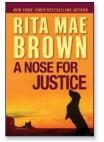


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A NEWSLETTER FOR LIBRARIES FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY MARKETING

## TRIED AND TRUE SERIES FICTION

Maybe addiction isn't always a bad thing! One of the chapters in *Rework*, Crown's big business book from Spring, is called "Drug dealers get it right." So I guess if we're preaching it, we should probably practice it too. What's the best way to get readers addicted to our product? Series fiction. And that might just be the way—along with air conditioning and good Reader's Advisory service—to get patrons coming back to the library as well. So here are a few great series to feed your clientele. Let the books do the work, and pretty soon your patrons will be running back for more. And in the library, it's not only the first hit that's free. It's the rest of them too.



## Rita Mae Brown A NOSE FOR JUSTICE: A Novel

A city girl, canine companion in tow, discovers the Wild West, a sinister plot to divert its most precious resource, and the binding ties of family in this brand-new mystery series from *New York Times* bestselling author Rita Mae Brown. 978-0-345-51181-2 | \$25.00/\$28.95C Ballantine | HC | September | **G** 

#### Christopher Fowler BRYANT & MAY OFF THE RAILS: A Peculiar Crimes Unit Mystery

"One of the most original writers working in the mystery genre today" (*Library Journal*) returns with his team of brilliant misfit detectives, led by the wildly inventive Bryant and May. If their methods are unusual, it's only because the crimes are always a bit more...peculiar. A PCU detective has been slain and the suspect is under pursuit and underground. The incomparable team must delve into the haunted history of the world's oldest subway and follow a madman through London.

978-0-553-80720-2 | \$25.00/\$28.95C Bantam | HC | September | **G** 



#### Sophie Kinsella MINI SHOPAHOLIC: A Novel

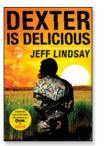
Becky Brandon thought motherhood would be a breeze—but it's trickier than she thought. Two-year-old Minnie is a little tearaway who has created havoc everywhere from Harrods to her own christening. She hires taxis at random, her favorite word is "mine," and she already has a penchant for Balenciaga bags. 978-0-385-34204-9 | \$25.00/\$28.95C Dial Press | HC | September | **G** 

### Jeff Lindsay

### DEXTER IS DELICIOUS: A Novel

America's most read, most beloved, and most watched (#1 Showtime) serial killer is back and finds himself in the middle of major life changes—his eight-pound newborn daughter the most obvious. But work intrudes and he investigates the disappearance of a seventeenyear-old girl who has been involved with a group of goths who fancy themselves to be vampires...or are they canibals???

978-0-385-53235-8 | \$25.95/\$30.00C Doubleday | HC | September | Ω ❶



#### Alexander McCall Smith THE CHARMING QUIRKS OF OTHERS: An Isabel Dalhousie Novel

ALEXANDER McCALL SMITH

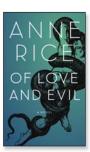
A couple who are old friends ask for help in a tricky situation: there are four final candidates for headmaster at their alma mater—but an anonymous letter alleges one has a very serious skeleton in the closet. What Isabel discovers about all of them is surprising, but what she discovers about herself is equally revealing. From the author of the *No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency* series, the *Portuguese Irregular Verbs* series, and the 44 Scotland Street series.

978-0-307-37917-7 | \$24.95 Pantheon | HC | September | १७९ 978-0-307-39956-4 | Knopf Canada | \$28.95 | HC

#### THE LOST ART OF GRATITUDE:

The New Isabel Dalhousie Novel (#6) 978-0-307-38708-0 | \$14.00 Anchor | TR | September





Jakob Arjouni; Translated by Anthea Bell **KISMET** 

From one of Europe's bestselling crime writers, this is part of a series featuring Kemal Kayankaya, a Turkish-born detective working in Frankfurt (the "ugliest city in the world"), who, in this case, accepts a job from his friend Rosario to protect him against some extortionist thugs. Except these aren't your normal thugs, but battle-hardened Croatian nationalists looking to take over the rackets in Frankfurt. 978-1-93554-23-3 \$15.00/\$17.50C Melville House | TR | October

### Anne Rice

#### OF LOVE AND EVIL: A Novel

Songs of the Seraphim continues as angels and assassins do battle. Toby O'Dare, former assassin, is summoned by the angel Malchiah to the Rome of Michelangelo and the Holy Inquisition to solve a terrible crime of poisoning and uncover the secrets of an diabolical dybbuk. 978-1-4000-4354-5 | \$24.95 Knopf | HC | November |  $\Omega$   $\cong$ 978-0-676-97809-4 | \$35.95 | Knopf Canada | HC and

#### ANGEL TIME

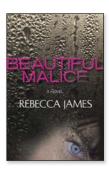
978-1-4000-7895-0 | \$7.99/NCR Anchor | MM | August

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# THE BOOKS

### FIRST FICTION



#### Rebecca James BEAUTIFUL MALICE: A Novel \*

Following the death of her talented younger sister, Katherine Patterson's once-perfect family is left shattered. Katherine leaves home, desperate to escape the glare of a hungry media. Into Katherine's life steps Alice Parrie, who is everything Katherine is not. Extroverted, gorgeous, flirtatious, dangerous, Alice befriends Katherine, but Katherine soon discovers something about Alice—a much darker side. 978-0-553-80805-6 | \$25.00/NCR | Bantam | HC | July | **G** 

#### David Klein STASH



A page-turning story of secrets set in an affluent suburb in upstate New York. After Gwen Raine, a wife and mom respected in her community, buys a small bag of marijuana from an old flame, she gets into an automobile accident that results in the death of the other driver, an elderly man with dementia. Paced by psychological suspense and an ever-thickening plot, *Stash* ultimately is about the moral complications that arise when a modern woman's fierce determination to do the right thing collides head-on with human fallibility and desire. Reading group guide available at www.CrownReads.com

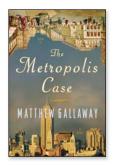
978-0-307-71681-1 | \$14.99/\$16.99C Broadway | TR Original | July | 🕒



#### Anne Fortier JULIET \*

When Julie Jacobs leaves for Italy per the instructions of her late aunt's will, she never imagines that she'll be thrust into a centuries-old feud, not to mention one of the most legendary romances of all time. However, as she uncovers the story of her ancester, Giulietta, whose love for a man named Romeo proved ill-fated, Julie finds herself increasingly under threat, and can't help but feel that the past and present are very much connected.

978-0-345-51610-7 | \$25.00/NCR | Ballantine | HC | August | 🎧

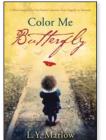


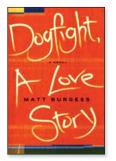
### Matthew Gallaway THE METROPOLIS CASE: A Novel

From the smoky music halls of 1860s Paris to the tumbling skyscrapers of twenty-first century New York, Gallaway's debut novel gives voice to the sweeping tale of an unlikely quartet, bound together by the strange and spectacular history of Richard Wagner's masterpiece opera *Tristan and Isolde*.

978-0-307-46342-5 | \$25.00/\$28.95C | Crown | HC | August | 🕒







#### Tim Kring and Dale Peck SHIFT: Part One of the Gate of Orpheus Trilogy \*

A new caliber of thriller set at the collision of '60s counterculture and the rise of dark forces in world government, combining the nonstop style of Ludlum with the sinister, tangled conspiracies of DeLillo and Dick, and featuring cameos from Lee Harvey Oswald to Timothy Leary to J. Edgar Hoover. *Shift* and the two books to follow are planned as a partnership with *Heroes* creator Tim Kring to build a truly revolutionary multimedia platform for the series. The pre-buzz and launch will have key interactive elements, including ARG hunts for clues about the books, an online community, and 1.5 storylines that come after launch and between books.

978-0-307-45345-7 | \$26.00/\$29.95C Crown | HC | August | **G** 

#### L.Y. Marlow

#### **COLOR ME BUTTERFLY:** A Novel Inspired by One Family's Journey from Tragedy to Triumph \*

Push meets The Help in this semi-autobiographical novel about a family haunted by a specter of domestic abuse that crosses generations. Originally self-published, Marlow doesn't shy away from the rawest moments that shape her characters. One of the reasons she wrote this book was to share her experience with other women and help them to stop the cycle in their own lives. She started the Saving Promise foundation, which will receive a percentage of her book royalties and continues her advocacy through book groups and appearances. www.colormebutterfly.com

978-0-307-71661-3 | \$15.00/\$17.50C Three Rivers Press | TR Original | August | **G** 

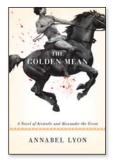
#### Matt Burgess DOGFIGHT, A LOVE STORY: A Novel

Burgess brings to life the rich and vivid milieu of his hometown native Queens where its Pakistanis, Puerto Ricans, Haitians, Anglos, African Americans and West Indians scrap and mingle and love. Characters leap off the page in riotous, spot-on dialogue in a story as intricately plotted as a Shakespearean comedy or revenge tragedy. 978-0-385-53298-3 | \$24.95/\$27.95C Doubleday | HC | September | **G** 

Richard Harvell THE BELLS: A Novel

In a letter to his son, Moses recounts his humble birth in 18th-century Switzerland and his life as a novice monk, and tells of the two noble friends and a forbidden lover—that he cherished during his chaotic years in Mozart's Vienna as apprentice to the great Gaetano Guadagni, and even as he ascended Europe's most celebrated stages.

978-0-307-59052-7 | \$24.00/ NCR Shaye Areheart Books | HC | September | **9** 



NOTHING HAPPENS

TO YOU A Novel Without Pay Perks, or Privilege

T. M. SHINE

UNTIL IT HAPPENS

#### Annabel Lyon THE GOLDEN MEAN: A Novel of Aristotle and Alexander the Great

A bold reimagining of one of history's most intriguing relationships between legendary philosopher Aristotle and his most famous pupil, the young Alexander the Great. A vivid portrait of ancient Greece (342 B.C.) through the friendship of the brilliant teacher and the sometimes horrifying teenager.

978-0-307-59399-3 | \$24.95 | Knopf | HC | September 978-0-307-35620-8 | \$32.95C | Random House Canada

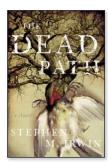
#### *T.M. Shine* **NOTHING HAPPENS UNTIL IT HAPPENS TO YOU:** A Novel Without Pay, Perks, or Privileges

For fans of Tom Perrotta, Nick Hornby, and Dave Barry—a novel for boomers gone bust! With wry humor and perfect comic timing, this is a story of picking up the pieces and using them to create an entirely new self. Jeffrey Reiner is stalling. After being laid off from a mundane job he held for 18 years, he is in no hurry to get back to work. Still, he has no choice but to throw himself at any opportunities that come his way, no matter how humbling or embarrassing.

978-0-307-58985-9 | \$23.00/\$25.95C Shaye Areheart Books | HC | September | **9** 

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### HOW TO LIVE SAFELY IN A SCIENCE FICTIONAL UNIVERSE: A Novel

Minor Universe 31 is a vast story-space on the outskirts of fiction where time-travel is serious business. Every day people get into time machines and try to do the one thing they shouldn't: change the past. Yu's job is to save people from themselves and in his spare time he visits his mother, stuck in a one-hour cycle of making dinner, and looks for his father, who invented time travel and then vanished! Wild and adventurous.

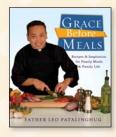
978-0-307-37920-7 | \$24.00/\$27.00C Pantheon | HC | September | **G** 

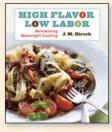
#### Stephen M. Irwin THE DEAD PATH: A Novel

Nicholas Close has always had an uncanny intuition, but after the death of his wife he becomes haunted by ghosts doomed to repeat their final violent moments in a chilling and endless loop. Torn by guilt and fearing for his sanity he returns to his childhood home and becomes entangled in a series of disappearances and murders—both as a suspect and as...the next victim.

978-0-385-53343-0 | \$25.95/\$29.00C Doubleday | HC | October | **G** 

## COOKING







#### Father Leo Patalinghug GRACE BEFORE MEALS: Recipes and Inspiration for Family Meals and Family Life

From the priest who defeated Bobby Flay on *Throwdown!*, this cookbook has started a nationwide movement of families cooking and eating together to improve communication and build deeper relationships.

978-0-307-71721-4 | \$17.00/\$19.00C | Doubleday Religion | TR Original | July

#### Peter Menzel and Faith D'Aluisio WHAT I EAT: Around the World in 80 Diets

A stunning photographic collection—featuring portraits of 80 people from 30 countries, each photographed with the food they eat over the course of one day—for armchair travelers, socially conscious food lovers, photographers, and anyone fascinated by what other people eat around the world.

978-0-9840744-0-2 | \$40.00/\$47.00C | Ten Speed Press | HC | August

#### J. M. Hirsch

#### HIGH FLAVOR, LOW LABOR: Reinventing Weeknight Cooking

This is an ingredient-based approach to cooking that allows home cooks to get the most out of their meals. It's about efficiency– maximum flavor and taste with minimal effort. By taking dishes we know and giving them a kick, and by building new ones from a few strong flavors, J.M. Hirsch unleashes the potential of the pantry, oven, and dinner table with amazing results.

978-0-<mark>345-5222</mark>9-0 | \$24.0<mark>0/\$27.</mark>00C | Ballantine | TR | September

#### Francoise Bernard

#### LA CUISINE: Everyday French Home Cooking

A culinary bible featuring 1,000 recipes from the legendary woman who revolutionized French cooking by simplifying recipes for the home cook. The French version of the Foreword Award-winning *La Cucina*.

978-0-8478-3501-0 | \$45.00/\$49.95C | Rizzoli | HC | October

#### Madhur Jaffrey

### AT HOME WITH MADHUR JAFFREY: Simple Delectable Dishes from India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, and Sri Lanka

Madhur Jeffrey introduced classic Indian cooking to America in the seventies, however some found the use of spices and seasonings daunting. That fear is vanquished, making Indian cooking accessible to the home cook, demystifying complex techniques, and simplifying recipes without sacrificing quality.

978-0-307-26824-2 | \$35.00/\$40.00C | Knopf | HC | October |

#### Sarabeth Levine and Rick Rodgers

#### SARABETH'S BAKERY: From My Hands to Yours

The legendary New York baker offers an irresistible array of recipes for scones, muffins, croissants, cookies, and other classic desserts. This important addition to the baking book canon has been anxiously awaited by the extraordinary baker's countless fans.

978-0-847<mark>8-34</mark>08-2 | \$39.9<mark>5/\$47.</mark>00C | Rizzoli | HC | October

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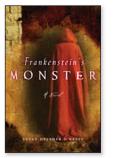
### **Smithsonian Books**



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www.smithsonianbooks.com





#### Stacey McGlynn KEEPING TIME: A Novel

Seventy-seven-year-old Daisy Phillips is sick of being treated like an old lady. She decides to go to America for one more chance at adventure. Determined to track down the man she loved and lost touch with years ago, she settles in with her slightly wacky American cousins, roping the family into helping her with her quest to be reunited with the WWII soldier she briefly met in London and upon whom she realizes she quietly has pinned all of her hopes and dreams for a second chance.

978-0-307-46440-8 | \$24.00/\$27.00C Shaye Areheart Books | HC | October | **G** 

#### Susan Heyboer O'Keefe FRANKENSTEIN'S MONSTER: A Novel \*

Told through the journals of the monster, we see the compelling tale of a creature in search of his humanity. *Frankenstein's Monster* continues Mary Shelley's classic, *Frankenstein* as he loses himself in darkness and distance—the bitter landscape of the north pole. He's compelled by two quests: to discover his humanity even while mankind shrinks from him as an abomination; and to elude Robert Walton, the ship captain who heard the last words of Victor Frankenstein and vowed to take up the dying man's chase to destroy his creation.

978-0-307-71732-0 | \$15.00/\$17.50C Three Rivers Press | TR Original | October | **G** 

#### Charles Elton MR. TOPPIT

Imagine if your father modeled the hero of his children's stories after you...A darkly comic debut novel that takes an English boy and his father's books on a tumultuous journey to unexpected fame in America, and to the mysteries hidden at the heart of an extraordinary family.

978-1-59051-390-3 | \$15.95/NCR Other Press | TR | November | **G** 

Tim Slover

#### **THE CHRISTMAS CHRONICLES:** The Legend of Santa Claus \*

In his debut novel, Tim Slover offers the real story behind Santa Claus, separating fact from legend and revealing the truth behind many long-held secrets: Why did Santa start making toys for children? How did he and Mrs. Claus meet? And most important, how is he able to deliver gifts to children all over the world in one night? This is a book that will be enjoyed year after year, sure to charm readers of all ages, and anyone who wants to celebrate the spirit of the season.

978-0-553-80810-0 | \$16.00/\$18.00C Bantam | HC | November | 🕒

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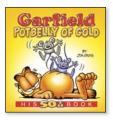
### ADULT BOOKS FOR YOUNG READERS: Selections from the List



#### Terry Brooks BEARERS OF THE BLACK STAFF: Legends of Shannara

The Genesis of Shannara trilogy charted the fall of our own world and the escape of a few humans, Elves, and others into a remote mountain valley. For five-hundred years the survivors have lived peacefully, learning to coexist and to build a new world. Now the magic that kept them safe for so many centuries is wearing down. It is time for the four peoples to stand together and create the new world of Shannara.

978-0-345-48417-8 | \$27.00/\$31.00C | Del Rey | HC | August | **G** 



#### Jim Davis GARFIELD POTBELLY OF GOLD: His 50th Book

Garfield returns—weighing more than ever!—for his 50th book, a brand-new, full-color compilation strip book and another must-have for Garfield fans. They are all here—Jon, Odie, Nermal and, of course, our favorite fat cat, Garfield!

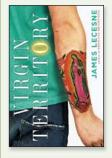
978-0-345-52244-3 | \$15.00/\$17.00C | Ballantine | TR | August

### Young Adult Crossovers for Grownups



### Beth Kephart DANGEROUS NEIGHBORS

It is 1876, the year of the Centennial in Philadelphia and Katherine has lost her twin sister Anna in a tragic skating accident. One wickedly hot September day, Katherine sets out for the exhibition grounds to cut short the haunted life she no longer wants to live. Filled with vivid detail that artfully brings the past to life, National Book Award nominee Beth Kepart's *Dangerous Neighbors* is a timeless and finely crafted novel about betrayal and guilt, hope and despair, love, loss, and new beginnings. 978-1-60684-080-1 | \$16.99/\$19.99C | EgmontUSA | HC | August



### James Lecesne VIRGIN TERRITORY

16-year-old Dylan Flack is uprooted from his cozy life in New York City by the death of his mother of cancer the night before 9/ll. He is transplanted to Jupiter, Florida where he falls in love with the leader of the Virgin Club, a nomadic group of trailer kids.

978-1-60684-081-8 | \$16.99/\$19.99C | EgmontUSA | HC | September







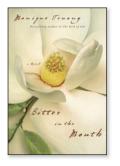
His powers are legendary, his costume is unmistakable, and the S-shield is iconic. Here's your guide to absolutely everything about the high-flying hero who's been thrilling comics fans for more than seventy years—an amazing A-to-Z compendium that spans the spectrum of all things Superman.

978-0-345-50108-0 | \$30.00/\$34.00C | Del Rey | TR | August

#### Josh Neufeld A.D. NEW ORLEANS AFTER THE DELUGE

A YALSA Top 10 Great Graphic Novels for Teens, this masterful portrait of New Orleans under siege features seven extraordinary true stories of survival in the days leading up to and following Hurricane Katrina. A city in chaos with the tragedies and triumphs that took place within it. Also note: Best American Comics, 2010 and MTV.com Best Nonfiction Comic of 2009.

978-0-375-71488-7 | \$16.95/\$19.95C | Pantheon | TR | August



### Monique Truong BITTER IN THE MOUTH

Growing up in the small town of Boiling Springs, North Carolina, in the 1970s and '80s, Linda believes that she is profoundly unlike everyone around her, including the members of her own family. Linda can "taste" words. In this and other ways, her body is a mystery to her. Even as Linda makes her way north to Yale and then to New York City, she still does not know the truth about herself and her past.

978-1-4000-6908-8 | \$25.00/\$28.95C Random House | HC | August | **G** 

#### Donald Asher

#### **CRACKING THE HIDDEN JOB MARKET:** How to Find Opportunity in Any Economy

A groundbreaking career guide that gives jobseekers of all ages and at every level of experience (or inexperience) the tools for crafting a focused, successful job-search strategy regardless of the state of their chosen industry or the economy in general.

978-1-58008-494-9 | \$14.99/\$16.99C Ten Speed Press | TR Original | September | **9** 

#### Christopher Hart

#### MANGA FOR THE BEGINNER SHOUJO: Everything You Need to Start Drawing the Most Popular Style of Japanese Comics

The third title in the bestselling series by Christopher Hart. Shoujo is the best-loved, most recognizable manga style in the world. Famous for the huge brilliant eyes of its characters, shoujo is one of the few comics categories whose fanbase is largely young women.

978-0-8230-3329-4 | \$21.99/\$24.99C Watson-Guptill | TR Original | September



CHRISTOPHER HART



#### Donita K. Paul DRAGONS OF THE VALLEY: A Novel

From the author of *DragonSpell* and *DragonFire* comes another tale of adventure certain to delight and entertain fantasy readers of all ages.

978-1-4000-7340-5 | \$13.99/\$15.99C WaterBrook Press | TR Original | September

#### Brad Matsen

JACQUES COUSTEAU: The Sea King Inventor of the aqualung and fearless scuba diver, Cousteau opened up the ocean for the first time to a mass audience. Here is the full picture of a remarkable life: the father, military man, inventor, entrepreneur, and adventurer.

978-0-307-27542-4 | \$16.95/\$18.95C | Vintage | TR | September | 🕒

#### Genevieve Miller VAMPIRE KNITS: Projects to Keep You Knitting from Twilight to Dawn

*Vampire Knits* is the first collection of knitting projects for dreamy, mysterious vampires, and the fans who love them. These appealing and easy-to-knit projects range from cool sweaters to cozy neck protectors, fanged bat toys to a hunter tool belt Buffy would covet.

978-0-307-58660-5 | \$18.99/\$20.99C Potter Craft | TR Original | September

#### John Mitchinson and John Lloyd **THE BOOK OF THE DEAD:** Lives of the Justly Famous and the Undeservedly Obscure

From the bestselling authors of *The Book of General Ignorance* comes this hilarious collection of pithy and provocative biographies of an impressive range of characters, from the internationally and immortally famous to the undeservedly and (until now) permanently obscure. The thread that binds them together? They're dead.

978-0-307-71640-8 | \$21.95/NCR | Harmony | HC | September | **G** 

#### John Prendergast with Don Cheadle **THE ENOUGH MOMENT:** Fighting to End Africa's Worst Human Rights Crimes

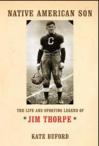
*The Enough Moment* is an extremely hopeful and empowering call to action for those interested in how people's movements and inspired policies can stop genocide, child soldier recruitment, and rape as a war weapon in Sudan, Uganda, and Congo. Join activists, organizations, and celebrities to fight human rights crimes in Africa.

978-0-307-46482-8 | \$14.99/\$16.99C Three Rivers Press | TR Original | September | **9** 

## David Wellington OVERWINTER: A Werewolf Tale

In this stand-alone continuation of the tale begun in *Frostbite*, house horror star David Wellington delivers another gripping werewolf tale in which heroine Chey is once again forced to fight for her own humanity.

978-0-307-46079-0 | \$14.00/\$16.00C Three Rivers Press | TR Original | September | **9** 



#### Kate Buford NATIVE AMERICAN SON: The Life and Sporting Legend of Jim Thorpe

Heads up all sports fans! This is the biography of the legendary figure who redefined American sports. From leading his Carlisle Indian Industrial School football team to victories, to gold medals in the pentathlon and decathlon in the 1912 Olympics, to careers in professional football and baseball—to the struggles with alcoholism and personal misfortune. Complex and amazing.

978-0-375-41324-7 | \$35.00/\$40.00C | Knopf | HC | October | **9** 

#### Charles Burns X'ED OUT

Beware all ye who enter here! A seriously strange graphic novel (Vol.1) from the creator of *Black Hole*. Doug is not having a good night. A strange buzzing noise wakes him up and in a hole in his bedroom wall sits Inky, his cat who has been dead for years. What the devil is going on and should he go through that hole? We all know the answer to that one...

978-0-307-37913-9 | \$19.95/\$22.95C | Pantheon | HC | October

#### Geoffrey Canada: Illustrated by Jamar Nicholas FIST STICK KNIFE GUN:

A Personal History of Violence

The graphic-novel version of the memoir of Geoffrey Canada: a small scared child growing up in the violent South Bronx who became a renowned activist and children's advocate whom Oprah Winfrey called "an angel from God." 978-0-8070-4449-0 | \$14.00/NCR | Beacon Press | TR | October |

#### Anne Frank,

edited by Otto H. Frank and Mirjam Pressler THE DIARY OF A YOUNG GIRL

One of the most moving and eloquent accounts of the Holocaust, read by tens of millions since it's publication in 1947. This edition, authorized by the Frank estate, includes a new introduction by Francine Prose, a bibliography, chronology, and eight pages of photographs.

978-0-307-59400-6 | \$25.00/\$29.95C Everyman's Library | HC | October 978-0-385-48033-8 | \$13.00 | Vintage | TR

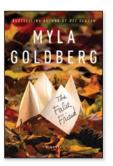
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### 978-0-307-47568-8 | \$13.00/\$15.00C | Vintage Espanol | TR

#### Myla Goldberg THE FALSE FRIEND: A Novel

From the author of *Bee Season*, Celia and Djuna reigned mercilessly over a clique of girls. One afternoon they decided to walk home along a forbidden road. Djuma disappeared and for twenty years Celia blocked out how it happened. Celia's lie shapes her life. A novel that explores the adults that children become and the lies to which we succumb.

978-0-385-52721-7 | \$25.95/\$29.00C | Doubleday | HC | October | 🎧 🕒





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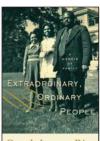
#### Shelina Janmohamed LOVE IN A HEADSCARF

When Shelina Janmohamed, an Oxford-educated Muslim living in the bubbling ethnic mix of North London, opted for the traditional "arranged" route to finding a partner, she never suspected it would be the journey of her life.

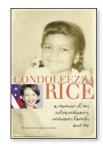
978-0-8070-0080-9 | \$15.00/NCR | Beacon Press | TR | October | 🕒

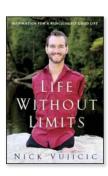
Roxanne Jones and Jessie Paolucci: Foreword by Tony Dungy





Condoleezza Rice





#### SAY IT LOUD: An Illustrated History of the Black Athlete

A one-of-a-kind treasure, Say It Loud is the definitive volume on the legacy of African Americans in sports, a legacy felt most strongly beyond the games. This photographic journey chronicles the pioneers who put their careers in jeopardy for social and legal change, as well as the stars of today who carry on their memory.

978-0-345-51589-6 | \$35.00/\$40.00C | ESPN Books | HC | October

Dean Koontz and Fred Van Lente; Illustrated by Queenie Chan ODD IS ON OUR SIDE

A second all-new graphic novel adventure-following the hit success In Odd We Trust-starring Dean Koontz's immensely popular character, Odd Thomas. It's almost Halloween in Pico Mundo, and that means time for the annual Safe Halloween Party, hosted by Police Chief Porter. All seems perfectly normal-until Odd catches sight of the ghost of a young girl who seems to be trying to join in the festivities.

978-0-345-51560-5 | \$10.99/\$11.99C | Del Rey | TR | October

#### Condoleezza Rice **EXTRAORDINARY, ORDINARY PEOPLE:** A Memoir of Family

The story of Condoleezza Rice that has never been told, not that of an ultra-accomplished world leader, but of a little girl-and a young woman-trying to find her place in a sometimes hostile world and of two exceptional parents, and an extended family and community, that made all the difference.

978-0-307-58787-9 | \$27.00/\$31.00C | Crown | HC | October |  $\Omega$  🖲

#### CONDOLEEZZA RICE: A Memoir of My Extraordinary, Ordinary Family and Me 978-0-385-73879-8 | \$16.99/\$19.99C | Delacorte BFYR | HC | October

978-0-385-90747-7 | \$19.99/\$23.99C | Delacorte BFYR | HCLB | October

Nick Vujicic LIFE WITHOUT LIMITS: Inspiration for a Ridiculously Good Life

Nick Vujicic was born without arms or legs but overcame his disability to live not only independently, but to live a rich, fulfilling life that is a model for anyone seeking true happiness. Now an internationally successful motivational speaker, his key message is letting people know the importance of finding your life's purpose-even through pain.

978-0-307-58973-6 | \$19.99/\$22.99C Doubleday Religion | HC | October | O G

## SCIENCE TITLES



#### William Famon THE PROFESSOR OF SECRETS

In the tradition of Galileo's Daughter and Brunelleschi's Dome, this exciting story illuminates the captivating world of the late Renaissance-in this case its plagues, remedies, and alchemythrough the life of Leonardo Fioravanti, a brilliant, remarkably forward-thinking, and utterly unconventional doctor.

978-1-4262-0650-4 | \$26.00/\$30.00C | National Geographic | HC | July | 3

Stephen Hawking and Leonard Mlodinow

#### THE GRAND DESIGN

Uses the science to which Hawking has devoted his life to answer the ultimate questions: What are the laws of nature? What is the nature of reality? Why is there something rather than nothing? Where did the universe come from?

978-0-553-80537-6 | \$28.00/\$33.00C | Bantam Dell | HC | September |  $\Omega$  O

#### Amir D. Aczel

#### PRESENT AT THE CREATION: The Story of CERN and the Large Hadron Collider

The author of Ferment's Last Theorem, Amir Aczel follows the greatest experiment of modern times, conducted by CERN, and attempts to understand-through the world's largest particle physics laboratory-the origins of the universe.

978-0-307-59167-8 | \$25.99/\$29.99C | Harmony | HC | October |  $\Omega$  O

#### Jane Smilev

#### THE MAN WHO INVENTED THE COMPUTER: The Biography of John Atanasoff, Digital Pioneer

In the late '30s, after a frustrating day of tedious mathematical calculations in his lab, John Atanasoff, professor of physics at U. of Iowa, decided to test a theory of his regarding the binary number system, electronic switches, an array of capacitors on a moving drum to serve as memory. He built the machine. It worked. The world changed. (But he never patented the device.) A real-life techno-thriller. The first entry in the Great Innovators series with the Sloan Foundation.

978-0-385-52713-2 | \$25.95/\$29.00C | Doubleday | HC | October | 🖓 🕒

#### Martin Bojowald

#### **ONCE BEFORE TIME:** A Whole Story of the Universe

From the young father of loop quantum cosmology (LQC), he was 27 in 2000 when the theory was proposed, an illumination of how the universe was born. LQC states that the universe emerged from the collapse of a previous universe-a Big Bounce rather than a Big Bang. 978-0-307-27285-0 | \$27.95/\$32.00C | Knopf | HC | November

#### Mike Brown HOW I KILLED PLUTO AND WHY IT HAD IT COMING

A memoir by the adorably geeky scientist who, in his effort to discover the tenth planet, ended up demoting everyone's favorite planet, Pluto, to a firestorm of public outrage.

978-0-385-53108-5 | \$25.00/\$28.95C | Spiegel & Grau | HC | December | 0





#### David Bordon and Thomas J. Winters EVERYTHING CHRISTMAS

Everything Christmas is a heartwarming compilation of holiday recipes, family traditions, unique gift ideas, the stories behind favorite Christmas carols, and more, arranged in daily sections corresponding to the days of Advent. 978-0-307-72929-3 | \$14.99/\$16.99C Waterbrook Press | HC | October | **G** 



#### Cynthia Keller AN AMISH CHRISTMAS: A Novel

Financially ruined, James and Meg Hobart and their three children pack all of their belongings into their car to move to Meg's parents' house. After a car accident in rural Pennsylvania, the Hobarts find themselves rescued by an Amish family, who invite them to stay until their car is repaired. The simpler lives led here are a jarring culture shock for all the Hobarts, but soon the family begins to look at the world around them with fresh eyes.

978-0-345-52378-5 | \$16.00/\$18.00C Ballantine | HC | October | ר ס



### Dan Parent ARCHIE'S CHRISTMAS STOCKING

Archie, Reggie, Veronica, Betty and Jughead get into the holiday spirit with this great collection of stories.

978-1-879794-57-3 | \$9.95/\$11.95C Archie Comics | TR | October



#### Donita K. Paul TWO TICKETS TO THE CHRISTMAS BALL: A Novella

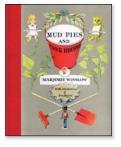
From bestselling author Donita K. Paul, creator of the DragonKeeper Chronicles series, comes a charming holiday tale of romance and magic, making it a delightful read for fans of both genres.

978-0-307-45899-5 | \$14.99/\$16.99C Waterbrook Press | HC | October

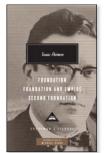
#### *Tim Slover* CHRISTMAS CHRONICLES: The Legend of Santa Claus

In this novel, Tim Slover offers the real story behind Santa Claus, separating fact from legend and revealing the truth behind many long-held secrets. This is a book that will be enjoyed year after year, sure to charm readers of all ages, and anyone who wants to celebrate the spirit of the season.

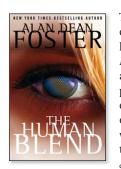
978-0-553-80810-0 | \$16.00/\$18.00C Bantam | HC | November | 🕒











#### Marjorie Winslow; Illustrated by Erik Blegvad MUD PIES AND OTHER RECIPES

A suggested menu for your next luncheon: Daisy Dip, Marigold Madness, Dandelion Soufflé, Tossed Leaves, Putty Fours, and to drink, Iced Rainspout Tea. If this doesn't sound particularly palatable, never fear, this meal isn't meant for you –it's entertainment for your imaginary friends, a party for dolls, a gift for garden sprites, or nothing more than a lazy afternoon activity.

978-1-59017-368-8 | \$15.95/\$17.95C New York Review Books | TR | October

#### Geoffrey Wolff THE HARD WAY AROUND: The Passages of Joshua Slocum

A thrilling portrait of a boy who escaped a Dickensian childhood in 1860 at the age of 16 by running away to the sea. A decade later he was commander of his own ship—had been through hurricanes, shipwrecks, pirate attacks, cholera, two marriages, and seven children. In 1895 he set sail alone in the small sloop Spray and three years later became the first man to circumnavigate the globe solo. A singular life.

978-1-4000-4342-2 | \$25.95/\$30.00C | Knopf | HC | October | 🕒

#### Isaac Asimov

### FOUNDATION, FOUNDATION AND EMPIRE, SECOND FOUNDATION

Any library that collects science fiction MUST have this. Winner in 1966 of a Hugo Award for Best All-Time Series, it remains the only fiction series to have been so honored. This saga of the Galactic Empire, crumbling after twelve thousand years of rule, stands as a classic of thrilling, provocative, and inspired world-building.

978-0-307-59396-2 | \$30.00/\$35.00C Everyman's Library | HC | November

#### Lewis Carroll; Illustrated by Mahendra Singh THE HUNTING OF THE SNARK

A tour-de-force, beautifully illustrated version of Lewis Carroll nonsense masterpiece—full of visual riddles, puns and mysteries.

978-1-935554-24-0 | \$14.95/\$17.95C Melville House | HC | November

### Alan Dean Foster THE HUMAN BLEND

The beloved author of the *Pip & Flinx* novels embarks on a new series, one that will appeal to his loyal fanbase and new readers alike. *The Human Blend* is a science-fiction adventure centered around a group of thieves living in a future where physical alterations and enhancements are an everyday common occurrence. If you could take on a body with any features you wanted, what would it look like? And what would you do with them—human or otherwise?

978-0-345-51197-3 | \$26.00/\$30.00C Del Rey | HC | November | ❶

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#### Stan Lee, with Dynamic Forces, Inc. **STAN LEE'S HOW TO DRAW COMICS:** From the Legendary Creator of Spider-Man, The Incredible Hulk, Fantastic Four, X-Men, and Iron Man

This is an intimate, first-person portrait of the life

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compelling figures in American culture today.

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The definitive authority on developing and drawing comic book characters. From producing concepts and characters sketches to laying out the final page of art, the legendary man of comics is your personal guide to the world of creating comics. The book begins with an overview of comics, including the history of Stan Lee, and Marvel.

978-0-8230-0083-8 | \$24.99/\$27.99C Watson-Guptill | TR Original | November



#### *Emily Martin* **THE BLACK APPLE'S PAPER DOLL PRIMER:** Activities and Amusements for the Curious Paper Artist

Part art book, part craft kit, 100% fun: For the tens of thousands of Black Apple fans and crafters who want to make a unique gift with personality, this book contains thirty-two dolls, hundreds of clothing and accessory options, how-to for custom dolls and clothes, and craft projects.

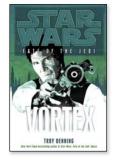
978-0-307-58656-8 | \$19.99/\$22.99C Potter Craft | TR Original | November

#### Salman Rushdie

#### LUKA AND THE FIRE OF LIFE: A Novel

On a beautiful starry night in the city of Kahani in the land of Alifbay, a terrible thing happened: twelve-year-old Luka's storyteller father, Rashid, fell suddenly and inexplicably into a sleep so deep that nothing and no one could rouse him. To save him from slipping away entirely, Luka must embark on a journey through The Magic World, encountering a slew of phantasmagorical obstacles along the way, to steal the Fire of Life, a seemingly impossible and exceedingly dangerous task. Appeals to all ages.

978-0-679-46336-8 | \$25.00 Random House | HC | November | **G** 978-0-676-97756-1 | \$29.95C | Knopf Canada | HC



#### Troy Denning STAR WARS: FATE OF THE JEDI: VORTEX

In Book Six of the bestselling nine-book series, the suspense crescendoes as the Skywalkers and their treacherous Sith allies race against time to discover the origins of the mysterious Force-entity known as Abeloth. When they begin to uncover secrets better kept hidden from mortal minds, no one is surprised to see the uneasy partnership erupt into violence. But they are surprised at where the investigation leads: to the home of the reclusive Fallanassi, who may hold in their hands the future of the Jedi Order itself.

#### Dean Koontz WHAT THE NIGHT KNOWS: A Novel

In the late summer of a long ago year, a killer arrived in a small city, and in the space of a few months he brutally murdered four families. His savage spree ended only when he himself was killed by the last survivor of the last family, a fourteen-year-old boy. Half a continent away and two decades later, someone is murdering families again, recreating in detail Blackwood's crimes. Homicide detective John Calvino is certain that his own family—his wife and three children—will be targets in the fourth crime, just as his parents and sisters were victims on that distant night, when he was fourteen and killed their slayer.

978-0-553-80772-1 | \$28.00/\$33.00C Bantam Dell | HC | December | **G** 🕾

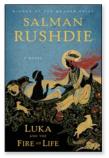
Christopher McDougall

### **BORN TO RUN:** A Hidden Tribe, Superathletes, and the Greatest Race the World Has Never Seen

Sometimes books totally live up to their title! This one has run and run and is going like gangbusters (five months on the NYT Bestseller list)! This is just a reminder to stock up on the hardcover and see below for paperback and Spanish editions. Tons of publicity, including NPR, is ongoing. This story of the Tarahumara Indians of Mexico's Copper Canyons, and how they are able to run hundreds of miles without rest or injury forms the core of this investigation by award-winning journalist, intrepid adventurer, and often-injured runner Chris McDougall. The "Greatest Race" is a fifty-mile race through Tarahumara country pitting the tribe against an odd band of Americans, including a star untramarathoner, a beautiful young surfer, and a barefoot wonder. McDougall discovers that the secret to happiness is right at your feet! A Forbes and Washington Post Best Book of the Year-ALA/RUSA Notable Book, 2010.

978-0-307-26630-9 | \$24.95/\$29.95C Knopf | HC | Available now | ∩ **Θ** 978-0-307-27918-7 | \$15.00/\$17.00C | Vintage | TR | January

NACIDO PARA CORRER: Superatletas, una tribu oculta y la carrera mas grande que el mundo nunca ha visto 978-0-307-74129-5 | \$15.00/\$17.00C Vintage Espanol | TR | January



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### SPOTLIGHT ON: Animal Reads



#### J.R. Ackerley **MY DOG TULIP**

J.R. Ackerley's German shepherd Tulip was skittish, possessive, and wild, but he loved her deeply. This clear-eyed and wondering, humorous and moving book, described by Christopher Isherwood as one of the "greatest masterpieces of animal literature," is her biography, a work of faultless and respectful observation that transcends the seeming modesty of its subject.

978-1-59017-414-2 | \$14.00/\$16.00C New York Review Books | TR | August



#### Jennifer Arnold **THROUGH A DOG'S EYES \***

A stirring, inspiring book with the power to change the way we understand and communicate with our dogs, by the founder of Canine Assistants, a non-profit that trains and provides service dogs for people with disabilities and special needs.

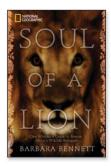
978-1-4000-6888-3 | \$25.00/\$28.95C Spiegel & Grau | HC | August |  $\Omega lacksquare$ 

## Homer's Odyssey Gwen Cooper

#### Gwen Cooper HOMER'S ODYSSEY: A Fearless Feline Tale. or How I Learned about Love and Life with a Blind Wonder Cat \*

The New York Times bestseller that USA Today called "one not to miss"-the once-in-nine-lives true story of a blind cat named Homer and the woman he taught how to love.

978-0-385-34398-5 | \$15.00/\$17.00C Bantam | TR | August |  $\Omega extbf{G}$ 



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#### Barbara Bennett SOUL OF A LION: One Woman's Quest to Rescue Africa's Wildlife Refugees \*

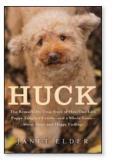
This must-read adventure story chronicles the unique Harnas Wildlife Foundation in Namibia, where Marieta van der Merwe and her family, former wealthy cattle farmers, have sold land to buy and care for embattled wildlife.

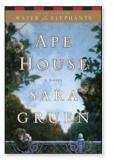
978-1-4262-0654-2 | \$26.00/\$30.00C National Geographic | HC | September | 0

#### Rita Mae Brown ANIMAL MAGNETISM: My Life with Creatures Great and Small \*

Now in paperback. Rita Mae Brown's earliest memory is of the soothing purr of Mickey, her family's long-haired tiger cat, who curled up and claimed a spot in her crib. From there, a steady parade of cats, dogs, horses, and all manner of two- and four-legged critters have walked, galloped, and flown into and through her world. In Animal Magnetism, the bestselling author shares the lessons she's learned from these marvelous creatures as well as her deep appreciation for them.

978-0-345-51180-5 | \$16.00/\$18.00C Ballantine | TR | September | G









#### HUCK: The Remarkable True Story of How One Lost Puppy Taught a Family—and a Whole Town—About Hope and Happy Endings

In the tradition of Dewey, A Lion Called Christian, and Homer's Odyssey, Huck is the remarkable true story of a family that learned a valuable lesson about tenacity, bravery, and the generosity of strangers.

978-0-7679-3134-2 | \$21.00/\$24.00C Broadway | HC | September | G

#### Sara Gruen **APE HOUSE \***

From the author of Water for Elephants comes the story of a family of bonobo apes that is violently torn from their laboratory by animal liberation activists and placed on a TV reality show. Explores humans' relationships with animals and shows that animals have much to teach people about what it means to be human.

978-0-385-52321-9 | \$26.00 Spiegel & Grau | HC | September | 🎧 🕾 🕒 978-0-385-66444-8 | \$32.95C | Bond Street Books | HC

#### Jon Katz ROSE IN A STORM: A Novel \*

The New York Times bestselling author of A Dog Year and Soul of a Dog, Katz turns in a wonderful new direction with his first novel in ten years. Told from the point of view of Rose, a tough and dedicated sheep dog, he delivers both a powerful window into the mind of an animal, and a gripping adventure tale.

978-0-345-50265-0 | \$24.00/\$27.00C Villard | HC | October | 0

#### Sarah Keen **KNITTED WILD ANIMALS:**

#### 15 Adorable, Easy-to-Knit Toys \*

For knitters at all skill levels who want to make cute, cuddly wild animals, from a sweet elephant to a huggable penguin.

978-0-8230-3318-8 | \$19.99/\$22.99C Watson-Guptill | TR Original | October

#### Karen Kostyal

#### **GREAT MIGRATIONS:** Epic Animal Journeys \*

With more than 250 color photographs, at turns arresting and gorgeous, this stunning companion includes all of the epic animal dramas that are featured in the unprecedented high definition television event to air on the National Geographic Channel. In a world of changing global temperatures both on land and in the sea, the annual migrations of animals include amazing stories of incredible strength and the will to survive.

978-1-4262-0644-3 | \$35.00/\$40.00C National Geographic | HC | October



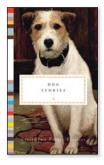
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#### Cesar Millan with Melissa Jo Peltier CESAR'S RULES: Your Way to Train a Well-Behaved Dog

In his latest book, Cesar addresses an essential ingredient for raising an obedient, well-behaved dog: discipline. For the first time, Cesar shares his approach to training, addressing a variety of methods as well as his critics. www.CesarMillanInc.com

978-0-307-71686-6 | \$25.99/\$29.99C Harmony | HC | October | **G** 



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LIFE, LOVE, and HEALING from a SMALL POOCH

#### Diana Secker Tesdell, Editor DOG STORIES

Two centuries of great dog stories cover man's best friend—heroically faithful, irrepressibly scoundrel-ish, aggressively affectionate, masterful, grieving, cheerfully naïve. A kaleidoscopic take on humanity's most devoted companion

978-0-307-59397-9 | \$15.00/\$17.50C Everyman's Library | HC | October

#### Greg Kincaid CHRISTMAS WITH TUCKER

In this heartwarming novel, Greg Kincaid, the bestselling author of *A Dog Named Christmas*, revisits the early life of one of that book's protagonists and brings us a holiday tale of redemption, hope and forgiveness.

978-0-307-58963-7 | \$15.99/\$17.99C Doubleday Religion | HC | November | 🕒

#### Dana Jennings

#### WHAT A DIFFERENCE A DOG MAKES: Big Lessons on Life, Love, and Healing from a Small Pooch

When Dana Jennings and his son were both seriously ill (prostate cancer and liver failure), Bijou, their 12-year-old minature poodle transformed herself into a healing presence, a teacher, a fuzzy shrink, and a giver of unconditional love. Life lessons from a beloved canine guardian angel. 978-0-385-53283-9 | \$19.95/\$22.95C

Doubleday | HC | November | **①** 



#### Richard Ellis ON THIN ICE: The Changing World of the Polar Bear

Feared by explorers, revered by the Inuit, and beloved by zoo goers everywhere, the fierce and majestic polar bears are a threatened symbol for the harsh beauty of the Arctic. Their world population has shrunk in the last twenty years by half. Today they number just 22,000.

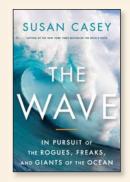
978-0-307-45464-5 | \$18.95/\$21.50C Vintage | TR | December | 🕑

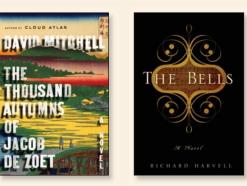
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Jen's Pick

Anne Fortier JULIET '

Many fans of Shakespeare think that *Romeo and Juliet* was his invention and that the story took place in "fair Verona." Anne Fortier takes a deeper look at the origins of

the star-crossed lovers in this debut novel and shatters these myths. The story intertwines two plot lines—the contemporary story of Julie Jacobs, who discovers she is the descendant of Giulietta Tolomei, the real-life Juliet, and an historical retelling of an early version of the Romeo and Juliet story, set in Siena. As you are drawn into the lives of both "Juliets" you see that Shakespeare's old curse, "A plague on both your houses!" is still at work and Giulietta's fate may soon be Julie's fate too. Both storylines are compelling and I got lost in the book. Fortier's descriptions of Siena are enchanting and readers will be ready to book a trip to Italy as soon as they finish the last page. A fabulous summer read, great book club pick, and a perfect choice for fans of historical fiction. *Brava!* 

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## **STAFF PICKS** (continued)



Marcia's Pick

Susan Casey THE WAVE: In Pursuit of the Rogues, Freaks, and Giants of the Ocean \*

The chances of me ever being on a surfboard are about as good as me sprouting wings and being the first human to fly to the moon —in other words, nil. And yet it's a joke around

the office that other than my love for books/reading–I work to pay for the cruises I take. There is something endlessly fascinating about the ocean–constantly changing, beautiful, soothing–yet terrifying in a storm. Susan Casey, Editor-in-Chief of *O, the Oprah Magazine*, has written a vastly entertaining book about the ocean–in particular about those master surfers who live to ride 50+ foot waves and will fly anywhere to find them, and about the giant waves that appear regularly and can swallow up ships as large as tankers and cruise ships. Her descriptions of the surfer's rides will please any adventure-lover. Her analysis of why rogue waves occur will interest the ecology and scientific-minded. And her descriptions of being caught on a ship in the middle of these huge waves is very alarming! (Even my beloved QE2 was hit by one but survived thanks to luck and a great Captain!) Enjoyable for the descriptions of water alone, you appreciate Casey's powers of observation and her gutsy attitude.

Wide appeal and certainly a hit in any Dude collection.

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Dave's Pick

#### David Mitchell THE THOUSAND AUTUMNS OF JACOB DE ZOET

Sometimes, when I begin to think about how hard it must have been to write this book, I curl up in a ball, hide under my

desk, and chew on a highlighter until I fall asleep. It's the only way I can deal. David Mitchell is an Englishman, and he's chosen to write about a Dutch colony in Japan in 1799. I'm thinking he might have spent some time in a library. Not only is it extraordinarily well researched, but it's also written with great energy, grace, and intelligence. Normally, in historical novels, I can't relate to the characters because what they're going through is so foreign to me, but the issues facing his characters were human and eternal enough that they became thoroughly modern to me. Sure Jacob was a clerk in the 18th century, but he was so REAL to me that he might as well have been working on the 3rd floor here in New York. This is my first David Mitchell novel, but he's succeeded in making me want to read everything else he's written.

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Erica's Pick

## Richard Harvell THE BELLS \*

Your heart will break for vulnerable Moses as he yearns for and struggles to find his place in the world, so have that tissue ready. *The Bells* is a sensual love story of the unlikely places family is to be found, with a cast

of lively and endearing characters. The journey and direction of Moses's life will haunt you through to the last page, which you hope will never come. My experience in reading *The Bells* was very similar to that of Sarah Dunant's *Sacred Hearts*. Her novel sparked my brief, somewhat odd obsession with nuns and I sought further reading about young aristocratic girls forced into convents in Italy. With *The Bells*, I wanted to learn more about the castrati; those young boys in Italy victimized in order to preserve their voices. That is what I value most in historical fiction, to be so moved and engaged with obscure historical details that I yearn to learn more.

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Richard Harvell THE BELLS \*

One of the great pleasures of working in book publishing is getting to witness and be a part of the advance buzz that crops up pre-publication. It happened with *The Passage* and *Cutting for Stone* and now with Richard Harvell's debut

novel, *The Bells*. A few weeks ago Erica began raving about it so I decided to give it a go. Last week, I parked myself in her office every morning to discuss the pages I'd read the night before. This book is unlike any piece of historical fiction I've read before. Gone are the queens and other royal figures, the courtiers and painters. Moses, the son of a deaf-mute, grew up in a belfry before being cast out, found by two monks and taken to live in the Abbey of St. Gall where he sings in the choir. He is the one that no one wants with an operatic voice so in demand it becomes his curse. Gothic in tone with gorgeous language that has an ear for sound this book will pull you into the landscape of the Swiss Alps, Mozart's Vienna, and Moses' world.

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