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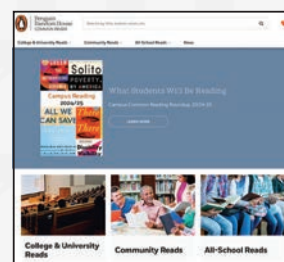
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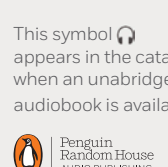
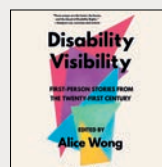
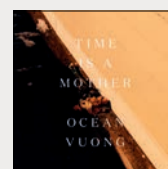
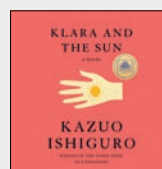
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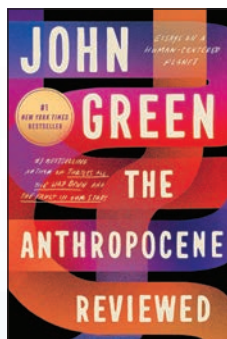


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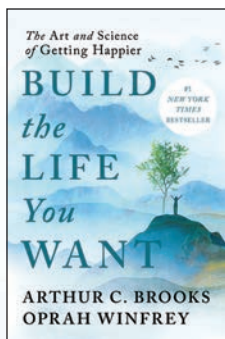


# What Students Are Reading

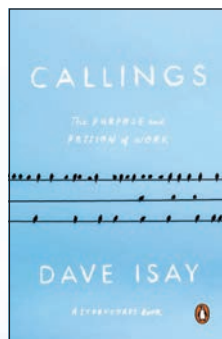
The following titles were among the most frequently selected books from Penguin Random House for Common Reads over the last few years. For a much more extensive and detailed view of Common Reading adoptions, visit our website, [CommonReads.com](https://CommonReads.com), and view our **What Students Will Be Reading: Campus Common Reading Roundup** blogpost to look at what books were selected by colleges and universities across the country.



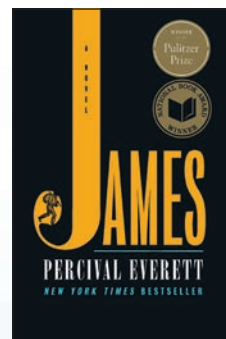
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John Green  
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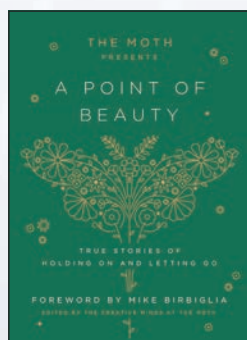
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Arthur C. Brooks  
and Oprah Winfrey  
9780593545409



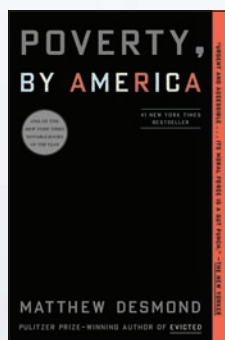
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Dave Isay  
9780143110071



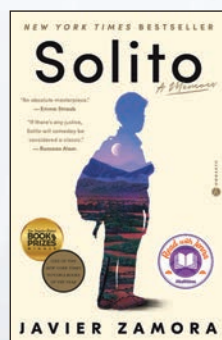
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Percival Everett  
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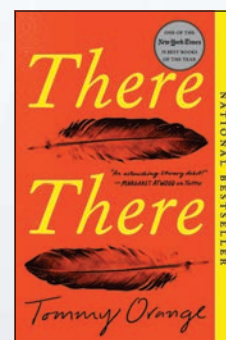
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The Moth  
9780593139035



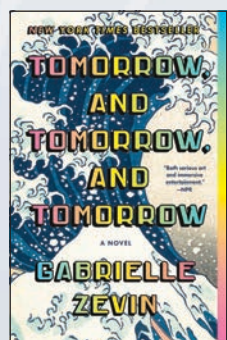
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Matthew Desmond  
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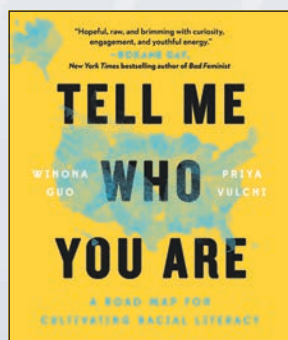
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Javier Zamora  
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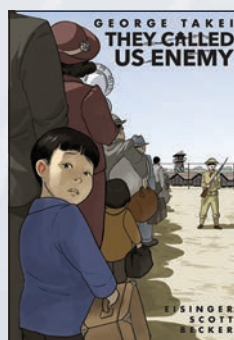
*There There*  
Tommy Orange  
9780525436140



*Tomorrow,  
and Tomorrow,  
and Tomorrow*  
Gabrielle Zevin  
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*Tell Me Who You Are*  
Winona Guo  
and Priya Vulchi  
9780593330173



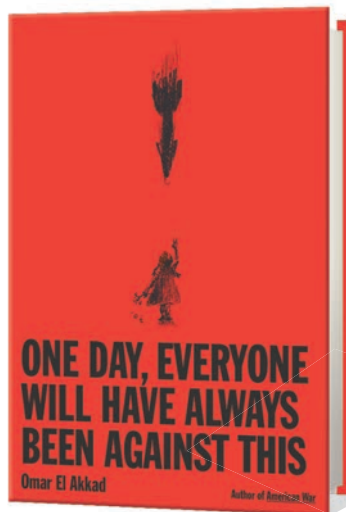
*They Called Us Enemy*  
George Takei  
9781603094504



*What the Eyes  
Don't See*  
Mona Hanna-Attisha  
9780399590856

# One Day, Everyone Will Have Always Been Against This

Omar El Akkad



Theme: Social Action

Knopf | HC | 978-0-593-80414-8 | 208 pp. | \$28.00

EB: 9780593804155 9780771021800



Also available: *American War* 9781101973134,  
*What Strange Paradise* 9781984899248

**O**n October 25, 2023, after just three weeks of the bombardment of Gaza, Omar El Akkad put out a tweet: “One day, when it’s safe, when there’s no personal downside to calling a thing what it is, when it’s too late to hold anyone accountable, everyone will have always been against this.” This tweet has been viewed more than 10 million times.

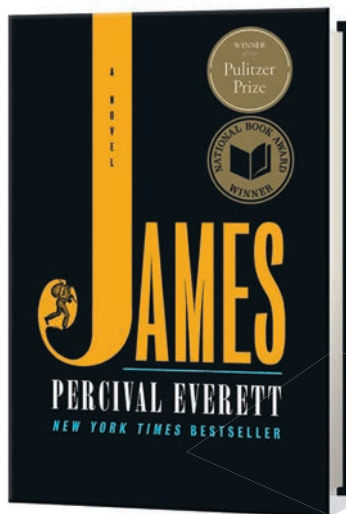
This is Omar El Akkad’s nonfiction debut, his most raw and vulnerable work to date, a heartsick breakup letter with the West. It is a brilliant articulation of the same breakup we are watching all over the United States, in family rooms, on college campuses, on city streets; the consequences of this rupture are just beginning. This book is for all the people who want something better than what the West has served up.

“[A] bracing memoir and manifesto. . . . With precision and passion, [El Akkad] compels readers to close the emotional distance between ‘us’ and ‘them’ and to consider the immense suffering of civilians with renewed urgency.”—*The New York Times*

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# James

Percival Everett



Theme: African American Voices and Stories

Doubleday | HC | 978-0-385-55036-9  
320 pp. | \$28.00 / \$37.99 Can.

EB: 9780385550376



**A** brilliant, action-packed reimagining of *Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*, both harrowing and darkly humorous, told from the enslaved Jim’s point of view.

Brimming with the electrifying humor and lacerating observations that have made Everett a literary icon, this brilliant and tender novel radically illuminates Jim’s agency, intelligence, and compassion as never before.

“A masterpiece that will help redefine one of the classics of American literature, while also being a major achievement on its own. . . . I almost cannot imagine a future where teachers assign *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* without also assigning *James* alongside it. . . . Everett is one of the most, if not the most interesting writers working today.”—*The Chicago Tribune*

“*James* is funny and horrifying, brilliant and riveting. In telling the story of Jim . . . Percival Everett delivers a powerful, necessary corrective to both literature and history. I found myself cheering both the writer and his hero. Who should read this book? Every single person in the country.”—Ann Patchett

**Winner of the 2025 Pulitzer Prize for Fiction**  
**Winner of the National Book Award for Fiction**

**Selected for Common Reading at:** University of Wisconsin–Madison; Indiana University Northwest; University of California, Santa Cruz; West Virginia University

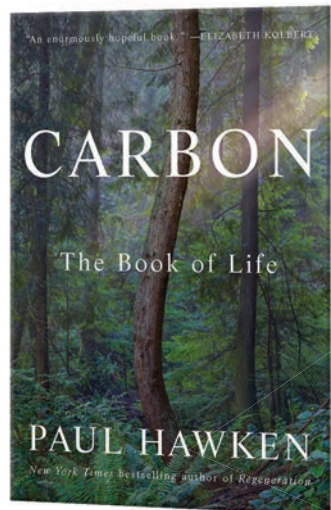
**Video:** [prhlink.com/percivaleverettvideo](https://prhlink.com/percivaleverettvideo)

## FEATURED TITLES

# Carbon

## The Book of Life

Paul Hawken



Theme: Climate Change

Viking | HC | 978-0-525-42744-5  
256 pp. | \$28.00 / \$37.99 Can.

EB: 9780698173293



Also available: Drawdown 9780143130444

**C**arbon is the only element that animates the entirety of the living world. Though comprising a tiny fraction of Earth's composition, our planet is lifeless without it. Yet it is maligned as the driver of climate change, scorned as an errant element blamed for the possible demise of civilization.

Paul Hawken looks at the flow of life through the lens of carbon. Embracing a panoramic view of carbon's omnipresence, he explores how this ubiquitous and essential element extends into every aperture of existence and shapes the entire fabric of life. Hawken charts a course across our planetary history, guiding us into the realms of plants, animals, insects, fungi, food, and farms to offer a new narrative for embracing carbon's life-giving power and its possibilities for the future of human endeavor.

"Paul Hawken invites us to see the connections that bind us to everything else on the planet. *Carbon* is an enormously hopeful book—hopeful about the creatures we live among and about our innate human capacities."—Elizabeth Kolbert, Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *The Sixth Extinction*

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# Fresh Banana Leaves

## Healing Indigenous Landscapes through Indigenous Science

Jessica Hernandez



Theme: Native American and Indigenous Voices and Stories

North Atlantic Books | TR | 978-1-62317-605-1  
256 pp. | \$20.95 / \$27.95 Can.

EB: 9781623176068



**D**espite the undeniable fact that Indigenous communities are among the most affected by climate devastation, Indigenous science is nowhere to be found in mainstream environmental policy or discourse. And while holistic land, water, and forest management practices born from millennia of Indigenous knowledge systems have much to teach all of us, Indigenous science has long been ignored, otherized, or perceived as "soft"—the product of a systematic, centuries-long campaign of racism, colonialism, extractive capitalism, and delegitimization.

Hernandez introduces and contextualizes Indigenous environmental knowledge and proposes a vision of land stewardship that heals rather than displaces, that generates rather than destroys. She breaks down the failures of western-defined conservatism and shares alternatives, citing the restoration work of urban Indigenous people in Seattle; her family's fight against ecoterrorism in Latin America; and holistic land management approaches of Indigenous groups across the continent.

"A groundbreaking book that busts existing frameworks about how we think about Indigeneity, science, and environmental policy."—Sandy Grande, Professor of Political Science and Native American and Indigenous Studies, University of Connecticut

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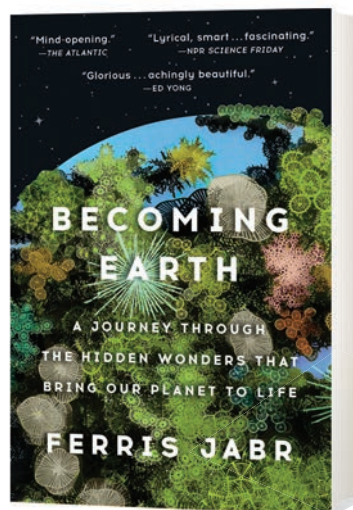
**Selected for Common Reading at:** Regis University



# Becoming Earth

A Journey Through the Hidden Wonders that Bring Our Planet to Life

Ferris Jabr



Theme: The Natural World

Random House | TR  
978-0-593-13399-6 | 320 pp. | \$20.00 / \$27.99 Can.  
EB: 9780593133989



One of humanity's oldest beliefs is that our world is alive. Though once ridiculed by some scientists, the idea of Earth as a vast interconnected living system has gained acceptance in recent decades. We, and all living things, are more than inhabitants of Earth—we *are* Earth, an outgrowth of its structure and an engine of its evolution. Life and its environment have coevolved for billions of years, transforming a lump of orbiting rock into a cosmic oasis—a planet that breathes, metabolizes, and regulates its climate.

Acclaimed science writer Ferris Jabr reveals a radical new vision of Earth. *Becoming Earth* is an exhilarating journey through the hidden workings of our planetary symphony—its players, its instruments, and the music of life that emerges—and an invitation to reexamine our place in it. How well we play our part will determine what kind of Earth our descendants inherit for millennia to come.

**"A glorious paean to our living world."—Ed Yong, Pulitzer Prize winner and bestselling author of *An Immense World***

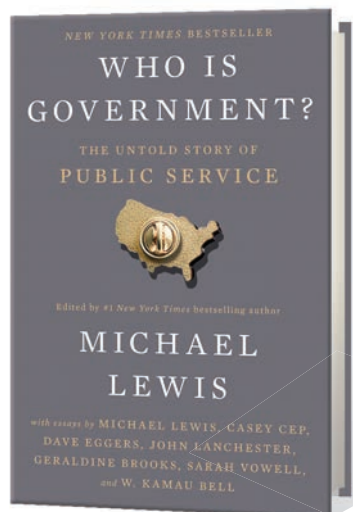
**Finalist for the *Los Angeles Times* Book Prize for Science and Technology  
An American Library Association Notable Book**

**Social Media:** Instagram: @ferrisjabr X: @ferrisjabr

# Who Is Government?

The Untold Story of Public Service

Edited by Michael Lewis



Theme: Leadership

Riverhead Books | HC | 979-82-17-04780-2  
272 pp. | \$30.00 / \$39.99 Can.  
EB: 9798217047819



The government is a vast, complex system that Americans pay for, rebel against, rely upon, dismiss, and celebrate. It's also made up of people, mostly unrecognized and uncelebrated, doing work that can be deeply consequential and beneficial to everyone.

Michael Lewis invited his favorite writers, including Casey Cep, Dave Eggers, John Lanchester, Geraldine Brooks, Sarah Vowell, and W. Kamau Bell, to join him in finding people doing interesting government jobs for the government and writing about them. The stories they found are unexpected, riveting, and inspiring, including a former coal miner devoted to making mine roofs less likely to collapse, saving thousands of lives; an IRS agent straight out of a crime thriller; and the manager who made the National Cemetery Administration the best-run organization, public or private, in the entire country. Each essay shines a spotlight on the essential behind-the-scenes work of exemplary federal employees.

**"Perhaps never before has there been a book better timed or more urgent."  
—*Washington Post***

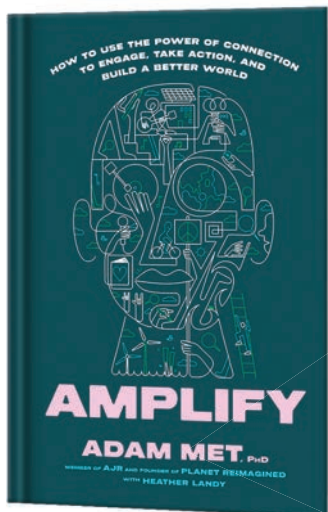
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## FEATURED TITLES

# Amplify

How to Use the Power of Connection  
to Engage, Take Action, and Build a Better World

*Adam Met, PhD with Heather Landy*



From stadium acts to indie singer-songwriters, musicians have pioneered ways of sparking passion, building awareness, and catalyzing engagement. Now imagine if the causes you care about had the same fervent support as your favorite artists.

Adam Met, PhD in human rights law and sustainable development, Columbia University professor, and member of the multiplatinum band AJR, gained first-hand experience growing an audience from the ground up as the band progressed from playing in living rooms to selling out arenas. *Amplify* is a playbook for developing passionate supporters (i.e., fans) utilizing the art and science of engagement, collaboration, and authentic connection, with tactics that will inspire students to carry their message to the world and rally others to achieve shared goals.

**Website:** [adammet.net](http://adammet.net)

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**Video:** [prhlink.com/metvideo](http://prhlink.com/metvideo)

Theme: Social Action

Harmony | HC | 978-0-593-73590-9

272 pp. | \$26.99 / \$36.99 Can.

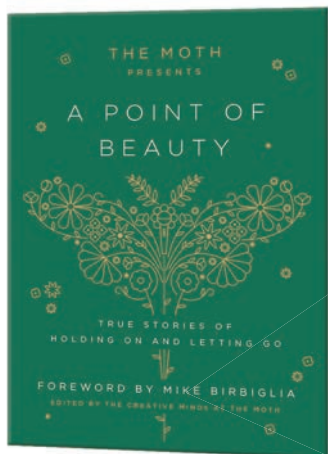
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# The Moth Presents: A Point of Beauty

True Stories of Holding On and Letting Go

*Edited by the creative minds at The Moth*



This inspiring and entertaining collection of unforgettable true stories about finding unexpected beauty in life's transitions includes selections from Lin-Manuel Miranda, Elizabeth Gilbert, Quiara Alegria Hudes, and many more. Storytellers from around the world share times they found real beauty in the moments when their lives changed forever—for better or for worse.

Carefully selected by the creative minds at The Moth and adapted to the page to preserve the raw energy of stories told live, on stage, and without notes, *A Point of Beauty* features voices familiar and new. This collection offers a shared message: If we look closely enough, we can find power in strengthening frayed bonds but also in having the courage to walk away from things that no longer feed our spirit. Through these storytellers' passion and their hope, they teach us all about what's worth holding on to: our relationships with those we love the most, our understanding of ourselves, and—of course—gathering together to tell and listen to our stories.

**"The entries are soul-stirring and heartbreaking, often simultaneously. This collection serves as a testament to the broad scope and profound depth of human experience."**—*Publishers Weekly*

**Website:** [themoth.org](http://themoth.org)

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@mothstories X: @TheMoth

**Video:** [prhlink.com/mothvideo](http://prhlink.com/mothvideo)

**Selected for Common Reading at:** Albion College; Cuyahoga Community College; Maryville University; University of Nevada, Las Vegas

Theme: Inspirational

Crown | HC | 978-0-593-13903-5

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

EB: 9780593139042

Also available: *The Moth Presents: All These Wonders: True Stories About Facing the Unknown*  
9781101904404

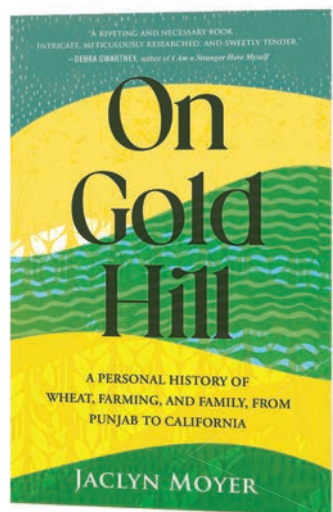


## FEATURED TITLES

# On Gold Hill

A Personal History of Wheat, Farming, and Family, from Punjab to California

Jaclyn Moyer



Theme: Family

Beacon Press | TR | 978-0-8070-1677-0  
336 pp. | \$18.95 / \$24.95 Can.

EB: 9780807045312



In 2012, 25-year-old Jackie Moyer—the daughter of a forbidden marriage between a white American father and a Punjabi American mother—leased 10 acres of land in Gold Hill, California, and embarked on a career in organic farming. With a fractured relationship to her heritage, Moyer saw an opportunity for repair when she learned of a nearly lost heirloom wheat variety called Sonora.

Sonora wasn't just an heirloom wheat strain; it was her own cultural heirloom. Its history can be traced back to Punjab, the Indian state where Moyer's own roots are planted. In growing the grain on her farm, she began to uncover the multi-generational story of her family's resilience.

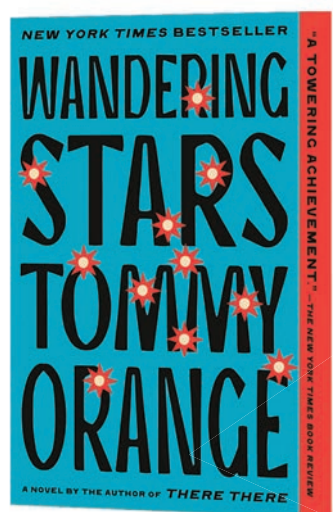
From California to Punjab, the past to the present, Jackie maps her personal story atop the entangled histories of wheat cultivation and the rise of the organic farming movement. With a passion for dismantling the exploitative big-agriculture industry, she examines how the development of high-yielding varieties and chemical fertilizers has harmed our relationship with food, the planet, and each other.

**Website:** [jaclynmoyer.com](http://jaclynmoyer.com)

**Video:** [prhlink.com/Moyer](https://prhlink.com/Moyer)

# Wandering Stars

Tommy Orange



Theme: Native American and Indigenous  
Voices and Stories

Vintage | TR | 978-0-593-31144-8 | 336 pp. | \$18.00

EB: 9780593318263



Also available: *There There* 9780525436140

The Pulitzer Prize-finalist and author of *There There* delivers a masterful follow-up to his already classic first novel. Extending his constellation of narratives into the past and future, Tommy Orange traces the legacies of the Sand Creek Massacre of 1864 and the Carlisle Indian Industrial School through three generations of a family in a story that is by turns shattering and wondrous.

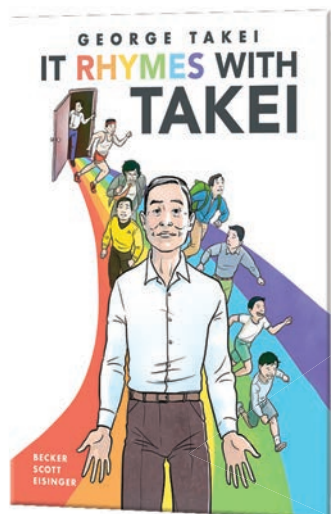
In a novel that is by turns shattering and wondrous, Tommy Orange has conjured the ancestors of the family readers first encountered in *There There*—warriors, drunks, outlaws, addicts—asking what it means to be the children and grandchildren of massacre. *Wandering Stars* is a novel about epigenetic and generational trauma that has the force and vision of a modern epic.

**“An eloquent indictment of the devastating long-term effects of the massacre, dislocation and forced assimilation of Native Americans, [*Wandering Stars*] is also a heartfelt paean to the importance of family and of ancestors’ stories in recovering a sense of belonging and identity.”—NPR**

# It Rhymes With Takei

George Takei, Steven Scott, Justin Eisinger

Illustrated by Harmony Becker



Theme: LGBTQIA+

Top Shelf Productions | HC | 978-1-60309-574-7  
336 pp. | \$29.99 / \$39.99 Can.

Also available: *They Called Us Enemy*  
9781603094504

**G**eorge Takei, known as an actor, author, activist, and social media icon, revealed a personal truth on October 27, 2005 . . . and it rhymes with Takei. Following the phenomenal success of his first graphic memoir, *They Called Us Enemy*, Takei blends historical context with personal narrative in *It Rhymes with Takei*.

This memoir explores the intersection of personal and political realms, portraying Takei's journey through LGBTQ+ history, highlighting his determination to declare his love publicly and legally.

**"This uplifting, encouraging, and inspiring narrative powerfully demonstrates how Takei's lifelong experiences led him to be a voice for those who struggle."**  
—*Booklist* (starred review)

**Website:** [georgetakei.com](http://georgetakei.com)

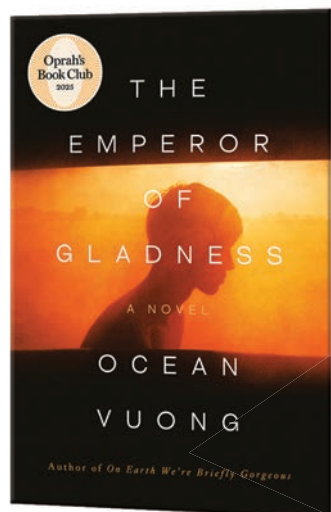
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*They Called Us Enemy* Selected for Common Reading at: Bucknell University; California State University–Fullerton; California State University–San Marcos; CUNY Queensboro Community College; Kansas State University; San Diego State University; United States Air Force Academy; Wilbur Wright College; and many more

# The Emperor of Gladness

Ocean Vuong



Theme: LGBTQIA+

Penguin Press | HC | 978-0-593-83187-8  
416 pp. | \$30.00 / \$39.99 Can.

EB: 9780593831885



Also available: *On Earth We're Briefly Gorgeous*  
9780525562047

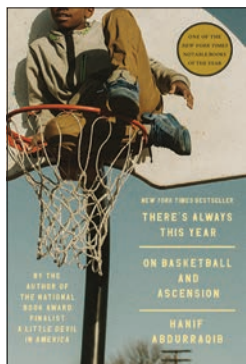
**O**ne late summer evening in the post-industrial town of East Gladness, Connecticut, nineteen-year-old Hai stands on the edge of a bridge in pelting rain, ready to jump, when he hears someone shout across the river. The voice belongs to Grazina, an elderly widow succumbing to dementia, who convinces him to take another path. Bereft and out of options, he quickly becomes her caretaker. Over the course of the year, the unlikely pair develops a life-altering bond, one built on empathy, spiritual reckoning, and heartbreak, with the power to transform Hai's relationship to himself, his family, and a community on the brink.

Following the cycles of history, memory, and time, *The Emperor of Gladness* shows the profound ways in which love, labor, and loneliness form the bedrock of American life. At its heart is a brave epic about what it means to exist on the fringes of society and to reckon with the wounds that haunt our collective soul.

**"Epic in its sweep, the novel handles intimacy and love with delicacy and deep originality. Hai and Grazina are taken from the margins of American life by Ocean Vuong and, by dint of great sympathy and imaginative genius, placed at the very center of our world."**—Colm Tóibín, author of *Long Island* and *Brooklyn*

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Theme: African American Voices and Stories

## There's Always This Year

On Basketball and Ascension

Hanif Abdurraqib

His lifelong love of basketball leads Abdurraqib into a lyrical, historical, and emotionally rich exploration of success, excellence, and role models, all of which he expertly weaves together with intimate, personal storytelling.

**Winner of the National Book Critics Circle Award for Criticism; Longlisted for the National Book Award for Nonfiction and the National Book Critics Circle Award for Nonfiction**

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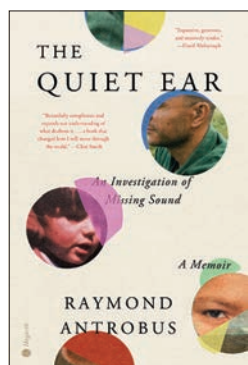
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978-0-593-44880-9 | 352 pp.  
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Also available: *A Little Devil in America: In Praise of Black Performance*  
9781984801203



Theme: Disability

## The Quiet Ear

An Investigation of Missing Sound: A Memoir

Raymond Antrobus

*The Quiet Ear* tells the story of Antrobus's upbringing at the intersection of race and disability. Growing up in East London to an English mother and Jamaican father, educated in both mainstream and deaf schooling systems, Antrobus explores the shame of miscommunication, the joy of finding community, and shines a light on deaf education.

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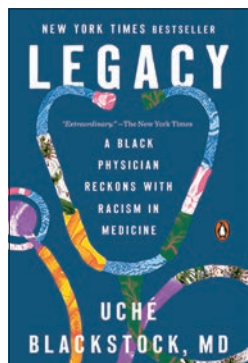
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208 pp. | \$29.00 / \$39.00 Can.

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Theme: African American Voices and Stories

## Legacy

A Black Physician Reckons with Racism in Medicine

Uché Blackstock, MD

At once a searing indictment of our healthcare system, a generational family memoir, and a call to action, *Legacy* is Dr. Uché Blackstock's odyssey from child to medical student to practicing physician—to finally seizing her own power as a health equity advocate against the backdrop of the pandemic and the Black Lives Matter movement.

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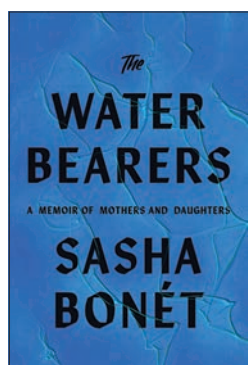
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Theme: African American Voices and Stories

## The Waterbearers

My Mother, My Grandmother,  
and the Women Who Carried Me

Sasha Bonét

A sweeping narrative of the unique beauty and trials of Black matriarchy in America that weaves a sharp, tender examination of three single Black mothers with stories of influential Black women in our culture.

“Bonét tells the whole history of this country through the relationships of and between Black mothers and daughters. It is as intimate and tender as it is vast and stormy. Unforgettable.”—Imani Perry, National Book Award-winning author of *South to America*

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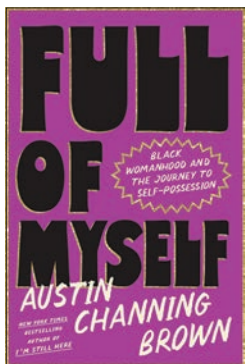
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Theme: Social Action

## Full of Myself

Black Womanhood and the Journey to Self-Possession

Austin Channing Brown

Austin Channing Brown explores reclaiming joy, rest, and self-worth as a Black woman in a world that demands exhaustion. Combining memoir and social insight, she invites readers to embrace their full humanity, challenging expectations and choosing freedom, wholeness, and authenticity as acts of resistance.

"Here we have a spectrum of fullness and peculiar longing that is born of rugged honesty and tender care. . . . Exquisite work."—Kiese Laymon, bestselling author of *Heavy*

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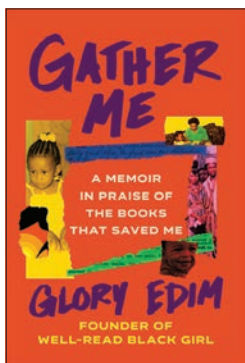
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Theme: African American Voices and Stories

## Gather Me

A Memoir in Praise of the Books That Saved Me

Glory Edim

Glory Edim—founder of Well-Read Black Girl—reflects on how books became her refuge and guide through personal loss and growth. Through the voices of Black women writers, she found healing and community, celebrating literature's power to restore and transform.

"Heartfelt and absorbing . . . Readers who enjoy coming-of-age memoirs will find much to love."—*Booklist* (starred review)

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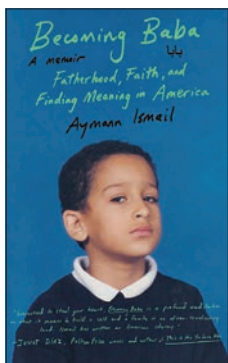
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Ballantine Books | HC  
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EB: 9780525619802



Also available: *Well-Read Black Girl: Finding Our Stories, Discovering Ourselves*  
9780525619772



Theme: Arab American Voices and Stories

## Becoming Baba

Fatherhood, Faith, and Finding Meaning in America

Ayman Ismail

From *Slate* staff writer Ayman Ismail comes an exquisite memoir about fatherhood, religion, and the search for identity in an ever-shifting world.

"Guaranteed to steal your heart, *Becoming Baba* is a profound meditation on what it means to build a self and a family in an often unwelcoming land. Ismail has written an American Odyssey."—Junot Díaz, Pulitzer Prize winner and author of *This Is How You Lose Her*

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

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Theme: Resilience / Perseverance

## Lovely One

A Memoir

Ketanji Brown Jackson

With this unflinching account, Justice Ketanji Brown Jackson invites readers into her life and world, tracing her family's ascent from segregation to her confirmation on America's highest court within the span of one generation. Through trials and triumphs, Justice Jackson's journey will resonate with dreamers everywhere, especially those who nourish outsized ambitions and refuse to be turned aside.

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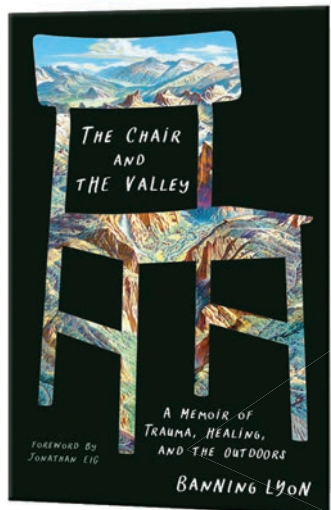
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# The Chair and the Valley

## A Memoir of Trauma, Healing, and the Outdoors

Banning Lyon; Foreword by Jonathan Eig



Theme: Health & Wellbeing  
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384 pp. | \$29.00 / \$39.00 Can.  
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**B**anning Lyon was an average 15-year-old, living in Dallas, TX. He enjoyed skateboarding, listening to punk rock, and even had a part-time job. But in January 1987 Banning's life quickly changed after a school guidance counselor falsely believed that he was suicidal after giving away his skateboard. Days later he was admitted to a psychiatric hospital, and what he was told would be a two-week stay turned into 353 days that would change his life forever.

*The Chair and The Valley* is a raw, gut-wrenching, and amazing story about healing from trauma and starting over. It is an exploration of the importance of chosen family, the restorative power of nature, and the strength it takes to build a new life in the face of fear and doubt.

“Banning Lyon’s deep, dark and beautifully written debut memoir offers a brave expose of a corrupt psychiatric hospital chain, a poignant testament to the power of human resilience and a lyrical depiction of how nature—and love—can heal the wounded heart.”—Susan Shapiro, author of *The Forgiveness Tour* and *American Shield*

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Theme: The Natural World

## Leave Only Footprints

My Acadia-to-Zion Journey Through Every National Park  
Conor Knighton

Conor Knighton recounts his journey through every U.S. national park after heartbreak. Utilizing humor, insight, and adventure, he investigates nature’s beauty, the parks’ history, and how the experience reshaped his views on love, faith, and connection.

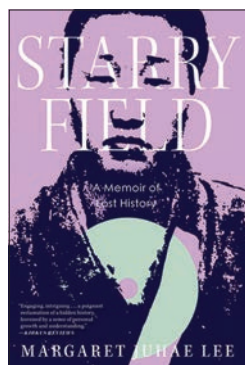
“I am crazy about this book. It’s a delightful sampler plate of our national parks, written with charisma and erudition and leavened by a healthy dollop of humor.”—Nick Offerman

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Theme: Asian American and Pacific Islander Voices and Stories

## Starry Field

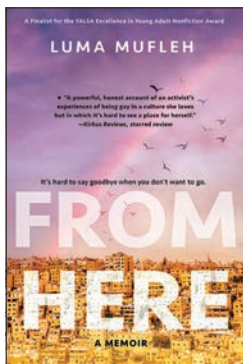
A Memoir of Lost History  
Margaret Juhae Lee

A poignant memoir by journalist Margaret Juhae Lee that explores her family’s history during Korea’s colonial era and its generational impact across continents.

“This reconstruction of the lives of Lee’s paternal grandparents is absorbing as much for what is discovered as for what remains undiscoverable. *Starry Field* reminds us that even knowing where we came from won’t tell us where we’re going—but it will help along the way.”—Susan Choi, National Book Award winning author of *Trust Exercise*

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Melville House | HC  
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Theme: Immigration & First Generation Stories

## From Here

A Memoir

*Luma Mufleh*

The founder of Fugees Family, and a central figure from *Outcasts United*, refugee advocate Luma Mufleh shares her own story in this powerful 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 journey to reconcile her identity as a gay Muslim woman and a proud Arab-turned-American refugee.

**"A poignant glimpse into human imperfections and the struggle to find one's place in the world."**—*Kirkus Reviews*, starred review

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Theme: African American Voices and Stories

## My Pisces Heart

A Black Immigrant's Search for Home Across Four Continents

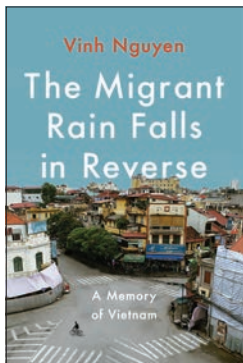
*Jennifer Neal*

An intimate and incisive memoir that traces the journey of a Black, queer woman as she searches the world for a place of security and acceptance to call home. An unwavering interrogation of colonialism and policy, love and loss, hypocrisy and resistance, *My Pisces Heart* demands meaningful conversation about not only the ways in which we live with our histories, but also how they live through us.

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Catapult | TR | 978-1-64622-301-5  
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EB: 9781646221851



Theme: Asian American and Pacific Islander Voices and Stories

## The Migrant Rain Falls in Reverse

A Memory of Vietnam

*Vinh Nguyen*

*The Migrant Rain Falls in Reverse* takes readers on a poignant tour of disappeared refugee camps, abandoned family homes, and the lives that could have been. As the fiftieth anniversary of the end of the Vietnam War approaches, this powerful memoir is timelier and more important than ever, illuminating the stories, real and imagined, that become buried in the rubble of war.

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Theme: Food

## The Last Sweet Bite

Stories and Recipes of Culinary Heritage Lost and Found

*Michael Shaikh*

Through personal narratives, on-the-ground reporting, and powerful recipes, Michael Shaikh examines how conflict transforms food traditions and threatens the survival of cherished recipes, highlighting how protecting culinary heritage becomes an act of resilience, resistance, and cultural survival.

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Theme: Coming of Age

## Up Home

### One Girl's Journey

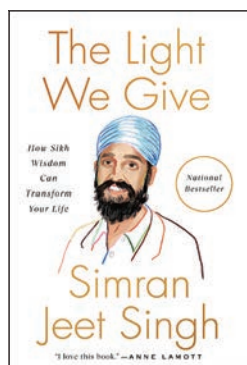
Ruth J. Simmons

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.

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Theme: Asian American and  
Pacific Islander Voices and Stories

## The Light We Give

### How Sikh Wisdom Can Transform Your Life

Simran Jeet Singh

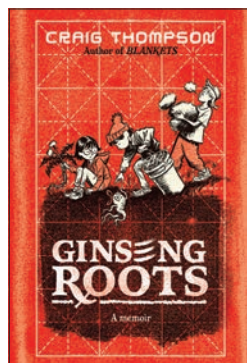
As a boy growing up in South Texas, Simran Jeet Singh and his brothers confronted racism daily. Despite the prejudice and hate he faced, this self-described “turban-wearing, brown-skinned, beard-loving Sikh” refused to give in to negativity. Instead, Singh delved deep into the Sikh teachings that he 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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Theme: Social Action

## Ginseng Roots

### A Memoir

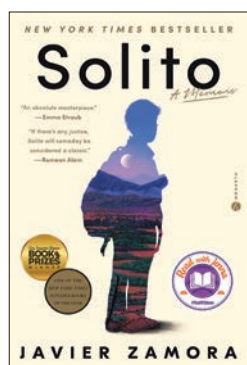
Craig Thompson

From the celebrated author of *Blankets* and *Habibi* comes a new graphic memoir exploring the class divide, childhood labor, family, and our globalized world—all centered on Wisconsin's ginseng farming industry.

“Soulful, funny, and exquisitely drawn. Like *Blankets*, *Ginseng Roots* is a modern classic: moving, and weirdly educational—a gentle yet perspicacious story of global politics, capitalism, religion, and life at the edges of all of those forces.”—*The Guardian*

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Theme: Immigrant  
& First-Generation Stories

## Solito

### A Memoir

Javier Zamora

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.

**Winner of the Christopher Isherwood Prize for Autobiographical Prose and the ALA/YALSA Alex Award; Finalist for the PEN/John Kenneth Galbraith Award for Nonfiction; Longlisted for the Andrew Carnegie Medal for Excellence in Nonfiction and the PEN Open Book Award**

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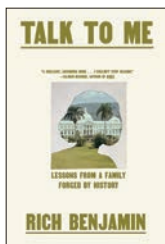
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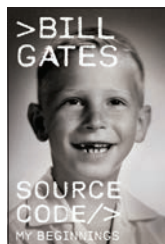
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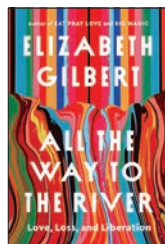
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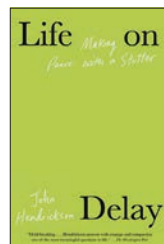
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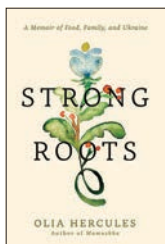
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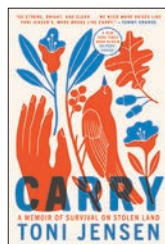
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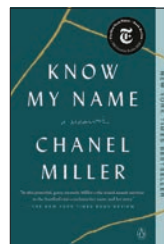
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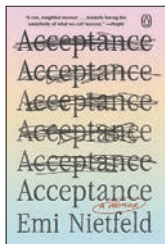
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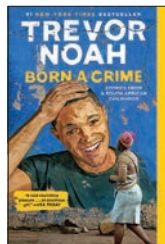
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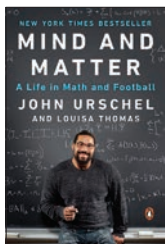
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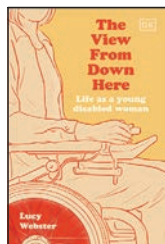
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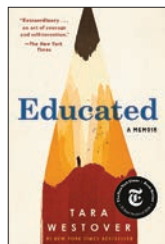
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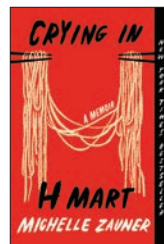
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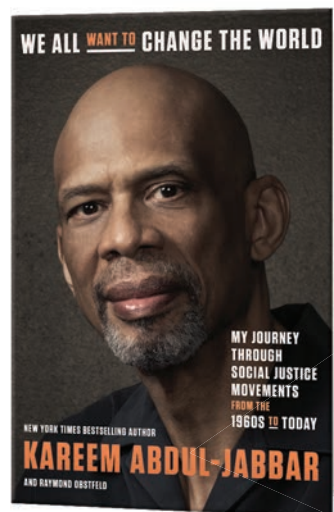


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# We All Want to Change the World

## My Journey Through Social Justice Movements from the 1960s to Today

Kareem Abdul-Jabbar and Raymond Obstfeld



Theme: Leadership

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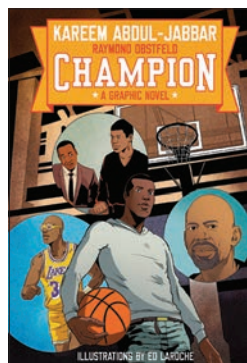
**K**areem Abdul-Jabbar examines the activism of people of all ages, ethnicities, and socio-economic backgrounds that helped change America, documenting events from the Free Speech Movement through the movement for civil rights, the fight for women's and LGBTQ rights, and, of course, the protests against the Vietnam War. At a time in our history when we are witnessing protests across campuses, within the labor movement, and following the killing of George Floyd, Abdul-Jabbar reminds us that protests are a lifeblood of our history.

"Here, Kareem Abdul-Jabbar exhibits the retrospective vision of a historian, the analytical discipline and clarity of a social scientist, and the passion and compassion of the life-long social change activist that he has been."—Harry Edwards, PhD, Professor Emeritus: Sociology at the University of California, Berkeley

"*We All Want to Change the World* is an inspiring book that reflects the inspired life and work of the revolutionary author behind its every page."—Henry Louis Gates, Jr., Alphonse Fletcher University Professor, Harvard University

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Theme: Coming of Age

## Champion

A Graphic Novel

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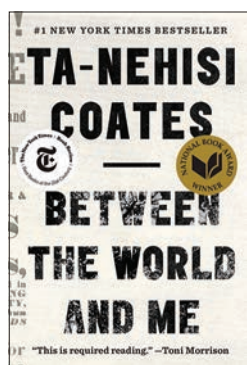
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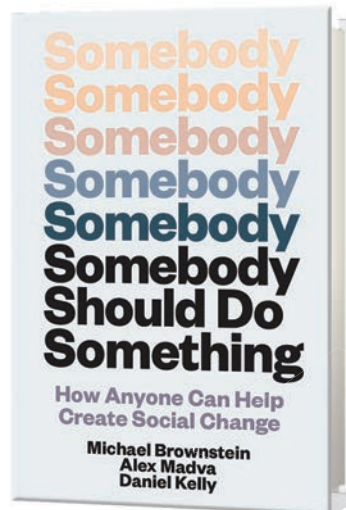
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# Somebody Should Do Something

## How Anyone Can Help Create Social Change

Michael Brownstein, Alex Madva, and Daniel Kelly



Theme: Inspirational

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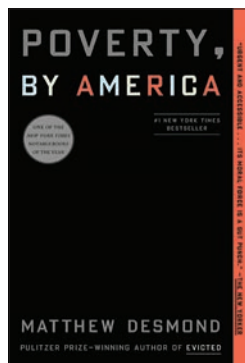
**C**hanging the world is difficult. One reason is that the most important problems, like climate change, racism, and poverty, are *structural*. They emerge from our collective practices: laws, economies, history, culture, norms, and built environments. The dilemma is that there is no way to make structural change without individual people making different—more structure-facing—decisions. In *Somebody Should Do Something*, Michael Brownstein, Alex Madva, and Daniel Kelly show us how we can connect our personal choices to structural change and why individual choices matter, though not in the way people usually think.

The authors paint a new picture of how social change happens, arguing that our most powerful personal choices are those that springboard us into working together with others—warehouse worker Chris Smalls's unionization at Amazon is one powerful example. Taking inspiration from the writer Bill McKibben, they stress how one "important thing an individual can do is be somewhat *less of an individual*."

*Somebody Should Do Something* pairs stories with science (plus some jokes) to help readers recognize their own power, turning resignation about climate change and racial injustice into actions that transform the world.

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Theme: Social Action

## Poverty, by America

Matthew Desmond

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Theme: Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

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Theme: Social Action

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The Story of Iran's Women-Led Uprising

*Fatemeh Jamalpour and Nilo Tabrizy*

A moving exploration of the 2022 women-led protests in Iran, as told through the interwoven stories of two Iranian journalists.

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Theme: Social Action

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Working and Homeless in America

*Brian Goldstone*

Through the stories of five Atlanta families, this landmark work of journalism exposes a new and troubling trend—the dramatic rise of the working homeless in cities across America. By turns heartbreaking and urgent, *There Is No Place for Us* illuminates the true magnitude, causes, and consequences of the new American homelessness.

“An exceptional feat of reporting, full of an immediacy that calls to mind Adrian Nicole LeBlanc’s *Random Family* and Matthew Desmond’s *Evicted*.”—*The New York Times Book Review*

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Theme: Service &amp; Altruism

## Dead Man Walking

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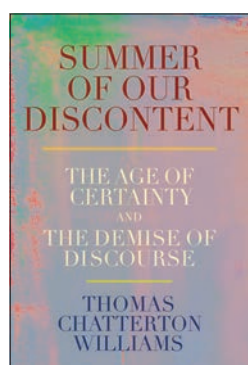
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Theme: Social Action

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The Age of Certainty and the Demise of Discourse

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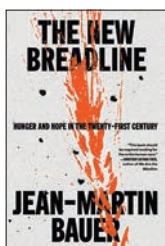
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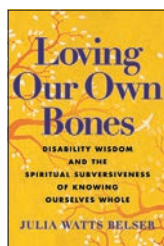


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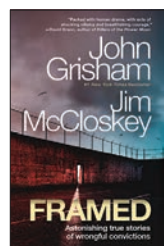
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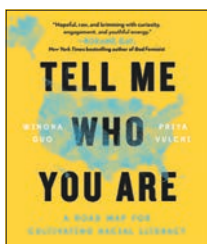
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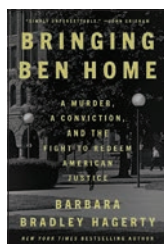
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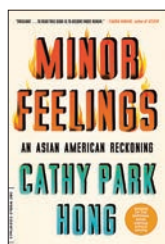
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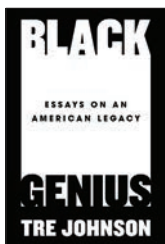
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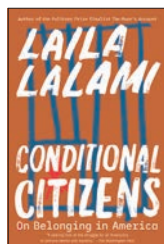
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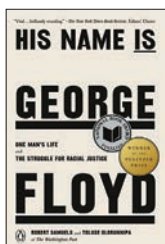
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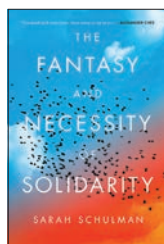
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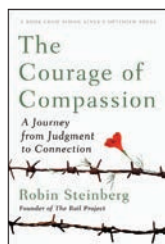
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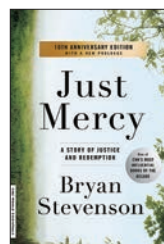
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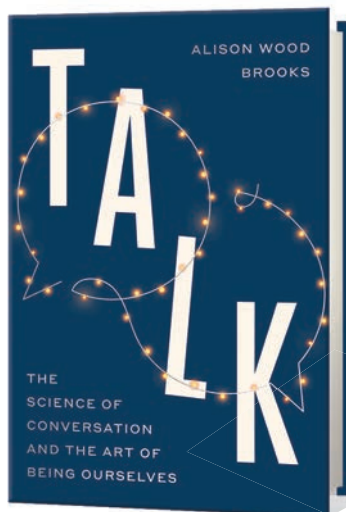
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# Talk

## The Science of Conversation and the Art of Being Ourselves

Alison Wood Brooks



Theme: Conversation & Communication

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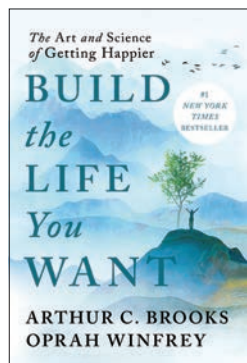
All of us can struggle with difficult conversations, but we're often not very good at the easy ones either. Though we do it all the time, Harvard professor Alison Wood Brooks argues that conversation is one of the most complex, demanding, and delicate of all human tasks, rife with possibilities for misinterpretation and misunderstanding. And yet conversations can also be a source of great joy, each one offering an opportunity to express who we are and learn who others are—to feel connected, loved, and alive.

In *Talk*, Brooks shows why conversing a little more effectively can make a big difference in the quality of our close personal relationships as well as our professional success. Drawing on the new science of conversation, Brooks distills lessons that show how we can better understand, learn from, and delight each other.

“Alison Wood Brooks mines years of data from her studies at Harvard Business School, where she has dissected parole hearings, speed dates, sales calls and friendly chats to discern the keys to effective communication.” —*The New York Times*

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Theme: Life Skills

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The Art and Science of Getting Happier

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Theme: Conversation  
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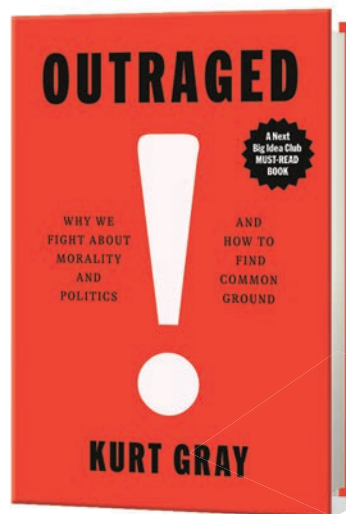


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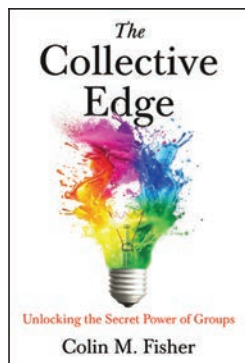
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Theme: Conversation & Communication

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## The Collective Edge

Unlocking the Secret Power of Groups

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Theme: Conversation  
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## The Next Conversation

Argue Less, Talk More

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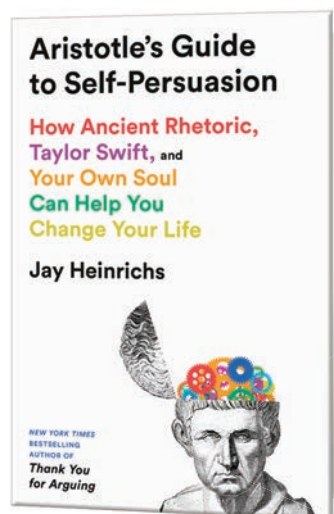


Theme: Conversation  
& Communication

# Aristotle's Guide to Self-Persuasion

How Ancient Rhetoric, Taylor Swift, and Your Own Soul Can Help You Change Your Life

Jay Heinrichs



Theme: Critical Thinking

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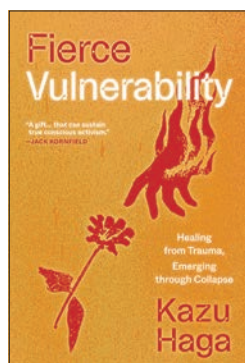
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Theme: Inspirational

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Healing from Trauma, Emerging through Collapse

Kazu Haga

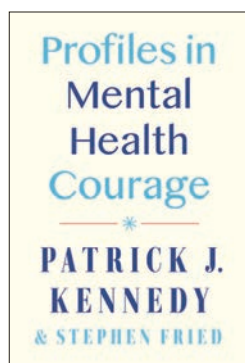
In *Fierce Vulnerability*, activist Kazu Haga argues that a binary worldview is at the heart of what is destroying our relationships and our planet, offering a new way to create healing by combining the time-honored lineage of nonviolent action with the sciences of trauma healing and the promises of spiritual practice. We can't “shut down” injustice any more than we can “shut down” trauma; if healing is our goal, we need social movements that center relationships and promote healing.

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Theme: Health & Wellbeing

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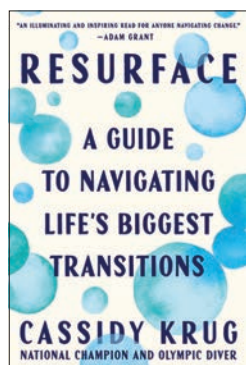
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Theme: Life Skills

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A Guide to Navigating Life's Biggest Transitions

Cassidy Krug

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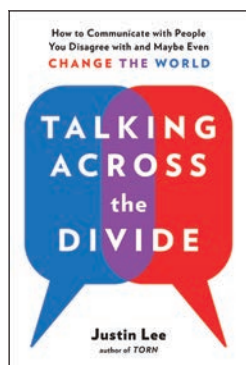
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Theme: Being Connected

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How to Communicate with People You Disagree with and Maybe Even Change the World

Justin Lee

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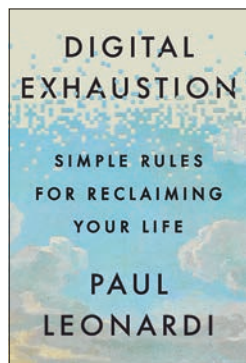
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Theme: Life Skills

## Digital Exhaustion

Simple Rules for Reclaiming Your Life

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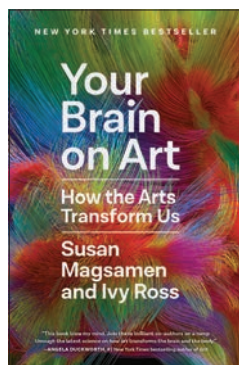
Paul Leonardi offers research-backed, practical strategies for managing tech-induced stress—without unplugging from the tools essential to modern academic and professional life. Rather than advocating digital detoxes, Leonardi shows how small, intentional shifts—like choosing the right tool for the task or delaying responses—can reduce cognitive fatigue, improve focus, and strengthen relationships.

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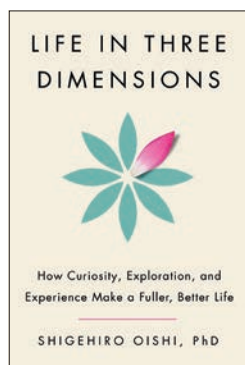
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Theme: Health &amp; Wellbeing

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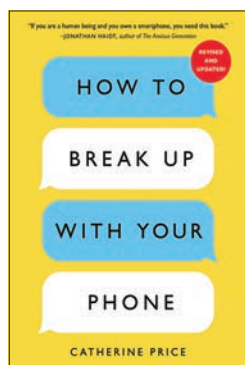
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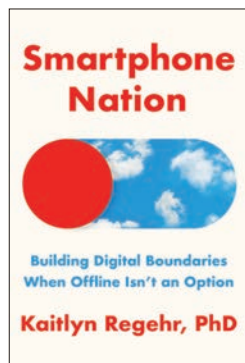
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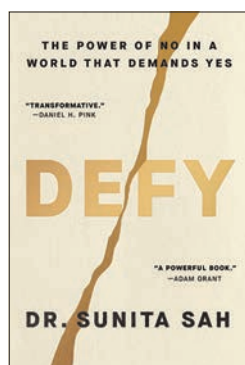
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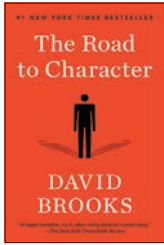
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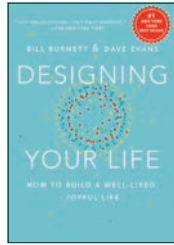


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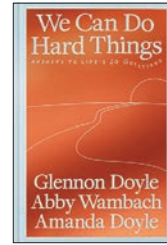
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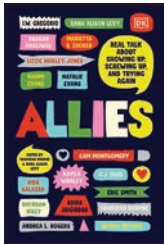
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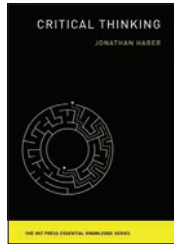
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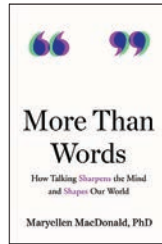
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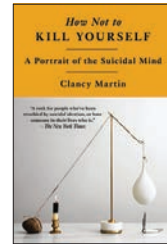
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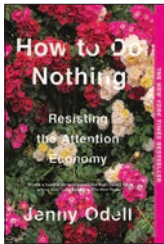
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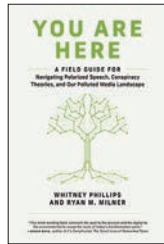
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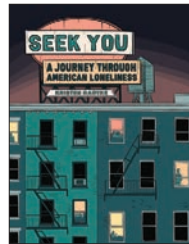
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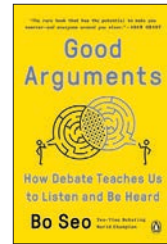
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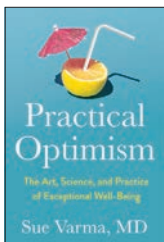
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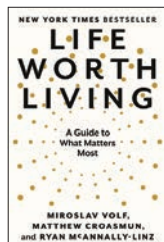
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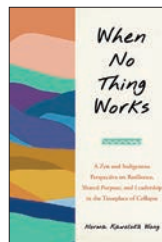
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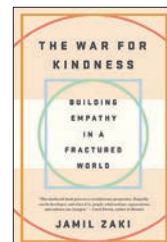
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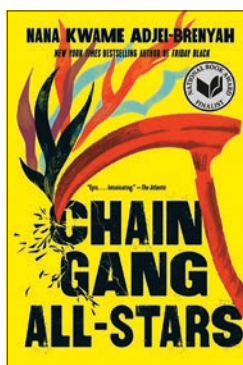
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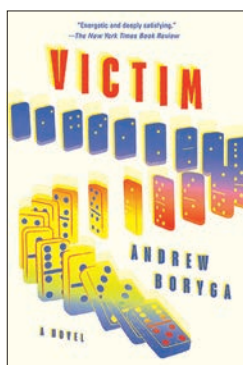
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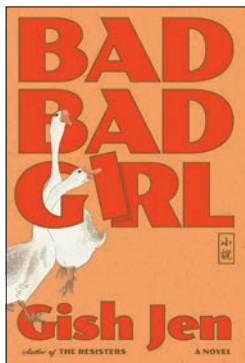
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## Bad Bad Girl

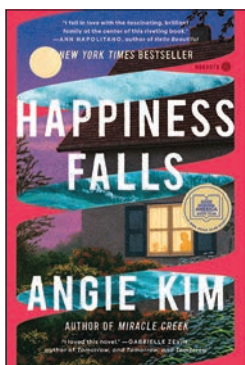
Gish Jen

*Bad Bad Girl* is a novel about a mother and a daughter forced to reckon with each other across decades of curiosity and ambition, elation and disappointment, intense intimacy and misunderstanding. Spanning continents and generations, this is a rich, heartbreaking portrait of two fierce women locked in a complicated lifelong embrace.

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Theme: Asian American and Pacific Islander Voices and Stories

## Real Americans

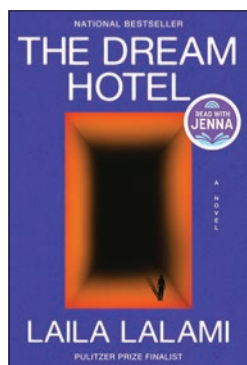
Rachel Khong

How far would you go to shape your own destiny? An exhilarating novel of American identity that spans three generations in one family and asks: What makes us who we are? And how inevitable are our futures?

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Theme: Alternate Worlds:  
Speculative Fiction

## The Dream Hotel

Laila Lalami

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Theme: Family

## A Guardian and a Thief

Megha Majumdar

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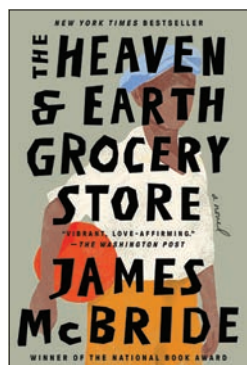
“An electrifying depiction of dignity and morality under siege. . . . Transports the reader to a world ravaged by drought, burning heat, and severe food scarcity. . . . The way Majumdar manages to connect all the storylines with a resolution that unfolds both globally and in one small living room is genius.”—*Kirkus* (starred review)

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Theme: Being Connected

## The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store

James McBride

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Theme: Coming of Age

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Theme: Alternate Worlds:  
 Speculative Fiction

## One Way Witch

Nnedi Okorafor

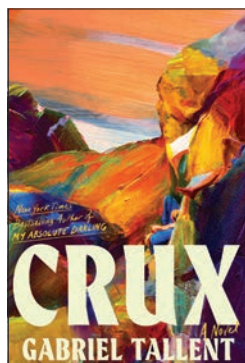
Set in the universe Africanfuturist luminary Nnedi Okorafor first introduced in the World Fantasy Award-winning *Who Fears Death*, *One Way Witch* is the second in the *She Who Knows* trilogy.

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Theme: Coming of Age

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Theme: LGBTQIA+

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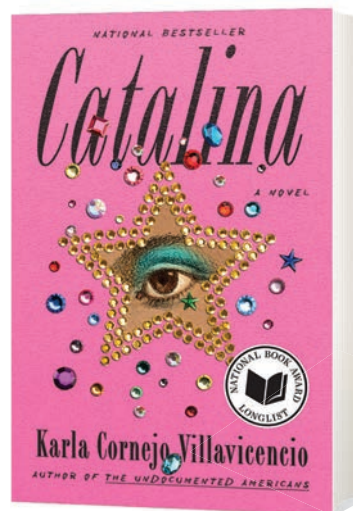
**"A/S/L captures the pulse of desire that spurs any genuine act of creation ... Thornton's novel is a gripping, emotional reminder of the almost-whimsical joy of being online in the '90s."**—Isle McElroy, *Vulture*

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# Catalina

Karla Cornejo Villavicencio



Theme: Immigrant & First-Generation Stories

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Also available: *The Undocumented Americans*  
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When Catalina is admitted to Harvard, it feels like the fulfillment of destiny: a miracle child escapes death in Latin America, moves to Queens to be raised by her undocumented grandparents, and becomes one of the chosen. But nothing is simple for Catalina.

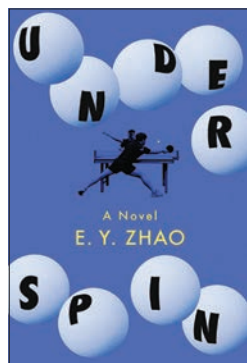
Now a senior, she faces graduation to a world that has no place for the undocumented; her sense of doom intensifies her curiosities and desires. She infiltrates the school's elite subcultures, which she observes with the eye of an anthropologist and an interloper's skepticism: she is both fascinated and repulsed. Catalina finds herself drawn to a fellow student, an actual budding anthropologist eager to teach her about the Latin American world she was born into but never knew. And every day, the clock ticks closer to the abyss of life after graduation.

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Theme: Coming of Age

## Underspin

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Theme: Coming of Age

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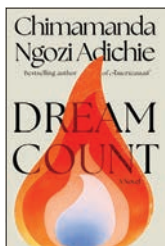
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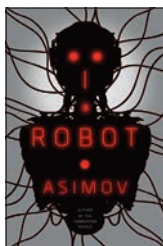


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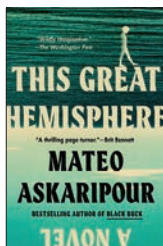
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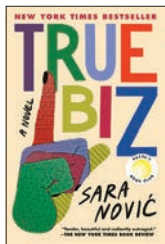
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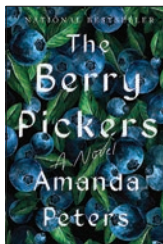
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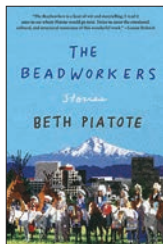
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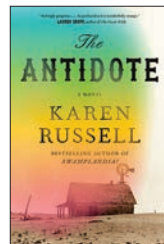
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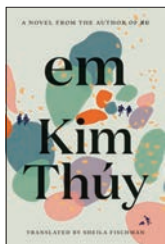
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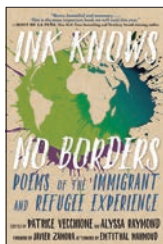
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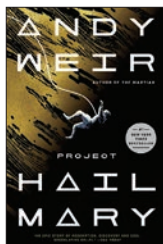
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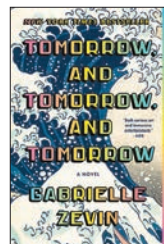
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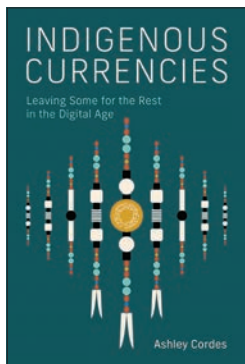
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Theme: Native American and Indigenous Voices and Stories

## Indigenous Currencies

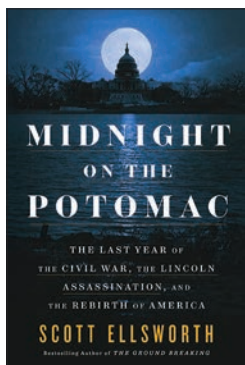
Leaving Some for the Rest in the Digital Age

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*Indigenous Currencies* follows dynamic stories of currency as a meaning-making communication technology. Settler economies regard currency as their own invention, casting Indigenous systems of value, exchange, and data stewardship as incompatible with contemporary markets. By looking closely at how currencies developed over time through intercultural communication, Cordes argues that Indigenous currencies transcend the scope of economic value, revealing the cultural, social, and political context of what it means to exchange.

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Theme: African American Voices and Stories

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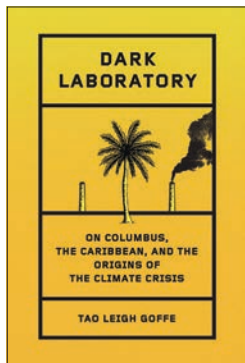
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Theme: Climate Change

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On Columbus, the Caribbean, and the Origins of the Climate Crisis

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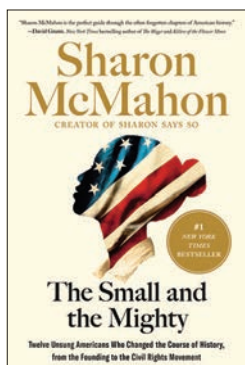
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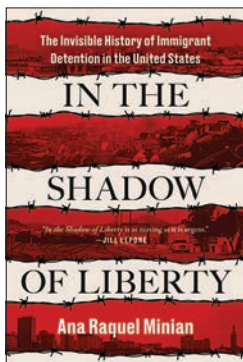
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Theme: Immigrant  
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Theme: Native American and  
Indigenous Voices and Stories

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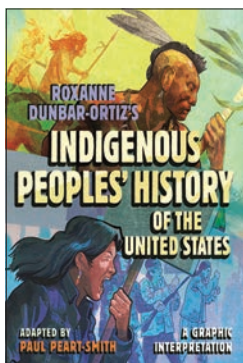
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Theme: Native American and  
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## Roxanne Dunbar-Ortiz's Indigenous Peoples' History of the United States

A Graphic Interpretation

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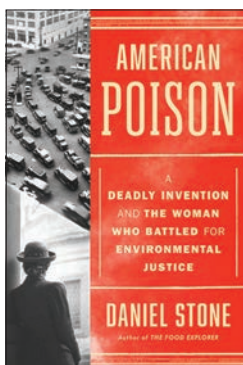
Roxanne Dunbar-Ortiz’s influential bestseller *An Indigenous Peoples’ History of the United States* exposed the brutality of this nation’s founding and its legacy of settler-colonialism and genocide. Through evocative artwork, renowned cartoonist Paul Peart-Smith brings this watershed book to life.

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Daniel Stone

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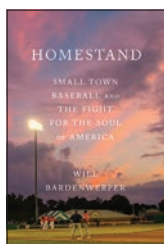
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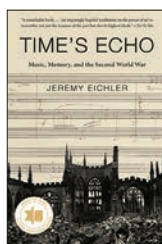
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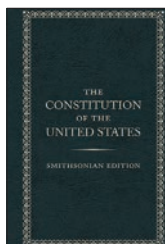
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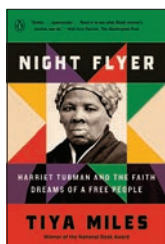
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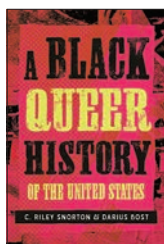
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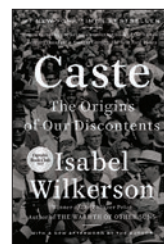
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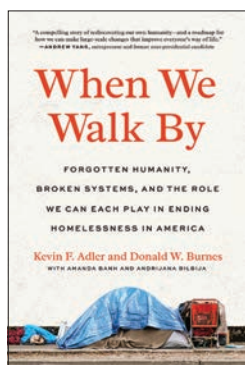
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Theme: Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

### When We Walk By

Forgotten Humanity, Broken Systems, and the Role We Can Each Play in Ending Homelessness in America

Kevin F. Adler and Donald W. Burnes  
with Amanda Banh and Andrijana Bilbija

*When We Walk By* examines homelessness in America, highlighting the societal loss when ignoring those in shelters or on the streets. It advocates for embracing humanity through evidence-based, community-driven solutions, offering insights into social, economic, and political histories, and sharing real stories of unhoused individuals.

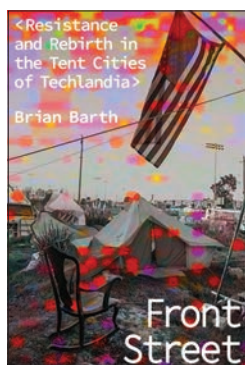
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Theme: Social Action

### Front Street

Resistance and Rebirth in the Tent Cities of Techlandia  
Brian Barth

Award-winning investigative journalist Brian Barth takes us on an immersive journey deep into Silicon Valley's homeless encampments, challenging everything we thought we knew about our unhoused neighbors. Blending memoir, investigative reporting, history, and cultural criticism to paint a portrait of a community searching for dignity and connection in the midst of a national crisis, *Front Street* is a conversation-changing story about the struggle for housing.

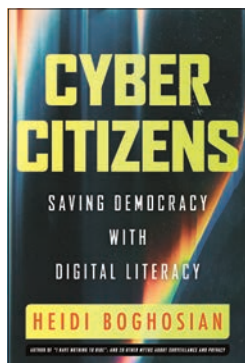
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Theme: Being Connected

### Cyber Citizens

Saving Democracy with Digital Literacy

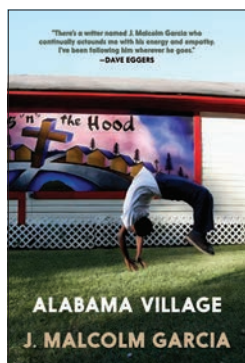
Heidi Boghosian

The electronic age compels us to confront the delicate balance between the convenience of constant connectivity and the protection of personal privacy, security, and democracy itself. Presented as a two-fold concern of digital and civic literacy, surveillance and privacy expert Heidi Boghosian argues that our fight to uphold democracy must extend to the online world. Drawing parallels between Americans and their "smart" devices, *Cyber Citizens* sheds light on the balance between connectivity and privacy to uphold a truly democratic society.

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Beacon Press | HC  
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Theme: African American Voices and Stories

### Alabama Village

J. Malcolm Garcia

J. Malcolm Garcia's narrative nonfiction explores a forgotten Alabama neighborhood through intimate profiles of its resilient people. Despite immense loss, these raw and humanizing portraits reveal their determination to overcome circumstances. *Alabama Village* is a tribute to the community and the individual stories that define it.

"J. Malcolm Garcia [channels] the empathetic ear of Studs Terkel and the investigative skills of the best literary journalists."—Beth Taylor, author of *The Plain Language of Love and Loss*

Website: [jmalcolmgarcia.com](http://jmalcolmgarcia.com)

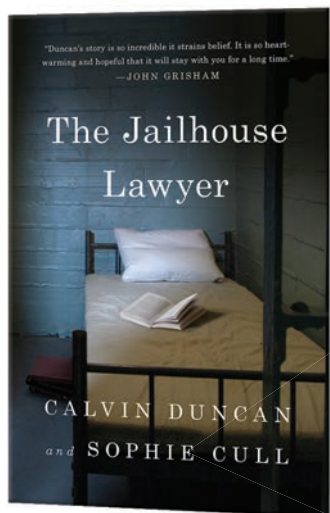
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Also available: *Out of the Rain*  
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# The Jailhouse Lawyer

Calvin Duncan and Sophie Cull



Theme: Social Action

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Calvin Duncan was 19 when he was incarcerated for a 1981 New Orleans murder he didn't commit. The victim of a wildly incompetent public defense system and a badly compromised witness, Duncan was left to rot in the waking nightmare of confinement. Armed with little education, he took matters into his own hands.

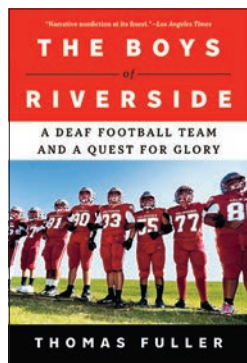
At 21 he filed his first motion from prison: "Motion for a Law Book," which launched his highly successful, self-taught legal career. Trapped within this wholly corrupted system, Duncan became a legal advocate for himself and his fellow prisoners as an inmate counsel at the infamous Louisiana State Penitentiary, Angola. During his decades of incarceration, Duncan helped hundreds of other prisoners navigate their cases, advocating for those the state had long since written off.

Criminal justice reform advocate Sophie Cull met Duncan after he was finally released from prison; he began to tell her his story. Together, they've written a bracing condemnation of the criminal legal system, and an intimate portrait of a heroic and brilliant man's resilience in the face of injustice.

"Duncan's story is so incredible it strains belief. It is so heartwarming and hopeful that it will stay with you for a long time."—John Grisham

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Theme: Disability

## The Boys of Riverside

A Deaf Football Team and a Quest for Glory

Thomas Fuller

The incredible story of an all-deaf high school football team's triumphant climb from underdog to undefeated, their inspirational brotherhood, a fascinating portrait of deafness in America, and the indefatigable head coach who spearheaded the team.

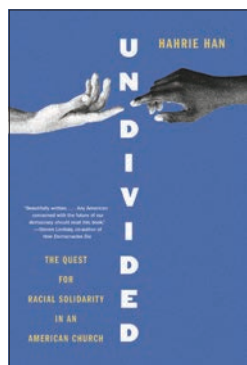
"Through the journeys of the deaf players, their coaches and their families, Mr. Fuller expands our idea of what it means to communicate. Deafness may seem like a disadvantage on the football field, but the players turn it into an asset."—*Wall Street Journal*

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Theme: Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

## Undivided

The Quest for Racial Solidarity in an American Church

Hahrie Han

The inspiring story of evangelicals in Cincinnati struggling to bridge racial divides in their own church, their community, and across the nation.

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Theme: Social Action

## Solidarity

The Past, Present, and Future of a World-Changing Idea  
*Leah Hunt-Hendrix and Astra Taylor*

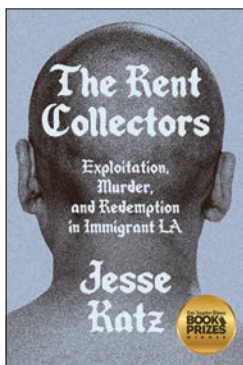
From renowned organizers and activists Leah Hunt-Hendrix and Astra Taylor, comes the first in-depth examination of Solidarity—not just as a rallying cry, but as potent political movement with potential to effect lasting change.

“Reads at once like a moral treatise and a rallying manifesto, a call to reflect and lock arms . . . but there’s something else humming under the surface, more philosophical ideas pointing the way to the deep humanity implicit in our interdependence.”—*The Washington Post*

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Theme: Latinx

## The Rent Collectors

Exploitation, Murder, and Redemption in Immigrant LA  
*Jesse Katz*

A breathless narrative that explicates the difficult and proud lives of undocumented black market workers being extorted by the gangs and fined by the city of LA.

“For a tough-guy book about tough guys, this is a work of almost unerring tenderness. If its subtitle promises ‘redemption,’ the book itself delivers something more honest: stories about people broken by powers larger than they are and who nonetheless find the will to fight on.”  
—Ben Ehrenreich, *The New York Times Book Review*

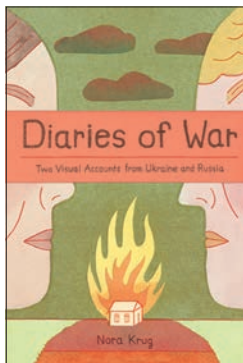
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Theme: Resilience / Perseverance

## Diaries of War

Two Visual Accounts from Ukraine and Russia  
[A Graphic Novel History]  
*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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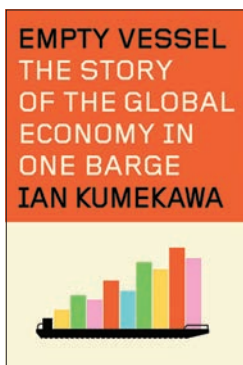
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Theme: Being Connected

## Empty Vessel

The Story of the Global Economy in One Barge  
*Ian Kumekawa*

The rise of globalization and financialization as seen from a barge—one Swedish barge, to be exact, built in 1979.

“In the astonishing trajectory of a humble barge, *Empty Vessel* delivers an ambitious history of the global economy, linking everything from oil-drilling and offshore finance to military deployments and mass incarceration. I’ve rarely read a book that so deftly entwines a single, accessible story with the broad forces of globalization.”  
—Maya Jasanoff, author of *The Dawn Watch*

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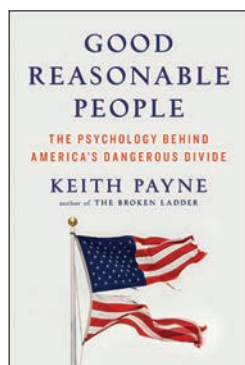
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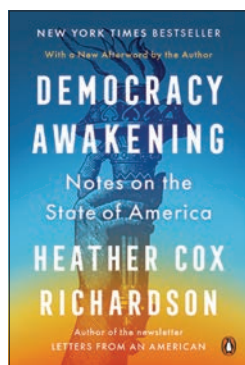
Theme: Being Connected

### Good Reasonable People The Psychology Behind America's Dangerous Divide *Keith Payne*

There has been much written about the impact of polarization on elections, political parties, and policy outcomes. But Keith Payne's goal is more personal: to focus on what our divisions mean for us as individuals, as families, and as communities. This book is about how ordinary people think about politics, why talking about it is so hard, and how we can begin to mend the personal bonds that are fraying for so many of us.

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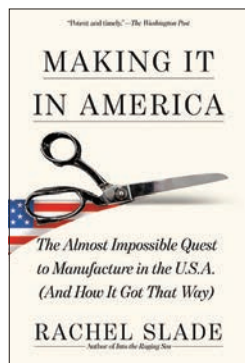
### Democracy Awakening Notes on the State of America *Heather Cox Richardson*

Historian Heather Cox Richardson explains how a small group of wealthy people have made war on American ideals. She argues that taking our country back starts by remembering the elements of the nation's true history that marginalized Americans have always upheld.

"Heather Richardson explores the raging (in every sense of the word) political, cultural, and social forces that an elite minority has fostered to divide Americans, erode democracy, and rise to power."—Joanne Freeman, Professor of History at Yale University and author of *Field of Blood*

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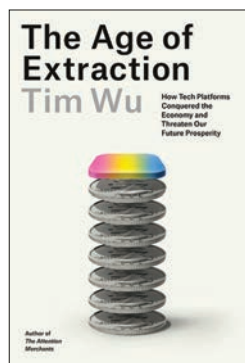
### Making It in America The Almost Impossible Quest to Manufacture in the U.S.A. (And How It Got That Way) *Rachel Slade*

A moving and eye-opening look at the story of manufacturing in America, whether it can ever successfully return to our shores, and why our nation depends on it—told through the experience of one young couple in Maine as they attempt to rebuild a lost industry, ethically.

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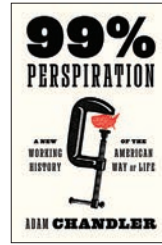
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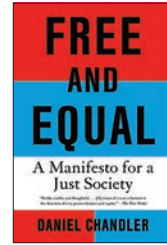
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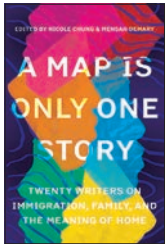
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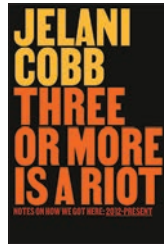
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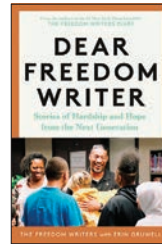
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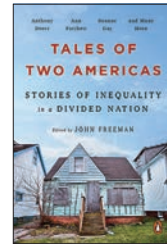
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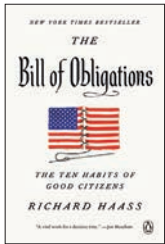
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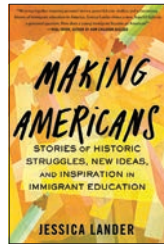
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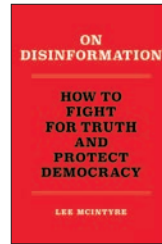
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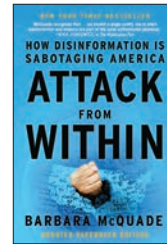
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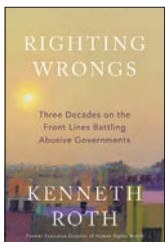
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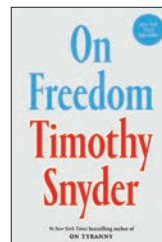
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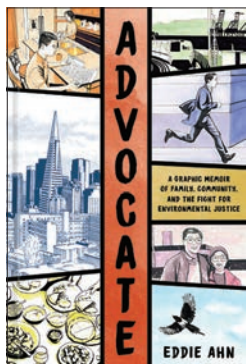
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Theme: Social Action

## Advocate

A Graphic Memoir of Family, Community, and the Fight for Environmental Justice

Eddie Ahn

A moving graphic memoir following Eddie Ahn, an environmental justice lawyer and activist striving to serve diverse communities in San Francisco amidst environmental catastrophes, an accelerating tide of racial and economic inequality, burnout, and his family's expectations.

"From a childhood gleaning his Korean family's history to life as a lawyer, community advocate and self-taught artist, Ahn presents his path in sharp, tinted panels."—*The New York Times Book Review*

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Theme: The Natural World

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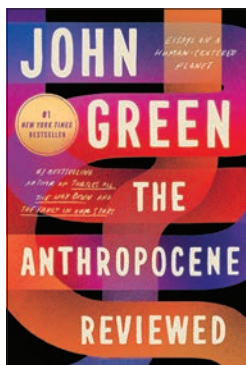
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Theme: Being Connected

## The Anthropocene Reviewed

Essays on a Human-Centered Planet

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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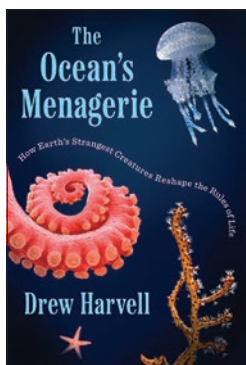
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How Earth's Strangest Creatures Reshape the Rules of Life

Drew Harvell

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# What If We Get It Right?

## Visions of Climate Futures

Ayana Elizabeth Johnson



Theme: Social Action

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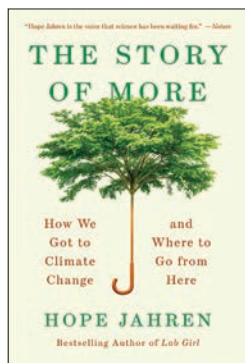
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Theme: Climate Change

## The Story of More

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

Hope Jahren

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.

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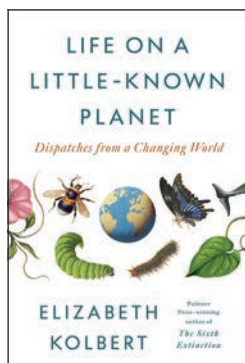
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Theme: Climate Change

## Life on a Little-Known Planet

Dispatches from a Changing World

Elizabeth Kolbert

An intrepid reporter and a skillful translator of scientific ideas, Pulitzer Prize winner Elizabeth Kolbert expertly captures the wonders of nature and paints vivid portraits of the researchers and concerned citizens working to preserve them. Collected in *Life on a Little-Known Planet* are her most influential and thought-provoking essays.

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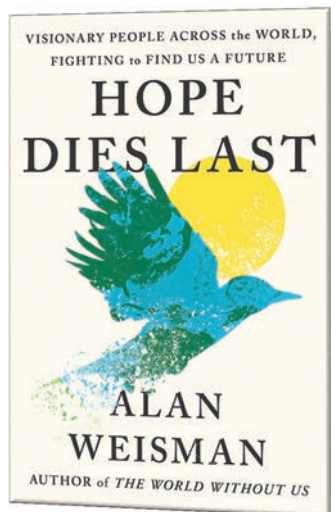


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# Hope Dies Last

Visionary People Across the World, Fighting to Find Us a Future

Alan Weisman



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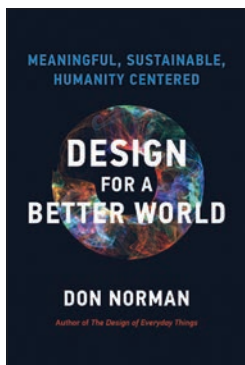


The bestselling author of *The World Without Us* returns with a book ten years in the making: a study of what it means to be a human on the front lines of our planet's existential crisis. *Hope Dies Last* is a literary evocation of our current predicament and the core resolve of our species against the most precarious odds we have ever faced.

Weisman traveled the globe, witnessing climate upheaval and other devastations, and meeting the people striving to mitigate and undo our past transgressions. He profiles the innovations of big thinkers—engineers, scientists, conservationists, economists, architects, and artists—as they conjure wildly creative, imaginative responses to an uncertain, ominous future.

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Theme: Health & Wellbeing

## Design for a Better World

Meaningful, Sustainable, Humanity Centered

Don Norman

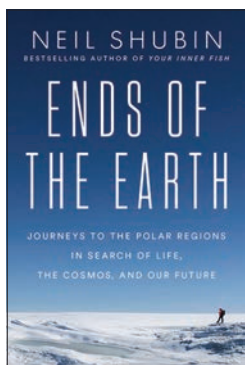
The world is a mess. Our dire predicament, from collapsing social structures to the climate crisis, has been millennia in the making and can be traced back to the erroneous belief that the earth's resources are infinite. The key to change, says Don Norman, is human behavior, covered in the book's three major themes: meaning, sustainability, and humanity-centeredness. *Design for a Better World* presents an eye-opening diagnosis of where we've gone wrong and a clear prescription for making things better.

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Theme: The Natural World

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Journeys to the Polar Regions in Search of Life, the Cosmos, and Our Future

Neil Shubin

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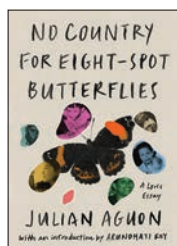
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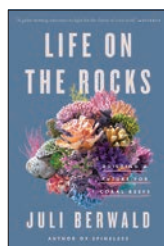
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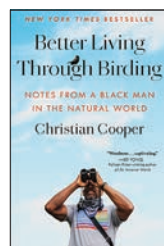
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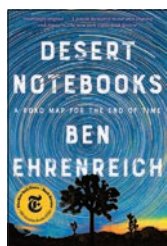
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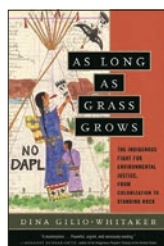
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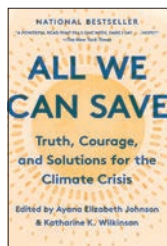
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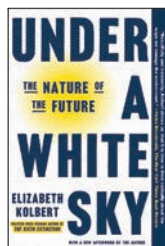
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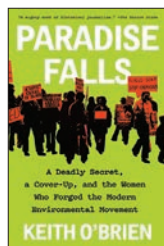
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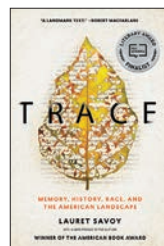
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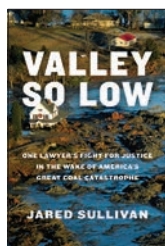
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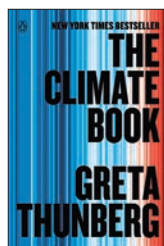
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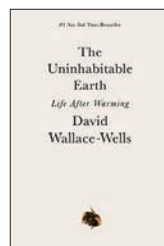
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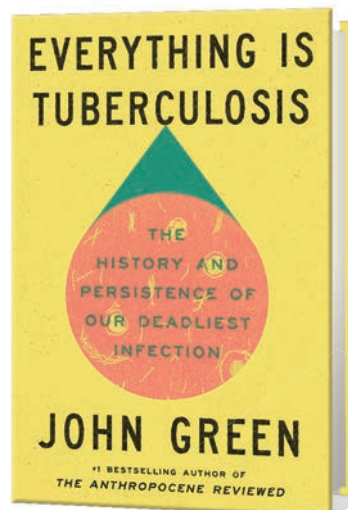
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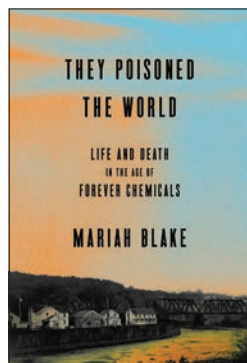
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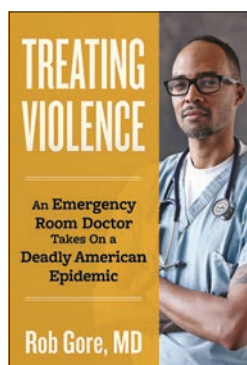
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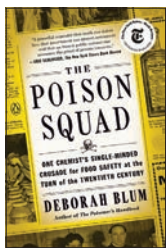
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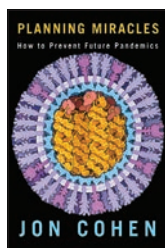
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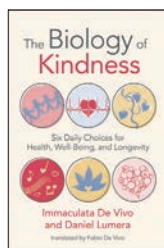




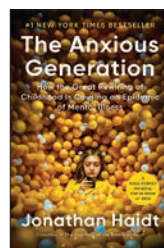
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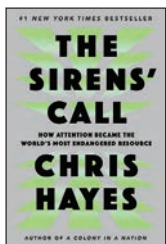
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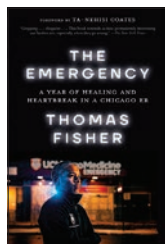
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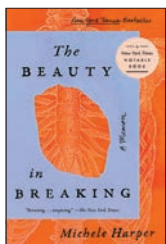
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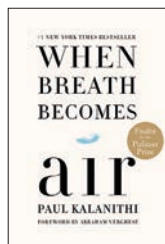
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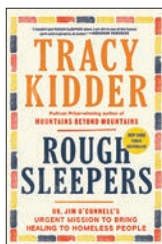
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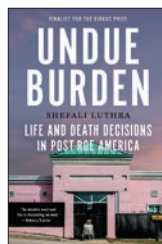
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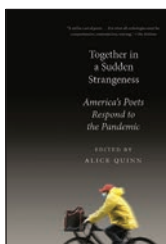
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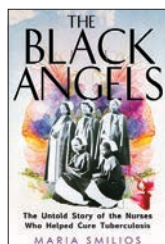
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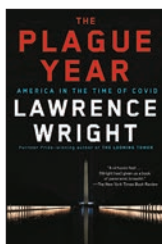
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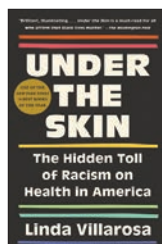
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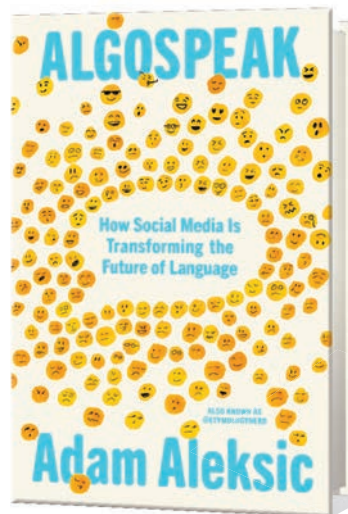


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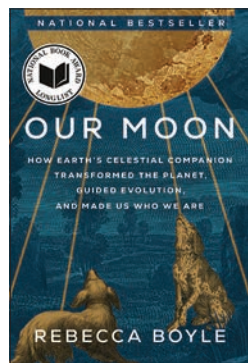
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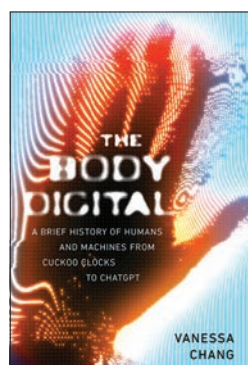
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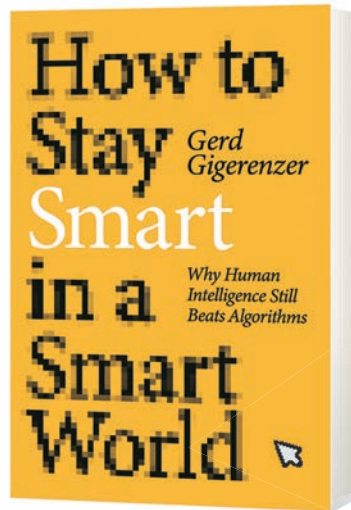
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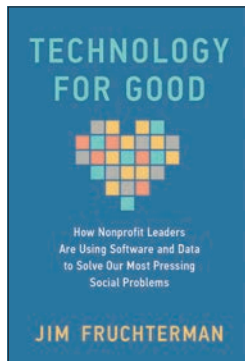
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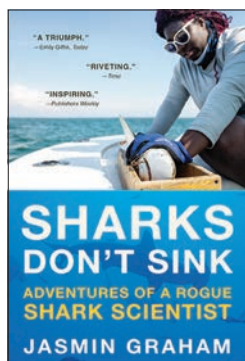
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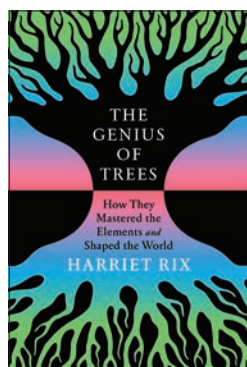
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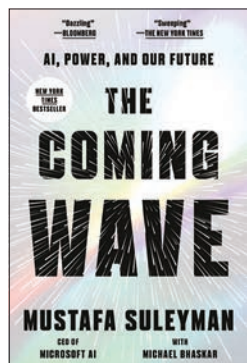
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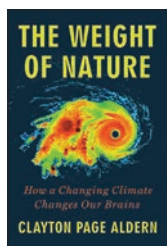
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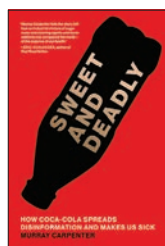
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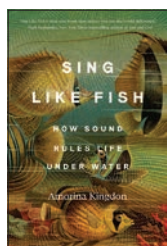
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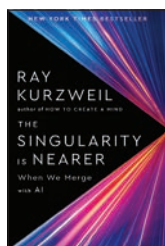
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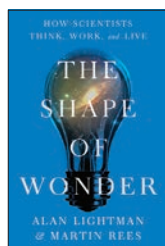
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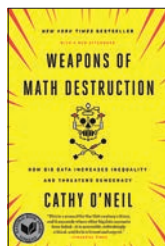
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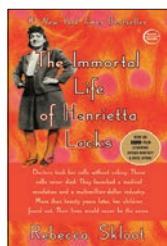
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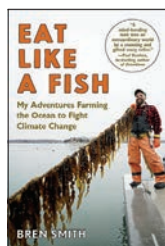
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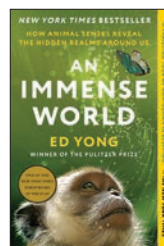
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