**Alone Together**

*Love, Grief, and Comfort in the Time of COVID-19*

Jennifer Haupt

Bestselling authors and poets come together to contribute essays, poetry, and interviews about love, grief, and comfort during the coronavirus pandemic with proceeds to benefit the independent booksellers who play an integral role in literature.

**Summary**

*ALONE TOGETHER: Love, Grief, and Comfort During the Time of COVID-19* is a collection of essays, poems, and interviews to serve as a lifeline for negotiating how to connect and thrive during this stressful time of isolation as well as a historical perspective that will remain relevant for years to come. All contributing authors and business partners are donating their share to The Book Industry Charitable Foundation, a nonprofit organization that coordinates charitable programs to strengthen the bookselling community. The roster of diverse voices includes Faith Adiele, Kwame Alexander, Jenna Blum, Andre Dubus III, Jamie Ford, Nikki Giovanni, Pam Houston, Jean Kwok, Major Jackson, Devi S. Laskar, Caroline Leavitt, Ada Limón, David Sheff, Garth Stein, Luis Alberto Urrea, Steve Yarbrough, and Lidia Yuknavitch. *ALONE TOGETHER* is divided into five sections: What Now?, Grieve, Comfort, Connect, And Don't Stop. The overarching theme is how this age of isolation and uncertainty is changing us as individuals and a society.

**Contributor Bio**

Jennifer Haupt is an author and journalist who has written for *O, The Oprah Magazine*, *Psychology Today*, *The Rumpus*, *The Seattle Times*, *Spirituality & Health*, *The Sun*, *Travel & Leisure*, and many other publications.

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**TMI**

*My Life in Scandal*

Perez Hilton, Leif Eriksson, Martin Svensson

The story of how Mario Lavandeira becomes Perez Hilton, the world’s first and biggest celebrity blogger, with millions of readers around the globe—while also becoming the most hated man in Hollywood.

**Summary**

*TMI* is the story of how Mario Lavandeira became Perez Hilton, a celebrity blogger with millions of readers around the globe who was sometimes called the Most Hated Man in Hollywood. Growing up in Miami’s Little Havana in the 1980s, Perez was bullied at school because of his weight and his sexual orientation, so he devoted all his free time to eating and watching TV in his bedroom. A scholarship to NYU was a lifesaver, as Perez felt at home in New York. But his finances took a battering, and he moved on to L.A. After being fired from three different jobs within the space of ten months, Perez suddenly hit it big in 2005 with his gossip blog. With Perez’s help, many promising young artists reached the masses—Katy Perry, Adele, Amy Winehouse, and Lady Gaga, to name just a few. Perez soon became a Hollywood insider, but during his dramatic fallout with Lady Gaga he realized that he had been used. Perez’s blog became increasingly mean—“It went from bitchy to nasty,” he recalls. But a turning point came when Perez uploaded a video for the It Gets Better campaign and was surprised by the bac...

**Contributor Bio**

Perez Hilton is a celebrity gossip blogger, known and hated from coast to coast. Leif Eriksson and Martin Svensson have written several autobiographies for international celebrities, including UFC star Alexander Gustafsson’s *The Mauler*, Samantha Fox’s bestseller *Forever*, and drummer Matt Sorum’s *Double Talkin’ Jive.*
True Colors
World Masters of Natural Dyes and Pigments
Keith Recker

An immersive visual experience and an inspiring travelogue of personal stories and practical information from artists who are leaving their mark on the world.

Summary
True Colors is about artists who create color from natural materials and about the historical importance and environmental sustainability of this practice. All new content in this revised edition features Heartwear, a collaborative of artists and fashion designers who have created and supported indigo-dyeing projects from Benin to Morocco to India and beyond. True Colors features deep conversations with twenty-eight artisans from every part of the globe who reveal their wisdom, traditions, and know-how—and suggest that we ignore what they know at our peril. Traditional approaches to making color offer sustainable options to a fashion system badly in need of them and memorable cultural narratives to a world hungry for beauty and spirituality.

Contributor Bio
Writer, colorist, and artisan activist Keith Recker has worked with makers from more than sixty countries to refine their products, tell their stories, find new customers, and gain the recognition they so deeply deserve. He was an executive at Saks Fifth Avenue, Gump’s San Francisco, and Bloomingdale’s; founded HAND/EYE Magazine; led Aid to Artisans; served on several arts and culture boards, wrote three books, worked with the world’s foremost providers of color intelligence. He serves as Creative Director of the International Folk Art Market, Contributing Editor to TABLE Magazine, and Senior Consultant at the Pantone Color Institute. He lives in Pittsburgh with his partner and daughter.

Behind the Fig Leaf
Unabashed Renaissance Art History
Patty Civalleri

With nearly 400 images, tales, humorous anecdotes, and thoroughly-researched history, Italy expert and author Patty Civalleri treats you to one of the most delightfully fun and easy reads you have enjoyed in years.

Summary
Zoom in on the key people and events that gave birth to the Renaissance Era. Get to know their obstacles and backstories, their loves, losses, and victories. Above all, understand their art and the driving forces behind it. How did the little walled-in town of Florence give rise to this massive swell of geniuses that together became the thundering voice that dragged Western Europe out of the Dark Ages and into the light? How was it possible that the 1,000-year medieval Dark Ages could have changed so radically simply because of art? With nearly 500 images, tales, humorous anecdotes, and thoroughly-researched history, Italy expert and author Patty Civalleri treats you to one of the most delightfully fun and easy reads you will enjoy for years to come. The Take-Away: You will be among the smartest people in the room when it comes to Renaissance Art History! Secret: You didn’t have to work hard for the bragging rights.

Contributor Bio
Patty Civalleri is a historian and armchair archaeologist who has traveled for 17 years to the deepest corners of the ancient past in search of lost civilizations all over the planet. She serves on the Director’s Council of the Cotsen Institute of Archaeology at UCLA and as a Board Member of the Center for Medieval & Renaissance Studies at California State University in Long Beach. She has written and photographed for the Costen Institute’s prestigious journals in addition to over 150 business and marketing clients around the country. She lives in Southern California.
Talking to a Portrait
Tales of an Art Curator
Rosalind Pepall

Pepall's stories sparkle with clarity and leave one with a sense that art is an amazing, worthwhile, occasionally mysterious human activity.

Summary
This is a collection of stories about art works—whether an oil portrait, a wilderness explorer's sketchbook, or a Tiffany lamp—and how the author fell under their spell. Few people are aware of the work, the emotion, and the obsessions of a curator's job. Exhibitions come and go; they are forgotten after a few years, but they live on in the curator's memory. In these fifteen essays we encounter artists falling in and out of love, family tragedies, the creation of the Stanley Cup, the secrets of Tiffany, Antiques Roadshow, a rootless baroness, the design craze for aluminum, small Japanese boxes called kogos, watercolour sketchbooks of the Canadian north, a beautiful prayer room in Montreal, gondolas flying through windows in Venice, and Moscovites who love Goldfinger. Archival black and white photographs and colour plates—including Edwin Holgate's Ėdviné, one of the most beloved and recognizable Canadian portraits ever painted—make this book a must-have for art lovers, students, academics, museum-goers, and readers interested in the role art plays in the creation of our lives.

Contributor Bio
In a career spanning over thirty years, first as Curator of Canadian Art, and then Senior Curator of Decorative Arts at the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts, Rosalind Pepall helped to plan and organize dozens of major exhibitions and authored several exhibition catalogues. Based in Montreal, she is a consultant, conference speaker, and writer in the field of art.

You Next
Reflections in Black Barbershops
Antonio Johnson

An intimate photographic exploration of the ways black barber shops operate as sites for the cultivation of black male identity and wellness.

Summary
There’s something about a fresh haircut that can change a Black man’s outlook on the world, change his outlook on himself. The experience extends beyond just the cut but to the environment of the barber shop. Growing up, getting a hair cut was a weekly event Antonio M. Johnson looked forward to more than anything. His uncle Jason was a barber and embodied everything cool. There in that tilted chair, under the hand of his uncle, surrounded by members of his community and totems of a shared experience, Johnson felt safe—felt like anything was possible. Over the years, he came to understand that barber shops are more than places simply to get a cut. They are about the only spaces in Ameri-can life created where Black men can speak and receive feedback about who we are, who we want to be, and what we believe to be true about the world around us. The interpretation of the barber shop as community center falls short of capturing what they really are for so many Black men: sanctuaries in a hostile land. You Next is an intimate photographic exploration of the ways Black barber shops operate...

Contributor Bio
Antonio M. Johnson is an emerging visual artist whose work focuses on concepts of home and healing. His primary medium is photography, and he has earned a reputation for capturing scenes that communicate the complex beauty of urban spaces and everyday people. Johnson was raised in West Philadelphia and educated at Morgan State University, a historically Black college in Baltimore. Today, he calls Atlanta home.
The Young Punks
Sheila Rock

Whether candid or posed, Sheila Rock's striking photographs perfectly capture the innocence of the early days, the DIY fashion ethos and the raw energy of Punk

Summary
As the 1970s drew to a close and changes in music, fashion and attitudes collided to form Punk, Sheila Rock was right at the heart of the electrifying youth movement.

Contributor Bio
Sheila Rock was born in the United States and has lived and worked in London since 1970. Since 1979, she has had a successful career photographing the entertainment and music industry. Subjects include artists such as Sting, Paul Weller, Enya, Yossou N'Dour, Sinead O'Connor, Placido Domingo, Bryn Terfel, Sir Simon Rattle, and institutions such the Royal Opera and the Royal Ballet in London. In addition to being featured in numerous books, magazines, and private commissions, her work is housed in the permanent collection of the National Portrait Gallery, London. The photo-journalistic images of Punk in this book were taken in the early stages of her career. She continued to capture the changes in youth culture and music for over a decade while working with magazines such as The Face. She is currently working on a number of fine art projects and exhibits internationally.

It's Ain't Heavy, It's My Story
My Life in The Hollies
Bobby Elliott

A funny, honest, and enlightening account of sixty years on the frontline of rock 'n' roll

Summary
As the influential drummer from iconic rock 'n' roll band The Hollies, Bobby Elliott has six decades worth of musical anecdotes. Continually touring since 1963, his adventures have seen him beating Keith Moon in a drumming audition for Shane Fenton and the Fentones, being serenaded by Joni Mitchell while she was in bed with Graham Nash, and being offered a job by Paul McCartney to work with Wings.

Contributor Bio
Robert Hartley Elliott is an English rock drummer, best known for playing with The Hollies. He has been described as "one of the very finest drummers in all of pop/rock."
All My Yesterdays
The Autobiography of Steve Howe
Steve Howe

The first ever autobiography by a member of Yes

Summary
Renowned guitarist Steve Howe tells his own story in his own words, often unflinchingly as he recounts times of triumph and torment amidst the cream of the UK's prog rock bands. Best known for his work with Yes, a group prone to sudden upheavals, and AOR supergroup Asia, Steve Howe's passage through these and other bands is a roller-coaster ride of constant touring, tense recording sessions, and frequent trips to all corners of the globe. A workaholic, he soon realised that the temptations of the rock 'n' roll lifestyle weren't for him and instead dedicated his life to excellence in musicianship. Born in North London in 1947, Steve got his first guitar at the age of 12 and thereafter devoted himself passionately to mastering its intricacies. After spells in psychedelic bands of the late sixties, he was invited to join Yes in 1970, thus finding himself in a spotlight that shines to this day. In the meantime he raised a family, adopted vegetarianism as a lifestyle, and watched as many of his peers succumbed to the impulses he managed to avoid. As well as Yes and Asia, Steve has led ban...

Contributor Bio
Stephen James Howe is an English musician, songwriter, and producer, best known as the guitarist in the progressive rock band Yes across three stints since 1970.

John Lennon 1980
The Last Days in the Life
Kenneth Womack

The story of the legendary musician's incredible last year

Summary
John Lennon, 1980: The Last Days in the Life traces the powerful, life-affirming story of the former Beatle's remarkable comeback after five years of self-imposed retirement. Lennon's final pivotal year would climax in several moments of creative triumph as he rediscovered his artistic self in dramatic fashion. With the bravura release of the Double Fantasy album with wife Yoko Ono, he was poised and ready for an even brighter future only to be wrenched from the world by an assassin's bullets. John Lennon, 1980 isn't about how the gifted songwriter died; but rather, about how he lived.

Contributor Bio
Kenneth Womack is a world-renowned authority on the Beatles and their enduring cultural influence. Ken's Beatles-related books include Long and Winding Roads: The Evolving Artistry of the Beatles (2007) and The Cambridge Companion to the Beatles (2009), which was named as The Independent's "Music Book of the Year." In 2014, Ken published The Beatles Encyclopedia: Everything Fab Four in celebration of the 50th anniversary of the group's legendary appearance on The Ed Sullivan Show. Ken's books about the Beatles are included in the permanent collection of the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame's Library and Archives. Ken is also the author of four novels, including John Doe No. 2 and the Dreamland Motel (2010), The Restaurant at the End of the World (2012), Playing the Angel (2013), and I Am Lemonade Lucy! (2019). His work has appeared in such venues as Salon, Slate, Billboard, Time, Variety, The Guardian, USA Today, The Huffington Post, and The Philadelphia Inquirer.
**Hide Your Love Away**

*An Intimate Story of Brian Epstein as told by Larry Stanton*

Robin Bragg-Marcelli, Rick Marcelli, Larry Stanton

The story of a clandestine relationship between Larry Stanton and Beatles manager Brian Epstein

**Summary**

While Brian Epstein was basking in the attainment of fame with the Beatles and traveling worldwide, he also was struggling with a concealed darker side of life. The artists he managed had no knowledge of the demons Brian hid within, but due to a chance meeting, Larry Stanton became a mutual confidant. *Hide Your Love Away* takes place during the sixties music revolution with Brian in the forefront of historical changes and both in the midst of Hollywood and British luminaries. Notorious London gangsters and music moguls who played in the demise of the internationally recognized manager are disclosed. *Hide Your Love Away* narrates the details of Brian and Larry’s four-year close and personal relationship and the introduction of a young manipulative man who became the toxic lover may be responsible for Brian’s early death. *Hide Your Love Away* shares Brian and Larry’s quest for true love and supportive companionship when the laws in England and the U.S. kept gay men and women locked in the closet.

**Contributor Bio**

**Robin Bragg-Marcelli** has forty-five years in management experience at University of California, Los Angeles that included management of five UCLA Extension campuses. She was VP-NoHoWest NC, EMT trained, Ambassador-City of Santa Monica, a volunteer Battalion 14 Coordinator with LAFD-CERT (16 yrs.), LAPD, FBI-LACAAA, FBI-InfraGard-L.A., and certified in Homeland Security and Emergency Management. **Rick Marcelli** has fifty-seven years in show business covering every area in the Entertainment world from Personal Management to Producing. He was Executive Producer for TV Shows on FOX network, ITV, BBC in England, New Zealand, and with Dick Clark Productions, and Director of development for CBS, William Self Productions. He is a member of the Producers Guild and Television Academy, and also a volunteer with LAPD, FBI-LACAAA, and FBI-InfraGard-L.A.

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**Patti Smith on Patti Smith**

*Interviews and Encounters*

Aidan Levy

Patti Smith on Patti Smith includes some of Smith's most iconic moments in the media, and some that have never appeared in print, each as insightful as they are unrehearsed

**Summary**

From the moment Patti Smith burst onto the scene, chanting "Jesus died for somebody's sins, but not mine," the irreverent opening line to *Horses*, her 1975 debut album, the punk movement had found its dissident intellectual voice. Yet outside the recording studio—Smith has released eleven studio albums—the punk poet laureate has been perhaps just as revelatory and rhapsodic in interviews, delivering off-the-cuff jeremiads that emboldened a generation of disaffected youth and imparting hard-earned life lessons. With her characteristic blend of bohemian intellectualism, antiauthoritarian poetry, and unflagging optimism, Smith gave them hope in the transcendent power of art. Her interview archive serves as a compelling counternarrative to the albums and books. Initially, interviewing Patti Smith was a censorship liability. Contemptuous of staid rules of decorum, no one knew what she might say, whether they were getting the romantic, swooning for Lorca and Blake, or the firebrand with no respect for an on-air seven-second delay. *Patti Smith on Patti Smith* is a compendium of profound and r...

**Contributor Bio**

**Aidan Levy** has written for the the *Daily Forward, JazzTimes*, and the *Nation*. He is the author of *Dirty Blvd.: The Life and Music of Lou Reed*. He lives in New York City.
Joni on Joni
Interviews and Encounters with Joni Mitchell
Susan Whitall

This collection of interviews spans Mitchell's entire career.

Summary
Joni Mitchell was a solidly middle-class bohemian; an anti-feminist who loved men but scorned free love; a female warrior taking on the male music establishment. She was both the party girl with torn stockings and the sensitive soul. Her earthy, poetic lyrics and the unusual melodic intervals traced by that lissome voice earned her the status of a pop legend. Joni on Joni is a chronologically arranged anthology of Mitchell's most illuminating interviews, spanning the years 1966 to 2014. Included are revealing pieces from her early years in Canada and Detroit, along with influential articles such as Cameron Crowe's Rolling Stone piece. Interspersed throughout are key quotes from dozens of additional Q&As. Together, this material paints a revealing picture of the artist—bragging and scornful, philosophical and deep, but also a beguiling flirt.

Contributor Bio
Susan Whitall was a writer/editor at Creem magazine in Detroit and a music and feature writer at the Detroit News.

Let There Be Rock
The Story of AC/DC
Susan Masino

The definitive story of AC/DC's rise to the pinnacle of rock 'n' roll's stratosphere.

Summary
Learn how this group of Australian mates became one of the few truly legendary rock and roll bands in history. Author Susan Masino traces the band's roots, from their beginnings in Sydney, Australia in the early 1970s, to trail-blazing the U.S. mainstream, to the devastating death of lead singer Bon Scott in 1980. After that tragedy, the band pulled together and rebounded to the top of the charts with new front man, Brian Johnson, and their watershed album, Back in Black. The book follows the band through four decades of triumph and tragedy, including Malcolm's last performances on the Black Ice tour, and Angus picking up the torch. Through it all, AC/DC continues their quest to build a legion of new fans in the 21st century. Compiled from Susan Masino's interviews with the group across the last 40 years, as well as dozens of new interviews with other musicians and friends of the band, Let There Be Rock reveals the real story of AC/DC.

Contributor Bio
Susan Masino has been a rock journalist since 1977 and is the author of Famous Wisconsin Musicians, Rock 'N Roll Fantasy: My Life and Times With AC/DC, Van Halen and Kiss, Family Tradition: Three Generations of Hank Williams, and AC/DC: FAQ. She published her own music newspaper, Rock Central, for six years and created a radio show for 94.1 WJJO in Madison, WI, which she produced and hosted from 1997–2004. Susan also appears in the DVDs Van Halen: The Early Years and AC/DC: Let There Be Rock.
A-Ha: Down To The Tracks
Barry Page

In the first a-ha book of its kind, Barry Page looks back on an extraordinary 40-year musical odyssey

Summary
Against all the odds, a-ha scored a huge hit in 1985 with “Take on Me.” Seemingly overnight, the Norwegian band were topping charts all over the world; a success propelled in part by an innovative video that captured the imagination of an MTV-loving generation. In truth, however, their success had been the culmination of years of hard work and financial struggle; from their origins in bands such as Bridges and Souldier Blue, through to a period of relative squalor in London as they determinedly sought their breakthrough. At their commercial peak, a-ha recorded the theme song for the James Bond blockbuster, The Living Daylights, and, since their formation in September 1982, have sold over 35 million albums worldwide, influencing bands such as Coldplay, Keane, and Radiohead along the way. Aside from showcasing each a-ha album in track by track detail, the book includes a comprehensive look at both the band’s pre-fame years and each of the three members’ side projects, up to and including the release of Magne Furuholmen’s revered new solo album, White Xmas Lies. Told from a number of di...

Contributor Bio
Barry Page is a lifelong fan of a-ha’s and even shares a birthday with their singer, Morten Harket. In recent years he has written a number of popular articles about a-ha and the three members’ various side projects, some of which were featured on the band’s official social media channels. Barry has previously written for the monthly music magazine Record Collector and various websites such as The Electricity Club.

Small Hours
The Long Night of John Martyn
Graeme Thomson

This is THE biography of John Martyn, authorised by his sister and with contributions from his ex-wife Beverley Martyn

Summary
Did any musician in the Seventies fly so free as John Martyn did on Bless The Weather, Solid Air, Inside Out and One World? Did any fall so far? Small Hours is an intimate, unflinching biography of one of the great maverick artists. Though Martyn never had a hit single, his extraordinary voice, innovative guitar playing and profoundly soulful songs secured his status as a much admired pioneer. Covered by Eric Clapton, revered by Lee Scratch Perry, produced by Phil Collins, Martyn influenced several generations of musicians, but beneath the songs lay a complicated and volatile personality. He lived his life the same way he made music: improvising as he went; scattering brilliance, beauty, rage and destruction in his wake. Drawing on almost 100 new interviews, Small Hours is a raw and utterly gripping account of sixty years of daredevil creativity, soaring highs and sometimes unconscionable lows.

Contributor Bio
Graeme Thomson has written for the Observer, New Statesman, Oxford American, the Telegraph, Time Out, MOJO and Rolling Stone, and contributes regularly to the Guardian, Uncut, the Herald and The Arts Desk. He is the author of several books.
**Some Might Say**  
The Definitive Story Of Oasis  
Richard Bowes

The official book of The Oasis podcast

**Summary**

The rise of Oasis in the mid-1990s was nothing short of stratospheric. Yet what made Oasis truly special was that they were the people’s band. This is their story, told by the people that lived through it and how our lives were changed forever. Across the country and all around the world, millions of people felt a connection to these five working class lads from Manchester. With anthemic songs crafted by possibly the greatest songwriter of their generation, delivered with intensity and swagger by definitely the greatest frontman of their generation (also his brother), they set out with an insane level of arrogance, outrageously proclaiming themselves to be the best band in the world. And yet for a shining moment in the mid-1990s they were—a level of success not seen by a British band since a certain Liverpool quartet in the 1960s. Beyond that, the ushering in of a new cultural zeitgeist: Britpop, Cool Britannia, New Labour. And at the centre of it all, the soap opera antics of the warring Gallagher brothers and their band of merry men. But the story didn’t end there. Throughout the l...

**Contributor Bio**

Richard Bowes is a freelance music writer.

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**Two Margarines And Other Domestic Dilemmas!**  
John Shuttleworth's Guide to Everyday Life  
Graham Fellows

Crammed with ridiculous and hilariously over-complicated advice...that only an utter fool would follow!

**Summary**

How DO you avoid the 'nightmare scenario' of having two open tubs of margarine in your fridge? Throw one tub away, or give it to a friend or neighbour? If the remedy were that simple no one would have bothered to write a book about it, would they? John Shuttleworth would... and he has! "Sheffield's funniest man" (The Times) has made simple remedies to everyday domestic dilemmas, well...complicated! And ridiculous. And totally hilarious!

**Contributor Bio**

Graham David Fellows is an English comedy actor and musician, best known for creating the characters of John Shuttleworth and Jilted John.
The Butcher of Park Ex & Other Semi-Truthful Tales
& Other Semi-Truthful Tales
Andreas Kessaris

A humorous collection of personal stories inspired by Andreas' life growing up in Montreal's Park Extension neighbourhood, with Greek immigrant parents who never quite adapted to life in their new country.

Summary
The Butcher of Park Ex is a humorous collection of personal stories inspired by the author's life growing up in Montreal's Park Extension neighbourhood, with Greek immigrant parents who never quite adapted to life in their new country. Never really fitting in with his ethnic community, and never feeling like part of mainstream Quebec or Canadian society, he sets out on an over forty-year search for answers, encountering amazingly interesting people and unique misadventures while trying to navigate a world where he is constantly the odd man out.

Contributor Bio
Andreas Kessaris grew up in the Park Extension district of Montreal the son of Greek immigrants. He has a B.A. from Concordia University in Communications and English. His feature column, Read On! with Andreas Kessaris, was a popular feature in the now defunct West-End Montreal community paper The Local Herald. His work has also appeared on Suite 101.com and Curtainsup.ca. He currently resides in the Town of Mont-Royal, Quebec.

Dervish at the Crossroads
A Soundquest Through the First Two Decades of the New Millennium
Wanda Waterman

An autobiographical exploration of the experience of music from 2000 to 2020, with commentary on what makes these two decades radically different from all that came before.

Summary
Dervish at the Crossroads isn't a music guide so much as an autobiographical exploration of the experience of music from 2000 to 2020, with commentary on what makes the experience of music during these two decades radically different from all that came before. As the title of the book implies, due to the unique conditions of our time we can no longer think of ourselves as points on a series of evolutions; we're now much more present to all of music, from the beginning of written and recorded music, all of which turns around us like spokes on a wheel. This grants us a unique vantage point from which to appreciate music in itself. The book alternates text with a comics and infographics detailing the history of the author's discoveries as a music journalist during this time, along with personal experiences and ruminations and interviews.

Contributor Bio
Wanda Waterman is settled in Montreal where she creates poetry, songs, comic strips, blogs, and articles, and earns her keep by captioning for film and television.
Coordinate Movement for Pianists
Anatomy, Technique, and Wellness Principles
Lisa Marsh

Explore the art and science of playing piano from a fundamental yet often overlooked perspective: that sound is the result of movement.

Summary
What movements, then, produce the most desirable sounds at the piano? Drawing from experience in the fields of piano instruction, medicine, and Body Mapping, author Lisa Marsh presents a detailed discussion—complete with anatomical drawings and music examples—about the types of movement that contribute to a healthy, fluid, and versatile piano technique. This resource is divided into three parts. In the first, Marsh establishes several foundational concepts, including the relationship between sound and movement, sensory awareness, and the practice of inclusive awareness. Part II focuses on the development of a piano technique based on relaxed, efficient, and anatomically accurate movements. Part III rounds out this resource with a thoughtful discussion about musicians’ physical, mental, and emotional wellness. Coordinate Movement for Pianists is a brilliant reminder that healthy movement is the basis for a fulfilling and lifelong enjoyment of piano. Regardless of experience or level, students and teachers alike are certain to gain new inspiration and reap the benefits from applying th...

Contributor Bio
Lisa Marsh is Director of the Coordinate Movement Program at Portland State University, where she specializes in wellness for musicians.

Piano Buyer Model & Price Supplement / Fall 2020
Larry Fine

For those in the market for a new piano, this supplement will pay for itself many times over through greater peace of mind, convenience while shopping, and potential savings.

Summary
A piano is one of the most expensive consumer purchases many people will ever make, yet honest, unbiased price information is mysteriously scarce. In this companion volume to The Best of Acoustic & Digital Piano Buyer, Fine provides "list prices" for most piano and digital-piano brands and models, plus advice on how to estimate actual "street prices." Specifications for hundreds of models of digital piano are also included.

Contributor Bio
Larry Fine is author of The Piano Book: Buying & Owning a New or Used Piano and editor of Acoustic & Digital Piano Buyer. A registered piano technician, Fine has been involved in the piano industry for more than 40 years.
**Vignettes of a Pianist**
*Untold Melodies of a Musician’s Journey*
Megan Yim

**Summary**
Growing up, Megan Yim thought everyone had to learn piano. She was raised in an environment where weekly lessons and daily practicing were as expected as eating breakfast, lunch, and dinner. But the years have revealed to Megan that the gift of music is exactly that: a gift. It is a luxury and a privilege that not everyone has access to: hearing it, learning it, but most of all sharing it. What does being a classically trained musician mean? What are the responsibilities? The duties? In *Vignettes of a Pianist*, Megan retells and recreates the moments that are felt behind the scenes, the ones that are not applauded or awarded. Moments that most individuals forget, or they may not even have knowledge of; the walk up to the stage before a performance, the wait outside the examination room, or the drive to a piano lesson you did not practice for. To play and create classical music is a gift to be cherished and shared, and Megan hopes she can share hers.

**Contributor Bio**
Megan Yim has been teaching piano for over 10 years, and has a diverse academic background in English, French, and Marketing from the University of Toronto and Schulich School of Business in Toronto, Canada. She holds diplomas from the Royal Conservatory of Music in Piano Performance and Piano Pedagogy. *Vignettes of a Pianist* is Megan’s first book, which has been a dream for her to combine her passions for music and literature in one composition. Megan started playing piano at age 4. She has not stopped playing ever since. When not playing piano, Megan enjoys reading feminist historical fiction, crafting, and planning her next travel itinerary.

**Zorro’s Shadow**
*How a Mexican Legend Became America’s First Superhero*
Stephen J.C. Andes

This history of Zorro brings together the character’s origins and demonstrates his impact on pop culture, not only revealing that Zorro was the inspiration for the most iconic superheroes we know today but also delving into the Latinx origins of the masked crusader.

**Summary**
Long before Superman or Batman made their first appearances, there was Zorro. Born on the pages of the pulps in 1919, Zorro fenced his way through the American popular imagination, carving his signature letter Z into the flesh of evildoers in Old Spanish California. Zorro is the original caped crusader, the first hero to have a band called the Avengers, and the character who laid the blueprint for the modern American superhero. In *Zorro’s Shadow*, historian and Latin American studies expert Stephen J. C. Andes investigates the legends behind the mask of Zorro, revealing that the origin of America’s first superhero lies in Latinx history and experience. Revealing the length of Zorro’s shadow on the superhero genre is a reclamation of the legend of Zorro for a multiethnic and multicultural America.

**Contributor Bio**
Stephen J. C. Andes is an associate professor of history at Louisiana State University. He is the author of *The Mysterious Sofia* and *The Vatican and Catholic Activism of Mexico and Chile*.
The James Bond Movie Encyclopedia
Steven Jay Rubin

The most comprehensively researched Bond book, packed with behind-the-scenes information based on interviews with the cast and filmmakers, fascinating facts, trivia, bloopers, classic quotes, character bios, cast and filmmaker bios, and hundreds of rare and unusual photographs of those in front of a...

Summary
Ian Fleming’s James Bond character has entertained motion picture audiences for nearly sixty years, and the filmmakers have come a long way since they spent $1 million producing the very first James Bond movie, Dr. No, in 1962. The 2015 Bond title, Spectre, cost $250 million and grossed $881 million worldwide—and 2020's No Time to Die is certain to become another global blockbuster. The James Bond Movie Encyclopedia is the completely up-to-date edition of author Steven Jay Rubin’s seminal work on the James Bond film series. It covers the entire series through No Time to Die. Packed with behind-the-scenes information based on interviews with the cast and filmmakers, fascinating facts, trivia, bloopers, classic quotes, character bios, and cast and filmmaker bios, it showcases the type of exhaustive research that has been a hallmark of Rubin’s work in film history. It also features hundreds of rare and unusual still photographs of the participants both in front of and behind the camera.

Contributor Bio
Steven Jay Rubin is an internationally recognized author, film historian, producer, screenwriter, and promoter. He is the author of nine books, including The Twilight Zone Encyclopedia and Secrets of the Great Science Fiction Films. He lives in Los Angeles.

Film Noir Style
The Killer 1940s
Kimberly Truhler

Summary
Film Noir Style: The Killer 1940s looks at the fashions of the femmes fatales who were so good at being bad, and the suits and trench coats of definitive noir actors such as Humphrey Bogart and Alan Ladd. Film and fashion historian Kimberly Truhler explores twenty definitive film noir titles from 1941 to 1950 and traces the evolution of popular fashion in the decade of the ‘40s, the impact of World War II on home-front fashion, and the influence of the film noir genre on popular fashion then and now. Meet not only the fabulous women of noir, including Betty Grable, Veronica Lake, Gene Tierney, Lauren Bacall, Barbara Stanwyck, Ava Gardner, and many others, but also the costume designers that created and recreated these famous stars as killers—and worse—through the clothes they wore.

Contributor Bio
With more than twenty years of study in film and fashion history, Kimberly Truhler is an author, educator, guest speaker, and host of screening series on the history of fashion in film. She was an Adjunct Professor at Woodbury University and an expert for organizations such as Turner Classic Movies (TCM), Sony Pictures Television, the National Film Registry, BBC Worldwide, and Christie’s auction house. Truhler has been interviewed by publications ranging from the New York Post to Elle Canada. In 2019 she was featured throughout CNN’s series American Style. In addition to writing Film Noir Style, she is a contributor for the upcoming Encyclopedia of Film and Television Costume Design.
This & That
10 Knits to Keep you Warm & Cozy
Pam Allen

Pam's eye for color and detail shine in this new collection

Summary
This & That is a continuation of Pam Allen's exploration in designing with alpaca fibers. Her ten new designs include shapes that go beyond the basic sweater: a cardigan with an understated peplum, a dress with a gathered waistline, a Bohus-inspired round-yoke pullover, a classic peasant top—all these and more come alive in Quince & Co's alpaca and wool blend yarns. Pam's long career in knitwear design has yielded hundreds and hundreds of satisfying and easily wearable projects.

Contributor Bio
Pam Allen has worked in the knitting industry for many years as an independent hand-knitwear designer, editor-in-chief of Interweave Knits magazine, and creative director at Classic Elite Yarns. In 2010, she co-founded Quince & Company, a hand-knitting yarn and knitwear design company, with an historic spinning mill in Maine. She is the author of Knitting for Dummies (John Wiley & Sons, 2002), Scarf Style (Interweave Press, 2004), Home: 18 Knittable Projects to Keep You Comfy (Quince & Co, 2014), and Plain & Simple: 11 Knits to Wear Every Day (Quince & Co, 2018).

Crochet Stitches Reference Book
A Compendium of Crochet Stitch Patterns Worked in Rows
Wendi Cusins

Summary
Are you tired of plain, basic crochet stitches and want to try something a bit different? Or are you wanting to attempt a more challenging stitch pattern as your skills improve? Whether you have recently discovered crocheting, or whether you have wielded your hook for years, this book will become your go-to resource—either for stitch pattern ideas to try out, or for inspiration to create and come up with your own designs. Each stitch pattern in this book is worked in rows, using a traditional crochet hook. Besides the written stitch patterns, there are accompanying photographs, as well as a crochet stitch charts to follow.

Contributor Bio
In 2007, Wendi Cusins followed her heart to the USA (from South Africa) and while waiting for her Green Card, picked up her crochet hook and a new career began for her. After more than twenty years in the film and television industry, her first job in the States was working with a local crochet designer, writing and editing crochet patterns. Her passion for crochet, prompted her to get certified as a Teacher and Instructor (through Craft Yarn Council of America), and to complete the two Masters Programs offered by the Crochet Guild of America (CGOA), of which she is a professional member.
**Cutest Crochet Toys**
16 Super Cute Amigurumi Toys to Crochet
Lana Choi

Crochet lovely handmade toys for yourself and beloved ones

**Summary**
In this book Korean crochet doll designer Lana Choi shared her lovely 16 designs with you. She is a well-known Amigurumi designer on the social media not just in Korea but also in western community. All projects are explained with step-by-step pictures and easy to follow charts. You will fall in love with these super cute toys from cactus friends to elephants, bears, dolls, and robots.

**Contributor Bio**
**Lana Choi** is a crochet doll designer who is enthusiastically designing original and lovely works. As an optician based in Korea, she introduced her designs in a book to share with her Instagram followers.

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**Nordic Crochet Toys**
Ina Rye-Holmboe

Make 16 unique crochet toys to cherish, play with, or decorate the nursery room

**Summary**
Meet, and crochet, Karl, the boy who wants to become a fisherman when he grows up. He always brings his stuffed fish toy wherever he goes. Meet his friends Brita and Knut, and all the cute animals they come across on their adventures, like the arctic fox, the mountain hare, the cuckoo, the sleepy bear and many more. The book will walk you through all the necessary steps to create crochet toys on your own. With detailed instructions, photos, and tips and tricks from the author, this book is suitable for beginners at crochet, and should also inspire more advanced crocheters who enjoy crocheting toys.

**Contributor Bio**
**Ina Rye-Holmboe** (Ina Rho) lives with her family in Norway. She is a mother of three and works as a physician, but when she is relaxing she designs and crochet toys for her little ones to play with. Being inspired by both the Scandinavian style and nature, her mission is to create toys that could be nice decorative elements in a child’s room as well as fun to play with.
Mini Kingdom

**Crochet 25 Tiny Amigurumi Royals!**
Olka Novytska

Set out on a breathtaking crochet journey with AradiyaToys' Minis

**Summary**
In her first book, designer Olka Novytska shares her passion for amigurumi crochet in 25 brand new designs. Enter the magical realm of AradiyaToys. With this book in one hand and your crochet hook in the other, you will be crocheting the cutest amigurumi kingdom. The mini Prince, accompanied by his trusty steed and his lovely princess sisters, visits the villagers in the realm. But be careful for robbers, wizards, and dragons as they might want to steal away the Princesses' kawaii toys! All patterns contain detailed instructions and are accompanied by step-by-step pictures and explanations of all techniques used, so both beginners and advanced crocheters can easily get acquainted with the characters in this book.

**Contributor Bio**
**Olka Novytska** (AradiyaToys) is an amigurumi designer from Kyiv, Ukraine. Her crochetwork allows her to express herself in many ways, enjoying it as a hobby and practicing it as her profession. She loves soft color combinations, dolls, and kawaii animals, and she brings all these interests together in her toy patterns.

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English Paper Piecing - With Fabric and Thread

Sharon Burgess

**Summary**
*With Fabric and Thread* contains projects suitable for all skill levels. A 'Back to Basics' techniques section guides the beginner on their English Paper Piecing journey, where Sharon shares the techniques and tools she uses, setting you up for success. Each quilt design has easy to follow illustrations and step-by-step instructions. From the fun of 'Giggle and Whirl,' an I Spy children's quilt, to the fussy cutting of 'Amore,' welcome to the wonderful world of English Paper Piecing.

**Contributor Bio**
**Sharon Burgess** has four children, a husband, and two michevious pugs. She lives in beautiful Bendigo in Victoria, Australia. A town steeped in history, heritige buildings, and stunning gardens, all with a modern café vibe. Her sewing journey began in 2009 and her love of all things English Paper Piecing soon followed. She is the author of *Quilting on the Go, English Paper Piecing* and *A Stitch in Time*. In her quiet time you will find Sharon sketching new designs or lost in the slow stitching that is English Paper Piecing. Sharon’s designs give her the freedom of being able to play with soft pretty florals in one project and modern brights in another. Sharon can be found on Instagram @lilabellelane and you can visit Sharon’s website www.lilabellelanecreations.com to discover more of her EPP designs and projects.
210 Quilt Blocks
Each Bock is Explained with Step by Step Pictures
Tuva Publishing

Step-by-step instructions for over 200 popular, unique quilt blocks!

Summary
You will find blocks that range from innovative to traditional, whimsical to sophisticated, classic to unique! Combine the blocks to make any of the projects, from full-sized quilts to table toppers and baby quilts. With so many blocks to choose from, you're sure to find inspiration in this book.

Contributor Bio
Tuva Publishing is an independent, international publisher of a wide selection of needlecraft books, all highly illustrated in full color since 2004. The books cover a range of subjects, including cross-stitch, embroidery, sewing, crochet, and knitting. They work with expert authors in their interest fields from around the world to offer the best quality titles to readers.

Floral Folk Art in Cross Stitch
Durene Jones

Inspired by floral folk art from all over the world, this book contains over 100 modern, bold designs and motifs

Summary
A range of designs that are suitable for all sewing abilities. The essence of this book is to keep it simple, fun, and easy to stitch. With that in mind most of the designs are sewn using only whole cross stitch, and back stitch is kept to a minimum. The patterns vary in sizes. From small quick stitch designs for tags, pincushions, key fobs, and cards, to larger, more involved designs for notebook covers, pictures, fire screens, or table cloths. Many of the designs can easily be used in multiple ways. A single small design or band could be used to edge a place mat, table cloth, towel, or curtain tie back, or you could combine several designs together to make a sampler. A stunning collection of patterns for both new and experienced stitchers alike.

Contributor Bio
Durene Jones was a graphic designer for more than a decade before giving it up to pursue her lifelong love of textile arts. Now she's been a needlework designer for 15 years and has had work published in magazines worldwide and has a successful Etsy shop where she sells needlework charts. She has produced a number of kits and books, including Cross Stitch: Welcome Baby and Cross Stitch: Floral Summer Days. She loves the challenge of a new design and feels fortunate to earn a living doing something that she has a true passion for.
The Essential Book of Embroidery Stitches
Beautiful Hand Embroidery Stitches: 100 + Stitches with Step by Step Photos and Explanations
Hiroko Kiyo

Learning embroidery has never been easier!

Summary
Do you want to embroider? Are you looking for an embroidery book that explains everything from A to Z and teaches popular embroidery stitches? Are you an embroidery expert looking for a book on different techniques to improve your skills? In both cases, look no further: you have found it! The Essential Book of Embroidery Stitches is aptly named: you will find not only the explanations of the most common stitches in traditional embroidery, but also more complex techniques such as stumpwork. Atelier FIL, who is famous for beautiful embroidery, will introduce you the basic of hand embroidery. All stitches are introduced with step-by-step photos. You’ll also learn the convenient tips of embroidery, 3D embroidery, and more.

Contributor Bio
Hiroko Kiyo studied French embroidery for many years and founded Atelier Fil in 2004. She specialized in three-dimensional embroidery, regularly makes exhibitions, works as a lecturer at the Culture Center, and teaches in Yoyogi Uehara. She is the author of several books including Flower 3D Embroidery, Plump Cute 3D Embroidery, and Beautiful Flowers and Accessories Woven with Three-Dimensional Embroidery.

Modern Punch Needle
Modern and Fresh Punch Needle Projects
Duygu Turgut

You will be amazed to see what you can do with a punch needle, some yarn, and a piece of fabric!

Summary
In this book, you will find 25 different projects that you can make using punch needle technique. Cushions, children’s bags, rugs, and wall hangings that add color to your home are just a few. These projects aim to guide you in transforming traditional punch embroidery into modern accessories for yourself and your home. In this book you can explore materials used in punch embroidery, step-by-step instructions, and inspiring piece with templates.

Contributor Bio
Duygu Turgut is a DIY projects developer who lives in Turkey with her husband and daughter. She started sharing her “do it yourself” ideas on her YouTube channel “Duygu's DIY Diary” in 2015 and left a teaching career behind when she chose to pursue her dreams and open her own studio in 2019. Nowadays, she organizes workshops and produces content for her Youtube channel. As a pioneer of the DIY movement in Turkey, she enjoys trying new techniques, creating, and upcycling. Punch embroidery has become her biggest passion and is the subject for which her video work started. She has also been hosting a TV Show Sen de Yap! (You can do it too!) in a national television channel since 2019.
Cotton Friend Sewing

East to make clothes to sew and wear quickly "I want to make and wear them now"

Yuko Katayama

There are versatile pieces suitable for every style and fashion trends

Summary

A book with the theme of "Let's make clothes to wear tomorrow," where adult women can make the clothes they want to wear now. Full of useful items for every season, such as coats and dresses and tunics made of warm materials. This book consist of sewing patterns of adult clothes delivered by the editorial department of the quarterly sewing magazine Cotton Friend. Under the theme of "Let's make tomorrow's clothes today," we have gathered adult clothes that are easy to make. Including items that are easy to make, such as ponchos, solid and kimono coats, as well as pants, tunics, dresses. Also note the proposal to enjoy the arrangement by changing the collar and fabric. The motto is "I want to make and wear them now."

Contributor Bio

Yuko Katayama & Kyoko Sakauchi & Michiyo Ito

Yuko started sewing at the age of six, and after graduating from Bunka Fashion College in Tokyo, she joined a publishing company. Worked for 15 years as an editor of craft books specializing in sewing. Currently, she resumes freelance editing. Every day she tries to improve herself on new things and also she uses the skills and knowledge that she has cultivated over more than 30 years of sewing in different areas such as customizing and repairing clothes and accessories. Kyoko Sakauchi After graduating from a design college, she worked for an apparel maker as a planning department patterner for seven and a half years. Retired in 1997, then as a freelance patterner and sample maker, she produced wholesale clothes and casual wear. She joined to several workshops and learned how to make shoes from Katsumi Shigeru. She works on sewing pattern designs, production of paper patterns, development and sales of handicraft kits and publications in Europe and Asia and also teaches sewing class.

101 Beautiful Felt Flowers

PieniSieni

Just cut and paste the felt to make your stylish flowers—all of which include stems, allowing them to be easy accessories!

Summary

Each of the 101 felted flower projects are explained with step-by-step photos, creating an enjoyable activity for children or adults.

Contributor Bio

PieniSieni is the representative director of the Japan Feltart Association. She is a bead and felt embroidery writer. She specializes in three-dimensional works with flowers and insects as motifs. She has received many awards, including the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology Award.
Sew Your Own Bags and Accessories
Kazuko Taneichi

Written by popular blogger and YouTuber Kazuko Taneichi

Summary
There are many useful and fun works included, packed with various ideas and tricks. You can sew your own bags or accessories by following easy step-by-step images. You will find real size pattern sheet in the book for all projects.

Contributor Bio

Kazuko Taneichi is a Japanese popular fabric accessory writer as a blogger and YouTuber. She is introducing easy and quick handmade objects using a sewing machine. She has 2 kids.

Watercolor Meets Handlettering
The Project Book of Pretty Watercolor with Handlettering
Christin Stapff Mädchenkunst

Paint beautiful geometric, floral, and animal designs

Summary
The trendy duo: watercolor & hand lettering. The trendy combination of sayings, light motifs, and elements in a watercolor look. This is a book of several blogger projects. The bloggers show their watercolor projects and the connection of watercolor paints, brush pen, and fineliner. With many step-by-step instructions for watercolor motifs, it is the perfect way to get to know the world of flowing colors. The basics of watercolor painting such as glaze, wash, and wet on wet are explained right at the beginning. The project book for beautiful watercolor letterings.

Contributor Bio

Christin Stapff Mädchenkunst discovered hand lettering on Instagram in 2015, and it was love at first click. Since then, her passion is the brush lettering with watercolor painting.
How to Weave a Navajo Rug and Other Lessons from Spider Woman
Barbara Teller Ornelas, Lynda Teller Pete

The only how-to book on Navajo weaving told by Navajo weavers

Summary
Navajo blankets, rugs, and tapestries are the best-known, most-admired, and most-collected textiles in North America. There are scores of books about Navajo weaving, but no other book like this one. For the first time, master Navajo weavers themselves share the deep, inside story of how these textiles are created, and how their creation resonates in Navajo culture. Want to weave a high-quality, Navajo-style rug? This book has detailed how-to instructions, meticulously illustrated by a Navajo artist, from warping the loom to important finishing touches. Want to understand the deeper meaning? You’ll learn why the fixed parts of the loom are male, and the working parts are female. You’ll learn how weaving relates to the earth, the sky, and the sacred directions. You’ll learn how the Navajo people were given their weaving tradition (and it wasn’t borrowed from the Pueblos!), and how important a weaver’s attitude and spirit are to creating successful rugs. You’ll learn what it means to live in hózhó, the Beauty Way. Family stories from seven generations of weavers lend charm and special i...

Contributor Bio
Lynda Teller Pete and Barbara Teller Ornelas are fifth-generation Navajo weavers who have been weaving since they were young girls. Their father, Sam Teller, worked at the famed Two Grey Hills Trading Post in New Mexico, where they were raised with their sister and two brothers. Internationally acclaimed for their fine tapestry weaving, their lives and work have been featured in many publications and have been the subject of the Craft in America television program. Their weaving has been exhibited at galleries and museums throughout the world. Together, they teach Navajo weaving workshops at museums, galleries, and guilds.

Florate Polyhedra
Andrew Stewart-Brown

Summary
These models of regular and semi-regular polyhedra bear some resemblance to flower heads, so florate seems to describe them. But behind them there is a set of basic geometric principles. If the vertices of any of the polyhedra are joined to their centres by straight lines, a set of pyramids appears. The pyramids are based on equilateral triangles, squares, regular pentagons, hexagons, and decagons. If these radii are extended outwards to infinity, we can visualise Euclidean space divided into four regions by the tetrahedron, six by the cube, eight by the octahedron, and so on. The ratios of the sides of the isosceles triangles which form the sloping slides of the pyramids are remarkably simple. Once the method of using straight-edge and compasses to make simple surd lengths has been understood, the nets based on these ratios lend themselves to construction. The nets for all thirteen models in this book may be constructed using the ratios given in the table, and may be scaled up or down to make attractive decorations, perhaps for a Christmas tree.

Contributor Bio
Andrew Stewart-Brown is an experienced and inspirational teacher.
**Working with Models**  
J K Wilkinson

**Summary**  
Provides a step by step guide to building 3D objects from 2D drawings.

**Contributor Bio**  
J K Wilkinson is a retired engineer and teacher of design.

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**Ball RedBook**  
Greenhouses and Equipment  
Chris Beytes

This professional horticulture reference, which has been in print continuously since 1932, is fully revised and updated in this new edition

**Summary**  
Based on real-life experiences from experienced industry professionals, including equipment and greenhouse manufacturers and growers, the presented information covers all aspects of commercial greenhouses and the equipment needed to run them—the structures themselves, benches, irrigation, heating and cooling, environmental controls, mechanization, and automation. The most recent developments in greenhouse evolution are discussed, as are the varieties of available greenhouse structures and specialized structures, including headhouses, chemical storage facilities, and retail greenhouses. New to the 19th Edition is a section on The Cannabis Greenhouse.

**Contributor Bio**  
Chris Beytes is the editor of GrowerTalks magazine and has been in the horticulture industry for nearly 40 years. He lives in South Elgin, Illinois.
Ball RedBook
Crop Production
Bill Calkins, Jim Nau, Allison Westbrook

Offering detailed information on the production of 162 flower, herb, and vegetable crops

Summary
This essential resource for professional plant growers includes techniques and advice intended for real-world greenhouse and nursery production. Information is offered on the basics of crop culture—media, nutrition, irrigation, water quality, light, temperature, crop scheduling, growth regulators, pest management, and more. In the Crops section, which is organized by botanical name, you will find details about propagation, growing on, insect and disease control, troubleshooting, and postharvest care. The plants represented in this compendium include annuals, perennials, flowering potted plants, herbs, vegetable bedding plants, and a new and detailed section on cannabis/hemp.

Contributor Bio
Jim Nau is a retired Cultural Advisor and Horticultural Historian to the Ball Horticultural Company, and also author of the Ball Culture Guide. Allison Westbrook has a Master’s degree in horticulture–plant health and is a staff editor with Ball Publishing. Bill Calkins is a senior editor/digital editor with Ball Publishing.

American Casino Guide 2021 Edition
Steve Bourie, Matt Bourie

The 2021 American Casino Guide provides casino-goers with money-saving, detailed information that can be helpful for both seasoned casino veterans, as well as first-time casino visitors

Summary
Anyone who is looking to learn more about gambling, or simply planning a gambling-related vacation, will find the book to be extremely helpful. The guide provides detailed information on more than 750 casino/resorts, riverboats and Indian casinos in 41 states. The book also has maps of all casino locations, plus detailed information on the best strategies for playing the major casino games such as blackjack, craps, roulette, baccarat, slots and video poker. For extra savings, the book also contains more than 150 casino/travel coupons valued at more than $1,000. A must for anyone planning a visit to a casino!

Contributor Bio
Steve Bourie has more than 40 years of experience in the gambling industry. Matt Bourie has been playing in, and writing about, casinos for more than 10 years.
Jumble® Unleashed

Tribune Content Agency LLC

A collection of popular puzzles syndicated to more than 300 U.S. newspapers on a daily basis

Summary

For sixty-five years, millions of newspaper readers have delighted in solving the daily Jumble®, which appears in hundreds of national papers and in these puzzle books that offer hours of challenging wordplay and fun. Each page features a series of mixed-up words coupled with a cartoon clue, and certain letters from each word are used to form the answer to the puzzle.

Contributor Bio

Tribune Content Agency, based in Chicago, Illinois, distributes media products in a variety of languages and formats, including news, comic strips, television listings, and other information services, to international publications.

Jumble® Neighbor

Puzzles that Bring People Together!

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Nightmare Blocks
The Starter Book
Les Page

A puzzling breath of fresh air!

Summary
Each of 15 letters represents a number to enter into the Nightmare Blocks grid—but which one? Some values are given to you, and following simple rules, you have to work out the rest. Les Page has devised some ingenious and challenging new puzzles for anyone who enjoys Sudoku, KenKen, Train Tracks, and similar puzzles. Sometimes difficult, sometimes easier—but always interesting.

Contributor Bio
Les Page is a life-long puzzler and puzzle inventor. Bored of Sudoku and other published media, he set out to develop alternatives.
The Compendium
Les Page

These new number puzzles provide some really interesting challenges

Summary
For BrainBox, use multiplication and addition. For Just Plus and Alcatraz, use addition. For Multi-tasking, use two-way multiplication. Finally, in The Warehouse, solve the tricky storage number issue! Les Page has devised some ingenious and challenging new puzzles for anyone who enjoys Sudoku, KenKen, Train Tracks, and similar puzzles. Sometimes difficult, sometimes easier—but always interesting. A puzzling breath of fresh air!

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Emojis
The Starter Book
Les Page

Sometimes difficult, sometimes easier—but always interesting

Summary
Each of 15 emojis represents a number to enter into the grid—but which one? Some values are given to you (more than in the tougher companion volume), and following simple rules, you have to work out the rest.....Les Page has devised some ingenious and challenging new puzzles for anyone who enjoys Sudoku, KenKen, Train Tracks, and similar puzzles. A puzzling breath of fresh air!

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Les Page is a life-long puzzler and puzzle inventor. Bored of Sudoku and other published media, he set out to develop alternatives.
Solitary Sudoku

Les Page

A twist on the sudoku theme

Summary

*Solitary Sodukus* are giant grids where many of the options are given—your task is to work out how to start a Chain Reaction to solve the grid. Les Page has devised some ingenious and challenging new puzzles for anyone who enjoys Sudoku, KenKen, Train Tracks, and similar puzzles. Sometimes difficult, sometimes easier—but always interesting. A puzzling breath of fresh air!

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Emojis

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Summary

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Ron Shandler's 2021 Baseball Forecaster
Brent Hershey, Brandon Kruse, Ray Murphy, Ron Shan...

For more than thirty years, the very best in baseball predictions and statistics

Summary
The industry's longest-running publication for baseball analysts and fantasy leaguers, Ron Shandler's Baseball Forecaster, published annually since 1986, is the first book to approach prognostication by breaking performance down into its component parts. Rather than predicting batting average, for instance, this resource looks at the elements of skill that make up any given batter's ability to distinguish between balls and strikes, his propensity to make contact with the ball, and what happens when he makes contact—reverse engineering those skills back into batting average. The result is an unparalleled forecast of baseball abilities and trends for the upcoming season and beyond.

Contributor Bio
Brent Hershey is the managing editor of www.BaseballHQ.com. He was honored in 2009 by the Fantasy Sports Writer Association for the Best Fantasy Baseball Article in a Print Publication. He lives in Philadelphia.
Brandon Kruse has contributed to BaseballHQ.com since 2005, is a Twins fan pinning his hopes on the futures of Buxton and Sano, and lives in the Minneapolis area with his wife and two kids. Ray Murphy is the managing director of www.BaseballHQ.com. He lives in Boston. Ron Shandler was the first baseball analyst to develop sabermetric applications for fantasy league play.

Mission 27
A New Boss, a New Ballpark, and One Last Win for the Yankees' Core Four
Mark Feinsand, Bryan Hoch, Nick Swisher

A comprehensive history of the 2009 squad's rise to the championship

Summary
Boasting a mix of homegrown talent and All-Star signings, the 2009 Yankees were composed of the very best. With the previous season's failed playoff bid still as fresh as the paint job on the new Yankee Stadium, a 27th championship flag represented the singular objective of a squad that ultimately carved out a unique spot among the Yankees' pantheon of World Series teams.

It was the last title for the "Core Four”—Derek Jeter, Mariano Rivera, Jorge Posada, and Andy Pettitte—who would each retire over the course of the next five years. It was the lone title for Alex Rodriguez, Mark Teixeira, A.J. Burnett, and Nick Swisher, each of whom saw memorable peaks and valleys during their time in the Bronx. For CC Sabathia and Brett Gardner, it was their first championship, though the veterans were still in pinstripes as the latest generation of Yankees arrived for what they hope will be the next dynasty. Mission 27 is a thoroughly reported chronicle of an unforgettable season, packed with interviews with the full cast of key players, team executives, broadcasters, and more.

Contributor Bio
Coaching for Elite Performance
Squash, Tennis and Table Tennis
Mike Symonds, Tal Ben-Shahar

Written for parents and coaches, with the aim of helping them facilitate the development of their children and pupils as much as possible, and at every stage—through learning and discovery.

Summary
The path to elite performance in a racket sport is much like the path through a minefield to safety. There are no warning signs, but there are invisible hazards that lie in wait. There are no reliable maps—largely because the path itself varies for different people. Things one learns along the way may accelerate progress for a while, only to lead to a developmental dead-end in the long run. This book will help parents and coaches by providing knowledge and strategies that will enable them to preempt many developmental problems that are commonly encountered along the developmental path. The content of this book isn't complex.

Contributor Bio
Mike Symonds has been an elite racquet sports coach all over the world for more than 40 years, as well as a highly ranked player himself. He is also the author of Squash: The Answers. Tal Ben-Shahar is a New York Times Bestselling author. He taught the most popular course in Harvard and is currently writing, consulting, and lecturing worldwide on positive psychology and leadership.

Pete Sampras: Greatness Revisited
Steve Flink

Flink portrays Sampras as a rare champion who was in many ways larger than the game he played.

Summary
Pete Sampras is a central figure in the history of tennis, the dominant force in the game during the 1990's, and the greatest American male player of all time. Gradually, after a fairytale finish to his career when he won the 2002 U.S. Open, Sampras was somewhat forgotten by fans who were exhilarated by the exploits of Roger Federer, Rafael Nadal, and Novak Djokovic. In this career biography of the redoubtable Sampras, Hall of Fame author and historian Steve Flink recaptures the magic of the man, recalling the supreme hold he had on his era, and bringing this singularly gifted player vividly back to life.

Contributor Bio
Steve Flink is a tennis journalist and member of the International Tennis Hall of Fame who has covered more than 100 major tennis tournaments in his career. He is a columnist for TennisChannel and Tennis.com and the author of The Greatest Tennis Matches of All Time. He is the former editor of World Tennis magazine and a former senior columnist at Tennis Week. He lives in Katonah, New York.
Cassius X
The Transformation of Muhammad Ali
Stuart Cosgrove

An in-depth exploration of the pivotal time Cassius Clay transformed into Muhammad Ali, exploring the events, relationships, and experiences that shaped him

Summary
Although Muhammad Ali’s decision to assume a new name has often been portrayed as a sudden transformation, Cassius Clay’s conversion to Islam was a process, not an event. For many months he received guidance from Malcolm X, who had traveled from Harlem to Miami to be his mentor as he studied for his entry into the deeply divided and fratricidal Nation of Islam. The name he assumed over those now-forgotten months was Cassius X. This is the story of Cassius X over twelve months in Miami, a city that was changing faster than America itself, as he trains for the fight that will bring him global fame: his world heavyweight title fight against Sonny Liston in February 1964. Change was happening on every conceivable front, not least in music where two significant coincidences brought Cassius X into contact with the two major forces in sixties music: Beatlemania and the newly emergent soul music. The Beatles famously turned up at Clay’s training camp at the 5th Street Gym and Sam Cooke negotiated a recording deal for the flamboyant Cassius X. However, his music career, which included a cover...

Contributor Bio
Stuart Cosgrove is a writer and broadcaster based in Scotland. He was a staff writer with Echoes and media editor of the NME, and the author of the soul music trilogy: Detroit 67: The Year That Changed Soul (nominated as Best Music Book of 2016), Memphis 68: The Tragedy of Southern Soul (winner of the Penderyn Music Prize), and Harlem 69: The Future of Soul. He is a television executive who has won numerous awards, including a BAFTA and Royal Television Society award.

I'll Show You
Derrick Rose, Sam Smith

An answer from the NBA superstar at the heart of controversies on and off the court

Summary
Derrick Rose achieved an improbable childhood dream: being selected first overall in the NBA draft by his hometown Chicago Bulls. The point guard was a phenom, winning the Rookie of the Year award and electrifying fans around the world. In 2011, he became the youngest MVP in league history. Rarely had a bond between a player and fans been so strong, as the city wrapped its arms around the homegrown hero. Six years and four knee surgeries later, his career was seemingly on the brink of collapse. But Rose never believed his struggles on and off the court were anything other than temporary setbacks. I'll Show You is an honest, intimate conversation with one of the world’s most popular athletes, a star whose on-court brilliance is matched only by his aversion to the spotlight. Rose opens himself up in a document that is as unflinching—and at times as uncomfortable—as a personal diary. Detailing his childhood spent in one of his city’s most dangerous neighborhoods; his relationships with both opponents and teammates; the pain and controversies surrounding his career-altering injuries; his...

Contributor Bio
Born and raised in Chicago, Derrick Rose was the first overall pick by the Chicago Bulls in the 2008 NBA Draft. He was the league’s Rookie of the Year, and in 2011 became the youngest MVP in NBA history at the age of 22. He has also played for the New York Knicks, Cleveland Cavaliers, Minnesota Timberwolves, and Detroit Pistons. Sam Smith is the author of the New York Times bestseller The Jordan Rules, Second Coming, There Is No Next, and Hard Labor. He received the Naismith Hall of Fame Curt Gowdy Media Award in 2012 and today writes for Bulls.com. You can follow him at @SamSmithHoops.
Dave Bing: Attacking the Rim
My Unlikely Journey from NBA Legend to Mayor to Mentor
Dave Bing

A remarkable narrative of both chance and purpose that touches all corners of society to tell the improbable tale of one man looking for something greater

Summary
A young black boy, legally blind in one eye, from a hard-working family in the poorest section of Washington, D.C., leaps to the pinnacle of his sport: the NBA Hall of Fame. A rookie bank teller rises to become one of the nation’s most celebrated black business leaders. A once-reluctant political neophyte answers the call to become mayor of America’s most troubled city, and he establishes a mentoring program for African-American boys that serves as a model for the nation. All of these stories belong to Dave Bing. In Attacking the Rim, Bing shares this multifaceted personal saga with rare combination of modesty, moxie and powerful self-belief. Reflecting on his playing days with the Detroit Pistons, Washington Bullets, and Boston Celtics, Bing takes readers inside the exciting world of pro basketball at the moment when sensational athletes were turning a low-budget game into a high-powered, multi-million dollar entertainment spectacle. From inside the Detroit mayor’s office, he offers a first-hand look at the city’s plight, including intractable debt and corruption, massive unemployment...

Contributor Bio
Dave Bing played for the NBA’s Detroit Pistons, Washington Bullets, and Boston Celtics, and was inducted into the elected to the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame in 1990.

The Spencer Haywood Rule
Battles, Basketball, and the Making of an American Iconoclast
Marc J. Spears, Gary Washburn

Hall of Famer, Olympic gold medalist, NBA Champion, MVP, and All-Star could all be used to describe the illustrious career of Spencer Haywood on the hardwood

Summary
One of the most dominant big men of his era, Haywood burst onto the international scene with a revelatory performance as only a 19-year old at the infamous and divisive 1968 Olympics in Mexico City. Yet, while his basketball career was just beginning back in that summer of ’68, it was just one notable moment in the extraordinary and fateful life of the big man from Silver City, Mississippi. Marc Spears of ESPN’s The Undefeated and Gary Washburn of The Boston Globe tell the remarkable story of a man who was born into indentured servitude in rural Mississippi, and all of the unbelievable trials, tribulations, successes, failures, and redemptions that followed. Haywood’s triumphs on the court are only part of the legend, as his winding journey off the court saw him challenge the NBA Draft entry rules and win at the Supreme Court level, run in New York City high-fashion circles in the mid-1970s with his then-wife supermodel Iman, and bottom out with alcohol and drug addiction during the infancy of the Showtime Lakers dynasty. Spears and Washburn explore how Haywood’s impact was felt thro...

Contributor Bio
Marc J. Spears is the senior NBA writer for ESPN’s The Undefeated. He is the co-producer of the documentary Katrina Cop In The Superdome. Gary Washburn is the National NBA writer for The Boston Globe. He also serves as the Vice President, Print for the NABJ Sports Task Force.
Off Mike
How a Kid from Basketball-Crazy Indiana Became America's NHL Voice
Mike Emrick, Kevin Allen, Eddie Olczyk

Mike "Doc" Emrick's voice is synonymous with hockey in America

Summary
Millions of fans have enjoyed his infectious enthusiasm, insight, and storytelling on regular television broadcasts, through moments of triumph and defeat. Now, in this striking autobiography, the longtime broadcaster takes fans behind the mic as only he can. Emrick's love for hockey is obvious to anyone who's heard him call a game, and it's multi-layered. Tradition. The Stanley Cup chase. Suspense. Passion. Teamwork. History. Handshakes. An endless list. Yet it's the people he treasures most of all, and Doc has more than his fair share of stories from countless interactions—more than he's even been able to tell during four decades in the broadcast booth. Through both his early life and his unparalleled career, readers will meet the full cast of characters who have made their mark on the man who's voice has defined the hockey experience for so many. Equal parts riveting and hilarious, this memoir gives fans a rare seat alongside Emrick and serves as a profound ode to the sport of hockey.

Contributor Bio
Mike Emrick is an Emmy Award-winning television play-by-play commentator for NHL on NBC. "Doc" has been a sportscaster since 1973, calling a variety of sports and several Olympics. Kevin Allen spent 34 seasons as USA Today's hockey beat writer. He has written several books about hockey and co-authored books by Chris Chelios, Jeremy Roenick, Darren McCarty, and Stu Grimson.

Eddie Olczyk
Beating the Odds in Hockey and in Life
Eddie Olczyk, Perry Lefko

A moving memoir from one of the country's most beloved sports commentators and most recognizable names in American hockey

Summary
When Eddie Olczyk looks at his life, he can't believe how many times he's beaten the odds. At age sixteen, he was selected for the 1984 U.S. Olympic hockey team, and four months after the competition ended he was drafted in the first round by his hometown Chicago Blackhawks. He played alongside Mario Lemieux and Mark Messier and saw his name engraved on the Stanley Cup. He's brought hockey into American homes as one of the most recognizable voices of the sport, and he's even become a respected analyst in the world of horse racing, thanks to his talent as a bettor—Olczyk once won more than $500,000 picking the winners of six consecutive races while wagering only $168.

But perhaps there is no greater example of Eddie O. beating the odds than in 2018 when he went into remission eight months after being diagnosed with Stage 3 colon cancer. He will readily admit that this was the greatest victory of his life. This memoir is an honest and emotional account of everything Olczyk has experienced: the sacrifices his parents made so he could pursue a career in the NHL, the joy of playing for the...

Contributor Bio
Eddie Olczyk is an Emmy Award-winning television commentator for the NHL and horse racing. Perry Lefko is an award-winning Canadian journalist and bestselling author.
**Nicklas Lidstrom**

*The Pursuit of Perfection*

Nicklas Lidstrom, Gunnar Nordstrom, Bob Duff

An essential read for all hockey fans, featuring rare color photos from Lidstrom's personal collection

**Summary**

Nicklas Lidstrom is nothing short of a Hockeytown deity, and his number 5 hangs high in Detroit as a symbol of leadership, longevity, and unparalleled defensive talent. The beloved Red Wings captain opens up about his life and career for the first time in the English language in this authorized biography which spans the Hall of Famer's entire NHL journey. *Nicklas Lidstrom: The Pursuit of Perfection* takes fans on a memorable tour which includes Lidstrom's early life in Sweden, his 20 seasons in Detroit and four Stanley Cup championships, and his taste of Olympic gold with the Tre Konor. It also includes insights on more personal matters and unique challenges Lidstrom faced as well as photos from Lidstrom's personal collection.

**Contributor Bio**

Nicklas Lidstrom won four Stanley Cups and seven Norris Trophies during his 20 seasons with the Detroit Red Wings. He was inducted into the Hockey Hall of Fame in 2015. Gunnar Nordstrom is a Los Angeles-based journalist covering the NHL for the Expressen newspaper in Sweden. He is the author of several books, including *Lidstrom: Captain Fantastic*, published by Sportforlaget. Bob Duff has written extensively for the *Windsor Star*, MSNBC.com, and *Hockey Weekly*. He is the author of several books about hockey, including *If These Walls Could Talk: Detroit Red Wings*, with Ken Daniels.

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**Belfry Hockey**

Darryl Belfry, Scott Powers, Patrick Kane

Packed with fascinating stories and valuable insight, this is an unmissable look at how even hockey’s best find ways to get even better

**Summary**

Darryl Belfry is hockey’s premier development coach, with clients including Sidney Crosby, Patrick Kane, John Tavares, and Auston Matthews. But his highly sought-after training methods aren't only for elite NHL stars; Belfry’s unique approach has helped players of all levels uncover new pathways to performance excellence. *Belfry Hockey* details this powerful curriculum, developed over years of studying relentlessly to identify strategic advantages others were missing. It's a system that emphasizes discovering authentic identity, pinpointing translatable skill, building a personal performance matrix, and more. Belfry also expounds on topics including his "leading from behind" technique and how to create time and space through stick handling, skating, and body position.

**Contributor Bio**

Darryl Belfry is hockey’s premier development coach and is recognized as the leading expert in uncovering new pathways of performance excellence. Belfry Hockey clients include Sidney Crosby, Patrick Kane, John Tavares, and Auston Matthews. Scott Powers is the lead hockey writer for *The Athletic Chicago*. Previously, he covered the Blackhawks and the White Sox for ESPN Chicago. He has also written for the *Daily Herald* and the *Chicago Sun-Times*. 
**Sidelines and Bloodlines**  
*A Father, His Sons, and Our Life in College Football*  
Ryan McGee, Jerry E. McGee, Sam McGee, Rece Davis

Football is a game of lines—on and off the gridiron

**Summary**

For ESPN's Ryan McGee, football is a lifelong passion formed from growing up as the son of Dr. Jerry McGee, a man who wore stripes for decades as one of the most highly-decorated officials in college football history. In *Sidelines and Bloodlines*, Ryan McGee teams up with his father and brother to share lessons learned between the white lines, featuring a cast of characters that runs from no-name small college athletes and coaches to one-name legends such as Holtz, Paterno, Tebow, and Bo. The McGees provide a rare and often hilarious glimpse inside the lives of college officials, detailing how a love for the game convinces accomplished professionals from all walks of life to voluntarily endure ceaseless insults, public criticism, and the expressed goal of doing one's job on a very public stage in a way that will hopefully NOT draw any attention to how that job is done. From hilarious stories of brawling high school referees and making awkward small talk with George Lucas and Darth Vader at the Rose Bowl to the heart-tugging story of young sons in the stands on a Saturday as a stream p...

**Contributor Bio**

**Ryan McGee** is a senior writer for ESPN. **Dr. Jerry E. McGee** is one of the most highly-decorated officials in college football history. **Sam McGee** is a lawyer in Charlotte, North Carolina. **Rece Davis** is the host of College GameDay, ESPN's flagship college football program. He also hosts the network's on-site coverage of the College Football Playoff and has been a regular contributor to SportsCenter and other ESPN shows and platforms since he joined the network in 1995.

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**Caponomics**  
Zack Moore

A comprehensive exploration of how Super bowl teams are constructed to achieve short-term victories as well as long-term success

**Summary**

*Over the Cap*’s Zack Moore provides a systematic breakdown of everything from how a front office and coaching staff should be assembled to how teams should acquire their talent to build the most complete roster possible. An invaluable read for NFL diehards and casual fans alike, *Caponomics* identifies the proven best practices used by Super Bowl champions and applies the indispensable expertise of “The NFL Mount Rushmore” of Paul Brown, Bill Walsh, Andy Reid, and Bill Belichick. Fans will walk away from this book with a new understanding of the history of the modern game that has led to today’s NFL and what an owner, general manager, and organization must do to build a Super Bowl champion team from the ground up.

**Contributor Bio**

**Zack Moore** is a former college football player at the University of Rhode Island where he majored in communications and minored in business. He received his MBA from Rutgers Business School and has written for *Over the Cap* since 2014. He is the first person to start writing about percentage of the salary cap, which is the only way to understand and analyze salary cap data across years. He is also an NFLPA Certified Player Agent. Zack’s research has appeared on various platforms including *Sports Illustrated*, *Bleacher Report*, *USA Today*, *the NFL Network*, and *The Wall Street Journal*. He has also met with NFL teams to discuss the data and theories in this book.
**A Bird's-Eye View**

*My Mostly Wonderful, Always Unforgettable Half-Century with the Philadelphia Eagles*
Leo Carlin, Paul Domowitch, Jeffery Lurie, Rich Ga...

Brimming with verve and humor, this is a ticket to the Eagles' inner sanctum which no fan should miss.

**Summary**
Day in, day out, Leo Carlin was a constant presence with the Philadelphia Eagles for over five decades. The longtime ticket director and front office mainstay has dedicated most of his life to creating memorable experiences for Eagles fans. He's played countless roles and has countless stories to tell as a result. *A Bird's-Eye View* is a fascinating, frank, in-the-room look at nearly 60 years of Eagles' history, spanning five different ownerships, 14 head coaches, so many stars, and, of course, a Super Bowl. From getting his start as a part-timer in 1960—when professional football in Philadelphia ranked a distant third in popularity to baseball and college football—to riding down Broad Street with his fellow Eagles hall of famers in the championship parade, Carlin opens up about the highlights, lowlights, and neverending hijinks that come with the territory.

**Contributor Bio**
Leo Carlin worked for the Philadelphia Eagles for 55 years, serving as longtime ticket director and business manager. He was inducted into the Eagles hall of fame in 2012. Paul Domowitch has covered pro football for the Philadelphia Inquirer for over 35 years.

Rich Gannon played quarterback for 18 seasons in the National Football League. He is currently a sports commentator with CBS Sports. Gannon was born in Philadelphia and played college football at the University of Delaware.

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**The Massillon Tigers**

*15 for 15*
David Lee Morgan, Jr., Jim Tressel

The next generation's Friday Night Lights

**Summary**
After playing 4 quarters of hard-fought football games, the Massillon Tiger football team gathered in a circle at the center of every football field they played on in 2019 to do 15 pushups—a pushup for every game it would take to lead them to the State Championship game. The mantra for the season became: 15 for 15. Each pushup is represented as a chapter in this book and a different piece of the puzzle that explains the football town of Massillon, Ohio. In this dramatic and entertaining book, Author and Tiger running back coach, David Lee Morgan, Jr. shares stories that offer a unique and unequaled perspective into the 2019 season and the Tigers' quest for that elusive state championship. The Massillon Tiger football program isn't a typical high school football program. It’s a ministry of football with the first season dating back to 1894. *The Massillon Tigers: 15 for 15* is the powerful tale of one of the most storied high school football programs anywhere in the country and their magical 2019 season, as told by an award-winning author and journalist who enjoyed unlimited access to...

**Contributor Bio**
Author and award-winning journalist and sportswriter David Lee Morgan, Jr., teaches English and Creative Writing at Massillon Washington High School. He is the author of seven books. Jim Tressel is an American college football coach and university administrator who is currently the president of Youngstown State University in Youngstown, Ohio.
**Payton and Brees**
The Men Who Built the Greatest Offense in NFL History
Jeff Duncan, Steve Gleason

A rare, behind the scenes look at the Saints over more than 14 seasons

**Summary**
As the city was rebuilding following Hurricane Katrina, Sean Payton arrived in 2006 as a relative unknown, a first-time NFL head coach tasked with resurrecting a New Orleans Saints team that had just finished 3-13. Two months after Payton was hired, the Saints signed a free agent quarterback who was cast aside by the San Diego Chargers: Drew Brees. Together, these two underdogs joined forces and transformed the Saints from laughingstock to juggernaut. Payton's bold play-calling proved the perfect match for Brees, who threw a league-leading and franchise record 4,418 passing yards as the Saints advanced to the NFC championship game. Three seasons later, the Saints were Super Bowl champions. *Payton and Brees* is the definitive account of how this dynamic duo transformed a team, a city, and the game of football.

**Contributor Bio**
Jeff Duncan is a columnist for *The Athletic New Orleans* and previously covered the Saints for the *Times-Picayune*. He is the author of *Tales from the Saints Sideline* and *From Bags to Riches*.

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**The Road to Bama**
Incredible Twists and Improbable Turns Along the Alabama Crimson Tide Recruiting Trail
Andrew Bone, Jay Barker

Andrew Bone takes fans back to the start and behind the scenes, showing that the path to Bryant–Denny Stadium is not always a straight and narrow one

**Summary**
The University of Alabama boasts one of the nation's most storied football programs, and the recruiting acumen of coaches like Bear Bryant and Nick Saban plays a major role in that. *The Road to Bama* is a wild ride into the competitive world of college football recruiting, revealing how many Crimson Tide players found their way to Tuscaloosa.

**Contributor Bio**
Andrew Bone reports on Alabama football recruiting for BamaInsider.com, part of the Rivals.com network. Jay Barker was the starting quarterback on Alabama’s 1992 national championship team. He resides in Birmingham, Alabama.
Attack the Day
Kirby Smart and Georgia's Return to Glory
Seth Emerson, Matt Stinchcomb

Dive into the resurgence of Georgia football and the man behind it

Summary
When Kirby Smart returned to his alma mater in 2016, hopes were high that he could take Georgia football to that elusive next level. Smart wasted no time putting his mark on the Bulldogs, however, making an immediate impact on recruiting and in 2017, reaching the College Football Playoff and coming within moments of a national championship. Biding his time and crafting his philosophy as a defensive coordinator under Nick Saban, Smart waited for his opportunity to return to Georgia, turning down several coaching opportunities in the meantime. Still early in his tenure, Smart has gone on to dominate recruiting on a national scale, win the SEC, reach the national championship game, and will be attacking the college football landscape for years to come.

Contributor Bio
Seth Emerson is a staff writer for The Athletic Atlanta, covering Georgia football and athletics. He has written previously for the Atlanta Journal-Constitution and The Albany Herald.

100 Things Chiefs Fans Should Know & Do Before They Die
Matt Fulks

Revised and updated to include the Chiefs' stunning victory in Super Bowl LIV!

Summary
Whether you’re a die-hard booster from the days of Hank Stram and Len Dawson or a newer supporter of Andy Reid and Patrick Mahomes, these are the 100 things all Kansas City Chiefs fans needs to know and do in their lifetime. The book contains every essential piece of Chiefs knowledge and trivia as well as must-do activities, and ranks them all from one to 100. With an entertaining and easy-to-follow checklist for readers use to track their progress, 100 Things Chiefs Fans Should Know & Do Before They Die is the ultimate resources guide for true diehards.

Contributor Bio
Matt Fulks is a writer, broadcaster, and editor who has contributed to publications including the Kansas City Star and Royals Baseball Insider magazine, the official publication of the Kansas City Royals. His work has also appeared in CBS Sportsline, the Denver Post, and USA Today Sports Weekly. He is the author or coauthor of several books about Kansas City sports, including projects with Denny Matthews, Dayton Moore, Frank White, and Fred White.
Kingdom
How Andy Reid, Patrick Mahomes, and the Kansas City Chiefs Returned to Super Bowl Glory
Adam Teicher, Dick Vermeil

Featuring an unforgettable cast of characters both on the field and in the front office, this is the story of how the Lombardi trophy returned to Chiefs Kingdom

Summary
After 50 years of waiting, Kansas City Chiefs fans were hungry for a return to Super Bowl glory. In 2020, their patience was rewarded in dramatic, exuberant fashion with a second-half comeback for the ages against the San Francisco 49ers. ESPN's Adam Teicher expertly retraces the team's unforgettable championship season as well as the moves and moments that made it all possible—the hiring of head coach Andy Reid in 2013, drafting future-MVP Patrick Mahomes, the heart-wrenching AFC Championship loss to the Patriots in 2019 that lingered in the mind of every player, and more. Teicher captures the mood of the team week by week, every step of the way, profiling numerous players, coaches, and key figures.

Contributor Bio
Adam Teicher is an ESPN NFL Nation reporter covering the Kansas City Chiefs. He previously covered the Chiefs for 20 seasons for the Kansas City Star. A good friend of Andy Reid's, Vermeil was the Chiefs head coach from 2001 to 2005. He resides in Napa Valley, California.

100 Things Bears Fans Should Know & Do Before They Die
Kent McDill

Revised and updated for 2020!

Summary
Revealing the most critical moments and important facts about past and present players, coaches, and teams that are part of the storied history that is Bears football, this book has pep talks, records, and Bears lore scattered throughout the pages. The Bears’ longtime rivalry with the Green Bay Packers, little-known facts about many of the Bears’ record 27 Hall of Famers, and profiles of Bears personalities such as Ditka, Payton, Urlacher, Cutler, Trubisky, and Mack are all included. Die-hard fans who know all the words to the “Super Bowl Shuffle” and new supporters alike will find everything they should know, see, and do in their lifetime.

Contributor Bio
Kent McDill has covered Chicago sports for The Daily Herald and NBA.com. He is the author of If These Walls Could Talk: Chicago Bulls.
The Big 50: Chicago Bears
Adam Jahns

An amazing look at the fifty men and moments that have made the Bears the Bears

Summary
Longtime sportswriter Adam Jahns explores the living history of the team, counting down from number fifty to number one. This dynamic and comprehensive book brings to life the iconic franchise’s remarkable story, including greats like Ditka, Payton, Urlacher, and more.

Contributor Bio
Adam Jahns is a senior writer for The Athletic Chicago. He previously covered the Bears and Blackhawks for the Chicago Sun-Times.

The Big 50: Chicago Blackhawks
The Men and Moments that Made the Chicago Blackhawks
Jay Zawaski, Dave Bolland

An amazing look at the fifty men and moments that have made the Blackhawks the Blackhawks

Summary
Longtime radio analyst Jay Zawaski explores the living history of the team, counting down from number fifty to number one. This dynamic and comprehensive book brings to life the iconic franchise’s remarkable story, including greats like Toews, Kane, Mikita, Chelios and more.

Contributor Bio
Jay Zawaski is an executive producer and Chicago Blackhawks analyst for 670 The Score. He also hosts the Madhouse Chicago Hockey Podcast and LockedOn Blackhawks.
100 Things 49ers Fans Should Know & Do Before They Die
Daniel Brown

Revised and updated for 2020!

Summary
Whether you’re a die-hard from the days of Joe Montana or a new supporter of Jimmy Garoppolo, San Francisco 49ers fans will discover the top 100 things to know and do, in their lifetime through this unique guide. Inspired by and written for the devout fan, this lively and detailed book explores important facts and figures from the team's storied history, including the early years of Y. A. Tittle; the golden era of Bill Walsh, Montana, Steve Young, and Jerry Rice; the wild saga of Colin Kaepernick, and more. From the most important facts about the team to the traditions that define what being a 49ers fanatic is all about, this guide also highlights such essential experiences as the best places to soak in 49ers lore.

Contributor Bio
Daniel Brown is a senior editor and writer for The Athletic, covering Bay Area sports. He is the author of The Big 50: San Francisco Giants.

100 Things Dolphins Fans Should Know & Do Before They Die
Armando Salguero, Jason Taylor

Featuring traditions, records, and lore, this his lively, detailed book explores the personalities, events, and facts every Miami Dolphins fan should know

Summary
Whether you were there for the perfect season or are just diving in, these are the 100 things every fan needs to know and do in their lifetime. Miami Herald columnist Armando Salguero has collected every essential piece of Dolphins knowledge, as well as must-do activities, and ranks them all from 1 to 100. Covering important dates, behind-the-scenes tales, memorable moments, and outstanding achievements by the likes of Dan Marino, Don Shula, Jason Taylor, Bob Griese, and Larry Little, this is the ultimate resource guide for all Dolphins faithful.

Contributor Bio
Armando Salguero is a Miami Herald columnist who has covered the Miami Dolphins and the NFL since 1990.
100 Things Texans Fans Should Know & Do Before They Die
Aaron Wilson

Summary
With traditions, records, and lore, this lively, detailed book explores the personalities, events, and facts every Houston Texans fan should know. It contains crucial information such as important dates, behind-the-scenes tales, memorable moments, and outstanding achievements by players like Andre Johnson, J.J. Watt, Jadeveon Clowney, and Deshaun Watson. Whether you're a converted Oilers fan who's been there from the start or a more recent supporter of the team with Watson at QB, this is the ultimate resource guide for all those who bleed Battle Red.

Contributor Bio
Aaron Wilson covers the Texans beat for the Houston Chronicle, joining the paper in 2015. A Washington, D.C. native, he previously covered the Baltimore Ravens for the Baltimore Sun. This is his first book.

100 Things Purdue Fans Should Know & Do Before They Die
Tom Schott, Nathan Baird, Robbie Hummel

Summary
Featuring traditions, records, and lore, this lively, detailed book explores the personalities, events, and facts every Purdue fan should know. Whether you're a Ross-Ade Stadium or Mackey Arena regular or a more recent supporter, these are the 100 things every fan needs to know and do in their lifetime. Longtime Purdue Athletics publicist Tom Schott and former beat reporter Nathan Baird have collected every essential piece of Boilermakers knowledge and trivia, as well as must-do activities, and rank them all from 1 to 100, providing an entertaining and easy-to-follow checklist as you progress on your way to fan superstardom.

Contributor Bio
Nathan Baird is a writer for Cleveland.com. Tom Schott is the senior associate athletics director at Purdue University, where he has been part of the athletics department communications team since 1990.
100 Things LSU Fans Should Know & Do Before They Die
Ross Dellenger, Ron Higgins

A comprehensive guidebook for devoted fans

Summary
With traditions, records, and Tigers lore, this lively, detailed book explores the personalities, events, and facts every Louisiana State University fan should know. It contains crucial information such as important dates, behind-the-scenes tales, memorable moments, and outstanding achievements by players like Y.A. Tittle, Tommy Casanova, Alan Faneca, Odell Beckham Jr., and Leonard Fournette. Covering the championship eras of Paul Dietzel, Nick Saban, Les Miles, and plenty more, this is the ultimate resource guide for all LSU faithful.

Contributor Bio
Ross Dellenger covers college football for Sports Illustrated and previously served as the LSU football beat writer for The Advocate in Baton Rouge. This is his first book. Ron Higgins is a longtime sportswriter and current editor for Tiger Rag.

100 Things Wildcats Fans Should Know & Do Before They Die
Ryan Clark, Joe Cox, Dan Issel

Revised and updated for 2020!

Summary
The University of Kentucky men’s basketball program is the winningest in the history of the sport, and this lively guide explores those victories along with the personalities, events, and facts that any and every Wildcats fan should know. Influential players from more than a century of success are highlighted, including Louie Dampier, Jamal Mashburn, John Wall, Anthony Davis, and Karl-Anthony Towns. The team’s colorful coaches are also profiled. Covering important dates, behind-the-scenes tales, memorable moments, and must-do activities, this is the ultimate resource guide for all Kentucky faithful.

Contributor Bio
Ryan Clark is a journalist whose work has been published in numerous periodicals.

Joe Cox is an attorney who practices law in Bowling Green, Kentucky.

Dan Issel is a two-time University of Kentucky All-American and remains the program’s all-time leading scorer. The American Basketball Association Rookie of the Year in 1971, he was a six-time ABA All-Star and one-time NBA All-Star.is an American retired Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame professional basketball player and coach. He was inducted into the Basketball Hall of Fame in 1993, the College Basketball Hall of Fame in 2006 and the Kentucky Sports Hall of Fame in 2018.
100 Things Maple Leafs Fans Should Know & Do Before They Die
Michael Leonetti, Paul Patskou

Revised and updated for 2020!

Summary
Whether you’re a die-hard booster from the early days of Conn Smythe or a new supporter of John Tavares and Auston Matthews, these are the 100 things all Maple Leafs fans need to know and do in their lifetime. Authors Michael Leonetti and Paul Patskou have collected every essential piece of Maple Leafs knowledge and trivia, as well as must-do activities, and ranked them, providing an entertaining and easy-to-follow checklist as you progress on your way to fan superstardom. 100 Things Maple Leafs Fans Should Know & Do Before They Die is the ultimate resource guide for true fans.

Contributor Bio
Michael Leonetti was the bestselling author of the children’s books The Greatest Goal and My Leafs Sweater. Paul Patskou is a noted writer, researcher, and archivist.

The Big 50: Detroit Red Wings
Helene St. James, Chris Osgood

An amazing look at the fifty men and moments that have made the Red Wings the Red Wings

Summary
Longtime sportswriter Helene St. James explores the living history of the team, counting down from number fifty to number one. This dynamic and comprehensive book brings to life the iconic franchise’s remarkable story, including greats like Howe, Yzerman, Lidstrom, Datsyuk, and more.

Contributor Bio
Helene St. James has covered the Red Wings for the Detroit Free Press since 1996. Her work has appeared in several books. She has covered the team’s adventures in Sweden and the Czech Republic and has covered hockey at multiple Olympic Games.
The Big 50: New York Giants
The Men and Moments that Made the New York Giants
Patricia Traina

An amazing look at the fifty men and moments that have made the Giants the Giants

Summary
Longtime sportswriter Patricia Traina explores the living history of the team, counting down from number fifty to number one. This dynamic and comprehensive book brilliantly brings to life the historic franchise’s remarkable story, including greats like Taylor, Strahan, Parcells, Manning, and more.

Contributor Bio
Patricia Traina is the senior writer for New York Giants Maven and host of the daily LockedOn Giants podcast. She has covered the team for over 20 years for outlets including Bleacher Report, SB Nation, The Athletic, and Inside Football.

If These Walls Could Talk: New York Jets
Stories from the New York Jets Sideline, Locker Room, and Press Box
Marty Lyons, Lou Sahadi, Joe Klecko

Featuring conversations with players and coaches past and present as well as off-the-wall anecdotes only Lyons can tell, this indispensable volume is your ticket to Jets history

Summary
Having spent 11 seasons at defensive tackle for the New York Jets before later joining the broadcasting team as a radio analyst, Marty Lyons knows what it means to live and breathe Jets football. In If These Walls Could Talk: New York Jets, Lyons provides insight into the Jets inner sanctum as only he can, from the New York Sack Exchange days alongside the likes of Joe Klecko to the current roster helmed by Sam Darnold.

Contributor Bio
Marty Lyons played defensive tackle for the New York Jets for 11 seasons. He was selected to two Pro Bowls and was named the NFL's Walter Payton Man of the Year in 1984. Lou Sahadi is the co-author of several classic sports books, including Johnny Unitas: America’s Quarterback, Say Hey: The Autobiography of Willie Mays, The Winning Edge, the autobiography of Don Shula, and They’re Playing My Game, the autobiography of Hank Stram.
If These Walls Could Talk: Denver Broncos
Stories from the Denver Broncos Sideline, Locker Room, and Press Box
Dave Logan, Arnie Stapleton

Featuring conversations with players past and present as well as off-the-wall anecdotes, this indispensable volume is your ticket to mile high history.

Summary
The man on the mic for countless memorable moments from John Elway, Von Miller, Peyton Manning, and more, Dave Logan has lived and breathed Denver Broncos football as the team's longtime play-by-play announcer. In If These Walls Could Talk: Denver Broncos, Logan provides insight into the Broncos' inner sanctum as only he can.

Contributor Bio
Dave Logan has been the Voice of the Denver Broncos since 1990, beginning as a color analyst before shifting to play-by-play. Prior to his career in radio, he played nine NFL seasons, including for the Broncos in 1984. Arnie Stapleton covers the NFL for AP. He is based in Denver.

When to Talk and When to Fight
The Strategic Choice between Dialogue and Resistance
Rebecca Subar, Rosi Greenberg, Douglas Stone, Este...

Introduces a new language to enable negotiators and activists to argue and collaborate across different schools of thought and action.

Summary
Weaving beautiful storytelling and clear analysis, this book maps the habits of change-makers, explaining why some groups choose dialogue and negotiation while others practice confrontation and resistance. Threaded among examples of conflict, struggle, and change in organizations, communities, and society is the compelling personal story that led Subar to her community of practice at Dragonfly, advising leaders in social justice organizations on organizational and advocacy strategy. With lucid charts and graphs by Rosi Greenberg, When to Talk and When to Fight is a brilliant new way of talking about how we change the world.

Contributor Bio
Rebecca Subar has taught peace and conflict studies at West Chester University since 2005. Rosi Greenberg is a graphic facilitator and leadership trainer. Esteban Kelly is the executive director for the US Federation of Worker Cooperatives. Douglas Stone has taught negotiation and conflict management at Harvard Law School since 1993.
The Business Transition Coach
Your Guide to Succession Planning, Exit Strategies, and Preparing for the Big Handoff
Wayne Vanwyck

Wayne Vanwyck is on a mission

Summary
As a leading Business Transition Coach, Wayne Vanwyck is alarmed that literally millions of Boomer business owners intend to retire in the next ten years but only 7 percent of them have a written succession plan. This means a tsunami of business selloffs is looming on the horizon. Vanwyck points out that business owners who don't plan their business transition now may have to kiss all their creativity, passion, and hard work goodbye as they face a market glutted with businesses for sale and scant few buyers. But he also says that those who do start planning their transition can increase the value of their business, increase their profitability today, and keep their options open. The Business Transition Coach offers practical succession advice for your big handoff.

Contributor Bio
Wayne Vanwyck is an entrepreneur, trainer, business coach, speaker, and writer. He is the author of the bestselling book Pure Selling™.

Boss Up Your Life
A Girl's Guide to Her Dream Career
Ky-Lee Hanson, Mia Martina

Summary
Boss Up Your Life is a guide to finding your passion and turning it into a money making machine. Mia and Ky-Lee share their personal journeys of going from small town girls to international stardom and multi-business tycoon to teach girls the importance of self leadership and working as a collective on the path to success. Our world currently needs a critical shift from competition to collaboration and YOU are a solution to that change. This book encourages you to stand up for yourself while having a soft spot for other women, to build collaborative business, and share opportunities! Focusing on tips for building a success mindset, Mia and Ky-Lee keep it real and teach you how to turn your dream into reality. They share how to adapt from being a dreamer to a doer, goals into growth, wants into needs, and hope into action. Mia and Ky-Lee want each girl to step into authentic girl-power, get HER money, get HER success; live the Bosswoman life - in control of your life while being creative and kind - all while being driven by a purpose to better the lives of every person you shine on. S...

Contributor Bio
Ky-Lee Hanson is First Nations-Canadian, a successful serial entrepreneur, a multi-time award winning author, and a real estate and technology investor. She is the founder of Golden Brick Road Publishing House and Oneida Grand Centre, including Oneida Bistro and Aiyana Wellness Centre (located South of Ottawa, ON). Mia Martina is a multi-platinum, international recording artist based in Toronto, ON, and Miami, FL. Mia secured eight gold records and two platinum records soon after her debut in 2010 with the hit "Stereo Love." She coaches and mentors young girls and businesswomen alike.
Liberated!
The Economics of Hope
Paul T Hellyer

The present evil banking and financial system, which is just one giant Ponzi Scheme, creates all the virtual money as debt that has to be repaid with interest

Summary
No one creates any money to repay the debt, so we have to borrow and go deeper in debt. In real life the banksters have made us all debt slaves waiting hopefully for liberation from our bondage.

Contributor Bio
Paul Hellyer is Canada’s Senior Privy Councillor, having been appointed to the cabinet of Prime Minister Louis S. St. Laurent in 1957, just eight years after his first election to the House of Commons in 1949 at the age of 25. His multi-faceted career, in addition to a near-lifetime in politics, gives Hellyer a rare perspective on what has gone wrong in the critical fields of both world politics and economics.

Continuing Financial Modelling
Working Those Optimal Figures For the (Financial) Modelling Industry
Liam Bastick

An essential book for every financial modelling practitioner and would-be Excel guru

Summary
This book is aimed at those who wish to advance their knowledge and expertise in financial modelling by addressing common problems that occur day to day in the world of business/decision analyses, forecasting, and valuations. Building on the sister book, An Introduction to Financial Modelling, this book begins where the other ends considering typical issues and traps in cashflow forecasting, inventory modelling, depreciation calculations, debt sculpting, rolling budgets and charts, and valuation construction, to name just a few relevant topics.

Contributor Bio
Founder of consulting firm SumProduct, Liam Bastick has over 25 years’ experience in corporate finance, accounting, financial analysis, and forecasting.
# Book Marketing for Authors

**Get ready, Get set, Succeed!**

Julie Bromley, Terri Ann Leidich

Learn how to place marketing tasks into a logical order, so authors don’t have to figure it out alone

**Summary**

The biggest challenge for authors is transitioning from being a writer to being an author, which are two totally different occupations. Many authors have the mindset that once they are published, their publisher handles all marketing and the sales come in like magic. In today’s world, that is not reality, no matter how you are published. Written by publisher and author Terri Ann Leidich and author marketing coach and support Julie Bromley, this book simplifies marketing by taking the approach of Get Ready, Get Set, Succeed.

**Contributor Bio**

Julie Bromley owns Signed Books and Stuff. She is also the Marketing Manager for BQB Publishing and WriteLife Publishing. For ten years, Terri Ann Leidich has been at the helm of Boutique of Quality Books Publishing Company, and is also the author of three other books.

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# Kazakhstan (6th Edition)

**Land of the High Steppe**

Jeremy Tredinnick, Dagmar Schreiber

Spectacular photography, rich historical background, and essential travel information are combined in this indispensable reference for the immense, diverse, and remote region at the crossroads of Europe and Asia

**Summary**

Contemporary Kazakhstan has taken huge strides into the modern world since it gained independence in 1991. Kazakhstan today stands as Central Asia’s most stable and forward-thinking nation, rich in resources and with ambitions on the global stage. Through this book’s colorful pictures and pages, this land of rich history, inspirational landscapes, and welcoming people continues to share its wonders with an inquisitive world.

**Contributor Bio**

Dagmar Schreiber leads ecotourism tours to many of Kazakhstan’s most beautiful locations. Jeremy Tredinnick is a UK-based travel writer, photographer, and editor.
An Illustrated History of Thailand
John Hoskin

This fully illustrated history provides both an enjoyable read in its own right and a fascinating guide to the monuments and buildings that visitors can see on their travels around the country.

Summary
Each section follows a historical chronology, covering accounts of major events during each reign. This record of events is blended with descriptive passages about monuments surviving today that are relevant to and help illuminate the history. Political development is thus paralleled by Thailand’s cultural development. Thailand’s historical progression has been complex, and although the foundations of national identity—religion and monarchy in particular—were established in the earliest days of statehood dating back to the 13th century, it is only in comparatively recent times that all elements—social, political, cultural and linguistic—have cohered into what is recognizable today as Thai and Thailand.

Contributor Bio
John Hoskin is the author of more than 20 books on Thai and Southeast Asian history, culture, and travel.

Along Florida's Expressways
Driving Guide for the Sunshine State
Dave Hunter

Unlike the typical Florida guidebook, Along Florida's Expressways is not a "destination" travel guide.

Summary
Author Dave Hunter helps anyone drive around the state with the ease, comfort, and safety, using "local knowledge" as if they've lived there for many years. Known and respected for his award-winning travel book, Along Interstate-75, Dave's Florida driving guide picks up where his other book leaves off. Featuring seventy-seven 25-miles-per-page full-color maps, this book includes detailed information for all of Florida's interstates, expressways, and toll routes, along with Dave's personal observations and suggestions. Packed with information gathered from "locals" and accumulated over 48 years of Florida travel, Along Florida's Expressways' useful road information not only includes gas stations, restaurants, rest areas, and lodgings available at each exit. Every two-years, Dave and his wife, Kathy, drive over 5,000 miles to personally gather the material for the next edition of this book. Each current edition of the book is supported with a "reader's only" website where major updates are posted. Whether from the Midwestern states or huge Florida-bound markets such as the UK or German...

Contributor Bio
Dave Hunter's book Along Interstate-75 is now in its 20th edition.
Ghana - Culture Smart!
The Essential Guide to Customs & Culture
Ian Utley

Gain the opportunity to know Ghanaians on their own terms, and to enjoy all that this beautiful country has to offer.

Summary
Ghana is among the friendliest and safest countries in Africa. Visitors are warmly welcomed but are expected to be sympathetic to local customs and beliefs, and to follow certain codes of conduct. *Culture Smart! Ghana* describes the complexities and nuances of Ghanaian society with clarity and humor, and offers the reader an opportunity to get to know Ghanaians on their own terms, and to enjoy all that this beautiful country has to offer.

Contributor Bio
Ian Utley worked in education in Ghana for many years, published a book for learners of the Twi language, was a columnist for the Ghanaian newspaper *Weekend World*, and was an advisor to the Ministry of Tourism and Diaspora Relations in Accra. He has also organized cultural, ecotourism, and language-learning activities for foreigners there.

Malaysia - Culture Smart!
The Essential Guide to Customs & Culture
Victor King

Through greater understanding and insight, a more meaningful experience of this captivating country awaits.

Summary
Malaysia presents visitors with an exciting and fascinating medley of cultures—Malay, Chinese, Indian, Arab, Eurasian, Dayak, and aboriginal. Though very much a modern nation state, its diverse communities retain a considerable amount of their unique heritage and, in its customs, religions, festivals, costume, cuisine, languages, and architecture, Malaysian society perfectly illustrates the virtues of a vibrant pluralism. *Culture Smart! Malaysia* sets out to help you navigate this rich and complex cultural mix. It provides a succinct and straightforward introduction to Malaysian history and society, explains the deeper core values of the different ethnic groups, and guides you through the maze of Malaysian etiquette and behaviour for both social and business settings.

Contributor Bio
Victor King has a wide interest in the anthropology and sociology of Southeast Asia, particularly in Malaysia, Indonesia, and Brunei, and has conducted research there since the 1970s. His many books include *The Best of Borneo Travel*. He is Emeritus Professor in the School of Languages, Cultures and Societies, University of Leeds; Professorial Research Associate in the Centre of South East Asian Studies, School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London; Adjunct Professor at the Research Center for Social Science and Sustainable Development, Chiang Mai University, Thailand; and Distinguished Visiting Fellow at the Institute of Asian Studies, Universiti Brunei Darussalam.
Peru - Culture Smart!
The Essential Guide to Customs & Culture
John Forrest, Julia Porturas

Understand the changing realities of modern Peru

Summary
Peru’s distinctive Spanish and indigenous cultures that first encountered each other five hundred years ago have progressively integrated. However, the ongoing process of mixing raises questions about the nature of Peruvian identity, and Peruvian society remains economically and culturally divided. Culture Smart! Peru introduces you to the changing realities of modern Peru. It describes contemporary values and attitudes, key customs and traditions, and reveals what people are like at home, in business, and in their social lives. Peruvians are outgoing, sociable, and laid-back; get to know them, and they will respond with warmth and generosity.

Contributor Bio
John Forrest has been travelling to Peru for over forty years, and is currently chairman of the Peruvian rainforest charity, the Tambopata Reserve Society, and a former vice-chairman of the Anglo-Peruvian Society. Julia Portas, born in Peru, now lives and works in London.

Philippines - Culture Smart!
The Essential Guide to Customs & Culture
Graham Colin-Jones, Yvonne Quahe Colin-Jones, Jorge... 

An explanation of the values, attitudes, and customs of the Filipinos opens the way to a more meaningful experience, plus an abundance of practical information

Summary
The Philippines may appear to be one of the most Westernized countries in Asia. However, the realities of Filipino life are complex; the façade of the English language does not run deep. Culture Smart! Philippines gives you the inside story of this unique and attractive country and unpacks the daily lives of its inhabitants. An explanation of the values, attitudes, and customs of the Filipinos today opens the way to a more meaningful experience, while an abundance of practical information on socializing, working, shopping, and communicating will help to make it a more enjoyable experience, too.

Contributor Bio
Graham Colin-Jones is an international civil servant by profession. Yvonne Colin-Jones is a cross-cultural trainer, facilitator, and coach. Jorge Mojarro is a Spanish academic who teaches at the University of Santo Tomas in Manila. He has traveled extensively through the Philippines and southeast Asia and has written for both scholarly and general publications, including Philippine newspapers such as Business World and Interaksyon.
Walking the GR7 in Andalucia
From Tarifa to Puebla de Don Fadrique
Guy Hunter-Watts

Guidebook to walking the GR7 trek through Spain's Andalucia

Summary
With its white sandy beaches, pine forests, snow-capped peaks, traditional villages, lush river valleys and olive groves, the GR7 takes you on a journey through the most geographically diverse region on the Iberian peninsula.

Contributor Bio
Guy Hunter-Watts has lived and worked in Andalucía since the 1980s. After studying at the universities of Santiago and Salamanca he taught English in South America before moving to the Ronda mountains where he has been leading guided walks for almost 30 years. His work as a walking guide and freelance journalist has taken him to many corners of the planet including India, Namibia, Tanzania, Latin America, and Mongolia.

Walking in Zermatt and Saas-Fee
50 routes in the Mattertal and Saastal
Jonathan Williams, Lesley Williams

Summary
It is divided into three chapters: Zermatt; Grächen, Randa and the Mattertal; and Saas-Fee and the Saastal. The routes are graded from 1 to 4 and range from 4 to 18km. They are best walked between mid June and mid September. Most are on well-made mountain paths, although a few are on steep and rocky trails with exposure. There are routes to suit all tastes, from easy strolls up to mountain restaurants, lakes and viewpoints through to serious mountain challenges. Zermatt and Saas-Fee offer superb walking in the shadow of the Matterhorn. Both villages have a full range of facilities and there is a plenty of accommodation throughout the Mattertal and Saastal. There is ample opportunity to make use of Switzerland’s an excellent public transport infrastructure to give access to walks. Distance, walking time, ascent, descent and difficulty are shown for each route, and the route description is supported by clear mapping. An appendix of contacts list sources of information, helpful websites and apps, and there is a useful English-German glossary.

Contributor Bio
Jonathan Williams has been Cicerone’s publisher and managing director for over 20 years, working with authors and leading the development of the range. Lesley Williams has been Cicerone’s marketing director, leading Cicerone’s sales efforts and now concentrating on the overall marketing strategy.
Trekking the Cathar Way
The Sentier Cathare in Southern France
Nell Sleet, Luke Smith

The Cathar Way - the Sentier Cathare - is a popular, well-waymarked trail which links several of the world-famous 'Cathar castles' of south-west France

Summary
A challenging, fascinating, and rewarding route; it is not an arduous mountain trek. The trail runs for about 250 kilometres, from the Mediterranean coast, westward to the historic town of Foix. It can be walked in two weeks or less by anyone who is well-equipped and moderately fit. Good-quality accommodation is available at regular intervals along the entire length of the trail. The trail traverses the dramatic foothills of the Pyrenees mountains, a beautiful countryside which enjoys plenty of sunshine and which is rich in wildlife.

Contributor Bio
Nell Sleet and Luke Smith are writers who run the slow travel blog What if we walked? together. They travel the slow way, exploring the world on foot, and document their journeys on their blog and their Instagram (@whatifwewalked), as well as other media. Their recent journeys together include the Rota Vicentina in Portugal, The Painters’ Way in Germany and the Via Francigena from Canterbury to Rome.

Tales from the Bottom of My Sole
David Yeh

One couple's vertiginous exploration of sex, intimacy, and love comes to a head when a shocking revelation tests their commitment and future together

Summary
When a long-lost sister shows up as a trans man named Luke, a series of precipitous events throws the lives of boyfriends Daniel and David into turmoil. While David attends an extravagant family reunion in Sicily, Daniel’s ex Marcus plans the world-premiere of his one-man show. The couple’s vertiginous exploration of sex, intimacy and love comes to a head when a shocking revelation tests their commitment and future together.

Contributor Bio
David Kingston Yeh works as a counsellor and educator in Toronto’s LGBTQ+ community. He has written four plays produced in Toronto, and his short fiction has appeared in numerous magazines. David holds his MA in sociology from Queen's University, is an alumnus of George Brown Theatre School, and attended Advanced Graduate Studies in Expressive Arts in Saas Fee, Switzerland. David lives in downtown Toronto up the street from a circus academy, with his husband and a family of racoons. His first novel, A Boy at the Edge of the World, was released by Guernica Editions in 2018. Tales from the Bottom of My Sole is his second novel.
The Occidental Hotel
John Mays, Anne Collins, Richard Rhodes

At once echoing the moody worlds of W. G. Sebald and incorporating outrageous elements of pulp fiction, this novel of dark romanticism is not for optimists seeking redemption, but for those willing to take a look into a searing heart of darkness.

Summary
A brooding fugitive hides out in a crumbling hotel that was once filled with celebrities enjoying the successes of postwar America. He is a racist with a criminal past, an anti-hero who reflects on the ruins of the South and simultaneously on the life of a German performance artist called Jupp. The fictional Jupp is a thinly-veiled cipher for the late real-life German artist, Joseph Beuys, and the photos in the novel are photos of the performances by the controversial Beuys. At once echoing the moody worlds of W. G. Sebald and incorporating outrageous elements of pulp fiction, this novel of dark romanticism is not for optimists seeking redemption, but for those willing to take a look into a searing heart of darkness.

Contributor Bio
John Bentley Mays (June 22, 1941 – September 16, 2016) was an American-born Canadian journalist and writer. Best known as an art and architecture columnist of searing wit and insight for The Globe and Mail, Mays also published a novel and several non-fiction books, at least one of them dealing with his childhood in the American south.

Cardinal Divide
Nina Newington

Cardinal Divide is full of voices rarely heard in fiction

Summary
A father comes out to his daughter as a woman. Or at least, he was once a woman. It’s complicated. Funny. Painful. Eventually joyful. Meanwhile the daughter, who was adopted, has her own identity issues. At the Aboriginal addictions treatment centre where she works, everyone assumes she is Indigenous. But is she? How can she find out? Her need to know leads her down dangerous roads.

Contributor Bio
A former Kennedy scholar with an MA in English Literature from Cambridge, Nina Newington makes her living designing gardens and building things.
This Cleaving and this Burning
J.A. Wainwright

Inspired by the lives and work of American literary giants Ernest Hemingway and Hart Crane, This Cleaving and This Burning is a story of creative passions stoked by unspoken desires within the mind and heart.

Summary
Two unrelated, aspiring writers, born on the same day in the same year to parents with the same first names, grow up together and eventually gain national prominence as authors. As the years pass, the complex sexual identities of Miller Sark and Hal Pierce undermine their intense private relationship, inflicting damage that cannot be undone by the distinction of their fiction and poetry. Inspired by the lives and works of American literary giants Ernest Hemingway and Hart Crane, This Cleaving and This Burning reveals the passion and purpose behind masks of public reputation and creative expression.

Contributor Bio
J.A. Wainwright lives in Halifax where he is McCulloch Emeritus Professor in English at Dalhousie University. Since 1970 he has published five books of poetry, five novels, and two critical biographies. He has read and/or published his work in Canada, the U.S., the UK, and Europe.

Apple S
Dimitri Nasrallah, Éric Plamondon

The kaleidoscopic worldview of celebrated Québécois novelist Éric Plamondon sets its sights on Apple co-founder Steve Jobs and the seeds of Silicon Valley.

Summary
Concluding a wide-lens journey through the American West that began with Tarzan actor Johnny Weissmuller (Hungary-Hollywood Express, 2016) and continued with counter-culture poet Richard Brautigan (Mayonnaise, 2018), the final installment of the 1984 trilogy delivers a heart-rending meta-biography of a technological mastermind. With Plamondon’s alter ego, Gabriel Rivages, using his Mac computer to dig deep into the internet’s detritus to reconstruct Jobs, the author devises the story of the personal computer with episodes from the lives of numerous figures who inflected the arc of one of the twentieth century’s most influential figures.

Contributor Bio
Dimitri Nasrallah translated the three titles in Éric Plamondon’s 1984 Trilogy. Éric Plamondon is the author of the 1984 Trilogy.
Luckmonkey
Alysia Constantine

Set in the margins of Pittsburgh in the early aughts, Luckmonkey barrels into the defiant lives of social outsiders working to change the world.

Summary
By day, Luckmonkey is a struggling punk band playing in record stores and taco joints; by night, its members are anti-capitalist agitators, breaking into homes and businesses, each time stealing one possession and leaving something different in its place. Squatting in an abandoned building without electricity or heat, they scrounge a patch-together life as a raucous, mismatched family of queer, trans and first-gen social activists. But when one of them steals a wind-up monkey toy and brings it home, things begin to deteriorate into squabbles and bad decisions, until an arrest forces the group to weigh the hard work of political resistance against their individual needs for stability and safety.

Contributor Bio
Alysia Constantine is a critically acclaimed author whose novels blur the line between reality and fantasy, feature luscious prose, and explore complex themes of otherness.

A Garden in Winter
Michael Conant

A captivating historical fiction novel about a dark time in American history and a young man's unknowing journey to uncover his own past.

Summary
Robert’s father abandoned him as a child. Now all grown up, and a married man and father himself, he lands his first, big job in New York City as a journalist. His initial assignment takes him to upstate New York, to write a human-interest story about a 90-year-old Japanese American man named Hiroshi, on the anniversary of the bombing of Pearl Harbor. At first, the story appears to be tiresome and frivolous. However, Hiroshi’s flashbacks to his time in California in 1941, where he and his family were swept up in the Japanese internment camps relocation efforts, eventually captivate the young reporter. As the two men’s relationship grows, Robert will unknowingly discover a connection between America’s troublesome history and his own painful past.

Contributor Bio
Michael Conant is the publisher and founder of Incorgnito Publishing Press. Before entering the world of book publishing, Michael spent over twenty years in b2b publishing. He served as a circulation, sales, and marketing executive, managing products across several industries, with a concentration in financial publications. Prior to his foray into publishing, Michael pursued his love of theater as an actor, singer, director, and producer at regional theaters, dinner theaters, and at several Off-Off Broadway theaters. Michael introduced New York audiences to the American premier of Hal Shaper’s musical adaptation of Jane Eyre, which featured Michael as Rochester along with a very young Alyssa Milano as his ward, Adelle. Michael now lives in Sarasota, Florida where he writes and manages Incorgnito, while playing as much tennis and golf as time allows, visiting with family, and getting “puppy” kisses from his niece's lovable, crazy Bernedoodle, Bentley. (b3ntley_zefluff on Instagram). Michael is part of the crew of the sailing vessel Incorgnito and enjoys racing in Sarasota Bay. Mr. Co...
The Home Stretch
Wayne M. Johnston

When a friend suggests that old age is a downhill slope and the best we can do is hold onto a little dignity, recently retired Bill Smith takes pause

Summary
For Bill, the end has always been in view. His life has seen a series of unlikely extensions. When he was young, he hated his father and contemplated suicide. Later in his life he was diagnosed with leukemia and expected to die within months. Bill's childhood was spent on a communal evangelical mission, but eventually Bill began to question his parents' strict religious beliefs. His father reacted with violence and Bill felt trapped between the dishonesty of trying to conform to his parents' beliefs and the conviction that he was doomed to hell for questioning them. Eventually he provokes his father into a confrontation that leads to an outcome that redefines their relationship and alters the course of both of their lives. By midlife, Bill has been married for twenty years and has his own family. The challenges he has faced at sea as chief engineer on tugboats have helped him heal. His thoughts of suicide have faded. His father's recent descent into Alzheimer's Disease has created an avenue for the reconciliation the two have worked on for years. Then, unexpectedly, a story emerges a...

Contributor Bio
Wayne M. Johnston taught English, Creative Writing, and Publications at La Conner High School for nineteen years. Prior to that, for twenty-two years he worked on tugboats, usually as chief engineer, towing freight barges between Canadian and West Coast American ports. In 2011 he won the Soundings Review First Publication Award for his essay, "Sailing," and has published other essays since. "The Home Stretch" started as one of these essays, with the working title, "Vietnam and Forgiveness."

All the Good Little Girls Keep Quiet
Kristine Kibbee

In the summer of '79, hell bubbled right up through the loamy Louisianna bayou just outside of Lafayette Parish and set Olive Abernathy's world on fire

Summary
Olive Abernathy is a silver-tongued tomboy with a mean right hook, a fierce little spirit, and an inability to fit in. Her uncle mistook the Mayor's toupee for a bigfoot pelt. Her Aunt found the baby Jesus in a bowl of cornflakes. Her Mama's holding a paddle in one hand and the world's biggest secret in the other. Olive feels her little Louisiana town closing up around her like a pill bug and she yearns for freedom; she yearns for adventure... she yearns to shed the Abernathy surname that everyone in town inexplicably detests and to strike out on her own. But when Olive convinces her besotted best friend Henry, "the world's oldest living 12-year-old" to strike out and ride the rails like a starry-eyed hobo, the big city proves to her that while the grass over there might be greener, the dog in the yard's also meaner. Olive's forced to grow up hard and fast. Olive's forced to feel the same hard touch that her Mama felt. And Olive's forced to realize that great cruelty exists in this world. In the summer of '79, hell bubbled right up through the loamy Louisiana bayou just outside of...

Contributor Bio
K. (Kristine) Kibbee is a Pacific Northwest writer with an affection for all things literary. Kristine's novella, The Mischievous Misadventures of Dewey the Daring, is available on Amazon. An expanded version of her middle-grade fantasy novel, Whole in the Clouds, was published in October of 2017. The first installment in her YA fantasy series, Forests of the Fae--Devlin's Door, was released in early 2016. Book two (The Raven Queen) followed in February of 2017, and the third and final installment (Lang's Labyrinth) released in April of 2018. Kristine's newest series, Theodore and the Enchanted Bookstore, was launched with book one, Tale of the Spectacular Spectacles, in October of 2017. Book two, The Tale of Robin Hound, hit shelves in May of 2018, and book three, Mysterious Abbott and the Velveeta Rabbit, made its debut in June of 2019. Kristine can be followed: on Twitter @K_Kibbee on Facebook @ facebook.com/KKibbeewrites
Unravelling
Josephine Boxwell

Corruption connects the tales of two protagonists whose worlds are irreparably damaged.

Summary
Corruption connects the tales of two protagonists whose worlds are irreparably damaged. Ruthless octogenarian Vivian Lennox fights her deteriorating mind as she defends the catastrophic decisions she made decades earlier. Armed only with her curiosity, 10 year-old Elena Reid is dangerously unaware of who or what she is about to expose as she searches for answers to her father’s disappearance. It is the 1990s. An explosion at the local sawmill devastates a small town in British Columbia’s Southern Interior. Elena’s missing father soon becomes the prime suspect in the ensuing criminal investigation. In her efforts to find him, Elena digs into the layers of deceit that are tangled up in her town’s past and present. Her actions begin to threaten those who intend to keep the truth concealed. We meet Vivian in the present day. The town of Elena’s childhood is now a ghost town, and Vivian’s health has also declined. While she struggles with the onset of dementia, she is challenged by the arrival of a newcomer who is...

Contributor Bio
Josephine Boxwell is a writer currently based in Edmonton, Alberta.

Lifelike Creatures
Rebecca Baum

Inspired by a real-life industrial disaster in 2012, when a sinkhole devastated a small Louisiana town.

Summary
Thirteen-year-old Tara does whatever it takes to keep her beautiful, audacious, and addicted mother, Joan, from falling through the cracks. When a sinkhole forces her rural Louisiana town to evacuate, Tara finds herself homeless and her mother’s impulsive personality unleashed. But Joan’s raw charisma and plain speak quickly establish her as the public face of the catastrophe. The community rallies around her, and social media demands justice. A class action lawyer grooms Joan to play the starring role in a carefully crafted PR campaign. Tara dares to imagine a better life, built upon the proceeds of the settlement the whole town will share, a life that might even include college. But as the spotlight intensifies, and the promise of a settlement looms, Joan’s demons return with a vengeance. Tara must decide whether to pull her mother from the brink as she’s always done, or let her fall, severing ties with the only family she’s ever known.

Contributor Bio
In addition to developing new works of fiction, Rebecca Baum writes for a creative studio she cofounded. She lives in Greenwich Village with her husband and their cat.
The Outlook for Earthlings
Joan Frank

Track the trajectory of a problematic friendship over a lifetime, between two women of opposite natures who are nevertheless perhaps too close

Summary
The Outlook for Earthlings traces an unusual, difficult friendship across a lifetime, between women of stunningly opposite natures. Melanie Taper is timid, compelled to obey and venerate authority. Yet in unguarded moments she demonstrates such deadly insight into human foibles as to suggest a strength that has, for dark reasons, deliberately hidden itself. Scarlet Rand, by contrast, is rash, willful, and impatient of reverence of any stripe. Scarlet is shocked by Mel's passive reserve; despite her obvious gifts, Mel is—bafflingly—self-erasing. Mel's saintliness maddens Scarlet—because finally and most troublingly, Scarlet disbelieves it. Their friendship suggests to each a final frontier, a saving sanctuary. Yet at its core, a pained impasse soon becomes evident: each woman takes a secret, moral offense at the other's inmost nature—and choices. Living out these differences—against awareness of the illness which is slowly destroying one of them—proves an ultimate challenge. In each, a reckoning must occur. The Outlook for Earthlings examines what women want, amid conflicting layers o...

Contributor Bio
Joan Frank is the author of two essay collections and eight novels, including Miss Kansas City, which won the Michigan Literary Fiction Award.

The Town Crazy
Suzzy Roche

A novel of passion, absurdity, innocence, and sorrow

Summary
The Town Crazy is set in the sleepy town of Hanzloo, Pennsylvania, a suburban Catholic community in 1961. A single father moves into town with his young son, which arouses suspicion from the husbands and the interest of the wives, but at the same time, one of the wives seems to be losing her mind, and no one knows what to do. A contemporary, often humorous take on a bygone era, The Town Crazy also delves into the terror and cruelty of childhood, the dangerous loneliness of failing marriages, sexual repression and desire, and the intersection of art and religion, all culminating in a tragedy for which everyone in the town bears some responsibility.

Contributor Bio
Suzzy Roche is a singer/songwriter/performer/author and founding member of the singing group The Roches. She has recorded more than fifteen albums, written music for TV and film, and toured extensively in the U.S. and Europe. In addition to The Town Crazy, Roche is the author of the novel Wayward Saints and the children's book Want to Be in a Band? Currently she enjoys touring to sing with her daughter, Lucy Wainwright Roche, and lives in New York City.
**Boson Man**  
Rebekah Pace

**Summary**
There wasn’t a kid in America who didn’t know who Drake Kirkland was...40 years ago, that is. Thursday nights, right after Dance Fever and before TJ Hooker, the shaggy haired actor—superhero tights and all—was beamed into every living room in America. Now Drake's just another drunken mess signing autographs somewhere in the back, back, back room of Comicon. So when his car gets repo-ed and his long-suffering agent dies, he realizes it’s time to wake up and find a way to get paid...for doing absolutely nothing. Airbnb! Simple. Back to the booze. But as he reluctantly grows closer to the mother and 9-year old daughter who move into the top floor of his house, he remembers what it’s like to have a child look up to him and slowly starts to transform. Tiny things at first, but by the time the wealthy and abusive husband/father shows up with his goons after finally tracking down his wayward wife and daughter, Drake is ready to play the hero. But this time the bullets are real and the stakes couldn’t be higher.

**Contributor Bio**
Rebekah Pace enjoys telling stories that celebrate the important lessons to be learned from Christ by believers and non-believers alike—unique and powerful stories that entertain, uplift, and inspire.

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**Side Effects**  
_A Footloose Journey to the Apocalypse_  
S. Montana Katz

A novel about the post-World War II baby boom generation and the factors that have led to the coming apocalypse

**Summary**
.Side Effects: A Footloose Journey to the Apocalypse is a novel about the post-World War II baby boom generation and the factors that have led to the coming apocalypse. The novel provides a portrait of the boomers by following the lives of a zany, idealistic couple and their growing family through the 1950s, 1960s, 1970s and on to the present. Beginning in the Midwest on a honeymoon motorcycle trip the couple sets the goal of putting down roots in California, the land of wild beauty, abundance, and political activism. After a stint on the East Coast, they settle in the West. The music, art, science, and politics of the era are palpable throughout the book.

**Contributor Bio**
Montana Katz is a psychoanalyst. She has written two other novels (Clytemnestra’s Last Day and Living Dolls and Other Women), a play (adapted from Clytemnestra’s Last Day by the same name), books on psychoanalysis (Contemporary Psychoanalytic Field Theory: Stories, Dreams and Metaphor and Metaphor and Fields: Common Ground, Common Language, and the Future of Psychoanalysis), and two award-winning books on gender bias (The Gender Bias Prevention Book and, with co-author Veronica Vieland, Get Smart: What You Need To Know But Won’t Learn In Class About Sexual Harassment And Sex Discrimination). Her writing is situated at the confluence of fact, history, and the unconscious.
Into the Unbounded Night
Mitchell James Kaplan

Lives intertwine in unexpected ways that shed light on colonization and its discontents, the relative values of dominant and tyrannized cultures, and the holiness of life itself—even the weakest of lives.

Summary
When her village in Albion is sacked by the Roman general Vespasian, young Aislin is left without home and family. Determined to exact revenge, she travels to Rome, a sprawling city of wealth, decadence, and power. A "barbarian" in a "civilized" world, Aislin struggles to comprehend Roman ways. From a precarious hand-to-mouth existence on the streets, she becomes the mistress of a wealthy senator, but their child Faolan is born with a disability that renders him unworthy of life in the eyes of his father and other Romans. Imprisoned for her efforts to topple the Roman regime, Aislin learns of an alternate philosophy from her cellmate, the Judean known today as the apostle St. Paul. As the capital burns in the Great Fire of 64 AD, he bequeaths to her a mission that will take her to Jerusalem. There, Yohanan, son of Zakkai, has been striving to preserve the tradition of Hillel against the Zealots who advocate for a war of independence. Responding to the Judeans' revolt, the Romans—again under the leadership of Vespasian—besiege Jerusalem, destroying the Second Temple and with it, the b...

Contributor Bio
Mitchell James Kaplan's 2010 novel, By Fire, By Water, won numerous literary awards both domestically and abroad.

Sinner Saint
A Novel of Francis of Assisi
Eyre Price

In a passionate portrayal of a man who struggled to find meaning in a time marked by greed, war, and political machinations, best-selling author Eyre Price offers a new take on the classic tale of St. Francis of Assisi.

Summary
Born in Twelfth Century Italy, Giovanni di Pietro di Bernardone grew up a headstrong child of privilege, fought ruthlessly as a soldier, was held as a prisoner of war, and eventually emerged on the world-stage as an inspiration to millions around the world. Price traces the spiritual evolution of an ordinary man who strives to realize the extraordinary within himself and brings the legend of St. Francis to life with all of the violence and action, romance and intrigue of its time—and of the tumultuous times in which we find ourselves today.

Contributor Bio
Eyre Price was born in Syracuse and raised outside of Scranton, but thinks of America's highways as his home. He's travelled the Blues Highway all the way from Bob Dylan's boyhood Minnesota home to Professor Longhair's shrine in New Orleans. The result of these travels was BLUES HIGHWAY BLUES, a debut novel that reflects Price's passion for all American music, from the Delta's blues to Seattle's grunge. Now he's turned his attention to the life and times of Francis of Assisi—the man, the soldier, the saint. And the sinner.
The Bridgetower Sonata
Sonata Mulattica
Emmanuel Dongala, Marjolijn de Jager

The Bridgetower Sonata brings to light the issues of race, class, privilege, and with gentle humor reveals the rampant hypocrisy of that era that uncannily mirrors our own

Summary
In this vividly imagined historical novel, acclaimed Congolese author Emmanuel Dongala has focused his laser-sharp wit on the life and times of George Bridgetower, a young violin prodigy, who, at the age of nine, took the courtly world of 18th century Europe by storm—and surprise, given the youth’s unusual origins: for George was of mixed-race parentage, known in the parlance of the day as a mulatto. Though his opportunistic father and de facto manager was Barbadian and dark-skinned, while his mother was a Polish handmaiden in the Viennese court, this young virtuoso, proclaimed as the “Black Mozart,” was welcomed into the high society of Tout-Paris on the eve of the French Revolution. After he and his opportunistic father fled to England, George became a court favorite of the Prince of Wales where his fame spread widely across Europe. He eventually arrived in Vienna and became close friends with Ludwig Van Beethoven, but fell out of grace due to an errant remark about the composer’s love interest. Brimming with lively detail and dialogue and with cameo appearances from historical figu...

Contributor Bio
Emmanuel Dongala is an internationally acclaimed Congolese novelist (Johnny Mad Dog and Little Boys Come from the Stars), and former chemistry professor at Bard College. Marjolijn de Jager is an award-winning translator of both French and Dutch.

Vindicated
A Novel of Mary Shelley
Kathleen Williams Renk

Justifying their unconventional life and enduring personal tragedies, Mary follows in her mother's footsteps, as she contemplates a woman's place in literature and the world

Summary
Mary Godwin is a teenager with a formidable pedigree. Both of her parents are philosophers but it is Mary Wollstonecraft, the mother she never met, who haunts her waking and dreaming worlds. Reading about her mother’s life and death inspires Mary to keep a journal. Just as the tumult of her parents’ relationship comes alive in her imagination, she meets emerging poet Percy Shelley. Even though he is married and his wife is pregnant, Shelley threatens to kill himself if Mary will not elope with him. It’s possible that Shelley is mad, but their intellectual and creative affinities convince her that she is his Child of Light.

Passionate and intellectual, Mary struggles with the demands of her volatile husband and their circle of friends, including her stepsister Claire and George Gordon, Lord Byron. But as she writes Frankenstein, she also muses about her encounters with her creature and the philosophical questions of life, death, and creation that undergird her novel. Justifying their unconventional life and enduring personal tragedies, Mary follows in her mother’s footsteps, as she con...

Contributor Bio
Kathleen Williams Renk taught British and Women’s literature for nearly three decades in the U.S. and abroad. Her scholarly books include Magic, Science, and Empire in Postcolonial Literature: The Alchemical Literary Imagination (2012), and Women Writing the Neo-Victorian Novel: Erotic "Victorians" (2020). Renk studied fiction writing at the University of Iowa with the Pulitzer-Prize winning author James Alan MacPherson. Her short fiction and creative nonfiction have appeared in Iowa City Magazine, Literary Yard, Page and Spine, and CC & D Magazine. Vindicated is her first novel.
And the Crows Took Their Eyes
Vicki Lane

Based on an actual event and historical characters, And the Crows Took Their Eyes is a richly imagined portrait of a dark and bitter time—illuminated by gleams of humanity at its best.

Summary
In bitterly divided western North Carolina, Confederate troops execute thirteen men and boys suspected of Unionism. The Shelton Laurel Massacre, as it came to be known, is a microcosm of the horrors of civil war—neighbor against neighbor and violence at one’s own front door. Told by those who lived it—the colonel’s wife, a helpless witness; the jealous second-in-command who gives the fatal order; the canny mountain woman who cares only for her people and her land; the conscript, a haunted man seeking redemption; and the mute girl, whose folk magic yields an unexpected result—these voices offer an intimate glimpse into the lives of five people tangled in history’s web, caught up together in love and hate.

Contributor Bio
Vicki Lane’s previous novels include Signs in the Blood, four other Elizabeth Goodweather Mysteries, and The Day of Small Things. Her work has been praised for authentic dialogue, evocative detail, and rich, clear, intelligent writing that captures the essence of the North Carolina mountains and their people. Vicki teaches with the Great Smokies Writing Program (UNC-Asheville) and at Wildacres Writing Workshops.

Angel in the Fog
TJ Turner

Perfect for fans of espionage thrillers, historical fiction, and indefatigable female protagonists

Summary
Molly Ferguson’s comfortable life unravels when her Louisiana home is burned to the ground, her family murdered, and she is enslaved in a Baltimore brothel. Amidst the threat of the Civil War, Molly learns of secessionist plans to assassinate President-elect Abraham Lincoln as he makes his way to Washington for his inauguration. She’s manages to pass this information on to a Pinkerton agent posing as a client. Impressed with her fortitude and intelligence, the Pinkerton Agency arranges for Molly’s freedom and brings her under the tutelage of Mrs. Kate Warne, America’s first female detective. After they save Mr. Lincoln in Baltimore, Molly is sent by the Pinkerton Agency into the Deep South—where the Civil War now rages—a spy behind enemy lines. Molly threads a thin line between revenge and redemption as she races to unravel a sinister plan that will doom the Union and allow the Confederacy to win the Civil War—while coming face to face with the demons from her tragic past.

Contributor Bio
TJ Turner is an award-winning novelist, a historian, a research scientist, and a federal Agent. He has a PhD in Mechanical Engineering and Material Science from Cornell University. As a reserve military officer, he served three tours in Afghanistan and was awarded the Bronze Star Medal twice (2013 and 2017). Angel in the Fog is Turner’s third novel and a prequel to Lincoln’s Bodyguard and Land of Wolves. Turner’s novels have won the Darrell Award for Best Mid-South Novel, the International Book Award for Historical Fiction, the Best Book Award for Historical Fiction, and the Military Writers of America Silver Medal. Turner lives in central Ohio, with his wife, Nancy, and three children.
The Wasteland
Harper Jameson, W.A.W. Parker

The extraordinary career and devastating life of T.S. Eliot

Summary
It's the roaring twenties and London's elite enjoy a Great Gatsby lifestyle where more-is-more and greed-is-great. Poets like Robert Frost are the rock stars of the time, attracting several thousand fans to a reading. But beneath the veneer, fascism's message of nationalism, traditional values, return to former greatness and violent intolerance are on the rise in England and America. When an obscure, painfully shy bank clerk wanders onto the literary scene, all of this bubbles to the surface. The Wasteland is the untold story of T.S. Eliot, his secret struggle with being gay, the people left in the wake of his meteoric career trajectory and the madness that helped produce his greatest work.

Contributor Bio
After running a successful business for years then launching the Social Impact Conference, Harper Jameson realized that story-telling was fundamental to changing the world and that history housed the greatest stories of them all. W.A.W. Parker focuses on telling stories about queer people in history in order to reclaim our cultural legacy.

Beowulf
A Novel of the London Blitz
Bryher

In this reprint of a classic of wartime literature by historical novelist Bryher, life in London during the Blitz is depicted with realism, empathy, and humor

Summary
Eighty years ago, the city of London became the target of a relentless bombing campaign by Nazi Germany during WWII that has come to be known as the Blitz. From the period between 1940-1945, over 20,000 Londoners were killed and half a million lost their homes. Bryher, who lived through a good part of those years in London, has provided us with an indelible portrait of day-to-day life from a variety of voices and perspectives from its regular citizens, humanizing the political backdrop of war with their pluck, humor, endurance, and courage. Her two female protagonists who own and operate the local teashop, The Warming Pan, become the heroes of the novel as they work to provide food and hospitality to the embattled community. Certain to appeal to all fans of WWII fiction, Beowulf is an unforgettable reminder of what it was like during that crucial time in Britain's and the world's history.

Contributor Bio
Bryher, nee Winifred Ellerman, was an author, philanthropist, and activist who published several historical novels. She was the longtime companion of the poet H.D. (Hilda Doolittle) with whom she lived in London during the war years. Susan McCabe, Ph.D. is a professor of English Literature at USC and author of the upcoming dual biography, H.D. AND BRYHER: A Modernist Romance (Oxford University Press).
Barnhill
A Novel
Norman Bissell

Summary
George Orwell left post-war London for Barnhill, a remote farmhouse on the Isle of Jura, to write what became Nineteen Eighty-Four. He was driven by a passionate desire to undermine the enemies of democracy and make plain the dangers of dictatorship, surveillance, doublethink, and censorship. Typing away in his damp bedroom overlooking the garden he created and the sea beyond, he invented Big Brother, Thought Police, Newspeak, and Room 101—and created a masterpiece. Barnhill tells the dramatic story of this crucial period of Orwell’s life. Deeply researched, it reveals the private man behind the celebrated public figure—his turbulent love life, his devotion to his baby son and his declining health as he struggled to deliver his dystopian warning to the world.

Contributor Bio
Norman Bissell became principal teacher of history at Braidhurst High School in Motherwell after obtaining an MA (Honours) degree in Philosophy and History from the University of Glasgow.

The President’s Dossier
James A. Scott

Summary
Max Geller: Target of the Kremlin, MI6, and the CIA
Fired for bias against the U.S. president, ex-CIA Russia expert Max Geller gets a chance to redeem his reputation and make a fortune when he is hired to investigate the president’s incriminating ties to Moscow. Jill Rucker, an undercover CIA agent, is assigned to work with him—and she does—when she’s not pursuing her own conflicting goals.

The search takes them to England, Russia, Panama, and Switzerland. Along the way, Max runs afoul of British intelligence by inadvertently compromising two of its operations. He gets help from an anti-Russian underground cell in Moscow, is assisted and threatened by the Russian mafia, exposes a massive Russian-American money laundering scheme in Panama, and uncovers a plot to protect the president from mounting accusations threatening his presidency.

Close behind is Zabluda, a Kremlin assassin, who means to kill them and their sources and destroy evidence incriminating the president. Max discovers that he has been betrayed by his former boss, his current employer, and his girlfriend. Seeking reven...

Contributor Bio
James A. Scott is a former Army officer, a paratrooper, and combat veteran with Pentagon experience in oversight of Army intelligence operations. He is the author of The Iran Contradictions, an international historical thriller, finalist in the Foreword Book of the Year Award and USA Best Book Awards. The President’s Dossier is his second novel. For twenty years, he lived in Europe and has travelled to Russia, North Africa, and the Far East.
Flynn & Miranda
Right of Silence
Joseph B Wallenstein

How Americans got their constitutional rights to legal representation and their right of silence

Summary
Two men from opposite ends of the human social spectrum who came together in one blazing moment of legal history and how that moment changed their lives and the lives of all Americans.

Contributor Bio
Prior to his role as start-up producer of the hit CW series, 7th Heaven, Joe Wallenstein was the first producer, as well a writer and director of multiple episodes of the long-running hit series, Knots Landing (1979-1983). He was supervising producer of Jake and the Fat Man, in Hawaii (1987-1988.) In addition, he produced The Clinic, shot in New York City. Wallenstein has produced numerous television movies, pilots, and mini-series. Throughout his more than 40 years in the industry, Wallenstein has been an assistant director, associate producer, and producer. He is a Director member of the Directors Guild of America as well as a member of the Writers Guild of America West. Joe is expert in all aspects of physical production, scheduling, budgeting, location filming, stage work, union, and non-union shows. He has worked in Europe, Mexico, Canada, and most of the major cities of the United States. Joe has worked in production capacities on such feature films as the Godfather, The Paper Chase, A new Leaf, Paper Lion, For Love of Ivy, and American Hot Wax. Currently, Wallenstein oversees ...

Relentless
Shawn Wilson

Perfect for fans of police procedurals in the style of Harry Bosch

Summary
Cherry blossom season is Washington, D.C.'s most beautiful time of the year. But as tourists flock to the city, this year's festivities are marred by the discovery of the naked body of a young woman floating in the Tidal Basin. Veteran homicide detective Brian (Brick) Kavanagh is assigned to the case. He's shocked when he learns the victim is connected to another homicide which makes the investigation very personal for him. Brick's efforts to solve the case are thwarted by departmental politics and a rush to judgment. Convinced that justice has not been served and the wrong person is in jail, Kavanagh risks all to relentlessly pursue the truth. Overlooked evidence ultimately leads to a devastating conclusion in a heartbreaking case.

Contributor Bio
Shawn Wilson (a pen name) is a produced playwright and debut author.
The Reflecting Pool
Otho Eskin

Perfect for Grisham and Patterson fans

Summary
Murder leads to the White House

Marko Zorn, a Washington, D.C. homicide detective with expensive tastes in art, classic cars, and women, must take on extra work—not always strictly legal, often unorthodox and usually dangerous—to supplement his income—work which requires his special combination of skill and steel nerves. Although he’s adept at navigating the corridors of law enforcement and the hideouts of criminal gangs, he’d prefer to stay home and watch old movies, enjoy his art collection, and listen to cool jazz.

When Zorn encounters the body of a Secret Service agent—a supposed drowning victim—it leads him to a domestic terrorist group with tentacles into the White House—a White House that does not want this death investigated. As the demands of his professional life escalate, Zorn’s alternate career heats up, placing him in the middle of competing D.C. crime bosses feuding over a shipment of illegal arms—making Zorn the hunted and the hunter. He needs to avoid becoming the victim as he navigates the twin forces of evil closing in on him from his legitimate job—facing down politi...

Contributor Bio
Otho Eskin is a lawyer and a former member of the United States Foreign Service. He is active in the Washington theater scene and a playwright whose work has appeared in New York, Washington D.C., and Europe. The Reflecting Pool is his debut novel. He lives in Washington D.C.

Campaigning Can Be Deadly
Charlotte Stuart

Penny-wise Investigations, a discount detective agency located in a mall, is hired to find out who is stealing a local candidate’s political signs

Summary
When two investigators, Cameron Chandler and Yuri Webster, discover a body next to a pile of stolen signs, what began as a prank becomes a murder investigation. The local candidate for the U.S. Congressional seat gets all of the endorsements, but he can’t compete with the unlimited resources of his opponent. Funded by an east coast family in the oil business, the out-of-state candidate takes the state by storm, marrying the daughter of a local prestigious family and flooding the airwaves with ads, many of them negative. Cameron and Yuri soon find themselves targets in a battle between the local candidate, big oil interests, and anti-big oil activists.

Contributor Bio
Charlotte Stuart’s current passions include pro bono consulting for small nonprofits and writing lighthearted mysteries.
Treacherous Strand
Andrea Carter

Perfect for mystery readers who enjoy character driven mysteries, with a strong female protagonist and a powerful sense of place

Summary
A woman’s body washes up on a remote beach on the Inishowen Peninsula. Partially clothed, with a strange tattoo on her thigh, she is identified as Marguerite Etienne, a French woman who has been living in the area. Solicitor Ben (Benedicta) O’Keeffe is consumed by guilt: for the second time in her life Ben has failed someone who needed her, with tragic consequences. When local sergeant Tom Molloy dismisses Marguerite’s death as the suicide of a disturbed and lonely woman, Ben cannot let it lie. Ben uncovers Marguerite’s strange past as a member of a French doomsday cult, which she escaped twenty years previously, but not without leaving her baby daughter behind. Disturbed by what appears to be chilling local indifference to Marguerite’s death, Ben pieces together the last few weeks of the French woman’s life in Inishowen. What she discovers causes her to question the fragile nature of her own position in the area, and she finds herself crossing boundaries—both personal and professional—to unearth local secrets long buried. Treacherous Strand is the second in a series of mysteries set...

The Well of Ice
Andrea Carter

Perfect for fans of character driven mysteries with a powerful sense of place

Summary
December on the Inishowen Peninsula in County Donegal—and solicitor Benedicta “Ben” O’Keeffe is working flat out before the Christmas holidays. While on a trip to Dublin to visit her parents, she runs into Luke Kirby—the man who killed her sister—freshly released from jail. On the surface he appears remorseful, conciliatory even, but his comment as she walks away makes her realize he is as evil as ever. Back in Glendara, she finds chaos. The Oak pub has burned down and Carole Kearney, the Oak’s barmaid, has gone missing. And then, while walking the dog up Sliabh Sneacht, Ben and her partner, Sergeant Tom Molloy, make a gruesome discovery: a body lying face down in the snow. Another brutal attack in the small town and Ben plunges into full discovery mode. Who could be behind this vicious attack on Glendara and its residents? And why disturb such a charming town at Christmas? As Ben delves in to find answers, she comes face to face with the reality that all this evil could be swirling around her as her past confronts her present—and future.

Contributor Bio
Andrea Carter holds an MFA in Creative Writing from University College Dublin. Treacherous Strand is the second in the Inishowen Mystery Series, about to be adapted for television.

Contributor Bio
Andrea Carter holds an MFA in Creative Writing from University College Dublin. Her first book Death at Whitewater Church was one of the winners of the Irish Writers Centre Novel Fair and she has been the recipient of two Arts Council of Ireland Literature Bursary Awards and a Dublin City Council Bursary. Following Treacherous Strand, The Well of Ice is the third in the Inishowen Mystery Series—about to be adapted for a television crime series to be titled Donegal—The Inishowen Mysteries.
Death of a Messenger
Robert McCaw

Perfect for fans of Michael Connelly and James Lee Burke

Summary
On Hawai‘i Island, an anonymous 911 caller reports a body at Pohakuloa, the Army’s live-fire training area. Hilo Chief Detective Koa Kane, a cop with his own secret criminal past, finds a mutilated corpse—bearing all the hallmarks of ancient ritual sacrifice. Koa encounters a host of obstacles as he pursues the murderer—an incompetent local medical examiner, hostility from both haoles (Westerners) and sovereignty advocates, and a myriad of lies. Koa races to discover whether the victim stumbled upon a gang of high-tech archaeological thieves, or learned a secret so shocking it cost him his life and put others in mortal danger. Will Hilo’s most respected detective stop this sadistic fiend—or will the Pohakuloa killer strike again, with even deadlier consequences?

Contributor Bio
Death of Messenger is Robert McCaw’s third Koa Kane Hawaiian mystery novel.

The Entitled
A Nicole Graves Mystery
Nancy Boyarsky

Nicole’s first solo case abroad as a private detective has just turned a lot more deadly than she ever anticipated

Summary
"Vibrant street scenes, swift pacing, and Nicole’s steely nerve make The Entitled an entertaining adventure." – Foreword Reviews

"Nicole Graves is the best fictional sleuth to come down the pike since Sue Grafton’s Kinsey Millhone." – Laura Levine, bestselling author of the Jaine Austen Mysteries

Travel to London and retrieve Abigail Fletcher, a 17-year-old in a study abroad program at the prestigious King’s College in London. The assignment sounds simple enough.

But Abigail’s return is put on indefinite hold when she’s charged with the murder of her boyfriend, a former student at King’s. Nicole believes Abigail has been framed, but the victim’s tight-knit circle of friends and relatives are most unwilling to talk to an American detective. Further complicating the case, is Abigail’s defiant and uncooperative demeanor.

As evidence stacks up against Abigail, Nicole discovers that she herself has become the next target. Nicole’s first solo case abroad as a private detective has just turned a lot more deadly than she ever anticipated.

Contributor Bio
Nancy Boyarsky is the award-winning author of the Nicole Graves mysteries. Nancy’s books have been compared to Mary Higgins Clark and are praised for contributing to the “women-driven mystery field with panache” (Foreword Reviews,) as well as for their “hold-onto-the-bar roller coaster” plots (RT Book Reviews). Nancy has been a writer and editor for her entire working career. She coauthored Backroom Politics, a New...
The Ravine
Amy Lavender Harris, Phyllis Brett Young

This new edition is the first in 48 years

Summary
Artist Julia Warner left life in the big city to avoid reminders of her little sister's disappearance. Now teaching in a smalltown public school, memories of that tragedy flood back when one of her young students, Deborah Hurst, is assaulted. Not six months later, a second student is assaulted and killed—but this time, Julia gets a fleeting look at the perpetrator. Greg Malcolm, the doctor treating Deborah, wants to work with Julia in bringing the murderer to justice, but the art teacher has plans of her own. First published in 1962 under the pseudonym "Kendal Young," The Ravine was the author's only thriller. It was adapted for the screen and released as Assault (1971), starring Suzy Kendall.

Contributor Bio
Amy Lavender Harris is the author of Imagining Toronto (2010), which won the 2011 Heritage Toronto Award of Merit. She teaches in the Department of Geography at York University. Phyllis Brett Young (1914-1996) was born, raised, and educated in Toronto. She wrote six novels, including Psyche (1959) and The Torontonians (1960), both of which have been republished by McGill-Queen’s University Press.

Toward the Light
Bonnar Spring

Perfect for readers who appreciate a novel female protagonist, an "everywoman" confronted with an overwhelming moral dilemma and crushing physical danger

Summary
Luz Concepcion returns to Guatemala to murder Martin Benavides, the man who destroyed her family. Benavides, who rose from insurgent fighter to president, controls a major drug network. Richard Clement became Luz's resettlement officer when she was evacuated to the U.S. He now works for the CIA, which has its own reasons for eliminating Benavides. Richard's team persuades Luz to pursue a job as nanny to Benavides' grandson, Cesar, a lonely child with an absentee playboy father. The Guatemala contact for her mission is Evan McManus, an expat painter who pursues Luz, hoping to persuade her to model for him—and more. Luz initially spurns his advances, but her first terrifying encounter with Martin Benavides propels her into his arms. Complicating matters, Luz conceals from all sides her clandestine contact with her surviving cousin, Antonio Torres, a guerrilla leader fighting the government propped up by the Benavides and their drug money.

Contributor Bio
Bonnar Spring writes eclectic and stylish mystery-suspense novels with an international flavor. An inveterate traveler, she hitchhiked across Europe at sixteen and joined the Peace Corps after college. For twenty-five years, Bonnar has been teaching ESL—English as a Second Language—at a community college. She currently divides her time between tiny houses on a New Hampshire salt marsh and by the Sea of Abaco. Her extensive travel experience is reflected in Luz Concepcion's travel to Guatemala to pursue her journey "toward the light."
**Nightwatchers**  
Vincent Wyckoff  
What's out there in the dark, watching you?  

**Summary**  
The small town of Black Otter Bay, on Minnesota’s North Shore, is being haunted by a sinister presence lurking in the forest behind town. When the body of a hiker shows up, Sheriff Marlon Fastwater is called in to investigate and soon finds himself involved with the Native American legend of the Manitou—the Trickster—and the mystique of a half Native Canadian/half French man who lives in the woods and holds true the ancient mystical beliefs of his elders. When the much-anticipated night of the Halloween Dance finally arrives, most of the major characters in town, including Gitch, the sheriff’s faithful dog, become involved in the night of terror. A fast-paced pursuit leads to a chilling ending set against the immensity of Lake Superior.

**Contributor Bio**  
A native son of Minneapolis, Vincent Wyckoff dedicated a career to the U.S. Postal Service. His first book, *Beware of Cat: and Other Encounters of a Letter Carrier*, celebrates the stories of people on his route. Prior to that, he served a tour of duty in the U.S. Army, and attended the University of Minnesota. For a short time he lived on the North Shore of Lake Superior, from which he developed the background for *Black Otter Bay*, his first work of fiction. *Nightwatchers* is the sequel. His stories have been published in several local periodicals, as well as the anthology, *Home*. Wyckoff and his wife, Sybil, live in Minneapolis. They have three children and six grandchildren.

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**The Ruthless**  
David Putnam  
Perfect for fans of Robert Crais and Michael Connelly  

**Summary**  
Pushed to his emotional limit, Los Angeles County Sheriff Deputy Bruno Johnson struggles to hold his family together while immersed in his unrelenting career. His daughter, Olivia, is a teen mom to twin toddlers; her common-law husband, Derek Sams, is a thug; and one of their little boys has disappeared under his care. The overwhelming intensity demanded of Bruno on this personal level is compounded by the brutal shotgun murder of a superior court judge and his wife, both friends of his. Tragedy strikes Bruno’s life on all fronts: family, friends, and professional—but none of these colossal forces can match the appearance of an unthinkable element that will forever dominate Bruno’s life.

**Contributor Bio**  
Best-selling author David Putnam was a member of the real-life Hawaii Five-0.
The Heartless
David Putnam

Perfect for fans of Robert Crais and John Sandford

Summary
Former LA County Deputy Bruno Johnson is now a bailiff in the courts having stepped down from his role on the Violent Crimes Team to spend more time with his daughter, Olivia. Bruno fears his job decision may have come too late when he gets a frantic call to extricate Olivia from a gunpoint situation in a LA gang-infested neighborhood. His desperation escalates when he realizes Louis Barkow, a stone-cold killer awaiting trial, had orchestrated that deadly tableau. When Barkow and three other criminals break out of jail and hit the streets, Bruno is plunged back into violent crime mode. The walls are caving in on Bruno as violence escalates in his hunt for Barkow and his heart strings are stretched to the breaking point as he struggles to protect his daughter not only from the criminal violence swirling around them, but from Olivia’s own impetuous life choices.

Contributor Bio
Best-selling author David Putnam was a member of the real-life Hawaii Five-0.

The Reckless
David Putnam

Bruno Johnson, a young and inexperienced LA County Deputy Sheriff, is trying to balance his life as the single father of a four-year-old daughter and his responsibilities as a cop in the Violent Crimes Unit

Summary
Perfect for fans of Robert Crais and John Sandford
Bruno Johnson, a young and inexperienced LA County Deputy Sheriff, is trying to balance his life as the single father of a four-year-old daughter and his responsibilities as a cop in the Violent Crimes Unit. When he and his impetuous partner Ned Kiefer are put on loan to the FBI to help out with a “special problem,” Bruno finds himself in a real bind.

The FBI hands Bruno and Ned a case that the Bureau prefers not to touch—a group of teenage criminals that are being run by a nefarious criminal known as the Darkman. Bruno discovers the identity of the Darkman and is stunned to realize that he is the perpetrator from a lingering unsolved case—a triple homicide that continues to haunt Bruno.

The problem is how to stop the juvenile criminals without killing kids, and at the same time, avoid being killed by the kids—or by the Darkman—and keep his reckless partner Ned under control.

Contributor Bio
Best-selling author David Putnam comes from a family of law enforcement and always wanted to be a cop. During his career, he did it all: worked in narcotics, served on FBI-sponsored violent crimes teams, and was cross-sworn as a US Marshall, pursuing murder suspects and bank robbers in Arizona, Nevada, and California. Putnam did two tours on the San Bernardino County Sheriff’s SWAT team. He also has experience in criminal intelligence and internal affairs and has supervised corrections, patrol, and a detective bureau. In Hawaii, Putnam was a member of the real-life Hawaii Five O, serving as Special Agent for the Attorney General investigating smuggling and white-collar crimes. The Reckless is the sixth in the Bruno Johnson series and
High Stakes
John F Dobbyn

Perfect for fans of Daniel Silva and Steve Berry

Summary
An authentic Stradivarius violin turns up in Romania. A Stradivarius is rare enough, but this one is even more special. It is thought to hold the code disclosing the location of a treasure hidden in the fifteenth century. The violin is steeped in haunting mystique: it is believed to have been hidden by Vlad Dracula, whose historic tyranny led to the fabrication of the myth of vampirism. Russian, Chinese, and Romanian gangs centered in Boston want the code and all of them are hot on the trail. Violence is their language—brutality, their technique. And who is hired to see that the treasure lands in the rightful place? None other than Michael Knight with a little help from his senior law partner Lex Devlin and his crony, Billy Coyne, Boston’s deputy district attorney. Michael uses the thin leverage of his knowledge about the violin to keep each of the three gang leaders at bay, while he follows the chain of historic clues from a violin shop in the Carpathian Mountains to a gangster-infested nightclub in Bucharest, to a university in Istanbul, and back to the gang headquarters of the thr...

Contributor Bio
Best-selling author John F. Dobbyn, a graduate of Harvard College, Boston College Law School, and Harvard Law School, is a former professor of law at Villanova Law School where he taught criminal, constitutional, and corporate law. Prior to his teaching career, Dobbyn practiced criminal and civil trial work. He is frequent contributor to Ellery Queen’s Mystery Magazine and Alfred Hitchcock’s Mystery Magazine, and he is the author of six award-winning legal thrillers featuring Michael Knight and Lex Devlin. Dobbyn is a Boston native and now resides in Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, with his wife, Lois.

Valiant Savage
A Peter Savage Novel
Dave Edlund

With his faithful canine companion, Peter crisscrosses the northwest in a race against time to save his friend and avert a political coup the likes of which haven’t been witnessed since the Lincoln assassination plot

Summary
The Cascadia Independence Movement, a radical political group, aspires to succeed where others have failed and split off the Pacific Northwest as an independent nation. With a sympathetic politician occupying the seat of president pro tempore of the Senate, CIM hatches a daring plan. Eliminating the President, Vice President, and Speaker of the House in a coordinated attack would be difficult enough, but to do so and get away with the crimes would border on the impossible. They plot to frame the commander of The Strategic Global Intervention Team, James Nicolaou, for the murders and steal a revolutionary weapon under development by Peter Savage, which will assure success. With Commander Nicolaou missing, and the subject of a nation-wide dragnet with orders to shoot to kill.

Contributor Bio
Dave Edlund is a USA TODAY bestselling author. When Dave isn’t cooking up the latest adventure for Peter Savage, readers can find him working as a leading expert in hydrogen energy.
**Estranged**
Charles Lamar Phillips

This is a story that occurs at the intersection of public and private life, of love and work with politics and history.

**Summary**
In this stylish and gripping historical noir novel, Randall Harker—the controversial city editor of an established progressive daily in the urban Midwest of 1950—excites the wrath of a reckless, corrupt, and ambitious U.S. senator anxious to make a name for himself as the country's most ardent anti-Communist. Decidedly flawed and afflicted by personal demons and political foes, Harker finds himself abandoned by friends and colleagues as he loses his wife, his reputation, and his job. He also finds himself losing the very sense of his own identity. With its gritty realism and dead-on period detail, the elegant prose of Estranged renders the rough-and-tumble world of mid-century journalism, the historical post-war battle between the Mob and trade unions, and the tender, intimate, and sensual moments of Harker’s desperate romantic escape from the nightmare that his personal and professional life has become.

**Contributor Bio**

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**Q & A**
M. Allen Cunningham

Stuck in his televised box, Kenyon must confront the win-or-lose proposition of his age and answer his toughest question yet: when the world and its machines are so busy creating us, how can we possibly create ourselves?

**Summary**
Kenyon Saint Claire is the son of a distinguished literary family, a keeper and teacher of the written word, but his America is a land of small screens, moving images, big pharma, high-tech distraction, and endless advertising. False impressions are the stock-in-trade, and big metrics matter, especially onscreen. That’s where Kenyon finds himself, drawn into the electronic environs of primetime television. The year is 1956. Inspired by true events, employing a groundbreaking form that evokes our agitated, media-soaked century, M. Allen Cunningham’s *Q&A* urgently animates America’s misunderstood quiz show scandals in light of our own time, as a moment of cultural reckoning whose reverberations we feel all around us today: in reality television, TV politics, the triumph of incoherence, and the pandemic problem of how to be real in a world of screen-induced self-deception.

**Contributor Bio**
M. Allen Cunningham is the author of several novels.
The Wall
The Refugees' Path to a New Republic
Tetsuo Ted Takashima, Giuseppe di Martino

Prolific thriller writer Tetsuo "Ted" Takashima's engaging yarn presents a fresh perspective on the global refugee crisis

Summary
Captain Jadon Green has been labeled the Border Butcher after a terrible tragedy occurred between the US military and illegal immigrants who were forcing their entrance into the United States of America at the Mexico border wall. Resigned to a life of misery and loneliness after having lost not only his military career to a dishonorable discharge but also his family after his wife left him and took their daughter with her, Captain Green is offered the chance to redeem himself in the eyes of the country and his family. His new mission is to lead a Revolutionary Army and found a Nueva Cordova, a country where no citizen will ever have to flee. Along with Professor Luis—Cordova's only hope for rebirth—and his daughter Penelope, Captain Green’s mission is on the brink of success when a bullet threatens to destroy it all. Will Nueva Cordova become a reality?

Contributor Bio
After working as a scientist for Japan Atomic Energy Research Institute, Tetsuo Takashima moved to California, where he studied at the University of California. He has written more than twenty novels in the action/thriller/suspense/mystery genres. His novels include the action thriller Intruder, which won the 1999 Suntory Mystery Award and Pandemic (2010), which was called the book of prophecy in 2020.

Blind Vigil
Matt Coyle

Perfect for fans of Michael Connelly and John Sandford

Summary
Blinded by a gunshot wound to the face while working as a private investigator nine months ago, Rick Cahill is now sure of only one thing: he has to start a new life and leave his old one behind. He’s still trying to figure out what that life is when his onetime partner, Moira MacFarlane, asks for his help on a case she’s taken for Rick's former best friend. The case is simple and Moira only needs Rick for one interview, but Rick is wary of waking sleeping demons. Ultimately, he goes against his gut and takes the case which quickly turns deadly. Rick’s old compulsion of finding the truth no matter the cost—the same compulsion that cost him his eyesight and almost his life—battles against his desire to escape his past. The stakes are raised when Rick’s friend is implicated in murder and needs his help. Can he help the friend he no longer trusts while questioning his own lessened capabilities? His life depends on the answer as a shadowy killer lurks in the darkness.

Contributor Bio
Matt Coyle is a graduate of UC Santa Barbara and lives in San Diego with his yellow Lab, Angus, where he is writing the next Rick Cahill crime novel.
**Passport to Death**

Yigal Zur

Perfect for fans of Daniel Silva and Nelson DeMille

**Summary**

Dotan Naor, an Israeli private investigator, ousted from Shin Bet—Israel’s internal security service—goes to Thailand to find Sigal Bardon, a beautiful young girl from a wealthy Israeli family. Sigal has disappeared in Bangkok—completely. Dotan has connections in Thailand and he’s familiar with Bangkok’s dark side—the narrow alleys with bars and hookers, trenches of stagnant water, hotel rooms with illicit activity. This is where he intends to start his search. But when the passport of the missing Israeli girl ends up in his hands during his first taxi ride in the city, he’s suspicious that someone is playing him. But who? And why? As Dotan searches for Sigal, police corruption blocks his every path. Every lead he pursues draws him closer and closer to a black hole in his “own” past—one intertwined with his pursuit of Sigal—one that leads him to Reuven—and the haunting failure that led to the dismissal of both of them from Shin Bet. The wound between Dotan and Reuven is raw and deep, but Dotan realizes it must be healed in order to save Sigal.

**Contributor Bio**

Yigal Zur is an Israeli writer, journalist, television host, and tour guide.

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**MacDeath**

Henri Marotz

**Summary**

Mac is ruthless. And that’s precisely how he’s helped make the Kings Hedge Fund one of the most profitable on Wall Street. And why his wife knows she picked the right horse to back. But the dot com bubble is bursting and there’s desperation in the air, as the fatherly founder, Duncan, contemplates handing over the fund to his successor. Perched high above New York in the World Trade Center, just 3 months before 9/11/2001, it’s inconceivable that Mac won’t be given the reigns—Mac is simply too valuable to overlook. So when Duncan confides that he plans for his playboy son to take over, something just...snaps in Mac. And a bloody chain of events unfolds taking him, and his wife, down an escalating path of murder and madness that will consume them all. Shakespeare’s *Macbeth* is updated and set in the brutal financial world of New York City during the lead-up to the attack that would change everything.

**Contributor Bio**

Henri Marotz is an award-winning playwright with a love of books in general and classical literature in particular. He enjoys taking inspiration from the classics, including Shakespeare, updating and retelling the story in a modern context while trying to retain the core truths that underpin the originals.
Othello
Henri Marotz

Summary
He emerged from prison with a new name and an absolute devotion to his new religion. So it’s no wonder that when Othello Ibrahim joined the army, there was no shortage of people trying to make his life hell. And then the war began. A second civil war so brutal no one knew how it could possibly end. But after a decade of fighting, Othello didn’t just bring peace and drive out the foreign opportunists, he emerged as the unquestioned leader of a nation desperate for re-unification. Embraced by the right for his ferocity on the battlefield, celebrated by the left for his insistence on a return to constitutional rule. Othello Ibramim was loved. They even accepted his controversial marriage (and her very public conversion to Islam). But Othello had one weakness and when his enemies learned to exploit it, America would be plunged back into a darkness no one saw coming. In book 1 of this near-future political thriller, Shakespeare’s classic is updated and brought to vivid light.

Contributor Bio
Henri Marotz is an award winning playwright with a love of books in general and classical literature in particular. He enjoys taking inspiration from the classics, including Shakespeare, updating and retelling the story in a modern context while trying to retain the core truths that underpin the originals.

The Amber Room
Kerry McDonald

Summary
In this 3rd installment of the Spirit Walker series, the Flint twins are running out of money. While his paralysis has helped open the spirit world to him and a deep relationship with Lina finally seems possible, Logan has become dangerously obsessed with ‘getting out of his chair,’ sinking the family fortune into a research lab. To stay afloat, Landon agrees to a new job: find the match to an amber amulet left behind by their mentor, and with it, the famed Amber Room, stolen by the Nazis in 1941, then lost at the end of WWII. But what begins as another treasure hunt—following clues throughout Europe and deep into the dark spirit world where only Logan can go—soon takes yet another strange and other-worldly turn. With their most formidable enemy yet at their heels, the brothers will race from the sunken wreckage of a Nazi warship, to the once-noble castles where the treasure had been seen to bunkers deep in the Bavarian forest, until they realize that this prize is much more than an ordinary treasure. Etched in the amber are plans for a weapon so advanced it surely could not have ori...

Contributor Bio
Kerry McDonald is an All-American gymnast and life-long adrenaline junkie.
**The Take Back**  
Kerry McDonald

**Summary**  
Wylie Ray Bee is the best repo man this tiny Texas border town has known. Okay, he’s the only repo man in town—and his life consists of crossing into Mexico, taking back old vans from criminals who are only slightly more helpless and depraved than he is, and drinking the rest of his time away. But when MasterCard sees his stunning success rate on paper, Wylie’s the perfect “international collections agent” to take back an airplane from the world’s most dangerous Russian mobster. Stumbling across the globe, going toe-to-toe with Nirvanovich Klokov, Butterfly Roulette, and an increasingly bizarre network of Bond-like villains, Wylie realizes that this global action hero thing ain’t all bad. Now all he has to do is stop the spread of a biological weapon they’ve unleashed. It’s James Bond on acid…like, literally.

**Contributor Bio**  
Kerry McDonald is an All-American gymnast and life-long adrenaline junkie who enjoys rock climbing, base jumping, paragliding, yoga, meditation, lucid dreaming, and survival focused get-aways. An expert marksman with both rifle and pistol, Kerry enjoys writing action adventure stories that provide an adrenaline rush equivalent to the excitement of real life when lived to the absolute fullest for the readers.

**Billion Dollar Bracket**  
Drew Bridges

**Summary**  
For a two-dollar entry fee, a small group of social media marketers offer one billion dollars for anyone who can predict the winners of all March Madness games

**Contributor Bio**  
Drew Bridges is a retired psychiatrist, former bookstore owner, and author of several books.
Uprooted
Peter Parkin

There may be only one way to bring an end to the monster's reign of death, chaos, and heartbreak

Summary
Fifteen long years have passed since Cathy Clarkson bid goodbye to her eight-year old daughter Emily, as she happily rode her bike off to school. But, a violent storm revives the anguish and memories. A large tree is uprooted in the backyard of their close friends, and Emily’s little pink bicycle with the white handlebars is laid bare. Hundreds of miles away, psychic investigator Jeff Kavanaugh reads about the discovery in the news, and the photo of the bicycle conjures up visions in his mind of the long-lost Emily, and what she might have encountered the day she disappeared. He’s also convinced that, after all this time, she’s still alive. Jeff and his partners in his private detective agency offer their services at no cost to the Clarksons. As they begin to connect the dots in a vastly more complex and diabolical plot than they imagined, Jeff and his team valiantly attempt to pull the curtain away from a powerful and dangerous puppeteer who himself has powerful benefactors.

Contributor Bio
Peter Parkin has written novels by himself and collaborated with Allison Darby.

Lost Little Sister
Michael Prelee

. Can reporter Tim Abernathy discover the secrets in Kelly's life that led to her disappearance before more victims meet a similar fate?

Summary
Kelly Dolan has been missing for nine years. The college graduate was preparing to start her life with a new job in a new city when she vanished over Labor Day Weekend. For almost a decade, her sister Quinn and private detective Paulie Carmichael have been searching for her. After an armed robbery at a lakeside store turns to murder, they become convinced a serial killer is targeting the small town of Hogan but can’t convince the police.

Contributor Bio
Michael Prelee is a crime and science-fiction author who grew up in rural Northeast Ohio and graduated from Youngstown State University. His first published work is the Milky Way Repo sci-fi crime series published by EDGE Science Fiction and Fantasy. He is also the author of the small-town Tim Abernathy Mystery Series, published by North Star Press. The first entry in the series is Murder in the Heart of It All.Lost Little Sister is the sequel.
The West House
Erik Dussere

A work of literary fiction with an American mystery at its center, The West House is about the traumatic pasts that haunt its characters.

Summary
When Kese, just out of college, starts his summer job in a small New England town, he finds himself trying to unravel a mystery. Charlotte West, rich and imperious, has been baffling the locals since she arrived in the town more than twenty years ago. Does she have a dark past—or is she just an excuse for Kese to indulge an obsession, or to avoid the encroaching boredom of his days? His investigation takes him back through the history of the town and of America itself, with its borders of class and race and bloodline.

Contributor Bio
Erik Dussere is the author of two books of criticism, Balancing the Books and America Is Elsewhere, which won an Edgar Award for best critical study. He lives in Maryland and teaches at American University, in Washington. D.C. This is his first novel.

Lying Close
Frank F. Weber

Can Jon find the traitor lying close?

Summary
Minnesota BCA Investigator Jon Frederick studies the list: A hunting accident. A country home break-in. The disappearance of a runaway. Not so shocking, until he considers all of these crimes occurred within 30 miles of each other, in less than a year’s time, in rural Minnesota. The summer of 2019 brings heat, rain, passion, and deception. A smoldering, romantic tryst between a local Christian man and a Muslim Somali woman becomes entangled in the case. Jon soon discovers someone close to the investigation is leaking information, placing lives in danger. The investigation leads Jon to the most publicized unsolved assault in recent Minnesota history.

Contributor Bio
Frank Weber is a forensic psychologist who performs assessments in homicide and sexual assault cases.
Dead Money
Srínath Adíga

Profound, intense, and cleverly plotted, with unexpected twists and turns.

Summary
They said you can’t take your money with you when you die. What if they were wrong? A stock market trader in Hong Kong desperate to pay off a fifty-three-million-dollar gangster debt. A mysterious suicide bomber in Mumbai under the spell of a dangerous myth. A banker in Amsterdam waging a lone battle to avert a global catastrophe. Three men whose fates are linked inextricably by a toxic financial product. One that promises happiness in the next world, yet has a devastating effect on this one. As the characters grapple with their individual moral dilemmas, their choices will affect the rest of humanity. Dead Money is a multi-faceted satire about money, religion, and how the very things that make us human can ultimately lead to our demise.

Contributor Bio
After living in four continents, Srínath Adíga has forged a unique voice based on his travels and attempts to find common threads that unite humanity. His debut novel Dead Money was inspired by the 2007 global financial crisis, which occurred around the same time as a personal tragedy. He’s currently based in the UK where he works as a freelance copywriter.

The Girl Who Wasn't There
Vincent Zandri

Perfect for fans of Gillian Flynn and Paula Hawkins

Summary
New York Times and USA Today best-selling author

Trust no one. Not your best friend, not your wife, not the police—and certainly not yourself.
Sidney O'Keefe just wants to spend a peaceful weekend alone with his wife and daughter in the vacation paradise of Lake Placid, New York—now that he’s been paroled after a ten year stretch in a maximum-security prison.
But any illusion of a peaceful future is destroyed when his eleven-year-old daughter, Chloe, suddenly disappears from the iconic beach scene, leaving Sidney and his wife, Penny, stricken with fear and panic.
When it's determined that his old crime boss, Mickey Rabuffo, might be behind the abduction, it becomes apparent that the past has not only come back to haunt Sidney, but it’s come back to kill the entire family.
With the village police assuming that Sidney, an ex-con with a history of prison violence, is responsible for his daughter’s disappearance, Sidney is left with no choice—he needs to take the law into his own hands—not only to expose the truth about what’s developing into a conspiracy of Biblical proportions, but also...

Contributor Bio
Vincent Zandri is the New York Times and USA Today best-selling author of more than forty novels and novellas. His books have been translated into several languages; he has been featured in the New York Times; and has appeared on Bloomberg TV and Fox News. Zandri’s awards include the ITW Thriller Award, the Shamus Award, and was nominated for the Derringer Award. An MFA graduate of Vermont College, he is a freelance photojournalist and has written for many magazines including New York Newsday. Zandri is an active supporter of libraries and a lecturer at several New York colleges and universities. He lives in Albany, New York.
China Mine
Dani Lamia

Summary
Jimmy Rowe had never been West of 11th Ave, let alone to Gopher Gulch, Wyoming. But the 1890s were here and the chance to be an engineer in a real gold mine after just 2 years in school was an opportunity (and an adventure) he couldn’t pass up. And it all started out well. A legendary boss who mentored him, a budding relationship with a brilliant Chinese-American woman and plenty of work to keep him busy. But bubbling under the surface at Mine 623 was a darkness that would soon turn his dream into a living nightmare. With a brutal racial divide b/w Chinese laborers and their cruel white bosses growing ever more stark, a mysterious explosion kills 50 men… and unleashes Mogwai, an ancient Chinese demon summoned by the angry spirits of the dead and bent on hellish payback. Facing an enemy with horrific powers, and torn between two worlds, Jimmy becomes the last hope to stop the awful bloodshed before everyone in town dies.

Contributor Bio
A student of the great horror writers (and filmmakers), Dani Lamia has turned a passion for twisted tales that unlock deep truths about humanity into a career focused on scaring the pants off readers.

The Threat Within
Dani Lamia

Summary
When a former Marine sniper thinks we’ve been invaded by aliens and begins killing powerful people throughout the country, two FBI agents must track him down and stop him before his rampage reaches the President of the USA.

Contributor Bio
Dani Lamia has accepted the curse of a warped and deviant mind that bends reality, rending the fabric between the real and the unreal. Perhaps a form of schizophrenia, Dani prefers to think of it as wonderful inspiration for some deeply creepy but strangely intellectual horror stories that are pulled from those nightmarish visions. A student of the great horror writers (and filmmakers), Dani has turned a passion for twisted tales that unlock deep truths about humanity into a career focused on scaring the pants off readers.
The Cipher
Kathe Koja

From acclaimed author Kathe Koja comes the highly anticipated paperback reissue of her award-winning horror classic

Summary
Winner of the Bram Stoker Award and Locus Awards, finalist for the Philip K. Dick Award, and named one of io9.com's "Top 10 Debut Science Fiction Novels That Took the World By Storm." With a new afterword by Maryse Meijer, author of Heartbreaker and Rag. "Black. Pure black and the sense of pulsation, especially when you look at it too closely, the sense of something not living but alive." When a strange hole materializes in a storage room, would-be poet Nicholas and his feral lover Nakota allow their curiosity to lead them into the depths of terror. "Wouldn't it be wild to go down there?" says Nakota. Nicholas says, "We're not." But no one is in control, and their experiments lead to obsession, violence, and a very final transformation for everyone who gets too close to the Funhole.

Contributor Bio
Kathe Koja writes novels and short fiction, and creates and produces immersive fiction performances, both solo and with a rotating ensemble of artists.

The Case of the Twisted Truths
Lucy Banks

The final book in the Dr. Ribero's Agency of the Supernatural cozy supernatural thriller series

Summary
Kester and Ribero’s team of inept supernatural investigators are back again. But this time, the stakes have been raised. Hrschni, a powerful daemon, together with the rest of the Thelemites, are hellbent on bringing spirits back to the world of the humans...at any cost. Kester needs to gain control of his unique abilities, while coming to terms with the fact that his mother had more secrets than he realized. He must also decide where his allegiances really lie. As the twisted truths keep coming out, he finds it increasingly hard to know who to trust.

Contributor Bio
Lucy Banks set up her own copywriting company and turned her love for the written word into a full-time career. She lives in the UK.
**Ghost in Theory**

Bitingduck Press

Paul Shreeve is an English professor who gets mistaken for a ghost by his neighbors

**Summary**

Paul Shreeve is an English professor who gets mistaken for a ghost by his neighbors. Though a man of strict rationality and analysis, he cannot shake his ghostly identity, nor will his neighbors allow him to forget. The ghost moves into his thoughts, his work, and his family and begins to chew at his very existence. His head, which drove his entire life, is confounded by something he can’t quite touch. His ghosted self drives him to the fringes of rationality and beyond as he looks for something, anything, to help drive it away.

**Contributor Bio**

An associate professor of English at Mount Royal University, Bill Bunn is the author of five previous books for children and young adults. He is currently working on identifying a mysterious clunk in a bicycle he received for free, and training an emotionally damaged yorkie. *Ghost in Theory* is his first adult novel.

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**Now Before the Dark**

Sam Hooker

Time is running out for the Old Country

**Summary**

How does one save a nation when the erstwhile gods are against the idea? In the finale of Terribly Serious Darkness, it's up to Sloat Peril—the world's greatest accountant and poorest everything else—to figure it out. Unfortunately, he'll have help. A philosopher who'd sooner die (again) than do any real work, a bard who can't play his non-instrument, and a spooky wizard who's often mistaken for a vampire may not be ideal allies, but with any luck—which Sloat's never had—they'll occasionally get out of his way. Does Sloat stand a chance against serpent cults, demons, dragons, and the most sinister financial report every written? Doubtful. If he's even going to survive the dance contest, he'll have to think of something now, before the Dark swallows everything up.

**Contributor Bio**

Sam Hooker writes darkly humorous fantasy novels about things like tyrannical despots and the masked scoundrels who tickle them without mercy. He knows all the best swear words, though he refuses to repeat them because he doesn't want to attract goblins.
**Planetbreaker’s Son**

Nick Mamatas

Aboard an unnamed starship carrying postflesh billions toward survival, the Planetbreaker has one job

**Summary**

He walks the stars embedded in the virtual dome of night and, when he tires of a world, throws a small black stone over his shoulder—and entire societies blink out of existence. The work is necessary, or so he insists. But the Planetbreaker’s son has his own ideas. Meanwhile, in “The Strange Case Of,” Mamatas gleefully blinks sentimental, shopworn ideas out of easy acceptance. “The Twin Dragons of Sentimentality and Didacticism” explores the dangers and pleasures of Animal Rescue. But listen. That “Ring, Ring, Ring” (and so forth) you hear is the dreaded ouija phone connecting the living with the dead. And it’s for you. Of course we include our predictably unpredictable, outrageously rageous Outspoken Interview with Mamatas. Also for you.

**Contributor Bio**

Nick Mamatas is an author, anthologist, editor, and bookseller living in Oakland, California. His early nonfiction about digital culture and politics appeared in magazines such as *New Observations, Artbyte,* and the *Village Voice.* Nick’s first novel, *Move Under Ground* crossed the voice of the Beat movement with the themes of H.P. Lovecraft and became an instant cult classic. His other novels include the radical noir *Love Is the Law,* the satirical science fiction title *Under My Roof,* and the PM Press novel *Sensation,* which both prefigured and predicted the rise and fall of the Occupy movement. Nick’s fiction and editorial work has won the Bram Stoker Award and has been nominated for four other Stokers, two World Fantasy awards, two Hugo awards, two Locus Awards, and a Shirley Jackson award.

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**The Ascension Machine**

Rob Edwards

If he is to succeed, or even survive, Grey must decide who he is, and does he want to be a superhero?

**Summary**

Welcome to the Justice Academy – the galaxy’s best superhero college! Teen grifter Grey arrives at the school carrying a lie: he isn’t really tech heir Mirabor Gravane. At the first opportunity Grey plans to leave the Academy. That is until he makes the mistake of starting to like his fellow students. The Justice Academy promises to “equip you with the skills to be the hero the galaxy needs” and Grey is beginning to believe the hype. But as he takes more risks to protect his secret, events spiral out of his control. When the real Gravane is kidnapped, Grey and his new friends must come together to mount a rescue and defend a city from an attack by hostile super-powered aliens. If he is to succeed, or even survive, Grey must decide who he is, and does he want to be a superhero?

**Contributor Bio**

Rob Edwards is a British born writer and podcaster, currently living in Finland. He was brought up on classic sci fi and comic books, JRR Tolkien, and games. His podcast, StorycastRob, features readings from his short stories and extracts from longer works. His stories can also be found in anthologies from Inklings Press, the Sci-fi Roundtable, the superhero anthology *Somebody, Save Me!,* and in the Word Count Podcast.
Children of the Fifth Sun: Rubicon
Gareth Worthington

Whoever wins, the age of man is over

Summary
IT HAS BEEN SEVENTEEN YEARS since the Nine Veils abducted half of Nenets children and their bonded Huahuqui from Antarctica. Despite years of searching by Jonathan Teller and the NSA, no one has heard from the clandestine organization, or the abductees.

KJ Nilsson, the remaining children, and their Huahuqui—collectively known as the Stratum—have grown up in relative safety at Alpha Base in Antarctica. Thanks to the work of Lucy Taylor, now President of the United States, the Stratum are to be recognized as a unique, symbiotic, race and legal citizens of several great nations.

But, things do not go as planned when the Nine Veils come out of hiding—with their own army of Huahuqui—determined to become the most elite power on the planet.

Now, KJ and the Stratum must prove they deserve their new status by defending the citizens of Earth—against their own kind.

Whoever wins, the age of man is over.

Contributor Bio
Gareth Worthington holds a degree in marine biology, a PhD in endocrinology, and currently educates the World's doctors on new cancer therapies. His debut work merited a finalist in the prestigious Silver Falchion Award for Science Fiction and his futuristic thriller with Stu Jones took finalist honors in the 2018 Dragon Awards. Gareth has hand tagged sharks in California and trained in various martial arts, including Jeet Kune Do, Muay Thai, and MMA at the EVOLVE MMA gym in Singapore and Phoenix KampfSport Switzerland. Born in Plymouth UK, Worthington currently resides outside of Zurich, Switzerland.

 deepfake
Alex Schuler

Summary
When David Jordan began playing around with ‘deep fake’ video technology, all he cared about was embarrassing his high school tormentors...and impressing the girl he’s had a crush on for most of his life. And it worked. What started as a funny prank went viral and soon viewers from around the world wanted more. His YouTube channel exploded and his life finally started to change. Before long he expanded to hilariously convincing mash-ups of famous politicians, actors, and athletes doing and saying ridiculous things. But when a fake video he posts kicks off a chain of events that drags the world into a war of epic proportions, the shockingly real consequences of his videos hit home. Soon his brother is shipped off to war and the people he cares most about are swept up in the violence he unleashed. After connecting with a most unusual team of young ‘cyber bandits,’ David sets out to stop WWIII before it reaches a point of no return.

Contributor Bio
Following a career as a pilot in the US Navy, Alex Schuler began developing artificial intelligence software for the commercial and defense sectors.
**Shame the Devil**
Henri Marotz

**Summary**
Hal, the scared little boy that once watched outlaws murder his mother, is now old enough to be a danger...mostly to himself. Having fallen in with a group of drunken thieves, led by Falstaff, Hal wants nothing to do with his father, the president, battling to re-unify a country torn apart by local strongmen and warlords. Blaming his father for the death of his mother Hal couldn’t care less that he’s a disappointment and an embarrassment and a distraction from his father’s pathetic attempt to establish order. But when a viscous army of survivalists threatens to destroy the last vestiges of America, Hal is forced to choose sides. Will he put aside his anger and join his father in a fight for a cause he knows is just, or allow his darker instincts to remain in control and let anarchy rule the day? Combining action, adventure, comedy, and intrigue, *Shame the Devil* sets us up for the gripping conclusion to the series.

**Contributor Bio**
Henri Marotz is a playwright.

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**Deformed**
Henri Marotz

**Summary**
Weakened by years of unrest and the sudden departure of their charismatic president, Othello, foreign enemies see their opportunity to strike. Richard, as Secretary of Defense, has had about enough of the incompetence of Othello’s successor and the sycophants that enable him. Flawlessly handsome, charming and witty, Richard is painfully aware that his outward beauty lead few to take him seriously. But if they saw a fraction of the bitterness and bile that mangles every fiber of his interior...they’d know to beware. And so Richard embarks on a murderous path to power that will ultimately change the course of human history. But it won't be long before threats to his ugly reign mount—along with his insidious paranoia—and Richard will unleash a weapon that doesn't just destroy his enemies but sets off a worldwide pandemic of the most heinous kind, ultimately taking down Richard himself. Bloody thou art, bloody will be thy end.

**Contributor Bio**
Henri Marotz is a playwright.
**Death Will Have His Day**

Henri Marotz

**Summary**

With a global pandemic decimating most of the population and large swaths of the country becoming completely lawless, secret service agent Henry Bolingbroke has a quality few others possess, and even fewer want: loyalty. But these two loyalties will clash when a ruthless former cartel leader begins to consolidate outlaw groups from across the country into a Mad Max-like army that descends on Washington. Henry must choose whether to abandon his post to protect his family or stay true to his increasingly mercurial and vengeful president. He stays with the president and by the time he is able to collect his family, his wife has been murdered and his young son is nearly catatonic with fear. Retreating with what’s left of the federal government to the alternate command center located deep in the mountains outside of Colorado Springs, Henry, now the president’s only confidante as her behavior grows increasingly erratic, must rally a broken people to stand up to Luis’ barbaric army.

**Contributor Bio**

Henri Marotz is a playwright.

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**Code Word Delta**

Alex Schuler

The past meets the future in Book Four of the Code Word series

**Summary**

The EMP blast set off by Shawn & Destiny 20 years ago (at the end of book 3), foiled plans for mass extermination, but has divided the country. West of the Rockies had its power grid destroyed, and is a Wild West with no electrical grid, governed by the Organites. East of the Mississippi is still tightly controlled by Apex (the ubiquitous AI system), and is racing ever more quickly into the future, leaving the area in between as a hotly contested, lawless war zone. Adam, a restless 20-year old roaming the country with his parents (Shawn and Destiny) finds an antiquated communication device and makes contact with a young woman, Joan, from Apex’s side. But when it is discovered that an asteroid is heading for earth, our heroes are sent on a desperate chase to reboot an archaic satellite-based system for protecting the earth before a catastrophic collision occurs. Humans and A.I. have very different ways of assessing their risk of total extinction and instead of cooperation, the battle for survival intensifies. Meanwhile, as Adam and Joan grow closer, we will soon discover that she is o...

**Contributor Bio**

Following a career as a pilot in the US Navy, Alex Schuler began developing artificial intelligence software for the commercial and defense sectors, while enjoying writing books that explore the ethical and philosophical implications of technology through engaging science fiction and behind-the-scenes examinations of the people behind today’s most sophisticated, and potentially dangerous, technology.
A Flood of Posies
Tiffany Meuret

When a storm of biblical proportions strikes, the wayward sisters are begrudgingly forced together

Summary
It's 2025. Sisters, Doris and Thea, exist worlds apart, despite living within a few miles of one another. Doris with her regular home and regular husband and regular job, and Thea slinking along the edges of society, solitary and invisible. As the rain continues and the waters rise, each attempt to survive both the flood and each other while also resisting the strange pull of the monstrous, Leviathan-like creatures that have appeared to haunt the depths of the water beneath them. One year later, Thea—now calling herself Sestra, the Slavic word for sister—floats throughout a ravaged, flood-soaked world. Her former life drowned beneath metric tons of water, she and her only companion, Robert, battle starvation, heat stroke, and the monstrous creatures called Posies that appeared alongside the flood. When they run across what they assume to be an abandoned tugboat, their journey takes a new turn, and the truth about the flood and the monsters seems more intricately linked to Thea's past then she may realize.

Contributor Bio
Tiffany Meuret is a writer of monsters and twisted fairy tales. Her publications include Shoreline of Infinity, Luna Station Quarterly, Ellipsis Zine, Rhythm & Bones, and others. When not reading or writing, she is usually binge-watching comfortable sitcoms from her childhood or telling her kids to put on their shoes for the tenth time. She lives in sunny Arizona with her husband, two kids, two chihuahuas, gecko, and tortoise.

Lava Red Feather Blue
Molly Ringle

Awakening the handsome prince is supposed to end the fairy tale, not start it.

Summary
The Highvalley witches have rarely done things the way they're supposed to. On the north Pacific island of Eidolonia, hidden from the world by enchantments, Prince Larkin has lain in a magical sleep since 1799 as one side of a truce between humans and fae. That is, until Merrick Highvalley, a modern-day witch, discovers an old box of magic charms and cryptic notes hidden inside a garden statue. Experimenting with the charms, Merrick finds himself inside the bower where Larkin lies, and accidentally awakens him. Worse still, releasing Larkin from the spell also releases Ula Kana, a faery bent on eradicating humans from the island. With the truce collapsing and hostilities escalating throughout the country, Merrick and Larkin form an unlikely alliance and become even unlikelier heroes as they flee into the perilous fae realm on a quest to stop Ula Kana and restore harmony to their island.

Contributor Bio
Molly Ringle was one of the quiet, weird kids in school, and is now one of the quiet, weird writers of the world. Though she made up occasional imaginary realms in her Oregon backyard while growing up, Eidolonia is her first full-fledged fictional country. Her previous novels are predominantly set in the Pacific Northwest and feature fae, goblins, ghosts, and Greek gods alongside regular humans. She lives in Seattle with her family, corgi, guinea pigs, fragrance collection, and a lot of moss.
**Were-Geeks Save Lake Wacka Wacka**

Kathy Lyons

Paramedic and firefighter Bruce Collier became a werewolf to protect his family—and hopefully make amends for the way he treated his younger brother.

**Summary**

Paramedic and firefighter Bruce Collier became a werewolf to protect his family—and hopefully make amends for the way he treated his younger brother. His bitterness nearly turned him into the monster he thought his brother was... until he met Mr. Happy. Werewolf Laddin Holt—aka Mr. Happy—likes things organized as he makes them go boom. He's Wulf, Inc's explosive expert and the only one calming the turmoil inside Bruce. At least until they're drawn into a conflict between two factions of fairies living around Lake Wacka Wacka. Bruce wants to take them out, Laddin has other ideas, and neither of them sees the real threat lurking behind the scenes—or how their love could be the answer to everybody’s problems.

**Contributor Bio**

**Kathy Lyons** is the wild, adventurous half of *USA Today* bestselling author Jade Lee. Winner of several industry awards including the Prism—Best of the Best and the Romantic Times Reviewers’ Choice Award, Kathy has published over sixty romance novels and is still going strong. Paranormal comedy is her love, and she’s often found in gatherings at the loudest table. Join her at any of her many appearances which are listed at www.KathyLyons.com.

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**All the Rules of Heaven**

Amy Lane

When Tucker Henderson inherits Daisy Place, he's pretty sure it's not a windfall—everything in his life has come with strings attached.

**Summary**

When Tucker Henderson inherits Daisy Place, he’s pretty sure it’s not a windfall—everything in his life has come with strings attached. He’s prepared to do his bit to satisfy the supernatural forces in the old house, but he refuses to be all sweetness and light about it. Angel was sort of hoping for sweetness and light. Trapped at Daisy Place for over fifty years, Angel hasn’t always been kind to the humans who have helped him in his duty of guiding spirits to the beyond. When Tucker shows up, Angel vows to be more accommodating, but Tucker’s layers of cynicism and apparent selfishness don’t make it easy. Can Tucker work with a gender-bending, shape-shifting irritant, and can Angel retain his divine intentions when his heart proves all too human?

**Contributor Bio**

**Amy Lane** is a writer, mother, spouse, knitter, furbaby wrangler, domestic disaster navigator, part-time taxi driver and full-time dreamer who writes because the people in her head are real. She’s been a finalist in the RITAs™ twice, has won honorable mention for an IndieFab, and has a couple of Rainbow Awards to her name. She also has too damned much yarn, a penchant for action-adventure movies, and a need to know that somewhere in all the pain is a story of Wuv, Twu Wuv, which she continues to believe in to this day.
A Novel Murder
K.C Wells

Try to work out what is fact and what is fiction in a case where the line between the two becomes increasingly blurred....

Summary
Famous author and former Merrychurch resident Teresa Malvain’s appearance at the first Merrychurch Literary Festival was to be the highlight of the week. But life imitates art when she dies unexpectedly, the victim of a severe allergic reaction. Or has someone in Merrychurch gotten away with murder? Jonathon de Mountford and Mike Tattersall struggle to placate Jonathan’s father and make their own plans for the future. At least where Teresa’s death is concerned, they have a couple of people keen to help them discover the truth. But a closer look at Teresa’s stories proves her quaint fictional village setting isn’t so fictional after all. Now they’re trying to work out what is fact and what is fiction, in a case where the line between the two is becoming increasingly blurred....

Contributor Bio
K.C. Wells lives on an island off the south coast of the UK, surrounded by natural beauty. She writes about men who love men, and can’t even contemplate a life that doesn’t include writing. The rainbow rose tattoo on her back with the words ‘Love is Love’ and ‘Love Wins’ is her way of hoisting a flag. She plans to be writing about men in love—be it sweet and slow, hot or kinky—for a long while to come.

Prey for Love
Dirk Greyson

The last three guys Phillip dated are dead...is he next?

Summary
When successful businessman Phillip Barone attends a lover’s funeral and discovers he was just the latest of Phillip’s partners to die, Phillip knows he’s in trouble. He also knows just the man he needs. Former Marine Barry Malone would love a second chance with Phillip—he just wishes the romance could be rekindled under better circumstances. But Phillip’s stalker is escalating, and if Barry cannot solve the mystery of who wants Phillip dead and why, he might lose him for good. Barry’s determined, but the investigation struggles against the wit of a crafty killer—one who is closer to Phillip than they could have realized. Luckily Barry is even closer, and he’ll do whatever it takes to protect the man he’s falling in love with all over again.

Contributor Bio
Dirk Greyson is very much an outside kind of man. He loves travel and seeing new things. Dirk worked in corporate America for way too long and now spends his days writing, gardening, and taking care of the home he shares with his partner of more than two decades. He has a master’s degree and all the other accessories that go with a corporate job. But he is most proud of the stories he tells and the life he’s built. Dirk lives in Pennsylvania in a century-old home and is blessed with an amazing circle of friends.
The Innkeeper's Daughter
Bianca M. Schwarz

*With time running out and the fate of one girl hanging in the balance, Henry and Eliza must find a way to outwit a nasty pimp and eliminate a dangerous enemy agent.*

**Summary**

Sir Henry, a man of wealth and charm, comes across a badly beaten Eliza, desperate to escape her cruel stepfather. Realizing she has nowhere to go, Sir Henry takes her to his home in Mayfair. There, as she recovers, Henry introduces the lovely Eliza to a world of art and literature she never knew existed. But Eliza's brutal world follows her to London, where the salons of the aristocratic elite co-exist with the back alleys of the criminal underworld. Thankfully, Henry, a secret agent to the crown, is able and willing to deal with the man Eliza's stepfather had sold her to, and the pimp who plans to enslave her. As romance blossoms between them, Eliza unearths an old secret that leads them into the dark sadistic world of sex trafficking, and finally allows Henry to identify the traitor responsible for selling military secrets to the French, causing the death of thousands.

**Contributor Bio**

Bianca M Schwarz lives in Los Angeles with her husband and son.

Out of Control
Cindy Dees

Tension heats up as they track their target, but can Steve and Drago find him before their attraction explodes out of control?

**Summary**

Outed by his drunken boss and run off his team, SEAL Steve Newman accepts a dangerous mission under rogue CIA agent Drago Thorpe—the only man he’s ever loved. Drago regrets ending their torrid affair by pressuring Steve to acknowledge their relationship publicly, and he wants a second chance. But it’s always been a challenge to get the uptight SEAL to break the rules, and to eliminate a supposedly dead terrorist, they’ll need to operate outside the law. Tension heats up as they track their target, but can they find him before their attraction explodes out of control?

**Contributor Bio**

*New York Times* and *USA Today* best-selling author of over sixty books, Cindy Dees writes military romance and romantic suspense. A former US Air Force pilot and part-time spy, she draws upon real-life experience to fuel her stories of love on the edge of danger. When she’s not heavily caffeinated and typing like a maniac, she can be found walking her Doberman pinscher named Waffles, sweating through hot yoga, gardening, and traveling. She loves to chat with readers, and all her social media links are at [www.cindydees.com](http://www.cindydees.com).
Mean Machine
Aleksandr Voinov

With his fights getting deadlier, hope might be the only thing to carry Brooks through

Summary
For a boxer ravaged by guilt and in deep denial of his desires, a fight beyond the ring might yield his greatest prize. In a dystopian UK devastated by austerity and ruled by corporate interests, Brooklyn Marshall was a happily married London police officer—until an accident resulted in the death of a protester connected to a powerful family. Now he takes out his anger and pain on his opponents, fighting for the company that took him into stewardship after his conviction and disgrace—and which all but owns him. Wealthy barrister Nathaniel Bishop fulfills his dream of a family when he adopts a daughter. He can’t resist researching her allegedly violent criminal father, but Brook isn’t at all what he expects. He’s fascinating…and maybe worthy of redemption. Through legal sleight of hand, Nathaniel thinks he can overturn Brook’s conviction. Brook has learned the hard way not to trust anyone, let alone a privileged man who’s purchased his “time.” But as they get to know each other, he allows himself to hope. With his fights getting deadlier, hope might be the only thing to carry Brook...

Contributor Bio
EPIC Award winner and Lambda Award finalist Aleksandr Voinov is an expat German living near London, where he works as an editor in financial services. His genres range from science fiction and fantasy to thriller, historical, contemporary, and erotica. If he isn’t writing, he studies world history, mythology, and astrology, or teaches writing or the Tarot. Sometimes he also makes candles. He’s a certified Master Hypnotist and NLP Coach, and loves Buddhism, though he needs to meditate more often. He is a pagan and member of the venerable Society of Authors.

Wes & Toren
J.M. Colail

Wes and Toren have to believe in each other... and never doubt that their love can conquer all

Summary
Senior Toren Grey cares more about his family and his grades than what brand of clothes he wears. Majority consensus is that he’s a nerd. So he’s surprised when resident bad boy Wesley Carroll speaks to him in the hall, stirring feelings that Toren has to hide. Though disconcerted by Wes’s free and easy ways, Toren can’t deny the attraction between them. As he relaxes and gets to know Wes better, he finds there’s more to the sexy rebel than his public image. Before long the young men are exploring new territory and falling in love, but life just isn’t that simple. After they graduate, obstacles block their relationship at every turn: Wes working versus Toren in college, the virulent disapproval of parents, and everyday trials faced by any struggling young couple. Wes and Toren have to believe in each other...and never doubt that their love can conquer all.

Contributor Bio
Opposites attract, of course, but J.M. Colail thought that only happened in romance novels. Living near Ann Arbor, Michigan and a steadfast Wolverine fan, she fell for a Michigan State Spartan who was her polar opposite. Although difficult at times, the hopeless romantic met her match—a hopeful romantic—who continues to challenge her and expand her mind and heart. J.M. spends her days working, writing, and drawing; and makes time for long country drives that fuel her imagination and keep her sanity.
Paint by Number
Andrew Grey

Can the Northern Lights and a second-chance romance return inspiration to a struggling artist?

Summary
When New York painter Devon Starr gives up his vices, his muses depart along with them. Devon needs a change, but when his father’s stroke brings him home to Alaska, the small town where he grew up isn’t what he remembers. Enrique Salazar remembers Devon well, and he makes it his personal mission to open Devon’s eyes to the rugged beauty and possibilities all around them. The two men grow closer, and just as Devon begins to see what’s always been there for him, they’re called to stand against a mining company that threatens the very pristine nature that’s helping them fall in love. The fight only strengthens their bond, but as the desire to pick up a paintbrush returns, Devon also feels the pull of the city. A man trapped between two worlds, Devon can only follow where his heart leads him.

Contributor Bio
Andrew Grey is the author of more than one hundred works of Contemporary Gay Romantic fiction. He grew up in western Michigan with a father who loved to tell stories and a mother who loved to read them. He has since lived all over the country and traveled throughout the world. Andrew received the RWA Centennial Award in 2017. His hobbies include collecting antiques, gardening, and leaving his dirty dishes anywhere but the sink.

Bad to Be Good
Andrew Grey

Solving problems like Daniel's is what Richard does best—and what he's trying to escape

Summary
Longboat Key, Florida, is about as far from the streets of Detroit as a group of gay former mobsters can get, but threats from within their organization forced them into witness protection—and a new life. Richard Marsden’s making the best of his second chance, tending bar and learning who he is outside of organized crime...and flirting with the cute single dad, Daniel, who comes in every Wednesday. But much like Richard, Daniel hides dark secrets that could get him killed. When Daniel’s past as a hacker catches up to him, Richard has the skills to help Daniel out, but not without raising some serious questions and risking his own new identity and the friends who went into hiding with him. Solving problems like Daniel’s is what Richard does best—and what he’s trying to escape. Finding a way to keep Daniel and his son safe without sacrificing the person he’s becoming will take some imagination, and it could change both of their lives.

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**Stick the Landing**

Kate McMurray

Jake Mirakovitch might be the best gymnast in the world, but there's one big problem: he chokes in international competition.

**Summary**

Jake Mirakovitch might be the best gymnast in the world, but there's one big problem: he chokes in international competition. The least successful of a family of world-class gymnasts, he has struggled to shake off nerves in the past. This time he's determined to bring home the gold no matter what. Retired figure skater Topher Caldwell wants a job as a commentator for the American network that covers the Olympics, and at the Summer Olympics in Madrid, he has a chance to prove himself with a few live features. He can't afford to stumble. Olympic victories eluded Topher, so he knows about tripping when it really counts. When he interviews Jake, the two bond over the weight of all that pressure. The flamboyant reporter attracts the kind of attention Jake—stuck in a glass closet—doesn't want, but Jake can't stay away. Topher doesn't want to jeopardize his potential new job, and fooling around with a high-profile athlete seems like a surefire way to do just that. Yet Topher can't stay away either...

**Contributor Bio**

Kate McMurray writes smart romantic fiction. She likes creating stories that are brainy, funny, and, of course, sexy with regular-guy characters and urban sensibilities. She advocates for romance stories by and for everyone. When she's not writing, she edits textbooks, watches baseball, plays violin, crafts things out of yarn, and wears a lot of cute dresses. She's served two years on the board of Rainbow Romance Writers, the RWA LGBT romance chapter, and three—including two as president—on the board of the New York City chapter. She lives in Brooklyn, NY, with two cats and too many books.

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**Race for Redemption**

Kate McMurray

No matter how sexy and charming JJ finds Brandon, the Olympics is no place for romance...or is it?

**Summary**

Sprinter Jason Jones Jr., known around the world as JJ, is America’s hope to take the title of Fastest Man in the World, the champion of the Olympic 100-meter sprint. Two years before, a doping scandal brought his winning streak to a crashing end, and even though he’s been cleared of wrongdoing, he’s finding it hard to escape the damage to his reputation. At the Games in Madrid, no one believes he’s innocent, and officials from the doping agency follow him everywhere. It just fuels JJ’s determination to show them he’s clean and still the fastest man on earth. If only he wasn’t tempted by foxy hurdler Brandon Stanton, an engineering student and math prodigy who views each race like a complicated equation. His analytical approach helps him win races, and he wants to help JJ do the same. But JJ’s been burned too many times before and doesn’t trust anyone who has all the answers. No matter how sexy and charming JJ finds Brandon, the Olympics is no place for romance. Or is it?

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A Place to Belong
A Novel
Abbie Williams

Summary
Millie Jo Gordon cannot remember a time before she loved Wyatt Rawley—at age five, she told her parents that she would marry him someday, a tale retold since her childhood. Now, many years later, Millie is seventeen and more deeply in love than ever. At twenty-three, sweet, passionate Wy, only a few semesters away from practicing veterinary medicine, secretly returns those feelings. In the ripe heat of summer, Wy at last confesses and the two share a week of sublime happiness before a heartbreaking revelation forces them apart. Years pass, following each in their separate lives—Wy a talented and well-respected vet whose marriage to another is only an aching reminder of what he could have had with Millie. Meanwhile, Millie attends college to become an equine therapist, grappling with her enduring and unspoken connection to Wy, a love that refuses to wither and leave her in peace. An emotional love story about the momentous ways that even the smallest of choices can forever shape our lives.

Contributor Bio
Abbie Williams writes passionate, emotional fiction about relationships, heartache, and redemption. The author of more than a dozen novels, Abbie lives in rural Minnesota with her husband and their busy family. Her abiding interest in women's issues, family dynamics, and nineteenth century history permeates her writing. A Place to Belong is her fourteenth book, an expressive and moving love story about the significant ways in which the smallest of choices forever after shape a person’s life.

The Santa Wars
Rebekah Pace

Summary
In this hilarious and heartfelt "War of the Roses"-inspired romantic comedy, Aiden, a brilliant chef, and Fannie, a transcendent singer/actress, were once deeply in love. But when their careers took a turn 10 years ago on New Year's Day and they found themselves working on the 'Ding-a-Ling' cruise line (think 'Disney cruises'), their relationship turned south. Fueled by 10 years of blame and resentment, their relationship has become a daily war, literally, until Aiden finally resolves to ask for a divorce. But when he learns that his wife is thrilled at the prospect of divorce (and seems to be falling for the one guy Aiden hates more than anyone else) he plans the ultimate revenge...make her fall back in love with him, then dump her on New Year’s day. Painfully and with hilarious ineffectiveness (at first) he does one thing to win her over each day. Then something truly awful happens...he begins to fall back in love with her. But with his plans for the 'divorce party' already underway, will he be able to stop what he put in motion before losing his wife a second time?

Contributor Bio
Rebekah Pace was a lost soul wandering the infamous Wells Street in Chicago when a traveling street mission from the small town of Clifton, IL saved her soul and she was reborn in Christ. Now writing from her Victorian bed and breakfast, she enjoys telling stories that celebrate the important lessons to be learned from Christ by believers and non-believers alike—unique and powerful stories that entertain, uplift, and inspire.
Miracle
Rebekah Pace

Summary
It's 2010 and Frank has had about enough of left-wing crazies forcing their socialist policies on him, especially his unhinged sisters, one of whom has been caring for their mom in London. Meanwhile Frank's son is delivering death from a trailer on Creech Airforce Base where he controls a predator drone 7,000 miles away in Afghanistan. And his sister's lesbian girlfriend, Angie (see what I mean), is on the ground in Haiti when the earthquake that killed over 200,000 people hits. As Frank learns that Britain's National Health Service will no longer pay to keep his comatose mother alive, and his son becomes obsessed (from afar) with the daughter of one of his military targets and as Angie risks her life to save a young girl in Haiti, each of these extreme backdrops will reveal how we assign 'value' to a human life...and each will deliver a profound miracle of acceptance, compassion, and understanding.

Contributor Bio
Rebekah Pace was a lost soul wandering the infamous Wells Street in Chicago when a traveling street mission from the small town of Clifton, IL saved her soul and she was reborn in Christ. Now writing from her Victorian bed and breakfast, she enjoys telling stories that celebrate the important lessons to be learned from Christ by believers and non-believers alike—unique and powerful stories that entertain, uplift, and inspire.

Walking with the Prophets
Rebekah Pace

He walked by faith, not by sight...

Summary
Paul Osborne ('The Oz') is an extremely successful rightwing 'shock jock' with a legion of angry listeners who rely on him to spit truth to the liberal powers that be. And with success comes money. Lots and lots of it. For decades now, Paul's been living a life of excess...and loneliness. But when a stroke stops him in his tracks, and an unlikely stranger nurses him back to health, he suddenly leaves everything he's worked for and sets off, on foot, on a journey across the country to make sense of his life. From the small, wooded towns of New Hampshire, down the coast then nearly all the way to California, Paul will experience rural America one step at a time, and begin to spread the very message of harmony and acceptance that he once railed against. Walking with the Prophets is a modern-day re-imagining of Paul the Apostle’s story. With lessons from the world's great religions and philosophers, Paul will open the hearts and minds of some of the most hardened and cynical folks he meets...and begin a movement that will shake America to its core.

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**All I Want for Christmas**

Rebekah Pace

Losing everything may just be the greatest gift of all

**Summary**

James sells toys. And he’s made a very good living doing it, even if his family doesn’t appreciate it. Truth is, his marriage is falling apart and he barely recognizes his kids. So when his youngest daughter, Reba, prays for the best Christmas gift possible, something unexpected happens. The Christmas tree catches fire and the house burns down, taking with it all of their possessions, including a stockpile of toys for a risky expansion of his sales operation. An expansion he made instead of paying their home’s insurance premiums. Rock bottom continues to find new lows as he even loses his kids, until James is finally left with absolutely nothing. Nothing, besides a brand new understanding of the most important things he has lost. Now all he needs to do is win his family back and rekindle his faith...the perfect answer to Reba’s prayers.

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**The Red Thread**

Rebekah Pace

Fear made him hide; hope brought him back

**Summary**

A lot has changed in the world in the many decades since Peter escaped from the Nazis and settled into his new life in America. But meeting Peter, you’d never know it. The same furniture, the same black and white TV, the same rotary phone. Hidden away in the same tiny apartment in the same broken-down NY neighborhood, Peter is just fine with the nothingness of his life. And then the dreams begin. His boyhood sweetheart, Mary, clear as the day the German soldiers dragged them apart all those years ago. It’s as if she is beckoning him to come find her. Begging Peter to venture out into a world he has hidden from all these years, to save her from a mysterious, dark force threatening to overtake her. And as his dreams become more real, and Mary’s danger more imminent, Peter sets out on a most unusual adventure to save her and to re-engage with a world that has passed him by. The old Chinese proverb states that lovers, destined for each other, remain connected through space and time by a red thread. As Peter is led across the globe to Shanghai, he’ll finally reconnect with Mary and confro...

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A Place in the Dark/ The Glamour of Evil
Frank Lentricchia

Summary
This is a flip book with two novels: A Place In The Dark braids history, fiction and politics. It is set in Utica with substantial passages of painful, site-specific memories of the characters of both the Vietnam war and the American engagement in Iraq. These memories are carried by a Vietnamese immigrant woman living in Utica, who suffered in Saigon, an American Marine and Italian-American Utican who committed an atrocity during the siege of Khe Sanh, and an Iraqi who administered torture and worked as translator and interpreter in Baghdad on America’s behalf. The central character is an ex-private investigator, of Utica, who is an Italian-American, beset by his long-standing guilt for his deferment from the draft during the Vietnam era and now suffering from serious heart disease. The Glamour of Evil deals with how, some males, especially literary/intellectual types, are drawn to violent men in organized crime. How they secretly desire intimacy with such people whom they find charismatic, po

Contributor Bio
Frank Lentricchia was born to working class Italian-Americans who had no formal education. He was encouraged by his parents to do well in school and try to proceed beyond a grammar school education. He granted their wishes. He began his literary career as a literary critic, writing well-known landmark books on literary theory. Grown weary and disgusted with the academy, he switched his focus in 1990 to fiction and has written 12 highly praised fictions since then. The Edge of Night (hybrid fiction/memoir) was published by Random House. Johnny Critelli and The Knifemen (2 novels) was published by Scribner. A number of novels followed, including The Italian Actress and The Sadness of Antonioni, both published by State University of New York Press. Those novels were followed by 3 detective fictions—The Accidental Pallbearer and The Dog Killer of Utica (both from Melville House) and the third, The Morelli Thing, from Guernica.

Jewish Noir 2
Tales of Crime and Other Dark Deeds
Chantelle Aimée Osman, Kenneth Wishnia, Lawrence B...

The stories in this collection include many "teachable moments" about the history of prejudice, and the contradictions of ethnic identity and assimilation into American society

Summary
Jewish Noir 2 is unique collection of twenty-three all-new stories (and one reprint) by Jewish and non-Jewish literary and genre writers, including numerous award-winning authors such as Gabriela Alemán, Doug Allyn, Rita Lakin, Rabbi Ilene Schneider, E.J. Wagner, and Kenneth Wishnia, with a foreword by MWA Grand Master Lawrence Block. The stories explore such issues as the perpetual challenge of confronting resurgent anti-Semitism in the US, the enduring legacy of regional warfare in the land of Israel since biblical times, how the "entitled“ behavior of certain ultra-Orthodox communities can fuel anti-Semitic attitudes, Jewish support of the civil rights movement, greedy Jewish businessmen who reinforce negative ethnic stereotypes, the excesses of “golden ghetto” American Jews, the appeal of “tough” Israeli-Jewish soldiers and mercenaries, how real estate fortunes are made, and the consequences of political corruption that feed into an exploitive system, how obsession can lead “good” people to do “bad” things.

Contributor Bio
Lawrence Block has been writing crime, mystery and suspense fiction for more than half a century. He has published in excess of 100 books and no end of short stories. He apprenticed under various pseudonyms in the late 1950s; the first time his name appeared in print was for his short story, "You Can't Lose,” in Manhunt (Feb. 1958), and the first book published under his own name was Mona (1961), reprinted by Hard Case Crime under the author's original title, Grifter's Game (2005). Block is best known for his series characters, including cop-turned-PI Matthew Scudder, gentleman burglar Bernie Rhodenbarr, globe-trotting insomniac Evan Tanner, and introspective assassin Keller. Block is a Grand Master of Mystery Writers of America, and a past president of MWA and the Private Eye Writers of America. He has won the Edgar and Shamus awards four times each, and the Japanese Maltese Falcon award twice, as well as the Nero Wolfe and Philip Marlowe awards, a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Private Eye Writers of America, and the Diamond Dagger for
Tales from the Theory of Angels and Other Writings
Franz Kamin

In a Baudelairean sense, Kamin extends the comic to new ranges of the grotesque

Summary
This collection incorporates Franz Kamin’s two main previous books—Ann Margret Loves You and Other Psychotopological Diversions (1980) and Scribble Death (1986)—plus his posthumous writing originally collected as Tales From The Theory of Angels. He links the scribbling of children, artists, and dreamers with the hopes and terrors of obsession and delirium. Through all of this one may almost detect a somber chuckling from the authorial domain.

Contributor Bio
Born in Milwaukee, Franz Kamin (May 25, 1941 – April 11, 2010) was an American author, composer, poet, performance-installation artist, and pianist whose works explore structural principles derived from topology, general systems theory, prosody, and meditational processes in unusual combinations of genre and technique.

Changing the Face of Canadian Literature
Dane Swan

A celebration of diversity

Summary
Needless to say, moments like now, when the hurdles to becoming a respected author are at their lowest. When the only hurdles to being published are the quality of your writing and your patience to deal with certain less and less important gatekeepers. Moments in history like this, must be acknowledged and celebrated. That’s what this anthology is: It’s a celebration. A moment to cry out, Look how many of us have a voice! There are stories, and poetry in this country that are about people like me! I am not alone!

Contributor Bio
Dane Swan is a Bermuda-born, Toronto-based spoken word artist, former slam poet, musician, author, and editor. A former remedial English student, he is now an author of both fiction and poetry. Dane's second poetry collection, A Mingus Lullaby, was shortlisted for the Trillium Book Award for Poetry in 2017.
**Kale is a Four Letter Word**
Corrales Writing Group, Patricia Walkow, Chris All...

A fun read for everyone, whether they like kale or not

**Summary**
Kale has invaded our culture as the go-to food for healthy living, appearing everywhere on restaurant menus, in grocery stores, and in beauty products like soaps and scrubs. For some, the vitamin load and beneficial fiber cannot outweigh the bitterness and texture of this member of the cabbage family. For those people, kale has ignited a passionate response, often reflected in internet memes and T-shirt slogans. This collection of short stories shows kale in a new light. A couple of tales are horror stories about kale’s effect on a life; another one describes a speculative history of kale; one is a murder mystery where kale plays an unusual role; and one is a fantasy about kale’s rivalry with cauliflower. This book also features delicious kale recipes.

**Contributor Bio**
The Corrales Writing Group has published five anthologies, all of which have won awards. Members of the group have won additional awards for their chapters and editing for these anthologies as well as short stories and essays published elsewhere. CWG members Chris Allen, Maureen Cooke, Sandi Hoover, James John Tritten, and Patricia Walkow, contributed to Kale is a Four-Letter Word. The following individuals also made either written or artistic contributions: Jane Butel, Sandi Cathcart (recipe), Adrienne Evatt (recipe), Alex Knight (art), Paul Knight (art), Jette C. Tritten, and Walter Walkow (prose).

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**Folk Songs for Trauma Surgeons**
Stories
Keith Rosson

Award-winning Keith Rosson delves into notions of family, grief, identity, indebtedness, loss, and hope, with a surefooted merging of literary fiction and magical realism

**Summary**
In “Dunsmuir,” a newly sober husband buys a hearse to help his wife spread her sister's ashes, while “The Lesser Horsemen” illustrates what happens when God instructs the Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse to go on a team-building cruise as a way of boosting their frayed morale. In “Brad Benske and the Hand of Light,” an estranged husband seeks his wife’s whereabouts through a fortuneteller after she absconds with a cult, and in “High Tide,” a grieving man ruminates on his brother’s life as a monster terrorizes their coastal town. With grace, imagination, and a brazen gallows humor, Folk Songs for Trauma Surgeons merges the fantastic and the everyday, and includes a number of Rosson’s unpublished stories, as well as award-winning favorites.

**Contributor Bio**
Keith Rosson is the award-winning author of the novels The Mercy of the Tide and Smoke City.
Proceed With Caution
Stories and a Novella
Patricia Ratto, Andrea G. Labinger

A powerful collection brimming with human emotion, animal instinct, and a sense of wonder and mystery that announces the arrival of a formidable new voice in translated literature.

Summary
In the tradition of surrealist masters Julio Cortázar and Leonora Carrington, and joining contemporaries Guadalupe Nettel (Bezoar & Other Unsettling Stories) and Samanta Schweblin (Mouthful of Birds), Argentine writer Patricia Ratto’s English language debut collection, Proceed With Caution, offers an alternate reality that is both mysterious and familiar. Whether it’s a malevolent act born from the paranoia of living under a totalitarian regime, or the creeping sense of dread blanketing a small whaling town, the stories in Proceed With Caution linger in the memory, and make us question where the natural world ends and the supernatural begins. In “Rara Avis” a baby bird is rescued after dropping from the sky, only to transform from vulnerable creature to life-threatening menace. In the powerfully moving title story, an old woman lives out her final days accompanied by a mysterious doglike being that provides comfort even as it devours her memories. And in the novella “Submerged,” an Argentine submarine crew during the Falklands War of the early 1980s navigates its way through a claus...

Contributor Bio
Patricia Ratto is an acclaimed writer from Argentina. Andrea Labinger is a translator of Spanish and South American literature.

Down in the Ground
Bruce Meyer

A study in the complex creativity we use to address grief and to challenge death so that life can triumph.

Summary
Dying is not merely the domain of the dead; it is a shared experience. What remains after someone has passed are the memories, that reflections of the past and those who have passed, and the challenges everyone faces in the wake of loss. Down in the Ground is a collection of short, flash fiction stories that examine the ways in which individuals deal with grief and loss, not as morbid reactions but as attempts to understand what they are experiencing. From the cradle to the grave, Down in the Ground is a study in the complex creativity we use to address grief and to challenge death so that life can triumph.

Contributor Bio
Bruce Meyer, poet, writer, journalist, professor, broadcaster, and photographer is the award-winning author or editor of more than sixty books of poetry, short fiction, non-fiction, literary journalism, portrait photographs, memoir, and textbooks.
Leonardo 2
Stephane Levallois

A visual experience not to be missed, in a large format hardcover

Summary
Planet Earth, engaged in an intergalactic conflict, owes its salvation to the clone of Leonardo da Vinci and to the rebirth of his genius. Author Stéphane Levallois has created the fantastic universes of many of the big Hollywood blockbusters (Alien, King Kong (Skull Island), Harry Potter and many others). The result of two years of elaboration and work, this space opera exemplifies his talent in two areas that he masters to perfection: the universe of science fiction and art. To build his story and compose his boards, Levallois draws from the painted and drawn work of the Renaissance master, selecting a large number of drawings and paintings by Leonardo to represent the characters, vessels or even the architectures in his story. The grand scale result is stupefying as Leonardo’s everlasting visions are successfully projected into a stunning futuristic setting.

Contributor Bio
Stéphane Levallois was born in 1970 and lives in Paris. In 1988, he entered the Penninghen Graduate School of Graphic Art. Among his teachers, Roman Cieslewicz. He graduated in 1992 first in his class. He taught sketching there for three years. Following his studies, Levallois did computer graphics training, and signed movie posters and illustrations. He joined the Cryo video game publisher as artistic director. At the same time, he became a storyboards producer and designed for advertising and cinema, working for many directors.

The Disney Bros.
The Fabulous Story of Walt and Roy
Alex Nikolavitch, Felix Ruiz

A story of creation, money, politics, and family

Summary
After the bankruptcy of his first two companies, the young Walt Disney decides to call on his older brother Roy to start a new business: the Disney Brothers Cartoon Studios. The combination of their opposing talents, one artistic, the other managerial, will give birth to an entertainment giant despite the difficult nature of Walt. Little by little, Walt will push his brother into the shadows and sink into chronic depression and excessive consumption of alcohol ...but all this will not prevent him from producing the greatest masterpieces of animation.

Contributor Bio
Alex Nikolavitch is a translator, essayist on pop culture, and a scriptwriter for many historical graphic novels, including biographies. Felix Ruiz is a versatile Spanish artist and colorist who’s primarily known for the Savage Wolverine series.
Willie Nelson
A Graphic History
Havard S. Johansen, T.J. Kirsch, Coskun Kuzgun, Je...

Country music icon Willie Nelson is recognized all over the world for his music, philanthropy, and unmistakable look.

Summary
Since he was a child in Hill County, Texas, he has been writing and performing for adoring crowds. Though his mainstream success did not come until later in his life, he has been determined to take his unique sound and voice to the people even before he was a household name. There have been tragedies, missteps, IRS troubles, good times and bad along the way, but Willie continues to shine his positive outlook and project his humble voice out into the world. In this graphic novel biography, all the chapters represent a different era of his life and struggles - each illustrated by a unique indie comics talent.

Contributor Bio
Håvard S. Johansen is a cartoonist and fine artist living in Oslo, Norway. T.J. Kirsch is an author and artist published by Oni Press, Image and Archie Comics, and NBM Graphic Novels. Coskun Kuzgun is an accomplished illustrator and comic artist residing in Turkey. Jesse Lonergan is a cartoonist and illustrator living in Pennsylvania. Jeremy Massie is an author and artist best known for his graphic novel All My Ghosts and the hit superhero series Amazing Age. Jason Pittman is an independent cartoonist and self publisher from Portland, Oregon. Adam Walmsley has contributed art to the NY Times Bestselling comic series Stuff Of Legend.

Plutocracy
Abraham Martínez

This graphic novel envisions a near future governed by a plutocratic system in which politics and wealth go hand in hand.

Summary
2051. The world's largest company, The Company, has seized power on a planetary scale and runs the world as if it were a business. In a plutocracy, the richer one is, the more powerful one is. In this context, an anonymous citizen becomes compelled to uncover how the world came to this situation, without paying any attention to the official version. Several members of the government end up encouraging him to carry out this investigation by giving him access to all information. He decides to discover the true history of The Company and the various interests that are trying to influence his investigation.

Contributor Bio
Abraham Martínez currently works as a cultural manager.
**Michael Jackson in Comics!**

**Ceka**

**Summary**

Well beyond his passing in 2009, Michael Jackson remains one of the most adulated and mysterious stars in the world. Incredible singer, brilliant musician, amazing performer, he was just as talented as he was eccentric, adored as well as reviled with sordid accusations, sadly caught between a stolen childhood and a suffocating star system. Discover in this biography mixing comics and documentary chapters, how the youngest of the Jackson 5 was propelled to the front of the stage and then onto one of the most extraordinary solo careers in music. The next volume in the sellout series featuring the Beatles, the Rolling Stones and Bob Marley.

**Contributor Bio**

*Ceka* is also the author of the *Rolling Stones in Comics*. Formerly a copywriter in advertising, he has scripted over 30 graphic novels.

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**Crossroads**

*I Live Where I Like: A Graphic History*

Koni Benson, Robin D.G. Kelley, Ashley E. Marais, ...

A graphic nonfiction history of women-led movements at the forefront of the struggle for land, housing, water, education, and safety in Cape Town over half a century

**Summary**

Drawing on over sixty life narratives, it tells the story of women who built and defended Crossroads, the only African informal settlement that successfully resisted the apartheid bulldozers in Cape Town. The story follows women’s organized resistance from the peak of apartheid in the 1970s to ongoing struggles for decent shelter today. Importantly, the history was workshopped with contemporary housing activists and women’s collectives who chose the most urgent and ongoing themes they felt spoke to and clarified challenges against segregation, racism, violence, and patriarchy standing between the legacy of the colonial and apartheid past and a future of freedom still being fought for. Presenting dramatic visual representations of many personalities and moments in the daily life of this township, the book presents a thoughtful and thorough chronology and archival newspapers, posters, photography, pamphlets, newsletters, and documentary clips that further illustrate the significance of the struggles at Crossroads for the rest of the city and beyond.

**Contributor Bio**

*Koni Benson* is a historian, organizer, and educator. *Robin D.G. Kelley* is an American historian and academic. *Ashley E. Marais* is a comic book artist, designer, and painter. *André Trantraal* is a writer, illustrator, and translator. *Nathan Trantraal* is a poet, cartoonist, translator, and writer.
The Star-Spangled Banner
Michael Ruby

A poetic encounter with one of America's leading national symbols, using the frame of Key's lyrics in deviant ways, resulting in a verbal and emotional portrait of the United States in our time

Summary
The Star-Spangled Banner spans the 15-year arc from 9/11 to 11/9, concluding with a poem based on voices overheard the night of Trump's election by poet Michael Ruby, a journalist who has covered U.S. politics for decades. Ruby began the book in the aftermath of the 9/11 attacks, when he saw people freely using U.S. national symbols for their own political purposes. He decided to do the same thing for poetic purposes. Every poem in the book, which is dedicated to Jasper Johns and Jimi Hendrix, uses the 81 words of the national anthem and inserts words into the spaces between them. The poems have different vocabularies—sometimes surrealist like Ruby's related book, American Songbook (2013), sometimes documentary and personal like his trilogy Memories, Dreams and Inner Voices (2012). The Star-Spangled Banner is an artistic encounter with one of America's leading national symbols, using the frame of Francis Scott Key's War of 1812 lyrics in unexpected ways, and an unusual verbal and emotional portrait of the time from 9/11 to 11/9.

Contributor Bio
Michael Ruby is the author of six full-length poetry books: At an Intersection (Alef, 2002), Window on the City (BlazeVOX, 2006), The Edge of the Underworld (BlazeVOX, 2010), Compulsive Words (BlazeVOX, 2010), American Songbook (Ugly Duckling Presse, 2013), and The Mouth of the Bay (BlazeVOX, 2019). His trilogy in prose and poetry, Memories, Dreams and Inner Voices (Station Hill, 2012), includes the ebooks Fleeting Memories (Ugly Duckling, 2008) and Inner Voices Heard Before Sleep (Argotist Online, 2011). He is also the author of the ebooks Close Your Eyes (Argotist, 2018) and Titles & First Lines (Mudlark, 2018), and four chapbooks with the Dusie Kollektiv, including The Star-Spangled Banner. He coedited Bernadette Mayer's collected early books, Eating the Colors of a Lineup of Words (Station Hill, 2015), and Mayer's and Lewis Warsh's prose collaboration Piece of Cake (Station Hill, 2020). A graduate of Harvard College and Brown University's writing program, he works as an editor of US news and political articles at The Wall Street Journal.

Cosmic Diaspora
Jake Marmer

Find more than a hint of the Talmud, Midrash, and Zohar-texts that allude to alternative realities; some of which exist alongside our own, others, tangled within, and others made of pure Light or pure Text

Summary
Cosmic Diaspora is Jake Marmer’s third collection of poems. It brings together fantasy, hard-boiled sci-fi, Jewish mysticism, experimental poetics, free jazz, and dark, deadpan humor. Born in the wild steppes of Ukraine, Marmer brings his immigrant experience into a cosmic, diasporic disorientation and attempts to imagine the deep future of myth, spirit, and language. In Cosmic Diaspora, you may also find more than hints of the Talmud, Midrash, and Zohar that allude to alternative realities, some of which exist alongside our own, while others are tangled within it—or are completely unrelated, made of pure Light or pure Text.

Contributor Bio
Jake Marmer is a poet, performer, and educator. He is the author of The Neighbor Out of Sound (2018) and Jazz Talmud (2012), both published by the Sheep Meadow Press. His klez-jazz-poetry record Hermeneutic Stomp was released by the Blue Fringe Music in 2013. Jake is the contributing editor/ poetry critic for Tablet Magazine. Born in the provincial steppes of Ukraine, in a city which was renamed four times in the past 100 years, Jake considers himself a New Yorker, even though he lives in the Bay Area.
**Goodbye, Apostrophe**

Peter Schmitt

By turns poignant and funny, elegiac and celebratory, formal and free, Peter Schmitt’s work will resonate indelibly with any serious reader of American poetry.

**Summary**

In *Goodbye, Apostrophe*, his first new collection in more than a decade, nationally recognized and prize-winning poet Peter Schmitt has assembled nearly fifty poems notable for their range and emotional power. From the hard lessons of childhood to the loss of parents, these poems confront the challenging issues of our time, including race, religion, abuse of varying kinds, and reflexive political correctness.

**Contributor Bio**

Peter Schmitt is the author of five previous collections of poems, including *Renewing the Vows* (David Robert Books), and is the winner of the Lavan Award from The Academy of American Poets. He lives and teaches in Miami, Florida.

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**coffee days whiskey nights**

Cyrus Parker

A collection of poetry, prose, and aphorisms that juxtaposes the hopefulness a brand new day can bring with the lingering thoughts that often keep us up into the late-night hours.

**Summary**

A lot can happen between the first sip of coffee and the last taste of whiskey, and this book takes a look at the way a single day can change our outlook on everything from relationships with others, to our relationships with ourselves, and everything in between. Ultimately, *coffee days, whiskey nights* illustrates that no matter how hopeless we may feel at the end of the day, a new one is only a few hours away.

**Contributor Bio**

Cyrus Parker is a non-binary poet and storyteller, as well as the author of multiple collections of poetry, including *DROPKICKromance* and *masquerade*. Hailing from a small coastal town in New Jersey alongside wife and poetess Amanda Lovelace and their ragdoll cats, Cyrus can usually be found at local coffee shops not writing when they should be, or at home sipping the occasional glass of whiskey while mourning the cancellation of Marvel’s Jessica Jones.
The Tenderness and the Wood
Marlon Fick

An existential and agnostic gospel wherein redemption emerges as the transformative beauty of language itself

Summary
The Tenderness and the Wood traverses cities, continents, and centuries searching for elusive swallows, symbolic of angels. It is a search for pre-religious purity in lyricism, resisting any sort of paraphrase or story that might later lead to easy codification. The result is an existential and agnostic gospel wherein redemption emerges as the transformative beauty of language itself

Contributor Bio
Marlon L. Fick holds a BA from the University of Kansas, an MA from New York University, and PhD from the University of Kansas. He is author of two poetry collections, a book of short stories, and the novel The Nowhere Man (Jaded Ibis, 2015), and is editor/translator of The River Is Wide / El río es ancho: Twenty Mexican Poets (New Mexico, 2005), as well as XEIXA: 14 Catalan Poet (Tupelo, 2018). Awarded fellowships from the National Endowment for the Arts, ConaCulta in Mexico, and Institut Ramon Llull in Catalonia, he now teaches at the University of Texas–Permian Basin.

Inexact Grace
Abigail Warren

Inexact Grace is a grace indeed...

Summary
"This is a collection that exhibits Warren’s range: many poems spawn empathetic heartache in the reader, several deliver lighter moments, even laughs. All exhibit the grace of both the poet and her characters." — Jim Tilley, author of the novel Against the Wind and the poetry collection Cruising from Sixty to Seventynticle of Light and Dark. "Abigail Warren’s Inexact Grace explores family and community with compassion and laugh-out-loud humor. The poet finds just the moment when a story brims over with emotion. She paints a world where people care deeply for one another. The writer’s big, big heart powers all these poems."— Zack Rogow, author of Irreverent Litanies and The Number Before Infinity. "Abigail Warren's collection, Inexact Grace, treads through history, through family relationships, at once both tragic and comic. Whether it is Ishmael and Hagar on the streets of Manhattan, or her aunt Eileen lighting up a cigarette in the grocery store, Warren weaves the absurd with the mythic. You will laugh, you will cry, and you will certainly not forget these finely crafted poems. When...

Contributor Bio
**Woman Drinking Absinthe**  
Katherine E. Young

These poems concern themselves with transgressions, and the various ways that women in particular can be lured by love into self-delusion and self-harm

**Summary**

From the naïve girl who willfully ignores evidence of Bluebeard’s crimes, to Manet’s dispirited barmaid at the Folies-Bergère, to the narrator of the book’s opening sequence, who sacrifices domestic security for a passionate lover who will eventually abuse her, the women of these poems brush abandon convention at their peril, even though convention also imperils their bodies, their spirits, and their art. In this second collection, Young—whose earlier Day of the Border Guards explored Russian history and literature—continues to employ what she’s learned from the great Russian writers she often translates. Like Marina Tsvetaeva, who makes a cameo appearance here, Young finds literary touchstones among sources as varied as German folk tales, Greek drama, and the Old Testament. Whether tracing the elements of Euclidean geometry or the terrain of a Civil War battlefield in Tennessee, these poems ask the hard questions: Why does love fail? How can art come from pain? What heals the soul?

**Contributor Bio**

**Katherine E. Young** is the author of *Day of the Border Guards*, 2014 Miller Williams Arkansas Poetry Prize finalist, and two chapbooks. Her poems have appeared in *Prairie Schooner, The Iowa Review, Subtropics*, and many others. She is the translator of *Farewell, Aylis* by Azerbaijani political prisoner Akram Aylisli and *Blue Birds and Red Horses* and *Two Poems*, both by Inna Kabysh. Young’s translations of contemporary Russian-language poetry and prose have won international awards; several translations have been made into short films.

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**Canticles II**  
**MMXX**  
George Clarke

It is scripture become what it always is, really, anyway: poetry

**Summary**

*Canticles* is a lyric-styled epic. Testament II issues re-readings?revisions, rewrites?of scriptures crucial to the emergent (Anglophone) African Diaspora in the Americas. *Canticles II (MMXIX)* and *Canticles II (MMXX)* follow *Testament I* (also issued in two parts) whose subject is History, principally, of slavery and imperialism and liberation and independence. Canticles II is properly irreverent where necessary, but never blasphemous. It is scripture become what it always is, really, anyway: Poetry.

**Contributor Bio**

A revered poet, **George Elliott Clarke** was born in Windsor, Nova Scotia, near the Black Loyalist community of Three Mile Plains, in 1960. A graduate of the University of Waterloo (B.A., Hons., 1984), Dalhousie University (M.A., 1989), and Queen's University (Ph.D., 1993), he is now the inaugural E.J. Pratt Professor of Canadian Literature at the University of Toronto. Clarke's also taught at Duke University, McGill University, the University of British Columbia, and at Harvard University. He has also worked as a researcher, newspaper editor, social worker, parliamentary aide, and newspaper columnist. He lives in Toronto, Ontario, but he also owns land in Nova Scotia.
I Will Be Corrupted
Joseph Dandurand

It is a book for all to reflect on in the hope we find peace

Summary
A tale of a Kwantlen man who has been given the gift of healing but also is a heroin addict living on the eastside, what drove the author to write this book of poems was how the voice of the Healer came to him and it was with ease that each poem showed itself. It was if he were right there either talking to a Sasquatch or crawling down an alley on the eastside of Vancouver. It almost has a film quality to it as if each poem is a scene from an epic tale. This is a book of hope, loss, and hopefully a sense of redemption for all the poor souls who find themselves on the street and lost from where they truly come from.

Contributor Bio

Blood Rises
David Haskins

The past infuses the present in the poems gathered in this collection

Summary
The past infuses the present in the poems gathered in this collection. Painting a transformative Southeast wind helps restore a culture to a decimated people. Everyday events trigger a yearning for love from those already departed. A goldfish experiences poetry for the first time, again. An arduous trek through the Peruvian mountains leads to a stone that stops the sun. By turns ironic, comic, imagistic, experimental, these poems ask what's next, and how we get there.

Contributor Bio
David Haskins is the prize-winning author of a literary memoir, This House Is Condemned, a poetry collection, Reclamation, and over 150 published writings. At the age of eight, Haskins emigrated from post-war Britain to Ontario. He picked fruit, loaded boxcars, and assembled boat trailers while earning two degrees. For 36 years, six as Department Head, he taught high school English. In 2008 he hiked the Inca Trail to Machu Picchu. Recently widowed, he has two sons, and drives a blaze orange 1970 MGB.
Swimming Towards the Sun
Collected Poems 1968-2020
Laurence Hutchman

Five decades of poetry from accomplished Canadian poet Laurence Hutchman

Summary
Swimming Toward the Sun: Collected Poems 1968-2018 gathers together five decades of poetry of the accomplished Canadian poet Laurence Hutchman. He invites us to take a poetic odyssey, starting in the late 1960s enriched by his travels to Europe, leading us through the turbulent times in cosmopolitan Montreal of the 1970s, to a long residence in New Brunswick and finally his return to Ontario. Through a powerful and daring use of language and a haunting musicality of lines, Hutchman explores the relationship between real and imaginative landscape as he bears witness to his place and time.

Contributor Bio
Laurence Hutchman has published 11 books of poetry. His most recent book is The House of Shifting Time. He lives with his wife, the artist and poet, Eva Kolacz in Oakville.

The Two-Headed Man
Collected Poems 1970-2020
Antonio D’Alfonso

The collected poetry, covering a 50-year span from 1970 to 2020, of one of Canada's most influential writers, literary critics, and publishers

Summary
The collected poetry, covering a 50-year span from 1970 to 2020, of one of Canada's most influential writers, literary critics and publishers. His work has been described as a multidimensional oeuvre that includes autobiography, politics, the quotidian, myth, tragedy and humor. And D’Alfonso himself has been called a philosopher who puts on the mask of the poet in order to better grasp the ambiguities of our world.

Contributor Bio
Poet, novelist, essayist, and translator Antonio D’Alfonso has published more than 60 books (including translations) and has made four feature films. He is the founder of Guernica Editions which he managed for thirty-three years before passing it on to new owners in 2010. For his writings, he won the Trillium Award, the Bressani Award, and the New York Independent Film Award for his film, Bruco. He holds a Ph.D. from the University of Toronto. In 2016, he received an Honorary Doctorate from Athabasca University.
Götterdämmerung
Len Gasparini

Len Gasparini’s fifteenth book of poetry since the early 1970s

Summary
Götterdämmerung is Len Gasparini’s fifteenth book of poetry since the early 1970s. What distinguishes this collection from his earlier work is the long title poem: a tour de force that covers new ground in the genre of ecopoetics by launching an acerbic yet lyrical assault on the Anthropocene. Other poems explore such diverse themes as memory, art, and botany. Also included are three literary essays that evince the importance of language and imagination.

Contributor Bio
Len Gasparini is the award-winning author of numerous books of poetry, five short-story collections, two children’s books, a work of non-fiction, and a one-act play.

A Map of Rain Days
Jennifer Hosein

A Map of Rain Days invites us into the liminal between the nights and the "too-bright days"

Summary
A Map of Rain Days invites us into the liminal between the nights and the too-bright days. The author navigates a life felt full on, inhabiting all its beauty and shadows - the slap-tumble of sex, the mean streets of the suburbs, the swill and gore of youth. Interwoven into this life are the realities of racism, addiction, suicide, rape, and death. And then clarity ensues.

Contributor Bio
Jennifer Hosein was born in Montreal, Quebec. She is a writer, visual artist, and English as a Second Language teacher, living and working in Toronto, Ontario. She holds an Honours BA from the University of Toronto. Her poems, short fiction, and a play have been published in magazines in Canada and translated into Hungarian for the anthology Crystal Garden/Kristálykert. Her artwork has appeared on book covers, in magazines, and in solo and group exhibitions in Toronto.
**Tell Me What Moves You**  
Phillippe Haeck, Antonio D’Alfonso

The participatory element in this literary project is translucent and incandescent

**Summary**

Haeck’s intensity is such that he needs to use the fragment to complete an on-going project of finding his way to luminosity. Behind a deliberate modesty, the output is voluminous. Never boastful, Haeck introduces his prose as notes, poem-essay, poem, life-poem, life-novel, as if what he wrote did not merit adjectives such ?completed? or ?final?. He has invented a genre that was missing in Canada. The verse has prolonged itself into a regular paragraph. Fiction reads like a telecast, and reality made to look like conscientious invention. Instead of chapters, we are given numbered segments of an on-going discourse. The writer is not an outsider; he is one of the many who just happens to jot down notes to try to come up with some sort of understanding. He is writing, and the reader looks at the writer writing. This participatory element in this literary project is translucent and incandescent.

**Contributor Bio**

Poet, novelist, essayist, translator, **Antonio D’Alfonso** has published more than 40 titles and has made three feature films. He is the founder of Guernica Editions which he managed for thirty-three years before passing it on to new owners in 2010.

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**The Outerwards**  
Sadiqa de Meijer

Explore questions of maternal love and duty—and the powerlessness that comes with the disruption of that role through illness

**Summary**

“I was awake. / The hour was wrong,” de Meijer writes, and her poems track, in visceral and tender detail, the distraction, exhaustion, exhilaration, and fear of child-rearing through crisis. For de Meijer, the experience was also a crisis of language, and the struggle to find new terms for her state. Addressed, in part, to a child she calls “my grievous spectacle, / my dearest unpossessable,” The Outer Wards is everywhere marked by a joy in words—their quick-fire turns, sumptuous sounds, and nursery-rhyme seductions.

**Contributor Bio**

**Sadiqa de Meijer**’s debut collection, Leaving Howe Island, was a nominee for the 2014 Governor General’s Award for English-language poetry and for the 2014 Pat Lowther Award. She lives with her family in Kingston, Ontario.
All I Have Learned Is Where I Have Been
Joe Fiorito

A moving exploration of brokeness by one of Canada's most indispensable writers

Summary
All I Have Learned Is Where I Have Been, Joe Fiorito’s second collection, establishes him as the preeminent chronicler of people in extremis. Drawing on the precision and unsentimentality that have become hallmarks of his poetry, Fiorito creates uncompromising mini-narratives about addiction, failed rehabs, incarceration, demeaning jobs, and homelessness; much of it derived from nearly two decades spent as a newspaper columnist covering daily life on Toronto’s streets. In poem after poem, Fiorito’s exact word choices, cold-eyed details, and crisp internal rhymes mete out moments both beautiful and harrowing: “her little finger curls a bit/she cut a tendon when she slit/ her wrist; she’d clenched/ her fist.”

Contributor Bio
The author of eight books, Joe Fiorito won the National Newspaper Award for Columns in 1995; the Brassani Prize for Short Fiction in 2000; and the City of Toronto Book Award in 2003. City Poems, his first book of poetry, was published in 2018. He lives in Toronto with his wife.

Tokyoatoto
Sam Truitt

An engaging, thoughtful and sometimes profound glimpse into contemporary life in Tokyo from a perspective of complicated naivety

Summary
Tokyoatoto is made of and from a hand-written book composed by the poet Sam Truitt in the course of a 2019 Tokyo sojourn. The writing includes, among other elements, descriptions, impressions, insights into Japanese life and culture and the concrete exigencies of negotiating a foreign land. This last aspect is somewhat complicated by the fact Truitt lived in Tokyo for four years from the age of three and that Japanese was very close to his first language. Moreover the culture of Japan was also close to his first, so that this influence acts as a palimpsest backfield to the writing as the author both seeks and betimes touches traces of its influence. Tokyoatoto’s structure is unique in that Truitt seeks to foreground that movement toward originality by reproducing in facsimile the pages of the hand-written book, with their transcriptions appearing on opposite pages. An engaging, thoughtful and sometimes profound glimpse into contemporary life in Tokyo from a perspective of complicated naivety, Tokyoatoto is a fast, entertaining poetic flight full of pratfalls, missed connections, slip...

Contributor Bio
Sam Truitt is the author of the ten books in the Vertical Elegies series. He is the co-editor of In
Confessions of Her
Cindy Cherie

Summary
Confessions of Her is a tale of survival depicting how one young woman found love in herself, rather than searching for it in the arms of another. This autobiographical collection of poetry and prose takes the reader on a journey of love and loss, depicting how she overcame heartbreak to ultimately, save herself.

Contributor Bio
Cindy Cherie began sharing her confessional style of poetry in 2016 in a relentless pursuit to voice the internal conflicts of the modern-day female. Her ability to string poetry, prose, and storytelling into one eloquently phrased message has made her one of today’s more popular poets on Instagram. She lives in Brisbane, Australia.

The Grief We're Given
William Bortz

Explore the collective and personal experience of grief and grieving through themes and tropes such as relationships, love, loss, nature, eternity, and hope.

Summary
The Grief We’re Given explores the collective and personal experience of grief and grieving through themes and tropes such as relationships, love, loss, nature, eternity, and hope as a thinning, but exuberant, door. How are we to learn to grieve when it feels unrelenting? How are we to adore and memorialize small moments of appreciation? How are we to shape our grief into something worth celebrating, and begin to understand the grief we give?

Contributor Bio
William Bortz (he/him) is a husband, poet, and editor from Des Moines, IA. His poems appear in Okay Donkey, Oxidant Engine, Empty Mirror, honey & lime, Turnpike Magazine, Back Patio Press, the Lyrical Iowa Anthology, and others. He is the author of Shards and the chapbook The Sky Grew Back with Clouds. Growing up, William spent time in foster care, in homelessness, and in shelters. His aim in writing is to explore how joy lives in uncertainty and mourning.
Everything That Seems Must Seem to Be
Initial Writings from a "Parmenides Project"
Charles Stein

A new verse translation of the poem of Parmenides, The Pre-Socratic philosopher (circa 500 b.c.e) who first articulated the concept of "Being" as the essential concern of philosophy

Summary
The translation is accompanied by a series of interpretive essays by the translator. Stein maintains that the Parmenides text is an important poem as well as a philosophical treatise and translates it as such. His "Parmenides Project" comprises some thirty years of journal writings documenting an extended "thought experiment" in which he takes seriously Parmenides' assertion that Being and only Being truly "is" and that all else—all thoughts, intuitions, imaginings, sensations, perceptions, myths, philosophical opinions, by the very structure of "seeming" must "seem to Be." The author contends that this view suggests a practice of mind that corresponds to the culminating focus of many contemplative paths both East and West and is of contemporary interest because it assumes the relativism of much in present day philosophy without falling into abject nihilism.

Contributor Bio
Charles Stein is the author of thirteen books of poetry including, among others, a new verse translation of The Odyssey (North Atlantic Books) and The Hat Rack Tree (Station Hill Press). His prose writings include a vision of the Eleusinian Mysteries, Persephone Unveiled (North Atlantic Books), a critical study of the poet Charles Olson's use of the writing of C.G. Jung, The Secret of the Black Chrysanthemum (Station Hill Press), and a collaborative study with George Quasha of the work of Gary Hill, An Art of Limina (Ediciones Poligrafa).

Doubletalking the Homophonic Sublime
Comedy, Appropriation, and the Sounds of One Hand Clapping
Charles Bernstein

Examine the ethical implications of sound-alike works in both high and low culture

Summary
Homophonic translations create poems that foreground the sound of the original more than the lexical meaning: sound-alike poems or "sound writing." This essay presents a dizzying number of examples of sound mimesis as a way to explore the poetics of sound and the politics of translation. Covering modernists (such as Pound, Bunting, and Khelbnikov) and contemporaries (such as David Melnick and Caroline Bergvall), the Bernstein also addresses homophonics in popular culture including an extended discussion of TV comedian Sid Caesar's "double talking." The essay raises a thorny question: Are homophonic poems a form of cultural appropriation or a form of transnationalism?

Contributor Bio
Charles Bernstein (born April 4, 1950) is an American poet, essayist, editor, and literary scholar. Bernstein holds the Donald T. Regan Chair in the Department of English at the University of Pennsylvania. He is one of the most prominent members of the Language poets. In 2006 he was elected a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. In 2005, Bernstein was awarded the Dean's Award for Innovation in Teaching at the University of Pennsylvania. Educated at Harvard College, he has been visiting Professor of Poetry, Poetics, and Creative Writing at Columbia University, the University at Buffalo, Brown University, and Princeton University.
**Mini Musings**  
*Miniature Thoughts on Theatre and Poetry*  
Keith Garebian

A vibrant, provocative series of mini musings that also affords insight into a particular artistic sensibility

**Summary**

Inspired by American playwright Sarah Ruhl’s *100 Essays I Don’t Have Time to Write*, his book is a series of miniature reflections, meditations, and ruminations on subjects encompassing matters of theatre and poetry, two subjects very close to Garebian’s heart. The titles alone speak to the little book’s uniqueness: Watching Your Father Die on Stage, Do Actors Love the Audience? Filthy Shakespeare, Great Roles Can Be Cannibalistic, Japanese Death Poems, Poetry and Persian Wrestling, What Story Does Poetry Tell? Armenian Poetry, and Can There Be Poetry After Donald Trump? Perceptive, witty, and intimate, the mini musings bubble with a sense of wonder, excitement, and intimacy. A vibrant, provocative series of mini musings that also affords insight into a particular artistic sensibility as several pieces are really slices of memoir and autobiography.

**Contributor Bio**

Keith Garebian is a widely published, award-winning freelance literary, theatre, and dance critic, biographer, and poet. Among his many awards are the Scarborough Arts Council Poetry Award (2010), the Canadian Authors Association (Niagara Branch) Poetry Award (2009), the Mississauga Arts Award (2000, 2008 and 2013), a Dan Sullivan Memorial Poetry Award (2006), the Lakeshore Arts/Scarborough Arts Council Award for Poetry (2003), and an Ontario Poetry Society Award for Haiku (2003). He is the author of 7 collections of poetry.

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**Shifting Paradigms**  
*Essays on Art and Culture*  
Ewan Whyte

Continuing from *Desire Lines*, *Shifting Paradigms* is a collection of essays on art, poetry and culture—both high and low—gathered from the astute critical work of Toronto writer Ewan Whyte.

**Summary**

Continuing from *Desire Lines*, *Shifting Paradigms* is a collection of essays on art, poetry and culture—both high and low—gathered from the astute critical work of Toronto writer Ewan Whyte. Included: essays on Glenn Gould, Yayoi Kusama, Anish Kapoor, Janet Cardiff, Damien Hurst, Anne Carson, Peter Doig and a number of other Canadian artists and poets.

**Contributor Bio**

Ewan Whyte has had essays, art criticism, poetry, and translations published in North American journals and magazines, the *Globe and Mail*, and the Literary Review of Canada. His translations of Catullus was published in 2005. His first book of poems, *Entrainment*, was released in 2015 (Exile Editions), and a previous collection of essays on art, *Desire Lines*, was released by Guernica in 2017.
Crafting Category Romance

The Art of Fiction Haiku

Amy Lane

Category romance is a precise art

Summary

Category romance is a precise art. With such a small word count, writing the perfect category romance is a little like writing a haiku. But how do you write a book in seventeen syllables? How can you cram compelling conflict, satisfying character development, and toe-curling romantic tension into less than sixty thousand words? In Crafting Category Romance, two-time RITA™-nominated author of nearly one hundred books Amy Lane describes the rules of engagement, traps to watch out for, and how to leverage common tropes to create conflict, craft a character, develop a plot, and leave readers with a happy ever after that’s different every time—all in a tidy package. With practical exercises in plot, conflict, and character development, Crafting Category Romance will teach you how to use the rigid rules and expectations of the genre to your advantage and win a loyal readership following for life.

Contributor Bio

Amy Lane is a writer, mother, spouse, knitter, furbaby wrangler, domestic disaster navigator, part-time taxi driver and full-time dreamer who writes because the people in her head are real. She’s been a finalist in the RITAs™ twice, has won honorable mention for an Indiefab, and has a couple of Rainbow Awards to her name. She also has too damned much yarn, a penchant for action-adventure movies, and a need to know that somewhere in all the pain is a story of Wuv, Twu Wuv, which she continues to believe in to this day.

Culture in Transit

Translating the Literature of Quebec, Revised and Expanded

Sherry Simon

This edition, with a new introduction by Sherry Simon, has been revised, and expanded to include four new contributors to reflect changes in the translation scene over the last decades

Summary

Translators connect languages and landscapes, sparking conversations that enlarge our imagination. In Canada, where translation has had an especially important role to play, the nature of the connections has changed. These wide-ranging essays, by Canada’s most prominent translators, chart a journey that begins with the sharp divides of English and French in the 1970s and then confronts the much more complex explosion of identities today. Engaging with the politics of meaning but also with the creative role of the translator, these beautifully-written reflections illuminate a practice that is today finally receiving due recognition. Contributors include Wayne Grady, Rhonda Mullins, Michelle Hartman, Erin Moure, Barbara Godard, Susanne de Lotbinière-Harwood, Linda Gaboriau, Sheila Fischman, Kathy Mezei, Philip Stratford, Louise von Flotow, Ray Ellenwood, Betty Bednarski, William Findlay, David Homel, Jane Brierley, Katia Grubisic. Culture in Transit was originally published in 1995.

Contributor Bio

Sherry Simon is the author of Translating Montreal as well as numerous other books on translation. She teaches in the French Department at Concordia University. She is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada and a member of the Académie des lettres du Québec.
Shakespeare Beyond Science
When Poetry Was the World
Sky Gilbert

Approach Shakespeare as rhetorician

Summary
Shakespeare Beyond Science: When Poetry Was the World approaches Shakespeare as rhetorician. This means jettisoning the yearning to find the true meaning of Shakespeare's texts as Shakespeare wrote at a time when poetry was not meant to be interpreted, but experienced as a window on the world. Sky Gilbert looks at Shakespeare in the context of the style wars that obsessed the early modern period, placing Shakespeare on the side of Lyly, Nashe, Sturm and the Greek rhetorician Hermogenes, against the new forward-looking more scientific approach to literature, as expressed by early modern philosopher Petrus Ramus (whose followers in England were Sydney and Gabriel Harvey). In the end Shakespeare was a post-structuralist, more concerned with form than content, and confident of the dangerous magical power of words not only to persuade but to construct our consciousness.

Contributor Bio
Sky Gilbert is a poet, novelist, playwright, filmmaker, theatre director, and drag queen extraordinaire, and one of Canada's most controversial artistic forces. He was co-founder and artistic director of Toronto's Buddies in Bad Times Theatre -- one of the world's largest gay and lesbian theatres -- from 1979 to 1997. He has had more than 40 plays produced, and written 7 critically acclaimed novels and three award winning poetry collections. He has received three Dora Mavor Moore Awards (The Whore's Revenge, Suzie Goo, Private Secretary, The Situationists) as well as the Pauline McGibbon Award, and The Silver Ticket Award. There is a street in Toronto named after him: 'Sky Gilbert Lane.' His play about the criminalization of AIDS — It's All True — will be published by Playwrights Canada Press in 2020. The workshop of his one act opera about Shakespeare: Shakespeare's Criminal (with music by Dustin Peters) was performed in April 2019 to critical acclaim https://barczablog.com/2019/04/27/workshop-of-shakespeares-criminal/. Dr. Gilbert is a professor of creative writing and theatre at t...
Shakespeare's The Merchant of Venice
Michael Neill

In this short but comprehensive study, Michael Neill draws on a dazzling array of critics to tell us what Shakespeare's most controversial play is really about and what it tells about the world.

Summary
The Merchant of Venice is now the most contentious of Shakespeare's plays. Its only rival in this respect is Othello, and this is because both plays deal with dangerous issues of race. In Othello Iago uses the protagonist's colour both to goad his victim's jealousy and to excite the animosity of Venetians against this visible outsider; in The Merchant Shylock's Jewishness renders him, from the beginning, the object of general opprobrium in Christian Venice. But whereas the Moor is treated as a generally sympathetic character, the Jew appears to be cast in an entirely negative light. Or so, at least, many critics believe. In this book, however, one of the best respected critics of Shakespeare, Michael Neill, takes issue with this simplistic view, providing a fresh reading of the play and arguing that in it, as always, Shakespeare refuses to allow us the comfort of any single "view of the world".

Contributor Bio
Michael Neill is Emeritus Professor of English at the University of Auckland, New Zealand, and is the author of Issues of Death and Putting History to the Question; he has edited Anthony and Cleopatra and Othello for the Oxford Shakespeare, and a range of plays, including The Spanish Tragedy, The Duchess of Malfi, and The Changeling, for other series. Most recently he co-edited The Oxford Handbook of Shakespearean Tragedy.

Shakespeare's Julius Caesar
Andrew James Hartley

Andrew Hartley analyses one of Shakespeare's most popular plays – one which is full of famous lines – and tells what critics have made of it through the ages.

Summary
Julius Caesar stands at the changing of the tide in Shakespeare's career. By 1599, when he wrote the play, he had penned only two experimental tragedies (Romeo and Juliet and Titus Andronicus), neither of which had the profound richness of those he would write next – Hamlet, Macbeth, Othello and King Lear. There is a scale to Caesar which is unmatched by anything he had written before it and it lays the groundwork for the master works to follow. As such, it stands not just at the turn of the century, but at the point in which its author emerged as the language's foremost writer. Our sense of the play has evolved over the centuries, and we tend to be less overawed by all the characters' claims to personal nobility and quicker to see the darker side of their political machinations. We are also less likely to see the Roman model of life and virtue as something being offered up for emulation. Indeed it now seems to most critics that Shakespeare was deeply critical of ancient Rome, seeing much of what its characters celebrate as principle as the root cause of all that goes wrong in the p...

Contributor Bio
Andrew James Hartley is the Robinson Professor of Shakespeare Studies at the University of North Carolina, Charlotte, specialising in performance theory, theatre history and dramaturgy. His academic books include The Shakespearean Dramaturg (Palgrave 2006), Julius Caesar (Shakespeare in Performance series, Manchester University Press 2013), Shakespeare and Political Theatre (Palgrave 2013), Shakespeare on the University Stage (Cambridge University Press 2015), The Arden Critical Guide to Julius Caesar (2016), and Shakespeare and Millennial Fiction (Cambridge University Press 2017). He was the editor of Shakespeare Bulletin from 2003 – 2013, was an Associate Artist at Georgia Shakespeare and is Honorary Fellow of the University of Central Lancashire. As A.J. Hartley he is also a bestselling novelist (www.ajhartley.net).
Virginia Woolf’s Mrs Dalloway
John Sutherland, Susanna Hislop

A fresh look at the way Virginia Woolf shook up the literary world with Mrs Dalloway, one of the seminal modern texts which challenged all the conventions of classic 19th century fiction.

Summary
It is hard to find anyone nowadays who will dare venture a bad word on Mrs Dalloway: its status as a pioneer feminist text and a brilliantly experimental work is wholly secure. At the time of its publication, however, opinions were more mixed. It was hard in the mid-1920s to come to terms with what, for many, seemed a vexatiously new-fangled work. The reading public was not yet ready for the challenge of what came to be called “stream of consciousness” narrative, or the inner richness of a novel whose main event, a superficial reading might suggest, is an upper-class Conservative politician’s wife’s purchase of flowers for a summer party. This, recall, in the immediate aftermath of a conflict, the First World War, which had shaken the whole of Europe to its foundations. Before, during, and after writing Mrs Dalloway Woolf teetered on the edge of mental breakdown, and more than once fell into its awful depths. And on the edge of the main plot of Mrs Dalloway, and its heroine’s outwardly serene existence, she places Septimus Smith – a shell-shocked survivor of the Great War who finds p...
Jane Austen's Persuasion

John Wiltshire

John Wiltshire, one of the best and most thoughtful modern critics of Jane Austen, shows why her last novel, Persuasion, is rated so highly by readers and academics alike.

Summary

Persuasion is now probably the favourite Austen book after Pride and Prejudice. It tells the story of a life that might have been wasted, but is redeemed by love. It is a story by anyone who believes in second chances, or, in Tony Tanner's words "to anyone who has experienced the sense of an irreparably ruined owing to an irrevocable mistaken decision". While Pride and Prejudice was written when Austen was a young, marriageable woman, Persuasion was written when she was in her forties, and it features a heroine who, at twenty-seven, could in those days be destined, like Austen herself, to life as a spinster. As John Wiltshire, one of the best modern critics of Austen shows in this guide, the atmosphere of the two books is quite different, like the social world they depict – one "light and bright and sparkling" as Jane Austen herself called it, the other more sombre, shadowed by several deaths, and sometimes gentle and sometimes savage in its irony. But Persuasion has endeared itself to readers because the romance it celebrates takes place so convincingly within a constricting and bel...

Contributor Bio

Professor John Wiltshire is Emeritus Professor of English at La Trobe University, Australia. His work on Jane Austen includes the Cambridge edition of Mansfield Park (2005), and the books Jane Austen and the Body: "The Picture of Health" (1992), Recreating Jane Austen (2001), Jane Austen: Introductions and Interventions (2003), and The Cinematic Jane Austen (2009).

The Southern Living Party Cookbook

A Modern Guide to Gathering

Elizabeth Heiskell

Summary

This new essential guide to entertaining is divided by occasion, offering a fresh lineup of menus and ideas from Oxford, Mississippi's go-to caterer for every celebratory scenario life serves up. In this update to the best-selling book of our mothers' and grandmothers' era, Elizabeth's tell-it-like-it-is voice provides a twist to the classic Southern advice that is a refresher for entertainers of any age or experience. Packed with delicious recipes from the original book like Smoked Salmon Canapes, Hot Cheese Squares, and Brandy Alexanders, the book also includes popular picks from the current pages of Southern Living as well as Elizabeth's treasured recipe box.

Contributor Bio

Elizabeth Heiskell is a regular food contributor to the TODAY show and a seasoned caterer, chef, and culinary instructor known for her line of home-grown gourmet products, including her popular Debutante Farmer Bloody Mary Mix. She is the best-selling author of What Can I Bring? and lives in Oxford, MS, with her family.

Ebooks

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What Can I Bring?
Southern Food for Any Occasion Life Serves Up
Elizabeth Heiskell

Welcome every invitation, fear no feast, and embrace the challenge of bringing something delicious from the heart, no-stress-required. Based on the popular monthly feature "What Can I Bring?" in Southern Living magazine, Elizabeth Heiskell (aka The Debutante Farmer) guides readers to greet any occasion...

Summary
It is usually the first question you ask after receiving an invitation to a gathering or event: "What can I bring?" Now you'll have the answer! Based on the popular monthly feature "What Can I Bring?" in Southern Living magazine, no matter what the occasion, you'll have the perfect dish. From housewarming party to garden party, a new baby, a wake, a wedding, christening, or anything in between, Elizabeth delivers over 100 delicious recipes, including appetizers, mains, sandwiches, desserts, and more, that are sure to please a crowd, no matter how big or small. Additionally, these are all dishes that can be prepared in advance and travel well. But let's not forget the most important question: What can I bring to my own table? Whether you're looking for some new ideas for dinners to please a fractious family or want to make Sunday brunch a more special event, What Can I Bring? has you covered. Recipes include Elizabeth's take on Sour Cream Coffee Cake, delicious salads, amazing sides, comfort food that no one will be able to say no to, plus an array of desserts so good that that's the...

Contributor Bio
Elizabeth Heiskell is a regular food contributor to the Today show and a seasoned caterer, chef, and culinary instructor. Born and raised in the Mississippi Delta, she grew a passion for combining her love of food and the history of the rich agricultural area she was raised in. Under the brand name The Debutante Farmer, she sells home grown gourmet pickles, jellies, jams, salsas, and her popular Bloody Mary mix.

Ebooks

The Lodge Cast Iron Cookbook
A Treasury of Timeless, Delicious Recipes
The Lodge Company

Summary
From America's most chic restaurants to the countless kitchens of avid home cooks, everyone is rediscovering the joy of cooking with classic cast iron. Cast iron cooking has always been a kitchen favorite with its even heating, great heat retention and its flexibility to go outdoors and grill or cook over an open fire. And now with The Lodge Cast Iron Cookbook, every cook will learn the simple, savory secrets of cast iron cookery. From the kitchens of Lodge, America's leading manufacturer of cast iron cookware, this unique cookbook offers over 200 mouthwatering recipes. Special cooking lessons include cast iron cooking basics and how to enjoy open air cooking and grilling. Each unique recipe, culled from cooks across the country, is illustrated with four-color photography. Published in a special flexible binding, this cookbook will be a keepsake treasured by all cooks.

Contributor Bio
The Lodge Company, a family-owned, family operated business, has been manufacturing quality cast-iron cookware for 112 years.
**Lodge Cast Iron Nation**

**Great American Cooking from Coast to Coast**

The Lodge Company

**Summary**

Cast-iron skillets, pots, and Dutch ovens are enjoying a surge in popularity among cookware users all across America, and no wonder: it's inexpensive, long lasting, eco-friendly, sustainable, versatile, and healthy! It's no longer just for the camper or cowboy—today, it's a staple piece of cookware in any kitchen helmed by a cook who loves good food. Focused on American regional cuisine, *Lodge Cast Iron Nation* packed with a diverse array of recipes—everything from appetizers to desserts and everything in-between. The book reveals the movement behind the resurgence in cast iron's popularity, showcasing exciting new flavor combinations from popular chefs and highlighting the cookware's relevance for today's cooks, who are increasingly concerned with issues of sustainability, health, and expense when it comes to their food choices. Packed with classic regional casseroles, soups and stews, new twists on old favorites, plus desserts from the icebox and the oven—this cookbook proves that cast iron isn't just for cornbread. And with in-depth information on how to use and care for cast iron ...

**Contributor Bio**

Lodge Manufacturing has been manufacturing quality cast-iron cookware for 116 years.

**Display**

Lodge Cast Iron Nation 4 Copy Counter Display - Dumpbin – Filled - 11/8/2016 $99.80 9780848754518
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Lodge Cast Iron Nation - E-Book - 3/18/2014 $14.95 9780848739263
Lodge Cast Iron Nation - E-Book - 3/18/2014 $14.95 9780848739270
Lodge Cast Iron Nation - E-Book - 3/18/2014 $22.43 9780848747855

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**Southern Living A Southern Gentleman's Kitchen**

**Adventures in Cooking, Eating, and Living in the New South**

Matt Moore

**Summary**

Today, in addition to being chivalrous, honest, and generous, a Southern gentleman is socially connected, well-traveled, and has an appetite for life. In this part-cookbook and part-guidebook, Matt Moore embraces a fresh perspective on what it means to cook, eat, and live as a true Southern Gentleman in the 21st century. Gorgeous full-color photography graces this culinary update on authentic Southern cuisine. Featured recipes include everything from Seafood Gumbo and Gameday Venison Chili to desserts like Grilled Georgia Peach Crisp and favorite cocktails like The Brown Derby and NOLA Sazerac.

**Contributor Bio**

The son of a cattleman and the grandson of a butcher, **Matt Moore** is, for all intents and purposes, the quintessential Southern gentleman. With the philosophy of “Work hard, play harder,” this Nashville, Tennessee–based musician, husband, traveler, and entrepreneur cooks the way he lives—simply, honestly and with great gusto. This self-taught chef, who invites friends Luke Bryan, NFL standout Jon Stinchcomb, Dave Haywood of Lady Antebellum and more to join him at the stove, is the go to resource for reliable recipes created for the man’s-man. His food-writing has garnered critical acclaim by publications such as The Wall Street Journal, The Chicago Tribune, and the New York Times—who named Moore's first book, Have Her Over For Dinner: A Gentleman's Guide to Classic, Simple Meals, as one of the year's best cookbooks.

**Also Available**

The South's Best Butts - Trade Paperback - 4/25/2017 $26.95 9780848751852

**Ebooks**

**The South's Best Butts**

**Pitmaster Secrets for Southern Barbecue Perfection**

Matt Moore

Food writer Matt Moore waves away clouds of smoke to give BBQ lovers a sneak peek into the kitchens and smokehouses of a handful of the South's most revered pitmasters to uncover their tried-and-true techniques and patron-sanctioned favorite dishes.

**Summary**

In *The South's Best Butts*, food writer and Southern gentleman, Matt Moore, waves away clouds of smoke to give barbecue-lovers a sneak peek into the kitchens and smokehouses of a handful of the Barbecue Belt's most revered pitmasters. He uncovers their tried-and-true techniques gleaned over hours, days, and years toiling by fire and spit, coaxing meltingly tender perfection from the humble pig—the foundation of Southern BBQ. More than a book of recipes, Matt explores how the marriage of meat, cooking method, and sauce varies from place to place based on history and culture, climate, available ingredients and wood, and always the closely-guarded, passed-down secrets followed like scripture. Because no meat plate is complete in the South without "all the fixin's" to round out the meal, Matt cues up patron-sanctioned recipes from every establishment he visits. One thing is for certain...this book will change the way you cook, smoke, grill, and eat, but be warned: Your own butt may suffer in the process.

**Contributor Bio**

Matt Moore's work has garnered critical acclaim far and wide, from the BBC to *The New York Times*. Moore's narrative style, hosting skills, and recipes have been featured in *The Wall Street Journal, Chicago Tribune, Southern Living*, and *Esquire*, as well as on TODAY, VH1, and FOX, among other outlets. His most recent book was *A Southern Gentleman's Kitchen*.

**Display**

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**Also Available**

Southern Living *A Southern Gentleman's Kitchen* - Hardcover - 4/28/2015 $32.00 9780848743673

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**5-Ingredient Natural Recipes**

Phyllis Good

More than 130 recipes, each with only 5 deliciously natural ingredients

**Summary**

You choose the cooking method for each recipe! A delightful new cookbook from one of the bestselling cookbook authors in North America, Phyllis Good. These 5-ingredient recipes use only wholesome ingredients—natural, honest, and delicious. (No canned soups, no cake mixes, no processed meats, no stabilizers.) Nearly all of the 130+ convenient recipes are presented with two or more ways to prepare them. You pick which works best for you and the time you have: electric pressure cooker, slow cooker, stove top, oven, no-cook. Many of the recipes rise out of global eating, with Syrian, Guatemalan, Indian, Korean, and Thai influences, along with Italian and Mexican. All approachable and no-fuss. Quality ingredients. Convenient prep. Satisfyingly flavorful finished dishes.

**Contributor Bio**

Phyllis Good's cookbooks have sold more than 14 million copies. Her books are beloved for their outstandingly flavorful recipes, which are easy to follow and quick to prepare. She is the originator of the phenomenal Fix-It and Forget-It series, and most recently, Stock the Crock.

**Also Available**

Stock the Crock - Trade Paperback - 9/5/2017 $21.99 9780848753146
The Minimalist Kitchen
100 Wholesome Recipes, Essential Tools, and Efficient Techniques
Melissa Coleman

Summary
The Minimalist Kitchen: 100 Wholesome Recipes, Essential Tools, and Efficient Techniques is a cookbook, but more importantly, it’s a framework for creating a minimalist kitchen, a kitchen pared down to the essentials so you can create more. This framework will touch everything in your kitchen from your ingredients, tools, pantry, to your cooking techniques, meal planning, and shopping habits. Once the framework is in place, you can make 100+ wholesome, mix and match recipes. You'll find Blueberry-Orange Breakfast Rolls, Banana-Coconut Baked Oatmeal, White Wine Spring Pasta, BBQ Black Bean and Quick Slaw Tacos, Crispy Pizza with Caramelized Onions, Chickpea Tikka Masala, Stovetop Mac and Cheese, and Two-Bowl Carrot Cupcakes. This comprehensive guide will hold your hand through the process and make dinnertime (and the kitchen) feel doable again. Chapter 1: The Minimalist Kitchen sets the stage for how to make and use the recipes in Chapters 2–8: Breakfast, Main Dishes, Burgers Wraps & Sandwiches, Soups & Salads, Sides, Drinks, Dessert. You'll find them to be vegetable forward and simpl...

Contributor Bio
Melissa Coleman is a home cook and baker, designer, wife, mama, and minimalist. Her popular blog, The Faux Martha, was named a Huffington Post Top 10 Food Blog and was selected as a Better Homes and Gardens Top 10 Baking Blog nominee and a Saveur Blog Awards Style & Design finalist.

Ebooks

The Vegan 8
100 Simple, Delicious Recipes Made with 8 Ingredients or Less
Brandi Doming

Summary
Five years ago, popular blogger Brandi Doming of The Vegan 8 became a vegan, overhauling the way she and her family ate after a health diagnosis for her husband. The effects have been life-changing. Her recipes rely on refreshingly short ingredient lists that are ideal for anyone new to plant-based cooking or seeking simplified, wholesome, family-friendly options for weeknight dinners. All of the recipes are dairy-free and most are oil-free, gluten-free, and nut-free (if not, Brandi offers suitable alternatives), and ideally tailored to meet the needs of an array of health conditions. Try Bakery-Style Blueberry Muffins, Fool 'Em "Cream Cheese" Spinach-Artichoke Dip, Cajun Veggie and Potato Chowder, Skillet Baked Mac n' Cheese, and No-Bake Chocolate Espresso Fudge Cake.

Contributor Bio
Brandi Doming—creator of the popular blog, The Vegan 8—is a mom, wife, designer, and blogger. Her blog was voted a Top 21 Vegan Blog of 2016 by the hugely popular vegan magazine, VegNews, she’s appeared regularly in Forks Over Knives magazine, and was featured in the documentary Eating You Alive. She lives with her husband and daughter in Houston, Texas.

Ebooks
The Vegan 8 - E-Book - 10/16/2018 $12.99 9780848759162
The Vegan 8 - E-Book - 10/16/2018 $12.99 9780848759179
The Vegan 8 - E-Book - 10/16/2018 $28.99 9780848759186
Jim Murray's Whiskey Bible 2021
North American Edition
Jim Murray

Summary
Thanks to industry guru Jim Murray and his internationally acclaimed annual *Whiskey 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 *Whiskey Bible* since it first hit the shelves in 2003. For this 2021 edition, he reflects on over another 1,200. The 4,700 whiskies included in this 2021 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.

Contributor Bio
Jim Murray is a legend and leading player on the world’s whisky stage. It is now over 25 years since he became the world’s first-ever full time whisky writer. This 2021 edition of his *Whiskey Bible* marks the 18th year of annual publication.

BrewDog: Craft Beer for the Geeks
Richard Taylor, James Watt, Martin Dickie

Summary
The second book from the founders of Brewdog: *Craft Beer for the Geeks* aims to go deeper into the science and styles of craft beer in this full-color, gorgeously designed taproom bible. With sections such as "The Science of Flavor" and "Why Temperature Is King," beer geeks will be satisfied with the wealth of knowledge presented by these craft beer experts. Recipes and sections on beer and food pairing will thrill food and beverage enthusiasts who want to go further in exploring flavor combinations. And a "DIY Dog" section on at-home brewing with recipes and trouble-shooting tips exemplifies the punk, open-source ethos that Brewdog is known for.

Contributor Bio
James Watt and Martin Dickie are the founders of BrewDog. Along with Richard Taylor, staff writer for BrewDog, they are the authors of *BrewDog: Craft Beer for the People.*
Dear DeeDee

Kat Meads

In the tradition of Jane Austen's letters to niece Fanny Knight and Fay Weldon's Letters to Alice, DeeDee is a woman's interpretation of the world

Summary

West Coast-based Aunt K (the author) writes to niece DeeDee, ostensibly to bring her up to speed on family history and share anecdotes about their North Carolina relatives, past and present. The letters soon evolve into broader discussions of community, loss, love, ambition, leaving the South (in body, if not mind) and what it means to negotiate life as a female. Integral to the correspondence are books and writers (from Burroughs to Woolf), landscapes and cityscapes in North Carolina, California, New Mexico, New York, East Sussex and elsewhere. A persistent theme: the inter-weavings of person and place. It is also, in the sum of its parts, deeply concerned with the question of which elements (genetic and circumstantial) conspire to make us who we are.

Contributor Bio

Kat Meads is the award-winning author of 20 books and chapbooks of poetry and prose. She has received writing fellowships from the National Endowment for the Arts, the Fine Arts Work Center in Provincetown, Yaddo, and the California Arts Council. Her short plays have been staged in New York and Los Angeles.

Up a Creek, with a Paddle

Tales of Canoeing and Life

James W. Loewen

An intimate and often humorous memoir by the best-selling living sociologist today

Summary

Up a Creek, With a Paddle is an intimate and often humorous memoir by the author of Lies My Teacher Told Me, James W. Loewen, who holds the distinction of being the best-selling living sociologist today. Rivers are good metaphors for life, and paddling for living. In this little book, Loewen skillfully makes these connections without sermonizing, resulting in nuggets of wisdom about how to live, how to act meaningfully, and perhaps how to die. Loewen also returns to his life's work and gently addresses the origins of racism and inequality, the theory of history, and the ties between the two. But mostly, as in his life, he finds rueful humor in every canoeing debacle—and he has had many!

"A memoir like no other. I laughed at his delightful stories of canoeing fiascos that repeatedly answered his question, "What could possibly go wrong?" In quieter intervals, I learned from his reflections on history, ethics, and race relations. About death he is funny but unflinching. His spirit will live on, though, in the ways that history is told. This book's energy can sustain and inspire those who...

Contributor Bio

James W. Loewen is the best-selling author of Lies My Teacher Told Me: Everything Your High School History Textbook Got Wrong; Lies Across America: What Our Historic Sites Get Wrong; and Sundown Towns: A Hidden Dimension of American Racism. He holds the distinction of being the best-selling living sociologist today.
**Inside Passage**
A Memoir
Keema Waterfield

A mother-daughter love story of resilience and hope against the odds

**Summary**
Keema Waterfield grew up chasing music with her twenty-year-old mother on the Alaskan folk festival circuit, two small siblings in tow. Summers they traveled by ferry and car, sharing the family tent with a guitar, cello, and fiddle. Adrift with a revolving cast of musicians, drunks, stepdads, and one man with a gun, Keema yearned for a place to call home. Preferably with heat and flushing toilets. Trying to understand the absence of her pot-dealing father, she is drawn deeper into her mother’s past instead.

**Contributor Bio**
Keema Waterfield was born in a trailer in Anchorage, Alaska the year John Lennon was shot, smallpox was officially eradicated, and the first Iran-Iraq War began. Her award-winning essays have appeared in *Brevity, Pithead Chapel,* and *Redivider,* among others. She received her MFA in Creative Nonfiction from the University of Montana. She now resides in Missoula, Montana with her husband, two children, and a revolving cast of quirky animals. Follow her on twitter @keemasaurusrex.

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**Home Of The Soul**
A True Tale Of Mystic Encounters That Awakened My Spirit
Kady Romagnuolo

Kady describes events led by intuition and tells an exciting tale of deep despair, extraordinary synchronicities and triumph! It’s often said that the choices we make shape our lives, so what if the path you chose had so many twists that it had you questioning your entire life? Just as she thought she was lost forever, and her life was doomed, something emerged out of the shadows. At first the image was so dim that it was barely recognizable. As Kady started to lean in, she could feel the heat and a faint whisper. Does your soul have a home? A place where it rests. A place where you’re meant to find it? Kady’s soul was found in an unlikely place and it had company. “It had been two years since I felt joy. The excitement and anticipation of my dreams, the plans I built my life on had shattered so slowly and painfully that it was hard to even imagine what they once were.” As you dive deep into the 3 most challenging years of Kady’s life she shares what brought her out of depression. She had feared losing everything she held dear for so long that surrendering became the only option to t...

**Contributor Bio**
Kady Romagnuolo is a mindset and performance coach who specializes in helping clients work through fear and low self confidence. As a board certified Master NLP Practitioner and Quantum Change Process™ Practitioner, her techniques involve accessing the root cause behind limiting beliefs and negative emotions.
Propagated From The Ashes
The Story of how My Indoor Garden Saved My Life
Kristin Topping

Summary
In December of 2016, Kristin Topping’s life changed in a fraction of a second. It wasn’t supposed to happen this way. She was an officer in the Canadian Armed Forces, she had a charmed career that took her all over the world as an engineering specialist, and she aspired to do great and important things. A split second was all it took to wash those dreams down the drain. A concussion, or in Kristin’s case a mild traumatic brain injury (mTBI) with loss of consciousness, is a serious injury that is accompanied with changes to a person’s physical well-being, cognitive abilities, and can result in an altered mental state. The training and the social pressures instilled over twenty-two years of military service were a deterrent to her seeking help right away for her injury. Kristin wallowed in despair for months before she would admit the significance of her problem. Her relationships collapsed, her ability to function in and out of the workplace deteriorated and her purpose was lost. When she finally admitted to herself that she needed help, she was thrown into a rehabilitation labyrinth ...

Contributor Bio
Kristin Topping is a twenty-two-year veteran of the Canadian Armed Forces. In 2016, she experienced a brain injury and from that experience she wrote a recovery memoir about mindful horticulture. Kristin promotes a holistic approach to brain injury recovery with an emphasis on the inclusion of horticulture as a component of a patient’s self-care regime. She is the owner of Sweetlife Flora, a rare and exotic plant shop. Kristin lives south of Arnprior, Ontario with her husband, a plethora of animals and, of course, her indoor jungle.

How Do I Survive?
7 Steps to Living After Child Loss
Patricia Sheveland

Summary
Let Patricia take you by the hand to ease some of the pain while you step forward in a life without your child

Contributor Bio
Best-selling author, Patricia Sheveland, RN is a Professional Certified Coach (PCC) with the International Coaching Federation, specializing in grief coaching for bereaved parents. Pat is a certified Funeral Celebrant through Insightâ and lives in Minnesota with her family (four generations) in their multi-generational home.
Understanding Your Grief after a Drug-Overdose Death

Dr. Alan Wolfelt shares the most important lessons he has learned from loved ones who've picked up the pieces in the aftermath of a drug overdose.

Summary
Loss is always hard, but when someone you love dies of an accidental drug overdose, the grief that follows can be especially painful and challenging. Readers will learn ideas for coping in the early days after the tragic death, as well as ways to transcend the stigma associated with overdose deaths. The book also explores common thoughts and feelings, the six needs of mourning, self-care essentials, finding hope, and more.

Understanding Your Grief After A Drug-Overdose Death is part of Companion Press’s Words of Hope and Healing series—empathetic books on grief and other loss-related topics, with just the right amount of education and support.

Contributor Bio
Dr. Alan D. Wolfelt is a noted author, educator and grief counselor.

Too Much Loss: Coping with Grief Overload

If you are feeling overwhelmed by too much loss in your life, this book is for you.

Summary
Grief overload is what you feel when you experience too many significant losses all at once, in a relatively short period of time, or cumulatively. In addition to the deaths of loved ones, such losses can also include divorce, estrangement, illness, relocation, job changes, and more. Our minds and hearts have enough trouble coping with a single loss, so when the losses pile up, the grief often seems especially chaotic and defeating. The good news is that through intentional, active mourning, you can and will find your way back to hope and healing. This compassionate guide will show you how.

Contributor Bio
Dr. Alan D. Wolfelt is a noted author, educator, and grief counselor.
The Grief of Infertility
Alan Wolfelt

By giving authentic attention to your grief, you will be helping yourself cope with your emotions as well as learn how to actively mourn and live fully and joyfully at the same time.

Summary
When you want to have a baby but are struggling with fertility challenges, it’s normal to experience a range and mixture of ever-changing feelings. These feelings are a natural and necessary form of grief. Whether you continue to hope to give birth or you’ve stopped pursuing pregnancy, this compassionate guide will help you affirm and express your feelings about infertility. Tips for both women and men are included.

Contributor Bio
Dr. Alan D. Wolfelt is a noted author, educator, and grief counselor.

A Leader's Manual for Dementia Care-Partner Support Groups
Edward G Shaw, Alan Wolfelt

If you're thinking about starting a support group for dementia care partners, this downloadable leader's manual is for you.

Summary
The Dementia Care Partner’s Workbook is a new resource from Companion Press that is both a support group participant’s manual and self-study guide for care partners who have a loved one with Alzheimer’s disease or another form of dementia. Its ten concise lessons not only walk you through the types, brain biology, and progressive symptoms of dementia but also offer practical tips for managing behaviors, coping with emotional issues, prioritizing self-care, and planning ahead—everything from diagnosis to end-of-life. The Manual provides general information about establishing and leading support groups, counseling skills for leaders and co-leaders, how to handle challenging group participants, step-by-step instructions on how to run each of the ten individual weekly meetings (including meeting-specific handouts), and lots of practical advice.

Contributor Bio
Dr. Shaw is dually trained as a physician and mental health counselor. Dr. Shaw is a professor at the Wake Forest School of Medicine. Dr. Alan D. Wolfelt is a noted author, educator, and grief counselor. He serves as Director of the Center for Loss and Life Transition in Fort Collins, Colorado.
Healed
A Divinely Inspired Path to Overcoming Cancer
Pamela Herzer

Make the choice to rise in the strength of divine Love to heal your cancer today

Summary
Do you struggle to find answers to your cancer diagnosis and overwhelming fear? It may seem as if there is no promise that you can be healed, but there is. Fortunately, cancer can be a springboard for more expansive living. Divine Love alignment expert Pamela Herzer, M.A., fought the same battle. Through her cancer healing, she now offers her profound experience of healing when all other means and methods failed, and shares with you her message of hope and healing.

Contributor Bio
Severe life challenges brought Pamela Herzer a deep understanding and connection to divine Love (God).

Sparks From The Heart
A Philosophical Journey of the Soul’s Incarnation into Your Subtle Heart
Marnie O’Farrell

Summary
At twenty-three years old, I experienced a shift in consciousness that propelled my life onto a new trajectory, one that expanded my vision from the material world into the world of energy, the subtle, and how these forces move naturally through the architecture of the human being. If Alzheimer’s is a disease of forgetting, what is it that we as a collective species are trying so deeply to remember? Alzheimer’s disease is a doorway to remembering, a doorway to reconnecting to the fabric of each other so that when it is our time to go, there will be nothing left for us to leave behind. It’s time to take ownership and to more deeply understand so that we can move forward into a humanity that sees more clearly, feels more deeply, and creates more sustainably. A humanity that knows.

Contributor Bio
Marnie O’Farrell is an energy healer and yoga teacher who works with the coherence of the heart. She has training in shamanic healing and has over ten years of experience working with children. She has helped hundreds of people understand their innate energy systems, strengthen their access to high sense perception, and offers her clients a deeper understanding into the nature of illness and the embodiment of the soul. She has an affinity for inner child work, trauma release, and supporting her clients to open more deeply to themselves to become their own best version.
The YOU Code
Your Unique Life Map Hidden in Your Ancient Genes
James Sheridan

Summary
Your search for love, success, and good health is easy when you know your inherited, genetic personality - your Genotype.

It’s in our nature to act a certain way and our basic personality never changes. This isn’t cynical, it’s powerful. When you’ve identified and accepted your true nature, something magical happens in the corridor of life-choices: the correct doors for you ping open automatically.

Identifying your Genotype is merely a means to end: to derive your purpose in life and to make you happy. The YOU Code explains the fourteen Genetypes in a way that will help you strip away the biographical nurtured side of you and find your true self.

Based on your newly discovered Genotype, you will
• Discover why you’re here, and what your purpose is,
• Uncover the job description written into your ancient genes,
• Discover how knowing Genotypes leads to harmonious relationships,
• Learn surprising lessons for your health hidden in your ancient genes, and
• Grasp the cycles written into your D.N.A. that allow you to master the game of business and money.

The YOU Code demonstrates how human...

Contributor Bio
James Sheridan is an international bestselling author, speaker, and entrepreneur. His first book, The Pandora Prescription, is a fact-based novel written to expose a medical cover-up. Sheridan has dedicated the last twenty years to finding the definitive answers for humanity’s biggest questions, and his new, groundbreaking book, The You Code, represents the conclusion of his quest.

Vintage Wisdom
A Collection of Reflections, Quotes, and Beliefs from Dear Friends
Jim Secord

Set in a beautiful and engaging style, every page illuminates and distills the complexities of life as experienced through one particular person, while displaying the universal truths of kindness, friendship, and love that unite us

Summary
Editor Jim Secord sent a letter out to over 160 of his friends and colleagues he has known in his eight decades of life, asking then to submit a small kernel of wisdom and knowledge that they have learned over the years. Some are short little quips, others more lengthy and involved, but all are authentically representative of the human experience and the pain and joys we collect on our journey through life.

Contributor Bio
Jim Secord lives in the Twin Cities.
Happy Genetics
From Epigenetics to Happiness
Pier Mario Biava, Richard Romagnoli

When science and happiness meet, beautiful projects are born

Summary
Is it possible to reverse the rate of stress, illness and sickness? Yes, simply by choosing Happiness as the driving force for change! In a simple and clear way the book will introduce us to the understanding of epigenetics and stem cell research, giving us new and practical keys to bringing more Wellness and Health into our lives.

Contributor Bio
Pier Mario Biava, M.D., has been studying the relationship between cancer and cell differentiation for more than 3 decades. The author of over 100 scientific publications and 6 books, he works at the Institute of Research and Treatment in Milan. Richard is an international speaker expert on happy-genetics. He is best seller author, contributor for The Huffington Post and he is the creator of C.A.T.C.H., an energetic-emotional practice, popular worldwide.

Living in the Thriver Zone
A Celebration of Living Well as the Best Revenge
Susan M. Omilian, JD

Summary
Living well as your best revenge after abuse frees you to be happy, let go of your past, and break the cycle of violence in your life. In this third book in The Thriver Zone Series, Susan Omilian invites you to revel in what you have accomplished so far as a thriver and celebrate how, with new vigor, focus, and purpose, you can live your best life ever! In this book, learn how you can follow and successfully use the tools and techniques of Susan’s unique, innovative motivational model. See yourself as the hero of your own story and answer the call to adventure. Connect to the Happy Person Inside, a part of you untouched by all that has happened. Vanquish the Inner Critic’s power to sabotage your journey forward. Assemble your Thriver Zone Toolbox and use it to live your happily-ever-after. Then living well is not only your best revenge, but the song of your soul and the fulfillment of all your dreams. Come, live in the Thrive Zone – a place of peace, healing, and positive energy. Live the life of your dreams!

Contributor Bio
An attorney, author, and motivational speaker, Susan Omilian has worked extensively as an advocate to end violence against women for the past forty years. Her commitment to her work became more immediate and passionate with the murder of her 19-year-old niece Maggie in 1999 by her ex-boyfriend. Susan vowed to help other women move on after abuse and thrive as Maggie could not.
Facilitator's Guide
Journey from Victim to Survivor to Thriver!
Susan M. Omilian, JD

Summary
With the easy-to-use worksheets, invigorating writing exercises and inspirational “living well” thriver success stories, Susan’s materials can be used in individual, support group or workshop settings with male or female abuse survivors. The Guide can also assist in providing train-the-trainer sessions for victim advocates, counselors, therapists, and other providers in health, mental health, or criminal justice intervention programs.

Contributor Bio
An attorney, author, and motivational speaker, Susan Omilian has worked extensively as an advocate to end violence against women for the past forty years. Her commitment to her work became more immediate and passionate with the murder of her 19-year-old niece Maggie in 1999 by her ex-boyfriend. Susan vowed to help other women move on after abuse and thrive as Maggie could not.

P.I.V.O.T.
Five Practices to Strategize and Support You Through Change
Pauline Caballero

Summary
Are you tired of hoping for a new way? Or keeping your fingers crossed that everything is going to stay the same? In this book we are going to play with the ideal and notion that CHANGE ISN'T COMING, IT'S HERE! Over the period of five weeks we will explore the five main distinctions of the PIVOT concept: Perspective, Intuition, Vision, Obstacles, and Tactics. Similar to how we train our muscles through working out, we will train our mind to develop habits that will support us to thrive in our forever changing environments.

Contributor Bio
Pauline Caballero boasts an extensive career in the wellness and yoga field. She is the President and Co-founder of Power Yoga Canada (PYC), a network of hot power yoga studios with the goal of creating a community centered around positive personal transformation. She is a Registered Holistic Nutritionist, as well as a certified 500-hour Yoga Alliance E-RYT. Pauline has also served as a board member with Africa Yoga Project, and is Chief Revenue Officer for Buckland Customs Brokers Ltd.
**Love Your Body**
The Guide to Stop Making Your Body a Battleground
Janet Farnsworth

Join Janet as she teaches you how to stop letting your body image and experiences impact you, and how to start feeling at home in your body today.

**Summary**
Are you ashamed of your body? Do you wish your body were different? Taller? Thinner? Stronger? Has your body somehow become a painful place to be when you want it to be a place of joy and pleasure? You are not alone. A vast majority of women are dissatisfied with their bodies and would change something about them if they could. Janet Farnsworth is a nationally recognized yoga teacher, somatic therapist, and body-empowerment coach who has spent years coaching women how to love their bodies again. She is the founder of The Practice of Now: Let Love Move You, a movement-therapy practice designed to heal and nurture your relationship with your body. In Love Your Body: The Guide to Stop Making Your Body a Battleground, Janet will teach you: an easy-to-follow, life-changing practice to help you feel delight in your body; how to look in the mirror and be comfortable with what you see; how to know and honor what your body wants and needs; how to remove the blocks that keep you feeling disconnected and dissatisfied; how to move in a way that makes you feel strong and beautiful; and practical ...

**Contributor Bio**
Janet Farnsworth MSW is a body empowerment coach, somatic therapist, and yoga teacher who has spent years coaching women how to love their bodies again. Founder of the The Practice of Now: Let Love Move You, Janet inspires people to bust through old beliefs of shame and blame, and instead, connect to the body as a source of wisdom, pleasure, and joy.

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**The Good Sh*t**
Todd Sinett

Let your sh*t guide you to healthier eating and living

**Summary**
The Good Sh*t will teach you about the digestive system and how your body talks. You'll learn how to wade through all the diet bullsh*t that hasn't worked for you and never will. You'll learn how to figure out which foods are affecting your output and how to best create a nutrition plan that works for you and the way your body functions. You will learn what a good sh*t is, what it should look like, and how to have them regularly, so that you can start looking and feeling better. This book is a path to self-discovery that will open your eyes to specific foods that you digest and excrete well, as well as others that you will should be staying away from—even if they have been described as a supposed "superfood." By looking at your output, The Good Sh*t will help you understand the best things to input. Ultimately, this is a book about how to have really great sh*ts.

**Contributor Bio**
Dr. Todd Sinett is a pain expert and chiropractor. He is a recognized authority in applied kinesiology and has served as clinical expert for many for many television programs, including Barbara Walter's The View, FoxMD, and Good Day New York. He also has been a featured lecturer on MSNBC and at the Learning Annex. As a respected health and wellness expert and author, Dr. Sinett has been featured in countless well-known health and fitness publications and national magazines.
My Family Needs My Spiritual Leadership Now
A Guide to Being Your Family's Spiritual Support
Kristin Panek

Are you looking to take a stronger leadership role in your family, but don’t know how?

Summary
You’ve been holding it all together at home and at work with a successful career and loving family. Now your child is entering school and you have to decide who will be the one to teach him or her about values and spirituality. Do your beliefs align with what is taught in school? How successfully you shepherd your child through this phase depends on your belief system and how you live it. Do you know what you believe? Through her years of experience and extensive spiritual training, Kristin Panek founded the Flowering Heart Center, a not-for-profit that supports transformation into higher states of consciousness. In My Family Needs My Spiritual Leadership Now: The Guide to Being Your Family’s Spiritual Support, you will learn how to: reconnect with your inner guidance system for clarity; move through your fears and build trust with yourself, your partner, and your kids; heal your relationship issues and return to a place of peace; and create a space of love and acceptance that allows your family to thrive, even while you continue to pursue your career. You already know your family ne...

Contributor Bio
Kristin Panek is the founder and spiritual director of Flowering Heart Center, a not-for-profit in Wheaton, Illinois that supports transformation into higher states of consciousness. She attended Oneness University in India for extensive spiritual training and does extensive transformational work with women, involving Rites of Initiation into the Divine Feminine.

Yoga for Connecting Mind, Body, and Soul
For All Ages, Sizes, and Schedules
Amed Bermudez, Michelle Booth, Lana Wedmore

Restore your balance in just ten minutes a day

Summary
Do you ever wake up feeling stiff and sore? Do you sit at a desk all day and lack the energy to get up and move? Do you know you need exercise but you can’t find the time? Then Yoga for Connecting Mind, Body, and Soul is for you. Whether you’re dealing with anxiety, lower back pain, or jet lag from a busy travel schedule, there is healing for you in these pages, regardless of your age or ability. With step-by-step instructions and photographs for each exercise, the movements in this book can be done in a chair, hotel room, or even your own bed before you put your feet on the ground. It’s never too late to find your balance and fitness. Come join us!

Contributor Bio
Amed Bermudez is a registered yoga teacher and a Yoga Alliance certified education professional. Michelle Booth has been helping people tell their stories for more than two decades. Lana Wedmore is a registered, certified yoga instructor, and has been practicing and teaching yoga, pranayama, meditation, and philosophy for over thirty years.
**Heading Home With Your Newborn**

*From Birth to Reality*

Laura A. Jana, Jennifer Shu, MD

New moms and dads often wish for an instruction manual to their new baby—this is it!

**Summary**

Fully revised and updated, the fourth edition of this bestselling guide offers essential advice from two pediatrician-moms. It covers everything new parents need to know, from feeding and dressing, to diapering and bathing, and from crying and sleep to travel and activities. Updates include: a section on baby blues and postpartum depression; added information on breastfeeding, pumping and insurance benefits; new safety information on SIDS and car seats; and updates throughout, bringing all advice up to date with the latest AAP guidelines. This parent-tested, pediatrician-approved advice will help new parents feel comfortable those first few days and weeks at home and serve as a reference for the whole first year.

**Contributor Bio**

Laura A. Jana, MD, FAAP, is a pediatrician and mother of 3 who has been featured by such media outlets as CNN, *The Today Show*, *US News and World Report*, and NPR. She currently holds a faculty appointment at Penn State University’s Prevention Research Center, is a strategic consultant to Primrose Schools, and serves as an early childhood expert for the Maternal Child Health Bureau. She lives in Omaha, Nebraska. Jennifer Shu, MD, FAAP, is a practicing pediatrician, mother, medical editor in chief of *HealthyChildren.org* and a content reviewer for *BabyCenter.com*. She has been a health expert for *CNN.com*, *WebMD.com*, and the *Parents* magazine advisory board. She lives in Atlanta, Georgia.

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**Start Learning**

*Find Out How Your Kid is Developing*

Kay Woods

A collection of fun and easy art projects designed to allow parents to follow, assess, and stimulate their child's development in a key learning area

**Summary**

An art project is chosen and the background information read, so that you can see what is expected of your child at his/her age. As the art project is completed together and the child practices his/her skills, you will gain an insight into the child’s learning progress. It can be a struggle for parents to find out what is actually meant by normal development. Comparing your child against his or her peers can be misleading, while the opinions of friends and carers can appear contradictory and vague. This guide is for parents to answer questions with facts. You will learn what to expect and when from your two to five year old, help you to understand the learning process, and be provided with a straightforward method to assess that development yourself. This unique approach makes it possible to see for yourself if she is achieving at a level that is ‘normal’ for her age—based on the UK’s Early Years Foundation Stage that professionals use for the same purpose. The activities in these books are widely used by professionals. *Start Learning* covers art projects on these themes: personal and...

**Contributor Bio**

Kay Woods is an entrepreneur, parent, and communicator on childminding, child care, and related issues.
Raising Free People
Unschooling as Liberation and Healing Work
Akilah S. Richards, Bayo Akomolafe

Raising Free People argues that we need to build and work within systems truly designed for any human to learn, grow, socialize, and thrive, regardless of age, ability, background, or access to money.

Summary
Families and conscious organizations across the world are healing generations of school wounds by pivoting into self-directed, intentional community-building, and *Raising Free People* shows you exactly how unschooling can help facilitate this process. Individual experiences influence our approach to parenting and education, so we need more than the rules, tools, and "bad adult" guilt trips found in so many parenting and education books. *Raising Free People* explores examples of the transition from school or homeschooling to unschooling, how single parents and people facing financial challenges unschool successfully, and the ways unschooling allows us to address generational trauma and unlearn the habits we mindlessly pass on to children. In these detailed and unabashed stories and insights, Richards examines the ways that her relationships to blackness, decolonization, and healing work all combine to form relationships and enable community-healing strategies rooted in an unschooling practice.

Contributor Bio
Akilah S. Richards is the founder of Raising Free People Network. Bayo Akomolafe is executive director and chief curator for the Emergence Network.

Sunny Side Upbringing
A Month by Month Guide to Raising Kind and Caring Kids
Maria Cini Dismondy, Sarah Luczak

A simple parenting toolkit designed to make your life easier and more fulfilled by keeping your family values on the forefront.

Summary
Parent educator Maria Dismondy took her greatest advice, research, ideas, activities, and educational resources from over the last 20 years and put them down on paper for us all to benefit from. The result is a month-by-month parenting resource (kind of like "a parent's best friend") that is loaded with enriching content that fosters creative parent-child interactions rooted in the values that matter most to you.

Contributor Bio
Maria Dismondy is a parent educator and public speaker. Sarah Luczak is the owner of Burlap & Pearls Photography.
Protecting Your Child’s Health
Expert Answers to Urgent Environmental Questions
American Academy of Pediatrics, Sophie Balk, Ruth ...

Essential information to help parents protect their children from toxins where they live, learn, and play

Summary
Because of their smaller, rapidly growing bodies, babies, children, and adolescents are at higher risk from exposure to environmental hazards. This guide provides information on food and water safety, air pollution, sun protection, lead, radiation, and pesticides that children may encounter at home, at school, or in the community. Broader issues such as climate change are also addressed. The Q&A format makes the expert guidance of the American Academy of Pediatrics accessible to parents.

Contributor Bio
The American Academy of Pediatrics is an organization of 67,000 primary care pediatricians, pediatric medical subspecialists, and pediatric surgical specialists dedicated to the health, safety, and well-being of infants, children, adolescents, and young adults. The AAP is the largest pediatric publisher in the world, with a diverse list of resources that includes essential clinical and practice management titles and award-winning books for parents. Ruth A. Etzel, MD, PhD, FAAP, is a pediatrician, environmental epidemiologist, and preventive medicine specialist who previously led the World Health Organization’s activities to protect children from environmental hazards. She is the co-editor of Pediatric Environmental Health. She lives in Washington, DC. Sophie J. Balk, MD, FAAP, is a general pediatrician at the Children’s Hospital at Montefiore and professor of pediatrics at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine in Bronx, NY. She is an associate editor of Pediatric Environmental Health. She lives in New Rochelle, NY.

Quirky Kids
Understanding and Supporting Your Child With Developmental Differences
Perri Klass, Ellen Costello

The latest studies show that 1-in-6 children have a developmental disability of some kind—this guide is for the adults who love them and want to help them make their way in the world

Summary
This classic, coauthored by New York Times columnist and pediatrician Dr. Perri Klass, has been fully revised and updated to reflect the recent significant changes in the recognition and care of children whose development doesn’t go as expected. It includes new information about therapeutic interventions, managing co-morbidities, and getting support for children with developmental differences at school. Additional information covers community resources, initiatives at hospitals, clinics, and even theme parks, that make life easier for children with developmental differences and their families. The authors also offer a stronger focus on self-care for parents in this new edition, with the pediatrician’s perspective of supporting families as they go through the diagnostic process over time.

Contributor Bio
Perri Klass, MD, FAAP, writes the weekly column, “The Checkup,” for The New York Times. She lives in New York City. Eileen Costello, MD, FAAP, is a clinical professor of pediatrics at Boston University School of Medicine. She lives in Jamaica Plain, MA.
**Being Mama**

*Being Mama* embodies the ability to nurture, to control the driving force within, and being able to love forever, unconditionally. We juggle a lot at once: emotions, job expectations, finances, relationships, health, and more. These authors share all kinds of stories about the different experiences of womanhood to motherhood. How does one embrace motherhood while still being herself? What can she do to set aside time for herself? When she is a strong support to many, who supports her? So Mama, it's time to take time for YOU. Kick up your feet, tell them Mama time is important too, and find some new friends within these pages.

**Contributor Bio**

Deirdre Slattery is mama to one and a fitness/lifestyle coach. Charleyne Oulton is mama to three and a member of the R.C.N. Liz Vardan is mama to one and a real estate broker. Shannon-Lee Figsby is mama to one and owns a dance/fitness studio. Habiba Jessica Zaman is mama to two and a counsellor. Jenna Knight is mama to one and studies overall health. Valerie Steele is mama to one and a teacher. Erica Lambert is mama to two and a blogger. Sarah MacElroy is mama to three and a clothing designer.

Samantha Amaraegbu is mama to one and a paralegal. Sasha Rose is mama to two and an entrepreneur.

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**Mama's Gotta Work**

*This book was written by working moms, for working moms. When it comes time to go “back to work,” what additional challenges might mom expect? Is it possible to implement conscious parenting while simultaneously achieving career success and also discovering true fulfillment in life? What sort of new learning curves may she face mentally, emotionally, physically, and even spiritually? How might she adapt to the social status change to “mom” in the public world, while still maintaining the most important role of mom at home in private? Let’s get real and start the conversation.*

**Contributor Bio**

Krysta Lee is a singer/songwriter, actor, author, artist, coach, and health and wellness marketing executive who is the proud mama of two beautiful babes (Jaxon and Lillee), and wife to her twin flame DJ. Amanda Drexler is an entrepreneur with a home based travel agency, a wife, and a stay at home mom of two wonderful children. Andie Mack works full time in marketing and events in the health industry, she is also an advocate for clean beauty, a wife, and mother of two amazing children. Charleyne Oulton (aka “Coach Charley Brown”) is an award-winning author, a reservist in the RCN, health and wellness coach, and mom of three children. Domenica Orlando is a teacher by trade, a traveller, volunteer, vlogger, founder of “Family Connections Collective”, wife, and mama of two little babes. Elizabeth Meekes is a holistic practitioner, life coach, podcast host (“The Magic Soul”), a wife, and mom of two boys (Rowan and Arion). Erin Montgomery is a freelance writer, journalism graduate, digital marketing specialist, founder of *Flourish Magazine*, and single mom to three little ones. Laura Morri...
Surviving Deployment
A Guide for Military Families
Karen Pavlicin

From the call to duty through heartwarming reunions, this comprehensive, personal guide helps US active duty, National Guard, and reserve military families turn a challenging deployment into a positive, rewarding experience.

Summary
Personal stories, practical ideas, and checklists help readers know what to expect, how to prepare, and how to personally grow as individuals and families. Updated second edition includes new information about longer repeat and multiple deployments, self-care and wellness, and stories and examples from recent conflicts.

Contributor Bio
Karen Pavlicin is an award-winning author and dynamic international speaker known for her practicality, inspirational insight, and sense of humor. Her challenging yet positive experiences during her Marine husband’s many deployments, and her volunteer work with military families, inspired her to write Surviving Deployment: A Guide for Military Families and lead military family workshops. She wrote Life After Deployment: Military Families Share Reunion Stories and Advice to help with the many challenges military families face during their reunions. In 2019, Military Spouse magazine named her the "Godmother of the Milspouse Book Movement" for her work representing the voices and stories of military families.

Life After Deployment
Military Families Share Reunion Stories and Advice
Karen Pavlicin

Captures the tender and moving stories of military families during their reunion.

Summary
“No one can totally prepare us for the emotional roller coaster deployments and reintegrations bring, but this book will give you tools that will help the process immensely.” — Kathy Guzzon for Homefront United Network

Life After Deployment captures the tender and moving stories of military families during their reunion. Service members and their spouses, parents, fiancées, and children share the joy and anxiety of homecoming, the adjustments of living together again, and how they coped with anger, depression, PTSD, injuries, grief, and other challenges. Some families had fairytale endings. Most worked hard to rebuild their relationships after much time and change. A few suffered great losses. These military families talk candidly about what their experience was really like, offering hope and advice to others who walk this journey. The new edition of this important work features additional stories from all active duty and national guard serve branches as well as up-to-date information from more recent conflicts. First Lady of the Marine Corps Recommended Reading List

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Secret Kindness Agents; An Educator's Guide
Ferial Pearson

This is the book that teachers, school counselors, school psychologists, and school administrators have been looking for.

Summary
With the current political climate, frequency of school shootings, and rising concern for students’ mental health, schools are desperate for ideas on how to teach students to be kind. In this book, educators can find guidance on how different education professionals have implemented The Secret Kindness Agents Project, having tweaked it for their unique contexts, from preschool through university levels. Administrators and other school professionals will also find research outlining how The Secret Kindness Agents project impacted twenty-three educators, their students, and their contexts, as well as research that underscores the need for kindness education in general. The Secret Kindness Agents project has been implemented in over 500 schools around the world; from preschool through university level; in public, private, and homeschool settings; and in rural, urban, and suburban settings. It is all over the United States, three provinces in Canada, in Cameroon, Kenya, Australia, Fiji, and the Philippines. The project has been highlighted by Teaching Tolerance Magazine, the Hallmark Ch...

Contributor Bio
Dr. Ferial Pearson, a native of Nairobi, Kenya, is a national award-winning high school teacher and college professor.

Facilitating Group Learning
Strategies for Success with Diverse Learners
George Lakey, Mark Leier

An essential resource designed to help educators, trainers, workshop leaders, and anyone who assists groups to learn.

Summary
George Lakey presents the core principles and proven techniques of direct education, an approach he developed for effectively teaching adults in groups. To illustrate how it works in action, Lakey includes a wealth of compelling stories from his vast experience facilitating groups in a variety of situations. Direct education cuts through the pretense and needless complications that can distance learners from subject matter. This approach focuses the encounter between teacher and group; it replaces scattered attention with gathered attention. Unlike in other books on group facilitation, the author emphasizes critical issues related to diversity, as well as authenticity and emotions. Step by step, this groundbreaking book describes how to design effective learning experiences and shows what it takes to facilitate them. Ultimately, it brings all the elements of the author's direct education approach together. Facilitating Group Learning also contains material on sustaining the educator, addresses working with social movements, and includes the Training for Change toolkit of group learni...

Contributor Bio
George Lakey has led over 1,500 social change workshops on five continents. Mark Leier works in the history department of Simon Fraser University.
**It's Hard!**

**Sexual Satisfaction Secrets to Beat Erectile Dysfunction**

S. Sequoia Stafford

Using her experience in shamanism, tantra, and ontology, S. Sequoia Stafford developed the It's Hard process, which puts you back in the driver's seat of your sex life.

**Summary**

Do you want to climax with ease? Is climaxing getting you down and out because it's just too difficult? Are you feeling worry, doubt, and embarrassment because you're not sure if you can get it up and you are hiding it from your partner? Feeling dread is natural, especially when all the alternatives promise quick fixes, with solutions that never work and take the pleasure out of the event. With more than twenty years of transformational studies and practiced experience, S. Sequoia Stafford has worked with hundreds of men and their partners to climax without working so hard.

**Contributor Bio**

S. Sequoia Stafford is an author, speaker, tantra educator, and master healer.

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**Climax: Why Great Leaders Need Love Affairs**

**An Enlightening Leadership Fable**

Emily Liu

Learn how the evidence-based Internal Family Systems Self-leadership framework can take your leadership and love life to new heights.

**Summary**

Did you know that the same parts of a personality that contribute to insecurities, conflicts and mediocrity in leadership are the same parts that contribute to unfulfilling and challenging romantic experiences, devoid of joy and deep emotional intimacy? The foundation of great leadership and an amazing love life is the same—Self-leadership. **CLIMAX: Why Great Leaders Need Love Affairs** is a leadership fable of two mediocre leaders who come to a crossroads: either do the inner work to shed the masks and egos or become another statistical casualty by joining the two-thirds of leaders who fail. Learn the root causes of leadership failures that traditional leadership development paradigms and books do not address.

**Contributor Bio**

Emily W. Liu is the founder of Soar to Greatness Now LLC.
**Polysecure**

*Attachment, Trauma and Consensual Nonmonogamy*

Jessica Fern, Eve Rickert

New tools to navigate the complexities of multiple loving relationships with radical new concepts about attachment theory

**Summary**

Attachment theory has entered the mainstream, but most discussions focus on how we can cultivate secure monogamous relationships. What if, like many people, you’re striving for secure, happy attachments with more than one partner? Polyamorous psychotherapist Jessica Fern breaks new ground by extending attachment theory into the realm of consensual nonmonogamy. Using her nested model of attachment and trauma, she expands our understanding of how emotional experiences can influence our relationships. Then, she sets out six specific strategies to help you move toward secure attachments in your multiple relationships. Polysecure is both a trailblazing theoretical treatise and a practical guide.

**Contributor Bio**

Jessica Fern is a registered psychotherapist who lives in Boulder, CO.

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**In the Eye of a Relationship Storm**

*Know What to Do in an Abusive Situation*

Jackqueline Ann Roberts

If you are ready to shift out of your storm, reclaim your power, and change your results with or without him, In the Eye of a Relationship Storm is for you

**Summary**

You have experienced emotional, mental or physical abuse and have been telling yourself if things don’t change you will leave. You have been hoping and wishing for things to get better. Situations get flipped around and you question if it’s your fault. How many times has he told you he will change or get help? Perhaps you see a glimpse of hope until the next altercation.

**Contributor Bio**

Jackqueline Ann Roberts is the founder of Energetic Health & Wellness. As a transformational life coach and energy healer she provides her clients a unique support system and offers a compassionate, non-judgemental safe space to heal, repattern, restructure, and reprogram the body, mind, and spirit. Jackqueline’s passion is teaching clients to unlock there true potential, achieve outrageous results, and live a life they love living!
**What Happened to My Happily Ever After?**
The Radical Approach to Revitalize Your Marriage or Divorce with Love
Belinda Zylberman

Discover a new opportunity in your relationship

**Summary**
Stuck between two bad choices: unhappy marriage or divorce? Like many couples, the very things you valued when you met "the love of your life" may now be a distant memory. Newlywed dreams turned into daily routines, paying the bills, and raising children. The passion is gone and you feel uninspired, while conflict and misunderstanding have become household fixtures. Family Mediator and Relationship Coach Belinda Zylberman has assisted hundreds of couples in consciously choosing marriage or divorce. By helping them to navigate their most challenging and vulnerable conflicts, she witnesses relationships healing and transforming time and time again.

**Contributor Bio**
Belinda Zylberman is a family mediator and relationship coach.

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**Winning Your Parents' Approval for Divorce**
7 Practices to Leave Your Marriage with Their Blessing
Cindy A. Gunraj

Want a divorce but too afraid of your parents' reactions?

**Summary**
Are you feeling stuck because your divorce would upset and disappoint your very traditional Indian parents? You probably deeply want your parents’ blessing and support so you can leave this marriage. The good news is that you don’t have to figure this out on your own! Author, motivational speaker, and certified divorce coach Cindy Gunraj went through this same experience and successfully deepened her parental relationship.

**Contributor Bio**
Peeling away the veils of cultural taboos, Cindy Gunraj bravely left a stifling marriage and deepened bonds with her parents. She’s a certified divorce coach who helps women contemplating divorce who need their traditional parents’ blessing to leave the marriage. She’s also a professional speaker and has spoken at United Nations, Unicef, and Dress for Success. Cindy loves hiking, meditation, and lives in Portland, Oregon with her corgi, Joy, and partner David.
The Power of Hex
Spells, Incantations, and Rituals
Shawn Engel

Encourages witches to reclaim and use their power in inclusive ways as a catalyst for social change

Summary
In The Power of Hex, author Shawn Engel shows young witches how to use their own power in an inclusive way, and empowers them to create their own spells with their new knowledge. Beginning with the definition of hexing, unpacking the ethics, and showing how disenfranchised groups have used this type of magic throughout history for protection, The Power of Hex leads into modern takes on the practice. From there, an overview of focusing energy in different rituals leads into four main spell chapters, rounding out to a chapter dedicated to building your own spells using aligned ingredients. This book sets itself apart because it aims to simplify this powerful type of magic while enforcing morality. We don't want to sink to the level of those we are cursing; hexing is meant to protect and arm. This beautiful, four-color illustrated guide introduce new witches to sigils, amulets, potions, and spells. Hex responsibly and effectively!

Contributor Bio
Shawn Engel, owner of WitchyWisdoms, is a spiritual mentor based in New Jersey. She has worked with thousands of women by performing Tarot readings, leading spell work and rituals, and teaching manifestation lessons. She has been featured in multiple publications including Cosmopolitan, Bust, and Sabat magazine, and is the author of Cosmopolitan Love Spells. She is the founder of the Boss Mystic Podcast Network, which is a growing home to witchcraft podcasts, including her own, True Crime Astrology.

Beyond Esoteric
Escaping Prison Planet
Brad Olsen

All that is hidden is being revealed

Summary
Nothing in this world works the way you think it does; there is always more to the story. Be aware that there is a war for your mind and your soul. Corporations have taken over governments in a new form of Fascism that now incorporates high technology and artificial intelligence. The survival of the human race may depend on breaking the Embargo of truth, and collectively developing an ÜberMind. But truth always resonates! Beyond Esoteric takes off the kids gloves, and exposes the control grid extending its tentacles across the planet. The word occult means nothing more than to study the realm of the hidden. So much of real knowledge and wisdom is disguised because the people who run the planet feel that true information of how the world works and how to manifest reality is something you do not need to know. Everything we think we know about the world and the universe in which we live, whatever we have been led to believe concerning the course of human history, could very well be completely wrong, distorted and misinformed. The 19th century teachers of the occult could never have imag...

Contributor Bio
Brad Olsen is an award-winning author, book publisher, and event producer.
Empowering Intuitives
A Spiritual Toolkit for this Modern World
Michelle Walker

Empowering Intuitives is a short read for a lifetime of happiness

Summary
This is a spiritual self-help guide that provides a productive and inspiring way to view life and the surrounding environment, while learning to be grateful—even for the little things! This book unlocks the secrets for finding peace, happiness, and true well-being that everyone has within themselves. Each chapter defines, explores, and exemplifies spiritual abilities and mindsets, while unraveling the causes of present-day negative experiences. Included exercises can be done by adults or with intuitive children to help prepare them for their adult life as an intuitive. Tools are also provided to use as exercises in developing and understanding a spiritual mindset, for both adults and children. Learning how to deal with and/or remove the negative aspects of life by replacing them with positive thoughts, movements, and actions can have a powerful impact on every life. This is a truly inspiring and motivating book that will allow individuals the freedom to explore their sensory perceptions as well as provide guidance to live life as an intuitive.

Contributor Bio
Rev. Dr. Michelle Walker DNP is a Spiritual Medium and Medical Intuitive trained in alternative and traditional medicine.

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When You Hear Hoofbeats Think of a Zebra
Talks on Sufism
Shems Friedlander

Our spiritual potential as human beings is realized

Summary
Shems Friedlander has studied with Sufi Shaykhs throughout the Middle East—in Mecca, Medina, Cairo and Istanbul. Here he presents ancient Sufi teaching stories rooted in the Islamic tradition. With common sense and insightful wit he addresses questions and problems of contemporary life and awakens our attention to the often overlooked moments that give importance and meaning to our lives. Through the re-telling of classical stories and his own commentary, a pattern unfolds that helps to distinguish knowledge from information, reality from imagination, and makes what seems to lie beyond our perception—accessible.

Contributor Bio
Shems Friedlander is Professor Emeritus at the American University in Cairo and the author of Rumi: The Hidden Treasure, and Rumi and the Whirling Dervishes.
**Sufism and Ancient Wisdom**
Algis Uzdavinys

This monograph is the first serious attempt to reinterpret ancient Egyptian and Mesopotamian wisdom in the light of Sufi metaphysics.

**Summary**
Drawing upon a wide range of ancient sources as well as contemporary scholarly research, this groundbreaking book reveals the astonishing continuity and the historical transformation of spiritual patterns from the Assyrian and Babylonian to the Islamic civilization. It argues that in Sufism, the main metaphysical content of ancient wisdom can be shown to have been preserved and reinterpreted in accordance with Quranic revelation, following the pattern of prevailing monotheistic Jewish, Christian, and Islamic mythologies. Such motifs include the Divine covenant and human kingship, Lordship and servant-hood, holy war and the return to primordial integrity. Recurring myths and rituals of cosmogony and eschatology, of ontological irradiation and spiritual deconstruction, constitute a dialectical play which re-appear in the context of Sufism, that is, in the context of traditional Islamic piety and sacred rites.

**Contributor Bio**
**ALGIS UŽDAVINYS** (1962–2010) was a Lithuanian philosopher and scholar.

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**Rumi The Hidden Treasure**
Shems Friedlander

Shems introduces the reader to Rumi (b. 1207), the famous Sufi whose poetry is perhaps better known today than ever before.

**Summary**
In this accessible yet authoritative pocket-sized edition, the author speaks about the famous saying (hadith qudsi) "I was a hidden treasure and I wished to be known so I created man that I may be known," and explains the life, poetry, thought, and spiritual practice of the originator of the Sufi order famous for the whirling dervishes.

**Contributor Bio**
**Shems Friedlander** is the author of ten books. He is a painter, photographer, designer, filmmaker, and educator. He is Emeritus Professor of the American University in Cairo. He was selected by the Royal Islamic Strategic Studies Center as one of the 500 most influential Muslims in the world in the field of art and culture.
How to Study the Bible
The Word of God is Alive and Powerful - Hebrews 4:12
Judy Hartman, Jack Hartman

Jack and Judy Hartman's mission and ministry is to "get you into the Word of God" and "get the Word of God into you"

Summary
They do this in the 7th book in their God’s Toolbox Series by delivering the bible in easy to understand language with path to studying by topic or a chronological book-by-book approach. You will find yourself wanting to study the Bible to glean for yourself the wisdom, counsel, knowledge, and understanding presented in God’s love letter to you. You will discover that both studying and meditating on the Word of God are essential for walking into the life God has planned for you. With words filled with the power of God, the bible is a book written by 40 authors on three continents, over a span of 2,000 years, with 2,500 prophecies that occurred exactly as prophesied, with only 500 prophecies remaining. As with all book in the God’s Toolbox Series, a Study Guide is included for individual and group study.

Contributor Bio
Jack Hartman & Judy Hartman have two passions...their love for Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior and to reach out to the world and share His love and salvation through their ministry of writing and prayer. They have written over 30 topic-related books to help share God’s word for seekers and those new and mature in their faith.

A History of the Goddess
From the Ice Age to the Bible
Edward Dodge

A unique look at ancient history and the Bible that argues Mother Goddess worship was dominant in culture and religion for thousands of years

Summary
Before the rise of monotheism, the early Hebrews were pagan and God had a wife, the Mother Goddess. The Bible tells the story of their divorce. Goddess worship promoted equality for women, social justice, spiritual connection to nature and the cycles of life, cannabis, sexual freedom, celebrated transgenders, and practiced abortions. When the Goddess was thrown out of the Hebrew temple by the monotheists, so too were all of these deeply ancient traditions. Many familiar Bible stories and characters are reinterpreted by showing where the Goddess appears and the Bible is reframed by comparing it to the mythologies of neighboring cultures.

Contributor Bio
Edward Dodge is a technology consultant and writer from Washington D.C. with degrees from Cornell University. He is a lifelong Green and an expert on renewable energy. As a hobby he has studied the history of cannabis which provided the origins of this book.
The Color of Together
Mixed Metaphors of Connectedness
Milton Brasher-Cunningham

A story that started in grief and continues in hope

Summary
When his father died, Milton learned that grief was a primary color of life. That truth is as old as the human story, but was new to him. The Color of Together explores the metaphor more fully, looking at the primary colors of life, which he names as grief, grace, and gratitude, and then expanding the palette to describe some of the other hues that make us human. The book is a conversation between his personal stories, authors who have been mentors from the page, biblical accounts, and a variety of metaphors that allow us to see the colors of life in different lights and contexts.

Contributor Bio
Milton Brasher-Cunningham was born in Texas, grew up in Africa, and has spent the last thirty years in New England and North Carolina. He is an ordained minister in the United Church of Christ, and has worked as a high school English teacher, a professional chef, a trainer for Apple, and is now an editor. He is the author of three books, Keeping the Feast: Metaphors for the Meal, This Must Be the Place: Reflections on Home, and his latest, The Color of Together. He loves the Boston Red Sox, his mini schnauzers, handmade music, and feeding people. He lives in Guilford, Connecticut with Ginger, his wife, and their three Schnauzers. He writes regularly at donteatalone.com.

From Beer to the Bible
Ervin Lee

Drawing from his "spiritual sobriety kit," Ervin Lee inspires with accessible and profound truths. This book is more than words, it is a living, breathing story of one man who was severely damaged, but not destroyed, because Jesus found beauty in his brokenness. Lee’s testimony is an example of the ...

Summary
Ervin Lee seemed to have it all: a lucrative career as an executive at Fortune 500 companies, a prospering liquor store chain, popularity, and the self-centered lifestyle the world promotes. Despite his outward success, Lee's inner demons were slowly destroying him. He suffered from extreme alcoholism and was in danger of losing not only his business and marriage, but also his life. After entering rehab in an effort to be restored and renewed, Lee found more than just freedom—he also found Jesus. Today, he has devoted his life to shining a light for those in the darkness of addiction, depression, and self-inflicted suffering. He survives by rigorously sticking to his "spiritual sobriety kit," which includes daily physical exercise, time in prayer journaling truths gleaned from God's Word, and most importantly, walking in the power of the Holy Spirit one moment at a time! From Beer to the Bible is a collection of short, profound proverbs revealed to Lee during his private time with the Lord during his first years of sobriety.

Contributor Bio
After a career in marketing at several Fortune 500 companies, Ervin Lee opened a successful and growing liquor store chain. After overcoming and being healed of alcoholism by Jesus, he founded Hampton Ministries, a foundation that helps those who suffer from substance abuse. He is most proud of his work as a spiritual coach and consultant for Fortune 500 executives, leaders, and pastors. He and his wife Lorraine live a blessed, quiet, simple, and peaceful life in the great state of Texas.
In Search of a Course
Mark Cladis

In Search of a Course recounts the events of a fateful road-trip through the American Southwest.

Summary
When Mark Cladis embarks, he is spiritually lost, shaken by a failed marriage, and disillusioned by the academic life he has chosen. This is how Paul Kane and Mark Cladis, two Vassar professors, find themselves on a road trip through the Southwest desert. During the trip, Cladis encounters several teachers—Native American educators, local artists, Paul, and the desert itself—who inspire revelations about the land, education, friendship, and the ways of love. Cladis returns considerably healed, spiritually revived, and possessed of a new hope for his life and vocation. On this journey, equally thrilling and healing, he encounters dangers and seeming miracles. From these experiences he receives a distinct feeling of belonging—to the earth, to a spiritual and intellectual ancestry, to a friendship. In Search of a Course is a memoir about those days in the desert that saved his life. It discusses the emotional and embodied strategies he learned in the desert to mitigate suffering, find peace, and repair his life.

Contributor Bio
Mark Cladis is the Brooke Russell Astor Professor of the Humanities at Brown University. He lives in Barrington, Rhode Island, with his wife and three children.

The Hitchhike
Mark Paul Smith

Mark Paul Smith's hitchhike from Indiana to India in 1972 changed him from being an Air Force Officer into a conscientious objector.

Summary
Mark Paul Smith graduated college on an Air Force scholarship with dreams of becoming a pilot. He had some downtime after graduation and before reporting for duty so he decided to hitchhike the world. A decision that would change his life forever.

As he traveled, his approach to life and his future decisions changed. He hitchhiked through the Iron Curtain and worked on a collective farm in Hungary only to find that communism wasn't our real enemy. He met people from North Vietnam who showed him the real enemy was the U.S. war machine. Being an American was not popular in those days, but the people of the world showed Smith kindness and kept him alive when he ran out of money. The long road to decision showed him that people everywhere want peace, not war.

Mark Paul Smith's hitchhike from Indiana to India in 1972 changed him from being an Air Force Officer into a conscientious objector. His faith in the United States of America was restored when he sued the government and won his case in federal court. His journey is one of faith, contemplation, and awakening, mixed with the freedom and...

Contributor Bio
Mark Paul Smith has been a trial attorney for nearly forty years. He and the artist Jody Hemphill Smith own Castle Gallery Fine Art in Fort Wayne, Indiana.
News Division
Tim Ortman

News Division, a follow-on to Ortman’s NewsReal, boldly depicts the state of affairs in the current television news landscape

Summary
What constitutes unbiased information vs. opinion disguised as facts? Why and how has what we watch become diluted, dramatized, and polarized? How have we arrived at this point? What was lost? What was gained? Through personal anecdotes, and a touch of humor, rooted in over 35 years of experience and laser-focused analysis, the author demonstrates how the television news landscape has changed and what this means for news gathering and reporting as well as for those watching at home. While the fringes on the left and the right expand, the unwavering center still delivers straightforward unbiased news, albeit packaged differently. The responsibility of discerning what we are taking in relies on us, the consumers: this book helps guide us to understand what we are being fed every day.

Contributor Bio
Tim Ortman spent 35 years working in television news, having worked for all major U.S television news networks (NBC, ABC, CBS, CNN, FOX) and the BBC.

Property of the U.S. Army
A Vietnam Veteran’s Story of Survival and Recovery
Edward B. Adams, Kilee Brookbank

Ed discovers that war is hell … and there’s no coming back from either

Summary
Ed was just 20 years old when a Vietcong landmine ripped off both his legs below the knee. After only four months and four days in combat, Ed found himself in a Guam hospital bed fighting for his life—a life he would barely recognize when he returned to his small-town Ohio home. The U.S. Army paid for Ed’s two legs with a Purple Heart. The failed marriages, alcoholism, and drug abuse were an added bonus. After 50 years of trying to find his place in the world, Ed found the Army had taken that too. In Property of the U.S. Army, Ed shares his story for the first time, processing the lifelong impact of combat...of coming home to a nation that didn’t want him...of physical and mental wounds that never fully healed.

Contributor Bio
Edward B. Adams is a U.S. Army veteran and double amputee who was awarded a Purple Heart for his sacrifice and service in Vietnam. Kilee Brookbank is the Benjamin Franklin Award-winning author of Beautiful Scars: A Life Redefined and Digger the Hero Dog.
**Take Me with You**

**One Person's Journey to Find the Charity Within**
Scott Jackson

A call to action to help those in need, especially children

**Summary**

Take Me with You delivers a first-person narrative of a boy who found his future by running away. My childhood and escape from abuse has influenced my present work and driven a personal inspiration to leave a lasting mark on humanity. Today, as the CEO and President of Global Impact, I've made a career of trying to stop cycles of abuse, racism, and inequality. I'm the sum of my story, this memoir rooted in love, faith, and moral courage. Take Me with You is one boy's story about choosing love, forgiveness, and the charity within—and about choosing to be positive.

**Contributor Bio**

Global Impact President and CEO Scott Jackson has worked and traveled from New York to New Delhi, from Washington, D.C., to Dakar, Senegal.

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**Without a Second Thought**

**A Memoir of Life in Franco’s Madrid**
Diane Lorz Benitez

The story of this Spanish/American marriage is set in Madrid during the final years of the Franco regime, 1966-1976

**Summary**

Diane knew nothing about the Spanish Civil War, and the only thing she knew about the dictator Franco was that Alberto, the worldly, successful Spanish engineer she wanted to marry, called him "benevolent." Set in the 1960s and 70s, the adventure of this Spanish/American marriage during the final years of the Franco regime could only be told by someone who lived it. And for the most part loved it. Diane filled her letters home with happy anecdotes about affectionate in-laws, a fascinating language, the Byzantine bureaucracy, and doormen she thought were out to get her. But underneath the comfortable exterior lingered vague images of Franco's police and ghosts of the Civil War—the war no one spoke about, or mentioned only superficially, except for Alberto, who had recounted his harrowing experience as a teenager fleeing the siege of Madrid. It was Alberto's increasingly alarming behavior that made her fear for her marriage, and ultimately made her fear for the safety of her daughters. When she saw no other way out, she dealt with the fear the only way she knew how. The story is told...

**Contributor Bio**

Diane Lorz Benitez met, fell in love, and married a handsome engineer and then promptly moved from the United States to Madrid, Spain. Her story of the rocky marriage and the haunting specter of the Spanish Civil War that sat like a pall over everything is her first book. She lives in Scottsdale, Arizona.
Surviving Hiroshima
A Young Woman’s Story
Anthony Drago, Douglas Wellman

An emotional, and sometime chilling, story of courage and survival in the face of one of history’s greatest catastrophes

Summary
On August 6, 1945, 22-year-old Kaleria Palchikoff was doing pre-breakfast chores when a blinding flash lit the sky over Hiroshima, Japan. A moment later, everything went black as the house collapsed on her and her family. Their world, and everyone else’s, changed as the first atomic bomb was detonated over a city. From Russian nobility, the Palchikoff’s barely escaped death at the hands of Bolshevik revolutionaries until her father, a White Russian officer, hijacked a ship to take them to safety in Hiroshima. Safety was short lived. Her father, a talented musician, established a new life for the family, but the outbreak of World War II created a cloud of suspicion that led to his imprisonment and years of deprivation for his family. After the bombing, trapped in the center of previously unimagined devastation, Kaleria summoned her strength to come to the aid of bomb victims, treating the never-before seen effects of radiation. Fluent in English, Kaleria was soon recruited to work with Gen. Douglas MacArthur’s occupation forces in a number of secretarial positions until the family fou...

Contributor Bio
Anthony “Tony” Drago (Kaleria Palchikoff’s son) is a former Public Safety Officer who spent his twenty-five year career serving the community of Sunnyvale, California as both a firefighter and police officer. Douglas Wellman was a television producer-director for 35 years, as well as the assistant dean of the University of Southern California School of Cinematic arts.

Ben Fletcher
The Life and Times of a Black Wobbly
Peter Cole, Robin D.G. Kelley

The story of one of the greatest heroes of the American working class

Summary
In the early twentieth century, when many US unions disgracefully excluded black and Asian workers, the Industrial Workers of the World (IWW) warmly welcomed people of color, in keeping with their emphasis on class solidarity and their bold motto: “An Injury to One Is an Injury to All!” A brilliant union organizer and a humorous orator, Benjamin Fletcher (1890–1949) was a tremendously important and well-loved African American member of the IWW during its heyday. For years, acclaimed historian Peter Cole has carefully researched the life of Ben Fletcher. This book includes a detailed biographical sketch of his life and history, reminiscences by fellow workers who knew him, a chronicle of the IWW’s impressive decade-long run on the Philadelphia waterfront in which Fletcher played a pivotal role, and nearly all of his known writings and speeches, thus giving Fletcher’s timeless voice another opportunity to inspire a new generation of workers, organizers, and agitators. This revised and expanded second edition includes new materials and much more.

Contributor Bio
Peter Cole is a professor of history at Western Illinois University in Macomb.
Revolution or Death
The Life of Eldridge Cleaver
Justin Gifford

The first trade biography of one of the most notorious black revolutionaries in history, exploring the audacious dreams and spiritual transformations of the eccentric radical and placing him squarely within the context of his changing times.

Summary
The figure who embodied the militant and controversial spirit of the Black Panther Party more than anyone was Eldridge Cleaver. Charismatic, brilliant, and courageous, Cleaver built a base of power and influence that struck fear deep in the heart of white America. It was therefore shocking to many left-wing radicals when Cleaver turned his back on black revolution, the Nation of Islam, and communism in 1975. While Cleaver seemed sincerely disillusioned with radicalism, his erratic behavior over the next two decades revealed something that had been a latent part of his psyche all along—his narcissistic megalomania. His influence declined significantly through the 1980s until he found himself back on the streets committing petty crimes. By the time he died, in 1998, he was largely viewed as a turncoat who had betrayed the cause of black freedom. How can we make sense of Cleaver's precipitous decline from a position as one of America's most vibrant black writers and activists? Revolution or Death provides the first life story of one of the most notorious black revolutionaries in history...

Contributor Bio

The Last American Hero
The Remarkable Life of John Glenn
Alice L. George

Examines the many layers that formed the man and unravels the reasons for his singular American Hero role.

Summary
On February 20, 1962, John Glenn became a national star. That morning at Cape Canaveral, a small-town boy from Ohio took his place atop a rocket and soared into orbit to score a victory in the heavily contested Cold War. The television images were blurry black-and-white phantoms. The cameras shook as the rocket moved, but by the end of the day, one thing was clear: a new hero rode that rocket and became the center of the world's attention for the four hours and fifty-five minutes of his flight. From that day forward, Glenn restively wore the hero label. Refusing to let that dramatic day define his life, he went on to become a four-term US senator—and returned to space at the age of seventy-seven. He was a creation of the media, in some ways, but he was also a product of the Cold War. At a time when increasingly cynical Americans need heroes, his aura burns brightly in American memory.

Contributor Bio
Alice L. George is a historian and served as a senior editor at the Charlotte (NC) News, the Lexington (KY) Herald-Leader, the Detroit Free Press, and the Philadelphia Daily News. She has authored or coauthored seven books, including The Cuban Missile Crisis and The Assassination of John F. Kennedy. She lives in Philadelphia.
**Overnight Code**

The Life of Raye Montague, the Woman Who Revolutionized Naval Engineering
Paige Bowers, David Montague

The inspiring story of a groundbreaking African American woman engineer who created the first computer-designed ship for the US Navy

**Summary**

*Overnight Code* tells the story of Raye Montague, an ambitious little girl from segregated Little Rock who spent a lifetime educating herself, both inside and outside of the classroom, so that she could become the person and professional she aspired to be. Where some saw roadblocks, Montague only saw hurdles that needed to be overcome. Her mindset helped her become the first person to draft a Naval ship design by computer, using a program she worked late nights to debug. She did this as a single mother during the height of the Cold War, all the while imbuing her son with the hard-won wisdom she had accumulated throughout the years. Equal parts coming-of-age tale, civil rights history, and reflection on the power of education, *Overnight Code* is a tale about the persistence and perseverance required to forge the life of your dreams when the odds against you seem insurmountable, and shows how one woman refused to let other people’s prejudices stand in the way of her success.

**Contributor Bio**

Paige Bowers is a news and features writer as well as the author of *The General’s Niece*. She lives in Atlanta, Georgia. David R. Montague, the son of Raye Montague, is the director of online learning and faculty mentoring at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock, and is a tenured full professor of criminal justice.

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**Deep and Sheltered Waters**

The History of Tod Inlet
David R. Gray, Robert D. Turner, Nancy J. Turner

This book brings to light the fascinating story of a community and place: Tod Inlet, near Victoria, BC

**Summary**

From the original inhabitants from the Tsartlip First Nation to the lost community of immigrant workers from China and India, from a company town to the development of parkland, the wealth of history in this rich area reflects much of the history of the entire province. The story of Tod Inlet and its communities spans from Vancouver Island to the BC coast north to Ocean Falls, south to California, and east to Golden, BC. David Gray draws from interviews with elders of the Tsartlip First Nation, descendants of the Chinese and Sikh workers, and the local community, and from archives held in Victoria and Ottawa. This detailed, illustrated book by an award-winning filmmaker tells the whole story of the natural area, the archaeological sites, the community of Tod Inlet, the Vancouver Portland Cement Company and cement plant (an industrial first), and the development of the Butchart Gardens.

**Contributor Bio**

David R. Gray is a researcher, writer and filmmaker. He has curated two Virtual Museum of Canada exhibitions and directed and produced six documentary films, including the award-winning *Canadian Soldier Sikhs*. Dr. Nancy J. Turner is distinguished and Hakai professor in ethnology in the School of Environmental Studies at the University of Victoria. Robert D. Turner is the author of *The Klondike Gold Rush Steamers* and 17 other books.
Return of the Forest Spirit
The Repatriation Journey of the G’psgolox Totem Pole
Anders Björklund, Tom Ellett, Amalaxa Louisa Smith

An important contribution to the debate on museum ethics, cultural property disputes, and endangered cultural heritage in the world today

Summary
"Finally our people are recognized as human beings, our people [are] finally recognized as people, not objects of archaeology or objects of anthropology."—Derek Wilson, totem pole carver, in the film Totem: The Return of the G’psgolox Pole, 2003

In the 1870s Chief G’psgolox of the Kitlope people in British Columbia encountered a spirit in the forest and erected a commemoration totem pole. In 1928 a Canadian Indian agent cut down the pole, which was then sold to a Swedish museum. Transported triumphantly to Stockholm, the pole soon ended up in storage, where it stayed for half a century. In 1980 it was finally displayed at the Museum of Ethnography in Sweden.

Then the questions came. Was there any proof of purchase, or had the pole in fact been stolen from its creators? Chief G’psgolox’s descendants began a repatriation campaign, and negotiations went on until 2005, when the Swedish government agreed to return the pole. It was shipped back to its people in the hope they would preserve it for posterity. A few years later, however, the chief’s descendants decided the pole should be allowe...

Contributor Bio
Anders Björklund holds a PhD in ethnology and is the author of several books, mostly with a museological twist. After working at different museums as curator and researcher, in 1997 he was appointed director of the National Maritime Museum in Sweden. In 2002 he was nominated adjunct professor in ethnology at Stockholm University and continued as director of the Museum of Ethnography.

As a translator in private practice, Tom Ellett has been helping Scandinavian businesses and organizations

The Deaths of Sybil Bolton (Revised)
Oil, Greed, and Murder on the Osage Reservation
Dennis McAuliffe, David Grann

A still-relevant story of greed and murder of Native Americans by their countrymen

Summary
Journalist Dennis McAuliffe Jr. grew up believing that his Osage Indian grandmother, Sybil Bolton, had died an early death in 1925 from kidney disease. It was only by chance that he learned the real cause was a gunshot wound, and that her murder may well have been engineered by his own grandfather. As McAuliffe peele away layers of suppressed history, he learned that Sybil was a victim of the “Osage Reign of Terror”—a systematic killing spree in the 1920s when white men descended upon the oil-rich Osage reservation to court, marry, and murder Native women to gain control of their money. Previously published as Bloodlands, The Deaths of Sybil Bolton is part murder mystery, part family memoir, and part spiritual journey.

Contributor Bio
Dennis McAuliffe Jr. worked at the Washington Post as an editor for more than twenty-five years. He taught journalism at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill and at the University of Montana in Missoula, where he created and directed a journalism training and mentoring program for Native American college students across Indian Country. He lives in Raleigh, North Carolina.
**New Mexico Remembers 9/11**
Patricia Walkow

As we approach the twentieth anniversary of the attacks, readers of these stories and poems will understand New Mexico may have been physically far from the devastation, but its heart was just next door.

**Summary**
The terrorist attacks of 9/11 seared themselves into America’s collective memory. Non-stop images of collapsing towers, airlines flying into buildings, and a low-flying jet plunging into the Pentagon cannot be forgotten. Recordings of phone conversations between doomed passengers on United Fight 93—who knew about the previous attacks—and their loved ones on the ground, play over and over in our ears. In the subsequent days and months, much was said about New York and Washington D.C. and Pennsylvania. It was as though the rest of the country disappeared. The media people seemed to ignore the reality that the United States was attacked, that people in states like Missouri, Oregon, Alabama, or New Mexico were also terrorized. Aftershocks of the event spread far and wide. This anthology captures the 9/11/2001 experiences of New Mexican writers. Some witnessed the event first-hand. Some were still in school, or out of the country. But all of them now live in The Land of Enchantment, the state snuggled between Texas and Arizona. The talented contributors to New Mexico Remembers 9/11 offer...

**Contributor Bio**
Patricia Walkow is an award-winning author and editor. She is a member of the Corrales Writing Group, SouthWest Writers, New Mexico Press Women, Military Writers Society of America, and The National Federation of Press Women.

**Uprisings**
An Illustrated Guide to Popular Rebellion
David Graeber, Nika Dubrovsky

Bridging historical analysis and relevant contemporary art, Uprisings offers tools for visualizing history that offer a vivid point of entry to the information.

**Summary**
In recent and ongoing uprisings all around the world, from Santiago to Hong Kong, many of the protesters’ aims have been consistent: justice, an end to political corruption, and a return to principles of collective good. Yet there are also specific and diverse struggles such as demands for direct democracy (as in France), the rejection of ethnic or sectarian identities (Iraq and Lebanon), and the fate of the planet itself. *Uprisings* provides one way to find a common thread in all this by examining the similarities and differences among a full range of rebellions in the past, from slave revolts in ancient Egypt to the fall of the Berlin Wall to the women’s revolution in Rojava, northern Syria. Whereas existing narratives of radical social change have debated the virtues and vices of individual heroes (Jesus, Mandela, Gandhi), *Uprisings* follows in the footsteps of Howard Zinn, viewing major events as the product of a confluence of efforts by multiple actors, usually from vastly different backgrounds that have tended to be marginalized, their perspectives written out of official his...

**Contributor Bio**
Nika Dubrovsky is a writer and artist. David Graeber teaches anthropology at the London School of Economics.
**Free City!**
The Fight for San Francisco's City College and Education for All
Mickey Ellinger, Vicki Legion, Pauline Lipman, Mar...  

The story of the five years of organizing that turned a seemingly hopeless defensive fight into a victory for the most progressive free college measure in the US

**Summary**
In 2012, the accreditor sanctioned City College of San Francisco, one of the biggest and best community colleges in the country, and a year later proposed terminating its accreditation, leading to a state takeover. *Free City!* follows the multipronged strategies of the campaign and the diverse characters that carried them out. Teachers, students, labor unions, community groups, public officials, and concerned individuals saved a treasured public institution as San Francisco's working-class communities of color battled the gentrification that was forcing them out of the city. And they pushed back against the national “reform” agenda of corporate workforce training that drives students towards debt and sidelines lifelong learning and community service programs. Combining analysis with narrative, *Free City!* offers a case study in the power of positive vision and solution-oriented organizing and a reflection on what education can and should be.

**Contributor Bio**
*Mickey Ellinger* writes regularly for *News from Native California*. *Vicki Legion* has been on the faculty at City College of San Francisco since 1994. *Pauline Lipman* is a professor in the Educational Policy Studies Department at the College of Education, University of Illinois–Chicago. *Marcy Rein* is a writer, editor, and organizer.

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**The Communist Road to Capitalism**
How Social Unrest and Containment Have Pushed China’s (R)evolution since 1949
Ralf Ruckus

An in-depth exploration of the central role that the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) played in China's transformation from socialism to capitalism

**Summary**
Many interpret this transition as the result of the "betrayal" by reformers in the Party who wanted to establish capitalism. Ralf Ruckus reveals that the planned economy of socialist China not only created a class society under CCP rule that was based on exploitation, repression, gender division, and social exclusion but also led to class struggles against the new socialist ruling class. In typical authoritarian fashion, the Party leadership reacted with repression and rigid policies that were meant to strengthen and consolidate power. The restructuring of the state sector, as well as foreign investments, industrialization, migration, and urbanization, fundamentally altered the economy, the gender regime, and the composition of the working class. By carefully tracing these developments, Ruckus provides us with an invaluable insight into how this would ultimately transform the CCP leadership itself, turning it into the core of the newly composed capitalist ruling class that is still in power today. *The Communist Road to Capitalism* is both a bold reinterpretation of the history of the...

**Contributor Bio**
*Ralf Ruckus* has been active in social movements in Europe and Asia for decades and publishes texts on social struggles in China and elsewhere. He edits gongchao.org and blogs on naoqingchu.org.
**Working Class History**

*Everyday Acts of Resistance & Rebellion*

Working Class History, Noam Chomsky

This handbook of grassroots movements features many hidden histories and untold stories, reinforced with inspiring images, further reading, and a foreword from Noam Chomsky.

**Summary**

History is not made by kings, politicians, or a few rich individuals—it is made by all of us. *Working Class History* presents a distinct selection of people’s history through hundreds of "on this day in history" anniversaries that are as diverse and international as the working class itself. Women, young people, people of color, workers, migrants, indigenous people, LGBTQ people, disabled people, older people, the unemployed, home workers, and every other part of the working class have organized and taken action that has shaped our world, and improvements in living and working conditions have been won only by years of violent conflict and sacrifice. Going day by day, this book paints a picture of how and why the world came to be as it is, how some have tried to change it, and the lengths to which the rich and powerful have gone to maintain and increase their wealth and influence.

**Contributor Bio**

Founded in 2014, *Working Class History* is an international collective of worker-activists who launched a podcast and social media project to uncover our collective history of fighting for a better world and promote it to educate and inspire a new generation of activists. *Noam Chomsky* is a lifelong activist and laureate professor at the University of Arizona and professor emeritus in the MIT Department of Linguistics and Philosophy.

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**Global Projects at War**

*Tectonic Processes of Global Transformation*

Daniel Estulin

It is a treatise of the post crisis world we are living right now.

**Summary**

The break up of countries, the end of the current planetary economic model, the regionalization of economies, the birth of global supra national projects. Change of the cosmic energy of Atlanticism (NATO, USA, North Atlantic) to the Eastern and Pacific zone (Silk Road, China, Eurasia) with Latin America as its second node. The book explains what the new economic model will need to constructed and agreed on after the global collapse of our world in 2 or 3 years.

**Contributor Bio**

*Daniel Estulin*: Doctor of conceptual intelligence, researcher, writer, public speaker, senior political analyst, film director, producer, and foreign policy adviser to the Joint Chiefs of Staff of two Latin American nations. Author of 16 books, among which figure *The True Story of the Bilderberg Group*, an international best seller published in 68 countries and translated into 42 languages. Nominated in 2015 for Nobel Peace Prize. Former host of the highest rated Spanish language TV show in the world, *Desde la Sombra with RT* (formerly *Russia Today*).
Defending A Serial Killer
The Right To Counsel
Jim Potts

To avoid losing his family and releasing pure evil back into the world, Potts must be smarter than his options; he must find a way to keep his family together, fulfill his duties, and keep Mattson behind bars.

Summary
The Fifth and Sixth Amendments to the Constitution of the United States guarantee the right against self-incrimination, the right to remain silent, and the right to counsel. A crime wave swept California in the late 1970s. Several young girls were abducted, raped, and murdered. Michael Dee Mattson was convicted of these crimes and sentenced to death. In 1982, Jim Potts—a brilliant, idealistic, African American law student—is honored when one of his professors recruits him to assist in writing a death penalty appeal on behalf of a serial killer. Potts discovers a loophole in the case that had somehow been overlooked. One that could not only get Mattson off death row, but once presented to the Supreme Court of California, could release him to rape and murder again. When Potts confides in his pregnant wife, she says if Mattson goes free, their marriage is over. But if Potts quits the case, or withholds information, he violates his duty to client and Constitution and risks his career before it even begins. A moral dilemma with no good way out. To avoid losing his family and releasing pur...

Contributor Bio
Jim Potts, JD is a lawyer and author with a B.A. and Juris Doctorate Degree. He is also a twenty-year member of the L.A. County Sheriff’s Department with the rank of Captain. Jim has a national client base that represents thousands of managers and employees, and his blog, "Listen Up!" has fans in over 55 countries.

One Nation Under Blackmail
The Sordid Union Between Intelligence and Crime that Gave Rise to Jeffrey Epstein
Whitney Alyse Webb

Exposes vastly under-explored topics compared to other media reports and books on Jeffrey Epstein.

Summary
One Nation Under Blackmail is a damning indictment of the consequences resulting from the nearly century old relationship between both US and Israeli intelligence and the organized criminal network known as the National Crime Syndicate. This book specifically explores how that nexus between intelligence and organized crime directly developed the sexual blackmail tactics and networks that would later enable the sexual blackmail operation and other crimes of deceased pedophile and sex trafficker Jeffrey Epstein. Other books on Jeffrey Epstein focus on the depraved nature of his crimes, his wealth, and his most famous/politically-connected friends and acquaintances. This book, in contrast, reveals the extent to which Epstein’s activities were state-sponsored through an exploration of his intelligence connections.

Contributor Bio
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**Giovanni’s Ring**

*My Life Inside the Real Sopranos*

Giovanni Rocco, Douglas Schofield

The story of a former FBI undercover task force officer who spent years penetrating New Jersey’s DeCavalcante crime family, the criminal organization known to law enforcement as "the real Sopranos"

**Summary**

*Giovanni’s Ring* is the story of “Giovanni Rocco,” a New Jersey police officer, known undercover as “Giovanni Gatto,” who was the mysterious agent at the epicenter of Operation Charlie Horse, a federal undercover operation that ultimately brought down ten members and associates of New Jersey’s DeCavalcante Mafia family, the criminal organization known as “the real Sopranos.” Giovanni spent nearly three years working his way into the DeCavalcante hierarchy. That lethal assignment brought the undercover operation to an end in March 2015, and the resulting string of high-profile arrests eviscerated the criminal organization. *Giovanni’s Ring* is not simply a chronicle of Giovanni Rocco’s adventures in the murky and dangerous Mafia world he inhabited, but also a fascinating window into the psychological struggles that such a life inevitably entails.

**Contributor Bio**

Giovanni Rocco was an undercover law enforcement officer for twenty-six years. Giovanni retired from law enforcement and moved his family to a location that remains undisclosed. Douglas Schofield is a criminal trial lawyer and the author of several novels.

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**Murder in Canaryville**

*The True Story Behind a Cold Case and a Chicago Cover-Up*

Jeff Coen

The cold-case murder of John Hughes, the son of a Chicago Outfit member suspected of pulling the trigger, and the efforts of a determined detective to unravel a cover-up

**Summary**

The grandson and great-grandson of Chicago police officers, Chicago Police Detective James Sherlock was CPD through-and-through. His career had seen its share of twists and turns, but on this day, he was at the records center to see the case file for the murder of John Hughes, who was seventeen years old when he was gunned down in a park on Chicago’s Southwest Side on May 15, 1976. The case had haunted many in the department for years and its threads led everywhere. More than forty years after the Hughes killing, he was hopeful he could finally put the case to rest. Then the records clerk handed Sherlock a thin manila folder. Sherlock could have left the records center without the folder and cruised into retirement, and no one would have noticed. Instead, he tucked the envelope under his arm and carried it outside.

**Contributor Bio**

Jeff Coen is the Chicago Tribune crime and justice editor. He is the author of *Family Secrets: The Case That Crippled the Chicago Mob* and the coauthor of *Golden: How Rod Blagojevich Talked Himself out of the Governor’s Office and into Prison.*
You're the Only One I've Told
The Stories Behind Abortion
Meera Shah

Medical director of Planned Parenthood tells the myriad stories of diverse individuals whose abortion experiences bring vital and threatened reproductive rights to life

Summary
For a long time, when people asked Dr. Meera Shah what she did, she would tell them she was a doctor and leave it at that. But over the last few years, Shah decided it was time to be direct. “I’m an abortion provider,” she will now say. And an interesting thing started to happen each time she met someone new. One by one, people would confide—at barbecues, at jury duty, in the middle of the greeting card aisle at Target—that in fact they’d had an abortion themselves. And the refrain was often the same: You’re the only one I’ve told.

This book collects those stories as they’ve been told to Shah to humanize abortion and to combat myths that persist in the discourse that surrounds it. An intentionally wide range of ages, races, socioeconomic factors, and experiences shows that abortion always occurs in a unique context. Today, a healthcare issue that’s so precious and foundational to reproductive, social, and economic freedom for millions of people is exploited by politicians who lack understanding or compassion about the context in which abortion occurs. Stories have power to break down...

Contributor Bio
Dr. Meera Shah is a family medicine physician currently serving as the chief medical officer of Planned Parenthood Hudson Peconic in New York. Shah is a strong advocate for increasing sexual and reproductive health access in underserved areas and to underserved communities. A Fellow with the Physicians for Reproductive Health, Shah is dedicated to calling out the injustices that keep people from exercising their autonomy. In 2018, she was awarded Woman of Distinction by New York State Senator Brad Hoylman.

She's No Longer Silent
Healing After Mental Health Trauma, Sexual Abuse, and Experiencing Injustice
Elizabeth Ann, Kiki Carr, Nicole Eby, Mandy Karpoff...

Summary
What does it mean to be silent or silenced? Has someone or something caused you to feel shame, worry, anxiety, or depression? Have you been thinking, should I . . . ? Sometimes it seems easier to hold it in for fear of judgement, but maybe it is finally time to open up. When we hold space for one another, we create a platform to speak up and converse about mental health, injustice, trauma, and being silenced—the lessons shared within these pages come with surprising gratitude. She’s No Longer Silent is a collection of stories written by women who have found their strength by overcoming trauma and tuning into their intuition. Explore the raw and honest experiences of women who wish to assist you in discovering the unimaginable strength and courage within you. It is time to escape your turmoil and take back your life.

Contributor Bio
Women, Let's Rise
Empowering Women To Thrive and Lead
Lori Armitage, Annyse Balkwill, Steph Clark, Viole...

Summary
Women of all generations from all corners of the world have the power to affect positive change with those around us by sharing our best authentic selves. This moving collection of personal journeys, insights, and wisdom encourages women to use their natural talents of self-reflection, connection, and collaboration to influence and inspire. Working towards a world where women are fully valued for their energy and contribution, Women Let’s Rise aims to ignite the fire within every woman to power up, step out, and empower the world with her presence.

Contributor Bio

Our Time Is Now
Sex, Race, Class, and Caring for People and Planet
Selma James, Nina López, Margaret Prescod

Summary
For over sixty years, Selma James has been organizing from the perspective of unwaged women who, with their biological and caring work, reproduce the whole human race—along with whatever other labor they are performing. When this work is not economically prioritized, politically protected, or socially supported, there are dire consequences for the whole of humanity, beginning with women and children. Our Time Is Now compiles several decades of James’s work with a focus on her more recent writings. Steeped in the tradition of Marx, James draws on half a century of organizing across sectors, struggles, and national boundaries with others in the Wages for Housework Campaign and the Global Women’s Strike. There is one continuum between the care and protection of people and of the planet: both must be a priority, beginning with a care income for everyone doing this vital work.

Contributor Bio
Selma James is a women’s rights and antiracist campaigner and author. She cofounded the International Wages for Housework Campaign and helped launch the Global Women’s Strike. She was the first spokeswoman of the English Collective of Prostitutes and is a founding member of the International Jewish Anti-Zionist Network. She coauthored the classic The Power of Women and the Subversion of the Community. Nina López is the joint coordinator of the Global Women’s Strike. Her writings and edited volumes include: Prostitute Women and AIDS: Resisting the Virus of Repression and Some Mother’s Daughter: The Hidden Movement of Prostitute Women against Violence. Margaret Prescod, author of Black Women Bringing It All Back Home, is coordinator of Women of Color in the Global Women’s Strike and an award-winning journalist on Pacifica Radio.
**Counterpoints**

*A San Francisco Bay Area Atlas of Displacement & Resistance*

Anti-Eviction Mapping Project, Chris Carlsson, Ana...

A collaborative, co-created atlas aimed at expanding knowledge on displacement and resistance in the Bay Area with, rather than for or about, those most impacted

**Summary**

*Counterpoints* brings together cartography, essays, illustrations, poetry, and more in order to depict gentrification and resistance struggles from across the San Francisco Bay Area and act as a roadmap to counter-hegemonic knowledge making and activism. Compiled by the Anti-Eviction Mapping Project, each chapter reflects different frameworks for understanding the Bay Area’s ongoing urban upheaval, including: evictions and root shock, indigenous geographies, health and environmental racism, state violence, transportation and infrastructure, migration and relocation, and speculative futures. By weaving these themes together, *Counterpoints* expands normative urban-studies framings of gentrification to consider more complex, regional, historically grounded, and entangled horizons for understanding the present. Understanding the tech boom and its effects means looking beyond San Francisco’s borders to consider the region as a socially, economically, and politically interconnected whole and reckoning with the area’s deep history of displacement, going back to its first moments of settler co...

**Contributor Bio**

*The Anti-Eviction Mapping Project* is a data visualization, critical cartography, and multimedia storytelling collective that documents displacement and resistance struggles on gentrifying terrains. **Chris Carlsson** is a writer, San Francisco historian, "professor," bicyclist, tour guide, blogger, photographer, and book and magazine designer. **Ananya Roy** is a professor of urban planning, social welfare, and geography and the Meyer and Renee Luskin Chair in Inequality and Democracy at UCLA, where she is the inaugural director of the Institute on Inequality and Democracy.

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**Lighting The North**

*An Anthology of Feminism and Cultural Diversity from Across the Nation*

Shirin Ariff, Nadia Dedic, Ky-Lee Hanson, Crystal ...

**Summary**

Canada thrives as a diverse country with a very unique culture. The struggles and unrecognized achievements we face as women are just as present today as they were in the past. The Women of the North share their secrets to their successes, the spirited stories of their failures, as well as incredible tips and insights for thriving in our multicultural country. Are you a born and raised Canadian? Are you indigenous to this land? A newcomer to Canada? Do you hear stories of your elders’ fight for this land, or their journey to relocate to Canada? This book illustrates the diverse search for identity and belonging each woman faces and the collective spirit she is building among her Northern sisters, the day-to-day grind, and the behind closed doors secrets we face in our nation.

**Contributor Bio**

**Facebooking the Anthropocene in Raja Ampat**
*Technics and Civilization in the 21st Century*
Robert Ostertag

A deeply intimate look at the cataclysmic shifts between humans, technology, and the so-called natural world.

**Summary**
Despite the breakneck pace of both technological advance and environmental collapse, Robert Ostertag explores how we ourselves are changing as fast as the world around us—from how we make music, to how we have sex, to what we do to survive, and who we imagine ourselves to be. And though the environmental crisis terrifies and technology overwhelms, Ostertag finds enough creativity, compassion, and humor in our evolving behavior to keep us laughing and inspired as the world we are building overtakes the world we found. Ostertag fuses his travels as a touring musician with his journalist's eye for detail and the long view of a historian. Our best writers have struggled with how to address the catastrophes of our time without looking away. Ostertag succeeds where others have failed, with the moral acuity of Susan Sontag, the technological savvy of Lewis Mumford, and the biting humor of Jonathan Swift.

**Contributor Bio**

Robert Ostertag has published more than twenty albums of music, five books, and a feature film.

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**Red Nation Rising**
*From Border Town Violence to Native Liberation*
Brandon Benallie, Radmilla Cody, David Correia, Je...
The Curious Person's Guide to Fighting Fake News
David G. McAfee

Misinformation, disinformation, and propaganda have always presented challenges to democratic societies, but today, due to the Internet, so-called fake news knows no boundaries or borders.

Summary
With each passing day the potential reach of a single false news story—and its ability to negatively impact all of us—grows in both size and scope. Although politicians, activists, and ordinary citizens regularly complain about deceptive or biased news reports, they tend to define fake news as anything with which they happen to disagree, thus compounding the problem even further. Seeking to bring some much-needed clarity to the subject, journalist David G. McAfee documents the myriad definitions of "fake news" and its various incarnations throughout history, from ideologically motivated disinformation operations to commercially motivated misinformation campaigns. Demonstrating that we are all culpable in the creation of the current pandemic, he presents a number of practical and actionable suggestions for combating it. In the end, however, he argues that each of us, no matter our political bent, have an important role to play in curbing the insidious spread and most dangerous effects of fake news.

Contributor Bio
David G. McAfee is a journalist and author.

Handbook for a Burning Age
A Clarion Call to Save the Planet
Will Roger, Fred Sigman

This is how we can become One Earth, One Humanity

Summary
The individual who sees their self both in their isolation as well as a part of a collective whole, can become a force for change. We can’t, we won’t sit and wait for the dominant culture, governments, corporations and industries to do something to heal this planet, to feed humanity and ensure a freedom and equality of life among all humans. We start with ourselves. This is the time to speak out and to act, before we run out of time. Handbook for a Burning Age is focused on bringing us together for that purpose. We need to also speak to the deniers, the nay-sayers and the unbelievers. Perhaps one way to do that is to not bombard readers with statistics and pie charts, but to speak of the problems using different words, narratives, and stories that everyone can relate to regardless of their views. Handbook for a Burning Age reviews an art and literary history of those who’ve gone before, men and women who have stood up in their village to speak out, who have wondered about the wilds of nature and been awakened to an elemental fact of human existence: we are the universe. Handbook for ...
The Creeks Will Rise
People Co-Existing with Floods
William S. Becker, Bill McKibben

In pursuit of economic growth, the United States and other developed countries are testing the tolerance of the natural world

Summary
The results include the loss of valuable ecosystems, global climate change, and the degradation of the planet's ability to support life. Journalist William Becker argues that our mission in the 21st century should be to fix what we have broken in the natural world and to enlist healthy ecosystems in our pursuit of economic and physical security. Becker begins by sounding an alarm about the inability of the dams and levees we built over the last century to handle the severity of sea-level rise and record floods we see today. It's time, he suggests, to give floodplains back to rivers.

Contributor Bio
William Becker is a writer, journalist, and policy expert on energy, climate change, and disaster prevention and recovery. His eclectic career includes roles as the Executive Assistant to the Attorney General of Wisconsin, Counselor to the Administrator of the U.S. Small Business Administration, and Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy at the U.S. Department of Energy. He earned a Bronze Medal as a U.S. Army combat correspondent during the Vietnam War and served as a writer/photographer for the Associated Press, editorial writer for the Wisconsin State Journal, and publisher of his own weekly newspaper in Wisconsin.

Understanding Proof
Explanation, Examples and Solutions of Mathematical Proof
Tom Bennison, Ed Hall

An essential teaching, learning and revision guide

Summary

Contributor Bio
Following completion of a PhD in Applied Mathematics, Tom Bennison is pursuing a career in teaching and is now the Level 3 Lead for the East Midlands West MathsHub. Dr Ed Hall is a lecturer in mathematics at Nottingham University.
Facial Feminization Surgery
A Road Map for Gender Transitioning
Jordan Deschamps-Braly, Douglas K Ousterhout

Dr. Deschamps-Braly and Dr. Ousterhout discuss the many types of FFS procedures available today, what the procedures accomplish, and how they are performed.

Summary
Are you considering facial feminization surgery? Are you transitioning, but have a prominent chin, a heavy brow, or a strong lower jaw that you feel detracts from your femininity? Would you like your appearance to more closely match the way you feel inside? If so, perhaps you're considering facial feminization surgery (FFS). For many transgendered women, having their facial features refined is an important step in their transition. Some individuals consider it the most essential part of their transformation. Jordan Deschamps-Braly, M.D., is an accomplished plastic surgeon who specializes in FFS. His partner, Douglas Ousterhout, M.D., is a pioneer in FFS and has performed these surgeries for decades. Topics they cover include: scalp advancement, forehead feminization, temple augmentation, cheek contouring, nose reshaping, lip reshaping, chin feminization, lower jaw tapering, thyroid cartilage reduction, lower jaw repositioning, upper jaw repositioning, facelifts, and hair transplants. The authors also provide information on the recovery process for each procedure as well as side effe...

Contributor Bio
Jordan Dechamps-Braly, M.D., is a plastic surgeon in San Francisco. He specializes in male-to-female facial feminization (FFS) surgery. His co-author, Douglas Ousterhout, M.D., practiced plastic surgery for thirty-five years; he was one of the first plastic surgeons to develop FFS surgeries.

Emotion to Motion
How the Mind Impacts Your Dog’s Mobility
Kate Titus

Summary
Welcome to your dog’s emotional world. Did you know that varying emotions influence your dog’s movement decisions every single day?

Injured, aging, and mobility-challenged dogs may not be able to do all the things they used to do. But as a pet parent, that doesn’t mean you have to idly sit by and watch your dog’s quality of life suffer.

Join canine mobility expert Kate Titus on a journey to give your dog more of what they need to thrive—no matter what their current physical capabilities may be or what stage of life they’re in. Her new book Emotion to Motion: How the Mind Impacts Your Dog’s Mobility will offer you all the tools you need to help your mobility-challenged dog start leading a fuller, happier, and more active life today.

This second title in the Loyal Companion series will reveal to you how to better understand your dog’s emotional life as it relates to their mobility. It will also show you how to listen for and interpret those emotions—and what to do with that information.

Emotion to Motion is packed with practical suggestions, case studies, worksheets, checklists, and tips...

Contributor Bio
Kate Titus is a Certified Canine Fitness Trainer (CCFT). She provides massage, exercise, and mobility solutions for senior dogs at her business, A Loyal Companion, in Tucson, Arizona. She is also the author of the A Loyal Companion book series.
**Going to MARS**

**Science in Canada’s High Arctic**

Jay Louise Nadeau

A photographic journey to one of the farthest north scientific research stations in the world

**Summary**

The McGill Arctic Research Station on Axel Heiberg Island, Nunavut has been operating continuously since 1960, and its name is more than a coincidence: this outpost at 79°26’ North latitude is about as close as we can get to Mars on Earth. Getting there, living there, and doing research there are all adventures that the reader can experience from the comfort of home. The scientists who make the journey, sometimes each summer for decades, study the climate of this fascinating region, its flora and fauna, and its microfauna: the bacteria and protozoa that are the only inhabitants of much of the area. Their work tells us about the history of this planet, and about how best to search for microbial life elsewhere in the Solar System. The photos in the book show not only the scenery at the macroscale, but also visit the microscopic world to examine the lifeforms that dominate extreme environments. Glaciers, wolves, Arctic hare, willow, and Thiomicrospira: this land uninhabited by humans and dark 4 months of the year is a surprise of biodiversity. Travel to MARS, and you may begin to believe...

**Contributor Bio**

Jay Nadeau is a professor of physics at Portland State University, specializing in the development of new techniques and instruments for imaging bacteria in extreme environments, including in space and inside the human body.

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**A Naturalist's Guide to the Birds of Costa Rica**

Steve Bird

This easy-to-use identification guide to the 280 bird species most commonly seen in Costa Rica is perfect for resident and visitor alike

**Summary**

High quality photographs from one of the country’s top nature photographers are accompanied by detailed species descriptions, which include nomenclature, size, distribution, habits, and habitat. The user-friendly introduction covers geography, climate, habitat types, bird species and taxonomy, bird migration, and the key sites for viewing the listed species. Also included is an all-important checklist of all of the birds of Costa Rica encompassing, for each species, its common and scientific name, and IUCN status.

**Contributor Bio**

Steve Bird has been birdwatching since he was a small child. He has led birdwatching tours to South and Central America for many years, photographing and documenting the species he encounters. Having travelled throughout the world and accumulated a vast image library, he now enjoys passing on the wealth of information he has acquired.
A Field Guide to the Birds of Mongolia
Dorj Ganbold, Chris Smith

A fully comprehensive field guide to the 521 officially recorded bird species of Mongolia

Summary
The species are clearly illustrated in over 154 plates, showing plumage variation between sexes, seasons, and age classes, as well as the upperside and underside of birds in flight. Common, scientific, and Mongolian names are given for each species. The main identifying features of each species are described and key facts cover habitat, identifying features, and voice. Distribution maps provide an at-a-glance view of where and when the birds can be found. The book also includes information on the geography and major habitats of Mongolia.

Contributor Bio
Dorjkhagvajantsan Ganbold is an ornithologist and professional illustrator. Born in a small town in the Khentii mountain range of eastern Mongolia, Dorj grew up birdwatching in the beautiful Kherlen river valley and Khurkh-Khuiten wetlands, leading his first classes in bird illustration in early high school. While at the National University of Mongolia, he conducted research on illustrating birds in the field, including at bird-ringing stations. He has served as a field ornithologist and expert on a number of research projects including Birds of the World and Migratory Birds of Prey. Chris Smith grew up birding in the mountains of western Washington, and after earning his Masters in wildlife conservation from Humboldt State University, he spent four years travelling the globe doing bird field work on five continents. He has published numerous scientific papers on bird biology, and currently teaches for Round River Conservation Studies. Chris has spent several years conducting bird research in Mongolia, including with the Saker Falcon project and the Ulaan-Taiga Protected Areas Admin...

A Photographic Field Guide to the Birds of Sri Lanka
Gehan de Silva Wijeyeratne

A fully comprehensive field guide to the 462 bird species of Sri Lanka

Summary
With photographs from the author and the region’s other top-quality nature photographers, each species is illustrated, including variants where relevant. The guide is focussed on field use to help beginners and experts identify species. The main identifying features of each species are described and key facts cover size, habitat, distribution, voice, and status in the country. Distribution maps provide an at-a-glance view of where the birds can be found. The book also includes information on climate and topography, orders and families, residents, migrants, endemics, vagrants and highly scarce migrants, topography, and the key birdwatching sites. The checklist provides complete information on the local status of each species.

Contributor Bio
Gehan de Silva Wijeyeratne is one of Sri Lanka's most high-profile wildlife personalities. He is passionate about Sri Lanka's natural history and has authored and photographed over 370 articles for national and international newspapers and magazines on Sri Lankan biodiversity, travel, and business topics. His many books include Wild Sri Lanka, A Naturalist's Guide to the Birds of Sri Lanka, and A Naturalist's Guide to the Butterflies & Dragonflies of Sri Lanka also published by John Beaufoy Publishing.
**The 100 Best Birdwatching Sites in India**
Bikram Grewal, Bhanu Singh

This fully illustrated guide describes the 100 best sites for viewing both common and rare species throughout the 26 states of the sub-continent, including the Andaman and Nicobar Islands.

**Summary**
India has a wide diversity of birdlife, comprising more than 1,300 species, of which 75 are endemic, making the country a richly rewarding destination for birdwatchers. Alongside a map of each area, detailed descriptions of each site cover the type of terrain and specific spots at which certain species are likely to be encountered. Other sections cover access and possible accommodation, as well as important indicators to conservation issues. A fact file for each site lists the nearest major town, the type of habitat, key species to be seen as well as other wildlife specialities, and the best time to visit.

**Contributor Bio**
Bikram Grewal gave up his full-time publishing career to devote his time to the conservation of Indian wildlife, especially working on rare birds. He is the author of over ten books on birds of the subcontinent and also acts as a consultant on eco-tourism. He helped conceive the birdsofindia website, now the biggest birding site in India and ranked amongst the top ten birding sites in the world. He is a trustee of the Wildlife Preservation Society of India (WPSI). He was awarded the Lifetime Award for spreading awareness about birds and conservation in India. Bhanu Singh is one of India’s leading birders and wildlife photographers. Although he loves to work on rare and endangered species especially in Northeast India and the Himalaya, his quest for finding an unheard-of natural history story has taken him to every corner of the country. His images and articles are regularly published in national and International publications.

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**A Naturalist's Guide to the Trees of Sri Lanka**
Gehan de Silva Wijeyeratne

Photographic identification guide to the 125 tree species most commonly seen in Sri Lanka, which is perfect for resident and visitor alike.

**Summary**
Over 350 high quality photographs from Sri Lanka’s top nature photographers are accompanied by detailed species descriptions, which include nomenclature, size, distribution, and habitat. The user-friendly introduction covers geography and climate, the different habitats, and tree structure.

**Contributor Bio**
Gehan de Silva Wijeyeratne is one of Sri Lanka's most high profile wildlife personalities. He is passionate about Sri Lanka's natural history and has authored and photographed over 370 articles for national and international newspapers and magazines on Sri Lankan biodiversity, travel, and business topics. His many books include Wild Sri Lanka and the Photographic Field Guide to the Birds of Sri Lanka, as well as other titles in the Naturalist's Guide series on birds, and butterflies, and dragonflies, all published by John Beaufoy Publishing.
A Naturalist's Guide to Garden Flowers of India
Pradeep Sachdeva, Vidya Tongbram

This photographic identification guide to the 280 native and introduced species of garden flower most commonly seen in India, Pakistan, Nepal, Bhutan, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka is perfect for resident and visitor alike.

Summary
High quality photographs from India’s top nature photographers are accompanied by detailed species descriptions, which include nomenclature, identifying features, and habitats. The user-friendly introduction covers geography and climate, flower habitats, and flower identification.

Contributor Bio
Pradeep Sachdeva is an eminent architect. He specialises in landscape projects indulging his passion for trees and garden flowers, which he has extensively researched and photographed. Vidya Tongbram is an enthusiastic tree-spotter and photographer.

The 50 Best Birdwatching Sites in New Zealand
Elizabeth Light, Oscar Thomas

This book covers 50 sites on the North and South Islands, Rakiura/Steward Island, and Chatham Islands that are best for birdwatching.

Summary
New Zealand has a diverse range of bird species but is especially important for pelagics. Thirteen of the world’s 18 penguin species have been recorded in the New Zealand region (including the Ross Dependency). Nine of these species breed here. Of petrels, 37 of the world’s 114 species breed in the New Zealand region, some on the mainland or nearby islands so they can be seen flying around, but many stick to the Southern Ocean islands. Eleven of the world’s 22 albatross species nest in New Zealand and of those nine do not nest elsewhere. Detailed descriptions of each site cover the type of terrain, and the tracks and trails where certain species are likely to be encountered, are included in this book. Particular species for each site are highlighted. A fact file for each site lists land or sea access is also included, featuring type of habitat, best time to visit, facilities, and accommodation. Key species for each site are also listed.

Contributor Bio
Liz Light is an Auckland-based travel writer and photographer. Liz has won numerous awards for both her writing and photography. Oscar Thomas spent his high school years volunteering for conservation organizations. Born in New Zealand, he is currently on an international youth exchange programme in Belgium.
A Naturalist's Guide to the Snakes of Australia
Scott Eipper, Tyese Eipper

This photographic identification guide to all of Australia's 236 snake species and subspecies is perfect for resident and visitor alike.

Summary
It's the first book to show every species and subspecies of Australian snake, and the first new book on Australian snakes to be published for 27 years. High quality photographs from Australia's top nature photographers are accompanied by detailed species descriptions which include nomenclature, size, distribution, habits, and habitat. The user-friendly introduction covers the geography and climate of Australia, types of habitat, and details of orders and families. Also included is an all-important checklist of all of the snakes of Australia encompassing, for each species, its common and scientific name, and its global IUCN status as at 2018.

Contributor Bio
Scott Eipper is a herpetological consultant, author, and wildlife photographer who works with his wife Tyese in their business Nature 4 You. As part of his role Scott conducts wildlife surveys, emergency removals, and educational displays. He has written two books, papers, and numerous articles on Australian herpetofauna. Tyese Eipper is a wildlife consultant and photographer who works with her husband in their business Nature 4 You. With over 18 years experience working with snakes and other reptiles across Australia, Tyese is the collection manager of Nature 4 You. She has written numerous papers and articles on Australian herpetofauna.

American Birding Association Field Guide to Birds of Washington
Dennis Paulson, Brian Small

The most comprehensive and up-to-date photographic guide devoted to the birds of Washington state.

Summary
Washington is one of the premiere states for birds and birding. Its rugged coastline and expansive forests in the western portion, the towering Cascades, of the central region and the arid eastern valleys, combine to provide excellent and varied habitats for hundreds of types of birds year-round. Washington is home to three magnificent national parks providing some of the best natural wildlife viewing areas in North America. And there are over 100 parks throughout the state, including 19 marine parks and 11 historical parks. Over 350 beautiful color photographs, featuring 300 bird species in natural habitats; clear and concise identification, habitat, and birdsong text; tips on when and where to see species throughout the year; complete Washington bird checklist; detailed map and index, and more. Written by expert Washington birder Dennis Paulson and filled with gorgeous color images by Brian E. Small, the American Birding Association Field Guide to Birds of Washington is the perfect companion for anyone wanting to learn more about the natural history and diversity of the state's bir...

Contributor Bio
Dennis Paulson has taught university and adult-education courses about natural history for 52 years. Brian E. Small is a full-time professional bird and nature photographer.
Our Woodland Treasures
Peaceful, Startling, Rambunctious & Amazing Animals & Plants
Miriam Sanders

Eighty of Miriam Sanders' essays, in all their beauty and luminousness, each acting as a glimpse into the depth and mystery of the Catskill's natural world

Summary
Starting in 1995 and for eight year Miriam Sanders wrote a weekly nature column for The Woodstock Journal, co-founded by the poet and musician Ed Sanders. With uncanny powers of direct observation, woven into a skein of luminous insights, she gives us a resonant field within which we may more than glimpse the web of creation. "Treasures" indeed, an enduring portrait of the natural world this book touches Catskills magic—bobcats, mallards and "Eric perched on a branch, enjoying a nut, his lovely tail curved over his back." The poet, writer, and historian Peter Lamborn Wilson writes, "Back in the Dark Ages when I lived in the Lower East Side I used to go to the Gem Spa on 8th Street every week to pick up Ed and Miriam Sanders's Woodstock newspaper, then take it to Tompkins Square and sit under a tree and read Miriam's nature column and dream that I was in the country with her birds and deer. Now at last her charming essays return—and I live in the Hudson Valley. Hurrah!" Woodland Treasures includes over twenty-five, hand-drawn illustrations from the author.

Contributor Bio
Miriam Sanders is a naturalist, a writer, a painter and illustrator, and an environmentalist who has lived more than 40 years in Woodstock, NY. She is the author and illustrator of Marie in the Moonlight, the story of the nighttime adventures of a mouse on Meads Mountain in Woodstock. For over ten years, Miriam Sanders has helped produce the Woodstock Journal, a weekly Public Access television program in Woodstock.

Shades of Lovers
Catarine Hancock

Summary
love comes in many colors.

this is a story of breaking and healing,
of forgiving but not forgetting,
of understanding and balance.
it is not only something to enjoy,
but something to learn from.

here are the things i did right,
and the many things i did wrong.
i give them to you,
so that when love comes knocking,
you will have a sense of what to do when you open the door.

Explore the experience of six different relationships in this moving collection that dives into the highs and lows of love.

Contributor Bio
Catarine Hancock is a young opera singer and poet from Lexington, Kentucky, currently finishing her undergraduate degree in Vocal Performance at University of Kentucky. She has been writing poetry since she was thirteen and was inspired by her own life experiences to write 'shades of lovers,' a collection intended to reach those exploring the world of relationships for the first time.
China - Culture Smart!
The Essential Guide to Customs & Culture
Indre Balcikonyte-Huang, Kathy Flower

Summary
For thousands of years, the Chinese believed that they had created a perfect social system based on Confucian values, tempered by the “Mandate of Heaven.” Since the twentieth century, change has taken place in Chinese society at an unprecedented speed, as the country experienced the turmoil of civil war and revolution before emerging on to the world stage as a global superpower. *Culture Smart! China* puts these changes into an historical context, explains cultural attitudes, and guides you through the maze of unfamiliar social situations.

Contributor Bio
Indre Balcikonyte-Huang currently works for a cross-border consultancy helping western companies and brands find a footing in China. Kathy Flower has worked in the UK and China as a BBC radio producer, TV presenter, scriptwriter, teacher, and trainer.

Japan - Culture Smart!
The Essential Guide to Customs & Culture
Paul Norbury

Summary
The exquisite art forms, elegant culture, military prowess, and technological precision of the Japanese have long been the envy of friend and foe alike. Even as Japan adapts to a rapidly changing world, its traditional culture and consensus-based philosophy have proved resilient. *Culture Smart! Japan* will broaden your perception and understanding of this complex, rich, and dynamic society.

Contributor Bio
Paul Norbury has been closely associated with Japan and Asian Studies as publisher, editor, and author. He is also the author of *Culture Smart! Britain*. 
Italy - Culture Smart!
The Essential Guide to Customs & Culture
Barry Tomalin

Summary
Italy delights and stimulates with its magnificent cities, monuments, landscapes, art, architecture, food, design, fashion, and people. Italian style and culture have been exported all over the world, but at home, Italian society and politics are facing challenges as the country struggles to maintain its standard of living, the stability of its currency, and its ability to provide jobs. Culture Smart! Italy provides vital information and practical tips to help smooth your path in different social situations.

Contributor Bio
Barry Tomalin is an English writer and teacher specializing in international communication and cultures who has worked with Italian companies in Italy and the UK.

Switzerland - Culture Smart!
The Essential Guide to Customs & Culture
Kendall Hunter

Summary
Set aside your preconceptions of postcard scenery, chocolate, cheese, faceless bankers, and spotless cities. The real Switzerland is anything but bland. This small, multilingual, and fiercely independent country in the heart of Europe is full of surprises. Culture Smart! Switzerland reveals the human dimension of this enigmatic country. It provides an historical overview, explores Swiss values and attitudes, and looks at the cultural continuity of festivals and traditions.

Contributor Bio
Kendall Hunter is a Canadian freelance journalist, author, photographer, and entrepreneur. She now lives in Toronto and is the founder and CEO of Culture Dock, a crowd-sourced global travel app.
Spain - Culture Smart!
The Essential Guide to Customs & Culture
Bélen Aguado Viguér, Marian Meaney

Summary
Spain often conjures up a picture of rapacious conquistadores, fiery flamenco dancers, and brilliant artists. How closely does everyday life in modern Spain conform to these dramatic stereotypes? Culture Smart! Spain explores the complex human realities of contemporary Spanish life. It describes how Spain's history and geography have created regional differences, shared values, and attitudes, and reveals what the Spaniards are like at home and in business, how they socialize, and how to build lasting relationships with them.

Contributor Bio
Bélen Aguado Viguér is a protocol, diplomacy, and tourism expert. Marian Meaney is a teacher, translator, and interpreter.

Vietnam - Culture Smart!
The Essential Guide to Customs & Culture
Geoffrey Murray

Summary
Vietnam is one of the most fascinating destinations in Southeast Asia. Having emerged from two decades of war, it is has undergone a period of rapid and far-reaching change. Culture Smart! Vietnam is for those who want to learn about the traditional values, sensibility, and modern life of the Vietnamese. It explains deep-seated attitudes and describes some of the social, economic, and cultural changes now under way.

Contributor Bio
Geoffrey Murray is an English-born journalist, author, and teacher who has lived and worked in the Asia-Pacific region for more than sixty years.
Uganda - Culture Smart! (2nd Edition)
The Essential Guide to Customs & Culture
Ian Clarke

Summary
There is a good reason why Uganda is called “the Pearl of Africa.” Beyond the ideal climate, abundant wildlife, and spectacular natural beauty, the friendly and good-humored Ugandan people make this country different. Drawn from more than twenty tribes, they represent a tapestry of traditions, ethnicities, and cultures. As a society they are devoutly religious and conservative; as individuals they are surprisingly laid back. English is widely spoken but there are many cultural pitfalls to be aware of—differences in expectations, customs, and ways of behaving.

Contributor Bio
Born in Northern Ireland, Ian Clarke is also a Ugandan citizen and, as the Mayor of Makindye Division of Kampala, he was the first white elected politician.

Korea - Culture Smart!
The Essential Guide to Customs & Culture
James Hoare

Summary
Divided along the 38th parallel, modern Korea is the subject of two very different political, social, and economic experiments. Today the military might of the Marxist-Leninist North confronts the soft power and prosperity of the uber-capitalist South, yet family and cultural ties bind the peoples of both Koreas, and reunification remains a cherished goal.

Contributor Bio
James Hoare spent over thirty years in the British Diplomatic Service, with postings to Seoul and Beijing. His last job was Chargé D’Affaires in Pyongyang, North Korea, where he established the British Embassy. He has a Ph.D. in East Asian history and has written extensively on China, Japan, and the two Koreas. Since retirement, he has become a regular radio and television commentator on Korea. He also teaches at the School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London. His numerous books and articles about East Asia, include Embassies in the East: The Story of the British and Their Embassies in China, Japan and Korea from 1859 to the Present (1999), and, with his wife, Susan Pares, North Korea in the 21st Century: An Interpretative Guide (2005), and an edited three-volume collection, Critical Readings on North and South Korea (2013).
Nepal - Culture Smart!
The Essential Guide to Customs & Culture
Tessa Feller, Alan Mercel-Sanca

Summary
Nestling in the foothills of the Himalayas, Nepal is a land of contrasts and incongruities—not least in the variety of its cultural, ethnic, and religious weave. Hindu and Buddhist values predominate and help to maintain social harmony despite the divisions between rich and poor, urban and rural, highlands and lowlands. Culture Smart! Nepal sets out to explain the complexities of Nepalese life, from home, to business, and the marketplace.

Contributor Bio
Tessa Feller studied German and Spanish at Edinburgh University before training as a teacher and translator. Alan Mercel-Sanca is an artist who has exhibited in New York and is cited in Best of Worldwide Charcoal, Pastel & Pencil Artists.

Russia - Culture Smart! (3rd Edition)
The Essential Guide to Customs & Culture
Grace Cuddihy, Anna King

Summary
The Russian orthodox religion is unique, Russian history is tragic, and the people are unpredictable. Russia’s military and political power, as well as the rich contribution of its art and culture, is the result of an inner dynamic not always understood by outsiders. This book explores the connections between Russia’s turbulent past and its paradoxical present.

Contributor Bio
Grace Cuddihy is a translator and editor who has lived in Moscow, Ukraine, and in Russia’s Mari-El Republic. Anna King is a Russian-born business development consultant specializing in cross-cultural issues, negotiation practices, and conflict management.
Indonesia - Culture Smart!
The Essential Guide to Customs & Culture
Jessica Jemalem Ginting, Graham Saunders

Summary
Indonesia, stretching across three time zones and situated on one of the world’s great maritime trade routes, has a rich and varied culture. This book reveals how modern Indonesians view themselves and go about their daily lives, and gives advice on how to navigate unfamiliar situations. Armed with essential cultural information and tips on effective communication, readers are better placed to have a more meaningful and successful experience in this fascinating country.

Contributor Bio
Jessica Jemalem Ginting is an Indonesian writer and translator from Jakarta. After some part-time university lecturing, Graham Saunders retired to run a business specializing in books on Southeast Asia.

Iceland - Culture Smart
The Essential Guide to Customs & Culture
Thorgeir Freyr Sveinsson

Summary
The volcanic island of Iceland has erupted on to the world travel scene in recent years. With striking scenes of steaming turquoise geysers set among rugged snowy peaks, miles of black sand beaches, and the majesty of the northern lights, one can only wonder what took so long. But what of the people who call this remote North Atlantic island home? Behind a stoic veneer lies a proud, industrious, and egalitarian people, whose straightforwardness and ability to wing-it have seen them thrive in this beautiful but unforgiving environment. Culture Smart! Iceland will take you to the heart of this plucky Nordic nation. It will equip you with a deeper understanding of your hosts and with the tools to turn your visit into a more meaningful and enriching experience, whatever your reason for traveling.

Contributor Bio
Thorgeir Sveinsson is a native Icelander hailing from the northwestern settlement of Skagafjordur. He holds a Cand.theol. in Theology from the University of Iceland, and a Master’s in Management from Birkbeck College, University of London. Like a true Norseman, Thorgeir has laid anchor in Norway, Finland, and the United Kingdom and is well practiced in the art of navigating new cultures. A keen angler and soccer fan, he runs a guesthouse with his wife in Selfoss, southern Iceland.
Finland - Culture Smart!
The Essential Guide to Customs & Culture
Elena Barrett, Terttu Leney

Summary
The people of this land of white summer nights and pristine lakes are famous for their sisu, a form of enterprising stoicism. Shaped by the harsh physical beauty around them, the Finns can be melancholy, yet have a great sense of humor and they love to dance, sing, and perform. Culture Smart! Finland offers you a deeper, more rewarding experience of this beautiful land.

Contributor Bio
Elena Barrett is a teacher, writer, applied linguist, and long-time resident of Finland. Terttu Leney is a Finnish teacher, trainer, broadcaster, and writer who worked for the Foreign Office in London as a professional development coordinator preparing British diplomats and businessmen for overseas postings.

India - Culture Smart! (4th Edition)
The Essential Guide to Customs & Culture
Becky Stephen

Summary
Each region, caste, and community in India has its own culture, reflecting unique histories shaped by conquest, creativity, and religion. Steeped in ancient traditions and intensely passionate about their culture, Indians are ingenious, creative world leaders in cutting-edge science and technology. Culture Smart! India will show you how to navigate often profound cultural differences and build relationships.

Contributor Bio
Becky Stephen has developed and led cross-cultural and other training programs and events in the US, India, Eurasia, Europe, and the Arabian Peninsula.
Germany - Culture Smart!
The Essential Guide to Customs & Culture
Barry Tomalin

Summary
Despite superficial appearances, Germany is a country that operates very differently from the USA and Britain. German history is more than a thousand years old and the relatively new German nation-state encompasses an astonishing variety of cultural and regional differences. German society is in a state of flux as people respond to immigration and a tough economic climate, and traditional attitudes are softening as German business globalizes. Culture Smart! Germany aims to show you what treatment to expect, what pitfalls to avoid, and how to build rapport and credibility with this culturally rich and inventive people in the heart of Europe.

Contributor Bio
Barry Tomalin, is an English writer and teacher specializing in international communication and cultures.