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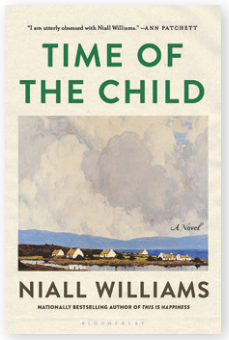


A *little* wonder goes a *long* way.

Winter invites the chance to linger with a good book. Inside, you'll find a curated mix of new releases and favorite picks, along with books and gifts for every reader. Each selection reflects the insight of independent booksellers. We hope these pages spark discovery, inspiration, and the pleasure of finding something you love.

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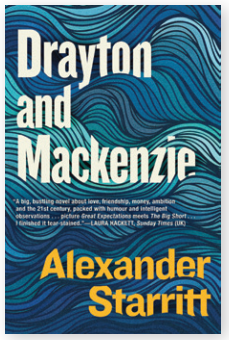




TIME OF THE CHILD

Niall Williams
From the author of the November 2025 Late Show with Stephen Colbert Book Club Pick, *This Is Happiness*, comes a compassionate, life-affirming novel about the Christmas season that transforms the small Irish town of Faha.

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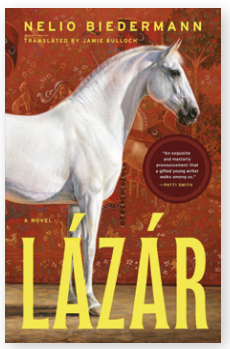
Alexander Starritt
This sweeping social novel follows an unlikely friendship between two men and a plan that could change the world. Set in the early 21st century, it was named a Best Book of the Year by the *Financial Times*, *GQ*, *Bloomberg*, and *The Times*.

Grove Atlantic
$30 | 9780802168641

LÁZÁR

Nelio Biedermann
This haunting debut, praised by Patti Smith, traces the rise and fall of an aristocratic Hungarian family against the backdrop of two world wars in a gothic, intergenerational saga.

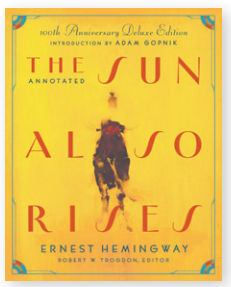
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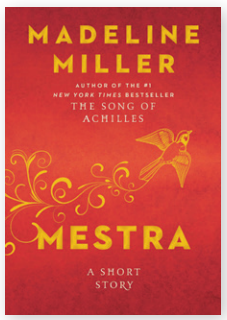


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Ernest Hemingway, Robert W. Trogdon & Adam Gopnik
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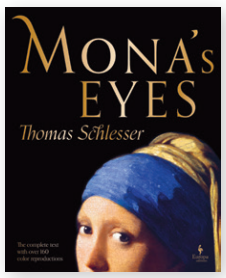




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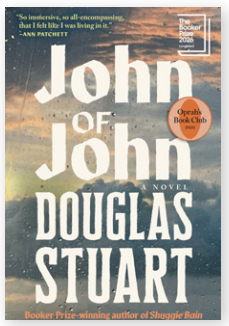
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"BORN TO READ/FORCED TO WORK" HAT

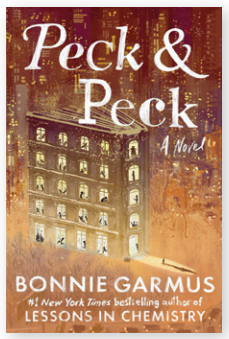
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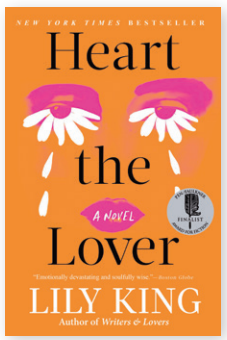
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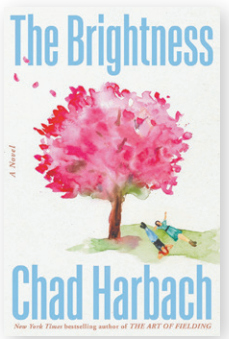
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THE BRIGHTNESS

Chad Harbach
From the bestselling author of literary sensation *The Art of Fielding* comes an urgent, deeply felt story of friendship, art, love, and grief, following two young women on the brink of irrevocable change.

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Will Maclean
The Secret History meets *House of Leaves* in this addictive puzzle box of a novel about university students who uncover an astonishing secret while clearing out a neglected Victorian mansion.
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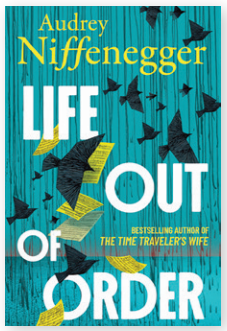
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Clay McLeod Chapman
The Exorcist meets *The Dead Romantics* in Clay McLeod Chapman's horror romance about a young man who thinks he's met the love of his life, only to discover she's a demon, and must decide how far he'll go to make the relationship work.
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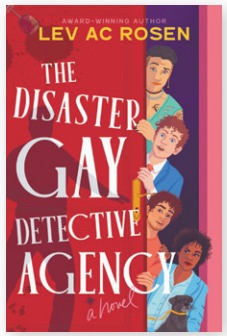
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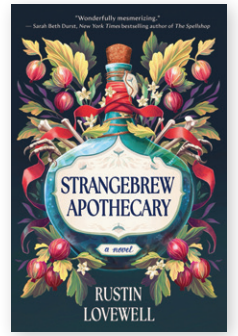
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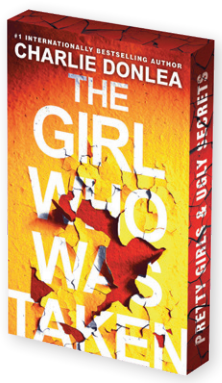
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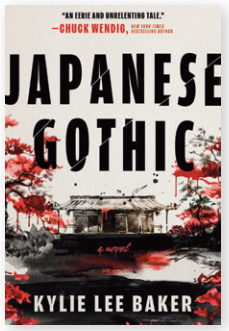
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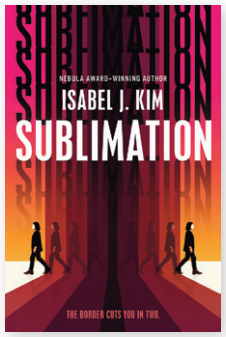
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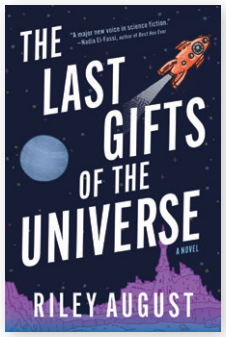
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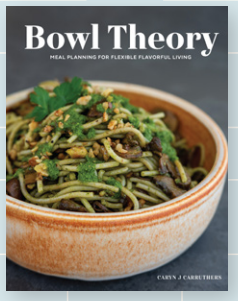
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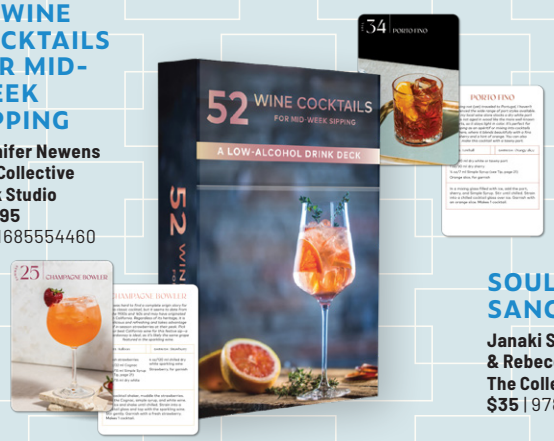
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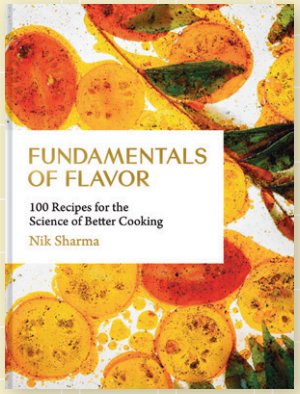


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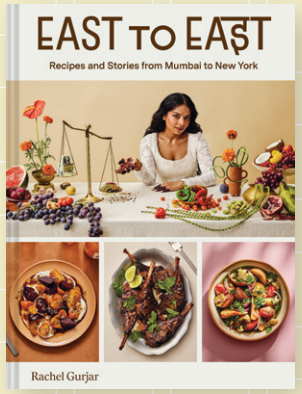
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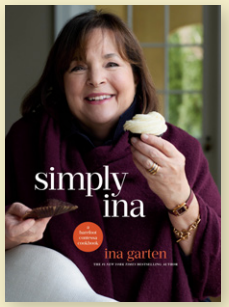
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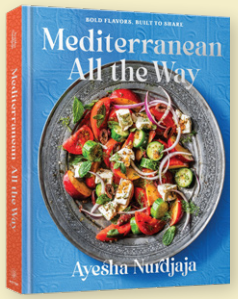
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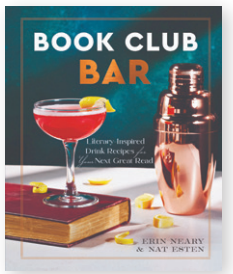
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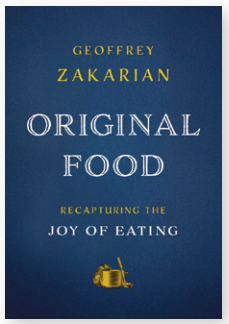
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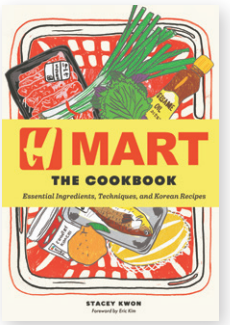
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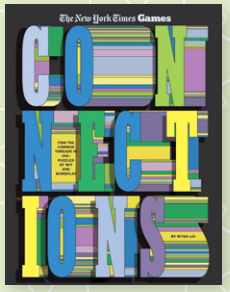
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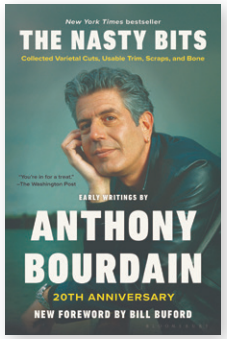
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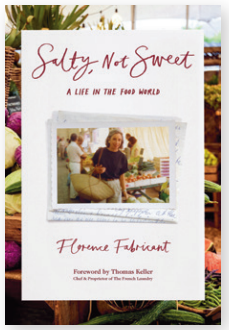
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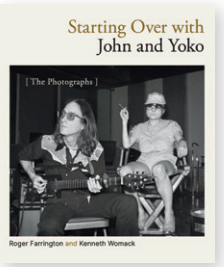
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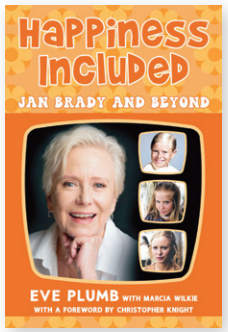
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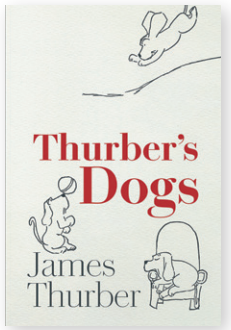




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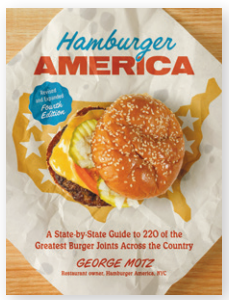
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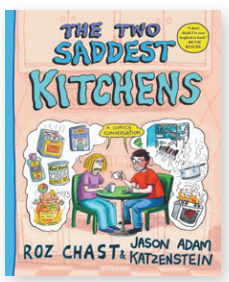
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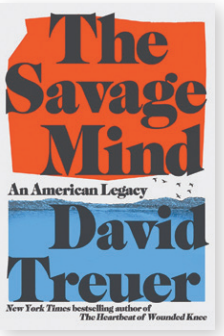
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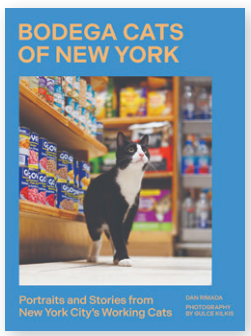
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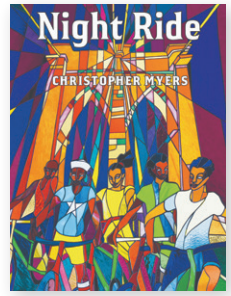
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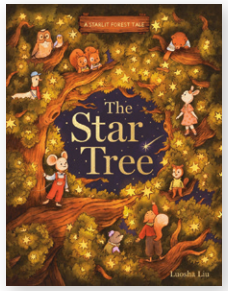
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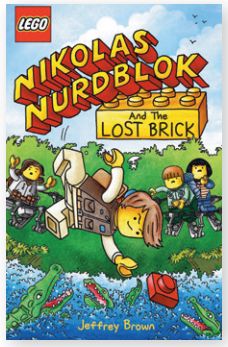
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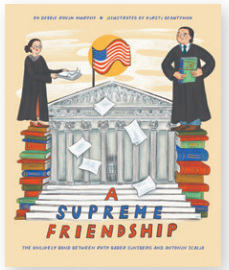




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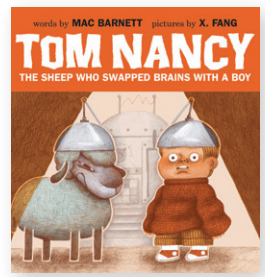
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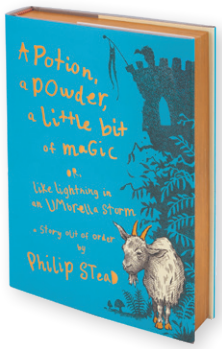
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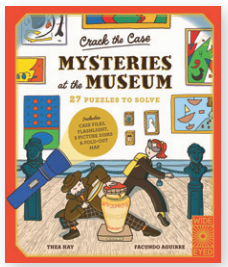
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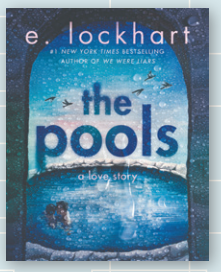
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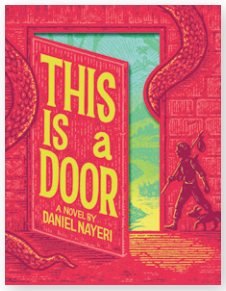
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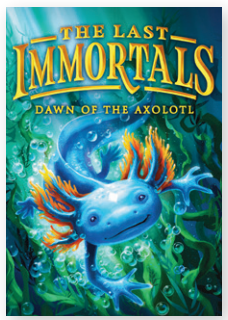




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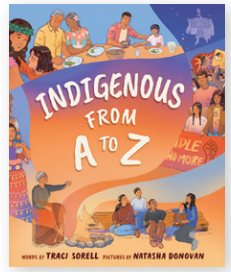
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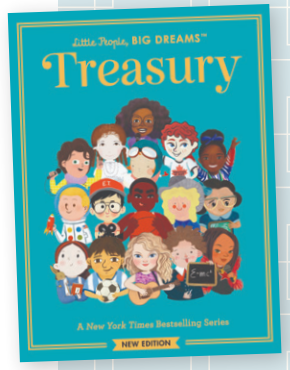
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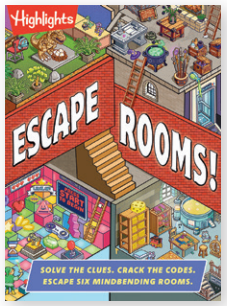
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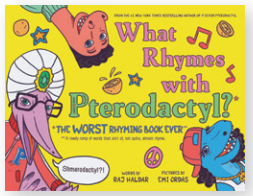
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