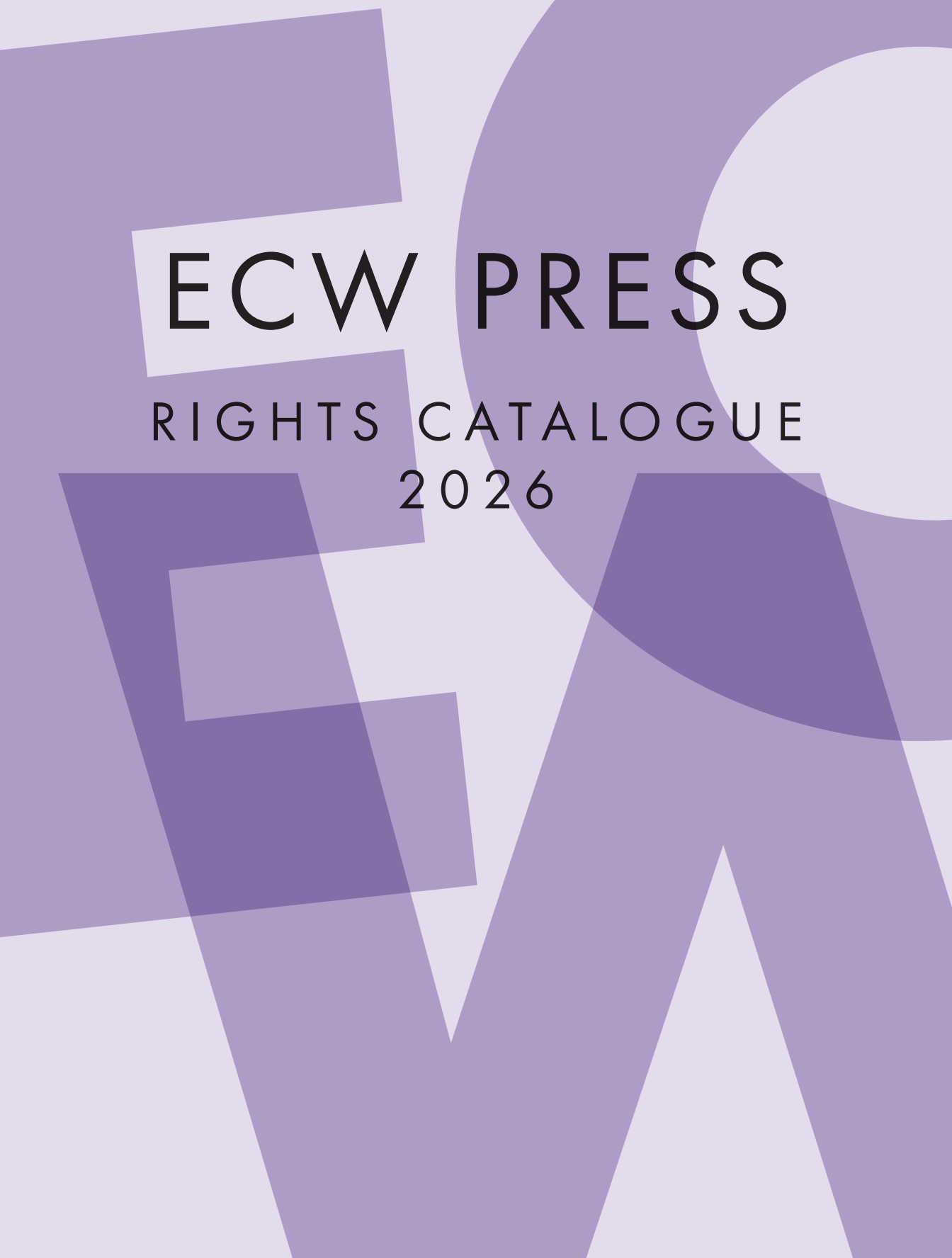




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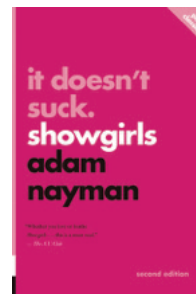
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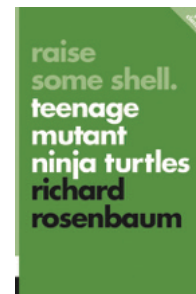
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**It Doesn't Suck.
Showgirls**

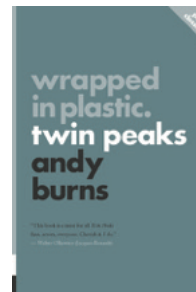
The Worst. Movie. Ever. is a masterpiece. Seriously. It's time for a good hard look back at the sequined spectacle that is *Showgirls* — a movie smarter and deeper than it's given credit for. With an exclusive interview with the movie's director!



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**Raise Some Shell.
Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles**

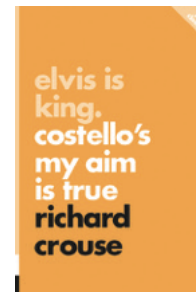
From the Ninja Turtles' beginning as a self-pubbed black-and-white comic book to their current big-budget Hollywood film throne, their continued success is more than mere nostalgia. *Raise Some Shell* celebrates the persistence of Turtle Power.



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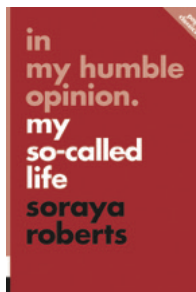
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My So-Called Life**

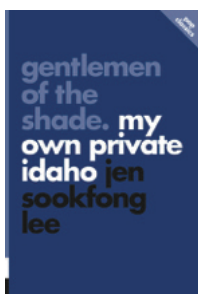
The show that brought real teens to TV, *My So-Called Life* lasted only 19 episodes but gained a lifetime of fans who saw Angela as their small-screen spokesperson as she explored gender, identity, sexuality, race, class, body image, and more.

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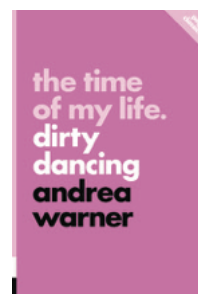
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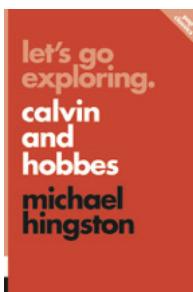
A smart and incisive exploration of everyone's favorite dinosaur movie and the female dinosaurs who embody what it means to be angry, monstrous, and free.



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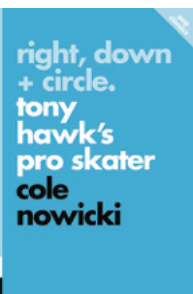
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A wild, intimate, and political deep dive into Jim Henson's 1986 classic starring David Bowie and its cast of lovable, gender-defying goblins.



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A funny and generous look at reality television's most influential docusoap and how it changed the conversation on fame and young women.



RESERVATION FOR ONE

A NOVEL

Rosa Kumar

An irresistible grumpy-sunshine foodie romance for anyone who’s ever dreamt of a new life in a faraway place

After being unceremoniously laid off, chef Leela Rai decides she doesn’t want to wait another decade to open her own restaurant. Shut out of pricey Toronto property, she bets her life savings on a crumbling church in a remote Irish village, Ballymourne, determined to transform it into her dream restaurant.

She’s charmed by Ballymourne, but its residents aren’t so charmed by her: Its wary townsfolk see her as an outsider, and a brooding local lawyer, Cillian O’Connor, seems bent on keeping her plans from taking root. Navigating cultural clashes and family drama while caught up in recipes and renovations, Leela must find her footing in a place that feels both foreign and strangely familiar.

Filled with delicious moments and swoon-worthy romance, *Reservation for One* is a witty and evocative tale of resilience, self-discovery, and finding love and belonging where you least expect it.

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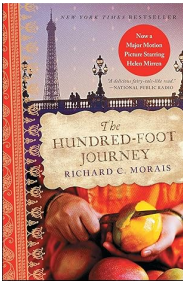
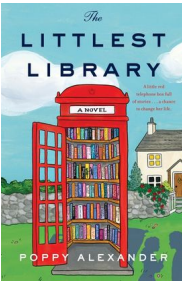
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Rosa Kumar is a Canadian writer and graduate from the University of Toronto, where she studied English and History. A regular contributor to *Brown History*, *Taste Toronto*, and *Lonely Planet*, she balances a career in corporate marketing with her passion for storytelling. After traveling to nearly 50 countries, Rosa settled in Toronto with her Irish husband to write novels, read, cook, and garden in their cozy 100-year-old house.

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KEY SALES NOTES

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A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR, KENNA BARNES: “I truly couldn’t stop reading this submission. It has a tight plot, strong writing, and entertaining characters. (Plus a protagonist in her 30s! Yay!) It’s also incredibly immersive. I felt as if I was in small-town Ireland with Leela, and the damp cold was perfectly combatted by the spiced dishes Rosa describes with such passion that I immediately went out for Indian food. I was also thrilled when I learned that the town (and Cillian) were pushing back for reasons other than the expected small-town racism. Instead, Rosa opened up a conversation about Ireland being colonized by the British and the long-term effects of colonialism. I love when a book as fun as this touches on important subjects in easy-to-digest ways.”



OFFICE HOURS

Ummni Khan

For readers of *Heated Rivalry* and *Pride and Prejudice*

Feminist scholar Aamanee Haq is starting her first university teaching job, an opportunity that fills her with both giddiness and anxiety. But when prospective student Xavier Thorn, the handsome CEO of a booming tech company, requests a meeting, it’s pure hate...at first office hours.

Xavier has enrolled in her gender studies course in order to quell the criticism his company has been facing during a series of sexual harassment complaints and Aamanee is outraged at his arrogance and alpha male energy. For his part, Xavier finds Dr. Haq to be instantly irritating, with her careful observance of preferred pronouns and habit of launching into a social justice lecture no matter the situation. And yet, both of them can’t deny an overwhelming, undeniable attraction, one that confuses, distracts, and, of course, turns them on. The problem? Their chemistry goes against the campus sexual harassment and abuse policy, a policy that Aamanee herself helped draft. With her job in danger, can they keep it all together, or are they just going to burn it all down?

Sexy, smart, inclusive, and laugh-out-loud funny, *Office Hours* is the erotic romance novel that speaks to this very moment, for those of us navigating not just our own dating lives, but also the wider culture that seeks to define desire, even when it resists categorization.

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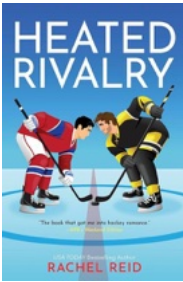
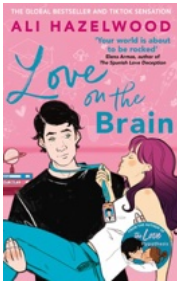
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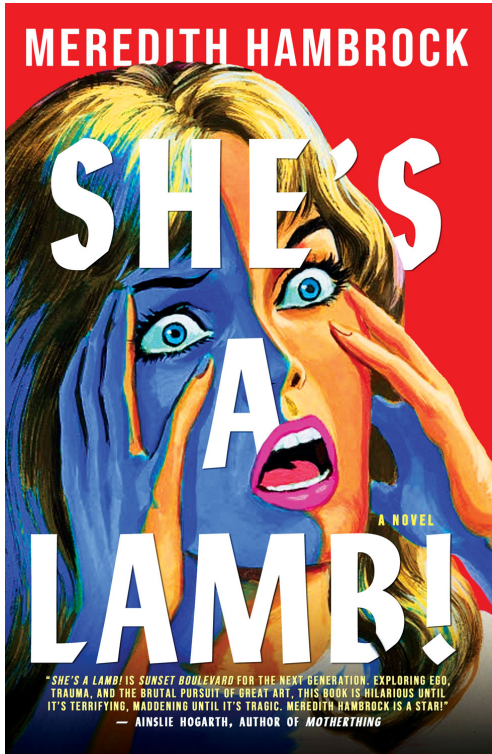
Dr. Ummni Khan is an Associate Professor in the Department of Law and Legal Studies at Carleton University, and is crossed with Sociology and the Institute of Criminology and Criminal Justice. She researches the socio-legal construction of deviant sexuality, with a focus on kink, sex work, and representations of hard core eroticism. Scrutinizing law alongside pop culture and progressive social movements, she considers how the policing of sexual risk discounts non-normative desires, and further entrenches other marginalities, particularly with regard to race, class, and disability. *Office Hours* is her debut novel.

KEY SALES NOTES

• **A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR, JEN LEE:** I love a sexy romance! But I also love a romance that is social satire, which *Office Hours* very much is. How do we date if we are feminists trying to live a life that adheres to our ethics? What happens to desire when we are concerned about being good? How can a racialized woman be attracted to a brawny white man? This novel answers it all!

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SHE’S A LAMB!

A NOVEL

Meredith Hambrick

“Instead of being cast in *The Sound of Music*, an actress is hired as the child-wrangler instead, and then she comes SUPER UNDONE. I’ve made about ten people read this already.” — Rebecca Makkai, Author of *I Have Some Questions For You*

A darkly comic suspense in the vein of *All’s Well* and *Yellowface*, *She’s a Lamb!* is an edgy and incisive novel that marches toward showtime with a growing unease about the dangers of magical thinking and the depths of delusion

Jessamyn St. Germain is meant to be a star. Not an actor who occasionally books yogurt commercials and certainly not a lowly usher at one of Vancouver’s smallest regional theaters. No, she is bound for greatness, and that’s why the part of Maria in the theater’s upcoming production of *The Sound of Music* is hers. Or it’s going to be.

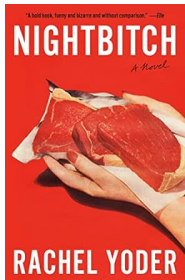
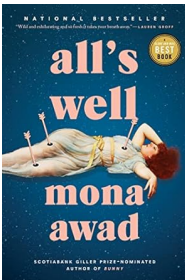
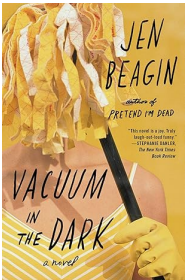
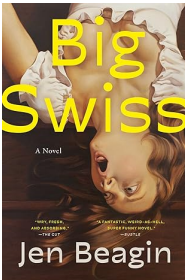
Jessamyn may have been relegated to the position of childminder for the little brats playing the von Trapp children, but it’s so obvious she’s there for a different reason — the director wants her close to the role so when Samantha, the lead, inevitably fails, Jessamyn will be there to take her place in the spotlight.

This must be it. Because if it isn’t, well, then every skipped meal, every brutal rehearsal, every inch won against a man attempting to drag her down will have all been for nothing.

Sharp, relentless, and darkly funny, *She’s a Lamb!* is a cutting satire about the grotesque pall patriarchy casts over one woman’s delusional quest to achieve her dreams and the depths she will sink to for a chance at the life she’s convinced she deserves.

Meredith Hambrick’s debut novel *Other People’s Secrets* was called “audacious” and “fabulous” by the *New York Times*. She has been a finalist for the CBC Short Story Prize and worked extensively in television, most recently in the writers’ room for the Canadian Screen Award–winning sitcom *Corner Gas Animated*. She lives in Saskatoon.

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◦“Hambrick keeps the reader on edge via Jessamyn’s unreliable narration ... It’s a showstopping performance.” — *Publishers Weekly*

◦“For readers who enjoy dark, uncomfortable humor and tales of mental spiraling.” — *Library Journal*

◦“Told from Jessamyn's point of view, at first charmingly unhinged, then terrifyingly disturbed, *She's a Lamb!* is a dive into the mind of a deeply delusional woman ... Audacious and darkly funny.” — *Booklist*

◦“*She’s a Lamb!* is *Sunset Boulevard* for the next generation. Exploring ego, trauma, and the brutal pursuit of great art, this book is hilarious until it’s terrifying, maddening until it’s tragic. Meredith Hambrick is a star!” — Ainslie Hogarth, author of *Motherthing*

• NOTE FROM THE EDITOR: “The narrator of this story is unlikeable in practically every single way, and yet I found myself cheering for her, sympathizing with her, and just liking her. I think the anti-hero narrator is really having its moment, alongside the ‘good for her / coming of rage’ genres, and this novel combines all of that. Meredith’s writing is funny and campy but never loses its meaning, and in all of that campiness, she expertly layers in a subtle feminist rage story that allows readers to connect with the main character in a way they may not have expected when they first met her. It’s a fun, punchy book, and I can’t wait for people to read it.” — Pia Singhal



MARY, RUN

A NOVEL

Meredith Hambrock

A feminist body-horror novel, *Mary, Run* is *Rosemary’s Baby* for the influencer age and perfect for readers of *Mona Awad’s Bunny*

A young woman may be possessed by her new IUD in this darkly funny horror novel about bodily autonomy, gaslighting, and the beautiful neighbours who insist everything is perfectly normal.

Mary is finally moving forward. At twenty-seven, the professional runner and online fitness personality has a new apartment, a marathon on the horizon, and a seemingly stable relationship with older, successful Chris. Her friends think she’s rushing. Mary thinks she’s choosing happiness.

But Chris is determined never to face another pregnancy scare. Before they can live together, Mary needs to “take care of it.”

The IUD insertion is excruciating. The days after are worse.

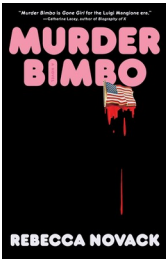
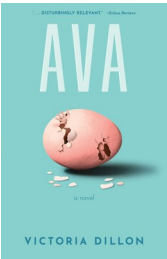
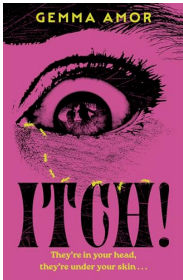
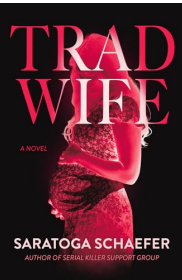
Soon Mary’s body stops behaving like her own. Her training collapses. She loses time on runs and wakes up miles from home. She sees figures at the edge of trails and hears whispers she can’t explain. Chris insists she’s overtraining. Online, her followers think she looks amazing. The couple down the hall — wealthy, beautiful, impossibly put-together — offer wellness advice, supplements, and reassurance: this is normal. She just needs to trust her body.

But Mary no longer trusts anything. Not her mind. Not her partner. Not even her memories. As her health deteriorates and her relationships fracture, Mary becomes convinced something inside her is changing her, and that the people closest to her may want it that way.

Because the scariest possibility isn’t that she’s sick. It’s that everyone else is fine with what’s happening to her.

Meredith Hambrock’s sophomore novel, *She’s a Lamb!*, was an Indigo Best of the Year and *Publishers Weekly* called it a “showstopping performance”. Her debut novel *Other People’s Secrets* was called “audacious” and “fabulous” by the *New York Times*. She has been a finalist for the CBC Short Story Prize and worked extensively in television, most recently in the writers’ room for the Canadian Screen Award–winning sitcom *Corner Gas Animated*. She lives in Saskatoon.

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KEY SALES NOTES

- **HIGH-CONCEPT FEMINIST HORROR:** Explores bodily autonomy, reproductive coercion, medical gaslighting, wellness culture, and the pressure placed on women to publicly perform health.
- **COMMERCIAL HORROR ELEMENTS:** An unreliable narrator, sinister neighbours, a controlling partner, missing time, and escalating body horror.
- **ESTABLISHED AUTHOR:** Meredith Hambrock’s *She’s a Lamb!* was an Indigo Best Book of the Year and has sold 10,000 copies, and was translated into German by Bastei Lübbe. It sold in the UK and was optioned for film by 4AM Films.

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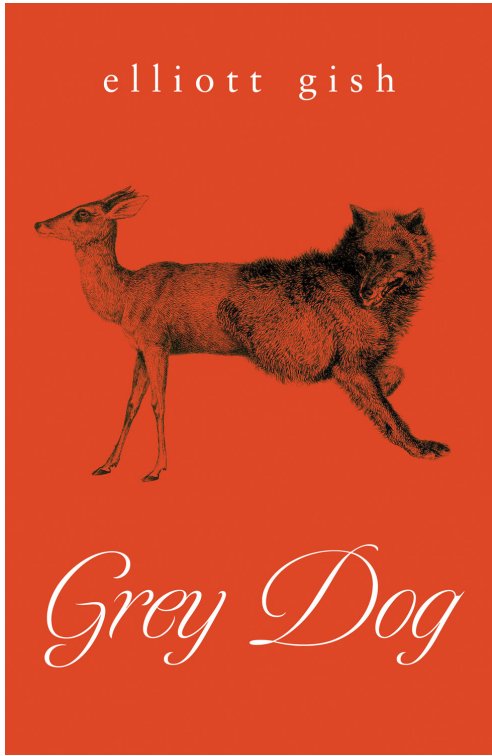
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GREY DOG

Elliott Gish

“Gish’s prose is as sharp as a scalpel.” — Publishers Weekly, starred review

“Grey Dog is a bewitching tale of the horrors of spinsterhood in the early 1900s, with madness and magic threaded through every sentence.” — Heather O’Neill, author of When We Lost Our Heads and Lullabies for Little Criminals

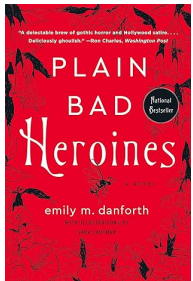
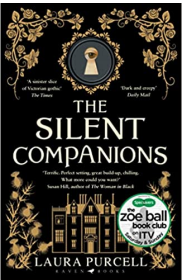
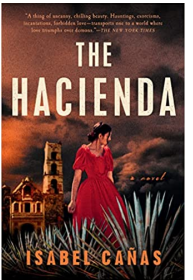
A subversive literary horror novel that disrupts the tropes of women’s historical fiction with delusions, wild beasts, and the uncontainable power of female rage

The year is 1901, and Ada Byrd — spinster, schoolmarm, amateur naturalist — accepts a teaching post in isolated Lowry Bridge, grateful for the chance to re-establish herself where no one knows her secrets. She develops friendships with her neighbors, explores the woods with her students, and begins to see a future in this tiny farming community. Her past — riddled with grief and shame — has never seemed so far away.

But then, Ada begins to witness strange and grisly phenomena: a swarm of dying crickets, a self-mutilating rabbit, a malformed faun. She soon believes that something old and beastly — which she calls Grey Dog — is behind these visceral offerings, which both beckon and repel her. As her confusion deepens, her grip on what is real, what is delusion, and what is traumatic memory loosens, and Ada takes on the wildness of the woods, behaving erratically and pushing her newfound friends away. In the end, she is left with one question: What is the real horror? The Grey Dog, the uncontainable power of female rage, or Ada herself?

Elliott Gish is a writer and librarian from Halifax, where she lives with her partner. A graduate of Simon Fraser University’s Writer’s Studio, Gish’s fiction has appeared in many journals, including the New Quarterly, the Baltimore Review, and the Dalhousie Review, and was nominated for a 2022 Pushcart Prize.

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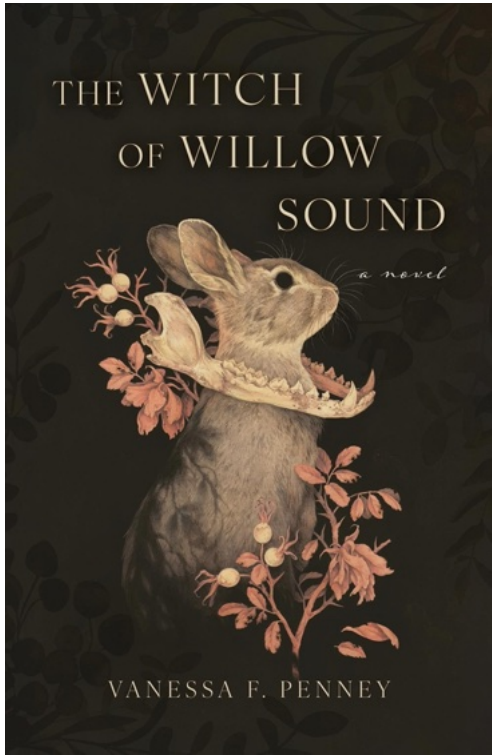
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• **BESTSELLER:** Sold over 20,000 copies in North America

• PRAISE:

- “Unfolding entirely through Ada’s richly detailed diary entries, Gish’s atmospheric debut is a heady blend of literary fiction and gothic horror that captures one woman’s descent in the face of an oppressive society. Reminiscent of Charlotte Perkins Gilman’s “The Yellow Wallpaper” in its exploration of feminist themes, this slow-burn tale will also appeal to fans of Robert Eggers’ 2015 folk horror film, *The Witch*.” — *Booklist*
- “Grey Dog is a slow-burn feminist horror novel with a lush setting and an explosive payoff.” — *Foreword Reviews*
- “Grey Dog is a haunting historical gothic, exquisitely detailed and suffused with queer longing, violent trauma, and escalating dread. Set your first impressions aside: this is a work of overwhelming intensity that will take you in its teeth and shake you.” — David Demchuk, author of *Red X*
- “Elliott Gish has produced a ripe, exquisitely rendered gothic in which wildernesses, both interior and natural, are dangerous, seductive, and bloody spaces. Ada Byrd is an iconic character, equal to Carmilla or Eleanor Vance.” — Kelly Link, author of *White Cat*, *Black Dog*
- “If *Pride & Prejudice* and *Midsommar* had a baby, it’d be *Grey Dog*. Absolutely brilliant!” —Cronia C, Reviewer

• **INSPIRED BY ANNE OF GREEN GABLES:** Elliott Gish grew up reading the novels of Lucy Maud Montgomery and felt comforted by the adventures of Anne and Emily. But in reading those books, she always felt there was something horrific lurking behind Montgomery’s words, a darkness obscured by wholesomeness. *Grey Dog* leans into this nagging feeling, upending the tropes of Montgomery’s worlds with beasts, monsters, and women’s rage.



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THE WITCH OF WILLOW
SOUND

A NOVEL

Vanessa F. Penney

2025 CIBA Booksellers’ List Selection

“Part mystery, part tragedy, and all feminine ferocity, *The Witch of Willow Sound* is a spellbinding debut novel.” — *Foreword Reviews*, starred review

A spooky, atmospheric, and fast-paced feminist gothic tale with a tough-as-nails female protagonist who must find her elderly aunt, long suspected of being a witch.

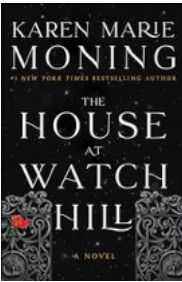
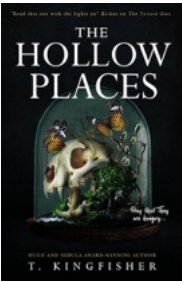
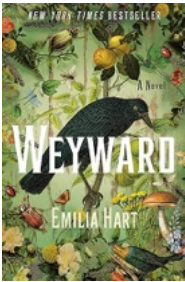
Madeline is missing. Ordered to find her, Madeline’s estranged niece Fade must return to the lonely forest of Willow Sound, Nova Scotia. There, Fade discovers her aunt’s once-cozy cottage empty and rotting. The ominous smell of something burnt hangs in the air.

In her search for answers, Fade clashes with the people of Grand Tea, a nearby village struggling under the shadow of a massive, looming rock that could tip and crush them all at any time. For generations, they’ve invented bizarre lore about Madeline, calling her a witch and blaming her for their misfortunes. They’ve had more misfortunes than ever lately. And a hurricane is coming.

Inspired by real East Coast traditions and witch lore, *The Witch of Willow Sound* is a modern gothic tale that explores family lost and found and throws firelight on dark truths about what societies do with the people, and the past, they don’t want.

Vanessa F. Penney was born in northern Newfoundland and raised in rural Nova Scotia. The coal-black ocean depths and bone-buried shorelines of the East Coast inspire her writing. Vanessa lives in Dartmouth, Nova Scotia. This is her first novel.

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A FEMINIST TAKE ON THE GOTHIC GENRE: With a tough-as-nails female protagonist and an aunt deemed a witch by the local townsfolk, Penney turns the gothic genre on its head. Instead of victimizing female characters, Penney tells a story of strong, powerful women who aren’t afraid of what anyone thinks of them.

SUPERNATURAL SUSPENSE — OR IS IT?: The story plays with the characters’ - and the readers’ - minds, challenging them to decipher what’s real and what isn’t. Penney keeps readers on the edge as to whether the sinister happenings are supernatural or grounded in reality.

SCREENWRITER TO DEBUT AUTHOR: Vanessa Penney’s full-length feature action screenplay *Raising the Dead* was a semi-finalist in the 2021 Toronto Metropolitan International Screenplay Competition, judged well for “superb plot revelations” that are “heartbreaking” and “a twisted mystery that brings a great plot and delivers well on it.”

NOTE FROM THE EDITOR: “It’s fast-paced, feminist, and creepy, a fun read that still has something to say about the people we fear and how humans look for blame. I loved that you can’t tell if it’s actually SFF for a good chunk of the book, which encourages us to question our assumptions about these events and about the world more broadly. It has a tough female protagonist, it’s really atmospheric, and the rural Nova Scotia forest-cottage setting is both delightful and provides some fresh folklore.” — Jennifer Knoch, senior editor



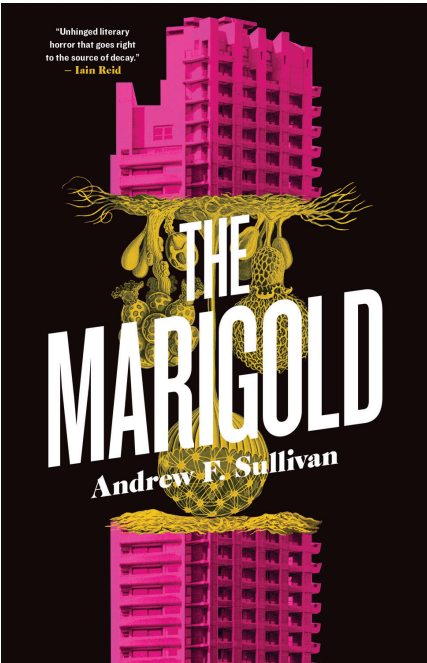
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For readers of N.K. Jemisin and Rebecca Roanhorse, a fast-paced, anti-colonial action-adventure fantasy that explores twisted power dynamics and the effects of settler colonialism.

- ★ “Laird delivers a gripping tale with a strong message that fantasy readers who enjoy action and adventure will relish.” — *Publishers Weekly*
- ★ “Tonia [Laird] is a powerhouse.” — Katherena Vermette, award-winning author of *The Break* and *The Strangers*



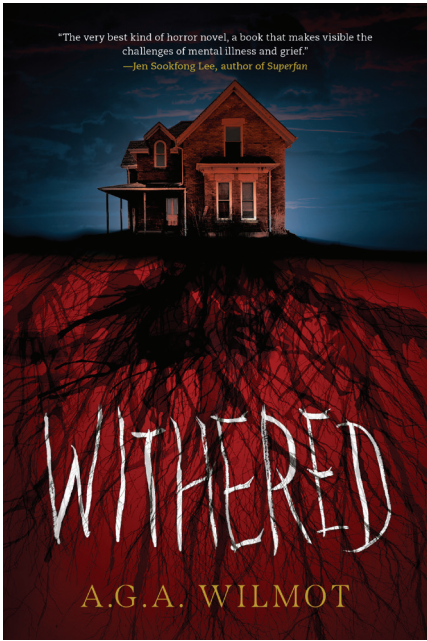
THE MARIGOLD

Andrew F. Sullivan
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The Marigold melds ecofiction with body horror as it weaves disparate storylines around a crumbling condo tower, its foundation plagued by a grotesque infection, and illustrates the precarious role of community and the fragile designs that bind us together.

- ★ National bestseller
- ★ Featured on *Esquire’s* “The Best Horror Books of 2023 Will Scare You Sh*tless” list
- ★ *Publishers Weekly* Book of the Week
- ★ A Kobo Top Horror Pick of 2023
- ★ “This impressively bleak vision of the near future is as grotesquely amusing as it is grim.” — *Publishers Weekly*, starred review



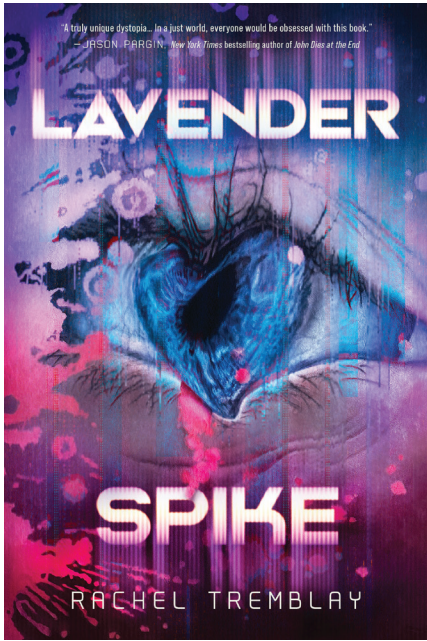
WITHERED

A.G.A. Wilmot
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A queer paranormal horror novel in the style of showrunner Mike Flanagan, showing the complex real-life terror inherent in grief and mental illness.

- ★ “*Withered* is a compassionate exploration of mental health, hauntings, and the way grief can pull, stretch, or erode our sense of self. Told with wit and warmth, it is a triumph of love in the face of heartache and death.” — Suzan Palumbo, Nebula and World Fantasy Award finalist
- ★ “Ellis’s recovery from their eating disorder cunningly intertwines with the ghost story as Wilmot interrogates the human desire for control over one’s body, natural forces, and even life and death.” — *Publishers Weekly*
- ★ “Wilmot’s fast-paced psychological-horror novel offers a fresh spin on the haunted-house trope, with well-drawn queer and trans representation at its center. This thought-provoking blend of psychological and supernatural horror will appeal to fans of *Stranger Things* and allegorical haunted-house novels like Carissa Orlando’s *The September House*.” — *Booklist*



LAVENDER SPIKE

Rachel Tremblay
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In a shattered future where art is outlawed for some and weaponized by others, one underground painter is forced to choose: stay true to her craft, or survive.

- ★ “A truly unique dystopia.” — Jason Pargin, bestselling author of *John Dies at the End* and *I’m Starting to Worry About This Black Box of Doom*
- ★ “Mind-bending...hard to look away from.” — *Publishers Weekly*
- ★ “A speculative story of art as the basis of a future police state.” — *Kirkus Reviews*



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DOG DAYS OF PLANET EARTH

A NOVEL

Theresa Shea

For fans of Claire Keegan’s *Small Things Like These* and Karen Joy Fowler’s *We Are All Completely Beside Ourselves* comes this unforgettable and fiercely compassionate novel

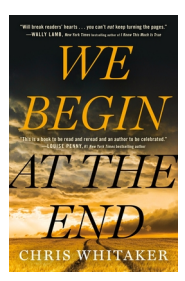
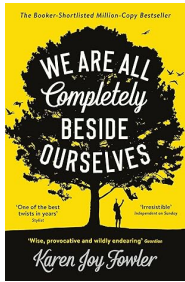
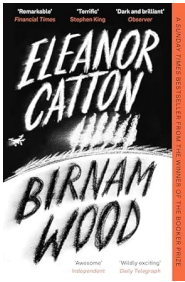
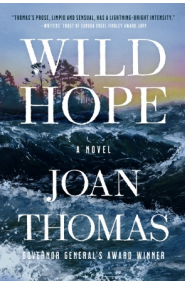
Immediately upon his release from a 25-year prison sentence, former veterinarian Trevor Westmore gets his first surprise as a free man: A guard gives him a German shepherd puppy. While Trevor anxiously tries to build a new life, his dog, Libby, provides the routine and responsibility he needs to navigate his re-entry into society.

All Trevor wants is to earn a living, to stay out of trouble, and to be left alone — until he meets and falls for local veterinarian Laura Fenway. But they both have their secrets. When she learns the truth of Trevor’s past will she consider a future together? And when he discovers the lengths she’ll go to rescue dogs, will he jeopardize his long-awaited freedom?

Weaving together major environmental and political issues of the mid- to late-20th century that remain urgent today, *Dog Days of Planet Earth* asks what we’re willing to risk for our personal convictions in a world where powerful and unjust forces often oppose them.

Theresa Shea is the author of two previous novels. Her debut, *The Unfinished Child*, was a finalist for the 2014 Alberta Book Award and the Alberta Readers’ Choice Award. Her second novel, *The Shade Tree*, won the 2020 Guernica Prize and the 2022 Alberta Book Award. Shea lives and writes in Edmonton, AB.

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PERFECT FOR BOOK CLUBS: Historical literary fiction that follows former veterinarian Trevor Westmore as he is released after 25 years of incarceration and finds that his love for animals soon plunges him into high-stakes activism that will risk his newfound freedom. Blending a love story with complex issues such as animal rights, the prison industrial complex, nuclear testing, and environmental justice, book clubs will have plenty to discuss. ECW will have a book club guide available on our website.

NOTE FROM THE EDITOR, JEN KNOCH: “*Dog Days of Planet Earth* is, in large part, about the drama of being decent and will especially appeal to people with a soft spot for animals. Theresa writes dogs with such tenderness that it can move anyone who has loved an animal. The protagonist, Trevor, is really a character you can root for. Ultimately, it’s a novel that asks what we’re willing to risk for what we believe in, even if it means, possibly, sacrificing what we love.”

TIMELY FICTION: With the 75th anniversary of atomic testing in Nevada approaching, this timely book offers unique marketing opportunities for readers passionate about social justice, animal welfare, and environmental advocacy.

PRAISE: “Twenty-five years in prison have bifurcated Trevor Westmore’s life into before and after. In both parts, he has been a witness to and victim of some of science’s more devastating impacts on the world. Smart, penetrating, and sometimes harrowing, Shea’s novel is filled with difficult and important questions. Also dogs! Wonderful dogs!” — Karen Joy Fowler, *New York Times* bestselling author of *We Are All Completely Beside Ourselves*



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DENISON AVENUE

Daniel Innes and Christina Wong

A moving story told in visual art and fiction about gentrification, aging in place, grief, and vulnerable Chinese Canadian elders

Bringing together ink artwork and fiction, *Denison Avenue* by Daniel Innes (illustrations) and Christina Wong (text) follows the elderly Wong Cho Sum, who, living in Toronto's gentrifying Chinatown-Kensington Market, begins to collect bottles and cans after the sudden loss of her husband as a way to fill her days and keep grief and loneliness at bay. In her long walks around the city, Cho Sum meets new friends, confronts classism and racism, and learns how to build a life as a widow in a neighborhood that is being destroyed and rebuilt, leaving elders like her behind.

A poignant meditation on loss, aging, gentrification, and the barriers that Chinese Canadian seniors experience in big cities, *Denison Avenue* beautifully combines visual art, fiction, and the endangered Toisan dialect to create a book that is truly unforgettable.



Daniel Innes's extensive portfolio includes painting and installation, graphic and textile design, sign painting, and tattooing. His work has attracted many clients, including Minnow Bathers and Toronto Metropolitan University, and he has exhibited in both Toronto and New York. danielinnes.com.



Christina Wong is a playwright and prose writer and also works in sound installation, audio documentaries, and photography. Her plays have been performed at Factory Studio, Theatre Passe Muraille Backspace, and Palmerston Library Theatre. Wong's work has also appeared in *TOK Magazine*, the *Toronto Star*, and on CJRU 1280AM.



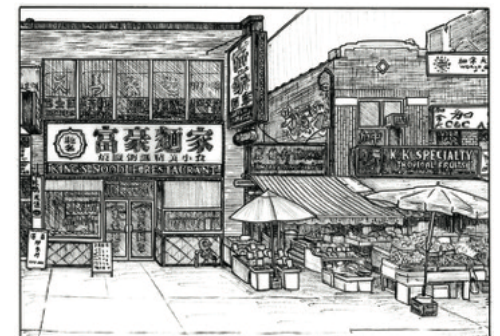
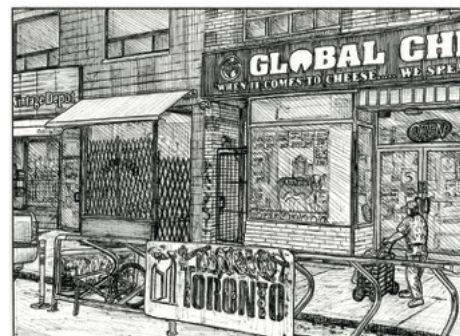
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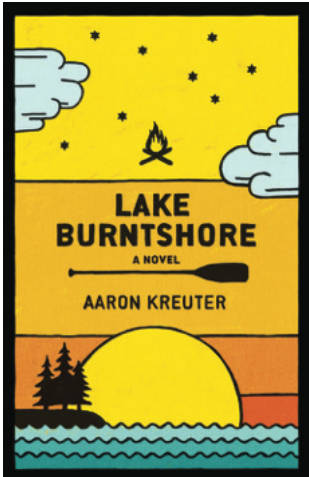
• AWARDS:

- Finalist for the 2024 Andrew Carnegie Medal for Excellence in Fiction through the American Library Association
- Shortlisted for 2024 CBC Canada Reads
- Finalist for the 2023 Toronto Book Awards
- Finalist for the 2024 Kobo Emerging Writer Prize

• PRAISE:

- "Wong and Innes have created something truly special in this multi-faceted book. Innes's detailed and beautiful hand-drawn illustrations depicting the changes in the community are eye-catching complements to Wong's writing and can stand on their own." — **Booklist, starred review**
- "I spent my formative years in Kensington Market. I still go to Chinatown multiple times a week to eat. I love it so much, it's a place that truly brings me so much joy. *Denison Avenue* shows us the realness of how the buildings are changing, the restaurants are changing, and the love that has slowly been taken away in the process. A beautiful book that shares stories of love and loss." — **Matty Matheson, celebrity chef and star of the hit television series *The Bear***





LAKE BURNTSHORE

A Novel

Aaron Kreuter

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A funny and emotionally resonant coming-of-age novel about one summer of momentous social and political change at a Jewish sleepover camp.

- ★ AN AUTHOR CONNECTED TO POLITICS: Aaron Kreuter’s work explores Jewish North American fiction, diaspora, and Israel/Palestine and has been nominated for numerous awards, including the 2022 Governor General’s Award for Poetry, the 2023 Vine Award for Canadian Jewish Literature, and the 2023 League of Canadian Poets’ Raymond Souster Award.
- ★ NOTE FROM THE EDITOR: “The novel is funny and sweeping, intimate and epic, poetic and comedic. The content is extraordinary, but the foundation of Lake Burntshore is the quality of Aaron’s writing, which is sharp, poetic, and always precise. The scenes where he describes the landscape actually take my breath away, and that is no small feat given that nature has been described a million times! This is an important part of the book because the land and the camp are so pivotal to the story and are characters themselves. Aaron does a beautiful job writing the desires and bodily experiences of young people, especially young women. This is, as I know, very hard to do for adults in midlife, and he does it with great tact and gentleness without sacrificing the comedy or the honesty.” — Jen Sookfong Lee



WHY BIRDS SING

A Novel

Nina Berkhout

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A charming novel about a disgraced opera singer, her cancer-plagued brother-in-law, a temperamental parrot named Tulip, and a competitive whistling group called the Warblers.

- ★ NOMINEE: Ottawa Book Award finalist, 2021; Red Deer Reads finalist, 2021
- ★ “Capturing the joy that’s brought through camaraderie and passion, *Why Birds Sing* is an inspiring novel focused on the power of connections.” — *Foreword Reviews*



OFF MENU

A Novel

Amy Rosen

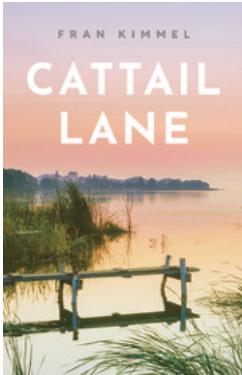
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- ★ “Written as a series of charming and hilarious diary entries, this novel is a fantastic blend of Helen Fielding’s *Bridget Jones’s Diary*, Nora Ephron’s *Heartburn*, and the humor of Molly Harper, Janet Evanovich, and Emily Henry. Perfect for foodies who love a bit of fun, hijinks, and romance.” — *Library Journal*, starred review



CATTAIL LANE

A Novel

Fran Kimmel

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A story with a compassionate eye, the heartwarming vibes of *A Man Called Ove* mixed with the high emotional stakes of Anne Tyler, *Cattail Lane* is an uplifting family drama about overcoming the past and the extraordinary power of second chances.

- ★ A FEEL-GOOD STORY FOR TRYING TIMES: Fran Kimmel writes compassionate stories about ordinary people struggling and ultimately coming together. When the world is a trash fire, hers are the kind of books that make you believe again in the fundamental goodness of humanity.
- ★ NOTE FROM THE EDITOR: “*Cattail Lane* is a compassionate portrayal of parents and children who find their way back to each other through small acts of kindness and big leaps of faith. I particularly love the way she relates life in the dementia unit, where she spent time with her own mother in her final years. This book has romance, forgiveness, parental love, and new beginnings. Fran’s books help restore my faith in human goodness; if you can have a cozy without the mystery, this would be it.” — Jennifer Knoch



NO GOOD ASKING

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Fran Kimmel

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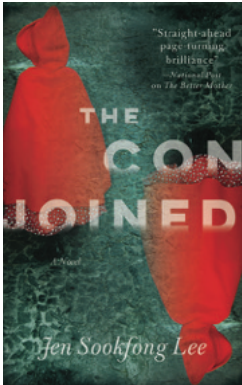
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A small-town ex-cop and his troubled family take in an orphaned young girl over the Christmas holidays, though she helps them as much as they do her.

- ★ “Kimmel’s novel has only a few characters, but they all possess presence and depth and experience honest changes. The strong sense of place serves as an additional relationship for the characters to negotiate.” — *Library Journal*, starred review



THE CONJOINED

A Novel

Jen Sookfong Lee

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A literary novel inspired by crime fiction, *The Conjoined* follows a Vancouver social worker as she struggles to uncover her dead mother’s deeply buried secrets.

- ★ NOMINEE: 2018 International Dublin Literary Award; shortlisted for the 2017 Ethel Wilson Fiction Prize
- ★ “The mystery of how the girls died is not the book’s main focus, but this captivating novel still moves with the pace of a thriller as it deftly fills in the gaps in the lives of several people, each fractured by horrors of their very own, joined as one in betrayal, trauma, and uncertainty.” — *Publishers Weekly*

CANDAS JANE DORSEY TRILOGY



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Candas Jane Dorsey

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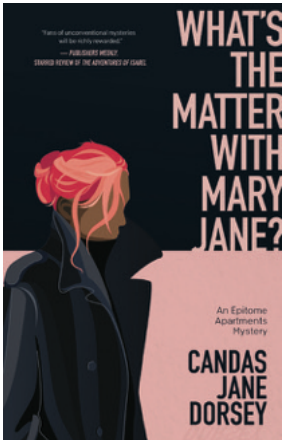
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A playful and trope-bending mystery series featuring a queer, nameless amateur detective.

- ★ Top Ten Best Crime Novels in Germany for two consecutive months (February and March 2022)
- ★ Sunday Times Crime Club pick and a Waterstones Indie Book of the Month
- ★ NOMINEE: Shortlisted for the 2021 Bony Blithe Light Mystery Award
- ★ “Fans of unconventional mysteries will be richly rewarded.” — Publishers Weekly, starred review



WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH MARY JANE?

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A wise-cracking, grammar-obsessed, pansexual amateur

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- ★ Winner of The Crime Writers of Canada Awards of Excellence (2022), Whodunnit Award for Best Traditional Mystery



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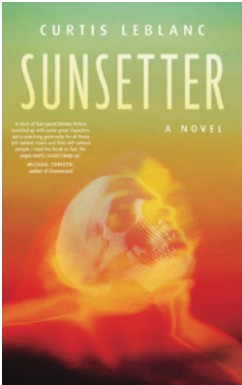
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The witty, queer accidental detective of the Epitome Apartments is back. While helping to solve a community murder, she also needs

to convince police that she didn't revenge-kill the man who took everything from her.



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A Novel

Curtis LeBlanc

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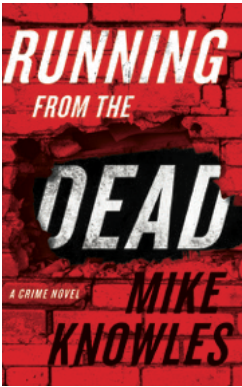
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After a pair of suspicious deaths on the opening night of the Sunsetter rodeo and midway, two teens, Dallan

Dermott and Hannah Fields, must plunge headlong into their grief — and their anger — to uncover the criminal truth about the town of Perron.

- ★ Equal parts crime novel and literary fiction, *Sunsetter* is an unflinching story about the opioid crisis, teen isolation, police brutality, and the fickleness of late-stage capitalism.



RUNNING FROM THE DEAD

A Crime Novel

Mike Knowles

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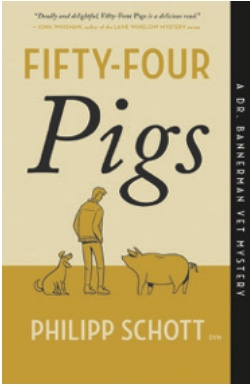
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After his six-year search for a kidnapped boy ends in a suspicious murder, private detective Sam Jones is forced to take matters into his own hands: he must track down a missing girl and clear his name before the police track him down.

- ★ “[A] brilliantly woven crime novel ...” — Publishers Weekly, starred review
- ★ “A must-read crime novel from a writer who deserves to be on the radar screens of a lot more genre readers.” — Booklist, starred review
- ★ “The noir world evoked by Knowles’s brutally clipped prose is so dark that the smallest victories seem like miracles.” — Kirkus Reviews, starred review



FIFTY-FOUR PIGS

A Dr. Bannerman Vet Mystery

Philipp Schott

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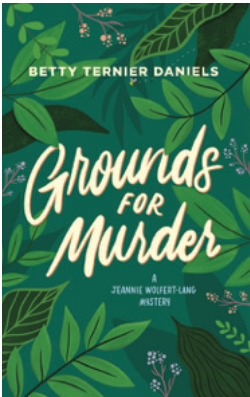
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For readers of *The Thursday Murder Club* comes a light-hearted mystery with an incredible sense of place. A swine barn explodes near a lakeside town, putting veterinarian Dr. Peter Bannerman on a collision course with murder and a startling conspiracy.

- ★ National bestseller
- ★ “James Herriot fans will want to check out this one.” — Publishers Weekly



GROUNDS FOR MURDER

A Jeannie Wolfert-Lang Mystery

Betty Ternier Daniels

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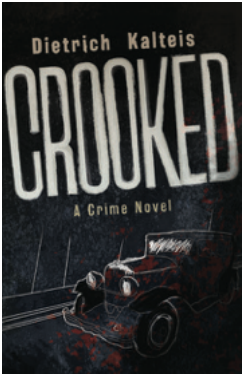
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Grounds for Murder is the first in a new mystery series featuring protagonist Jeannie Wolfert-Lang. When Jeannie won't sell her farm, someone

tries to kill her. Who wants her land enough that they'd attempt to kill a 60-year-old widow? Jeannie must now grapple with ghosts from her past and solve the mystery.

- ★ “Jeannie is a winning protagonist, and Daniels’s descriptions of the bucolic setting are irresistible. Outdoorsy cozy lovers will enjoy themselves.” — Publishers Weekly

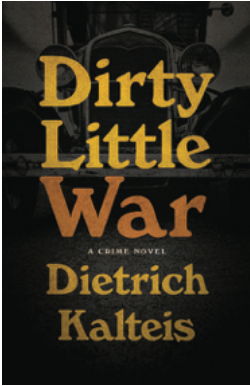


CROOKED
A Crime Novel
Dietrich Kalteis
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A page-turning crime tale based on a true story follows the criminal career of Alvin Karpis, a Chicago gangster in the 1930s. Karpis joins forces with the notorious Barker Gang as they

set on a trail of bank robberies, murders, and kidnappings and become the most hunted men in America.

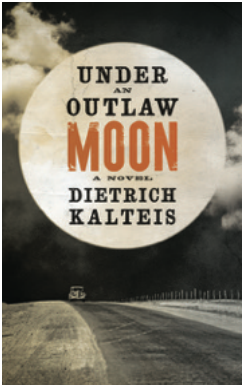
★ “Though readers well-versed in the era’s history will know how the story ends, the action is tightly coiled enough to keep them flipping pages and rooting for the rogues. It’s another winner from Kalteis.”
— *Publishers Weekly*



DIRTY LITTLE WAR
A Crime Novel
Dietrich Kalteis
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For readers of Elmore Leonard and George Pelecanos, a tense crime novel set in mob-filled Chicago during the 1920s Prohibition.

★ “*Dirty Little War* has moments that encourage quick reading and fast page turning, and pending violence at the hands of erratic and mercurial characters can keep you guessing about who is on whose side.” — *New York Journal Review of Books*

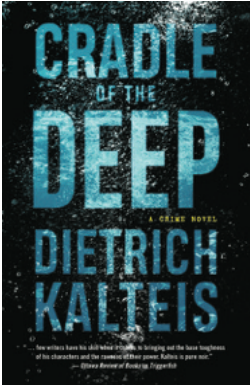


UNDER AN OUTLAW MOON
A Novel
Dietrich Kalteis
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Meet Depression-era newly-weds Bennie and Stella. He’s reckless, she’s naive. Longing for freedom from tough times, they rob a bank, setting off

a series of events that quickly spin out of their control. Soon they top the FBI’s “Most Wanted” list. So much for the good life.

★ “Kalteis breathes life into these fearless, larger-than-life fugitives. This is a delightful treat for historical crime fiction enthusiasts.” — *Publishers Weekly*, starred review



CRADLE OF THE DEEP
A Crime Novel
Dietrich Kalteis
9781770415263
PUB DATE: November 3, 2020
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From “the heir-apparent to Elmore Leonard” (*Crime Syndicate Magazine*) comes a caper novel full of twists, hit-men, and loads of stolen cash.

★ “A hair-raising escapade fueled by impulsive choices, this page-turner kept me up most of the night.”
— *The Ottawa Review of Books*

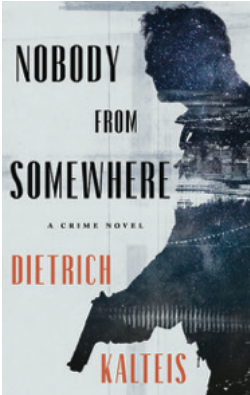


THE GET
A Crime Novel
Dietrich Kalteis
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Lenny works for a ruthless gangster in Toronto, and his days are spent terrorizing the locals into paying protection on their shops. But Lenny has debts of his own, and

he would rather get than be gotten, and so he comes up with a surefire way to end his marital and money problems.

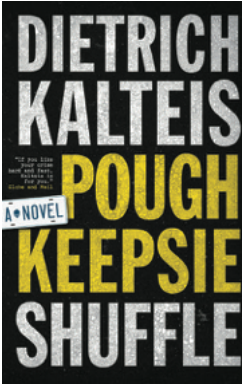
★ “Smooth plotting, vivid characters, and sharp dialogue (especially from the rough-edged leads) bolster this darkly comic story, which Kalteis shepherds to a hugely satisfying conclusion. Fans of Elmore Leonard and George Pelecanos will find much to enjoy.”
— *Publishers Weekly*, starred review



NOBODY FROM SOMEWHERE
A Crime Novel
Dietrich Kalteis
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In this action-packed caper novel, a long-retired cop gets wrapped up with a girl on the run.

★ “Valor, betrayal, and bad alliances collide in this exciting crime novel set on Canada’s West Coast ... A brisk pace and sharp attention to character help propel this lean story of chance encounters amid a battle for survival. Fans of gritty crime fiction will be gratified.”
— *Publishers Weekly*

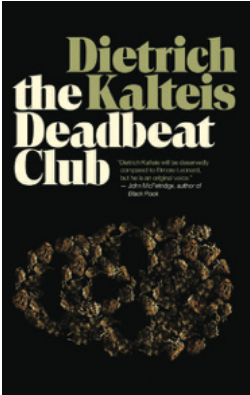


POUGHKEEPSIE SHUFFLE
A Crime Novel
Dietrich Kalteis
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A couple of ex-cons team up with a shady used car dealer

to import cars — plus a little something extra — across the New York border. *Poughkeepsie Shuffle* shows just how wrong a man will go to get right with the woman he loves.

★ “The dialogue recalls Elmore Leonard ... The antics are good fun. Best read for the pleasures to be found around the edges.” — *Booklist*
★ “Full of jaw-smacking fistfights, rip-roaring car chases, and gun-blazing gang battles, *Poughkeepsie Shuffle* delivers a mighty thump of thrills and spills.”
— *Lancashire Evening Post*

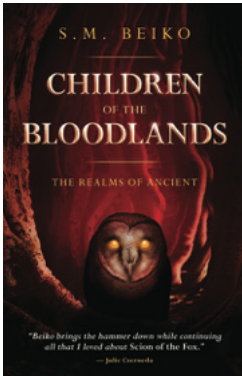
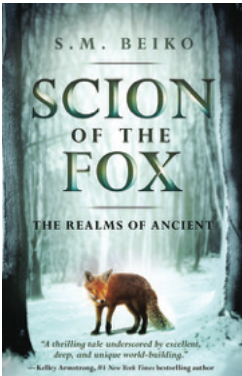


THE DEADBEAT CLUB
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Grey Stevens now grows the best pot in Whistler. He just wants to take life easy, but when he rescues a girl from

a beating at the hands of a gang member, Grey has to decide whether he’s going to play it safe, or stay and fight for what is his.

★ “Kalteis skillfully writes authentic-sounding dialogue ... [He] makes it difficult not to root for the little guys up against ruthless gangs in this fast-paced thrill ride.”
— *Publishers Weekly*
★ “The dialogue is some of the sharpest and funniest I’ve seen in any book this year.” — *National Post*

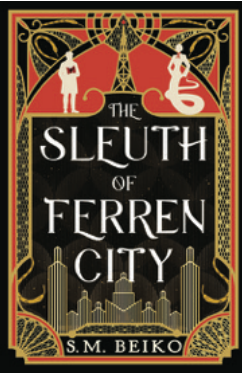


THE REALMS OF ANCIENT

- 1: SCION OF THE FOX
- 2: CHILDREN OF THE BLOODLANDS
- 3: THE BRILLIANT DARK

A series by S.M. Beiko

The Realms of Ancient trilogy follows wise-cracking teen Roan Harken and her four friends, who each discover they are Denizens, people with elemental powers linked to certain animals. Darkness, death, and ancient powers collide as the friends battle monsters and attempt to save the world at any cost. This intricately plotted, action-packed epic travels from Winnipeg, Manitoba, to Edinburgh, Scotland, to a shadowy underworld, combining urban fantasy and rich mythology in what bestselling author Kelley Armstrong calls “a thrilling tale.” *American Gods* meets *Princess Mononoke*, this YA trilogy is “highly sophisticated and fully immersive” (*Kirkus*), with diverse BIPOC and LGBTQ+ characters.



THE BRINDLEWATCH QUINTET

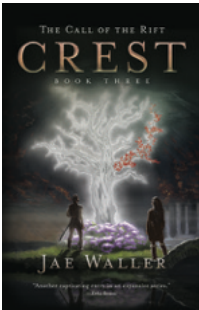
- 1: THE STARS OF MOUNT QUIXX
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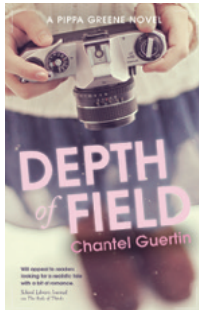
Welcome to Brindlewatch — a world like ours from days gone by. Fast shiny cars, growing metropolises, and a war on the other side of the ocean with an enemy no one can see. Back at home, monsters, spirits, and the humans who get entangled with them populate the pages of the Brindlewatch Quintet.

★ “Fans of Diana Wynne Jones and TJ Klune will find much to love in this wholly original novel that blends science and magic, modernity and tradition, and features a sweet monster romance, found families, kooky characters, and a pair of sisters whose fraught relationship is central to their coming-of-age stories” — *Kirkus Reviews*, starred review of *The Stars of Mount Quixx*



THE CALL OF THE RIFT A series by S.M. Beiko (*Flight, Veil, Crest, Wake, Fuse*)

Set in two parallel worlds, this series follows Kateiko Rin, a headstrong teenage girl with the power to shapeshift and control water, as she grows up in the war-torn coastal rainforest. As the worlds diverge, so do the versions of herself. Orphaned Kako takes up arms to protect her people, while refugee Katja finds purpose as a healer. Each girl’s fiction is the other’s truth — in love, war, and everything in between. The prospect of a rift opening between worlds poses a question to characters and readers: if you could cross into another version of your life, would you? The Call of the Rift series has been praised for its intricate plotting, meticulous worldbuilding, and expert writing from author Jae Waller, a talented newcomer to YA fantasy fiction. The series appeals to the mature reader of YA fantasy looking for romantic content, women-led fiction, LGBTQ+ and BIPOC representation, and complex worlds and characters.



PIPPA GREENE

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- 2: DEPTH OF FIELD
- 3: LEADING LINES
- 4: GOLDEN HOUR

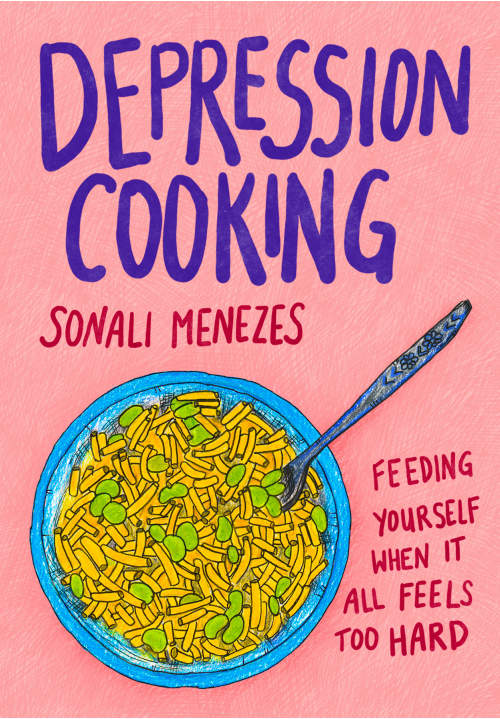
A series by Chantel Guertin

Written with humor and heart, the Pippa Greene novels offer a fresh and charming perspective on friendships, family, and first love.

★ “With an upbeat tone, clever dialogue, and an artsy point of view, *Depth of Field* is one relatable teenage girl’s contemporary coming-of-age journey.” — *School Library Journal* on *Depth of Field*

★ “Amusingly honest ... Frothy yet engaging romance with a snapshot of the photography world to add color.” — *Kirkus Reviews* on *Depth of Field*

★ “Sharp dialogue, fully fleshed, interesting characters, and a believable plot add up to more than typical teen chicklit.” — *Quill & Quire* on *Leading Lines*



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DEPRESSION COOKING

FEEDING YOURSELF WHEN IT ALL FEELS TOO HARD

Sonali Menezes

A warm, generous, and illustrated guide to nurturing yourself when life — and the world — is too much

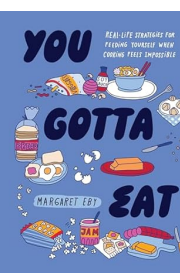
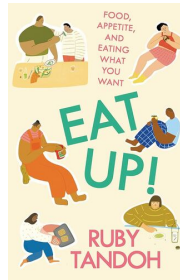
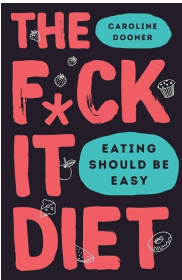
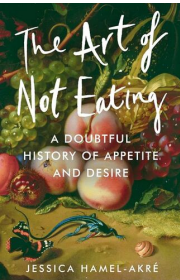
When artist Sonali Menezes found herself struggling with mental illness, disordered eating, and the crushing weight of capitalism, she began to look for easy and delicious ways to feed herself that would both fulfill her hunger and her need for care. Her method — non-judgmental, anti-diet, and approachable — became *Depression Cooking*, a book that combines recipes, personal memoir, and illustrations to provide a guide for those moments in all of our lives when making a meal, and loving yourself, feels impossible.

In each chapter, Sonali writes and draws about a challenging period in her life, when food seemed more like an enemy than an ally, and shares the recipes and cooking tips that nurtured her body and her soul. From dal to ramen to “things on toast,” *Depression Cooking* lays out an approach that helps us through life’s hardest challenges, whether that’s becoming a new parent, being fired from a job, weathering grief, or living on our own for the first time.

Part comic, part food memoir, part cookbook, *Depression Cooking* is a love letter to the sad, hungry, and exhausted versions of ourselves who always deserve care, community, and good food. This empathetic, innovative, and delightfully funny book is one of one, and exactly the permission we all need to enjoy beautiful meals just because we can.

Sonali Menezes is an artist, zinester, and writer. She lives in Hamilton, ON, with her husband, cat, and houseplants. She loves food and eats it every day in celebration. *Depression Cooking* is her first book. Find her on Instagram @sonaleeeeeee.

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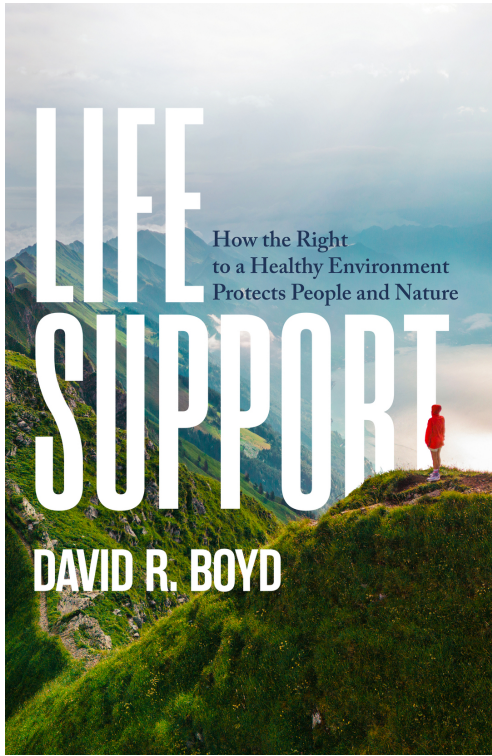


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SUCCESSFUL FORMAT: With breakout hits like *Let’s Make Ramen!* and *Let’s Make Bread!* steadily rising in sales each year, comic book cookbooks have proven to be a successful format for presenting intimidating techniques or cuisines in a more approachable manner. *Depression Cooking* adds a new element of tackling mental health struggles to the mix.

STARTED AS A ZINE, NOW WE’RE HERE: The precursor to this book is a small zine called *Depression Cooking: Easy Recipes for When You’re Depressed as Fuck*, eight letter-sized pages folded in half with a limited run of 250 copies in 2022. By the following year, Sonali had distributed over 2,000 copies through the mail and at zine fairs and decided it needed to become a book.

FOR A WIDE AUDIENCE: Tweens and teens learning how to cook for the first time, new parents struggling with postpartum depression, burnt-out activists, widowers living on their own for the first time, those struggling with depression or other forms of mental illness, and those recovering from disordered eating. The audience for this book listens to podcasts such as *Food Psych Podcast with Christy Harrison* or *The Socialist Program with Brian Becker* and reads books such as *The F*ck It Diet* by Caroline Dooner and *The Art of Not Eating* by Jessica Hamel-Akré.



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LIFE SUPPORT

HOW THE RIGHT TO A HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT PROTECTS PEOPLE AND NATURE

David R. Boyd

A clear, hopeful strategy for a safer, cleaner, fairer planet from a leading legal expert

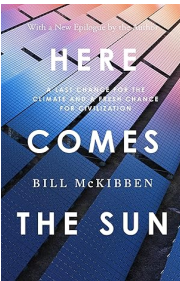
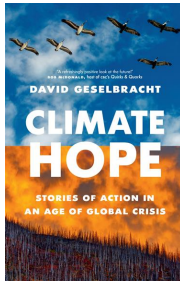
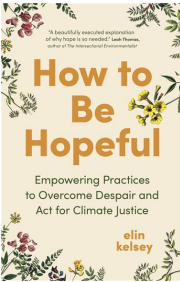
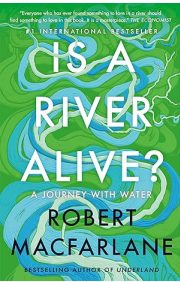
Too often the well-being of humans and the planet are pitted against each other, but in this groundbreaking and inspiring book, lawyer David Boyd shows that environmental rights are an essential part of human rights. We can protect people *and* nature at the same time. Courts all over the world are starting to agree, setting legal precedents that can force governments to take better care of people and nature now and for generations to come.

Saving Lives, Protecting Nature draws on Boyd’s experiences as the United Nations special rapporteur on human rights and the environment, describing how lawyers, politicians, and communities all over the world have harnessed the right to secure cleaner air, safer water, healthier food, and less toxic environments while also addressing the climate and biodiversity crises.

While the news of the day is often bleak, Boyd highlights people who are making incredible strides toward a brighter, cleaner, fairer future for all who share this planet.

David R. Boyd is a lawyer, professor, and former UN special rapporteur on human rights and the environment (2018–2024). He is also a father, nature lover, Barnacleman triathlon record holder, Canadian age-group ultramarathon champion, four-time Ironman, author of ten books, and recipient of an honorary doctor of laws degree from Nelson Mandela University.

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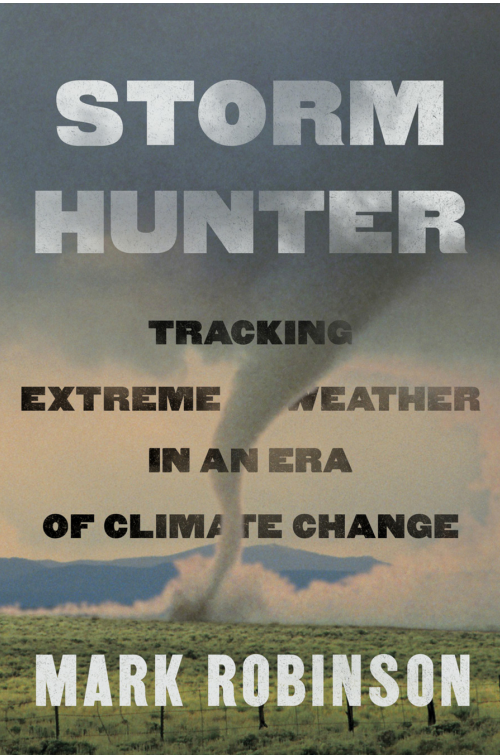
INTERNATIONAL APPEAL: The book features uplifting and inspiring stories from across the globe, including Canada, Spain, Chile, France, Fiji, Mexico, the United Kingdom, Botswana, Colombia, Argentina, Kenya, Republic of Congo, Cote d’Ivoire, Peru, the Philippines, Portugal, Ecuador, Costa Rica, Panama, Guadeloupe, Seychelles, the United States, India, Indonesia, Brazil, South Africa, the Netherlands, and Germany.

LARGE NETWORK: Boyd has worked with many organizations who will help to promote and spread the word about the book, including the Global Network for Human Rights and the Environment (GNHRE), Environmental Law Alliance Worldwide (ELAW), World’s Youth for Climate Justice, Ecojustice, David Suzuki Foundation, and the Youth Negotiators Academy.

THE RIGHT TO A HEALTHY PLANET: July 28, 2027, will mark the fifth anniversary of the historical United Nations recognition of the right to a healthy environment — a resolution Boyd helped get passed. In 2025, the world’s highest courts, the International Court of Justice and the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, formally recognized the right to a healthy environment as underpinning human rights. These landmark opinions should be a catalyst for climate action.

BOYD’S BACKLIST ARE BIG SELLERS: *The Rights of Nature* (2017) has sold 8,000 copies and been translated into Spanish, German (Benevento Books), Korean (Gyoyuseoga), and Vietnamese (Phuong nam Book Company). *The Optimistic Environmentalist* (2015) has sold 9,500 copies and been translated into French (Éditions MultiMondes).

STARRED REVIEW FOR THE RIGHTS OF NATURE: “Expertly written case studies in which legalese is accessibly distilled ... are empowering reminders that the seemingly inevitable slide toward planetary destruction can be halted. Boyd persuasively shows that treating the law as an evolving instrument, combined with public-awareness campaigns and political pressure, can help curb humanity’s worst excesses.” — *Publishers Weekly* starred review



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STORM HUNTER

TRACKING EXTREME WEATHER IN AN ERA OF CLIMATE CRISIS

Mark Robinson

Part popular science, part travel memoir, *Bracing for Armageddon: On the Frontlines of Climate Change* details the life and adventures of The Weather Network’s Mark Robinson as a meteorologist and extreme weather specialist.

Meteorologist Mark Robinson has spent over a decade at The Weather Network reporting from the front lines of the world’s most extreme weather events. From fires to hurricanes to tornadoes, Mark has seen it all and sees how it’s all been changing.

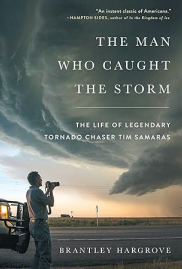
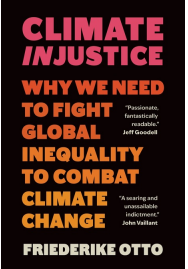
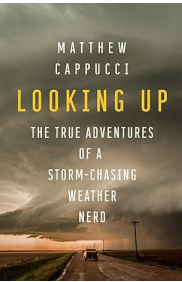
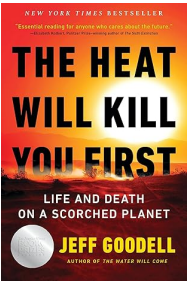
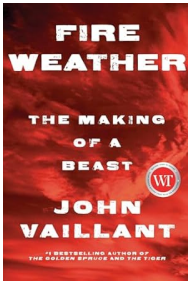
Equal parts travel memoir and popular science book, *Bracing for Armageddon* delves expertly into famous meteorological events like the fires at Fort McMurray, the El Reno Tornado, and Hurricane Katrina — all witnessed firsthand by Mark.

But at the heart of these events is the most frightening phenomenon of them all — climate change. Our world is becoming more unpredictable and more dangerous, but people in these disaster zones are working on ingenious solutions to help us get through the next decades.

Filled with expert analysis and hopeful stories of innovation, this book asks the most important question: How do we brace for Armageddon?

Mark Robinson is a multi-platform meteorologist at The Weather Network. He co-hosts the television series *Storm Hunters* and *Unearthed*, has appeared on the television series *Angry Planet*, and has made numerous other media appearances. Mark Robinson can be followed on X: @StormhunterTWN. Mark lives in Guleph, Ontario.

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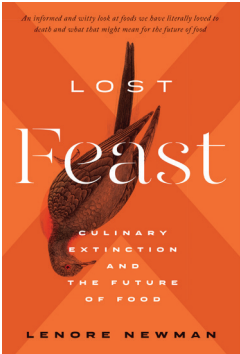
TV SHOW *STORM HUNTERS* IN MULTIPLE COUNTRIES: Mark Robinson co-hosts *Storm Hunters*, which appears on The Weather Network in Canada, Sky in the UK, and National Geographic Channel in New Zealand/Australia. The show is available for streaming via Prime in Canada.

BIG PLATFORM: Mark Robinson has a large following on X, with over 77K engaged followers. The Weather Network, who is supportive of his work and this book, and which has a massive following: 192K subscribers on YouTube, 304K followers on Instagram, 194K followers on TikTok, and 1.6M followers on X.

LOCATION, LOCATION, LOCATION: Features extreme weather events from across the globe, including tornadoes in Kansas, Texas, Oklahoma, and Nebraska; hurricanes in Florida; volcanoes in the Democratic Republic of Congo and Vanuatu; melting glaciers in Nepal; shifting ocean currents in Antarctica and Greenland; fires in Northern Canada and California; and Arctic warming in Baffin Island.

NEWSWORTHY AND FASCINATING TOPIC: Extreme weather is a perennial source of fascination for readers, as seen in the sales of John Vaillant’s *Fire Weather*, Jeff Goodell’s *The Heat Will Kill You First*, and Bill Gates’s *How to Avoid a Climate Disaster*. Between California’s wildfires, devastating rainfall in Southeast Asia, and our planet’s rising temperatures, extreme weather is a constant topic of relevance, and Robinson is often featured on CBC, CTV, City, CNN, BBC, Discovery Channel, and many written outlets to give commentary on the extreme weather we face in today’s world.

A BOOK FOR THE EVERYMAN: Mark Robinson is a first-hand witness to wildfires like 2024’s in California wildfires and 2016’s in Fort McMurray, tornadoes such as the 2014 El Reno tornado in Oklahoma, and a now-shifting tornado alley, and Hurricane Katrina and 2023's hurricane season in Florida. He uses his account to share clear-headed descriptions of meteorology accessible to the layperson.



LOST FEAST
Culinary Extinction and the Future of Food

Lenore Newman

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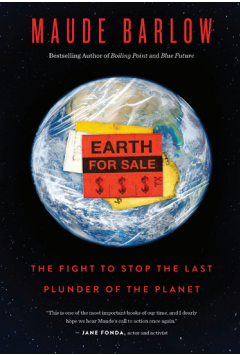
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For readers of Michael Pollan and Anthony Bourdain comes an entertaining yet scholarly book about the foods we have loved to death. From passenger pigeons to megafauna, Newman identifies certain foods vulnerable to human appetite and which foods we’ll struggle to protect in the future.



EARTH FOR SALE
The Fight to Stop the Last Plunder of the Planet

Maude Barlow

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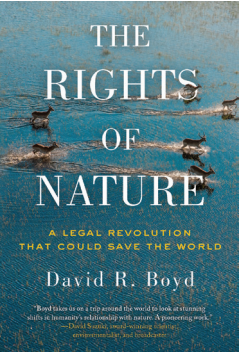
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Activist Maude Barlow argues against the financialization and commodification of the natural world — including carbon credits, conservation bonds, and pollution trading — as a false climate solution and yet another erosion of public spaces and resources.

- ★ “An important call to protect the planet's natural resources.” — *Publishers Weekly*
- ★ “Years ago, Maude Barlow’s book *Blue Gold* sounded the alarm on corporate theft of the world’s water and launched a powerful global water justice movement. Now, with *Earth for Sale*, Maude is calling out a new form of corporate plunder, where nature — instead of being protected — has to compete in the global market to survive. This is one of the most important books of our time, and I dearly hope we hear Maude’s call to action once again.” — Jane Fonda, actor and activist



THE RIGHTS OF NATURE
A Legal Revolution That Could Save the World

David R. Boyd

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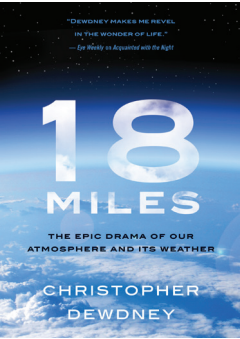
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A growing body of law around the world supports the idea that humans are not the only species with rights; and if nature has rights, then humans have responsibilities.

- ★ Winner of the Green Prize for Sustainable Literature
- ★ “Expertly written case studies in which legalese is accessibly distilled ... empowering reminders that the seemingly inevitable slide toward planetary destruction can be halted.” — *Publishers Weekly*, starred review



18 MILES
The Epic Drama of Our Atmosphere and Its Weather

Christopher Dewdney

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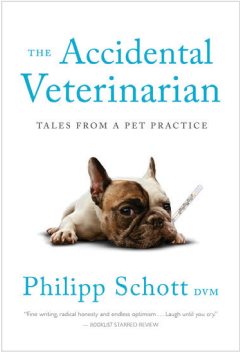
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- ★ “This terrific, accessible, and exciting read helps us to better understand the aspects of weather and the atmosphere all around us.” — *Library Journal*, starred review



THE ACCIDENTAL VETERINARIAN
Tales from a Pet Practice

Philipp Schott

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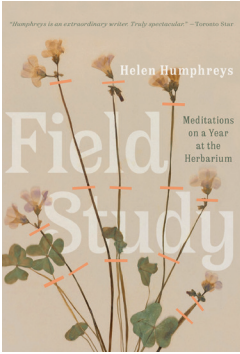
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Cats, dogs, people — funny and heartbreaking stories from a pet veterinarian.

- ★ “For all animal lovers, veterinary tales are always amusing, amazing, entertaining, and, once in a while, sad. Few books ... approach the combination of fine writing, radical honesty, and endless optimism found in Winnipeg practitioner Schott’s ... Laugh until you cry — and believe, as he says, that all that really matters is that the heart of the pet (and its owner) is pure.” — *Booklist*, starred review



FIELD STUDY
Meditations on a Year at the Herbarium

Helen Humphreys

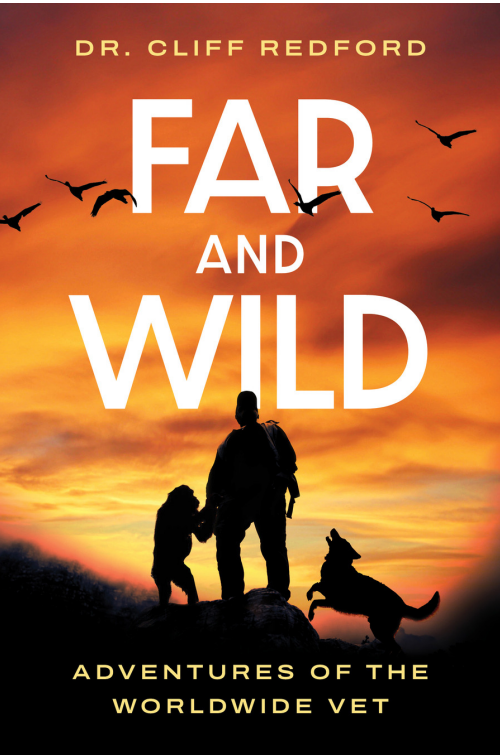
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Delve into the lost world of herbarium collections to examine where and how we look to find the solace of nature in a declining natural world. At a time when the scientific establishment was not open to women, botany allowed Victorian women to enter through the permissible backdoor of art. Long before she wrote poetry, Emily Dickinson gathered, grew, classified, and pressed flowers. *Field Study* includes images from her personal collection.

- ★ **NOMINEE:** Council on Botanical & Horticultural Libraries’ Annual Literature Award (2022), Foreword Indies Nature Award (2021), The Alcuin Society Awards (2021)
- ★ “[A] delightful mix of memoir and field study ... In beautiful prose, Humphreys describes her experience acquainting herself with plants.” — *Publishers Weekly*, starred review



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FAR AND WILD

ADVENTURES OF THE WORLDWIDE VET

Dr. Cliff Redford

Full of unforgettable encounters, *Far and Wild* shines a light on the deep bond between humans and animals and celebrates empathy, connection, and the extraordinary impact one person can have on the world

You might know Dr. Cliff Redford as the friendly veterinarian who answers burning pet questions on Canada’s Global News, but Dr. Cliff is also a globetrotter, a risk-taker, a marathoner, a black belt, a loving father, and a guy who just can’t sit down. But his best-known role is as a champion to animals the world over: the Worldwide Vet.

In this charming memoir, Dr. Cliff opens up about his life and travels as a veterinarian without borders, sharing insights from his surprising, funny, sometimes heart-wrenching, and often dangerous work. From well-fed Athens street cats, to a monkey in India in a dangerous situation, a cyclopean crocodile in Jamaica named one-eyed Jack, and people’s beloved pets around the globe — Dr. Cliff helps them all, with his vast veterinary knowledge, his jovial wit, and his big heart.

Part vet stories and part personal odyssey, *Far and Wild* shines a light on the trials and tribulations of veterinary medicine as Dr. Cliff carefully details the techniques and procedures he uses to diagnose and treat his patients. It will also teach you a little about that most enigmatic of animals — people — as he tells the story of his own journey and highlights passionate teams all around the world who dedicate their lives to fight for the creatures who can’t fight for themselves.

Dr. Cliff Redford graduated from the Ontario Veterinary College in 1998 and owns Wellington Veterinary Hospital in Markham, ON. He lives with his wife and a pack of rescue dogs in Toronto.

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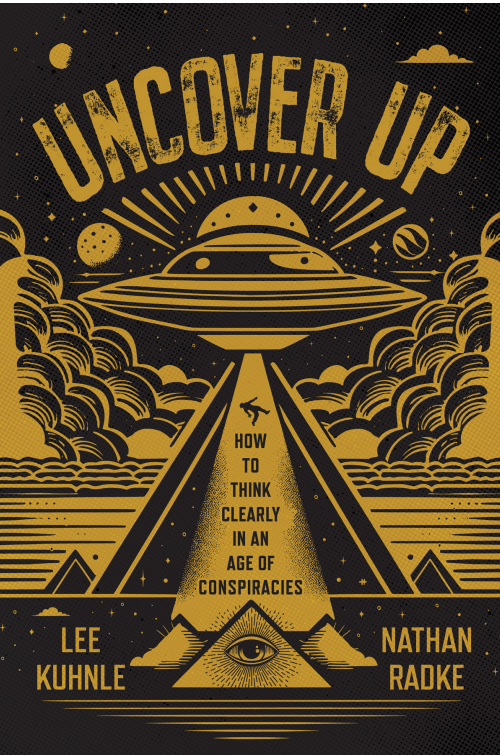
FROM THE EDITOR, JEN ALBERT: “In this inspiring memoir, Dr. Cliff Redford writes about his adventurous life as a globetrotting veterinarian, painting a lively image of his work and life traveling across continents. *Far and Wild* is the first written account of Dr. Cliff’s incredible work, a heartfelt, humorous read, full of unforgettable encounters that shine a light on the deep bond between humans and animals, and it’s a book that celebrates empathy, connection, and the extraordinary impact one person can have on the world.”

PLATFORM: 28K followers on Instagram (@drcliffworldwidevet), 3K followers on YouTube (@drcliff), 2K followers on Facebook (@drcliffworldwidevet), podcast host of *Vet Life with Dr. Cliff*.

INTERNATIONAL SCOPE: Cliff travels across continents to care for pets and rescue animals and bridge cultural gaps through animal welfare. In Athens, Greece, he encountered well-fed street cats, in Hyderabad, India, he ran into a very ill monkey, and in Kingston, Jamaica, he hung out with a cyclopean crocodile named one-eyed Jack. He worked with Furever Rescue Foster, a dog rescue organization in Cairo, Egypt, set up a spay-neuter clinic in Panama City, and in 2022, he traveled to Ukraine, and with assistance from organizations in Poland, rescued animals that had been displaced by the war. At home, he owns and operates a large veterinarian practice in Markham, Ontario.

FOR FANS OF: Adventurous animal lovers like Steve Irwin, James Herriot, Bear Grylls, as well as viral animal lovers and rescuers around the world like Niall Harbison, Vet Ranch, and Jess Cliffe. Viewers of shows such as *Arctic Vets*, *Animal ER*, *Oakley*, *Yukon Vet*, *The Incredible Dr. Pol*, and *All Creatures Great and Small* are the perfect audience for *Far and Wild*.

WORLDWIDE VET IN THE NEWS: Cliff’s original documentary premiered on TVO May 17, 2025, and can be watched on-demand. He is a regular guest on CP24, *The Social*, and *Breakfast Television*, and is the resident veterinarian on Global News’ *The Morning Show*.



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UNCOVER UP

HOW TO THINK CLEARLY IN AN AGE OF CONSPIRACIES

Lee Kuhnle and Nathan Radke

2026 CIBA Booksellers’ List Selection

An urgent exploration of how conspiracy theories take hold and spread and how to see the truth through the noise

Conspiratorial thinking, mis- and disinformation, and anti-intellectualism are at dangerous levels. With traditional media on the way out, social media algorithms siloing users into personal echo chambers, and generative AI muddying the waters, it's getting harder and harder to tell news from nonsense. Our ability to think critically about the world around us is being undermined by these forces and many others, which are being used to sow confusion, disrupt democracy, damage the environment, and degrade social well-being.

With clear-eyed reasoning and examples that are equal parts fascinating and shocking, *Uncover Up: How to Think Clearly in an Age of Conspiracies* offers sociological, historical, philosophical, and literary perspectives on conspiracy theories, allowing us to cut through the fog of misinformation. This guide to critical thinking helps us recognize when, how, and why a piece of dubious media is able to shape the worldview or secure the support of so many people, ultimately showing us how to critically approach the deluge of questionable claims we encounter every day.

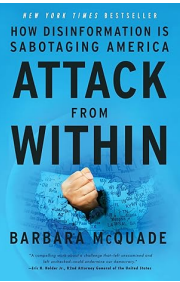
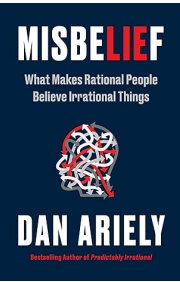
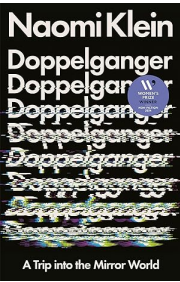
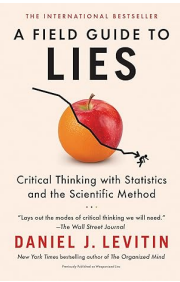
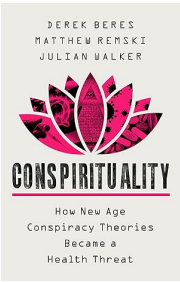
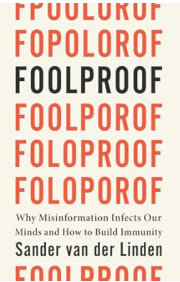
Nathan Radke has degrees in philosophy and sociology from Trent and Lakehead and is the co-author of *Ethical Perspectives* and several chapters of *Conspiracy Theories in American History*. He is co-host of *The Uncover Up* podcast and teaches historical and contemporary conspiracy theories at the post-secondary level and as a regular guest analyst on television and radio. He lives in Toronto, ON.

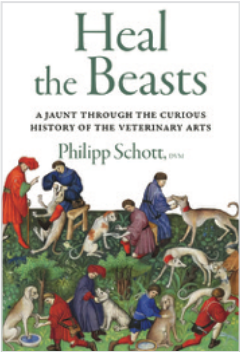
Lee Kuhnle holds a PhD from York University and teaches on the role of ideology in political society, with a focus on conspiracy theories and the political impact of conspiratorial beliefs. He teaches at Humber Polytechnic and is co-host of *The Uncover Up* podcast and a frequent presenter on television and radio. He lives in Toronto, ON.

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- **RIGHTS DEALS:**
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- **NOTE FROM THE EDITOR, JEN ALBERT:** “*Uncover Up* is not just an exposé on popular conspiracy theories, it’s about HOW to think. It shows us how to process the information we’re getting in an objective, systematic, and context-dependent way to determine how reliable it really is. The book aims to reach out with compassion to people where they are, helping them to maintain a critical eye when they encounter a new piece of information and to recognize when and why a piece of questionable media is trying to shape their worldview or secure their support. It does this not just by pointing out flaws in individual conspiracies, but by shining a light on how they work in the first place and showing that anyone can fall into the misinformation trap. It’s an important book, coming at the perfect time.”
- **FEATURES A VARIETY OF CONSPIRACY THEORIES:** From the moon landing, alien abductions, the Illuminati, to anti-vaxx movements and QAnon, Kuhnle and Radke use real-life conspiracy theories to teach readers to recognize when they are being bamboozled.
- **EXPERTS ON THE TOPIC:** Nathan Radke and Lee Kuhnle are professors on this topic, and host *The Uncover-Up Conspiracy Cast*, which has 300K downloads.

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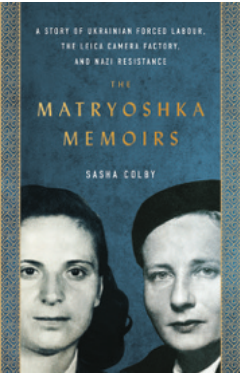




HEAL THE BEASTS
A Jaunt Through the Curious History of the Veterinary Arts
Philipp Schott
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This history of veterinary medicine provides an abundance of bizarre, funny, surprising, and heartwarming anecdotes. *Heal the Beasts* chronicles human efforts to treat animal illnesses from 14,000 BCE to today.

★ Features many veterinarians, including the beloved James Herriot

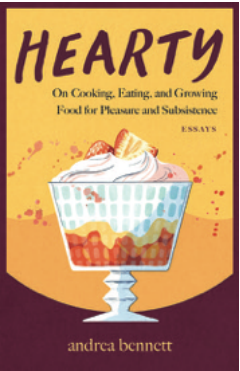


THE MATRYOSHKA MEMOIRS
A Story of Ukrainian Forced Labour, the Leica Camera Factory, and Nazi Resistance
Sasha Colby
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A granddaughter explores the story of her Ukrainian grandmother’s survival of Hitler’s forced labor camps.

★ There has been very little written about the Leitz family, and Elise Kuehn-Leitz, despite the fact that she helped smuggle hundreds of Jewish people out of Nazi Germany before the Holocaust. The Leitz family quietly established what is now known as the “Leica Freedom Train,” which covertly assigned Jewish employees overseas before Nazi Germany closed its borders in 1939.

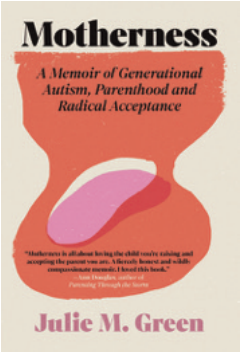
★ “[Colby] breathes new life into well-trodden WWII tropes, building a vivid, novelistic narrative focused on memory and family.” — *Publishers Weekly*



HEARTY
On Cooking, Eating, and Growing Food for Pleasure and Subsistence
andrea bennett
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Hearty is thoughtful and curious food and gardening writing that weaves together cultural analysis, cooking, gardening, and personal history. Far from moralizing or villainizing certain kinds of food, bennett writes from a place focused on pleasure, food justice, systemic change, and body acceptance. They see food as a point of connection with themselves, with friends and family, and with the seeds, sun, and soil.

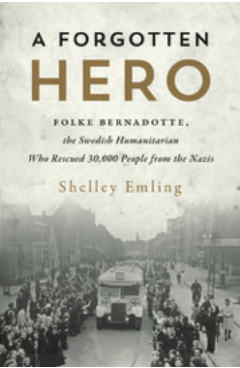
- ★ “This stellar collection provides practical wisdom and advice for all and is sure to delight both novice and experienced gardeners alike.” — *Library Journal*
- ★ “A poet, editor, and essayist, the author tries recipes, stores seeds, and experiments with various crops and methods of resisting pests in their home in British Columbia. They write well on the joys of carrots and the importance of seed saving. Much of this collection is a conversation on sustainability.” — *AudioFile*



MOTHERNESS
A Memoir of Generational Autism, Parenthood, and Radical Acceptance
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A funny, unflinchingly honest, and deeply compassionate memoir about one woman’s experience of raising an autistic child while discovering she is also “on the spectrum”

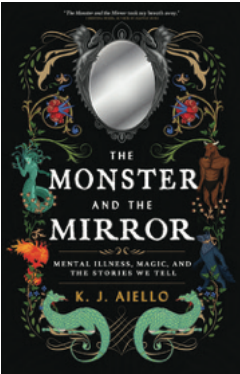
★ “As more women are recognizing their own neurodivergence, Julie has gifted us with a beautifully written and incredibly relatable memoir. Readers will come away feeling seen, understood, and never again alone.” — Emily W. King, PhD, child psychologist and author of the *Learn with Dr. Emily* Substack



A FORGOTTEN HERO
Folke Bernadotte, the Swedish Humanitarian Who Rescued 30,000 People from the Nazis
Shelley Emling
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In one of the most amazing rescues of WWII, the Swedish head of the Red Cross rescued more than 30,000 people from concentration camps in the last three months of the war. Folke Bernadotte did so by negotiating with the enemy. *A Forgotten Hero* chronicles Folke’s life and extraordinary journey, from his family history and early years to saving thousands of lives during WWII and his untimely assassination in 1948.

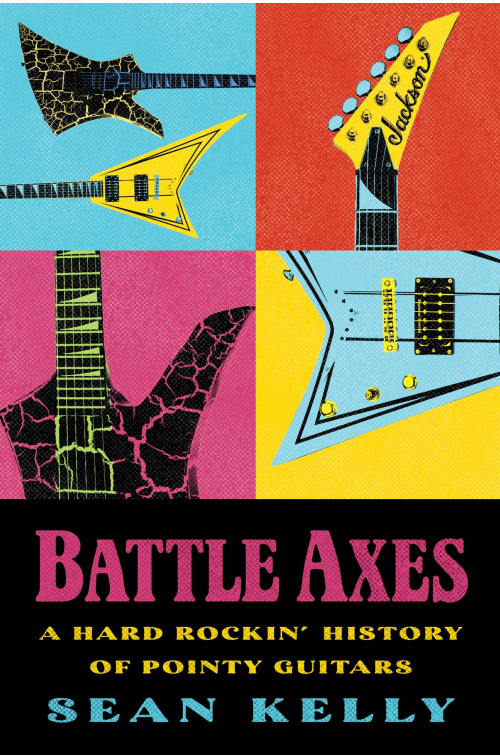
★ “Emling effectively shows her subject’s ‘extraordinary feats’ as well as the immense difficulties facing those involved in humanitarian work during World War II.” — *Kirkus Reviews*



THE MONSTER AND THE MIRROR
Mental Illness, Magic, and the Stories We Tell
K.J. Aiello
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A unique blend of memoir, research, and cultural criticism, this is a searing and incisive examination into how we tell stories about mental illness, how that affects how we treat it, and how those with mental illness can begin to take control of their own stories through fantasy and fiction.

★ Shortlisted for the 2025 Rakuten Kobo Emerging Writer Prize for Nonfiction



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BATTLE AXES

A HARD ROCKIN’ HISTORY OF POINTY GUITARS

Sean Kelly

Featuring insights from members of:
KISS, Def Leppard, Alice Cooper, Twisted Sister, Guns N’ Roses, Skid Row, Autograph, Trans Siberian Orchestra, Savatage, Megadeth, Quiet Riot, Ratt, Stryper, Racer X, MSG, Triumph, and more.

Why did rock’s greatest guitarists choose instruments that looked like weapons, spaceships, and abstract art?

In *Battle Axes*, guitarist and music historian Sean Kelly explores the cultural and musical evolution of the world’s most iconic “pointy guitars”—and how they helped define the sound and image of ’70s and ’80s hard rock and heavy metal. From the Flying V, Explorer, Firebird, and Moderne, to the rise of aggressive 1980s designs from Jackson/Charvel, Kramer, B.C. Rich, Dean, Ibanez, Hamer, and Lado, this is the story of how guitar design went from odd curiosity to arena-rock essential.

Through deep research and interviews with legendary players, builders, and insiders, Kelly reveals how these instruments became more than tools—they became symbols of rebellion, speed, volume, and attitude.

Careful with this book... it might just poke your eye out!

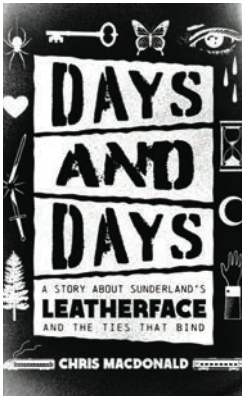
Sean Kelly is a Juno-nominated Canadian musician who has performed with Nelly Furtado, Dee Snider, Coney Hatch, Helix, and Crash Kelly. In 2023, he was inducted into Canada’s Walk of Fame as a member of Lee Aaron’s band. By day, Sean is a music teacher with the Toronto Catholic District School Board. He lives in Toronto, Ontario.

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- TRACES THE HISTORY OF POINTY GUITARS all the way back to the 1950s, with the Flying V, the Explorer, and the Moderne, to see where the phenomenon began. The focus of the book is on the hard rockin’ 1970s and ’80s and the music and guitars of KISS, Judas Priest, Mötley Crüe, Iron Maiden, Def Leppard, and others.
- A PASSIONATE TOPIC: With 2.9M members in r/Guitar on Reddit with countless threads about all sorts of electric guitars, various Facebook groups (including a 19K-member “Pointy Guitars” group!), there is heated debate as to which pointy guitar is the best.
- CONNECTION TO TWISTED SISTER: Sean Kelly performed in Twisted Sister frontman Dee Snider’s *Rock & Roll Christmas Tale*. He’s also toured and recorded with Nelly Furtado, Lee Aaron, Coney Hatch, Helix, Gilby Clarke, Rough Trade, Alan Frew (Glass Tiger), Harlequin, Honeymoon Suite, and his own band, Crash Kelly.



DAYS AND DAYS

A Story about Sunderland's Leatherface and the Ties That Bind

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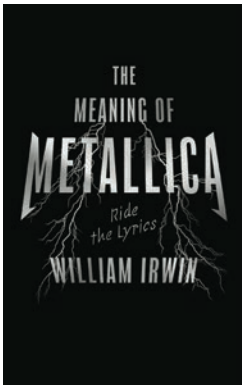
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★ “The strength of this memoir is MacDonald’s experiences traveling through the United Kingdom. Recommended for fans of MacDonald’s writing, Leatherface’s music, and the UK punk music scene.” — *Library Journal*



THE MEANING OF METALLICA

Ride the Lyrics

William Irwin

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A serious look at the lyrics of metal’s biggest band, disentangling double meanings, explaining stories, uncovering sources, and illuminating themes such as hope, despair, rage, resilience, power, liberty, justice, love, death, and insanity. Much has been written about the band, but *The Meaning of Metallica* is the first book to focus exclusively on their lyrics. *The Meaning of Metallica* is like a riveting conversation with a close friend.

★ “Though this is directed at those familiar with Metallica, there is much to ponder here, even for those who aren’t metalheads. The spiritual, philosophical, and psychological musings will provoke debate and reward serious readers.” — *Library Journal*



LISTEN UP!

Recording Music with Bob Dylan, Neil Young, U2, R.E.M., The Tragically Hip, Red Hot Chili Peppers, Tom Waits...

Mark Howard with Chris Howard

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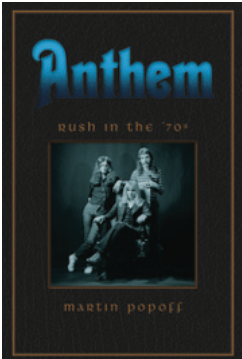
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An album-by-album account of working with iconic artists, such as Anthony Kiedis, Michael Stipe, Gord Downie, and Bono, from a leader in the field.

★ “This is one of those books readers can’t put down, and Howard has perfectly calculated the effect to linger after the last note has ended. This title, like much of Howard’s recorded work, sets the perfect tone. Highly recommended for music lovers” — *Library Journal*



ANTHEM: RUSH IN THE '70s

Martin Popoff

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Part one of a three part series that makes up the definitive biography of the rock 'n' roll kings of the North.

★ “A must for Rush fans and an intriguing examination of how small musical groups coalesce.” — *Library Journal*

★ “This will thrill Rush’s huge fan base.” — *Publishers Weekly*



YOUNG NEIL

The Sugar Mountain Years

Sharry Wilson

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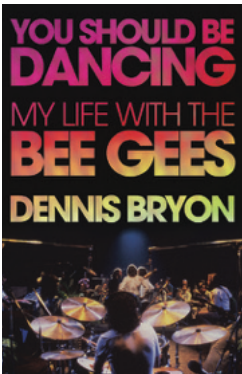
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Exploring a time in this Rock and Roll Hall of Famer’s life that has yet to be documented with such depth of research, *Young Neil* is an exhaustive document of his “Sugar Mountain” years,

from 1945 to 1966. *Young Neil* examines the development of Young’s unique talent against a backdrop of shifting postwar values, a turbulent family history, and a musical revolution in the making.

★ “A supremely compelling chronicle of Young’s first 20 years.” — *Rolling Stone*

★ “This is a book written by a true fan for true fans.” — *Publishers Weekly*



YOU SHOULD BE DANCING

My Life with the Bee Gees

Dennis Bryon

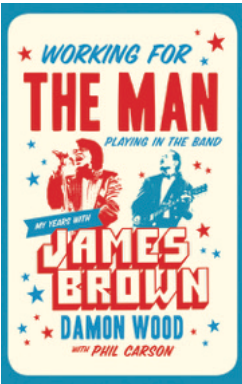
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From behind the drumkit to the top of the charts: the backstage story of the Bee Gees. With worldwide sales of over 220 million records, the Bee Gees are the sixth-best-selling music artists in history. Dennis Bryon’s story of how he became the Bee Gees’ drummer during their peak period offers many never-before-told tales about such infectious hits as “Stayin’ Alive,” “How Deep Is Your Love,” and “Night Fever.”



WORKING FOR THE MAN, PLAYING IN THE BAND

My Years with James Brown

Damon Wood with

Phil Carson

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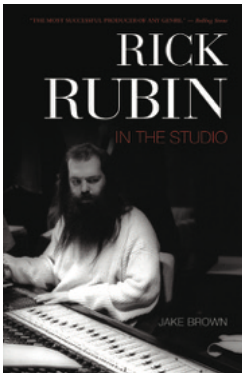
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In this unvarnished account of toiling under one of popular music’s most notorious bosses,

Damon Wood details his six years spent playing guitar for James Brown’s Soul Generals.

In a memoir certain to fascinate Mr. Dynamite’s millions of fans, as well as musicians and industry insiders, Wood recalls how a chance encounter with James Brown led him to embrace soul and funk music under the tutelage of its greatest progenitor. Numerous interviews with bandmates provide multiple perspectives on James Brown’s complex character, his leadership of his band, the nature of soul and funk, and insights and sometimes harsh lessons learned along the way.

★ “An absorbing inside look at the not always glamorous life of working for one of the most famous and unpredictable bosses in popular music.” — *Booklist*



RICK RUBIN

In the Studio

Jake Brown

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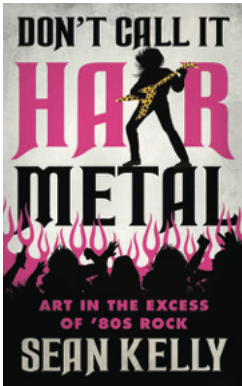
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This book chronicles his meteoric rise, from his early days as DJ Double R in the early '80s, founding and running Def Jam Records alongside Russell Simmons from an NYU dorm

room, discovering and producing the Beastie Boys and LL Cool J, to his transition in the early '90s into a successful independent record executive, signing and producing the Red Hot Chili Peppers and Johnny Cash, to his role as the most influential producer of all time (currently as the co-head of Columbia Records), and his continued successes with rock/metal supergroups Audioslave, Linkin Park, and Metallica.



DON'T CALL IT HAIR METAL

Art in the Excess of '80s Rock

Sean Kelly

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Don't Call It Hair Metal analyzes the sonic evolution, musical diversity, and artistic intention

of '80s commercial hard rock through interviews with members of such hard rock luminaries as Twisted Sister, Def Leppard, Poison, Whitesnake, Ratt, Skid Row, Quiet Riot, Guns N' Roses, Dokken, Mr. Big, and others.



VAN HALEN RISING

How a Southern California Backyard Party Band Saved Heavy Metal

Greg Renoff

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The bestselling, vivid, and energetic history of Van Halen's legendary early years featuring 230 original interviews — including with former Van Halen bassist Michael Anthony and power players like Pete Angelus, Marshall Berle, Donn Landee, Ted Templeman, and Neil Zlozower.

- ★ “Fascinating (even for non-VH fans) ... A book almost anthropological in its level of detail.” — *Vulture*
- ★ “It's the tale of hardworking kids with nothing in common learning to fuse pop and heavy metal into a new sound that completely changed the music world. It also vividly shows that the personality clashes that would later destroy the band were there from Day One.” — *Rolling Stone*
- ★ “A fascinating read.” — *Pasadena Star News*



JONI MITCHELL

In Her Own Words

Malka Marom

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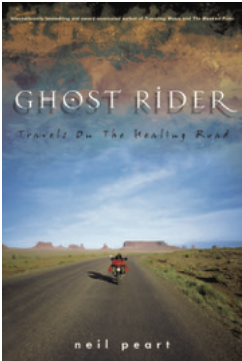
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Through a series of interviews starting in 1973, Joni Mitchell and journalist Malka Marom explore seven decades of life and art — Joni's childhood, love and loss, playing dives and huge festivals, acclaim and criticism, poverty and affluence, glamorous triumphs and tragic mistakes.

- ★ “This valuable book not only portrays an enduring artist but also reflects several decades of changing societal and musical culture. It will appeal to a wide audience.” — *Library Journal*



GHOST RIDER

Travels on the Healing Road

Neil Peart

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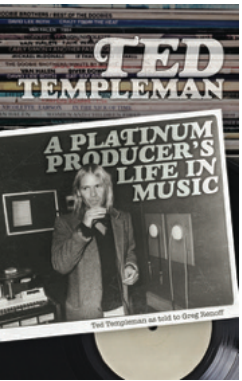
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Ghost Rider is a brilliantly written, and ultimately triumphant narrative memoir from a gifted writer and the drummer and lyricist of the legendary rock band Rush.



TED TEMPLEMAN

A Platinum Producer's Life in Music

Ted Templeman as told to

Greg Renoff

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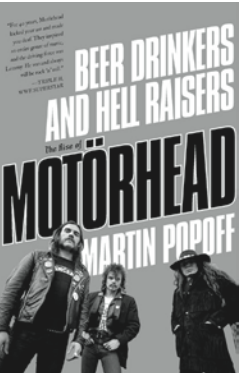
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Ted Templeman: A Platinum Producer's Life in Music takes us into the studio sessions of No. 1 hits like “Black Water” by the Doobie Brothers and “Jump” by Van Halen, as Ted recounts memories and the behind-the-scene dramas that engulfed both massively successful acts.

- ★ Ted also reveals the inner workings of his professional and personal relationships with some of the most talented and successful recording artists in history, including Steven Tyler and Joe Perry of Aerosmith, Eric Clapton, Lowell George, Sammy Hagar, Linda Ronstadt, David Lee Roth, and Carly Simon.



BEER DRINKERS AND HELL RAISERS

The Rise of Motörhead

Martin Popoff

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Beer Drinkers and Hell Raisers is the first book to celebrate the classic-era Motörhead lineup of Lemmy Kilmister, “Fast” Eddie Clarke, and Phil “Philthy Animal” Taylor. Through interviews with all of the principal troublemakers, Martin Popoff celebrates the formation of the band and the records that made them legends. An in-depth coda brings the story up to date with the shocking recent deaths of Taylor and Kilmister.



YOU CAN'T ALWAYS GET WHAT YOU WANT

My Life with the Rolling Stones, the Grateful Dead and Other Wonderful Reprobates

Sam Cutler

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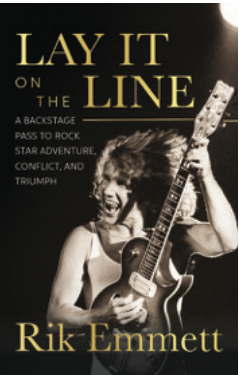
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In this all-access memoir of the psychedelic era, Sam Cutler recounts his life as a tour manager for the Rolling Stones and the Grateful Dead and draws intimate portraits of other stars of the psychedelic circus that was the music industry in the sixties and seventies, including Janis Joplin, Jimi Hendrix, The Band, the Allman Brothers, Pink Floyd, and Eric Clapton.

- ★ “His memoir of his time with first the Stones and then the Grateful Dead brings to life hippie-era delights (lots of acid) and an encroaching darkness ... he unleashes one killer road tale after another.” — *Rolling Stone*
- ★ “A fast-moving narrative of rock-n-roll excess.” — *Publishers Weekly*



LAY IT ON THE LINE

A Backstage Pass to Rock Star Adventure, Conflict, and TRIUMPH

Rik Emmett

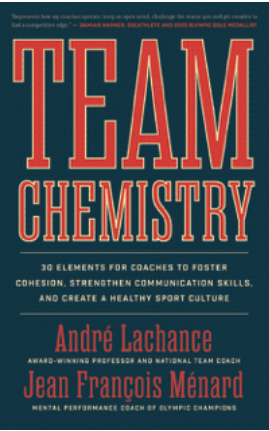
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From Triumph superstar Rik Emmett comes the thrilling, inspiring story of a life of rock and roll.

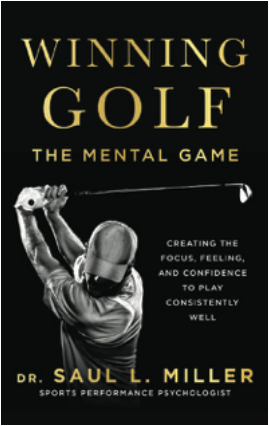


TEAM CHEMISTRY
30 Elements for Coaches to Foster Cohesion, Strengthen Communication Skills, and Create a Healthy Sport Culture
André Lachance and Jean François Ménard

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Explore what is needed to foster a healthy culture — the common element in winning teams — and provide coaches and sports administrators, at all levels, with action plans for developing a positive environment that brings out the best in athletes and supports in-game success.

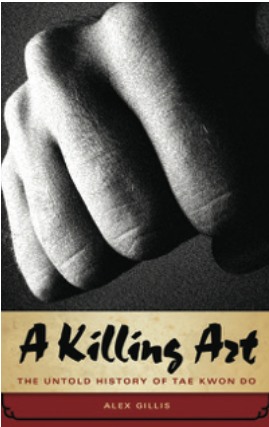
- ★ **Jean François Ménard coached athletes at the 2022 Winter Olympics in Beijing and personally helped Canada take home six medals.**
- ★ **OFFERS TANGIBLE AND PRACTICAL STRATEGIES:** How to create an inclusive environment; how to assess an athlete’s current state; what and what not to say after wins and losses; how to challenge conventional ways of setting goals; when to ask questions and give advice.



WINNING GOLF
The Mental Game
(Creating the Focus, Feeling, and Confidence to Play Consistently Well)
Dr. Saul L. Miller

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One of the world’s leading sport psychologists offers practical techniques to improve your golf performance and learn the peak performance mindset. With insights from 70 of the world’s top golfers and specific tips for improving short game, developing an effective shot routine, tuning out mental chatter, getting over the “yips,” and enhancing self-talk.



A KILLING ART
The Untold History of Tae Kwon Do, Updated and Revised
Alex Gillis

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A Killing Art: The Untold History of Tae Kwon Do takes you into the cults, geisha houses, and crime syndicates that made Tae Kwon Do.

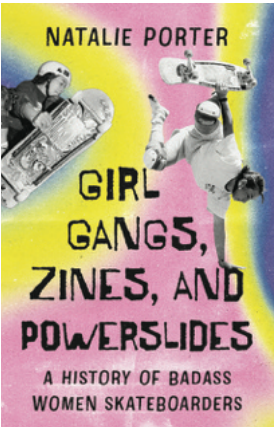


WRATH OF THE DRAGON
The Real Fights of Bruce Lee
John Little

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Including accounts from eyewitnesses to Lee’s real-life fights, newspaper clippings, diary entries, and audio recordings, *Wrath of the Dragon* is the first book that deals directly with the question of Bruce Lee’s real-world fighting ability and presents the definitive case for Bruce being every bit as lethal as he appears onscreen.

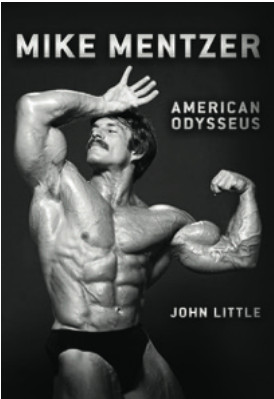


GIRL GANGS, ZINES, AND POWERSLIDES
A History of Badass Women Skateboarders
Natalie Porter

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With enthusiasm and empathy, *Girl Gangs, Zines, and Powerslides* celebrates the relentless participation of women in skateboarding from the 1960s onward who defied a hostile industry to carve out their own space through underground networks. Skater librarian Natalie Porter presents interviews and meticulous research, including the DIY zines created by female and non-binary skaters as a means of communication, to expose this unacknowledged story while offering a personal narrative about the importance of community-building and validation, with or without your own video game.

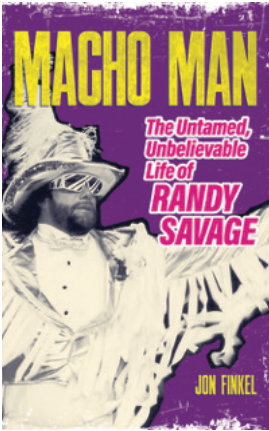


MIKE MENTZER
American Odysseus
John Little

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Bodybuilding’s foremost nonconformist and strikingly handsome intellectual, Mike Mentzer, rose to the top of his sport despite opposition from industry insiders like rival Schwarzenegger. Written by his close friend of two decades, *Mike Mentzer: American Odysseus* chronicles Mentzer’s journey in a fiercely competitive world to become one of the most iconic bodybuilders of all time.

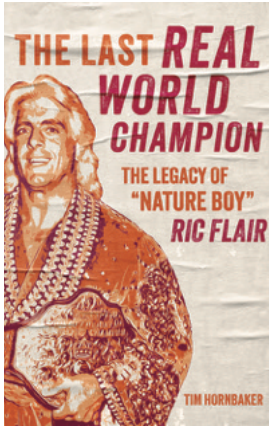


MACHO MAN
The Untamed, Unbelievable Life of Randy Savage
Jon Finkel

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Macho Man is the sensational definitive biography of the *WrestleMania* headlining, Spider-Man fighting, Slim Jim snapping, minor league baseball playing American original: Randy Savage.

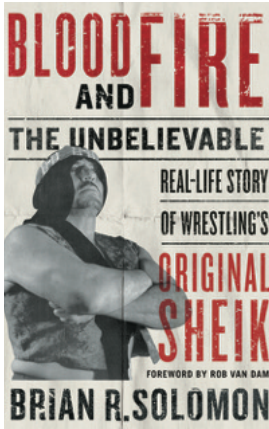
★ “Its incredible depth and honesty make it a must-read!” — John Cena



THE LAST REAL WORLD CHAMPION
The Legacy of “Nature Boy” Ric Flair
Tim Hornbaker

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This unflinching biography explores the successes, struggles, and controversy of Flair’s life in wrestling, pulling no punches in sharing the truth behind his in-ring achievements and out-of-the-ring hardships. Tim Hornbaker tells Flair’s complete story, with meticulous attention to detail and exhaustive research, creating a must-read for fans of wrestling, sports, and popular culture.



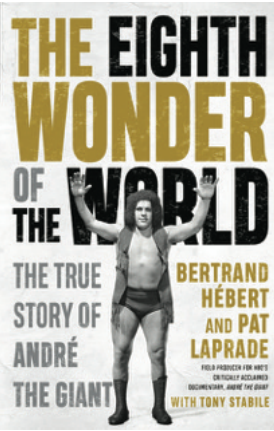
BLOOD AND FIRE
The Unbelievable Real-Life Story of Wrestling’s Original Sheik
Brian R. Solomon

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The captivating story of how The Sheik captured the imagination of a generation, conquered the wrestling business, and lost it all in a blaze of flame and glory.

★ “Replete with eye-catching photos and meticulously researched, the narrative is as keen and captivating as its subject. This is a must-read for wrestling fans.”
— *Publishers Weekly* starred review

★ “This book is truly a must-read for wrestling fans, a great tribute to one of the most hated heels in wrestling history.” — Shelf Life



THE EIGHTH WONDER OF THE WORLD
The True Story of André the Giant
Bertrand Hébert and Pat Laprade with Tony Stabile

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The most definitive and exhaustive biography of André the Giant on the market. While exploring André’s amazing in-ring career and the indelible mark he left on pop culture, Laprade and Hébert have crafted the most complete portrait of a modern-day mythical being.

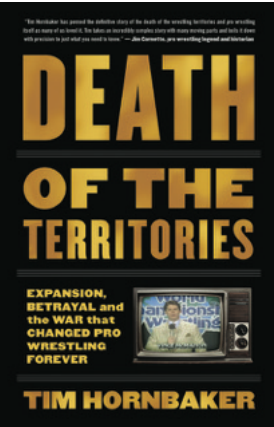


BIGGER! BETTER! BADDER!
WRESTLEMANIA III and the Year It All Changed
Keith Elliot Greenberg

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Greenberg lays bare how *WrestleMania III* legitimized wrestling as entertainment and reshaped the industry, offering insight and perspective from those closest to the event.

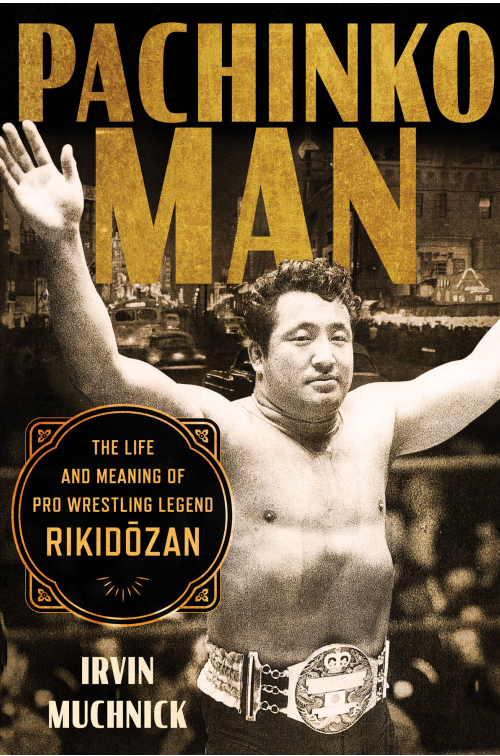
★ “A must-read book — an irresistible force of modern wrestling history!” — Tom Fordy, *The Telegraph*



DEATH OF THE TERRITORIES
Expansion, Betrayal and the War that Changed Pro Wrestling Forever
Tim Hornbaker

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Providing never-before-revealed information, *Death of the Territories* is a must-read for fans yearning to understand how Vince McMahon outlasted his rivals and established the industry’s first national promotion. At the same time, it offers a comprehensive look at the promoters who opposed McMahon, focusing on their noteworthy power plays and embarrassing mistakes.



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PACHINKO MAN

THE LIFE AND MEANING OF PRO WRESTLING
LEGEND RIKIDŌZAN

Irvin Muchnick

Dropping into the world of *KPop Demon Hunters* and the “Korean wave” is the first English biography published in the West of professional wrestling superstar Rikidōzan

He was Japan’s biggest celebrity — second only to the emperor. But his public image was a lie.

Pachinko Man reveals the man behind the myth, and the forces that shaped him.

As he pummeled American bad guys in the ring in the 1950s, Rikidōzan was a cultural phenomenon and a symbol of the defeated Japan’s restoration of postwar pride. But his birth name wasn’t actually Mitsuhiro Momota. In a fiercely guarded secret, he was born Kim Sim-rak, part of the persecuted minority from the former imperial occupied territory of Korea. Moreover, he was from *North* Korea, the communist bastion locked in Cold War conflict with U.S.-aligned South Korea.

Pachinko Man is a riveting story of this sport’s manipulations of fact and fiction, along with its deceptively important relationship to larger political and cultural forces. Legendary wrestling historian Irvin Muchnick documents the birth of puroresu (Japanese pro wrestling) and its passionate swap of official storylines with the American brand.

Rikidōzan’s instinctive genius in his genre, along with his huge appetites and human foibles, made for a titanic impact before his 1963 murder by a fellow traveler in the Yakuza, Japan’s organized crime syndicate. For the first time, North American readers can fully grasp the legacy of a man who didn’t just transform a sport — but helped shape a nation’s identity.

Irvin Muchnick, the late sportswriting great Frank Deford said, “writes with passion and savage humor” and “produces magnificent investigative journalism.” Muchnick’s previous books on pro wrestling include *Wrestling Babylon* and *Chris & Nancy* (now in its third edition). Reporting for Muchnick’s most recent book, *Underwater*, spurred government and sports governance investigations into sexual abuse in swimming in four countries. A native of St. Louis, he lives in Berkeley, California.

KEY SALES NOTES

PART CULTURAL HISTORY, PART SPORTS BIOGRAPHY: Wrestling fans will be drawn to this rich history of professional wrestling in Japan, while general readers will be captivated by the surprisingly deep influence of wrestling on popular culture and how the extraordinary story of Rikidōzan helps illuminate the roots of the Korean Wave, from K-pop and K-dramas to global phenomena like *Parasite* and *Squid Game*.

ADVANCE PRAISE:

“This biography of Rikidōzan is an important and long overdue contribution to the study of Japanese pop culture and Korean diaspora, and Irvin Muchnick is just the author to bring this amazing story to life.” — Adam Johnson, Pulitzer Prize–winning author of *The Orphan Master’s Son* 
“An impressive, knowing biography of an iconic, legendary ring figure in Japan and Korea, and a primer on the world of professional wrestling at the same time — densely researched, rich in detail, brimming with fascinating facts, memorable tidbits and insights.” — Robert Whiting, author of *Tokyo Underworld* and *Tokyo Junkie*

THE FATHER OF JAPANESE PROFESSIONAL WRESTLING: Mitsuhiro Momota (born Kim Sin-rak), better known in the ring as Rikidōzan, was a Korean-Japanese wrestler and sumo wrestler, who is known as the father of professional wrestling and nicknamed “The Father of Puroresu.” He is considered one of the most influential people in professional wrestling and was posthumously inducted into the WWE Hall of Fame in 2017, the first Korean inductee and third professional Japanese wrestler to be inducted.

GLOBAL SCOPE: Rikidōzan’s story moves through Pyongyang and South Hamgyŏng Province, to Japan (especially Tokyo and Osaka’s Koreatown) and onward to Honolulu, Hawaii, where a generation of Asian wrestlers were trained as villains for American wrestling audiences.