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An Esquire "Best Book of Spring 2022" selection A Literary Hub "Most Anticipated Book of 2022" selection A San Francisco Chronicle "Most Anticipated Novel of 2022" selection From "an important writer in every sense" (David Foster Wallace), a novel that imagines a future in which sweeping civil conflict has forced America's young people to flee its borders, into an unwelcoming world. One such American is Ron Patterson, who finds himself on distant shores, working as a repairman and sharing a room with other refugees. In an unnamed city wedged between ocean and lush mountainous forest, Ron can almost imagine a stable life for himself. Especially when he makes the first friend he has had in years—a mysterious migrant named Marlise, who bears a striking resemblance to a onetime classmate. Nearly a decade later—after anti-migrant sentiment has put their whirlwind intimacy and asylum to an end—Ron is living in "Little America," an enclave of migrants in one of the few countries still willing to accept them. Here, among reminders of his past life, he again begins to feel that he may have found a home. Ron adopts a stray dog, observes his neighbors, and lands a repairman job that allows him to move through the city quietly. But this newfound security, too, is quickly jeopardized, as resurgent political divisions threaten the fabric of Little America. Tapped as an informant against the rise of militant gangs and contending with the appearance of a strangely familiar woman, Ron is suddenly on dangerous and uncertain ground. Brimming with mystery, suspense, and Kalfus's distinctive comic irony, 2 A.M. in Little America poses several questions vital to the current moment: What happens when privilege is reversed? Who is watching and why? How do tribalized politics disrupt our ability to distinguish what is true and what is not? This is a story for our time—gripping, unsettling, prescient—by one of our most acclaimed novelists. Relates the sights and sounds of a subway ride through the boroughs of New York City. The New York Times best selling true story of an unlikely friendship forged between a woman and the man she incorrectly identified as her rapist and sent to prison for 11 years. Jennifer Thompson was raped at knifepoint by a man who broke into her apartment while she slept. She was able to escape, and eventually positively identified Ronald Cotton as her attacker. Ronald insisted that she was mistaken-- but Jennifer's positive identification was the compelling evidence that put him behind bars. After eleven years, Ronald was allowed to take a DNA test that proved his innocence. He was released, after serving more than a decade in prison for a crime he never committed. Two years later, Jennifer and Ronald met face to face-- and forged an unlikely friendship that changed both of their lives. With Picking Cotton, Jennifer and Ronald tell in their own words the harrowing details of their tragedy, and challenge our ideas of memory and judgment while demonstrating the profound nature of human grace and the healing power of forgiveness. NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY Slate • Cosmopolitan • Salon • BuzzFeed • BookPage Written with the riveting storytelling of authors like Emma Donoghue, Adam Johnson, Ann Patchett, and Curtis Sittenfeld, Cartwheel is a suspenseful and haunting novel of an American foreign exchange student arrested for murder, and a father trying to hold his family together. When Lily Hayes arrives in Buenos Aires for her semester abroad, she is enchanted by everything she encounters: the colorful buildings, the street food, the handsome, elusive man next door. Her studious roommate Katy is a bit of a bore, but Lily didn't come to Argentina to hang out with other Americans. Five weeks later, Katy is found brutally murdered in their shared home, and Lily is the prime suspect. But who is Lily Hayes? It depends on who's asking. As the case takes shape—revealing deceptions, secrets, and suspicious DNA—Lily appears alternately sinister and guileless through the eyes of those around her: the media, her family, the man who loves her and the man who seeks her conviction. With mordant wit and keen emotional insight, Cartwheel offers a prismatic investigation of the ways we decide what to see—and to believe—in one another and ourselves. In Cartwheel, duBois delivers a novel of propulsive psychological suspense and rare moral nuance. No two readers will agree who Lily is and what happened to her roommate. Cartwheel will keep you guessing until the final page, and its questions about how well we really know ourselves will linger well beyond. WINNER OF THE HOUSATONIC BOOK AWARD • Look for special features inside. Join the Random House Reader's Circle for author chats and more. "A smart, literary thriller [for] fans of Gillian Flynn's Gone Girl."—The Huffington Post "Psychologically astute . . . DuBois hits [the] larger sadness just right and dispenses with all the salacious details you can readily find elsewhere. . . . The writing in Cartwheel is a pleasure—electric, fine-tuned, intelligent, conflicted. The novel is engrossing, and its portraiture hits delightfully and necessarily close to home."—The New York Times Book Review (Editor's Choice) "Marvelous . . . a gripping tale . . . Every sentence crackles with wit and vision. Every page casts a spell."—Maggie Shipstead, author of Seating Arrangements "[You'll] break your own record of pages read per minute as you tear through this book."—Marie Claire "A convincing, compelling tale . . . The story plays out in all its well-told complexity."—New York Daily News "[A] gripping, gorgeously written novel . . . The emotional intelligence in Cartwheel is so sharp it's almost ruthless—a tabloid tragedy elevated to high art. [Grade:] A-

”—Entertainment Weekly “Sure-footed and psychologically calibrated . . . Reviewers of duBois’s first novel, *A Partial History of Lost Causes*, called it brainy and beautiful, a verdict that fits this successor. . . . As the pages fly, the reader hardly notices that duBois has stretched the genre of the criminal procedural.”—Newsday “The power of Cartwheel resides in duBois’ talent for understanding how the foreign world can illuminate the most deeply held secrets we keep from others, and ourselves.”—Chicago Tribune Mack Rhino is a private detective—who just so happens to be a rhinoceros—in this silly, fun-to-read Aladdin QUIX chapter book that’s perfect for emerging readers! Mack Rhino is a private eye who has just finished solving his 99th case. With his trusty sidekick, Redd Oxpeck by his side (or on his back) he’s about to embark on his 100th. There’s a big race in town, but all the runners are missing the laces to their sneakers! Who’s run off with the goods, and why? “Twenty-four sad, funny, touching, intriguing, and sometimes-unsettling stories by some of Minnesota’s best writers.” —St. Paul Pioneer Press Writers from Sinclair Lewis and F. Scott Fitzgerald to Louise Erdrich and Garrison Keillor have called Minnesota home, contributing to the state’s rich literary history as well as its reputation as a place that cherishes education and American democracy. It also embraces diversity, as showcased in this collection of local fiction-writing talent that reflects the vibrancy and variety of the North Star State in the twenty-first century. This anthology presents a literary mosaic of modern Minnesota with writings by and about an extraordinarily wide range of voices and characters—including powerful work by Sarah Stonich, Sun Yung Shin, Pallavi Sharma Dixit, Shannon Gibney, Ethan Rutherford, Éireann Lorsung, Miriam Karmel, and others. Now a New York Times bestseller! From the author of *Truths I Never Told You*, *Before I Let You Go*, and *The Warsaw Orphan*, Kelly Rimmer’s powerful WWII novel follows a woman’s urgent search for answers to a family mystery that uncovers truths about herself that she never expected. “Fans of *The Nightingale* and *Lilac Girls* will adore *The Things We Cannot Say*.” —Pam Jenoff, New York Times bestselling author In 1942, Europe remains in the relentless grip of war. Just beyond the tents of the refugee camp she calls home, a young woman speaks her wedding vows. It’s a decision that will alter her destiny . . . and it’s a lie that will remain buried until the next century. Since she was nine years old, Alina Dziak knew she would marry her best friend, Tomasz. Now fifteen and engaged, Alina is unconcerned by reports of Nazi soldiers at the Polish border, believing her neighbors that they pose no real threat, and dreams instead of the day Tomasz returns from college in Warsaw so they can be married. But little by little, injustice by brutal injustice, the Nazi occupation takes hold, and Alina’s tiny rural village, its families, are divided by fear and hate. Then, as the fabric of their lives is slowly picked apart, Tomasz disappears. Where Alina used to measure time between visits from her beloved, now she measures the spaces between hope and despair, waiting for word from Tomasz and avoiding the attentions of the soldiers who patrol her parents’ farm. But for now, even deafening silence is preferable to grief. Slipping between Nazi-occupied Poland and the frenetic pace of modern life, Kelly Rimmer creates an emotional and finely wrought narrative. *The Things We Cannot Say* is an unshakable reminder of the devastation when truth is silenced . . . and how it can take a lifetime to find our voice before we learn to trust it. Don’t miss Kelly Rimmer’s next novel, *The Paris Agent*, where a family’s innocent search for answers brings a long-forgotten, twenty-five-year-old mystery to light—coming July 2023! For more by Kelly Rimmer, look for *Before I Let You Go* *Truths I Never Told You* *The Warsaw Orphan* *The German Wife* From the author of *Some Girls Do* and *Hot Dog Girl* comes a sweet and salty queer YA rom-com about two girls on a summer road trip in an ice cream truck. Fallon is Type A, looks before she leaps, and always has a plan (and a backup plan). Chloe is happy-go-lucky, flies by the seat of her pants, and always follows her bliss. The two girls used to be best friends, but last summer they hooked up right before Chloe left for college, and after a series of misunderstandings, they aren’t even speaking to each other. A year later, Chloe’s back home from school, and Fallon is doing everything in her power to avoid her. Which is especially difficult because their moms own a business together—a gourmet ice cream truck where both girls work. When a meeting with some promising potential investors calls their parents away at the last minute, it’s up to Fallon to work a series of important food truck festivals across the country. But she can’t do it alone, and Chloe is the only one available to help. Tensions heat up again between the two girls as they face a few unexpected detours—and more than a little roadside attraction. But maybe, just maybe, the best things in life can’t always be planned. Perfect for fans of *Raymie Nightingale* and *The Fourteenth Goldfish*, this heartfelt middle-grade novel seamlessly melds STEAM content with first loss in an honest and striking debut. When Mika starts fifth grade at the middle school, her neat life gets messy. Separated from old friends and starting new classes, Mika is far from her comfort zone. And math class is the most confusing of all, especially when her teacher Mr. Vann assigns math journals. Art in math? Who’s ever heard of such a thing? But when challenges arise at home, Mika realizes there are no easy answers. Maybe, with some help from friends, family, and one unique teacher, a math journal can help her work out problems, and not just the math ones. Debut author Jennifer Swender delivers poignant prose and illustrator Jennifer Naalchigar brings Mika’s journal to life in this perfect equation of honesty plus hope that adds up to a heartwarming coming-of-age story. Contains common childhood songs with accompanying scores, such as *Farmer in the dell*, and *London Bridge*. In this story told in brief rhyming text, students in a class follow the proper procedures during a fire drill. “*Aquaboogie* is a love story in fragments . . . A book by a writer whose love for her characters infuses her work with the dignity and urgency they so clearly deserve.” —The New York Times Book Review Full of defiance and tenderness, *Aquaboogie* chronicles the triumphs and tragedies of the residents of Rio Seco. In “*Aquaboogie*,” art student Nacho finances his class out East by working as a janitor, subject to torment by his white coworkers. In “*Back*,” elderly Pashion sleeps wrapped around the body of her dying husband L. C., all the while recalling their 49 years of marriage and thinking about the sleeping pills she has secreted away for when life becomes unbearable. In “*The Box*,” Shawan carries her radio everywhere; since her best friend was gunned down, music is the only thing that can get her through the day. In these and other stories in this powerful collection, the author gives voice to those on the margins while demonstrating her great affection for her characters. A chance discovery inside a vintage typewriter case reveals the gripping story of two sisters on opposite sides of World War II in this captivating novel for readers of *Lilac Girls* and *The Women in the Castle*. “Spins a captivating tale of two young English women—sisters caught on

two opposing sides of the war.”—Associated Press New York, present day: On a whim, Juno Lambert buys a 1931 Underwood typewriter that once belonged to celebrated journalist Cordelia Capel. Within its case she discovers an unfinished novel, igniting a transatlantic journey to fill the gaps in the story of Cordelia and her sister and the secret that lies between them. Europe, 1936: Cordelia’s socialite sister Irene marries a German industrialist who whisks her away to Berlin. Cordelia, feistier and more intellectual than Irene, gets a job at a newspaper in Paris, pursuing the journalism career she cherishes. As politics begin to boil in Europe, the sisters exchange letters and Cordelia discovers that Irene’s husband is a Nazi sympathizer. With increasing desperation, Cordelia writes to her beloved sister, but as life in Nazi Germany darkens, Irene no longer dares admit what her existence is truly like. Knowing that their letters cannot tell the whole story, Cordelia decides to fill in the blanks by sitting down with her Underwood and writing the truth. When Juno reads the unfinished novel, she resolves to uncover the secret that continued to divide the sisters amid the turmoil of love, espionage, and war. In this vivid portrait of Nazi Berlin, from its high society to its devastating fall, Jane Thynne examines the truths we sometimes dare not tell ourselves. Advance praise for *The Words I Never Wrote* “In sumptuous prose, Jane Thynne limns the lives of two sisters ripped apart by the moral choices they made in a time of war. Dramatic, fast-paced, and emotional, *The Words I Never Wrote* puts the interior details of women’s lives in stark relief against the dramatic backdrop of Europe in World War II, helping readers understand the difficult choices that women made.”—Elizabeth Letts, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *The Perfect Horse* “Haunting, taut, and compelling, this portrait of two upper-class British sisters divided by World War II is a kaleidoscopic story of love and betrayal whose characters are never quite what they seem. It will capture your attention immediately and keep you thinking for a long time to come.”—Lynne Olson, author of *Madame Fourcade’s Secret War* **NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER** • A deliciously dark tale of America’s dysfunctional coming years—and the timeless and tender feelings that just might bring us back from the brink. **NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY** The New York Times • The Washington Post • The Boston Globe • San Francisco Chronicle • The Seattle Times • O: The Oprah Magazine • Maureen Corrigan, NPR • Salon • Slate • Minneapolis Star Tribune • St. Louis Post-Dispatch • The Kansas City Star • Charlotte Observer • The Globe and Mail • Vancouver Sun • Montreal Gazette • Kirkus Reviews

In the near future, America is crushed by a financial crisis and our patient Chinese creditors may just be ready to foreclose on the whole mess. Then Lenny Abramov, son of an Russian immigrant janitor and ardent fan of “printed, bound media artifacts” (aka books), meets Eunice Park, an impossibly cute Korean American woman with a major in Images and a minor in Assertiveness. Could falling in love redeem a planet falling apart? Rhyming text introduces A to Z terminology associated with NASCAR. "A bold, stunning book...The reader is drawn in not because we want to find out what happened, but why it happened..."--NPR

A psychologically twisting novel about a politically-charged act of violence that echoes through a small Spanish town; a debut novel that the New York Times Book Review calls "a triumph." It's 2004 in Muriga, a quiet town in Spain's northern Basque Country, a place with more secrets than inhabitants. Five years have passed since the kidnapping and murder of a young local politician—a family man and father—and the town's rhythms have almost returned to normal. But in the aftermath of the Atocha train bombings in Madrid, an act of terrorism that rocked a nation and a world, the townspeople want a reckoning of Muriga's own troubled past: Everyone knows who pulled the trigger five years ago, but is the young man now behind bars the only one to blame? *All That Followed* peels away the layers of a crime complicated by history, love, and betrayal. The accounts of three townspeople in particular—the councilman's beautiful young widow, the teenage radical now in jail for the crime, and an aging American teacher hiding a traumatic past of his own—hold the key to what really happened. And for these three, it's finally time to confront what they can find of the truth. Inspired by a true story, *All That Followed* is a powerful, multifaceted novel about a nefarious kind of violence that can take hold when we least expect. Urgent, elegant, and gorgeously atmospheric, Urza's debut is a book for the world we live in now, and it marks the arrival of a brilliant new writer to watch. Contains everything you need to put on your own play with your friends, including how to write a script, design a set, make costumes, and act a part.

In *We Are Their Heaven*, Allison explores both connection and communication between the living and the dead. Throughout the book, Allison explains her link with the dead and allows those she has read for to share their own experiences with us. They identify the 'calling cards' of the dead, the initial private piece of information that serves to legitimize that the deceased is in fact trying to contact their loved one. Each chapter focuses on a different type of connection and loss: of parents, children, siblings, friends and spouses. With each reading, Allison's compassion is clearly seen. She explains how the spirit world requires a different sort of 'listening' from her. When you can 'feel' someone near you, she urges that this is not your imagination, but a heightened sense of awareness and what she calls a spiritual encounter. Her account of speaking to a group of parents of murdered children allows us to see that she sees as she walks into the room and finds each of the dead children there with their living parents. *Don't Kiss Them Goodbye* was a rewarding book for anyone interested in mediums. With *We Are Their Heaven*, Allison expands her audience. From a perspective few can offer, she shares heartbreaking and heartwarming tales of connection from the other side and provides comforting proof that our loved ones stay with us long after they are gone. Anyone who has experienced loss will find this book quenches their curiosity and soothes their hearts about those we miss. Illustrations and rhythmic text describe the sights and sounds of a taxi ride in New York City. Longlisted for the Man Booker Prize 2012, Thompson “is a new writer working out what he can do, and realizing that he can do anything” (The Telegraph). Each of us conjures our own city, one of many incarnations; a place throbbing with so many layers, meanings, and hidden corners cannot be the same for any two citizens. *Communion Town* calls to mind David Mitchell's *Ghostwritten*, Italo Calvino's *Invisible Cities*, and China Miéville's *The City & The City*, but is uniquely its own. This incandescent novel maps an imaginary city and explores the lives of its outcasts and scapegoats. Each chapter is told from the perspective of a different citizen—defining the city itself as a character, both protagonist and antagonist—and each is told in a different genre, from a hardboiled detective story to steampunk to gothic horror, displaying the great range of Sam Thompson's literary ability. As the novel unfolds in different neighborhoods, we encounter a lovelorn folksinger, a repressed detective, a

slaughterhouse worker, a lost tourist, a bon vivant, and a ghost. From their lonely voices we gather the many-faceted story of the city: a place imagined differently by each citizen as he or she searches for connection, transformation, or escape. In highlighting the unique features of focus groups, Cyr explains how they can help social science researchers effectively answer certain research questions. One secret could bring down the government when the President's memorable affair becomes a nightmare he longs to forget in this page-turner from James Patterson that will keep you up reading all night long. Sally Grissom is a top Secret Service agent in charge of the Presidential Protection team. She knows that something is amiss when she's summoned to a private meeting with the President and his Chief of Staff without any witnesses. But she couldn't have predicted that she'd be forced to take on an investigation surrounding the mysterious disappearance of the First Lady -- with strict orders to keep it a secret. The First Lady's absence comes in the wake of the scandalous, public revelation of the president's affair, so at first it seems as though she is simply cutting off all contact as she recuperates at a horse farm in Virginia. What begins as an innocent respite quickly turns into a twisted case when the White House receives a ransom note along with the First Lady's finger. A shocking crime triggers a media firestorm for a controversial talk show host in this provocative novel—a story of redemption, a nostalgic portrait of New York City, and a searing indictment of our culture of spectacle. One of the *The New York Times*'s "10 Books to Watch for in April" • "Jennifer duBois is a brilliant writer."—Karen Russell, author of *Vampires in the Lemon Grove* Talk show host Matthew Miller has made his fame by shining a spotlight on the most unlikely and bizarre secrets of society, exposing them on live television in front of millions of gawking viewers. However, the man behind *The Mattie M Show* remains a mystery—both to his enormous audience and to those who work alongside him every day. But when the high school students responsible for a mass shooting are found to be devoted fans, Mattie is thrust into the glare of public scrutiny, seen as the wry, detached herald of a culture going downhill and going way too far. Soon, the secrets of Mattie's past as a brilliant young politician in a crime-ridden New York City begin to push their way to the surface. In her most daring and multidimensional novel yet, Jennifer duBois vividly portrays the heyday of gay liberation in the seventies and the grip of the AIDS crisis in the eighties, alongside a backstage view of nineties television in an age of moral panic. DuBois explores an enigmatic man's downfall through the perspectives of two spectators—Cel, Mattie's skeptical publicist, and Semi, the disillusioned lover from his past. With wit, heart, and crackling intelligence, *The Spectators* examines the human capacity for reinvention—and forces us to ask ourselves what we choose to look at, and why. Praise for *The Spectators* With *The Spectators*, duBois is staking out larger literary territory. The new novel is full of small pleasures that accumulate as proof that this writer knows her stuff. . . . DuBois's mastery of . . . details earns our trust as she expands *The Spectators* into a billowing meditation on the responsibility of public figures to contribute something worthwhile to the culture. Although her book takes place decades ago, duBois's message has a contemporary urgency as well."—*The New York Times* "Heart-rending and visceral . . . DuBois's language is dexterous, and her pacing impressive. . . . *The Spectators* is a treatise on the media's power and a finely wrought example of intimate pain."—*USA Today* This book focuses on how Chicago actually tried to formulate and implement problem solving as part of a thoroughgoing change in its style of policing. It describes the five-step problem-solving model that the city developed for tackling neighborhood problems ranging from graffiti to gang violence. FINALIST FOR THE PEN/HEMINGWAY PRIZE FOR DEBUT FICTION In Jennifer duBois's mesmerizing and exquisitely rendered debut novel, a long-lost letter links two disparate characters, each searching for meaning against seemingly insurmountable odds. With uncommon perception and wit, duBois explores the power of memory, the depths of human courage, and the endurance of love. NAMED BY THE NATIONAL BOOK FOUNDATION AS A 5 UNDER 35 AUTHOR • WINNER OF THE CALIFORNIA BOOK AWARD GOLD MEDAL FOR FIRST FICTION • WINNER OF THE NORTHERN CALIFORNIA BOOK AWARD FOR FICTION • NAMED ONE OF THE TEN BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY O: THE OPRAH MAGAZINE "Astonishingly beautiful and brainy . . . [a] stunning novel."—O: The Oprah Magazine "I can't remember reading another novel—at least not recently—that's both incredibly intelligent and also emotionally engaging."—Nancy Pearl, NPR In St. Petersburg, Russia, world chess champion Aleksandr Bezetov begins a quixotic quest: He launches a dissident presidential campaign against Vladimir Putin. He knows he will not win—and that he is risking his life in the process—but a deeper conviction propels him forward. In Cambridge, Massachusetts, thirty-year-old English lecturer Irina Ellison struggles for a sense of purpose. Irina is certain she has inherited Huntington's disease—the same cruel illness that ended her father's life. When Irina finds an old, photocopied letter her father wrote to the young Aleksandr Bezetov, she makes a fateful decision. Her father asked the chess prodigy a profound question—How does one proceed in a lost cause?—but never received an adequate reply. Leaving everything behind, Irina travels to Russia to find Bezetov and get an answer for her father, and for herself. NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY Salon • BookPage Look for special features inside. Join the Random House Reader's Circle for author chats and more. Praise for *A Partial History of Lost Causes* "A thrilling debut . . . [Jennifer] DuBois writes with haunting richness and fierce intelligence. . . . Full of bravado, insight, and clarity."—*Elle* "DuBois is precise and unsentimental. . . . She moves with a magician's control between points of view, continents, histories, and sympathies."—*The New Yorker* "A real page-turner . . . a psychological thriller of great nuance and complexity."—*The Dallas Morning News* "Terrific . . . In urgent fashion, duBois deftly evokes Russia's political and social metamorphosis over the past thirty years through the prism of this particular and moving relationship."—*Publishers Weekly* (starred review) "Hilarious and heartbreaking and a triumph of the imagination."—Gary Shteyngart From Jennifer duBois, "one of a handful of living American novelists who can comprehend both the long arc of history and the minute details that animate it" (Karan Mahajan) and "a writer of thrilling psychological precision" (Justin Torres), comes a spellbinding new novel. A few months after the death of her husband, Angela is ejected from her doctoral program in linguistics at Harvard University. Spinning and raw, and with few other options, the young widow and her four-year-old daughter move into her mother's house in Medford, Massachusetts. Trained with an understanding of spoken language as the essential foundation of thought, Angela finds underpaid work at the Center, a fledgling organization that is

developing an experimental therapy aimed at helping nonverbal patients with motor impairments. Through the Center, Angela begins to work closely with Sam, a twenty-seven-year-old patient who has been confined to his bedroom for the majority of his life. Following some faltering steps, Sam takes to the technology, proving to be not just literate but literary, and charming. Angela is initially stunned, then drawn intensely to Sam, and they develop an intimate relationship. When their secret is discovered, Sam's family intervenes and brings charges. As Angela tells her story in the form of an unrepentant plea addressed from prison to her beloved, we are plunged into a Nabokovian hall of mirrors in which it is hard to know whom or what to believe. Is this a haunting story of doomed love, a manipulative account of pitiful self-delusion, or, as the state has charged, a criminal assault of a victim who doesn't have the agency or intelligence required of a willing participant in a love affair? Provocative and profound in its exploration of what makes us human, this is an extraordinary novel from one of our most acclaimed contemporary writers. A haunting novel spanning several generations, *The Seed Keeper* follows a Dakhóta family's struggle to preserve their way of life, and their sacrifices to protect what matters most. Rosalie Iron Wing has grown up in the woods with her father, Ray, a former science teacher who tells her stories of plants, of the stars, of the origins of the Dakhóta people. Until, one morning, Ray doesn't return from checking his traps. Told she has no family, Rosalie is sent to live with a foster family in nearby Mankato—where the reserved, bookish teenager meets rebellious Gaby Makespeace, in a friendship that transcends the damaged legacies they've inherited. On a winter's day many years later, Rosalie returns to her childhood home. A widow and mother, she has spent the previous two decades on her white husband's farm, finding solace in her garden even as the farm is threatened first by drought and then by a predatory chemical company. Now, grieving, Rosalie begins to confront the past, on a search for family, identity, and a community where she can finally belong. In the process, she learns what it means to be descended from women with souls of iron—women who have protected their families, their traditions, and a precious cache of seeds through generations of hardship and loss, through war and the insidious trauma of boarding schools. Weaving together the voices of four indelible women, *The Seed Keeper* is a beautifully told story of reawakening, of remembering our original relationship to the seeds and, through them, to our ancestors. From one of Norway's leading writers, translated into English for the very first time, comes a transatlantic novel of dreams, sacrifice, and transformation set at the turn of the twentieth century. The year is 1874. Nesje is a recent widower with a young son, working as a haymaker on an estate in the town of Molde and steadily clearing his own small holding. Then he meets Serianna—an outsider, looking for work, who takes him fishing and smokes a pipe and is thoroughly unlike anyone he's met before. Soon the two fall in love and marry, and Nesje begins to dream of a prosperous future. But prosperity is hard to come by. Some Norwegians—including Serianna's spirited sister, Gjertine—have begun to immigrate to the American West, attracted by the glimmer of land and commerce. One of Nesje's sons follows, while another moves to the city and becomes a wealthy merchant, and another is adopted by Serianna's childless brother and sister-in-law. In Norway and in America, however, the turn of the century is approaching: mechanization is superseding skilled labor, the moneyed classes are growing ever more powerful, and sacrifices don't always deliver what was promised. *Haymaker in Heaven* is a sprawling saga—drawn from Edvard Hoem's own family history—and a vivid portrait of two countries at a critical moment of intersection. “This little book does a beautiful job of inspiring awe for the capacities of birds and applying lessons from their lives to the struggles of humanity” — Wall Street Journal “Brilliant, magical and engrossing—I will never see birds the same way again.” — Peter Wohlleben, author of *The Hidden Life of Trees*

**THE INTERNATIONAL PHENOMENON** Twenty-two short lessons from the secret lives of birds on living harmoniously and reconnecting with nature. This charming volume on bird behavior invites us to take a step back from our busy lives and to listen to the tiny philosophers of the sky. From the delicate sparrow to the majestic eagle, birds are among the most fascinating species on earth, and there is much to be learned from these paragons of beauty and grace that can be applied to our lives, including: Independence: what it means to be “pushed out of the nest.” Vulnerability: what the mallard teaches us about giving up our old feathers for new ones in order to fly. Gender equality: what happens when a papa Turtledove sits on the nest. Hierarchy and power: what the raven and the vulture know about the pecking order. Filled with elegant illustrations of bird species, this gem of a book celebrates our friends in the sky, and what they can teach us about the rhythms of life. Short fiction about people on the edge that “masterfully balances the absurd, the horrific, and the humorous” (Booklist). The characters in *Inappropriate Behavior* teeter on the brink of sanity, while those around them reach out in support, watch helplessly, or duck for cover. In their loneliness, they cast about for a way to connect, to be understood, though more often than not, things go horribly wrong. Some of the characters come from the darkest recesses of American history. In ‘Lubbock Is Not a Place of the Spirit,’ a Texas Tech student recognizable as John Hinckley, Jr. writes hundreds of songs for Jodie Foster as he grows increasingly estranged from reality. Other characters are recognizable only in the sense that their situations strike an emotional chord. The young couple in ‘The Thing About Norfolk,’ socially isolated after a cross-country move, are dismayed to find themselves unable to resist sexually deviant urges. And in the deeply touching title story, a couple stretched to their limit after the husband's layoff struggle to care for their emotionally unbalanced young son. Set in cities across America and spanning the last half-century, this collection draws a bead on our national identity, distilling our obsessions, our hauntings, our universal predicament. “Gripping and accomplished . . . These stories will be compared with works by Barry Hannah and Denis Johnson.” —Janet Peery, National Book Award finalist and author of *The Exact Nature of Our Wrongs*

The colorful charts, graphs, and maps presented at the 1900 Paris Exposition by famed sociologist and black rights activist W. E. B. Du Bois offered a view into the lives of black Americans, conveying a literal and figurative representation of “the color line.” From advances in education to the lingering effects of slavery, these prophetic infographics —beautiful in design and powerful in content—make visible a wide spectrum of black experience. W. E. B. Du Bois's *Data Portraits* collects the complete set of graphics in full color for the first time, making their insights and innovations available to a contemporary imagination. As Maria Popova wrote, these data portraits shaped how “Du Bois himself thought about sociology, informing the ideas with which he set the world ablaze three years later in *The Souls*



of Black Folk." Play and stay at the Animal Inn, a brand-new chapter book series where the fur—and fun—flies at an animal spa and hotel. The Animal Inn is an all-inclusive pet resort/hotel/center/spa for animals from dogs to rabbits, cats to ducks, parrots to lizards. From doggie and kitty daycare, to grooming, and group play—you name it, and the Animal Inn has it. The Inn is run by the Tyler family along with their pets Leopold, the Macaw; Fuzzy and Furry, the gerbils; dogs Dash and Coco; felines Shadow and Whiskers; and a rollicking horde of animal visitors. When the animals hear that a new boarder—a Komodo Dragon—will be coming to the Inn, they panic! Is it a fire-breathing dragon? Will it gobble them all up and then devour their family? What's to become of the Animal Inn? Abandoning her life when her father succumbs to Huntington's disease, Massachusetts native Irina discovers an unanswered letter from her father to an internationally renowned chess champion and political dissident, who she decides to visit in Russia. A first novel. "Every winter, Tommy Jack McMorsey makes the long haul from Texas to northern Minnesota to watch the meteor showers. One cold night, in a moment of kindness, Tommy picks up a deluded Japanese tourist determined to find the buried ransom money from the movie Fargo. When she dies of exposure in Tommy Jack's care, a media storm erupts, jarring loose pieces of Tommy Jack's past: the horrors of Vietnam, a love affair, and the suicide of his closest friend, Fred Howkowski" --Cover, p. 4. Mack Rhino—a private detective, who just happens to be a rhinoceros—uncovers sugary secrets in this second mystery of this silly, fun-to-read Aladdin QUIX chapter book series that's perfect for emerging readers! Mack Rhino is a private eye who has just finished solving his 100th case and is ready to embark on his 101st with his trusty sidekick, Redd Oxpeck. A new candy cart in town is stealing business from other sweets shops, and surrounding establishments have had their alarms go off, only for nothing to appear to be missing. Does Mack have a new case on his hands or just a bunch of false alarms? "Short, sharp, devastating, *The Farther Shore* is a literary machine gun . . . a winning debut that happens to be a war novel." —Kansas City Star A small unit of soldiers from the US Army is separated from their command and left for dead. Their only option is to keep moving, in hope that they'll escape the marauding gangs and clansmen who appear to rule the city. Josh, a young soldier, and his "battle buddies" are left to wander in this hostile territory. A series of nightmarish, often violent encounters leaves only a few of them alive. *The Farther Shore* is a short, stark war novel in which the characters are both haunting and inhuman, natives and invaders alike. The emerging story reflects a new kind of military engagement, with all the attendant horrors and difficulties of fighting in a strange new postmodern battlefield. In his unforgettable debut novel, Matthew Eck puts readers inside the mind of a confused young soldier caught in the fog of unexpected warfare. "Bold, profane, hallucinatory." —Seattle Post-Intelligencer "Haunting . . . goes beyond the on-the-ground chaos of battle to capture the physical and psychological disorientation of modern war." —Publishers Weekly "Every word in Eck's first novel is as solid as a stone. Every moment of crisis feels authentic in its terror and tragedy; indeed, Eck served as a soldier in Somalia at age eighteen. Heir to Hemingway, and damn near as powerful as Cormac McCarthy in *The Road*, Eck has created a contemporary version of *The Red Badge of Courage* in this tale of one young man's trial by fire in the pandemonium of war in an age of high-tech weaponry and low-grade morality." —Booklist (starred review) "The first great war novel of our generation." —Salon 1 MetroCard, Momma and me. Down 2 flights—to catch the 3. 4 turnstiles, singers 5. A rumble, a screech . . . the train arrives! This bright, young counting book is a delightful trip through the New York City subway system. Hand in hand, child and mother see colorful subway signs and funny passengers, watch trains screeching by, and make new friends. With bold illustrations and a playful, rhyming text, this is not only a counting book, but also a tribute to New York and a sweet story of a child and parent navigating the city together. Catherine West has spent her entire life surrounded by beautiful things. And yet, despite all this, she still feels empty. After two broken engagements and boyfriends who wanted only her money, she is worried that she'll never have a family of her own. Then at an art opening Catherine meets William Stockton, a handsome banker who shares her impeccable taste and whose parents once moved in the same circles as Catherine's. But as William and Catherine grow closer, she begins to encounter strange signs. Her mother, now suffering lapses in memory, seems to hate William on sight. Is William lying about his past? And if so, is Catherine willing to sacrifice their beautiful life in order to find the truth? A coming-of-age story about a boy who is used to flying under the radar, and the classroom of kids determined to help him stand out. This touching friendship tale is the perfect read for fans of *Fish in a Tree* and *Song for a Whale*. "Austin's narration is conversational and observant." -Publishers Weekly, Starred Review If Austin picked a color to describe his life, it would be tumbleweed brown. Austin doesn't like standing out. He's always the new kid, and there's no hiding his size. Plus, Austin has a secret: he struggles to read. Then Austin meets Bertie, who is razzmatazz. Everything about Bertie is bursting! But the best part of his newest school is the Safety Squad, with their laser lemon vests. Their easy confidence and leadership stand out in the coolest way. Even when things are not so vibrant and life at home makes Austin feel pacific blue, for the first time, he wants to leave a mark. And the more Austin speaks up, the more he finds he may not be that different after all. Cassie Tyler's first grade class visits the Animal Inn in this third zany novel in a brand-new chapter book series where the fur—and fun—flies at an animal spa and hotel. 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