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Goin’ Off
The Story of the Juice Crew & Cold Chillin’ Records

Ben Merlis

Foreword by Peanut Butter Wolf

Goin’ Off chronicles the rise and fall of Cold Chillin’ and its partnership with Warner Bros. Records. It follows the careers of the label’s recording artists through first-hand accounts of industry players, producers, MCs, and DJs: Roxanne Shanté was a 14-year-old battle rapper who spawned the diss record; MC Shan engaged in a legendary cross-borough feud with KRS-One; Kool G Rap was a foundational participant in what the media dubbed “gangsta rap”; Big Daddy Kane’s quick-witted lyricism changed the way people rhyme; the collegiate Masta Ace sought to uplift his community during the height of the crack epidemic; The Genius (aka GZA) co-founded the rap dynasty Wu-Tang Clan; and the enigmatic Biz Markie had the world singing along to his hit anthem “Just a Friend.” Plagued by corporate censorship and a landmark sample-related lawsuit in the 1990s, Cold Chillin’ folded, leaving behind a legacy shrouded in controversy and a catalog that influenced multiple generations of rap artists.

Ben Merlis is a native of Los Angeles, where he was raised on oldies, Hip-Hop, and punk, in that order. He currently writes for uDiscover Music and works in public relations for Experience Hendrix, ABKCO, ZZ Top, and many others. Peanut Butter Wolf is a Los Angeles-based DJ, record producer, and founder of the independent record label Stones Throw Records.
How Sweet It Is
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A Songwriter’s Reflections on Music, Motown and the Mystery of the Muse
Lamont Dozier with Scott B. Bomar

In How Sweet It Is Lamont takes us behind the scenes of the Motown machine, sharing personal stories of his encounters with such icons as Diana Ross, Marvin Gaye, Stevie Wonder, Smokey Robinson, and Berry Gordy. He reveals the moments that inspired some of his timeless songs—and pulls back the curtain on the studio secrets that helped him and his colleagues create “the sound of young America.” From his early years of struggle growing up in Detroit to the triumphs and tragedies that have marked his personal and professional path, at the center of Lamont’s story is the heart of a true songwriter. Though he’s racked up well over 100 Top 10 singles on the Billboard charts, been inducted into Songwriters Hall of Fame and the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame, and has been named among Rolling Stone magazine’s “100 Greatest Songwriters of All Time,” Lamont continues to write music every day. Having pursued the mystery of the songwriting muse for many years, his stories are interwoven with invaluable insights and wisdom on the art and craft of songwriting that will inspire the creative spark in all of us.

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Lamont Dozier is an inductee to both the Songwriters Hall of Fame and the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame, a recipient of the prestigious Johnny Mercer Award for songwriting, and a BMI Icon award winner. Scott B. Bomar is an award-winning, Grammy-nominated writer who has authored or co-authored five books.

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The Pilgrim
A Wall-To-Wall Odyssey
Marty Stuart
Foreword by Billy Bob Thornton

“Marty Stuart is the keeper of the Hillbilly Flame”
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Marty Stuart’s tenth studio album, The Pilgrim, was released in 1999. The risky and ambitious concept project—based on true events that transpired in his hometown of Philadelphia, Mississippi—was a turning point in Marty’s unique artistry. While not a commercial success at the time, The Pilgrim represents a rediscovery of his roots and a creative rebirth that continues to reverberate today as we celebrate the album’s 20th anniversary. From the art direction, to the eccentric narrative, to the participation of iconic performers such as Earl Scruggs, Johnny Cash, Emmylou Harris, and Connie Smith, The Pilgrim somehow managed to connect with the deepest spirit of country music’s rich traditions while also breaking new ground. It’s impossible to understand Marty Stuart without understanding what led to The Pilgrim and how it has shaped who he is today as an uncompromising artist and an unflinching evangelist for pure country music. Also included with the book is a CD of the original album and unreleased bonus material.

Marty Stuart is a country music icon. He is a singer, songwriter, multi-instrumentalist, photographer, essayist, collector, preservationist and defender of country music’s rich traditions. The five-time Grammy award winner and Grand Ole Opry member’s most recent project is Marty Stuart’s Congress of Country Music, a Philadelphia, Mississippi-based museum, concert venue, and educational and cultural facility that will house his personal collection of over 20,000 country music-related artifacts. Billy Bob Thornton is an actor, musician, author, filmmaker, and Academy Award-winning screenwriter.

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Barry Stone is a contributing author for a string of illustrative reference books including America: The Complete Story, Historica: 1,000 Years of Our Lives and Times, HOME: Design & Architecture from Prehistory to Today, and the critically-acclaimed EARTH. He has also worked as a contributing author on several of the popular “1001” titles for UK publisher Quintessence including 1001 Inventions that Changed the World, 1001 Escapes to Make Before You Die, and 1001 Comics You Must Read Before You Die.

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Tom Engle has been a horologist for over 45 years and has regularly attended NAWCC regional shows throughout the United States during that time. He has visited and studied at numerous horological institutes, museums and watch factories throughout Europe. He continues to hone his horological education through his persistent attention to monitoring both national and international auctions, eBay sales trends, NAWCC watch meets and through his dealing with knowledgeable watch dealers and collectors. Richard M. Gilbert is the owner of Richard M. Gilbert Enterprises. He attends watch auctions in both Europe and the United States and is an active member of the NAWCC. Joe DeMesy is the owner and President of DeMesy & Co. in Dallas, Texas and one of the largest dealers of vintage and contemporary luxury timepieces. He is a member of the International Watch & Jewelry Guild, the National Association of Watch, and Clock Collectors. His company has been featured as one of Inc. Magazine’s 5000 fastest growing privately held businesses in America.

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Cosmic Underground Northside
An Incantation of Black Canadian Speculative Discourse and Innerstandings

Introduction by Nalo Hopkinson
Foreword by Zainab Amadahy

Cosmic Underground Northside operates as a seminal collection consisting of works from cross-generations and pan-national Black creatives and cultural producers from Canada. This generous book offers a glimpse of different innerstandings, a profound comprehension or conviction within one’s spirit or soul. We consider the following: What are the unique elements of artistic expression in Black Canadian art? Considering Canada’s history on Indigenous land, how do Black Canadians imagine their future in a colony that promotes erasure, yet claims multiculturalism? Cosmic Underground Northside: An Incantation of Black Canadian Speculative Discourse and Innerstanding is an archival book comprised of diasporic dialogues around liberation and spirituality. Significant contributions of poems, lyrics, prose, short stories and other expressive forms of literature along with vibrant illustrations, photographs, posters, mixed-media digital and analog rendered artworks by over 100 talented, gifted Black Canadian scholars and creatives.

Zainab Amadahy is an author of screenplays, nonfiction, and futurist fiction including the cult classic, Moons of Palmares. She also co-authored Indigenous and Black Peoples in Canada. In her role as Intergenerational Sharing Facilitator at Children’s Peace theatre, Zainab connects Elders and seniors with Black and Indigenous youth who are exploring healing and decolonization through artistic processes. She lives in Toronto. Nalo Hopkinson is a Jamaican-born Canadian writer and editor. Her debut novel Brown Girl in the Ring was nominated for the Philip K. Dick Award and received the Locus Award for Best New Writer. She is also the author of Midnight Robber, Skin Folk While, The Salt Roads, The New Moon’s Arms, and Sister Mine. She lives in Riverside, California.

Crafting Aotearoa
A Cultural History of Making in New Zealand and the Wider Moana

Edited by Damian Skinner, Kolokesa U. Mahina-Tuai, and Karl Chitham

A major new history of craft that spans three centuries of making and thinking in Aotearoa New Zealand and the wider Moana (Pacific). Paying attention to Pakeha (European New Zealanders), Maori, and island nations of the wider Moana, and old and new migrant makers and their works, this book is a history of craft understood as an idea that shifts and changes over time. At the heart of this book lie the relationships between Pakeha, Maori and wider Moana artistic practices that, at different times and for different reasons, have been described by the term craft. It tells the previously untold story of craft in Aotearoa New Zealand, so that the connections, as well as the differences and tensions, can be identified and explored. This book proposes a new idea of craft—one that acknowledges Pakeha, Maori and wider Moana histories of making, as well as diverse community perspectives towards objects and their uses and meanings.

Damian Skinner is an award-winning author of several books on art, craft and artists, most recently The Maori Meeting House and Theo Schoon: A Biography. Kolokesa Mahina-Tuai has been a curator at both the Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa and the Auckland Museum Tamaki Paenga Hira. She now works as an independent consultant. She is the author of numerous books including, with Sean Mallon and Damon Salesa, Tangata o le Moana. She is currently the Tongan representative on the Pacific Arts Committee for Creative New Zealand. Karl Chitham (Ngapuhi) is the director of the Dowse Art Museum. He has experience and involvement with Artists Alliance and mentoring programmes and is a selection panel member, advisor, award’s judge and curator advisor within the New Zealand arts community.
The Ukulele
An Illustrated Workshop Manual
Graham McDonald

The Ukulele is the first comprehensive book on building all styles of ukulele, from the little soprano ukuleles of 19th century Hawai’i to concert, tenor and baritone sizes. The book will lead the first-time ukulele builder through the various steps of crafting a ukulele with detailed written information complemented by nearly 350 photographs and diagrams. Full size plans of all the ukuleles are available to download and print. A full list of tools, hardware and timber required is included. The first chapters are devoted to making the individual parts of a ukulele. These are followed by chapters which focus on combining those parts into completed instruments. Various finishing methods are canvased and there is detailed information of setting up the instrument for optimal playability. Three different methodologies are used for the assembly of the instruments, and these methods can be mixed and matched as the reader desires. There are options for using power or hand tools for most procedures. Author Graham McDonald has almost 40 years of experience building stringed musical instruments and has published two books on the construction of mandolin family instruments, as well as The Mandolin, a highly acclaimed history of the mandolin around the world.

Graham McDonald has been a musical instrument builder for over 35 years, along the way also working as a radio producer, recording engineer, sound archivist, arts administrator, event organizer and a journalist. He is the author of The Bouzouki Book, The Mandolin Project, and The Mandolin - A History.

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Censorship in Polish Art After 1989
Art, Law, Politics
Jakub Dabrowski and Anna Demenko

Censorship in Polish Art After 1989 is a pioneering work on censorship in Polish art after the fall of the USSR available in English for the first time with a skilled translation by Łukasz Mojsak. Polish Art Historian Jakub Dabrowski, with contributions from Anna Demenko, offers the first comprehensive study to analyze the problems of restricting the freedom of artistic expression in the Third Polish Republic. The book includes two complementary approaches - legal and historical (including political and social aspects of the phenomenon). Based on the collected factographic material, Dabrowski captures the characteristic qualitative and quantitative characteristics of the phenomenon studied in time. He enters his considerations in a wider social, political, artistic and media context, at the same time pointing to symbolic breakthroughs, precedents, sequences or correlations of events.

Jakub Dabrowski is an Assistant Professor at the Faculty of Visual Culture at the Academy of Fine Arts in Warsaw where he lectures History of Contemporary Art and Copyright Law. He is the recipient of the Polish Art Historian Association Award for scholarship for young members of the Association and the Award of the Polish Art Critique. He lives in Warsaw, Poland. Anna Demenko is an Assistant Professor in the Chair of Criminal Law at the Law Faculty of the Adam Mickiewicz University, where she lectures about criminal law. She is a member of the European Criminal Bar Association and has an individual law practice. In her research she concentrates on the relation between criminal law and freedom of speech as well as on transnational criminal law.

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This is Not a Fashion Story
Taking Chances, Breaking Rules,
and Being a Boss in the Big City

Danielle Bernstein

Danielle Bernstein’s name and brand, WeWoreWhat, has become a global platform with an audience of over 2.5 million.

This book is a revealing (in more ways than one) tell-all from Long Island girl-turned-international fashion influencer, designer, CEO, and tech entrepreneur Danielle Bernstein, the creative genius behind the hit style platform @WeWoreWhat. Danielle Bernstein spent her youth shopping at discount department stores, getting boozy in suburban backyards and proposing marriage to every boy she dated. By age nineteen, she was a college dropout living in a West Village shoebox with three roommates and only six months to prove that her blog, @WeWoreWhat, could become a full blown career... or else board the train back to her mom’s house. Flash forward ten years. Danielle is more than a famed influencer with over two million followers. She’s also a bonafide business woman—a CEO, tech founder and fashion designer whose living a dream lifestyle that includes all-expense-paid luxury travel to Paris and Positano, skipping the velvet rope, and controlling her own destiny. Despite these successes, Danielle has never been your typical play-by-the-rules fashionista. She disrupted the fashion industry using her own playbook—one that she’s finally ready to share with you, her readers. This Is Not A Fashion Story is the down and dirty tale of how a Long Island-born teenager became one of the most recognizable names in fashion. It’s a story that proves success isn’t about a college degree or how rich your parents are. It’s about trusting your gut, knowing when to take risks and fighting to get what you want in life, love and business. But above all it’s the story of how a young girl made in the concrete jungle that is New York City—and how you can too.

Danielle Bernstein is the founder of world-renowned fashion blog @WeWoreWhat. The platform, which she launched in 2010, now boasts more than two million followers on Instagram alone. In addition to her success as an influencer, Bernstein was recognized by Forbes “30 Under 30” at just 24-years-old. She has also launched multiple companies—including tech startup MOE and clothing brand Shop WeWoreWhat.

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When It Felt Like Life Was Over
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Alec Klein is a best-selling author and award-winning journalist formerly of the Washington Post and Wall Street Journal. His groundbreaking investigations have uncovered a wide array of wrongdoing and set free several prisoners who were wrongfully convicted of murder and accused of other crimes. He also has helped dozens of excessively sentenced women gain their freedom through parole and commutation.

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The Trials of Albert Stroebel
Love, Murder and Justice at the End of the Frontier
Chad Reimer

On a dreary morning in April, 1893, John Marshall, a Portuguese immigrant and successful farmer on Sumas Prairie in British Columbia, was found lying sprawled across the veranda of his farmhouse, his body cold and lifeless. The farmer’s face was a mess, his nose smashed in and cracked blood covering his forehead around a jagged black hole. The shocked and unfortunate neighbor who discovered the body rushed to Huntingdon railway station to summon the authorities. An autopsy, coroner’s inquest and murder investigation followed. Only two days later, a local handyman named Albert Stroebel was arrested for Marshall’s murder. The young man the community knew was not capable of murder, and they were shocked to imagine that he could have killed the man who had treated him like family. Unraveling the mystery would take nine months and two lengthy trials that seized the attention of local communities on both sides of the Canadian-American border, splitting them into pro- and anti-Stroebel factions. The first trial in New Westminster ended with the jury hopelessly deadlocked, the second in Victoria found him guilty and set an impending date for his execution. When the second trial ended with a guilty verdict and death sentence many in the public howled in protest, convinced that a young man had been condemned to die for a crime he did not commit. And the dramatic events would not stop there. With the condemned man sitting on death row, the case would take more twists and turns that would lead Albert Stroebel to the shadow of the gallows.

Chad Reimer has a BA Honours in History from the University British Columbia, along with an MA and PhD in History from York University. He is the author of Before We Lost the Lake. He lives in Abbotsford, BC.

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Cataline
Uncovering the Life of BC’s Legendary Packer
Susan Smith-Josephy and Irene Bjerký

Gold rushes, telegraph lines and railroads, Smith-Josephy reaches into BC’s pioneering past to share intriguing stories featuring famous mule train packer, Jean “Cataline” Caux. The most famous of all the men who ran the pack trains was Jean Caux, who would enter British Columbia’s history as the legendary packer “Cataline”. Cataline came to North America from Southern France with his brother, eventually landing in British Columbia in 1858. Having learned the trade from Mexican packers in California and Washington, Cataline established a pack train operation that grew to be one of the most well-known and reliable in the province, including securing contracts with the government and Hudson’s Bay Company. Cataline witnessed many of the pioneering events that shaped the province, including the Fraser River Gold Rush of 1858, the Cariboo Gold Rush of 1862, the coming of the railway to Ashcroft in 1886, and the Grand Trunk Pacific to Hazelton in 1912. Cataline also crossed paths with significant historical figures such as Judge Matthew Begbie, famed anthropologist James Teit, and Amelia York (née Paul, daughter of Chief Kowpelst (Telxkn) of the Nlaka’pamux people of Spuzzum), a world-famous First Nations basketmaker, with whom Cataline had two children. In Cataline, the legend and life of the man has been remembered in the words of his friends, his family, and those who chronicled the times and development of the province.

Susan Smith-Josephy is a writer, researcher, and genealogist. She trained as a journalist at Langara College and worked for a number of small-town newspapers in BC. She is the author of Lillian Alling: The Journey Home. She lives in Quesnel, British Columbia. Irene Bjerký has been interested in Jean Caux for a long time, while researching her genealogical connection to him. She is a boilermaker, a former commercial fisher, and is interested in her family’s and community’s history. She lives in Yale, British Columbia.

Doppelganger
A Memoir of Mirrored Selves
David K. Leff

Imagine being haunted by doubles. Picture yourself repeatedly mistaken for others, both celebrities and unknowns. A double infiltrates your family life altering close relationships. Another brings your reputation and career into question. Shadowed or second selves have long blossomed in legend and stories, but in David K. Leff’s world they leap to life, intruding in unexpected ways. If you’ve never been scarred by a doppelganger, but especially if you have, you will want to join Leff as he struggles to maintain his equanimity in a realm of mirrored selves.

David K. Leff is an essayist, Pushcart Prize nominated poet, and former deputy commissioner of the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection. He is the author of six nonfiction books, three volumes of poetry, and a novel in verse. He has served on the boards of the Riverwood Poetry Series, Connecticut Forest and Park Association, the Connecticut Maple Syrup Producers Association and Audubon Connecticut. He has taught nature poetry at the famed Sunken Garden Poetry Festival, the Mark Twain House and Museum in Hartford, the Emily Dickinson Museum in Amherst, Massachusetts and elsewhere. David has been a contest judge for the Connecticut Poetry Society and given poetry readings at venues throughout the state. He has lectured on environmental and historical topics, the craft of writing, and other subjects on college campuses, at conferences, for annual meetings and at other events. David is the town meeting moderator and town historian in his hometown of Canton, Connecticut where he has also served 26 years as a volunteer firefighter and in other civic activities.

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Mission
Jimmy Stewart and the Fight for Europe

Robert Matzen
Foreword by Leonard Maltin

When he left Hollywood in March 1941, Jimmy Stewart was America’s boy next door movie star and a recent Academy Award winner. He left all that behind to join the United States Army Air Corps and fulfill his family mission to serve his country—only to face obstacle after obstacle from both Hollywood and Washington. Finally he made his way to the European Theater, where several near-death experiences and the loss of men under his command took away his youthful good looks. The war finally won, he returned home with millions of other veterans to face an uncertain future, suffering what we now know as PTSD. For the next half century, Stewart refused to discuss his combat experiences and took the story of his service to the grave. Mission presents the first in-depth look at Stewart’s life as a Squadron Commander in the skies over Germany, from takeoff to landing and every key moment in between. Author Robert Matzen sifted through thousands of Air Force combat reports and the Stewart personnel files; interviewed surviving aviators who flew with Stewart; visited the James Stewart Papers at Brigham Young University; flew in the cockpits of the B-17 Flying Fortress and B-24 Liberator; and walked the earth of air bases in England used by Stewart in his combat missions of 1943-45. What emerges in Mission is the story of a Jimmy Stewart you never knew until now, a story more fantastic than any he brought to the screen.

Robert Matzen is an American author who specializes in Hollywood history. He is the author of Dutch Girl and Fireball. He lives in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Leonard Maltin is a film critic and historian who can be regularly seen on ReelzChannel and Turner Classic Movies. He lives in Los Angeles, California.

Addicted to Perfect
A Journey Out of the Grips of Adderall

Vitae Buford

In Addicted to Perfect, the author shares the highs and lows of having been a slave to Adderall, the destructive relationships that ensued, and the way that she finally broke free. She details the many twists and turns involved in the years leading up to her getting sober and the eating disorder that followed her into sobriety. It took parenthood and radical honesty for her to begin the road to true healing. Her story is one of hope that no matter where you are in your life you can release the grip of perfection, heal your pain, your abandonment, your loneliness, your fear, your guilt, and your shame. You can experience true freedom, and most importantly, replace perfection with self-love.

Vitae Buford is a certified professional coach, author, speaker, and former corporate executive who has held leadership roles in marketing, business development, human resources, and executive coaching. She brings her personal experience, professional education and training, and her specialized healing techniques together to create a unique coaching system – one that gets at the root of the issue to bring about lasting and real change. She lives in Central Kentucky.

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Home is Where
The Journeys of a Missionary Child
Margaret Newbigin Beetham

Home is Where tells of the journeys – across continents, over time, and through the challenges of family love, loss and letting go – of Margaret Beetham, whose parents were Helen and Lesslie Newbigin, missionaries in India between the 1930s and the 1970s. The life and thoughts of her father, one of the twentieth century’s most admired missionary theologians, have been well documented, but the experiences of a missionary's family are rarely told. This is Margaret’s story, centered around the profound effects on a young girl of being sent away from the heat, color and safety of her Indian home to an old-fashioned boarding school in England, and her relationship with the younger sister nearest to her in age, entrust to her care in childhood and in later life.

Margaret Newbigin Beetham is a retired senior academic who taught for many years in the Department of English at Manchester Metropolitan University, where she was also involved in setting up a Women’s Studies MA. She has published extensively on the Victorian press, particularly as it relates to women, and on other aspects of Victorian print culture. She is a writer, activist, mother, and grandmother.

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The Extraordinary Life of the Outsider Who Sculpted the Famous
Aurelia Young and Julian Hale

Oscar Nemon (1906–1985) is one of the 20th century’s greatest sculptors, as testified by his iconic portraits of elder statesmen and major figures displayed all over the world. His flamboyant personality charmed those who came in contact with him, including Winston Churchill, Sigmund Freud, and Queen Elizabeth II. His daughter Aurelia reveals the stories behind his artistic and personal encounters with presidents, prime ministers, royalty, and others. She chronicles her father’s life from humble origins as a Jew in modern-day Croatia to his refuge from the Nazis in southern England and the life and career he made for himself in and around London. The result is an intimate biography of an artist, husband, and father.

Aurelia Young (Lady Young, b. 1943) is the daughter of Oscar Nemon. She grew up wandering in and out of her father’s studios at the family home in Oxford and later in London. Since his death in 1985, she has been researching her father’s life and gives talks about his life and work in the U.S., Paris, Brussels, Israel, and across the UK. Julian Hale is a journalist and author of several works of fiction and non-fiction. He worked as a documentary and features producer for BBC Radio 3 and 4 from 1968 to 1973 and from 1978 to 2000.

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Spark Your Creativity — and Powerfully Present Your Ideas!
Sam Harrison

Creativity is a highly valued resource in the business world, fueling innovation, boosting morale, and providing differentiation. However, individuals and teams too often dwell in a Zombie Zone of boredom and weak ideas or in the Zigzag Zone of confusion and non-productive ideas. Creative Zing! helps readers move out of those zones and bring their creativity into the Zing Zone of strong, consistent ideas and successful expression of those ideas. And by thriving in a creative Zing Zone, readers can have a more imaginative, fulfilling life. The book is formatted as powerful, digestible single-page messages for busy, attention-challenged designers, writers, marketers, product developers and professionals in other creative fields. Creative Zing! is the only book in the creativity genre that deals with both how to generate more ideas and how to effectively present those ideas to decision makers. Using a framework of five Es—Explore, Experiment, Exhale, Examine, Express—Creative Zing! provides 75 quick-hitting, real-world essays on ways to ignite creativity, spark ideas and bring those ideas to reality. The book is filled with how-to advice, quotes and examples to inspire readers and provide techniques they can start using the very next day.

Sam Harrison is an in-demand speaker and popular author who has worked in product development, brand communications and creative services. He has worked with such clients and associates as NFL, Major League Baseball, Hallmark, American Express, Merrill Lynch, and Hasbro. He has also been a regular contributor to blogs and publications such as Fast Company, HOW Design Magazine, and Idea Connections.

Dan Pilla’s Small Business Tax Guide
The Complete Guide to Organizing and Operating Your Small Business
Daniel J. Pilla

More than a half-million new businesses are started every year by creative, energetic people looking to capitalize on their ideas and ingenuity. Unfortunately, only about 3 out of 10 last more than two years, and only about 50% make it five years. A key reason small businesses fail is because of IRS problems. The tax code heaps a mountain of reporting, payment, and compliance obligations on small businesses that most business owners don’t know anything about. In fact, the Government Accountability Office once counted more than 200 distinct obligations placed on the shoulders of businesses. And since the tax code was changed more than 5,900 times just since 2001, you need this book now more than ever. In the Small Business Tax Guide, Dan covers important topics, including: identifying the 15 most common mistakes small business make, everything you need to know about hiring employees and using independent contractors, how to avoid tax penalties that can kill your business, plus much, much more! Don’t get clobbered for violating tax rules you never knew existed. If you currently operate or intend to operate your own small business, you need this important new book right now.

Daniel J. Pilla is regarded as one of the country’s premiere experts in IRS procedures and general financial problems resolution techniques. As the author of fifteen books, dozens of research reports and over one thousand articles, his work is regularly featured on radio and television, as well as in major newspapers, leading magazines and trade publications nationwide. His many media appearances include CBS, CBN, Fox News, C-SPAN, the CBS Radio Network, the USA Radio Network, and many others.
How to Make it Happen
Turning Failure into Success

Maria Hatzistefanis

Success is not final and failure is not fatal. Maria Hatzistefanis should know. Having spent 20 years building her own company (described by the press as “an overnight success”), she acknowledges how hard it is to keep going and find your motivation, especially in the face of self-doubt, rejection and unexpected setbacks. This punchy, easy to digest book spells out how to motivate yourself and harness your drive and energy to make things happen. With clear guidance, tips and celebrity stories throughout, Maria sums up her business secrets with three golden rules: set your goals; plot your trajectory; make it happen! This book will help anyone looking to grow their business and enable readers everywhere to find their own “Make It Happen” mindset. Everyone can learn from this book, no matter where you are in your career.

London-based beauty entrepreneur Maria Hatzistefanis started her career as a beauty writer before moving to New York where she received an MBA from Columbia Business School. She founded her ground-breaking skincare group, Rodial, in 1999 by identifying a niche for treatments targeted to specific skin concerns, with evocative tongue-in-cheek names such as Snake Serum and Dragon’s Blood. Maria now runs two brands—Rodial and Nip + Fab—with products selling through 20,000 doors across 35 countries worldwide. Today, the cutting-edge products are available in the most prestigious stores around the world, with support and praise from high profile names in the fashion and beauty industries.

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The Collective Wisdom of High-Performing Women
Leadership Lessons from The Judy Project

Edited by Colleen Moorehead

How can women become effective leaders in large organizations without sacrificing who they are, as women and as mothers? This book answers the question: They should live out the 10 characteristics of today’s winning leaders. These characteristics—compassion, honesty, and authenticity, for example—were once seen as feminine weaknesses in the command-and-control corporate world. But today, in an inclusive and connected world, they define the leader who strengthens organizations rather than undermines them. This book comes from the voices of experience: over 70 women who have participated in The Judy Project, a 16-year-old leadership forum for women leaders who are aiming for the top. In compelling, first-person stories, they talk about ambition, courage, and the hard choices they’ve made to manage personal and professional lives in the real world of business. They tell stories about how they put into action the 10 leadership traits, and they offer sage advice to young people—especially young women—about how they can move up in organizations while remaining true to themselves and to their families.

Colleen Moorehead is Chief Client Officer at Osler and the co-founder E*TRADE Canada. She was recognized in 2015 by Catalyst Canada as a Business Leader, for leading the way in business diversity. In 2010, she won a coveted award as a Business Builder from the Canadian Marketing Hall of Legends.

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Wild Leadership
What Wild Animals Teach Us About Leadership
Erna Walraven

This book delves into various types of leadership used by wild animals, with styles varying between species and to some degree between individuals. For each leadership style, one or more species demonstrating that style will be highlighted, including Autocratic (e.g. Gorilla), Laissez-faire (e.g. Lion), Democratic (e.g. Baboon), and Paternalistic/Maternalistic (e.g. Elephant). The book highlights what wild animals expect from their leader. In the wild, they will voluntarily follow a leader that they trust, which has their back at all times, and which always acts with the best interests of the group at heart. Wild Leadership identifies the characteristics of successful animal leaders and also how teamwork works in the animal world. Understanding the instincts displayed by other species allows us to manage our own behavior and relationships better, and can make us more effective leaders at home, in the workplace and in our communities.

Erna Walraven was born in the Netherlands and moved to Australia via Spain in the 1980s. She has worked in zoos for more than three decades, including as Senior Curator at Taronga Zoo in Sydney, Australia, for 20 years, where she is responsible for the scientific management of 400 species, including genetics, taxonomy, behavior, welfare, interpretation and research. She was also a consultant to other zoos on animal husbandry, welfare and other matters.

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Leading From the Edge of the Inside
Embracing the Heart of Business Leadership
Jim Moats

With the challenges facing owners and leadership teams of privately-owned companies, trying to lead can feel daunting. Today’s problems can often feel complex and the resources scarce. Yet the heart felt urge to create something special remains strong. Leading from the Edge of the Inside provides a simple path to shifting your leadership patterns and those of your leadership team. It brings to light the invisible patterns that no longer serve you and offers the structure for you and your leadership team to playfully practice shifting. If you’ve noticed that traditional leadership levers are less and less effective you aren’t alone. As you practice the essential conversations; value creation, execution, growth, leader effectiveness, management team coherence, collaboration, connection and inner fluency, traction will improve and your ability to scale will simplify. More importantly, the quality of meaning you and each employee experience will become measurable and leading will once again become more fun.

Jim Moats is the CEO of Jim Moats & Associates where his work focuses on shifting the patterns of leadership teams to achieve long-term growth and sustainability. Jim also serves as a Master Chair through Vistage International, the largest CEO membership organization in the world. He has served in leadership roles in three Fortune 500 companies. He lives in Seattle, Washington.

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In this definitive and popular guide, now in its fifth edition, industry expert Katharine Giovanni covers the basics of starting a new concierge, lifestyle management, errand service, or personal assistant company, from creating a business plan to handling the day-to-day logistics. This valuable resource—indispensable for small boutique services to large corporations—is packed with sales ideas, marketing tips, sage advice on topics such as insurance, and much more. Topics include why the concierge business is poised to explode in coming years, how to find a niche market, what services to offer, how to set fees, and how to sign top vendors and negotiate commissions from them. Katharine’s unique guidance has helped many successful start-ups through her ability to deliver time tested information for success in previous editions plus other books.

Katharine C. Giovanni is a concierge and front-line staff trainer, consultant, and speaker. She is the founder of the International Concierge and Lifestyle Management Association (ICLMA) and the International Concierge and the Lifestyle Management Network.

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The Bank That Lived a Little
Barclays in the Age of the Very Free Market
Philip Augar

Based on unparalleled access to those involved, and told with compelling pace and drama, The Bank that Lived a Little describes three decades of boardroom intrigue at one of Britain’s biggest financial institutions. In a tale of feuds, grandiose dreams and a struggle for supremacy between rival strategies and their adherents, Philip Augar gives a riveting account of Barclays’ journey from an old Quaker bank to a full-throttle capitalist machine. The disagreement between those ambitious for Barclays to join the top table of global banks, and those preferring a smaller domestic role more in keeping with the bank’s traditions, cost three chief executives their jobs and continues to divide opinion within Barclays, the City and beyond. Augar also shows how Barclays’ experiences are a paradigm for Britain’s social and economic life over 30 years, which saw the City move from the edge of the economy to its very center. These decades created unprecedented prosperity for a tiny number, and made the reputations of governments and individuals but then left many of them in tatters. Augar’s book tells this rollercoaster story from the perspective of many of its participants—and also of those affected by the grip they came to have on Britain.

Philip Augar, a former banker with a doctorate in history, is the author of several previous books including The Death of Gentlemanly Capitalism. He is currently chair of the UK government’s review of higher education. He contributes regularly to the Financial Times and the BBC.

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Jim Murray’s Whiskey Bible 2020
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Jim Murray

"Jim Murray is the world’s best whisky writer.” —Dominic Roskrow, Whiskeria Magazine

This is the world’s most influential book on whisky. Thanks to industry guru Jim Murray and his internationally acclaimed annual Whisky Bible, the Japanese are now running out of their own single malt and people have fought in Toronto liquor stores to grab the last bottle of his World Whisky of the Year. Rye, Irish Pot Still and Bourbon have all seen a massive resurgence in recent years not least thanks to the visionary campaigning of the world’s first-ever full time professional whisky writer. Murray has tasted nearly 20,000 different whiskies for the Whisky Bible since it first hit the shelves in 2003. For this 2020 edition, he reflects on over another 1,200. The 4,700 whiskies included in this 2020 edition range from Scottish Single malts to Australian; from Canadian to Austrian. The whiskies from over 30 different countries are included. And evaluated in his forthright, honest, amusing, fiercely independent and non-pretentious style.

Jim Murray is a legend and leading player on the world’s whisky stage. In the Spring of 1992, he gave up his position as a journalist for a British national newspaper to create an entirely new branch of journalism; indeed, the descriptive style of tasting notes he created and cultivated in those early days is now widely used throughout the industry. Since then he has sold more than three quarters of a million copies of his many books in various languages and in over 30 countries. Today the world is enjoying Ardbeg, Pure Irish Pot Still, Canadian and Japanese whisky such as Yoichi and Yamazaki, because Jim went out on a limb to bring them to the public’s attention. Jim has homes in both the UK and Kentucky.
Easy Recipes You’ll Love
More Than 130 Recipes from My Kitchen to Yours

Chef Tony Notaro

This cookbook is filled with many of the classic recipes Chef Tony Notaro grew up with, along with the recipes that he uses daily in his busy life. That means, it includes some of his best Italian-American dishes (just wait until you try his Old World Pasta Bolognese!), as well as everyday favorites like a Mashed Potato “Stuffed” Meatloaf that’ll have your whole family cheering. Chef Tony created this cookbook to inspire the everyday cook, and to show everyone that it’s easy to get a good meal on the table using off-the-shelf ingredients. As someone with a busy schedule, Chef Tony understands the importance of being able to put dinner on the table every night of the week. That’s why all of the recipes in this cookbook use everyday ingredients and have simple instructions. Not only are these recipes easy to make, but every one of them has been taste-tested by his family, his friends, and Chef Tony himself. (As Chef Tony would say, “Taste the love – Love the taste!”) With more than 130 recipes, lots of full-page color photos, and areas for readers to add their own recipe notes, this cookbook is bound to be a favorite.

Chef Tony Notaro believes that when you’re raised in a big Italian-American family, you quickly come to realize that family is everything. And if you’ve seen him on TV, whether demonstrating a gadget that’ll make your life easier or sharing his kitchen hints and tips, you know it’s hard not to be drawn into his warm and inviting personality. That’s why it’s not hard to believe that, if Chef Tony could, he would invite everyone who watches him on TV into his home for dinner. After all, that what family does.

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The Vegetarian Option

Jan Braai

Jan Braai’s friends have been badgering him to write a vegetarian braai book for years, and he has finally done it! Once he sat down to tackle the task, he realised that his books have loads of great vegetarian recipes, but it isn’t fair to make the vegetarians buy all the books to find them. So Jan collected all his best vegetarian recipes together, and then added a whole lot more. If you’re looking for a meat-free Monday option, have to cater for your son’s new vegetarian girlfriend or the grandchildren, or have even decided to take the vegetarian plunge yourself, there’s no reason to neglect your braai – Jan has you covered. Find delicious burgers, braaibroodjies, potjies, curries, breads and side dishes to keep you in vegetarian options for months. Even the meat eaters might be surprised to find how delicious a mushroom burger is!

Jan Braai started the National Braai Day initiative in 2005 and his aim is to create a national celebration of the one activity all South Africans have in common, regardless of race, language, gender or wealth: cooking over a fire. His TV series Jan Braai for Erfenis has run each year on Kyknet since 2011, and his National Braai Tour is fast becoming a highlight of the annual braai calendar.

Ribs and Sides

With Low & Slow BBQ Guide

Adam Roberts

Barbecuing aficionado Adam Roberts has updated his highly sought after Ribs cookbook by supplementing with further sumptuous sides, even more delicious satisfying recipes along with his universally loved meat board of slow-cooked rack of ribs. Ribs & Sides is the ultimate collection of the very best recipes, tips and techniques from the barbecue grill of Adam Roberts. Adam walks you through the big, bold flavors for all levels of expertise with all you need to know about different rib types, marinades, rubs and cooking methods for both indoor and outdoor kitchens.

Adam Roberts regularly competes against best barbecue teams on the Barbeques Galore Championship circuit and has picked up a handful of trophies for various categories including a Reserve Grand Championship trophy in 2017. He is the owner of his own mobile food trailer called Yankee Deli, serving American Style Street Food as well as catering functions, food festivals, and other events. He is the author of Ribs.
Big Block Quilts
10 Projects with Big Impact

Annie’s

This is the time to discover quilts with big blocks. Cut your piecing time in half with these larger than life blocks. 10 unique projects to choose from in all skill levels. You’ll find everything from table toppers to bed quilts. It’s time to up size for and explore the newest trend in quilting.

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Decorate your home this Christmas with 33 festive designs. Ornaments, garlands, afghans, pillows, angels, snowmen, gift-card holders and more are included in this book. Designs are made using mostly worsted-weight yarn, plus size 10 crochet cotton and bulky-weight yarn.

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Blizzard Buddies Go Camping

Pearl Louise Krush

Pearl Louise Krush brings this snowy collection of her whimsical snowmen and their winter fun to life on her designs. You’ll find table toppers, runners, place mats, and pot holders along with a cute collection of glamping ornaments for the tree. Now don’t forget the tree skirt. There are 22 projects in all. Go ahead and start planning your next projects. There’s no time like the present to get started on these fun winter projects.

Pearl Louise Krush finds inspiration for designing wherever she goes. She designed for a New York lace company for about 10 years before creating her own pattern company. With over 800 designs in her files, she still find this creative career exciting and challenging. She spends her time designing new fabrics, quilt patterns, and sewing patterns, and serving as president of the local quilt guild. She lives in the Black Hills of South Dakota.

Learn to Make a Bargello Quilt with Precuts

Nancy McNally

A bargello quilt is a timeless favorite, but quilters often mistakenly think it is too difficult. Let quilting expert Nancy McNally take you step by step through the process. You’ll quickly see how easy it is when you use 2 1/2”-wide pre-cut fabric strips. And with the magic of video you can watch any detail of the class as many times as you like! In this class, you’ll learn how to: choose pre-cut bundles that will provide an effective gradation, stay organized so the piecing process is a breeze, join fabric strips into strip sets and the importance of proper pressing, sew the strip sets into tubes, create the four quadrants and assemble the Caribbean Breeze quilt top, and add and trim the borders.

Nancy McNally is passionate about every aspect of quilting—designing, piecing, quilting and binding. For nearly 20 years, she has been fascinated with the idea of taking whole pieces of fabric, cutting them up and then sewing them back together into a beautiful quilt. Her exploration of the world of quilting has been successful. Her quilt work has been published in various publications and magazines, including Annie’s Quilter’s World magazine.
Magic Ring Slippers

Lena Skvagerson

Each of these 6 slippers begins with the magic ring technique. This technique creates a tightly closed center when you’re crocheting in the round, so there’s no need to worry about your toes poking through your slippers! Instructions are included for 3 sizes in each slipper. Magic ring tutorial also included. 4 slippers are made using worsted-weight yarn and 2 are made using bulky-weight yarn.

Lena Skvagerson is a full-time knit and crochet designer. She is lead designer for Annie’s exclusive pattern collection, Annie’s Signature Designs.

Quilting ER: Avoiding Mistakes

Becky Goldsmith

Do you want to learn to quilt but are unsure of all of the advice available out there in the digital landscape? Join quilting and sewing expert Becky Goldsmith to gain invaluable knowledge that will put you well on your way to a successful quilting journey. Becky’s experience as a successful designer, author and instructor will help you gain confidence as she shares tips and hints gained throughout her lifelong experience in the sewing and quilting world. In this class you’ll learn how to: use your sewing machine manual to master this important tool, plan your sewing space to promote healthy quilting, construct and use a design wall, understand the importance of following pattern instructions and the things to consider if you do your own thing, piece half-square triangles and Flying Geese blocks several different ways, and much more.

Becky Goldsmith is an author, designer and teacher with a lifetime of experience with sewing and quilting. Her professional quilting began in 1994 when she formed the company Piece O’ Cake Designs with partner Linda Jenkins. Her recent books include The Quilter’s Practical Guide to Color, Bullseye Quilts From Vintage to Modern, The Magical Unicorn Quilt, and The Ultimate Thread Guide.
Animal Scarves & Infinity Cowls

Lisa McDonald

This book includes eight fun-to-stitch animal designs all made using worsted-weight yarn! Each animal motif includes instructions to make a scarf and a cowl. Written instructions are included for the basic scarf design and charts are included for the motifs.

Lisa McDonald pursues her passion for drawing animals and yarn full time. Her and her husband spend a large part of their time playing with yarn, trying new ideas, and enjoying time together. When she is not crocheting, she enjoys spending time with her family, children and grandchildren, bird watching, cooking, and chatting with her crochet dreamers friends on-line.

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Color Theory for Quilters DVD

Becky Goldsmith

Choosing fabrics for a quilt may be the most intimidating step in the planning process. What colors go together well? And what about prints and directional designs? Join quilting expert Becky Goldsmith to explore options and get answers to all of these questions in this new video class. In this class, you’ll learn how to: identify color inspiration in the world around you, master the color wheel and learn the relationship between colors, gain a deeper understanding of contrast and value, employ technology for planning and reviewing color combinations, direct the viewer’s eye inside a quilt composition, recognize a fabric’s nature and use it to its best advantage, and use a design wall to audition possible fabric combinations.

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It’s time to change the way you think about, and exercise, your abs. Dr. Todd Sinett, a second-generation chiropractor and certified fitness trainer, explains why you should never do a sit-up or any version of a crunch ever again! Sinett’s innovative new book—which includes a detailed exercise routine (illustrated with photos) and a meal guide—teaches healthier and smarter ways to get great abs without compromising your back and neck anymore. *Sit-Ups Are Stupid and Crunches Are Crap*, based on the science of flexion, addresses the key issue of core imbalance and the resulting (and totally unnecessary) pain. Dr. Sinett shows how achieving core balance will transform your flexibility, breathing, and digestion—and, yes, get you the abs you’ve always wanted. Great abs no longer have to equal great pain.

**Dr. Todd Sinett** is a NYC-based chiropractor and founder of the integrated medical center Tru Whole Care and a renowned back pain expert who has helped thousands of patients lead healthier, pain-free lives. His unique three-pronged philosophy for back pain focuses on identifying and treating the root cause of the pain by examining the structural, emotional, and dietary factors. His comprehensive methodology challenges the current mainstream approach to back treatment, which focuses on the symptoms of pain alone.

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Transform Yourself Through Disease
8 Steps to Reclaim Your Health & Your Life

Rory Reich

A health crisis is one of the most challenging situations you will experience in your lifetime. It leaves you frightened, confused, and asking, "Why did this happen to me?" Transformational coach Rory Reich knows this feeling personally. He experienced his first healing crisis when he was twenty-five, and, without anyone to guide him, he struggled to find the answers that would give him back his health and happiness. Twenty years later, the life he had so carefully constructed to keep him afloat came crumbling down. The Universe had offered him another challenge. He chose to accept it, and to rediscover who he was before it was too late. In Transform Yourself Through Disease, Rory shares his personal journey alongside practical steps to help you regain your confidence, motivation, and personal strength. You can reconnect with the core of your being and reclaim your health and life by learning how to: rediscover what is important to you, see the challenges in your life as opportunities, be more empowered while facing life’s oppositions, release fear and doubt and to trust yourself, and take the next step in your process of transformation.

Rory Reich is a transformational coach, energy medicine practitioner, and award-winning product design director. He’s equally passionate about the latest scientific breakthroughs in wellness, as he is about our soul’s unique journey and the necessity of a holistic approach for true healing. He lives in Seattle, Washington with his daughter Sophia.

Stronger Together
My MS Story

Chloe S. Cohen

Find strength in connection. The diagnosis of a chronic illness can uproot your life and send you on a journey you would never have imagined. With uncertainties and questions now swirling around your head, you wonder if there will ever be calm again. When Chloe Cohen was diagnosed with MS at the age of twenty, life took on a whole new meaning. In Stronger Together, Chloe shares her story of how she journeyed from her fear of needles to getting full sleeve tattoos, from giving up her musical dreams to playing as a DJ, and from struggling to function to truly thriving. Through her journey, Chloe discovered how much the power of positive thinking can help a path to healing. She now shows you how she made lemonade out of the lemons life handed her and learned to live a fulfilling life with her multiple sclerosis. Chloe’s story will help you: - Find hope, strength, and inspiration to keep pushing forward - Realize there is a community of people who can understand what you are going through - Make connections with others who can relate to your struggles No two people have the same experience living with MS, but no one struggling with MS is alone. This story shows the way one person was able to triumph over adversity and be who she is today.

Chloe S. Cohen was diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis in 1998 at age 20. She learned how to adapt and continue to push forward through the struggles. In 2005 she started a support group for younger people with MS and is an Ambassador with the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. Her story shows the hope, strength and courage it takes to live with a chronic illness and live a fulfilling life.
Turning Down the Pain
Skills for Post-Surgical Pain Management

George H. Glade, M.C., M.N., ARNP

There are many reasons to limit or in some cases avoid the use of narcotics post-surgically. A history of addiction, allergies to narcotics or difficulty tolerating the many potential side effects are some of the major barriers to the use of narcotics. We need to create a change in culture where the medical profession doesn’t over prescribe narcotic pain medication. Pain after surgery is real even if you have a history of addiction and must be treated. Putting out the Fire provides the reader with a repertoire of that effectively combat pain following surgery.

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Eat What You Like & Lose Weight For Life
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Graeme Tomlinson

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Fitness To Freedom
Create Inner Peace and Self Confidence by Breaking Unhealthy Cycles

Deirdre Slattery

Fitness to Freedom is a collection of health, wellness, and fitness stories written for women by women to educate, inspire, and encourage readers to live their best and find their balance. The authors in this book share with other women how we have managed to make health and fitness a lifestyle that fits and works in our lives. It includes everything you wanted to know and more from fitness gurus, athletes, competitors, and fitness instructors, as well as from everyday women who just love fitness and keep active because it’s their passion. This dream team of authors has collaborated to create a rich book full of fitness truths from women warriors who are making health and wellness work in their lives while helping others do the same. We come together with passion, drive, and persistence to live our best lives and share love, commitment, and learning in the hopes of informing and empowering other women to live their best life in and outside of the gym. Contributors include Rachel Balunsat, Pauline Caballero, Heather Chapman, Julia Cochrane, Nadia Dedic, Erica Glassford, Annie Graft, Carol Hanley, Jocelyn Hinz, Amy Howe, Cassie Lambert, Allison Marschean, Violaine Pigeon, Sharlene Rochard, Lola Small, Barb Sotos, Karen Swyszcz, Johanne Walker, Jena Weiss, Tarrah Wynn.

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Freeing Feminine Instinct and Intuition as Guides to a More Awakened Human Life

Danielle Laura, Donna Tack, Kiki Carr, Mollie Lyddane, Eleni Gray, S.C. Vollmer, Heather Allison, Michelle Arnold, Renee Kaylor, and Angelica Jill Grace

*Unleashing Her Wild* is a collection of stories written by women who have found a deep connection to intuition and instinct: an almost primal feeling that has guided them to overcome incredible challenges with strength and grace. Many of the women share stories of this feeling as a connection to the feminine divine. Psychotherapists, artists, academics, and empowerment practitioners, among many other roles, our authors share their stories of endurance, ferocity, and grace as a testament to what it means to be someone who knows and cultivates our relationship with the power of the feminine energy we all have . . . and let this force shape our lives in ways we might otherwise never imagine.

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A Collection of Stories About Learning How to Let Go and Follow Intuition
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Her Art of Surrender explores the concept of learning to surrender to free one’s heart, mind, and soul. This collection of stories is written by women who are figuring out their way through divorce, loss, abuse, judgement, motherhood, and being a woman. Readers will find a piece of their story through the authors’ words and find the courage to surrender in ways that they never dreamed possible.

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Embrace Your Psychic Gifts
The Guide to Spiritual Awakening
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All your life, you have been waiting for someone to explain the things that make you different. Maybe you feel things from other people that they don’t seem to feel, or you see colors around the people you are talking to. Maybe you even hear voices or feel like you can look at someone and understand their medical conditions. You may wonder whether you’re psychic, but psychics aren’t normal, traditional people like you…are they? Embrace Your Psychic Gifts will address those things that frighten you about how you see, feel, and hear things that others might not. Deborah Sudarsky, M.Ed in counseling, works with hundreds of people in individual and group counseling, both privately and in schools. With a background in mental health and rehabilitation counseling, Deborah understands the difference between having supernatural gifts and being crazy. In Embrace Your Psychic Gifts, you will: learn to identify your special talents and skills, find out why you see things the way that you do, understand that sometimes the stress you feel isn’t yours – and what to do about it, revisit common misconceptions about being psychic, find techniques to incorporate your special skills into everyday life in a positive way. You are not alone. In fact, you also have something exceptional to contribute. It’s time to understand your unique way of seeing the world!

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Ten Steps To Finding Happy
A Guide to Permanent Satisfaction
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We’re all looking for happy. Why is it so hard to find? Ten Steps to Finding Happy comes with simple, specific actions—not vague mumbo-jumbo or convoluted language. This is a straightforward path to happiness, delivered to you by a writer, a psychologist, and 24 experts. This book is structured in a way to appeal to all types of readers, both those who enjoy balancing a checkbook and those who toss money into their account when the balance seems low and hope it all works out. The goal of this book is to offer ten steps to finding your happy, along with a selection of solid, simple concrete actions to following through with those steps. Selene Castrovilla tackles the emotional perspective, peppered with personal anecdotes and honest admissions. In the sections titled From the Doctor’s Desk, Dr. Lindsay S. Weisner offers logical, research-based, psychologist-approved information that will provide the proof for which lovers of reason thirst. Read both, and figure out what moves you more, your mind or your heart. There is no right or wrong answer. Also included are “In the A Note From the Expert” segments where guest writers deep dive into their professions, providing clear information and scientific evidence backing up the ten-step process. Isn’t time to be on your way to happy?

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The High School Sweetheart’s Survival Guide to Uncoupling
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Karinne Piat

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Dear Love, I’m Ready for You

Edited by Sara Gustafson

Dear Love, I’m Ready for You is a collection of stories about the power of love. Not Disney prince and princess love—real-life love. The kind that challenges you, brings you to your knees, cracks you open, and pushes you to build a better version of yourself, every single day. This transformative love is real and messy and comes in infinite packages. It is the most potent force in the world. When we open our hearts and are willing to be led by and work with this powerful force, miracles will happen. Contributors include: Saira Amjad, Heather Lee Chapman, Pam Davis, Christine Esrovolooff, Roberta Fernandez, Chelsea Forrest, Jess Harvey, J.R. Huff, Carley Inglis, Danielle Laura, Apryl Norkett, Maryann Perri, Jess Reidell, Tamara Simpers, Corinne Walsh Stratton, Mandy Valpey, Habiba Jessica Zaman-Tran.

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The School Choice Roadmap
7 Steps to Finding the Right School for Your Child

Andrew Campanella

You want your children to benefit from a great education. But every student is unique. One type of school might be a great fit for your neighbor’s child, but it might not work for your son or daughter. Across the country, many parents today have more choices for their children’s education than ever before. If you are starting the process of finding your child’s first school—or if you want to choose a new learning environment—The School Choice Roadmap is for you. This first-of-its-kind book offers a practical, jargon-free overview of school choice policies, from public school open enrollment to private school scholarships and more. It breaks down the similarities and differences between traditional public schools, public charter schools, public magnet schools, online public schools, private schools, and homeschooling. Most importantly, The School Choice Roadmap offers a seven-step process that will help you harness the power of your own intuition—and your own expertise about your child’s uniqueness—to help you find a school that reflects your family’s goals, values, and priorities. Filled with sage advice from dozens of other parents who have pursued the school search process, and interviews with school leaders and teachers, The School Choice Roadmap is an optimistic, empowering book that cuts through the confusion in K-12 education—so that you can give your children every opportunity to succeed in school and in life.

Andrew Campanella has dedicated his career to helping families discover their K-12 school choice options. He serves as president of National School Choice Week, the nation’s largest public awareness effort for K-12 education. Previously, he worked in senior level positions at the American Federation for Children, the Alliance for School Choice, and the American Board for Certification of Teacher Excellence. He lives in Florida.
School Choice
A Legacy to Keep
Virginia Walden Ford

On a cold winter night in February of 1967, a large rock shattered a bedroom window in Virginia Walden Ford’s home in Little Rock, Arkansas, landing in her baby sister’s crib. Outside, members of the Ku Klux Klan burned a cross on her family’s lawn. Faceless bigots were terrorizing Virginia, her parents, and her sisters—all because her father, Harry Fowler, dared to take a job as the assistant superintendent of personnel for the Little Rock School District. He was more than qualified, but he was black. In her searing new memoir, legendary school choice advocate Virginia Walden Ford recounts the lessons she learned as a child in the segregated south. She drew on those experiences—and the legacies handed to her by her parents and ancestors—thirty years later, when she built an army of parents to fight for school choice in our nation’s capital. School Choice: A Legacy to Keep, tells the dramatic true story of how poor D.C. parents, with the support of unlikely allies, faced off against some of America’s most prominent politicians—and won a better future for children.

Virginia Walden Ford is one of America’s leading advocates for parent empowerment. A native of Little Rock, Arkansas and the daughter of two public school educators, Virginia and her twin sister, Harrietta, were among the second wave of students chosen to desegregate Little Rock Central High School in the mid-1960s. While she was raising her three children in Washington, D.C., she created D.C. Parents for School Choice and built an army of parents to successfully advocate for the passage of the D.C. Opportunity Scholarship Program. This dramatic seven-year fight, and Virginia’s role in it, was the inspiration for the feature film, Miss Virginia. She lives in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Teach Like It’s Music
An Artful Approach to Education
Doug Goodkin
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Doug Goodkin is an internationally acclaimed Orff Schulwerk music educator. He is the author of nine books, numerous articles, and a blog and has been featured on a TED talk.

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Artillery at the Golden Gate tells the story of the “concrete soldiers,” the US Army coast artillermen who manned the huge seacoast rifles and underwater minefields guarding the San Francisco harbor during World War II. Artillery at the Golden Gate recreates the atmosphere of wartime San Francisco and recounts in vivid detail the life of the Army coast artillermen stationed in a world of full-alerts and combat discipline within sight of San Francisco. Based on interviews with veterans and supported by official records, press accounts, and over 170 historical photographs, this book paints a rich mosaic of memorable Army personalities and their intriguing experience in the wartime port city.

Brian B. Chin works in television animation on such shows as Batman: The Animated Series. His drawing and model-building skills allowed him to blend history and art in creating exhibits at the Presidio Army Museum in the late 1970’s. He later worked on Hollywood motion picture special effects on such films as Escape from New York, Star Trek: The Wrath of Khan, Battle Beyond the Stars, and Pumpkinhead.

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Chuck Davis has served in vocational ministry for more than 35 years. His present calling is to steward those multiple experiences and contexts to come alongside leaders for church and mission for their growth. He has ministered in over 40 countries and in multiple settings in the United States.

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Provocative Joy
Living Well, No Matter What
Dan Lacich

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The Goddess and the Guru Series

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Selected Works of Sri Amritananda Natha Saraswati

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*Gifts from the Goddess* presents the essential teachings of Sri Amritananda Natha Saraswati, colloquially known as Guruji. Previously named Dr. N. Prahlada Sastry, Guruji left a prestigious position in India’s missile defense complex to become a spiritual teacher in Hinduism’s millennia-old school of Sri Vidya Tantra. Along the way, he discovered and revived a long-forgotten Goddess temple in a remote Indian jungle, traveled the globe teaching the powerful techniques of Sri Vidya, and attracted tens of thousands of followers worldwide. At the center of *Gifts from the Goddess* lie Guruji’s two largest works: his 1994 opus, Understanding Sri Chakra Puja, and his stunning 1979 debut, Dasa Mahavidyas (“The Ten Great Wisdom Goddesses”). Both pieces have been revisited and updated by Guruji, and are presented here for the first time in their entirety. *Gifts from the Goddess* also includes other pieces of writing and lectures from throughout Guruji’s career. Each reveals his inimitable voice and personality – lively, insightful, inspiring, and often humorous. His writing offers beautiful teachings on building and deepening one’s spiritual practice. Discover his lessons on nurturing a relationship with the Divine (and the Universe), understanding the secrets of Tantra and Sri Vidya, incorporating a spiritual attitude into everyday life, and much more.

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There was a time when the author thought she had it all – loving husband, four beautiful children, and a sprawling ranch whose beauty fed her soul. Then one day, her world came crashing in. She lost her love and her home. The telling of this journey will give readers faith, courage, and hope that there are indeed brighter days ahead. Read this for yourself or share it with someone you know who may be reeling from unexpected loss and disappointment.

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From humble evolutions in research papers and labs, artificial intelligence (AI)—which encompasses Machine Learning (ML) and Deep Learning (DL)—has matured in its many forms, infused in applications that can learn on their own and become progressively smarter with each interaction and transaction. Coupled with immense stores of data, maturity in CPU and GPU hardware, the invention of new, open source deep learning algorithms, and cloud technologies, operational AI has become available to the masses, setting the wheels in motion for a worldwide AI revolution that has never been seen before. This book attempts to help the reader on their AI journey by covering the concepts of AI, Machine Learning, and Deep Learning in its many forms; key ML and DL algorithms data scientists should learn; ethical challenges for the use of AI; how AI is being used across industries; possible future outlook for AI, and an AI Ladder to help accelerate the AI journey.

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Kismet
How Your Life is Predestined
Paul Singh

*Kismet* takes a scientific look at the brain itself, presenting research that supports the naturalistic stance that the mind is identical to the brain. And if mind is identical to the brain, says Singh, then we are all robots whose destinies are predetermined. Singh argues that if we take seriously the idea that the mind is the brain then it follows logically that free will must be an illusion, that there can be no consciousness independent of the brain, and that there can be no substantial self that exists independently from the brain. He further argues that there can be no such thing as absolute moral responsibility.

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*Big History* traces the chronology of our universe from before the Big Bang to now. It raises the most important questions that concern us all and then provides answers from the naturalistic point of view. Paul Singh draws on the latest findings from the physical and biological sciences, astronomy and cosmolology, geology and genetics, and pre-history and archeology in search of answers to these and many other questions. He lucidly and engagingly demonstrates; the answers science gives about ourselves and the universe in which we live are incomparably more surprising and interesting than any mythical tale of a creator ever devised by any human culture. Indeed, science’s proud journey of exploration and discovery is humanity’s finest narrative yet, about how we trusted our intelligence to find out what we really are and who we can be? intrepidly going wherever the evidence led. Even though science reveals that humanity may have no special place in the universe, humanity is truly special because of our ability to comprehend our universe to a large extent. Thus, this inspiring story of exploration and discovery is a celebration not only of science and its own journey but also of ourselves.

An American scientist, philosopher and a physician, Paul Singh has published widely in the areas of science, philosophy, religion, history, economics, politics, law and medicine. His books include *The Great Illusion*, *The Seduction of Religion*, *Discovering Our World*, *Prison Torture in America*, *Prison Papers*, *Guilty at Gunpoint*, *The Death of the Rule of Law*, and *Kismet*.

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Good Guys with Guns highlights self-defense stories where people used a firearm to defend themselves and others from violent criminals and the impact it had on their lives. The book also discusses the debate over the right to keep and bear arms.

Alan Gottlieb is the Publisher of TheGunMag.com. He is the Chairman of the Citizens Committee for the Right to Keep and Bear Arms, Founder of the Second Amendment Foundation. Dave Workman is senior editor of TheGunMag.com, he is also a contributing editor to Guns Magazine and his work also appears frequently in LibertyParkPress.com and Ammoland.com.

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Sitopia
How Food Can Save the World
Carolyn Steel

From our foraging hunter-gatherer ancestors to the enormous appetites of modern cities, food has shaped our bodies and homes, our politics and trade, and our climate. Whether it’s the daily decision of what to eat, or the monopoly of industrial food production, food touches every part of our world. But by forgetting its value, we have drifted into a way of life that threatens our planet and ourselves. Yet food remains central to addressing the predicaments and opportunities of our urban, digital age. Drawing on insights from philosophy, history, architecture, literature, politics and science, as well as stories of the farmers, designers and economists who are remaking our relationship with food, Sitopia is a provocative and exhilarating vision for change, and how to thrive on our crowded, overheating planet. In her inspiring and deeply thoughtful new book, Carolyn Steel, author of Hungry City, points the way to a better future.

Carolyn Steel is a leading thinker on food and cities. Her first book, Hungry City, received international acclaim, establishing her as an influential voice in a wide variety of fields across academia, industry and the arts. It won the Royal Society of Literature Jerwood Award for Non-Fiction and was chosen as a BBC Food Programme book of the year. It has been translated into seven languages and sold more than 25,000 copies worldwide, becoming a key text for architects, planners, green thinkers and food professionals. A London-based architect, academic and writer, Carolyn has lectured at Cambridge University, London Metropolitan University, Wageningen University and the London School of Economics and is in international demand as a speaker. Her 2009 TED talk has received more than one million views.

Big
Stories about Life in Plus-Sized Bodies
Edited by Christina Myers

Pop culture stereotypes, shopping frustrations, fat jokes, and misconceptions about health are all ways society systemically rejects large bodies. Big is a collection of personal and intimate experiences of plus size women, non-binary, and trans people in a society obsessed with thinness. Revealing insights that are both funny and traumatic, surprising and challenging, familiar and unexpected, 26 writers explore themes as diverse as self-perception, body image, fashion, fat activism, food, sexuality, diet culture, and motherhood. These stories offer a closer look at what it means to navigate a world designed to fit bodies of a certain size (sometimes literally) and, in turn, invites readers to ask questions about—and ultimately reconsider—our collective and individual obsession with women’s bodies. Contributors include Simone Blais, Dr. Rohini Bannerjee, Sonja Boon, Layla Cameron, Jo Jefferson, Tracy Manrell, Rabbit Richards, Amanda Scriver, Cassie Stocks, and more.

Christina Myers is an award-winning newspaper journalist turned freelance writer and editor. After leaving her long-time newsroom post, she turned her attention to more creative work, including both fiction and narrative non-fiction (and sometimes, secretly, poetry too.) She holds degrees in journalism and psychology from TRU and UBC, respectively, and is an alumnus of the Writer’s Studio at SFU. She lives near Vancouver, BC.
She Found it at the Movies
Women Writers on Sex, Desire and Cinema
Edited by Christina Newland

Because Timothee Chalamet’s eyes gleam with the light of a thousand suns. Because you’d let Zoë Kravitz get away with putting gum in your hair. And because there really should be a national monument dedicated to Gene Kelly’s ass. From the tongue-in-cheek to the righteously enraged, She Found it at the Movies explores women’s secret desires, teen crushes, and one-sided movie star love affairs, flipping the switch on a century of cinema’s male-gaze domination. With misogyny and sexism still taking center stage in the real world—what can women’s relationships with movies tell us about the wider landscape of sexuality, politics and culture? Featuring writers you know and love from BuzzFeed, The Guardian, and Vulture, these essays pose thoughtful questions about sex and fantasy at the cinema. Like a guilt-free chat with your smartest girlfriends, this book is a positive celebration of female sexuality at its thirstiest.

Christina Newland is an award-winning journalist with bylines at Sight & Sound Magazine, Little White Lies, VICE, Hazlitt, The Ringer, and others. In addition, she writes longform biography on figures of cultural significance, from forgotten female movie producers to gypsy prizefighters during the Second World War.

Breaking Out in Prison
Photographs by Babita Patel

“My grandfather went to Sing Sing. My father, my uncle, my brother went to Sing Sing. I went to Sing Sing.” Poor schools. Violent neighborhoods. Easy drugs. No jobs. No support. No options. In the disadvantaged communities of urban America, The cradle-to-prison pipeline locks young men out of opportunity long before it locks them up. Meet 15 men doing something about it—15 men who got an education inside Sing Sing Correctional Facility, and used it to break out of the cycle. Today, they are role models for young men in their communities. And they are here to put a human face on effective solutions to ending the epidemic of mass incarceration in America today.

Babita Patel is a humanitarian photographer and the Founder & Executive Director of KIOO Project. She has also put life through the lens for organizations such as WaterAid, Woman’s Prison Association, The Mission Continues, Healing Haiti, Rebuilding Together NYC, and Zylie & Friends. Her work has been exhibited across the world, including shows in New York, Atlanta, Santa Monica, and Lisbon.

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In *Supremely Wrong*, Dr. Brent Boles provides an insider’s survey of the issues at stake. From helping his patients left mistreated by the abortion industry, to testifying before state legislators, firsthand accounts from this practicing OB/GYN reveal injustice at large in America. Dr. Boles opens the leading embryology textbooks to show what science says about when life begins. He exposes how the silence of the church and two-faced politicians have contributed to the national loss of nearly one million babies in the womb annually. He even shares transparently of his own pain and regret, which today fuels a life-saving mission. Applying principles of medical ethics to challenge popular pro-choice rhetoric, *Supremely Wrong* advances the national dialogue on life issues with surprising stories and accessible logic. It’s more than research that resounds with truth. It’s a call to action.

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*After Shock* marks the 50-year anniversary of Alvin Toffler’s, *Future Shock*. The compendium of essays comprising this landmark volume offers insightful reflections on the classic text and presents compelling and surprising views of the future—through the very unique lenses of more than 100 of the world’s foremost futurists, including David Brin, Po Bronson, Sanjiv Chopra, George Gilder, Newt Gingrich, Alan Kay, Ray Kurzweil, Jane McGonigal, Lord Martin Rees, Byron Reese, and many other luminaries.

John Schroeter is Executive Director at Abundant World Institute™. He is the co-author of the award-winning book *Moonshots—Creating a World of Abundance* and the publisher of the iconic *Popular Electronics*, *Mechanix Illustrated*, and *Popular Astronomy* magazines. His patented work in eliminating counterfeit drugs from the supply chain (with RFID) was recognized with Frost & Sullivan’s Technology Innovation of the Year Award. Deb Westphal is the CEO of Toffler Associates where she brings skills and insights honed over 30 years working with some of the top minds and leaders of governments and Fortune 100 companies.

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Foreword by Brian Edward Cox

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Professor Brian Edward Cox OBE, FRS is an English physicist who serves as professor of particle physics in the School of Physics and Astronomy at the University of Manchester.
The National Trails System
An Illustrated History

Steve Elkinton

The National Trails System, An Illustrated History richly describes how the National Trails System was established by federal law in 1968. It builds on the conservation history of the mid-20th Century to show how the trails system grew from the same political trends that envisioned the Land and Water Conservation Fund, the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, and the Environmental Protection Act. Once passed, the Trails Act—and the trails it established—evolved as political and public trends shifted. This history portrays these changes to show that what started as an experiment has resulted in a nationwide network of trails for all tastes and abilities involving thousands of volunteers and providing recreational and heritage opportunities for millions. Readers interested in recreation, discovery, history, politics, and conservation will find these themes unfolding around the story of America’s national trails. At first, there were only two trails—the well-known Appalachian and Pacific Crest National Scenic Trails. Today, there are thirty national scenic and historic trails creating a network larger than the Interstate Highway System. This is the first comprehensive history of the National Trails System. It is based largely on primary sources and is offered in chronological chapters, with photographs and maps. The 50th anniversary of the National Trails System is an ideal time to document its evolution and progress.

Steve Elkinton is the former program leader for National Trails System activities within NPS preparing legislative testimony, developing policy, coordinating with field staff, refining budgets and grants, and strengthening interagency cooperation. He now serves on the board of the Partnership for the National Trails System and played a leadership role in the Trails System’s 50th anniversary in 2018.

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Warwick Sprawson lives in Melbourne, Australia. After studying engineering he spent many years working and hiking in England, Ireland, Canada, Spain, Japan, Mexico and Costa Rica. Returning to Melbourne, he ditched engineering and studied Australian Land Conservation and Management, subsequently working as a bushland regenerator. Developing an interest in writing about Australia’s native plants and animals, he completed RMIT’s Professional Writing and Editing course, and since 2008 has worked full-time as a writer, including as a regular contributor to Wild and Great Walks magazines.

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Janneke Klop has been exploring Romania since 2005, having previously been an English teacher. She writes about her Romanian adventures and offers guided tours. She lives in Ghent, Belgium.

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Kev Reynolds shares his sense of wonder and delight in the natural world through his writing, guiding, photography, and lecturing. He has produced 50 books, including guides to five major trekking regions of Nepal, and to numerous routes in the European Alps and Pyrenees, as well as walking guides for Kent, Sussex and the Cotswolds, and he has several more books in the pipeline. He is also the contributing editor of the collaborative guide Trekking in the Himalaya. Kev lives with his wife in a small cottage among what he calls ‘the Kentish Alps’, with unrestricted walking country on the doorstep. But he also travels throughout Britain during the winter months to share his love of the places he writes about through a series of lectures.

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The Reverend Sandy Brown

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The Reverend Sandy Brown is a community activist, long-distance walker, and ordained minister from Seattle, Washington. He planned his 2008 trek on the Camino de Santiago and since then has walked over 3500 kilometers on pilgrim trails in Spain and Italy. He was executive director of the Church Council of Greater Seattle, most recently served as senior pastor of Seattle’s historic First United Methodist Church, and currently is a candidate for Seattle City Council.

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Jolie Berry is the visionary behind the popular Spectacular book series which has been published in over 50 markets around the U.S., London and Canada. Spectacular Weekend Getaways of Texas is an exciting addition to the Signature Boutique Book collection of beautiful lifestyle publications. Jolie lives in Dallas.

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Megan Andrew has been learning and teaching Japanese for the best part of 30 years. Megan is a New Zealand trained teacher of Japanese and has taught in New Zealand and Australia. She has experienced travel and international relocation as a student, teacher, mother and “trailing spouse”. Megan is currently running Gear Up to Thrive, providing language and cultural courses for travelers to Japan, whether on short trips or for mid- and long-term relocation.

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Helen Moffett

An environment is the space that we live in, that shapes us. It's not a green space “out there” lived in by rare animals and occasionally visited by the rich in search of recreation. It is what surrounds us and gives us life. How do we live more gently on our planet? Can we put a stop to the environmental disasters that loom larger every day? These burning questions are on everyone's mind. Wise About Waste addresses these urgent issues by providing a practical guide to reducing the waste we generate.

Well-known author, academic, and activist Helen Moffett looks at how we can all create less waste, and use resources more wisely. She tackles plastic waste, energy waste, food waste, manufacturing waste and much more – from homes to businesses, from immediate actions to long-term plans, there's a strategy for everyone. With over 150 practical tips and ideas, from the tiny and the quirky to the big and the dramatic, Wise About Waste can help us work towards waste-wise lifestyles. While there are tough questions and even tougher answers, these go hand-in-hand with reasons for hope and a good dash of humor.

Helen Moffett is an editor, activist, and academic. She grew up on farms where resources were considered precious and nature was respected, and now lives in Noordhoek, Cape Town, South Africa. She has authored, co-authored, or compiled 18 books, ranging from water conservation and university textbooks to cricket and erotica.

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Esther Yin-Ling Spodek

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Esther Yin-Ling Spodek is a graduate of the University of Virginia and received her MFA in Creative Writing from Indiana University. Her short stories have appeared in literary magazines and she taught composition at Columbia College in Chicago. She currently lives in Evanston, Illinois, with her husband and border collie.

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Good Will
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Tiffany W. Killoren

Four women learn to let go—and get back more than they ever expected. There’s no road map for what to do when your husband dies—when he jumps off a bridge to escape mistakes that he made, or even welcomed, into your lives. But Lily doesn’t need to consult a map for this particular part of her journey; she knows the way back to the small town she left behind. With a precocious seven-year-old who reminds her too much of his father tucked safely in the back seat, Lily leaves New York with everything she owns packed in a U-Haul, including memories that come in waves like fields along the highway, and an envelope she is too afraid to open. Once she settles in, she sifts through a box of things destined for the local thrift store—items from her past that will connect four women in unexpected ways and give them all the strength they need to move on.

Tiffany W. Killoren has worn many hats—attorney, magazine editor, freelance writer and author—and has found a way to combine her legal and writing backgrounds into a communications career while pondering her next novel. Her articles about film directors, celebrity bodyguards, artists, and national musical performers have been featured in multiple magazines, as well as her work focusing on community programs and area entrepreneurs. Tiffany has appeared on morning talk shows and has been a featured author in area publications. And, as many hats as she may wear, her favorite is the cap that she proudly wears to her boys’ baseball games. She lives in a Kansas City suburb with her husband and two sons, and you can often finding her typing on her laptop in the corner of her favorite coffee shop.

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Seeing Ceremony
A Novel with Recipes
Meera Ekkanath Klein
This feel-good sequel to the award-winning My Mother’s Kitchen is all about family, good food, love and finding the way back home. Since the death of her husband three years ago, Meena’s mother has wanted to see her oldest daughter married and so she organizes Meena’s “seeing ceremony,” a ritual associated with arranged marriages. However, eighteen-year-old Meena is not ready to be married and wants to leave her hilltop home in Mahagiri, south India, and attend college in California. The ceremony is a disaster. Her four years in America soon comes to an end and Meena is eager to return home and share her newly-acquired knowledge of agriculture and tea production with her family. On her journey back to India, Meena meets handsome businessman Raj Kumar with whom she has an instant connection. They end up talking for hours in the airport lounge. When they part at the departure gate, Meena doesn’t think she’ll ever see Raj again. Back in Mahagiri, her mother faces a threat to her home and livelihood. Meena could avert this disaster by agreeing to an arranged marriage. Will Meena have to go through yet another “seeing ceremony?”

Meera Ekkanath Klein is a former newspaper reporter and columnist who mastered the art of Indian cooking in her own mother’s kitchen in the beautiful Blue Mountains or Nilgiris of south India. She is the author of My Mother’s Kitchen which was selected as a Winner in the 2015 International Book Awards in the Multi-Cultural Fiction category. She lives in northern California.

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Abbe Rolnick grew up in the suburbs of Baltimore, Maryland. Her first major cultural jolt occurred at age 15 when her family moved to Miami Beach, Florida. To find perspective, she climbed the only non-palm tree at her condo-complex, and wrote what she observed. History came alive with her exposure to the Cuban culture. After attending Boston University, she lived in Puerto Rico, where she owned a bookstore. She is the author of Cocoon of Cancer, Color of Lies, River of Angels, and Tattle Tales. She lives in Sedro Woolley, Washington.

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Benedicte Grima grew up internationally. She studied four Middle Eastern languages, became proficient in Farsi and Pashto, and conducted over 20 years of fieldwork throughout Iran, Afghanistan and Pakistan – some as a Fulbright scholar - as well as among refugees and exiles from there in the US as a language and culture interpreter. She has authored her research in The Performance of Emotion Among Paxtun Women (1992), and Secrets From the Field (2004). This historical and ethnographic novel is created from her in-depth knowledge of and personal experience with people from Swat, Pakistan.

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Barbara M. Britton was born and raised in the San Francisco Bay Area, but currently lives in Wisconsin and loves the snow—when it accumulates under three inches. She writes romantic adventures for teen and adults. She has a nutrition degree from Baylor University but loves to dip healthy strawberries in chocolate.

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Jim Carroll is a physician on the faculty at the Medical College of Georgia and an elder at First Presbyterian Church. He is the author of Faith in Crisis. He lives in Augusta, Georgia.

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B.A. Thomas-Peter is a trained clinical psychologist who runs a small consultancy and spends most of his time writing. He has been a regular contributor to international academic conferences and has contributed to the development of the Forensic Psychology profession in Australia and the UK. He is the author of The Last Truth. He currently lives on an island on the west coast of Canada.

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Greg Carson was born in Wray, Colorado in 1945. After returning from military service in Vietnam, in 1968, he continued his studies at the University of Colorado. He completed a successful career with the Colorado Department of Labor in 2003. At 69, Greg unexpectedly began his second career - writing a novel that became a three-book series. He is the author of *A Bridge to Somewhere* and *A Bridge Across the Chasm*. He lives in Lakewood, Colorado.

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Will Carver is the author of the January David series, which includes Girl 4, The Two, The Killer Inside, and Dead Set. Good Samaritans was Crime Book of the Year at the Guardian and the Daily Express.

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In The Mirror in the River, Dale Lovin offers an inside look at the evils of human trafficking and the loss of human dignity.

Dale Lovin spent 25 years as an FBI agent investigating violent crimes and concluded his law enforcement career by helping establish the Federal Air Marshal Service. He then turned his energy to writing. Dale lives in Colorado where fly-fishing, mountains, and the grandeur of nature have been integral to him, his wife, and their three children.

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The First Annual Aloha Scavenger Hunt is beginning. Journalist Natalie Seachrist, private investigator Keoni Hewitt, and friends Margie and Dan O’Hara are joining in the fun. Before departing for their Honolulu hotel, Natalie dreams of a film noire who-dunit. Immersed in the action, she finds a man’s body lying in a mid-1950s hotel, and watches an elegant woman search an adjacent room. After a murder occurs outside their suite, Natalie advises HPD Lieutenant John Dias that the details eerily parallel her “dream.” Knowing the reliability of her unusual gift, the Lieutenant asks Natalie and Keoni to watch for clues to either death as the hunt continues. After more visions, Natalie is convinced that the site of her earlier “dream” was in Chinatown and the perpetrator, a woman in a red suit. A false scavenger hunt clue’s allusion to a priceless Kuan Yin statue suggest a cause for the disappearance of a man in the 1950s. Is this the man Natalie envisioned in a narrow hotel hallway? Is his death linked to that of the professor? And what of the false clue’s reference to hidden treasure? Are these coincidences? Or, has Natalie’s visioning revealed a murderer with long hidden secrets?

Jeanne Burrows-Johnson embraces experience in the performing arts, education, and marketing. She is a member of Sisters in Crime, Arizona Mystery Writers, the National Writers Union, and is a Lifetime Member of the British Association of Teachers of Dancing, Highland Division. She lives in Hawaii.

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Caleb Jacobs is a man with a past. After serving on a failed dark ops assignment in Afghanistan, he leaves Marine Corps Intelligence to try to build a new life in Philadelphia as a homicide police detective. Jacobs is happy, for a time, until he is assigned to solve the murder of Shannon Faraday. During the investigation, he is convinced the evidence points to him as the killer. He knows it is only a matter of time before other investigators see the same. He has no alibi and the clock is counting down. Behind his partner’s back, Jacobs hires a private investigator named Lawrence Holmes. The PI is an irritation to the police, but he is unmistakably brilliant. And, many powerful people in the city owe him favors. Holmes is a bit odd. He insists on calling Jacobs Watson but claims to never have heard the name Sherlock. Jacobs can live with this kind of crazy as long as together they find the real killer. They quickly link the murder to a series of seemingly unrelated crimes occurring throughout Philadelphia, and Jacobs becomes convinced the murder is related to the truth of what had happened during his time in Afghanistan. Old secrets have come back to haunt him.

David Siegel Bernstein is a data scientist who consults as a forensic statistician. His fiction credits encompass two novelettes and 60 short stories. His nonfiction has appeared in newsletters, popular blogs, academic journals, and he is the author of the book Blockbuster Science. He lives in Philadelphia.

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Austin S. Camacho is the author of seven novels about Washington DC-based private eye Hannibal Jones, five in the Stark and O’Brien international adventure-thriller series, and the detective novel, Beyond Blue. His short stories have been featured in several anthologies including Dying in a Winter Wonderland and he is featured in African American Mystery Writers: A Historical and Thematic Study. He lives in Maryland.
Death In The Family

Lanny Larcinese

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Lanny Larcinese is a writer whose short work has appeared in magazines and has won a handful of local prizes. He is the author of I Detest All My Sins. He lives in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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Ragnar Jónasson is an Icelandic crime writer who currently works as a lawyer while teaching copyright law at the Reykjavik University Law School. Ragnar has translated 14 Agatha Christie novels into Icelandic, and has had several short stories published in German, English, and Icelandic literary magazines. Ragnar set up the first overseas chapter of the CWA (Crime Writers’ Association) in Reykjavik, and is co-founder of the International crime-writing festival Iceland Noir. He is the author of Snowblind, Nightblind (winner of the Dead Good Reads Most Captivating Crime in Translation Award), Blackout, and Rupture.

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Daniel Tyler Gooden is a writer who ranges between lit, fantasy and horror and is at the moment preoccupied with stories of personal and world apocalypse via: fire salamanders, Google-overlaid reality, internet marketing, VR living, and magic illogically springing into existence and spontaneously giving our favorite brands walking, talking, man-eating personas.

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Never. Back. Down. Since the day that she was abandoned on the shores of Valhalla, and fought her way to be the fiercest Valkyrie, Erika has lived by those three words. There has never been a challenge Erika has backed down from; apart from Loki. But when Erika embeds herself in a supernatural fight club in the hopes that she can weed out Odin’s location, Erika will be put to the test. And when love and loyalty cause confusion, can this battle-hardened warrior finally let her guard down enough to see what’s been in front of her all along? Loki knew the moment he clapped eyes on the beautiful warrior that she was meant for him. However, the Norse God of mischief hides a secret; he was once cursed and has shied away from his feelings to shield himself from hurt. Can he convince Erika that he’s the one meant for her, will he be forced to watch the woman he wants for himself spiral out of control? Never Back Down is the fifth book in the Ever Chace Chronicles.

Susan Harris is a writer from Cork in Ireland. An avid reader, she quickly grew to love books in the supernatural/fantasy genre. When she is not writing or reading, she loves music, oriental cultures, tattoos, anything Disney and psychology. If she wasn’t a writer she would love to be a FBI profiler or a PA for Dave Grohl or Jared Leto.

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Cary J. Lenehan is a former trades assistant, soldier, public servant, cab driver, truck driver, game designer, fishmonger, trainee horticulturalist, and university tutor. He and his wife moved to Tasmania for the warmer winters and are not likely to ever leave it. Looking out of the window beside his computer is a sweeping view of Mount Wellington and its range.

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Robert J. Duperre writes a combination of horror, science fiction, and fantasy, and is the author of five novels as well as contributor and editor of two short story collections. He lives in Connecticut with his wife, artist Jessica Torrant, his three wonderful children, and Leo, the one-eyed super dog.

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Paul Mannering is the author of several novels including Apocalypse Recon and Deadland: Valkyrie Rising. He has a deep suspicion about asparagus and firmly believes we should all make an effort to be more courteous to cheese. He lives in Wellington, New Zealand.

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Larry Ivkovich’s short genre work has been published in various online and print publications including Penumbra, Shoreline of Infinity, Star Quake 1, and Triangulation. He has been a finalist in the L. Ron Hubbard’s Writers of the Future contest and was the 2010 recipient of the CZP/Rannu Fund award for fiction. He is a member of the Pittsburgh Worldrights and WorD, two local writing and critique groups, as well as the statewide group Pennwriters.

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Jack Dann is the managing director of PS Australia. He is a recipient of the Nebula Award, the World Fantasy Award (twice), the Australian Aurealis Award (three times), the Chronos Award, the Darrell Award for Best Mid-South Novel, the Ditmar Award (five times), and the Peter McNamara Achievement Award. Jack lives in Australia on a farm overlooking the sea.

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K. Childs is an IT Project Coordinator. She wanted to be a fairy princess when she grew up but sadly discovered that the job was no longer on the market. Instead, she embarked on a career to at least write about princesses in castles and grand adventures. She lives in Canberra, Australia, with an abundance of old comics and cute anime figurines.

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Joris Vermassen

Tom is a stand-up comedian with a burgeoning career. At one point everyone thought his sister would join him to make up a comedy duo but Ellen was always more minded towards drawing and art in general. But she remained the driving force behind Tom’s chosen path. Then one day she came to Tom with some cruel news – she had pancreatic cancer. Surgery was followed by hospitalization. Nothing to laugh at you’d imagine, but Tom and Ellen continued to bounce humor off each other. Tom runs the gauntlet of the doctor’s ire to take Ellen out to see the trees and her favorite statue – The Mad Maiden by Rik Wouters inspired by the dancer Isadora Duncan. To her dying day Ellen thought the statue looked mad with joy.

Joris Vermassen is a visual artist and storyteller. He teaches at the School Of Arts in Ghent, Belgium. His much praised graphic novel Het Zotte Geweld (Mad With Joy) reached the shortlist of the 25 Best Belgian Comics Of All Time.
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Santa VS Zombies
Koji Sakai, John Mayer, and CW Cooke
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Meet Santa. He’s having a mid-life crisis. He hates his job and wishes he was doing anything else other than being Santa. He’s just going through the motions and that’s why he doesn’t notice the zombie apocalypse until it’s almost too late. Saved by two kids, he at first tries to get back to the North Pole only to discover that his reindeer have been eaten. On the run and just trying to survive, Santa befriends the kids and falls in love with their recently-divorced mother. Soon Santa rediscovers his Christmas spirit and does everything he can to save Christmas for the kids—even if it means his own death.

Koji Sakai is the founder of Little Nalu Pictures LLC and the CEO of Chopso, the first Asian English streaming video service. He has written five feature films that have been produced, including the indie hit, The People I’ve Slept With. He is the author of Romeo & Juliet Vs. Zombies, 442, and Zombie Run. John Mayer is a clinical psychologist specializing in violent behavior. He is the author of more than 20 non-fiction books including Family Fit. He is also a writer for a cable TV series, The System. CW Cooke is a comic book writer living in the Midwest. His first two creator-owned series, Solitary and Stillwater, sold out and were met with rave reviews. César Diaz Legaspe is a cartoonist, illustrator, and designer living in Valencia, Spain. He is the regular cover designer for El Nadir Gráfica, a Spanish publisher’s imprint specialized in historical comics and artwork. Andy Poole is a British artist who enjoys playing with conventions when it comes to coloring comics. His work stretches from the small, such as the comic King and No King, to the likes of the Deadly Skies installation at the Canadian War Museum.

Cassandra Darke
Posy Simmonds

Cassandra Darke is an art dealer, mean, selfish, solitary by nature, living in Chelsea in a house worth £7 million. She has become a social pariah, but doesn’t much care. Between one Christmas and the next, she has sullied the reputation of a West End gallery and has acquired a conviction for fraud, a suspended sentence and a bank balance drained by lawsuits. On the scale of villainy, fraud seems to Cassandra a rather paltry offense—her own crime involving “no violence, no weapon, no dead body.” But in Cassandra’s basement, her young ex-lodger, Nicki, has left a surprise, something which implies at least violence and probably a body. Something which forces Cassandra out of her rich enclave and onto the streets. Not those local streets paved with gold and lit with festive glitter, but grimmer, darker places, where she must make the choice between self-sacrifice and running for her life.

Posy Simmonds is the author of many books for adults and children, including Gemma Bovery, Lulu and the Flying Babies and Fred, the film of which was nominated for an Oscar. She has won international awards for her work, including the Grand Prix 2009 de la Critique Bande Dessiné for Tamara Drewe. Both Gemma Bovery and Tamara Drewe have been made into successful feature films.

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Betsy Warland

After moving to Vancouver’s West End in 2014, The Human is drawn to a small body of water called Lost Lagoon in Stanley Park. Daytime visits, with a surprising array of wildlife, are quietly revelatory; but so is suddenly waking in the night when owl hoots, or geese startle in alarm at otter on the prowl. The Human savors this up-close relationship between wildlife and fast-paced urban living, questioning the interface between the urban and natural world. Upon learning the lagoon was named by nineteenth-century Canadian author E. Pauline Johnson, of Mohawk and English origin, Johnson then becomes a presence in the narrative. Pauline Johnson wrote evocatively about it: “Among the wild rice in the still lagoon/In monotone the lizard shrills his tune.” During five years of intimate counterpoint between urban living and wildlife, The Human’s notions are challenged and altered. Questions of how significant the specificity of place is to story, how our relationship to nature is altered by urban living, and how we might return to the natural world. Reminiscent of Henry Thoreau’s Walden Pond, perceptions about nurturing, fear, inventiveness, delight, death, protection, humor, even tenderness change as the lagoon has exposed what being human in the twenty-first century actually means.

Betsy Warland is an author, mentor, teacher, manuscript consultant, editor, and the Director of Vancouver Manuscript Intensive. She has published 12 books of creative nonfiction, lyric prose, and poetry. Her book Oscar of Between: A Memoir of Identity and Ideas became the basis for Lloyd Burritt’s chamber opera, The Art of Camouflage. She is the recipient of the City of Vancouver Mayor’s Award for Literary Excellence.

Devolution

Kim Goldberg

Devolution is a collection of quirky, reality-bending poems and fables of extinction and ecological unraveling are haunting and unforgettable. Devolution is Kim Goldberg’s eighth book and her personal act of extinction rebellion. The poems and fables span the Anthropocene, speaking to ecological unraveling, social confusion, private pilgrimage, urbanization and wildness. Using absurdism, surrealism and satire, Goldberg offers up businessmen who loft away as crows, a town that reshapes itself each night, a journey through caves so narrow we must become centipedes to pass. Goldberg’s canvas holds both the personal and the political at once, offering rich layers of meaning, but with a playfulness reminiscent of Calvino or Borges. Each imaginative narrative will haunt the reader long after the book has been put down.

Kim Goldberg is the author of eight books of poetry and nonfiction. Before turning to poetry, she was a freelance journalist covering environmental issues in publications such as Canadian Geographic, Nature Canada, This Magazine, BBC Wildlife Magazine, and numerous other magazines in Canada and abroad. She lives on unceded Snuneymuxw territory (Nanaimo, BC), where she is known for creating poem galleries in vacant storefronts and staging guerrilla poetry happenings in weedy waysides.
Sweet Water
Poems for the Watersheds
Edited by Yvonne Blomer

*Sweet Water: Poems for the Watersheds* gathers the voices of poets from across Canada, the US and the UK who write of water. The poets take us to the rivers they live along—and grieve daily—the Peace River Canyon, Chilcotin, Taylor River, the Humber River, Millstone River, the Fraser River, and more. Water houses the aquatic ecosystems that feed and nurture not only the people, industries and animals on land but also drains into the world’s oceans. It is the water we bathe in, drink, and with which we grow our food. As it becomes more and more poisoned from industrial corporations, mining and the many, too many humans on our planet, it also becomes more and more endangered. We are aware of the watershed moment that we inhabit in the twenty-first century. We know that change must come. Contributors include Kate Braid, Gary Barwin, Katherena Vermette, Arlene Pare, John Pass, Ariel Gordon, Brian Brett, Trevor Carolan, John Terpstra, Russell Thornton, Zoe Landale, Christine Lowther, Elena Johnson, Elee Kraljii Gardiner, Daniela Elza, Rhonda Ganz, Geoffrey Nilson, Pamela Porter, Barbara Pelman, Kelly Shepherd, Rob Taylor, Zachariah Wells, Bren Simmers, and more.

Yvonne Blomer is the author of a travel memoir *Sugar Ride: Cycling from Hanoi to Kuala Lumpur*, and three books of poetry, as well as an editor, teacher, and mentor in poetry and memoir. She served as the city of Victoria poet laureate from 2015-2018. She lives, works and raises her family on the traditional territories of the WSA’NEC’ (Saanich), Lkwungen (Songhees), Wyomilth (Esquimalt) peoples of the Coast Salish Nation. She gives thanks for the privilege of water.

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*Native* illuminates the roots that reside within the heart of being human. It reflects on the inspiration that dwells in authentic relationships with people, place and nature. Poems emanate from a source, where on earth, seasons are teachers and fire, rain and water have value and meaning. Across the earth, colors and sounds of other lands, regardless of language, speak to universal sensitivities that all people share. Poems in *Native*, paint pictures that resonate with life across the earth, in other cultures, in forests and rivers and observations in everyday life. That which is authentic and organic is native. The author takes readers from the soul’s perspective to Native peoples’ stories to women from Sicily, Ecuador, women who give birth and the essence of a newborn.

Jesse LoVasco teaches poetry classes and workshops in her community and reads at local poetry events. She had the opportunity to live closer to the land in a small community in Vermont. There, she explored swimming in rivers, hiking in forests and climbing mountains. Through deepening her understanding of those places, she discovered parts of herself. She began to study plants and herbs, studied with various herbalists and became aware of the contribution native peoples made in their early findings of plants and their medicine.

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**Frank LaRue Owen** is a poet influenced by diverse sources including the teachings embedded within dreams, the seasons, the energies of various landscapes, and the churning gyre of the soul’s journey, resulting in a poetic path his late teacher referred to as “deep-mapping of unseen reality, inner, outer”. He also studied eco-poetry and eco-literature with the late Jack Collom of the Jack Kerouac School of Disembodied Poetics.

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**Stephen Cramer** is the author of *Bone Music, From the Hip*, and *Shiva’s Drum*. His work has appeared in journals such as The American Poetry Review, African American Review, The Yale Review, and Harvard Review. An Assistant Poetry Editor at Green Mountains Review, he teaches writing and literature at the University of Vermont.

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Preliminary Visions creates moments of being, moments of relation, moments of meaning-making—frequently with a sense of being observed by silent witnesses. The poems relationality blurs the imaginary outlines of the separate self, and provoke a sense of the ecological self.

Karina Lutz worked as an environmental activist to help secure passage of sustainable energy legislation, thwart a proposed megaport, and restore wetlands in her home watershed of Narragansett Bay, RI. She helped launch a nonprofit green power company and is currently collaborating to form an intentional community, Listening Tree Cooperative, practicing permaculture in northwest Rhode Island.

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Helen Hunt Jackson
Illustrations by Addie A. Ledyard

In 1879, Helen Hunt Jackson published, under her pen name H.H., Letters From A Cat subtitle “by her mistress for the benefit of all cats and the amusement of little children.” In this lavish and faithful reprint, Letters From A Cat maintains the full illustrations by Addie Ledyard. This is a classic book that will bring joy to all who read it. Jackson died in San Francisco on August 12, 1885, but her wonderful poetry and writings live on. Cat lovers will thoroughly delight in this book featuring a black-linen cover embossed with a gold cat looking out with emerald green eyes.

Helen Hunt Jackson was an American poet and writer who was a classmate of Emily Dickinson; the two corresponded for the rest of their lives, but few of their letters have survived. Addie Ledyard is an American illustrator.
A Treasury of Christmas Poems

Foreword by David A. Bossert

Every year during the Christmas season, holiday themed poems are read aloud or enjoyed silently to help usher in that special time of year. It may be a family tradition passed down from one generation to another or a new one just starting. In this beautifully bound book assembled by The Old Mill Press, readers of all ages will find a delightful collections of Christmas poems to enjoy throughout the season. Some of the poems are familiar classics like A Visit from St. Nicholas, better known as ‘Twas the Night Before Christmas, by Clement Clarke Moore and The Road Not Taken, by Robert Frost to lesser known but poignant poems like Wartime Christmas by Joyce Kilmer and the lovely A Nativity By Rudyard Kipling. Poetry is an art-form that has many facets. It is the beauty of words that express feelings, emotions and thoughts through carefully selected words. One poet called a poem “a thought, caught in the act of dawning.” Another said a poem is a means of bringing the wind in the grasses into the house. Still another stated, even more simply: “Poetry is a pheasant disappearing in the brush.” If you ask many different people what poetry is you’ll get many different answers. That’s because poetry affects each of us differently with its focus on words, how they sound, the textures, verse patterns, word choice and interpretations. All of that creates a verbal music—a rhythm, a cadence, a beat—that creates an emotional response in each of us, deep within our soul. A Treasury of Christmas Poems is sure to delight and evoke the warm emotions associated with the holiday season.

David A. Bossert is an award-winning artist, filmmaker, and author. He lives in Los Angeles, California.

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Jeannine Marie Pitas hails from Buffalo, New York. She is the author of three poetry chapbooks and the Spanish-English translator of several poets and writers. Her most recent translation, An Introduction to Octavio Paz by renowned Mexican writer Alberto Ruy-Sánchez, was published by Mosaic Press in 2019. She holds a Ph.D. from the University of Toronto’s Centre for Comparative Literature and currently teaches literature, writing and Spanish at the University of Dubuque.

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John B. Lee is one of Canada’s most prolific literary figures. He is the author of more than 50 books, edited nine anthologies, and his work has appeared in more than 500 publications. He has won over 60 awards for his writing, including the CBC Literary Award for Poetry and is the only two-time winner of the People’s Poetry Award. He is the Poet Laureate of Brantford, Ontario in perpetuity and lives in Port Dover, Ontario.

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Laura Furster

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Laura Furster is a Canadian writer and fine artist. Her poetry has been printed in Carousel Magazine, and she is a columnist for The Hamilton Spectator. She works in her home studio in Hamilton, Ontario.

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*Running Late* marks the re-emergence of a truly unique and important voice in Canadian poetry, bringing together selected earlier works by Rolf Harvey along with a captivating set of new work. Harvey was a key member of the Canadian poetry scene in the 1960s and ’70s. He studied under Irving Layton, Maurice Elliott, and D.E.S. Maxwell while working closely with Al Purdy, George Johnston and others. Harvey’s first collection of poems, *The Perfect Suicide*, was hailed as a “forceful, rhetorical and highly idiosyncratic collection” [John Bemrose, *Toronto Star*]. This was followed by *Getting By* and *Out From Under*, which was edited by Irving Layton. Harvey’s absence from the world of poetry since the mid-1980s owes much to his distinguished career in film and television. But now, with *Running Late*, new poems that are both personal and outward looking—calls from the Ontario back-country that everyone should hear.

**Rolf Harvey** is an acclaimed poet who has also worked as an Art Director and Production Designer for film and television for over twenty-five years, working on such acclaimed projects as David Cronenberg’s *The Fly* (1986) and received a Directors Guild of Canada Award in 2002.

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**Fraser Sutherland** has been a freelance writer, reporter and staff writer for major newspapers and magazine, including the *Toronto Star*, *Globe and Mail*, *Wall Street Journal*, *Quill & Quire*, and *Books in Canada*. He is widely admired as a critic and editor. A former Writer-in-Residence at the University of Edinburgh, for three years he was a visiting professor at Guangdong University of Foreign Studies in Guangzhou, People’s Republic of China. He lives in Toronto, Canada.

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Giuliano Ferri is an artist, an animator, and an award-winning author and illustrator of many children’s books, including Brick by Brick, Let’s Play Soccer!, Nino’s Magical Night, and Who’s Hiding inside that Box?. He has exhibited internationally for ten years. He also works with young people with disabilities, using animation and comic theater as therapy.

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Sueli Menezes, born in the state Amazonas, Brazil, has lived in Austria since 1988. She’s an independent artist and author. Since childhood she’s had a strong bond with the culture and nature of her birthplace which she employs in this book. Annika Siems was born in 1984 near Hamburg, Germany, and studied fashion before switching to illustration at the College for Applied Sciences in Hamburg and Image Imprime’ at the Ecole nationale supérieure des Arts Décoratifs in Paris. She’s inspired by the endless inventions of nature and by her travels.

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Nigel Allsopp is the Historian of the Australian Defence Force Trackers and War Dogs Association, a current serving Queensland Police Dog Handler, and well-known author, having published several books in Australia and the United States on war dogs. This is his first children’s book.

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Marina Zlatanova is a digital designer and illustrator. She immigrated from Bulgaria in the early 90’s, and Australia has been her home since. She wrote Charlie’s Shell, a tale about being happy in the shell you’re in, for her 3 year old, who upon finding an empty shell in the garden, wanted to know why the snail had left it there.
A Sheep Out of Water

Annelies Van Uden

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John Rabou studied for two years at the ‘s-Hertogenbosch Academy of Art and Design, Holland. He then built his portfolio and landed his first commission: illustrations for a full-color edition of Moby Dick. For 30 years, John has worked for educational publishers in Holland, Germany. He recently received the Certificate of Merit of the American Society of Illustrators. Annelies Van Uden studied children’s literature in her native Holland. After a brief career in journalism, she became a children’s librarian and started writing books for children, too.

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Yoko Maruyama is a self-taught artist who has long loved creating her own picture books. She is the author of Little Santa.

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**Shannon Jones** is the author of the award-winning KeeKee’s Big Adventures picture book series. After 20 years in the marketing field, she is introducing children to some of her favorite places through KeeKee. **Casey Uhelski** graduated with honors from the Savannah College of Art and Design with a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in illustration. As a little girl, she loved books, doodling, and daydreaming, and has happily gone on to pursue a career as a children’s-book illustrator.

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**Susan Lewis Solomont** has more than thirty years of experience providing strategic philanthropic counsel to private foundations. She frequently speaks with organizations and groups on topics such as women in business, diplomatic life abroad, travel, and philanthropy. In 2013, she was named International Woman of the Year by FEDEPE, the leading organization for female executives and directors in Spain.

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David Michael Slater is an acclaimed author of books for children, teens, and adults. His work for children includes the picture books Cheese Louise!, The Bored Book, and The Boy & the Book, as well as the on-going teen fantasy series, Forbidden Books, which is being developed for film by a former producer of The Lion King. He teaches in Reno, Nevada. Mauro Sorghienti is an illustrator who has gained his twenty years of experience playing creative roles for many projects from the earliest stages of their development on to completion. He lives in Italy.

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Dave Leys lives in Sydney, Australia. He is able to read and walk at the same time, only occasionally bumping into parked cars. He wishes he knew more about science and is attempting to make that wish come true by studying the weird and wonderful world around him. In his job as a high school teacher of English, he gets to keep in touch with the wonderful sensibilities of young people and the marvelous possibilities of language. Shane Ogilvie working in book design, interactive schematics for F35 training courses to designing branding and websites, is a far step from a little kid recreating ads of his favorite ice cream.

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Kathryn Apel is a born-and-bred farm girl who’s scared of cows. She lives with her husband and two sons among the gum trees, cattle and kangaroos on a Queensland grazing property. Too Many Friends is Kathryn’s fifth book and third verse novel, following the release of On Track and Bully on the Bus to much acclaim. Kathryn loves pumping poetry because she can flex her muscles across other genres, to bend (and break) writing rules. Kathryn teaches part-time and shares her passion for words at schools and festivals.

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Ian C. Douglas is a children’s history author and visits schools with bloodcurdling tales of the past. When he’s not daydreaming about Martian landscapes, he teaches creative writing and writes theatre reviews. He lives in England.

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Here, Father Jacques de Foiard Brown, the priest fictionalized in some of Marilyn Nelson’s poems as the hermit monk “Abba Jacob,” combines his own voice with that of his fictional self to write about how he learned to meditate from a baobab tree which was his boyhood’s “best silence teacher.” Observing the baobab and the creatures who lived in its trunk and branches taught him about beauty, friendship, generosity, vulnerability, compassion, and the community of living things: lessons he tells us we can learn ourselves, without having a nearby baobab tree, by going inward in meditation. Listening to silence may help us to see the connection between the natural world and faith. Some of the oldest baobab trees, between 1,000 and 2,500 years old, have died in the last decade. The giant redwoods and sequoias, some over 3,000 years old, are dying off. It’s time to listen to the trees.

Marilyn Nelson, a three-time finalist for the National Book Award, is one of America’s most celebrated poets. She is the author or translator of more than twenty critically acclaimed books for adults and children. She has served as a Chancellor of the Academy of American Poets, as Poet-In-Residence of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, and as Poet Laureate of Connecticut. Father Jacques de Foïard-Brown of Mauritius leads retreats and conferences in France and elsewhere. He is an ordained priest and a teacher of Christian meditation in Mauritius. He has lived in a hermitage for over twenty years, while serving the communities that surround it.

Airily
A Bird Fairies Novel
Shay Emms

Rule #1 Never get caught. Rule #2 Never be seen. Airily isn’t too excited to follow the rules when humans move into the farmhouse her sparrow fairy family calls home. Tempted to the kitchen, Airily falls into the human boy’s trap. Although she doesn’t trust him, getting in trouble with Poppa is not on her agenda. She buys Josh’s silence with a binding promise of friendship. Then, a deadly fae called a Cait Sidhe comes to the forest looking for a silver torc of great power. Airily’s Poppa rallies the local fae against the evil beast but gets kidnapped. Airily and Josh must race against time to save Poppa and rid the woods of the ferocious killer. Between Airily’s knowledge of local fairfolk and Josh’s ingenuity, they just might have a chance.

Shay Emms writes, draws, paints, and then writes some more. Her obsessions include birds, books, and talking mice stories. She’s a big fantasy geek and one day hopes to read all the books on her bookshelves. Her natural habitat while editing is a coffee shop and she can generally be found there with a mug of tea and her laptop. She lives in Oregon.

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Jeremiah Franklin

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Kill or be killed is the new normal for Sawyer, Sara, and the survivors of the deadly virus that has all but annihilated the human race. With the death of Sara’s father and the disappearance of the strange boy known as Mason, the teens are left reeling, but alongside the enigmatic ex-Marine, Edward, they soon forge an alliance with a collection of young survivors led by the sage and charismatic Kai. Nevertheless, when their new companions begin to mysteriously disappear, the group is once again thrown into a desperate struggle for survival, where only the most cunning and relentless will prevail. Ultimately, among whispers of top-secret military bunkers, lost gold, and a shadowy group known as the Cult of the Crow, Sawyer and Sara must face the grim realization that death and betrayal lurks in every corner, and when it comes to the end of the world—nothing is what it seems.

Jeremiah Franklin is a former private investigator, arm-chair survivalist, and author of the Dark Tomorrow trilogy. When he is not creating thrilling post-apocalyptic worlds, or discussing himself in the third person, the author enjoys reading, staying active, and spending time outdoors with family and friends. He holds a Bachelor’s Degree in Psychology, a Master’s Degree in Education, and several other certifications that no one really cares about. He lives, writes, and plays in beautiful central Oregon, USA.

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Devil Springs
Faydra Stratton

The devil has come to Devil Springs. Except he hasn’t. Not at all. But try and tell that to Mesa Crane’s grandmother, Mayor Avis Kneller. This is not the senior year Mesa had pictured for herself. She’s used to her grandmother’s restrictive dress code and no boys rule, but thanks to some skinny-dipping cheerleaders make some questionable social media posts, Avis is ratcheting up her expectations and decreeing spiritual warfare. Mesa is sick of being bullied into fake piety, but defying her grandmother will mean losing the small freedoms she does have, including her spot on the cross country team. Most unfortunate since she’s started training with the school’s best (and okay, admittedly hot) athlete, Cody Howard. But when Mesa won’t get baptized—as Grandma Avis mandates—her isolation begins. The actual devil may not have come to Devil Springs, but judgment sure has. Can Mesa endure until graduation? Or will she find the swell of faith she needs to stand up to her grandmother once and for all?

Faydra Stratton is a writer, high school English teacher, wife, and mom to three boys. When not teaching, reading, or writing, she loves all things beach life: sunbathing, kayaking, paddle boarding, boating, and snorkeling. But not scuba diving. She lives in Port St. Lucie, Florida.

Man Up
Kim Oclon

With David’s final baseball season starting and college plans still up on the air, he begins senior year on edge. But when his baseball coach, Coach Kelly, wants to know if David is gay, he is left speechless. David knows the answer to the question but was hoping to get through his final year without anyone noticing the hallway glances at Tyler, a star on the boy’s track team, or their rides home together each day. In a school where his friends are turning their backs on him, he finds a new set of allies, that he didn’t know roamed the high school halls. Although he was forced out of the closet before he thought he was ready, what happens next is up to him. David can either cower in the corners or man up.

Kim Oclon teaches high school English, film, and creative writing classes. She helped start a gay-straight alliance and is active in PFLAG and SCBWI. She lives in Des Plaines, Illinois.
The Uncaged Series

The Aquarium

Emily Shore

In this fifth installment to The Uncaged Series, Serenity and Sky tackle life together as new parents to their toddler twins. Joined by Blackbird and her daughter, Sky and Serenity feel safe in the Sanctuary. But their peace is shattered when the twins are abducted by a woman named Haven, Director of a new Museum called The Aquarium—a sea-scraper hundreds of miles deep in the ocean. With their children’s fate in the balance, Serenity and Sky agree to a two-year contract as a dual interaction in The Aquarium, re-introducing Serenity to the crowds as the Sea Star. But navigating the perils of this new Museum will be more dangerous than ever. The Director has a reputation as the country’s most notorious assassin, her predatory brother has made Serenity his favorite new target, and the performances demanded of Sky and Serenity are simply unimaginable. When history starts to repeat itself—this time with female bodies showing up strangled—Serenity realizes that there’s no one left to help her. But will saving herself cost her more than she can bear?

Emily Shore is a writer. Her novellas Ruby in the Rough and Ruby in the Ruins are her first indie-published anti trafficking works. Throughout the years, she has connected with rescue organizations, activists, and trafficking survivors and injects truths she’s learned into her books for youth. She loves motivational speaking on the issue of sex-trafficking and was recently featured at the 2018 MLA and MEA. She lives in Saint Paul, Minnesota.

Humanity’s Final Hope Series

Dry Souls

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Denise Getson

Kira has never listened to the rain on the roof, swum in a lake or seen a cloud. In a world where water is rationed by the drop, unauthorized use is punishable by law. When Kira finds a flower and waters it in secret, her subversive act uncovers an astonishing ability. She can call forth water with the touch of her hand. Suddenly, she dreams of refilling rivers, lakes and aquifers. Unfortunately, the United Territories Council has other ideas. They control the population by controlling the water. Now, they mean to control Kira too. Seeking to outwit those who would enslave her—while surviving environmental threats that could destroy her—Kira holds tight to her dream: to make the world green again.

Denise Getson has a bachelor’s of arts degree from Duke University and a master’s degree from Southern Methodist University. Her previous publications include business articles and fine arts reviews. In the past three years, the author has lived in Texas, Taiwan, and Malaysia. Dry Souls is her first novel.
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