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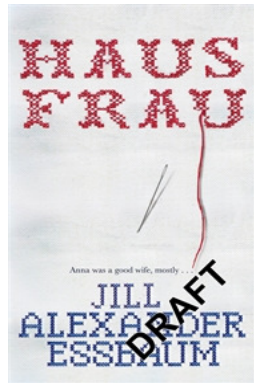
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Hausfrau

Jill Alexander Essbaum



Anna Benz lives in comfort and affluence with her husband and three young children in Dietlikon, a picture-perfect suburb of Zurich. Anna, an American expat, has chosen this life far from home; but, despite its tranquility and order, inside she is falling apart. Feeling adrift and unable to connect with her husband or his family; with the fellow expatriates who try to befriend her; or even, increasingly, her own thoughts and emotions, Anna attempts to assert her agency in the only way that makes sense to her: by engaging in short-lived but intense sexual affairs. But adultery, too, has its own morality, and when Anna finds herself crossing a line, she will set off a terrible chain of events that will end in unspeakable tragedy.

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Before the Fire

Sarah Butler



It's June 2011. Stick and Mac are a couple of months shy of eighteen; summer's approaching and they're about to leave their north Manchester estate for the beaches of southern Spain. But the night before they're planning leave, Mac ends up in the wrong place at the wrong time, the victim of a random knife attack, and suddenly Stick's going nowhere. His mum doesn't want him to leave the house; his dad's desperate to be his best friend; and his nan's boyfriend keeps telling him Mac's doing just fine in the spirit world. Then he meets J and she might just be everything he needs. Except she's a firebrand with a grudge against the police, and the August riots are just around the corner...

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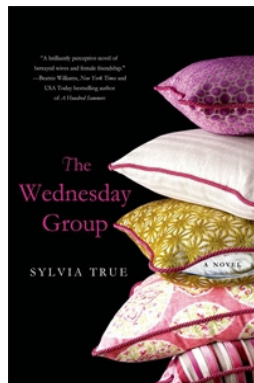


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The Wednesday Group

Sylvia True



Gail. Hannah. Bridget. Lizzy. Flavia. Each of them has a shameful secret, and each is about to find out that she is not alone... Gail, a prominent Boston judge, keeps receiving letters from her husband's latest girlfriend, while her husband, a theology professor, claims he's nine-months sober from sex with grad students. Hannah, a homemaker, catches her husband having sex with a male prostitute in a public restroom. Bridget, a psychiatric nurse at a state hospital, is sure she has a loving, doting spouse, until she learns that he is addicted to chat rooms and match-making websites. Lizzy, a high school teacher, is married to a porn addict, who is withdrawn and uninterested in sex with her. Flavia was working at the Boston Public library when someone brought her an article that stated her husband had been arrested for groping a teenage girl on the subway. He must face court, and Flavia must decide if she wants to stay with him. Finally, Kathryn, the young psychologist running the group, has as much at stake as all of the others.

St Martin's Press • HB • Modern & Contemporary Fiction (Post C 1945)

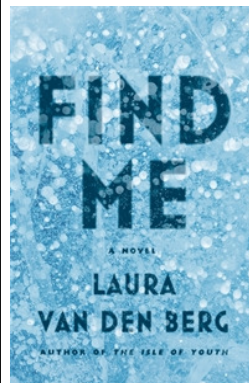


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Find Me

Laura van den Berg



Joy has no one. She spends her days working the graveyard shift at a grocery store outside Boston and nursing an addiction to cough syrup, an attempt to suppress her troubled past. But when a sickness that begins with memory loss and ends with death sweeps the country, Joy, for the first time in her life, seems to have an advantage: she is immune. When Joy's immunity gains her admittance to a hospital in rural Kansas, she sees a chance to escape her bleak existence. There she submits to peculiar treatments and follows seemingly arbitrary rules, forming cautious bonds with other patients - including her roommate, whom she turns to in the night for comfort, and twin boys who are digging a secret tunnel.

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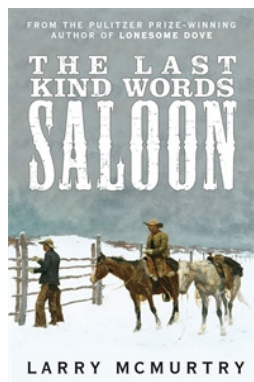


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The Last Kind Words Saloon

Larry McMurtry



Larry McMurtry has done more than any other living writer to shape our literary imagination of the American West. With *The Last Kind Words Saloon*, he returns to the vivid and unsparing portrait of the nineteenth-century and cowboy lifestyle made so memorable in his classic *Lonesome Dove*. Evoking the greatest characters and legends of the Old Wild West, McMurtry tells the story of the closing of the American frontier through the travails of two of its most immortal figures: Wyatt Earp and Doc Holliday.

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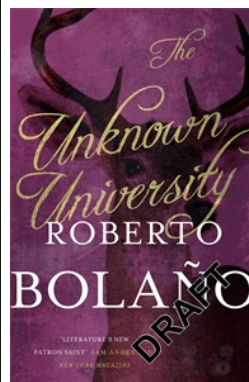


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The Unknown University

Roberto Bolaño



Perhaps surprisingly to some of his fiction fans, Roberto Bolaño touted poetry as the superior art form. When asked, "What makes you believe you're a better poet than a novelist?" Bolaño replied, "The poetry makes me blush less". In 1993, fearing for his health, Bolaño began collecting the poetry he had written since his arrival in Spain in 1977. This bilingual edition of *The Unknown University* represents the author's definitive work in his preferred medium. With poems written in prose, stories in verse, and flashes of writing that can hardly be categorized, *The Unknown University* is a showcase of Bolaño's gift for freely crossing genres. It confirms once again the undeniable genius of this giant of Latin American literature.

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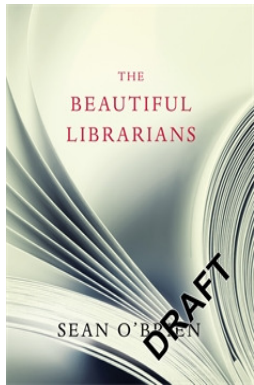


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The Beautiful Librarians

Sean O'Brien



Each poem in Sean O'Brien's superb new collection opens on a wholly different room, vista or landscape, each drawn with the poet's increasingly refined sense of tone, history and rhetorical assurance. *The Beautiful Librarians* is a stock-taking of sorts, and a celebration of those unsung but central figures in our culture, often overlooked by both capital and official account. Here we find infantrymen, wrestlers, old luses in the hotel bar - but none more heroic than the librarians of the title, those silent and silencing guardians of literature and knowledge who, the poet reminds us, also had lives of their own to be celebrated. Elsewhere we find a 12-bar blues sung by Ovid, a hymn to a grey rose, a writing course from hell, and a very French exercise in waiting. A book of terrific variety of theme and form, *The Beautiful Librarians* is another bravura performance from the most garlanded English poet of his generation.

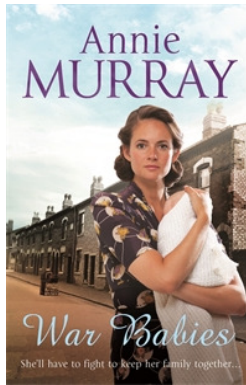
Picador • PB • Poetry

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War Babies

Annie Murray



Rachel Booker has a difficult start in life. When her father dies, deep in gambling debt, her mother must harden herself to make ends meet, but becomes so hard she has little room left for affection or warmth. Mother and daughter work at the open market in Birmingham, selling second-hand clothes or whatever they can find just to put a little food on the table. But the market has a silver lining: it's there that Rachel makes her first childhood friend, Danny. As they grow older, the friendship grows into something more and their innocent romance gives Rachel the care and comfort she's always craved. But at just sixteen, as World War II breaks out, Rachel falls pregnant. They marry in haste but it isn't long before Danny is called up.

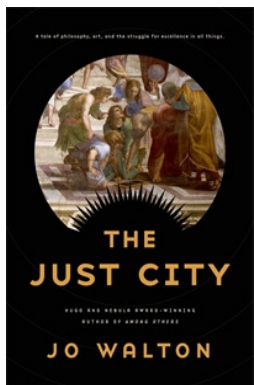
Macmillan • HB • Modern & Contemporary Fiction (Post C 1945)

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The Just City

Jo Walton



Created as an experiment by the time-traveling goddess Pallas Athene, the Just City is a planned community, populated by over ten thousand children and a few hundred adult teachers from all eras of history, along with some handy robots from the far human future - all set down together on a Mediterranean island in the distant past. The student Simmea, born an Egyptian farmer's daughter sometime between 500 and 1000 A.D, is a brilliant child, eager for knowledge, ready to strive to be her best self. The teacher Maia was once Ethel, a young Victorian lady of much learning and few prospects, who prayed to Pallas Athene in an unguarded moment during a trip to Rome - and, in an instant, found herself in the Just City with grey-eyed Athene standing unmistakably before her.

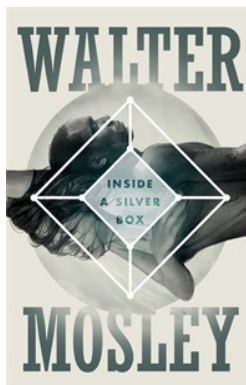
Tor Books • HB • Fantasy

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Inside a Silver Box

Walter Mosley



Walter Mosley's talent knows no bounds. *Inside a Silver Box* continues to explore the cosmic questions entertainingly discussed in his Crosstown to Oblivion. From life's meaning to the nature of good and evil, Mosley takes readers on a speculative journey beyond reality. In *Inside a Silver Box*, two people brought together by a horrific act are united in a common cause by the powers of the Silver Box. The two join to protect humanity from destruction by an alien race, the Laz, hell-bent on regaining control over the Silver Box, the most destructive and powerful tool in the universe. The Silver Box will stop at nothing to prevent its former master from returning to being, even if it means finishing the earth itself.

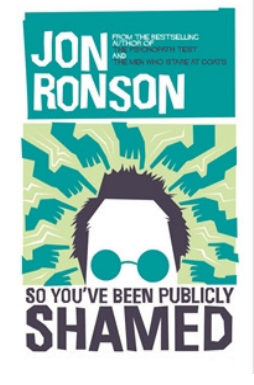
Tor Books • HB • Modern & Contemporary Fiction (Post C 1945)

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So You've Been Publicly Shamed

Jon Ronson



In 2012, Jon Ronson's online identity was stolen. Jon publicly confronted the imposters, a trio of academics who had created a Jon Ronson Twitter bot obsessed by unlikely food combinations and weird sex. At first, Jon was delighted to find strangers all over the world uniting to support him in his outrage. The wrongdoers were quickly shamed into stopping. But then things got out of hand. This encounter prompted Jon to explore the phenomenon of public shaming and what he discovered astonished him. As he meets famous shamers and shamees, Jon learns just how quickly public ridicule, often delivered from anonymous or distant sources, can devastate its victim.

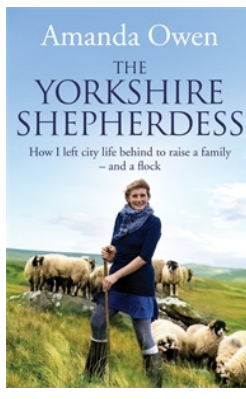
Picador • HB • Humour

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The Yorkshire Shepherdess

Amanda Owen



Amanda Owen has been seen by millions on ITV's *The Dales*, living a life that has almost gone in today's modern world, a life ruled by the seasons and her animals. She is a farmer's wife and shepherdess, living alongside her husband Clive and seven children at Ravenseat, a 2000 acre sheep hill farm at the head of Swaledale in North Yorkshire. It's a challenging life but one she loves. In *The Yorkshire Shepherdess* she describes how the rebellious girl from Huddersfield, who always wanted to be a shepherdess, achieved her dreams.

Pan • PB • Memoirs

9781447251781 \$19.99



The Midwife's Sister

Christine Lee



Millions have fallen in love with Jennifer Worth and her experiences in the East End as chronicled in *Call the Midwife* but little is known about her life outside this period. Now, in this moving and evocative memoir, Jennifer's sister, Christine, takes us from their early idyllic years to the cruelty and neglect they suffered after their parents divorced, from Jennifer being forced to leave home at fourteen to their training as nurses. After leaving nursing Jennifer took up a career in music, her first love, and Christine became a sculptor, but through marriages and children, joy and heartbreak, their lives remained intertwined.

Pan • PB • Biography & True Stories

9781447282648 \$19.99



First Year Healthy

Michael DeForge



First Year Healthy purports to be the story of a young woman, recently released from the hospital after an outburst, and her burgeoning relationship with an odd, perhaps criminal Turkish immigrant. In a scant forty-five pages, working with a vibrant, otherworldly palette of magentas, yellows, and grays, Michael DeForge brings to life a world whose shifting realities are as treacherous as the thin ice its narrator walks on. *First Year Healthy* is all it appears to be and more: a parable about mental illness, a folktale about magical cats, and a bizarre, compelling story about relationships.

St Martin's Press • HB • Comic Book & Cartoon Art

9781770461734 \$22.99



Intelligent Sentient?

Luke Ramsey

Intelligent Sentient? feels like an artifact from another time - a lost feature in *OMNI* magazine or the album booklet for a late-1970s *Hawkwind* record or perhaps a print version of *Koyaanisqatsi*. Beautiful, detailed filigreed drawings fold in on themselves and blossom out at the reader as time speeds up and contracts. A loose story is told that involves a society of giant people, strange art, and inexplicable scientific experiments utilizing nonexistent technology. Factories and tree houses teem with life, and the city nestles up against a landscape filled with dinosaurs, apes, and dragonflies living peacefully side by side. *Intelligent Sentient?* is a series of images that are tied together not in narrative but in a progressing theme, the takeaway being that everything is connected.

St Martin's Press • HB • Comic Book & Cartoon Art

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Trash Market

Tadao Tsuge



Tadao Tsuge was one of the key contributors to the legendary avant-garde Japanese comics magazine *Garō* during its heyday in the late 1960s and early 1970s, renowned for his unpretentious journalistic storytelling and clear, eloquent cartooning. *Trash Market* brings together six of Tsuge's compelling, character-driven stories about life in post-World War II Japan. *Trash Market* and *Gently Goes the Night* touch on key topics for Tsuge: the charming lowlifes of the Tokyo slums and the veterans who found themselves unable to forget the war. *Song of Showa* is an autobiographical piece about growing up in a Tokyo slum during the occupation with an abusive grandfather and an ailing father, and finding brightness in the joyful people of the neighborhood. *Trash Market* blurs the lines between fiction and reportage; it's a moving testament to the grittiness of life in Tokyo during the postwar years.

St Martin's Press • PB • Comic Book & Cartoon Art

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Adult Contemporary

Bendik Kaltenborn

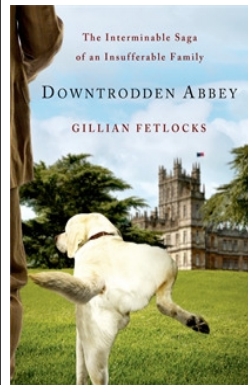
Look through Bendik Kaltenborn's kaleidoscopic glasses and glimpse the world the way he sees it: a vibrantly colorful planet populated by lumpy, big-nosed people totally absorbed in their own off-kilter personal dramas. *Adult Contemporary* is a collection of odd imaginings, surrealist comics, and physical comedy gags from Kaltenborn, a *New Yorker* and *New York Times* illustrator. People scramble around in a world they don't understand, happy as can be. Kaltenborn's *Adult Contemporary* reads as an homage to the art of mid-twentieth-century cartooning and absurdist sketch comedy.

St Martin's Press • PB • Comic Book & Cartoon Art

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Downtrodden Abbey

Gillian Fetlocks



A parody of the hugely popular show *Downton Abbey* featuring all of your favorite characters, including the Crawfish sisters, Brace the valet, and scheming lady's maid "Potatoes" O'Grotten. Welcome to Downtrodden Abbey, where a battle for the deed to the property is waged between legitimate aristocrats and literal pretenders to the throne. The Crawfish family - Marry, Supple, Enid, Lady Flora, and Lord Roderick - are content wiling their days away with naughty charades and twenty-two course dinners until the sinking of the Gigantic takes down the next in line to inherit Downtrodden. Soon, cousin Isabich and her son, Atchew, the rightful heir to the Abbey, arrive to claim what's theirs. Downstairs, the servants are running amok, as crippled weakling Brace is aggressively courted by teen hottie Nana, and lady's maid "Potatoes" O'Grotten and her flamboyant sidekick, Tomaine, cause trouble for at every turn.

Griffin • PB • Humour

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Pro

Katha Pollitt

Forty years after the landmark *Roe v. Wade* ruling, "abortion" is still a word that is said with either outright hostility or vague discomfort by many, this despite the fact that one in three American women will have terminated at least one pregnancy by the time they reach menopause. In this groundbreaking book, Katha Pollitt reframes abortion as a common part of a woman's reproductive life, one that should be accepted as a moral right with positive social implications.

Picador US • HB • Ethical Issues: Abortion & Birth Control

9780312620547 \$39.99

Coming Up Trumps: A Memoir

Jean Trumpington



In this characteristically trenchant memoir, the indomitable Jean Trumpington looks back on her long and remarkable life. The daughter of an officer in the Bengal Lancers and an American heiress, Jean Campbell-Harris was born into a world of considerable privilege, but the Wall Street Crash entirely wiped out her mother's fortune. At fifteen the young Jean Campbell-Harris was sent to Paris to study but two years later, with the outbreak of the Second World War, she became a land girl. After the war she worked first in Paris and then on Madison Avenue, New York, with advertising's "mad men". It was here that she met her husband, the historian Alan Barker, and their marriage, in 1954, ushered in the happiest period of her life before embarking on her distinguished political career.

Pan • PB • Memoirs

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The Glass Arrow

Kristen Simmons

In a world where females are scarce and are hunted, then bought and sold at market for their breeding rights, 15-year old Aya has learned how to hide. With a ragtag bunch of other women and girls, she has successfully avoided capture and eked out a nomadic but free existence in the mountains. But when Aya's luck runs out and she's caught by a group of businessman on a hunting expedition, fighting to survive takes on a whole new meaning.

Tor Books • HB • General fiction (Children's / Teenage)

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