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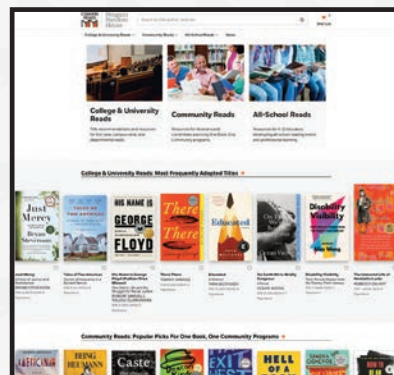


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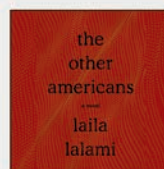
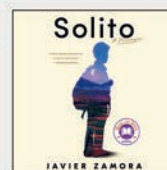



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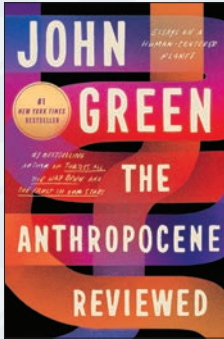


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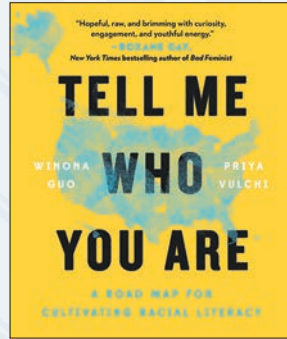
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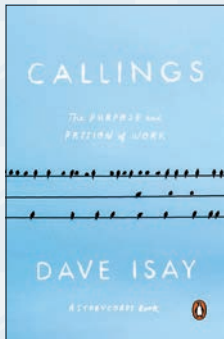
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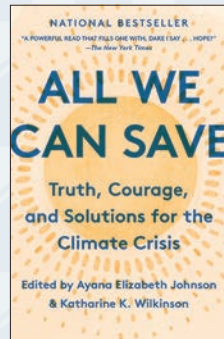
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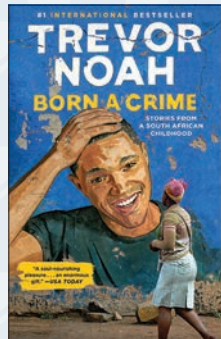
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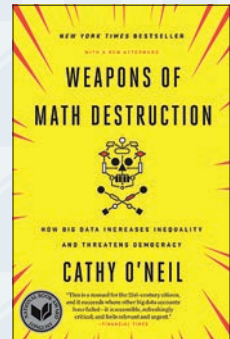
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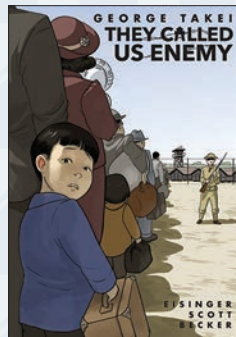
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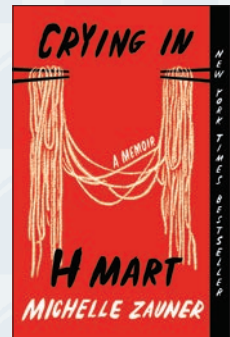
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George Takei
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Michelle Zauner
9781984898951

Unmasking AI

A Story of Hope and Justice in a World of Machines

By Joy Buolamwini



Theme: Innovation

Random House | HC | 978-0-593-24183-7
272 pp. | \$28.00 / \$37.99 Can.

EB: 9780593241851



In *Unmasking AI*, Dr. Joy Buolamwini, the self-described “Poet of Code,” goes beyond the news headlines about racism, colorism, and sexism in Big Tech to tell the remarkable story of how she uncovered what she calls “the coded gaze”—evidence of racial and gender bias in tech—and galvanized the movement to prevent AI harms by founding the Algorithmic Justice League. Applying an intersectional lens to both tech industry and research sector, Buolamwini shows how race, gender, and ability bias can overlap and render broad swaths of humanity excoded or vulnerable in our AI-dependent world. Computers, she reminds us, are reflections of both the aspirations and the limitations of the people who create them.

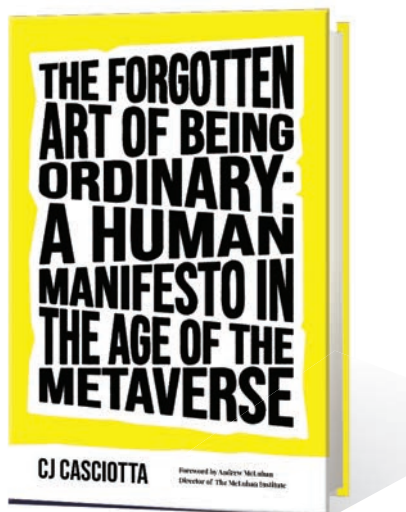
Part memoir, part call-to-action, *Unmasking AI* explains what algorithmic systems are and how we’ve arrived at an era of AI harms and oppression. Empowering experts and non-experts alike to unite and join her fight, Buolamwini writes, “The rising frontier for civil rights will require algorithmic justice. AI should be for the people and by the people, not just the privileged few.”

Website: www.poetofcode.com

The Forgotten Art of Being Ordinary

A Human Manifesto in the Age of the Metaverse

By CJ Casciotta



Theme: Life Skills

Matt Holt | HC | 978-1-63774-317-1
\$25.00 / \$34.00 Can.

EB: 9781637743188

We’re addicted to our devices. We all know this, but what can we do practically to become less isolated, polarized, and disconnected? This book answers that question with a bold idea: In an age of personal brands and artificial intelligence, perhaps it’s time to relearn the forgotten art of being ordinary.

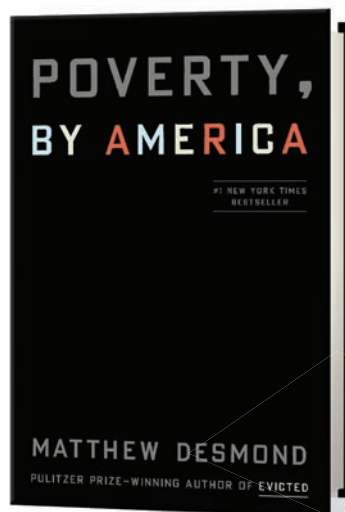
In his follow-up to *Get Weird*, writer and media producer, CJ Casciotta, outlines nine practical solutions and illuminates a better way to live in a culture addicted to media technology, a lifeboat for anyone who feels like they’re drowning in a sea of digital noise.

CJ Casciotta is a writer, media producer, and creative strategist. A trusted voice on 21st century cultural shifts, he’s consulted and developed campaigns for presidential candidates, IPOs, startups, and Fortune 500s alike, partnering with companies like MGM Studios, Delta Airlines, Sesame Street, Lululemon, and The United Nations Foundation. As a media producer, he’s collaborated on projects with culture-makers like Ira Glass of *This American Life*, Seth Godin, and FoodNetwork’s Maneet Chauhan. A sought after communicator and TEDx alumnus, he’s traveled globally speaking to creative professionals at venues like Creative Mornings, Charity:Water, and STORY. In addition, CJ’s work has been featured by *Forbes*, *Salon*, CBS, MTV, and *TechCrunch*.

Website: cjas.com

Poverty, by America

By Matthew Desmond



Theme: Social Action

Crown | HC | 978-0-593-23991-9
304 pp. | \$28.00 / \$37.99 Can.

EB: 9780593239926



Also Available: *Evicted* 9780553447453

In this landmark book, acclaimed sociologist Matthew Desmond draws on history, research, and original reporting to show how affluent Americans knowingly and unknowingly keep poor people poor. Those of us who are financially secure exploit the poor, driving down their wages while forcing them to overpay for housing and access to cash and credit. We prioritize the subsidization of our wealth over the alleviation of poverty, designing a welfare state that gives the most to those who need the least. And we stockpile opportunity in exclusive communities, creating zones of concentrated riches alongside those of concentrated despair. Some lives are made small so that others may grow.

Elegantly written and fiercely argued, this compassionate book gives us new ways of thinking about a morally urgent problem. It also helps us imagine solutions. Desmond builds a startlingly original and ambitious case for ending poverty. He calls on us all to become poverty abolitionists, engaged in a politics of collective belonging to usher in a new age of shared prosperity and, at last, true freedom.

“A data-driven manifesto that turns a critical eye on those who inflict and perpetuate unlivable conditions on others.”—*Boston Globe*

Website: matthewdesmondbooks.com

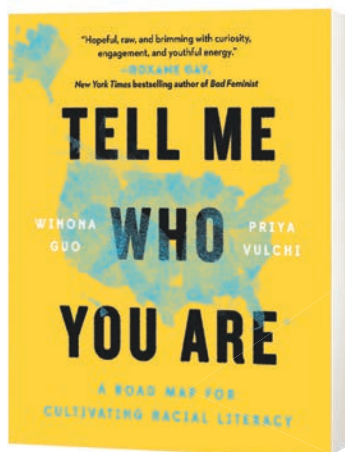
Video: prhlink.com/matthewdesmondvideo

Twitter: [@just_shelter](https://twitter.com/just_shelter)

Tell Me Who You Are

A Road Map for Cultivating Racial Literacy

By Winona Guo and Priya Vulchi



Theme: Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

TarcherPerigee | PB | 978-0-593-33017-3
400 pp. | \$20.00 / \$27.00 Can.

EB: 9780525541134



S spurred by the realization that they had nearly completed high school without hearing any substantive discussion about race in school, Winona Guo and Priya Vulchi deferred college admission for a year to collect first-person accounts of how racism plays out in this country every day. Featuring interviews with over 150 Americans accompanied by their photographs, this toolkit offers a deep examination of racism and strategies for effecting change.

“This book not only offers insight into how we think and do race, it is a testament to what this generation can do to fundamentally transform our world.”
—Eddie S. Glaude Jr., James S. McDonnell Distinguished University Professor, Chair, African American Studies, Princeton University

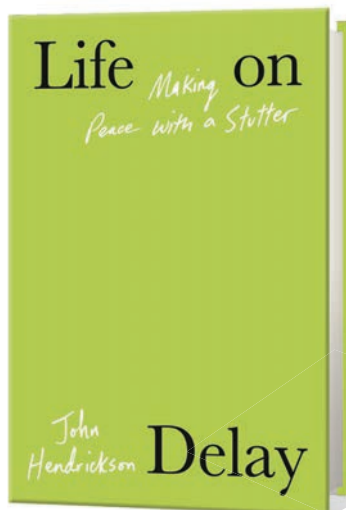
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Selected for Common Reading at: Dallas College; Fashion Institute of Technology; Holy Names University; Meredith College; Post University; Saint Michael's College; Salem State University; San Antonio College; University of Colorado; University of Nevada—Las Vegas; Wartburg College; Washington State University—Vancouver; and more

Life on Delay

Making Peace with a Stutter

By John Hendrickson



Theme: Disability

Knopf | HC | 978-0-593-31913-0
272 pp. | \$29.00 / \$39.00 Can.

EB: 9780593319147



In *Life on Delay*, John Hendrickson writes candidly about issues stutterers like him face daily, whether bullying, substance abuse, depression, or isolation. He explores the intricate family dynamics surrounding his own stutter and revisits key people from his past in unguarded interviews. Beyond his own experiences, he shares portraits of fellow stutterers who have changed his life. Along the way, Hendrickson discusses the evolution of speech therapy, the controversial quest for a “magic pill” to end stuttering, and the burgeoning self-help movement within the stuttering community. *Life on Delay* is an indelible account of perseverance, a soulful narrative about not giving up, and a glimpse into the process of making peace with our past and present selves.

“Poignant. . . . Whether it’s struggling to communicate in a new language or suffering from a disease that impedes speech, readers of many communities can relate to Hendrickson’s experiences. And at the end of the day, Hendrickson can find peace with his past and his stutter, providing inspiration for readers to find peace with their own challenges, too.” —Sophia N. Downs, *The Harvard Crimson*

Website: johnhendrickson.org/book

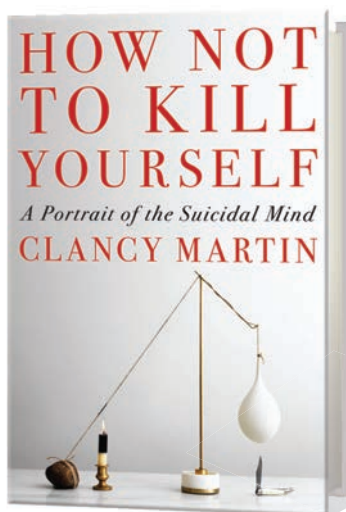
Twitter and Instagram: [@JohnGHendy](https://twitter.com/JohnGHendy)

Video: prhlink.com/lifeondelay

How Not to Kill Yourself

A Portrait of the Suicidal Mind

By Clancy Martin



Theme: Resilience / Perseverance

Pantheon | HC | 978-0-593-31705-1
464 pp. | \$30.00 / \$41.00 Can.

EB: 9780593317068



Clancy Martin powerfully gives voice to what for many has long been incomprehensible, while showing those presently grappling with suicidal thoughts that they are not alone, and that the desire to kill oneself—like other self-destructive desires—is almost always temporary and avoidable.

“Sui generis . . . a blunt and bracing read . . . as cogent and (yes) rational an account of the mind existing in the shadow of its own self-destruction as I have read. . . . For all [Martin’s] focus on suicidal trauma, he is, most fundamentally, trying to write his way out from under it, to create a book not of death but of life.” —David Ulin, *The Atlantic*

“Th[e] tone—bluntly direct and deeply human—characterizes this remarkable volume, an attempt to bring discussion of suicide out of the shadows so that we can better understand the powerful impulse to kill oneself and how we might circumvent it. . . . It’s not an easy book to read, but it’s an urgently important one.” —*Kirkus*

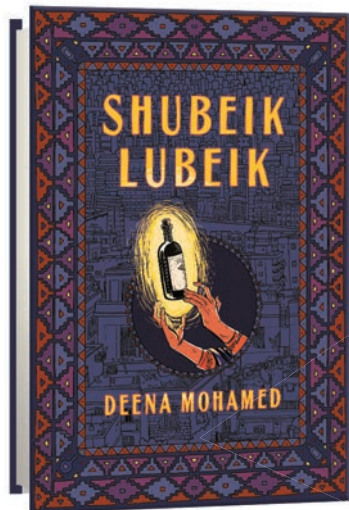
“Required—and, yes, somehow optimistic reading—for anyone interested in this enormous mental health problem.” —D.T. Max, author of *Every Love Story is a Ghost Story: The Life of David Foster Wallace*

Video: prhlink.com/clancymartin

FEATURED TITLES

Shubeik Lubeik

By Deena Mohamed



Theme: Middle Eastern Voices & Stories

Pantheon | HC | 978-1-5247-4841-8
528 pp. | \$35.00 / \$47.00 Can.

EB: 9781524748425

In this original debut graphic novel that imagines a fantastical Cairo where wishes come true, Deena Mohamed brings to life a cast of characters whose struggles and triumphs are heartbreaking, inspiring, and deeply resonant. *Shubeik Lubeik*—a fairy tale rhyme that means “your wish is my command” in Arabic—is the story of three people who are navigating a world where wishes are literally for sale. Although their stories are fantastical—featuring talking donkeys, dragons, and cars that can magically avoid traffic—each of the characters grapples with the very real challenge of trying to make their most deeply held desires come true.

“A future classic that may one day be spoken of in the same breath as Craig Thompson’s *Blankets*, or Marjane Satrapi’s *Persepolis*.” —*The Guardian*

“An astonishing first book by an immensely talented young artist and writer. The settings and stories cover decades of a history that is fantastical but feels familiar. Every page moves boldly with action and energy, even as the characters wrestle with internal and deeply moral conflicts. Deena Mohamed is one to watch.” —Thi Bui, author of *The Best We Could Do*

Website: www.deenadraws.art

Video: prhlink.com/shubeiklubeik

Twitter and Instagram: [@itsdeenasaur](https://twitter.com/itsdeenasaur)

Our Missing Hearts

By Celeste Ng



Theme: Asian American and Pacific Islander
Voices & Stories

Penguin Books | PB | 978-0-593-49266-6
352 pp. | \$18.00

EB: 9780593492550



Also Available: *Little Fires Everywhere* 9780735224315

Twelve-year-old Bird Gardner lives a quiet existence with his loving but broken father after his mother, a Chinese American poet, left their family when Bird was nine years old. Their daily lives are governed by laws written to preserve “American culture” in the wake of years of economic instability and violence. To keep the peace, the authorities are now allowed to relocate children of dissidents, especially those of Asian origin, and libraries have been forced to remove books seen as unpatriotic—including the work of Bird’s mother. But when Bird receives a mysterious letter, he is pulled into a quest to find her.

Our Missing Hearts journeys through Chinese folktales, an underground network of librarians, New York City, and supposedly civilized communities rife with injustice. It’s a story about the power—and limitations—of art to create change, the lessons and legacies we pass on to our children, and how any of us can survive a broken world with our hearts intact.

“*Our Missing Hearts* is saddled by grief. But it is also propelled by hope, less a grim prognosis of the future than an impassioned call for a full reckoning with the past . . . resembles a box of myths transmuting into fresh, symbiotic insights when converged.” —NPR

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Pomona College

Binti: The Complete Trilogy

By Nnedi Okorafor



Theme: African American Voices & Stories

DAW | PB | 978-0-7564-1693-5
368 pp. | \$17.00 / \$23.00 Can.

EB: 9780756415198

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A landmark work of Afrofuturism, *Binti: The Complete Trilogy* imagines a world in which humans have joined a community of space-going, intelligent beings. Refuting the space opera trope, Okorafor presents instead a world in which different groups maintain different traditions, languages, politics, and cultures.

Binti is a young Himba girl with the chance of a lifetime: to attend the prestigious Oomza University. Despite her family's concerns, Binti's talent for mathematics and her aptitude with astrolabes make her a prime candidate to undertake this interstellar journey. But everything changes when the jelly-fish-like Medusae attack Binti's spaceship, leaving her the only survivor. Now, Binti must fend for herself, alone on a ship full of the beings who murdered her crew, with five days until she reaches her destination.

"Nnedi Okorafor writes glorious futures and fabulous fantasies. Her worlds open your mind to new things, always rooted in the red clay of reality. Prepare to fall in love with *Binti*." —Neil Gaiman, author of *American Gods*

Website: nnedi.com

Video: prhlink.com/binti

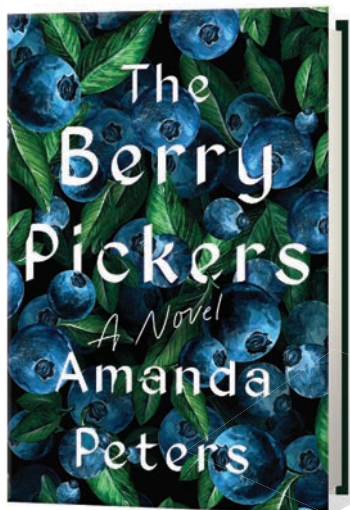
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San Juan College; Stockton University;
and more

The Berry Pickers

By Amanda Peters



Theme: Native American and Indigenous Voices & Stories

Catapult | HC | 978-1-64622-195-0
320 pp. | \$27.00

EB: 9781646221967

July 1962. A Mi'kmaq family from Nova Scotia arrives in Maine to pick blueberries for the summer. Weeks later, four-year-old Ruthie, the family's youngest child, vanishes. She is last seen by her six-year-old brother, Joe, sitting on a favorite rock at the edge of a berry field. Joe will remain distraught by his sister's disappearance for years to come.

In Maine, a young girl named Norma grows up as the only child of an affluent family. Her father is emotionally distant, her mother frustratingly overprotective. Norma is often troubled by recurring dreams and visions that seem more like memories than imagination. As she grows older, Norma slowly comes to realize there is something her parents aren't telling her. Unwilling to abandon her intuition, she will spend decades trying to uncover this family secret.

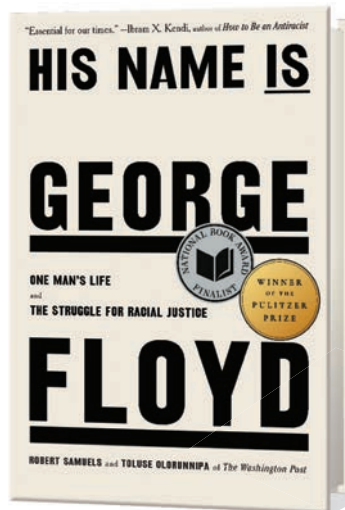
"*The Berry Pickers* is a powerful tale of haunting regret, bonds that will never be broken, and unrelenting love. Amanda Peters's skilled storytelling evokes all the sensations of summer in Maine, singing around a fire, and the horror that takes hold when a child goes missing." —Nick Medina, author of *Sisters of the Lost Nation*

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His Name Is George Floyd

One Man's Life and the Struggle for Racial Justice

By Robert Samuels and Toluse Olorunnipa



Theme: African American Voices & Stories

Viking | HC | 978-0-593-49061-7
432 pp. | \$30.00 / \$40.00 Can.

EB: 9780593490624



Placing the narrative of George Floyd's life within the context of the country's enduring legacy of institutional racism, this deeply reported account examines Floyd's family roots in slavery and sharecropping, the segregation of his schools, the overpolicing of his community amid a wave of mass incarceration, and the callous disregard toward his struggle with addiction—putting today's inequality into uniquely human terms. Drawing upon hundreds of interviews with Floyd's closest friends and family, his elementary school teachers and varsity coaches, civil rights icons, and those in the highest seats of political power, *Washington Post* reporters Robert Samuels and Toluse Olorunnipa offer a poignant and moving exploration of George Floyd's America, revealing how a man who simply wanted to breathe ended up touching the world.

"A much-needed portrait of the life, times, and martyrdom of George Floyd, a chronicle of the racial awakening sparked by his brutal and untimely death, and an essential work of history I hope everyone will read."—Henry Louis Gates, Jr., author of *The Black Church*

Winner of the 2023 Pulitzer Prize in Nonfiction

Finalist for the National Book Award and *Los Angeles Times* Book Prize

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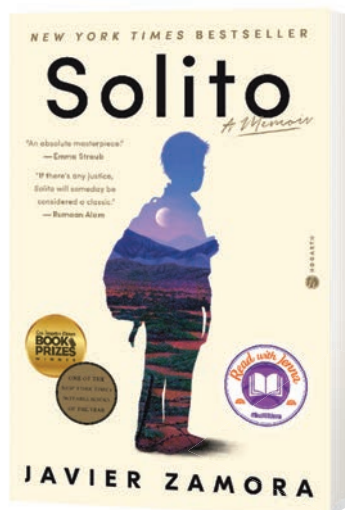
Selected for Common Reading at:

Christian Brothers University;
Morehouse College; Rhodes College

Solito

A Memoir

By Javier Zamora



Theme: Immigrant & First-Generation Stories

Hogarth | PB | 978-0-593-49808-8
416 pp. | \$18.00 / \$24.95 Can.

EB: 9780593498071



In *Solito*, a young poet tells the unforgettable story of his harrowing migration from El Salvador to the U.S. at the age of nine, leaving behind beloved family members to reunite with parents he had not seen in years. Javier's 3,000-mile journey is supposed to take two weeks but instead expands into two life-altering months alongside fellow migrants who come to encircle him like an unexpected family. This memoir not only provides an immediate and intimate account of a treacherous and near-impossible journey, but also the miraculous kindness and love delivered at the most unexpected moments. *Solito* is Javier's story, but it's also the story of millions of others who had no choice but to leave home.

"This is the mythic journey of our era, told by a hero not old enough to tie his shoes, an oracle for our troubled times. I have waited decades for a memoir like *Solito*."—Sandra Cisneros, author of *The House on Mango Street*

Winner of the Christopher Isherwood Prize for Autobiographical Prose

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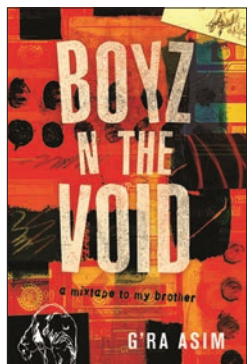
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Theme: African American Voices
& Stories

Boyz n the Void

a mixtape to my brother

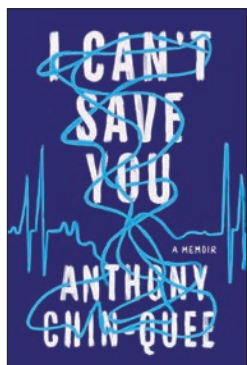
By G'Ra Asim

How does one approach Blackness, masculinity, otherness, and the perils of young adulthood? For G'Ra Asim, punk music offers an outlet to express himself freely. As his younger brother grapples with finding his footing in the world, G'Ra gifts him with a survival guide for tackling the sometimes treacherous cultural terrain particular to being young, Black, brainy, and weird in the form of a mixtape. *Boyz n the Void* blends music and cultural criticism and personal essay to explore race, gender, class, and sexuality as they pertain to punk rock and straight edge culture.

Website: graasim.com
Video: prhlink.com/boyz
Twitter: [@notjadedpunk](https://twitter.com/notjadedpunk)

Beacon Press | PB
978-0-8070-5555-7 | 288 pp.
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Theme: African American Voices
& Stories

I Can't Save You

A Memoir

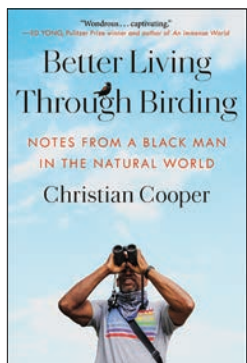
By Anthony Chin-Quee

"This is a gripping, extraordinary story of one doctor's quest to find meaning, intimacy, and self-worth amid his demons and our racist and inhumane health care system. This book was so affecting that there were parts of it I read aloud just to hear Dr. Chin-Quee's words resonate. Above all, *I Can't Save You* is the account of one doctor's quest to make sense of his past and to reclaim the joy, peace, and purpose that make life worth living. It's a testament to the life-changing power of self-compassion." —Lucy Kalanithi, MD, FACP, Associate Professor, Stanford School of Medicine

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Theme: African American Voices
& Stories

Better Living Through Birding

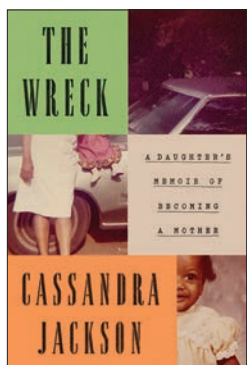
Notes from a Black Man in the Natural World

By Christian Cooper

Christian Cooper is a self-described "Blerd" (Black nerd), an avid comics fan and expert birder who devotes every spring to gazing upon the migratory birds that stop to rest in Central Park. In *Better Living Through Birding*, he tells the story of his extraordinary life leading up to the now-infamous incident in Central Park and shows how a life spent looking up at the birds prepared him, in the most uncanny of ways, to be a gay, Black man in America today.

Random House | HC
978-0-593-24238-4 | 304 pp.
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Theme: African American Voices
& Stories

The Wreck

A Daughter's Memoir of Becoming a Mother

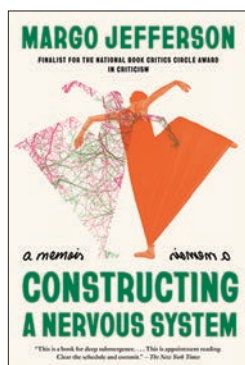
By Cassandra Jackson

"At the heart of Cassandra Jackson's memoir *The Wreck* is a quest to understand long-buried secrets from her family's past. Spurred by her own journey to become a parent, Jackson investigates the circumstances of a devastating car crash that took the lives of her father's mother, sister, niece, and first wife. Learning more about the incident leads to Jackson unearthing uncomfortable truths, not only about her family's trauma, but also about the racism that exacerbated it—and the systemic inequality that still undermines her life." —*TIME*

Viking | HC
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Theme: African American Voices & Stories

Constructing a Nervous System

A Memoir

By Margo Jefferson

In *Constructing a Nervous System*, Margo Jefferson interrogates her own self as well as the act of writing memoir, and probes the fissures at the center of American cultural life.

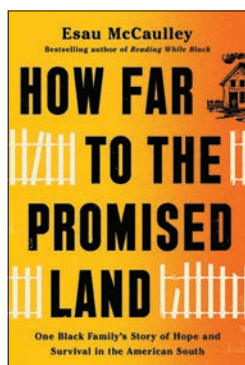
“Drawing on material as disparate as Henry James, *The Wire*, *Othello*, and Black spirituals, [Jefferson] narrates moments of her life as they unfold in relation to ‘avatars.’ . . . ‘Great soloists never perform entirely alone,’ Jefferson writes, and the same is true for her.” —*The New Yorker*

Finalist for the National Book Critics Circle Award / Finalist for the Carnegie Medal for Excellence / Winner of the Rathbones Folio Prize

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Vintage | PB
978-0-525-56571-0 | 208 pp.
\$16.00 / \$22.00 Can.

EB: 9781524748180



Theme: African American Voices & Stories

How Far to the Promised Land

One Black Family's Story of Hope and Survival in the American South

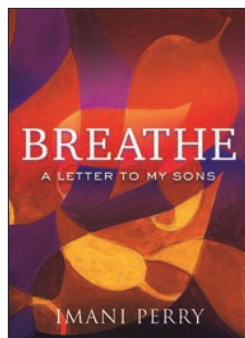
By Esau McCaulley

After his father's death, Esau McCaulley went back through his family history, seeking to understand the community that shaped him: someone who, through hard work, faith, and determination, overcame childhood poverty, anti-Black racism, and an absent father to earn a job as a university professor and a life in the middle class. With profound honesty and compassion, he raises questions that implicate us all: What does each person's struggle to build a life teach us about what we owe each other? About what it means to be human?

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Convergent Books | HC
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\$27.00 / \$37.00 Can.

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Theme: African American Voices & Stories

Breathe

A Letter to My Sons

By Imani Perry

Emotionally raw and deeply reflective, Imani Perry issues an unflinching challenge to society to see Black children as deserving of humanity. She admits fear and frustration for her African American sons in a society that is increasingly racist and at times seems irredeemable. However, as a mother, feminist, writer, and intellectual, Perry offers an unfettered expression of love—finding beauty and possibility in life—and she exhorts her children and their peers to find the courage to chart their own paths and find steady footing and inspiration in Black tradition.

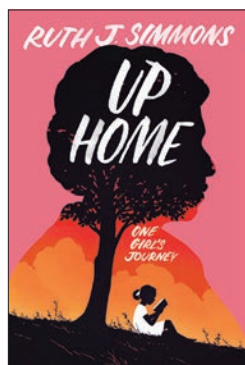
Chautauqua Prize Finalist

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Selected for Common Reading at:
Princeton University

Beacon Press | HC
978-0-8070-7655-2 | 184 pp.
\$19.95 / \$25.95 Can.

EB: 9780807076569



Theme: African American Voices & Stories

Up Home

One Girl's Journey

By Ruth J. Simmons

Ruth J. Simmons's memoir is an inspiring, indelible story of the daughter of sharecroppers in East Texas who became the first Black president of an Ivy League university—an uplifting story of girlhood and the power of family, community, and the classroom to transform one young person's life. *Up Home* is both an origin story set in the segregated South and the uplifting chronicle of a girl whose intellect, grace, and curiosity guide her as she creates a place for herself in the world.

Random House | HC
978-0-593-44600-3 | 224 pp.
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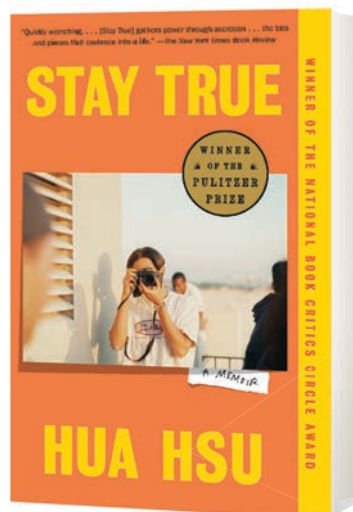
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Stay True

A Memoir

By Hua Hsu



Theme: Asian American and Pacific Islander
Voices & Stories

Anchor | PB | 978-0-593-31520-0
208 pp. | \$17.00 / \$23.00 Can.

EB: 9780385547789



Stay True is a gripping memoir on friendship, grief, the search for self, and the solace that can be found through art. Hua Hsu writes of his friendship with Ken, a friendship built on late-night conversations over cigarettes, long drives along the California coast, and the successes and humiliations of everyday college life. And then senselessly, Ken is gone, killed in a carjacking, not even three years after the day they first meet. Determined to hold on to all that was left of one of his closest friends—his memories—Hua turned to writing. *Stay True* is a coming-of-age story that details both the ordinary and extraordinary, and a bracing memoir about growing up, and about moving through the world in search of meaning and belonging.

“Hua Hsu’s *Stay True* is a rich, intelligent, and beautifully crafted portrait of just about everything that matters in life. Here is friendship, art, and family cast against a distinctly American backdrop of migration in language so precise and subtle that you might not even notice how it breaks and mends your heart.” —Dinaw Mengestu, author of *All Our Names*

Winner of the Pulitzer Prize / Winner of the National Book Critics Circle Award

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Made in China

A Memoir of Love and Labor

By Anna Qu



Theme: Asian American and Pacific Islander
Voices & Stories

Catapult | PB | 978-1-64622-152-3
224 pp. | \$16.95 / \$23.00 Can.

EB: 9781646220359



As a teen, Anna Qu is sent by her mother to work in her family’s garment factory in Queens. At home, she is treated as a maid and suffers punishment for doing her homework at night. But instead of acquiescing, Qu alerts the office of Children and Family Services, an act with consequences that impact the rest of her life.

Nearly twenty years later, estranged from her mother, Qu requests her CFS report. When it arrives, key details are wrong. Faced with this false narrative, Qu looks once more at her life’s truths. *Made in China* is a fierce memoir unafraid to ask thorny questions about trauma and survival in immigrant families, the meaning of work, and the costs of immigration.

“The immigrant child longs to be understood and unload her truths, while simultaneously being tasked with preserving her parents’ humanity . . . The struggle . . . seems to be holding all of these conflicting emotions at once. To be grateful for their sacrifice and still say, I needed more than you gave me. Qu . . . honor[s] these complexities, tell[s] us we were not meant to swallow our pain and survive in this world without support systems.” —Chanel Miller, author of *Know My Name*, *The New York Times Book Review*

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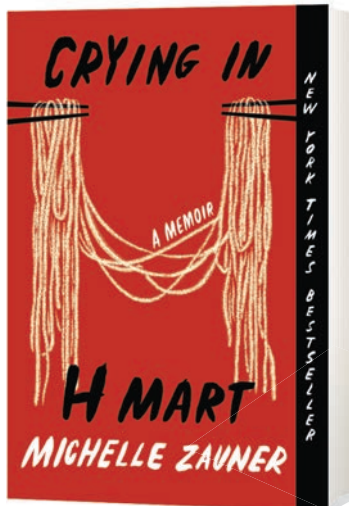
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Selected for Common Reading at:
Florida International University

Crying in H Mart

A Memoir

By Michelle Zauner



Theme: Asian American and Pacific Islander
Voices & Stories

Vintage | PB | 978-1-9848-9895-1
256 pp. | \$17.00 / \$23.00 Can.

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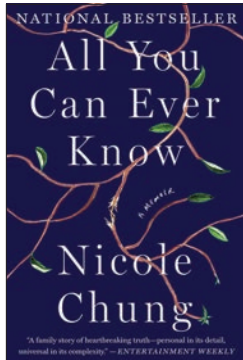
In this exquisite story of family, food, grief, and endurance, Michelle Zauner proves herself far more than a dazzling singer, songwriter, and guitarist. With humor and heart, she tells of growing up one of the few Asian American kids at her school in Eugene, Oregon; of a painful adolescence; of treasured months spent in her grandmother's tiny apartment in Seoul.

As she grew up, her Koreanness began to feel ever more distant, even as she found the life she wanted to live. It was her mother's diagnosis of terminal cancer, when Michelle was twenty-five, that forced a reckoning with her identity and brought her to reclaim the gifts of taste, language, and history her mother had given her.

"Michelle Zauner has written a book you experience with all of your senses: sentences you can taste, paragraphs that sound like music. She seamlessly blends stories of food and memory, sumptuousness and grief, to weave a complex narrative of loyalty and loss." —Rachel Syme

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Selected for Common Reading at:
Northwestern University; University of
Kansas Medical Center; Cuyahoga
Community College



Theme: Asian American and
Pacific Islander Voices & Stories

All You Can Ever Know

A Memoir

By Nicole Chung

Nicole Chung was placed for adoption by her Korean parents, and raised by a white family in a sheltered Oregon town. From childhood, she heard the story of her adoption as a comforting, prepackaged myth. But as Nicole grew up—facing prejudice her adoptive family couldn't see, finding her identity as an Asian American and as a writer, becoming ever more curious about where she came from—she wondered if the story she'd been told was the whole truth.

"This book should be required reading for anyone who has ever had, wanted, or found a family—which is to say, everyone."—Celeste Ng, author of *Little Fires Everywhere*

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Catapult | PB
978-1-948226-37-0 | 256 pp.
\$16.95 / \$23.00 Can.

EB: 9781936787982

Also Available: *A Map Is Only One Story*
9781948226783



Theme: Asian American and
Pacific Islander Voices & Stories

They Called Us Enemy

By George Takei; Justin Eisinger; Steven Scott;
Harmony Becker

In 1942 every person of Japanese descent on the west coast was rounded up and shipped to one of ten "relocation centers," hundreds or thousands of miles from home, where they would be held for years under armed guard. This graphic novel is Takei's firsthand account of those years behind barbed wire.

"I am so excited to see this book's impact on the world." —Jacqueline Woodson, National Ambassador for Young People's Literature and National Book Award Winner

**New York Times Bestseller / Winner of the Asian/Pacific American Award for
Young Adult Literature / Winner of the Eisner Award for Best Reality-Based Work**

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Selected for Common Reading at:
California State University – San
Marcos; CUNY Queensborough
Community College; Lipscomb
University; Mansfield University;
San Diego State University;
United States Air Force Academy;
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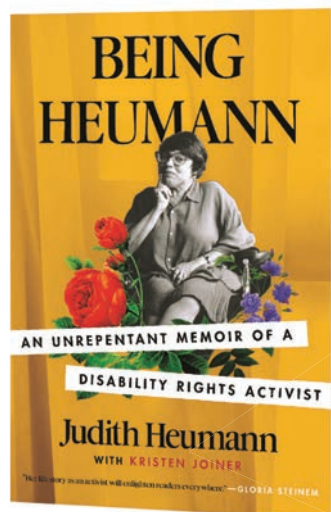
Top Shelf Productions | PB
978-1-60309-450-4 | 208 pp.
\$19.99 / \$25.99 Can.

Also Available: *Nos Ilamaron Enemigo*
9781603094832

Being Heumann

An Unrepentant Memoir of a Disability Rights Activist

By Judith Heumann



Theme: Disability

Beacon Press | PB | 978-0-8070-0280-3
240 pp. | \$16.99 / \$22.99 Can.

EB: 9780807019382



Also Available: Rolling Warrior 9780807019382

Paralyzed from polio at eighteen months, Judy Heumann's struggle for equality began early in life. From fighting to attend grade school after being described as a "fire hazard" to later winning a lawsuit against the New York City school system for denying her a teacher's license because of her paralysis, Judy's actions set a precedent that fundamentally improved rights for disabled people.

As a young woman, Judy rolled her wheelchair through the doors of the US Department of Health, Education, and Welfare in San Francisco as a leader of the Section 504 Sit-In, the longest takeover of a governmental building in US history. Working with a community of over 150 disabled activists and allies, Judy successfully pressured the Carter administration to implement protections for disabled peoples' rights, sparking a national movement and leading to the creation of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

"If you're searching for an excellent primer on the disability justice movement or a firsthand account of the power of the collective voice, you'll want to pick up this book!" —Jey Ehrenhalt, Teaching Tolerance School-Based Programming and Grants Manager

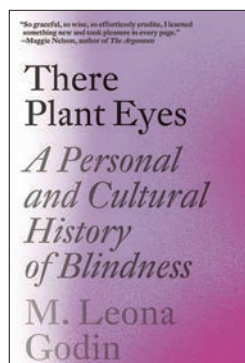
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Selected for Common Reading at:

Connecticut College; Berry College;
San Diego State University; University
of Missouri, Law School; and more



Theme: Disability

There Plant Eyes

A Personal and Cultural History of Blindness

By M. Leona Godin

From Homer to Helen Keller, from *Dune* to Stevie Wonder, from the invention of braille to the science of echolocation, M. Leona Godin explores the fascinating history of blindness, interweaving it with her own story of gradually losing her sight.

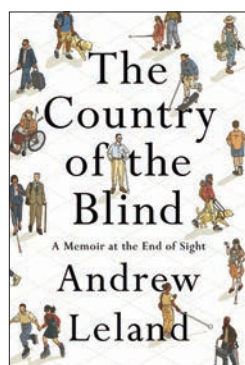
"Godin guides readers through the surprising twists and turns in Western blind history, from ancient seers to contemporary scientists. The lively writing style and memorable personal anecdotes are delightful. This book is a gift to both blind and sighted readers." —Haben Girma, human rights lawyer and author of *Haben*

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Vintage | PB | 978-1-9848-9840-1
352 pp. | \$18.00 / \$24.00 Can.

EB: 9781524748722



Theme: Disability

The Country of the Blind

A Memoir at the End of Sight

By Andrew Leland

"Andrew Leland manages to deftly balance the personal, historical and political as he documents . . . his becoming blind. There is a great nonfiction book here about the history of blindness and the pioneers who have built a world of access and empowerment. But crucially, Leland weaves into that larger tapestry the deeply touching story of how he, his wife Lily, and his son Oscar face their myriad new challenges—with open minds and abundant wit, and always fearlessly together." —Dave Eggers, author of *The Circle*

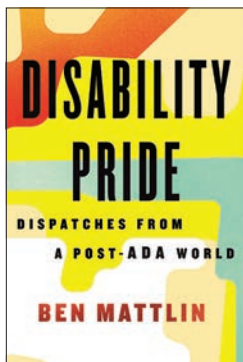
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Penguin Press | HC
978-1-9848-8142-7 | 368 pp.
\$29.00 / \$39.00 Can.

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Theme: Disability

Disability Pride

Dispatches from a Post-ADA World

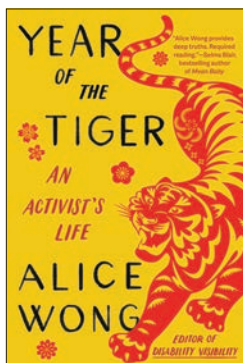
By Ben Mattlin

In *Disability Pride*, disabled journalist Ben Mattlin weaves together interviews and reportage to trace the generation that came of age after the ADA reshaped America, and how it is influencing the future. He also explores the movement's shortcomings, particularly the erasure of nonwhite and LGBTQIA+ people that helped give rise to Disability Justice. He delves into systemic ableism in health care, the right-to-die movement, and institutionalization. And he finds glimmers of hope in how disabled people never give up their fight for parity and fair play.

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Beacon Press | HC
978-0-8070-3645-7 | 272 pp.
\$29.95 / \$39.95 Can.

EB: 9780807036464



Theme: Disability

Year of the Tiger

An Activist's Life

By Alice Wong

From the founder and director of the Disability Visibility Project, this groundbreaking memoir in essays offers a glimpse into an activist's journey to finding and cultivating community and the continued fight for disability justice.

"An imaginative and insightful memoir. . . . Written in a refreshingly frank and honest manner, Wong explores communal joy, grief, and rage and carves out a space for all people to be in conversation with one another. . . . An essential read for anyone with an interest in accessible futures, community building, and social justice." —Zhui Ning Chang, *Library Journal*

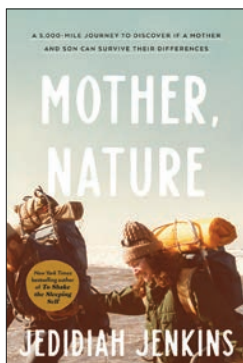
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Vintage | PB
978-0-593-31539-2 | 400 pp.
\$17.00 / \$23.00 Can.

EB: 9780593315408



Also Available: *Disability Visibility: First-Person Stories from the Twenty-First Century* 9781984899422



Theme: Family

Mother, Nature

A 5,000-Mile Journey to Discover if a Mother and Son Can Survive Their Differences

By Jedidiah Jenkins

For years, Jedidiah Jenkins and his mother, Barbara, had talked about taking a trip together. They disagree about politics, about God, about the project of society—disagreements that hurt. But they love each other. They landed on an idea: retrace the thousands of miles Barbara trekked decades ago with Jedidiah's father. Along the way, he explores the questions millions are asking today: How do we stay in relationship when it hurts? When do boundaries turn into separation? When do we stand up for ourselves, and when do we let it go?

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Convergent Books | HC
978-0-593-13726-0 | 240 pp.
\$27.00 / \$37.00 Can.

EB: 9780593137277



Theme: Gender

All In

An Autobiography

By Billie Jean King

Here is an inspiring and intimate self-portrait of Billie Jean King that encompasses her brilliant tennis career, unwavering activism, and an ongoing commitment to fairness and social justice.

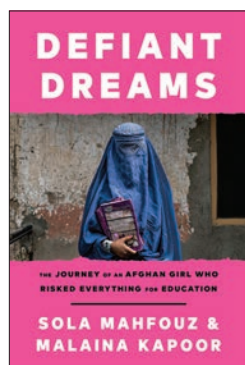
"*All In* is the remarkable story of a true legend who came from humble beginnings, and went on to change the world. Billie Jean King is a champion in every sense, just as much a hero behind the scenes as she is before her massive crowds. Her powerful memoir is a compelling must read. Masterfully done, this book is for everyone." —Patricia Cornwell, author of *Spin*

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Vintage | PB | 978-1-101-97147-5
528 pp. | \$19.00

EB: 9781101947340





Theme: Gender

Defiant Dreams

The Journey of an Afghan Girl Who Risked Everything for Education

By Sola Mahfouz & Malaina Kapoor

Sola Mahfouz was born in Afghanistan the same year the Taliban took over her country for the first time. Though Sola was forced to stop attending school, at age 16 she began secretly to teach herself math and English. Faced with obstacles at every turn, she progressed rapidly, sneaked into Pakistan to take the SAT, and escaped to the United States, where she is now a quantum computing researcher at Tufts University. *Defiant Dreams* is the story of one girl, but it's also the untold story of a generation of women brimming with potential and longing for freedom.

Ballantine Books | HC
978-0-593-35976-1 | 320 pp.
\$28.00 / \$37.99 Can.

EB: 9780593359778



Theme: Gender

I Swear

Politics Is Messier Than My Minivan

By Katie Porter

When Katie Porter was elected to Congress in 2018, she was underestimated as a single mom and chided for her progressive values. Then, using her signature whiteboard, she defied expectations, taking CEOs and corrupt government officials to task in Congressional hearings. In *I Swear*, Katie offers Americans a clear picture of what their elected leaders are doing—and how they're doing it—exposing the gaps between politicians' press conferences and real people's lives.

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Crown | HC | 978-0-593-44398-9
304 pp. | \$28.00 / \$37.99 Can.

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Theme: Inspirational

Falling Back in Love with Being Human

Letters to Lost Souls

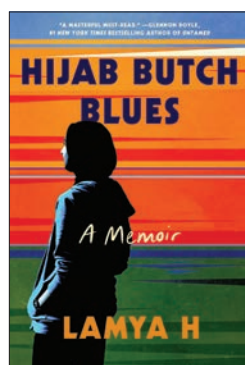
By Kai Cheng Thom

Kai Cheng Thom grew up a Chinese Canadian transgender girl in a hostile world. As an activist, psychotherapist, conflict mediator, and spiritual healer, she's always pursued the same deeply personal mission: to embrace the revolutionary belief that every human being, no matter how hateful or horrible, is intrinsically sacred. But when Kai Cheng found herself overwhelmed by the viciousness with which people treated one another, she started writing. What emerged was a blueprint for falling back in love with being human.

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The Dial Press | PB
978-0-593-59498-8 | 176 pp. | \$17.00

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Theme: LGBTQIA+

Hijab Butch Blues

A Memoir

By Lamya H

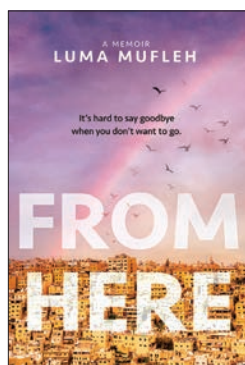
When 14-year-old Lamya H realizes she has a crush on her teacher—her female teacher—she begins to use some of the most famous stories in the Quran to make sense of her struggles and triumphs as a queer, devout Muslim immigrant. This searingly intimate memoir in essays, spanning Lamya's childhood in the Middle East to her arrival in the United States for college through early-adult life in New York City, tells a universal story of courage, trust, and love, celebrating what it means to be a seeker and an architect of one's own life.

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Theme: LGBTQIA+

From Here

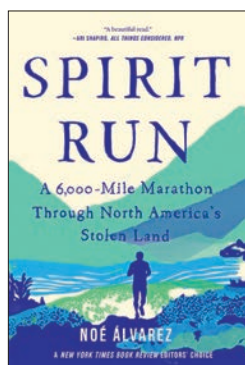
By Luma Mufleh

Known as the founder of Fugees Family, and one of the central figures from the bestselling book *Outcasts United*, refugee advocate Luma Mufleh shares her own story in this powerful and poignant coming-of-age memoir. From her youth in Jordan, to her college experience in the United States, and the process for seeking political asylum, Mufleh writes of her tumultuous journey to reconcile her identity as a gay Muslim woman and a proud Arab-turned-American refugee.

Nancy Paulsen Books | HC
978-0-593-35445-2 | 320 pp.
\$18.99 / \$25.99 Can.

EB: 9780593354469

Also Available: *Outcasts United*
9780385522045



Theme: Native American and Indigenous Voices & Stories

Spirit Run

A 6,000-Mile Marathon Through North America's Stolen Land

By Noé Álvarez

Growing up in Yakima, Washington, Noé Álvarez, a first-generation Latino, struggled to fit in. At nineteen, he learned about a Native American/First Nations movement called the Peace and Dignity Journeys, epic marathons meant to renew cultural connections across North America. He dropped out of school and joined a group of Dené, Secwépemc, Gitksan, Dakelh, Apache, Tohono O'odham, Seri, Purépecha, and Maya runners, all fleeing difficult beginnings.

New York Times Book Review Editors' Choice

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Catapult | PB
978-1-64622-053-3 | 240 pp.
\$16.95 / \$23.00 Can.

EB: 9781948226479



Theme: Native American and Indigenous Voices & Stories

A Mind Spread Out on the Ground

By Alicia Elliott

Alicia Elliott's memoir details a life spent between Indigenous and white communities, a divide reflected in her own family, and engages with such wide-ranging topics as race, parenthood, love, art, mental illness, poverty, sexual assault, gentrification, and representation. Throughout, she makes connections both large and small between the past and present, the personal and political.

"In her raw, unflinching memoir . . . she tells the impassioned, wrenching story of the mental health crisis within her own family and community."—*New York Times Book Review*

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Selected for Common Reading at:
Concordia College; Metropolitan
State University Denver

Melville House | PB
978-1-61219-866-8 | 256 pp.
\$17.99

EB: 9781612198675



Theme: Native American and Indigenous Voices & Stories

Red Paint

The Ancestral Autobiography of a Coast Salish Punk

By Sasha LaPointe

Sasha taq̓səblu LaPointe has always longed for a sense of home. When she was a child, her family moved around frequently, often staying in church attics and trailers. With little more to guide her than a passion for the thriving punk scene of the Pacific Northwest and a desire to live up to the being the namesake of her beloved great-grandmother, Sasha throws herself headlong into the world. Set against a backdrop of the Coast Salish ancestral land and imbued with the universal spirit of punk, *Red Paint* is a story of the ways we learn to find our true selves.

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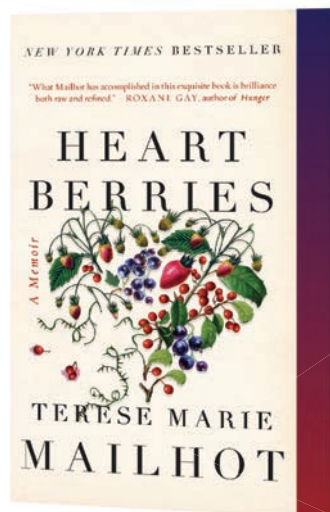
Counterpoint | PB
978-1-64009-588-5 | 240 pp.
\$16.95 / \$23.00 Can.

EB: 9781640094154

Heart Berries

A Memoir

By Terese Marie Mailhot



Theme: Native American and Indigenous
Voices & Stories

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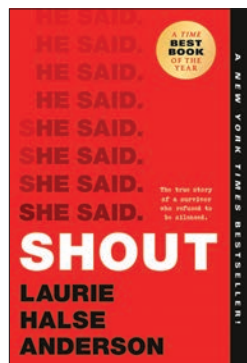
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Having survived a profoundly dysfunctional upbringing only to find herself hospitalized and facing a dual diagnosis of post traumatic stress disorder and bipolar II disorder, Terese Marie Mailhot is given a notebook and begins to write her way out of trauma. The triumphant result is *Heart Berries*, a memorial for Mailhot's mother, a social worker and activist who had a thing for prisoners; a story of reconciliation with her father—an abusive drunk and a brilliant artist—who was murdered under mysterious circumstances; and an elegy on how difficult it is to love someone while dragging the long shadows of shame.

“A fierce and poetic memoir that grips you from the start and never lets go. Each page, paragraph and sentence is more gut-wrenching than the one before it. An illuminating account of grief, abuse and the complex nature of the Native experience, it is at once raw and achingly beautiful. Terese Mailhot is a truly fearless writer, and this little book is nothing short of a gift.” —Juan Vidal, NPR, A Best Book of the Year

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Theme: Resilience / Perseverance

SHOUT

By Laurie Halse Anderson

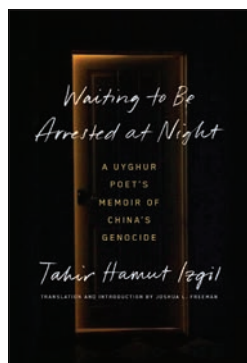
In *Shout*, Laurie Halse Anderson shares reflections, rants, and calls to action woven between deeply personal stories from her life that she's never written about before. This memoir is a love letter to all the people with the courage to say #MeToo and #TimesUp, whether aloud, online, or only in their own hearts.

“With *Speak*, Anderson opened the door for more novels exploring the deeply felt and deeply personal aftermath of sexual violence. *Shout* serves as both a testament to the life-altering, lifesaving impact of these types of stories—and as an urgent and brutal reminder of their ongoing necessity.” —*The New York Times Book Review*

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Theme: Resilience / Perseverance

Waiting to Be Arrested at Night

A Uyghur Poet's Memoir of China's Genocide

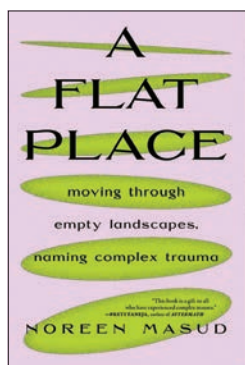
By Tahir Hamut Izzil; Translated with an
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Waiting to Be Arrested at Night is the story of the political, social, and cultural destruction of Tahir Hamut Izzil's homeland. Among leading Uyghur intellectuals and writers, he is the only one known to have escaped China since the mass internments began. His book is a call for the world to awaken to the unfolding catastrophe, and a tribute to his friends and fellow Uyghurs whose voices have been silenced.

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Theme: Resilience / Perseverance

A Flat Place

Moving Through Empty Landscapes,
Naming Complex Trauma

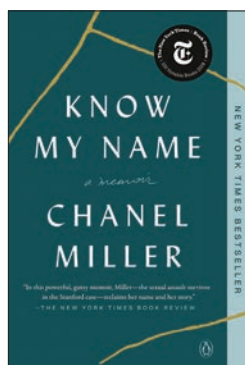
By Noreen Masud

Noreen Masud suffers from complex post-traumatic stress disorder: the product of a profoundly disrupted and unstable childhood. It flattens her emotions, blanks out parts of her memory, and colours her world with anxiety. Undertaking a pilgrimage around Britain's flatlands, she combines memoir, nature writing, and literary reflection to explore what can be drawn from these places, and to understand her own experience of complex trauma and post-traumatic stress, as well as grief and loss.

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Theme: Resilience / Perseverance

Know My Name

A Memoir

By Chanel Miller

Chanel Miller's story of trauma and transcendence illuminates a culture biased to protect perpetrators of sexual assault and shines with the courage required to move through suffering and live a full and beautiful life.

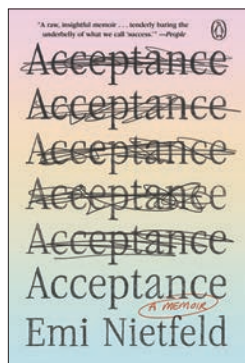
"Know My Name is an act of reclamation. On every page, Miller unflattens herself, returning from Victim or Emily Doe to Chanel, a beloved daughter and sister . . . Know My Name marks the debut of a gifted young writer."—Jennifer Weiner, *The New York Times*

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Theme: Resilience / Perseverance

Acceptance

A Memoir

By Emi Nietfeld

Emi Nietfeld was convinced that the Ivy League was the only escape from her dysfunctional childhood. Though she would overcome mental health struggles, Adderall addiction, and homelessness to graduate from Harvard and become a software engineer at Google, she found that success didn't necessarily mean safety. Both a chronicle of the American Dream and an indictment of it, this searing debut exposes the price of trading a troubled past for the promise of a bright future.

"An engrossing, affirming story of human resilience, with the pacing of a thriller."—Sherry Turkle, MIT professor, author of *Reclaiming Conversation*

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Theme: Social Action

Wildflower

A Memoir

By Aurora James

Aurora James started her own business in a flea market: a sustainable fashion line showcasing traditional African designs that would become an award-winning international brand. Now, her Fifteen Percent Pledge is one of the fastest-growing social justice nonprofits, redirecting \$10 billion in annual revenue to Black and BIPOC brands. This extraordinary memoir of struggle and perseverance from a leading activist and fashion entrepreneur offers new ways of envisioning economic equality for everyone.

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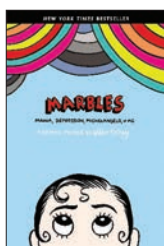
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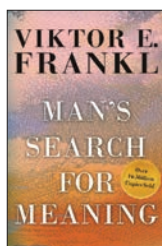
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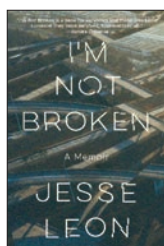
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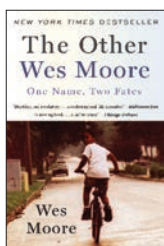
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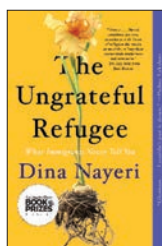
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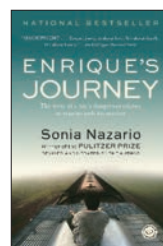
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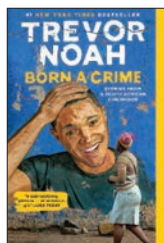
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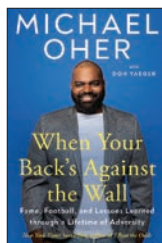
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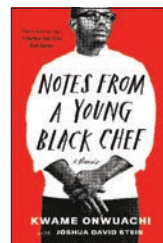
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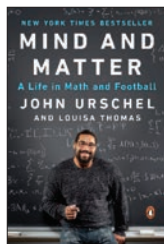
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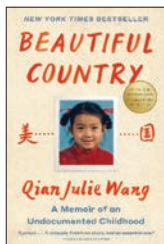
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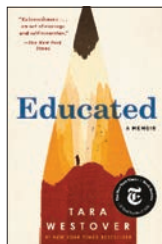
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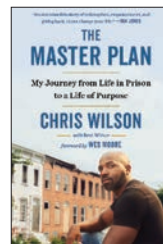
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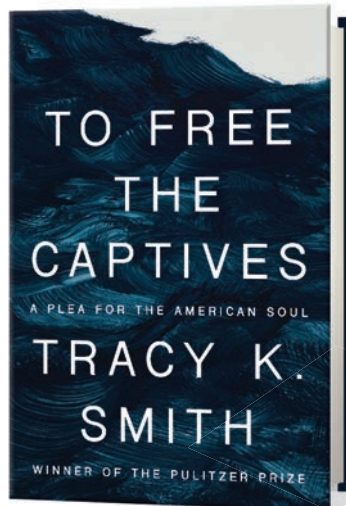


The Master Plan
My Journey from Life in Prison to a Life of Purpose
By Chris Wilson with Bret Witter; Foreword by Wes Moore
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To Free the Captives

A Plea for the American Soul

By Tracy K. Smith



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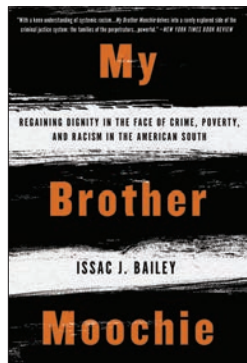
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In 2020, heartsick from constant assaults on Black life, Tracy K. Smith wondered if a sense of collective enterprise could return to American life. Meditating and praying, writing and remembering, she communed with ancestors and her family's past. In doing so, she began to wonder if these forms of ritual were in fact exactly what was missing from how America addressed race and itself. In this tender and profoundly urgent book, Smith draws on several avenues of thinking—personal, historical, and spiritual—to create a radically uplifting work. *To Free the Captives* is a stunning meditation on ritual and collectiveness that explores how older forms of inquiry help us all survive violent times and address America's shared history.

"A unique intelligence guides the hand of Tracy K. Smith through the archives. It is an intelligence that is both fierce and composed; both compassionate, and unflinching. And if intelligence is a kind of light, this light is the kind that allows alchemy. Under its radiance, the violence of the archive becomes one of the most powerful meditations on history, time and the thread of ancestry that I have read." —Valeria Luiselli, author of *Lost Children Archive*



Theme: African American Voices & Stories

My Brother Moochie

Regaining Dignity in the Face of Crime, Poverty, and Racism in the American South

By Issac J. Bailey

At the age of nine, Issac J. Bailey saw his hero, his eldest brother, taken away in handcuffs, not to return from prison for thirty-two years. Bailey tells the story of their relationship and of his experience living in a family suffering guilt and shame. Drawing on sociological research as well as his expertise as a journalist, he seeks to answer the crucial question of why moochie and many other young black men—including half of the ten boys in his own family—end up in the criminal justice system.

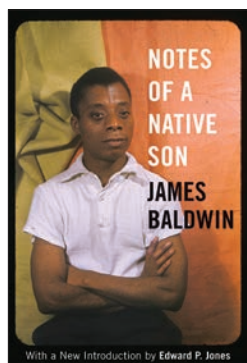
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Theme: African American Voices & Stories

Notes of a Native Son

By James Baldwin

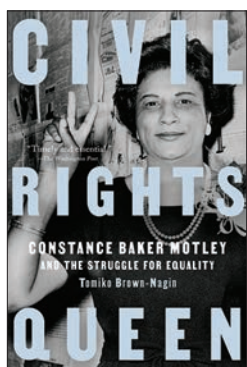
Written during the 1940s and early 1950s, when Baldwin was only in his twenties, the essays collected in *Notes of a Native Son* capture a view of black life and black thought at the dawn of the civil rights movement and as the movement slowly gained strength through the words of one of the most captivating essayists and foremost intellectuals of that era. Writing as an artist, activist, and social critic, Baldwin probes the complex condition of being black in America.

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Theme: African American Voices
& Stories

Civil Rights Queen

Constance Baker Motley and the Struggle for Equality

By Tomiko Brown-Nagin

Here is the first major biography of one of the most influential judges, Constance Baker Motley—an activist lawyer who became the first Black woman appointed to the federal judiciary—that provides an eye-opening account of the twin struggles for gender equality and civil rights in the 20th Century.

“*Civil Rights Queen* restores a truly brave, courageous, and brilliant lawyer and jurist to her proper place in American history.” —Henry Louis Gates, Jr.

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Theme: African American Voices
& Stories

White Tears/Brown Scars

How White Feminism Betrays Women of Color

By Ruby Hamad

Taking us from the slave era, when white women fought in court to keep “ownership” of their slaves, through the centuries of colonialism, when they offered a soft face for brutal tactics, to the modern workplace, *White Tears/Brown Scars* tells a charged story of white women’s active participation in campaigns of oppression.

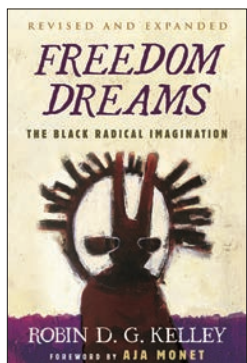
Discussing subjects as varied as *The Hunger Games*, Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, and the viral BBQ Becky video, Ruby Hamad undertakes a new investigation of gender and race.

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Theme: African American Voices
& Stories

Freedom Dreams

The Black Radical Imagination

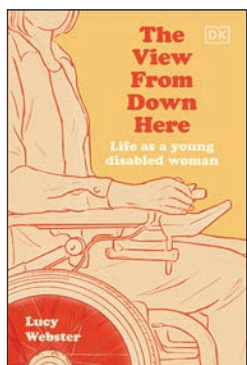
By Robin D.G. Kelley

Unearthing the thrilling history of grassroots movements and renegade intellectuals and artists, Kelley recovers the dreams of the future worlds Black radicals struggled to achieve. The 20th-anniversary edition of Kelley’s influential history of 20th-century Black radicalism features new reflections on current movements and their impact on the author, and a foreword by poet Aja Monet.

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Theme: Disability

The View From Down Here

Life as a Young Disabled Woman

By Lucy Webster

This powerful, honest, hilarious, and furious memoir from journalist and advocate Lucy Webster looks at life at the intersection: the struggles, the joys, and the unseen realities of being a disabled woman. From navigating the worlds of education and work, dating, and friendship to managing care, contemplating motherhood, and learning to accept your body against a pervasive narrative that it is somehow broken and in need of fixing, *The View From Down Here* shines a light on what it really means to move through the world as a disabled woman.

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Theme: Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

A Renaissance of Our Own

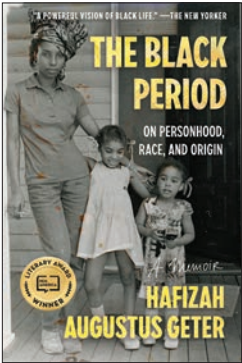
A Memoir & Manifesto on Reimagining
By Rachel E. Cargle

For activist, philanthropist, and CEO Rachel E. Cargle, reimagining—the act of creating in our minds that which does not exist but that we believe can and should—has been a lifelong process. This ode to the power of reimagining follows Cargle’s personal transformation from a small-town Christian wife to the incisive queer feminist voice of a generation she is today.

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Theme: Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

The Black Period

On Personhood, Race, and Origin
By Hafizah Augustus Geter

The Black Period disrupts the myths of America’s origins through Hafizah Augustus Geter’s experiences as the queer Nigerian-born daughter of a Muslim Nigerian woman and a Black American man from a Southern Baptist family in Jim Crow Alabama. Combining gripping memoir and Afrofuturist thought, Hafizah addresses the larger systems of inequity that make it difficult for non-able-bodied persons, queer people, and communities of color to move through the world.

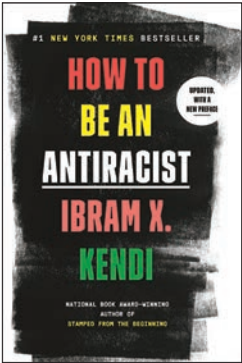
Winner of the PEN Open Book Award and the Lambda Literary Award for LGBTQ+ Nonfiction

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Theme: Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

How to Be an Antiracist

By Ibram X. Kendi

Antiracism is a transformative concept that reorients and reenergizes the conversation about racism—and, even more fundamentally, points us toward liberating new ways of thinking about ourselves and each other. In *How to Be an Antiracist*, Kendi weaves an electrifying combination of ethics, history, law, and science with his own personal story of awakening to antiracism. This is an essential work for anyone who wants to go beyond the awareness of racism to the next step: contributing to the formation of a just and equitable society.

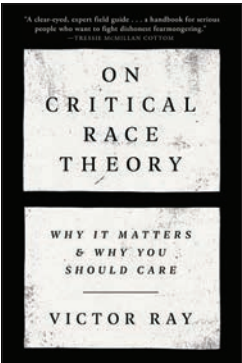
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Theme: Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

On Critical Race Theory

Why It Matters & Why You Should Care
By Victor Ray

From renowned scholar Dr. Victor Ray, this concise and accessible exploration demystifies an important framework for understanding and fighting racial injustice in the U.S, analyzes and breaks down the scholarship and concepts that constitute this often misconstrued term, explores how the conversation on CRT has expanded into the contemporary popular conscience, and underscores why Critical Race Theory matters and why we should all care.

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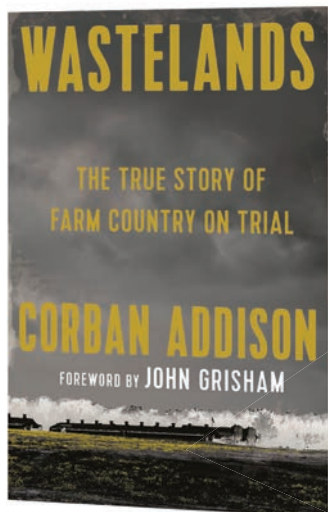
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Wastelands

The True Story of Farm Country on Trial

By Corban Addison



The once idyllic coastal plain of North Carolina is home to a close-knit, rural community that for more than a generation has battled the polluting practices of large-scale farming taking place in its own backyard. After years of frustration and futility, an impassioned cadre of local residents, led by a team of intrepid and dedicated lawyers, filed a lawsuit against one of the world's most powerful companies—and, miraculously, they won. *Wastelands* tells the story of a legal battle over the future of America's farmland and into the lives of the people who found the courage to fight. Corban Addison captures the inspiring struggle to bring a modern-day monopoly to its knees, to force a once-invincible corporation to change, and to preserve the rights—and restore the heritage—of a long-suffering community.

"In *Wastelands*, Corban Addison tells the extraordinary story of how some North Carolina residents stood up to a meatpacking company polluting their communities. . . . [A] textbook case of environmental racism . . . a legal thriller, full of energy and compassion . . . [and] a damning portrait of how we feed ourselves." —Eric Schlosser, *The New York Times Book Review*

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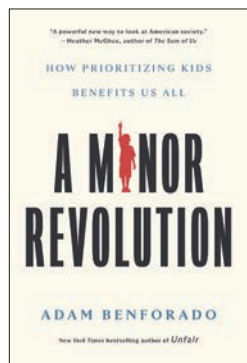
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Theme: Ethics

A Minor Revolution

How Prioritizing Kids Benefits Us All

By Adam Benforado

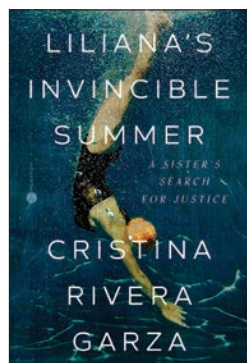
At the dawn of the 20th century, a bright new age for children appeared on the horizon, with progress on ending child labor, providing public education, and creating a juvenile justice system. But a hundred years on, the promised light has not arrived. Drawing on the latest research on the value of early intervention, investment, and empowerment, *A Minor Revolution* makes the urgent case for putting children first—in our budgets and policies, in how we develop products and enact laws, and in our families and communities.

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Theme: Gender

Liliana's Invincible Summer

A Sister's Search for Justice

By Cristina Rivera Garza

Inspired by feminist movements across the world and enraged by the global epidemic of femicide and intimate partner violence, Cristina Rivera Garza travels to Mexico City in search of the old, unresolved criminal file on her sister Liliana's murder by an abusive ex-boyfriend. Using her remarkable talents as an acclaimed scholar, novelist, and poet, Rivera Garza has collected and curated evidence—handwritten letters, police reports, school notebooks, interviews with Liliana's loved ones—to render and understand a life beyond the crime itself.

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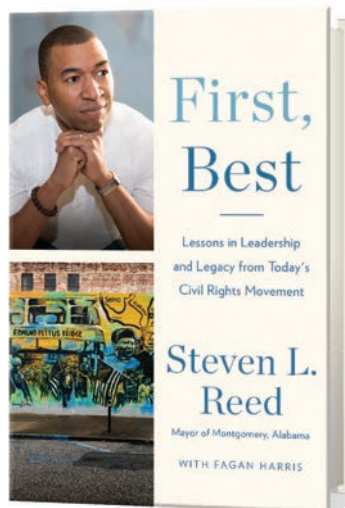
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First, Best

Lessons in Leadership and Legacy from Today's Civil Rights Movement

By Steven L. Reed with Fagan Harris



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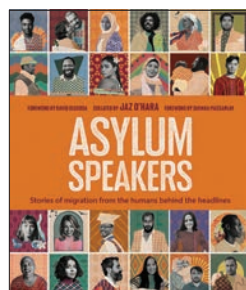
As a proud son of a civil rights leader, Steven L. Reed grew up hearing stories about how his father integrated Montgomery lunch counters and took advice directly from Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and Reverend Ralph Abernathy. However, it wasn't until Reed was in the fourth grade and received a death threat against his father that he began to understand more fully the importance of the lessons his father was trying to impart.

First, Best is an essential antidote to the perpetual dehumanization and distortions of Black men in our culture and media. By sharing the story of forging his own path, Reed offers an alternative narrative to Black men coming of age, catalyzing their hope and sense of possibility.

"From his conscious upbringing in Montgomery, Alabama where decades earlier a movement was born, to his trailblazing election as that city's first Black mayor, Steven Reed knows a lot about the journey Black men must take not only to manhood but to excellence." —Senator Reverend Raphael G. Warnock, author of *A Way Out of No Way*

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Theme: Immigrant &
First-Generation Stories

Asylum Speakers

Stories of Migration From the Humans Behind the Headlines

By Jaz O'Hara

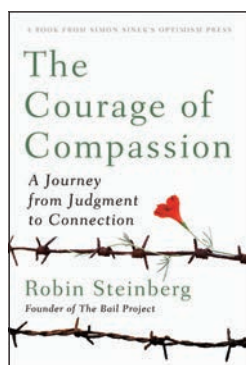
Asylum Speakers is a collection of 31 powerful stories of displaced people, asylum seekers, and those volunteering on the frontline of the refugee crisis, told in their own words and accompanied by beautiful photography and collage art, from the creator of the podcast of the same name.

"These stories are raw, powerful, intimate, at times hard to read but always full of humanity. Reading this book gives me hope." —Giles Duley, CEO of Legacy of War Foundation

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Theme: Service & Altruism

The Courage of Compassion

A Journey from Judgment to Connection

By Robin Steinberg

Contributions by Camilo Ramirez

The founder and CEO of The Bail Project unveils how we can reimagine justice through compassion. Steinberg shares her journey as a public defender and recounts the heart-wrenching stories of her clients and invites us to interrogate our fears and beliefs about justice and punishment.

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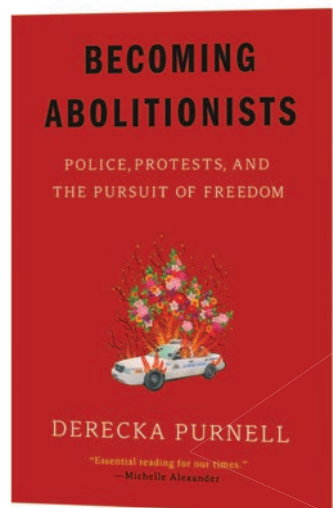
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Becoming Abolitionists

Police, Protests, and the Pursuit of Freedom

By Derecka Purnell



In *Becoming Abolitionists*, Derecka Purnell draws from her experiences as a lawyer, writer, and organizer initially skeptical about police abolition. Purnell details how multi-racial social movements rooted in rebellion, risk-taking, and revolutionary love pushed her and a generation of activists toward abolition. Here, Purnell invites readers to envision new systems that work to address the root causes of violence. *Becoming Abolitionists* shows that abolition is not solely about getting rid of police, but a commitment to create and support different answers to the problem of harm in society, and, most excitingly, an opportunity to reduce and eliminate harm in the first place.

"Blew me away with its compassion, introspection, research, stories and clear sighted case for abolishing our criminal punishment system and radically reconstructing our society to address the root causes of harm and violence."

—Ibram X. Kendi, author of *How To Be An Antiracist*

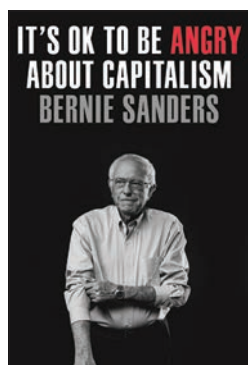
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Theme: Social Action

It's OK to Be Angry About Capitalism

By Bernie Sanders with John Nichols

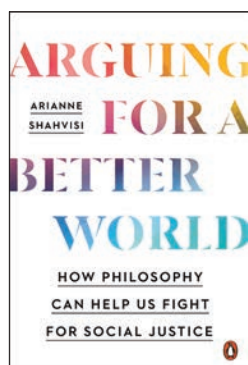
Reflecting on our turbulent times, Senator Bernie Sanders takes on the billionaire class and a system that prioritizes corporate profits over the needs of ordinary Americans. *It's OK to Be Angry About Capitalism* presents a vision that extends beyond the promises of past campaigns to reveal what would be possible if the political revolution took place, if we would finally recognize that economic rights are human rights, and if we would work to create a society that provides a decent standard of living for all.

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Theme: Social Action

Arguing for a Better World

How Philosophy Can Help Us Fight for Social Justice

By Arianne Shahvisi

In *Arguing for a Better World*, philosopher Arianne Shahvisi, a senior ethics lecturer at the Brighton and Sussex medical school, shows students how to work through thorny moral questions by examining their parts in broad daylight, and equipping them to not only identify their own positions but to defend them as well.

"A fascinating, pragmatic resource for those who want to make a difference but don't know where to start."

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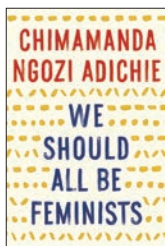
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SOCIAL JUSTICE



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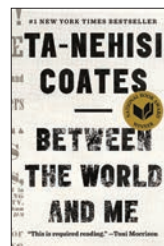
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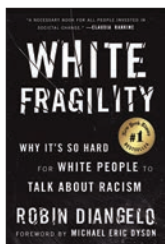
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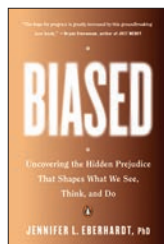
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White Fragility

Why It's So Hard
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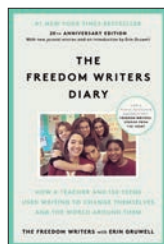
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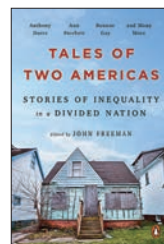
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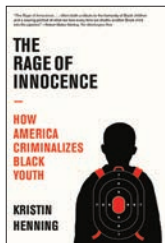
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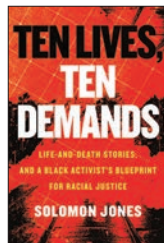
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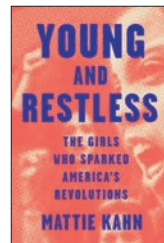
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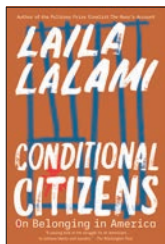
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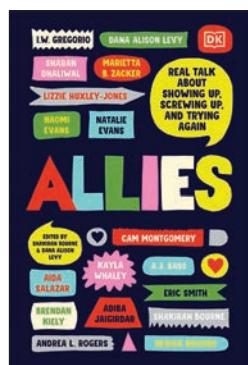
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Theme: Being Connected

Allies

Real Talk About Showing Up, Screwing Up, and Trying Again

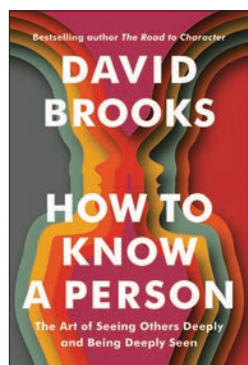
Edited by Shakirah Bourne and Dana Alison Levy

This collection of true stories from 17 critically acclaimed and bestselling YA authors is all about being an ally, having an ally, and showing up for both friends and strangers. From raw stories of racism and invisible disability to powerful moments of passing the mic, these authors share their truths. Self-reflection prompts, journaling ideas, and further reading suggestions will help students ask better questions and find out what they can do. Because we're all in this together. And we all need allies.

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Theme: Being Connected

How to Know a Person

The Art of Seeing Others Deeply and Being Deeply Seen
By David Brooks

Driven by his trademark sense of curiosity and dedication to personal growth, Brooks draws from the fields of psychology and neuroscience and from the worlds of theater, philosophy, history, and education to present a welcoming, hopeful, integrated approach to human connection. *How to Know a Person* helps readers become more understanding and considerate toward others, and to find the joy that comes from being seen. Along the way it offers a possible remedy for a society that is riven by fragmentation, hostility, and misperception.

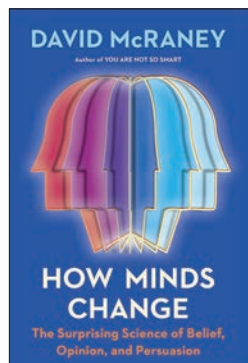
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Theme: Being Connected

How Minds Change

The Surprising Science of Belief, Opinion, and Persuasion
By David McRaney

What made a prominent conspiracy-theorist YouTuber finally see that 9/11 was not a hoax? How do voter opinions shift from neutral to resolute? From one of our greatest thinkers on reasoning, *How Minds Change* is a book about the science of transformation.

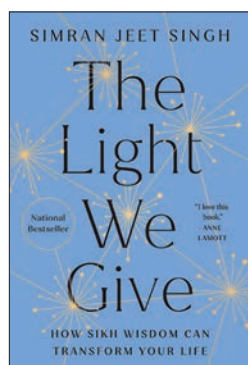
“David McRaney’s brilliant book will force you to rethink your views about how to motivate other people to rethink theirs. In a time when too many minds seem closed, this is a masterful analysis of what it takes to open them.”
 —Adam Grant, author of *Think Again*

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Theme: Being Connected

The Light We Give

How Sikh Wisdom Can Transform Your Life
By Simran Jeet Singh

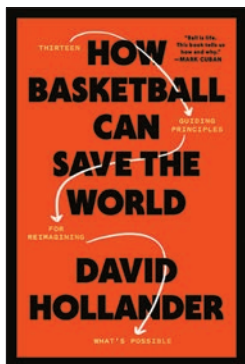
As a boy growing up in South Texas, Simran Jeet Singh and his brothers confronted racism daily. Despite the prejudice and hate he faced, this self-described “turban-wearing, brown-skinned, beard-loving Sikh” refused to give in to negativity. Instead, Singh delved deep into the Sikh teachings that he grew up with and embraced the lessons to seek the good in every person and situation and to find positive ways to direct his energy. *The Light We Give* lays out how we can learn to integrate ethical living to achieve personal happiness and a happier life.

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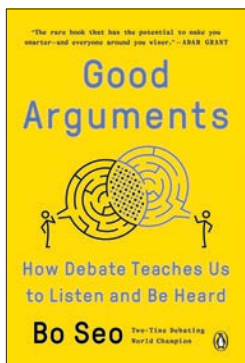
How Basketball Can Save the World

13 Guiding Principles for Reimagining What's Possible
By David Hollander

In his “How Basketball Can Save the World” course, New York University Professor David Hollander teaches students how the underlying principles of the game can provide a new blueprint for addressing diverse challenges beyond the court. For both seasoned veterans of the game and those who have never set foot on a court, his book of the same name will empower readers to become more resilient, tolerant, and wise in their relationships with themselves, others, and the world around them.

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Theme: Critical Thinking

Good Arguments

How Debate Teaches Us to Listen and Be Heard
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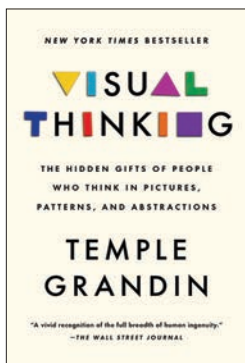
Two-time world champion debater and former coach of the Harvard debate team, Bo Seo tells the inspiring story of his life in competitive debating and reveals the timeless secrets of effective communication and persuasion.

“At a time of polarization and rage, we all need to learn how to disagree well—and this important, compelling and wise book should be at the heart of how we do so.” —Johann Hari, author of *Stolen Focus* and *Lost Connections*

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Theme: Disability

Visual Thinking

The Hidden Gifts of People Who Think in Pictures, Patterns, and Abstractions
By Temple Grandin

A quarter of a century after her memoir, *Thinking in Pictures*, changed how the world understood autism, Temple Grandin transforms our awareness of the different ways our brains are wired. With her genius for demystifying science, Grandin proposes new approaches to educating, parenting, employing, and collaborating with visual thinkers.

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Theme: Health & Wellbeing

Seek You

A Journey Through American Loneliness
By Kristen Radtke

In *Seek You*, Kristen Radtke digs into the ways in which we attempt to feel closer to one another, and the distance that remains. Through the lenses of gender and violence, technology and art, Radtke discusses a history of loneliness and longing in graphic-essay style, and shares what feels impossible to share.

“*Seek You* stunned me. Kristen Radtke, one of the best of our literary artists, shines her brilliant light into modern America’s experiment in loneliness with this supremely elegant and devastating book.” —Lauren Groff, author of *Florida*

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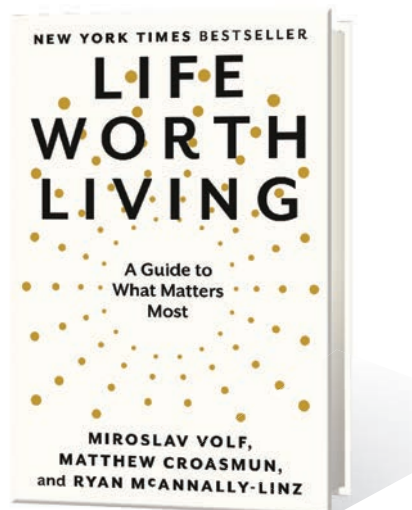
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Life Worth Living

A Guide to What Matters Most

By Miroslav Volf, Matthew Croasmun, and Ryan McAnnally-Linz



The search for meaning, as Yale faculty Miroslav Volf, Matthew Croasmun, and Ryan McAnnally-Linz argue, is at the crux of a crisis that is facing our culture, a crisis that, they propose, can be ameliorated by seeking the truth together across enduring lines of difference. *Life Worth Living*, named after its authors' hugely popular undergraduate course, provides students with jumping-off points, road maps, and habits of reflection for figuring out where their lives hold meaning and where things need to change.

"Life Worth Living is an essential roadmap for anyone who's ever wondered about how to live the good life. It's the accessible crash course we all need to explore the big questions that lead to a happier, more morally satisfying life." —Laurie Santos, Chandrika and Ranjan Tandon Professor of Psychology at Yale University and host of The Happiness Lab podcast

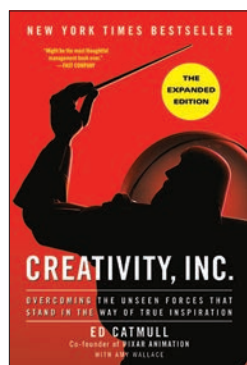
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Overcoming the Unseen Forces That Stand in the Way of True Inspiration

By Ed Catmull with Amy Wallace

The co-founder and longtime president of Pixar updates and expands his 2014 *New York Times* bestseller on creative leadership, reflecting on the management principles that built Pixar's singularly successful culture. Featuring a new introduction, new chapters, and more, this updated edition details how Catmull built a culture that doesn't just pay lip service to the importance of things like honesty, communication, and originality but commits to them.

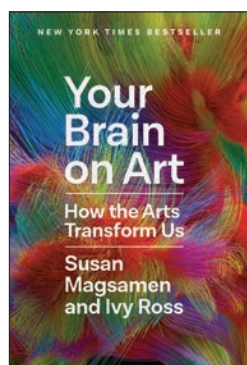
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Theme: Innovation



Your Brain on Art

How the Arts Transform Us

By Susan Magsamen and Ivy Ross

Citing breakthrough research, insights from multidisciplinary pioneers, and compelling stories from people who are using the arts to enhance their lives, authors Susan Magsamen and Ivy Ross show how activities from painting and dancing to expressive writing, architecture, and more are essential to our lives. This authoritative guide to neuro-aesthetics is a portal into this new understanding about how the arts can help us transform traditional medicine, build healthier communities, and mend an aching planet.

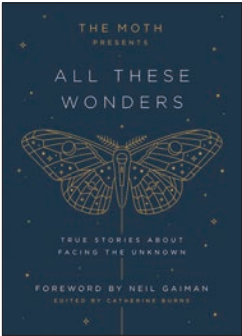
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Theme: Innovation




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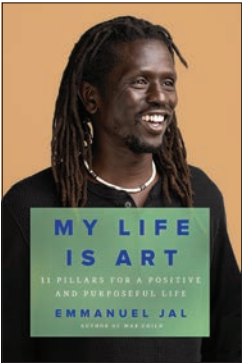
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All These Wonders
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Carefully selected by the creative minds at The Moth, and adapted to the page to preserve the raw energy of live storytelling, *All These Wonders* features voices both familiar and new. High-school student and neuroscientist alike, the storytellers share their ventures into uncharted territory—and how their lives were changed indelibly by what they discovered there. With passion, and humor, they encourage us all to be more open, vulnerable, and alive.

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Theme: Inspirational

My Life Is Art
11 Pillars for a Positive and Purposeful Life
By Emmanuel Jal

“Who owns your mind?” Beginning with this provocative question, Emmanuel Jal invites readers to claim ownership over the narratives that define their lives in order to become a force for good in the world. As a child growing up in South Sudan, Jal witnessed atrocities perpetrated against his family and community. These actions drove him to become a child soldier in a vicious civil war. Jal turned his life’s challenges into opportunities by utilizing a comprehensive framework he developed around eleven pillars of support.

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Theme: Life Skills

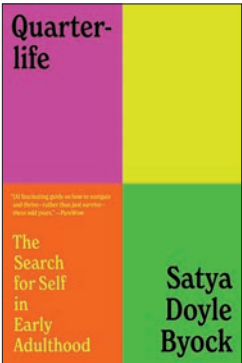
Bittersweet
How Sorrow and Longing Make Us Whole
By Susan Cain

With *Quiet*, Susan Cain urged our society to cultivate space for the undervalued, indispensable introverts among us, thereby revealing an untapped power hidden in plain sight. Now she employs the same mix of research, storytelling, and memoir to explore why we experience sorrow and longing. At a time of profound discord and personal anxiety, *Bittersweet* provides insights into human psychology that are essential for creativity, connection, and transcendence, in school, business, and life.

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Theme: Life Skills

Quarterlife
The Search for Self in Early Adulthood
By Satya Doyle Byock

In Satya Doyle Byock’s psychotherapy practice, she works with “Quarterlifers,” individuals between the ages of (roughly) 16 to 36. In *Quarterlife*, Byock utilizes personal storytelling, mythology, Jungian psychology, pop culture, literature, and client case studies to provide guideposts for this period of life and offer a compassionate roadmap toward finding understanding, happiness, and wholeness in adulthood.

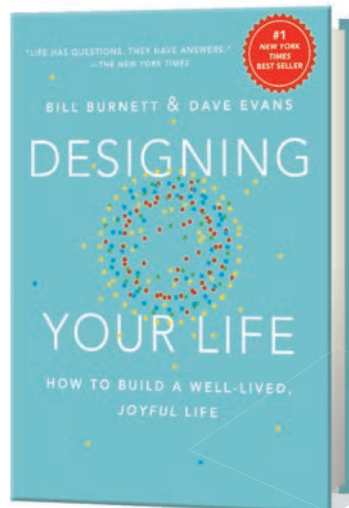
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Designing Your Life

How to Build a Well-Lived, Joyful Life

By Bill Burnett and Dave Evans



Theme: Life Skills

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Also Available: *Designing Your Life Workbook*
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Bill Burnett and Dave Evans show us how design thinking can help us create a life that is both meaningful and fulfilling, regardless of who or where we are, or how young or old we are. The same design thinking responsible for amazing technology, products, and spaces can be used to *design and build* your career and your life, a life of fulfillment and joy, constantly creative and productive, one that always holds the possibility of surprise.

“Designing Your Life walks readers through the process of building a satisfying, meaningful life by approaching the challenge the way a designer would. Experimentation. Wayfinding. Prototyping. Constant iteration. You should read the book. Everyone else will.” —Daniel Pink, author of *Drive*

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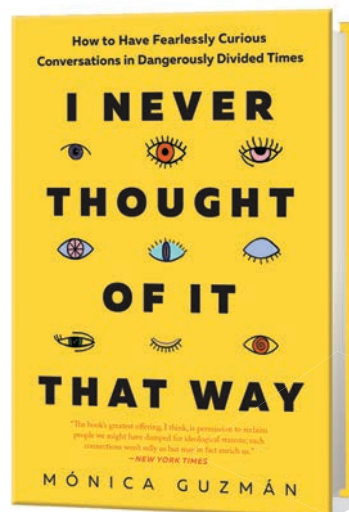
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I Never Thought of It That Way

How to Have Fearlessly Curious Conversations in Dangerously Divided Times

By Mónica Guzmán



Theme: Life Skills

BenBella Books | HC | 978-1-63774-032-3
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In this timely, personal guide, Mónica Guzmán, the chief storyteller for the national cross-partisan depolarization organization Braver Angels, takes students to the real front lines of a crisis that threatens to grind America to a halt—broken conversations among confounded people. She shows you how to overcome the fear and certainty that surround us to finally do what only seems impossible: understand and even learn from people in your life whose whole worldview is different from or even opposed to yours.

For students who are ready to fight back against the confusion, heartbreak, and madness of our dangerously divided times, *I Never Thought of It That Way* has the tools and insights to prove that seeing where people are coming from isn't just possible. It's easier than you think.

Mónica Guzmán is a senior fellow for public practice at Braver Angels, the nation's largest cross-partisan grassroots organization working to depolarize America; host of live interview series at Crosscut; and co-founder of the award-winning Seattle newsletter *The Evergrey*. She was a 2019 fellow at the Henry M. Jackson Foundation, where she studied social and political division, and a 2016 fellow at the Nieman Foundation for Journalism at Harvard University.

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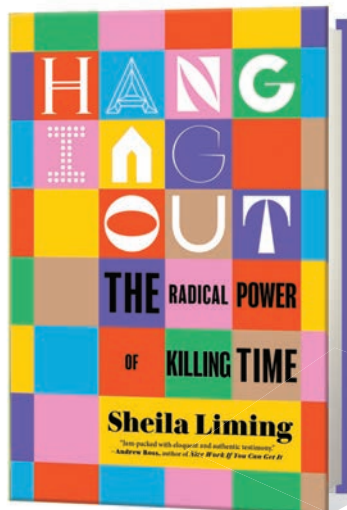
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Hanging Out

The Radical Power of Killing Time

By Sheila Liming



Theme: Life Skills

Melville House | HC | 978-1-68589-005-6
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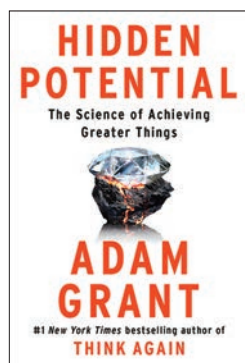
Loneliness is an epidemic; it feels harder than ever to connect with others meaningfully. With the introduction of AI and constant Zoom meetings, our lives have become more fractured, digital and chaotic. Combining personal narrative with pungent analyses of books, movies, and TV shows, Sheila Liming shows us how the new social landscape deadens our connections with others—connections that are vital to both self-care and to a vibrant community.

Starting with the assumption that play is to children as hanging out is to adults, Liming makes a brilliant case for the necessity of unstructured social time as a key element of our cultural vitality. The book asks questions like *what is hanging out? why is it important? why do we do it? how do we do it?* and examines the various ways we hang out—in groups, online, at parties, at work. *Hanging Out* advocates for the importance of this most casual of social structures, and shows us how just getting together can be a potent act of resistance all on its own.

“The book conceives of hanging out as a way to reclaim time as something other than a raw ingredient to be converted into productivity.” —*The New York Times*

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Theme: Life Skills

Hidden Potential

The Science of Achieving Greater Things

By Adam Grant

Hidden Potential offers a new framework for raising aspirations and exceeding expectations. Adam Grant weaves together groundbreaking evidence, surprising insights, and vivid storytelling that takes us from the classroom to the boardroom, the playground to the Olympics, and underground to outer space. He shows that progress depends less on how hard you work than how well you learn. Growth is not about the genius you possess—it's about the character you develop.

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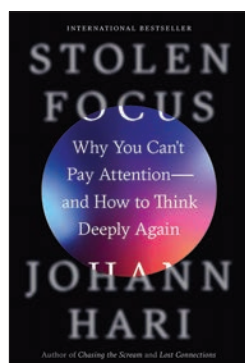
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Viking | HC
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Theme: Life Skills

Stolen Focus

Why You Can't Pay Attention—
and How to Think Deeply Again

By Johann Hari

Finding that constantly switching from device to device and tab to tab was a diminishing and depressing way to live, Johann Hari began interviewing the leading experts on human attention—finding that the crisis is less one of personal failure to exert willpower over our devices and instead due to powerful external forces that raid our attention for profit. *Stolen Focus* transforms the debate about attention and finally shows us how to get it back.

Winner of the Porchlight Business Book of the Year Award and the Porchlight Business Book Award for Personal Development & Human Behavior

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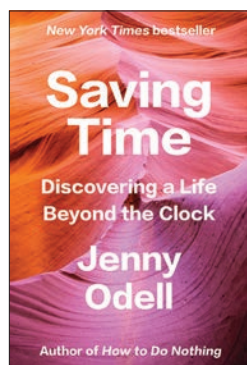
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Theme: Life Skills

Saving Time

Discovering a Life Beyond the Clock

By Jenny Odell

In *Saving Time*, Odell takes a deep dive into the fundamental structure of our society, finding that the clock we live by was built for profit, not people, and revealing how our painful relationship to time is inextricably connected to persisting social inequities, the climate crisis, existential dread, and a lethal fatalism. This dazzling, subversive, and deeply hopeful book offers us different ways to experience time—inspired by pre-industrial cultures, ecological cues, and geological timescales—that can bring within reach a more humane, responsive way of living.

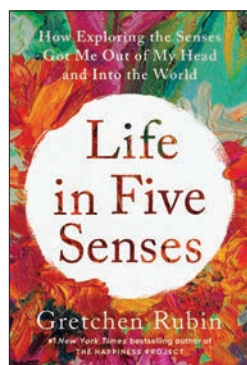
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Also Available: *How to Do Nothing*
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Theme: Life Skills

Life in Five Senses

How Exploring the Senses Got Me Out of My Head and Into the World

By Gretchen Rubin

In this journey of self-experimentation, Rubin explores the mysteries and joys of the five senses as a path to a happier, more mindful life. Drawing on cutting-edge science, philosophy, literature, and her own efforts to practice what she learns, she investigates the profound power of tuning in to the physical world.

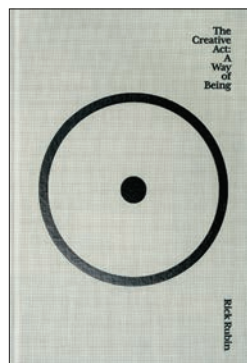
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Also Available: *The Four Tendencies: The Indispensable Personality Profiles That Reveal How to Make Your Life Better (and Other People's Lives Better, Too)* 9781524762421



Theme: Life Skills

The Creative Act

A Way of Being

By Rick Rubin

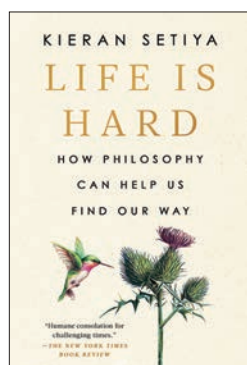
From the legendary music producer, a master at helping people connect with the wellsprings of their creativity, comes insightful wisdom gleaned from a lifetime of work. Over the years, Rick Rubin has thought deeply about where creativity comes from and where it doesn't, he has learned that being an artist isn't about your specific output, it's about your relationship to the world.

"A fascinating book infused with deep thoughts, insight and, yes, lots and lots of creativity." —Los Angeles Times

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Theme: Resilience / Perseverance

Life Is Hard

How Philosophy Can Help Us Find Our Way

By Kieran Setiya

In this profound and personal book, Setiya draws on ancient and modern philosophy as well as fiction, history, memoir, film, comedy, social science, and stories from his own experience, to show how the tools of philosophy can help us find our way.

"Kieran Setiya shows why adversity is inevitable—and why facing up to that reality, rather than insisting on simple-minded notions of happiness, offers the only path to living well." —Daniel H. Pink, author of *The Power of Regret*

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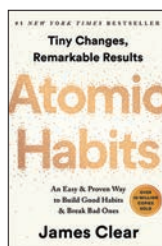
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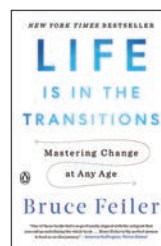
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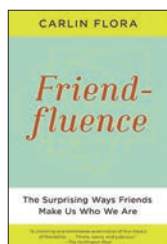
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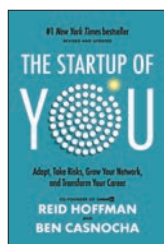
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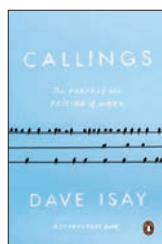
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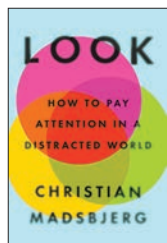
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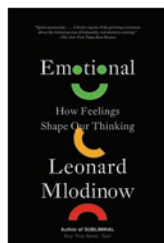
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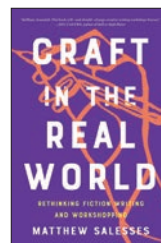
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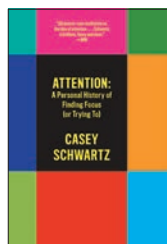
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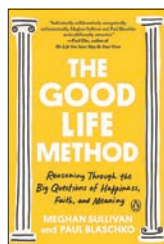
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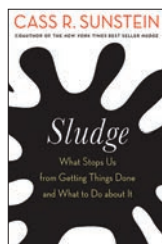
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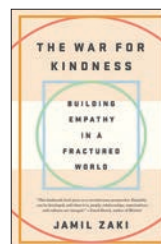
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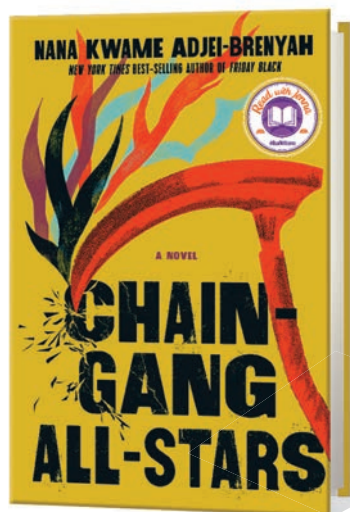
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Chain-Gang All-Stars

By Nana Kwame Adjei-Brenyah



Theme: African American Voices & Stories

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384 pp. | \$27.00 / \$37.00 Can.

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Chain-Gang All-Stars is a kaleidoscopic, excoriating speculative novel looking at the American prison system's unholy alliance of systemic racism, unchecked capitalism, and mass incarceration, and a clear-eyed reckoning with what freedom in this country really means.

"Like Orwell's *1984* and Atwood's *The Handmaid's Tale*, Adjei-Brenyah's book presents a dystopian vision so upsetting and illuminating that it should permanently shift our understanding of who we are and what we're capable of doing. . . . So raw and tragic and primal is *Chain-Gang All-Stars* that despite its futuristic elements, it has the patina of some timeworn epic. . . . Shockingly intimate and moving." —*Washington Post*

"A defiant, awe-inspiring novel that will be read, studied, and celebrated for generations, *Chain-Gang All-Stars* leads with love. Nana Kwame Adjei-Brenyah writes with stunning compassion and moral clarity as he interrogates every facet of our carceral world and the American spectacle of violence, never losing sight of the human cost of systemic injustice. Readers will be forever changed by this book." —Jessamine Chan, author of *The School for Good Mothers*

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Theme: African American Voices & Stories

Kindred

By Octavia E. Butler

The visionary author's masterpiece pulls us—along with her Black female hero—through time to face the horrors of slavery and explore the impacts of racism, sexism, and white supremacy then and now. Dana, a modern black woman, is celebrating her 26th birthday when she is transported to the antebellum South to save the drowning son of a plantation owner. Brought through time repeatedly, each stay grows more and more treacherous until it is uncertain whether Dana's life will end before it had the chance to begin.

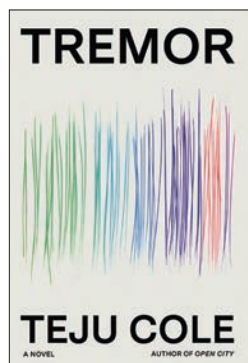
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Also Available: *Parable of the Sower*
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Theme: African American Voices & Stories

Tremor

By Teju Cole

A powerful, intimate novel that masterfully explores what constitutes a meaningful life in a violent world, *Tremor* follows Tunde, a West African man working as a teacher of photography on a renowned New England campus. A startling work of realism and invention that engages brilliantly with literature, music, race, and history as it examines the passage of time and how we mark it, this is a surprising and deeply essential work from a beacon of contemporary literature.

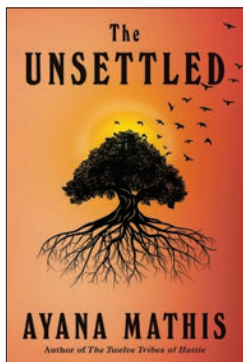
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Theme: African American Voices & Stories

The Unsettled

By Ayana Mathis

The Unsettled is a searing multi-generational novel—set in the 1980s in racially and politically turbulent Philadelphia and in the tiny town of Bonaparte, Alabama—about a mother fighting for her sanity and survival.

“Shelter without the grace of welcome is exposure to the worst coldness of the world. Loyalty and the offer of comfort satisfy needs we feel in our bones. In *The Unsettled*, Ayana Mathis brings these extremes of experience intensely to life. This is a fine, powerful book.” —Marilynne Robinson, author of *Gilead*

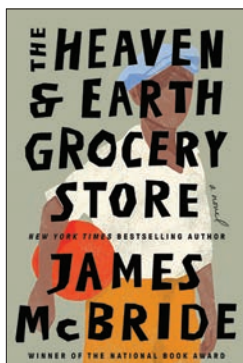
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Theme: African American Voices & Stories

The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store

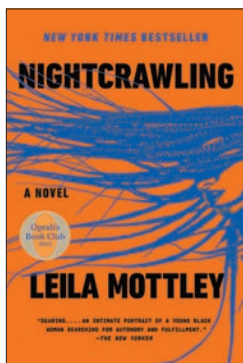
By James McBride

In June 1972, the Pennsylvania State Police have some questions concerning a skeleton found at the bottom of a well in the ramshackle Chicken Hill section of Pottstown. Who the skeleton was and how it got there were two of the long-held secrets kept by the residents who lived in the dilapidated neighborhood where immigrant Jews and African Americans lived side by side. As the residents' stories overlap and deepen, it becomes clear how much the people who live on the margins of white, Christian America struggle and what they must do to survive.

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Theme: African American Voices & Stories

Nightcrawling

By Leila Mottley

Nightcrawling is a novel about a young Black woman who walks the streets of Oakland and stumbles headlong into the failure of its justice system.

“Leila Mottley’s commanding debut, inspired by the life events of one woman’s struggle for body and soul against crushing exploitation, is fierce and devastating, rendered with electrifying urgency by this colossal young talent.” —Ayana Mathis, author of *The Twelve Tribes of Hattie*

Finalist for the Lambda Literary Award
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Vintage | PB | 978-0-593-31260-5
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Theme: African American Voices & Stories

Take My Hand

By Dolen Perkins-Valdez

Take My Hand is a searing and compassionate novel about a young Black nurse’s shocking discovery and burning quest for justice in post-segregation Alabama, from the New York Times–bestselling author of *Wench*.

“Dolen Perkins-Valdez probes the many ways institutional racism and classism inflicts lasting scars, especially on young Black women—and the grace, courage, and love needed to begin to heal those wounds.” —Celeste Ng, author of *Little Fires Everywhere*

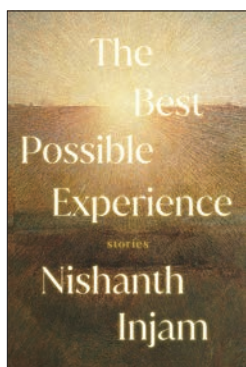
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Theme: Asian American and Pacific Islander Voices & Stories

The Best Possible Experience

By Nishanth Injam

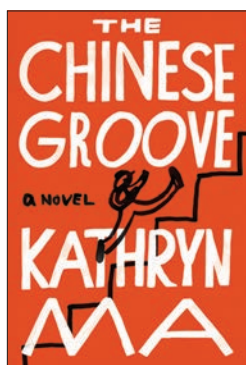
Vivid, vibrant, and unwaveringly affecting, *The Best Possible Experience* brings intimate, impeccably realized accounts of individuals living in India, and its American diaspora, all haunted, in every sense of the word, by a loss of home.

"In Nishanth Injam's enthralling, deeply intimate stories, characters contend with what it takes to survive grief, heartbreak, disappointment, another culture, and each other. Full of surprises and truly breathtaking moments, this is an exquisite debut!" —Deesha Philyaw, author of *The Secret Lives of Church Ladies*

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Theme: Asian American and Pacific Islander Voices & Stories

The Chinese Groove

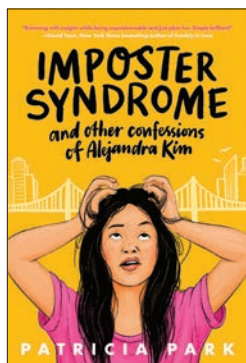
By Kathryn Ma

When 18-year-old Shelley moves from Yunnan Province, China to San Francisco, he is confident that any hurdles will be easily overcome by the awesome powers of the "Chinese groove," a belief in the unspoken bonds between countrymen that transcend time and borders. What he finds, however, is an extended family whose lives are in shambles. Ever the optimist, Shelley concocts a plan to resuscitate his American dream by insinuating himself into the family. And, who knows, maybe he'll even manage to bring them back together in the process.

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Counterpoint | PB
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EB: 9781640095670



Theme: Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

Imposter Syndrome and Other Confessions of Alejandra Kim

By Patricia Park

At her wealthy Manhattan high school, Alejandra Kim's Spanish name and Korean face do not compute to her mostly white classmates and teachers. At home, she's not Latinx enough. And things have only gotten worse since Papi's body was discovered on the subway tracks.

Ale wants nothing more than to escape the city for the wide-open spaces of the prestigious Wyder University. But when a microaggression at school thrusts Ale into the spotlight, she must discover what it means to carve out a space for yourself to belong.

Crown Books for Young Readers | HC
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Theme: Asian American and Pacific Islander Voices & Stories

Which Side Are You On

By Ryan Lee Wong

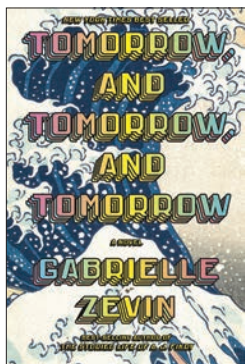
How can we live with integrity and pleasure in this world of police brutality and racism? In *Which Side Are You On*, an Asian American activist is challenged by his mother to face this question in this powerful—and funny—debut novel of generational change, a mother's secret, and an activist's coming-of-age.

"This honest, hilarious, and deeply healing novel gets at the heartbreaking core of building connections between families and friends, and solidarities within and between racial communities." —Cathy Park Hong, author of *Minor Feelings*

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Catapult | PB | 978-1-64622-202-5
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Theme: Asian American and Pacific Islander Voices & Stories

Tomorrow, and Tomorrow, and Tomorrow

By Gabrielle Zevin

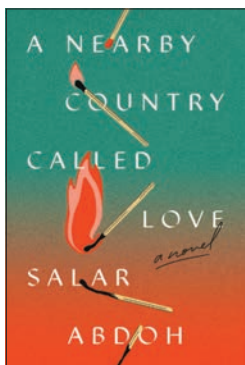
In this exhilarating novel two friends—often in love, but never lovers—come together as creative partners in the world of video game design, where success brings them fame, joy, tragedy, duplicity, and, ultimately, a kind of immortality.

“Tomorrow, and Tomorrow, and Tomorrow is a beautifully wrought saga of human connection and the creative process, of love and all of its complicated levels. A gem of a novel, intimate yet sweeping, modern yet timeless.”
—Erin Morgenstern, author of *The Starless Sea*

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EB: 9780593321218



Theme: Arab American Voices & Stories

A Nearby Country Called Love

By Salar Abdoh

Amid the alleyways of Tehran, a woman lights herself on fire in a desperate act of defiance, setting off a chain reaction of violence and protest. Haunted by the woman's death, Issa is forced to confront the contradictions of his own family history as he struggles to find his place in an Iran on the brink of combusting.

“In treating the violence and injustice done to so many, Salar Abdoh elegantly fuses the classics of Arabic and Persian literature in order to write a meditation on love that is at once intensely of our time yet utterly transcendental.” —Nouri al-Jarrah, author of *A Boat to Lesbos*

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Viking | HC | 978-0-593-65390-6
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Theme: Arab American Voices & Stories

Between Two Moons

By Aisha Abdel Gawad

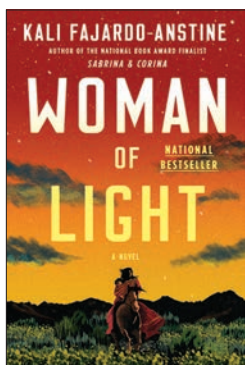
This novel is a deeply moving family story about identity, faith, and belonging set in the Muslim immigrant enclave of Bay Ridge, Brooklyn as it follows three siblings coming of age over the course of one Ramadan.

“Between Two Moons is a generous, beautiful portrait of both the joys and fears of Muslim life, one that doesn't treat lived experience only as tragedy. It is a moving look at family, survival, and celebration, one that will echo for decades.” —Hanif Abdurraqib, author of *A Little Devil in America*

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Doubleday | HC | 978-0-385-54861-8
336 pp. | \$28.00 / \$37.99 Can.

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Theme: Latinx Voices & Stories

Woman of Light

By Kali Fajardo-Anstine

Luz “Little Light” Lopez is left to fend for herself after her older brother, Diego, is run out of town by a violent white mob. As Luz navigates 1930s Denver, she begins to have visions that transport her to her Indigenous homeland in the nearby Lost Territory and discovers it is up to her to save her family stories from disappearing into oblivion. Written in Kali Fajardo-Anstine's singular voice, the complex lives of the Lopez family fill the pages of this multigenerational western saga.

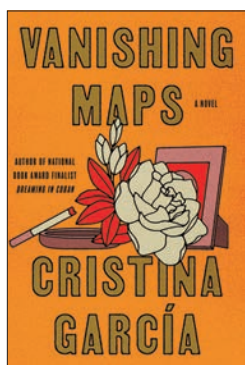
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Also Available: *Sabrina & Corina: Stories* 9780525511304



Theme: Latinx Voices & Stories

Vanishing Maps

By Cristina García

Vanishing Maps tracks four generations of the del Pino family against the tumultuous backdrops of Cuba, the U.S., Germany, and Russia in the new millennium—an epic tale of family, devotion, and the timeless search for home.

“A kaleidoscopic, dazzling portrait of global diaspora—the ties that bind, the winds that scatter, and the passions that connect and divide human hearts. Sexy and philosophical, cosmic and intimate, rippling with humor and insight and tenderness, this novel is a wonder and a joy to read.”—Carolina De Robertis, author of *The President and the Frog*

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272 pp. | \$28.00 / \$37.99 Can.

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Also Available: *Dreaming in Cuban*
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Theme: Latinx Voices & Stories

Neruda on the Park

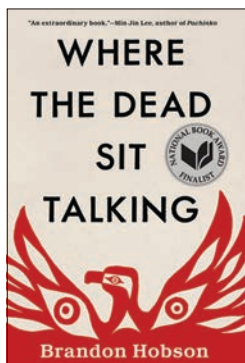
By Cleyvis Natera

The Guerreros have lived in Nothar Park, a predominantly Dominican part of New York City, for 20 years. When demolition begins on a neighboring tenement, Eusebia, an elder of the community, takes matters into her own hands to stop construction of luxury condos. Meanwhile, Eusebia's daughter, Luz, becomes distracted by a romance with the handsome white developer. A beautifully layered portrait of family, friendship, and ambition, *Neruda on the Park* weaves a rich and vivid tapestry of community as well as the sacrifices we make to protect what we love most.

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Theme: Native American and Indigenous Voices & Stories

Where the Dead Sit Talking

By Brandon Hobson

With his single mother in jail, Sequoyah, a fifteen-year-old Cherokee boy, is placed in foster care with the Troutt family. Literally and figuratively scarred by his mother's years of substance abuse, Sequoyah keeps mostly to himself—until he meets seventeen-year-old Rosemary.

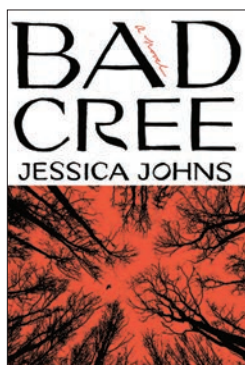
Sequoyah and Rosemary bond over their shared Native American background and tumultuous paths through the foster care system, but as Sequoyah's feelings toward Rosemary deepen, the precariousness of their lives and the scars of their pasts threaten to undo them both.

Finalist for the National Book Award for Fiction

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Soho Press | PB | 978-1-64129-017-3
288 pp. | \$16.00 / \$20.00 Can.

EB: 9781616958886



Theme: Native American and Indigenous Voices & Stories

Bad Cree

By Jessica Johns

In this gripping, horror-laced debut, a young Cree woman's dreams lead her on a perilous journey of self-discovery that ultimately forces her to confront the toll of a legacy of violence on her family, her community, and the land they call home.

“*Bad Cree* deftly explores the permeable boundaries of dreams, reality, and culture, as well as complex family dynamics and relationships. A compelling novel that is a mystery and a horror story about grief, but one with defiant hope in its beating heart.”—Paul Tremblay, author of *A Head Full of Ghosts*

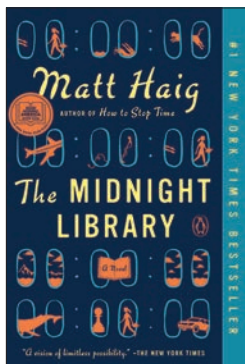
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Theme: Alternate Worlds:
Speculative Fiction

The Midnight Library

By Matt Haig

In *The Midnight Library*, Nora Seed finds herself faced with the possibility of changing her life for a new one, following a different career, undoing old breakups, realizing her dreams of becoming a glaciologist. She must search within herself as she travels through the infinite number of realities within the Midnight Library to decide what is truly fulfilling in life, and what makes it worth living in the first place.

"A beautiful fable, an *It's a Wonderful Life* for the modern age." —Jodi Picoult, author of *My Sister's Keeper*

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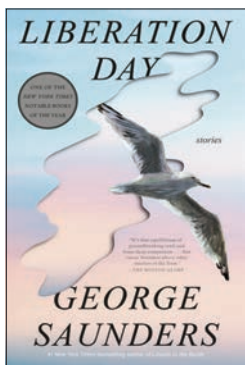
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Also Available: *Notes on a Nervous Planet* 9780143133421



Theme: Alternate Worlds:
Speculative Fiction

Liberation Day

Stories

By George Saunders

George Saunders returns with a masterful collection that explores ideas of power, ethics, and justice. With his trademark prose—wickedly funny and exquisitely tuned—Saunders continues to challenge and surprise: Here is a collection of prismatic, resonant stories that encompass joy and despair, oppression and revolution, bizarre fantasy and brutal reality. Together, these nine stories coalesce into a case for viewing the world with the same generosity and clear-eyed attention Saunders does, even in the most absurd of circumstances.

Finalist for the Ray Bradbury Prize for Science Fiction, Fantasy & Speculative Fiction

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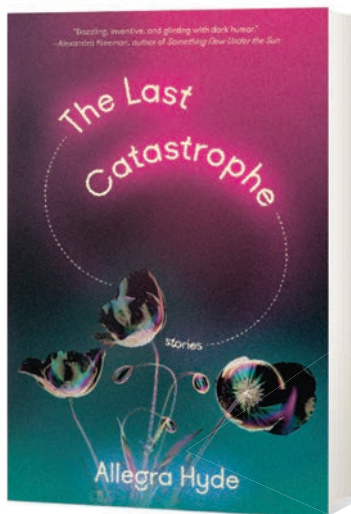


Also Available: *Tenth of December: Stories* 9780812984255

The Last Catastrophe

Stories

By Allegra Hyde



Theme: Climate Change

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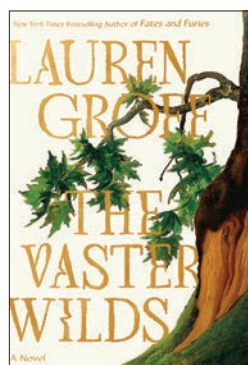
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The Last Catastrophe is a hopeful, speculative short-story collection about how humanity grapples in a world transformed by climate change.

"Dazzling, inventive, and glinting with dark humor, Allegra Hyde's stories stare apocalypse straight in the eye and find precious glimmers of grace therein. This enthralling collection speaks powerfully to our time, and to those times that are still to come." —Alexandra Kleeman, author of *Something New Under the Sun*

"Even the ghosts in this fierce, visionary story collection are vibrantly alive, full of questions about the precarious world we've made, and who we might become as we hurtle forward to uncertain futures. What awaits us there, in Allegra Hyde's rowdy, unsparing imagination, is not just devastation, but sharp humor, delightful strangeness, and flashes of deliverance." —Caitlin Horrocks, author of *Life Among the Terranauts*

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Theme: Coming of Age

The Vaster Wilds

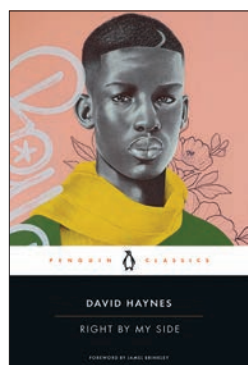
By Lauren Groff

A servant girl escapes from a colonial settlement in the wilderness. She carries nothing with her but her wits, a few possessions, and the spark of god that burns hot within her. What she finds in this terra incognita is beyond the limits of her imagination and will bend her belief in everything that her own civilization has taught her. Lauren Groff's new novel is at once a thrilling adventure story and a penetrating fable about trying to find a new way of living in a world succumbing to the churn of colonialism.

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Riverhead Books | HC
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Theme: Coming of Age

Right by My Side

By David Haynes; Foreword by Jamel Brinkley

With wit and realism, David Haynes presents a different kind of Holden Caulfield in fifteen-year-old Marshall Field Finney, an ordinary, sullen teenager who discovers storytelling as a way to ease his adolescent anger and family tensions.

"Humorous and heartbreaking. . . Marshall Field Finney is the kind of charismatic, world-wary young narrator whose voice leaps off the page and grabs hold of your heart." —Angela Flournoy

Penguin Classics | PB
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Theme: Coming of Age

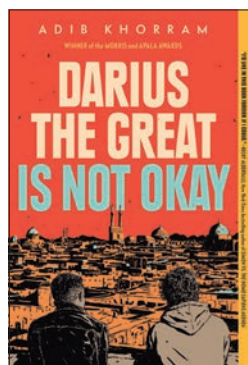
I Will Greet the Sun Again

By Khashayar J. Khabushani

A stunning, tender novel of identity and belonging, *I Will Greet the Sun Again* tells the story of a young man lost in his own family, his own country, and his own skin. Staring down the brutality of being a queer kid and a Muslim in America, Khashayar J. Khabushani transforms personal and national pain into an unforgettable and beautifully rendered exploration of youth, love, family—and the stories that make us who we are.

Hogarth | HC | 978-0-593-24330-5
240 pp. | \$27.00 / \$37.00 Can.

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Theme: Coming of Age

Darius the Great Is Not Okay

By Adib Khorram

Darius Kellner speaks better Klingon than Farsi, and he knows more about Hobbit social cues than Persian ones. He's a Fractional Persian—half, his mom's side—and his first-ever trip to Iran is about to change his life. Darius has never really fit in at home, and he's sure things are going to be the same in Iran. His clinical depression doesn't exactly help matters, and trying to explain his medication to his grandparents only makes things harder. Then Darius meets Sohrab, the boy next door, and everything changes.

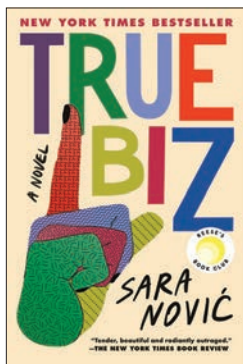
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Theme: Disability

True Biz

By Sara Novic

The students at the River Valley School for the Deaf just want to pass their history finals, and have politicians, doctors, and their parents stop telling them what to do with their bodies. This is a story of sign language and lip-reading, disability and civil rights, isolation and injustice, first love and loss, and, above all, great persistence, daring, and joy. Absorbing and assured, idiosyncratic and relatable, this is an unforgettable journey into the Deaf community and a universal celebration of human connection.

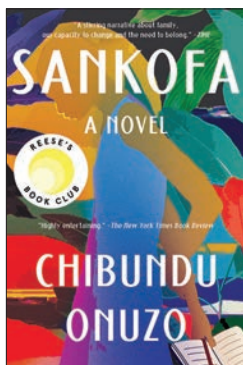
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Also Available: *Girl at War*
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Theme: Family

Sankofa

By Chibundu Onuzo

Anna is at a stage of her life when she's beginning to wonder who she really is. She has separated from her husband, her daughter is grown, and her mother is dead. Searching through her mother's belongings, Anna finds clues about the African father she never knew and discovers that he had become the president—some would say dictator—of a small nation in West Africa. And he is still alive.

Examining freedom, prejudice, and personal and public inheritance, *Sankofa* is a story for anyone who has ever gone looking for identity and found something more complex.

Reese's Bookclub Pick / A Time and Amazon Best Book of the Year

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304 pp. | \$17.95 / \$24.00 Can.

EB: 9781646220847



Theme: Family

River Sing Me Home

By Eleanor Shearer

River Sing Me Home is the redemptive story of a mother's gripping journey across the Caribbean to find her stolen children in the aftermath of slavery.

"An extraordinary odyssey of pain, love, and homecoming as Rachel searches not only for her children but for her own past, her own independence, and her own soul. A haunting and powerful debut." —Kate Quinn, *New York Times*-bestselling author of *The Diamond Eye*

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Berkley | PB | 978-0-593-54806-6
352 pp. | \$17.00 / \$23.00 Can.

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Theme: Family

On Earth We're Briefly Gorgeous

By Ocean Vuong

On Earth We're Briefly Gorgeous is a letter from a son to a mother who cannot read. Written when the speaker, Little Dog, is in his late twenties, the letter unearths a family's history that began before he was born—a history whose epicenter is rooted in Vietnam—and serves as a doorway into parts of his life his mother has never known. At once a witness to the fraught love between a single mother and her son, it is also a brutally honest exploration of race, class, and masculinity.

Nominated for the 2019 National Book Award for Fiction

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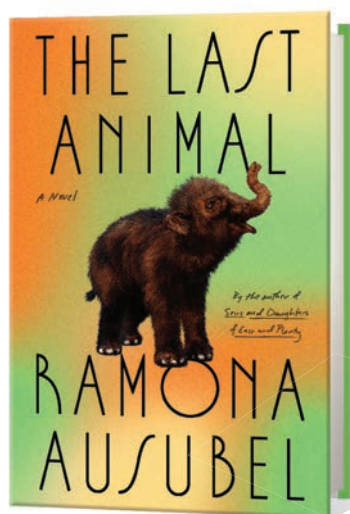
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Also Available: *Time Is a Mother*
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The Last Animal

By Ramona Ausubel



The *Last Animal* is a playful, witty, and resonant novel in which a widowed mother and her two teen daughters engage in a wild, globe-trotting scientific experiment and discover themselves in the process, from the award-winning writer of *Sons and Daughters of Ease and Plenty*.

“Springs alive to explore questions that stump scientists and families, problems of the head and the heart.” —Ron Charles, *The Washington Post*

“Ausubel is a supernaturally gifted writer whose heart, soul, wit and intellect are evident in every wacky setting, character and plot line she weaves. Few authors can do what she does, seemingly effortlessly: spin saucy yet kind-spirited social satire while exploring a multitude of topical and archetypal subjects—all within a single work, all in sentences that sing . . . Forget everything you think you know about your reading tastes, sink into [Ausubel’s] weird world and prepare to fall in love with a 4,000-year-old baby mammoth.” —*Los Angeles Times*

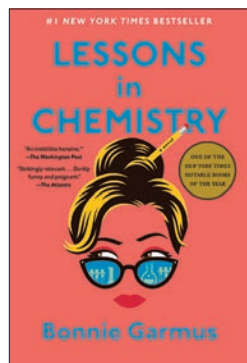
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Theme: Ethics

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Lessons in Chemistry

By Bonnie Garmus

“An irresistible buoyancy, along with a deliberately sharp bite. Garmus’s novel focuses on a female scientist whose ambitions are impeded—and then rerouted—by a world not yet ready for her.” —Frank Bruni, *The New York Times*

“A kicky debut, this book tackles feminism, resilience, and rationalism in a fun and refreshing way.” —*BuzzFeed*

“Strikingly relevant. . . . Darkly funny and poignant. . . . *Lessons in Chemistry*’s excellent experiment [is] quirky and heartwarming.” —*The Atlantic*

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Doubleday | HC | 978-0-385-54734-5
400 pp. | \$29.00

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Theme: Gender



The Wind Knows My Name

By Isabel Allende

Translated by Frances Riddle

Vienna, 1938. Samuel Adler is five years old when his mother secures a spot for him on a Kindertransport train out of Nazi-occupied Austria to England. Arizona, 2019. Eight decades later, Anita Díaz and her mother board another train, fleeing looming danger in El Salvador and seeking refuge in the United States. Intertwining past and present, *The Wind Knows My Name* tells the tale of these two unforgettable characters, both in search of family and home.

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Ballantine Books | HC
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EB: 9780593598115



Also Available: *A Long Petal of the Sea*
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Theme: Immigrant &
First-Generation Stories



Theme: Immigrant &
First-Generation Stories

My Father, The Panda Killer

By Jamie Jo Hoang

San Jose, 1999. Jane knows her Vietnamese dad can't control his temper. As she plans her escape for college, Jane seeks to understand where her dad's deep anger comes from. Đà Nẵng, 1975. Phúc's mother walks him through a field of mines, past the battle debris, to a refugee boat. This is only the beginning of his perilous journey—fraught with pirates, unrelenting ocean, hallucination, and the unfortunate murder of a panda.

Told in the alternating voices of Jane and Phúc, *My Father, The Panda Killer* is a poignant coming-of-age story about war and its impact across multiple generations.

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Theme: Immigrant &
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The Haunting of Hajji Hotak and Other Stories

By Jamil Jan Kochai

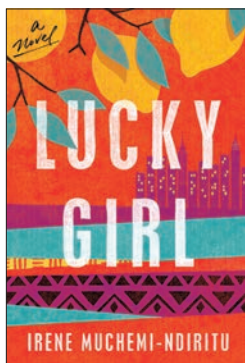
PEN/Hemingway finalist Jamil Jan Kochai breathes life into his contemporary Afghan characters, moving between modern-day Afghanistan and the Afghan diaspora in America. In these arresting stories verging on both comedy and tragedy, often starring young characters whose bravado is matched by their tenderness, Kochai once again captures a singular, resonant voice, an American teenager raised by Old World Afghan storytellers.

Finalist for the 2022 National Book Award for Fiction

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Theme: Immigrant &
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Lucky Girl

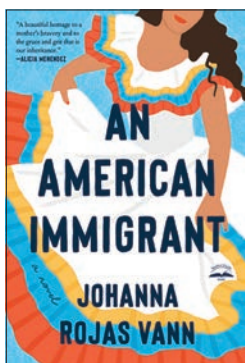
By Irene Muchemi-Ndiritu

Soila lived a protected life in Nairobi before fleeing to New York for college. But New York in the 1990s is not what she imagined it would be, and Soila finds herself grappling with poverty, racism, and the legacy of slavery for the first time. *Lucky Girl* is a coming-of-age story about the lives and loves we choose—what it meant to be an African immigrant in America at the turn of the millennium, and how a young woman finds a place for herself in the world.

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Theme: Immigrant &
First-Generation Stories

An American Immigrant

By Johanna Rojas Vann

Twenty-five-year-old Melanie Carvajal, a hardworking but struggling journalist for a Miami newspaper, loves her Colombian mother but regularly ignores her phone calls. When the opportunity arises for a big assignment that might save her flagging career, Melanie follows the story to the land of her mother's birth. She soon realizes Colombia has the potential to connect her, after all these years, to something she's long ignored: her heritage, the love of her mother, her family, and the richest parts of herself.

Website: www.johannavann.com

WaterBrook | PB
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Theme: Social Action

Spoken Word

A Cultural History

By Joshua Bennett

Here is a fascinating history of spoken word by one of its influential practitioners, an award-winning poet, professor of Literature at MIT, and slam champion.

"Joshua Bennett's memoir and cultural history is a stirring reminder that no other art form is grounded in, and centers, community like spoken word does. I loved reading about how, through care, dedication, and will, spaces were forged that allowed voices from any and everywhere to come, be heard, and develop into some of the most radical and vital truth tellers of our times." —Rishi Dastidar, author of *Saffron Jack*

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Theme: Resilience / Perseverance

Dear Medusa

(A Novel in Verse)

By Olivia A. Cole

This searing and intimate novel in verse follows a sixteen-year-old girl coping with sexual abuse as she grapples with how to reclaim her story, her anger, and her body.

Alicia was abandoned by her best friend, quit the track team, and now spends her days in detention feeling isolated and invisible. What her classmates don't know is that Alicia was sexually abused by a popular teacher, and that trauma has rewritten every cell in her body into someone she doesn't recognize. When mysterious letters hint at another victim, Alicia struggles to keep up the walls she's built around her trauma.

Labyrinth Road | HC
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Theme: African American Voices & Stories

The Ferguson Report: An Erasure

By Nicole Sealey

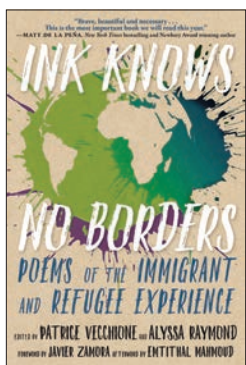
The Ferguson Report is a meditation on our troubling times, cast through a reconsideration of the Department of Justice's report on Ferguson, Missouri. Sealey revisits the investigation in a book that redacts the report, an act of erasure that strips away the original to reimagine it as a poetic statement. The full document, still visible in the background, gives shape and context to what remains.

"One feels subliminal truths cumulate out of a visceral engagement, and then the emergence of eight inspired poems." —Yusef Komunyakaa

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144 pp. | \$29.00 / \$39.00 Can.

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Theme: Immigrant & First-Generation Stories

Ink Knows No Borders

Poems of the Immigrant and Refugee Experience

Edited by Patrice Vecchione and Alyssa Raymond

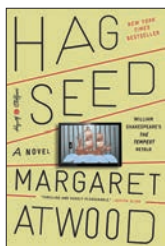
This collection of sixty-four poems shares the experience of first- and second-generation young adult immigrants and refugees. Whether it's cultural and language differences, homesickness, social exclusion, racism, stereotyping, or questions of identity, the Dreamers, immigrants, and refugee poets encourage readers to honor their roots as well as explore new paths, offering empathy and hope. Many of the struggles described are faced by young people everywhere: isolation, self-doubt, confusion, and emotional dislocation. But also joy, discovery, safety, and family. Includes poetry by Ocean Vuong, Samira Ahmed, Elizabeth Acevedo.

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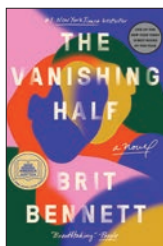
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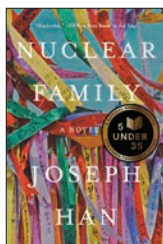
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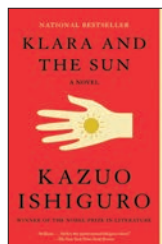
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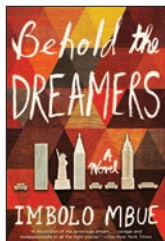
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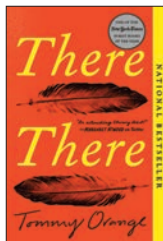
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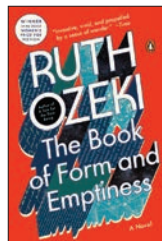
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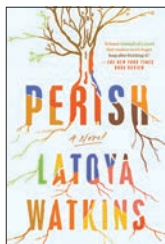
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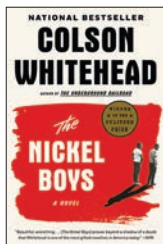
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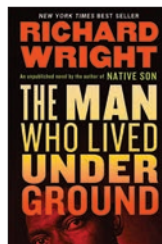
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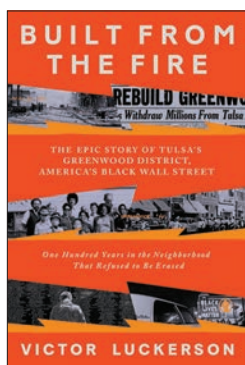


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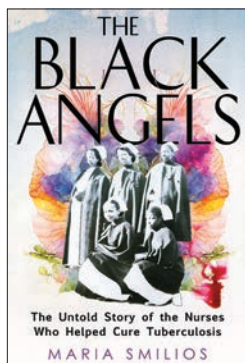
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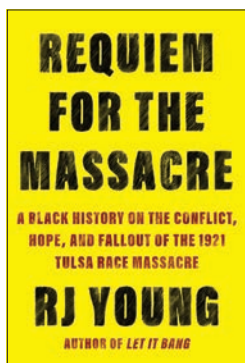
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The 1619 Project

A New Origin Story

Created by Nikole Hannah-Jones

& The New York Times Magazine

The *New York Times Magazine*'s award-winning "1619 Project" issue reframed our understanding of American history by placing slavery and its continuing legacy at the center of our national narrative. This new book substantially expands on that work, weaving together 18 essays that explore the legacy of slavery in present-day America with 36 poems and works of fiction that illuminate key moments of oppression, struggle, and resistance.

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Built from the Fire

The Epic Story of Tulsa's Greenwood District, America's Black Wall Street

By Victor Luckerson

The Tulsa Race Massacre of 1921 was one of the most brutal acts of racist violence in U.S. history, a ruthless attempt to smother a spark of Black independence. But that was never the whole story of Greenwood. In *Built from the Fire*, journalist Victor Luckerson moves beyond the mythology of Black Wall Street to tell the story, through the eyes of dozens of race massacre survivors and their descendants, of an aspirant Black neighborhood that has long been buffeted by racist government policies but refused, more than once, to be erased.

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The Black Angels

The Untold Story of the Nurses Who Helped Cure Tuberculosis

By Maria Smilios

Spanning the Great Depression, World War II, and beyond, this story follows the intrepid young women, the "Black Angels," who risked their lives working under dreadful conditions while caring for New York City's poorest residents, and were instrumental in helping find the cure for tuberculosis.

"These courageous women who desegregated hospitals and tamed an airborne killer at last receive necessary, poignant recognition in Maria Smilios' exquisitely rendered history." —Sarah Rose, author of *D-Day Girls*

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Requiem for the Massacre

A Black History on the Conflict, Hope, and Fallout of the 1921 Tulsa Race Massacre

By RJ Young

More than one hundred years ago, the city of Tulsa, Oklahoma perpetrated a massacre against its Black residents. For generations, the true story was ignored, covered up, and diminished. Blending memoir and journalism, native Tulsan RJ Young shows how, today, Tulsa combats its racist past while remaining all too tolerant of racial injustice.

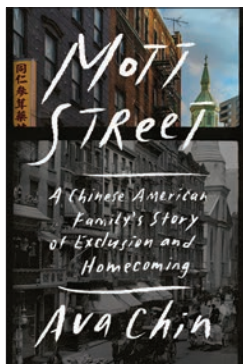
"No matter how many times the tale is told, it never loses its devastating power." —Martha Southgate, *The New York Times Book Review*

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Theme: Asian American and Pacific Islander Voices & Stories

Mott Street

A Chinese American Family's Story of Exclusion and Homecoming

By Ava Chin

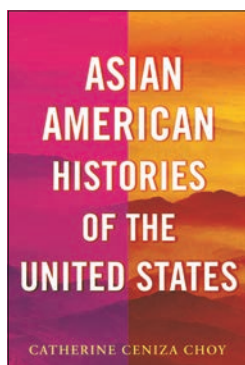
As the only child of a single mother in Queens, Ava Chin's family's origins were shrouded in mystery. In New York's Chinatown she discovers a building on Mott Street where many of her ancestors would live, begin families, and craft new identities. Deeply researched, *Mott Street* uncovers a legacy of exclusion and resilience that speaks to the American experience, past and present.

"Essential reading for understanding not just Chinese American history, but American history—and the American present." —Celeste Ng, author of *Our Missing Hearts*

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Theme: Asian American and Pacific Islander Voices & Stories

Asian American Histories of the United States

By Catherine Ceniza Choy

Asian American Histories of the United States is a nearly 200-year history of Asian migration, labor, and community formation in the US. Reckoning with the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic and the surge in anti-Asian hate and violence, award-winning historian Catherine Ceniza Choy presents an urgent social history of the fastest growing group of Americans. The book features the lived experiences and diverse voices of immigrants, refugees, US-born Asian Americans, multiracial Americans, and workers from industries spanning agriculture to healthcare.

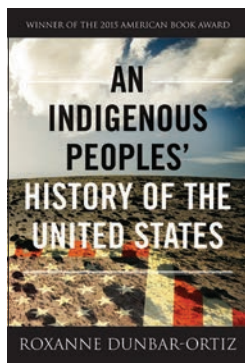
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Theme: Native American and Indigenous Voices & Stories

An Indigenous Peoples' History of the United States

By Roxanne Dunbar-Ortiz

Today in the United States, there are more than five hundred federally recognized Indigenous nations comprising nearly three million people, descendants of the fifteen million Native people who once inhabited this land. Spanning more than four hundred years, this classic bottom-up peoples' history radically reframes US history and explodes the silences that have haunted our national narrative.

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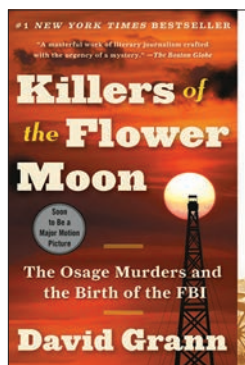
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Theme: Native American and Indigenous Voices & Stories

Killers of the Flower Moon

The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI

By David Grann

Killers of the Flower Moon tells the story of the Osage Nation in Oklahoma, who became the richest people per capita in the world after oil was discovered beneath their land, and how one by one, they were killed off. David Grann writes of the newly created FBI's involvement in one of the most chilling conspiracies in American history.

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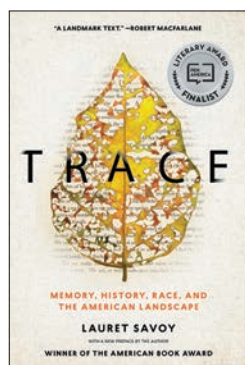
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Theme: Being Connected

Trace

Memory, History, Race, and the American Landscape

By Lauret Savoy

Through personal journeys and historical inquiry, *Trace* explores how America's still unfolding history and ideas of "race" have marked its people and the land. A Professor of Environmental Studies and Geology at Mount Holyoke College, Lauret Savoy weaves together human stories of migration, silence, and displacement, as epic as the continent they survey, with uplifted mountains, braided streams, and eroded canyons.

Finalist for the PEN American Open Book Award
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Theme: Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

Stamped from the Beginning

A Graphic History of Racist Ideas in America

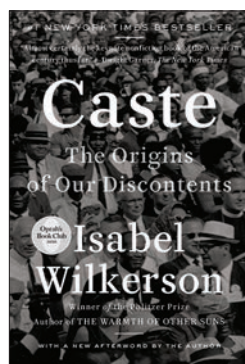
By Ibram X. Kendi and Joel Christian Gill

In collaboration with award-winning historian and comic artist Joel Christian Gill, this stunningly illustrated graphic-novel adaptation of Dr. Kendi's groundbreaking National Book Award-winning history of how racist ideas have shaped American life explores, with vivid clarity and dimensionality, the living history of America, and how we can learn from the past to work toward a more equitable, anti-racist future.

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Theme: Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

Caste

The Origins of Our Discontents

By Isabel Wilkerson

In this book, the Pulitzer Prize-winning, bestselling author of *The Warmth of Other Suns* examines the unspoken caste system that has shaped America and shows how our lives today are still defined by a hierarchy of human divisions.

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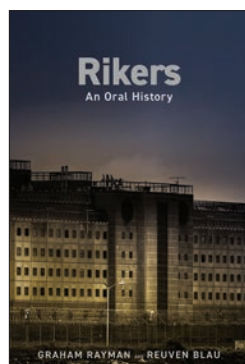
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Theme: Social Action

Rikers

An Oral History

By Graham Rayman and Reuven Blau

Based on interviews with 130 people comprising a broad cross section of lives touched by New York City's Rikers Island prison complex—from incarcerated people and their relatives, to officers, lawyers, and commissioners, with stories spanning the 1970s to the present day—*Rikers: An Oral History* is a resounding lesson about the human consequences of the incarceration industry.

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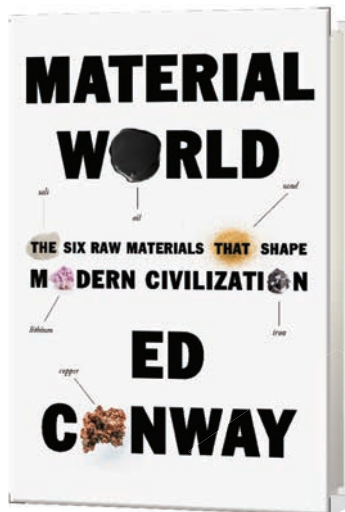
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Material World

The Six Raw Materials That Shape Modern Civilization

By Ed Conway



Theme: Innovation

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Sand, salt, iron, copper, oil, and lithium. These fundamental materials have created empires, razed civilizations, and fed our ingenuity and greed for thousands of years. Without them, our modern world would not exist, and the battle to control them will determine our future.

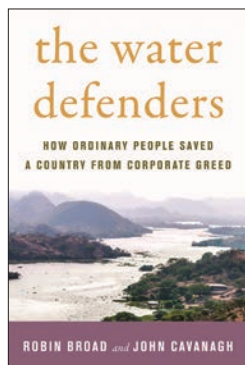
Material World is a celebration of the humans and human networks, the miraculous processes and little-known companies, that combine to turn raw materials into things of wonder. This is the story of human civilization from an entirely new perspective: from the ground up.

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The Water Defenders

How Ordinary People Saved a Country from Corporate Greed

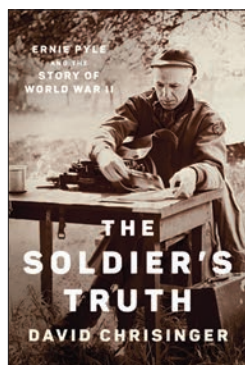
By Robin Broad and John Cavanagh

The David and Goliath story of ordinary people in El Salvador who rallied together with international allies to prevent a global mining corporation from poisoning the country's main water source.

“If you ever felt that your own contribution didn't matter and that the powerful always win, this captivating saga will help you envision who truly has power if we unleash our imaginations and act together.” —Ai-jen Poo, executive director of the National Domestic Workers Alliance

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Theme: Resilience / Perseverance

The Soldier's Truth

Ernie Pyle and the Story of World War II

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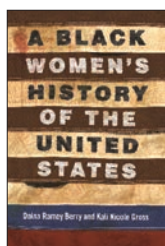
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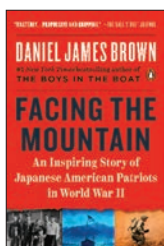
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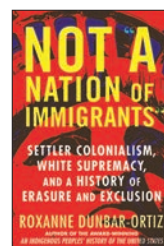


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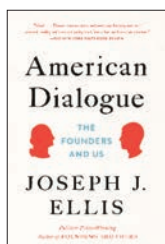


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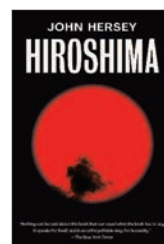


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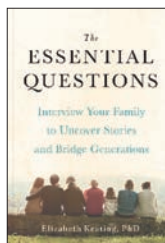
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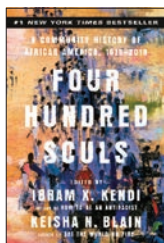


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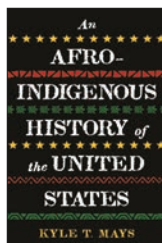


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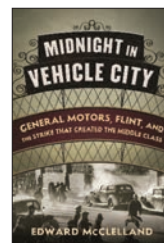
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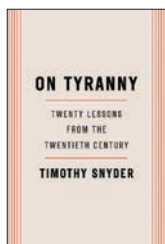


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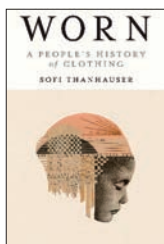


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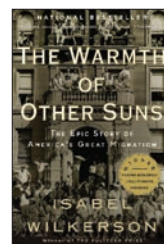


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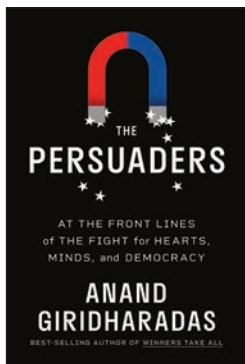
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Theme: Critical Thinking

The Persuaders

At the Front Lines of the Fight for Hearts, Minds, and Democracy

By *Anand Giridharadas*

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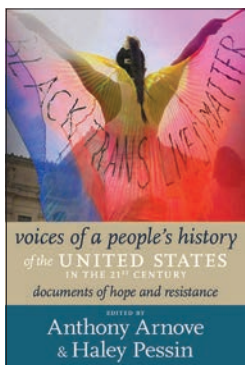
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Theme: Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

Voices of a People's History of the United States in the 21st Century

Documents of Hope and Resistance

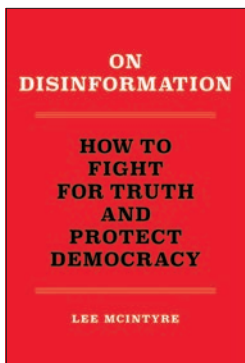
Edited by *Anthony Arnove and Haley Pessin*

Gathering more than 100 texts from social movements that have shaped the 21st century, this powerful book includes contributions from Angela Y. Davis, Nick Estes, Colin Kaepernick, Rebecca Solnit, Christian Smalls, Viet Thanh Nguyen, Howard Zinn, Dream Defenders, Sins Invalid, Mariame Kaba, Naomi Klein, Keeanga-Yamahtta Taylor, Linda Sarsour, Chelsea E. Manning, Chrishaun "CeCe" McDonald, Julian Brave NoiseCat, H. Melt, and others.

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Theme: Life Skills

On Disinformation

How to Fight for Truth and Protect Democracy

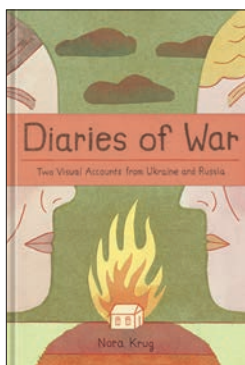
By *Lee McIntyre*

In *On Disinformation*, Lee McIntyre shows how the war on facts began, and how students can fight back against the scourge of disinformation that is now threatening the very fabric of our society. Drawing on his twenty years of experience as a scholar of science denial, McIntyre explains how autocrats wield disinformation to manipulate a populace and deny obvious realities, why the best way to combat disinformation is to disrupt its spread, and most importantly, how we can win the war on truth.

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Theme: Resilience / Perseverance

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Two Visual Accounts from Ukraine and Russia
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By *Nora Krug*

This powerful work of graphic journalism highlights the contrasting realities of a Ukrainian journalist and a Russian artist grappling with their own individual experiences of Russia's war on Ukraine—collected, edited, and illustrated by award-winning author Nora Krug. Published as an Op-Comic series with the *Los Angeles Times*, with a portion of the entries unique to this book, *Diaries of War* is a harrowing real-time record of an international conflict that continues to devastate countless lives.

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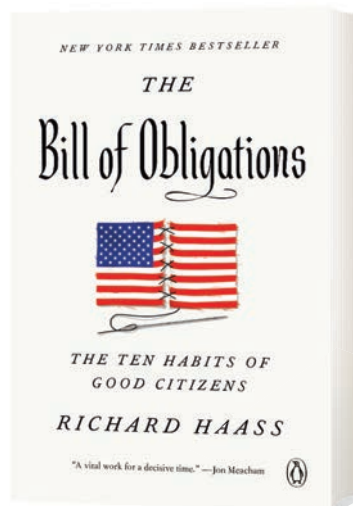
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The Bill of Obligations

The Ten Habits of Good Citizens

By Richard Haass



Theme: Social Action

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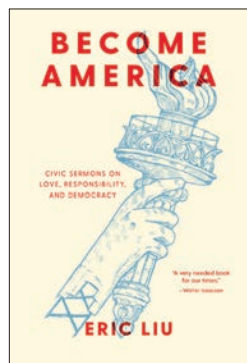
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In *The Bill of Obligations*, *New York Times* bestselling author Richard Haass argues that the idea of American citizenship must be expanded in order to save our democracy. Respect for rights, however essential, is not sufficient. The ten obligations Haass introduces reenvision what it means to be an American citizen. Through an expert blend of civics, history, and political analysis, this book illuminates how Americans can rediscover the attitudes and behaviors that have contributed to this country's success over the centuries.

"Democracy is more than procedures and laws. It is an ethical ideal that requires much of us if it is to succeed. Richard Haass powerfully describes what he calls the *Bill of Obligations*, commitments and values needed for these challenging times. We may not see eye-to-eye on all the issues, but here I agree: we need a clear and thoughtful statement of our obligations to each other and to the country if this grand and fragile experiment in democracy is to survive. *The Bill of Obligations* does just that!"—Eddie Glaude, James S. McDonnell Distinguished University Professor, Princeton University

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Theme: Social Action

Become America

Civic Sermons on Love, Responsibility, and Democracy

By Eric Liu

What does it mean to be an engaged American in today's divided political landscape, and how do we restore hope in our country? In a collection of "civic sermons" delivered at gatherings around the nation, popular advocate for active citizenship Eric Liu takes on these thorny questions and provides inspiration and solace in a time of anger, fear, and dismay over the state of the Union.

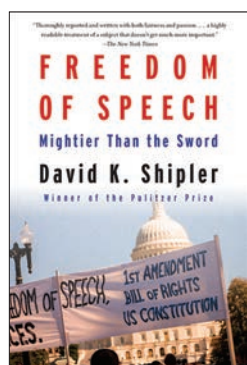
"This collection of essays exhorts Americans to love the nation they have by becoming the nation they want."—*The Washington Post*

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Theme: Social Action

Freedom of Speech

Mightier Than the Sword

By David K. Shipler

Anchored in personal stories, measured, yet sweeping, *Freedom of Speech* brilliantly reveals the triumphs and challenges of defining and protecting the boundaries of free expression in modern America.

"[Shipler] takes on everything from the fate of whistleblowers (not good) to how schools deal with books that some parents find objectionable. Thoroughly reported and written with both fairness and passion, it's a highly readable treatment of a subject that doesn't get much more important."—Margaret Sullivan, *The New York Times*

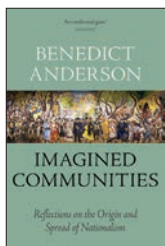
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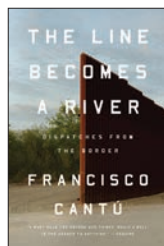
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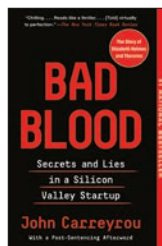
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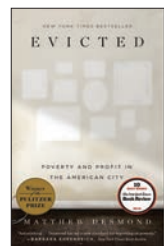
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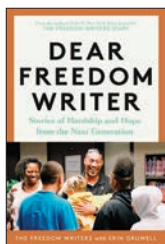
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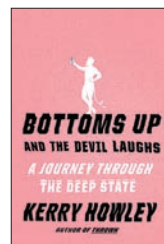
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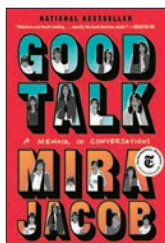
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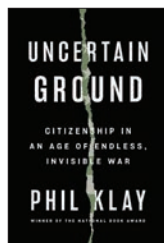
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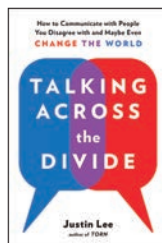
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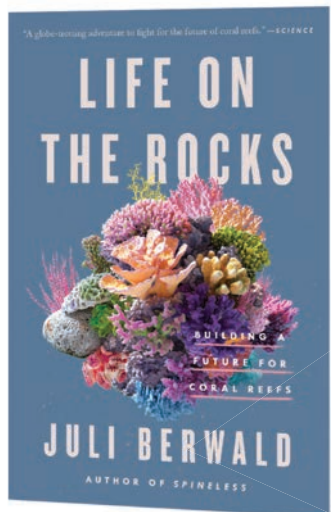


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Building a Future for Coral Reefs

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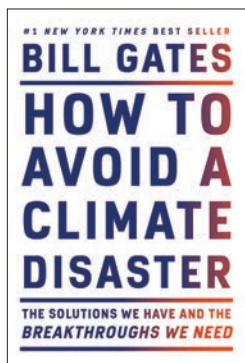
Coral reefs are a microcosm of our planet: extraordinarily diverse, deeply interconnected, and full of wonders. But corals across the planet are in the middle of an unprecedented die-off, beset by warming oceans, pollution, damage by humans, and a devastating pandemic. Juli Berwald fell in love with coral reefs as a marine biology student, entranced by their beauty and complexity. Alarmed by their peril, she traveled the world to discover how to prevent their loss. As she also attempts to help her daughter in her struggle with mental illness, Berwald explores what it means to keep fighting a battle whose outcome is uncertain. *Life on the Rocks* contemplates the inevitable grief of climate change and the beauty of small victories.

“A courageous and passionate look at the exquisite symbiotic world of coral—and of the human spirit. In entwining deeply personal stories of love and loss and hope on the reefs and in her own family, Berwald offers insight that could not be more relevant to our lives.” —Jennifer Ackerman, author of *The Bird Way*

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Theme: Climate Change

How to Avoid a Climate Disaster

The Solutions We Have and the Breakthroughs We Need
By Bill Gates

In this urgent, authoritative book, Bill Gates sets out a wide-ranging, practical—and accessible—plan for how the world can get to zero greenhouse gas emissions in time to avoid a climate catastrophe.

“His expertise . . . is apparent in the book’s lucid explanations of the scientific aspects of climate change. The solutions he outlines are pragmatic and grounded in forward-thinking economic reasoning. Although he does not avoid the hard truths we must face as our climate changes, Gates remains optimistic and believes that we have the ability to avoid a total climate disaster.” —Miriam R. Aczel, *Science*

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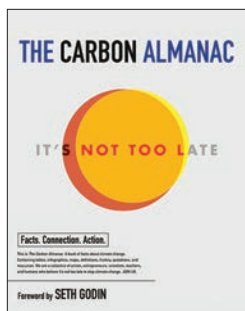
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Theme: Climate Change

The Carbon Almanac

It's Not Too Late

By The Carbon Almanac Network

Edited and with a Foreword by Seth Godin

The Carbon Almanac is a collaboration between hundreds of writers, researchers, thinkers, and illustrators that focuses on what we know about the climate, what has come before, and what might happen next. Drawing on over 1,000 data points, the book uses cartoons, quotes, illustrations, tables, histories, and articles to lay out carbon's impact on our food system, ocean acidity, agriculture, energy, biodiversity, extreme weather events, the economy, human health, and best and worst-case scenarios.

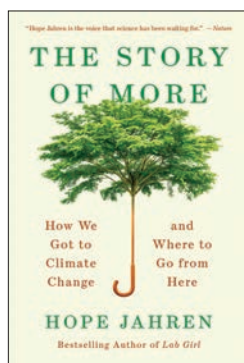
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Theme: Climate Change

The Story of More

How We Got to Climate Change and Where to Go from Here

By Hope Jahren

In *The Story of More*, Hope Jahren illuminates the link between human habits and our imperiled planet. At once an explainer on the mechanisms of global change and a lively, personal narrative given in Jahren's inimitable voice, *The Story of More* is the essential pocket primer on climate change that will leave an indelible impact on everyone who reads it.

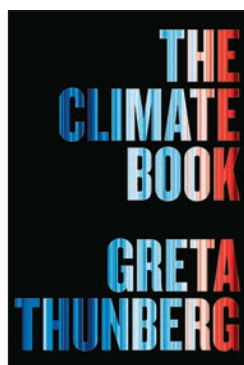
"Hope Jahren asks the central question of our time: how can we learn to live on a finite planet? *The Story of More* is thoughtful, informative, and—above all—essential." —Elizabeth Kolbert, author of *The Sixth Extinction*

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Vintage | PB | 978-0-525-56338-9
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Theme: Climate Change

The Climate Book

The Facts and the Solutions

By Greta Thunberg

In *The Climate Book*, Greta Thunberg has gathered the wisdom of over one hundred experts—geophysicists, oceanographers and meteorologists; engineers, economists and mathematicians; historians, philosophers and indigenous leaders—to equip us all with the knowledge we need to combat climate disaster.

"Impressively, in *The Climate Book*, Thunberg and team—which includes well-known names like Margaret Atwood, George Monbiot, Bill McKibben and Robin Wall Kimmerer—explain and offer action items in 84 compelling, bite-size chapters." —NPR

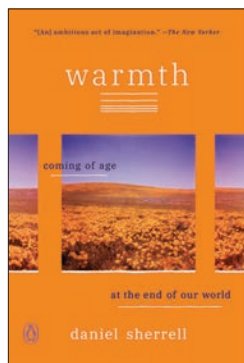
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Theme: Climate Change

Warmth

Coming of Age at the End of Our World

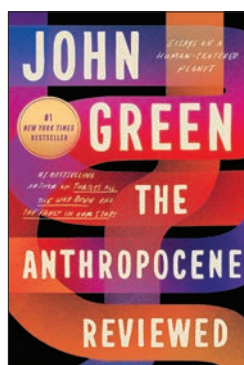
By Daniel Sherrell

Warmth is a new kind of book about climate change: not what it is or how we solve it, but how it feels to imagine a future—and a family—under its weight. In a fiercely personal account written from inside the climate movement, Sherrell lays bare how the crisis is transforming our relationships to time, to hope, and to each other. At once a memoir, a love letter, and an electric work of criticism, *Warmth* goes to the heart of the defining question of our time: how do we go on in a world that may not?

Website: danielsherrell.com
Video: prhlink.com/warmth

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Theme: Being Connected

The Anthropocene Reviewed

Essays on a Human-Centered Planet

By John Green

The Anthropocene is the current geologic age, in which humans have profoundly reshaped the planet and its biodiversity. In this remarkable symphony of essays adapted and expanded from his groundbreaking podcast, John Green reviews different facets of the human-centered planet on a five-star scale—from the QWERTY keyboard and sunsets to Canada geese and *Penguins of Madagascar*.

"What Green is really telling us with these unexpected stories . . . is how much there is to love in the world and why that love is worth the effort." —NPR

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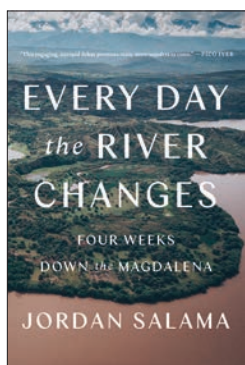
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Theme: Being Connected

Every Day The River Changes

Four Weeks Down the Magdalena

By Jordan Salama

An American writer of Argentine, Syrian, and Iraqi Jewish descent, Jordan Salama tells the story of the Rio Magdalena. Nearly one thousand miles long, it runs through the heart of Colombia: its territory belongs to Gabriel Garcia Marquez as much as of the Middle Eastern immigrants who live by its banks. *Every Day the River Changes* is travel writing for a new generation of socially aware students and travelers who reject stereotypes about a much maligned place, and encourages us to look at what's truthful

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Theme: Being Connected

Finding the Mother Tree

Discovering the Wisdom of the Forest

By Suzanne Simard

From the world's leading forest ecologist who forever changed how people view trees and their connections to one another and to other living things in the forest—*Finding the Mother Tree* is a moving, deeply personal journey of her discoveries.

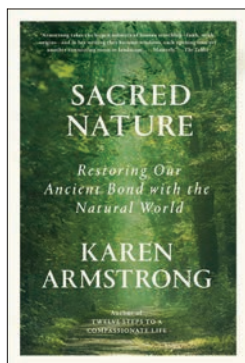
"I have great admiration for her science and her storytelling alike. These are stories that the world needs to hear."
—Robin Wall Kimmerer, author of *Braiding Sweetgrass*

Winner of the National Outdoor Book Award

Website: suzannesimard.com
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Theme: Inspirational

Sacred Nature

Restoring Our Ancient Bond with the Natural World

By Karen Armstrong

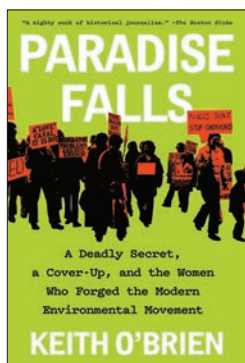
One of the most original thinkers on the role of religion in the modern world gives a profound exploration of the spiritual power of nature—and an urgent call to reclaim that power in everyday life.

"Armstrong . . . delivers a searching, spiritual take on climate change. . . . The illuminating examinations of a broad array of religious traditions are thought-provoking and have the power to change the way readers see the world and humanity's place within it. Eye-opening and wide-ranging, this original take on climate change edifies."
—*Publishers Weekly*

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Theme: Social Action

Paradise Falls

A Deadly Secret, a Cover-Up, and the Women Who Forged the Modern Environmental Movement
By Keith O'Brien

Paradise Falls is the staggering story of an unlikely band of mothers in the 1970s who discovered Hooker Chemical's deadly secret of Love Canal—exposing one of America's most devastating toxic waste disasters and sparking the modern environmental movement as we know it today.

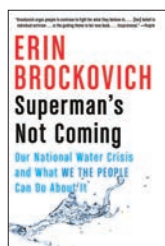
"At once heart-wrenching and uplifting, infuriating and inspiring, *Paradise Falls* is an exhaustively researched and compelling excavation of the past that remains eerily relevant in this moment." —Denise Kiernan, author of *The Girls of Atomic City*

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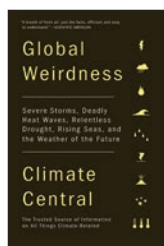
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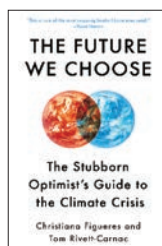




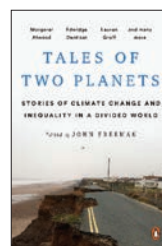
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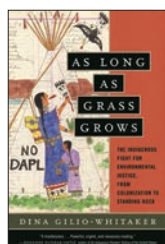
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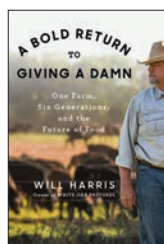
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Stories of Climate Change and Inequality in a Divided World
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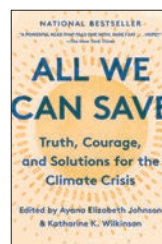
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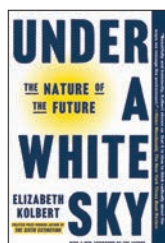
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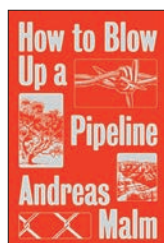
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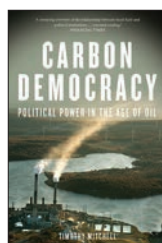
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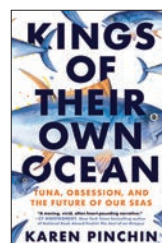
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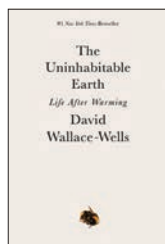
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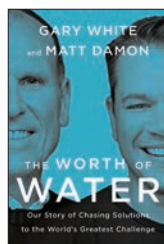
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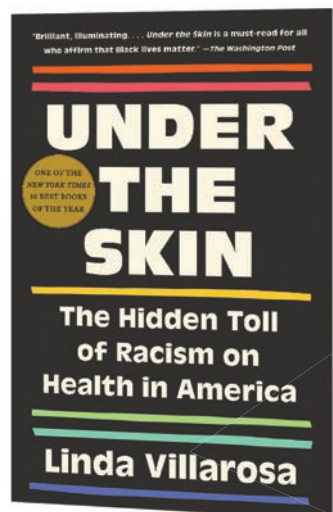


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Under the Skin

The Hidden Toll of Racism on Health in America

By Linda Villarosa



Theme: African American Voices & Stories

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288 pp. | \$18.00 / \$24.95 Can.

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Under the Skin is a landmark book that tells the full story of racial health disparities in America, revealing the toll racism takes on individuals and the health of the nation. Linda Villarosa lays bare the forces in the American health-care system and in American society that cause Black people to “live sicker and die quicker” compared to their white counterparts. She also describes the new understanding that coping with the daily scourge of racism ages Black people prematurely.

“In *Under the Skin*, Linda Villarosa has written a book that will transform how you understand the relationship between race and medicine, one that makes clear the connection between our history and our health. This is a book filled with indispensable research, but also filled with humanity. Villarosa tells us important stories, and also becomes part of the story herself. I’m so glad this book exists, I will be thinking about it for a long time.” —Clint Smith, author of *How the Word Is Passed*

Winner of the J. Anthony Lukas Book Prize / Finalist for the Pulitzer Prize /
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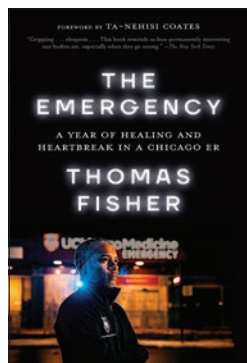
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Selected for Common Reading at:

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Theme: Health & Wellbeing

The Emergency

A Year of Healing and Heartbreak in a Chicago ER

By Thomas Fisher

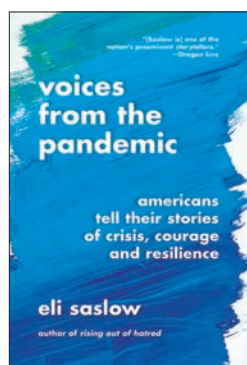
Like his patients, Dr. Thomas Fisher grew up on Chicago's South Side. Through 20 years of clinical practice, time as a White House fellow, and work as a healthcare entrepreneur, Dr. Fisher has seen firsthand how our country's healthcare system can reflect the worst of society. With the rare dual perspective of somebody who also has his hands deep in policy work, *The Emergency* is a call for reform that offers a fresh vision of health care as a foundation of social justice.

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Theme: Health & Wellbeing

Voices from the Pandemic

Americans Tell Their Stories of Crisis, Courage and Resilience

By Eli Saslow

Here is a powerful and cathartic portrait of a country grappling with the Covid-19 pandemic—from feeling afraid and overwhelmed to extraordinary resilient—told through voices of people from all across America.

“Drawing on interviews with more than 200 Americans conducted between March 2020 and January 2021, Pulitzer winner Saslow (*Rising Out of Hatred*) paints in this fascinating oral history an essential portrait of how the Covid-19 pandemic ‘became personal to each of us.’ ... This powerful, unputdownable account should be required reading.”

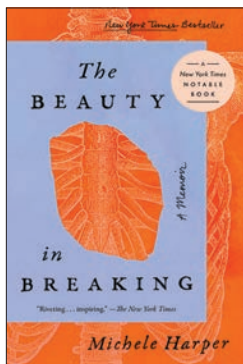
—Publishers Weekly, starred review

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Theme: Resilience / Perseverance

The Beauty in Breaking

A Memoir

By Michele Harper

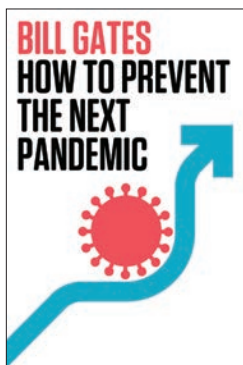
Michele Harper is a female, African American emergency room physician in a profession that is overwhelmingly male and white. Brought up in Washington, D.C., she went to Harvard before joining the staff of a hospital in central Philadelphia. As she shines a light on the systemic disenfranchisement of the patients she treats, Harper comes to understand that each of us is broken—physically, emotionally, psychically. How we recognize those breaks, how we try to mend them, and where we go from there are all crucial parts of the healing process.

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Theme: Social Action

How to Prevent the Next Pandemic

By Bill Gates

In this book, Bill Gates lays out clearly and convincingly what the world should have learned from COVID-19 and what all of us can do to ward off another disaster like it.

"In this concise and lucid book, global health activist Gates reflects on the current COVID-19 pandemic, considers future ones, and renders several sensible recommendations for prevention. . . . Passionate but never preachy, Gates delivers an expert, well-reasoned, and robust appeal for the world to unite in averting upcoming pandemics." —*Booklist* (starred review)

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Theme: Social Action

What the Eyes Don't See

A Story of Crisis, Resistance, and Hope in an American City

By Mona Hanna-Attisha

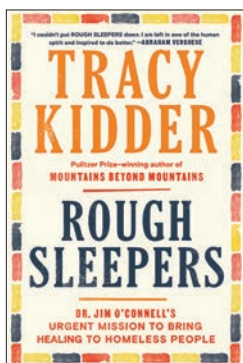
What the Eyes Don't See is the inspiring story of how Dr. Mona Hanna-Attisha, alongside a team of researchers, parents, friends, and community leaders, discovered that the children of Flint, Michigan, were being exposed to lead in their tap water—and then battled her own government and a brutal backlash to expose that truth to the world. And at the center of the story is Dr. Mona herself—an immigrant, doctor, scientist, and mother whose family's activist roots inspired her pursuit of justice in this riveting account of a shameful disaster that became a tale of hope.

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Theme: Social Action

Rough Sleepers

Dr. Jim O'Connell's Urgent Mission to Bring Healing to Homeless People

By Tracy Kidder

Dr. Jim O'Connell is a gifted man who invented ways to create a community of care for a city's unhoused population, including those who sleep on the streets—the "rough sleepers." In this illuminating book, we travel with O'Connell as he navigates Boston, offering medical care to some of the city's most endangered citizens. *Rough Sleepers* explores how a small but dedicated group of people have changed countless lives by facing one of American society's difficult problems instead of looking away.

Website: www.tracykidder.com

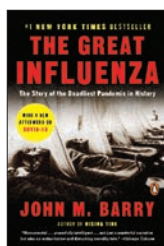
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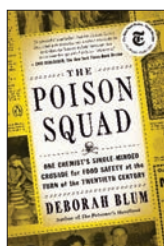
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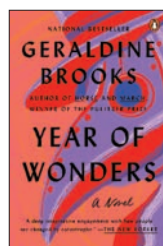
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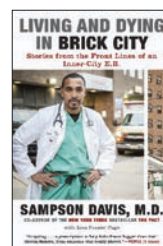
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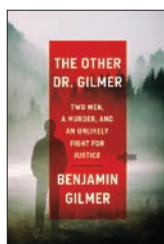
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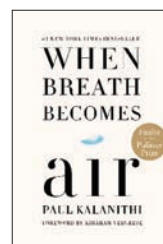
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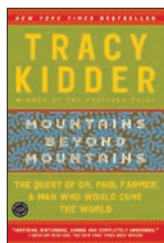
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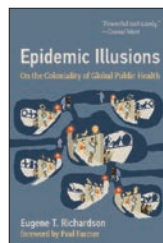
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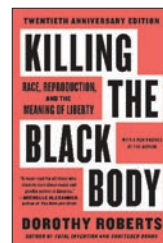
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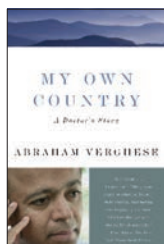
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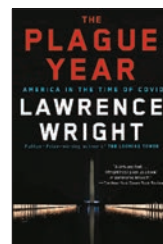
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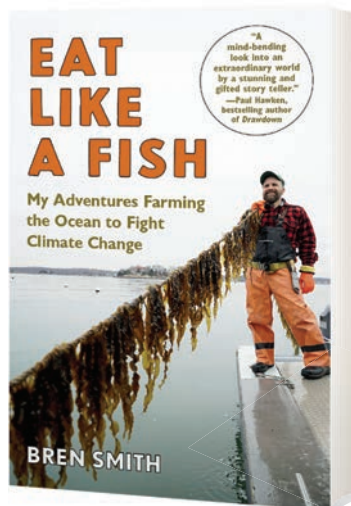


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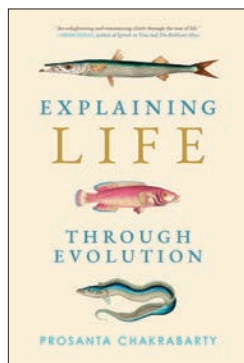
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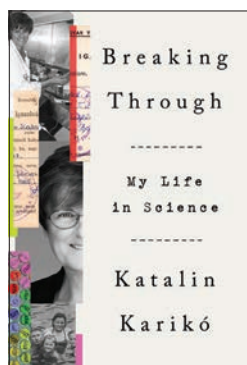
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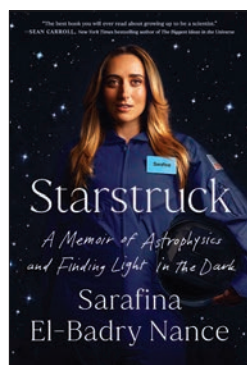
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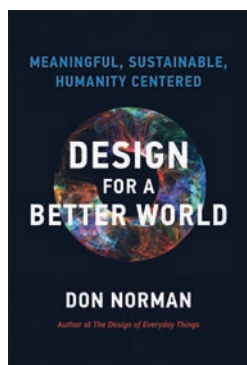
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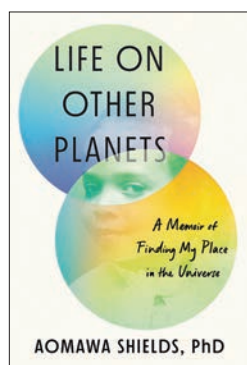
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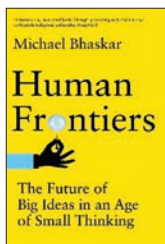
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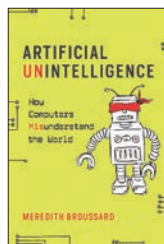
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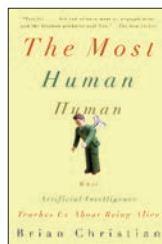




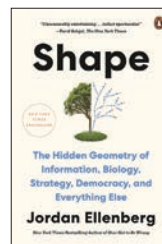
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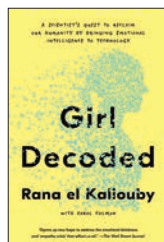
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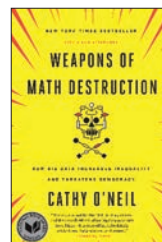
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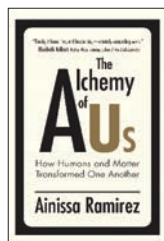
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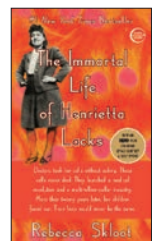
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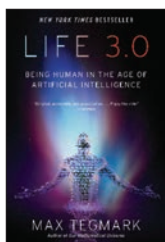
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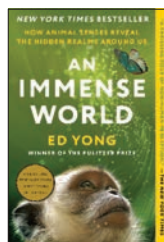
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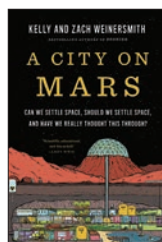
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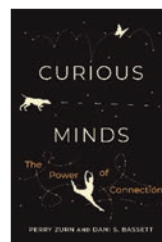
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