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The Museum of Extraordinary Things 2014-03-01 rtf1
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coralie sardie is the daughter of a self proclaimed
scientist and professor who acts as the impresario of the
museum of extraordinary things a boardwalk freak show
offering amazement and entertainment to the masses an
extraordinary swimmer coralie appears as the mermaid
alongside performers like the wolfman the butterfly girl
and a 100 year old turtle in her father s museum she
swims regularly in new york s hudson river and one night
stumbles upon a striking young man alone in the woods
photographing moon lit trees from that moment coralie
knows her life will never be the same par the dashing
photographer coralie spies is eddie cohen a russian
immigrant who has run away from his father s lower east
side orthodox community as eddie photographs the
devastation on the streets of new york following the
infamous triangle shirtwaist factory fire he becomes
embroiled in the mystery behind a young woman s
disappearance and the dispute between factory owners
and labourers in the tumultuous times that characterized
life in new york between the world wars coralie and

eddie s lives come crashing together in alice hoffman s mesmerizing imaginative and romantic new novel par **Diary of a Void** 2023-08-08 a woman in tokyo avoids harassment at work by perpetuating for nine months and beyond the lie that she s pregnant in this prizewinning thrillingly subversive debut novel about the mother of all deceptions for fans of convenience store woman and breasts and eggs when thirty four year old ms shibata gets a new job to escape sexual harassment at her old one she finds that as the only woman at her new workplace a manufacturer of cardboard tubes she is expected to do all the menial tasks one day she announces that she can t clear away her coworkers dirty cups because she s pregnant and the smell nauseates her the only thing is ms shibata is not pregnant pregnant ms shibata doesn t have to serve coffee to anyone pregnant ms shibata isn t forced to work overtime pregnant ms shibata rests watches tv takes long baths and even joins an aerobics class for expectant mothers she s finally being treated by her colleagues as more than a hollow core but she has a nine month ruse to keep up before long it becomes all absorbing and with the help of towel stuffed shirts and a diary app that tracks every stage of her pregnancy the boundary between her lie and her life begins to dissolve surreal and absurdist and with a winning matter of factness a light touch and a refreshing sensitivity to mental health

diary of a void will keep you turning the pages to see just how far ms shibata will carry her deception for the sake of women and especially working mothers everywhere

The Gracekeepers 2015-04-23 a flooded world a floating circus two women in search of a home north lives on a circus boat with her beloved bear keeping a secret that could capsize her life callanish lives alone in her house in the middle of the ocean tending the graves of those who die at sea as penance for a terrible mistake she has become a gracekeeper a chance meeting between the two draws them magnetically to one another and to the promise of a new life but the waters are treacherous and the tide is against them the gracekeepers is enchanting and heart tugging if you love margaret atwood you ll love this sunday telegraph a wondrous read stylist clever and original the times truly magical heat

Harrow Lake 2020-08-25 a must have thriller that will keep you gripped keep you guessing and keep you up all night a captivating and creeping mystery full of brilliantly twisting turns and dark secrets you will race through this chilling thrilling book holly jackson bestselling author of a good girl s guide to murder lola nox is the daughter of a celebrated horror filmmaker she thinks nothing can scare her but when her father is brutally attacked in their new york apartment she s quickly packed off to live with a grandmother she s never

met in harrow lake the eerie town where her father's most iconic horror movie was shot the locals are weirdly obsessed with the film that put their town on the map and there are strange disappearances which the police seem determined to explain away and there's someone or something stalking her every move the more lola discovers about the town the more terrifying it becomes because lola's got secrets of her own and if she can't find a way out of harrow lake they might just be the death of her atmospheric and chilling *mindy mcginnis* author of *the female of the species* you're going to want to read this one with all the lights on *cat winters* author of *in the shadow of blackbirds* a thrilling mindbender *bccb* a sinister story that slowly builds to a heart pounding climax *kirkus reviews* bound to give you jittery nightmares when you can finally fall asleep *emma berquist* author of *devils unto dust*

The Rental Heart and Other Fairytales 2014-03-15
winner of the scott prizetwenty tales of lust and loss these stories feature clockwork hearts lascivious queens paper men island circuses and a flooded world on the island of skye an antlered girl and a tiger tailed boy resolve never to be friends but can they resist their unique connection in an alternative 19th century paris a love triangle emerges between a man a woman and a coin operated boy a teenager deals with his sister's death by escaping from their tiny scottish island but will

she let him leave in 1920s new orleans a young girl comes of age in her mother s brothel some of these stories are radical retellings of classic tales some are modern day fables but all explore substitutions for love

The Gloaming 2019-04-18 the best lives leave a mark a bewitching tale of first love shattering grief and the dangerous magic that draws us home mara s island is one of stories and magic but every story ends in the same way she will finish her days on the cliff turned to stone and gazing out at the horizon like all the islanders before her mara s parents a boxer and a ballerina chose this enchanted place as a refuge from the turbulence of their previous lives they wanted to bring up their children somewhere special and safe but the island and the sea don t care what people want and when they claim a price from her family mara s world unravels it takes the arrival of pearl mysterious and irresistible to light a spark in mara again and allow her to consider a different story for herself the gloaming is a gorgeous tale of love and grief and the gap between fairy tales and real life

Hometown Tales: Glasgow 2018-06-28 original tales by remarkable writers hometown tales is a series of books pairing exciting new voices with some of the most talented and important writers at work today some of the tales are fiction and some are narrative non fiction they are all powerful fascinating and moving and aim to celebrate regional diversity and explore the meaning of

home in these pages on glasgow you'll find two unique memoirs the old asylum in the woods is an intimate intensely moving account of growing up in the shadow of woodilee hospital by author of the gracekeepers and the gloaming kirsty logan glasgow sang is a deeply personal journey on foot through the city from kelvin way bridge to george square to the statue of la pasionaria by paul mcquade

The Gracekeepers 2015-05-19 for readers of the night circus and station eleven a lyrical and absorbing debut set in a world covered by water as a gracekeeper callanish administers shoreside burials laying the dead to their final resting place deep in the depths of the ocean alone on her island she has exiled herself to a life of tending watery graves as penance for a long ago mistake that still haunts her meanwhile north works as a circus performer with the excalibur a floating troupe of acrobats clowns dancers and trainers who sail from one archipelago to the next entertaining in exchange for sustenance in a world divided between those inhabiting the mainland landlockers and those who float on the sea dampplings loneliness has become a way of life for north and callanish until a sudden storm offshore brings change to both their lives offering them a new understanding of the world they live in and the consequences of the past while restoring hope in an unexpected future inspired in part by scottish myths and

fairytale the gracekeepers tells a modern story of an irreparably changed world one that harbors the same isolation and sadness but also joys and marvels of our own age finalist lambda literary award

By a Charm and a Curse 2018-02-06 a kirkus reviews best indie book of 2018 a kiss is never just a kiss le grand s carnival fantastic isn t like other traveling circuses it s bound by a charm held together by a centuries old curse that protects its members from ever growing older or getting hurt emmaline king is drawn to the circus like a moth to a flame and unwittingly recruited into its folds by a mysterious teen boy whose kiss is as cold as ice forced to travel through texas as the new girl in the box emmaline is completely trapped breaking the curse seems like her only chance at freedom but with no curse there s no charm either dooming everyone who calls the carnival fantastic home including the boy she s afraid she s falling for everything including his life could end with just one kiss

A Portable Shelter 2016-11-03 in their tiny sea beaten cottage on the north coast of scotland liska and ruth await the birth of their first child each passes the time by telling the baby stories trying to pass on the lessons they ve learned tales of circuses and stargazing selkie fishermen and domestic werewolves child eating witches and broken toothed dragons but they must keep their storytelling a secret from one another as they ve agreed

to only ever tell the plain truth so to cloak their tales ruth tells her stories when liska is at work to a background of shrieking seabirds liska tells hers when ruth is asleep with the lighthouse sweeping its steady beam through the window

The Dead Queen of Bohemia 2016-05-19 the dead queen of bohemia is a journey through a life lived on the edge with a poetic style influenced by gertrude stein and william burroughs this collection is woven with surrealistic imagery that is both unflinching and dislocating fagan s poetry is raw and tough yet beautiful and tender and with themes of loss and recovery hope and defiance represents a clarion call from a self taught poet who started writing at the age of seven and so far has not stopped the dead queen of bohemia documents the progression of a voice and a life written over the last twenty years it opens with jenni s most recent work and includes her previous two collections both now out of print

War of the Wives 2015-02-01 think marriage means happily ever after think again selina and lottie are complete opposites where selina is poised but prudish lottie is quirky and emotional selina is the dutiful mother of three children and able manager of their stylish suburban home lottie lives with her eccentric teenage daughter in a small city apartment fit to bursting with color and happy chaos but these women also have one

shocking similarity they're married to the same man and they've just found out he's dead. Selina has been married to Simon Busfield for twenty-eight years, Lottie for seventeen. Neither knows a thing about the other until the day of Simon's funeral where the scandalous truth is revealed in front of everyone they know: another wife, another family, and they've only just scratched the surface of Simon's incredible betrayal. With dark humor and razor-sharp wit, Cohen expertly unravels a story of deception and betrayal where two very different families will discover they are entwined in ways that will change them all forever. Witty, ludicrously melodramatic, and psychologically perceptive, *Sunday Telegraph* a cracking debut, *Fatal Attraction* with a clever twist at the end, addictive. *The Bookseller* on *The Mistress's Revenge*.

Church of Marvels 2015-05-05 a ravishing first novel set in vibrant, tumultuous turn-of-the-century New York City where the lives of four outsiders become entwined, bringing irrevocable change to them all. New York, 1895. Sylvan Threadgill, a night soiler cleaning out the privies behind the tenement houses, finds an abandoned newborn baby in the muck, an orphan himself. Sylvan rescues the child, determined to find where she belongs. Odile Church and her beautiful sister Belle were raised amid the applause and magical pageantry of the Church of Marvels, their mother's spectacular Coney Island sideshow. But the church has burnt to the ground, their

mother dead in its ashes now belle the family s star has vanished into the bowels of manhattan leaving odile alone and desperate to find her a young woman named alphonse awakens to find herself trapped across the river in blackwell s lunatic asylum sure that her imprisonment is a ruse by her husband s vile overbearing mother on the ward she meets another young woman of ethereal beauty who does not speak a girl with an extraordinary talent that might save them both as these strangers lives become increasingly connected their stories and secrets unfold moving from the coney island seashore to the tenement studded streets of the lower east side a spectacular human circus to a brutal terrifying asylum church of marvels takes readers back to turn of the century new york a city of hardship and dreams love and loneliness hope and danger in magnetic luminous prose leslie parry offers a richly atmospheric vision of the past in a narrative of astonishing beauty full of wondrous enchantments a marvelous debut that will leave readers breathless

Salt On Your Tongue 2019-01-03 an ode to the ocean and the generations of women drawn to the waves or left waiting on the shore guardian in salt on your tongue charlotte runcie explores what the sea means to us and particularly what it has meant to women through the ages in mesmerising prose she explores how the sea has inspired fascinated and terrified us and how she

herself fell in love with the deep blue this book is a walk on the beach with turner with shakespeare with the romantic poets and shanty singers it s an ode to our oceans to the sailors who brave their treacherous waters to the women who lost their loved ones to the waves to the creatures that dwell in their depths to beachcombers swimmers seabirds and mermaids navigating through ancient greek myths poetry shipwrecks and scottish folktales salt on your tongue is about how the wild untameable waves can help us understand what it means to be human

Arabic Poems 2014-08-05 a bilingual anthology of poems from the sixth century to the present arabic poems is a one of a kind showcase of a fascinating literary tradition the arabic poetic legacy is as vast as it is deep spanning a period of fifteen centuries in regions from morocco to iraq themes of love nature religion and politics recur in works drawn from the pre islamic oral tradition through poems anticipating the recent arab spring editor marlé hammond has selected more than fifty poems reflecting desire and longing of various kinds for the beloved for the divine for the homeland and for change and renewal poets include the legendary pre islamic warrior antara medieval andalusian poet ibn zaydun the mystical poet rabi a al adawiyya and the influential egyptian romantic ahmad zaki abu shadi here too are literary giants of the past century khalil jibran

author of the best selling the prophet popular syrian poet
nizar qabbani palestinian feminist fadwa tuqan
mahmoud darwish bard of occupation and exile
acclaimed iconoclast adonis and more in their
evocations of heroism nostalgia mysticism grief and
passion the poems gathered here transcend the
limitations of time and place

Suicide Club 2018-07-10 lea kirino is a lifer which
means that a roll of the genetic dice has given her the
potential to live forever if she does everything right and
lea is an overachiever she s a successful trader on the
new york exchange where instead of stocks human
organs are now bought and sold she has a beautiful
apartment and a fianc e who rivals her in genetic
perfection but lea s perfect life is turned upside down
when she spots her estranged father on a crowded
sidewalk his return marks the beginning of her downfall
as she is drawn into his mysterious world of the suicide
club a network of powerful individuals and rebels who
reject society s pursuit of immortality and instead chose
to live and die on their own terms

The Cairngorms 2014-07-16 a travelogue exploring the
colorful history of the scottish mountain range by the
author of the unremembered places cairngorms a secret
history is a series of journeys exploring barely known
human and natural stories of the cairngorm mountains it
looks at a unique british landscape its last great

wilderness with new eyes history combines with travelogue in a vivid account of this elemental scenery there have been rare human incursions into the cairngorm plateau and patrick baker tracks them down he traces elusive wildlife and relives ghostly sightings on the summit of ben macdui from the search for a long forgotten climbing shelter and the locating of ancient gem mines to the discovery of skeletal aircraft remains and the hunt for a mysterious nineteenth century aristocratic settlement he seeks out the unlikeliest and most interesting of features in places far off the beaten track the cultural and human impact of this stunning landscape and reflections on the history of mountaineering are the threads which bind this compelling narrative together praise for the cairngorms perfect full of ghosts of walkers past conde nast traveler describing a series of walks baker illuminates the bleak landscape revealing the many stories linked to its ruined bothies ancient gem mines and even haunted summits ft weekend exploring the cairngorms has been a lifetime fascination for patrick baker and in this book he generously shares the results scotland magazine packed with great stories and vivid descriptions scotland outdoor **Ziggy, Stardust and Me** 2019-08-06 in this tender hearted debut set against the tumultuous backdrop of life in 1973 when homosexuality is still considered a mental illness two boys defy all the odds and fall in love the year

is 1973 the watergate hearings are in full swing the vietnam war is still raging and homosexuality is still officially considered a mental illness in the midst of these trying times is sixteen year old jonathan collins a bullied anxious asthmatic kid who aside from an alcoholic father and his sympathetic neighbor and friend starla is completely alone to cope jonathan escapes to the safe haven of his imagination where his hero david bowie s ziggy stardust and dead relatives including his mother guide him through the rough terrain of his life in his alternate reality jonathan can be anything a superhero an astronaut ziggy stardust himself or completely normal and not a boy who likes other boys when he completes his treatments he will be normal at least he hopes but before that can happen stumbles into his life is everything jonathan wishes he could be fearless fearsome and most importantly not ashamed of being gay jonathan doesn t want to like brooding who has secrets all his own jonathan wants nothing more than to be fixed once and for all but he s drawn to anyway is the first person in the real world to see jonathan completely and think he s perfect is a kind of escape jonathan has never known for the first time in his life he may finally feel free enough to love and accept himself as he is a poignant coming of age tale ziggy stardust and me heralds the arrival of a stunning and important new voice in ya

Mermaid Moon 2020-03-03 an award winning author tells of a mermaid who leaves the sea in search of her landish mother in a captivating tale spun with beautiful prose lush descriptions empathy and keen wit blood calls to blood charm calls to charm it is the way of the world come close and tell us your dreams sanna is a mermaid but she is only half seavish the night of her birth a sea witch cast a spell that made sanna s people including her landish mother forget how and where she was born now sanna is sixteen and an outsider in the seavishmatriarchy and she is determined to find her mother and learn who she is she apprentices herself to the witch to learn the magic of making and unmaking and with a new pair of legs and a quest to complete for her teacher she follows a clue that leads her ashore on the thirty seven dark islands there as her fellow mermaids wait in the sea sanna stumbles into a wall of white roses thirsty for blood a hardscrabble people hungry for miracles and a baroness who will do anything to live forever from the author of the michael I printz honor book the kingdom of little wounds comes a gorgeously told tale of belonging sacrifice fear hope and mortality

Bambert's Book of Missing Stories 2009-03-25 one day mr bambert a sweet but shy man decides to send 11 stories out into the world he attaches them to little hot air balloons and lets them go on windy nights with a letter

asking that whoever finds them send them back wherever the stories are returned from is where they will be set the 11th story is blank bambert hopes it will write itself slowly the stories come back with postmarks from all over the world including one from the past all that's left is the last one the one that has to write itself in this magical little story with a twist the power of kindness stories and hope is woven together to create a soul warming poignant tale that readers will want to read again and again praise for dreaming in black and white a short quiet yet memorable novel that challenges its audience with questions worth asking booklist

The Tiger's Wife 2011-03-08 national book award finalist new york times bestseller spectacular téa obreht spins a tale of such marvel and magic in a literary voice so enchanting that the mesmerized reader wants her never to stop entertainment weekly look for téa obreht's second novel inland now available named one of the ten best books of the year by michiko kakutani the new york times entertainment weekly the christian science monitor the kansas city star library journal weaving a brilliant latticework of family legend loss and love téa obreht the youngest of the new yorker's twenty best american fiction writers under forty has spun a timeless novel that will establish her as one of the most vibrant original authors of her generation in a balkan country mending from war natalia a young doctor is compelled to unravel

the mysterious circumstances surrounding her beloved grandfather's recent death searching for clues she turns to his worn copy of the jungle book and the stories he told her of his encounters over the years with the deathless man but most extraordinary of all is the story her grandfather never told her the legend of the tiger's wife named one of the best books of the year by the wall street journal o the oprah magazine the economist vogue slate chicago tribune the seattle times dayton daily news publishers weekly alan cheuse npr's all things considered stunning a richly textured and searing novel michiko kakutani the new york times obrecht has a talent for subtle plotting that eludes most writers twice her age and her descriptive powers suggest a kind of channeled genius no novel this year has been more satisfying the wall street journal filled with astonishing immediacy and presence fleshed out with detail that seems firsthand the tiger's wife is all the more remarkable for being the product not of observation but of imagination the new york times book review that the tiger's wife never slips entirely into magical realism is part of its magic its graceful commingling of contemporary realism and village legend seems even more absorbing the washington post

Bones & All 2015-03-10 now a major motion picture from luca guadagnino starring taylor russell timothée chalamet and mark rylance screenplay by david

kajganich maren yearly is a young woman who wants the same things we all do she wants to be someone people admire and respect she wants to be loved but her secret shameful needs have forced her into exile she hates herself for the bad thing she does for what it s done to her family and her sense of identity for how it dictates her place in the world and how people see her how they judge her she didn t choose to be this way because maren yearly doesn t just break hearts she devours them ever since her mother found penny wilson s eardrum in her mouth when maren was just two years old she knew life would never be normal for either of them love may come in many shapes and sizes but for maren it always ends the same with her hiding the evidence and her mother packing up the car but when her mother abandons her the day after her sixteenth birthday maren goes looking for the father she has never known and finds much more than she bargained for along the way faced with a world of fellow eaters potential enemies and the prospect of love maren realizes she isn t only looking for her father she s looking for herself

I Crawl Through It 2015-09-22 four teenagers are on the verge of exploding the anxieties they face at every turn have nearly pushed them to the point of surrender senseless high stakes testing the lingering damage of past trauma the buried grief and guilt of tragic loss they

are desperate to cope but no one is listening so they will lie they will split in two they will turn inside out they will even build an invisible helicopter to fly themselves far away but nothing releases the pressure because as they discover the only way to truly escape their world is to fly right into it the genius of acclaimed author a s king reaches new heights in this groundbreaking work of surrealist fiction it will mesmerize readers with its deeply affecting exploration of how we crawl through traumatic experience and find the way out

The Comet Seekers 2016-10-11 a magical intoxicating debut novel both intimate and epic that intertwines the past present and future of two lovers bound by the passing of great comets overhead and a coterie of remarkable ancestors róisín and françois are immediately drawn to each other when they meet at a remote research base on the frozen ice sheets of antarctica at first glance the pair could not be more different older by a few years róisín a daughter of ireland and a peripatetic astronomer joins the science team to observe the fracturing of a comet overhead françois the base s chef has just left his birthplace in bayeux france for only the second time in his life yet devastating tragedy and the longing for a fresh start which they share as well as an indelible but unknown bond that stretches back centuries connect them to each other helen sedgwick carefully unfolds their surprisingly

intertwined paths moving forward and back through time to reveal how these lovers destinies have long been tied to each other by the skies the arrival of comets great and small in telling róisín and françois s story sedgwick illuminates the lives of their ancestors showing how strangers can be connected and ghosts can be real and how the way we choose to see the world can be as desolate or as beautiful as the comets themselves a mesmerizing skillfully crafted and emotionally perceptive novel that explores the choices we make the connections we miss and the ties that inextricably join our fates the comet seekers reflects how the shifting cosmos unite us all through life beyond death and across the whole of time

Know Your Beholder 2015-03-03 from a pulitzer prize finalist comes a hilarious and heartbreaking novel about a musician climbing back from rock bottom as winter deepens in snowbound pollard illinois thirty something francis falbo is holed up in his attic apartment recovering from a series of traumas his mother s death his beloved wife s desertion and his once ascendant rock band s irreconcilable break up francis hasn t shaved in months hasn t so much as changed out of his bathrobe the uniform of a life in default for nine days other than the agoraphobia that continues to hold him hostage all he has left is his childhood home whose remaining rooms he rents to a cast of eccentric tenants including a pair of

former circus performers whose daughter has gone missing the tight knit community has already survived a blizzard but there is more danger in store for the citizens of pollard before summer arrives francis is himself caught up in these troubles as he becomes increasingly entangled in the affairs of others with results that are by turns disastrous hysterical and ultimately healing fusing consummate wit with the seriousness attending an adulthood gone awry rapp has written an uproarious and affecting novel about what we do and where we go when our lives have crumbled around us sharp edged but tenderhearted know your beholder introduces us to one of the most lovably flawed characters in recent fiction a man at last able to collect the jagged pieces of his dreams and begin anew in both life and love seldom have our foibles and our efforts to persevere in spite of them been laid bare with such heart and hope

Some Kind of Fairy Tale 2012-07-10 acclaimed author graham joyce s mesmerizing new novel centers around the disappearance of a young girl from a small town in the heart of england her sudden return twenty years later and the mind bending tale of where she s been will challenge our very perception of truth for twenty years after tara martin disappeared from her small english town her parents and her brother peter have lived in denial of the grim fact that she was gone for good and then suddenly on christmas day the doorbell rings at her

parents home and there disheveled and slightly peculiar looking tara stands it s a miracle but alarm bells are ringing for peter tara s story just does not add up and incredibly she barely looks a day older than when she vanished award winning author graham joyce is a master of exploring new realms of understanding that exist between dreams and reality between the known and unknown some kind of fairy tale is a unique journey every bit as magical as its title implies and as real and unsentimental as the world around us

The Shape of Darkness 2021-01-21 wicked deeds require the cover of darkness the new gothic thriller from laura purcell bestselling author of the silent companions dripping with atmosphere with a corkscrew plot laura purcell just gets better and better stacey halls it truly kept me guessing to the very last page sonia velton a struggling silhouette artist in victorian bath seeks out a renowned child spirit medium in order to speak to the dead and to try and identify their killers in this beguiling new tale from laura purcell silhouette artist agnes is struggling to keep her business afloat still recovering from a serious illness herself making enough money to support her elderly mother and her orphaned nephew cedric has never been easy but then one of her clients is murdered shortly after sitting for agnes and then another and another desperately seeking an answer agnes approaches pearl a child spirit medium lodging in bath

with her older half sister and her ailing father hoping that if pearl can make contact with those who died they might reveal who killed them but agnes and pearl quickly discover that instead they may have opened the door to something that they can never put back what secrets lie hidden in the darkness

Deep Wheel Orcadia 2021-10-14 deep wheel orcadia is a magical first a science fiction verse novel written in the orcadian dialect as well as the first full length work of adult fiction in the orkney language for over fifty years

The Wild Things 2010-03-02 max is a rambunctious eight year old living with his mother and his sister terrorizing the neighborhood on his bicycle but max s world is changing around him his father is absent and his mother is increasingly distracted max s teenage sister is outgrowing him leaving him alone in favor of her friends sad and angry max dons his wolf suit and makes terrible ruinous mischief setting off into the night max finds a boat and sails away to an island here he meets strange and giant creatures creatures that rage and break things creatures that trample and scream these monsters do everything max feels inside and so max appoints himself their king here on a magnificent adventure with the creatures max can be the wildest thing of all in this visionary new novel eggert brings an imaginary world vividly to life filling it with monsters chaos and one very real little boy by turns beautiful and joyful sorrowful and

strange the wild things is an astonishing literary triumph
Witches & Wicked Bodies 2013 the book will provide an innovative rich survey of images of European witchcraft from the sixteenth century to the present day the entire exhibition will be reproduced in the catalogue with enlightening text alongside each image themes of the exhibition will be explained

The Forgotten Kingdom 2020-09-15 the story continues in the forgotten kingdom the second book in the epic lost queen trilogy already hailed as *Outlander* meets *Camelot* Kirsty Logan author of *Things We Say in the Dark* and *The Mists of Avalon* for a new generation Linnea Hartsuyker author of *The Golden Wolf* and *573* imprisoned in her chamber Languoreth awaits news in torment her husband and son have ridden off to wage war against her brother Lailoken she doesn't yet know that her young daughter Angharad who was training with Lailoken to become a wisdom keeper has been lost in the chaos as one of the bloodiest battles of early medieval Scottish history scatters its survivors to the wind Lailoken and his men must flee to exile in the mountains of the lowlands while nine year old Angharad must summon all Lailoken has taught her and follow her own destiny through the mysterious mystical land of the Picts in the aftermath of the battle old political alliances unravel opening the way for the ambitious adherents of the new religion Christianity Lailoken is half mad with battle sickness and

languoreth must hide her allegiance to the old way to survive her marriage to the next christian king of strathclyde worst yet the new king of the angles is bent on expanding his kingdom at any cost now the exiled lailoken with the help of a young warrior named artur may be the only man who can bring the christians and the pagans together to defeat the encroaching angles but to do so he must claim the role that will forever transform him he must become the man known to history as myrddin bitter rivalries are ignited lost loves are found new loves are born and old enemies come face to face with their reckoning in this compellingly fresh look at one of the most enduring legends of all time

The Dangers of Smoking in Bed 2021-01-12 the beautiful horrible world of mariana Enriquez as glimpsed in the dangers of smoking in bed with its disturbed adolescents ghosts decaying ghouls the sad and angry homeless of modern argentina is the most exciting discovery i ve made in fiction for some time kazuo ishiguro the guardian shortlisted for the international booker prize new york times editors choice finalist los angeles times book prize ray bradbury prize kirkus prize one of the best books of the year oprah daily new york public library electric lit lithub kirkus reviews mariana Enriquez has been critically lauded for her unconventional and sociopolitical stories of the macabre populated by unruly teenagers crooked witches

homeless ghosts and hungry women they walk the uneasy line between urban realism and horror the stories in her new collection are as terrifying as they are socially conscious and press into being the unspoken fetish illness the female body the darkness of human history with bracing urgency a woman is sexually obsessed with the human heart a lost rotting baby crawls out of a backyard and into a bedroom a pair of teenage girls can't let go of their idol an entire neighborhood is cursed to death when it fails to respond correctly to a moral dilemma written against the backdrop of contemporary argentina and with a resounding tenderness toward those in pain in fear and in limbo the dangers of smoking in bed is mariana Enriquez at her most sophisticated and most chilling

The Sunlight Pilgrims 2016-07-19 the stunning new novel from the highly acclaimed author of the panopticon it's november of 2020 and the world is freezing over each day colder than the last there's snow in israel the thames is overflowing and an iceberg separated from the fjords in norway is expected to drift just off the coast of scotland as ice water melts into the atlantic frenzied london residents evacuate by the thousands for warmer temperatures down south but not dylan grieving and ready to build life anew he heads north to bury his mother's and grandmother's ashes on the scottish islands where they once lived hundreds of miles away

twelve year old estella and her survivalist mother constance scrape by in the snowy mountainous highlands preparing for a record breaking winter living out of a caravan they spend their days digging through landfills searching for anything with restorative and trading value when dylan arrives in their caravan park in the middle of the night life changes course for estella and constance though the weather worsens his presence brings a new light to daily life and when the ultimate disaster finally strikes they ll all be ready written in incandescent dazzling prose the sunlight pilgrims is a visionary story of courage and resilience in the midst of nature s most violent hour by turns an homage to the portentous beauty of our natural world and to just how strong we can be if the will and the hope is there to survive its worst npr best books of 2016 family matters identity culture science fiction fantasy and tales from around the world

The Lost Queen 2019-06-04 outlander meets camelot kirsty logan author of the gracekeepers in the first book of an exciting historical trilogy that reveals the untold story of languoreth a powerful and until now tragically forgotten queen of sixth century scotland twin sister of the man who inspired the legendary character of merlin intelligent passionate rebellious and brave languoreth is the unforgettable heroine of the lost queen a tale of conflicted loves and survival set against the cinematic

backdrop of ancient scotland a magical land of myths and superstition inspired by the beauty of the natural world one of the most powerful early medieval queens in british history languoreth ruled at a time of enormous disruption and bloodshed when the burgeoning forces of christianity threatened to obliterate the ancient pagan beliefs and change her way of life forever together with her twin brother lailoken a warrior and druid known to history as merlin languoreth is catapulted into a world of danger and violence when a war brings the hero emrys pendragon to their door languoreth collides with the handsome warrior maelgwn their passionate connection is forged by enchantment but languoreth is promised in marriage to rhydderch son of the high king who is sympathetic to the followers of christianity as rhydderch s wife languoreth must assume her duty to fight for the preservation of the old way her kingdom and all she holds dear moving thrilling and ultimately spellbinding bookpage the lost queen brings this remarkable woman to life rescuing her from obscurity and reaffirming her place at the center of the most enduring legends of all time moving thrilling and ultimately spellbinding the lost queen is perfect for readers of historical fiction like the clan of the cave bear and wolf hall and for lovers of fantasy like outlander and the mists of avalon bookpage **Little Nothing** 2016-09-13 a huffington post book club suggestion an o the oprah magazine fall pick a lithub

book you should read this september one of the millions most anticipated for 2016 2017 ohioana book award winner in fiction marisa silver s beguiling new novel little nothing is a powerful exploration of the relationship between our changeable bodies and our just as malleable identities silver s storytelling skills are finely matched to her themes meditative passages bloom with life matt bell the new york times book review a stunning provocative new novel from new york times bestselling author marisa silver little nothing is the story of a girl scorned for her physical deformity whose passion and salvation lie in her otherworldly ability to transform herself and the world around her in an unnamed country at the beginning of the last century a child called pavla is born to peasant parents her arrival fervently anticipated and conceived in part by gypsy tonics and archaic prescriptions stuns her parents and brings outrage and scorn from her community pavla has been born a dwarf beautiful in face but as the years pass she grows no farther than the edge of her crib when her parents turn to the treatments of a local charlatan his terrifying cure opens the floodgates of persecution for pavla little nothing unfolds across a lifetime of unimaginable magical transformation in and out of human form as an outcast girl becomes a hunted woman whose ultimate survival depends on the most startling transfiguration of them all woven throughout is the journey of danilo the

young man entranced by pavla obsessed only with protecting her part allegory about the shifting nature of being part subversive fairy tale of love in all its uncanny guises little nothing spans the beginning of a new century the disintegration of ancient superstitions and the adoption of industry and invention with a cast of remarkable characters a wholly original story and extraordinary page turning prose marisa silver delivers a novel of sheer electricity

The Gloaming 2018-04-19 the best lives leave a mark a bewitching tale of first love shattering grief and the dangerous magic that draws us home mara s island is one of stories and magic but every story ends in the same way she will finish her days on the cliff turned to stone and gazing out at the horizon like all the islanders before her mara s parents a boxer and a ballerina chose this enchanted place as a refuge from the turbulence of their previous lives they wanted to bring up their children somewhere special and safe but the island and the sea don t care what people want and when they claim a price from her family mara s world unravels it takes the arrival of pearl mysterious and irresistible to light a spark in mara again and allow her to consider a different story for herself the gloaming is a gorgeous tale of love and grief and the gap between fairy tales and real life

Now She is Witch 2023-01-12 in this witch story unlike any other lux and else join forces to take their revenge

on a powerful man their journey through the wild world will uncover both secrets and danger lux has lost everything when she finds her alone in the woods her family her lover her home all burned the world is suspicious of women like her but lux is cunning she knows how to exploit people's expectations how to blend into the background and she knows a lot about poisons else has not found lux by accident she needs her help to seek revenge against the man who wronged her and together they pursue him north but on their hunt they will uncover dark secrets that entangle them with dangerous adversaries from the snowy winter woods to the bright midnight sun from lost and powerless to finding your path now she is witch conjures a world of violence and beauty a world where women grasp at power through witchcraft sexuality and performance and most of all through throwing each other to the wolves mesmerising and evocative an imaginative triumph observer an impassioned reclaiming of female desire stuffed russian doll like with stories an absorbingly atmospheric adventure daily mail logan builds lux's world with an eye for striking detail the images snap and sizzle with portent and possibility guardian spooky timeless feminist inventive unsettling viv groskop myth making at its best val mcdermid

The Western Wind 2018-11-13 winner of the staunch book prize a beautifully written and expertly structured

medieval mystery packed with intrigue drama and shock revelations minneapolis star tribune an extraordinary new novel by samantha harvey whose books have been nominated for the man Booker prize the women s prize for fiction formerly the orange prize and the guardian first book award the western wind is a riveting story of faith guilt and the freedom of confession it s 1491 in the small village of oakham its wealthiest and most industrious resident tom newman is swept away by the river during the early hours of shrove saturday was it murder suicide or an accident narrated from the perspective of local priest john reve patient shepherd to his wayward flock a shadowy portrait of the community comes to light through its residents tortured revelations as some of their darkest secrets are revealed the intrigue of the unexplained death ripples through the congregation but will reve a man with secrets of his own discover what happened to newman and what will happen if he can t written with timeless eloquence steeped in the spiritual traditions of the middle ages and brimming with propulsive suspense the western wind finds samantha harvey at the pinnacle of her outstanding novelistic power beautifully rendered deeply affecting thoroughly thoughtful and surprisingly prescient a story of a community crowded with shadows and secrets the new york times book review ms harvey has summoned this remote world with writing of the highest quality conjuring

its pungencies and peculiarities the wall street journal brings medieval england back to life the washington post **At the Water's Edge** 2015-03-31 new york times bestseller in this thrilling new novel from the author of water for elephants sara gruen again demonstrates her talent for creating spellbinding period pieces at the water s edge is a gripping and poignant love story about a privileged young woman s awakening as she experiences the devastation of world war ii in a tiny village in the scottish highlands after disgracing themselves at a high society new year s eve party in philadelphia in 1944 madeline hyde and her husband ellis are cut off financially by his father a former army colonel who is already ashamed of his son s inability to serve in the war when ellis and his best friend hank decide that the only way to regain the colonel s favor is to succeed where the colonel very publicly failed by hunting down the famous loch ness monster maddie reluctantly follows them across the atlantic leaving her sheltered world behind the trio find themselves in a remote village in the scottish highlands where the locals have nothing but contempt for the privileged interlopers maddie is left on her own at the isolated inn where food is rationed fuel is scarce and a knock from the postman can bring tragic news yet she finds herself falling in love with the stark beauty and subtle magic of the scottish countryside gradually she comes to know the villagers

and the friendships she forms with two young women open her up to a larger world than she knew existed maddie begins to see that nothing is as it first appears the values she holds dear prove unsustainable and monsters lurk where they are least expected as she embraces a fuller sense of who she might be maddie becomes aware not only of the dark forces around her but of life s beauty and surprising possibilities praise for at the water s edge breathtaking a daring story of adventure friendship and love in the shadow of wwii harper s bazaar a gripping compelling story gruen s characters are vividly drawn and her scenes are perfectly paced the boston globe a page turner of a novel that rollicks along with crisp historical detail fort worth star telegram powerfully evocative usa today gruen is a master at the period piece and this novel is just another stunning example of that craft glamour

Zed 2020-01-14 an insightful unsettling look at how technology impacts our lives kavenna has skillfully made our present feel like dystopian fiction usa today named a best book of 2020 by usa today from the winner of the orange award for new writing comes a blistering satirical novel about life under a global media and tech corporation that knows exactly what we think what we want and what we do before we do one corporation has made a perfect world based on a perfect algorithm now what to do with all these messy people lionel bigman is

dead murdered by a robot guy matthias the philandering founder and ceo of the mega corporation beetle insists it was human error but was it either the predictive algorithms of beetle s supposedly omniscient lifechain don t work or they ve been hacked both scenarios are impossible to imagine and signal the end of beetle s technotopia and life as we know it dazzlingly original and darkly comic zed asks profound questions about who we are what we owe to one another and what makes us human it describes our moment the ugliness and the beauty perfectly kavenna is a prophet who has seen deeply into the present and thrown back her head and laughed

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