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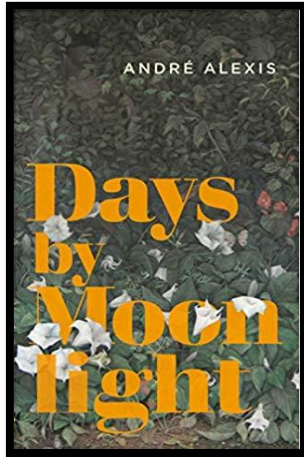
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# Fiction

## **\*\* Narrative \*\***

### **DAYS BY MOONLIGHT, André Alexis**

(Coach House | Canada | 222pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#Absurd #Original #Imagination #AwardedAuthor**

**Long-listed for the 2019 Scotiabank Giller Prize and finalist for the 2019 Rogers Writers' Trust Fiction Prize.**

Botanist Alfred Homer, ever hopeful and constantly surprised, is invited on a road trip by his parents' friend, Professor Morgan Bruno, who wants company as he tries to unearth the story of the mysterious poet John Skennen. But this is no ordinary road trip.

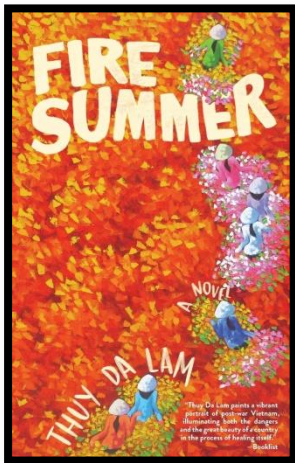
Alfred and the Professor encounter towns where Black residents speak only in sign language and towns that hold Indigenous Parades; it is a land of house burnings, werewolves, and witches.

**\*\* Alexis' *Fifteen Dogs* has 16 foreign sales**

2019 ROGERS WRITERS' TRUST FICTION PRIZE JURY - "A funny, moving, and wholly original take on the quest narrative that liberates the imagination with a loud whoop of joy."

### **FIRE SUMMER, Thuy Da Lam**

(Red Hen | US | 224 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#MagicalRealism #VietnamPostWar #Homeland**

**A young Vietnamese native returns to her motherland looking for answers only to find that the past does not yield its secrets easily.**

Maia carries out what she believes is her role as a filial daughter to her late father, a former ARVN soldier, by returning to their homeland to continue the fight for an independent Vietnam.

Along the way, however, she meets a cast of characters—historical and fictional, living and dead—who propel her on a journey of self-discovery, through which she begins to understand what it means to love.

**\*\* 2020 will be 45th aniv of Vietnam War's end**

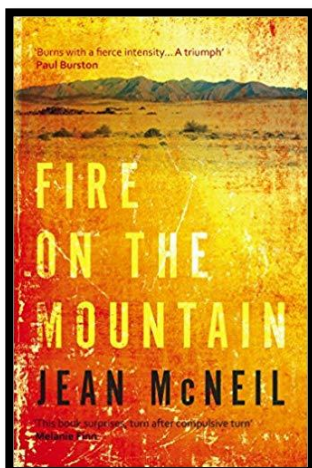
**\*\* Gripping debut by Vietnamese-American author**

**\*\* Reminiscent of Viet Thahn Nguyen, George Saunders and Murakami**

BOOKLIST – "A vibrant portrait of post-war Vietnam."

## FIRE ON THE MOUNTAIN, Jean Mcneil

(Legend Press | UK | 256 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#LGBTLove #AfricanLandscape #LiteraryRomance**

**A visionary novel that examines the restrictions of taboos and South African landscape**

When NGO worker Nick drops unexpectedly into the lives of Pieter and Sara Lisson, he feels he has found the parents he never had. Nick is enraptured by their lives of splendour and acclaim as much as the stirring setting of the African city where they live, but he soon senses a secret at the heart of his new family.

Nick then meets Riaan, the Lissons' son, and so begins an intense connection that threatens to erupt into a relationship neither had ever considered. In the shadow of the Brandberg, the glowing mountain that stands at the heart of the desert, Nick will discover that his passion for Riaan is not the only fire which threatens his newfound home.

**\*\* Comparisons to *Brokeback Mountain* and JM Coetzee**

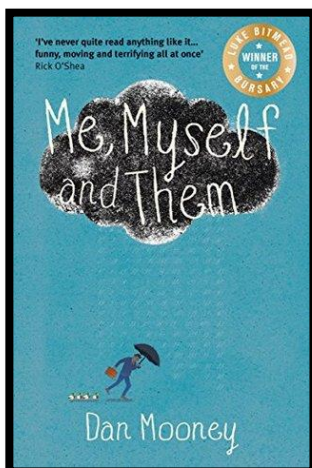
TIMES LITERARY SUPPLEMENT – “Sharp and evocative.”

DAILY MAIL – “Completely absorbing, eminently readable...”

THE NEW YORK TIMES – “Stunningly written.”

## ME, MYSELF AND THEM, Dan Mooney

(Legend Press | UK | 288 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#Contemporary #PsychologicalFiction**

**“One part *The Rosie Project*, one part personal *Heart Of Darkness*, one part Stephen King”, The BookBag**

Struggling to cope with a tragic loss, Denis Murphy has learned to live a bit differently. Both his friends are used to it - the only problem is his monstrous housemates. When his enigmatic ex-girlfriend comes back into his life, she threatens to shatter the finely crafted world around him.

**\*\* Winner of the Luke Bitmead Bursary**

**\*\* Shortlisted for short film screenplay - The City of Culture 2017**

**\*\* Comparison authors: Nathan Filer and Mark Haddon**

LUKE BITMEAD BURSARY PANEL - "A very accomplished novel, which adopts a unique and sensitive approach to the subject of mental health in the wake of a traumatic event."

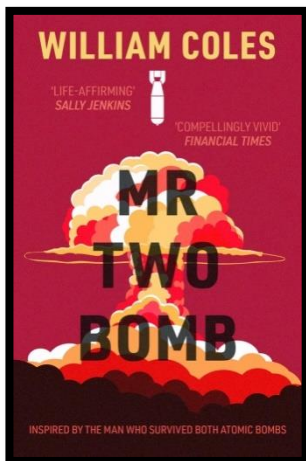
**Rights sold:** US (Park Row Books/HarperCollins)

By the same author:



## MR. TWO BOMB, William Coles

(Legend Press | UK | 288 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#WarStory #Survival #Love #CompellingHistoricalNovel #75aniv**

**One man miraculously survives the Atomic Bomb of Hiroshima. Two days later he catches the last train home. Home to Nagasaki.**

He arrives just 90 minutes before the world's second atomic bomb explodes into his life. As he battles through the scene of apocalyptic destruction, surrounded by unthinkable suffering, he is plagued by one constant question: is he lucky, or unlucky?

This is his answer: he's the luckiest man alive.

**\*\* 2020 will be 75th anniversary of the atomic bombs attack in Japan**

**\*\* Based on the real story of Tsutomu Yamaguchi, the only man who survived the 2 atomic bombs**

**\*\* Proactive journalist author: authentic narrative, the author heavily researched the lives of the survivors**

THE FINANCIAL TIMES – “Compellingly vivid, the most sustained description of apocalypse since Robert Harris's *Pompeii*.”

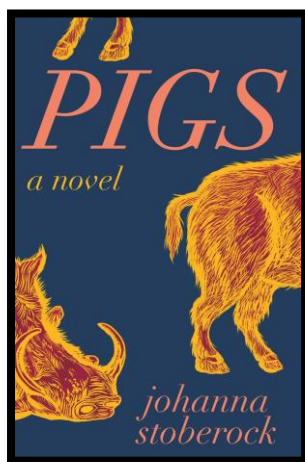
ALEXANDER McCALL SMITH – “A triumph.”

THE NEWS OF THE WORLD – “Perfectly paced and brilliantly written.”

SUNDAY EXPRESS – “Outstanding.”

## PIGS. A NOVEL, Johanna Stoberock

(Red Hen | US | 280 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#AllegoricalMetaphor #Ecology #DarkHumor #Destruction&Survival**

**In the tradition of *Lord of the Flies*, *Pigs* is an exquisitely wrought fable about the excesses of the contemporary world.**

Four children live on an island that serves as the repository for all the world's garbage. Trash arrives, the children sort it, and then they feed it to a herd of insatiable pigs: a perfect system.

But when a barrel washes ashore with a boy inside, the children must decide whether he is more of the world's detritus, meant to be fed to the pigs, or whether he is one of them.

**\*\* “An instant classic” with exquisite prose**

**\*\* Compared to Cormac McCarthy, Calvino, Kafka's world**

**\*\* *Pigs* questions about community, environmental responsibility, and the possibility of innocence**

JONATHAN LETHEM, author - “A lyrical, enthralling, and dark-inflected allegory, equal parts Italo Calvino, Angela Carter, and *Lord of the Flies*.”

BOOKLIST, *starred* - “As well as building a rich, fable-like world, Stoberock simultaneously weaves an engrossing and breathless narrative about the human capacity for both destruction and survival.”

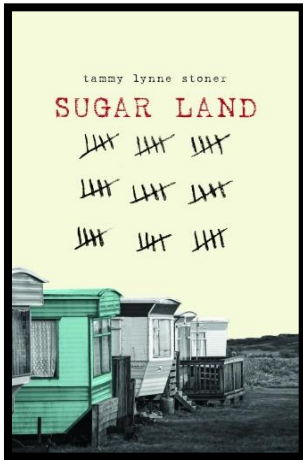
SHARMA SHIELDS, author - “A masterpiece. Powerful, metaphorical.”

RAMONA AUSUBEL, author - “*Pigs* looks unflinchingly at some of the scariest parts of our world—a changing climate, an ocean full of garbage, and us, the fragile animals. Johanna Stoberock has written a kind of love song to survival, to life itself.”

HARVARD BOOK STORE (Cambridge, MA) - “*Pigs* deserves a place on the shelf of an oddball fiction enthusiast.”

## SUGAR LAND, Tammy Lynne Stoner

(Red Hen | US | 344 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#SouthernNovel #20's #ProhibitedLove #LGBT**

***Sugar Land* reads like *Fried Green Tomatoes*—if it were written by John Irving and Jeanette Winterson.**

In 1923 rural Texas, 19-year-old Dara falls in love with her best friend Rhodie—who also happens to be a girl. In order to hide her forbidden love, she flees to a job as a cook at the Sugar Land Prison, where she befriends the incarcerated Blues singer Lead Belly and tries to stay in the closet by marrying the prison warden. Lead Belly sings his way out (true story)—but only after he makes her promise to free herself from her own prison.

*Sugar Land* is a southern novel about love, Lead Belly, and liberation. A triumphant, beautiful novel about the heart's refusal to be denied what the heart wants.

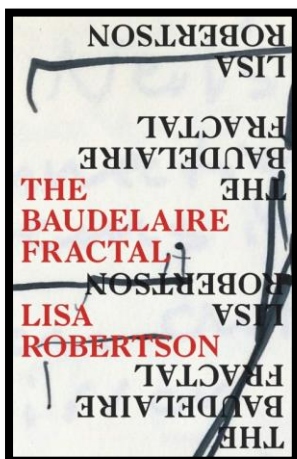
**\*\* A gorgeous debut novel about race, class, sexuality, and the prisons we make of ourselves**

KIRKUS - "A ravishing debut. Dara's story is a postcard of small-town Texas life from prohibition through civil rights, tracing the treatment and awareness of gay people through these decades."

CAROLINE LEAVITT, *New York Times* bestselling author - "How can you not adore a novel about love, food, and how working in a prison can help you discover who you really are?"

## THE BAUDELAIRE FRACTAL, Lisa Robertson

(Coach House | Canada | 160 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#Literary #MagicalRealism #LGBT**

**One morning, the poet Hazel Brown wakes up in a strange hotel room to find that she's written the complete works of Charles Baudelaire.**

Animated by the spirit of the *poète maudit*, she shuttles between London, Vancouver, Paris, and the French countryside, moving fluidly between the early 1980s and the present, from rented room to rented room, all the while considering such Baudelairean obsessions as modernity, poverty, and the perfect jacket.

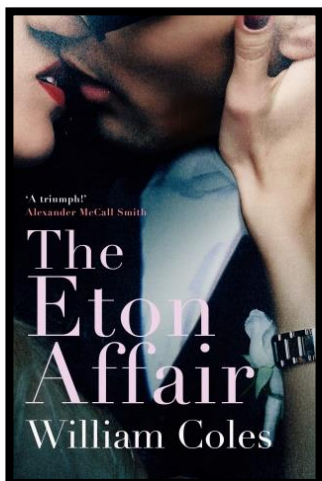
**\*\* Jan 2020**

LOS ANGELES REVIEW OF BOOKS - "A new Lisa Robertson book is both a public event and a private kind of bacchanal."

NEW YORK TIMES BOOK REVIEW - "[G]littering... hard to explain but easy to enjoy... Dauntlessly and resourcefully intellectual."

## THE ETON AFFAIR, William Coles

(Legend Press | UK | 288 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#FirstLove #LifeChanging #Charming #Commercial**

**The bittersweet story of a life-changing love. An intensely passionate affair. A wild and unaccustomed thrill of first love.**

Seventeen-year-old schoolboy Kim is an idle drifter at one of Britain's most extraordinary institutions, Eton College. His head is full of a possible army career, until the day he hears his new piano teacher, the beautiful but pained India, playing Bach's Well-Tempered Clavier. Kim's life is destined never to be the same again.

Twenty-five years on, Kim recalls that heady summer and how their fledgling relationship was so brutally snuffed out -finished off by his enemies, by the constraints of Eton, and by his own withering jealousy.

**\*\* Film rights acquired**

ALEXANDER MCCALL SMITH – “A triumph.”

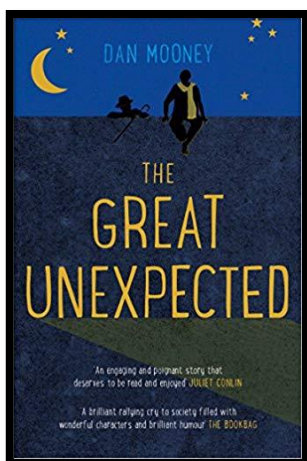
SUNDAY EXPRESS – “Outstanding... A wonderful story of first love.”

THE WALL STREET JOURNAL – “Charming, moving, uplifting.”

**Rights sold:** US (Soho Press)

## THE GREAT UNEXPECTED, Dan Mooney

(Legend Press | UK | 304 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#DarkComedy #Heartbreaking #Friendship #UpliftingTale**

**The darkly comic story of an old man who decides to end his life, but finds that the process of planning his suicide is the most fun he's had in years. An unlikely friendship. The adventure of a lifetime.**

Joel lives in a nursing home, and he's not one bit happy about it. He hates being told when to eat, when to sleep, when to take his pills. He's fed up with life and begins to plan a way out when his new roommate, a retired soap opera actor named Frank, moves in and turns the nursing-home community upside down.

Though the two men couldn't be more opposite, a fast friendship is formed when Frank is the only one who listens to and stands up for Joel. When he tells Frank about his burgeoning plan, they embark together on a mission to find the perfect escape, and along the way will discover that it's never too late for new beginnings.

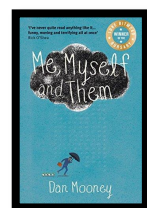
**\*\* Colorful characters, sparkling humor and deep emotion. The story of friendship later in life and experiencing newfound joy in the most unexpected places.**

THE BOOKBAG – “A brilliantly rallying cry to society filled with wonderful characters and brilliant humour.”

STEVEN PRIMROSE-SMITH - “A darkly funny, heart-breaking and ultimately uplifting story.”

RICK O'SHEA - “Funny, moving and terrifying all at once.”

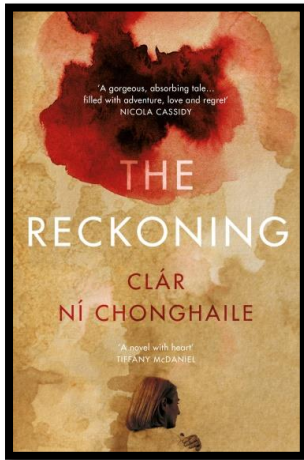
**Rights sold:** US (Park Row), Germany (HarperCollins), Spanish (Univers), Catalan (Univers), China (Beijing Fonghong Books), Czech Rep (XYZ, Albatros Media Grup)



By the same author:

## THE RECKONING, Clár Ní Chonghaile

(Legend Press | UK | 304 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#WWII #Melancholy #Literary**

**A highly literary account of the experience of war, all from the unique perspective of a somewhat cold, clinical woman who abandons her child when her husband commits suicide after World War II.**

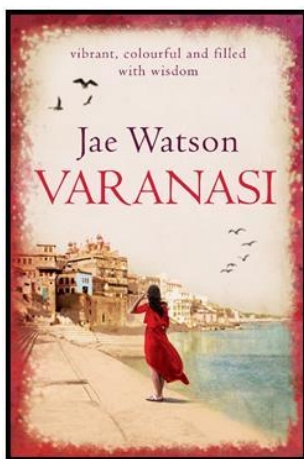
In a cottage in Normandy, Lina Rose is writing to the daughter she abandoned as a baby. Now a successful if enigmatic author, she is determined to trace her family's history through the two wars that shaped her life.

But Lina can no longer bear to carry her secrets alone, and once the truth is out, can she ever be forgiven?

**\*\* 2025 is the 80th anniversary of the end of World War II**

## VARANASI, Joe Watson

(Legend Press | UK | 272 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#Secrets&Mystery #IntriguingSetting #CleverPlot**

**Following the breakup of her relationship, and unsure of her life's direction, Marianne leaves her home to travel for a year with the mysterious and beautiful Sara.**

They soon immerse themselves in the chaotic and mystical heart of India, and events take a dramatic turn... soon after their arrival in the Holy City of Varanasi, Sara's body is found floating in the Ganges. As the investigation ensues, unexpected and shocking revelations cast a new light on Sara, and Marianne finds herself on a painful but vital journey to uncover the truth about her friend and her own true self.

A spell-binding mystery set in the exotic city of Varanasi, India.

**\*\* Fascinating insight into India: landscape, chaos, proud people and the mystical**

**\*\* Every tiny action in the novel has a meaning and an implication, but only a very sharp reader will be able to unravel these clues and guess what happened to Sara before the reveal at the end of the novel.**

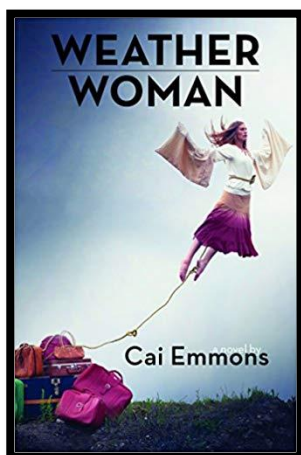
WRITEWORDS.CO.UK – "A fascinating read that kept me intrigued to the end. It is a novel that defies expectation and provides no cosy solutions."

ROUNDTABLE REVIEW – "Ambitious and bold... this is a book which ventures off the beaten track."



## WEATHER WOMAN, Cai Emmons

(Red Hen | US | 356 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#MagicalRealism #UnexpectedSuperpower #WomanFiction**

**A realistic novel with a touch of fantasy, *Weather Woman* is the story of a meteorologist who discovers she has the power to change the weather**

30-year-old Bronwyn Artair, feeling out of place in her doctoral program in Atmospheric Sciences at MIT, drops out and takes a job as a TV meteorologist. After a year of enduring the indignities of her job she discovers her deep connection to the natural world has given her an ability to affect natural forces. When she finally accepts she really possesses this startling capability, she must then negotiate a new relationship to the world. Who will she tell? Who will believe her? Most importantly, how will she put this new skill of hers to use?

As she seeks answers to these questions, she travels to Kansas to see the tornado maverick she worships; falls in love with Matt, the tabloid journalist who has come to investigate her; visits fires raging out of control in Los Angeles; and eventually voyages to the methane fields of Siberia.

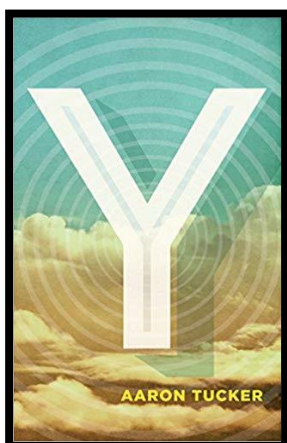
A story about a twenty-something who can't make lemonade out of life's lemons.

**\*\* A smart, ambitious character struggling to find her place in the universe, until the universe imposes a role she never expected.**

GOODREADS - "A deeply fascinating and extremely timely novel."

## Y. OPPENHEIMER, HORSEMAN OF LOS ALAMOS, Aaron Tucker

(Coach House | Canada | 220 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#BiographicalNovel #Artombomb #ManhattanProject**

**The novel of J. Robert Oppenheimer: reluctant father of the atomic bomb, enthusiastic lover of books, devoted husband and philanderer.**

Engaging with the books he voraciously read, and especially the *Bhagavad Gita* this lyrical novel takes us through the story of the father of the atomic bomb, from his tumultuous youth to his marriage with a radical communist and the two secret, consuming affairs he carried on, all the while bringing us deep inside the mind of the man behind the Manhattan Project.

Y brings us deep inside the passions and moral qualms of this man with pacifist, communist leanings as he created the world's first weapon of mass destruction -and, in the process, changed the world we live in immeasurably.

**\*\* Using progressively shorter chapters that shape into an inward spiral**

**\*\* 2020 will be 75th anniv. of the atomic bombs attack over Japan**

**Rights sold:** France (Editions La Peuplade)

**\*\* Crime Series \*\***  
**Noir, Mystery, Thriller, Procedural**

**DCI HELEN LAVERY SERIES, Jane Isaac**

(Legend Press | UK | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)

**Commercial crime thriller by a master of the procedural.  
Jane Isaac is one of the UK's premier crime thriller authors.**

**A gripping crime series from bestselling English author Jane Isaac.  
Fall in with DCI Helen Lavery's defiant and gutsy character as she works to solve the case.**



**#Thriller #PoliceProcedural #Mystery #BestsellingUKAuthor**

**THE TRUTH WILL OUT, 272p**

Eva is horrified when she witnesses an attack on her best friend. She calls an ambulance and forces herself to flee Hampton, fearing for her own safety. DCI Helen Lavery leads the investigation into the murder. With no leads, no further witnesses and no sign of forced entry, the murder enquiry begins.

**A DEATHLY SILENCE, 282p**

When the mutilated body of a police officer is found in a derelict factory, Hampshire force are shocked to the core. DCI Helen Lavery returns from injury leave and is immediately plunged into an investigation like no other. Is this a random attack or is someone targeting the force? Organised crime groups or a lone killer?

**\*\* Critically acclaimed UK crime author with extensive backlist**

**\*\* Proactive author with an active social media following**

REBECCA BRADLEY – “A master of the procedural.”

KATE RHODES – “A huge talent for creating a menacing and believable fictional world.”

ANNE COATES – “A dramatic and terrifying conclusion.”

LOUISE BEECH – “A smart, classy and satisfying read.”

SJI HOLLIDAY – “Intriguing and deeply authentic.”

PHIL RICKMAN – “The criminal world is always closer than you think... Tense and cop-savvy.”

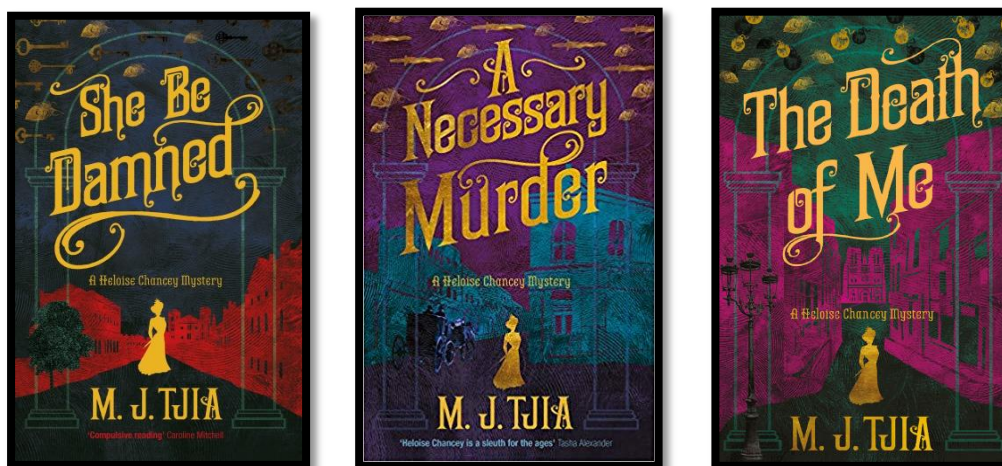
ALISON BRUCE – “Meet DCI Helen Lavery. Capable. Vulnerable. Driven.”

MARI HANNAH – “Enjoyable and authentic British police procedural.”

## HELOISE CHANCEY SERIES, M.J. Tjia

(Legend Press | UK | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)

**Best historical crime set in London**  
**A modern spin on a classic style of mystery writing**



**#HistoricalCrime #Suspense #Female**

### **Heloise Chancey: London courtesan or professional sleuth?**

This expertly written historical crime novels, weaves evocative plots and captures the atmospheric streets of Victorian London. Now that she's risen from common prostitute to wealthy courtesan, Heloise Chancey lives in a lovely house with her longtime personal servant, Amah Li Leen, a half-white, half-Chinese woman with secrets of her own.

To keep from being bored, Heloise does professional detective work for Sir Thomas Avery.

Heloise Chancey: a compelling, determined and a seductive heroine.

- \*\* Longlisted CWA Debut Dagger**
- \*\* Shortlisted Luke Bitmead Bursary**
- \*\* Awarded Fellowship, National Writers House**
- \*\* Awarded Residential Membership, NRWC**

PUBLISHERS WEEKLY - "[A] well-crafted second whodunit... Strong prose and plotting bode well for future entries."

KIRKUS – "It's a pleasure to watch Tjia's unusual sleuth get mad and get even in a grisly tale with a surprising climax; readers will eagerly await the sequels."

THEBOOKBAG.CO.UK – "A clever crime thriller that's elevated by fantastic characters in a well-paced plot."

HISTORICAL NOVELS REVIEW - "An entertaining tale with entertaining characters and many plot twists. Complex, flawed, and fascinating characters."

NORTHERN READER – "A terrific adventure"

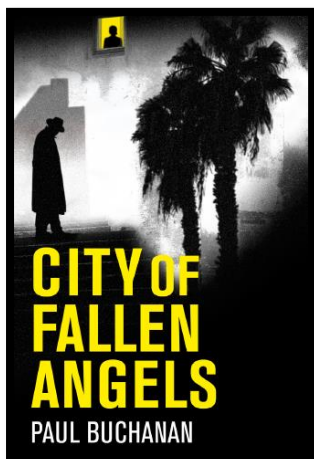
SARAH WARD - "An intelligent and intriguing crime series novel set in the heart of Victorian London. Its atmospheric and twisting narrative had me hooked."

**Rights sold:** Australia (Pantera Press)

**\*\* Crime Stand Alone \*\***  
**Noir, Mystery, Thriller, Procedural**

**CITY OF FALLEN ANGELS, Paul Buchanan**

(Legend Press | UK | 272 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#StylishThriller #TraditionalCrime #HighlyCommercial #HollywoodSetting**

**Summer, 1962. A scorching heat wave is suffocating L.A. while the city is reeling after the death of beloved star Marilyn Monroe.**

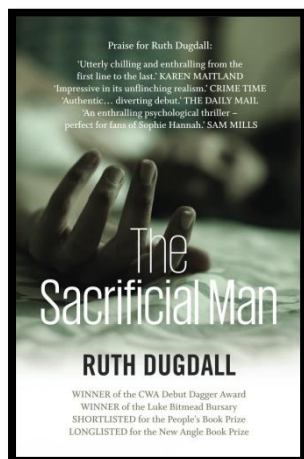
PI John Keegan is offered a small fortune to find a beautiful woman from a set of photographs. He refuses; the job seems suspicious.

But the next day the same woman, Eve, turns up, unbidden, on his doorstep. Eve fears for her safety. She is being watched. Before Keegan knows it, someone has been killed with Keegan's own gun, and he gets sucked into a world of suspicion and betrayal where he's never quite sure where the truth lies.

- \*\* Atmospheric detective noir set in the suffocating LA heat wave**
- \*\* First in the PI John Keegan series, *Valley of Shadows* out 2021**

**THE SACRIFICIAL MAN, Ruth Dugdall**

(Legend Press | UK | 304 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#PsychologicalThriller #Disturbing #PoliceProcedural #EuthanasiaOrMurder**

**What I want to say is that suicide is my choice. No-one else is to blame. Man seeks beautiful woman for the journey of a lifetime: Will you help me to die?**

When Probation Officer Cate Austin is given her new assignment, she faces the highest-profile case of her career.

Investigating the loophole that lies between murder and euthanasia, Cate must now meet the woman who agreed to comply with her lover's final request. Shocking revelations expose bitter truths that can no longer be ignored.

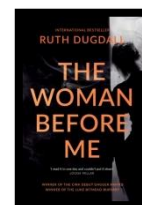
- \*\* All time Legend Press' #1 bestseller and multiawarded crime author**
- \*\* Over 100,000 UK copies sold to date**
- \*\* Ruth's work has sold into 8 territories**
- \*\* Perfect for fans of Gillian Flynn, S.J. Watson, B A Paris, Sophie Hannah**

ALEX MARWOOD – “An absolute tour de force that left me thinking for days.”

ERIN KELLY – “Gripping, original, authentic and, in the final few pages, utterly heartbreaking.”

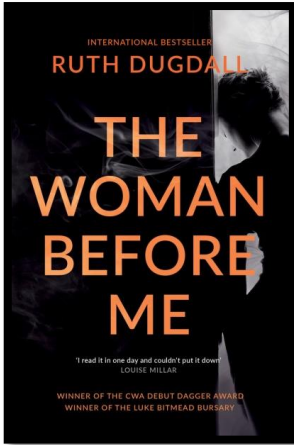
**Rights sold:** Germany, USA, ANZ, Audio, Large Print

By the same author:



## THE WOMAN BEFORE ME, Ruth Dugdall

(Legend Press | UK | 320 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#PsychologicalThriller #Suspense #LongSeller #InternationalSales**

**A clever, sophisticated, psychological thriller, perfect for fans of Gillian Flynn, S.J. Watson, B A Paris and Sophie Hannah**

They came for me, just like I knew they would. Luke had been dead for just three days. Rose Wilks' life is shattered when her newborn baby Joel is admitted to intensive care. Emma Hatcher has all that Rose lacks. Beauty. A loving husband. A healthy son. Until tragedy strikes and Rose is the only suspect. Now, having spent nearly five years behind bars, Rose is just weeks away from freedom. Her probation officer Cate must decide whether Rose is remorseful for Luke's death, or whether she remains a threat to society. As Cate is drawn in, she begins to doubt her own judgement. Where is the line between love and obsession, can justice be served and, if so... by what means?

- \*\* Legend Press' #1 bestseller of all time, over 50,000 copies sold to date**
- \*\* Over 300 reviews on Amazon with an average of 4.5 stars**
- \*\* Winner of the CWA Debut Dagger Award**
- \*\* A new edition for the multiple award-winning thriller that remains an international bestseller after 8 years in the market**

CWA judging panel – “Dark, disturbing and authentic.”

PUBLISHERS WEEKLY – “A chilling tale of betrayal and obsession... keeps its secrets well.”

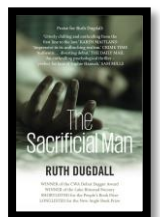
KIRKUS – “Well-plotted... The author understands how to build suspense and create atmosphere.”

THE DAILY MAIL – “Authentic... diverting debut.”

CRIME TIME - “Impressive in its unflinching realism... a dark and haunting psychological thriller that possesses both depth and sensitivity.”

ALEX MARWOOD - “An absolute tour de force that left me thinking for days.”

**Rights sold:** Germany, USA, Italy, ANZ, Croatia, India

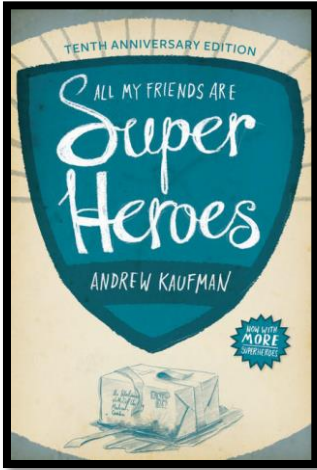


By the same author:

## **\*\* Fantasy & SciFi \*\***

### **ALL MY FRIENDS ARE SUPERHEROES, Andrew Kaufman**

(Coach House | Canada | 152 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#Fantasy #SuperheroFriends #ModernClassic #Whit&Charm**

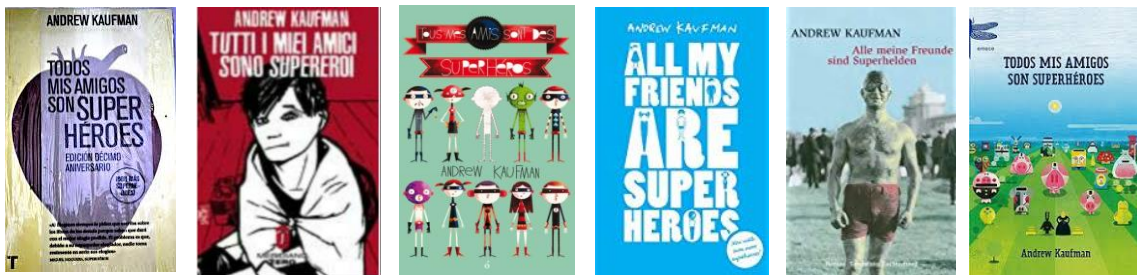
**A compendium of extraordinary and extremely familiar personalities, like those of all our friends; a psychological treatise of the time and a charming narrative like no other.**

All Tom's friends really are superheroes. There's the Ear, the Spooner, the Impossible Man. Tom even married a super hero, the Perfectionist. But at their wedding, the Perfectionist was hypnotized (by ex-boyfriend Hypno, of course) to believe that Tom is invisible. Nothing he does can make her see him. Six months later, she's sure that Tom has abandoned her. So she's moving to Vancouver. She'll use her superpower to make Vancouver perfect and leave all the heartbreak in Toronto. With no idea Tom's beside her, she boards an airplane. Tom has until the wheels touch the ground in Vancouver to convince her he's visible, or he loses her forever.

- \*\* 10th anniversary special edition**
- \*\* New catalogue of superheroes & gorgeous illustrations by Tom Percival**
- \*\* More than 15 translations**
- \*\* Audio, stage and film rights sold**

SHEILA HETI – “This book is like a kiss in the afternoon sun.”

**Rights sold:** Arabic, Brazil, Catalan, Denmark, France, Georgia, Germany, Italy, Norway, Russia, Spain, Sweden, South Korea, Turkey, Netherlands, UK



## SKIN, Liam Brown

(Legend Press | UK | 304 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#FastPaced #DystopianThriller #GlobalVirus**

**A strange virus is sweeping the globe. Humans have become allergic to one another. Simply standing next to somebody could be a death sentence. A kiss could be fatal.**

Angela is a woman trying to get by in this bewildering new world. Though she still lives with her husband and children, they lead separate lives. Confined to their rooms, they communicate via their computers and phones. In some ways, very little has changed. That is, until she spots a mysterious stranger walking through town without even a face mask for protection. A man, it seems, immune to this disease. A man unlike anyone else she knows. A man it might just be safe to touch...

**\*\* Hot lead title Spring 2019**

**\*\*Previous novel *Broadcast* optioned for film by Annapurna Studios and sold rights in Turkey, Russia and Australia**

**\*\* Taps into the current interest in dystopian novels in light of recent political movements**

*(Praise for Liam Brown's writing)*

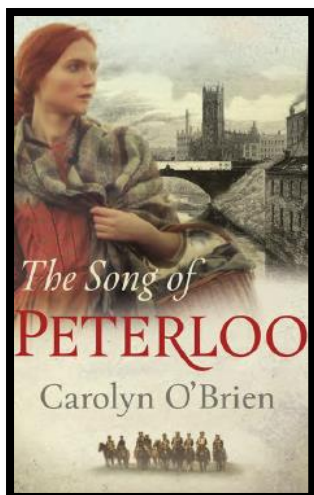
DAILY MAIL – “Delivers a brilliant, ice-cold rush of horror as we follow our hero into a nightmare entirely of his own making. Truly a morality tale for our digital age.”

RABEEA SALEEM, *Bookriot* – “A claustrophobic story about corporate culture and social media.”

**\*\* Historical \*\***

## THE SONG OF PETERLOO, Carolyn O'Brien

(Legend Press | UK | 304 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#Historical #PowerfulWoman #Heart-wrenching**

**A story of hope, and sacrifice and above all, courage.**

Manchester 1819: Prices are high and wages are low, but as the poor become poorer, the rich are alarmed by their calls for reform.

Mill-worker Nancy Kay struggles to support her ailing mother and sensitive son. Desperate to provide for them, she is inspired to join the growing agitation. But, as she risks everything to attend a great assembly on St Peter's Field, Nancy is unaware the day will go down in history, not as a triumph but as tragedy; the Peterloo massacre.

This is one woman's story of belief in change.

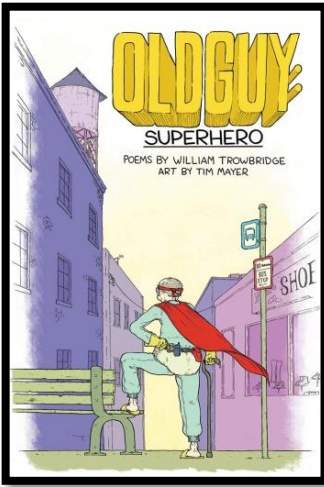
**\*\* 200 year anniversary of the Peterloo Massacre**

**\*\* Comparison to: Tracy Chevalier, Philippa Gregory**

## **\*\* Graphic Novel \*\***

### **OLDGUY: SUPERHERO, William Trowbridge**

(Red Hen | US | 28 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#Poetry #Comic #AgedHero**

**This chronicles the life of a senior citizen superhero who has seen his better days and must rely on a different skill set to accomplish his goals**

Meet Oldguy: your regular aging superhero whose powers have dwindled over the years, and whose very mechanics are seriously fizzling. In seriocomic misadventures, Oldguy valiantly attempts to continue his former heroism in a somewhat wry version of Faulknerian endurance, defeating his enemies time and again—if not through superhuman abilities, then at least by 'outliving the sons-a-bitches.'

Another giggle-inducing, heartwarming smash—this time in a comic-chapbook blend, featuring washed up superhero Oldguy and his Quixotic misadventures through aging.

**\*\* Hybrid indie delightful piece of work**

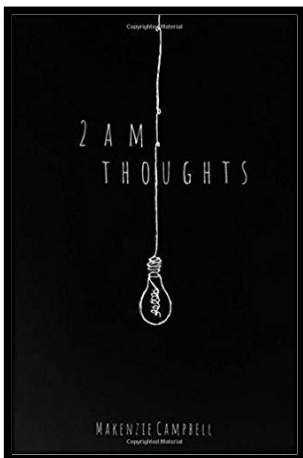
ALBERT GOLDBARTH - "Oldguy's here to save your day."

GOODREADS – "One of the funnest things in poetry I've seen in a long time.", "An absolutely delightful read. (My 9-year-old and his grandpa thought it was hilarious and sometimes sad too."

## **\*\* Instagram Poetry \*\***

### **2AM THOUGHTS, Makenzie Campbell**

(Legend Press | UK | 160 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#18YearOldAuthor #InstagramPoetry #USBestselling**

**Poetry for the new generation.**

Following the trend set by Rupi Kaur's *Milk and Honey*, *2am Thoughts* is a short book of stand-alone poems and illustrations, with an easy to read, unpolished style that makes it perfect for both the traditional poetry fan, and a younger generation of readers who have discovered poetry on Instagram.

**\*\* US bestselling Instagram poetry**

**\*\* 40.000 copies sold in its first year of publication in US**

**\*\* Described as the next Rupi Kaur**



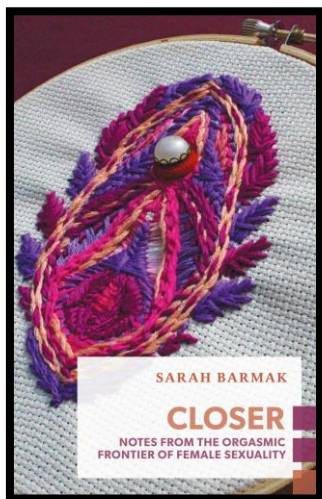
## Non Fiction

## **\*\* Body, Mind & Spirit \*\***

### **CLOSER.**

#### **NOTES FROM THE ORGASMIC FRONTIER OF FEMALE SEXUALITY, Sarah Barmak**

(Coach House | Canada | 152 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#FemaleSexuality #Reshaping #Reportage #Feminism**

**Using a blend of reportage, interview, and first-person reflection, journalist Sarah Barmak explores cultural trends that are getting us closer to the truth of women's sexuality.**

We think of the modern woman as sexually liberated – if anything, we're told we're oversexed. Yet a striking number of women are dissatisfied with their sex lives. *Closer* reveals how women are reshaping their sexuality today in wild, irrepressible ways: nude meetings, how-to apps, trans-friendly porn, therapeutic vulva massage, hour-long orgasms and public clit-rubbing demonstrations – and redefining female sexuality on its own terms.

**\*\* Shortlisted for the Kobo Emerging Writer Prize**

**\*\* Globe and Mail Best of 2016 CBC Best of 2016**

**\*\* National Post Best of 2016**

**\*\* Quill & Quire Best of 2016**

**\*\* Film rights sold**

RABBLE.CA – “Closer tackles its subject with eloquence, intelligence, and humour... I recommend it to my friends of all genders, my boyfriend, my sisters, and especially the woman who started it all, my mother.”

CBC Books – “A fascinating social history of the female orgasm – where we've come and where we are today.”

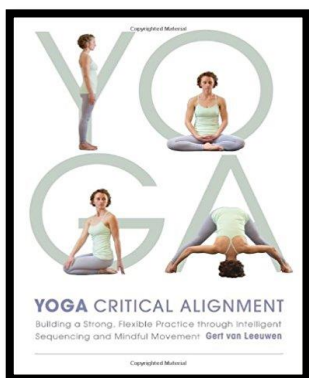
Bitch Magazine ‘... Closer is a revelation.’

Globe and Mail – “... an incredibly insightful exploration of female pleasure.”

**Rights sold:** French-Canadian (Éditions La Découverte)

### **CRITICAL ALIGNMENT YOGA, Gert van Leeuwen**

(Gottmer | Holl | 432 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#Founder #ClearInstructions #Method**

**By the founder of the renowned Critical Alignment yoga method. Learn to relax your body, build deep core strength and find new ease of movement**

*Critical Alignment Yoga* contains a wealth of insights that shed a light on practicing the many asanas. ‘Critical’ means ‘accurate, precise’ and ‘alignment’ refers to all parts of the body being positioned correctly. This method calls on using the posture muscles as well as the underlying muscles that support the spinal cord.

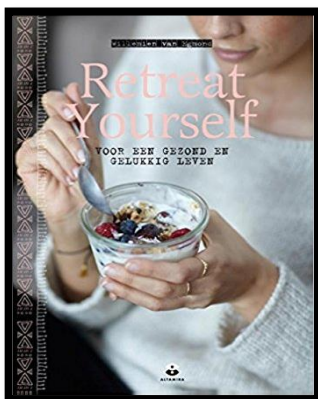
**\*\* With clear instructions using text, illustrations and photos**

**\*\* Photographs and b/w illustrations 21 x 29'7 cm**

**Rights sold:** English World (Shambhala), Russian (Ctpaha)

## RETREAT YOURSELF, Willemien van Egmond

(Gottmer | Holl | 336 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#Health #Happiness #Life #Habits**

For a Happy and Healthy Life. *Retreat Yourself* offers practical tips to find peace of mind, fulfil your dreams, relax your body, eat well, and organize your home in an enjoyable way!

Included are tools to get in touch with your inner being, to take better care of yourself, and to listen to the desires of your heart –all without having to take time off from your life.

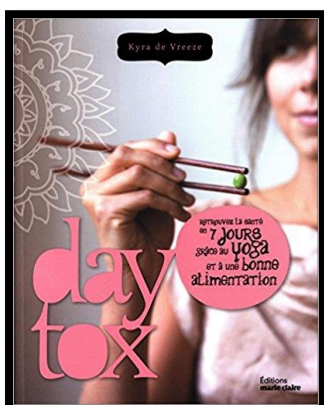
- \*\* Practical tips for a happier and healthier life
- \*\* Full-colour photographs, 17 x 24 cm, 128 pages

**Rights sold:** French (Éditions Marie Claire)

## SIMPLY DAYTOX.

### BACK TO BASICS IN SEVEN DAYS, Kyra de Vreeze

(Gottmer | Holl | 128 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#7DaysPlan #Health #Happiness #Food #AtHome**

**Detox at home!**

The best detox focuses not only on nutrition. Diet is only one part of our busy lives: so no matter how healthy you eat, it won't slow down the world. But you'll learn to do just that with Simply Daytox.

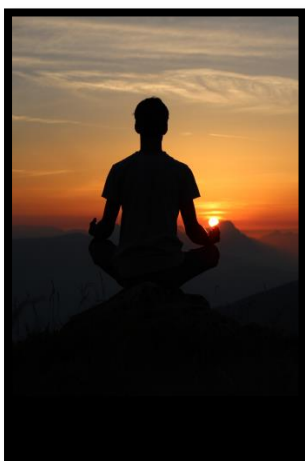
This will help you get back to basics: you'll cook, eat, and live simpler. You'll slow down, tidy up and gain insight into what is essential for your personal well-being and happiness.

- \*\* A 7-day lifestyle and food programme
- \*\* Full-colour illustrations, 17 x 24 cm

**Rights sold:** German (Christian Verlag), French (Éditions Marie Claire)

## THE BIG BOOK OF WISDOM, Larry Culliford

(Legend Press | UK | 128 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#Spirituality #MentalHealth #Happiness #Psychology #Guide**

The final guide, a unifying text with the uplifting core message that “We are all already one”.

Whenever one person commits to seeking wisdom, a better future for all is secured. This book examines areas we question in every day life, looking at the imbalance between 'worldly' aims and our 'spiritual' values.

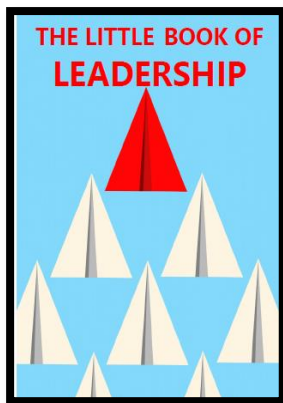
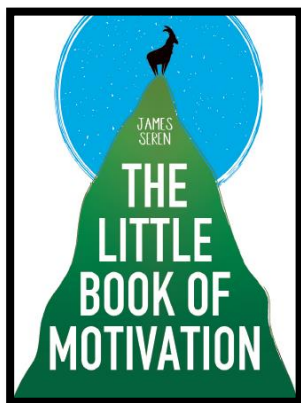
The author then recommends a constructive way forward through adopting spiritual development plans, to reduce the destructive power of the false 'every day ego' while increasing the benefits and influence of our 'spiritual' self.

- \*\* March 2020
- \*\* Not only will your life be improved, but so also will the lives of the many people you encounter

## THE LITTLE BOOKS series

The perfect companion to keep with you at all times, pop it in your bag or pocket and dip into.

#GiftBooks #Inspirational #Tips&Quotes #Practical #NewInsights



- \*\* 2020 publication
- \*\* 100mm x 80mm
- \*\* Great as gift books
- \*\* Good book to have at point of sale

### THE LITTLE BOOK OF MOTIVATION, James Seren

(Legend | UK | 160pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)

*The Little Book of Motivation* is full of inspirational advices, as well as words of advice to motivate you on whatever task you are doing and need to complete.

### THE LITTLE BOOK OF LEADERSHIP, James Seren

(Legend | UK | 128pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)

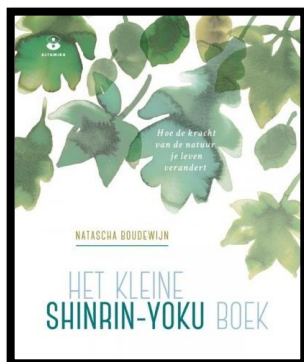
This terrific read actually provides new and valuable insights into how to lead. And nothing important gets done without leadership. *The Little Book of Leadership* is full of practical tips that are easy to absorb. Containing famous quotes by well known leaders and managers, as well as inspirational words to highlight, evaluate or innovate.

### THE SMALL SHINRIN-YOKU BOOK.

#### HOW THE POWER OF NATURE CAN CHANGE YOUR LIFE, Natascha Boudewijn

(Gottmer | Holl | 13x14 cm | 176 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)

#Shinrin-yoku #PracticalGuide #ExercisesInThePark



Experience the healing effects of nature with the Japanese trend of forest bathing.

It is common knowledge that nature has a calming effect on the body and significantly reduces stress.

Shinrin-yoku or 'forest bathing' is Japanese by origin and also known as 'nature-therapy' because of the healing properties of the forest. But you don't literally take a bath, you immerse yourself in nature so that you can consciously stimulate your senses. This was what Natascha Boudewijn (nature coach and shinrin-yoku teacher) discovered when her world came to a standstill. The power of nature changed her life forever

- \*\* Practical compact guid based on the seasons.
- \*\* With inspiring exercises adapted to be done also in the park around the corner or in your own backyard.

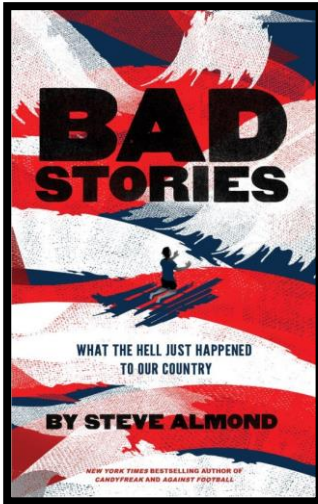


## **\*\* Current Affairs \*\***

### **BAD STORIES.**

#### **WHAT THE HELL JUST HAPPENED TO OUR COUNTRY, Steve Almond**

(Red Hen | US | 272 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#Politics #SocialSciences #Storytelling**

**Almonds uses the lens of literature and storytelling to explain the profound cultural schisms that led to Trump's not only possible, but inevitable election.**

Like a lot of Americans, Steve Almond spent the weeks after the 2016 election lying awake, in a state of dread and bewilderment. Nobody could explain, in any sort of coherent way, why America had elected a cruel, corrupt, and incompetent man to the Presidency. *Bad Stories* is Almond's effort to make sense of the US historical moment.

Almond looks to literary voices—from Melville to Orwell, from Bradbury to Baldwin—to help explain the roots of US moral erosion as a people. Using literature as a lens to understand *what the hell happened to our country*.

**\*\* #1 Amazon Hot Release**

**\*\* Nathan Hill, author of *The Nix*, says: "I feel like I have a much better grasp of the tortured American psyche. Thanks for the thrilling read."**

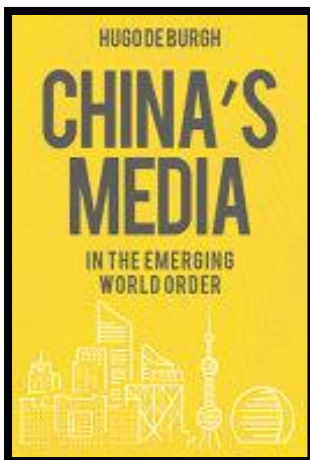
THE NEW YORK TIMES - "Almond is a shifty cornerback of a writer: rangy, sarcastic, offbeat. And every once in a while, he'll blindside you with a big hit."

BOOKLIST, *starred* - "With the same biting wit that marks Almond's previous books of social criticism... Almond holds up literature as a guide through America's age-old moral dilemmas."

PUBLISHERS WEEKLY - "A worthwhile foray into understanding and responding to the Trump era"

### **CHINA'S MEDIA IN THE EMERGING WORLD ORDER, Hugo De Burgh**

(UBP | UK | 270 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#China #Media #Politics #Business #ComprehensiveGuide**

**China's Media investigates the Chinese media, their strengths and weaknesses and how they are different. from the West.**

China is challenging the mighty behemoths, Google and Facebook, and creating alternative New Media. 750 million people are active on its Social Mediascape and there are a billion mobile phones deploying the innovative apps with which the Chinese conduct their lives.

*China's Media* explores how recent Chinese history and the resulting policies of public ownership, governmental content controls and cultural self-censorship have affected both traditional media and new platforms including Weibo, Weixin and Baidu.

**\*\* Particular focus on Chinese innovations in the world of New Media**

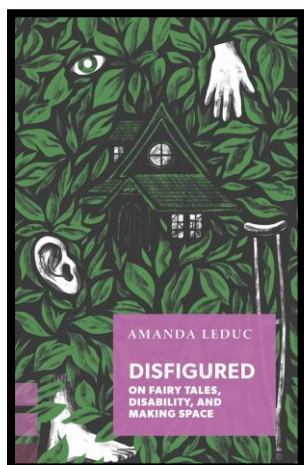
**\*\* Strong endorsements from major media academics**

BORIS JOHNSON - "I can think of no one better qualified to tell us about a subject of ever-growing importance".

## DISFIGURED.

### ON FAIRY TALES, DISABILITY, AND MAKING SPACE, Amanda Leduc

(Coach House | Canada | 250 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#DisabilityStudies #Re-visitingTradition #Mythology&Legends #Criticism**

In fairy tales, happy endings are the norm –as long as you're beautiful and walk on two legs. And since fairy tales are the foundational myths of our culture, how can a girl with a disability ever think she'll have a happy ending?

Disfigured will point the way toward a new world where disability is no longer a punishment or impediment but operates, instead, as a way of centering a protagonist and helping them to cement their own place in a story, and from there, the world.

Leduc connects the fight for disability justice to the growth of modern, magical stories– helping us to see and celebrate the magic inherent in different bodies. A fight for disabled representation in today's media.

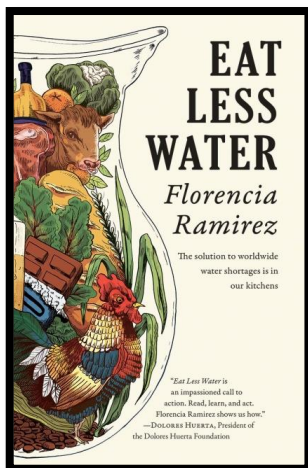
**\*\* Feb 2020**

**\*\* Leduc is author of 2 novels and has cerebral palsy**

**\*\* From examinations of disability in tales from the Brothers Grimm and Hans Christian Andersen through to modern interpretations ranging from Disney to Angela Carter.**

## EAT LESS WATER, Florencia Ramirez

(Red Hen | US | 246 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#GreenPlanet #SustainableLiving #AgriculturalSciences**

**The solution to worldwide water shortages is in our kitchens.**

Experts predict two-thirds of people living on this planet in 2030 will experience water scarcity, a situation expected to result in the deaths of millions and an unprecedented rise in military conflicts. Can we hope to? As individuals we can have an effect on the global scale of water misuse—with our food choices— and make a significant difference.

*Eat Less Water* tells the story of water served on our plates: an eye-opening account of the under-appreciated environmental threat of water scarcity and a fascinating personal narrative that will teach the reader how they, too, can eat less water.

**\*\* A useful cookbook with water-sustainable recipes in each chapter**

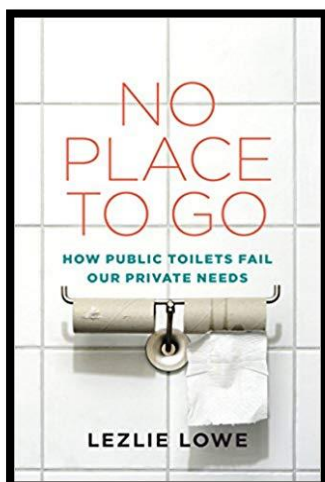
MIDWEST BOOK REVIEW - "Exceptional, unique, impressively informative, thoughtful and thought-provoking, *Eat Less Water* is an extraordinary and life-changing read"

THOMAS M. KOSTIGEN, *New York Times* journalist and bestselling author - "*Eat Less Water* is as clever as its title. It's a thoughtful book. Read it and learn."

## NO PLACE TO GO.

### HOW PUBLIC TOILETS FAIL OUR PRIVATE NEEDS, Lezlie Lowe

(Coach House | Canada | 220 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#SocialNarrative #UrbanPlanning #PopCulture**

**Public bathroom access is about cities, society, design, movement, and equity. The real question is: Why are public toilets so crappy?**

Celebrities like Lady Gaga and Bruce Springsteen have protested bathroom bills that will stomp on the rights of trans people. And where was Hillary Clinton after she arrived back to the stage late after the first commercial break of the live-televised Democratic leadership debate in December 2015? Stuck in a queue for the women's bathroom.

Like, for the homeless, who, faced with no place to go sometimes literally take to the streets. (Ever heard of a municipal poop map?) For people with invisible disabilities, such as Crohn's disease, who stay home rather than risk soiling themselves on public transit routes. For girls who quit sports teams because they don't want to run to the edge of the pitch to pee.

**\*\* A toilet tour from London to San Francisco to Toronto and beyond**

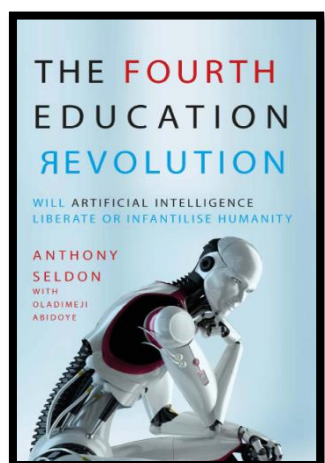
**\*\* A marriage of urbanism, social narrative, and pop culture**

LONDON REVIEW OF BOOKS - "Public toilets are a joke... Lowe moves towards a more radical solution."

**Rights sold:** UK (Melville House)

## THE FOURTH EDUCATION REVOLUTION, Sir Anthony Seldon

(UBP | UK | 354 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#Revolution #ArtificialIntelligence #Education #NewMethods**

**A call to educators everywhere to open their eyes to what is coming. Will artificial intelligence liberate or infantilise humanity?**

There is no more important issue facing education, or humanity at large, than the fast approaching revolution in Artificial Intelligence. Education systems all over the world are tailored to the twentieth century. The factory mass teaching methods of the last educational era have failed to conquer enduring problems. Will the fourth AI revolution be able to remedy these problems?

A key text on how to adapt current methods to new technologies, using Sir Anthony's innovative ten-part model of education as a framework.

**\*\* Discuss the possibilities of using AI in education**

**\*\* An essential reading for the general contemporary education and pedagogic readership**

**Who is Sir Anthony Seldon:** As Britain's best-known headmaster, Sir Seldon has authored over 35 books. Regarded as one of the most authoritative high profile commentators on education, his views are frequently sought by the government and political parties and he is particularly well known for introducing 'happiness lessons' at his school, to raise awareness of the discovery of happiness and reduction of depression. His influence is growing across the world.

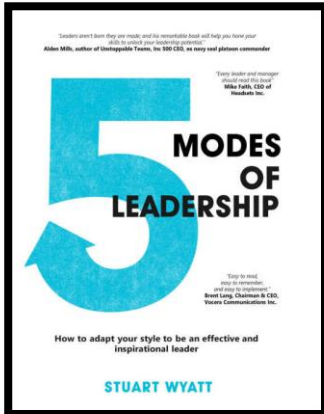
**Rights sold:** China

## **\*\* Management & Business Tools \*\***

### **5 MODES OF LEADERSHIP.**

#### **HOW TO ADAPT YOUR STYLE TO BE AN EFFECTIVE AND INSPIRATIONAL LEADER, Stuart Wyatt**

(Legend Press | UK | 160 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#MotivationSkills #Coaching #Inspiring #StepByStepGuide**

**Practical, real-world solutions that leaders can start using immediately combined with a reference guide to enhance their leadership for many years to come.**

Leadership can be split into five different modes each outlined in the book that will allow to adopt the best approach in each situation.

Vision | Plan | Delegate | Enable | Empower

This book offers comprehensive advice, based on decades of management and leadership experience plus training results, skillfully condensed into an easily digested format. This original guide for leadership will help you inspire people to follow your lead, share your vision.

**\*\* Previous title sold in 8 languages**

**\*\* New and experienced leaders at all levels will find practical advice that can be employed immediately.**

**\*\* For fans of *The Chimp Paradox*, *How to Win Friends and Influence People* and *Start With Why: How Great Leaders Inspire Everyone ToTake Action*.**

#### **Leaders opinions:**

“Essential wisdom put into a clear structure that is memorable and actionable.”

Darrell Benatar, President and Executive Chairman, UserTesting, Inc

“A compelling playbook for getting the best out of your team and yourself. Easy to read, easy to remember, and easy to implement.”

Brent Lang, Chairman & CEO, Vocera Communications, Inc.

“I have seen the results, up close and personal. It works.”

Steve C. Brazier, CEO of HexCel Designs, ex Director of Global Education at Promethean.

“An indispensable reference book for anyone serious about management and leadership.”

Joe Cussens, Managing Director, The Bath Pub Company Ltd

“This isn’t just a book it’s a graduate level course on how to think, decide, act and lead -a must read for all aspiring leaders!”

Alden Mills, author of *Unstoppable Teams*, Inc 500 CEO and former Navy SEAL platoon commander.

“Unlike most business books that can be summarized in a page or two, Wyatt provides practical, no-nonsense advice on five different modes of leadership.”

Chris Hicken, General Partner, HFF Capital



## THE SMART SKILLS SERIES



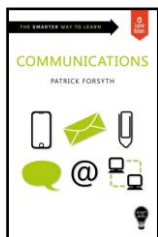
Accessible, up-to-date and dynamic advice for all aspects of working in business, whether as an owner or executive or starting out in a first job.

**#Clear #Concise #Easy-to-follow #Accessible #Rigorous**

- \*\* Very brief, around 35,000 words each (125/150pp)
- \*\* Text-led guides to 'business basics'
- \*\* For everyday man/woman who is looking to learn some new soft skills

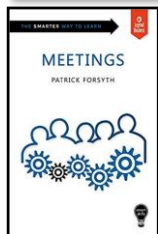
### The smarter way to learn

2019 Titles:



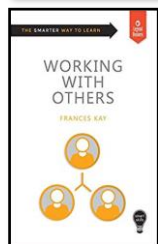
#### COMMUNICATIONS

**Communication is one of the most basic functions in any organization.** There are several essential elements to making business communications work; these include structure, clarity, consistency, medium, and relevancy. Regardless of what medium you use, effective communication means your message is received clearly and is understood entirely.



#### MEETINGS

**Effective meetings can boost productivity, employee morale and profits.** This book offers practical advice on: steps to conduct an effective meeting, different types of meetings, agendas, purpose, participation, meeting etiquette, and more. Meetings are a necessary part of operating in a professional environment.



#### WORKING WITH OTHERS

**Working effectively with other people in a group or a team is a skill valued highly by community and educational organisations, as well as by employers.** This guide explains the specific requirements such as approaches, assessment, development and resources.

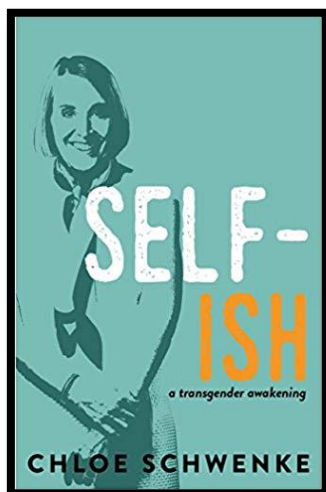


## **\*\* Memoir \*\***

### **SELF-ISH.**

#### **A TRANSGENDER AWAKENING, Chloe Schwenke**

(Red Hen | US | 260 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#Memoir #TransgenderActivist #Academic #Struggle #LGBT**

**A moving memoir of a remarkable transgender woman's life —from her childhood in a military family, an architectural career in Africa, a spiritual journey as a Quaker, and her service as a political appointee under President Obama.**

Chloe Schwenke was raised as Stephen in a Marine Corps family and sent at age 14 to “man-up” at a military academy. Later—and still embodied as a man—she ventured abroad to work in some of the roughest regions of Africa and Middle East. Her far-flung global journey was matched in intensity by an inner identity and spiritual struggle and the associated ravages of depression before she came to the revelation of being a transgender woman.

At a time when many Americans are just waking up to the reality of the transgender phenomenon, this portrayal of Chloe's life, her challenging gender transition creates a poignant story of authenticity, self-discovery, and the meaning of gender set against a fascinating international backdrop.

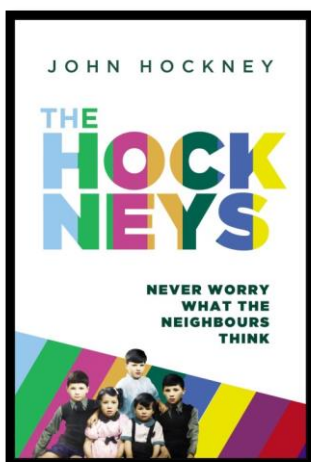
**\*\* National Center for Transgender Equality's National Public Service Award**

**\*\* One of the three transgender political appointees in U.S. history, under President Obama**

### **THE HOCKNEYS.**

#### **NEVER WORRY WHAT THE NEIGHBOURS THINK, John Hockney**

(Legend Press | UK | 256 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#Memoir #Revelatory #PrivateDrawings #NewPerspective**

**Intimate look at one of the world's most famous artist and his family, revealed by his brother.**

*“Never worry what the neighbours think”* was the philosophy that Kenneth Hockney used to inspire his children.

With a rare and spirited look into the lives of an ordinary family with extraordinary stories, we begin to understand the creative freedom that led to the successful careers of all the Hockney children. How was it that a poor family from Bradford- headed by a whimsical, conscientious objector father and an intense, religiously strict mother- brought into existence an artist whose work has inspired generations?

**\*\* The revelatory memoir of David Hockney**

**\*\* A never-before-seen insight into the lives of this family**

**\*\* Including never-before-seen drawings by David Hockney**

DAVID HOCKNEY - “John has a view of me no-one else has.”

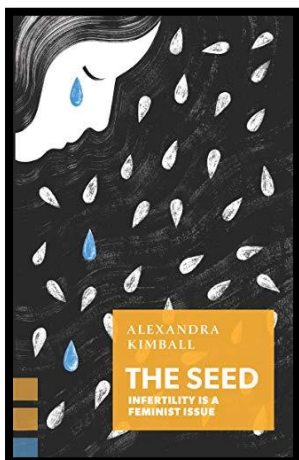
THE GUARDIAN - “The chance to view the artist from a fresh perspective.”

**Rights sold:** Spanish (Navona), Catalan (Navona)

## THE SEED.

### INFERTILITY IS A FEMINIST ISSUE, Alexandra Kimball

(Coach House | Canada | 144 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#Feminism #Infertility #Psychological #ReproductiveRights #Grief&Loss**

**Notes on desire, reproduction, and grief, and how feminism doesn't support women struggling to have children.**

Braiding together feminist history, memoir, and reporting, *The Seed* traverses the chilly landscape of miscarriage, and the particular grief that accompanies the longing to make a family.

The feminist movement has historically left infertile women out in the cold. Framed by her own desire for a child, Kimball brilliantly reveals the pain and loneliness of infertility, especially as a lifelong feminist.

**\*\* In the tradition of Eula Biss's *On Immunity* and Barbara Ehrenreich's *Bright-sided*, Kimball marries perceptive analysis with deep reportage.**

L.A. REVIEW OF BOOKS - "Infertility should be a feminist issue. It should be included in the fights for reproductive rights.."

PUBLISHERS WEEKLY - "Both intimate and abstract—an intelligent academic investigation into an unusual element of inclusivity in feminism. Combination of well-reasoned argument and memoir."

BROKENPENCIL - "From the 15th-century witch trials of barren women to portraits in contemporary literature, Kimball's debut is a bold look at how, and why, the women's movement has left infertile women out in the cold."

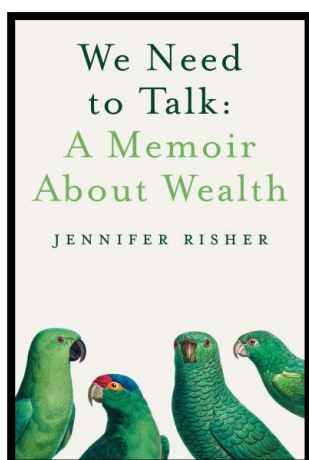
GRACE KAO 5 star opinion - "Few others have her ability to mine both popular culture (e.g., actress Tina Fey's body of work, Margaret Atwood's *Handmaid's Tale*), and the depths of feminist theory in one breath in an accessible way."

**Rights sold:** Spanish (Bellaterra Ediciones)

## WE NEED TO TALK.

### A MEMOIR ABOUT WEALTH, Jennifer Risher

(Red Hen | US | 280 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#SuddenWealthProblem #TabooBreaker #ThoughtProvoking**

**At a time when money is still a taboo subject, this engaging, introspective memoir is essential reading: what it's like to have sudden new wealth.**

When Jennifer Risher joined Microsoft in 1991, she met her husband, and with him became an extra-lucky beneficiary of the *dot-com* boom. By their early thirties, they had tens of millions of dollars. Today, there are millions of people like her.

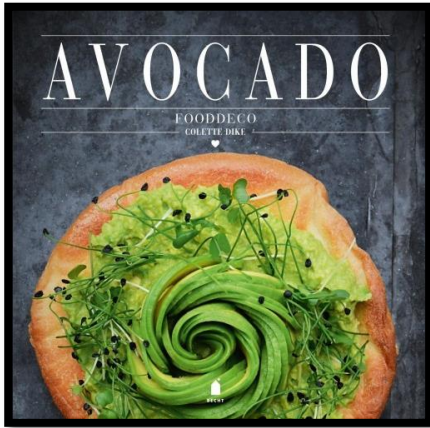
Jennifer's thought-provoking, personal story explores the hidden impact of wealth on identity, relationships, and sense of place in the world.

**\*\* May 2020**

## **\*\* Food \*\***

### **AVOCADO, Colette Dike**

(Gottmer | Holl | 19'5 x 19'5 cm | 72 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#Advocado #FoodPorn #30dishes**

**Avocados are naturally not only incredibly tasty and healthy, but also rather photogenic.**

In Avocado you'll find more than thirty beautifully-crafted recipes: from breakfast, lunch and dinner to savoury and sweet snacks. Discover how food can look beautiful without going to a lot of trouble.

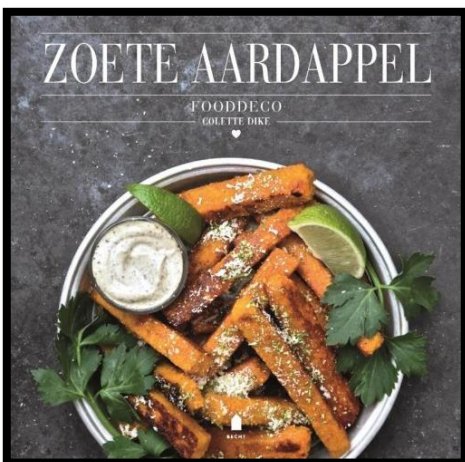
**\*\* Colette Dike's Food Deco has 120 K Instagram followers**

**Rights sold: world English (Skyhorse)**



### **SWEET POTATO, Colette Dike**

(Gottmer | Holl | 19'5 x 19'5 cm | 72 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#SweetPotato #FoodPorn #30dishes**

**It's about time the sweet potato got a book of its own, given cooking with this orange tuberous root has become increasingly popular.**

The sweet potato is a refreshing variation on the ordinary potato and can be used in many hearty and sweet dishes. The cookbook Sweet Potato includes more than 30 dishes that are a feast for the eye, such as sweet potato-polenta fries, pizza dough from sweet potato flour and sweet potato cheesecake.

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# \*\* Teaching \*\*

## CODE-IT. PRIMARY PROGRAMMING SERIES

**Scratch. The ideal place to begin programming!**

The highly successful *Code-It Series* is a comprehensive guide to teaching Scratch to children in a classroom setting.

**#BasicCoding #ClassroomTested #EarlyEducation #HowToTeach #Teacher&Workbooks**

Most primary teachers and pupils have little -if any- experience programming, but basic computer coding is now among the most important skills a child can have for their future.

The Scratch programming language, already recognised in schools around the world, is widely considered as the ideal place to begin programming in early education.

The series aids teachers in providing pupils with an exciting and challenging computer science curriculum.

**\*\* 7 to 11 children**

**\*\* Scratch is widely recognised in worldwide schools and freely accessible online or as a download**

**\*\* Classroom-tested**

**\*\* Perfected by the author through his website [code-it.co.uk](http://code-it.co.uk)**

**\*\* A growing bank of online videos are also available to help teachers improve their own skills**



### TEACHER BOOK

#### HOW TO TEACH PRIMARY PROGRAMMING USING SCRATCH

(UBP | UK | 256 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)

The teacher's handbook outlines the tested ways of teaching the following:

- how to define and communicate what computational thinking is
- different approaches when teaching programming
- how to promote resilience and problem solving

Pupils learn how to use sequence, repetition, selection and variables through becoming creators of a wide variety of programming projects.

Maths, literacy, humanities, gaming, music and control skills are all put to the test.

### 4 WORKBOOKS

(UBP | UK | 80 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)

Alongside the teacher's handbook, there are four pupil workbooks designed to work in conjunction with the teacher handbook. They provide structure and resources for the children:

- 1: First Steps
- 2: Choices in Programming
- 3: Algorithm to Code
- 4: Problem Solving



## **\*\* Travel & Sports \*\***

### **ALL HANDS ON DECK.**

#### **THINGS TO DISCOVER AND DO WITH KIDS ON BOARD, Lisette Vos & Ingrid Robers**

(Gottmer | Holl | 17 x 24 cm | 96 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#WaterSports #SailorChildren #FunnyTeaching**

**The book water sports enthusiasts have been waiting for.**

Children only staring at their smartphone or iPad on board? It doesn't have to be like this!

There's nothing more fun than discovering things in an upbeat way: and it's no different when it comes to sailboats or motor boats. What's more: kids will want to help out aboard. *All Hands on Deck* is about having fun together and inspires young sailors to discover everything they need to know about boats and sailing. It's also about learning to be alert when you're out on the water. The character Sailor Taylor takes kids on an enjoyable excursion: from sailing regulations to charting a course, from tying knots to studying clouds.

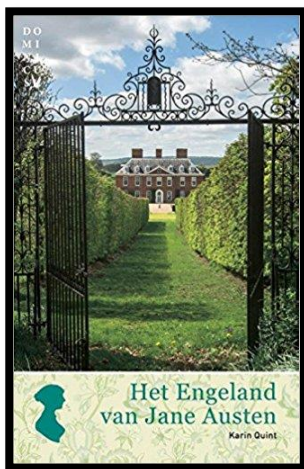
**\*\* Teaching children about boating and sailing in a fun way**

**\*\* With fun and informative DIY projects, guaranteed hours of sailing pleasure for the entire family**



### **JANE AUSTEN'S ENGLAND, Karin Quint**

(Gottmer | Holl | 13x21 cm | 336 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#LiteraryTravel #Life&Works #Janeites #CompanionGuide**

**With this comprehensive travel guide, all Janeites and travel enthusiasts can visit all these places, and enjoy a journey through Jane Austen's England all on their own.**

The tourism around Jane Austen has increased. The Chawton cottage – where she wrote three books – is of course on top of every Janeite's (as Jane Austen lovers like to call themselves) list, as is her grave in Winchester, the city of Bath and the romantic coast village of Lyme Regis. But not only the places Jane Austen visited herself are attractive to Austen-tourists, also the locations – mansions, villages, nature – used in the film adaptations of her books are flooded every year by Austen devotees.

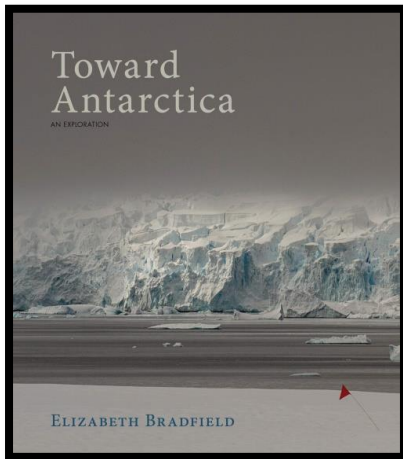
**\*\* England through Jane Austen: the most important places in her life and novels**

**\*\* With hiking routes, practical information, detailed maps and much much more.**

**\*\* Full English translation**

## TOWARD ANTARCTICA, Elizabeth Bradfield

(Red Hen | US | 160 pp | Rights available: world Spanish & world Portuguese)



**#IconicPlace #UniquePerspective #LastWildPlace #Guide**

**A lyric travelogue of photographs and writing by poet-naturalist Elizabeth Bradfield, who guides on ecotour ships in Antarctica.**

This book sounds, challenges, documents, and queries one of the world's most iconic wild places.

Bradfield uses photographs, compressed prose, and short poems to examine our relationship to remoteness, discovery, expertise, awe, labor, temporary societies, "pure" landscapes, and tourism's service economy.

**\*\* Inspired by haibun, a 17th century stylistic form of Japanese poetry invented by Matsuo Bashō to chronicle his journeys in remote Japan.**

**\*\* A unique perspective on travel to the world's iconic last wild place.**

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**Target:** Adult

**Site:** <https://chbooks.com>



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