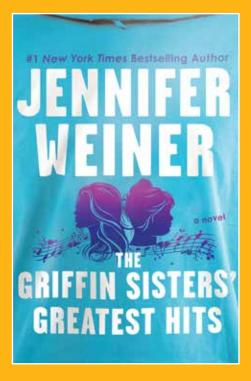
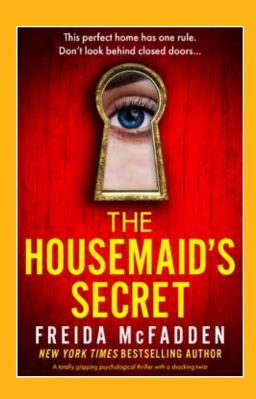


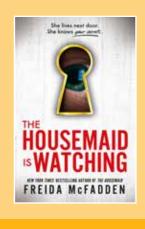
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still haven't met Mrs. Garrick or seen inside the guest bedroom. I'm sure I hear her crying. One day I can't help but knock on the door. When it gently swings open, what I see inside changes everything. That's when I make a promise. After all, I've done this before. I can protect Mrs. Garrick while keeping my own secrets locked up safe. It's simply a question of how far I'm willing to go.

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## THE HOUSEMAID IS WATCHING Freida McFadden

## *NEW YORK TIMES* BESTSELLER LIBRARY READS PICK

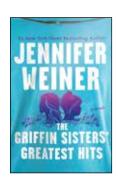
I used to clean other people's houses. Now I can't believe this home is actually mine. Though I'm wary of our new neighbor Mrs. Lowell, when she invites us over for dinner it's our chance to make friends. Her maid

opens the door, and her cold stare gives me chills. The Lowells' maid isn't the only strange thing. I'm sure I see a shadowy figure watching us. My husband leaves the house late at night. And when I meet a woman who lives across the way, her words chill me to the bone: Be careful of your neighbors. I thought I'd left my darkest secrets behind. But could this quiet suburban street be the most dangerous place of all?

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A NOVEL

**Jennifer Weiner** 

Library-Bound Large Print Edition #1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING **AUTHOR** 

**EDITOR'S CHOICE 3** 

Sisters Cassie and Zoe Grossberg could not have been more different.

Zoe yearned for fame; Cassie was a musical prodigy who preferred the safety of the shadows. On the brink of adulthood in the early 2000s, destiny catapulted the sisters into the spotlight as the pop sensation the Griffin Sisters. But after a whirlwind year, the band abruptly broke up. Two decades later, the sisters aren't speaking, and the real reason for the Griffin Sisters' breakup is still a mystery. Zoe's teenage daughter, Cherry, is on a quest to learn the truth about what happened. As secrets emerge, can they forgive each other — and themselves?

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#### **NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR EDITOR'S CHOICE 1**

Chuck Brewster, the former business partner of Ali Reynolds's husband B. Simpson, once carried on an affair with Clarice, B.'s first wife. So when

he's found murdered with Clarice standing nearby covered in blood, it seems an open and shut case. But Clarice swears she's innocent and begs for Ali's help. At the same time, someone is targeting Camille Lee while she's on the road for High Noon. Ali is swiftly running out of time to find the real killer and keep her employee safe in this high-octane thrill ride.

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#### THE SIRENS A NOVEL **Emilia Hart**

#### **EDITOR'S CHOICE 6**

2019. Lucy awakens from a dream to find her hands around her exlover's throat. Horrified, she flees to her older sister's house, hoping she can help explain the strangely vivid nightmare that preceded the

attack — but Jess is nowhere to be found. Desperate for answers, Lucy finds and begins to read her sister's adolescent diary. 1999. Jess is a lonely sixteen-year-old, until her young, charming art teacher takes an interest in her drawings. 1800. Twins Mary and Eliza fear the ocean, as their mother tragically drowned when they were just girls. Yet they begin to notice changes in their bodies that they can't explain, and they feel the sea beginning to call to them.

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#### **HAPPY LAND Dolen Perkins-Valdez**

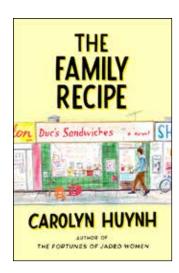
**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR** NAACP IMAGE AWARD-WINNING **AUTHOR** 

Nikki hasn't seen her grandmother in years, due to a mysterious estrangement inherited from her mother. When the elder calls out of the blue with a request for Nikki

to visit her in North Carolina, Nikki hesitates for a moment. Mother Rita tells Nikki an incredible story of a kingdom on the mountain, and of her great-great grandmother. Luella, who would become its gueen. It sounds like a fairy tale, but the more Nikki learns about the Kingdom of the Happy Land, the more she realizes how much of her identity and her family's secrets are wrapped up in these hills. Because this land is their legacy, and it will be up to her to protect it before it is stolen away.

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#### THE FAMILY RECIPE

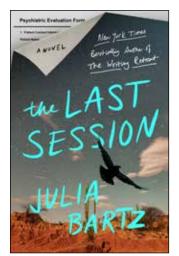
A NOVEL

#### Carolyn Huynh

Duc Tran, founder of the Vietnamese sandwich chain Duc's Sandwiches, has decided to retire. Duc informs his five adult children that to receive their inheritance, his four daughters must revitalize run-down shops in Little Saigon locations across America: Houston, San Jose, New Orleans, and Philadelphia. But if the only son, Jude, gets married first, everything will go to him. Each daughter is stuck in a new city while struggling to modernize their father's American dream. Jude wonders if he wants to marry for love or for money — or neither. As Duc's children scramble to win their inheritance, they begin to learn the real intention behind the inheritance scheme.

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#### THE LAST SESSION

A NOVEL

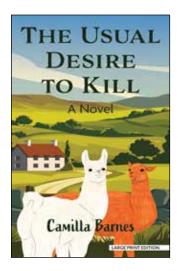
**Julia Bartz** 

#### **NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR**

When a catatonic woman shows up at the psychiatric unit, social worker Thea is shocked to discover the patient holds a link to her past. Thea's at a loss when the patient is ripped away from her as suddenly as she appeared. Determined to find her, Thea follows a trail of clues to Southwestern New Mexico, where a charismatic couple holds a controversial retreat to uncover attendees' romantic and sexual issues. Forced to participate in increasingly intimate exercises, Thea finds herself inching closer to her missing patient and to answers about her past. However, time is running out, and if she stays for the last session, she too might lose her mind . . . or worse.

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## THE USUAL DESIRE TO KILL



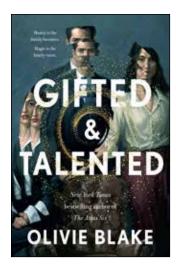
A NOVEL

#### **Camilla Barnes**

Miranda's parents live in a dilapidated house in rural France that they share with two llamas, eight ducks, five chickens, two cats, and a freezer full of food dating back to 1983. Miranda's father is a retired professor of philosophy who never loses an argument. Miranda's mother likes to bring conversation back to "the War," although she was born after it ended. Married for fifty years, they are uncommonly set in their ways. Miranda plays the role of translator when she visits, communicating the desires or complaints of one parent to the other and then venting to her sister and her daughter. At the end of a visit, she reports "the usual desire to kill."

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#### **GIFTED & TALENTED Olivie Blake**

#### **NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR EDITOR'S CHOICE 8**

"Blake's . . . command of morally gray characters and grim humor creates a dramatic, Successionesque novel about a powerful, dysfunctional family." — Library Journal

Thayer Wren, CEO of Wrenfare Magitech, is dead. Any of his children would be a plausible inheritor. Meredith, eldest daughter and the head of her own biotech company, has recently cured mental illness. If only her father's fortune wasn't her last hope for keeping her journalist ex-boyfriend from exposing that she is a total fraud. Arthur, second-youngest congressman in history, is losing his re-election campaign. But a seat on the Wrenfare throne might turn his sinking ship around. Eilidh has spent the last five years as a marketing executive at her father's company. If he left her everything, it would finally validate her worth. Which Wren will come out on top?

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Instead of marrying well like other women born to wealth, Phoebe Atkinson chose to be a schoolteacher. When her most promising pupil goes missing, she has only one option: beg her sister's best friend, the Duke of Ellis, for help. The last thing William Margrave expected was to inherit a dukedom. But now that he has it, he's determined to act the part perfectly — and that includes marrying the perfect duchess. A bluestocking Bohemian schoolteacher is decidedly not duchess material. But he can't resist her plea for help. As they fall further into the mystery, William discovers that he never got over his childhood crush on Phoebe, and he doesn't really want to.

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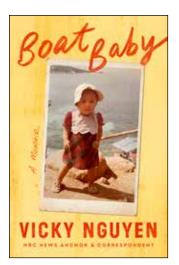
## THE QUEEN OF FIVES A NOVEL **Alex Hay**

"Hay has conceived of a wholly original take on Victorian London and populated it with a gallery of colorful underworld types. The plotting will have readers on the edges of *their seats."* — *starred*, Publishers Weekly

1898. Quinn le Blanc, London's most talented con woman, has

five days to trap a highly eligible duke into marriage and lift a fortune from the richest family in England. Masquerading as the season's most enviable debutante, Quinn puts on a brilliant act that propels her straight into the inner circle of her target: the charismatic Kendals. Among those she must convince are the handsome bachelor heir, the rebellious younger sister, and the esteemed duchess eager to see her son married. But the deeper she forges into their world, the more Quinn finds the Kendals all have secrets of their own, and she may not be the only one playing a game of high deception.

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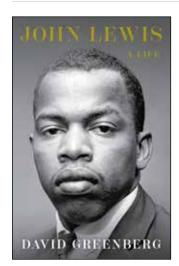
#### **BOAT BABY** A MEMOIR Vicky Nguyen

"An upbeat immigration and career narrative." — Kirkus Reviews

Starting in 1975, Vietnam's "boat people" fled the Communist government and violence in their country. Vicky Nguyen and her family were among them. Boat Baby is Vicky's memoir of growing up in America with Vietnamese parents who didn't always know how to bridge the cultural gaps. In the face of prejudice, they taught her to be gritty and resilient, skills Vicky used as she combatted stereotyping throughout her career, fending off the question "Aren't you Connie Chung?" to become a leading Asian American journalist on television. Funny, nostalgic, and poignant, Boat Baby is a testament to the messy glue that bonds a family.

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## JOHN LEWIS 🛬 A LIFE **David Greenberg**

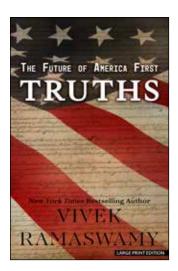
"An exemplary life, and an exemplary biography that will rekindle readers' commitment to racial justice." — *starred*, Kirkus Reviews

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Iohn Lewis was a Freedom Rider who helped integrate bus stations in the South, a leader of the Nashville sit-in movement, and the chairman of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee, which he made into one of the major civil rights organizations. He may be best remembered as the victim of a beating by Alabama state troopers at the foot of the Edmund Pettus Bridge in Selma, Alabama, where he nearly died. With new details about his personal and professional relationships, John Lewis: A Life is the definitive biography of a man whose heroism during the Civil Rights movement helped bring America a new birth of freedom.

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#### **TRUTHS** THE FUTURE OF AMERICA FIRST **Vivek Ramaswamy**

#### **NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER**

Vivek Ramaswamy is a first generation American, the founder of several successful companies, a bestselling author, and a leading voice in the America First movement. In Truths: The Future of America First, Ramaswamy shows exactly how honesty about the most important issues will get our country back on track. The America First movement asks that we put our country over politics, merit over grievance, and truth over lies. America First is bigger than any man or woman. It's a movement. In *Truths*, Vivek Ramaswamy explains exactly why that movement needs to succeed now more than ever. Our country's future depends on it.

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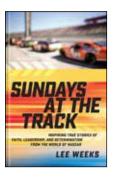


#### **BRAVE WOMAN, MIGHTY GOD** 30 THINGS YOU CAN DO Laura L. Smith

Are you facing challenges you're not sure you can handle? We all have them — in relationships, work, health, marriage, parenting. Sometimes we feel like we can't do what needs to be done. But you can. Because God empowers

you in everything you're facing today, tomorrow, and every day. In Brave Woman, Mighty God, Laura L. Smith reminds us of the steadfast love of God. Through reflections on thirty women in the Bible, you can witness God's faithfulness in the ways He empowered them to do mighty things. With the same strength, wisdom, and courage God gave these women, you can step into more than you ever hoped or imagined.

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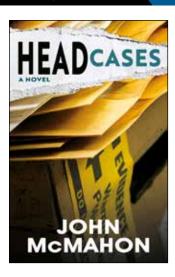
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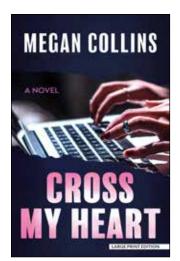
## HEAD CASES A NOVEL John McMahon

"A superior cat-and-mouser, with both parties armed to the teeth." — Kirkus Reviews

FBI Agent Gardner Camden and his squad of agents make up the Patterns and Recognition (PAR) unit, the FBI's hidden edge, brought in for cases that no one else can solve. When DNA links a murder victim to a serial killer long presumed dead, the team springs into action. A second victim establishes a pattern, and the murderer begins leaving a trail of clues and riddles especially for Gardner. Along with Gardner, PAR consists of a mathematician, a weapons expert, a computer analyst, and a career agent. With the perpetrator somehow learning more and more about the team at PAR, can they protect themselves and their families . . . before it's too late?

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## CROSS MY HEART 🟃

A NOVEL

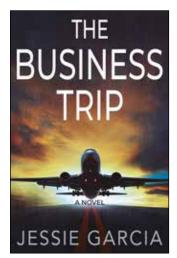
#### **Megan Collins**

"Collins expertly homes in on her characters' complexities, nailing the way Rosie's vulnerability gradually slips into obsession. With a pulse-pounding finale and plenty of exciting plot twists along the way, this is difficult to put down." — Publishers Weekly

After receiving a life-saving heart transplant, Rosie Lachlan knows her health is precious and precarious. She suspects her donor is Daphne Thorne, the wife of local celebrity author Morgan Thorne, who she begins messaging via an anonymous service called DonorConnect, ostensibly to learn more about Daphne. But Rosie has a secret: She's convinced that now that she has his wife's heart, she and Morgan are meant to be together. But as she digs deeper into Morgan's previous marriage, she discovers disturbing rumors about the man she's falling for. Could Morgan have had something to do with his wife's death? And can Rosie's heart sustain another break, or is she next?

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## THE BUSINESS TRIP

A NOVEL

Jessie Garcia

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"Garcia . . . keeps the reader guessing as long as she can, and even when she's forced to reveal her hand and return the narrative to the main characters, she maintains enough tension and momentum to invest any curious reader in the outcome. A thriller that will keep you guessing with unexpected plot twists." — Kirkus Reviews

Stephanie and Jasmine have nothing and everything in common. The two women don't know each other but are on the same plane. Stephanie is on a business trip and Jasmine is fleeing an abusive relationship. After a few days, they text their friends the same exact messages about the same man — the messages becoming stranger and more erratic. And then the two women vanish. The texts go silent, the red flags go up, and the panic sets in. When Stephanie and Jasmine are each declared missing and in danger, it begs the questions: Who is Trent McCarthy? What did he do to these women — or what did they do to him?

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#### TOOTH AND CLAW

A LONGMIRE STORY

A Longmire Mystery

#### **Craig Johnson**

#### **NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR**

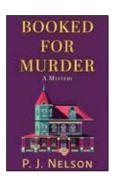
"A chilling novel with all the ingredients needed to keep readers turning pages." - Kirkus Reviews

Tooth and Claw follows Walt and Henry up to Alaska as they look for

work after they both returned from serving in Vietnam. While working for an oil company in the bitter cold of winter, they soon encounter a ferocious polar bear who seems hell-bent on their destruction. But it's not too long until they realize the danger does not lurk outside in the frozen Alaskan tundra, but with their co-workers who are after priceless treasure and will stop at nothing to get it.

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Mystery | Releases 4/9/2025 Available in Mystery 2, 3, & 5.



#### **BOOKED FOR MURDER**

An Old Juniper Bookshop Mystery

#### P. J. Nelson

#### **INDIE NEXT PICK** LIBRARY READS PICK

"This atmospheric mystery from a pseudonymous novelist, actor, dramatist, and professor will appeal to readers who enjoy Southern or bookstore settings, quirky characters, and beautiful, descriptive writing." — starred, Library Journal

Madeline Brimley left Georgia many years ago to pursue her dreams on the stage. But then she gets word that not only has her Aunt Rose passed, but she's left Madeline her bookstore in the small town of Enigma. When she arrives to claim the Old Juniper Bookstore, the gazebo in the back is set ablaze and a caller threatens to burn the store down if she doesn't leave. But Madeline ignores the threats and soldiers on. Until there's another fire and a murder in the store. Now it's up to Madeline to untangle the skein of secrets and find the killer before she herself is the next victim.

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Mystery | Releases 4/9/2025 Available in Mystery 3 & 5.



#### A COLLECTION OF LIES



#### **Connie Berry**

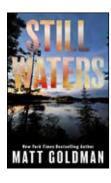
"Berry's fifth Kate Hamilton novel combines a cold case and contemporary murder in an outstanding traditional mystery." — starred, Library Journal

As Kate Hamilton and her new husband honeymoon in Devon, a local history museum asks them

to trace the provenance of a dress said to belong to a Victorian lacemaker accused of murder. Matters turn deadly when a shot is fired during a fundraising gala, injuring the man who donated the dress, Gideon Littlejohn. But everyone believes the real target to be another attendee — a politician intent on rooting out local corruption. This belief is overturned when Gideon is found dead in a pool of blood. But then the politician receives a death threat. When asked to assist in the investigation, Kate races to discover the truth.

ISBN: 9781420523652 | \$32.99 U.S.

Mystery | Releases 4/9/2025 Available in Mystery 5.



## STILL WATERS A NOVEL

#### **Matt Goldman**

**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR** "Brisk and enjoyable . . . Goldman fans will

eat this up." — Publishers Weekly

Liv and Gabe Ahlstrom haven't seen each other in years, but that's about to change when they receive a call from their older brother's wife.

"Mack is dead," she says. "He died of a seizure." Five minutes after they hang up, Liv and Gabe each receive a scheduled email from their dead brother, claiming that he was murdered. The siblings return to Minnesota to investigate Mack's claims. Drawn into a web of lies and betrayal, they put their lives on the line to unravel the truth about their brother, their parents, themselves, and the town in which they grew up. No one can keep a secret in a small town, but someone is willing to kill for the truth to stay buried.

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Suspense | Releases 4/9/2025 Available in Mystery 5.

#### **DEATH AMONG THE STITCHES**

A Crochet and Crumpets Mystery

#### **Betty Hechtman**

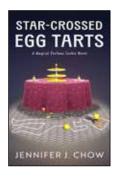
"Hechtman . . . creates characters who are rich, complicated, and altogether human. If the Booker Prize had a category for cozies, this would be a contender." — starred, Kirkus Reviews

When Annie Hart inherits a yarn shop in the small Indiana town of

Franklin, she is curious, but when her arrival is greeted by the local law enforcement, Annie senses things are not guite as they seem in this idyllic town . . . everyone knows everybody in Franklin yet when it comes to the death of the shop's previous owner, nobody seems sure of anything! Annie soon discovers that Eleanor Danton was in fact murdered, strangled with her own yarn. Invigorated by her need to find out the truth, Annie sets out to finding the killer. Much can be achieved over a cuppa and a yarn.

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#### STAR-CROSSED EGG TARTS

A Magical Fortune Cookie Novel

#### Jennifer J. Chow

Jin Bakery has been asked to cater the Lum-Wu outdoor wedding at Pixie Park. The day of the ceremony, Felicity is finishing the "cake" of tiered egg tarts as the wedding party arrives for the ceremony. When one of the groomsmen, Miles, doesn't arrive,

Felicity's best friend and local florist Kelvin generously steps in for him and the wedding goes smoothly — until Felicity finds Miles' dead body beneath the table with her egg tarts display. When the groom gets poisoned and winds up in a coma, the stakes are even higher. Will Felicity's magic return in time to catch the true culprit?

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#### A DOOMFUL OF SUGAR

A Maple Syrup Mystery

#### **Catherine Bruns**

#### **USA TODAY BESTSELLER**

Leila Khoury has always believed that everyone loved her father as much as they loved his artisanal maple syrup. But when he's killed, and she returns to Sugar Ridge, Vermont, to take over his business, she starts to realize how

much of his life she's left untapped. With her brother under suspicion, her mother just barely holding it together, and police not producing any leads, Leila will have to investigate herself if she wants answers about her father's sticky end. But the more she learns, the more she worries that there won't be a sappy ending to the story.

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#### **MOLTEN DEATH**

An Orchid Isle Mystery

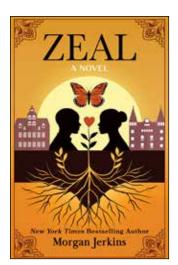
#### **Leslie Karst**

"Karst rewards armchair travelers without ignoring the thorny politics of Hawaiian tourism, and firmly grounds the core mystery in Valerie's emotional struggles. Readers will be hungry for the sequel." Publishers Weekly

Valerie Corbin and her wife Kristen have come to Hawai'i to treat themselves to a tropical vacation. One morning, the couple sets out to see an active lava flow. Spying a boot in the distance, Valerie strides off alone, pondering how it could have gotten there, only to realize to her horror that the boot is still attached to a leg which is slowly being engulfed by the hot lava. Valerie's convinced a murder has been committed but who's going to believe her? Determined to prove what she saw, Valerie launches her own investigation. But she soon begins to fear she may be the next one to end up entombed in shiny black rock.

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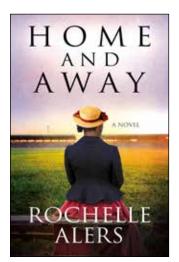
#### **ZEAL** A NOVEL **Morgan Jerkins**

#### **NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR**

Harlem, 2019. Ardelia and Oliver are hosting their engagement party. As the guests leave, he hands her a love letter on a yellowing, crumbling piece of paper. Natchez, 1865. Discharged from the Union Army as a free man after the war's end, Harrison returns to Mississippi to reunite with the woman he loves, Tirzah. Meanwhile in Louisiana, the newly free Tirzah is teaching at a freedmen's school. Though she longs to find Harrison, the risks of fleeing are too great. When Ardelia meets Oliver, she finds his family's history is as full of secrets and omissions as her own. Could their connection be a cosmic reconciliation, or will the weight of the past tear them apart?

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#### **HOME AND AWAY** A NOVEL **ROCHELLE ALERS**

#### **NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR**

Harper Fleming has been refused a shot at the sportswriter position she longs for. Leaving it behind, she heads to Nashville, where she plans to interview her grandfather Bernard about his father Kelton's time in the Negro Baseball Leagues. Bernard gives her a trove of letters, journals, and clippings encompassing Kelton's career. Particularly intense are Kelton's recollections of the Green Book, a guidebook that helped African Americans navigate the segregated South. Negro League teams relied on it as they traveled between games. As Harper delves into Kelton's past and honors her greatgrandfather's life, she finds the inspiration to take her own in a new direction.

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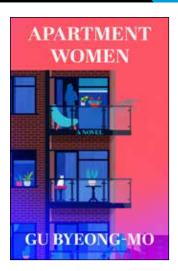
#### ISAAC'S SONG A NOVEL **Daniel Black**

"The author's fans will love this tale of hard-won self-acceptance." — Publishers Weekly

Growing up in Missouri, the son of a caustic, hard-driving father, Isaac was conditioned to suppress his artistic pursuits and physical desires. But now, in late '80s Chicago, Isaac has carved out a life of his own. Yet just as he begins to embrace who he is, two social catalysts — the AIDS crisis and Rodney King's attack — collectively extinguish his hardearned joy. At a therapist's encouragement, Isaac begins to write down his story. In the process, he taps into a creative energy that will send him on a journey back to his family. But a surprise discovery will either unlock the truths he's seeking or threaten to derail the life he's fought so hard to claim.

#### ISBN: 9781420522518 | \$33.99 U.S.

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#### APARTMENT WOMEN

A NOVEL

Gu Byeong-mo

#### **INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLER**

"Gu's realist novel explores the roles of women, with protagonists who discuss parenting and work-life balance while contending with meeting social, cultural, and societal mores." — Library Journal

When Yojin moves with her husband and daughter into the Dream Future Pilot Communal Apartments, she's ready for a fresh start. The experimental community is a government initiative designed to boost the national birth rate. Like her neighbors, Yojin has agreed to have at least two more children over the next ten years. Yet, from the day she arrives, Yojin feels uneasy about the community thrust upon her. Her concerns grow as the other parents show their true colors. Apartment Women traces the lives of four women with different aspirations and beliefs. Will they find a way to live peacefully? Or are the cultural expectations stacked against them from the start?

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#### **MAYBE NEXT TIME**

A NOVEL

**Cesca Major** 

#### A REESE'S BOOK CLUB PICK

"A story of mindfulness and joy in the small routines of love and family." — Kirkus Reviews

It's an ordinary Monday and literary agent Emma is flying out the door as usual. Preoccupied with her growing to-do list, she fails to notice her husband Dan seems bereft. Her day is frantic, and as she rushes through the door for dinner, Dan is still upset. They fight, and he walks out. Just as she realizes it's their anniversary and she's forgotten, again, she hears the screech of brakes. Dan is dead. The next day Emma wakes up and Dan is alive. And it's Monday again. Emma tries desperately to change the course of fate, but will she have the chance to find herself again, reconnect with her husband? Will this be enough to change the fate they seem destined for?

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## THE BREAK-UP PACT 🤘

A NOVEL

**Emma Lord** 

**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR** LIBRARY READS PICK

REESE'S BOOK CLUB PICK AUTHOR

"The perfect small-town romance for summer." — Library Journal

June and Levi were best friends as teenagers. Now June is struggling to make rent on her tea shop, Levi is a disillusioned hedge fund manager and failed novelist, and they've barely spoken in years. But after they both experience public break-ups that spread like wildfire across TikTok, a photo of them together has the internet convinced they're a couple. With so many people rooting for them, they decide to make a pact. Pretending to date will help June's shop get back on its feet and make Levi's ex realize that she made a mistake. They can definitely pull this off without their hearts getting involved, because fake dating doesn't come with real feelings. Right?

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#### LET ME BE THE ONE

Family Ties • Book 1

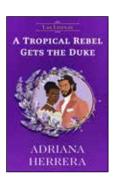
#### **Lori Foster**

**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR PUBLISHERS WEEKLY BESTSELLING AUTHOR** 

When Callie McCallahan left for the big city, she had a plan. Since then, she's had some bumps in the road.

When she inherits her uncle's farm, it's the perfect doover. With her social media skills, she'll attract a whole new following and refresh her career. The only thing is . . . she knows nothing about farming. For Tanner Patrick, Callie was the one who got away. He crushed on her in high school, but she barely knew he existed. Ten years later, she's moved back — and now she lives next door. Tanner keeps his head down and focuses on his family's tree farm. But when he sees Callie, Tanner finds her impossible to ignore.

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#### A TROPICAL REBEL **GETS THE DUKE**

Las Leonas • Book 3

#### Adriana Herrera

#### **USA TODAY BESTSELLER**

"[A] heartbreakingly timely showcase of love triumphing in a world full of dangerous injustices. Recommended for readers who are craving emotionally fulfilling and steamy historical romances that do not shy away

from the realities of the era." — starred, Library Journal

Paris, 1889. Running an underground women's clinic exposes physician Aurora Montalban Wright to danger, but help arrives in the form of the infuriating Duke of Annan. Begrudgingly, Aurora accepts his protection, then promptly finds herself in his bed. New to his role as a duke, Apollo César Sinclair Robles struggles to embrace his position. He never imagined that his enthralling bedmate would become his most trusted adviser. Soon, he realizes the doctor could be the perfect duchess for him. Can Apollo convince Aurora that their bond is stronger than the forces keeping them apart?

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Historical | Releases 4/23/2025 Available in Romance 2, 3 & 4.



#### **BEG, BORROW, OR STEAL** A NOVEL

#### **Sarah Adams**

**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR** LIBRARY READS PICK

"Full of heart and heat, this third When in Rome' story . . . is not to be missed." Library Journal

Jack Bennett is the opposite of the heroes Emily Walker dreams up in

her double life as a romance writer, which is why she was perfectly happy when he left Kentucky with his fiancée. The last thing Emily saw coming was Jack's return, but he's here to stay — as her colleague and neighbor. With their animosity at an all-time high, Emily accidentally sends an email to their school's principal that could reveal her secret literary side hustle. She needs to steal back her manuscript, and lack — she hates to admit — is just the man to help her. Will their unlikely alliance put an end to their rivalry? Or could it lead to a steamy plot twist they never saw coming?

ISBN: 9781420523775 | \$32.99 U.S. Contemporary | Releases 4/23/2025 Available in Romance 3 & 4.



#### THIS WILL BE FUN A NOVEL

#### E. B. Asher

#### **INDIE NEXT PICK**

"Recommended for fans of cozy fantasy and romance." — Library Journal

Everyone in Mythria knows the story of how Beatrice, Elowen, Clare, and Galwell the Great defended the realm. It's a tale beloved by

all — except them. They haven't spoken in a decade, devastated by what their quest cost them. But when they all receive an invitation to the queen of Mythria's wedding, it's a summons they can't refuse. If reuniting with former friends and lovers wasn't perilous enough, dark forces from their past have also returned. Dusting off old weapons and instincts, Beatrice, Clare, and Elowen will face undead nemeses, crystal caves, enchanted swords, and, hardest of all, their past. This time around, will their story end in happily ever after?

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Fantasy | Releases 4/23/2025 Available in Romance 4.



#### AN OVERDUE MATCH

Checking Out Love • Book 1

#### Sarah Monzon

"The chemistry between the two flawed yet lovable leads sizzles." — Publishers Weekly

Librarian Evangeline Kelly is determined to make at least one love connection — even if it's not her own. Tai Davis is used to people judging him, so it doesn't surprise him when the town's new librarian believes his bad-boy reputation. He can't help being intrigued by her, though, so when he discovers Evangeline's matchmaking scheme, he's not above striking a bargain with her. She just has to agree to one date with him for every time she uses his hometown knowledge to set up library patrons on a romantic rendezvous. The deal is made, but in the process, they both might learn you can't judge a book by the cover.

#### ISBN: 9781420522556 | \$33.99 U.S.

Romance | Releases 4/9/2025 | Available in Christian Romance 2, 3 & 4.



#### WHEN STARS LIGHT THE SKY

The Women of Midtown • Book 2

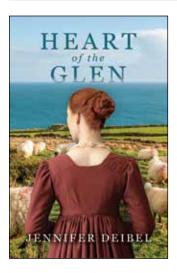
#### Elizabeth Camden

#### **USA TODAY BESTSELLER**

Inga Klein's life in New York takes a dramatic turn when she sails for Berlin to serve as the secretary for America's ambassador. Amid the glamour of life at the embassy, she finds herself at odds with the straitlaced and imposing Benedict Kincaid, the diplomatic chief of staff. As Europe hurtles toward World War I, Benedict's determination to keep America out of the conflict adds to the already tense atmosphere. Despite their sparring, Inga and Benedict succeed in keeping the embassy afloat. But when they run out of diplomatic options, a marriage of convenience may be Inga's only hope of escape from the impending war.

#### ISBN: 9781420522563 | \$32.99 U.S.

Romance | Releases 4/9/2025 | Available in Christian Romance 3 & 4.



#### **HEART OF THE GLEN Jennifer Deibel**

"With perfectly paced and realistic romance, Deibel . . . delivers another book that will leave readers feeling like they have traveled to historic Ireland right from their living rooms." — Library Journal

When Saoirse Fagan arrives at Drumboe Castle to start her new job as housemaid, she is dismayed to learn that the lord of the house passed away a week prior. Saoirse wanders the road with nowhere to go until Aileen McCready offers her a lift and a place to stay for the night. Aileen's brother, sheep farmer and weaver Owen McCready, is known for his intricate and impeccably woven tweed. But when he's injured, his entire livelihood is endangered. Though Saoirse is eager to help, even offering to learn the weaving craft, Owen is hesitant to accept aid. But Saoirse is determined to convince the McCreadys that they need her — perhaps as much as she needs them.

#### ISBN: 9781420522549 | \$32.99 U.S.

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#### HOPE'S ENDURING ECHO A NOVEL

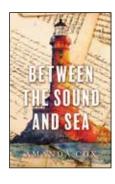
#### Kim Vogel Sawyer

Since an accident left her father unable to work, Jennie Ward has taken on the demanding task of inspecting the seven-mile wooden pipeline that supplies water to Cañon City, Colorado. Despite her responsibilities, Jennie harbors

dreams of going back to school and longs for something even simpler: a friend. One day, in a moment of impulsive and seemingly hopeless prayer, she asks God for companionship. Her prayer is answered with the arrival of Leo Day. As Jennie navigates her burgeoning friendship with Leo, it's undeniable that God has intertwined their paths, but to what end? What does He intend for the preacher's son and the linewalker's daughter to uncover?

#### S | ISBN: 9781420523782 | \$36.99 U.S.

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#### **BETWEEN THE SOUND AND SEA** A NOVEL

#### **Amanda Cox**

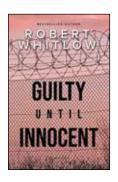
"Will draw fans of redemptive family sagas that cross time and space." — Library Journal

Josephina "Joey" Harris wouldn't mind if her family still had a few secrets of their own after a lawsuit tarnishes

their name. When an opportunity opens to become a temporary keeper of a decommissioned lighthouse on a North Carolina island, she takes the opportunity to escape the scrutiny of her small town to oversee its restoration. When things start to go amiss on the island, locals are convinced that it is the ghost of the lighthouse keeper and his daughter who were lost at sea during World War II. As Joey sifts through decades of rumors and legends and puts together the pieces of the past, a love story emerges — one that's clearly not over yet.

#### ISBN: 9781420520118 | \$33.99 U.S.

Christian Fiction | Releases 4/9/2025 Available in Christian Fiction 3, 4 & 5.



#### **GUILTY UNTIL INNOCENT** A NOVEL

#### **Robert Whitlow**

Twenty-five years ago, while high on meth, loe Moore makes one terrible mistake after another, culminating in the murder of a young couple. Today, Joe is a radically different person, thriving as a ministry leader and role model to his fellow inmates.

Joe's niece has been doing some digging and, convinced that her uncle is innocent, insists that lawyer Ryan Clark relaunch the investigation. After Ryan meets with Joe, both men receive threats that put their own lives, as well as the lives of those around them, in danger. Now they must determine if the cost of proving one man's innocence is too great when the lives of so many others would be placed in mortal danger.

#### ISBN: 9781420521443 | \$32.99 U.S.

Mystery | Releases 4/9/2025 Available in Christian Fiction 4 & 5.



#### MIDNIGHT ON THE SCOTTISH SHORE

## A NOVEL OF WORLD WAR II

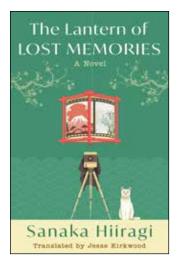
#### Sarah Sundin

"[A] pulse-pounding tale of divided loyalties during WWII . . . Sundin's tight plotting and snappy dialogue keeps the suspense high as the plot builds to its satisfying conclusion." — Publishers Weekly

The only way Cilla van der Zee can survive the German occupation of the Netherlands is to become a spy for the Nazis in Britain. She soothes her conscience with a plan to abandon her mission and instead aid the Allies. Her scheme is thwarted when Lt. Lachlan Mackenzie finds her along the Scottish shore and turns her in to be executed. But British intelligence sends her to Scotland to radio misleading messages to Germany. Lachlan and Cilla must work together if the war is to be won, but how can he trust a woman who arrived on his shores as a tool of the enemy — a woman certain to betray both him and the Allied cause?

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## THE LANTERN OF LOST MEMORIES 🤺

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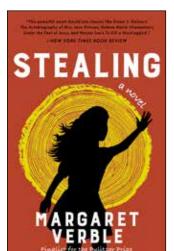
#### Sanaka Hiiragi

"Hiiragi's thoughtful English-language debut will send readers searching through their minds to excavate the forgotten moments that define them even now." — starred, Library Journal

This is the story of the peculiar and magical photo studio owned by Mr. Hirasaka. The studio is, in fact, the door to the afterlife, where those who have departed have a chance to see their entire life flash before their eyes. We meet Hatsue, a ninety-two-year-old woman who worked as a nursery teacher; Waniguchi, a yakuza overseer capable of great compassion; and Mitsuru, a girl who died tragically young at the hands of abusive parents. Sorting through the photos of their lives, Mr. Hirasaka also offers guests a chance to travel back in time to take a photo of one particular moment in their lives that they wish to cherish.

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Fantasy | Releases 4/9/2025 | Available in Diverse Voices 2 & 3.



#### **STEALING**

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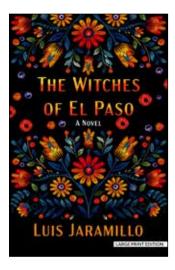
#### **Margaret Verble**

"[A] memorable and sobering story about injustice, hypocrisy, and resilience. Verble upholds her legacy of indelible Cherokee characters — and weaves a dynamic mystery, too." — Kirkus Reviews

Kit Crockett lives with her widowed father, tending the garden and reading Nancy Drew mysteries. One day, Kit discovers a mysterious and beautiful woman has moved in down the road. Kit and the newcomer, Bella, become friends, and Kit draws comfort from her. But when a malicious neighbor finds out, Kit suddenly finds herself at the center of a tragic, fatal crime and becomes a ward of the court. Her Cherokee family wants to raise her, but the righteous Christians in town instead send her to a religious boarding school. Over the course of *Stealing*, she unravels the truth of how she ended up at the school and plots a way out. If she can make her plan work in time.

#### ISBN: 9781420524130 | \$34.99 U.S.

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#### THE WITCHES OF EL PASO 🧩

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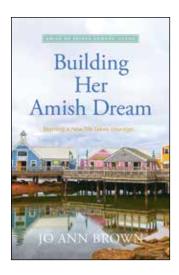
#### Luis Jaramillo

"Gripping and cinematic, the novel's worlds of El Paso past and present will bewitch and enrapture." — *starred*, Kirkus Reviews

1943, El Paso, Texas. The premonitions and fainting spells Nena has endured since childhood are getting worse. She prays for help, and when the mysterious Sister Benedicta arrives one night, Nena follows her across space and time. Nena grows into her power, learning that magic always comes with a price. In the present day, Nena's grandniece, Marta, balances a legal aid practice with motherhood and the care of the now ninety-three-year-old Nena. When Marta agrees to help search for a daughter Nena left in the past, the two forge a fierce connection. Marta's own supernatural powers emerge, awakening her to new possibilities that threaten the life she has constructed.

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Fantasy | Releases 4/9/2025 | Available in Diverse Voices 3.



#### **BUILDING HER AMISH DREAM**

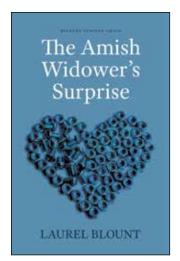
Amish of Prince Edward Island • Book 1

#### Io Ann Brown

Opening a new farm shop on Prince Edward Island with her little sister is Mattie Albrecht's chance at a fresh start. But avoiding her past becomes impossible when Benjamin Kuhns — her old secret crush — offers to help with repairs. As they work together to renovate the shop, the new beginning they're searching for could be right in front of them.

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#### THE AMISH WIDOWER'S SURPRISE

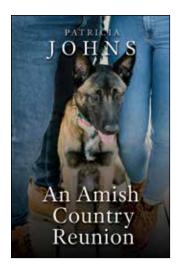
Hickory Springs Amish • Book 1

#### **Laurel Blount**

All widower Eben Miller wants is someone to help him run his general store, but every Amish woman who applies is more interested in marriage than employment. Falling in love again feels impossible for Eben, who needs a worker, not a wife. Straight-talking Lilah Troyer is different. The spinster gave up on finding a husband a long time ago and is desperate for an income to remain independent. She's even willing to forget Eben's humiliating rejection of her back in their youth. It's the perfect solution, until romance comes knocking on their door.

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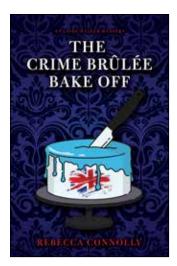


#### AN AMISH COUNTRY REUNION Patricia Johns

Arriving at the State Police K9 Training Center, Trooper Genevieve Austin learns that she'll be reporting to her former partner, Sergeant Scott Simpson. Gen hasn't seen Scott since he ghosted her to protect his job. And after her own struggles to climb the ranks, she can sympathize. When working together makes old feelings resurface, will Gen and Scott choose their careers . . . or each other?

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#### THE CRIME BRÛLÉE BAKE OFF

A Claire Walker Mystery • Book 1

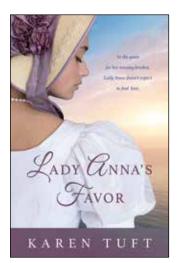
#### **Rebecca Connolly**

"Connolly . . . ably opens this new ro-mystery series, crafting a slow, charming, sweet fall and filling the case with details of baking, estate living, and reality TV filming." — Library Journal

When Claire Walker is selected to be a contestant on Britian's Battle of the Bakers, she is thrilled. If she can win the fifty thousand pounds, she'll be able to launch her baking career. The Viscount of Colburn, Jonathan Ainsley, is the custodian of Blackfirth Park. He reluctantly agrees to host the entire production team, but he refuses to participate. When a contestant is found dead, the baker's death is eerily similar to the legendary death of the tenth Viscountess of Colburn two hundred and fifty years earlier. As suspicion falls on some of the bakers, Claire and Jonathan must solve the mystery before someone else falls prey to the Blackfirth Park ghost.

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Women Sleuths | Releases 4/23/2025



#### LADY ANNA'S FAVOR **Karen Tuft**

"Fast-paced and emotional . . . The leads are affable and well-matched, and the perils of their journey keep the pages turning." — Publishers Weekly

London, England, 1814. Lady Anna Clifton has arrived in London with a secret purpose. Her soldier brother has been reported wounded and missing in France, and if he is dead, his title and their family's estate will go to a horrible distant cousin, and Lady Anna will be homeless. James Jennings wants to enjoy a relaxing journey back to Paris before rejoining England's war efforts against Napoleon. But Lady Anna's search seems much too dangerous for her to undertake alone, so James offers to assist her. With every step, they come closer to solving the mystery of Lady Anna's brother's disappearance — but every step also pushes their hearts closer together.

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Regency | Releases 4/23/2025



#### **FUGITIVE SEARCH**

Security Hounds Investigations • Book 2

#### **Dana Mentink**

#### **USA TODAY BESTSELLER**

When the man who killed her father is finally arrested, Catherine Hart thinks it's safe to come out of hiding . . . until he escapes and abducts her. But private investigator Garrett Wolfe and his tracking dog rescue her just in time. Now they must work together to escape the criminal on their heels, find Catherine's kidnapped uncle and stop her sister from walking straight into the fugitive's path. But when their search yields more questions, can Catherine and Garrett survive the terrifying truth?

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#### THE BANDIT AND OTHER BEST **WESTERN STORIES**

Loren D. Estleman

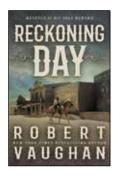
#### **NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR** SPUR AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR

Beginning with the acclaimed "The Bandit," each of these stories dives into an authentic world where gritty outlaws, determined lawmen, and everyday heroes wrestle with

morality, survival, and justice. Estleman's mastery of historical accuracy and vivid, descriptive prose shines through, bringing these Western vignettes to life with unforgettable characters and intense action — a must-read for fans of the Western genre and lovers of timeless storytelling.

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#### RECKONING DAY **Robert Vaughan**

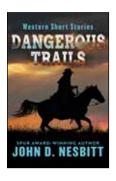
#### **NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR**

Dane Calder is more than a bounty hunter — he's a legend in the making. With the vast expanse of the Southwest as his domain, he dispenses his own brand of justice, having earned a reputation as a cunning man hunter, feared by

outlaws and respected by lawmen. But when Cactus Charley and his ruthless gang stage a daring jailbreak, Dane's past collides with his present. The slaying of Doc Newland, his wife, and an Indian girl fuels Dane's thirst for vengeance. As he sets out on the trail of his enemies, he'll stop at nothing to see justice served. For Dane Calder, this isn't just another bounty — it's a quest he knows will take him to the very gates of Hell itself.

#### ISBN: 9781420524116 | \$32.99 U.S.

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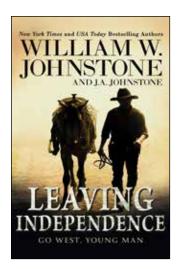
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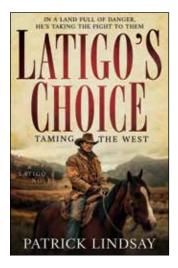
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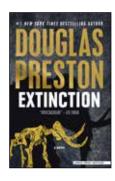
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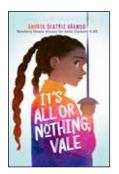
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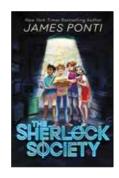
"Moving and insightful." — starred, Kirkus Reviews

No one knows hard work and dedication like Valentina Camacho. And Vale's thing is fencing. She's the top athlete at her fencing gym. Or

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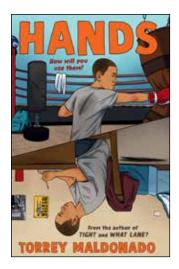
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Mihi, Reese, and Savannah just wanted an adventure in fairy tale land. Now, they're trapped in the Rainbow Realm and the portals back home are disappearing. And,

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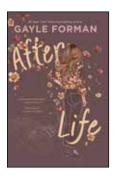
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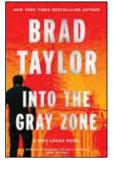
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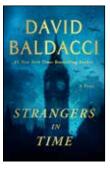
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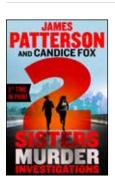
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Fourteen-year-old Charlie Matters is up to no good, but for good reason. Without parents, he steals what he needs, living day-to-day until he's old enough to enlist to fight the Germans. Fifteen-year-old Molly Wakefield has just returned

to a nearly unrecognizable London. One of millions of children to have been evacuated to the countryside, Molly has been away from home for nearly five years. Her return is not the homecoming she'd hoped for: neither of her parents are there. Without guardians and stability, Charlie and Molly find an unexpected protector in Ignatius Oliver, and solace at his book shop. Mourning the recent loss of his wife, Ignatius forms a kinship with the children, and in each other they rediscover the spirit of family each has lost. But Charlie's escapades in the city have not gone unnoticed, and someone's been following Molly since she returned to London. And Ignatius is harboring his own secrets, which could have terrible consequences for all of them.

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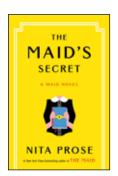
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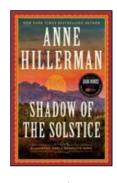
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Molly Gray's life is about to change in ways she could never have imagined. As the esteemed Head Maid and Special Events Manager of the Regency Grand Hotel, two good things are just around the

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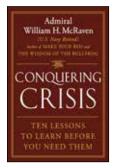
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The Navajo Nation police are on high alert when a U.S. Cabinet Secretary schedules an unprecedented trip to the little Navajo town of Shiprock, New

Mexico. The visit coincides with a plan to resume uranium mining along the Navajo Nation border. Tensions escalate when a body is found in an area restricted for radioactive uranium waste disposal. Is it coincidence that a cult with a propensity for violence arrives at a private camp the same week to celebrate the summer solstice? When the outsiders' behavior makes their Navajo hosts uneasy, Officer Bernadette Manuelito is assigned to monitor the situation. She finds a young boy at risk and abused women. She and Lt. Jim Chee are plunged into a volatile situation. Meanwhile, Darleen Manuelito, Bernie's younger sister, learns one of her home health clients is gone, and the woman's daughter doesn't seem to care.

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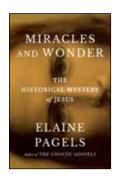
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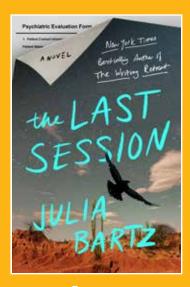
Elaine Pagels sets out to discover how Jesus, a poor young Jewish man, inspired a religion that shaped the world. The book reads like a historical mystery, with each chapter addressing a fascinating question

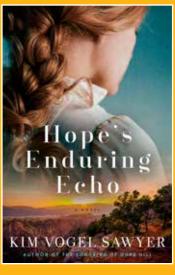
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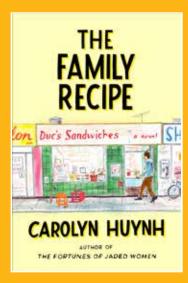
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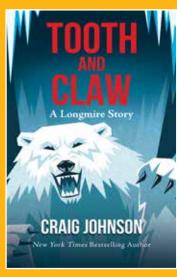


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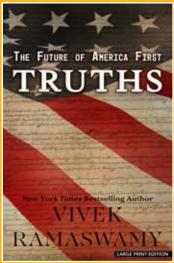
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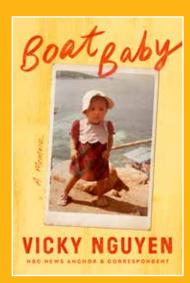
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