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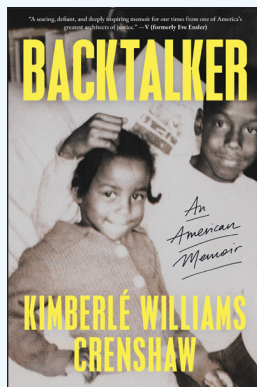
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Backtalker An American Memoir

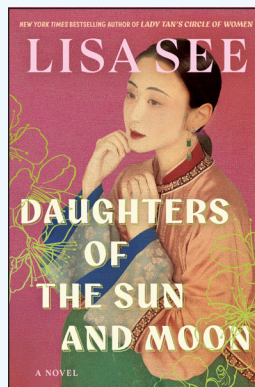
By Kimberlé Williams Crenshaw

One of the most influential public intellectuals in the world and the architect of intersectionality and critical race theory, the two biggest ideas to reshape the American conversation about fairness, offers the intimate story of how her life gave birth to these ideas. *Backtalker* is the powerful and intimate story of how a little girl from Canton, Ohio, came up with a new way to look at the world. Crenshaw's memoir traces the way her lived experience made her see things others didn't. She starts to talk back, and that backtalking has continued throughout her life.

For fans of *Just Pursuit* and *State of Emergency*



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Simon & Schuster, May 2026
Memoir, Political



Hardcover: 9781982117054
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Scribner, June 2026
Literary, Historical



Daughters of the Sun and Moon A Novel

By Lisa See

Beloved *New York Times* bestselling author Lisa See draws on the vibrancy and turmoil of post-Civil War Los Angeles to tell the story of three Chinese women who managed to survive and, eventually, thrive, despite all odds. Dove, Petal, and Moon face a larger society that does not want them to succeed. Brought together by hardship and heartbreak, they must use their bravery, endurance, and ability to "eat bitterness" to discover their voices, find freedom, and connect through solace and friendship. Together they are daughters of the sun and moon.

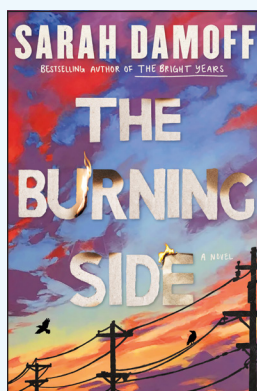
For fans of *Lady Tan's Circle of Women* and *Pachinko*

The Burning Side A Novel

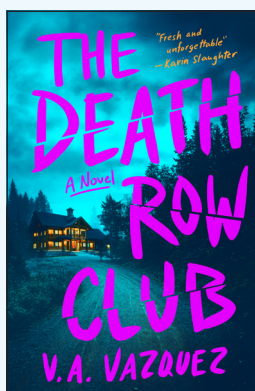
By Sarah Damoff

When April and Leo's house burns in the middle of the night, they escape with their two young children. They retreat to April's childhood home in Dallas, where her spirited parents and siblings provide both comfort and complications. As the family reckons with the aftermath, the fire exposes the cracks already forming in April and Leo's marriage. The novel unfolds in alternating perspectives and from flashbacks that trace April and Leo's relationship from its earliest days of connection to the devastating decisions that led them here.

For fans of *The Half Moon* and *Three Days in June*



Hardcover: 9781668085011
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Simon & Schuster, May 2026
Literary, Family Saga



Hardcover: 9781668217627
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Scout Press, July 2026
Thriller, Suspense



The Death Row Club A Novel

By V.A. Vazquez

A dark, dazzlingly original psychological thriller about a woman invited to an annual weekend getaway for the adult children of serial killers...but when one of the participants ends up dead, they begin to wonder if someone among them might be carrying on the family traditions.

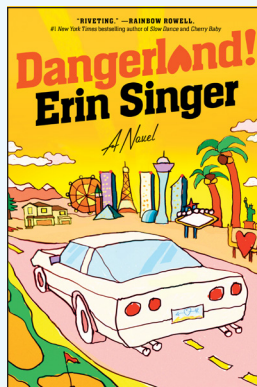
For fans of *The God in the Woods* and *The Woman in Suite 11*

Dangerland! A Novel

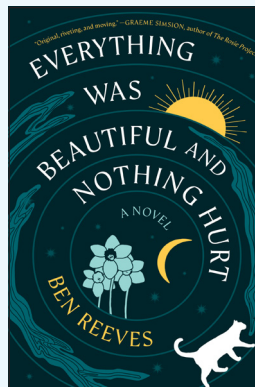
By Erin Singer

Nora Ephron meets *The Hangover* in this screwball romantic comedy and family drama with a big, beating heart, set in the sun-bleached neon of Las Vegas. Kurt has been in love with Eugenie since they were children. Now middle aged and estranged, Kurt decides it's the perfect time to declare himself to her. In this delicious, darkly funny romantic comedy, everyone is looking for love in all the wrong places and gambling on the biggest games in life—but in *Dangerland*, there's always one more chance to win.

For fans of *Good Material* and *Margo's Got Money Troubles*



Hardcover: 9781668098318
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Summit Books, July 2026
Literary, Dark Humor



Hardcover: 9781668216361
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Avid Reader Press, July 2026
Literary, Family Life



Everything Was Beautiful and Nothing Hurt A Novel

By Ben Reeves

Travis is Death in the modern world. His job is to offer people comfort in their final hours of life. Each death he witnesses is meaningful to him; he listens, never judges, and most importantly, never tries to change anyone's fate. Then he meets Dalia, a midwife, and her boisterous eight-year-old daughter, Layla. As Dalia and Layla come to embrace Travis, it becomes more difficult to maintain the detachment that's allowed him to function for so long.

For fans of *The Book Thief* and *Before the Coffee Gets Cold*

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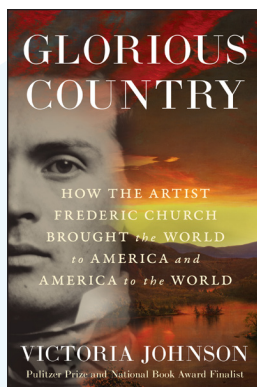
Glorious Country

How the Artist Frederic Church Brought the World to America and America to the World

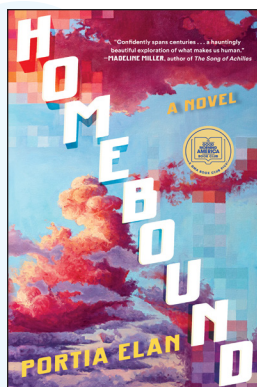
By Victoria Johnson

From the author of *American Eden*—finalist for the Pulitzer Prize, the National Book Award, and more—comes a sweeping, richly researched biography of Frederic Church, the great 19th-century American artist whose stunning paintings of remote lands and seas thrilled American audiences and put the young republic on the map of world culture—published on Church's bicentennial.

For fans of *Life on the Mississippi* and *River of the Gods*



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Scribner, May 2026
History, Art



Hardcover: 9781668201732
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Literary, Science Fiction



Homebound

A Novel

By Portia Elan

It's 1983 and teenager Becks can't wait to get the hell out of Cincinnati. But she has work to do: her beloved uncle who recently passed left her a half-finished game to complete—one last collaboration to find her way out of loneliness. Little does she know, what Becks is making will echo far into the future and shape the lives of a scientist, a sentient automaton, and a flinty sea captain in ways she cannot imagine. All are bound together by their search for connection—and by a futuristic traveler on a mysterious mission through space.

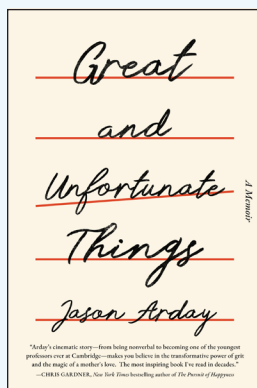
For fans of *Sea of Tranquility* and *Tomorrow and Tomorrow and Tomorrow*

Great and Unfortunate Things

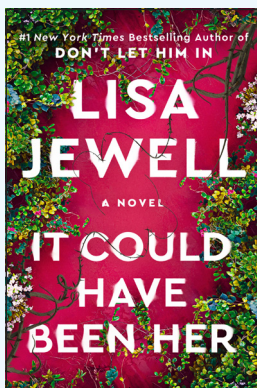
By Jason Arday with Eve Claxton

With the power of *Educated* and the emotional sweep of *When Breath Becomes Air*, *Great and Unfortunate Things* is the inspiring, underdog story of how an autistic, nonverbal boy who society had all but given up on found his voice, literally and figuratively, became one of the youngest professors in the University of Cambridge's history and put himself in a position to give back.

For fans of *Stay True* and *The Pursuit of Happyness*



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37 Ink, August 2026
Self-Help, Memoir



Hardcover: 9781668033906
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Atria, June 2026
Thriller



It Could Have Been Her

A Novel

By Lisa Jewell

Jane Trevally discovers a small white dog, but not the presumed teenaged girl who'd been staying with it nearby. When Jane takes the dog back to its registered home, she's immediately unsettled: she has a dark history with the house. She finds the cagey owners, but not the teenaged girl. Facing a crossroads similar to the one that first led her to this home twenty-five years ago, Jane knows that the house holds the key—to the missing teenager, to the lost dog, and to dark secrets they'd all rather leave buried.

For fans of *The Midnight Feast* and *The Ruby*

The Half Life

A Novel

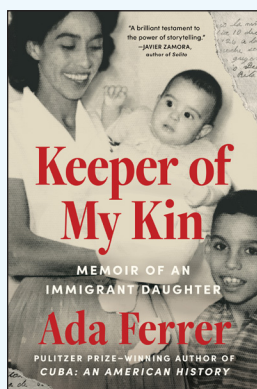
By Rachel Beanland

Newlywed Eileen joins a makeshift community of fellow navy wives on the Mediterranean island of La Maddalena. After a rocky beginning, she begins to love the place and people. Soon, Eileen is confronted with the complexities of being an American abroad, and under the alarm of a possible nuclear contamination, her marriage falters and loyalties begin to shift as she's drawn in to a web of secrets.

For fans of *The Paris Daughter* and *Florence Adler Swims Forever*



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Simon & Schuster, July 2026
War, Literary



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Memoir, History



Keeper of My Kin

Memoir of an Immigrant Daughter

By Ada Ferrer

In this beautiful memoir, Pulitzer Prize–winning author Ferrer masterfully shifts between her roles as historian and family member, weaving a multigenerational tale that reaches into the past to understand the circumstances and choices that led to the present. Using a treasure trove of letters written across the gulf of family separation and found after the death of Ada's parents, as well as government documents acquired through Freedom of Information Act requests, Ferrer offers us a profound reflection on belonging and memory.

For fans of *Inheritance* and *The Yellow House*

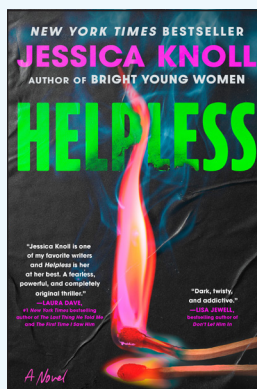
Helpless

A Novel

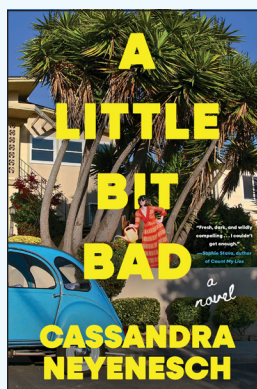
By Jessica Knoll

From the *New York Times* bestselling author of *Luckiest Girl Alive* and *Bright Young Women* comes a smoldering erotic thriller with a singular, mind-bending ending. Faye is one-half of a Hollywood power couple; Henry is a married father running a family business. They shouldn't have anything to do with each other, and yet, when they reconnect at a funeral, things take a turn. Henry drugs and kidnaps Faye, taking her to a remote cabin. As the weeks go on, the intensity skyrockets and secrets are uncovered, revealing an astounding truth.

For fans of *The Plot* and *Bright Young Women*



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Thriller, Psychological



Hardcover: 9781668213124
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Summit Books, May 2026
Thrillers, Crime



A Little Bit Bad

A Novel

By Cassandra Neyenesch

Perdita Jungfrau unexpectedly fell in love with Nando, her neighbor's anarcho-Marxist roofer. Life seems to put every possible obstacle in their way: she's married and pregnant, he has a girlfriend, he's fifteen years younger, she's terrified of messing up her children and equally drawn towards this magnetic man who entrusts her with his deepest secret. But three years later, Nando was murdered, and Perdita's life will never be the same.

For fans of *Heartwood* and *Birnam Wood*

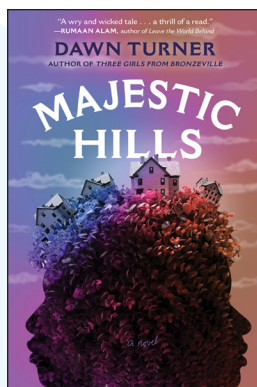
Majestic Hills

A Novel

By Dawn Turner

A Black couple, weary of the fast-paced hustle of the city, leaves their downtown Chicago condo for a new suburban subdivision, only to find themselves at the center of a racial maelstrom in this gripping page-turner from the award-winning author of *Three Girls from Bronzeville*.

For fans of *Leave the World Behind* and *Three Girls from Bronzeville*



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Scribner, August 2026
Literary, Thriller



Meet Me in Paris

A Novel

By Kristin Harmel

Nine Americans in Paris. Seven intertwined love stories. One City of Light. *Love Actually* meets *The Notebook* in a tale of love, loss, and finding your way home, all set over the course of one life-changing week in Paris.

For fans of *Here One Moment* and *The Story She Left Behind*



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Gallery, July 2026
Women, Literary



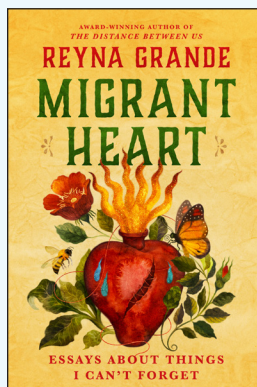
Migrant Heart

Essays About Things I Can't Forget

By Reyna Grande

Migrant Heart is a powerful testament to Grande's role as a storyteller and cultural witness. It expands our understanding of life in the United States and the complex people who cross and live within its borders. It is an essential read for the seekers, the dreamers, and anyone who believes in the enduring, transformative power of finding one's voice.

For fans of *Body Work* and *You Could Make This World Beautiful*



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Primerio Sueño Press, May 2026
Memoir



Murder at the Hotel Orient

A Novel

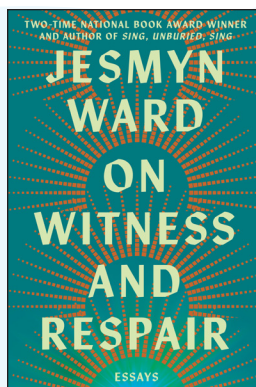
By Alessandra Ranelli

For fans of *The Maid* and *The Grand Budapest Hotel* comes this thrilling (and sexy) debut mystery inspired by a real love hotel, which legend claims has existed forever, luring lovers inside for a night of debauchery. When the double murder of two guests is committed, it's up to the loyal concierge to help the police solve the crime and uncover the secrets of the guests...while keeping them away from her own.

For fans of *The Maid* and *The Thursday Murder Club*



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Scout Press, May 2026
Mystery/Thriller



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Scribner, May 2026
Essays, Social Science



On Witness and Respair

Essays

By Jesmyn Ward

The collected creative nonfiction of a singular American writer, Jesmyn Ward, including widely shared classics, three never-before-published speeches, and an introductory essay. Every bit as piercing and moving as her fiction, *On Witness and Respair* is a testament to Ward's powers as "one of America's finest living writers" (*San Francisco Chronicle*) and is a monument to hope, beauty, and personal and collective resilience.

For fans of *The Fire This Time* and *Let Us Descend*

The Players Club

A Novel

By Rachel Mills

Beth Greenwood has spent her life playing it safe, until she meets a woman who invites her to join a secret club: these women will get you everything you need in order to—temporarily—be the person you might have been, had your life taken one or two different turns. But when the stakes of Beth's real life become uncomfortably high, she must ask herself, really and truly, who she's going to choose to be.

For fans of *Lessons in Chemistry* and *Eleanor Oliphant Is Completely Fine*



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Literary



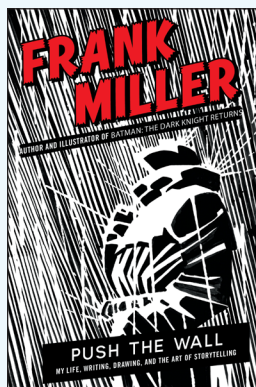
Push the Wall

My Life, Writing, Drawing, and the Art of Storytelling

By Frank Miller

From the all-time bestselling mind behind *Batman: The Dark Knight Returns*, *Daredevil*, *300*, and *Sin City*, *Push the Wall* is part memoir, part master class for budding artists and writers by one of the greatest living creators whose work has influenced pop culture for decades.

For fans of *Burn Book* and *The Creative Act*



Hardcover: 9781668065297
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Saga Press, July 2026
Memoir



The Rainshadow Orphans

Book #1 of The Rainshadow Orphans Series

By Naomi Ishiguro

The Rainshadow Orphans is the first novel in a dazzling fantasy trilogy inspired by Japanese folklore and set within a mythical archipelago brimming with dragons and Sun Spirits, high-tech hackers and bubble tea. Tightly set across two days and peopled with unforgettable characters, it blends the anime fantasy of works like *Pokémon* and Studio Ghibli films like *Spirited Away*, and the anime science fiction of revolutionary cyberpunk like *Akira*, to explore what it means to stand up to corruption and take charge of destiny.

For fans of *Water Moon* and *A Day of Fallen Night*



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Epic Fantasy



The Romance Revival

A Novel

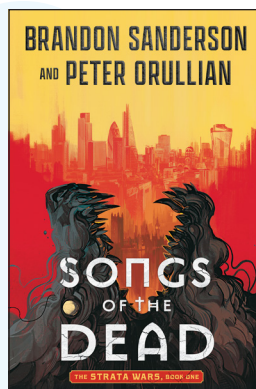
By Christina Lauren

New York Times bestselling author Christina Lauren returns with an unforgettable romance in which a fateful accident erases a troubled marriage from memory—and a scientific breakthrough gives love one extraordinary do-over. Workaholic scientist Emery Finch knows she neglects her husband Luca, but the impact of that is felt when he's taken from her tragically. Desperate not to lose him, Emery breaks every rule, using her life's work and classified technology to bring him back. Will she get her second chance?

For fans of *Say You'll Remember Me* and *The Paradise Problem*



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Romance



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Saga Press, June 2026
Urban Fantasy



Songs of the Dead

Book #1 of The Strata Wars

By Brandon Sanderson and Peter D'Arrigo

When Jack Solomon, a struggling musician who works in London's West End, is killed, he awakens to a new reality where living eras of the past sprawl beneath modern London, layer upon layer. Many of those who reside in the strata of London's past have grown angry with the present world, and that their anger is being channeled by a powerful society of light-and-music-based magic wielders who can cross the realms between life and death, between the present and the past. A past where the dead are sowing revolution against the living, and all of history is at stake. Welcome to the Strata Wars.

For fans of *The Devils* and *The Will of the Many*

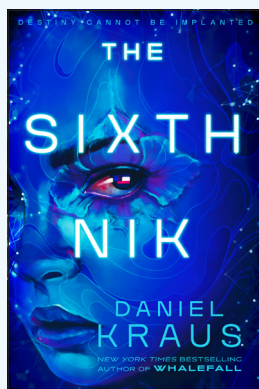
The Sixth Nik

A Novel

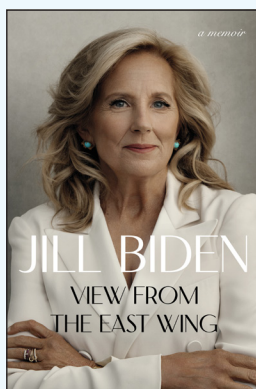
By Daniel Kraus

Deep into space, far past the triworld outposts, beyond range of the lethal trollbot internet, soars *The Sickness*: a ship woven from biomatter and capable of reacting to every need of its human crew. Sisilla, a nine-year-old cultist with a brain enhanced by arcane tech known as "niks," has boarded to investigate the enigma of Fém—a plague-riddled planet that has abruptly gone rogue. The mysterious crew distrusts Sisilla, but other dangers abound, and the secret of Fém is more horrific than anyone could have imagined. To survive, Sisilla will need to forsake her predetermined fate and embrace the unknown.

For fans of *Hyperion* and *The Mercy of Gods*



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Science Fiction, Space Opera



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Political Science, Memoir



View from the East Wing

A Memoir

By Jill Biden

Jill Biden shares her White House experiences for the first time, in her own words. She reflects on the Biden presidency and its impact on her family. She brings you behind the scenes, from Camp David to Air Force One, from grading papers in the Rose Garden to witnessing the abrupt end of her husband's bid for reelection. This is the story of a woman dedicated to her roles as a wife, mother, grandmother, teacher—and First Lady of the United States.

For fans of *107 Days*



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Atria, July 2026
Literary, Historical



When Mikan Road Was Ours

A Novel

By D.K. Furutani

Winner of Simon and Schuster's Books Like Us contest, a gripping, sincere debut novel set across four generations of a Japanese American family living in California's vibrant agricultural heartlands, exploring the sharp edges of inheritance and what it means to truly belong. Lovingly crafted with poignant attention to historical detail, *When Mikan Road Was Ours* is a rich meditation on belonging that seamlessly blends the intricacies of heritage, the resilience of family bonds, and the struggle to reconcile a past filled with both heartache and hope.

For fans of *White Ivy* and *The Storm We Made*

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