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Charlotte Salomon, Self-Portrait, from the jacket of Charlotte: A Novel

# MAY

# **Charlotte**

A Novel

### **DAVID FOENKINOS**

Translated from the French by Sam Taylor

The gorgeous, haunting, and ultimately redemptive bestselling

French novel, recounting the tragic life of artistic visionary Charlotte

Salomon, who died in Nazi gas chambers at the age of 26

Two artists, two obsessions. Charlotte Salomon—born in pre-World War II Berlin to a Jewish family traumatized by suicide—was obsessed with art, and with living. She attended school in Germany until it was too dangerous to remain, fled to France, and was interned in a bleak work camp from which she narrowly escaped. Newly free, she spent two years in almost total solitude, creating a series of autobiographical pictures—images, words, even musical scores—which together tell her life story. The result is a unique, relentlessly complete artistic expression. In 1943, a pregnant Charlotte was taken to Auschwitz and gassed, but not before she entrusted her life's work to a friend, who kept it safe until peacetime. Entitled *Life? Or Theatre?*, it was exhibited in fragments in the 1960s; a 1998 exhibition of the complete work in the London Royal Academy became a sensation and was eventually published in book form.

David Foenkinos, himself obsessed with Charlotte, has written his own utterly original tribute to her tragic life and transcendent art. His novel is the result of a long-cherished desire to pay tribute to this young artist. Written with passion, life, humor, and intelligent observation, *Charlotte*, with rights sold in 12 countries and over 500,000 copies in print in France, is a triumph of creative expression, a monument to genius stilled too soon, and an ode to the will to survive.



**DAVID FOENKINOS** is a screenwriter and the author of thirteen novels translated into forty languages, including *La Délicatesse*, *Les Souvenirs*, and *Je Vais Mieux*. In 2011, with his brother, he adapted his book *La Délicatesse* for a film starring Audrey Tautou and François Damiens.

**SAM TAYLOR** is a journalist, novelist, and the acclaimed translator of Laurent Binet's *HHhH* and the *New York Times* bestseller *The Truth About the Harry Quebert Affair*.

#### Winner of the Prix Renaudot

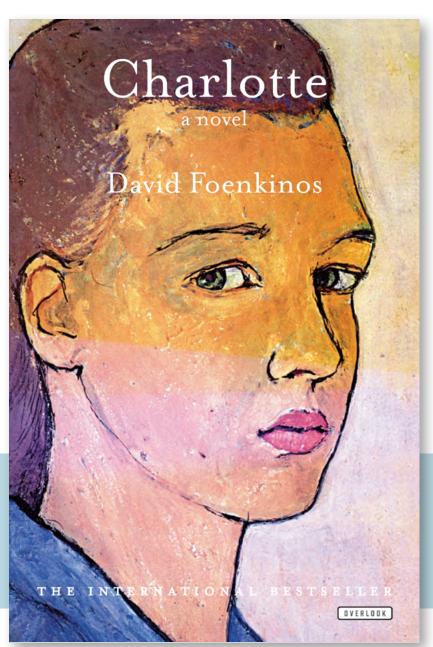
#### Winner of the Prix Goncourt des lycéens

"A sensitive and deeply moving novel." —Paris Match

"Stamped with humility and elegance." —Lire

"[Foenkinos's] strongest and most audacious opus to date."

—Livres Hebdo



- Over half a million copies sold in France
- Charlotte Salomon is one of the most compelling artists of the 20th century
- Upcoming documentary Life? Or Theatre? directed by Frans
   Weisz
- First complete edition of Life? Or Theatre?, the book of her art—with over 1300 autobiographical paintings—to be published in 2016
- Salomon's paintings are part of a new exhibition touring the world, including the US

#### MAY

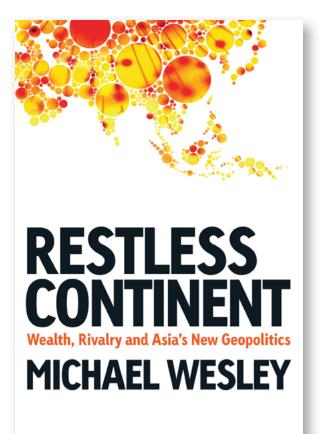
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## **Restless Continent**

Wealth, Rivalry, and Asia's New Geopolitics

### Michael Wesley

The agenda-shaping examination of Asian economic, social, and political trends at a time when one entire continent is developing at a rate never before seen



The world has never seen economic development as rapid or significant as Asia's during recent decades. Home to 60% of the world's population, this restless continent will soon produce more than half of the world's economic output and consume more energy than the rest of the globe combined.

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**MICHAEL WESLEY** is a leading expert on Asian and international affairs. His articles have appeared in *The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal, The Financial Times,* and the *Economist*. His previous book, *There Goes the Neighbourhood:* Australia and the Rise of Asia, won the 2011 John Button Prize.

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## The Fermented Man

### Derek Dellinger

# Can a person live for one year on nothing but fermented foods? One brave homebrewer tries to find out



- Fermentation is rapidly increasing in popularity, with festivals in San Francisco, New York, and other cities
- Contains unique fermentation recipes discovered by the author

On January 1, 2014, homebrewer Derek Dellinger began a journey that would change nearly everything he knew about fermented food and beverage: For an entire year, he would eat or drink only products that had been created by microbes. Exploring the vast world of fermentation, Derek became the living embodiment of its cultural and nutritional power—he became the Fermented Man.

In *The Fermented Man*, Dellinger catalogs his year spent on such an unorthodox diet, revealing the culinary, cultural, and nutritional secrets of fermentation along the way. He shows us how, far from just bread and cheese, fermentation occurs in a wide range of foods we would have never expected, and is at the root of many unique cultural delicacies across the world. The book takes readers from an American grocery store all the way to destinations like Iceland, where Dellinger tries rotten shark meat, a local favorite treat. And despite our collective aversion to bacteria, Dellinger's experience and research reveals that it is these same microbes that may hold the key to our health and diets.



**DEREK DELLINGER** writes about beer at Bear Flavored Ales. He is also a contributing writer to *Upstate Brew York* magazine and an advisor to Beacon Homebrew, a homebrew shop supplying the Hudson Valley region. He lives (and brews) in Beacon, NY.

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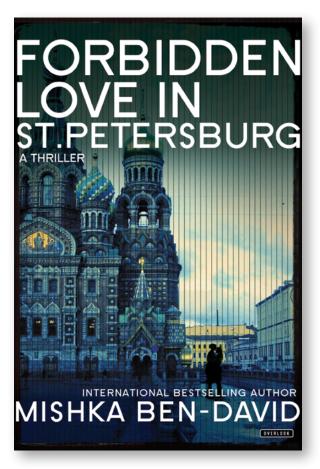
# Forbidden Love in St. Petersburg

A Thriller

#### Mishka Ben-David

Translated from the Hebrew by Dan Gillon

What does it take for a Mossad agent to defy his bosses? What will they do to bring him back?



Yogev Ben-Ari has been sent to St. Petersburg by the Mossad, ostensibly to network and set up business connections. His life is solitary, ordered, and lonely, until he meets Anna. Neither is quite what they seem to be, but while her identity may be mysterious, there is no doubt about the love they feel for each other.

The affair, impassioned as it is, is not part of the Mossad plan and so the agency must hatch a dark scheme to drive the two apart. What began as a quiet, solitary mission has become a perilous exercise in survival, and Ben-Ari has no time to discover the truth about Anna's real identity before the Mossad resolves the issue for him. Amid the shadowy manipulations of the secret services, the anguished agent finds himself at an impossible crossroads.

Written with the masterful skill of a seasoned novelist, and bringing to bear his years of experience as a Mossad agent himself, Ben-David once again delivers a powerful look into the mysterious Israeli intelligence agency in this action-packed page-turner.



MISHKA BEN-DAVID was born in 1952 in Israel. He holds an MA in comparative literature from the University of Wisconsin and a PhD in Hebrew literature from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. Ben-David served in the Mossad for twelve years, becoming a high-ranking officer. He is now a full-time novelist living outside Jerusalem.

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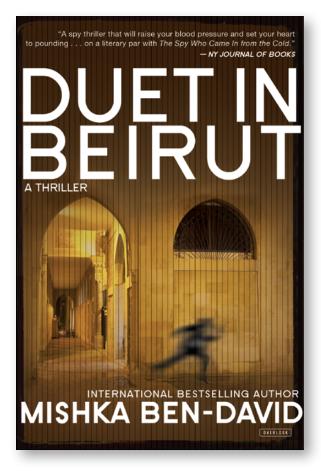
### **Duet in Beirut**

A Thriller

#### Mishka Ben-David

Translated from the Hebrew by Evan Fallenberg

In this riveting thriller by an ex-Mossad agent, an Israeli spy risks his life to save a Hezbollah leader



 Ben-David writes about the Mossad like only a Mossad agent could, providing an unprecedented peek into the fabled Israeli spy agency  Ben-David's spy novels are being adapted for television

\$16.95 paperback (\$21.95 CAN) ISBN: 978-1-4683-1300-0 5<sup>3/8</sup>" x 8" • pp. 336 (oiginal hardcover edition 978-1-4683-1020-7) THRILLER Ronen, a former agent of Israel's legendary intelligence agency, the Mossad, disappears following a failed assassination on a Hezbollah operative. His wife—former Mossad herself—fears that he may be pursuing an unauthorized mission of revenge. She contacts his former commander, Gadi, to track Ronen down and stop him before he harms both himself and his country.

As revealing in its psychological acuity as it is in its portrait of life in the Mossad, *Duet in Beirut* is an essential thriller of espionage and political intrigue, written by an acclaimed novelist whose twelve years of service as an intelligence agent inform every gripping scene.

#### Praise for Duet in Beirut

"Le Carré fans will enjoy Ben-David's look behind the scenes of government-sanctioned hits and the tension between loyalty to the chain of command and dissent." —Publishers Weekly (starred review)

"A spy thriller that will raise your blood pressure and set your heart to pounding . . . Duet in Beirut is on a literary par with The Spy Who Came in from the Cold, and highly recommended."

—NY Journal of Books

"Suffused with deep themes reflecting Israel's national security, this novel reads like a runaway locomotive. Let's hope Ben-David returns stateside for repeat performances."—Library Journal

"[R]eaders curious about the inner workings of the Mossad will appreciate the authenticity that the author, a 12-year veteran of the agency, brings to the story."—Booklist

# **True Grit**

A Novel
Young Readers Edition

### **CHARLES PORTIS**

Afterword by Leonard S. Marcus

The #1 New York Times bestseller with over two million copies in print, now available for a whole new generation of Portis fans with discussion questions

True Grit tells the story of Mattie Ross, who is just fourteen when the coward Tom Chaney shoots down her father in Fort Smith, Arkansas, and robs him of his life, his horse, and \$150 in cash. Determined to avenge the killing, Mattie enlists the help of Rooster Cogburn, the meanest available U.S. Marshal, and pursues the killer into Indian Territory. As Mattie outdickers and outmaneuvers the hard-bitten types in her path, her vitality and resourcefulness amuse, impress, and touch the reader.

What happens—to Mattie, to the gang of outlaws unfortunate enough to tangle with her, to Rooster and the swaggering Texas Ranger LeBoeuf—rings with the dramatic rightness of legend. An instant bestseller and critical success upon its first publication and the basis for two Academy Award-winning films, *True Grit* is an American classic through and through.

The Young Readers Edition includes the complete text of *True Grit*, an afterword by Leonard S. Marcus, and discussion questions.

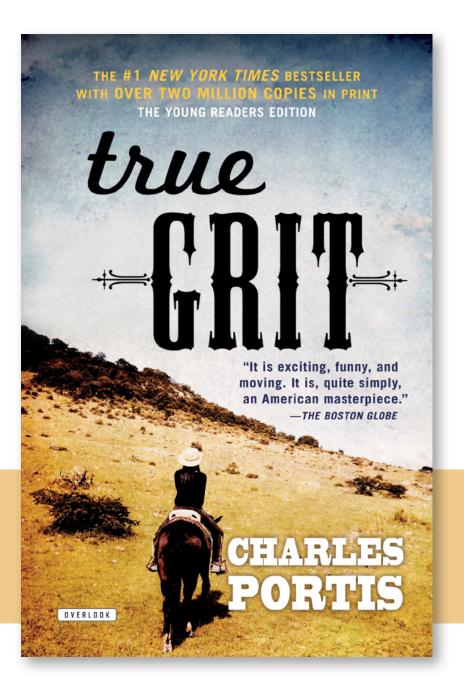


**CHARLES PORTIS** lives in Arkansas, where he was born and educated. He served in the Marine Corps during the Korean War, was the London bureau chief of the *New York Herald-Tribune*, and was a writer for *The New York Times*. He is the author of four other novels, also published by Overlook: *Norwood, The Dog of the South, Masters of Atlantis*, and *Gringos*, as well as *Escape Velocity*, the collection of his short pieces.

"True Grit is best known as a movie . . . But Charles Portis's novel is even better." —NPR

"Like Twain, Portis respects his young narrator as a human being with a fully developed moral sensibility, even when the adults in the novel don't." —Los Angeles Times

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# Of Orcas and Men

What Killer Whales Can Teach Us

#### DAVID NEIWERT

The celebrated journalist's eye-opening history of orcas, and an exploration of their relationship with human beings

rcas are one of earth's most intelligent animals. Benign and gentle, with their own languages and cultures, orcas' amazing capacity for long-term memory and, arguably, compassion, makes the ugly story of the captive-orca industry especially damning.

In *Of Orcas and Men*, a marvelously compelling mix of cultural history, environmental reporting, and scientific research, David Neiwert explores how this extraordinary species has come to capture our imaginations—and the catastrophic environmental consequences of that appeal.

In the tradition of Barry Lopez's classic *Of Wolves and Men*, David Neiwert's book is a powerful tribute to one of the animal kingdom's most remarkable members.

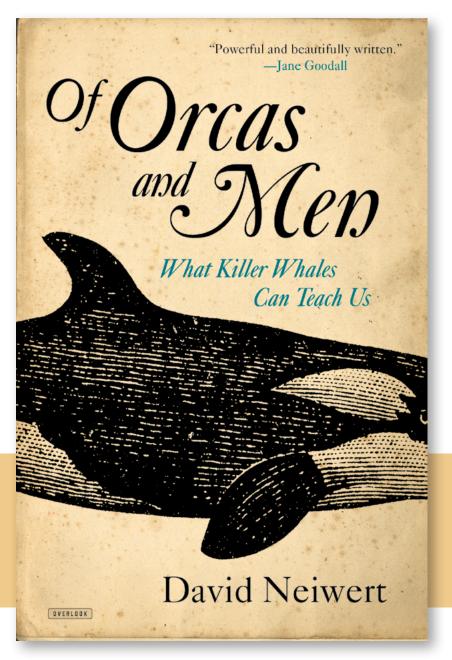


**DAVID NEIWERT** is an investigative journalist based in Seattle. He is the author of *And Hell Followed With Her: Crossing the Dark Side of the American Border* and *Strawberry Days: How Internment Destroyed a Japanese American Community.* 

"In this powerful and beautifully written book, David Neiwert explores the extraordinary intelligence, rich social life, and obvious consciousness of orcas . . . Of Orcas and Men highlights the need to rethink our relationship with other animals." —Jane Goodall

"Everyone who is interested in both animal and human behavior should read this remarkable book." —Temple Grandin

"One of the most comprehensive works to date for anyone who has become enthralled by this magnificent animal."—Gabriela Cowperthwaite, director of the award-winning documentary *Blackfish* 



- Sea World and orcas are constantly in the news
- Author is a major speaker at environmental festivals and conferences around the world

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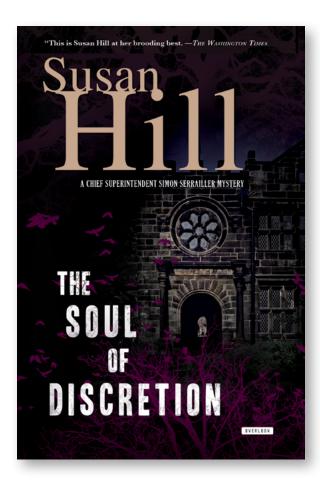
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# The Soul of Discretion

A Chief Superintendent Simon Serrailler Mystery

### Susan Hill

In the eighth of the super-selling Simon Serrailler series, the Chief Superintendent is faced with worse crimes than ever, and the town of Lafferton is left reeling



Susan Hill—the Man Booker Prize nominee and winner of the Whitbread, Somerset Maugham, and John Llewellyn Rhys awards—returns with a gripping new novel, the latest chapter in one of the most acclaimed mystery series of our time.

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**SUSAN HILL**'s novels and short stories have won the Whitbread, Somerset Maugham, and John Llewellyn Rhys awards, and the *Yorkshire Post* Book of the Year, and been shortlisted for the Man Booker Prize. The play adapted from her famous ghost story, *The Woman in Black*, has been running in London since 1989; it is also a major

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—The New York Times Book Review

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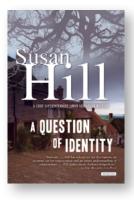
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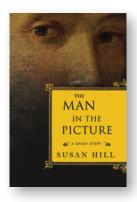


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# **Smart Blonde**

Dolly Parton: A Biography

### Stephen Miller

# In this updated edition of his definitive Dolly Parton biography, Stephen Miller looks beyond her glitzy public life to reveal the real Dolly



 Original movies based on Dolly's life and music are forthcoming on NBC, starting with the Coat of Many Colors • Dolly is a superstar to fans young and old—the younger generation reveres her for her strong spirit and generosity Dolly Parton is a larger-than-life figure. The most honored female country performer of all time, she's known as much for her songwriting as for her sequined outfits, big hair, "foxy personality" (her words), and her Nashville theme park, Dollywood. But beneath the sparkles and underpinning her success is an indomitable businesswoman, whose generosity and moral compass have contributed to her legendary status.

Born into poverty in East Tennessee, Dolly got her first guitar at age eight and performed at Pentecostal churches before rising to prominence on *The Porter Wagoner Show* in 1967. Her career took off from there, and she became a multi-format star, writing and performing pop music as well as country songs, starring in films and musicals, and creating several successful business and charitable enterprises. Today, she is a household name, but certain aspects of her past and her current life—her marriage of nearly fifty years, in particular—remain closely guarded.

In *Smart Blonde*, Miller pulls back the curtain. Through interviews with Dolly's family members, musicians, and producers, Miller explores her private life, including her relationship with her famously publicity-shy husband, Carl Dean, and her lifelong friendship with Judy Ogle. What emerges is a unique portrait of a strong woman who has consistently taken control of her life, her music, and her business—often against all odds—with determination and élan.

**STEPHEN MILLER** is the author of *Johnny Cash: The Life of an American Icon*. He also reviews country music albums, books, and concerts, and has interviewed a variety of artists, for a weekly country music radio show on Scot FM.

"A balanced, often-absorbing study of an ultra-talented country music icon." —*Mojo* 

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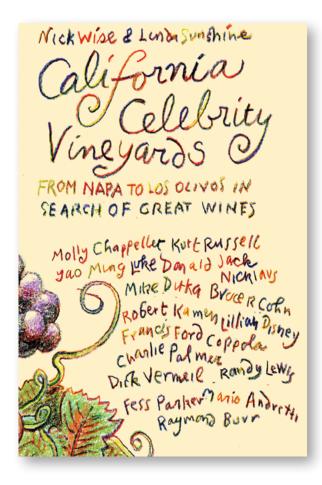
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# **California Celebrity Vineyards**

From Napa to Los Olivos in Search of Great Wine

### Nick Wise & Linda Sunshine

This must-have wine book celebrates California winemakers including Carlos Santana, Kurt Russell, Yao Ming, and Mike Ditka



- With a cover designed by Milton Glaser, this will be a beautiful item to display on any wine-lover's shelf
- The perfect book for a tourist looking to visit California wineries

Nick Wise and Linda Sunshine, authors of the acclaimed *Celebrity Vineyards*, now go behind the tasting rooms to show how some of California's most spectacular wines came into being through interviews with the men and women who craft them. The authors visit Robert Kamen, B.R. Cohn, Francis Ford Coppola, Fess Parker, Randy Lewis, Charlie Palmer, Raymond Burr, Lillian Disney, and Mario Andretti; as well as celebrities including actor Kurt Russell, musician Carlos Santana, coach Mike Ditka, basketball star Yao Ming, golfers Luke Donald and Jack Nicklaus, writer Molly Chappellet, and Nigel Newton, U.K. publisher of Harry Potter.

For fans of wine, travel, California, and the rich and famous, here are stories about the love of wine, the joy of creating something amazing from the land, and the respect for the grape that is thousands of years old but uniquely American.



**NICK WISE** was born in New York City.After attending college in Boston, he pursued a High Certificate in wine studies. He has worked in the fine wine departments of various leading English wine merchants, selling mostly to private clients. He now travels to wine regions, consults, and writes full-time about his first love—wine.



**LINDA SUNSHINE** is the author of more than 50 books, including *How NOT to Turn Into Your Mother, She's Just THAT Into You, The Illustrated Woody Allen Reader,* and the *New York Times* bestseller, *Plain Jane Works Out.* She has written extensively about Hollywood and the making of feature films. She lives in Los Angeles.

#### Praise for Celebrity Vineyards

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# JUNE

# The History of the Hudson River Valley

From the Civil War to Modern Times

#### **VERNON BENJAMIN**

The concluding volume of Vernon Benjamin's acclaimed history of the Hudson River Valley, spanning from the post-Civil War period through the twentieth century, and into the present day

Vernon Benjamin's magisterial *The History of the Hudson River Valley: From Wilderness to the Civil War* presented nearly 250 years of the Hudson River Valley's dynamic past with unmatched richness and detail. And now, with the final volume, Benjamin completes his account of the region by taking readers from the post-Civil War period into the present day.

Here we see the formation of the great estates of the Valley, including the Rockefellers, Sunnyside, and Olana, and how the turn of the twentieth century brought a new era of growth and prosperity to the region. A young Franklin Delano Roosevelt takes his first political steps in the New York senate during this time, and Thomas Dewey's work as New York State governor morphed him into a viable candidate on the national political stage as well. In short, the twentieth-century Hudson River Valley was a hotbed of wealth, influence, and culture, a significant and vibrant scene of American development.

By taking his narrative all the way into the post-September 11 present moment, Vernon Benjamin concludes his engaging, readable, and comprehensive history of one of America's most significant and culturally important regions. Richly illustrated and meticulously researched, *The History of the Hudson River Valley: From the Civil War to Modern Times* will be the definitive text on the subject for years to come.

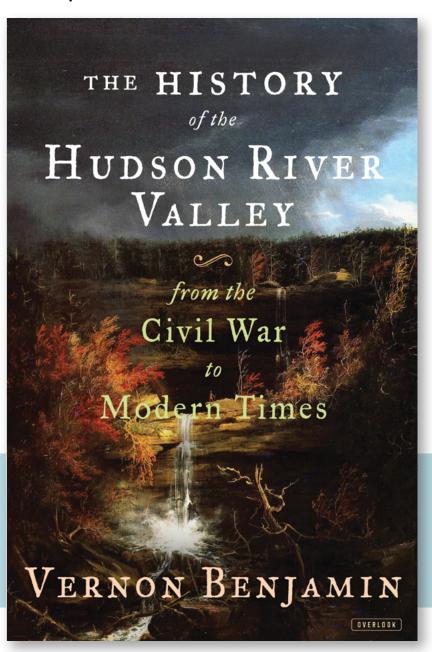


**VERNON BENJAMIN** has lectured on the history of the Hudson Valley at Marist College and Bard College since 2003. He holds a Masters in Literature from Long Island University and a Bachelors in Sociology from Siena College. A former editor of the *New Saugerties Times*, he has written extensively on the Hudson Valley for various publications and has appeared on C-SPAN. He lives in Saugerties, New York.

Praise for The History of the Hudson River Valley: From Wilderness to the Civil War

"Thoroughly informative, approachable . . . A model for how to enliven geography, anthropology and biography and weave them into a microcosmic account of America." —The New York Times

"When describing the astonishing beauty of New York's Hudson River Valley, author Benjamin's prose (and those from whom he quotes) is suitably lyrical and eloquent." —Booklist



- The first history of the Hudson River Valley region (not just the river) since the 1930s
- Museums, gift shops, and institutions will all want to have this book on their shelves
- The first volume is now in its fourth hardcover printing

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# The Exhibitionist

Living Museums, Loving Museums

### Karl Katz

# In the great tradition of Thomas Hoving's bestseller, *Making The Mummies*Dance, the fascinating memoir by the curator who breathed life into museums



 A narrative with global and historical dimensions spanning from the early days of Israeli statehood, through the New York City of the '60s and '70s and into the present day  Combines a personal story with a discussion of how museums can play a crucial role in cultural identity, as in the case of Israeli nationalism At once a field guide on how to appreciate museums—and the art within its walls—and an ebullient and entertaining memoir, renowned museum director Karl Katz's The Exhibitionist shows how he made museums inviting, educational, living and vibrant. In his endeavors to make museums contemporary and relevant, Katz travels the globe: as an archaeologist in the newly-formed state of Israel to his covert entry, using forged documents, into the overtly anti-Semitic Egypt of the late 1950s, through the New York City of the '60s and '70s and into the present day.

A man who always stood up for the museum visitor, Katz takes readers through his brilliant and accomplished life. A book for readers of history, art criticism, collectors, curators, administrators and students, *The Exhibitionist* is filled with a wide range of discussions both cultural and personal. Katz shows readers how Biblical archaeology played a crucial role in the cause of Israel nationalism, while also recounting his time trying to bring broadcast television and home-video technology to museums in the 1980s. Perfect for anyone who has ever been captivated by a well-curated exhibit.

**KARL KATZ** has worked as an archaeologist, as a museum planner and designer, and as a museum director. From 1971 to 1991, he served as the Chairman for Special Projects and subsequently Chairman for Exhibitions and Loans at The Metropolitan Museum of Art. Katz is now founder and Executive Director of MUSE Film and Television.

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MEMOIR/ART HISTORY

# **Angela Merkel**

Europe's Most Influential Leader

### Matt Qvortrup

# The illuminating and in-depth biography of how Angela Merkel rose to become one of the most powerful women in the world



• Merkel is constantly in the news, a major figure on the world stage This is the fascinating story of Angela Merkel's political ascent, in which she outmaneuvered her male colleagues and made Germany the strongest economy in Europe. With the storytelling gifts of a novelist, as well as nuanced political expertise garnered from over a decade of experience as an academic and journalist, Matt Qvortrup gives readers unprecedented, personal insight into Frau Merkel's upbringing under communism, describing how the Secret Police tried to recruit her as a spy, how she lived as a squatter in Berlin, and how she went from distributing leaflets to sitting at the Cabinet table in Helmut Kohl's government in less than a year.

This major biography recounts how Merkel and her staff of mostly female advisors repeatedly outsmarted the old boys network of conservative male politicians in Germany, turning her country into a more liberal and more prosperous place as well as showing Merkel on the leading edge of discussions of Europe's most pressing issues, including Greece and immigration.

Angela Merkel combines the narrative of Merkel's life with a vivid account of German history from 1945 to the present day, featuring cameo appearances by Willy Brandt, Konrad Adenauer, and Helmut Kohl.



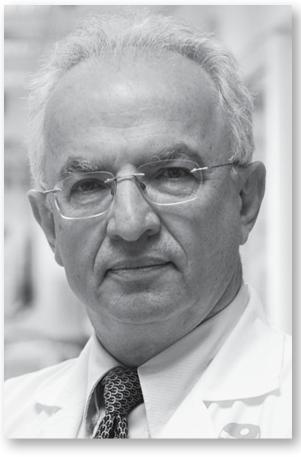
**MATT QVORTRUP** is a professor of political science at Coventry University's Centre for Trust, Peace and Social Relations.He was educated at Oxford and the University of Copenhagen and has written for Bloomberg Businessweek, The Sun, The Scotsman, and The Times.

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**MAREK GLEZERMAN**, M.D., is the President of the International Society for Gender Medicine. He holds the Emma Fein Chair of the department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Tel Aviv University and is Chairman of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the Rabin Medical Center in Petah Tikva, Israel.

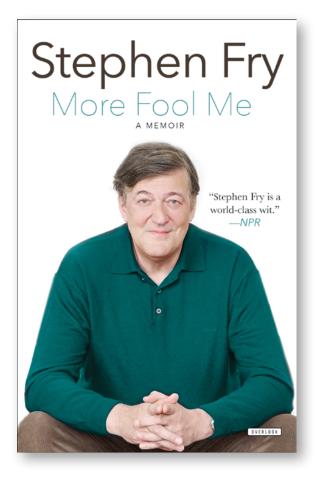
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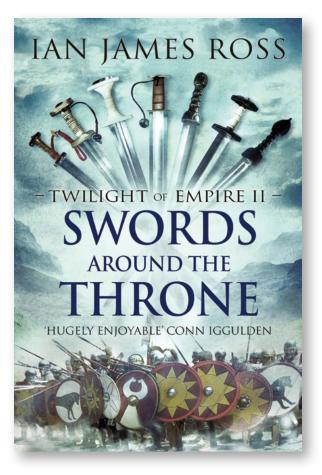
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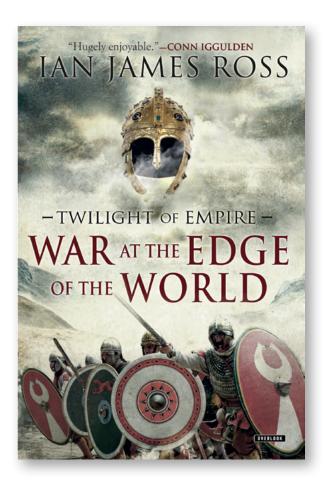
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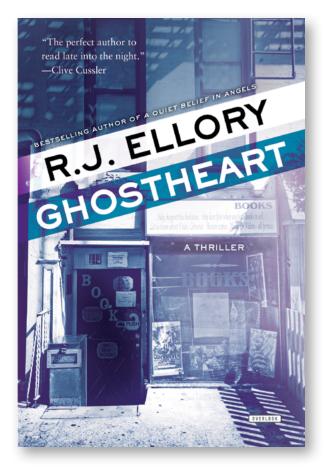
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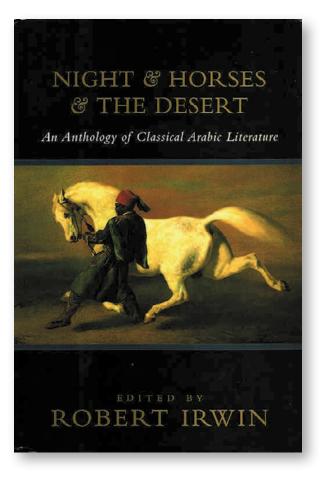
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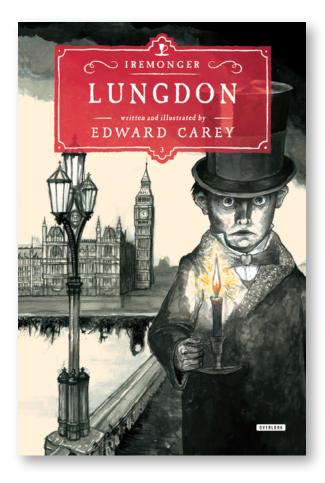
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EDWARD CAREY is the author and illustrator of two novels for adults, Observatory Mansions and Alva and Irva, which was longlisted for the IMPAC Literary Award. The Iremonger Trilogy is his first work for young readers. Born in England, he now lives in Austin, Texas, where he wrote the Iremonger Trilogy because he missed being cold and gloomy.

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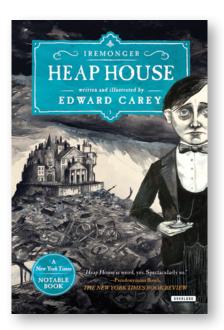
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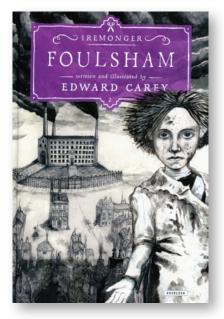
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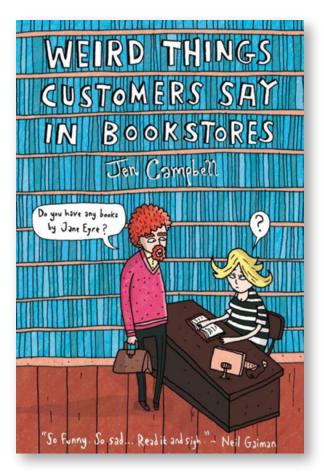
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**JEN CAMPBELL** is a poet, short story writer, and bookseller. She graduated from Edinburgh University with a Masters in English Literature. *Weird Things Customers Say in Bookstores* was a *London Times* bestseller in its UK edition. She currently works at an independent bookstore in North London.

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 Lerman was heavily featured in The Shelf: From LEQ to LES: Adventures in Extreme Reading by Phyllis Rose, published in May 2014 • God's Ear was one of Lerman's best-known and best-reviewed novels—it's a critical part of her literary legacy Rhoda Lerman's career spanned five decades, in which she wrote six critically-acclaimed novels. She is noted for her vivid imagination, wry humor, and arch social commentary. Her characters range from ancient deities to suburban housewives, from Eleanor Roosevelt to a recently deceased rabbi. Overlook is making her novels available again to a new audience, beginning with her definitive work, *God's Ear*.

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**RHODA LERMAN (1936–2015)** is the author of several critically-praised novels and works of nonfiction. In 2014, her works were heavily featured in *The Shelf* by Phyllis Rose. Lerman's novel *Eleanor*, inspired by the life of Eleanor Roosevelt, was adapted into a one-woman stage play, most recently starring Loretta Swift.

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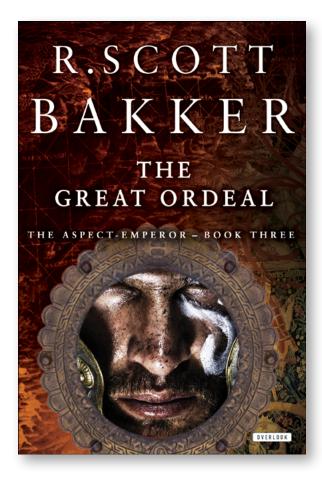
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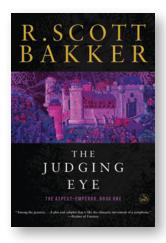
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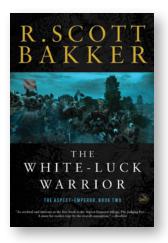
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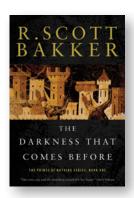


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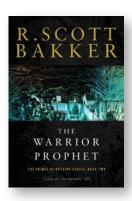


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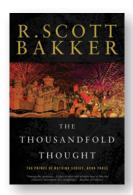
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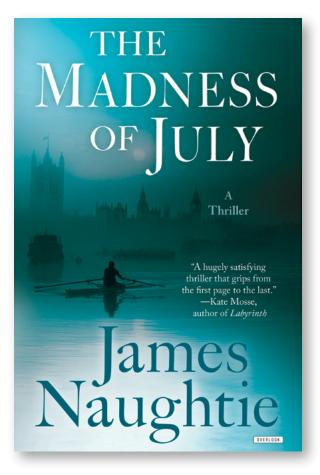
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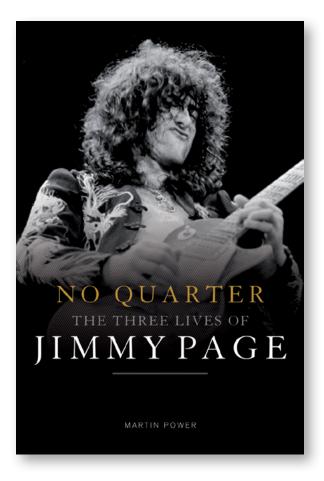
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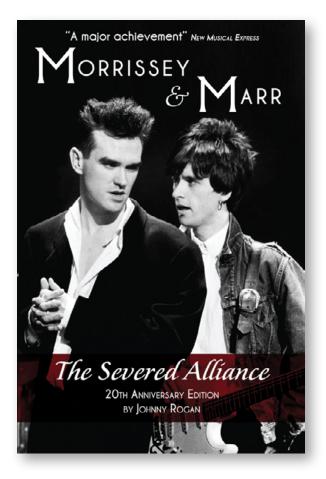
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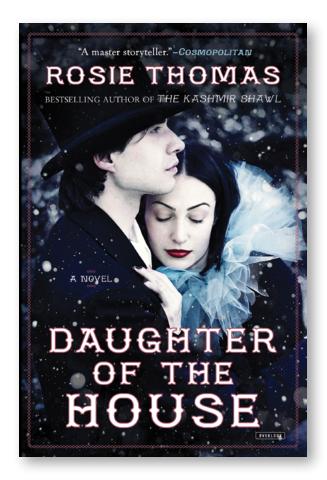
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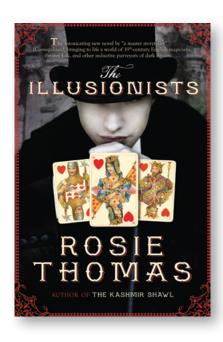
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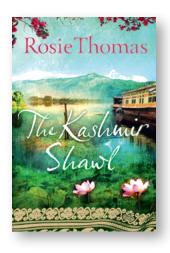
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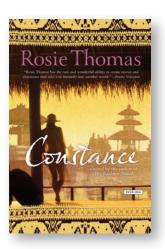
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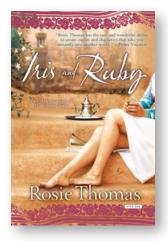


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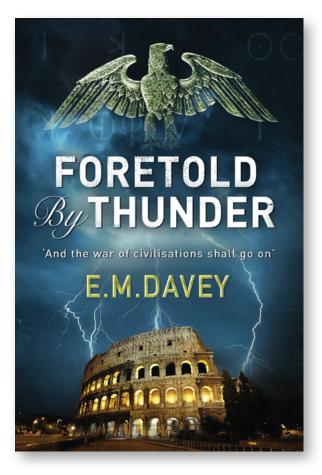
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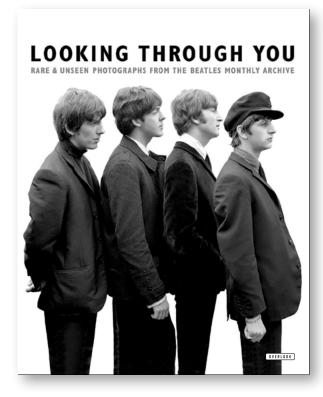
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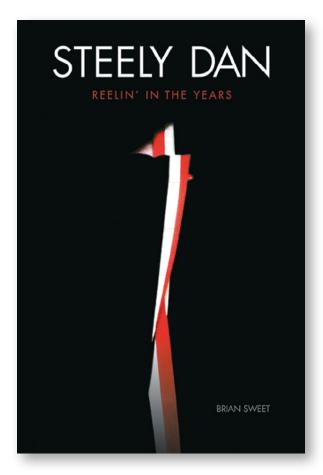


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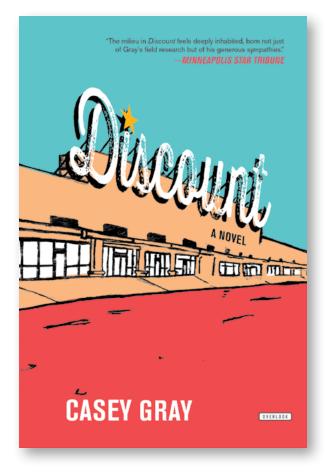
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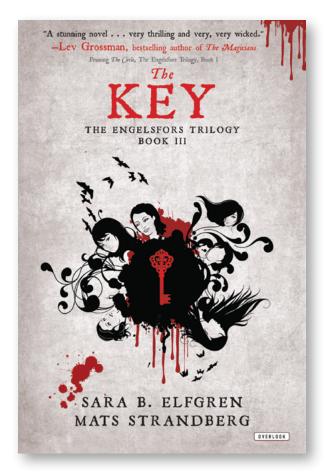
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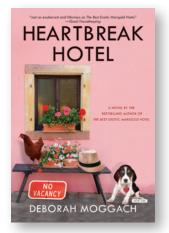


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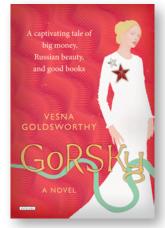
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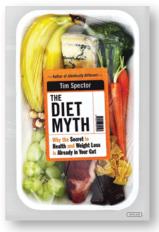
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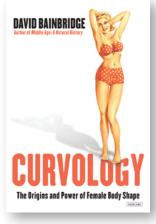
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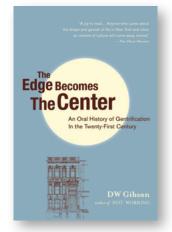
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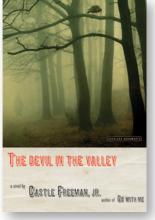
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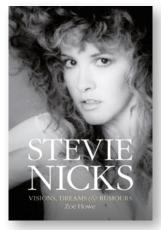


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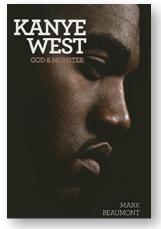


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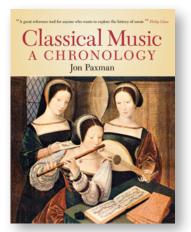
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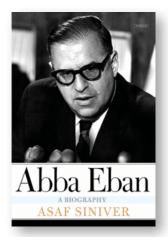
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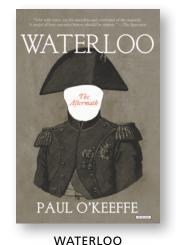
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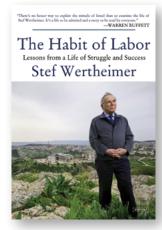
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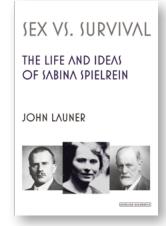
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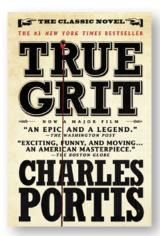


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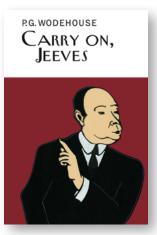


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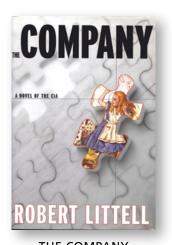
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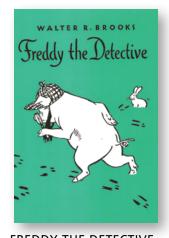
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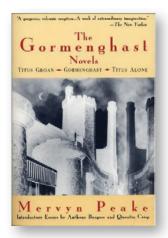
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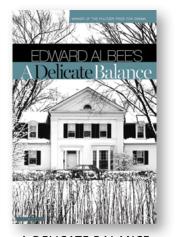
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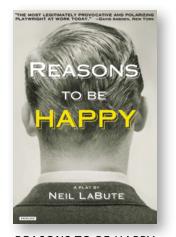
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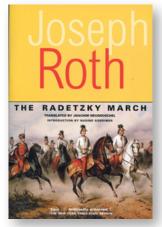
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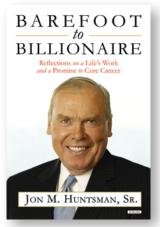


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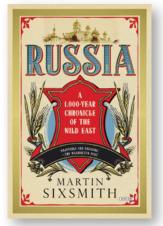
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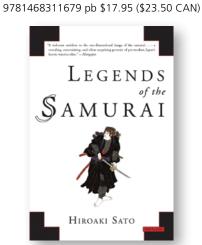
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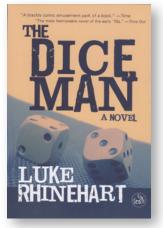
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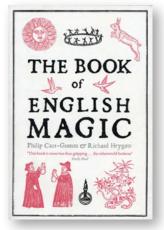
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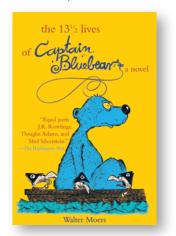
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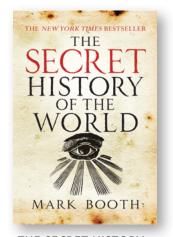
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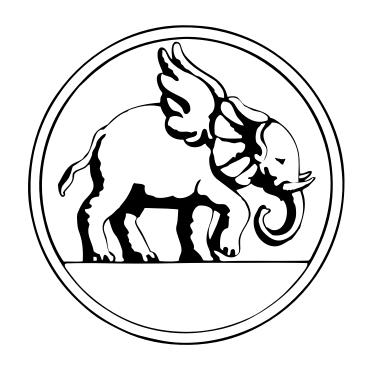
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