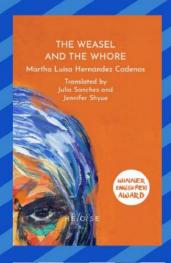
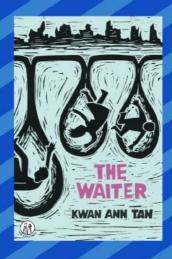
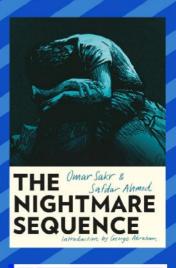
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### **CURRENT BESTSELLERS**

### Dreaming of Dead People

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11 can be Robin Hood, or his doppelganger Hobbehode, at any moment of the day: pausing. I raise my eyes, and am in the fourteenth century. It's a version of galloping horses along verges and beside railway trains. On my sixth birthday, we had a fancy dress party; no marks for guessing who I was. Introduced by Gabriel Josipovici.

### **Dreaming of Dead People**

Author

In Dreaming of Dead People, Lavinia, aged thirty-six, confronts solitude, longing, grief and desire through vivid symbols of Owl and Cuckoo, rustic dreams and childhood memories. Frank, witty and raw, this idiosyncratic work remains startlingly original and resonant.

And Other Stories | ISBN: 9781916751316 | RRP: £14.99 Pub date: 15/08/2025 | Format: Paperback | Pages: 144

### **Leonard and Hungry Paul**

Rónán Hession

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Bluemoose Books | ISBN: 9781910422441 | RRP: £9.99 Pub date: 14/02/2019 | Format: Paperback | Pages: 245

### **Undefeatable: Odesa in Love and War**

Julian Evans

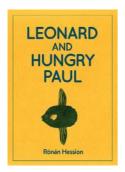
Undefeatable blends memoir and history, charting his decadeslong love affair with Odesa and his Ukrainian family. Through intimacy and conflict, he portrays the city's resilience amid Russia's war, offering a vivid, deeply personal lens on politics, culture and belonging.

Scotland Street Press | ISBN: 9781910895986 | RRP: £24.99 Pub date: 02/12/2024 | Format: Hardback | Pages: 232

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Ave Barrera, translated by Ellen Jones and Robin Myers Restoration is a ghost story of obsession and reclamation. As Jasmina restores a haunted home, she uncovers the lives of forgotten women, blurring borders between past and present, fiction and reality, and asking what lies behind our own locked doors.

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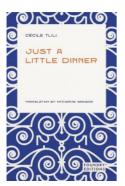


### The Gender of Sound

Anne Carson

From the myths of antiquity to Margaret Thatcher via Sigmund Freud and Gertrude Stein, *The Gender of Sound* charts the gendering of voice through Western culture. This enquiry into the way we hear sounds invites reimagining our conceptions of human order, virtue and selfhood.

Spiral House Editions | ISBN: 9781739371791 | RRP: £7.99 Pub date: 14/04/2025 | Format: Paperback | Pages: 62



### **Just A Little Dinner**

Cécile Tlili, translated by Katherine Gregor In tired, hot Paris at the end of August, a group of friends, who'd rather still be at the sea, meet for a dinner in one couple's apartment. What starts as just a little dinner ends up having monumental consequences for everyone.

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### Vanished Wales

Carwyn Jones

Vanished Wales explores lost landmarks and communities erased from memory. Featuring stories from locals and before-and-after images, it's a poignant tribute to Wales' missing heritage, from industry and culture to entire villages, preserved through memory and storytelling.

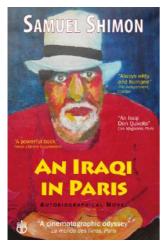
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Vincent Delecroix, translated by Helen Stevenson Small Boat is a haunting moral tale inspired by real tragedy. Narrated by a woman accused of failing migrants at sea, it questions responsibility: challenging whether blame lies with her, or with war, borders, and the indifferent sea.

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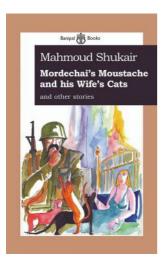
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### **An Iraqi in Paris**

Samuel Shimon, translated by Christina Phillips and Piers Amodia

### A fully revised third edition of this bestselling "gem of autobiographical writing".

A young Iraqi leaves home to become a Hollywood film-maker, but finds himself jailed, tortured, and thrown out of the first three countries on his voyage, in Syria, in East Beirut and in Jordan. Seeking refuge with the Palestinians in west Beirut, he finds his way to Hollywood barred. Later, living on the streets of Paris as a homeless refugee and writer, he dreams of making a film about his father, the deaf-mute baker who loves the young Queen of England, possibly starring Robert de Niro.

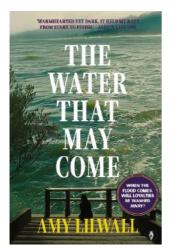
**Samuel Shimon**'s first novel is a riveting tale of innocence and dreams, misery and humour, in which Arabic and Assyrian languages meet Hollywood and the films of John Ford in the streets of Paris and Iraq.

# Mordechai's Moustache & His Wife's Cat

Mahmoud Shukair, translated by Issa J. Boullata, Flizabeth Whitehouse and Liz Winslow

# One of the best-known short story writers in the Arab world

Mahmoud Shukair's first major English-language collection showcases his gift for revealing the surreal in the everyday, the limits of human patience, and the obsessive rituals of daily life. With humour ranging from farce to black comedy, and a painter's eye for detail, these stories highlight the resilience of the human spirit under occupation. The title story delivers biting satire in the classic Palestinian tradition. Also included are two autobiographical essays: Hemingway in Jerusalem and My Journey in Writing. This is a brilliantly observed portrait of ordinary lives navigating extraordinary pressures with imagination and wit.



### The Water That May Come

Amy Lilwall

### A gripping climate drama about survival, sacrifice and the meaning of home.

As rising seas threaten to engulf Britain, four lives are on the brink: Pinko, a privileged heir clinging to decadence; Jane, a working-class veterinary nurse racing to reunite her family; her pregnant teenage daughter Ashleigh, grappling with impending motherhood; and humble young artist Gavin. With sanctuary beckoning across the channel, each faces impossible choices. Who will they save? What will they sacrifice?

Fly on the Wall Press ISBN: 9781915789440

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A lyrical, thought-provoking novel which blurs borders and challenges notions of identity and belonging. In a future where we all may become refugees, it asks: how far would you go to stay afloat?

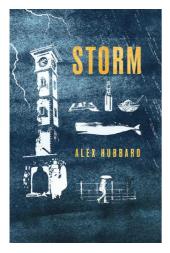


Alex Hubbard

### A deeply felt and quietly uncanny comingof-age story set against the wild coast of Wales.

Josephine is already haunted. At university in Aberystwyth, she is grateful to be away from home, and further everyday from the past. When she kisses Glynn on a night out, it could be the start of a love story.

Awkward, earnest and polite, he isn't like the other people she knows. But the town is in the midst of a violent storm and strange things keep happening. Josephine wishes it would all go away. But the past is intent on coming for her.



Seren

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# Every Time We Say Goodbye translated by Wims Similé Ivana Sajko V&Q BOOKS

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### **Call me Stratos**

Chrysoula Georgoula, translated by Marianna Avouri

# A raw, compelling portrait of masculinity, memory and modern Greek life.

After his dramatic divorce and at the age of forty-two, Stratos Achtidis returns to his family home to live with his mother and brother. Humiliated and feeling cut off from family and friends, he turns to drink and reminiscences of a over-glorified past. Through the eyes of Stratos, the reader experiences the challenges and changes that have taken place in Greek society over the last quarter of a century.

**Chrysoula Georgoula** has written a pitch-perfect portrayal of the male psyche, of a certain kind of Greek male, often with brutal authenticity. *Call Me Stratos* is not just a good read, it is a vivid portrayal of some of the most important aspects of Greek society.

### **Every Time We Say Goodbye**

Ivana Sajko, translated by Mima Simic

# A searing, poetic journey through violence, memory and migration in modern Europe.

A man on a train, propelled from a small town on the south-eastern coast of Europe to Berlin by a gesture of violence. As the wheels turn, his mind roams free in a feverish attempt to trace the genealogy of that violence in his own past and that of Europe as a whole. A man in search of a destination where he can be a stranger – but has that better place since ceased to exist?

Shipwrecks and border pushbacks; epidemics and industrial ruins; a family divided by economic necessity; a brother lost to crime; love and fear and memories of happier times in Berlin – yet through it all runs a silver thread of hope spun by a far-off friend.



Cinnamon Press

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# THE WEASEL AND THE WHORE Martha Luisa Hernández Cadenas Translated by Julia Sanches and Jennifer Shyue WINNER ENVISA PEN ALJARD

Héloïse Press

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# Maybe Shakespeare, Maybe Harlequin

Andreas Sylvana

# A time-warping, universe-hopping love letter to theatre, chaos and creation.

A whole universe (contained inside a Beardmore taxi) parks itself in Elizabethan London. Inside, a troupe of actors begin to stage plays written by a certain Master (who bears an uncanny resemblance to William Shakespeare).

Pretty soon, there are queues outside the newly-built Globe theatre. Queen Elizabeth is a fan. . . the other theatre companies in town aren't. Tensions build, fights break out and the future of the new theatre is under threat from several directions. Meanwhile, Lorenzo (who might be the creator of the universe inside the Beardmore taxi) is distracted. You see, he's fallen in love.

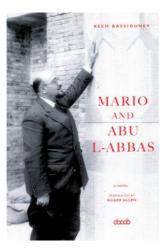
### The Weasel and The Whore

Martha Luisa Hernández Cadenas, translated by Julia Sanches, Jennifer Shyue

# A bold, defiant novel from Cuba's underground, where art, identity and resistance collide.

From Monday to Saturday, Mary is a young and talented artist in the artistic, bohemian and fringe circles of Havana. But on Sundays, Mary becomes the sex toy of a high official of the regime. Her condition as a woman and artist, bisexual and alienated from Castroism, inevitably pushes her towards social exclusion, and Mary begins to need a reason to remain in Cuba.

Featuring a host of unforgettable and irreverent members of the underground Havana, this novel raises important questions which a new whole generation is finding increasingly difficult to ignore.



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### Mr Outside

### Caleb Klaces

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### Mario and Abu L-Abbas

Reem Bassiouney, translated by Roger Allen

### A luminous novel of spiritual friendship and historical imagination, bridging centuries, cultures and faiths.

In Mario and Abu L-Abbas, acclaimed Egyptian author **Reem Bassiouney** reimagines the extraordinary connection between a 20th-century Italian architect and a 13th-century Andalusian Sufi saint.

As stories unfold from war-torn Alexandria to medieval Tunisia, the novel explores exile, memory, and the mysteries of divine love. Translated by **Roger Allen**, this sweeping tale bridges East and West, past and present—where a sacred mosque becomes the meeting point of history, architecture, and the human soul.

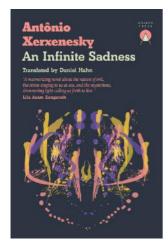
### **Mr Outside**

Caleb Klaces

# Poignant, profound and unexpectedly funny.

Mr Outside is a novel which explores a relationship between a son and his father as he descends into dementia, and follows Klaces' acclaimed debut novel Fatherhood. Where Fatherhood was focussed on the beginning of a life, Mr Outside is interested in the end.

During a time of restricted movement, the narrator of *Mr Outside* visits his reclusive father Thomas who is packing up to move into a care home. As father and son grapple with the task, long-buried conflicts resurface. Thomas, a poet and former radical priest, slips between affection and fear, while the narrator struggles to find the words he's been holding back. Yet amidst confusion and grief, moments of humour and connection emerge, as both men discover new ways to understand each other and let go.



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Peepal Tree Press ISBN: 9781845236021

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Pages: 340

### **An Infinite Sadness**

Antônio Xerxenesky, translated by Daniel Hahn

# In a small village in the Swiss Alps, in the aftermath of World War II, particle physics and psychiatry grapple with a forever changed world.

Nicholas walks the wooded path between the sanitarium where he works and his home, alert to a possible menace lurking in the trees, haunted by the possibility of an evil just out of sight. His days are spent ministering to minds that have been grievously damaged by the years of brutal conflict, violence suffered and violence abetted. The patients have different stories, but none of them have left the war behind. Anna, his wife, looks for meaning among the scientists she works with, exploring the dark matter that orders the universe. An infinite sadness, Xerxenesky offers, may be "the size of the universe or of the empty space inside an atom" and no certainty can defeat it, no reckoning be sufficient.

### **Concrete Dreams**

Ferdinand Dennis

# A powerful family saga tracing ambition, identity and belonging across generations.

Concrete Dreams follows Lucas Bostock, a Jamaican immigrant in 1950s London, whose harsh ambition shapes, and scars, his family. When his wife leaves, Lucas raises their three sons with pride, discipline, and relentless drive. As the children forge paths through boxing, journalism, politics, and religion, they confront the legacy of their father's influence

Around them, tenants in Lucas's properties share stories of resistance and renewal in a changing city. **Ferdinand Dennis** crafts a vivid portrait of Caribbean-British life, exploring race, masculinity, and generational legacy through a flawed but deeply human narrator who refuses easy narratives.



Leamington Books ISBN: 9781914090844

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Translated by

Hu Zongfeng and Robin Gilbani

ACA Publishing

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### This is Home

Luca Serra

### The first novel from a Scottish Book Trust **New Writers Award winner.**

**Luca Serra**'s debut novel This is Home unearths the hidden corners of city life, where dreams simmer in kitchen sinks and friendships bloom in the cracks of hardship.

A multicultural cast of workers, immigrants, and dreamers in Glasgow and London navigate hard jobs, post-Brexit identity, and the bittersweet search for home.

Four young people, a Brazilian, a Ghanaian, an Italian and Latvian navigate the complexities of identity and belonging in a new country.

### Yellow Gold

Yi Zhou, translated by Hu Zongfeng, Robin Gilbank Stories of survival, heartbreak and quiet rebellion from the edges of modern China.

A dentist's girlfriend with cavities, an elderly career criminal with no-one to turn to but the police, a dismissed housemaid on the way to a back-alley abortion clinic and a crane operator who's never had a man treat her right, for whom gold is just cashed-out love.

These are the stories of the people from China's liminal sprawl, who seek a fresh start somewhere other than a neglected countryside that's no longer home and a metropolis indifferent to their existence. As each small cruelty only compounds their humiliation, will their hopes ever pan out, or are the gates to a new future already rusted shut?

### Noopiming

The Cure for White Ladies

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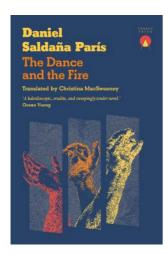
¶ Mindimooyenh counts their steps in their head. Every day, All day long. They also make lists on scrap paper, cut coupons, shop all the grocery store chains by taking the bus, studying the flyers and buying only what is on special that week. All of their produce comes from the dead-vegetable bin, which is the place in the grocery store where rotten fruit and vegetables are packaged up and sold for a discount. Mindimooyenh calls the specials "bargoons." Nothing makes Mindimooyenh happier than a bargoon.

And Other Stories ISBN: 9781916751354

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# Noopiming: The Cure for White Ladies

Leanne Betasamosake Simpson

### A poetic and intensely funny reclamation of Indigenous aesthetics, Noopiming is a world-building, world-changing novel

Noopiming is Anishinaabemowin for 'in the bush.' In it, Simpson and a cast of seven – Akiwenzii, the old man; Ninaatig, the maple tree; Mindimooyenh, the old woman; Sabe, the giant; Adik, the caribou; and Asin and Lucy, younger humans – turn the tables on colonial myth-making, exposing the unnatural strangeness at the heart of settlercapitalism.

With warm humour and canny observation, The Cure for White Ladies breaks open the self to a world still alive with people, animals, ancestors, and spirits.

### The Dance and the Fire

Daniel Saldaña París, translated by Christina MacSweeney

## A hypnotic novel of memory, desire and destruction

In this gripping, atmospheric novel by acclaimed Mexican writer **Daniel Saldaña París**, three friends bound by the erotic flames of their past reunite in Cuernavaca, a city encircled by wildfires and shaken by an ecstatic dancing plague.

Years after an intense high school love triangle, they confront old desires, complicated parental ties, and the challenge of artistic fulfilment. As fires ravage the landscape, one begins choreographing an ecstatic dance inspired by Mary Wigman and the Danse Macabre. What begins as a coping ritual spirals into hysteria, blurring the line between reality and myth as chaos consumes their world.

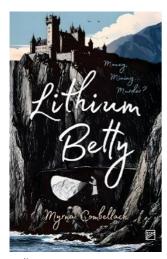


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Valley Press

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### The Duke

Matteo Melchiorre, translated by Antonella Lettieri

# An eccentric and playful fable of privilege, land, and legacy in the shadow of the Alps

Outside Vallorgana, a tiny village in the Dolomites, the 'Duke' lives alone in his ancestral villa. The last of the Cimamontes, he spends his days tending his land and obsessing over family archives, tolerated — if gently mocked — by the villagers. When he discovers the local strongman is stealing timber from his property, he must choose: remain in cerebral isolation or defend his lineage and honour

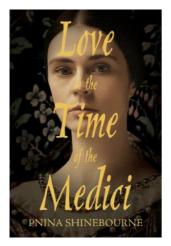
Matteo Melchiorre's vivid portrait of the Duke and Vallorgana unfolds with the sweep and intrigue of a nineteenth-century classic, while probing urgent modern questions about privilege, heritage, nature, and our ties to one another.

### **Lithium Betty**

Myrna Combellack

# A witty, warm and sharply observed Cornish mystery.

How does it feel to go to work as an agency carer on Monday morning, only to be accused of robbery and murder by coffee-time? Betty Reilly; incredibly clever, undervalued and overworked, has an absent husband and a demanding job. She finds herself suddenly embroiled in the complex and erratic lives of the comically and dangerously eccentric inhabitants of Eagle's Nest, Cornwall. Betty knows she didn't kill Lady Legeia, but the daughters, and their friend the Police Commissioner appear determined to pin the crime on her. Set against the backdrop of a community and a castle harbouring secrets, and the shadowy activity of a global mining company, our magnificent heroine Betty must use her wit, wiles and investigative skills to prove her innocence.



### Love in the time of the Medici

Pning Shinebourne

# A richly imagined tale of forbidden love and survival in Renaissance Italy.

12-year-old Livia flees her forced marriage in Genoa for glamorous Florence and an affair with Don Giovanni de' Medici, son of the Grand Duke of Tuscany. To protect Livia from the Medicis' hostility, they move to Venice. They succeed in having Livia's first marriage annulled, get married and have a son.

But the Medicis will stop at nothing.

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Constructed through fragments and intense, eloquent letters that only recently surfaced. Love in the time of the Medici inhabits the spaces between what is recorded and what is imagined. A story with the magnitude and tragedy of that of Abelard and Héloïse

### **The Waiter**

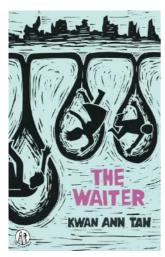
Kwan Ann Tan, cover design or artwork by Mark Andrew Webber

### Your time is precious. Book a Waiter now.

London, in a near future, is sinking into the ground. The rich grow richer, while Waiters do the jobs no one else has time for: queuing for tickets, waiting for deliveries, stirring risottos.

You play an unnamed Waiter with no memory of life before the Company. Each choice matters - whether to peek into a client's luggage, risk credits by helping a stranger, or edge closer to remembering who you were.

With 12 endings and countless paths, The Waiter is a labyrinthine exploration of queer longing, consumerism, and agency in a city, and psyche, on the brink of collapse.



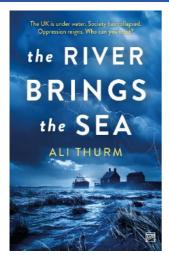
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### The River Brings the Sea

Ali Thurm

## A gripping eco-dystopian thriller set in a flooded Britain.

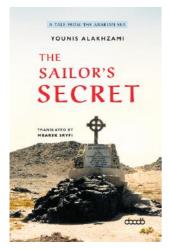
The UK is flooded, and the world has become a global disaster zone. Order has broken down, and the systems that all society had relied on have collapsed. NOAH — a group of vicious and powerful religious extremists — emerge to rule with terrifying violence and archaic notions of oppression. Anna and Robbie flee the water plains of London and become refugees, alongside millions of others, making their way north. They take the perilous journey to join a small and remote community in a Cumbrian watermill. While they find solace and solidarity in the group, their safety is soon put in jeopardy by the arrival of a desperate stranger and her children. When people begin to go missing, Anna must use all her powers of trust, love and resilience to save her friends and the man she loves.

### White Raven

Maggie Ritchie

# A story of love, courage, resiliance and betrayal.

Bored with life as a teacher in an Edinburgh girls' school, artist Rosie recognises Alex Kuznetsov from her previous life as a decoder at Bletchley Park. Alex, a war hero and anti-Soviet intelligence officer, is running a Russian language school for National Servicemen to prepare Britain's best and brightest young men for a third world war. During an ardent courtship, Rosie joins the JSSL as an art teacher, but she soon finds out that there is more to her role as Alex gains her confidence and persuades her to take on a daring undercover espionage mission in a Highland country house. Rosie discovers that the world of spies is full of treachery, and that what started out as a thrilling game can have deadly consequences. Faced with a choice between duty and love, and between stability and adventure, Rosie must decide where her loyalties lie.



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# Breaking Shells Neville Judson

Valley Press

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### The Sailor's Secret

Younis AlAkhzami, translated by Mbarek Sryfi

# A lyrical tale of shipwrecks, secrets and spiritual journeys, where myth and memory meet across oceans and deserts.

A storm delivers a boy to the shores of Ras Madrakah, a forgotten village where the sea speaks in riddles and the rocks seem almost alive. Sheikh Shaleh takes the boy in, convinced he is a gift from God. The same storm that wrecks a ship appears to reveal a long-buried secret.

Across the sea, in the quiet chapels of Leeds, Sophia sends her husband David into the desert in search of that secret, guided by signs she believes are divine. Told with the shimmer of Arabian Nights and the wonder of Sinbad's voyages, The Sailor's Secret is a tale of omens, shipwrecks, and the stories that carry us home.

### **Breaking Shells**

Neville Judson

# A tender, courageous coming-of-age novel set against the hidden histories of queer love, friendship, and social change in midcentury England.

Simon, Tim and Ruth are childhood friends, growing up in a small, quiet English village in the 1960s. Their pleasure are found in the natural world around them; climbing and caving, motor-bikes, and each other. Their lives remain intertwined even when Simon and Tim leave the confines of the village to attend university in Manchester and Cambridge. Breaking Shells is a tender, challenging novel, dealing with the heartbreaks and confusions of first love, interracial relationships, religious strictures and the shame and dangers of buried secrets. Set within a period of huge social shifts, Breaking Shells charts the coming of age enduring friendship of a trio who prove that bonds and loyalty can triumph over adversity.



### **Putham House**

Hephzibah Jesudasan, translated by G Geetha

# A quiet, powerful story of resilience, love, and the weight of tradition.

In a village ringed by towering palmyra trees, Lizzy dreams of a better life. But while her family's fortunes decline, the proud men of the household refuse to act. Torn between loyalty to her family and her love for a hardworking young man from the palmyra-climbing community, Lizzy struggles against deep-rooted prejudice and harsh realities. Her courage, resilience, and search for small joys make her story unforgettable.

With vivid detail and compassion, **Hephzibah Jesudasan** brings to life a world where survival is as precarious as a climber's grip on the swaying palms.

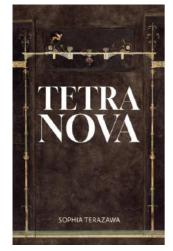
HopeRoad

ISBN: 9781913109455

RRP: £10.99

Pub date: 20/11/2025 Format: Paperback

Pages: 176



### Tetra Nova

Sophia Terazawa

# The debut novel from an award-winning performance artist and poet.

An operatic, polyphonic novel that follows Emi Terazawa/Lua Mater — a performance artist creating a text that maps Vietnamese intergenerational stories across genocide, psychosis, and the resistance that follows. As the boundary between novel and performance blurs, hybrid selves tumble across each other: the Vietnamese-Japanese poet (Emi), an assassin (Lua), sisters, Chrysanthemum, Jigglypuff, a tiny panda. Part investigative document, part dreamscape, this ambitious debut novel traverses space, the mythic and the profane, into a song of humanity beyond trauma. Voices become durational, staged, fragmented, and unabashed. Presented as one final production, whether by cinema or live music, the heart of performance art ultimately grapples with the language of plague on a cosmological scale.

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DarArab

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Charco Press ISBN: 9781917260183

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Pages: 128

### The Completely True Tales of Um Mimi and Sharawi the Adulterer

Belal Fadl, translated by Osama Hammad

### A darkly comic coming-of-age tale from 1990s Cairo, where survival, satire and storytelling collide.

When a seventeen-year-old flees his violent father and heads to Cairo to chase his dream of breaking into the arts, he ends up in a crumbling flat with a mercurial landlady and her volatile son. Set in the early 1990s, The Completely True Tales of Um Mimi and Sharawi the Adulterer is a sharply observed, darkly comic coming-of-age novel about ambition, survival, and the strange intimacies forged by necessity. Longlisted for the International Prize for Arabic Fiction, this cult-favourite debut by Egyptian screenwriter, journalist, and satirist Belal Fadl appears in English for the first time, in a vivid

translation by Osama Hammad.

### **Apparitions**

Margo Glantz, translated by Ellen Jones

### Pleasure becomes penance in this gothic confession of desire and divine obsession.

Two nuns, and one obsessed mother, doing everything thing in their power to achieve communion with the one they love.

Sister Lugarda de la Encarnación takes the lash, and an unnamed mother gets down on her hands and knees – sacramental postures demanded by inscrutable men. Apparitions is a novel of ecstasy pursued, desire transmogrified into devotion, and obedience as a passionately pursued, not entirely free choice. Erotic, and suffused with painting, music, art, it's an incantatory exploration of what it means to abandon the world, and to use your body — in pain, and in pleasure — as a way of finally coming to know the divine.



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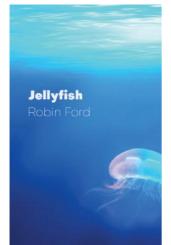
### Make No Mistake

Colin Hughes

### A quietly powerful debut that finds clarity and connection in the spaces between nature, memory and language.

Make No Mistake threads connections between the human and the natural world in a guest for clarity at the borders of what we know and see.

In poems prepared to 'look up' with an acute gaze that sees 'a hawk / stealth away from the wood's edge', Hughes admits the limits of 'what we could safely speak' - yet affirms that even in a 'burning city' or 'galactic cold' you may 'let only your heart decide'.



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### **Jellyfish**

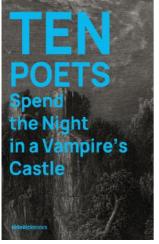
Robin Ford

### A clear-eyed exploration of life, language, and landscape.

Ranging across three distinct sections, **Robin Ford**'s Jellyfish demonstrates a mastery of language in the service of deep emotions and the complex challenges of the way we live now. Acutely observed, the poems capture the essence of life on a small island, offering a perspective that can move from the satirical to the poignant, and focussing on the interplay of beauty and tragedy that surrounds us all

From the subtle nuances of daily life to profound reflections on human existence, the natural world and gender, Jellyfish is a collection that will resonate deeply as we story the

lives we lead



Sidekick Books

ISBN: 9781909560413

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Pages: tbc



Peepal Tree Press ISBN: 9781845236045

RRP £10.99

Pub date: 02/10/2025 Format: Paperback

Pages: 90

# Ten Poets Spend the Night in a Vampire's Castle

Edited by Kirsten Irving, Jon Stone

### Poetry with a vigorous pulse ...

"Enter freely and of your own will!" After a hellish coach ride up a mountain pass, each of our ten poets crosses a threshold – perhaps a little dishevelled. But the master of the castle remains oddly reclusive; is this stop-off or destination, sanctuary or trap?

Move through the book as you would a candlelit corridor: every poem here is an unlocked chamber door, behind which lies mirrors, dust, and the temptation of the flesh ...

### Other Wild

Emily Zobel Marshall

### A bold, lyrical journey into wild hearts and wilder landscapes, perfect for fans of Seamus Heaney, Pascale Petit, and the mythic edge of nature writing.

This outstanding second collection explores the lives of errant women and creatures who refuse to adhere to official paths, and the liminal, boundary-crossing wildscapes of the land and heart.

These tender, lyrical, daring poems learn from the natural world, through immersion and observation, to find new ways to reflect and adapt, as they celebrate the ways our beings and bodies are inextricably entangled with the ever-changing landscapes and heartscapes of the dark woods, glittering rivers, windswept moors and towering mountains.

### Magadh Shrikant Verma



¶ Listen horseman, where's Magadh? ¶ I've come ¶ from Magadh ¶ I must go to ¶ Magadh¶ ¶ Where ¶ do I turn?¶ North or south, ¶ east or west? ¶ ¶ Here I see Magadh. ¶ here it disappears...

Translated by Rabul Soni

And Other Stories ISBN: 9781916751330

RRP: £14.99

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Pages: 144

# Jo Eades Flanked

Burning Eye Books ISBN: 9781913958534

RRP: £7.50

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Pages: 36

### Magadh

Shrikant Verma, translated by Rahul Soni

# A modern classic of Indian poetry now in a landmark English translation

Magadh, **Shrikant Verma**'s masterpiece, was first published in Hindi in 1984 and is widely regarded as one of the most important works of modern Indian poetry. A chorus of narrators – commoners, statesmen, nameless wanderers – pieces together the histories of ancient cities and kingdoms on the Indian subcontinent, their rise to splendour, their decline and eventual fall. In poems that are stark and urgent yet arch and richly allusive, Verma lays bare their tales of corruption, guilt, ignorance and arrogance. Rahul Soni's landmark translation stays faithful to the spare, haunting, incantatory cadences of the original, revealing how startlingly prescient and relevant Magadh remains today.

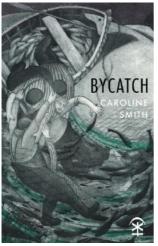
### **Flanked**

Jo Eades

# Flanked explores the weight and wonder of motherhood across time

From the horrors of toddler classes to the complexities of grief, *Flanked* is a smorgasbord of maternal experience and emotion. A scrutiny of motherhood across generations and an exploration of loss as both heart-wrenching and liberating.

Tinged with doubt, regret, guilt, acceptance, joy and love, Flanked captures the intricate dynamics of mother / daughter relationships — where roles morph and history repeats.



Nine Arches Press ISBN: 9781916760288

RRP: £11.99

Pub date: 09/10/2025

Format: Paperback

Pages: 72

### **Bycatch**

Caroline Smith

# A moving poetic exploration of dementia, memory and the fragile boundaries of self.

A deep-sea trawler, dementia destroys all life in its path: friendships, the symbiosis of family and ultimately the self. In *Bycatch*, a new collection by the Ted Hughes Prize shortlisted-poet **Caroline Smith**, these poems ask where personhood is when memory and language are gone.

They chart the faltering years of a life gradually scraped bare by dementia yet find amongst the isolation and sadness moments of epiphany and joy.



Verve Poetry Press ISBN: 9781913917869

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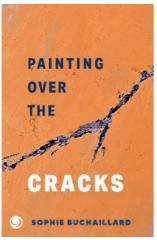
### Dad Vs Dad (2nd Ed)

Helen Mort

## A poignant exploration of love, loss, and resilience.

This slipcased second edition of *Dad* vs. *Dad* revisits **Helen Mort**'s moving, inventive account of the aftermath of her father's two life-altering strokes in 2021. Combining lyric poems with striking erasure pieces created from one of her father's beloved chess books, Mort explores recovery through the language of strategy, endurance, and chance.

Written against a backdrop of daily struggle and small, miraculous gains, this multimedia collection asks what it means to remake a life when time and memory fracture. As chess moves echo the rhythms of rehabilitation, Dad vs. Dad becomes both tribute and inquiry into family, resilience, and the ways art can navigate the black-and-white squares of grief and hope.



Lucent Dreaming ISBN: 9781916632172

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The Storm's Flora Laura Wainwright

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Pages: 64

### **Painting Over the Cracks**

Sophie Buchaillard

# A powerful debut pamphlet exploring trauma, memory and healing through poetry rooted in lived experience and community.

Painting Over the Cracks is novelist **Sophie Buchaillard**'s poetry debut. Inspired by her life and a series of workshops she ran with survivors of abuse, this pamphlet explores the relationship between unspoken shame and fraying family ties, and the healing power of expression, friendship, and community in overcoming trauma.

Split into four chronological sections, the pamphlet travels from the anxieties of a single mother to memories of buried traumas that lurk in corners of the mind, colouring every interaction to articulating the unspoken, strong from new friendships and rediscovered communities.

### The Storm's Flora

Laura Wainwright

# A luminous debut that finds fierce beauty in the face of ecological crisis.

**Laura Wainwright**'s debut collection is a powerful exploration of resilience in the face of ecological and human crises. Here, new life — whether in words, music, art, nature, or people — emerges from darkness and turmoil, and flourishes despite it. Natural worlds and relationships, containing the human within them, can be familiar but also strange, awe-inspiring, and beyond the confines of our typical narratives. *The Storm's Flora* explores these complexities, while celebrating the particularities of place and the earth's vivid beauty.



Verve Poetry Press ISBN: 9781913917692

RRP: £11.99

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Pages: 80

# ROSY CARRICK

Burning Eye Books ISBN: 9781913958527

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Pages: 100

### backbuilding

Flizabeth Hsieh

# A searing poetic debut that rebuilds identity from the ruins of belief.

The poems in backbuilding address questions of uncertainty and identity after a lifelong period of spiritual brainwashing. They contain a story of growing pains, regrowth, and discovery. They are concerned with religious trauma and the pariah. backbuilding is a search for ground. It is a question of what to hang onto when the floor dissolves beneath you.

backbuilding is Elizabeth Hsieh's debut full collection.

### **ILOVE**

Rosy Carrick

# A fearless, glitter-streaked dive into memory, desire and the mess of living.

In her second collection, award-winning poet and playwright **Rosy Carrick** presents a passionate, lyrical and unflinchingly intimate collage of ruptured memory, drowned childhood, irreducible violence, and the intoxicating chimera of inviolable desire.

Experimental and playful, the poems dart across a fractured and eclectic terrain: from quantum mechanics, grimy London sex clubs and fridged women to blood retinal barrier corruption, haunted reservoirs and salted gastropods; from Baudrillard's semiotics to the architectural aspirations of Elizabeth Bennet; from gurning infants to ecstatic glitter and misplaced canine arseholes; and always back to how it might be possible to love from under the rubble.



Verve Poetry Press ISBN: 9781913917876

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FOG BELLS 8 Contemporary Turkish Poets Translated and Introduced by Neil P. Doherty

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Pages: 100

### Somewhere There Is A Sky For Us

Various, foreword by Joelle Taylor

# Eighteen bold voices from India and the UK reimagine queer identity.

This omnibus anthology contains the commissioned work from the eighteen excellent queer poets (nine from India and nine for the UK) who have made up the three cohorts of the Language Is A Queer Thing development project from 2022 to 2024 along with a new poem from each of the six poets who then appeared in our celebratory 2025 project. The aim was to create new poetry on the queer experience and the investigate the queering of language to better express that experience.

Moving, profound and eye-opening, this omnibus edition brings the poems of all three cohorts together and is the poetic product of our project, with many of the poems in print for the first time.

# Fog Bells: Eight Contemporary Turkish Poets

Translated by Neil P. Doherty

# A vibrant gateway to the voices shaping contemporary Turkish poetry.

Translated by Istanbul-based Irish translator **Neil P Doherty**, this compact, dual-language introduction to contemporary Turkish poetry gathers a selection of work by eight of its most celebrated and engaging voices to provide a primer to what has been called "one of the richest and yet least known veins of literary ore in the world".

The featured poets are: Cevat Çapan, Mehmet Taner, Lale Müldür, Mustafa Köz, Elif Sofya, Birhan Keskin, Gökçenur C. and Gonca Özmen.



Sudden Light ENDA WYLEY

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Pages: 70

### **Sudden Light**

Enda Wyley

# A luminous portrait of Dublin life, captured in poems that see the city anew.

Much of Sudden Light, Irish poet **Enda Wyley**'s 6th collection of poems, takes place in the centre of her native Dublin where the poet lives. Views and glimpses of the immediate city, both as foreground and background, as well as interactions with its inhabitants, comprise the daily exchange of life and create the sense of a present moment balanced on the city's various layers of personal and shared history. Many of the poems respond to a wide range of paintings, from Janet Mullarney to Luca Signorelli, and photography is also an inspiration as if memory were a kind of picture-taking or -making – the job of the passing poet to observe, to record, and to move on.



Cian Ferriter

# Poems rooted in family, conflict and the enduring power of music and memory.

Brink opens with its title-poem and it stays on the brink of various worlds and conditions throughout. Most crucial is the brink between life and death, each of which is seen from the perspective of the other as in the great five-part sequence 'Republic', showing how death is interwoven into life. But, precarious as the brink is, the unyieldingly sympathetic foundation of these poems in the reality of family and immediate perception is wholly redemptive. Ferriter's is a world aware of Rilke's beauty and terror; Art, particularly music, offers consolation for the fragility and terror of the world in Bosnia or Afghanistan or Civil War Kerry. There are great, redemptive elegies for Shane McGowan, Sinead O'Connor and Seamus Begley.



Brink
CIAN FERRITER



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Storm Damage CATHERINE ANN CULLEN

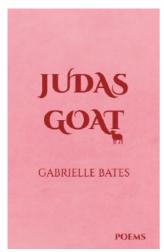
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### **Storm Damage**

Catherine Ann Cullen

# Poems that explore history, hardship and healing through a deeply personal lens.

Storm Damage weaves personal, historical and mythological threads to create a book that recognises and celebrates the power of words, not least in times of personal and collective challenge. Whether charting the events of her own family life or responding to records in Dublin's North Inner City Folklore Collection, the poems and songs contained here have the shadow, and occasionally the light, of history cast over them. For a book in which the word 'home' makes frequent appearances, Cullen's world is never closed but always open to the outsider, the less fortunate and the downtrodden. Health concerns give Storm Damage an added resonance, but Cullen's power is as a singer of hurts – and of salves – beyond the merely personal, and in this energetic and engaged new work, she takes to her role with a persuasive

### **Judas Goat**

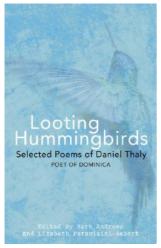
Gabrielle Bates

### "I was stunned by this magnificent debuthere is the voice of a poet I will be reading again and again." Aria Aber

Gabrielle Bates's electric debut collection Judas Goat plumbs the depths of intimate relationships. The book's eponymous animal is used to lead sheep to slaughter while its own life is spared, and its harrowing existence echoes through this spellbinding collection of forty poems, which wrestle with betrayal and forced obedience, violence and young womanhood, and the "forbidden felt language" of sexual and sacred love.

In confession, in illumination, Bates establishes herself as an unflinching witness to the risks that desire necessitates, as Judas Goat holds readers close and whispers its unforgettable lines.

### **POETRY**



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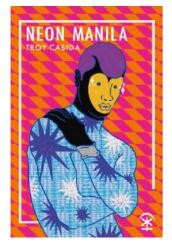
Pages: 150

### **Looting Hummingbirds**

Edited by Mark Andrews, Lizabeth Paravisini-Gebert, Daniel Thaly

# A rediscovered Caribbean voice, brought to English readers for the first time.

In the first quarter of the 20th century, **Daniel Thaly** of Dominica, then a British Caribbean colony, was one of France's most celebrated poets. He was educated in Martinique and then at medical school in France before returning to Dominica. His illustrious reputation crumbled when radicals in the emerging anti-colonial Negritude movement criticised his work. From then on he wrote little. Here for the first time in English (and French) we can read a selection of his lyrical and passionate poems - many about Dominica - alongside an introduction that pieces together what little is known of his life.



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Pages: 72

### **Neon Manila**

Troy Cabida

# A dazzling debut exploring queer Filipino identity and pop culture

Neon Manila is an exploration of the queer Filipino body in all of its skin and glitter. Looking at pop music, fashion, jewellery, dating mishaps, and everyday London life, the poems in this collection seek a better grasp of the relationships we build with ourselves, of the internal as constantly contoured by the external.

### **POETRY**



# THE Omar Sakr 8 Safdar Ahmed NIGHTMARE SEQUENCE Introduction by George Abraham

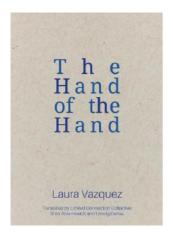
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### The Nightmare Sequence

Omar Sakr, illustrated by Safdar Ahmed

# An extraordinary collaboration that bears witness to the genocide in Gaza

The Nightmare Sequence is a searing response to the atrocities in Gaza and beyond since October 2023. Heartbreaking and humane, it offers an urgent portrait of violence committed by Israel and its Western allies.

Through poetry and visual art, **Omar Sakr** and **Safdar Ahmed** bear witness to historic injustices while questioning the role of art and media, including their own, in this time of catastrophe. Their collaboration explores the position of witness: the helpless distance of vision, the psychic toll of daily exposure to mass violence, and what it means to live in a society complicit in empire. With a foreword by Palestinian American poet **George Abraham**, this powerful book is both testimony and critique — a vital record for years to come.

### The Hand of the Hand

Laura Vazquez, translated by Limited Connection Collective: Shira Abramovich and Lénaïg Cariou

# A strange, quiet world where language and matter blur.

The Hand of the Hand brings us to a future or an alternate universe in which earth, animal, and human intertwine — where stomachs have meadows, milk pours itself over trees, and flies wash the dead. Vazquez pulls deceptively simple, bare language into puzzling formations, creating an ambient unease. By turns lyrical and absurd, The Hand of the Hand explores the mystery and strangeness of what it means to be both speech and body, tongue and dirt.



### footprints

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# A quiet reckoning with memory, perception, and the worlds we carry and create.

Methodical, restrained, and intimate, **Es Lv**'s footprints is a space for accounts of worlds that have existed, for the rawness of the worlds we live in, and for worlds we can write into existence. The poems gather narrative, perception, imagination, and formal intricacy, exploring how their confluences might reframe each other. The collection embraces environments as holders of meaning and the wisdom of spaciousness.

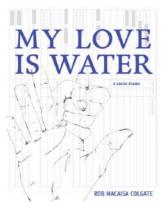
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### My Love Is Water

Rob Macaisa Colgate

### A fever dream of heartbreak, queerness, and care in a Chicago apartment haunted by memory and desire

At a house party with as many antipsychotics as party drugs, Danilo — bakla, schizophrenic, and heartbroken — is tracing the disintegration of a recent relationship. Dancing and stumbling with his Filipina nurse friends, Danilo traverses a Chicago apartment filled with gay ghosts and broken Tagalog. Outside the window, the lake is too big and crashing.

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In a hybrid of drama and poetry, **Rob Macaisa Colgate** writes in rigorous and experimental verse to upend our understandings of desire, race, disability, and care.

### **POETRY**



### **Phantom Limbs**

Lee Min-ha, translated by Jein Han

### Catastrophic, kaleidoscopic, hypnotic.

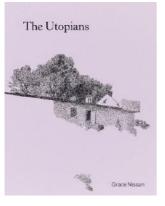
First published in Korean in 2005, *Phantom Limbs* is **Lee Min-ha**'s debut book of poetry. Critically lauded for its visceral imagery and world-building through word-play, this collection of surreal and fabulistic poems reminds readers that poems are spells and incantations.

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### The Utopians

Grace Nissan

# A radical reimagining of Utopia through remix, contradiction, and poetic resistance.

Built around a sequence written entirely with language from Thomas More's Utopia, *The Utopians* invents a new world, from the pieces of the old one, to formally explore the contradictions of liberation. A series of letters to Thomas More, and a poem called "THE WORLD" about Utopia's vexed escape, encircle the remixed no-place as they elaborate Utopia's double edge.

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### Exercises 1950–1960 Ασκήσεις 1950-1960



Yannis Ritsos translated by Spring Ulmer

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# Cantana or, the indissoluble exhalation by bruno dario

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### **Exercises 1950-1960**

Yannis Ritsos, translated by Spring Ulmer

# Poems of quiet astonishment written in the shadow of war and imprisonment from the winner of the Lenin Peace Prize.

**Yannis Ritsos** wrote Exercises 1950–1960 after being tortured and detained during the Greek Civil War. Incredibly, the poems are filled not with bitterness but with amazement — at a solitary leaf, a rope ladder, rose and grey light. Alongside such tenderness, of course, the nation state stretches out in the sun, teeth bared. What to say about the human condition? Not long after completing these poems, Ritsos was again imprisoned.

# Lantana or, the Indissoluble Exhalation

bruno darío, translated by Kit Schluter

# A kaleidoscopic trilogy of grief, desire, and poetic invention.

By his death at twenty-nine, **bruno darío** had already left an indelible mark on Mexican poetry with *Lantana or, the indissoluble exhalation*, a trilogy of three full-length books. Sardonic and lyrical, surreal and scathing, the sequence follows a young man, the Inconsolable, and an older woman, Lantana, who takes her own life.

darío blends genres and voices: soliloquies of people and objects, the Inconsolable's notes and letters, and the buried speech of Lantana as gravity draws her down. A kaleidoscopic work of experiment and tradition, Lantana secures darío's place among Mexico's boldest poets. This bilingual edition unites the trilogy for the first time.



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### **Memory**

Dorothea Lasky

# A luminous and searching meditation on memory, identity and art.

What constitutes personhood and consciousness? What memories get lost, and why? **Dorothea Lasky**'s Memory is a cycle of poet's essays ranging across three dimensions of memory – ancestral, personal and poetic – to reflect on art; time, both everyday and the transcendent; charged sites of collective reminiscence, such as the moon landing; and forgetting through her father's experience of Alzheimer's. Lasky broaches the edges of knowability: what's left where memory is absent? What's 'real' beyond the horizon of death? The book closes with 'Time, the Rose, and the Moon', an ars poetica exploring the ouroboros as a symbol for the nonlinear processes of time, memory and art. Lasky reveals memory to be huge and haunting, as she accumulates impressions that challenge the possibility of fixed meaning.

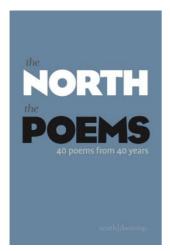
### Searching for Santa Claus: An Anthology of the Poems, Stories and Illustrations

Edited by Thomas Ruys Smith

### The definitive anthology tracing Santa Claus from folklore to seasonal icon

Santa Claus appears throughout popular culture, captivating the imaginations and shaping the wishes of millions of children across the world – but he only came into focus as a social and cultural icon relatively recently.

This landmark anthology traces his evolution. It brings together the most influential and pivotal portraits of Santa Claus, revealing how a simple gift-giver developed into one of the most recognised global figures. Through its groundbreaking exploration of stories, poems, and images, it shines a light on the cultivation of Santa as both a vitally important literary figure and a powerful cultural touchstone.



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### The Poems

Edited by Ann and Peter Sansom

# Forty years of poetry from The North Magazine

An anthology celebrating the 40th anniversary of The North poetry magazine, featuring favourite poems from over the years, selected by readers of The North, as well as by editors Ann and Peter Sansom.

The Poems includes stand-out work by: Simon Armitage, Liz Berry, Eavan Boland, David Constantine, Maura Dooley, Safia Khan, Hannah Lowe, Andrew McMillan, Ian McMillan, Kim Moore, Graham Mort, Helen Mort, Gboyega Odubanjo, Sharon Olds, Pascale Petit, Matthew Sweeney, Shash Trevett and twenty-four other excellent poets.

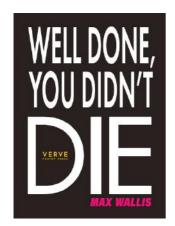
### the heart is a holding

Lateisha Davine Lovelace-Hanson

# the heart is a holding is a generous offering that caresses the inner and outer natures of interdependence.

the heart is a holding is a visceral journey through birth, life and death cycles across personal, intergenerational and ancestral time. These poems and ritual texts call us into relationship, asking us to witness, set intention, and feel into the echoes of Freedom. Lateisha Davine Lovelace-Hanson speaks into the currents and somatic archives of the runaway, the fugitive, the marooned, returning dreams long burdened by erasure.

Blending meditation and world-building, this collection alchemises pain, grief and loss into intimate reflections of love, rage and hope — a generous offering of connection, healing and dignity for Black mothers, earthworkers and caregivers beyond borders of time, race and gender.



### Well Done, You Didn't Die

Max Wallis

## "Survival is more than endurance. It is a quiet declaration: I live, I live."

In Well Done, You Didn't Die, **Max Wallis** returns with a searingly intimate and formally inventive pamphlet that refuses erasure. From the aftermath of breakdown to the first electric flickers of healing, these poems map the brutal, brilliant terrain of survival; mental illness, addiction, queerness, love, sex, shame, and the fragile dignity of staying when staying is a whole new thing entirely.

Wallis writes with wit, lyric fire, and radical candour. Whether speaking from the aftermath of the hospital bed or a hookup, future conversations with lovers-to-be, or the slow relentless work of sobriety, he never flinches. The voice is fierce and unguarded — at turns devastating,

defiant, tender, and laugh-out-loud funny.

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# Giant Crabs and Spiders Robin Thomas

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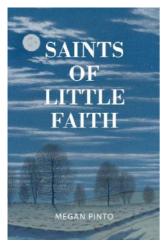
### **Giant Crabs and Spiders**

Robin Thomas

# A playful, philosophical collection that finds wonder in the everyday and the absurd

Kant and marmalade, a solemn talk with a lift, an existential struggle with something from IKEA, an absurdist discussion of meaning in poetry, or a disquisition on the nature of windows: Robin Thomas is a poet of high imagination, always looking for the unusual angle and finding it over and over in this, his latest collection.

Giant Crabs and Spiders ranges across philosophy, painting, music, literature, politics, history, science, and what it's like to be alive. The poet explores knowledge, ethics, meaning, mortality, and writes of loss and grief. Bubbling away through these intense, sometimes quirky, always compassionate poems is a joy in language, its musical resources and endless possibilities.



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### Saints of Little Faith

Megan Pinto

# A fierce, meditative debut exploring trauma, desire, and resilience.

The energies animating Saints of Little Faith, Megan Pinto's electrifying debut in poetry, are a forceful quiet, a loud stillness, the caesura between a lightning strike and the sound of thunder. Everywhere, the speaker sees the numinous power of language, the incipience of things to come, even a kind of catastrophic grace in desolation and destruction. Fierce and intimate, this poet's meditative transformations engage with South Asian experiences of addiction, domestic violence, and mental illness, refusing to ignore narratives treated as unspeakable and overlooked by the English canon. Mapping the collision of abuse, psychosis, and rage, Pinto sees beyond them, buoyed by an inscrutable but abiding faith in the holiness of life itself, in a cold God nevertheless capable of gentleness.

### **Something about Living**

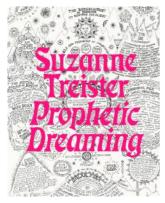
Lena Khalaf Tuffaha

# Winner of the 2024 US National Book Award for Poetry.

Something About Living is the brilliant third collection from acclaimed poet **Lena Khalaf Tuffaha**. It explores Palestinian life through the lens of language, revealing a legacy of obfuscation and erasure. What happens when language only permits ongoing disasters to be packaged neatly for consumption and subsequent disposal?

Searing with insights from the perspective of a Palestinian in diaspora, Something About Living refuses to cede ground to nihilism and apathy, taking the reader through the difficult landscape of hope and futurity in the midst of an interminable, uncertain, and often devastating present.

#### **NON-FICTION**



**Prophetic Dreaming** 

Created by Suzanne Treister, contributions by Lars Bang Larsen, Patricia Domínguez Claro, VAL RAVAGLIA, Jessie Robertson

# A major survey of a pioneering digital and multidisciplinary artist

Prophetic Dreaming is a major survey of **Suzanne Treister**, a pioneer of digital and multidisciplinary art whose work connects technology, power, belief and imagined futures. Coinciding with her first major UK retrospective at Modern Art Oxford, the book follows

Treister from early paintings and Fictional Videogame Stills to the complex cosmologies of HEXEN 2.0 and HEXEN 5.0. Richly illustrated, with new essays by Lars Bang Larsen, Patricia Domínguez and Val Ravaglia, *Prophetic Dreaming* maps the occult life of computation and offers tools for thinking beyond the chaotic present.

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### HEXEN 5.0 Tarot

Suzanne Treister

# A visionary tarot deck exploring mystical, political and technological forces.

Arriving at a moment when the planet itself hangs between collapse and renewal, **Suzanne Treister**'s HEXEN 5.0 emerges as the long-awaited sequel to her cult classic HEXEN 2.0.

Its 78 luminous alchemical drawings braid together terrestrial and interplanetary technologies, synthetic genomes and geoengineering schemes, corporate technocracies and post-capitalist cooperatives, mass-extinction tipping points and animist awakenings. Each card presents the possibility of novel convergences across established and emerging streams of thought — from Earth System Science, Spiritual Ecology and Nexus Thinking to technoshamanism, Solarpunk, and speculative biopolitics.

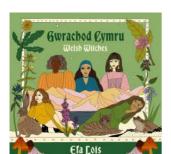
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### **Gwrachod Cymru | Welsh Witches**

Efa Lois, introduction by Juliette Wood

## A visually striking, culturally rich guide to the witches of Wales.

Gwrachod Cymru | Welsh Witches is an illustrated and categorised guide to the witches of Wales. Drawing on her extensive research, Efa Lois gathers witches from Welsh folklore, history and popular and contemporary culture and brings their stories vividly to life with her vibrant illustrations.

Professional folklorist Juliette Wood explores the context around the history of witches in Wales, common themes in their stories, and what this tells us about Welsh women and attitudes towards them through time.

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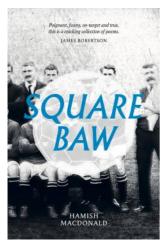
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### La Lucha

Edited by Carolina Orloff

### Voices of resistance and revolution from the heart of Latin America's feminist fight.

La Lucha gathers the voices of 30 artists, scholars, and activists, from 17 countries, actively engaged in the fight for women's rights in Latin America. From the patriarchy to femicide, to the inflections of identity embedded in colour, class, and indigenous cultures, their struggle embodies the contested definitions and priorities of feminism. Their solidarity, and tirelessness, has yielded striking, gamechanging results in areas as disparate, and as fundamental to women's lives, as reproductive health, environmentalism, anti-colonialism, and human rights. With contributors that include Isabel Allende, Selva Almada, Gabriela Cabezón Cámara, Valeria Luiselli, Lina Meruane, Claudia Piñeiro, and Cristina Rivera Garza, this unprecedented collection is sure to challenge, provoke, and inspire.

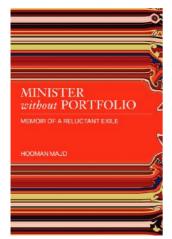


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### **Square Baw**

Hamish MacDonald

## "Truly the stuff from which dreams are made." Irvine Welsh

Square Baw is a collection of football poems that not only covers personal experience, but takes a deep dive into the history of the Scottish game itself, and thereby goes to the heart of Scottish masculinity. The poems are mainly told through the experiences of MacDonald's grandfather William McKenzie Grant. Grant played at Junior and amatuer level, before playing at top level in Scottish football, with their home being the legendary Hampden Park. MacDonald's interest in Scottish football was rekindled in his grandfather's story after a postcard from a distant relation was discovered, which had been sent from the Western Front in May 1915 by his grandfather to his nephew in Glasgow. It prompted MacDonald to re-examine his grandfather's life, through his 95 year old mother's memories, books, records and war diaries.

### **Minister without Portfolio**

Hooman Majd

# A deeply personal odyssey through exile, identity, and belonging.

From the author of *The Ayatollah Begs to Differ* comes a globe-spanning memoir of identity, exile, and reinvention.

After Iran's 1979 Revolution, **Hooman Majd** sold real estate to exiles in Beverly Hills before finding his way to Island Records and the orbit of Chris Blackwell, the impresario behind Bob Marley, U2, and other superstars. As Blackwell's tongue-in-cheek "Minister without Portfolio," Majd rose through the ranks — bantering at smoke-filled soirees, trading gossip with Grace Jones and Dennis Hopper at Goldeneye — while writing acclaimed books on Iran. Yet no place ever truly felt like home.

Told with grace, wit, and longing, Minister without Portfolio is a story of belonging everywhere and nowhere at once.



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# Clean Up on Aisle Earth How Technology Drives Climate Action Tasmin Lockwood Action Action

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### Palestine is everywhere

Edited by Skye Arundhati Thomas

# A powerful and timely collection of writing, art and resistance.

'Palestine is everywhere because it names a political subject of radical universal emancipation,' writes teacher and writer Nasser Abourahme. In Palestine is Everywhere, writers, thinkers and poets and artists map the Palestinian struggle for freedom and its global resonances.

Amid a world-historical moment marked by unknowability and loss, this collection allowed its contributors time and space to write. Vital dispatches from Gaza, essays, poems, protest chronicles, images and letters from prison reflect upon resistance, solidarity and the right to self-determination offer essential reading for those interested in Palestinian liberation.

### Clean Up on Aisle Earth

Tasmin Lockwood

# The future isn't doomed, it's being redesigned.

Earth is askew, teetering ever-further into irreversible damage. Technology no doubt helped get us into this mess, but it's also a game-changer in our fight against the climate and ecological crises. Technologies that eliminate emissions and restore nature have the power to define tomorrow's world.

Journalist **Tasmin Lockwood** explores these big ideas, innovations, and ways to roll them out equitably through research and interviews with people across the climate and technology spectrum, collectively envisioning an optimistic blueprint of what life beyond 2050 could look like if we truly commit to the planet before it's too late.



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### Film & TV Places of Wales

Celyn Jones

# Critically acclaimed actor and director explores the varied history of Wales onscreen.

Wales has a long association with the film and TV industry, but this extends far beyond simply providing a backdrop for iconic films and television shows. Its growing list of credits in cult and blockbuster productions is about more than place and landscape, it's about culture and innovation within a thriving industry.

In Film and TV Places of Wales, award-winning actor and screenwriter, **Celyn Jones** zooms in on Wales' cultural and artistic links to cinema. Through stunning location shots and behind-the-scenes content, he explores TV favourites, Hollywood epics and homegrown classics from Wales' varied on-screen history.

### The Word for World

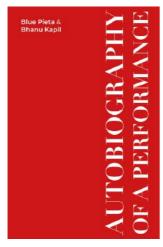
Ursula K. Le Guin, edited by Sarah Shin, So Mayer A visionary tribute to Ursula K. Le Guin's

# A visionary tribute to Ursula K. Le Guin's worldbuilding through her maps.

When **Ursula K. Le Guin** began a story, she often started by drawing a map. The Word for World gathers these extraordinary, rarely seen images, alongside poems, stories, essays, and interviews, to explore how her imagined worlds invite us to reimagine our own.

From the archipelagos of Earthsea to the talismanic maps of Always Coming Home, Le Guin's cartographies reach beyond geography, probing the edges of knowledge and the act of making worlds together.

With contributions by Federico Campagna, Bhanu Kapil, Canisia Lubrin, and others. Co-published with AA Publications to coincide with an exhibition opening October 2025.



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### **Autobiography of a Performance**

Bhanu Kapil, Blue Pieta

# A collaborative publication from award winning poet Bhanu Kapil and dramaturg Blue Pieta.

This co-authored work focuses on five performances developed by **Blue Pieta**, multidisciplinary artist, director, dramaturg and performer, and poet **Bhanu Kapil**. A public notebook of working scores and performance writing, *Autobiography of a Performance* contains analytic depictions of shared time during performance, notes on dramaturgy and applause, and thinking towards performance as intergenerational healing (borderwork). This hybrid collection studies performance as an emergent, incomplete sketch carried forward to the next work, always in the company of radical others. Roles shift: a dramaturg becomes dancer, a poet enters the domain of gesture and movement. Scenes that can't be written, only staged.

### Act Normal: Joy and despair in Postcolonial Britain

Pete Kalu

## A bold, fragmented memoir that captures a life in all its contradictions.

This is polemical memoir which uses kaleidoscope techniques to sample the life of the author. The text is not chronological yet provides in its sum, a detailed account of the author's biographical, intellectual and emotional life. The book can be analysed as: Childhood, Young adulthood, Adulthood, Relationships in adulthood, Parenthood and Agehood. The emotional range of the text encompasses comedy, pathos, elation, dysphoria, dissociation, infatuation, pessimism, stoicism and despair. The full kaleidoscopic whirl of the text delivers a comprehensive sense of the life, sins and sensibilities of the author



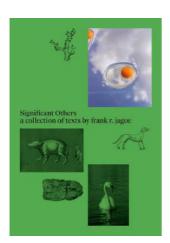
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### Private I

Lynn Hershman Leeson

# A visionary life at the intersection of art, technology, and feminism.

In *Private I*, **Lynn Hershman Leeson**, one of the most influential conceptual artists of our time, shares her personal journey and the struggle for her visionary work to be recognized as art. Hershman Leeson carved her own path, creating groundbreaking conceptual works such as her Roberta Breitmore series, the Video Diaries, and films starring Tilda Swinton.

Private I traces her lifelong commitment to experimentation — embracing film, video, AI, chatbots, touch screens, even her own DNA — to challenge ideas of identity and warn of the perils of technology and surveillance. At its core, Private I is a moving portrait of resilience, artistic innovation, and personal transformation through friendship, family, and fearless creativity

### **Significant Others**

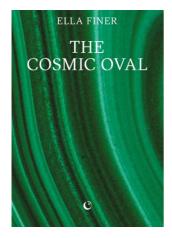
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### Winner of the 2024 Prototype Prize

Winner of the 2024 Prototype Prize, Significant Others is a luminous and radical collection of hybrid texts exploring intimacy, language, and the porous boundaries between the human and the other-than-human.

The world is always speaking to you. Held together by a shared language, all beings are constantly, endlessly chatting away, saying something or other. What this language constitutes may vary, but all matter is alive, and it always has something to say.

This book is a collection of different fictionalised narratives, but across them they chart, somewhat anachronistically, a journey from total withdrawal to reimmersion in the ebb and flow of living, alongside a growing recognition that isolation is never truly possible.



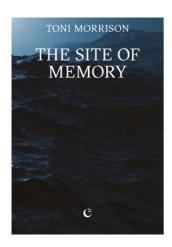
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### The Cosmic Oval

Ella Finer

# A speculative essay on feminist cosmologies, cultural memory, and how knowledge moves

In west London, the entrance to architect and theorist Charles Jencks' Cosmic House is overlooked by the Cosmic Oval, a representation of the origin of the universe referencing both contemporary scientific discoveries about its elliptical shape and ancient cosmogonic myths. **Ella Finer**'s imagined conversation between the figures who inhabit the frieze surrounding the Oval, such as Hannah Arendt, Imhotep and John Donne, re-orchestrates cultural history to explore social scenes of study and the way knowledge moves through bodies and time.

Commissioned by the Jencks Foundation at The Cosmic

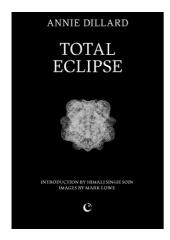
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### The Site of Memory

Toni Morrison

### A rare and profound essay from the prizewinning author.

The Site of Memory describes **Toni Morrison**'s work of literary archaeology. She offers insights into how she arrives at a text through the act of imagination bound up with memory and shows how she explores two worlds – the actual and the possible – via the nimbus of emotion surrounding the journey of an image: from picture to meaning to text. Exploring the radical possibilities of literature and the limits of history, Morrison finds a truth deeper than documentation in the silences and omissions in African American narratives of the past. Fiction, for Morrison, is a practice of ethical restoration: a means to recover what history has neglected through the 'flooding' of a rush of imagination. In *The Site of Memory*, ancestral presence, emotion and imagination converge.



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### **Total Eclipse**

Annie Dillard, introduction by Himali Singh Soin

# A Pulitzer Prize-winning author's meditation on nature, perception, and human connection

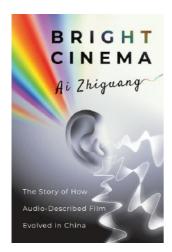
In 1979, **Annie Dillard** witnessed the solar eclipse in Yakima, Washington. In *Total Eclipse* this celestial event becomes a metaphysical reckoning. With lyrical precision and eerie clarity, Dillard unforgettably evokes the strangeness of the shifting sky and the psychic dislocation that descends with the shadow. The quiet yet epic unravelling of the familiar becomes revelation: a rupture in time, a confrontation with mortality and a brush with the sublime. Juxtaposing the cosmic and the mundane, *Total Eclipse* meditates on the limits of perception and language, entering the surreal intensity of the phenomenon to emerge with the brief, blazing clarity offered by darkness.

### **But We Did**

Titilayo Farukuoye

### Last in the acclaimed Inklings series.

School teaches us the myth of Black apathy, savagery, and helplessness, that slavery was inevitable, and that Black people have little power to resist and overcome its consequences. But We Did lays out this idea for what it is: a well-rehearsed lie exchanging snug high-fives with white supremacy. Bringing forth resistance histories that have conveniently been left out and deconstructing the impact misinformation and racist narratives have on society, particularly Black youths, Farukuoye takes readers beyond merely understanding the horrors of slavery and offers tools to challenge these narratives confidently in our own sphere of influence – be it at the dinner table, work, school, with friends or as part of an organisation. But We Did engages in the collective challenge of undoing colonialist systems and imagining a society free of its legacies.



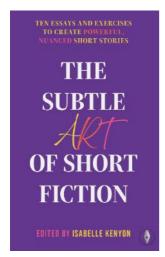
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### **Bright Cinema**

Ai Zhiguang, translated by Martin Savery

### A Volunteer-Powered Revolution in Accessible Film

Conceived in December 2017 with the aim of providing an inclusive cultural experience for all, the "Bright Cinema" project has driven the development of accessible film for blind and visually-impaired moviegoers in China. In its first five years, its volunteers produced over five hundred audio-described movies and broadcast them across the nation in a program of screenings and livestreams.

Staffed entirely by teachers and students from the Communications University of China's School of Television, the project has quickly become a key figure in China's cinema landscape, reflecting its growing commitment to inclusivity in the arts, while also exploring the evolution of China's modern film culture

### The Subtle Art of Short Fiction

Edited by Isabelle Kenyon, introduction by Dr Paul March-Russell

# Explires the power of short fiction in today's fragmented world.

Renowned authors and critics offer advanced techniques for crafting nuanced, impactful stories. Learn to master short story structure, subtext, micro-tension, and sensory minimalism. Ideal for experienced writers seeking to refine their skills in this sophisticated art form, or those who love short fiction, and want to learn about the craft behind it.

Essays and writing exercises by Dr Kerry Hadley-Pryce, Daisy Johnson, Matt Wesolowski, Sascha Akhtar, David Hartley, Mahsuda Snaith, Dr Jonathan Taylor, Sarah Schofield, SJ Bradley and Farhana Shaikh. With an introduction by Dr Paul March-Russell.



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### **Indian Winter**

Kazim Ali

# A queer writer travelling through India can't escape the regrets of his past, nor the impending ruin of his present.

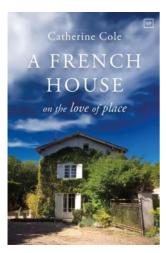
Indian Winter begins with a narrator trying to write about a long-ago lover whose death he has just learned of. While on this journey into memory, he flees his current faltering relationship in search of new friendships and intimacies. Inspired by Antonio Tabucchi's Indian Nocturne, and by the writings of Anaïs Nin, Rachel Cusk, and Carole Maso, among others, Indian Winter finds itself where the travel diary, the künstlerroman, poetry, and autofiction meet. But the heartbreak brought on by his unravelling relationship and his family's inability to accept his queerness cannot be outrun; as he traverses India, our narrator can't help but repeatedly encounter himself and the range of love and alienation he has within.

### Jaguarman

Raoul de Jong, translated by John Eyck

## A moving family and mystical journey into the Amazon rainforest.

Born to a Dutch mother and a Surinamese father he knows very little about, Raoul is thirty years old when he receives the following email: I AM LOOKING FOR MY SON RAOUL DE JONG. From this late meeting with his father, many hopes are born. Among the snippets revealed by his father, a quick mention of a mysterious ancestor catches the writer's special attention: the father of his father's grandmother was an enslaved African medicine man, who supposedly had the ability to transform himself into a jaguar. While his father refuses to say more, Raoul set out in search of this enigmatic ancestor who will take him to the stifling streets of Paramaribo, to the heart of the Surinamese jungle and to the house of a voodoo priestess. In this quest for the animal, the young writer sets out in search of his own humanity, a true optimistic manifesto.



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Catherine Cole

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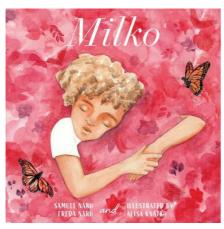
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#### Milko

Samuel Narh, Freda Narh, illustrated by Alisa Knatko

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Milko misses his mother, who left Bolivia for Ethiopia a year ago. Without her, home feels off-kilter: his sister cries, Papa struggles with daily tasks, and Milko quietly counts the days. Through lyrical text and lush watercolour illustrations, this tender picture book captures the emotional landscape of longing, love, and resilience

As Milko waits for Mama's return, readers are reminded of the strength found in hope, memory, and the bonds that hold families together - even across oceans and seasons.

### A Kite for Melia

Samuel Narh, Freda Narh, illustrated by Valeria Suria

# A gentle, uplifting story about love, loss and the power of holding on, and letting go.

There is beauty in determination and ingenuity. These attributes are evident in Melia, whose friendship and connection with Ginger transcends time.

A Kite for Melia delicately deals with the idea of loss and acceptance, using soft words woven with meaning that can be understood by everyone. Melia's story is a universal one that will bring joy to readers of all ages.



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### **Step Into My Shoes**

Alkisti Halikia, illustrated by Fotini Tikkou, translated by Konstantine Matsoukas

### A delightful story about empathy.

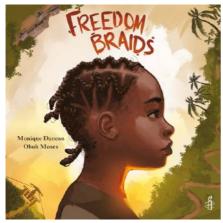
On her walk home through a quiet Paris suburb, Matou tries on shoes left outside a mosque and begins imagining the lives of their owners. Why are some shoes pristine, others worn thin? With no answers, she creates her own. When her mother misses an afternoon together, Matou feels let down, until stepping into Mama's shoes helps her understand. This tender picture book explores empathy and imagination with warmth and curiosity, and invites readers to consider the stories behind everyday objects and the connections that help us understand one another

### Freedom Braids

Monique Duncan, illustrated by Oboh Moses

# A picture book of love, liberation and legacy.

Day after day, Nemy sows seeds, pulls weeds, and strips leaves in the sugarcane plantation where she is enslaved. But one night, she follows a woman called Big Mother to a hidden shack. There, she finds a group of women braiding each other's hair. But these are no ordinary braids. Hidden in each elaborate pattern is a secret – a message that signals their intent to flee and a map to guide them in their escape. Will the paths these courageous women weave bring Nemy to a new home where she can be free?



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'Let's let art breathe in your direction, by using a technique I recommend: **ekphrasis**.

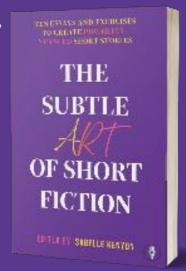
This is a Greek word, usually associated with writing poetry. It's a vivid, often dramatic description of a visual work of art. Anne Carson says to engage with ekphrasis is 'to see matter stumble out of its forms'. I want you to take the idea of ekphrasis and use it to help you write a short story. Reflect on your chosen work of art, and in so doing, intensify the moment within it.

Personally, I love tolerand the process of the but it's your turn now. Look closely, be inspired,

and see if you can find your 'art of the moment'.'

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