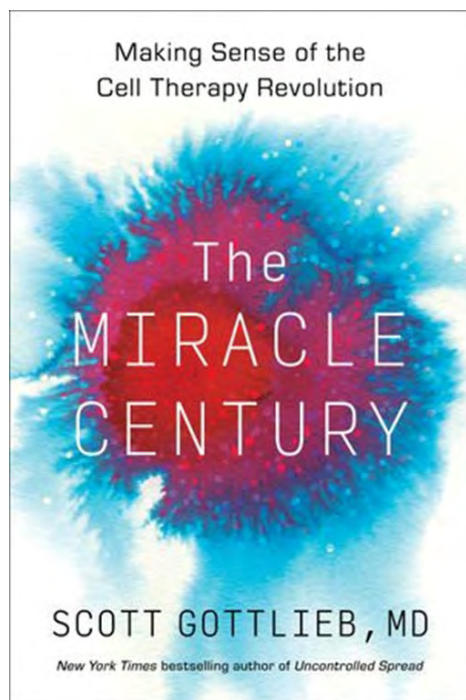
In *Hotwired*, bestselling author and science journalist Bill Gifford takes readers on a fascinating exploration of the power of heat to improve our performance and our health. Combining cutting-edge science, personal discovery, and practical insights, Gifford reveals how heat adaptation and heat therapy such as sauna can make us healthier, stronger, and even happier, by unlocking the body's built-in tools to promote longevity and resilience.

Through innovative research in evolutionary biology, physiology, and thermoregulation, Gifford uncovers how humans evolved to excel in sweltering conditions-and how we've lost touch with this ancient advantage. He plunges into the steamy world of Finnish saunas, serves as a test subject in cutting-edge heat labs, and tackles a grueling 100-mile bike ride under the blazing Texas sun-to show how temperature extremes can expand our physical and mental limits. He even explores how infrared sauna therapy could fight depression more effectively than medication-and how many people are rediscovering the power of communal wellness through the use of social sauna.

Whether you're looking to perform better, extend your lifespan, adapt to a warming planet, or tap into the human connection that forms when we sweat together, Gifford reveals the incredible benefits of reawakening your body's natural adaptability to heat and cold. You'll discover how sweat is more than a cooling mechanism; it's central to peak performance. Rather than hiding from the heat, we should confront it, to discover our untapped potential for physical and mental resilience. We were born to sweat, after all.

**Bill Gifford** is the coauthor of the #1 New York Times bestseller, *Outlive*, which has sold more than two million copies, as well as the New York Times bestseller *Spring Chicken: Stay Young Forever (Or Die Trying)*.

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# The Miracle Century

## *Making Sense of the Cell Therapy Revolution*

By Scott Gottlieb

**New York Times bestselling author and former FDA Commissioner Scott Gottlieb provides a glimpse of a promising future that is quickly approaching: a world with cures for chronic illnesses and cancers.**

While traditional drugs mostly help us manage the effects of disease, cell therapies promise genuine cures for a broad range of intractable ailments, from Alzheimer's to heart damage to cancer. They could even reverse the effects of aging. For the first time in history, on an unprecedented scale, we possess the power to modify the biology that gives rise to disease, ultimately restoring individuals to a state of normalcy and reversing debilitating ailments.

In *The Miracle Century*, former FDA Commissioner Scott Gottlieb traces the scientific achievements that propelled progress in cell therapies. The birth of this medical revolution wasn't a sudden event. Rather, it emerged from decades of steady, incremental progress in science. These concerted advances made cell therapies a reality. To forge a path for continued medical breakthroughs, Dr. Gottlieb meticulously traces this scientific journey, identifying lessons on how these achievements can be replicated.

*The Miracle Century* is a look at the future of healthcare from one of the nation's leading medical authorities. Scott Gottlieb explains how these new medicines are moving from the laboratory bench to the marketplace and tackles the issues that must be addressed to enable wide adoption of these treatments and transform as many lives as possible.

**Dr. Scott Gottlieb** served as the twenty-third commissioner of the US Food and Drug Administration and is a resident fellow at the American Enterprise Institute. He is a regular contributor to the business news channel CNBC and a partner at the venture capital firm New Enterprise Associates. Dr. Gottlieb serves on the board of directors of the pharmaceutical company Pfizer Inc. and the genomic sequencing company Illumina, Inc. Fortune magazine has recognized him as one of the "World's 50 Greatest Leaders," and Time magazine has named him one of its "50 People Transforming Healthcare." A graduate of Wesleyan University and the Mount Sinai School of Medicine, Dr. Gottlieb is an elected member of the National Academy of Medicine. He lives with his family in Westport, Connecticut.

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# Secession

## *Why Our Nation Should Split Up (And How to Get It Done Peacefully)*

By Kent Greenfield

**A book that will launch a million debates. Boston College Law School professor Kent Greenfield delivers the highly provocative yet carefully reasoned case for secession, arguing that the fractures within the US run so deep, rendering our national politics so dysfunctional, that the best way to heal is to allow blue and red states to non-violently part ways.**

The truth is that our nation is broken. More divides us than unites us, and our constitutional framework is accelerating, not healing, these divisions and making them impossible to cure. We have become two rather than one.

Americans already sense this reality. We are frustrated, angry, fearful, and pessimistic about our current condition. Less than one voter in four believes the country is headed in the right direction. More Americans believe we are in a constitutional crisis than believe we live in a democracy.

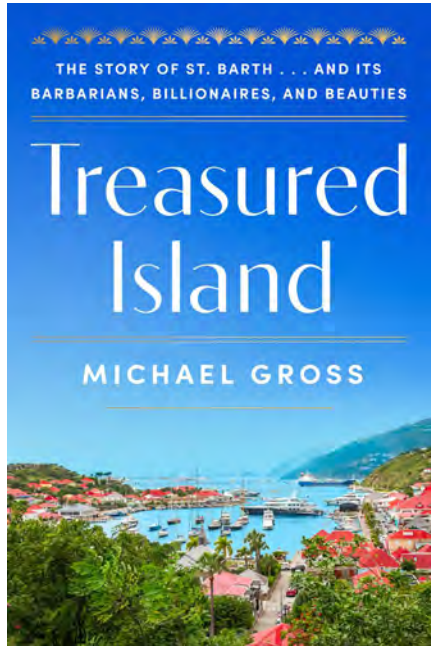
Here's the good news, though: a solution exists to this maddening impasse, and that solution is secession. Like spouses trapped in a bad marriage, we would all be better off if we admitted to ourselves that we no longer have a future together. Our national marriage is violent and hurtful, replete with irreconcilable differences. Once we get through the dissolution, both sides will be better off.

Secession presents a carefully outlined and though through step-by-step blueprint for a non-violent process for separation. It covers:

- Places like Atlanta where a large blue population resides in a red state.
- The issue of non-contiguous borders
- Historical examples like Quebec and Scotland

Secession is the book that millions of Americans are ready to discuss, debate, and be inspired by.

**Kent Greenfield** is a professor and the Dr. Thomas F. Carney Distinguished Scholar at Boston College Law School. An internationally-recognized scholar of constitutional law, he is the principal editor of Moore's Federal Practice, the leading Supreme Court treatise. A graduate of the University of Chicago Law School, he clerked for Justice David H. Souter of the United States Supreme Court. Greenfield is a frequent public commentator on broadcast and cable news programs, having appeared on CNN, MSNBC, NPR, BBC, Al Jazeera, and Fox. His essays have appeared in the New York Times, the Washington Post, the Atlantic, Slate, SCOTUSBlog, Boston Globe, American Prospect, Salon, and Nation. He has also published over four dozen scholarly articles in leading legal journals including the Yale Law Journal and Virginia Law Review. Born and raised in Kentucky, he is the son of a Southern Baptist minister.



# Treasured Island

## *The Story of St. Barth . . . and Its Barbarians, Billionaires, and Beauties*

By Michael Gross

**A hugely entertaining social history of the elite and exclusive Caribbean island of St. Barthélemy from the New York Times bestselling author of *Model* and *740 Park*.**

St. Barthelemy is revered for its luxury, its stunning beaches and its VIP fans. Those who've either been there or hope to go, know St. Bart's-or St. Barth, depending on your level of Francophilia-as the place for the beautiful people, the ultimate see-and-be-seen scene.

Over three decades, acclaimed social chronicler Michael Gross has taken dozens of extended trips to this gorgeous, sultry paradise and knows it almost as a local. In his captivating and detailed history, this "premier chronicler of the rich" (Gay Talese) reveals how the island grew from a barren volcanic island with in-bred, impoverished residents and no creature comforts to an elite port of call where entertainment, tech, and fashion celebrities, old money, nouveau riche, and international oligarchs vie for tables in chic, expensive restaurants; where pristine beaches, superyachts, and spectacular hotels and lavish private villas are playgrounds for the American, European, and Asian upper class. And the locals have gotten rich off them all.

What Steven Gaines' *Philistines at the Hedgerow* did for the East End of Long Island, *Treasured Island* now does for the Caribbean. Like that book, this enticing and entertaining work combines impeccable reporting and delicious commentary. It is essential reading for everybody who is anybody-or wants to be.

**Michael Gross** is the New York Times bestselling author of *Model: The Ugly Business of Beautiful Women*; *740 Park: The Story of the World's Richest Apartment Building*; and *House of Outrageous Fortune: Fifteen Central Park West, the World's Most Powerful Address*. He is the editor-at-large of *Palmer: The Palm Beach Reader*, and has written for publications around the world, including the New York Times, New York, GQ, Esquire, Vanity Fair, Air Mail and The Daily Beast. He lives in New York City.

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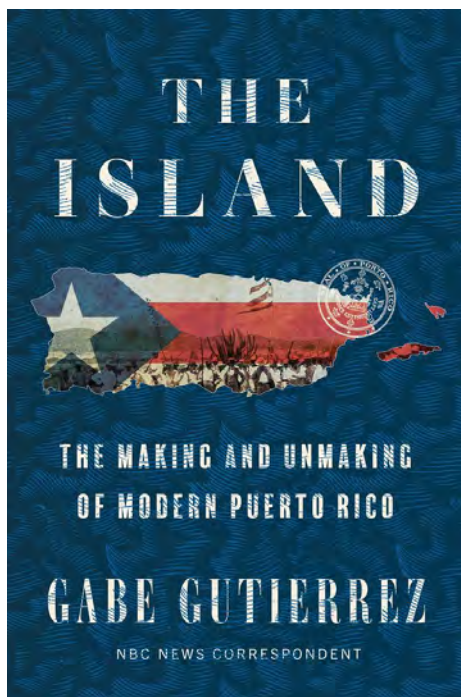
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# The Island

## *The Making and Unmaking of Modern Puerto Rico*

By Gabe Gutierrez

**NBC News Senior White House Correspondent Gabe Gutierrez offers a forceful, necessary exposé on the precarious realities and politics of modern Puerto Rico, detailing the decade of financial exploitation, federal negligence, and American ambivalence that pushed the most populous US territory to the brink and examining what must be done to insure the island's survival.**

For decades Puerto Rico has been on its own. Criminally underfunded and largely forgotten by the US government, the island has pivoted between financial and natural disasters, struggling without Congressional representation. While Hurricane Maria exposed the federal government's ineptitude and apathy to aid Puerto Rico in its time of greatest need, the storm also laid bare a systemic crisis that had been building for years—a slow-motion train wreck of American neglect, institutional exploitation, and financial ruin with profound human consequences.

Now veteran NBC News reporter and senior White House correspondent Gabe Gutierrez, who has covered the island's storms and its people for years, tells the urgent story of how Puerto Rico came to this precarious moment in its history, uncovering how decades of failed US policies have culminated in the tumultuous last ten years. Whether it's the US hedge funds who leveraged the island into bankruptcy, or the federal bureaucracy that has robbed the island of the autonomy to shape its own destiny, the mismanagement of Puerto Rico has stretched across the island's governorships, as well as US presidential administrations and political parties.

With each passing year, this negligence comes at a steeper price to US taxpayers, but more importantly to those who live there. Through moving portraits of the people working to preserve Puerto Rico for future generations, Gutierrez demonstrates the human cost of the recent turmoil that has left everyday Puerto Ricans with few good options and reinvigorated the island's independence movement as they seek a viable future for their home.

What emerges is an eye-opening narrative of American ambivalence about an island so deeply tied to our uncomfortable, imperial past. A seasoned journalist's ambitious examination of what it takes to change American institutions, *The Island* shows how our failure to care adequately for Puerto Rico is a failure to reckon with our own history.

**Gabe Gutierrez** is an NBC News senior White House correspondent covering all aspects of the Trump administration. He reports for all of the network's platforms, including *The TODAY Show*, *NBC Nightly News* with Tom Llamas, *NBC News NOW*, *Telemundo*, and *NBCNews.com*.



# The Wisdom of Survival

## *A Vision for the Jewish People in the 21st Century*

By Yossi Klein Halevi

Timely and impassioned, an American journalist who has made Israel his home since 1982 uses a compelling blend of contemporary history and personal experience to grapple with the ideological and emotional knot that defines the Israeli-Palestinian conflict today.

Best-selling author and award-winning journalist Halevi, the child of a Holocaust survivor, grew up in 1960s Brooklyn. In 1982 he left behind his involvement in the radical fringe of the American Jewish community and moved to Israel where he has spent the last fifty years trying to understand the complexities and values of his new home. This book is a brilliant personal analysis of what it means to be an Israeli. He explains the complex issues clearly and with an even hand, is passionately in love with his country, builds the case for why the world and of course the Jews, need Israel and of course posits "what now?" Halevi is a gifted thinker and this is a profound and original book.

**Yossi Klein Halevi** is an American-born writer who has lived in Jerusalem since 1982. He is a senior fellow of the Shalom Hartman Institute in Jerusalem and the author of *At the Entrance to the Garden of Eden: A Jew's Search for God with Christians and Muslims in the Holy Land* and *Like Dreamers: The Story of the Israeli Paratroopers Who Reunited Jerusalem and Divided a Nation*, which won the Jewish Book Council's Everett Family Book of the Year Award for Best Jewish Book in 2013. Together with Imam Abdullah Antelpi of Duke University, he co-directs the Hartman Institute's Muslim Leadership Initiative. He and his wife, Sarah, have three children.

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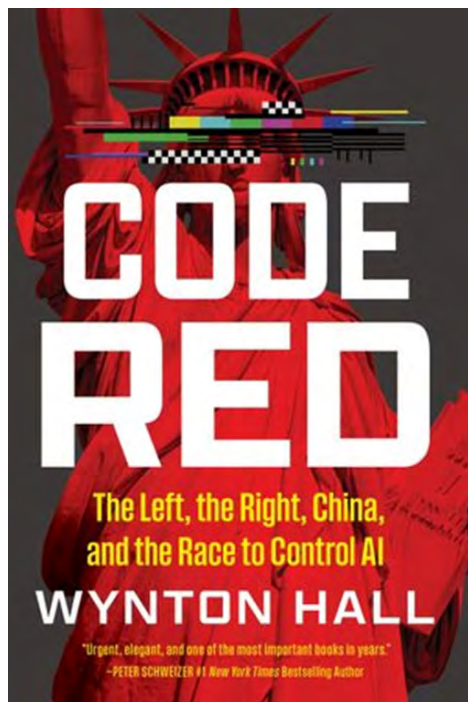
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# Code Red

*The Left, the Right, China, and the Race to Control AI*

By Wynton Hall

**You don't get to opt out of the AI revolution. That decision has already been made for you. Breitbart social media director Wynton Hall asks what other decisions have been made.**

Today, 99% of Americans use AI-even if most of us don't realize it. Big Tech is quietly hard-coding left-wing ideology into the algorithms that now govern daily life. The Left is already weaponizing AI while conservatives sleepwalk straight into calamity, unless they're ready for what's coming.

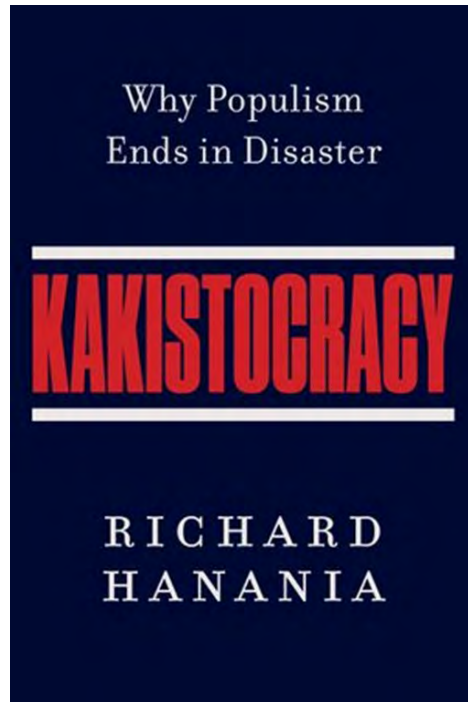
In Code Red, Breitbart social media director Wynton Hall exposes where that power hides, how it operates, how conservatives can navigate the AI political battlescape, avert its landmines, and turn peril into promise. AI decides what you see and what gets censored. It's quietly rewiring our whole way of life. Jobs. Schools. Family. Church. Even national security. All of it will shock-test our civic order.

Inside Code Red, you will discover:

- Why AI is wired for woke indoctrination-and how to resist it.
- How elites plan to weaponize AI job losses to push dependency.
- How America can beat China without becoming China.
- How to prepare your kids for the blinding speed of AI disruption.
- The new national security threats AI unleashes-and how we defend against them.
- Why "AI girlfriends" are luring millions-and what it will take to preserve authentic human connection.
- How AI will test faith and meaning-and why spiritual renewal may be its most surprising outcome.

Urgent, deeply researched, and written with page-turner elegance, Code Red is the conservative battle plan for the AI era. Either we wake up and fight back, or we lose everything that made America free.

**Wynton Hall** is an author and the managing editor and social media director of Breitbart News. He is also the owner of Wynton Hall & Co, a celebrity ghostwriting and communications agency, and a communication strategist for the conservative think tank the Government Accountability Institute.



# Kakistocracy

## *Why Populism Ends in Disaster*

By Richard Hanania

Recovering academic, repentant Trump voter, and widely discussed public intellectual Richard Hanania looks at what happens when the most unethical and least competent people are given power and control the levers of government.

Most elections are between conservatives and liberals, and most voters assume they are choosing between who will govern more effectively. But when it becomes populists versus institutionalists, there arises the danger of our political system elevating the least honest, reliable, and knowledgeable people.

Putting the Trump administration's ignorant flailing into a global and historical perspective, Kakistocracy shows democracies increasingly suffer from a tangle of inefficiency, interest-group domination, and incompetence. If unchecked, Richard Hanania argues, this will lead to systemic dysfunction in areas critical to public life, including housing, energy, health, disaster response, economics, and basic governance. He warns that this trajectory carries the potential for semi-authoritarianism, corruption, and societal stagnation.

Kakistocracy confronts the failures of the Trump-era GOP, revealing the ways scams, institutional erosion, and corruption are inevitable. It also shows why similar movements are on the rise around the world, and discusses the academic literature on how we know that populism usually ends in disaster. For those in either party willing to face hard truths and challenge the narratives we've grown too comfortable with, this is where the reckoning begins.

**Richard Hanania** writes a newsletter about American politics, ethics, international relations, and culture. He is the author of *Public Choice Theory* and *The Illusion of Grand Strategy* and *The Origins of Woke*. His work has appeared in the *New York Times*, the *Wall Street Journal*, the *Atlantic*, the *Economist*, and other publications. He lives in California.

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# If Women Ruled the World

## *On Art, Power, and Possibility*

By Christina Hawatmeh

What would the world be if women were in charge? In a revolutionary collection of art, poetry, and prose, eighty-eight artists envision an alternative present and future shaped by feminist leadership, curated by entrepreneur, CEO, and author Christina Hawatmeh.

If Women Ruled the World blends intersectional voices and subverts expectations, with each entry answering this searing question with a visual art work and accompanying story.

- If women ruled the world, would there be equity?
- Would there be peace, and could we experience true freedom from oppression?
- What is possible in a world evolved beyond gender-based discrimination and domination?

Organized around chapter themes like health, ethics, technology, politics, and identity, every story in the book celebrates the freedom of the human imagination and the power of artistic expression. Intentionally designed with more than eighty full-color artworks, this collection of global perspectives brilliantly highlights the struggles and triumphs of generations of women who dare to ask, "What if?"

As CEO of Scopio, **Christina Hawatmeh** oversees daily operations as well as strategic growth.

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# Back

## *Essays from the Other Side of an American Figure*

By Lauren Michele Jackson

**Acclaimed New Yorker contributor Lauren Michele Jackson delivers an essay collection devoted to the back—and the conflicting ideas we load onto it.**

BACK is a dazzling essay collection about backs. Burdened with competing truths about human identity, the back bolsters cultural ideas about beauty, gender, art, labor, and race. Lauren Michele Jackson, who “always subverts your expectations,” according to novelist Brit Bennett, explores the mythos of the back in these stylish essays, drawing upon eclectic examples from literature, film, sport, and visual art. In this book the back is a beginning, the broad door thrown open to keen eyes and eddying insights from a public intellectual on the rise.

Readers can expect a curious, expansive, and—when needed—digressive probing of cultural artifacts both old and new, familiar and obscure, all with something to say about how we think about the back at its most literal, the area of the body without which little can be done, and symbolic, used to convey abstract ideas about work, dependence, and political solidarity. These essays take a capricious view of their main subject, alighting upon such seemingly disparate topics as bodybuilding, *Gone With the Wind*, horse racing, ballet, portrait photography, and the law in prose that flits between conversational and erudite with relative ease.

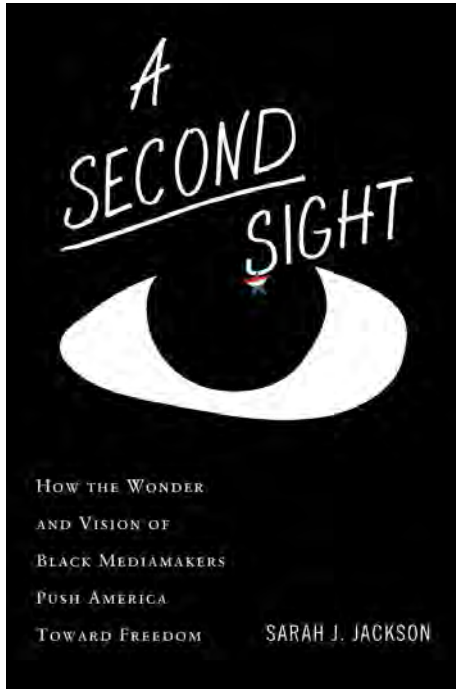
From the author: If I had to pin the blame on a single soul, it would have to be Frederick Douglass, whose pettier miseries in the hands of well-meaning abolitionists inspired the first essay I wrote before I knew what this writing might become.

**Lauren Michele Jackson** is an author, national fellow, cultural critic, and academic. She is the author of *White Negroes*, which was short-listed for the 2020 Museum of African American History Stone Book Award. She is an assistant professor in the English and African American Studies departments at Northwestern University, a contributing writer for *The New Yorker*, and a fellow at *New America*. Her essays, and criticisms focus on culture, race, aesthetics in contemporary literature and popular culture and have also been published in *New York*, *Harper's Bazaar*, and *4Columns*. She is an alumna of the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign and received her PhD in English from the University of Chicago. For her fellowship, she worked on *Back: An American Tale*, a collection of essays on American history's belabored cores. Jackson received the 2024 Nona Balakian Citation for Excellence in Reviewing from the National Book Critics Circle, for her work, including an essay on Percival Everett's book *James*. She lives in Chicago.

# A Second Sight

## *How the Wonder and Vision of Black Mediamakers Push America Toward Freedom*

By Sarah J. Jackson



Since the nation's founding, Black Americans have had a unique perspective on the U.S. experience—a "second sight"—that reveals the truth about the nation to itself. As renowned media scholar Sarah J. Jackson charts in this bold and daring masterwork, at the center of this effort has been an extraordinary cast of Black journalists, photographers, filmmakers, radio hosts, podcasters and other mediamakers who have drawn on the visionary tradition of second sight to advance democracy and broaden our most fundamental American values.

When Black mediamakers raise their voices and speak uncomfortable truths about America, they shape memories of the nation and push us toward a future more closely aligned with our espoused values. For two centuries, this "second sight" has been an overlooked engine of American democracy.

Drawing from W.E.B. Du Bois's philosophical work, deep historical analysis, and dozens of interviews with today's most active Black mediamakers, *A Second Sight* shows them positioned at the margins of their industries and navigating fraught relationships to power. They've warned of the greatest dangers to democracy—from slavery to Nazism, and mass incarceration to misinformation. Their work is central to our culture and politics. Yet it is devalued, met with violent censure, or achieved only via ingenious workarounds to deliberate obstructions. This tension has sharpened their commitments to truth.

Now, in *A Second Sight*, one of our nation's foremost scholars of American media, Sarah J. Jackson, presents an appraisal that situates Black mediamakers at the vanguard of telling the American story. Brilliant, urgent and illuminating, *A Second Sight* is an authentic and candid grappling with a discordant thread in the American fabric and, in the telling, presents a way forward.

**Sarah J. Jackson** is an Associate Professor at the Annenberg School for Communication and co-director of the Media Inequality and Change Center at the University of Pennsylvania. Her previous books, *Black Celebrity*, *Racial Politics*, and *the Press and #HashtagActivism*, examine the relationship between media, race and social change. In 2020, she was awarded an Andrew Carnegie Fellowship to support research on *A Second Sight*.

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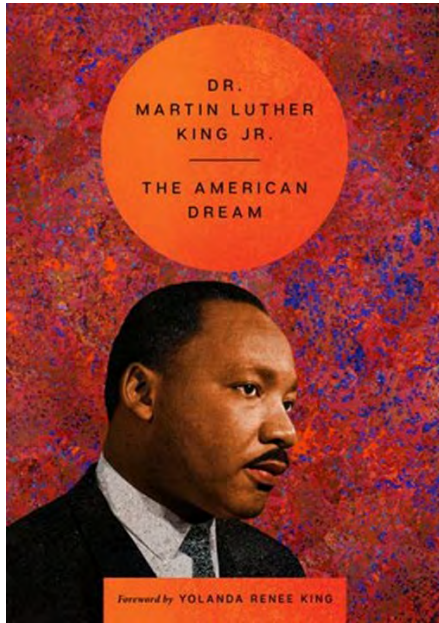
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# The Essential Speeches of Dr. MLK Jr. Series

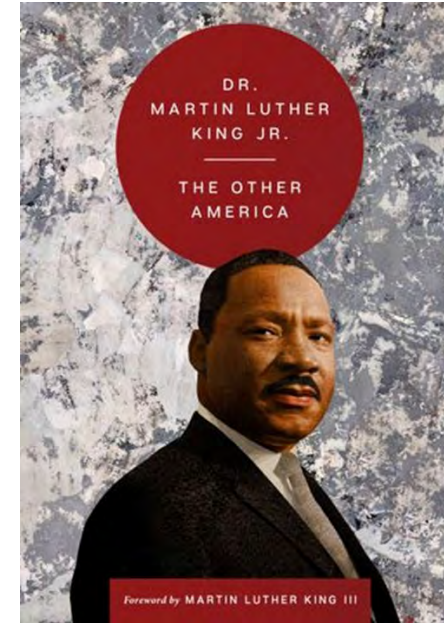


**The American Dream**  
By Martin Luther King, Jr.

At Lincoln University on June 6, 1961, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. proposed his vision of a nation where equality, justice, and brotherhood prevail. Speaking of America's founding ideals, Dr. King emphasized that the promise of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness must extend to all people, regardless of race, creed, or nationality and challenged the nation to confront its paradoxes of slavery and segregation and to fulfill the noble dream of true equality for all. This beautifully designed hardcover edition presents Dr. King's speech in its entirety, paying tribute to this extraordinary leader and his immeasurable contribution, and inspiring a new generation of activists dedicated to carrying on the fight for justice and equality.

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**The Other America**  
By Martin Luther King, Jr.

In 1967, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. stood before an audience at Stanford University and described two Americas: one of prosperity, opportunity, and dignity, and another plagued by poverty, systemic injustice, and despair. He highlighted the struggles of marginalized communities, emphasizing the urgent need to address racial and economic inequality, and called for unity, compassion, and a commitment to building a just and equitable society.

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# The Idiot Generation

## *A Critique of Adolescence*

By Agustín Laje

**From the Spanish-speaking world's most renowned conservative mind comes a rigorous and damning indictment of adolescent society.**

Our world revolves around adolescents. They influence our popular culture, inspire changes in our language, and impose their aesthetic preferences upon the rest of the public. Disconnected from history, defiant against all tradition, and devoid of any fear of God, today's generation is not hospitable to the elders or their "outdated" ways. Basic institutions, such as the family, are increasingly out of place in this world.

In *The Idiot Generation*, famed Argentine writer and political scientist Augustine Laje delivers a devastating broadside against adolescentism. This idiotic ideology dominates our culture's constant stream of content, and has broken the transition between childhood and adulthood. The result? Adolescence becomes a permanent state that too many people (including our politicians) never grow out of.

*The Idiot Generation* offers a deep dive into the rise of the adolescent mentality that has damaged nations across the West. It also shows how the Right can escape political idiocy and truly rebel against the established culture. If you're tired of adults acting like children, while our own children are blatantly indoctrinated, then you need to read *The Idiot Generation*.

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# The Elements of Civilization

## *A Philosophical Study for Longevity of Species*

By Ben Lamm

**By the cofounder and CEO of Colossal Biosciences, which recently gained global headlines for reviving the extinct dire wolf - the first of many planned "de-extinction" projects, including woolly mammoths(!) - a manifesto outlining his guiding philosophical and scientific principles."**

In a galaxy where stars are constantly dying and spewing elemental matter across space time, chaos seems pervasive. It is easy to feel helpless and insurmountably small in the face of an ever and rapidly expanding universe. But Ben Lamm powerfully and compellingly rejects this defeatist thinking. Instead, he urges us to view our very creation as an act of balance. He imagines us as stewards of our planet tasked with ensuring its eternal rotation. This balance is only jeopardized when we ignore the core elements of civilization — space, critical infrastructure, and defense.

Written in four short and accessible chapters, Lamm explores each of these elements and their ultimate intersection. From the Big Bang to the lost city of Atlantis to sea cucumbers and horned lizards, Lamm vividly explains the significance of space time and the human capability to progress and protect our planet.

As Lamm traces the origins of human innovation back several hundred years to Homo habilis, our predecessors who invented some of the first tools, to the legendary Atlanteans, a lost civilization that might hold the clue to the construction of the pyramids, it becomes clear that humanity is capable of incredible technological advancement. However, we must remember the precarious balance that we find ourselves in. For example, the natural creation of one drop of crude oil takes billions of years, and yet there remains a hesitancy and appropriate urgency to fully embrace renewable energy sources. If we ignore Earth's warning signs, we risk becoming a lost civilization — not overtaken by water like Atlantis but consumed by our own hubris.

Complete with clever and humorous illustrations, *The Elements of Civilization* is a unique and timely exploration of what humanity owes not only our planet but the universe.

**Ben Lamm** is a technology entrepreneur and the cofounder and current CEO of Colossal Biosciences. He co-founded and previously served as the CEO of Hypergiant Industries, Conversable, Team Chaos, Chaotic Moon, and Simply Interactive. He is passionate about startups, emerging tech, defense, science, space, loss of biodiversity and climate change.



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# The Uniparty

By Mike Lee

**Senator Mike Lee reveals the secret history of the “Uniparty,” the bureaucratic forever-appointees from both parties who run our government.**

The debates we have in our political system make it look like there are two distinct parties with absolutely distinct agendas. In truth, there’s a bipartisan group of Washington DC-insiders who have decided which issues they’re just never, ever going to fix.

Donald Trump is a direct threat to that secret consensus. While government elites were perfectly happy to shake hands on starting more wars, Trump questioned the system. He proposed solutions to status quo foreign policy debacles that no one else was willing to try, like moving the US embassy to Jerusalem. Who says we can’t do it? The Uniparty always gets its way unless we start noticing that they always control the status quo.

In *The Uniparty*, Senator Mike Lee reveals the many ways that the elites conspire against the American people, prioritizing their own class interests and bureaucratic connections to defraud, deceive, and oppress the people who voted for them. Packed with shocking revelations and stories from the backrooms of power, this will give you a whole new perspective on how Washington DC runs.

Elected in 2010 as Utah's 16th Senator, **Mike Lee** has spent his career defending the fundamental liberties of all Americans and advocating for America's founding constitutional principles. Senator Lee serves as the Ranking Republican on the Judiciary Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy, and Consumer Rights. Lee and his wife Sharon have three children, John, James, and Eliza.

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# The Great Progression

2025 to 2050

By Peter Leyden

A new Progressive Era is beginning, and it will change everything in your life.

The world has entered a highly unusual historic juncture. The old systems and institutions are not up to our current challenges and are failing — because they were designed and built for a world that is long gone. And it's not coming back. Can you imagine a world where every nation on the planet wants to emulate America's healthcare system? Just 20 years ago, a fully-scanned genome for an individual cost \$100,000. Today it costs about \$200, and it's dropping. We can now do healthcare very differently, and arguably much cheaper. If we crack that model, we will go from having a famously dysfunctional healthcare system to a famously desirable one. This and similar transformations are coming — in every industry. In *THE GREAT PROGRESSION*, Peter Leyden reveals the revolutionary technologies that are about to turn our world upside down. Leyden is the author of *The Long Boom*, which foretold how the new digital economy would scale over 25 years. Now, he is arguing that, as critical advances happen in energy, bioengineering, and AI, we will enter a long boom of economic growth over the next 25 years unlike any other in the past century. Long booms like this generate new industries with well-paid jobs, new wealth that can fund ambitious projects, and a general prosperity that can more fundamentally rewire society. An economy and society fully running on AI, bioengineering and clean energy technologies will be so different from the economies that have come before that we would have to categorize it as a different kind of civilization. *THE GREAT PROGRESSION* is your roadmap to that new civilization.

**Peter Leyden** is a tech expert and thought leader on artificial intelligence, transformative technologies and a more positive future through his keynote speaking, writing and advising. He also is the founder of Reinvent Futures, advising senior leaders in strategic foresight and the impacts of these new technologies. Leyden is the former Managing Editor of *WIRED* and he subsequently became the Founder and CEO of two media startups. He is the author of *The Long Boom*, which foretold how the new digital economy would scale over 25 years.

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# Unburdened

By Lindy Li

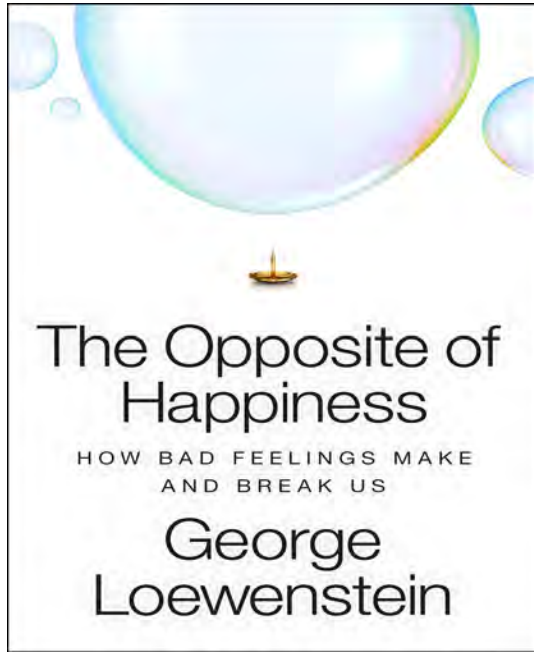
**A top Democratic fundraiser pulls back the curtain on the party's internal collapse, revealing a stunning account of corruption, chaos, and betrayal that every American needs to see.**

What happens when the party you dedicated your life to falls apart from the inside? Lindy Li, a once-devout Democrat and prodigious fundraiser, offers a breathtaking and deeply personal account of the Democratic Party's unraveling.

In *Unburdened*, Li takes readers into the closed-door meetings and exclusive events where she witnessed a catastrophic failure of leadership.

From ground games squandered and donor money incinerated to backroom deals that betrayed public trust, Li exposes a culture of deceit, ineptitude, and moral decay. She details how celebrities were manipulated, critical policies were ignored, and the press was fed a steady stream of lies. This is not a story about switching sides; it is the journey of a patriot who, after seeing the machine up close, believes the only way forward is to burn it all down and start anew. *Unburdened* is a raw, urgent warning about the true cost of political power.

**Lindy Li** is an American political strategist and commentator. A former Democratic fundraiser turned GOP strategist and fundraiser, she co-hosts the podcast *Her Take*, and she has appeared on MSNBC, CNN, BBC, *NewsNation*, *Newsmax*, and Fox News.



# The Opposite of Happiness

*How Bad Feelings Make and Break Us*

By George Loewenstein

From George Loewenstein, a founding father of behavioral economics whose influential research was popularized in *Nudge* and *Freakonomics Radio*, comes a pathbreaking new book that recasts the role negative emotions play in our lives and shows why the constant search for happiness clashes with human nature and leads to more suffering.

In an age of loneliness epidemics and “deaths of despair,” happiness has become a precious commodity. We cultivate it through an array of books, apps, and podcasts. More of us ask Google “how to be happy” than “how to be rich.” Yale’s public course on happiness—taken by more than 3.7 million people—is the most popular in the university’s history. But happiness is, at best, a transitory state. It never lasts. So why do we spend so much time and energy pursuing it? Behavioral economist George Loewenstein has spent his career studying people as they are—not as economic models predict they should be. After decades puzzling over the paradoxes of human nature, he began to wonder if the steady state of our species is actually unhappiness.

Now, in a major new book that serves as a showcase for his landmark research, Loewenstein argues that evolution designed us to experience negative emotions more often and more powerfully than positive ones. The upshot is that those of us who fail to find and sustain happiness are not unlucky or flawed but merely human—suffering the slings and arrows of an inherently negative nature. The very feelings that burden us are the same ones that helped our species adapt and survive. This knowledge comes not as a bitter pill, but as much-needed solace for everyone struggling through the myriad frustrations and heartbreaks of modern life. In this fascinating deconstruction of negative emotions and their behavioral consequences, Loewenstein explains how features of our mind, like memory, attention, and self-esteem, conspire to keep us down. He reveals the downside of supposedly uplifting feelings, such as hope (which prolongs our suffering in hopeless situations) and happiness (which works like an addictive drug). And he untangles misery’s intertwined forms, from boredom and loneliness to jealousy and regret. Drawing from the first of its kind, the Misery Survey, Loewenstein shares participants’ stories of their particular form of suffering, revealing how profoundly moving, enduring, and universal emotions such as anger, shame, and depression can be. A striking contrast to many self-help books, *THE OPPOSITE OF HAPPINESS* offers a sobering, deeply human, and ultimately comforting argument: That we are connected by these emotions and that the sooner we understand our negative natures, the better off we might be.

**George Loewenstein** is the Herbert A. Simon University Professor of Economics and Psychology at Carnegie Mellon University. He is a past president of the Society of Judgment and Decision Making and a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. He has served on multiple National Academy of Science and Institute of Medicine Panels and advised numerous governmental organizations, including the National Institutes of Health and the UK’s Behavioural Insights Team. Loewenstein received his PhD from Yale University and lives in Pittsburgh with his wife, Donna Harsch, a professor of history at Carnegie Mellon.

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# Himmler's Last Days

By Wendy Lower and Jonathan Petropoulos

**The riveting story of the fall of Heinrich Himmler—the man who sought to perfect genocide—in the convulsive final days of the Third Reich**

Heinrich Himmler, Hitler's Reichsführer, rose to all but supreme power as ultimate mastermind of the murderous deportations, the mass sterilizations, and the gas chambers.

In *HIMMLER'S LAST DAYS*, acclaimed historians Wendy Lower and Jonathan Petropoulos deliver a tightly focused, acutely revealing story of the physical and psychic unraveling of the man who sought to perfect genocide.

Himmler leaves the Führerbunker just days before Hitler's suicide and flees in disguise, now as the most hunted war criminal in history. The book tracks his movements, never before reconstructed, to a series of outposts and hiding spots in the north of Germany. Even as the camps are liberated—and the depth of Nazi genocidal evil is revealed through the testimony of living skeletons—Himmler schemes to work a deal with General Eisenhower for a self-serving partial surrender.

The authors draw on new archival documentation—including photographs and contemporary accounts—to tell the story of Himmler's capture by the British, his interrogation, and his suicide by hidden cyanide capsule. The book's definitive account of Himmler's final days puts to rest still-circulating conspiracy theories regarding his supposed murder at the hands of the Allies.

A stunning and reverberating story.

**Wendy Lower** is the author of the National Book Award and National Jewish Book Award finalist *Hitler's Furies*, translated into twenty-three languages, and of the National Jewish Book Award winner *The Ravine*.

**Jonathan Petropoulos** is a frequent expert witness in Nazi-stolen art restitution cases. His books include *Göring's Man in Paris*, shortlisted for the Elizabeth Longford Prize for historical biography, and the basis for the acclaimed 2025 PBS documentary *Plunderer*, on Nazi art theft.

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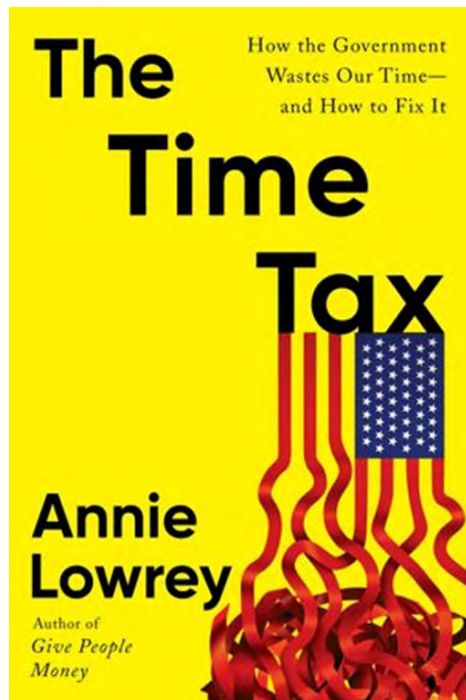
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# The Time Tax

*How the Government Wastes Our Time—and How to Fix It*

By Annie Lowrey

**A powerful investigation into how and why the government wastes our time with administrative burdens, how these burdens discriminate and drive inequality, and what we can do to protect our time-and make the government work for us**

Everyone knows that dealing with government bureaucracy can be a nightmare. Doing your taxes is bad enough, but for those applying for financial aid, housing assistance, unemployment, disability, or Medicaid, it's worse-and the stakes are infinitely higher. If time is money, the hoops we must jump through to access government services or comply with the law are just one more bill we as citizens are forced to pay.

Journalist Annie Lowrey has termed this the "time tax": the paperwork, aggravation, and mental effort imposed on citizens to access their rights and benefits. So how did the world's wealthiest country end up with such a convoluted, punitive, and inept system of public administration? Lowrey traces the pathbreaking history of administrative burdens in the United States from the Civil War to today, revealing how they were historically built as a tool of discrimination. She examines the effect of time taxes on civic life in the US, from how they amplify inequality and entrench poverty to how they reduce trust in the government.

Lowrey not only diagnoses the problem and gives this miserable experience of interacting with our government a name; she also shows that it doesn't have to be this way. Countries from Estonia to Vietnam have made it a priority to reduce administrative burdens for their citizens, and she argues there's no reason we can't do the same. *The Time Tax* will enrage you, enlighten you, and, most important, provide a point-by-point guide for reclaiming our precious time.

**Annie Lowrey** is a writer at *The Atlantic*. She is the author of *Give People Money*, which was short-listed for the FT and McKinsey Business Book of the Year Award. Prior to joining *The Atlantic*, she was a staff writer for the *New York Times* and *New York* magazine, as well as the Moneybox columnist for Slate. She lives in Brooklyn with her husband, Ezra Klein, and their two children.

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# The Glass Box

*The Shocking True Story of How CrossFit Broke the Rules, Made Millions, and Changed Fitness Forever*

By Calum Marsh

From an investigative journalist and regular contributor to the New York Times, an eye-opening and wildly entertaining book about the multimillion-dollar fitness phenomenon CrossFit—and about its mercurial founder, Greg Glassman.

How did an upstart workout regimen, begun out of one small gym in Santa Cruz in the '90s, become one of the most popular and polarizing fitness platforms in the world? And who, exactly, is the person responsible for its success?

The Glass Box is a page-turning, riveting, and upsetting look at CrossFit—one of the most popular fitness programs in the world—and at its polarizing and mercurial founder, Greg Glassman. Written by veteran journalist Calum Marsh, whose articles on CrossFit in the New York Times have gone viral, it is both a thorough history of a company's coming-of-age and an eagle-eyed examination of what happens when a health-related endeavor in these increasingly lawless times is led by someone who allegedly forgoes quality control in favor of expansion and market domination.

CrossFit is a phenomenon, and its studios and methods are now ubiquitous. But its extreme workouts can lead to serious health problems, including permanent muscle damage and, in some cases, death. What do we do when a cult of personality shifts into something much more dangerous? And how do we extricate well-meaning followers of this platform from its perilous and sometimes deadly practices? Calum Marsh explains all of this and more in this necessary and engrossing read.

**Calum Marsh** is a writer, reporter, and editor who specializes in art, culture, and sports. A regular contributor to The New York Times, his writing has also appeared in The New Yorker, The Guardian, The Atlantic, Playboy, Esquire, GQ, The New Republic, and New York Magazine, among others. He was a long-time critic with The Village Voice and served as the managing editor of Sharp, Canada's leading men's magazine. His long-form profiles and interviews have appeared in The Times (UK), Vulture, and elsewhere. His criticism has appeared in Pitchfork, The AV Club, GameSpot, IGN, Sight and Sound, and Film Comment.



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# The Toxic Triad

By Jillian Michaels

**From world-famous fitness expert Jillian Michaels comes a bold exposé uncovering how Big Ag, Big Food, and Big Pharma profit from making us sick.**

In *The Toxic Triad*, New York Times bestselling author and health advocate Jillian Michaels pulls back the curtain on the systemic corruption caused by the companies we need to stay alive. These industries have engineered a cycle of addiction, chronic illness, and environmental destruction—all for profit. From ultra-processed foods designed to hijack your brain to pharmaceuticals that treat symptoms instead of root causes, Jillian reveals how these corporate giants have rigged the system against us.

Why are nearly 70% of Americans battling chronic illness? Why are harmful chemicals and additives banned in other countries still allowed in the U.S. food supply?

What practical steps can you take to reclaim control over your diet, fitness, and healthcare in a system rigged against you?

This isn't just a book about problems—it's a call to action. Jillian arms readers with the knowledge and tools to break free from the toxic grip of these industries. With practical advice on nutrition, fitness, healthcare, and activism, *The Toxic Triad* empowers you to take back control of your health and demand systemic change.

If you're tired of feeling powerless (and aching and fatigued) in a rigged system, this book is your roadmap to revolution.

**Jillian Michaels** is a globally recognized health and wellness expert, Emmy-nominated television personality, and New York Times bestselling author of nine books. A passionate activist and sought-after speaker, Jillian is dedicated to helping people live their happiest, healthiest lives. She lives in Los Angeles with her family.

# The Great Liberal Death Wish

By R. Albert Mohler Jr.



**Theologian, seminary president, and podcaster R. Albert Mohler delivers a powerful and deeply researched critique of left-wing philosophy.**

Western civilization is declining into moral anarchy. Far from being an accident, this societal state is the intentional result of malignant philosophies foisted on the rest of us by extreme scholars. These ideas are anti-life at their core, attacking God, truth, and the American order. Why, then, does anyone embrace such ideas? In *The Great Liberal Death Wish*, Albert Mohler delivers a thorough survey of the anti-life philosophies at work in the modern left. Ranging from Soviet history to the modern day, the book will cover a vast swath of history and ideas, leading readers on a journey through time to better understand the cultural debates of the day. Both educating and alerting conservative Christians, Mohler combines the witty acumen of Douglas Murray with the spiritual wisdom of Shannon Bream.

**R. Albert Mohler** is the current president of the Southern Baptist Seminary, an author, podcaster, and widely respected theologian.

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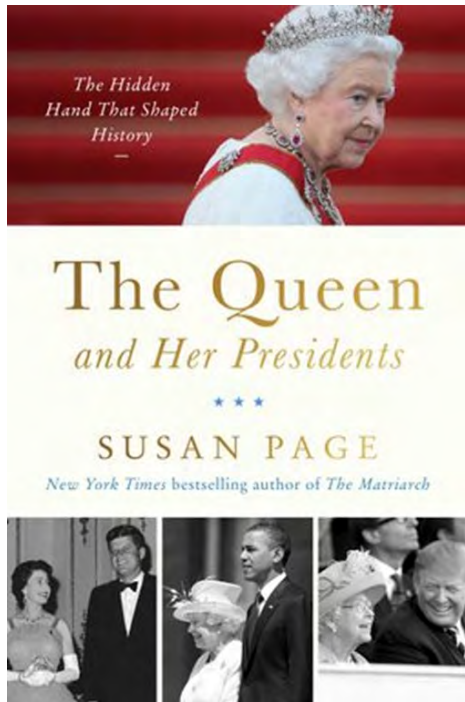
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# The Queen and Her Presidents

*The Hidden Hand That Shaped History*

By Susan Page

The Crown meets The West Wing in this illuminating history that chronicles the largely unknown story of Queen Elizabeth II's relationship with thirteen American presidents, from Harry S. Truman to Donald J. Trump. With that, she changed the world.

No American or foreign leader has met with as many sitting presidents as Queen Elizabeth II. Her Royal Majesty's seventy-year reign witnessed the highs and lows of the close and crucial alliance between the U.S. and the U.K., from the Suez crisis to Brexit.

Following the advice of her mentor, Winston Churchill, to "stay close to the Americans," Queen Elizabeth played an unexpected role behind the scenes that has never been thoroughly explored. In *THE QUEEN AND HER PRESIDENTS*, veteran political reporter Susan Page goes beyond the image of a staid monarch in colorful hats to reveal a skilled strategist, who, like many powerful women, was routinely underestimated and discounted.

Page also shows the impact American presidents had on the monarch as she developed from a shy, anxious princess to a powerful and persuasive global leader, and analyzes both the reach and the limits of the "soft power" she wielded. These accounts of the Queen's deft diplomacy provide candid and telling assessments of her partners in the Oval Office as well.

Page shares fascinating true stories and details, including:

Going beyond rumors and speculation, the reality of the relationship between Donald Trump and Queen Elizabeth - and Trump's own surprising comments about the monarch whose approval he coveted. The unexpected and genuine connection between the Queen and Barack Obama, and her surprising admission to him, and how each ranked the other as among the most impressive leaders of their lifetimes. Her influential friendship with Ronald Reagan during the Cold War, a bond built on their shared love of horses-and their conflict with Britain's then Prime Minister, Margaret Thatcher. Elizabeth's hand-in-glove cooperation with John F. Kennedy and the distance from his successor, Lyndon Johnson, the only president who declined to meet with her in office. Eye-opening and compelling, *THE QUEEN AND HER PRESIDENTS* is a remarkable chronicle of a legendary contemporary monarch and the American presidents who helped shape who helped shape her-and were shaped by her.

**Susan Page** is the award-winning Washington Bureau chief of USA Today, where she writes about politics and the White House. Susan has covered eight White House administrations and twelve presidential elections. She has interviewed the past ten presidents and reported from six continents and dozens of foreign countries. Her previous bestselling books are *The Matriarch: Barbara Bush and the Making of an American Dynasty*; *Madam Speaker: Nancy Pelosi and the Lessons of Power*; and *The Rulebreaker: The Life and Times of Barbara Walters*. She lives in Washington, DC, with her husband, Carl Leubsdorf.

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# Our Invisible Universe

By Corey S. Powell

We are fascinated with invisible experiences: love, a religious force, even the fictional cape of invisibility. Now in a riveting and captivating exploration, Corey S. Powell takes us beyond our senses, on an adventure to explore what current human ingenuity has allowed us to realize about the other world around us.

Powell introduces us to the intricacies of the James Webb Space Telescope, currently hovering spider-like a million miles from Earth and explores the massive DUNE neutrino detectors under construction in a mile-deep cavern beneath South Dakota. He talks to scientists who have perceived a new type of planet, in other solar systems, that reveal themselves only through the shadows they cast on other celestial bodies. He takes us to Louisiana where magnetic fields are measured around the globe and brings us to where scientists have calculated the mass of the universe and in two separate research centers found it to be zero—antimatter being as prevalent as matter—and watches them plotting the search for the other half of our universe that could be galaxies away or right next to us.

Invisible Universe is populated with entertaining and surprising characters, from punk-rock scientists to the heavy machinery construction workers who have become obsessed with neutrinos due to their work literally moving mountains. As Powell reports on the findings, he also digs deep into how these invisible universes change the people who found them. What is the scale of their wonder? How have they shifted in how they perceive meaning in the world?

Part Robert MacFarlane's *Underland* part Carlo Rovelli's *Helgoland: Making Sense of the Quantum Revolution*, *Our Invisible Universe* is for those who love the mind rollercoaster of intense revelation.

**Corey S. Powell's** writing has appeared in *Scientific American*, *Popular Science*, *Slate*, *Technology Review*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *NBC News*, *Discover*, *Smithsonian*, *Aeon*, *Nautilus*, *The San Francisco Chronicle*, *The Forward*, *World Art*, and other outlets. His reporting has taken him to the top of Mauna Kea in Hawaii, to the depths of the Homestake Mine in South Dakota, and into the Mojave Desert to witness the birth of robotic cars.

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# How the Regime Rules

By Christopher F. Rufo



**In *How the Regime Rules*, New York Times bestselling author Christopher Rufo delivers a bold, unflinching examination of how America's founding spirit was transformed-and, in his telling, betrayed-by the rise of modern bureaucratic power.**

Christopher Rufo rose to prominence exposing the influence of Critical Race Theory and the corruption of DEI in America's institutions. Now, in *How the Regime Rules*, he unveils the operations of "The Regime"-an unofficial network of elite institutions that shapes opinion, allocates power, and quietly pulls the nation away from its founding ideals.

For decades, politicians sold the expansion of Big Government, Big Business, and Big Academia as the natural evolution of democracy. Rufo dismantles this illusion, revealing how bureaucrats, corporate managers, and academic ideologues wield immense, unaccountable power-far removed from the citizens they claim to serve. The faith in technocratic expertise has hardened into an ideology of control, eroding the independence of the American spirit. If left unchecked, he warns, this trajectory will hollow out the republic itself.

Tracing the shift from FDR's New Deal to LBJ's Great Society, Rufo shows how the state extended its grasp from the economic to the cultural realm. The New Left's "long march through the institutions" became a stealth revolution, embedding new orthodoxies in media, universities, and government alike. It was not a coup of armies, but of meanings-control over the political "software" that governs how citizens think and speak.

Rufo's warning is clear: the emerging regime keeps the language of democracy while draining it of substance. True change, he argues, must be driven by the people

**Christopher F. Rufo** is a writer, filmmaker, and activist. He has directed four documentaries for PBS, including *America Lost*, which tells the story of three forgotten American cities. He is a senior fellow at the Manhattan Institute and a contributing editor of the public policy magazine *City Journal*. His reporting and activism have inspired a presidential order, a national grassroots movement, and legislation in twenty-two states. He holds a BSFS from Georgetown University and an ALM from Harvard University. He lives in the Pacific Northwest with his wife and three sons.

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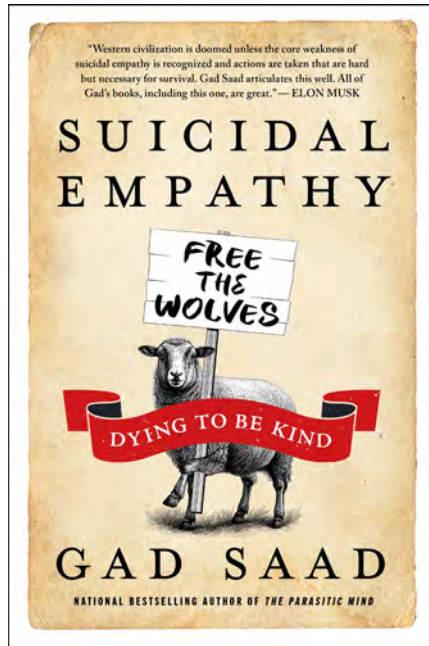
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# Suicidal Empathy

*Dying to Be Kind*

By Gad Saad

**What happens when a society elevates victimhood to a virtue and decides that punishment is cruel? You get the disease Dr. Gad Saad calls suicidal empathy. And the West may be terminally infected.**

In his new book, *Suicidal Empathy*, Saad unleashes a blistering critique of maladaptively irrational altruism that has gripped our culture. This mind parasite hijacked the empathy module of our progressive elite, leading to a catastrophic miscalibration of moral priorities. The results are everywhere: from coddling violent criminals to protecting rapists to branding self-defense as toxic behavior. We are witnessing a civilization in rapid decline. Lunatic policies are instituted because we prioritize the feelings of ostensibly marginalized groups over The Truth, criminals over victims, and squatters over homeowners. This is not humane; it's an active dismantling of the pillars that keep us safe and free.

This crisis of empathy creates a horrifying system of inverse morality where the strong and successful are demonized, and the destructive are celebrated. Just look at the insane inversions we tolerate daily: we prefer illegal migrants over our own legal citizens and veterans, permit drug addicts to threaten children's safety in parks, and elevate transgender 'women' above biological women in sports and safe spaces. Common sense is dying in a deluge of misguided compassion.

*Suicidal Empathy* is your wake-up call. Stop ignoring your survival instincts in the name of political correctness. This isn't just misguided policy; it is the ultimate expression of a culture actively choosing its own demise.

**Gad Saad, Ph.D.** is a professor of marketing at the John Molson School of Business at Concordia University in Montreal, Canada. He has authored numerous scientific papers and pioneered the use of evolutionary psychology in marketing and consumer behavior. In addition to his scientific work, he is a leading public intellectual who often writes and speaks about idea pathogens that are destroying logic, science, reason, and common sense. He is the host of The Saad Truth podcast, and his book, *The Parasitic Mind: How Infectious Ideas Are Killing Common Sense*, became an international bestseller.

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# As If We Were Staying

## *How We Build a Flourishing Future in a World That's Falling Apart*

By Spencer R. Scott

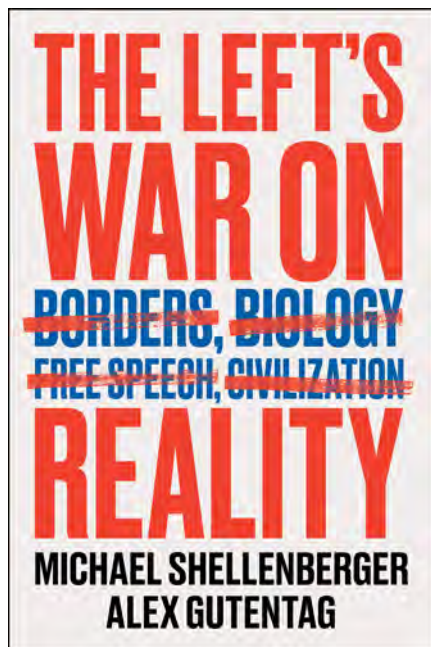
Inspired by his experience co-founding Solar Punk Farms and studying the resilience of living systems, environmentalist Spencer R. Scott helps us connect to a more hopeful way of life.

In an age of social fragmentation and ecological emergency, many of us feel a profound disconnect—from the land, from our communities, and even from our own values. How do we find the hope and determination to live on this planet as if we were staying? Inspired by the solarpunk movement's insistence that life must come before profit, biologist and environmentalist Spencer R. Scott weaves memoir and scientific inquiry to chronicle his journey from biotech research to the co-founding of Solar Punk Farms, a queer regenerative farm and educational center rooted in place. Drawing on his background in biology, Scott reframes capitalism as an environment many of us have unconsciously adapted to in order to survive—and documents what it means to step out of that protected interior and re-enter ecological reality. Re-adapting to reality, he finds, is both life-affirming and destabilizing. Community and collective action emerge not as ideals, but as the conditions that make survival—and joy—beyond capitalism possible. Bridging scientific understanding and lived experience with optimism and lyricism, *As If We Were Staying* is an invitation to meet our precarious reality together and begin building futures worth inhabiting.

**Spencer R. Scott, PhD**, is a biologist, environmentalist, and cofounder of Solar Punk Farms. He writes stories at the intersection of science, ecology, and wellbeing, and his work has been featured on NPR, and in *Sierra Club*, *Grist*, *Outside*, *The Bold Italic*, and other publications. He lives in California.

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# The Left's War on Reality

By Michael Shellenberger and Alex Gutentag

**Bestselling author Michael Shellenberger looks at how our therapeutic culture is causing real world harm in the name of healing psychological trauma.**

The Left's War on Reality exposes the grim reality that many of today's elite decisions—from promoting drug use to endorsing mass migration—stem not from benevolence but from a desire for status and power, wrapped in the guise of care. Michael Shellenberger, author of *Apocalypse Never*, teams up with researcher Alex Gutentag to reveal how these actions are not just misguided, but they also actively undermine the foundations of civilization, including child protection, merit-based systems, and law and order.

Evidence abounds: the fires in LA, which were exacerbated by policies rooted in ideological incompetence; the gender medicine scandal, where treatments have been more about affirming identities than healing; and the catastrophic approach to public health during the Covid-19 crisis, driven by a fear-based narrative rather than science. If these trends continue unchecked, we risk a society where personal freedoms, societal cohesion, and the very essence of Western culture are lost to nihilistic pursuits.

This anti-human nihilism is driving elites subvert civilization. The good news is that they also subvert and destroy themselves. The antidote is near the poison. The solution to anti-human, anti-civilization, and anti-American elites is to be pro-human, pro-civilization, and pro-American. From there, we can defend and restore the pillars of American and Western civilization.

The Left's War On Reality's urgent call to action challenges readers to reconsider the personality disorders behind the “saviors” at the helm of our institutions, urging a return to principles that value human dignity, truth, and the worth of civilization.

**Michael Shellenberger** is the nationally bestselling author of *Apocalypse Never* and *San Fransicko*, a Time Magazine “Hero of the Environment,” the winner of the 2008 Green Book Award from the Stevens Institute of Technology's Center for Science Writings, and an invited expert reviewer of the next Assessment Report for the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC). He has written on energy and the environment for the New York Times, the Washington Post, the Wall Street Journal, Nature Energy, and other publications for two decades. Michael has broken major stories, including on the Twitter Files, for which he won the 2023 Dao Award for Journalism. He is the founder and president of Environmental Progress, an independent, nonpartisan research organization based in Berkeley, California.

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# Let Us Do Good

By Frank Siller

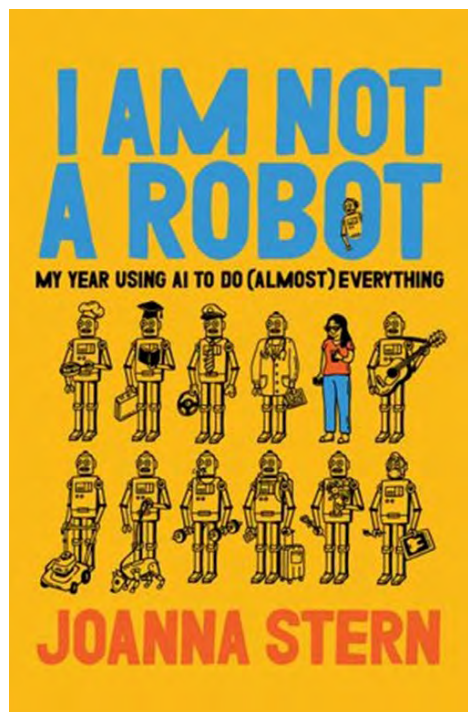
**For the 25th Anniversary of 9/11, the founder of the largest 9/11 nonprofit tells the inspiring story of his heroic brother, his family's mission, and the families they have helped with over \$2 billion in donations.**

On September 11, 2001, FDNY Firefighter Stephen Siller had just finished his shift when he heard the call. He turned his truck around and drove toward the Twin Towers. With every road closed and sixty pounds of borrowed gear on his back, he ran through the Brooklyn-Battery Tunnel into the World Trade Center to save as many people as he could. He never made it home. How does a family turn such a profound loss into a global movement of hope and action?

Let Us Do Good is the powerful story of the Siller family's promise to "do good" in Stephen's name. This inspirational memoir, penned by his brother and Tunnel to Towers Foundation CEO Frank Siller, recounts the birth of a foundation that has transformed tragedy into triumph. Readers follow along as the foundation finds ally after ally among regular citizens, celebrities with ties to first responders, and companies eager to do whatever they can. From providing mortgage-free homes to the families of fallen first responders and military members to building state-of-the-art smart homes for catastrophically injured veterans, the book details the incredible impact of the Tunnel to Towers Foundation.

It is a testament to the power of faith, family, and community, showing how the choice to honor sacrifice can create a legacy of light in the darkest of times. In Let Us Do Good, Frank Siller shows how much every dollar donated to the cause has meant to the heroes they have helped, celebrating the people who have made some good out of this tragedy.

**Frank Siller** is the Chairman and CEO of the Tunnel to Towers Foundation, an organization he co-founded to honor the memory of his brother, Stephen Siller, who was killed on September 11, 2001. Under Frank's leadership, the foundation has grown into one of America's leading charities, providing mortgage-free homes to Gold Star and fallen first responder families with young children and building custom smart homes for catastrophically injured veterans and first responders. He is a passionate advocate for military members, first responders, and their families, dedicating his life to ensuring their sacrifices are never forgotten.



# I Am Not a Robot

## My Year Using AI to Do (Almost) Everything

By Joanna Stern

What happens when artificial intelligence moves into your home, drives your car, and starts making your decisions? Wall Street Journal senior tech columnist Joanna Stern surrendered her life to artificial intelligence for one year. The results are both hilarious and alarming.

We've all heard that AI is going to change our lives, but what does that really mean for ordinary people-not the tech bros who tried to sell us a cruise to the metaverse or an NFT of a cartoon monkey? What are the salient sights, habits, and sounds that will permeate our lives? What are things that we can barely perceive right now, but will soon become second nature to us? In this informative and engaging book Joanna Stern of the Wall Street Journal takes you on a time machine trip to the very near future, where AI promises to be your doctor, chauffeur, teacher, masseuse, and even . . . romantic partner. She introduces us to the many very real humans who are inventing the future. Unlike other AI books, Stern's book is full of fun, humor, and creativity as Joanna tests new technology and explores how people are living (and playing) with it already.

It was hard to imagine buying things with a single tap when the Internet became part of your consciousness in 1994. You didn't think you'd be video calling a doctor, who'd just confirm what you'd already found using something called Google. And did you ever think that you'd snap a photo on your pocket-sized supercomputer for people to "heart?"

Technology profoundly changes everyday life, and this book is a very human journey into a brave new world-a world that's exciting, and, yes, a little scary. Like Mary Roach, Joanna cuts to the funny and oddly marvelous when examining these serious ideas and uses infographics, photos, and illustrations to make esoteric material engaging and instructive. It's like taking a weird, unforgettable vacation with a really good friend.

**Joanna Stern** is an Emmy Award-winning journalist and the Wall Street Journal's senior personal tech columnist. She writes the Journal's popular Tech Things newsletter, hosts its video series and covers how tech shapes everyday life. Her 2021 documentary E-Ternal won an Emmy for Outstanding Science, Technology or Environmental Coverage. She's also a two-time Gerald Loeb Award winner and Pulitzer finalist. A regular contributor to NBC News and CNBC, she often appears on national television, radio, and podcasts like The Vergecast. Before the Journal, she was a technology editor at ABC News and The Verge. She lives in New Jersey with her wife, sons, dog, and more gadgets than a Best Buy.

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# Stealing George Washington

By Daniel Stone



**Stealing George Washington** tells fascinating, barely known story of the theft of George Washington's diaries and other irreplaceable documents of the founding fathers from the Library of Congress in the late 1800s, taking us hurtling across the country on an interstate chase by the Secret Service and into the crowded courtrooms of the trial that became a national sensation, while changing how the nation's library works.

It is 1896, and our Capitol Library is bursting at the seams, overwhelmed with books and documents. Ainsworth Spofford, the reigning Librarian of Congress, is tirelessly advocating for a bigger, better building to store the nation's ever-growing archives. Busy with legislative meetings and distracted by the library's disarray, Spofford is oblivious to a crime unfolding right under his nose. Two young clerks, Lewis Turner and Philip McElhone, are in the midst of a months-long heist, stockpiling and selling stolen pieces of American history. Then they land on the most treasured item of all: George Washington's diary, during one of the most important chapters in the life of the country: the drafting of the American Constitution.

These precious national treasures, some of which have never been recovered, were scattered among collectors and private sellers. The Secret Service is enlisted to track down the missing and irreplaceable documents, finally leading them to the two thieves, and a trial that grips the nation.

**Daniel Stone** is a national bestselling author on adventure, history, and science. He is a former senior editor for National Geographic and a former White House correspondent for Newsweek. His first book, *The Food Explorer*, was a national bestseller. He is also the author of *Sinkable* about shipwrecks and the deep sea, and *American Poison* about a woman who waged a David-and-Goliath fight against the auto industry in the 1920s. He teaches environmental science, history, and storytelling at Johns Hopkins University. He is an award-winning historian and a Distinguished Fellow at the Smithsonian's National Museum of American History.

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# AI, Animals, and Us

## *What Artificial Intelligence Holds for All Species*

By Max Taylor

**A practical guide that breaks through the noise of artificial intelligence and ensures the betterment of our pets and animals instead of contributing to their suffering.**

AI is reshaping industries at an unprecedented pace and public interest in AI is surging but little attention has been given to its impact on non-human lives. In *AI for Animals*, author and animal welfare activist Max Taylor gives a fresh perspective on AI's consequences for animals by bridging the gap between AI ethics, animal advocacy, and emerging technologies.

**You'll learn how today's AI technology can:**

- Make you a better pet owner
- Transform the food system and the good and bad of animal farming
- Improve crop farming and the advancement of alternative proteins
- Transform our relationships with animals

*AI, Animals, and Us* is for anyone who wants to leave the world a better place than they found it. Max provides actionable insights for animal advocates, pet owners, farmers, tech leaders, and policymakers. If you've ever hoped to understand your cat or dog, or wanted to translate their utterances so you could better care for them . . . this book is for you.

Max is a Senior Researcher at Animal Charity Evaluators (ACE), where he helps identify particularly promising organizations and projects for animal advocacy donors. Prior to ACE, he spent six years in the U.K. Civil Service, most recently leading on the government's animal welfare labelling policy. Alongside his work at ACE, he works on various projects seeking to ensure AI benefits all species, including writing the monthly *Sentient Futures* newsletter. He also serves on the executive committee of the U.K. Labour Party's Animal Welfare Society.

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# Level Up

***The New Playbook for Young Professionals***  
By Pino G. Audia, John A. Byrne and Marshall Goldsmith

**In the vein of *What Got You Here Won't Get You There*, a practical guide to overcoming the ideals and subconscious behaviors holding young professionals back from progressing in their careers**

Many ambitious individuals today find themselves disengaged and disillusioned. Where they're used to seeing progress and recognition, they instead feel ineffective, overlooked, and stuck. They're left wondering if the problem is them, their boss, or the whole system. Pino G. Audia, John A. Byrne, and Marshall Goldsmith have seen this pattern *again and again*—among MBA students, managers, consultants, and analysts; in corporations and startups; across industries and continents. The problem is not bumbling managers or broken pipelines, but due to the “idealism paradox,” where even the smartest, most hard-working people often get stuck because the same qualities that made them so promising—hard work, honesty, and fairness—can also blind them to the realities of power, perception, and persuasion inside organizations. The solution is not to abandon these ideals but to learn how to pursue them effectively. LEVEL UP will teach young professionals how to recognize when their expectations and assumptions can undermine their progress—and show them how to adapt their behavior without losing their integrity or sense of purpose. It will unpack misconceptions like: Why hard work isn't enough; Why you can't expect your manager to look out for your best interests; Why people pleasing derails progress; and more.

With concrete tools and time-tested advice, LEVEL UP helps young professionals get unstuck and get back on the path to success, all while remaining true to their authentic selves.

**Pino G. Audia** is a professor of management and organizations at the Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth, chair of the Tuck Organizational Behavior group, Faculty Director of the Advanced Management Program, and founding Faculty Director of the Center for Leadership. He was previously on the faculty of the Haas School of Business at the University of California, Berkeley, and London Business School. His research has been featured in *Forbes*, *Business Week*, *The Washington Post*, *Financial Times*, *Boston Globe*, Bloomberg Radio, NPR, Fast Company, CNN, and *Harvard Business Review*.

**John A. Byrne** is a veteran journalist, editor, author and entrepreneur. The former executive editor of *Businessweek* magazine and former editor-in-chief of *Fast Company* magazine, he has authored more than a dozen business books. His collaborations with Jack Welch of General Electric and John Sculley of Apple Computer were immediate *New York Times* bestsellers. As the founder and editor-in-chief of Poets&Quants.com, he is the world's foremost authority on business education.

**Marshall Goldsmith** is the author of four *New York Times* bestsellers, *What Got You Here Won't Get You There*, *Triggers*, *MOJO* and *The Earned Life*. *What Got You Here Won't Get You There* has been recognized as one of the most-influential business books ever written. He has been ranked the #1 Executive Coach in the World for years. His coaching clients have included over 200 major CEO and their management teams. Marshall has a Ph.D. from the UCLA Anderson School of Management.



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# Your Desired Future

*The Five Essential Steps That Take You Where You Want to Go*

By Henry Cloud

The *New York Times* bestselling author of *Boundaries* outlines a step-by-step action plan to rid yourself of the limiting patterns and thinking that are holding you back from reaching your highest potential as a leader or a person.

In this big think book, Dr. Henry Cloud focuses on how you can move from your current state (here) to a desired future state (there) using intentional actions, practices, and structured strategies that every successful endeavor must contain.

Introducing five components that are essential to results, to leadership, whether you are leading a business, rebuilding a relationship, developing a space program, or are making permanent changes to your lifestyle. *Your Desired Future* introduces a profound, yet straightforward framework inspired by how the human body functions, combining psychology, physiology and neuroscience, showing why these sometimes fail and how to do them in the way that achieves the desired result:

**Vision:** Establishing a clear, compelling, and desired future state that serves as a guiding force.

**Talent & Resources:** Identifying and engaging the right people and tools necessary to achieve the vision.

**Strategy & Plan:** Developing a structured approach to achieving goals, including specific steps and strategies.

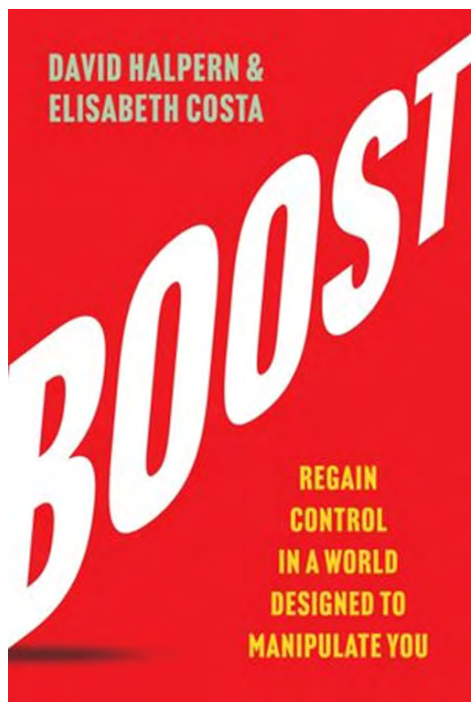
**Measurement & Accountability:** Tracking progress against objectives and holding oneself and others to account.

**Adaptation & Problem-Solving:** Quickly recognizing issues and implementing solutions to stay aligned with goals.

Personable, proactive, and full of Dr. Cloud's characteristic heart, *YOUR DESIRED FUTURE* is a guidebook for a new generation seeking a steady hand on the long road of life.

**Dr. Henry Cloud** is an acclaimed leadership expert, psychologist, and *New York Times* bestselling author whose books have sold over twenty million copies. He graduated from Southern Methodist University with a BS in psychology and completed his PhD in clinical psychology at Biola University.

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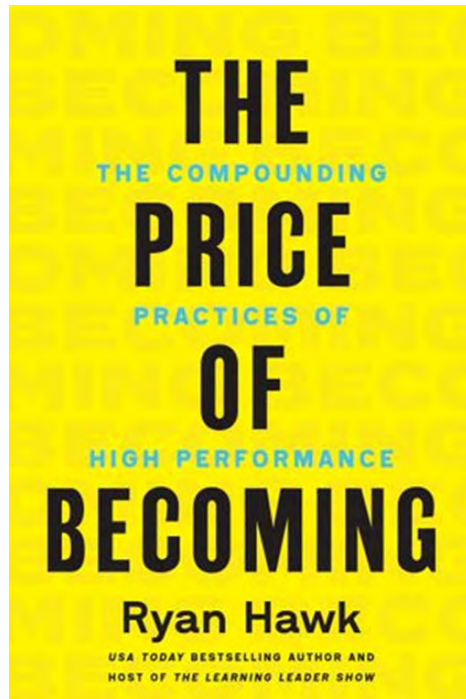
By David Halpern Elisabeth Costa

**The world's leading researchers on human behavior and decision-making join forces to equip readers with the knowledge, tools, and techniques to make better choices for ourselves—and the world around us**

When *Nudge*—written by two of David Halpern and Elisabeth Costa's colleagues within the Behavioral Insights Team—published in 2008, it became a bestseller and a work of enormous influence. Nudges have gone on to help millions around the world to save money, get back to work, eat healthily, and more. Nudges help us make better decisions; boosts help us become better decision-makers. Boosts enhance our capacity to reflect, decide, or achieve something that matters. An app that prompts a moment of reflection before we open a social media feed to doomscroll for hours is a boost. So is teaching kids to stop and think—rather than fight—in moments of disagreement. Boosts are designed to make us better decision makers both in the moment and in other parts of our lives. Leading boost researchers David Halpern and Elisabeth Costa have run more than 1,000 experiments and interventions—across more than 70 countries—that show how behavioral science can boost our capacity to make better decisions, boost our economies, improve our relationships, and harness tech to do good rather than harm. Boost serves up its rigorous science with a compelling range of stories, including: How boosts can help us be better bullshit detectors How a boost led to a reduction in urban violence How asking about pizza and sports boosted a billion-dollar tutoring program's success How a daring experiment at the world's biggest social media company boosted its users to shape the platform's future Boost serves to put humans back in the driver's seat, regaining agency so they can shape—rather than be manipulated by—the forces around them. From equipping the reader with knowledge, tools and techniques to boost their own decision-making, to showing how we can shape the world around us to make it easier for everyone to choose well, Boost ultimately asks readers to make the biggest choice of all: to decide what kind of humans we want to be.

**David Halpern** is the President Emeritus and Founding Director of the Behavioural Insights Team, widely known as the original 10 Downing Street “Nudge Unit.” He is now the Director of the Downing Battcock Institute at Cambridge. Previously, David was the Founding Director of the Institute for Government and between 2001 and 2007 was the Chief Analyst at the UK Prime Minister's Strategy Unit. He has served four UK Prime Ministers and served for a decade as the UK's first National What Works Adviser. Before entering government, David was a Prize Research Fellow at Nuffield College Oxford and tenured at Cambridge University. He has held Visiting Professorships at Harvard, Kings College London, Imperial, and the National University of Singapore. He has written several books and papers on behavioral insights and well-being, including *Social Capital*, *The Hidden Wealth of Nations*, and *Inside the Nudge Unit*.

**Elisabeth Costa** is the Global Chief of Innovation and Partnerships at the Behavioural Insights Team. Joining the team in 2015, Elisabeth has developed and led the team's flagship programs on behavioral science and economic policy and spent many years as Managing Director of the Behavioural Insights Team in the UK. She has written extensively on consumer regulation, dark patterns, digital decision making and online harms and changing the behavior of businesses. Elisabeth is a Senior Visiting Fellow at the London School of Economics where she teaches applied behavioral science. Prior to joining the Behavioural Insights Team, Elisabeth held senior roles at the Australian Treasury and completed her postgraduate studies at Harvard Law School.



# The Price of Becoming

## *The Compounding Practices of High Performance*

By Ryan Hawk

The acclaimed host of The Learning Leader Show delivers the bracing message that growth comes at a cost and equips readers with a rigorous, practical roadmap for paying that price and achieving lasting excellence in work and life.

Ambitious people know what they want to do and where they want to go, but they aren't sure how to get there. Abstract advice feels good but ultimately changes nothing. Only concrete action can change habits, which in turn changes lives.

THE PRICE OF BECOMING is a guide for overcoming complacency, mastering communication, and making better decisions under pressure. Ryan Hawk draws from over 700 interviews with some of the world's leading experts, leaders, thinkers, and doers, including Jim Collins, Simon Sinek, Adam Grant, James Clear, Jocko Willink, Susan Cain, Seth Godin, and General Stanley McChrystal, to answer one powerful question: "What can I do today to build a better me?" Ryan distills their numerous insights, data, and direct personal experiences into a practical, actionable framework he divides into three sections: Learn—Fuel Your Intake Engine; Work—Take Action; Lead—Teach Others. Personal growth is about pushing your edges. Going beyond your current zone of comfort and competency. THE PRICE OF BECOMING is an empowering and informative handbook designed to help you sustain excellence and build the life and career you envision through intentional, continuous learning, and growth.

**Ryan Hawk** is the host of The Learning Leader Show, which was recently ranked the #1 Business Podcast in the world by Apple Podcasts. He also conducts group Leadership Circles, one-on-one advising, and teaching through his online school, the Learning Leader Academy. He has delivered hundreds of keynote speeches on leadership and performance excellence worldwide. He spent over a decade in corporate America, working from an entry-level sales rep at LexisNexis to a VP of sales at Elsevier.

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# Workable

## *Break Free From Survival Mode And Unlock Career Satisfaction*

By Leigh Elena Henderson

**From Fortune 100 HR executive turned viral workplace expert, a fresh, no-BS guide for professionals ready to escape toxic workplaces and reclaim meaningful, purpose-driven careers.**

In organizations everywhere, professionals are stuck in survival mode—enduring burnout, toxic workplaces, and career paths that feels more like a trap than a choice. This is something Leigh Elena Henderson knows all too well. Whether it's through personal experience, her coaching clients, employees for whom she led HR at Fortune 100 companies, or through personal messages from her millions of followers, Leigh has seen and heard her fair share of toxic work experiences. She also knows it doesn't have to be this way, and with *Workable*, Leigh shows readers how they can escape their toxic workplaces and build the careers they deserve. Using a proven three-phase framework, Leigh will walk readers through the process using simple, actionable advice. Vision helps readers reconnect with their unique strengths, shed the distorted self-perception and self-doubt toxic workplaces can create, and tap into their inner clarity to determine what they want. Transition offers a step-by-step guide to leaving your job intentionally and strategically and how to start strong in your new role. Transformation focuses on the emotional steps necessary to heal from your experiences with toxic work and to equip yourself with tools to face future challenges head-on, to break the cycle once and for all. In *Workable*, Leigh is your compassionate coach, offering practical advice, real-world scripts, and candid stories, empowering you to move past unhealthy work environments and the toxic bosses that create them and redefine success on your own terms.

**Leigh Elena Henderson** is the founder and CEO of HRManifesto, LLC, a platform dedicated to helping professionals navigate and escape toxic workplaces. Leigh Elena Henderson is a career strategist, keynote speaker, and successful social media influencer with nearly twenty years in corporate HR leadership. She has supported multiple Fortune 100 companies and experienced firsthand the dysfunction that plagues today's workplaces. After launching HRManifesto on TikTok in 2021, Leigh Elena quickly built a community of over 1.5 million followers, offering candid, humorous, and practical career advice.

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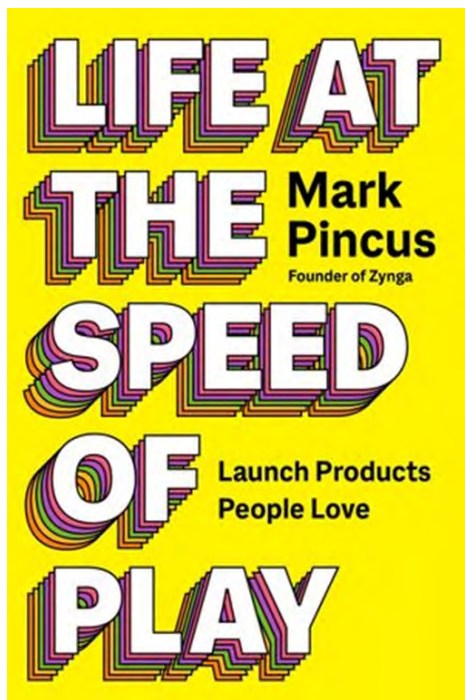
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# Life at the Speed of Play

*Launch Products People Love*

By Mark Pincus

An unconventional, hands-on guide to turning ideas into products that matter-and that people love-from the legendary Silicon Valley pioneer, founder of Zynga, and creator of Stanford Graduate School of Business's product management course.

Mark Pincus has been at the forefront of each iteration of the internet. He built the original app company ahead of the mobile app economy and sold virtual goods to the masses long before in-app purchase generated \$85 billion on smartphones. As the founder of Zynga, he brought us FarmVille, CityVille, and Words with Friends, launching eight hit games and reaching more than a billion users in four years.

Pincus has turned hit-making into a repeatable system, birthing one of his favorite guiding principles that "all new fails". Life at the Speed of Play is his framework for moving faster and massively increasing your odds of success. His insights and advice are essential in the new world of AI, where speed of testing and learning defines winners.

Bursting with wit, wisdom, and a core belief in tech's endless capacity, each chapter of Life at the Speed of Play contains actionable takeaways based on Pincus's unorthodox "Mark-isms" including "hire people with broken resumes," "protect investors from themselves," and, paradoxically, to "f\*\*\* scale" in favor of quality over quantity.

What They Don't Teach You at Harvard Business School for the twenty-first century, here is the essential "bible" for entrepreneurs, product managers, innovators, and anyone who has an idea-digital or analog-that they dream of turning into a reality.

**Mark Pincus** is one of the tech industry's most prominent entrepreneurs, known for repeatedly spotting and shaping the internet's biggest hits. He is best known as the founder of Zynga, the pioneer of social mobile games. He graduated summa cum laude with a Bachelor of Science in economics from The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania and earned his MBA from Harvard Business School. A deeply committed father to five kids, including a special needs son, he lives in San Francisco. When not building products and companies, he can be found in the ocean, surfing.

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# Lotus Leadership

## *A Modern Playbook of Ancient Wisdom*

By Kamini Ramani

**Former Silicon Valley executive Kamini Ramani's offers a playbook of five principles, culled from a largely unrecognized cadre of successful women of Indian heritage.**

There is something about the practice of yoga we can't get enough of: The stories and chanting, the ancient wisdom and the poses, the duality of strength and surrender, the breath and balance it gives us.

What if we had an equivalent we could apply in other realms of our lives? In the spirit of yoga, LOTUS LEADERSHIP distills wisdom from Indian heritage into a set of principles—or petals—we can incorporate in our lives, regardless of our backgrounds.

In this book, Ramani shares for the first time the stories of thirty top female Indian leaders in the fastest growing sectors of the American economy. What has made these women so successful? It turns out, they've been drawing on values that are essential to their Indian heritage and that have been deeply ingrained in them throughout their lives. From embracing a duality of "feminine" and "masculine" traits that help them lead for connection and results, to flexing between a focus on work and life so that what's most important can get their full attention, to combining the petals in a way that is true to themselves, these women offer a unique approach, rooted in balance, that we can all learn from.

LOTUS LEADERSHIP is an accessible, inspiring guide we can all use to create the life and career we want and deserve.

**Kamini Ramani** is a native of Bombay, India who attended Yale and Stanford Universities, followed by a four-decade career as a technology marketing leader. She has advised legends like Steve Jobs, and as Chief Marketing Officer established Mayfield, a top tier venture capital firm, as a first stop for founders. As a founding member of the South Asian women's network Neythri, she has worked closely with Silicon Valley leaders. Her passions include forest bathing, storytelling, and swapping book recommendations with her two adult daughters. She and her husband Omar Khan are thirty-five-year residents of San Francisco.

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# Good with Humans

## Master the 5 Drivers of Motivation, Transform Your Impact

By David Rock

From researcher, consultant, and bestselling author of *Your Brain at Work*, Dr. David Rock, a powerful, neuroscience-backed guide to the five domains of social motivation that underpin human behavior.

In *Your Brain at Work*, David Rock introduced us to Emily and Paul, two parents and professionals navigating the complexities of life. Through their stories, Rock examined the science of how our brains function during our hyper-busy workdays, thus teaching us how to better survive and thrive. In *Good with Humans*, Rock returns to Emily and Paul and turns his attention to his groundbreaking SCARF framework to give us a better understanding of our brains in social situations. The SCARF model explores the five primary domains of interpersonal experience that affect the way we think and act at every moment:

Status  
Certainty  
Autonomy  
Relatedness  
Fairness

While all five domains are relevant to everyone, each might be more or less important to each individual—one may prioritize status, another may focus on relatedness, for example. And our priorities, often unconscious to us, influence how we respond to situations and engage with others. In *Good with Humans*, Rock breaks down this framework, giving us insight into our own priorities and giving us the tools to intuit others'. These are skills that can transform the way we operate in all realms of our lives: at work, at home, and beyond. With the rise in AI, interpersonal skills are more important than ever. *Good with Humans* is the guide we need today to teach us the skills we will need tomorrow.

**Dr. David Rock** coined the term 'Neuroleadership' and is the Director of the NeuroLeadership Institute, a cognitive science think tank and consultancy that has built a new science for leadership, learning and change. The Institute has helped nearly twenty million people in the last decade be more effective by understanding the brain, and advised more than 2/3 of the Fortune 100. He is the author of *Coaching with the Brain in Mind*, *Quiet Leadership*, and *Your Brain at Work*, and dozens of papers on the neuroscience of leadership.

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# Captain of Industry

## *Jamie Dimon and the Mastering of Power*

By Alexander Saeedy

From *Wall Street Journal* reporter Alexander Saeedy, the story of the era-defining ascent of Jamie Dimon and the portfolio of power he has developed in building the biggest bank in American history, examining how he has steered significant aspects of the global economy while influencing and navigating domestic politics, international affairs, and national security.

**Alexander Saeedy** is a reporter for the *Wall Street Journal* covering banking and finance. A graduate of Yale, he has written for Reuters, Foreign Affairs, the Atlantic, and the Nation.

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# Vows to Ourselves

By Dr. Bobbi Thomason

**Bridging raw memoir and rigorous research, an exploration of the barriers that lead women to prioritize others, and a transformative roadmap to reclaim your agency and honor the most important vow you'll ever take: the one to yourself.**

There are many vows one takes in a lifetime. Some big, some small. Some vows are brief and time bound. Others are intended to last a lifetime. For women, it's all too common to find ourselves making and fulfilling vows to everyone but us.

Dr. Bobbi Thomason has spent years researching how women find success in both work and life; she's examined every pothole that keeps them from reaching their potential, the ways conflict between career and family leave women at the end of their rope, with little time to invest in themselves. So she was surprised when she found herself living the very data she studied, putting her career on the back burner in service to her marriage. With a divorce and custody battle ahead, Bobbi knew she needed more than the existing research and outdated popular advice to make it through.

In *VOWS TO OURSELVES*, Bobbi will take readers on her journey as she examines how women's power is taken from them by never-ending obligations to others and how they can reclaim their agency to carve their own paths, follow their unique ambitions, and honor their complicated and multi-faceted selves. *Vows to Ourselves* will offer: Research on the barriers to agency to affirm that if you are feeling stuck, you aren't crazy or lazy, you aren't imagining things, and you aren't alone.

Research- and evidence-based strategies and solutions on how to navigate the stickiest parts of your own career and life paths, including knowing your north star or identifying places that bolster your independence and relationships that nurture your ambitions.

Big-picture thinking to show how claiming your power creates a ripple effect to those around you and those who come after you.

*VOWS TO OURSELVES* will make you feel seen and supported; it will invite you to experiment, to put yourself first, and to sculpt the life and career you deserve.

**Dr. Bobbi Thomason** is an associate professor at Pepperdine Graziadio Business School. Before that, Bobbi was on the faculty at the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania. She also worked as a researcher at Harvard. She was the International Researcher for Sheryl Sandberg's books, *Lean In* and *Option B*. Her work has appeared in *The Wall Street Journal*, *The Washington Post*, *TIME Magazine*, *Harvard Business Review*, *KOED Radio*, and *NPR* among others. Thomason often speaks at organizations like *Workday*, *American Express*, *Deutsche Bank*, and *Credit Suisse*.



# Your Individual Empire

By Gary Vaynerchuk

Gary Vaynerchuk, the iconic entrepreneur and *New York Times* bestselling author who pioneered social media marketing, personal branding, and influencer campaigns delivers a new playbook for crushing it in the era of AI, blockchain, and ever-evolving social platforms, showing entrepreneurs how to build their own individual empires.

In 2009, we published Gary's first book, *Crush It*, which became an instant bestseller and a source of inspiration and advice for a new generation of Internet entrepreneurs. Now, with the publication of YOUR INDIVIDUAL EMPIRE, the world looks remarkably different and what it takes to become a successful entrepreneur is both more difficult and can be vastly more rewarding than ever before. Gary predicts and describes how we are moving from a world of influencers who serve brands to a world where individuals can create their own multimedia, multi-hyphenate empires. The stakes are higher, but so are the rewards. As *Crush It* did seventeen years ago, YOUR INDIVIDUAL EMPIRE is the ultimate driver's manual for converting your passion into your own business kingdom.

**Gary Vaynerchuk** is a serial entrepreneur and serves as the chairman of VaynerX, the CEO of VaynerMedia, and the creator and CEO of VeeFriends. Gary is considered one of the leading global minds on what's next in culture, relevance, and the internet. He is a *New York Times* bestselling author, a sought-after public speaker, and a prolific investor in companies like Facebook, Twitter, Tumblr, Venmo, Snapchat, Coinbase, and Uber. Gary serves on the board of Bojangles Restaurants, Global Citizen Forum, MikMak, and Pencils of Promise.

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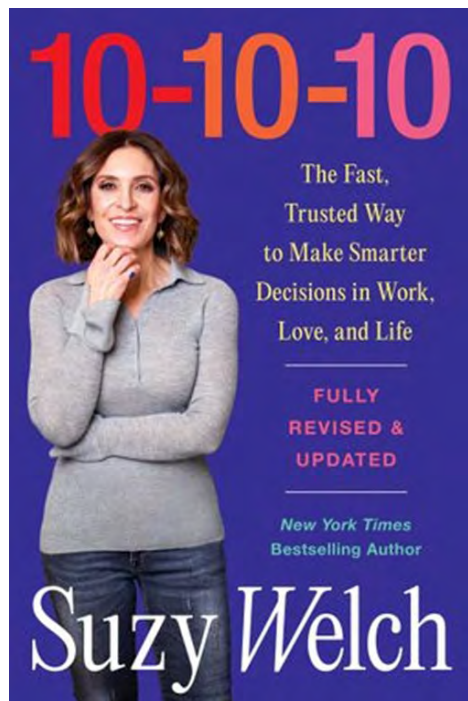
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# 10-10-10

**Fully Revised & Updated**  
***The Fast, Trusted Way to Make Smarter Decisions in Work, Love, and Life***  
By Suzy Welch

**In a world overwhelmed by noise and speed, the need for smart, fast decision-making has never been greater. In this bold new edition of her *New York Times* bestseller, bestselling author of *Becoming You* and NYU professor Suzy Welch unveils a fully updated method—now backed by a groundbreaking values assessment and fresh stories for navigating today's challenges.**

We all want to make better decisions—ones that align with our values and stand the test of time. But in today's world of nonstop input, conflicting priorities, and accelerated change, it's easy to default to impulsive choices or short-term thinking. That's where 10-10-10 comes in. Originally a breakthrough bestseller, this newly revised edition presents a structured, rational decision-making process that remains as relevant as ever. 10-10-10 walks you through the likely consequences of your options in the near term, midterm, and long term—and then helps you evaluate those outcomes through the lens of your personal values. Now deeply integrated with Professor Welch's *Becoming You* framework—including the scientifically validated Values Bridge assessment—this edition equips readers with sharper tools to clarify what truly matters and make consistently aligned decisions. It's also filled with lively, relatable stories about real people dealing with real-world dilemmas, making the method not just practical, but deeply human. From navigating a career shift after your industry has been disrupted by AI to deciding whether to freeze your eggs in an uncertain relationship, 10-10-10 provides a calm, clear methodology for working through life's toughest crossroads—at work, in love, and beyond.

**Professor Suzy Welch** teaches management practice at NYU Stern School of Business and is the Director of the renowned NYU | Stern Initiative on Purpose and Flourishing. A leading authority on values-based decision-making and purpose-driven careers, she is also the creator of the Welch-Bristol Values Inventory and the *Becoming You* methodology, which includes the Values Bridge, PIE360, and the Career Traits Compass.

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# SELF-HELP

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# The Empowered Menopause Diet and Action Plan

By Toby Amidor, MS, RD, CDN

**A complete and practical menopause resource that integrates science, nutrition, lifestyle advice, and recipes into a comprehensive plan. From a leading dietitian, this book will tell you everything you need to know to manage perimenopause and menopause symptoms.**

This approachable guide gives you all the tools to feel your best during perimenopause and menopause. This guide stands out by offering practical, science-backed diet and lifestyle strategies tailored to address the unique challenges of this life stage. Featuring actionable advice, like:

- \* **Symptom-Specific Nutrition Guidance:** Learn which foods and supplements can help with hot flashes, brain fog, mood swings, and more.
- \* **100 Family-Friendly Recipes:** Delicious, budget-conscious meals with nutrition info, prep labels, and easy swaps.
- \* **Meal Planning Made Simple:** A flexible 4-week meal plan with tips for meal prepping, eating out, and quick swaps.
- **Lifestyle Integration:** Advice on movement, stress management, and sleep to complement your diet.

**Toby Amidor** is a dietician and recipe developer, and the author of several health and nutrition books, including *The Healthy Meal Prep*, *the Easy 5-Ingredient Healthy Cookbook*, and *Healthy Living, High Protein Cookbook*

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# Patience

By Amma

**Amma, “the hugging saint” known for embracing more than 40 million people, brings us crucial lessons for better living with her latest book on the key virtue of patience.**

Amma, born Karunakaruni in 1953 in the small village of Parayakadavu in Kerala, India, has dedicated her life to humanitarian work and spiritual guidance. From a young age, she exhibited a profound sense of compassion, often comforting those in distress. Despite facing challenges, including poverty and societal expectations, Amma was determined to serve others. In her teenage years, she began to embrace her calling by hugging those in need, which soon turned into a global movement of love and acceptance. Over the decades, she has founded numerous charitable organizations, including a massive research institution, and providing education, healthcare, and disaster relief to countless individuals.

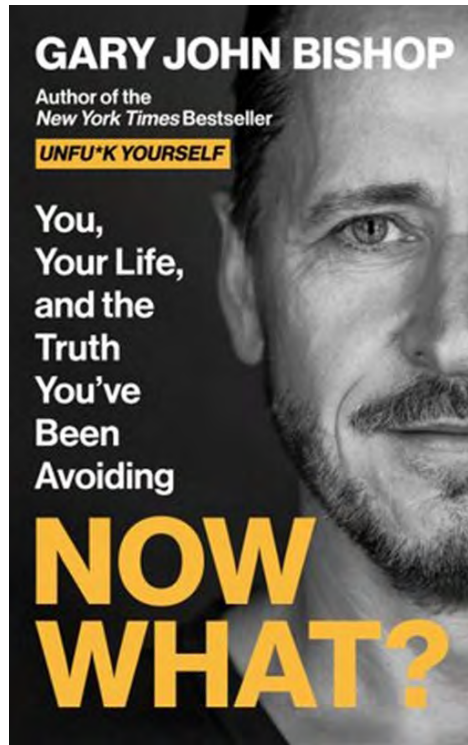
As our fast-paced world tests our limits, Amma's teachings offer a serene path to finding inner peace and cultivating virtues like kindness, empathy, and resilience. With her extensive following and dedication to selfless service, Amma presents a unique perspective, blending her life's experiences with universal truths.

Deeply rooted in the principles of Sanatan Dharma, Amma's teachings incorporate the wisdom of various spiritual traditions, making her messages universally resonant. Today, she travels the world, offering her unique blend of spiritual wisdom and practical compassion to people from all walks of life.

This book is a treasure for spiritual seekers, mindfulness enthusiasts, and self-help readers, promising to enrich personal growth and inspire deeper connections. A must-have addition to any bookseller's collection, it offers timeless guidance for everyone.

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# Now What?

## *You, Your Life, and the Truth You've Been Avoiding*

By Gary John Bishop

**The *New York Times* bestselling author of *Unfu\*k Yourself* helps you get out of the past, focus on the future, and build the life you've always wanted.**

There are countless self-help books telling you how to get the life you want-how to find your purpose, make your plan, follow your goals. Yet, too many of us are frozen in life, unfulfilled and stuck with what we have.

Too often, we only see our future through a lens of the past-our past beliefs, experiences, and circumstances. We desire lives that are "better," "more," or "different." But we need to focus on crafting a life of invention, completely free of the constraints of what has been, and Gary John Bishop has the answer.

Now What? is your guide to building the right mindset to reinvent not only your life but what you are devoting your life to. Be warned though: Gary's message isn't for the faint of heart. You will be confronted and unsettled, challenged and provoked. But on the other side is an invigorating, hands-on approach to living life. Your life. Maybe even a life you never believed you could have. Let's fu\*king go.

Gary John Bishop is a leading personal development expert and the *New York Times* bestselling author of *Unfu\*k Yourself*, *Stop Doing that Sh\*t*, *Do the Work*, *Wise As Fu\*k*, and *Love Unfu\*ked*. His "urban philosophy" approach represents a new wave of personal empowerment and life mastery that has led to miraculous results in the quality and performance of people's lives. He lives in Florida.

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# The Nourished Gene

By Jeffrey S. Bland

**A systems-based approach to building immunometabolism, a way to rejuvenate our immune systems through nutrition to prevent and counteract chronic disease—no matter what our genetic markers predict.**

Every day, millions of people live with fatigue, brain fog, weight gain, pain, and anxiety that no lab test can fully explain. What if these chronic symptoms are not random, but intelligent signals from an immune system that has lost its rhythm?

In *THE NOURISHED GENE*, functional-medicine pioneer Jeffrey Bland, PhD reveals a revolutionary way to see health and longevity through the lens of the immune system as master conductor of the body's healing symphony. Drawing on decades of clinical research, Bland shows that by re-educating our immune cells—through a specific diet, selective nutrients, movement, sleep, and stress mastery—we can reverse chronic symptoms, slow biological aging, and restore the body's innate capacity for resilience.

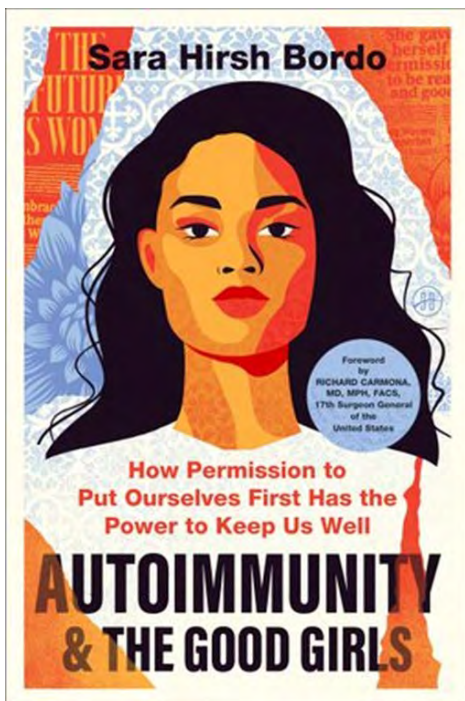
Your rate of aging is strongly connected to the biological age of your immune system. By identifying the molecular crossroads between inflammation, metabolism, and immune cell rejuvenation, *THE NOURISHED GENE* teaches readers how to:

- Reduce biological age by calming “inflammaging” at its epigenetic root.
- Restore mitochondrial vitality, enhancing energy, cognition, and sleep.
- Reset metabolic flexibility, improving glucose control and body composition.
- Strengthen emotional resilience through immune-neurochemical balance.
- Reprogram longevity genes in your immune system through targeted nutrition and lifestyle design.

This book is a practical blueprint for turning cutting-edge advances in understanding the connection of immune health to longevity science and translating it into everyday action—and reclaiming the potential for youthful resilience encoded within your “book of life” encoded in your genes. Grounded in the latest discoveries in the connection of immunity to metabolism, epigenetics, and cellular energy through advances in immuno-rejuvenation, *THE NOURISHED GENE* is both a science-rich exploration and a step-by-step plan for reclaiming energy, focus, and vitality at any age.

**Dr. Jeffrey Bland** is a thought leader who has spent more than four decades focused on the improvement of human health. He is known worldwide as the founder of the functional medicine movement, which represents his vision for a care model that is grounded in systems biology and informed by research that he has a unique ability to synthesize. His pioneering work has created the Personalized Lifestyle Medicine Institute (PLMI) as well as The Institute for Functional Medicine (IFM). Dr. Bland is the author of bestselling books and over 120 peer-reviewed research publications.

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# Autoimmunity and the Good Girls

## How Permission to Put Ourselves First Has the Power to Keep Us Well

By Sara Hirsh Bordo

"Sara's an architect of change."-Maria Shriver

Foreword by Richard Carmona MD, MPH, FACS, 17th Surgeon General of the United States

**The inspirational, deeply researched wellness journey by the award-winning filmmaker, activist, and founder of Women Rising, shining a light on how too many girls are trained to self-silence and serve others—and how we can heal.**

When Sara Hirsh Bordo was growing up in a big Texas-Lebanese family, as the eldest daughter, she was expected to take care of everyone else around her at the expense of her own needs and worth. But the more she gave of herself, the more ill she became with everything from autoimmune disease to cancer. As an award-winning filmmaker, she spent decades empowering other women and telling their stories, all the while watching her own health decline. She soon came to realize that only when she was sovereign in her own voice did she grow stronger and healthier.

When she funded the first quantitative research at the intersection of female empowerment and autoimmunity, she found overwhelming confirmation of her theory that girls in caretaker roles—especially eldest daughters—are disproportionately likely to develop autoimmune conditions later in life, whether that's Hashimoto's thyroiditis, endometriosis, Crohn's disease, type-1 diabetes, chronic fatigue syndrome, irritable bowel syndrome, fibromyalgia, or others. This groundbreaking study was endorsed by former U.S. Surgeon General Dr. Richard Carmona and received national media attention.

In these pages, you will learn from her insights, including:

- inner child work, including how to remother and reparent yourself
- how to unlearn your primary role as a caregiver
- impacts of adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) on autoimmunity and poor health
- shocking facts from her research, such as the fact that more than 6 in 10 women with autoimmune diseases were raised as either the oldest or only daughter in their families
- moving personal narratives from the women surveyed--and how they have healed

Incorporating proprietary, evidence-based research, practical resources, exclusive expert interviews, and inspiring stories, *Autoimmunity and the Good Girls* is a rousing testament to the missing modality in women's health--our voices, our needs, and our desires.

**Sara Hirsh Bordo** is a 20-time award-winning filmmaker and Founder/CEO of Women Rising®, named "One of the Most Innovative, Interesting, and Purpose-Driven Women-Led Startups to Watch" by *Inc. Magazine*. Sara is currently executive producer of ConnectHer International Film Festival, consulting director for the Gates Foundation PitchFest Program, and most recently, the author and researcher behind the first proprietary quantitative survey at the intersection of female empowerment and health, *Autoimmunity and the Good Girls™*. Sara previously held positions in media and entertainment, including Executive Director of Interactive Marketing at Paramount Pictures, VP of Digital Marketing at MGM Studios, and CEO and Co-Founder of NowLive.



# The Psychedelic Mindset

By Dr. Nicholas Brüss, EdD, LMFT

The proven framework of Internal Family Systems (IFS) meets the power of psychedelic-assisted therapy in this first-of-its-time guide by Dr. Nicholas Brüss, leading expert in this emerging field - with no psychedelics required.

We're on the cusp of a seismic shift in the treatment of mood and trauma disorders with psychedelic-assisted therapy: more than 75% of depression patients showed improvements with medical psilocybin, and more than 70% of PTSD patients showed success with medical MDMA.

Psychedelics have proven themselves to be powerful accelerants for personal growth and change. What if you could achieve these results, without psychedelics? An Internal Family System (IFS)-trained psychedelic therapist, Dr. Nicholas Brüss is at the forefront of this movement. In *The Psychedelic Mindset*, Dr. Brüss explains how the quality of consciousness psychedelics can reveal - openness, presence, and connection - is accessible to anyone willing to practice and do the work, with or without medication. In this first-of-its kind book, he explores the powerful intersection of IFS and the emerging therapy of psychedelics, showing readers how to use these two modalities with no drugs required. Through mindfulness techniques, guided meditation, and cutting-edge psychedelic practices that help unlock your brain's neuroplasticity, Dr. Brüss translates the experience of psychedelic-assisted therapy into a guided framework of personal growth.

**Dr. Brüss**, a licensed psychedelic therapist, researcher, and educator, works with clients worldwide—including executives, celebrities, athletes, and trauma survivors. Licensed in four states, he pioneers therapies combining psychedelics with coaching, educates clinicians globally, and has been featured in major outlets. His symposiums feature thought leaders like Gabor Maté and Tim Ferriss.

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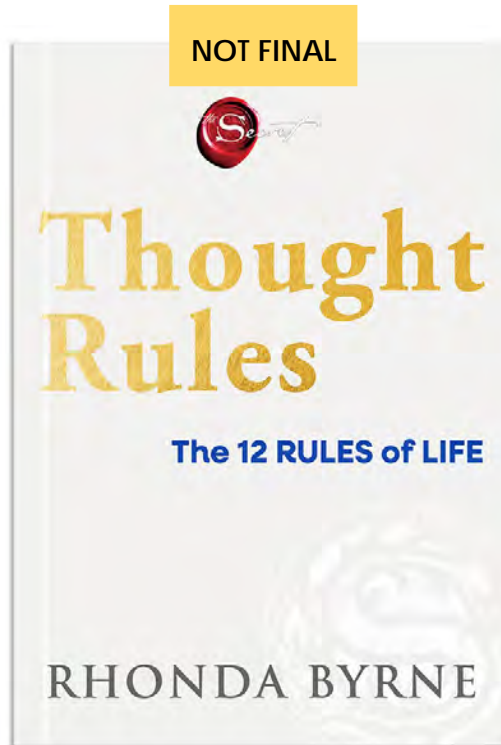
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# Thought Rules

*The 12 Rules of Life*

By Rhonda Byrne

From Rhonda Byrne, author of the global phenomenon *The Secret* and the New York Times bestseller *The Greatest Secret*, comes *Thought Rules*-the book that can assist you in shifting your thinking to have the best life possible.

In *Thought Rules* you will learn the twelve rules of thought to follow for the best life possible, for the rest of your life. Just through thinking you can create financial freedom, perfect health, harmonious relationships, and indescribable happiness. Even though you may have been thinking in a detrimental way for decades, with proper thinking it doesn't take very long to see a complete change in your life.

No matter what your life might look like right now, things can begin to change today. You can change anything about your life because each of us, without exception, can create anything and everything through our very thought of it.

In *Thought Rules* you will learn:

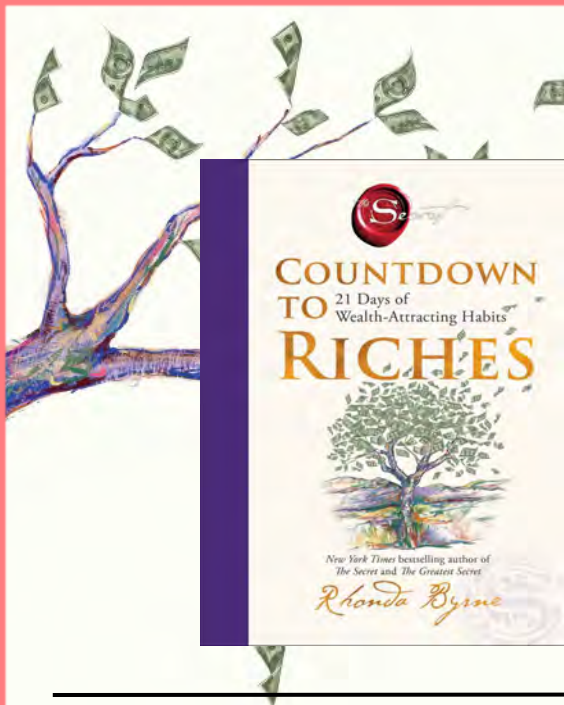
- How thought has precisely created the life you are living today.
- How to start thinking properly to change your life in any area.
- The twelve rules of thought to make a habit in your life.
- Simple practices that are instantly life-changing.
- The history behind this wisdom that dates back thousands of years.

Rhonda Byrne is the creator and executive producer of the film *The Secret*; producer of the motion picture adaptation, *The Secret: Dare to Dream*; The New York Times bestselling author of *The Secret*, *The Power*, *The Magic*, *Hero*, *How The Secret Changed My Life*, *The Greatest Secret*, and *The Secret To Love, Health and Money: A Masterclass*; and creator of *The Secret Manifestation Cards* deck.

Rhonda's books and audiobooks are consistently worldwide bestsellers; following its release, *The Secret* sat at the top of The New York Times bestseller list for over 200 weeks and was named by USA Today as one of the top 20 bestselling books of the past 15 years. *The Secret* book is available in more than 50 languages with over 34 million copies sold.

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# More compelling books from Rhonda Byrne!



## Countdown to Riches 21 Days of Wealth-Attracting Habits

From Rhonda Byrne, author of the global phenomenon *The Secret* and the *New York Times* bestseller *The Greatest Secret*, comes *Countdown to Riches*—the book that can lead anyone to financial freedom.

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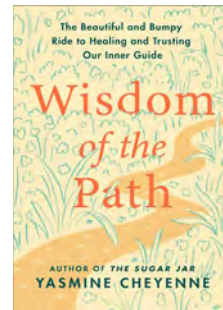


## The Experiment 21 Mind Practices for the Best Life Possible

There's only one way anyone can change their life. And it works for everyone. Contained in these pages are 21 simple yet life-changing practices based on the most powerful natural law in existence. In just a few minutes each day, miracles can happen.

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# The Comeback Era

## *From Limiting Beliefs to Living Without Limits*

By Yasmine Cheyenne

**Do you ever feel like something is missing? Have you experienced a nagging feeling this isn't enough anymore? What once felt fresh and new has now become dormant-and there's an invitation for change.**

Many call this feeling a midlife crisis, but what if it was actually an invitation to remember the promises you made to "little you"?

Little you is the younger self who was willing to dream up the impossible, to laugh and make fun a priority, and didn't take everything so seriously.

In *The Comeback Era*, wellness coach Yasmine Cheyenne questions the notion that we experience a midlife crisis. What if it isn't a crisis and is a wakeup call, a midlife redirection meant to provide clarity? *The Comeback Era* is an invitation to women to reconnect with what their little self always knew to be true. Yasmine shares stories from other women who embraced their comeback era and got curious about what is still possible.

Yasmine invites you to:  
Rediscover your purpose.  
Remember what truly gives you peace and happiness.  
Learn how to dream big and have confidence in yourself.

As Yasmine shares, "If art imitates life, I hope you dream in color and not just in the dark. I hope that you allow your art to reflect the beauty that is possible for you every single time you remember that you had an opportunity to say no to this new world where your past was the only place that rebirth was possible. Instead, you said yes to blooming in a new season. A new era. Your comeback era."

Yasmine Cheyenne is a self-healing expert, Health Coach, Wellness Workshop Leader, Author and regular guest on *The TODAY Show*. Yasmine most recently signed on as the Wellness Coach for *The TODAY Show's* digital platform and app, *Start TODAY*. Her workshops and retreats lead attendees through a variety of offerings, from gentle movement and yoga to meditation and breathwork that focus on physical and mental well-being. Yasmine has shared her teachings as a featured instructor on the Melissa Wood Health platform and as the Wellness Expert and Host of the PBS Wellness Series "Inside Out."

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# Rocks, Trees, Time

## *Lessons from the Korean Walden*

By Choi Sung-hyun

Translated from the Korean by Jamie Chung

**The World is a Giant Library in which the Sky, the Earth, Water, Wind, and Trees are books full of life-changing lessons.**

Hailed as Walden of South Korea, *Rocks, Trees, Time* is collection of essays, poems, images, and diagrams on the theme of learning from nature drawing from Buddhism, Christianity, and works of other environmentalists.

Inviting readers to rethink the role and place of minerals, vegetables, and animals in the world, Choi Sung-hyun sends a powerful message that respecting the relationship between all creatures on earth is key to our collective survival.

Beyond sharing nature's wisdom, the book calls for a fundamental shift from a human-centered perspective to one that is nature-centered, underscoring the urgent need for coexistence between humanity and the natural world in our time.

Choi describes this book as "a kind of transcription. Or translation, if you will. I listen closely to the words of grass and trees, birds and beasts, fish and insects, and I write them down. I observe the universe, the earth, the stars, the moon, the sea, the mountains, fire, soil, wind, snow, and rain—and I record the lives they lead and the words they speak."

His whimsical prose, at times full of wonder and at other times playful, serves as an illuminating vessel for the central message of this book: embrace the ways of nature.

**Seonghyun Choi** is an environmentalist who lives in a mountain village where he practices natural farming, a method that rejects the use of tillage, weeding, and fertilizer among others. In his late twenties, he encountered natural farming and settled down in the countryside in his early thirties. For over thirty years since, he has lived cultivating rice paddies and fields on a self-sufficient scale using natural farming methods. He is a writer, translator, and instructor of natural farming methods. At the same time, he posts one handwritten postcard a day on social media, sharing the quiet beauty of his life with nature.

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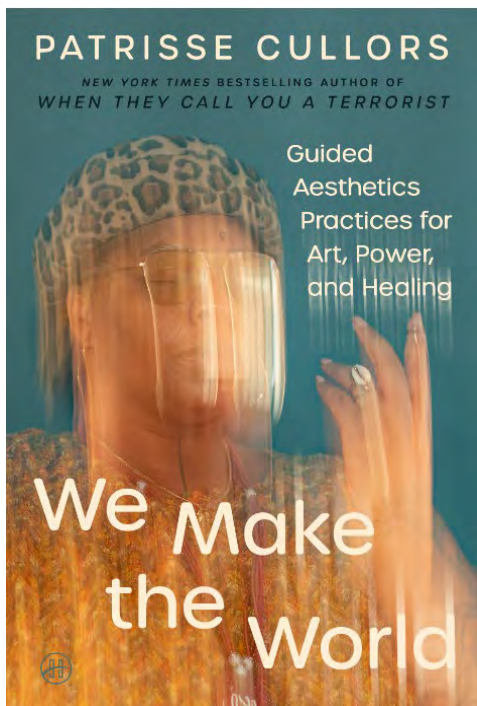
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# We Make the World

## *Guided Aesthetics Practices for Art, Power, and Healing*

By Patrisse Cullors

**Creative practices you can use to build a life and community that fulfills you, by award-winning artist and activist Patrisse Cullors.**

The world is asking us to imagine new ways of being. Let's build them. Let's paint them. Let's make them real—not as solitary visionaries but as communities in concert, each voice distinct yet harmonizing with the whole.

How do we imagine our way toward a better world? From the clothes we wear to the architecture that surrounds us, aesthetics can be our path to both power and peace. Learn the secrets to unlock your unique creative potential, with clear instructions to apply each artistic approach to your own life.

Be inspired to create your own work by engaging deeply with the process of contemporary activist-artists, such as Torkwase Dyson, Noé Olivás, Faith Wilding, and Anna Deavere Smith. You will:

Acquire new skills from drawing to mapping to movement practices  
bring fresh energy to your collaborations in community  
and uncover what drives you.

You can jump straight into some exercises and bookmark others for later, and try them alone and with the people in your life. And much as we return to *The Artist's Way* when we aim to reconnect with ourselves, we will keep coming back to *We Make the World*.

**Patrisse Cullors** is the author of *The New York Times* bestseller *When They Call You a Terrorist* (with Asha Bandele), and an educator, artist, and abolitionist from Los Angeles. She is the co-founder of the Crenshaw Dairy Mart and has been on the frontlines of the abolitionist movement with Black Lives Matter, Justice LA, Dignity and Power Now, and Reform LA jails. Also the founder of The Center For Art and Abolition, Cullors has popularized the term "Abolitionist Aesthetics" to challenge artists to aestheticize abolition.

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# Astro Poets

## *Love Signs*

By Alex Dimitrov and Dorothea Lasky

From the online phenomenon the Astro Poets comes a sign-by-sign relationship guide exploring all the pairs in the Zodiac—a love astrology book made for today's world.

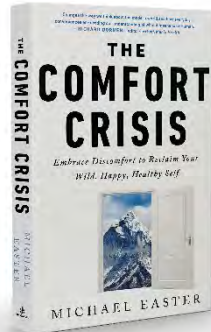
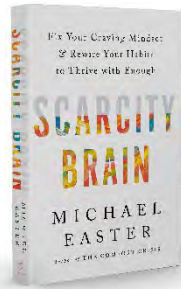
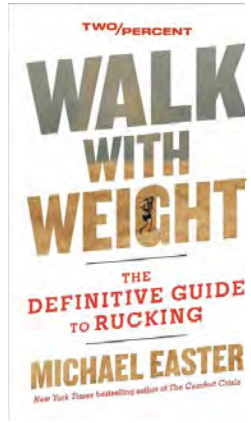
Full of insight, advice, and humor for every sign in the zodiac, the Astro Poets' unique brand of astrological flavor has made them Twitter/X sensations. This long-awaited follow-up to their *Your Guides to the Zodiac*, is in the grand tradition of Linda Goodman's 1978 cult classic *Love Signs*, which went through every love match in the zodiac. The Astro Poets bring Goodman's text to the present day, resisting old modes on gender pairings, instead focusing on the essence of each sign.

Avoiding clinical descriptions in favor of poetic narratives of the romantic connections between the signs, *ASTRO POETS: Love Signs* focuses sign-by-sign on how each pairing tackles love together. Written in a charming and relatable tone, the book delves into engaging narratives about each of the love sign pairings, including: personal anecdotes, sample text conversations, lists of famous poets, artists, and popular celebrities in each sign, and more.

**Alex Dimitrov** is half of the duo behind the beloved X account @poetastrologers, better known as Astro Poets. Dimitrov's poetry has been previously published in *The New Yorker*, *The Paris Review*, and the *New York Times*, and has received a Pushcart Prize and Stanley Kunitz Prize from American Poetry Review.

**Dorothea Lasky** is one half of the duo behind the beloved X account @poetastrologers, better known as the Astro Poets. Lasky is the author of six books of poetry and prose. Her work has been published in *The New Yorker* and *The Paris Review*, and she is an Associate Professor of Poetry at Columbia University's School of the Arts.

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# Explore the Edges

By Michael Easter



Join New York Times bestselling author Michael Easter on his grueling journey of self-discovery as he hikes the infamous Hayduke Trail to build inner strength and find purpose beyond the drudgery of modern life

We're living better than ever—yet feeling worse than ever. Anxiety, depression, and dissatisfaction are skyrocketing in the safest, most comfortable era in human history.

In *Explore the Edges*, bestselling author and journalist Michael Easter uncovers a powerful truth: the modern mindset is starving us of the challenge, friction, and real-world tests that once built human resilience, meaning and mental health.

To find answers, Easter attempts the most brutal thru-hike on Earth: the 850-mile Hayduke Trail. Covering hundreds of miles of rugged desert and mountainous terrain across the American southwest, most hikers who set out to complete the trail fail. Interspersed throughout the narrative, Easter consults leading experts in psychology, neuroscience, and evolution. What he discovers is transformative: doing hard things makes life better—and may be one of the most effective, overlooked tools for healing the modern mind.

Part adventure epic, part investigation, part guide to rediscovering meaning, *Explore the Edges* shows that the path back to joy isn't in our heads—it's under our feet.

**Michael Easter** is the New York Times bestselling author of *The Comfort Crisis* and *Scarcity Brain*, and *Walk with Weight*. He writes the *Two Percent* with Michael Easter newsletter, Substack's #1 newsletter in the health and wellness category.

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# The Self-Sovereign Woman

## *Stoic Wisdom for Claiming Your Inner Authority and Liberating Your Life*

By Wendy Euler

**Get grounded in your personal non-negotiables and radically let go of the rest: this is Stoicism that works for women, and it will lead you to reclaiming your sanity, serenity, and ultimately, your life.**

From the invisible load to default parenting to pressures to perform at work, at home, and online, every day in a woman's life is loaded with demands to accommodate everyone else's needs at the expense of her own. The Self-Sovereign Woman proposes the ancient remedy for the modern woman who's had it and is ready to live from her integrity and reclaim her wellbeing.

With the same irreverent wisdom that has charmed over 250,000 followers, model and pro-aging advocate Wendy Euler introduces a vision of Stoicism that works for women. While historically this philosophy has belonged primarily to dead white men, the Stoic way of shedding what no longer serves you is uniquely suited to women and now has never been a better time to take no sh\*t and take it to heart.

This book is your invitation to self-sovereignty in your body and style, digital life, professional life, relationships, and more, through practicing acceptance of what you can't control and agency in what you can. Wendy guides radical personalization of Stoic principles for women to: identify your daily non-negotiables, live lighter through letting go, and ultimately experience "eudaimonia," the ultimate wellbeing that blossoms when you live in touch with our peace and power.

Serenity is an inside job, and lightening your life from outside expectation can become your path to the peace, contentment, and self-trust you so desperately seek.

**Wendy Euler** is a writer, model, age activist, and style enthusiast dedicated to empowering women to embrace aging with confidence and grace. Described by The Washington Post as a "pro-age advocate" and influencer, Wendy founded the online platform Goodbye Crop Top and the Cropped podcast at age 49, creating a vibrant community of over 250,000 women. Her storytelling draws from a successful corporate career, motherhood, midlife reinvention, and her core passion of reframing aging as a privilege, not a curse. She has three daughters and lives in Montana with her Australian husband.

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# Turns Out They Were Right All Along

*Life Lessons I Learned...Eventually*

By Trace Gallagher

Through wry stories of sports, family life, and broadcast news, Fox News primetime host Trace Gallagher explains how sometimes the best advice comes from the most unexpected places.

Dive into the real stories behind the headlines with Trace Gallagher, the Fox News anchor who brings genuine heart and humor to the nightly news. In *Turns Out They Were Right All Along*, Trace pulls back the curtain and invites you into a life shaped by singular people, memorable disasters, and wisdom that lands when you least expect it.

Meet a 14-year-old Tracy Boy scraping together \$250 just to attend John Wooden's storied basketball camp. With his sights set on becoming an NBA champ, he can't wait to hear the secrets of the sport from the man himself. Instead, Wooden's only appearance is for a few minutes and his advice—always practice in two pairs of socks to avoid blisters—is more than a bit disappointing. However, in hindsight, this turned out to be advice he still uses today, and the deeper advice, about being prepared to work your butt off on the fundamentals, has affected him even more.

Take a seat in the boat as Trace recounts his years as a professional water skier—the wiped-out stunts, the face-plants that required more Tylenol than training, and the time he tried (and failed spectacularly) to teach none other than Jimmy Buffett to ski. Whether he was zigzagging through shows in California or New Jersey or watching his sister Robbi become the “Face of Fear” on the front page of the New York Post, Trace learned that sometimes the best stories come from wiping out and getting back up. With any luck, it's a day you can look back on and laugh.

You'll also meet Jack—unquestionably the world's worst dog—a yellow Lab who chewed up walls, furniture, boats, and sanity, but never failed to remind the Gallaghers about unconditional love (and unrepeatable levels of chaos). For Trace and his wife Tracy (yes they have the same name, Tracy Gallagher), Jack was more than a pet; he was a lesson in patience, optimism, and finding joy in a disaster zone. And just when Trace's career was taking off, one decision nearly ended it all. In a bold move, he walked away from a job that underpaid him—risking his future in broadcasting. It was a stand that could've been his undoing, but instead, it became a defining moment that set the course for everything that came next.

In *Turns Out They Were Right All Along* you'll discover why sometimes the quirkiest advice—and the wildest stories—leave the deepest mark, both on your feet and your future.

**Trace Gallagher** is the Chief Breaking News Correspondent and Anchor for FOX News @ Night. He has covered breaking news stories at FOX for over 25 years. Prior to joining the network in 1996, Gallagher served as an anchor and reporter at local NBC stations in Las Vegas, Boise, Idaho and Yuma, Arizona and the local CBS station in Orlando, Florida. He played football and studied business at The University of San Diego and Antelope Valley College, where he was named a distinguished alumnus.

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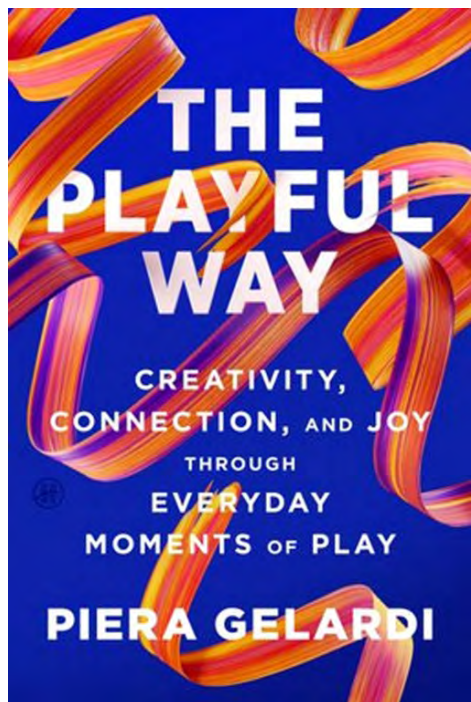
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# The Playful Way

## *Creativity, Connection, and Joy Through Everyday Moments of Play*

By Piera Gelardi

**Play can unlock your creativity and lead to innovation and success-creative director Piera Gelardi shows you how.**

The demands of adulthood often cause us to view play as something child-like, silly, and ultimately separate from our real lives. In treating it like a luxury, we fail to experience the critical advantage that play offers us to lead whole, successful lives.

Play—a state of absorption in activities for enjoyment or exploration—can be a superpower at any age, and individuals who engage in more frequent play tend to have better psychological and physical functioning. In *The Playful Way*, creative director Piera Gelardi helps adults reclaim their playfulness by developing a more playful mindset and applying it to their life, work, relationships, changes, and challenges. Anyone can rediscover their sense of wonder by embracing life the playful way, a path that offers advantages, unlocks innovation, and feels a whole lot better. Science has proven these and more benefits of a playful mindset:

- Improved mental health
- Improved physical health thanks to enduring commitment to (fun!) fitness
- Trust and creativity in teams

Focusing on both the light and fun and the tough and serious, *The Playful Way* is a guide to reconnecting with your inner child and realizing that when you have a playful mindset, you don't have to go play. Play comes with you everywhere.

**Piera Gelardi** is a creative entrepreneur, speaker, and artist passionate about bringing play into every room she enters. She cofounded the influential media brand Refinery29 and its magical pop-up, 29Rooms, earning recognition as one of Ad Age's "50 Most Creative People" and Entrepreneur's "50 Most Daring Entrepreneurs." Through her new company, NoomaLooma, and her energetic keynotes, Piera helps people unlock their creative superpowers. When she's not playing professionally, she loves hosting noodle and doodle nights, throwing spontaneous dance parties, and making up songs with her daughter, Viva. Follow her at @PieraLuisa on Instagram and Substack, or visit [www.pieragelardi.com](http://www.pieragelardi.com)

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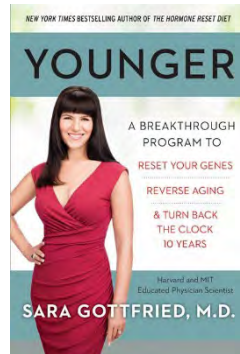
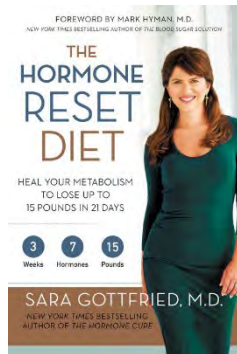
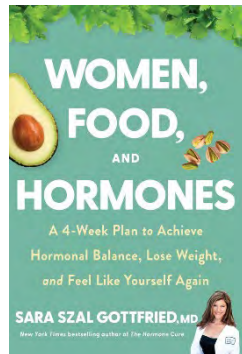
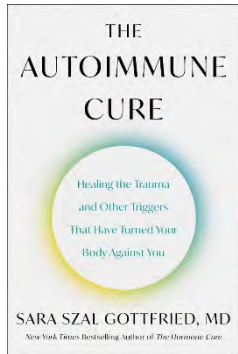
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# The Female Edge

*The Surprising Science of Hormones, Stress, and Longevity*

By Sara Szal Gottfried, M.D.

Discover how you can reclaim your edge and feel your best at every age! This breakthrough anti-aging protocol is designed by New York Times bestselling author Dr. Sara Szal Gottfried, backed by cutting-edge science, and designed to address women's unique hormonal needs.

We're in a golden age when it comes to the science of health and longevity, yet women are getting the short shrift. The problem? Today's anti-aging advice – like fasting, eating very low-carb, and cold plunging – has been designed by and for men.

Women's bodies are ruled by a masterful yet delicate network of hormones. Add in complicating hormonal events like pregnancy, perimenopause, and menopause, and it's clear that women need a new protocol to thrive – one that honors our hormones, our body chemistry, and the societal pressures we face.

Dr. Sara provides a new way forward: a framework rooted in science, yet thoughtfully designed for women's bodies and individual needs. Discover why you should:

- Measure heart rate variability, not your blood pressure or pulse
- Measure protein content in your meals, not calories
- Measure your target carbohydrate intake based on your cycle, not aim for a uniform number every day
- Measure your fitness goals based on your energy set point, not how intensely you can work out.

Complete with a 4-week plan to calm dysregulation, improve cortisol levels, and help women reclaim their edge, this book reimagines what health and longevity should look like for women, and empowers us to thrive in a world built for men.

**Sara Szal Gottfried, MD**, is the New York Times best-selling author of four previous books including *The Autoimmune Cure*, *Women, Food, and Hormones* and *The Hormone Cure*. She is a Harvard-educated physician-scientist and a clinical assistant professor in the Department of Integrative Medicine and Nutritional Sciences at Sidney Kimmel Medical College, Thomas Jefferson University.

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# Don't You Forget It

## *Use Cognitive Science to Supercharge Your Learning*

By Victoria Groce

The must-have guide to learning how to learn--better and more efficiently--by the winner of the World Quizzing Championships

Victoria Groce's job is to learn quickly and well--and she's really good at it. But she will be the first to stress that she is not especially gifted; she just knows *how* to learn. Here she reveals her evidence-based tricks and techniques so that you, too, can learn a new language, remember the specials on today's menu, or become a better reader. When Victoria began researching memory retention, she found tried-and-true approaches that she had never been taught in school. She combined these insights with best practices from study hackers and tweaked them over time so that they worked more effectively. The proof was on television screens across the globe, as she won competition after competition and became a sought-after trivia expert.

With her evidence-based handbook, you will learn:

- how the brain processes different types of information and what that means for learning
  - the skills of pattern recognition and identifying the most relevant information in any context
  - the method for moving new information into long-term memory
  - why we forget or remember: the principles of spaced repetition and the forgetting curve
- Whether you're looking to dominate trivia night, strengthen your brain over time, ace your exams, or learn a new skill at any age, *Don't You Forget It* will save you time and help make your brain as efficient as possible.

**Victoria Groce** is the 2024 World Quizzing Championships. Beginning in 2022, she appeared as The Queen on ABC's *The Chase US*. A fifteen-time medalist at the International Quizzing Championships, she captained the United States' national quiz team to consecutive international titles in 2024 and 2025. She lives in Pittsburgh with her husband, daughter, two cats, and a frankly alarming number of cookbooks.

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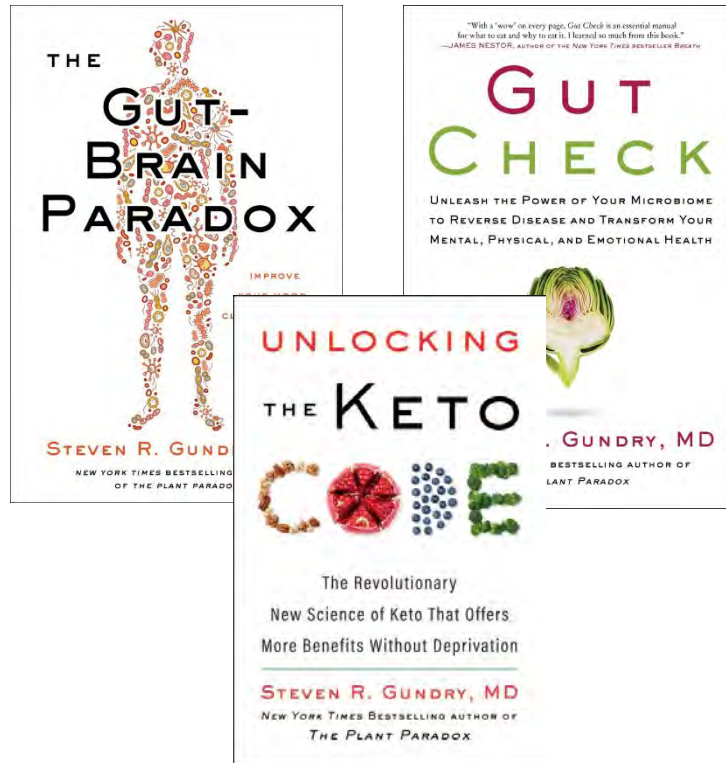
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# Untitled on Brain Health

By Steven R. Gundry, MD

Dr. Steven R. Gundry, New York Times bestselling author of the Plant Paradox series, presents a paradigm-shifting new dietary program to restore brain health and function.

There is no modern marvel as impressive as the human brain, with nearly infinite storage capacity and more processing power than any supercomputer. Yet the brain is also particularly vulnerable – more than ever before realized – to the pitfalls of our modern diet. Since the advent of agriculture, the human brain has shrunk by 10% in men and 17% in women!

Most brain-health programs overlook a key factor when it comes to eating for a bigger brain: the best brain foods don't come from the land, but from the sea.

Dr. Steven R. Gundry reveals how our ancestors' diet provided the essential fats that sparked the explosive growth of the human brain. Modern dietary advice has led us astray, overemphasizing the importance of protein and red meat and oversaturating our diet with Omega-6 fats that spike inflammatory cytokines, fueling a crisis of neuroinflammation and cognitive decline. The true building blocks of a robust and thriving brain – one that will help you stay sharper longer – are healthy fats and nutrients like DHA that are found in seafood, seaweed, and other marine-based sources. In this groundbreaking guide, Dr. Gundry explains:

- How our brains are 60% fat – and why we need to eat more (of the right) fats
- The golden ratio of 1:1 Omega-3 to Omega-6 fats that make up the ideal brain diet
- The truth about seed oils – and which ones are actually good for the brain
- The powerful role your gut microbiome plays in supporting the gut-brain axis
- Why not all protein is created equal – and which protein sources tamp down neuroinflammation
- The hidden dangers of red meat and many high protein diets

**Steven R. Gundry, MD**, His bestselling books include The Gut-Brain Paradox, Gut Check, Unlocking the Keto Code, The Energy Paradox, The Longevity Paradox, and The Plant Paradox. Gundry is the director of the International Heart and Lung Institute in Palm Springs, California, and the founder and director of the Center for Restorative Medicine in Palm Springs and Santa Barbara.

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# No New Ideas

*Tracing the Histories of Self-Help to Better Help Your Self*

By Matthew Israel

**Have you ever wondered if reading self-help books actually helps you? Discover a deeper understanding of self-help and a better means to help yourself through this historical inquiry into the roots of society's best ideas for living well.**

Matthew Israel has always found self-help's shiny new ideas captivating, but his experience as a historian led him to question the hype.

Diving into the fascinating histories behind nine of the most well-known self-help ideas in American culture today—such as practicing gratitude, cultivating joy, and the idea that exercise is therapy—Israel guides readers through a wide range of wisdom, from ancient philosophy to Buddhism, Christianity, psychology, and 20th-century Black and feminist thought. Readers will benefit from the author's thorough analysis of what is some of the best advice ever given.

The book is rich in takeaways we can all apply in our lives, including these 9 best ideas for living well:

- Exercise for your mind
- Question productivity
- Practice gratitude
- Incorporate memento mori
- Simplify your life
- Study Buddhism
- Read philosophy
- Find community and celebrate
- Practice

Readers will find fresh support for these “new” ideas from understanding their roots in historical wisdom. They will come to trust each self-help strategy more and feel compelled to apply what they've learned to their daily lives, as the author does himself within the captivating and inspiring journey of No New Ideas.

**Matthew Israel** is a PhD historian of art and culture, writer, and curator based in New York. For over two decades, he has worked in and written about the contemporary art world. He helped build Artsy (Artsy.net); he was the head curator on Meta's Open Arts team; and he is the author of three previous books on modern and contemporary art history: *Kill for Peace: American Artists Against the Vietnam War* (2013), *The Big Picture: Contemporary Art in 10 Works by 10 Artists* (2017), and *A Year in the Art World: An Insider's View* (2020). *No New Ideas* is Matthew's first book on self-help and the result of over a decade of trying to help himself with the genre. Matthew currently works as a consultant for art organizations, more broadly as a well-being consultant, and teaches at New York University's Graduate Program in Museum Studies.



# Notice and Do

## *Raise Proactive Contributors, Break the Motherhood Burnout Cycle, and Lighten Your Mental Load*

By Sam Kelly

**End mom burnout and lighten your mental load with a new kind of parenting book that teaches your kids to help take care of the home—so you can leave the chore chart battles behind.**

You're sick of the constant push-and-pull to get your kids to clean (which often ends up with you doing it yourself). Everyone is talking about recognizing the mental load on moms, and with *Notice and Do*, learn how to actually lighten it. The techniques here are simple but revolutionary. Through her practice, therapist and parenting coach Sam Kelly has learned how to empower the entire family to participate in the care of the home and family responsibilities—and it works. Sam's approach is so successful that she has a 10,000-person waiting list for her classes.

This proven method breaks the cycle of burnout and inequitable partnerships, liberating women from the grief of lost potential and unrealized impact, and sets our kids up to be successful, resilient adults. With *Notice and Do*, you will learn:

the simple, effective method for teaching kids age-appropriate cleaning skills that empowers them and gets stuff done  
how to help your kids notice the space around them as the first step to doing something about it  
cycle-breaking scripts with the right words at the right time  
how to show your daughters that shouldering the mental load is not their default seeing and how to show your sons that they are just as capable of being a team player when it comes to the invisible labor of a family

Say goodbye to fighting over the dishes in the sink and free every member of the family from the grind to find more freedom, peace, and joy every day.

**Sam Kelly** has a master's degree in Art Therapy Counseling, has taught at the university level, and is the creator of the popular audio course, *Little Cycle-Breakers*. Her viral *Notice and Do* method has been featured on major media outlets, podcasts, and blogs including *Good Morning America*, *Business Insider*, *Upworthy*, *Motherly*, and *Scary Mommy*, recognized by influential parenting experts, and trusted by countless exhausted moms around the world. Sam lives with her husband, three kids, and three kitties.

For more resources and support, visit [hellosamkelly.com](http://hellosamkelly.com) and get to know Sam on Instagram @samkelly\_world.

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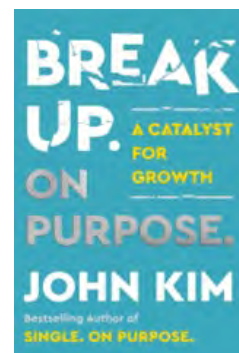
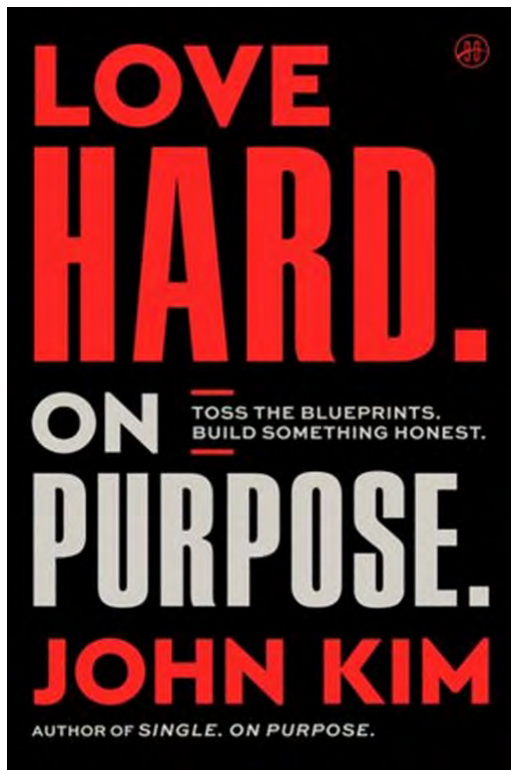
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# Love Hard On Purpose

*Toss the Blueprints. Build Something Honest.*

By John Kim

What are the markers of a healthy relationship? How do you know if you are "in love?" When are you ready to choose the love that both holds you close and sets you free?

In his latest installment in the instructive On Purpose series, John Kim, the Angry Therapist, answers enduring questions about love and relationships. In three parts, John helps us come to understand when to stay and when to leave, to recognize love as a form of medicine for the soul, and to discover the purpose of love is not just companionship but transformation. If you're ready to break free of misconceptions and see love with new eyes, you'll begin to make different choices—choices that lead to deeper connections, growth, and a fuller understanding of yourself. In *Loving. On Purpose.*, you will discover:

- Part One: Awareness of your love "blueprints" and misguided definitions of love
- Part Two: How to heal and attract healthy love
- Part Three: The wisdom you need for cultivating and maintaining sustainable relationships

Welcome to a new relationship paradigm. Take a breath, open your eyes, and begin to love with, and on, purpose.

**John Kim** is a licensed therapist, speaker, and author of the bestsellers *I Used to Be a Miserable F\*ck* and *Single on Purpose*. He writes for *Psychology Today*, among many other publications, and has been featured in the *New York Post* and on *Vice*, *NPR*, and *Armchair Expert*. He lives in Altadena, California, where he is raising a daughter with his partner.

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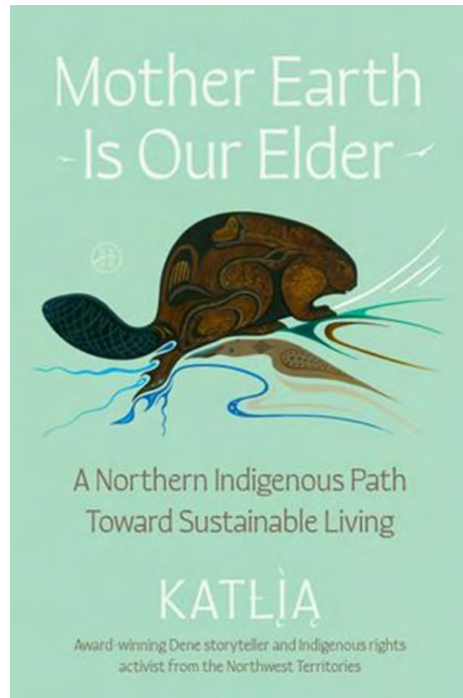
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# Mother Earth Is Our Elder

## *A Northern Indigenous Path Toward Sustainable Living*

By Katlia

**Award-winning Dene activist and writer Katlia teaches us Indigenous ways to protect Mother Earth from destruction.**

The Dene in Canada's North West territories have lived alongside nature for many generations. From battling environmental racism on the front lines of historical environmental protests, to innovating sustainable resources, to living a balanced life through effective individual and collective governance, the Dene have long protected Mother Earth from destruction through their intricate knowledge systems, natural laws, and age-old principles.

Now more than ever, institutions and citizens alike are seeking out and relying on the resilience of Indigenous knowledge systems to help solve the climate crisis. This book brings together a diverse group of Dene elders on the subject of climate change to answer the calls for help. Adhering proudly to these responsibilities and values, Katlia (pronounced cat-lee-ah) writes a Dene manifesto fit to address the state of emergency we're in. Informed by Katlia's decades-long award-winning work and advocacy as a writer and activist, and her life experiences as a Dene woman from the north, this book achieves global relevance by focusing on the local.

This is ancient information, but it's new to those outside the Dene community, and Katlia's voice channels our collective energy toward surprisingly simple scalable solutions such as:  
sustainable, ethical food sources as a path toward food sovereignty  
intermittent renewables and innovative alternatives to heat and power homes  
housing systems incorporating green technologies into cultural ways of knowing that include living off grid  
cultural burning to mitigate out of control wildfires

With evidence of how this all works for the Dene people, we see how it might work for us as well. This generous, pragmatic, and hopeful book shows us how to find coexistence with Mother Earth and embrace the wisdom of our local Indigenous communities. Mother Earth Is Our Elder features 10 original black-and-white photographs.

**Katlia** is a member of the Yellowknives Dene First Nation in Somba K'e (Yellowknife), Northwest Territories, Canada. She is a storyteller and Indigenous rights activist. Katlia's debut memoir, *Northern Wildflower*, was a top-selling book in the Northwest Territories and her subsequent novels *Land-Water-Sky/Ndè-Ti-Yat'a*, *This House Is Not a Home* and *Firekeeper* all won a NorthWords NWT book of the year awards.

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# Native Home

## *The Ancestral Art of Creating Healing Spaces*

By Chelsey Luger

**Indigenous wisdom to transform your home into an oasis of peace and connection by the Lakota. Anishinaabe wellness expert co-author of *The Seven Circles*.**

Ancestral Indigenous teachings for homekeeping are full of wellness knowledge that can transform our lives today, from basics of form and function to ancestral altars, entertaining, and custom touches that best reflect your values. In the modern world, people often disregard the true power of the home, ignoring its role in our self-care and healthcare. Indigenous teachings are uniquely positioned to reveal our homes as living, breathing structures which impact our mental, physical, spiritual, and emotional sense of wellbeing.

Inspired by the endurance of this wisdom and the author's personal experience applying it in her own home, located on the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Reservation in Arizona, *Sacred Spaces* will help you transform your home into:

- a hub for family connection and community building
- a source of optimism and joy from the moment we wake up in the morning
- a scene rich in stories about our heritage, ancestry, and values
- a supportive structure for good habits of moving more, reading more, sleeping better, eating healthier, and spending more time outside.

Tapping into a wellspring of ancestral knowledge and modern Indigenous expertise, *Native Home* empowers you to make small changes to bring your home to life, connected with your values, rich with intention, and set up to lead you and your family toward healthy choices.

**Chelsey Luger** is a writer and wellness advocate originally from North Dakota, an enrolled member of the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa; also from the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe. She got her undergraduate degree at Dartmouth College in Native American Studies and History and later earned an M.S. at Columbia University's Graduate School of Journalism. She is the co-founder of Well For Culture. Her writing has appeared in the *Atlantic*, *Huffington Post*, *Yes! Magazine*, and other outlets.

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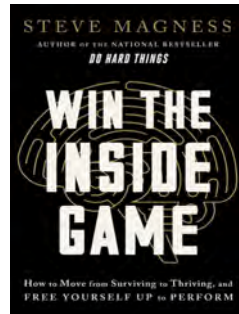
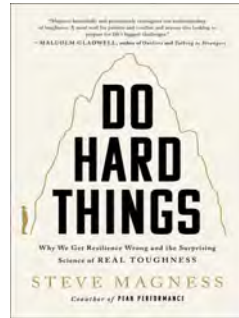
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## Step Into the Arena How to Thrive Under Pressure, Come Through in the Clutch, and Show Up When It Matters Most

By Steve Magness

From the beloved podcast host and *New York Times*-bestselling author of *Do Hard Things* and *Win the Inside Game*, a bold new plan for getting into the right mindset and maintaining your peak performance, whatever the circumstances.

*Step Into the Arena* dives into the heart of competition, exploring the biological, psychological, and social factors that influence our performance under pressure. It draws on cutting-edge research in psychology, neuroscience, and sports science, as well as compelling anecdotes from the world of competition, business, and art to show how the true blueprint for a competitor isn't steely-eyed dominance. Rather, the most successful competitors are the ones who have a diverse array of skills, including peacekeeping. They match those skills to the demands of the situation before them. True competitors are flexible, adaptable, and able to navigate the complex interplay of focus, effort, and action required for success. They know when to flip the switch, dig down, focus on the outcome, and enter a clutch state—and when to let go, focus on the process, and trust their innate skills to get the job done. Readers will learn the following key principles:

- Master the paradox of effort.
- Lock in and resist the pull of distractions.
- Always find a path forward.
- Time travel to sustain effort and engagement.
- Harness the momentum of those around you.

This isn't just a book about sports or business. It explores how jazz musicians turn down cognitive control to allow for freedom to improvise, and how fighters activate their brain's rage circuit but maintain cognitive control. It dives into the science of how mothers can find "hysterical strength" to lift a car and save their child and why, when shot on the battlefield, some soldiers report feeling no pain until they've finished their job. *Step Into the Arena* takes a deep dive into our nervous system to help us manipulate our stress response and put ourselves in the right state to perform.

**Steve Magness** is a world-renowned expert on performance, author of *Do Hard Things* and *The Science of Running*, and coauthor of *Peak Performance* and *The Passion Paradox*.

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# You vs. Anti-You

By Aubrey Marcus

**A modern mystical guidebook that challenges and helps us to overcome the resistance that keeps us locked in a constant battle with our own potential. Marcus reveals the thirteen moves that help us on our journey to make the most of our lives.**

Years in the making, YOU VS. ANTI-YOU exposes the forces within each of us that work against our potential, forces we can counter once we know how to face them.

In the tradition of Miguel Ruiz and Steven Pressfield, Marcus looks deep into the great wisdom teachings, from the kabbalah and mystics through the ages to philosophers and poets, as well as mining the depths of his own experiences, to unpack the negative voices in our heads that keep us from realizing our potential for happiness.

Marcus shares his own deeply personal experiences—both painful and enlightening—as they pertain to hard-won lessons his readers can learn from. The stories are imbued with the candid and revealing sharing Marcus is known and loved (and sometimes vilified!) for. Part memoir, part self-help, part modern mystical guidebook, YOU VS. ANTI-YOU tackles the biggest questions with a fierce mind and open heart. The book speaks of hard truths and offers a generous path towards living lives with love and integrity, while tapping into our potential.

**Aubrey Marcus** is the *New York Times* bestselling author of *Own The Day*, *Own Your Life* and the founder of Onnit, a globally disruptive brand based on the holistic health philosophy, Total Human Optimization. Aubrey hosts the Aubrey Marcus Podcast, a motivational destination for conversations with the brightest minds in spirituality, philosophy, psychedelics and culture with over 100 million views. He is a leading voice in the world of psychonautics with over 25 years of experience in the great plant medicine traditions, as well as a student in the Kabbalist lineage of Solomon and the new school of CosmoErotic Humanism.

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# Tryhard

## *A Cautionary Tale of Clocking In and Spinning Out*

By Laura Mayer

**A superstar podcast producer delivers a unique, laugh-out-loud, cry quietly invitation to examine our delusional obsessions with work in this eye-opening book-part memoir, part mentoring, part confessional guide-that dissects the emotional ties that bind us . . . to our desks.**

For any type-A, high achiever out there, this is the book that sees you. And provides a cathartic, funny, emotionally charged insight into what drives the perfection-oriented.

Laura Mayer was born a girlboss. As a child in suburban Illinois, she played "V.P. of Sales" in her bedroom, dictating important memos to her twin brother and swapping Judy Blume for the buzzy business books of the day. While other kids dreamed of being pop stars or pro athletes, little Laura had a single-minded focus: the corporate ladder.

Some thirty years later, from a dizzying perch on that very ladder-as Executive Producer of Podcasts at ABC News, with such blockbuster shows as Revisionist History, Bad Blood, and Happier with Gretchen Rubin to her credit-and with an identity shaped by annual reviews, performance indicators, and "executive presence" (whatever that means) a disillusioned Laura is calling "bullshit" on the whole work-is-life thing. Sort of.

Workhorse is a gonzo memoir for 9-to-5 devotees who have read every business book and C-suite-or-bust instruction manual yet still find we're burnt out and unhappy. It is also a deeply personal and poignant examination of why we race at all. Laura detangles this delusional mess of priorities we've created, rejects the "boss-at-any-cost" culture, and invites us to laugh at ourselves (and her) along the way. She offers the modern office worker a new path forward through her own revelations, and implores us, for the love of God, to chill out a little bit.

This is Laura's messy, somewhat enlightened, possibly transformative, heart-wrenching and always entertaining story-a one-of-a-kind sightseeing trip on the Great American hamster wheel.

**Laura Mayer** is Head of Podcasts at Talkhouse. She worked as the Executive Producer of Podcast Programming at ABC News while she wrote this book. She has worked in "Big Podcasting" for as long as anyone can work in "Big Podcasting." Laura has developed more than one-hundred podcasts throughout her career. She executive produced ABC News's wildly-popular slate of true crime shows. She co-created and launched The Dream. She also wrote and hosted her own podcast, Shameless Acquisition Target, which inspired this book.

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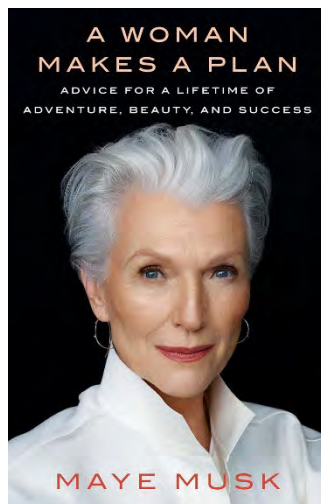
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# Timeless

*The Art of Reinvention and Resilience at Any Age*

By Maye Musk

From the international supermodel, mother of successful businessman Elon Musk, and bestselling author Maye Musk comes an empowering, intimate, and wildly inspiring look at what it takes to reinvent yourself—again and again—and create a life that feels truly fabulous.

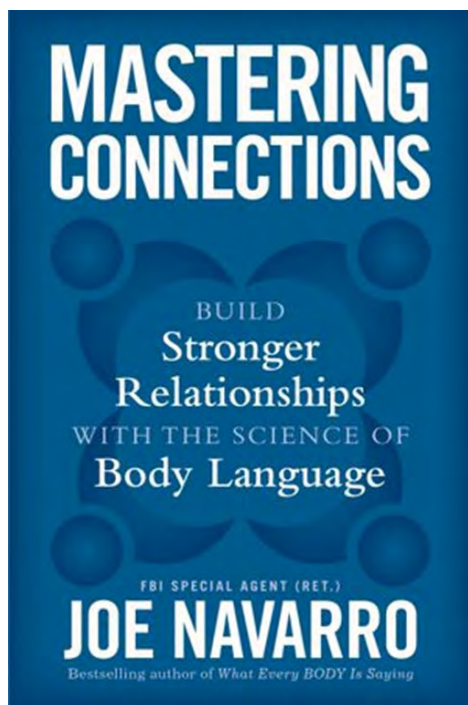
At 77, Maye Musk is more in demand than ever: walking runways, gracing magazine covers, and speaking to audiences around the world. But her success didn't happen overnight. In *TIMELESS*, with warmth, humor, and hard-won wisdom, Maye reveals how she learned to thrive—not in spite of her age, but because of it. She shares the behind-the-scenes story of her second—and third, and fourth—acts.

She raised three children—including visionary entrepreneur Elon Musk—while building her own career from the ground up. She's survived hardship, started over on three continents, and proved that a woman's best years don't have an expiration date, by revealing how, after decades of surviving and providing for her family, she found the courage to embrace change, build new opportunities, and step fully into her own power..

*TIMELESS* is more than a memoir—it's a masterclass in perseverance, adaptability, reinvention, and the art of becoming unapologetically yourself.

**Maye Musk** is the author of *A Woman Makes a Plan* which sold widely abroad and is a bestseller in China.

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International  
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author

# Mastering Connections

*Build Stronger Relationships with the Science of Body Language*

By Joe Navarro

**From international bestselling author and retired FBI special agent Joe Navarro—a guide to reading other people's body language and using your own to build and maintain lasting connections in an increasingly lonely and isolated world.**

As an FBI special agent focused on counterintelligence and behavioral assessment, Joe Navarro's ability to connect with people was never optional—it was essential. Victims needed to feel safe enough to open up, and suspects needed to trust him enough to tell the truth. With no time to slowly build rapport, Navarro mastered nonverbal communication: the language beneath words.

Connecting with others in our modern era can feel similarly daunting. In a world dominated by screens, remote work, and algorithm-driven dating, genuine human connection feels harder to come by than ever. Nevertheless, the need to bond, to belong, and to be understood remains as urgent as ever.

In *Connecting*, Navarro distills decades of field experience and cutting-edge science into practical strategies anyone can use. This book offers clear, actionable advice for how to:

- Make a lasting first impression in interviews, meetings, and on dates
- Earn trust quickly and, most importantly, authentically
- Utilize proven techniques that few have mastered
- Recognize and defuse conflict before it escalates
- Strengthen personal and professional bonds that will endure
- Change the way you connect with others for a happier and longer life

**Joe Navarro, MA**, served as an FBI special agent in counterintelligence and counterterrorism for twenty-five years. He is the international bestselling author of *What Every BODY Is Saying* and *Be Exceptional*. He consults for major corporations and governments worldwide.

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# Rare Harvest

*A Field Guide to Foraging, Farming, and Reclaiming Your Connection to the Earth*

By Indy Officialis

The forager, urban farmer, and NatGeo star shares this beautiful, practical field guide and primer to the ethics of caring for the land.

With this indispensable, practical resource in the garden, in the field, and in the wild, learn the basics of foraging, as well as the “whys” of foraging and self-reliance. In a country with overflowing grocery store shelves, why should we learn to find, identify, grow, and harvest our own food?

With Indy’s wisdom and guidance, learn:

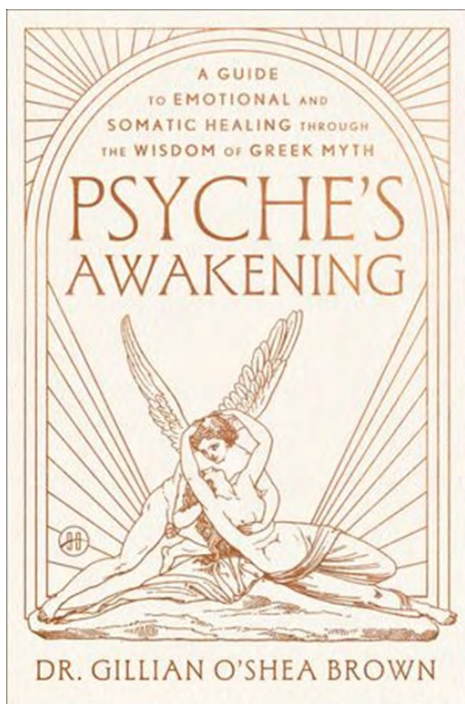
- common foraging and farming identification terms
- how to measure and ID specimens
- recipes featuring the plants, mushrooms, and seaweeds introduced here
- culinary and medicinal applications
- the stories behind the plants; how they came to grow where they are
- sociocultural and economic considerations
- how to make her favorite foraged recipes, from Dandelion Fritters to Yarrow Beer
- plus resources for additional reading and exploration.

Rare Harvest is the field guide for an ethical meal, from forest to farm, from person to plate. Foraging and growing food is more than a hobby, a trend, or a pastime—it is the answer to the preservation of humankind.

Whether you live in a food desert, in the suburbs, on a rural farm, or in a high-rise in the heart of the city, your personal and genetic story is interwoven with the story of the foods you eat. By way of being human, you are already a farmer. To uncover your innate ability to grow and find food is one of the greatest gifts you can give yourself.

Rare Harvest features black-and-white botanical illustrations throughout.

**Indy Officialis** is a Los Angeles-based forager, urban farmer, and educator who empowers underserved communities through food literacy and land justice. She is the host of National Geographic’s “Farm Dreams”.



# Psyche's Awakening

## *A Guide to Emotional and Somatic Healing Through the Wisdom of Greek Myth*

By Dr. Gillian O'Shea Brown

**Ancient Greek mythology meets the best of today's psychological insights for a hero's journey you won't soon forget: your own.**

It's a tale as old as time: a seeker sets out on a journey against the odds to pursue enlightenment. Yet in real life, we must brave the challenges within. This emotional quest invokes an inner alchemy, transforming wounds into wisdom, shame into self-forgiveness, and pain into purpose. In *Psyche's Awakening*, psychotherapist Gillian O'Shea Brown turns to these epic dramas as mirrors and maps guiding you to rediscover and reclaim the powers of resilience and wisdom already within. The Greek myths are some of the most enduring stories of all time because their archetypal energies are alive in us today. We have much to learn from Medusa on our "soul scars," Pygmalion on boundary work and emotional walls, Icarus on the dignity of risk, and the phoenix on the transformation that is possible beyond trauma.

Through vibrant mythical retellings and evidence-based, trauma-informed psychological insights, *Psyche's Awakening* will support your journey with:

- Somatic exercises such as breathwork, body scans, and grounding rituals.
- Guided tools for charting your erotic-emotional map.
- Techniques for social pruning and returning vitality to your relationships.
- Compassionate shadow work and self-healing practices

As Gillian writes, "The greatest adventure you will ever embark on is the journey back to yourself." This book is your map to this sacred awakening.

Originally from Ireland, **Dr. Gillian O'Shea Brown** is a New York based psychotherapist, adjunct professor at NYU, and EMDRIA approved consultant passionate about whole living for all people. Her work on the treatment and healing of complex trauma (relational trauma) has been featured internationally in *Vogue*, *Forbes*, *Marie Claire*, *Huffington Post*, and elsewhere. Her first book, entitled *Healing Complex Posttraumatic Stress Disorder: A Clinician's Guide* (2021, Springer) was designed to provide trauma-informed therapists with psychoeducation. She lives in Brooklyn with her family.

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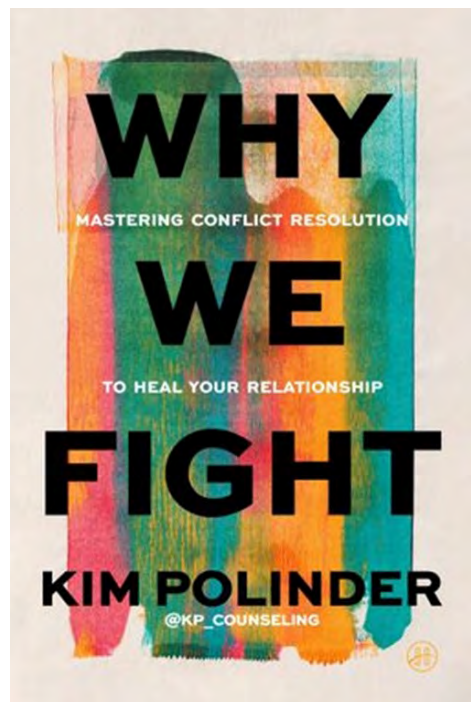
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# Why We Fight

## A Transformative Road Map to Healing Conflict in Any Relationship

By Kim Polinder

**A revolutionary guide to discovering your core wound, examining how it manifests in your life, and navigating conflict in all relationships, from the popular therapist and coach @kp\_counseling. Anyone in a long-term relationship knows that fighting is inevitable.**

Our goal should be fighting well, fighting clean—which is both shockingly hard to do and the basis of a successful partnership. In *Why We Fight*, relationship coach, couples' therapist, and former Fortune 500 tech engineer Kim Polinder offers a unique and practical process for couples to address the recurring conflicts in their relationships—by helping them understand why they fight in the first place.

If you're sick of feeling out of control as the same old fights keep bubbling up, *Why We Fight* provides a path to understanding why we experience repetitive arguments and contention in our intimate relationships, and how to change that before it's too late. With Kim's guidance, you will discover your core wound, analyze how that plays out in your life, and follow a series of questions and practices to reframe and implement new behaviors, resulting in an improved relationship with yourself and your loved one. Before Kim gained her degrees in spiritual psychology and clinical mental health and became a therapist, she spent many years as an IT engineer for a Fortune 500 company. This training taught her to approach problems by seeking the root cause of issues. In these pages, you will learn to:

- identify your core wound(s), which might sound something like 'My feelings don't matter,' 'I don't belong,' or 'My feelings are overwhelming'
- understand your attachment style and how it might be holding you back
- apply basic communication exercises
- undo the 'bad math' of relationships that you absorbed in childhood
- express yourself effectively, not defensively
- figure out the best troubleshooting approach for when conflict emerges, as it inevitably will

Kim's simple, proprietary flowchart system (Step 1: Do I Feel Understood? Step 2: Find a Solution) with straightforward prompts has been a gamechanger for her clients and hundreds of thousands of followers, helping them navigate conflict, regulate their emotions, communicate more effectively, and make informed decisions during tough arguments.

**Kim Polinder** is a relationship coach and therapist with more than 600,000 followers across all social media platforms and millions of views of her viral relationship advice videos. Formerly a Fortune 500 tech engineer, she left it behind to follow her passion for psychology and emotional healing. Armed with master's degrees in Clinical Mental Health and Spiritual Psychology, Kim blends techniques from Cognitive-Behavioral therapy and inner child work. Adopted from Korea and growing up in a white Christian family in small-town America led her on a journey of self-acceptance that fuels her empathy for her clients. Kim's mission is clear: to help others heal and create the relationships they desire. She lives in San Diego, California.

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# The Breast Advice

## *All You Need to Know About Breast Health, Screening, and Treatment*

By Dr. Elisa Port

**Everything you need to know about breast health in one place, essential advice you can trust from Mount Sinai's Chief of Breast Surgery, Dr. Elisa Port, and her patients.**

Breast cancer is the most common cancer affecting women in the United States and all over the world. There are 300,000 women diagnosed in the United States alone each year, and of all cancers women get, one in three will be breast. Everyone has been touched by breast cancer in some way – as the more than 4 million breast cancer survivors in the US can attest. With misinformation flooding us from chat forums to wellness influencers, where can we turn for the truth? The Breast Advice offers a trustworthy resource as you navigate assessing your risk of breast cancer, navigate screening and prevention, and treatment, dispelling myths and laying out the facts, including the latest innovations from AI to new screening techniques. Bringing in patients' wisdom together with her 25 years of experience as one of New York's most celebrated specialists, Mount Sinai's Chief of Breast Surgery Dr. Elisa Port has created a comprehensive guide to breast cancer risk, diagnosis, and treatment. Addressing: Lifestyle factors to prevent breast cancer Risk assessment, screening, and testing—including the latest technology Diagnosis—choosing a doctor, what to ask, how to manage hard news Treatment—from radiation and chemotherapy to surgery and novel therapies Top ten pieces of advice from patients who have been through it An essential resource for everyone with breasts, The Breast Advice will be passed around and relied upon for years to come.

**Dr. Elisa R. Port** is the Chief of Breast Surgery for Mount Sinai Health System in New York. She joined Mount Sinai Hospital and its Icahn School of Medicine in 2010 and is also a Professor of Surgery. Dr. Port performs hundreds of operations each year and is sought out for both her expertise and surgical skills by patients from all over the world. She is an expert in the most advanced surgical techniques for breast cancer treatment while also seeing advising many patients at high risk for breast cancer. Dr. Port also actively conducts both clinical and basic science research, publishing in the Journal of the American College of Surgeons, Annals of Surgery, and Cancer Research, and she is a member of several professional associations and is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons.

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# The Ark Is Open

*Wisdom from 12 Myths for Courage in Times of Crisis*

By Daniel Rechtschaffen

**An expert guide for relaxing your nervous system, sourcing true resilience, and reframing your relationship with crisis in an anxious age.**

In an era of dumpster fires and doomscrolling, is there any such thing as a healthy relationship with our stress response? While we can't avoid crisis, we can learn to move more gracefully through cycles of collapse and renewal. We can find the sustainability we seek in learning how to tend the very forces we once feared.

When the L.A. forest fires threatened their family home, Daniel Rechtschaffen—a therapist, celebrated mindfulness teacher, and toddler dad—officially went into panic mode. This near-miss prompted him to embark on a five-year study of ancient apocalyptic narratives to learn how we are shaped by the stories we tell about the end of the world, and what gives us the hope we need to keep going.

The Ark Is Open offers a powerful antidote to modern anxiety, revealing how to find hope and resilience not by turning away from chaos, but by turning toward it with ancient wisdom as your guide. Greek mythology's Persephone, Indigenous folklore's Coyote, the Hebrew prophets, and the resurrected Jesus all offer themselves as archetypes of survival revealing: How to relax your nervous system even in the face of uncertainty Practices for waking up to the preciousness of life What resilience means for you today How to resist denial and despair and source honest hope What you can do to break out of the doom loop and start writing the story of the future Consider this book your care package in times of crisis, and your map out of the woods into a future of our own making.

**Daniel Rechtschaffen** is an author, psychotherapist, poet, and mindfulness educator whose work weaves together contemplative practice, depth psychology, and earth-based wisdom. He founded the Mindful Education Institute and Transformative Educational Leadership, and authored four books, including *The Way of Mindful Education* and *Alphabreaths*.



# How to Love Men When You Hate Men

By Blythe Roberson

**Author of TikTok hit *How to Date Men When You Hate Men* returns years after her first book on dating to explore the landscape of one of the worst-known human afflictions that could follow: actually loving a man**

During the 2010s, Blythe Roberson was a woman who exclusively called herself a “girl”, who had wildfire crushes on men, who thought about them all day long and rarely did much to release the heat. When she did stumble into longer-term entanglements, even into relationships, she spent them doubting whether they were right.

Now in her 30s, Blythe is a woman who has fallen in love. She has dipped her toe into domesticity, gone on hormonal birth control, even gotten a good night’s sleep in the same bed as a man. Most important: she has cast off all shame about her desire to love someone and to be loved. And yes, she has had so much sex that she genuinely worried recently before crossing the threshold of a Catholic church. In her younger years Blythe thought crushing on and hooking up with men was mortifying and soul-ruining. She has since learned that actually having to commit to and love men is much, much worse. Dealing for the first time with things like meeting the friends, jealousy, breakups and “breakup but worse and scary”: heartbreak, Blythe also has real conversations about marriage and kids that force her to question what it is she is looking for in love at all.

Returning to the page in her singular, comedic, and now 30-something voice to make readers feel less alone in the pain of loving men, Blythe Roberson has also written something that captures the pleasure of it, too. To remind us that love, actually..... is?..... all around..... And that feeling all of it is one of the chief points of being human. Then, Blythe had been so unsure of herself, and if she would ever be loved. Now, she knows that love is real. She knows how to pursue it, how to accept it, and even how to give it.

**Blythe Roberson** is a comedian, a humor writer, and author of *America the Beautiful?* and *How to Date Men When You Hate Men*. She has written for *The New Yorker*, *New York Magazine*, *The Onion*, *Esquire*, *Alta*, and for NPR’s *Wait Wait... Don’t Tell Me!* Blythe was raised between Illinois and Wisconsin and currently lives in Brooklyn.

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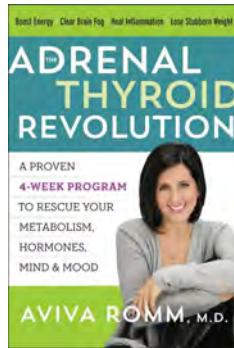
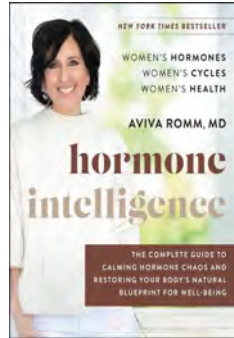
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# Force of Nature

## *The Woman MD's Complete Holistic Approach to Your Healthiest Menopause Journey from Brain, Mind, Moods, and Metabolism to Sleep, Sex Life, and More*

By Aviva Romm, M.D.

The definitive, one-stop guide to perimenopause and menopause, blending rigorous science, clinical guidance, and a reframing of women's midlife power, from the bestselling author of *Hormone Intelligence* and *The Adrenal Thyroid Revolution*.

Menopause has become a cultural flashpoint and a rapidly expanding commercial market. Alongside increased visibility has come a flood of conflicting advice, overprescribing, exaggerated promises, and unproven or oversimplified solutions. Yet most women still enter midlife unprepared for the full scope of changes we experience and unsupported in making sense of them.

*Force of Nature* meets this moment with clarity, clinical authority, and compassion. It offers a grounded, empowering roadmap for one of the most consequential transitions of a woman's life, weighing options thoughtfully, and moving forward with confidence rather than confusion or fear.

Drawing on her decades of clinical practice and the latest scientific evidence, the beloved and celebrated Romm offers readers:

- An integrative approach that resists extremes, bringing together clinical medicine, botanical and lifestyle therapies, and careful use of pharmaceuticals
- Advice for the psychological and inner life transitions of midlife
- Clear-eyed analysis of both medicine and the wellness industry
- Whole-body, whole-life care, rather than just symptom management
- A re-centering of women as authorities in our own care

At a time when menopause is increasingly medicalized on the one end and commercialized on the other, *Force of Nature* offers a rare middle path—approaching menopause as a meaningful biological transition with real implications for women's wellbeing, not as a hormone deficiency or a problem to be "fixed." Neither dismissive of conventional medicine nor taken in by wellness dogma, *Force of Nature* offers clear, balanced guidance that honors women's lived experiences and empowers us to step into our most vital, confident, and beautiful years.

**Dr. Aviva Romm** is a Yale-trained, board-certified family physician with a specialty in integrative women's health and obstetrics. Dr. Romm practices medicine in New York and Massachusetts, speaks and teaches internationally, and avidly teaches online courses in women's health.

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# Food for Humans

By Paul Saladino

**Bestselling author of The Carnivore Code, Dr. Paul Saladino, shares the next evolution in healthy eating built on a shockingly simple premise: your body will return to health if you eat food that is actually meant for humans.**

We have forgotten what actual food is.

We are living in an age of food abundance, with climate-controlled grocery stores that feature a rainbow's array of fruits and vegetables and infinite shelf-stable foods. And yet, with obesity levels at 40%, heart disease responsible for 20% of deaths, and nearly half of all adults suffering from high blood pressure, we have sacrificed our health for comfort, and it's literally killing us.

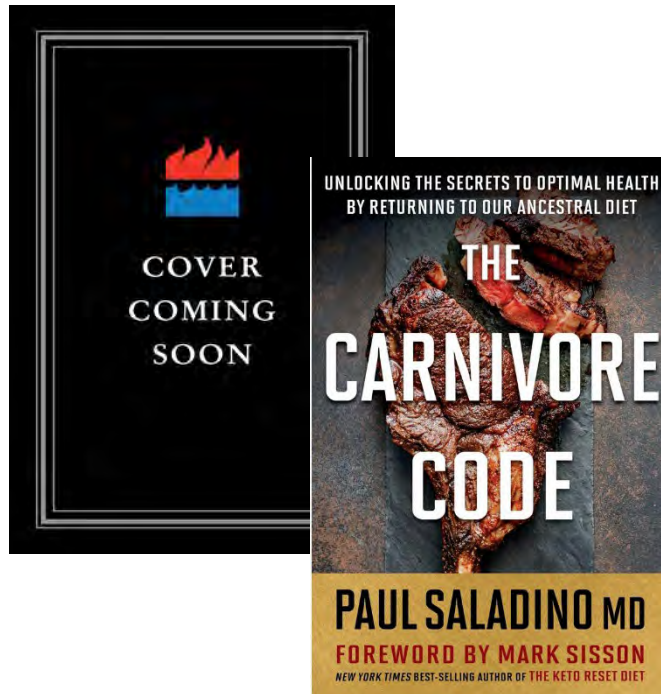
In this sweeping and eye-opening guide, bestselling author Dr. Paul Saladino takes us on a journey to discover food for humans – what we are actually meant to eat in order to live our healthiest lives. Food is the most powerful tool when it comes to our health. Our bodies are built to thrive on single-ingredient whole foods like natural protein sources, nutrient-rich organs, and selective fruits and vegetables, not processed, shelf-stable foods, even those marketed as "healthy." All chronic health issues — from digestive problems to autoimmune disorders — are a direct result of a mismatch between our ancient biology and our contemporary diet.

Saladino traces our dietary history from hunter-gatherer societies to the agricultural revolution and finally the industrial food system, exploring how vastly different our modern diet is from our ancestral one. Far less limiting than his original Carnivore diet that limited fruits and vegetables and prioritized animals, Food for Humans explains how eating more lean meats, fish, nuts, seeds, fruits, and even certain vegetables – while limiting grains, dairy, refined sugars, and processed vegetable oils – can unlock optimal health and longevity. Discover why:

- Metabolic health is the missing factor when it comes to our health and wellness
- Eating more of the right foods - especially higher protein sources-- is more effective than counting calories
- Most people can thrive on a diet that's more flexible and less restrictive than a strictly Carnivore diet
- Your body has the ability to return to optimal health, if you know what to feed it
- You are, in fact, what you eat.

**Paul Saladino, MD**, is a double-board certified doctor, podcaster, author and creator of the animal-based diet.

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# The Official We Do Not Care Club Handbook

*A Hot-Mess Guide for Women in Perimenopause, Menopause, and Beyond Who Are Over It*  
By Melani Sanders

The must-have companion to the We Do Not Care (WDNC) Club and viral movement, from Founding Member Melani Sanders (@justbeingmelani). Part survival manual and part rallying cry, this essential handbook is your trusted guide to the hormonal mayhem of perimenopause, menopause, and postmenopause. Hop aboard the Hot Mess Express, Sisters, and welcome to the Club!

We. Do. Not. Care.

Do you wake up with night sweats at 3:26 am, overstimulated, mad at anything breathing, and ready to put the world on notice?

Do you forget the words you are saying as you are saying them?

If you have a she-shed and no longer care about clothes that fit, half-painted big toenails, or cellulite on your legs (legs is legs!), then welcome to the club -- the We Do Not Care (WDNC) Club. You're now a card-carrying member with an exclusive invite to the biggest hormonal party in town.

This Club is for all of our Sisters in perimenopause, menopause, and postmenopause who are over it. Here is a list\* of things We Do Not Care about today:

Shaving our legs.

Plucking our chin hair.

Wearing the same bra all week.

Wearing bras, period.

Wearing PJs all day. Clothes is clothes.

Being on time. Be happy that I showed up -- I don't even want to be here.

People who think we have a sh\*tty attitude. That's on them.

Cancelled plans. We didn't want to go anywhere anyway.

If you're hungry. The kitchen isn't locked.

If you're cold. Don't even think about touching that thermostat.

Melani Sanders, Founding Member of the WDNC, is here to tell you that it's okay not to care. You're not alone. We're all in the same boat, just out here trying to survive. This book is your life raft. Let's hold on for dear life -- and get through this together.

\*partial and incomplete

**Melani Sanders** is a digital creator and the fearless founder of the We Do Not Care Movement™. Her viral WDNC reels and posts capture the humor, heart, and chaos of perimenopause and menopause, midlife in general, motherhood, and real life. Melani lives in West Palm Beach, Florida with her husband, three sons, and dog.

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# The We Do Not Care Club Coloring Book

By Melani Sanders

A hilarious, stress-relieving coloring book for members of the We Do Not Care club, from founding member Melani Sanders (@justbeingmelani), featuring 40 hysterical -- and relatable -- illustrations of the things we no longer care about in menopause and perimenopause, from bras that fit to unplucked chin hair, and everything in between.

We. Do. Not. Care. If you have a she-shed and no longer care about bras that fit, peeing a little bit when you laugh, or plucking the 3 new chin hairs that sprouted overnight, then welcome to the club – the We Do Not Care Club (WDNC). You're now a card-carrying member with an exclusive invite to the biggest hormonal party in town. This coloring book is for all of the fed up Sisters in perimenopause, menopause, and beyond. Grab your fan, take the night off from cooking dinner (they know where the kitchen is!), and find some colored pencils in that junk drawer you no longer care about. It's time to sit back and color with this sanity-saving coloring book, featuring: 40 cozy, hand-drawn illustrations showing the things we no longer care about (from paper thin gowns at the gynecologist to doom scrolling at 3:26 am) Hilarious scenes to remind you that you're not alone on the hot mess express (we're in this together, Sisters) Individually printed pages to prevent bleed through and images large enough to color without reading glasses (you're welcome) Hours of entertainment to help you relax and unwind (you deserve it!)

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# The We Do Not Care Club: Daily Journal

By Melani Sanders



The must-have companion journal to the We Do Not Care Club (WDNC) and viral movement, from New York Times bestselling author Melani Sanders (@justbeingmelani), featuring inspirational prompts, stories, and advice so you can care less deeply and live more fully every day of the year.

Do you want to join the hottest (or hot-flashest) club in town for all Sisters in perimenopause, menopause, and postmenopause who are over it?

Do you have so many things you no longer care about -- like clothes that fit, wearing bras, and shaving your legs -- that you've lost track?

Do you have a she-shed?

Then congratulations, you are officially a card-carrying member of the We Do Not Care Club, and this is your guide to embracing the WDNC mentality every day of the year. This is your dedicated space to navigate this hot mess of a journey with honesty, humor, and a healthy dose of not caring. Whether you're wrestling with night sweats all night long, celebrating the freedom of an all-elastic wardrobe, or just need a place to document the many things you officially no longer care about, this journal is for you. Discover:

- Space to jot down all of the things you no longer care about, from bras that fit to plucking your chin hair
- Words of wisdom and essential survival tips from one Sister to another
- Places to capture the brilliant ideas that come to you at 3:26 am
- Ample reminders that you are enough - and we are in this together, Sisters!

This journal is your private sanctuary to capture the good, the bad, and the utterly hormonal.

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# Cancer Uncensored

By Saphier, Nicole, M.D.

**Today Is a Great Day to Beat Cancer: A Radiologist's Survival Manual in an Age of Breakthrough Treatments**

**Discover the strength to face cancer—and the science that makes beating it more possible than ever**

How can I be sure I beat cancer? What about ivermectin and other experimental treatments? Why do some people on chemotherapy no longer lose their hair? Will I be able to work during treatment—or should I plan not to? What questions actually matter at my appointments? And what if I don't feel like becoming a "cancer warrior"?

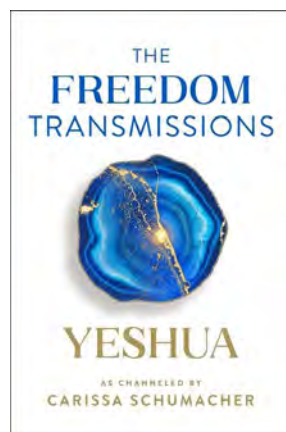
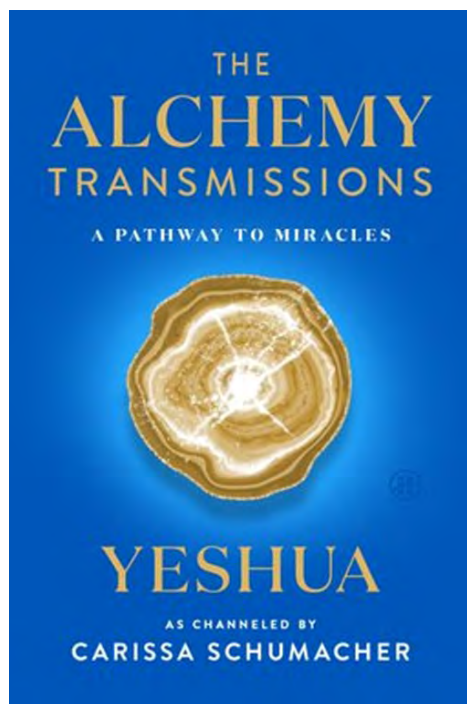
Cancer care has changed dramatically, and too many patients are still navigating it with outdated assumptions, unnecessary fear, or incomplete information. In *Today Is a Great Day to Beat Cancer*, Dr. Nicole Saphier—an accomplished radiologist and cancer survivor—offers a clear-eyed, compassionate survival manual for this new era of breakthrough treatments.

Drawing on the latest advances in modern oncology, Dr. Saphier explains what today's patients need to know about targeted therapies, immunotherapy, precision medicine, and evolving chemotherapy protocols—what they are, how they work, and what they realistically mean for your daily life. She answers the questions patients are often afraid to ask, or don't realize they should be asking at all. This is not a book about fighting harder or adopting a heroic mindset. It's a practical, empowering guide to understanding your options, advocating for yourself, and making informed decisions—whether you're newly diagnosed, in treatment, living beyond cancer, or supporting someone you love.

Inside, you'll find:· A true survival manual: Clear, step-by-step guidance for navigating diagnoses, appointments, scans, and treatment decisions.· Myths busted: People have heard about ivermectin, turbo cancer, and biopsies spreading cancer. Which of these are real and which are not?· Modern cancer science explained: Straightforward explanations of today's most effective therapies and why outcomes are improving.· Real-life insight: Perspective from both sides of the exam table, combining clinical expertise with lived experience.· Permission to be human: Reassurance for those who don't want slogans, platitudes, or pressure to be "brave" every day.

Grounded in science and written with empathy, *Today Is a Great Day to Beat Cancer* shows how knowledge, preparation, and modern medicine can replace fear with confidence.

**Dr. Nicole Saphier** is a board-certified radiologist who serves as the director of breast imaging at Memorial Sloan Kettering (MSK) Monmouth in New Jersey. As a prominent medical contributor for Fox News, she provides expert analysis on health policy and breaking medical news across the network's platforms. She is also the author of the New York Times bestselling book *Love, Mom*, which features inspiring first-person stories about the challenges and triumphs of motherhood.



# The Alchemy Transmissions

## *A Pathway to Miracles*

By Carissa Schumacher

**Channeled Transmissions from Yeshua—the true name of Jesus—provide a pathway to transform and evolve mentally, emotionally, physically, and consciously, so you may receive and create Miracles.**

*The Alchemy Transmissions: A Pathway to Miracles*, Yeshua, as channeled by Carissa Schumacher, welcomes readers into the New Era that we are collectively shifting into. Yeshua discusses the qualities of the New Era, how it is different from the last Era, and what we will experience over the next years and decades. He introduces the true meaning of Divine Alchemy and how it differs from conventional methods of healing. If any of these questions resonate with you, the wisdom and energy in this book is essential for you.

- Have you, despite even many difficult life experiences, felt like you were meant to serve a special purpose in your life? Yet still feel unclear as to what that means and how to do so?
- Have you ever questioned what was told to you about God due to your own experiences, perceptions, and intuitions?
- Are you curious about the true meaning and purpose of life, death, and beyond?
- Do you feel like you have seemingly tried everything to heal from traumas and grief and are still struggling?
- Do you feel the need for greater clarity, love, peace, balance, and joy within your life?
- Have you felt called to more deeply understand, grow, evolve, and serve through your own Divine human gifts and abilities?
- Have you ever wondered about what actually happened in Yeshua's Life and why that truth is important in the times ahead?

This is a book that isn't just about healing and self-development. *The Alchemy Transmissions* is about understanding how to both receive *and* catalyze Miracles through Divine *and* human co-creation. With Loving Truth, Yeshua provides a Pathway for us to transform and evolve mentally, emotionally, physically, and within our consciousness. So that we may dissolve areas of ourselves and lives that feel like "servitude through suffering" and step into our true, original essence and "Service through Joy."

Carissa is a World-Renowned Forensic Psychic Medium and Full-Body Channel for Yeshua (Jesus's real name). Her abilities and offerings have been featured in the *New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, *Marie Claire Magazine*, and numerous other prominent podcasts, publications, and books. She is the channel for the book, *The Freedom Transmissions* (HarperOne, 2021).

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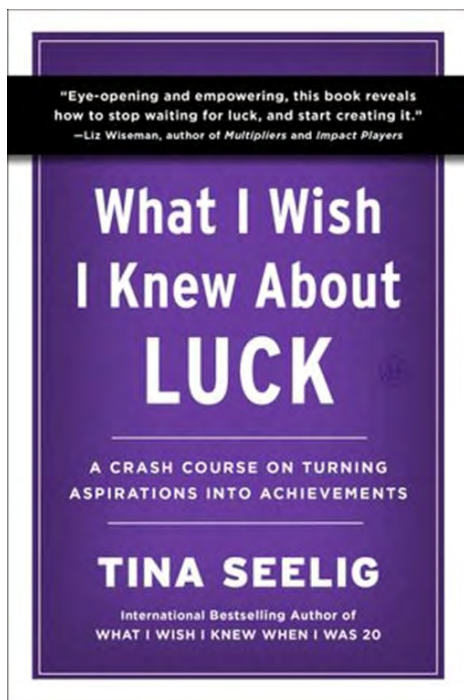
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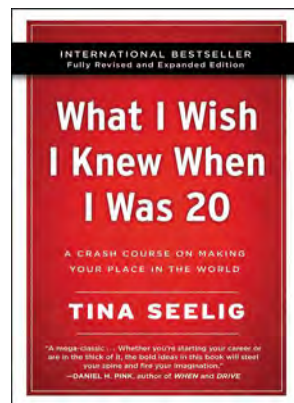
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# What I Wish I Knew About Luck

## A Crash Course on Turning Aspirations into Achievements

By Tina Seelig

The bestselling author of *What I Wish I Knew When I Was 20's* engaging and practical guide to how to become lucky, based on her classes at Stanford University and her popular TED talk.

Much of what we call luck is the result of deliberate actions and consistent efforts. As Tina Seelig shared in her popular TED Talk, luck is like the wind, constantly blowing, often unpredictable, and always in motion. To catch the winds of luck, you need to construct your sail by doing the internal work that sets the stage for success; recruit your crew by bringing others along; and hoist your sail by acting in ways that lead you closer to your goals. With these practical tools in hand, the winds of luck carry you toward the future you dream to live.

What I Wish I Knew About Luck is filled with memorable examples, personal anecdotes, and behavioral science research. You will learn:

- how to stay steady in turbulent waters
- how to sail past your limit
- show to see problems as opportunities
- show to build ladders to larger win
- show to clear clutter on your path to success
- show to turn setbacks into stepping stone
- show luck is amplified over the course of a lifetime

As a professor at Stanford University, with expertise on leadership, entrepreneurship, and innovation, Dr. Seelig teaches her students how to see and seize opportunities, especially those hidden in plain sight. Opportunities are everywhere, waiting to be discovered!

**Tina Seelig** has taught at Stanford University for more than 25 years. She is Executive Director of Knight-Hennessy Scholars, and Director Emerita of the Stanford Technology Ventures Program, the entrepreneurship center at Stanford School of Engineering. She teaches courses in the Hasso Plattner Institute of Design (d.school) and has led several fellowship programs in the School of Engineering that are focused on creativity, innovation, leadership, and entrepreneurship. Dr. Seelig earned her PhD in Neuroscience at Stanford Medical School, and has been a management consultant, entrepreneur, and author of 17 books, including *inGenius*, *Creativity Rules*, and *What I Wish I Knew When I Was 20*.

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# Labor and Deliverance

## *Reclaiming the Healing in Women's Health*

By Tracy Shevell, MD

From an award-decorated Top Doctor and OB-GYN who's delivered over 10,000 babies, discover how to reclaim your agency and authentic healing in a medical establishment that so often dismisses women's pain.

Dr. Tracy Shevell has seen it all, and is determined to put healing back into women's health. *Labor and Deliverance* proposes a bold new model of medicine: one that regards emotional health as just as important as physical symptoms, and healing as a spiritual journey.

In a society where women have been conditioned to discredit their tremendous internal strength, figuring out how to heal is a complicated journey. Take it from Dr. Shevell: self-worth will get you better faster.

*Labor and Deliverance* is told through the multi-dimensional stories of nine patients, all with different backgrounds and birth stories. Through it all, Dr. Shevell weaves her own story of secretly battling a debilitating mystery illness, as she pinched herself to stay awake during meetings and snuck off to vomit in between rounds. Meanwhile, her own doctors brushed it off as "just anxiety."

As the kaleidoscope of these stories turns, we find a new view to women's reclamation of their bodies, and new strategies for getting the support you need for the healing you deserve. Dr. Shevell's professional advice covers:

- Practical steps to take today to take your healing seriously, even when no one else will
  - Pro tips for symptoms tracking and talking to your provider so they will listen
  - How to safely explore your body's emotional history
  - Guidance on finding the right provider for you, and discerning effective alternative healthcare
- With the page-turning narrative power of *Maybe You Should Talk to Someone* and the expert edge of books like *Expecting Better*, this book reckons with the many ways the healthcare system fails women while reconnecting readers with their inherent wisdom and inspiring renewed agency and advocacy for their wellbeing.

**Dr. Tracy Shevell** is an author, speaker, advocate, and high-risk OBGYN dedicated to empowering women to become active participants in their healthcare. A graduate of Columbia University and the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Tracy has over two decades of experience practicing medicine, including as the Director of Maternal and Fetal Wellness at Stamford Hospital in Connecticut.

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## The Overachiever's Guide to Joy A Year of Learning to Love a Slower, Softer Life

By Aomawa Shields, PhD

A transformative, practical guide to true wellness and a life of abundance and balance, from the renowned astrophysicist, TED Fellow, and working mother

What would your life look like if you allowed yourself to rest?

Dr. Aomawa Shields is a lifelong overachiever. While working harder than everyone else led to career success and public accolades—from completing her six-year PhD program in five to presenting a celebrated TED Talk that has received 1.8 million views—when she became a mom, a crisis of mental and physical health forced her to question the cost of pushing herself to the brink—and look for a better way.

As an astronomer searching for life on other planets, Dr. Shields has long learned from the cosmos, and in these pages she shares her hard-won wisdom, structured over the course of a year of practice. With her expert guidance and the same rest tools she teaches her students, you can learn to:

- choose self-compassion over self-hatred and -critique
- pause and settle using techniques from yoga nidra, mindfulness, and mindfulness
- take action from a place of rest, which is far more productive than action born from chronic exhaustion, anxiety, and stress
- set boundaries with yourself and others
- unravel expectations around being a "good mother," "good daughter," "good friend," and "good worker"
- live seasonally and in relationship with nature

Dr. Shields' tools allow the body and mind to rest so overachievers can hear wisdom from within, often for the first time, about the unique fears that keep them striving for perfection, and the authentic pursuit of joy that can replace those fears. With mindful practices, prompts, and takeaways, Dr. Shields shows us how being realistic about our commitments can be a triumph, not a failure; why a 30 minute mini-vacation needs to be in your schedule; and what to say to ourselves when we feel that itch to do "one more thing" on our phone—even when we know it's a losing battle.

While Dr. Shields used to identify more with the heat and intensity of O-type stars, she now values the slow burn of M-type stars. It is time to release your old thinking and its path to burnout and instead embrace a way forward that nourishes your peace, wholeness, and connection to self and the universe.

**Aomawa Shields** is an astronomer, astrobiologist, classically trained actor, the Clare Boothe Luce Associate Professor in the Department of Physics and Astronomy at the University of California, Irvine, and a certified Daring to Rest Yoga Nidra Facilitator. Her memoir, *Life on Other Planets: A Memoir of Finding My Place in the Universe* (Viking, 2023) was a finalist for the 2024 Zora Neale Hurston/Richard Wright Foundation Legacy Award.



# All My Dead Cats and Other Losses

*Practicing Good Grief in a Culture That Fears Mourning*

By s. e. smith

**An insightful conversation about grief that begins with the loss of a pet and shows readers how death can be less scary by living a meaningful life.**

Have you suffered a loss? How was your life changed by the grief you experienced? Did you feel like your grief was properly acknowledged?

Mourning is a personal experience and shouldn't be judged. There are no do-overs in death, but there are do-betters. All My Dead Cats is about the disenfranchised grief that we grapple with every day. Award-winning journalist s.e. smith uses animals as teachers in exploring the larger framework of grief; it is not inspirational or saccharine: to the contrary, grief can be bloody, messy, and bleak, touching upon the ugly and the raw as it challenges readers to engage, rather than shying away. Each chapter opens with a personal vignette about a pet's death before expanding into an exploration of what those deaths imply for humanity, from sudden death to anticipatory grief and beyond. After reading you'll better understanding:

Disenfranchised grief and how you can be part of the solution and the not problem  
How to be an advocate for people subjected to trauma and violence  
The stages of grief and how to process your experiences

The way forward lies in honoring griefs, in viewing them as a plural that transcends death—and asking grievers what they want from those around them, recognizing that needs and wants may shift from day to day, year to year. Grief is not over once the body is neatly disposed of, the rubble of the house has been taken away in dumpsters, the final fit on the prosthesis is done, the law is passed and withstands legal challenges, or when the permanent peace is brokered. It is an ongoing shift in our relationship to the world, and one that deserves attention and care as well as time and space to be amongst fellow mourners, to whom we do not need to justify or explain, because they understand where we are. Readers will feel seen rather than being chastised for how they grieve and better understand how to process mourning--and how to help others. All My Dead Cats provides an entry point, by beginning the conversation about a beloved pet, so readers can think about the larger stakes of death and live a more fulfilled life.

**s.e. smith** is a National Magazine Award-winning journalist and cultural critic whose work has appeared in Esquire, The Guardian, Rolling Stone, Bitch Magazine, and numerous other publications in addition to anthologies such as Body Language and Disability Intimacy. Smith is also a cofounder of The Flytrap, a worker-owned feminist media collective.

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# Big Feelings, Big Joy

*The Essential Practices to Reclaim Your Strengths as a Highly Sensitive Person*

By April Snow, LMFT

A licensed psychotherapist shares a practical, sustainable, and healing approach to help Highly Sensitive People (HSPs) embrace, not try to change, the unique way your brain and nervous system is wired

*When you look back on your life, can you see your sensitivity peeking through? Little signs that you were a big feeler, a deep thinker, and a noticer of subtle details?*

Psychotherapist and licensed marriage and family therapist April Snow has devoted her clinical practice to working with highly sensitive people (HSP), a form of neurodivergence. As she says, many HSPs have experienced an “ah-ha” moment or series of moments when it dawns on them that they’re different, whether that’s a feeling of awe while watching the ocean’s waves or being told that they’re “too sensitive” for feeling drained after a party. This is the complexity and joy of being an HSP; you are more easily impacted by stress but also more uplifted by positive experiences and connections.

As a HSP herself, April is intimately aware of both the pitfalls and the strengths of this kind of brain chemistry, and how it can impact your life and loved ones. Drawing from her lived experience and the three-part framework that she uses in her practice, April provides an essentials checklist that will help you embrace your uniqueness, rather than trying to “fix” it. You will learn to:

- recognize what high sensitivity is and debunk common misconceptions
- reduce overwhelm and create routines that nourish you
- reframe sensitivity as a strength and the key to shaping self-worth
- integrate technology into your life in a way that is supportive rather than exhausting
- reclaim the gifts you were born using essential practices that will change your life

With April’s expert guidance, you will embrace the way your brain and nervous systems are wired, for a life that is full of joy in the big and little moments, and everything in between.

**April Snow**, LMFT is a licensed psychotherapist, author, consultant, and podcast host in the San Francisco Bay Area. She specializes in working with highly sensitive people to help calm the storm of overwhelm, anxiety, and self-doubt to allow their innate sensitive strengths to shine through. Deeply committed to changing the narrative of what it means to be highly sensitive, April has created and led HSP workshops all over the country as well as online through her Sensitive School

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# High Maintenance

## *A Radical Framework for Personalized Health and Inclusive Self-Care*

By Varuna Srinivasan

A four-step best practices guidebook to reclaiming your relationship with your body at every stage and practicing *true* self-care.

Dr. Srinivasan is a physician, public health researcher, and educator. In her debut book *High Maintenance*, Varuna shares what she refers to as a HIGH-Maintenance Framework focusing on four key pillars she believes makes up our life: Hormones, Identity, Gut, and Habits. Self-care has become a buzz word and Dr. Srinivasan has repositioned it as self-actualization. *High Maintenance* is one of the only resources for all genders and sexualities. Dr. Srinivasan teaches you:

- How to advocate for your body
- How to identify and prevent hormonal burnout, and the steps to create a hormone supportive lifestyle
- Ways to deal with minority stress and the importance of social identity
- About your gut and dysbiosis and how to find balance
- How to create habits that build natural rhythms through routine
- How to find infinite joy and be happy with your body

Incorporated throughout the book are interviews with women from around the world discussing how they apply cultural learnings and personal experiences to care for their bodies.

**Dr. Varuna Srinivasan** is a physician turned educator, with a public health degree from Johns Hopkins University, specializing in gender, sexuality, and health equity. She has worked with Doctors Without Borders in rural India and served on Planned Parenthood Federation of America's health media team during the fall of Roe v. Wade in 2022. Currently, she is the CEO & co-founder of Fluid Health, a health tech startup connecting women and sexual minorities with affirming health care. A practicing Buddhist living in NYC with her husband and puppy, Varuna enjoys reading, thrifting antique furniture, photography, and spending time with her enormously large Indian family.

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# THE MARTHA WAY

Martha Stewart

**A curated collection of Martha's signature, timeless advice for home keeping, entertaining, and living well.**

Step inside the world of Martha Stewart and discover her timeless approach to living well. *The Martha Way: My Essential Principles for Mastering Home and Life* is a beautifully curated guide to the foundational principles that shape a well-kept, inspired life. With her signature clarity and elegance, Martha distills decades of experience into elevated yet accessible solutions for the everyday, covering:

**Cooking:** Tips to master the basics, cook seasonally, and keep a well-stocked kitchen.

**Entertaining:** Host with elegance, whether for a dinner party soiree or a weekend getaway.

**Home Organizing:** Martha's golden rules for a well-maintained, clutter-free home.

**Collecting:** How to get started, what to look for, and how to best treasure your finds.

**Gardening:** Sowing soil, timing blooms, composting, growing vegetables, and more.

Drawing wisdom from her own life well lived, with personal essays introducing each chapter, Martha breaks down each area of expertise into clear, actionable steps.

Whether you're arranging your pantry, preparing a simple but impressive meal, hosting with intention, curating meaningful collections, or cultivating a lush garden, Martha shows you how to do it beautifully and with purpose. With her time-tested tips, tools, and unique but ever practical insights, Martha helps you bring beauty, order, and joy to every corner of your life.

More than just a book, this is a modern blueprint for a well-kept home and life. After all, there's only one way to master the art of everyday living—and it's *The Martha Way*.

# One Good Photo

By David Suh



Part portrait guide, part self-love manifesto, *One Good Photo* is a powerful guide by beloved portrait photographer and viral TikTok content creator David Suh, @davidsuhphoto, to capturing your truest self on camera, blending expert posing techniques with deep self-reflection to help align how you feel with how you want to be seen.

Beloved portrait photographer and viral TikTok content creator David Suh has helped millions of people step in front of the camera with confidence. From his signature empowerment shoots to popular online resources and private posing workshops, David helps people unlock their potential, celebrate their unique identities, and find confidence both in front of and beyond the camera. His mission is clear: to empower people to see themselves in a new light and inspire confidence in every facet of their lives—one pose at a time.

More than a guide to posing, *One Good Photo* is a transformative invitation to reconnect with your body, reclaim your image, and rediscover your sense of self. With a mix of technical instruction and personal insight, Suh offers empowering prompts, simple exercises, and expert tips to help readers align how they feel with how they want to be seen.

**David Suh** is a multi-passionate content creator, renowned portrait photographer, educator, and entrepreneur redefining self-expression through the transformative art of posing. As the founder of DASU Studios in Los Angeles, a premier portrait photography studio, David champions individuality and authentic self-discovery, inspiring his audience of over 7.3 million followers across TikTok, Instagram, and YouTube.

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# Leading with Autism

By Holden Thorp

**Discover the untapped power of neurodivergent minds in this bold new book from the Editor-in-Chief of Science, revealing how autistic thinking—long misunderstood—can fuel exceptional leadership.**

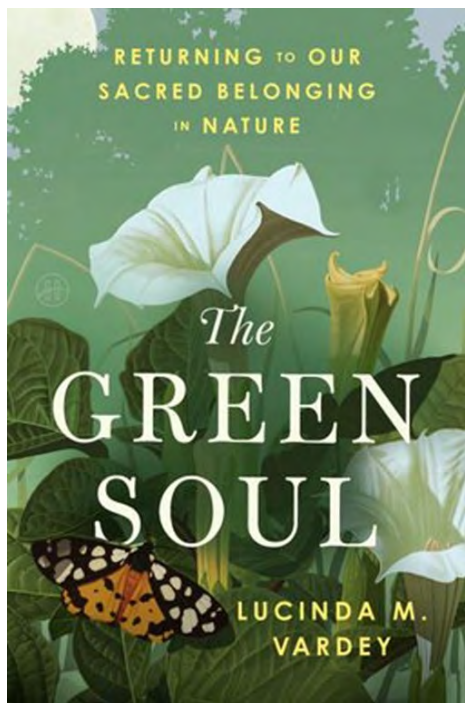
At a moment when organizations are facing unprecedented change and uncertainty, conventional leadership models are falling short. In *LEADING WITH AUTISM*, Holden Thorp, the Editor-in-Chief of the Science journals, makes a bold new case: autistic thinking, long misunderstood and underestimated, can offer a powerful new framework for imagining leadership in today's world.

Following his own unexpected late-in-life autism diagnosis, Thorp began to see his mind and his career through a new lens. As he set out to learn everything he could about his diagnosis and the concept of neurodiversity, he discovered that traits so often labeled as autistic "challenges," such as unshakable concentration, reliance on strict routines, and overly-direct communication, were not liabilities or deficits, but strategic, unique strengths—ones that can sharpen decision-making, clarify priorities, and inspire trust.

Drawing on the latest cutting-edge scientific research, candid reflections from his own career, and interviews with accomplished autistic thinkers, including Temple Grandin, Agnes Callard, Leland Vittert, and more, Thorp shows how stereotypical autistic traits can actually be harnessed as powerful assets, especially when it comes to leadership. Autistic leaders have unique abilities to focus intensely, to see patterns overlooked by others, to communicate clearly, and to instill a sense of determination and focus that drives collective purpose. In each chapter, Thorp breaks down a specific autistic trait, explaining the scientific basis behind it and offering practical insights for navigating—and leveraging—these traits in real-world professional settings.

No matter where you fall on the spectrum, *LEADING WITH AUTISM* shows us how not only accepting, but truly championing autistic thinking results in a new kind of leadership—one capable of taking us to new places, solving problems in bold new ways, and unlocking potential across every team, company, and community.

**Holden Thorp** is the Editor-in-Chief of the Science family of journals, publishing news and commentary on scientific findings, science policy, and the scientific workforce, as well as a professor of chemistry and medicine at George Washington University. He previously served as provost of Washington University in St. Louis and chancellor of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Thorp earned a B.S. from UNC, a Ph.D. in chemistry from California Institute of Technology, and completed postdoctoral work at Yale University. He is a cofounder of Viamet Pharmaceuticals and a partner at Hatteras Venture Partners, while also serving on the board of directors at PBS and Saint Louis University, as well as scientific advisory boards at the Yale School of Medicine and the Underwriters' Laboratories Research Institutes. A fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the National Academy of Inventors, and the American Association for the Advancement of Science, he holds honorary degrees from Hofstra University and North Carolina Wesleyan College, and has been recognized by STAT's STATUS list and the National Library of Medicine, receiving the Donald A. B. Lindberg Award for Distinguished Health Communications in 2025.



# The Green Soul

## *Returning to Our Sacred Belonging in Nature*

By Lucinda M. Vardey

**This capstone work of *New York Times* bestselling spiritual writer Lucinda M. Vardey reveals itself as an unforgettable field guide to the wisdom of the wild, and our place in its superabundance.**

Nature invites all to receive the grand inheritance of the great outdoors, yet modern life estranges us from many of its greatest gifts: sanctuary, superabundance, peace, and belonging. It's time to end our exile from true flourishing, and take our place in the wisdom of the wild.

Modern mystic and pilgrimage guide Lucinda M. Vardey calls what we hunger for the Green Soul—the active participation of one's being with the larger, living being of all creation. The greening of the soul promises:

- the joys of enchantment
- purpose and participation in the world's deepest aliveness
- authentic embodiment
- and a collective consciousness upon which the healing of our world depends.

Lucinda's field notes emerge from her own environment: a 500-year-old farmhouse in an ancient valley in Tuscany, neighboring fields of wildflowers, a mountain stream, and an ancient stone barn now dedicated as a chapel for climate care. Saint Francis of Assisi once walked in this very place, calling the earth Mother and praising all its creation.

But you don't have to live on sacred lands to experience the full gifts of the Green Soul. Drawing upon ecological research, awe-evoking narratives of sacred encounter in nature, and spiritual teachers of the ages, Lucinda reveals the modern problem of our exile from spiritual belonging with the earth, as well as a field map for renewing this sacred contact.

Consider this your invitation to walk among the wildflowers, rewilding your spirituality and renewing your life.

**Lucinda M. Vardey** is a writer and editor whose work focuses on faith, ecology, and the inspirations for spiritual wisdom. She has authored several books, including the bestselling *Mother Teresa: A Simple Path*. Trained as an experiential teacher, gestalt practitioner, and retreat guide, she now lives with her husband in an ancient valley in Tuscany that borders the pilgrimage path of the Way of Saint Francis of Assisi, where she personally experiences the wonders of the green soul.

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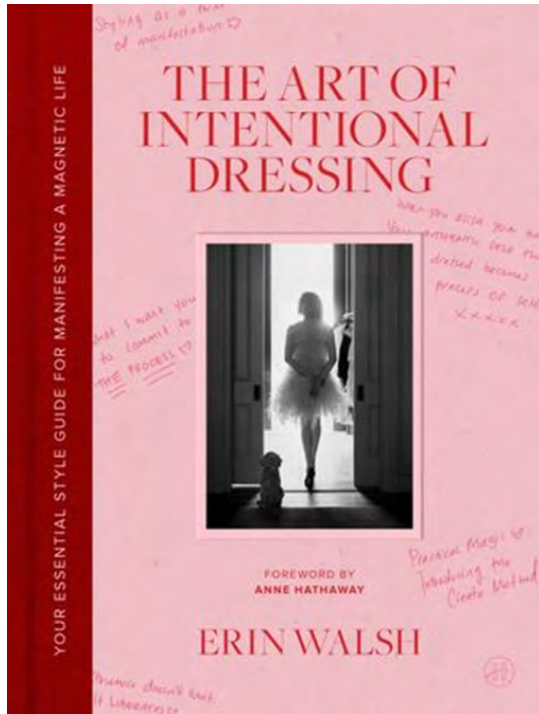
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# The Art of Intentional Dressing

## Your Essential Style Guide for Manifesting a Magnetic Life

By Erin Walsh



Foreword by Anne Hathaway

Find your personal style, dress for your destiny, and manifest your most magnetic life in this ultimate guide from a renowned celebrity stylist.

Every morning, millions of women get stuck before their day even begins, as they question: *What am I going to wear?* But behind the clothes burns a deeper question: *Who do I want to be?*

Celebrity stylist Erin Walsh's success is driven by her core belief that your closet is a portal of possibilities, offering you daily choices about who you want to be, how you want to feel, and how to dress the part. In *The Art of Intentional Dressing*, she presents her transformative approach to practicing what she calls "manifestation in fashion form." Her signature CREATE method will empower you to not only find your personal style, but find your magic—as you step into a life of presence, power, and purpose.

With can't-miss tips, industry secrets, and deep attention to the mind-body-spirit connection, *The Art of Intentional Dressing* maps out:

- The CREATE method to bring your life and style into alignment
- The most common style blocks and how to edit your closet
- Mood archetypes to help you channel your personal style
- Color theory and a curated library of silhouette profiles to make wardrobe choices easy
- Grounding rituals for getting aligned as you get dressed

Get clarity in who you are and what you want, edit your narrative, and expand what's possible—all through what you wear.

Features beautiful original line drawings and fashion sidebar features throughout.

**Erin Walsh** is a highly regarded celebrity stylist and creative director. Her visionary approach to fashion has evolved into a movement centered around the idea that style can empower you to manifest the life of your dreams. Erin's client list includes modern icons such as Anne Hathaway and Selena Gomez. Her style expertise is sought after by publications, podcasts and brands, including *Vogue*, Bulgari, Shiseido, Versace, Tiffany and Co, Ralph Lauren, and Rare Beauty. She is also the co-founder of SBJCT: Journal, an activism-focused digital platform that features extraordinary people and the subjects that move them. Erin lives in New York City with her husband, photographer Christian Hogstedt, and their three children, Matilda, Jude and Hugo.



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# Black Women Rising

## *A Joyful Self-Care Guide for Liberation & Healing*

By Dr. Rhonda Wells-Wilbon and Robin D. Stone

**Black Women Rising weaves ancestral wisdom with contemporary insight to speak directly to Black women's lived realities—racial trauma, chronic stress, care fatigue, and resilience—through a wholistic lens.**

Filling a long-standing gap in the self-help and wellness market: *Black Women Rising* is a culturally grounded, deeply resonant guide created specifically for Black women seeking balance, purpose, and grounding in perilous times. This bold, African-centered book arrives at a moment of profound urgency. Informed by the authors' expertise in African-centered social work and trauma-informed psychotherapy, each chapter brings to life one of the 18 Principles—rooted in Ma'at and the Nguzo Saba (Kwanzaa)—and closes with an action-oriented exercise readers can immediately apply.

Moving beyond reflection to action, this book offers clear pathways to healing and sustained liberation. Positioned at the intersection of race, gender, and mental health, the book meets a growing demand for self-care that is culturally intentional and affirming. With far-reaching impact in wellness, mental health, and social justice spaces, giving Black women a self-help book that sees and supports their capacity to rise and thrive individually and in community.

*Black Women Rising* positions healing as sacred and care as a powerful force for renewal and transformation, making it a timely, standout title in wellness, mental health, and cultural nonfiction.

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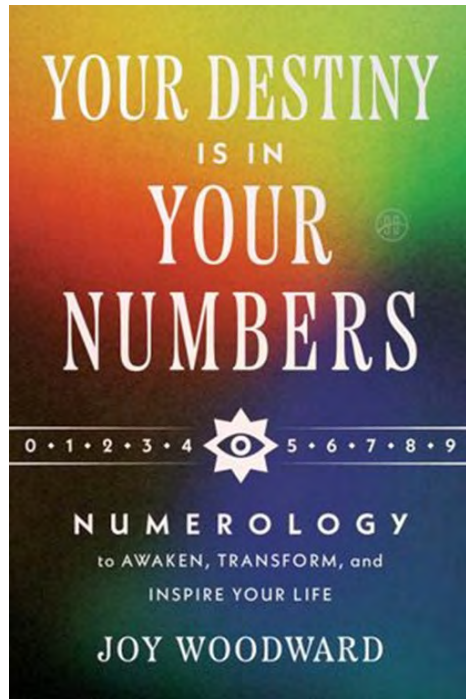
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# Your Destiny Is in Your Numbers

## *Numerology to Awaken, Transform, and Inspire Your Life*

By Joy Woodward

In this comprehensive guide designed for all skill levels, numerology expert Joy Woodward shows how ancient number wisdom can transform your understanding of life's purpose and personal power.

The blueprint to your life is hidden in the profound wisdom of numbers. In this enlightening guide, Pythagorean numerologist Joy Woodward reveals the mystical connections between birth dates, names, and personal destiny, offering readers a transformative lens through which to understand themselves and their place in the world. With precise and graceful knowledge, Woodward illuminates how numerical insights can guide major decisions, improve relationships, and align daily choices with your authentic self. Through accessible explanations and practical exercises, you will learn how to:

- calculate your life path numbers
- decode personality traits
- understand compatibility within your relationships
- discover your personal cycles
- recognize patterns that shape your experiences

Whether you're seeking clarity about career direction, personal growth, or spiritual development, this book provides the tools to navigate life's complexities with greater awareness and intention. *Your Destiny Is in Your Numbers* is the essential handbook for anyone ready to harness the ancient wisdom of numerology and step confidently into their destined path.

**Joy Woodward** is an internationally acclaimed Pythagorean numerologist, reader, and healer. She is the bestselling author of *A Beginner's Guide to Numerology* and the founder of the Joy of Numerology, her platform dedicated to education, intuitive readings, and spiritually aligned tools rooted in ancient number wisdom. She lives with her husband and their dog, Wolfgang, in Edmonton, Alberta.

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# Your Destiny Is in Your Numbers: The Numerology Workbook

By Joy Woodward

This beautifully designed and interactive numerology workbook for all skill levels guides readers step-by-step through calculating their charts and tracking their cycles.

More than just a collection of fill-in-the-blanks, *Your Destiny is in Your Numbers: The Numerology Workbook* is the essential companion for realizing your cosmic potential. Joy Woodward guides you through the “divine curriculum” of your soul, and through guided prompts, cycle trackers, and clear formulas, you will learn how to:

- Calculate your core numbers correctly using Pythagorean systems (Life Path, Birthday, Soul, Personality, Destiny)
- Track predictive cycles including Personal Years, Months, and Days to align with universal rhythms
- Interpret chart interactions to understand the tension or harmony between different aspects of your personality
- Conduct readings with step-by-step guidance on flow, prompts, and what to emphasize
- Reflect on daily alignment using journaling prompts that explore both the light and shadow of your numbers

Whether you are a student of the main text or seeking a standalone guide to practical numerology, this workbook offers a path to awakening, evolving, and transforming through the power of numbers.

**Joy Woodward** is an internationally acclaimed Pythagorean numerologist, reader, and healer. She is the bestselling author of *A Beginner's Guide to Numerology* and the founder of the Joy of Numerology, her platform dedicated to education, intuitive readings, and spiritually-aligned tools rooted in ancient number wisdom.

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# In the Beginning

By Emily Joy Allison

**A non-judgmental, queer-friendly, and entertaining guide to understanding the Bible's origins, structure, and historical significance, equipping readers with knowledge and tools to navigate its books with confidence and understand what it means for them today**

The Bible is one of the most influential books in human history. It has guided spiritual journeys, shaped cultures, launched crusades, and sparked intense debates (to put it lightly). Emily Joy Allison's *In The Beginning* is an accessible and entertaining guide to demystifying the Bible's structure, origins, and significance, so that curious readers can approach it with confidence—whatever their reason for reading it.

Written with warmth, wit, and humor by a youthful and preeminent expert in the field, *In the Beginning* outlines:

- The Bible's composition and the distinct parts that make up this ancient text.
- Questions of authorship and timeline.
- The process of how the books of the Bible were compiled and canonized, illuminating the intricate debates and decisions that shaped the Bible as we know it today.
- Different Bible translations, their origins, and the motivations behind each translation, and provide guidance for choosing one suited to individual needs.
- The Bible's role as a tool for oppression—as well as liberation.

Beyond its historical and textual analysis, *In the Beginning* helps differentiate between myth, parable, and fact. In the end, readers will have gained not only a deeper understanding of what the Bible is and how it came to be, but also the tools to critically and thoughtfully engage with its texts in the modern era.

Whether one is approaching the Bible for the first time or seeking a fresh perspective, this guide provides an essential framework for making sense of one of history's most influential works.

**Emily Joy Allison** is an author, poet, advocate, and nonprofit communications strategist who specializes in the intersection of politics and religion. A theologian and long-time researcher, she holds a degree in philosophical theology and apologetics from Moody Bible Institute and a master of theological studies degree from Vanderbilt Divinity School, with an additional certification in the area of religion, gender, and sexuality through the Carpenter Program at Vanderbilt.



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# Go Serve Your King

*The Key to Extraordinary Purpose in Everyday Life*

By Todd Friel

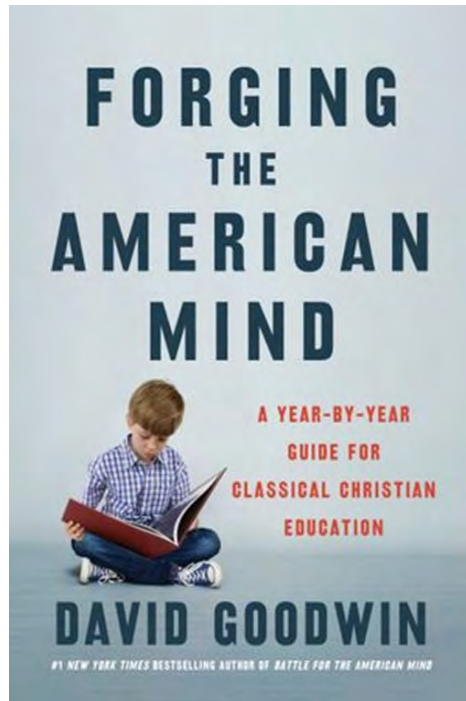
**Christian radio legend and pastor Todd Friel shows how Christ's love frees us to joyfully serve God in all of life.**

The Bible commands us to do everything for the glory of God, but many Christians struggle with a sense of separation between their faith and their daily life. Some feel close to God during daily devotions and church services, but fear He is absent during the rest of the week. Others worry that they don't love Jesus enough, and new believers especially wonder what it is God wants them to do with their life. In *Go Serve Your King*, Todd Friel of Wretched TV & Radio shows how your faith touches in every area of your life. He reveals how, since Jesus is Lord over all, your entire life can be about Him, and explains:

- How to grow in your love for God
- How to know God's will for your life
- How to enjoy rest and recreation to the glory of God
- How to honor God in every decision, even small ones
- How to engage in politics for God's glory
- How to glorify God in your marriage
- How to see God's purpose in your pain
- How to be a Christian at work, no matter what your vocation
- How to fight stubborn sins
- How to share your faith boldly
- How to get along with Christians who have different opinions on how to serve the King

This book is a guide to living the Christian life joyfully, intentionally, and 24-7. Once you see how all of life is about God, you will better understand how to live all of life for God. Every moment will become meaningful, and obedience will be a delight rather than a drudgery. In his famously fun and engaging style, Friel answers some of the most common and difficult questions of everyday Christian living. *Go Serve Your King* is for every believer who wants to hear, "well done, good and faithful servant."

**Todd Friel** is the host of Wretched TV & Radio, the executive director of Fortis Institute, and a pastor at Alpharetta Bible Church. He has produced of over two dozen Bible study courses and authored several books and evangelistic booklets.



# Forging the American Mind

## *A Year-by-Year Guide for Classical Christian Education*

By David Goodwin

In this follow-up to *Battle for the American Mind*, David Goodwin lays out the principles for providing a classical Christian education for children, K-12.

American parents have been desperate for an alternative to our broken, woke school system. Inspired by the insights of *Battle for the American Mind*, many gratefully embraced Classical Christian Education as an alternative—a deep tradition grounded in a biblical worldview. Instead of creating soulless careerists or woke activists, the lost tradition of CCE teaches children to care more about virtue and wisdom rather than conforming to a corrupt culture. New schools are popping up around the country.

However, parents and educators need a roadmap for incorporating CCE into kids' lives. This is that map.

David Goodwin has taught classical Christian education for decades. In *Forging the American Mind*, he lays out practices, recommendations, and stories filled with simple, hard-won advice on how to parent and teach kids with wisdom, love, and ambition. How do you teach language? How do you teach Plato? What's the best way to teach Christian history? How do you balance students' individuality with respect for community? Goodwin offers answers to these questions and many more, and gives parents year-by-year plans, starting with the rambunctious elementary school years, through middle and high school, and concludes with an ambitious path to adulthood for teens.

*Forging the American Mind* is a revolutionary road map for transforming education. This book gives devout parents and teachers the concrete information and inspiration they need to build a new and better way of learning for all American children.

**David Goodwin** grew up on an Idaho farm, spent more than a decade in big tech, and quit to help found The Ambrose School in Boise, Idaho. He is the editor of *The Classical Difference Magazine*.

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# Something to Believe In

## *A Seeker's Guide to Finding Your Big Beliefs and Maybe Even Faith in Humanity Again*

By D.S. Moss

**A fresh, life-affirming framework for making meaning beyond the dogmas of religion, and facing the crises of our time with the best of the human spirit.**

Every day the world presents new, compelling reasons to deconstruct former certainties, lose faith in humanity, and doubt in the existence of God. So what do we do with that yearning to be a part of something greater than ourselves?

*Something to Believe In* charts a fresh, pathfinding framework to help you locate your own Big Beliefs capable of satisfying the mind, body, and spirit, and sustaining you amid the crises of our times.

D.S. (Devin) Moss is no stranger to life's burning questions. Raised Pentecostal, mentored by a Zen Buddhist, and trained at an interfaith seminary before becoming a humanist chaplain, Devin is committed to his own Big Belief that human consciousness is hardwired to seek meaning. If you have a human spirit, Moss maintains, you are deserving of spiritual care.

Mortality is our hardest truth, Moss writes, yet the human imagination is our greatest tool toward a life of meaning. *Something to Believe In* empowers you to get grounded in your values toward a meaningful life and a better world, through:

- Engaging skepticism as a tool, rather than a problem to solve
- Finding your agency in the story you want to tell through daily life
- Considering our ethical responsible to each other, our communities, and the planet
- and more

Always gut-honest, sometimes irreverent, and unfailingly accessible in wisdom, consider this your map for the "something more" you've been searching for.

**Devin Sean (D.S.) Moss** is a humanist chaplain and Webby Award-winning storyteller unwavering in his pursuit of stories that connect us to our humanity. He is known for blending playful inquisition, street philosophy, and practical altruism, as seen in his *The Adventures of Memento Mori* podcast and his chaplaincy and spiritual care work as featured in *The New York Times*. Uncertain of what happens after we die, Moss has dedicated his life to the positive changes that can happen while we're still alive. He writes and creates from Brooklyn.

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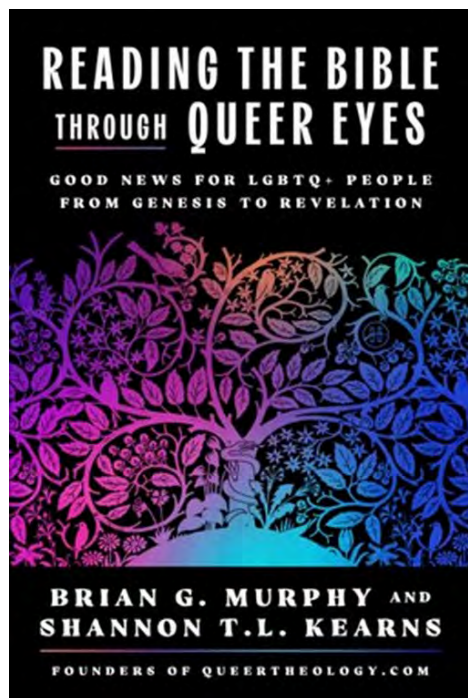
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# Reading the Bible Through Queer Eyes

*Good News for LGBTQ+ People from Genesis to Revelation*

By Brian G. Murphy and Shannon T.L. Kearns

The essential introduction or reconnection to the Bible for queer readers from the co-founders of QueerTheology.com.

"As we dove back into the story of creation in Genesis 1 and 2, trying to look at it with fresh eyes, I realized I had visited the Garden of Eden before. It was as if, like Saul, the scales had fallen off my eyes and suddenly I could see what had been there all along. The Bible has always been queer."

When Brian Murphy and Shannon L. Kearns created Queer Theology, the longest-running LGBTQ+ Christian podcast and the community QueerTheology.com, they defined a new genre in talking about LGBTQ+ identity and faith that has now reached more than 3 million people in over 200 countries. Reading the Bible through Queer Eyes is the resource they wish they had as they reconciled their faith with their identities. It looks for queerness in sacred Scripture not for the sake of representation, but with an eye toward liberation for all marginalized people.

These readings make familiar Bible stories come to new life, offering powerful and liberatory insights that will change the way readers engage their bodies, their sexuality, and the world in their faith. A few examples of the inspiring multitudes contained in this book:

- discovering a new gay Garden of Eden in a suburban park;
- a connection between Palm Sunday and ACT-UP AIDS activism;
- queer bodies offered as living sacrifices and holy worship through activism, sex, and community care;
- understanding divine covenant through a lens of kink;
- and the story of Doubting Thomas as a reminder of the sacredness of transgender scars.

With more and more people questioning binaries and boundaries, and searching for answers, Reading the Bible through Queer Eyes provides companionship and encourages you to live out your faith in public and transform yourself and the world.

**Brian G. Murphy** is an activist, educator, and certified relationship coach. Brian is the co-founder of QueerTheology.com, a resource hub, podcast, and online community, which explores how queerness and spirituality enrich one another, and also founded Relationship, a relationship coaching practice helping LGBTQ+ and polyamorous people build thriving relationships on their own terms. He is co-author of *Queers The Word* and a sought-after speaker at colleges, churches, and conferences across the country. His work has been featured in *Vice*, *BuzzFeed*, *The Huffington Post*, *The Advocate*, *Upworthy*, and *NBC News*. Brian is based in New York City.

**Shannon T.L. Kearns** is a former fundamentalist who became the first openly transgender man ordained to the Old Catholic priesthood. He is the author of several books: *In the Margins: A Transgender Man's Journey With Scripture* (Eerdmans), *No One Taught Me How To Be A Man: What a Trans Man's Experience Reveals About Masculinity* (Broadleaf), *Come and See: Your Invitation to a Radical Encounter With Jesus* (Hodder Faith).

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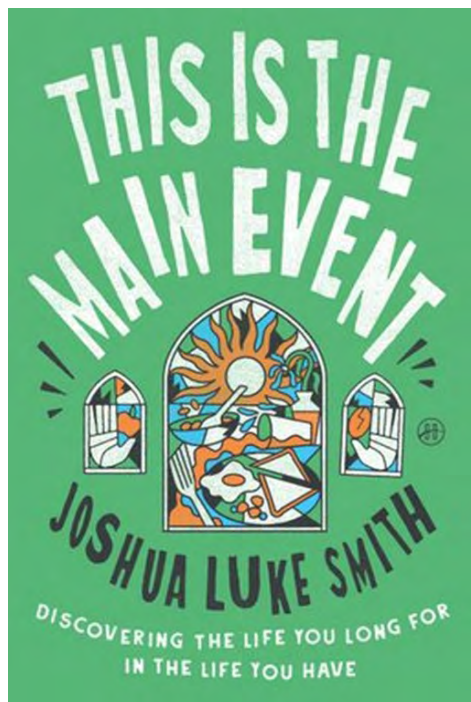
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# This Is the Main Event

*Discovering the Life You Long for in the Life You Have*  
By Joshua Luke Smith

**A simple mantra to change everything: discover how to encounter God in your everyday, and practice extraordinary presence in an ordinary life.**

What if the life we long for isn't elsewhere but rather right here, waiting to be discovered? Joshua Luke Smith believes the greatest lie facing our generation is that the life we long for lies beyond the life that we have. We so easily learn to disdain the inconveniences, interruptions, and messy mundane that infuses our everyday. But the real transformation happens when we look at our life as it is and dare to announce: This is the main event.

With devotional depth, prophetic wisdom, and poetic storytelling, *This Is the Main Event* is your invitation to awaken to the sacred in your ordinary life. As Joshua claims, the extraordinary life is simply the one in which we practice presence—to ourselves, to others, to God. Every moment becomes meaningful when you recognize the God who meets you in it—a holy encounter accessed in the everyday. Whether you're packing lunches, paying bills, headed to the office or the hospital or a recovery meeting, God comes to you in the shape of your actual life. Joshua Luke Smith writes from the raw materials of his own ordinary life—toddler tuck-ins, recovery meetings, flat tires a mile from home—to speak to yours. For anyone wearied by the workaday grind, this is a book to help you receive the greatest gift you already have and to practice your own aliveness in your actual life.

**Joshua Luke Smith** is a poet for the people. A songwriter, storyteller, and renowned international speaker, he is the founder of Orphan No More, a record label and creative community, as well as The Psalmists, a non-profit that teaches creative expression and self-reflection in the incarcerated community. He is the writer-in-residence for The Rabbit Room in Nashville, and lives with his family in London.

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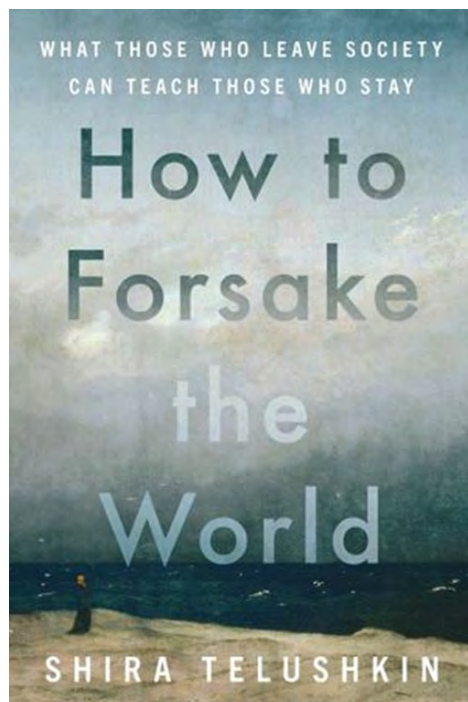
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# How to Forsake the World

## *What Those Who Leave Society Can Teach Those Who Stay*

By Shira Telushkin

**A mix of philosophy, history, and journalism that illuminates individuals in closed off communities who have left society to find their own meaning -offering insight for everyone yearning to pursue a deeper, more fulfilled life.**

When journalist and scholar Shira Telushkin was a girl, she was entranced by stories of men and women who removed themselves from the world to seek eternal truths. The daughter of a rabbi who strongly believed the best life was one that alleviated the suffering of others, Shira felt conflicted about her curiosity. "These people, to whom I was so drawn, lived lives with no clear utility to others, and yet in reading their stories I felt convinced, briefly, that there was a purpose to life, and this was it."

What is the highest level of being? Is it a life lived in sacrifice to others to make the world a better place, or is it sacrificing the world and ignoring its needs to reach an eternal truth? This book is Telushkin's journey to uncover answers and find peace between seeking and serving. How to Forsake the World chronicles her odyssey to understand her own yearnings.

Telushkin introduces four fascinating communities-Talmudic scholars seeking knowledge, off-the-grid anarchists seeking freedom, Buddhist renunciants seeking enlightenment, cloistered nuns seeking salvation-and asks how their values and determination to walk paths on their own terms might broaden modern conceptions of meaning and purpose in a society where success and worthiness are deeply tied to productivity and being useful.

With keen writing, affable voice, extraordinary access, and extensive research, Telushkin brings her subjects to vivid, urgent life, providing a rare opportunity to explore the uncharted territory where wellness and burnout intersect with deeper philosophical and historical inquiries about what we owe to others and to ourselves.

**Shira Telushkin** is a writer and scholar whose work explores religion, culture, and the human search for beauty. Her essays, reporting, and art criticism is regularly published in outlets such as The New York Times, The Atlantic, and The Washington Post, as well as in beloved specialty publications such as Plough Quarterly, Atlas Obscura, and the Forward. Shira teaches religion reporting at the Craig Newmark School of Journalism at CUNY and oversees grants and programs for the International Catacomb Society, a nonprofit that funds major archaeological digs across Italy, Egypt, Greece, and Turkey. She holds a B.A. in Religious Studies from Yale University and an M.Div. from the Harvard Divinity School.

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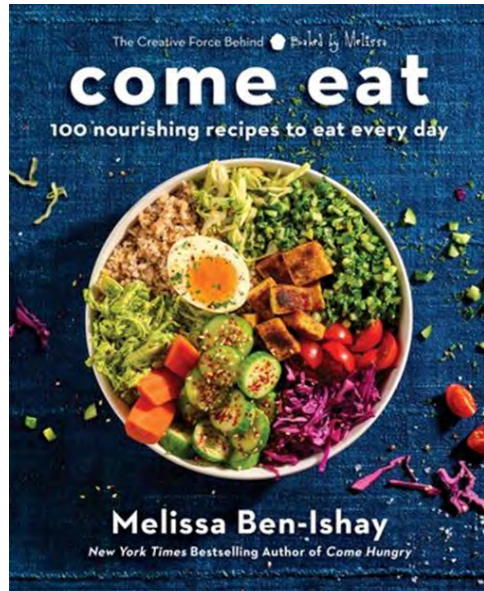
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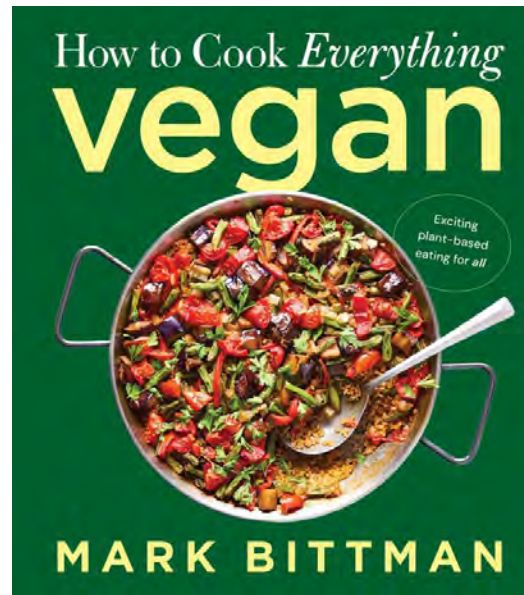
## Come Eat

*100 Nourishing Recipes to Eat Every Day*  
By Melissa Ben-Ishay

A vibrant, flavor-packed collection of delicious, nutritious meals that make it easy to nourish your family every day, from the New York Times bestselling author of *Come Hungry* and co-founder of *Baked by Melissa*.

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## How to Cook Everything Vegan

*Build on the Basics for Exciting Plant-Based Meals*  
By Mark Bittman

Mark Bittman's newest book in the *How to Cook Everything* series on exciting vegan meals, with a lifetime of plant-based recipes to cook from scratch

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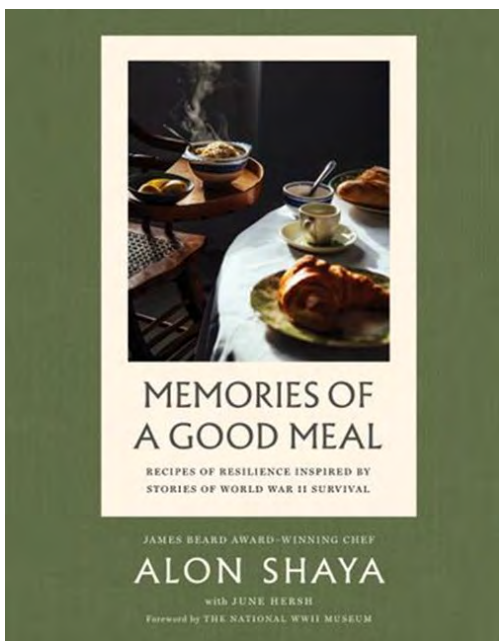
## The Joy of Cookies

*New Classics and Old Favorites to Share*  
By Joanne Chang

A warm, stunning, celebratory baking book of favorite cookies, classic and new, from James Beard award-winning baker and owner of the beloved *Flour* bakeries in Boston, Joanne Chang

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## Memories of a Good Meal

*Recipes of Resilience Inspired by Stories of World War II Survival*

By Alon Shaya June Hersh

An unforgettable collection of recipes inspired by ten diverse, moving stories of Holocaust survivors and WWII heroes, from James Beard Award winning chef Alon Shaya. MEMORIES OF A GOOD MEAL is a culinary journey that celebrates the tenacity of the human spirit and the transformative power of a good meal.

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## Everyday Eats

*100 Simple and Healthy Recipes for Real Life*

By Alex Snodgrass

New York Times bestselling author and queen of easy, healthy meals Alex Snodgrass shares 100 delicious, low-stress meals. Short ingredient lists, a focus on pantry staples, and minimal pans to wash make these recipes a breeze!

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## The Homegrown Table

By Kaleb Wyse

A delightful collection of fresh recipes, gardening tips, and family wisdom from fourth-generation Iowa farmer, content creator, and New York Times bestselling author Kaleb Wyse.

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