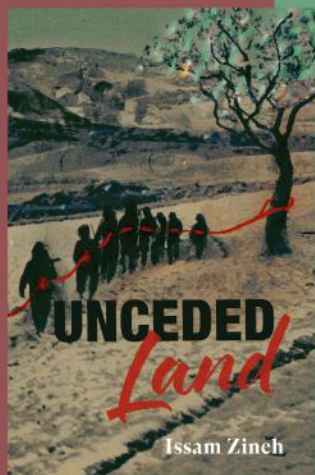


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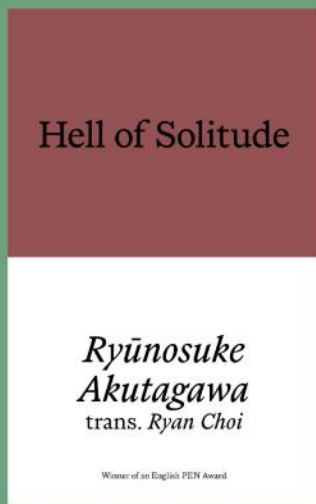
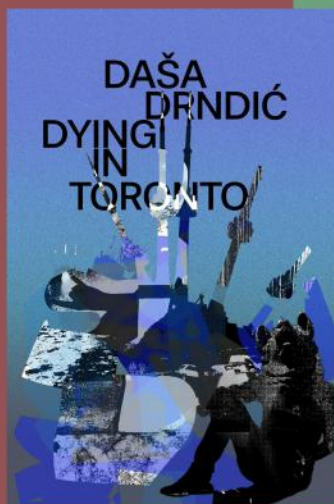
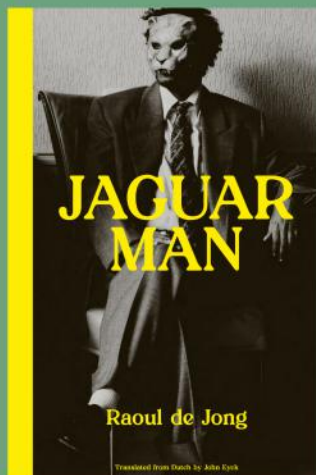


Taiwan Travelogue

Yáng Shuāng-zǐ

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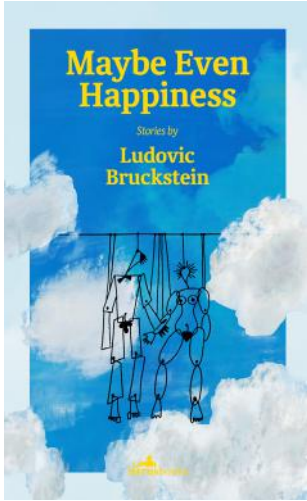
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The Roof Beneath Their Feet

Geetanjali Shree



¶ And was it not on this very roof-top where it all began? Where the children of the mohalla played, copycatting one another and bounding away from the reproofs of adults. Shouting 'times' for no reason, they would run to the skylight to peep, and start giggling nervously.
Translated by Rahul Soni

And Other Stories

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Maybe Even Happiness

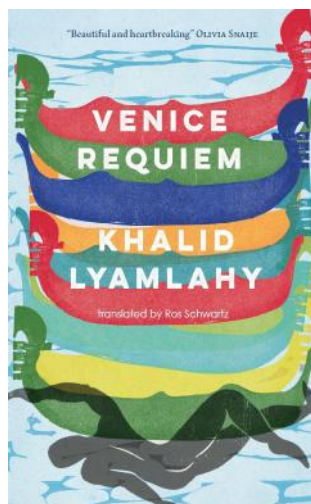
Ludovic Bruckstein, translated by Alistair Ian Blyth
“Recommended with enthusiasm, this is a collection I plan to return to often.” Rónán Hession

In this striking collection of short stories, written over a twenty-year period, we find Bruckstein, the storyteller, at his most lyrical. Having completed his works charting the Jewish history of his family and community in the Carpathian town of Sighet (*The Trap*, *With an Unopened Umbrella in the Pouring Rain*, *The Fate of Yakkov Maggid*, also published in English by Istros), his voice is here set free to explore the joys in the details of the everyday. His heroes' lives are presented with deep understanding, with humour, sometimes bordering on irony, but always with empathy and love. A sensitive reader need only follow the invitation, and let the wisdom of these stories guide them.

The Roof Beneath Their Feet

Geetanjali Shree, translated by Rahul Soni
A playful and moving masterpiece by the International Booker winner.

In this Indian modern classic, roofs are a special place; they are meant for wild things, for romance and for play. Chachcho and Lalna use their roofs to build a friendship that transcends time and memory. Suddenly one day, Lalna has to leave, to return only after Chachcho's passing. Amidst rumours and gossip in the neighbourhood, Chachcho's nephew tries to piece together his memories of the two women, one of whom is his mother. The truth he is searching for could destroy him forever, but to not find out is no longer an option. Now finally published outside of India, this consummate novel of twists and turns by the International Booker Prize-winning author **Geetanjali Shree**, *The Roof Beneath Their Feet* is a contemporary novel that promises to be read for generations to come.



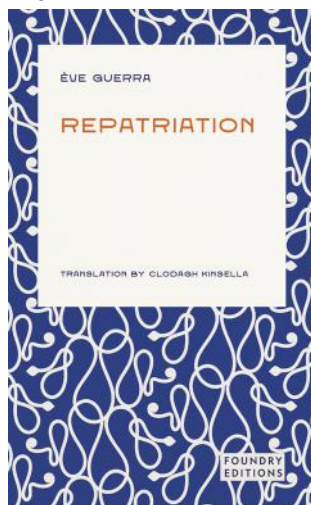
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 Format: Paperback
 Pages: 142

Venice Requiem

Khalid Lyamlahy, translated by Ros Schwartz
New from the publisher of *Small Boat*.

On the 22nd of January 2017, Pateh Sabally, a twenty-two-year-old Gambian refugee arrives in Venice from Milan. He leaves his backpack near the Scalzi Bridge, puts his train ticket and residence permit in a plastic pouch, and then plunges into the cold waters of the Grand Canal, amidst the gaze of onlookers and tourists. As he drowns, some insult him, while others shout "Africa".

Outraged by this tragic death, the novel's narrator, a young writer based in Paris, follows Pateh's trail aiming to piece together and understand the sequence of events leading up to his death. *Venice Requiem* tells the story of a Venice where literature grapples with the pressing dramas of our time. Referencing classic novels and great writers, the narrator of *Venice Requiem* explores the potential of literature to rescue humanity. Hemingway,



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 Format: Paperback
 Pages: 208

Repatriation

Ève Guerra, translated by Clodagh Kinsella
A powerful debut about grief, memory and the search for truth.

Annabella Morelli is twenty-three, dreams of becoming a poet and lives in Lyon; far from Congo-Brazzaville where she was born, the daughter of a Franco-Italian worker and a Congolese girl who became a mother too young. Annabella remembers a happy childhood until one Christmas, when she was seven, her father's anger exploded, and her mother left the family home.

When she learns of her father's death in Cameroon, her world collapses for the second time. In her desperate attempt to repatriate her father's body to France, Annabella is forced to confront the family secrets, lies and deep trauma at the heart of her existence. This stunning debut explores grief, family relationships, personal truths and the post-colonial condition with beautiful, urgent writing.



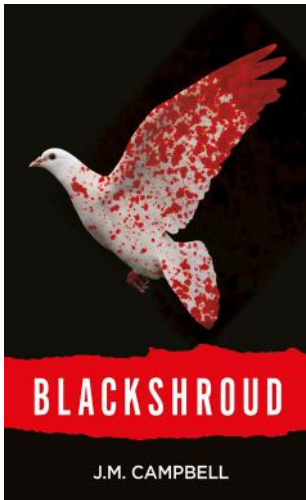
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Tendrils: EcoPoetics of Community and Justice

Edited by field notes collective

Tendrils threads through grief, joy and solidarity toward futures shaped by collaboration and care. Reaching through ecological crises, these poems seek new ways of living kinship in the more-than-human world. Bringing together twenty-five poets from around the world, this anthology gathers international voices that entangle, illuminate and resist.

Edited by fieldnotes collective: Nina Mingya Powles, Pratyusha, Alycia Pirmohamed and Jessica J. Lee. With an introduction by the editors and contributions by Bhanu Kapil, Aimee Nezhukumatathil, Carl Phillips, Hana Pera Aoake, Polly Atkin, Hala Alyan, Khairani Barokka, mok zining and more.



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 Pages: 275

Blackshroud

JM Campbell

From the dark streets of Victorian England's North, one woman's scandal threatens an ancient sisterhood of mercy.

Caroline Summers helps people to die. She is a Blackshroud — a member of the select society of women who have dispensed the fatal draught since time immemorial. But in Victorian England, times are changing fast. Caroline finds herself at the centre of a scandal that threatens to bring down not just herself but her whole profession alongside her. Can she find a way to survive? And can she do so without sacrificing everything she stands for?

Half-Bads in White Regalia

Cody Caetano



¶ Ask any half-bad to tell you the story about how their bad half came to be and they'll probably begin with the buckle. ¶ The buckle is a rumble that hijacks the interior faculties to make one think and act without compunction. The buckle attacks the locus of focus and apes the half-bad's best intentions, only to play them like a chump chimp.

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Taiwan Travelogue

Yáng Shuāng-zǐ



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Translated by Lin King

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Half-Bads in White Regalia

Cody Caetano

A wild, tender memoir of family, survival, and the stories we inherit.

Capturing the chaos and wonder of a precarious childhood, **Cody Caetano** delivers a fever dream coming-of-age garnished with gaming, a doomed house in Happyland, and an electric slang all his own. *Half-Bads in White Regalia* is an unforgettable debut that unspools a tangled family history with warmth, humour, and deep generosity.

Taiwan Travelogue

Yáng Shuang-zi, translated by Lin King

A bittersweet love story and an artful exploration of language, history & power.

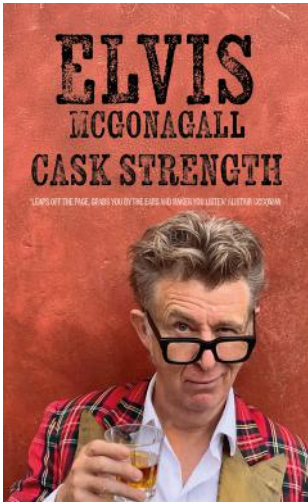
Set in May 1938, the young novelist Aoyama Chizuko sails from her home in Nagasaki, Japan to Taiwan upon the invite of the Japanese government ruling the island. She has no interest in official banquets or imperialist agenda but instead finds – with the help and companionship of her Taiwanese interpreter, Chizuru – a desire to experience real island life and to taste as much of its authentic cuisine as her famously monstrous appetite can bear. Over scenic train rides and braised pork rice, lively banter and winter melon tea, Chizuko grows infatuated with her companion and intent on drawing her closer. But something causes Chizuru to keep her distance. It's only after a heartbreaking separation that Chizuko begins to grasp what the "something" is.

Happiness

Yuri Felsen
trans. *Bryan Karetnyk*

Winner of an English PEN Award

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Burning Eye Books
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Happiness

Yuri Felsen, translated by Bryan Karetnyk
A haunting portrait of love, obsession and exile, Happiness captures the emotional and psychological tensions of interwar Paris.

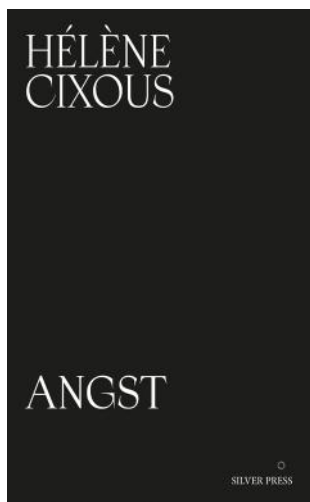
Happiness is the second part of **Yuri Felsen's** The Recurrence of Things Past trilogy, following *Deceit*, which Prototype published in 2022 to critical acclaim.

Both subtle and profound in its exploration of love, art, literature, and human frailty, Felsen's trilogy traces the tormented romance of its protagonist alongside his artistic evolution, standing at the forefront of aesthetic and philosophical currents in European modernism.

Cask Strength

Elvis McGonagall, illustrated by Tony Kerins
Elvis McGonagall is back with his trademark blend of satirical verse, anarchic wit and dazzling Weltschmerz.

Babylon's burning and God's too busy taking selfies and posting TikTok videos to notice. But dinnae fash yersel. Just find a comfy chair, open a bottle of single malt and join **Elvis McGonagall** as he desperately searches for some silver lining in the gathering storm clouds. 5 years' worth of 50 degree proof poetry – think Ken Dodd's "Happiness" sung by Leonard Cohen. With pictures for those who don't like words.



Silver Press
 ISBN: 9781739371777
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Angst

Hélène Cixous, translated by Sophie Lewis

A woman struggles to come to an understanding of her anxieties, fears, and desires.

A woman replays her abandonment by her mother, who is sometimes addressed as a god – a male mother-god. She is also abandoned by her lover, to whom she is in thrall. She tries repeatedly to make or receive phone calls with the beloved figures, without success. She waits for their letters and imagines their contents. In a dream-like, torrid sequence, suffering, fear, fatigue and imperfection are apostrophised. Forgetting is examined and toyed with from every angle. Mythical hybrid creatures are invoked: a snake-headed lion, wolf-snakes, a wolf-peacock. How did this come to be? In a cunningly, wittily wrought rush, the unique, unpredictable voice of the narrator speaks from multiple perspectives to express powerful anguish and, ultimately, catharsis.



Héloïse Press
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Imperfect Bodies

Ali Isaac

For readers of Claire Kilroy, Anne Enright, Deborah Levy.

When Ali learns that she is expecting a child with a rare genetic condition, her world is shaken up. Doctors tell her that the baby will not even survive pregnancy but, against all odds, Carys is born. After 20 years of caring for Carys, Ali shares her journey as a mother of a girl who challenges common notions of 'normality'. Exploring social and political definitions of normality, Ali reflects on motherhood, identity, the female body, the able and disabled body. This memoir also delves into the experience of pregnancy, and the ways in which the female body becomes a public topic of discussion. Central to the narrative are the following questions: is my body imperfect for conceiving a baby with a genetic disorder? Is my daughter's body imperfect?



Skein Press
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Contentious Spaces

Rosaleen McDonagh

“A beautiful and disturbing book.” Anne Burke

The Traveller families who live in Saint Rita’s are on borrowed time. In just a week they will be evicted by the local council, threatening not only their homes but also their history, their bonds and the stories that have shaped them. Charlene, a proud young woman bound by tradition, suffers a humiliating betrayal. Her mother, Kate, is left to navigate unbearable loss while holding the family together. And her uncle Tommy fights despair as his teenage son spirals out of control. As eviction day draws closer, these families fight to preserve their dignity against the threat of erasure. Lyrical and unflinching, *Contentious Spaces* is a haunting story about belonging and banishment, shame and resilience, grief and fierce love, and the defiant power of voices that refuse to be silenced.



Nine Arches Press
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 Pages: 72

Cherry blossom at nightbreak

Rishi Dastidar

“Rishi Dastidar is a ludic myth-maker, a satirist of keen eye and big heart.” Karen McCarthy Woolf

Cherry blossom at nightbreak by **Rishi Dastidar** blooms with poems determined to do the generous work of love and hope – using the power of language to make change, express desire, and imagine the world as we’d like it to be. Dastidar’s poems, with their deft skill in moving from the surreal to the profound, are a perfect burst of joy in challenging times, effervescent and seriously playful, romancing cityscapes and bursting with wit.



The Emma Press
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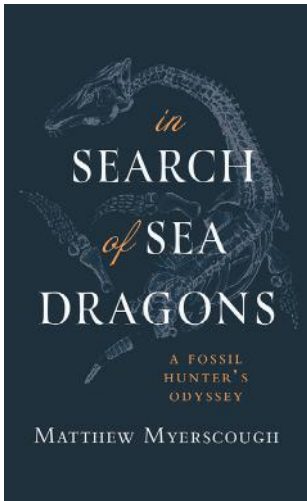
The Way the Water Held Me

Catherine Redford

A moving debut poetry collection exploring love, loss, and the resilience of the human heart.

While newly married, with the couple expecting their first child, **Catherine Redford's** wife was tragically diagnosed with a terminal illness. *The Way the Water Held Me* is a mesmeric plunge into the caring, grief, loss and love experienced by a young widow.

Across poems of heartbreak and honesty, memory and mourning - and through unlikely companionship with a widowed Mary Shelley - Catherine Redford's debut collection is visceral, profound and alive with what it is to be human, to have lost and to find ways to continue to love.



Seren
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In Search of Sea Dragons

Matthew Myerscough

A fascinating account of how fossil hunting helped Matthew Myerscough overcome personal challenges

Over the last five years, **Matthew Myerscough** has become well-known in the fossil-hunting community for making spectacular marine reptile discoveries on the beaches near his home. *In Search of Sea Dragons* recounts his journey from novice to expert fossil hunter. His adventures take him to a variety of places, including lesser-known sites in South Wales and Dorset, where he makes exciting discoveries and searches for his dream find – a complete ichthyosaur. Offering practical advice for aspiring fossil hunters, his story is one of personal growth as he comes to terms with adulthood. As his months-long search draws to a close, he considers what's more rewarding? The discovery or the things you find along the way.

The Villain's Dance

Fiston Mwanza Mujila



¶ The Madonna was not some little madam under the influence of alcohol and other beverages bereft of dosage instructions. She was no prophetess of misfortune and tall tales derived from some unknown gutter. Not even a vendor of dreams, questionable expectations, chimeras... well, you're quite cognizant of where such trinkets lead as they stream into your ears without cease.
Translated by Roland Glasser

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The Villain's Dance

Fiston Mwanza Mujila, translated by Roland Glasser

Full of wit, music, and a rollicking cast of characters, *The Villain's Dance* shows Fiston Mwanza Mujila is back with a bang.

Zaire. Late 90's. Mobutu's thirty-year reign is tottering. In Lubumbashi, the stubbornly homeless Sanza has fallen in with a trio of veteran street kids led by the devious Ngungi. A chance encounter with the mysterious Monsieur Guillaume seems to offer a way out . . . Meanwhile in Angola, Molakisi has joined thousands of fellow Zairians hoping to make their fortunes hunting diamonds, while Austrian Franz finds himself roped into writing the memoirs of the charismatic Tshiamuena, the "Madonna of the Cafunfo Mines." Things are drawing to a head, but at the Mambo de la Fête, they still dance the Villain's Dance from dusk till dawn.

The Deadly Boutique

Paul Magrs

A charmingly spooky caper set in Whitby, where two formidable women take on the uncanny.

Welcome to Whitby, home to two of the most remarkable women you'll ever meet. There's Brenda, who keeps herself to herself, quietly running her lovely, spick and span guest house – but who sometimes seems older than time itself. And then there's Effie: a bit of a law unto herself, really. They seem to be settling down nicely, but then a strange Mr Danby opens his curious beauty parlour, The Deadly Boutique, up Frances's Passage. And things there are most certainly not what they seem. Join the intrepid ladies as they discover why Jessie Sturgeon, the surly waitress at The Christmas Hotel, suddenly looks so vivacious – and whether Mr Danby's mysterious methods are any match for Brenda...



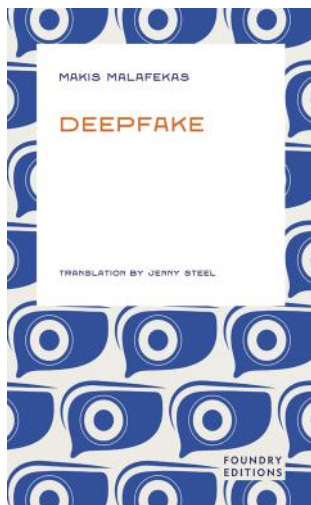
Valley Press
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Spring Fever

Thomas Legendre

A romantic ice-hockey thriller with a quantum twist.

Amanda Nigh is on top of her game – crafting the internet’s next viral hits by day, losing herself in London nightlife by night. Then she meets Craig Merleau, a magnetic American hockey star with a mind as sharp as his shot. His strange, philosophical charm draws her in just as a mysterious digital virus begins to spread, infecting both machines and people. As cities reel and reality itself starts to glitch, Amanda and Craig seem to be the only ones untouched. To stop the chaos, they will need to ‘body check’ some big questions: can love defy the laws of physics? And more pressingly – are they humanity’s last hope, or part of its undoing?



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Deepfake

Makis Malafekas, translated by Jenny Steel

A razor-sharp political thriller set in Athens, where truth is slippery and survival is an artform.

Wanderer, washed-up writer and part-time philosopher of Athens’ nightlife, Michalis Krokos is more comfortable watching the Johnny Depp trial on livestream than getting down to his next book. But his apathetic state is shattered when prosecutor Sofia Charitsi shows up with some startling news. His long-lost friend Rebecca, a sharp-tongued trans sex worker, is in serious trouble. For some reason, a violent far-right group, ONET wants her silenced, and fast. To rescue her, Krokos agrees to go undercover as a fake news copywriter inside ONET’s inner circle. Write a few lies, steal a few secrets, take down a fascist or two. All in a day’s work, right? But what begins as a rescue mission spirals into a wild dive through backroom deals, blackmail, and political paranoia.

Hell of Solitude

*Ryūnosuke
Akutagawa*
trans. *Ryan Choi*

Winner of an English PEN Award

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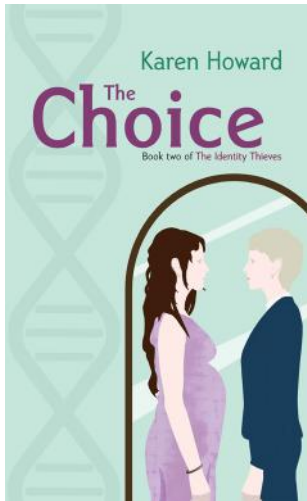
Ryūnosuke Akutagawa, translated by Ryan Choi
A landmark collection from Japan's literary master, newly translated and dazzling in its range.

Hell of Solitude presents a varied and eclectic selection of writings by **Ryūnosuke Akutagawa**, one of the most important and beloved Japanese writers of the twentieth century. Bringing together fiction, poetry, and philosophical prose – much of it appearing in English for the first time here – this collection showcases the range and intensity of Akutagawa's imagination. Moving from the whimsical and fantastical to the grave and introspective, the pieces reveal a writer of extraordinary clarity and psychological depth. Translated with sensitivity and precision by **Ryan Choi**, *Hell of Solitude* offers a vital reintroduction to a writer whose lucidity, irony, and existential unease continue to resonate across cultures and generations.

The Choice

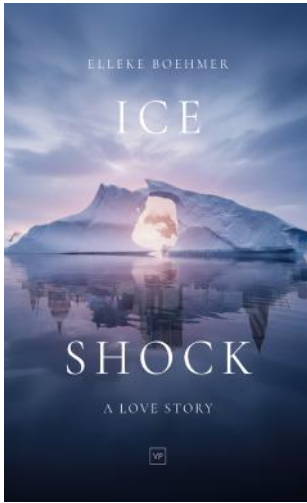
Karen Howard

A dreadful choice with devastating consequences.



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Friends involved in a fertility treatment pact fear the impossible choices of the past have caught up with them. Deftly exploring the complexities of 1980s fertility treatment, still in its infancy, *The Choice* delves into the human consequences of infertility and surrogacy in a landscape of public outcry and rapidly changing legislation. Grief, loss and betrayal leave those involved at risk from the law, whilst the emotional fall-out plays out over three decades in this subtle, immersive and compassionate story. As parents, surrogates, doctors and family struggle to hide or reveal the truth to the now adult children, the stakes are raised and questions multiply. Who are Sarah and Suzette's parents? What does the future hold for those trapped by the past?



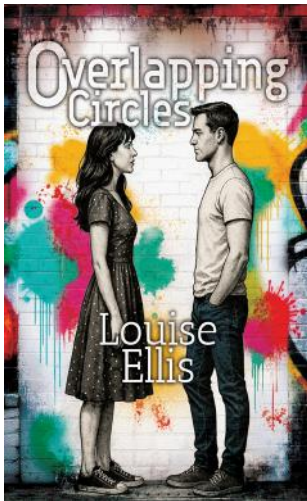
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Ice Shock

Elleke Boehmer

A luminous novel of love, distance, and resilience.

The year is 2010. An Icelandic volcano has thrown an ash cloud into the atmosphere and, across the world, planes have stopped flying. Leah and Niall, twenty-somethings in love, find themselves strangely restless, and set out on different but parallel paths; Niall travels to a polar station in Antarctica, where the strange, lonely beauty of the ice mirrors the fragility of his hopes, while Leah studies writing in England, surrounded by tradition yet struggling to find her place. Separated by thousands of miles, but determined to stay connected, they learn that true communication can be as fragile as the melting landscape between them. *Ice Shock* is a love story that asks what it means to stay close even when we are far apart – and how love can endure, in a world changing catastrophically by the day.



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Overlapping Circles

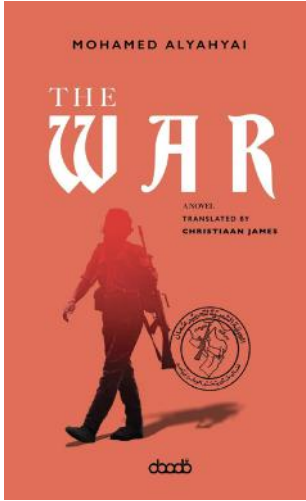
Louise Ellis

A moving story of the secrets that shape our lives

Bristol, 1990. The underground acid house scene is hitting the headlines. Architect Anna Weatherby is grieving for her fiancé, who died after taking ecstasy at a rave. While cycling to see her bereavement counsellor, she is injured in a road accident.

Billy, her rescuer that fateful day, could just be the perfect new boyfriend. However, as she is drawn into his life, she realises he is hiding something from her.

On a weekend away, hidden secrets emerge which connect them in ways they couldn't have imagined. And they both find themselves fighting to keep their lives from spiralling out of control.



DarArab
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Autobiography of Cotton

Cristina Rivera Garza



¶ The sound of hooves beating on the sandy ground comes first. Then the breathing, strained and short-winded. Panting. A snort. The white ground splits to allow the emergence of twisted acacias, with their rounded crowns and roots embedded deeply in the earth, and the thorny branches of mesquites, from which hang long, narrow pods and, now that it's almost spring, these yellow flowers. The galloping doesn't stop.
Translated by Christina MacSweeney

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The War

Mohammed Al-Yahyaiei, translated by Christiaan James

A haunting, award-winning novel of love, war, and memory.

On a snowy night in suburban America, Issa Saleh prepares to welcome Krystyna—his closest friend, caretaker, and the woman who once pushed him toward a war he barely survived. Structured with cinematic ambition and written in a lyrical, immersive style, *The War* moves between Washington, Muscat, and Dhofar, blending reality, hallucination, and memory into a portrait of a man unraveling under the weight of trauma. It is an exploration of exile, masculinity, political mythmaking, and the private battles fought long after the shooting stops. Winner of the 2023 Katara Prize for Arabic Novel, Mohammed Al-Yahyaiei's work stands as one of the most powerful contemporary narratives on the psychological aftermath of conflict in the Arab world.

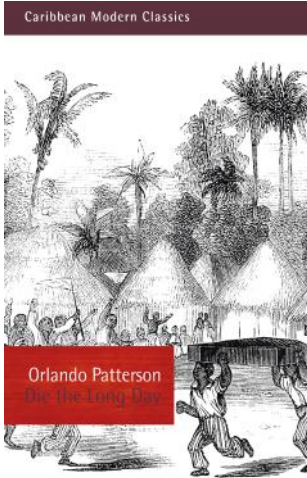
Autobiography of Cotton

Cristina Rivera Garza, translated by Christina MacSweeney

A novel about how cotton workers transformed the Mexico-US borderlands, by a Pulitzer Prize-winning author.

Deeply personal and politically acute, in *Autobiography of Cotton*, **Cristina Rivera Garza** crafts a new kind of border novel that tells how a brittle land radically altered her grandparents' lives and the territories they helped develop.

In this intimate fictionalisation, Rivera Garza reveals a rich social history of agricultural colonisation, labour activism, environmental degradation and cross-border migration.



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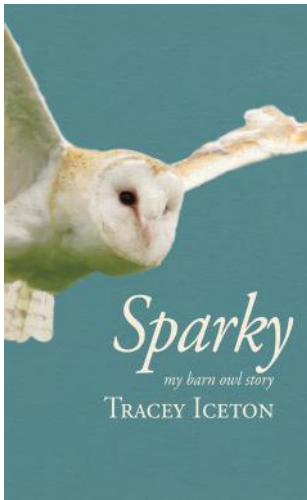
Die the Long Day

Orlando Patterson

A powerful and immersive story of slavery, survival, and the legacies of power in Jamaica

Reissued with a new, scholarly introduction, **Orlando Patterson's** classic, *Die the Long Day*, a powerful, moving and influential novel set on a Jamaican sugar plantation in the 18th century, throws new light on the subtleties of the master-slave relationship.

Orlando Patterson is a Jamaican-American novelist, historian and sociologist known for his work on the history of race and slavery in the United States and Jamaica, as well as the sociology of development. He is currently the John Cowles Professor of Sociology at Harvard University. His book *Freedom in the Making of Western Culture* won the U.S. National Book Award for Nonfiction.



Cinnamon Press
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 Format: Paperback
 Pages: 216

Sparky

Tracey Icton

Sparky the barn owl tells a mesmerizing story of trust and life alongside humans

Hatched in the UK in August 2017, *Sparky* is a captive-bred barn owl. Raised by humans, living with them, she accepts them as essential to her life, benefiting from the security they can provide, but suffering under the uncertainty they can inflict. And here, thanks to her current human, t-raay-cee, Sparky recounts her unique story.

By turns heart warming and disturbing, *Sparky* offers an owl's-eye view of her relationship with her human mates and her search for a special human to bond with lifelong. A mesmerising and ambitious work that crosses genres and raises important questions about how we can connect deeply with the more-than-human world.



Foundry Editions
 ISBN: 9781917544061
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 Pub date: 19/05/2026
 Format: Paperback
 Pages: 187

Paradiso

Michele Masneri, translated by Richard Village
A darkly comic journey through ambition, illusion, and the eternal city

On the hottest day of one of the hottest summers anyone has ever known, young journalist Federico Desideri is sent on an apparently routine assignment: to snatch an interview with Italy's latest Oscar-winning film director in Rome. When the director turns out to be elusive, and the Romans as rough as their reputation, Federico falls in with Barry Volpicelli, the rumoured inspiration behind the winning movie's lead character—a seductive, fast-talking, America-obsessed rogue. Instead of finding his interviewee, he finds himself in Paradiso, Barry's crumbling country estate on the Lazio coast, with an eccentric cast of inhabitants who seem frozen in time. Alan Bennett meets Fellini at a shabby, Italian White Lotus in this satirical bildungsroman through the nature of illusion, escapism and the enduring myth of the Eternal City.



Valley Press
 ISBN: 9781915606563
 RRP: £12.00
 Pub date: 21/05/2026
 Format: Paperback
 Pages: 72

The Noracle

Nora Chassler

For readers of Deborah Levy and Olivia Laing.

From the incomparable literary mind of **Nora Chassler** ('the best writer you've never heard of' – Ronan Hession) comes *The Noracle*, a kaleidoscopic reimagining of the I Ching. Styled in a matrix-like structure, these multi-part meditations provide a fresh take on the author's great subject – a childhood amongst the grim vibrancy of '80s and '90s New York City – examining the formation of memory, creativity and identity, amid the chaos of self-discovery.

Both a love letter to the written word and a cautionary tale of its intoxicating grip, these are stories told with the inventive energy of concrete poetry and the tender wisdom of someone who has lived – and nearly lost themselves to – the power of words.



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Where The Shadows End

Louisa Bello

A dark and tender novel that explores memory and loss.

Sam has lived his life accompanied by voices no one else can hear. Chief among them is the taunting echo of a childhood bully who refuses to let Sam forget the guilt he carries over his mother's death. When his elusive, dream-like girlfriend, known only as Boat Woman, disappears without warning, Sam's fragile world begins to unravel, and he becomes convinced that only his death can protect those he loves. As the past and present collide in Sam's fractured mind, he is drawn into a labyrinth of memory and revelation that challenges everything he thought he knew. But the voices that haunt him may yet become his guides, if he can only find the courage to listen. Luminous, unsettling and tender, *Where the Shadows End* is a powerful meditation on self-acceptance, the nature of guilt and the need to belong.



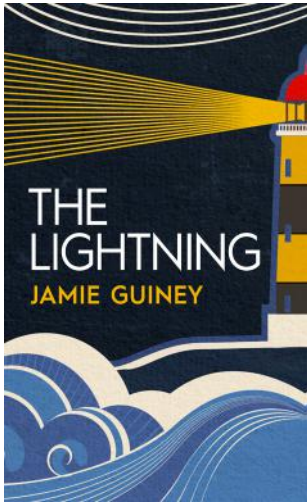
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 Pages: 200

Dying in Toronto

Daša Drndić

A compelling and inventive portrait of a refugee's first year in Canada and the search for belonging

Written as essays but shaped as a story, it combines creative personal confession with acute social perception, offering rare depth of insight into the difficult life of an immigrant. Examining the instinct of the good citizen, our narrator considers the confusion of the multinational myth of the 'New World' through her highly refined, critical intellect. Along the way she creates nothing less than the portrait of a new literary figure, the contemporary intellectual refugee, a perspective at once of its time and acutely modern. *Dying in Toronto* is lucid and tenacious, witty and sad, revealing the author's refusal to reconcile with the status quo and her commitment to fight for justice.



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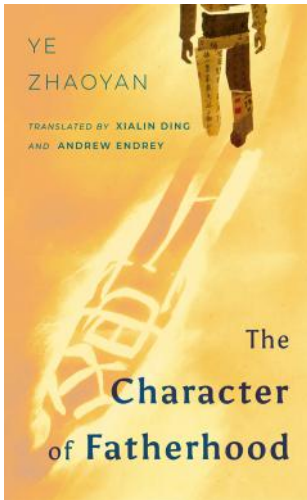
The Lightning

Jamie Guiney

Where the North Atlantic meets the edge of sanity, four strangers collide in a storm of secrets and impossible choices.

Wolf island lies in the Mid-Atlantic Ocean, where an old lighthouse-keeper at the end of his rope, challenges the universe and his place in it.

The Lightning is a tale of unexpected visitors, their personal histories and navigating natural surroundings, whilst confronting the elemental rage of the sea.



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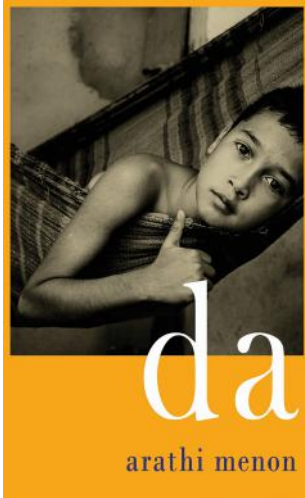
The Character of Fatherhood

Ye Zhaoyan, translated by Andrew Endrey, Xialin Ding

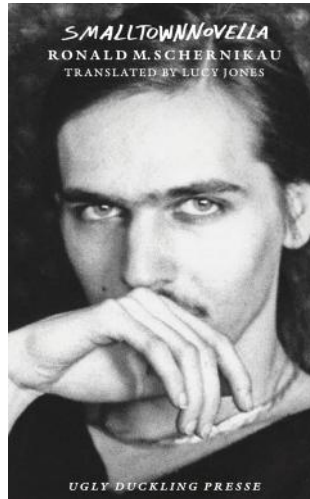
“A treasure ... impeccable and fascinating.” The Washington Post

For Zhang Zuo, his father’s darkest moments hold tender memories. Abandoned by his parents, his Nanjing childhood was a lonely one. But when he visits his father, a scholar sent to a life of drudgery in the countryside at the behest of the revolution, the two bond for the first time.

Their paths cross years later when the son is tasked with editing the now-famed academic’s writings, discovering his family’s past, a bittersweet story of estrangements and reconciliations at the mercy of historical turmoil. But it is only by tracing his father’s road that he can understand their lifetimes apart.



Fly on the Wall Press
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Ugly Duckling Presse
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 Format: Paperback
 Pages: 112

Da

Arathi Menon

A tender, bitter-sweet coming of age for readers of *Burnt Sugar* by Avni Doshi and *Funny Boy* by Shyam Selvadurai

This is a story of love between a father and a son. 13-year-old Ved is a sweet, inquisitive boy living in a world where love must hide in plain sight. His adoptive father, Da, is his entire universe — fiercely loving, fiercely protective, harbouring a secret that could destroy them both: Da is gay at a time when Section 377 makes homosexuality a crime.

Set in an Indian metropolis in 2013, *Da* is a tender story of a boy caught between devotion and fear, chronicling the everyday courage it takes to love someone the world refuses to accept.

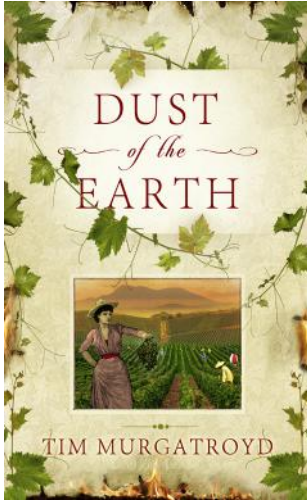
SMALLTOWNNOVELLA

Ronald M. Schernikau, translated by Lucy Jones,
 afterword by Ben Miller

A previously-untranslated classic of the queer canon.

A previously-untranslated classic of the queer canon, *SMALLTOWNNOVELLA* follows b, a teenaged, working-class communist who falls in love with leif, a popular jock. When leif becomes fearful of the consequences of their affair, he instigates a community-wide assault. Written in a brilliant, all-lowercase, stream-of-consciousness, Schernikau's novella is a radical reimagining of the German Bildungsroman.

Originally published in West Germany in 1980, Lucy Jones' clear-sighted translation brings *SMALLTOWNNOVELLA* to English readers for the first time.



Myrmidon Books
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 Pages: 640

Dust of the Earth

Tim Murgatroyd

An epic rendering of China's Taiping Rebellion and the early years of Californian winemaking

California, 1877. Frenchwoman Catherine Bouchier flees an abusive husband and risks everything on a vineyard in far-off America. In the smouldering powder keg of San Francisco, Chi-en Shambles is exiled from his own Chinatown community. Can his extraordinary talents and natural decency win acceptance and love where a man is measured a by dollars, ignorance and prejudice? An unlikely alliance offers each damaged outcast a final chance in the 'New Eden' of Napa Valley. But the past and its ghosts are never truly dead. And the dust of the earth never settles. Sometimes both come knocking at your door.



Valley Press
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 Format: Paperback
 Pages: 300

The Auspice

Jacqueline Haskell

A lyrical story of solitude, memory and the pull of the past, set against the elemental beauty of sea and island.

In the heat of a land shaped by volcanic mountains and pine tree woods, Stingray has chosen a life on the sea, with the sea and in the sea. His is a simple existence, but he is haunted by memories of his past, which he left far away in England. He denies his loneliness, but when the hope of love arrives in the kindred spirit of a local and enigmatic woman, Stingray sees that there is the possibility of sharing his life with another again. There is a short and joyful period of contentment. But when his daughter arrives on the island unexpectedly, a storm comes too, and with it, Stingray is forced to look beyond his boat, his isolation and his sea, and face the traumas of his past.

Kieron Smith, boy

James Kelman



¶ The men sailed their boats there and had races, and their boats were great. Ye saw their sails and how the boat was tipping right over till it was going to capsiz but it did not, it was just picking up speed because the wind was there and it was good, so they were all sailing great and the boys all shouting, and the men too. Go on Go on. Hold there. ¶

And Other Stories

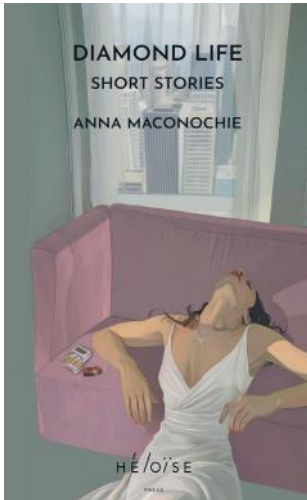
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Format:Paperback

Pages: 256

Kieron Smith, boy

James Kelman

A controversial Booker Prize-winner's striking portrayal of normal life captures a child's eye view in a truly wondrous way

Rejected by his brother and largely ignored by his parents, Kieron Smith finds comfort – and endless stories – in the home of his much-loved grandparents. But when his family move to a new housing scheme on the outskirts of Glasgow, a world away from the close community of the tenements, Kieron struggles to find a way to adapt to his new life. *Kieron Smith, boy* is a brilliant evocation of an urban childhood. Capturing the joys, frustrations, injustices, excitements, revels, battles, games, uncertainties, questions, lies, discoveries and sheer wonder of boyhood, it is a story of one boy and every boy. It is **James Kelman** at his very best.

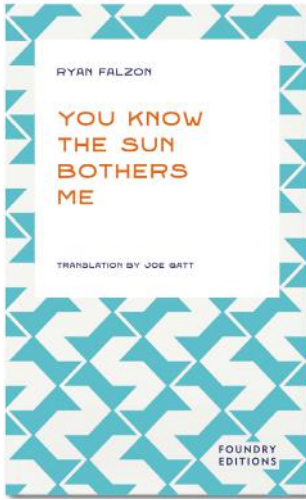
Diamond Life

Anna Maconochie

The boundaries between friend, lover, and enemy blur in the lives of aspiring creatives in London.

A collection of urban short stories about the creative lives of London millennials. Failed aspirations, romantic fiascos, professional rivalries, and much more. This is a book packed with fake-it-until-you-make-it characters.

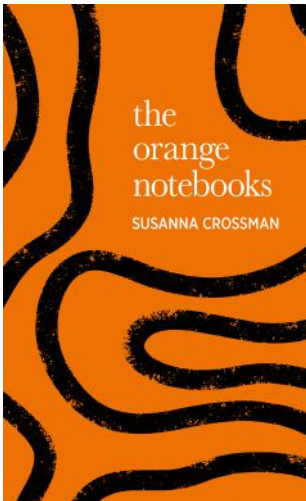
Nat sets Victor and Cleo up on a blind date, to their mutual disappointment. A married woman has seven other men, or does she? Luckless Vicky lodges with glamorous Lara and suffers a romance with toxic loser Damian. A struggling artist is promised by a street fortune teller that it's all about to change. Graduate Joe moves to London only to find his internship doesn't meet expectations. Alex is in love with Paul. Paul is only half-in-love with Alex and totally in love with heroin.



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 Pages: 320

You Know The Sun Bothers Me
 Ryan Falzon, translated by Joe Gatt
**Love, lust, adulthood and an ancient Fiat
 in one long hot Maltese summer.**

School's out for summer, and for our unnamed narrator, that means three months away from his physics high school students to tinker with his ancient Fiat 131 and fret about his all-consuming obsession: Sarah, a tempestuous artist he met online. They sleep together, they text obsessively, but as July's barbecues and boat trips segue into August's festi, their intimate moments always reset into platonic disappointment, and she increasingly ghosts him in favour of an ever-changing group of new besties. A sensation on its home island, this book gives poignant voice to a regular guy in his early thirties, trying to get a grip on love, life and growing up, and it paints a high-octane portrait of what it means to live in the hedonistic, overcrowded, workaholic, claustrophobic, contradictory mind-blast that is Malta.

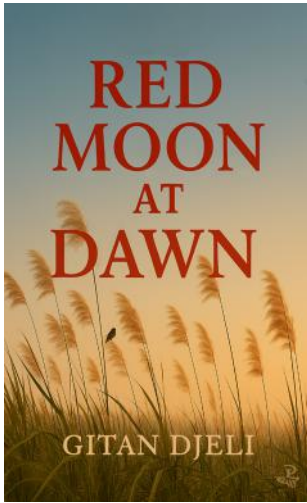


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 Pages: tbc

The Orange Notebooks
 Susanna Crossman
**A novel about love, and the lost language
 and rituals of mourning.**

The siesta hour, France. Bees fly in lavender bushes. Anna has just come home, but something is wrong. She fears nothing will ever be right again.

Anna is haunted by the death of her only child, Lou. After her breakdown and hospitalization, Anna becomes determined to undo death by writing everything down in orange notebooks: fragments about bees, death rituals, her London childhood, her relationship with Lou's Basque father, their meeting on a ferry the day Princess Diana died, Lou's heritage, and the role of bees. In the hospital Anna meets Yann, a Breton Sea captain. Together, they sail to the English Channel to try and find Lou where his destiny began.



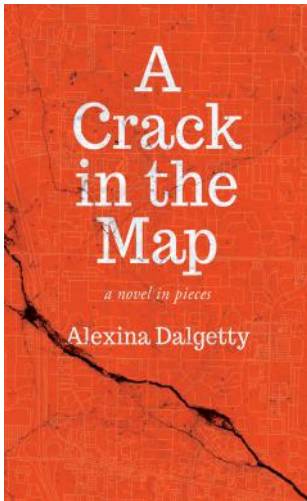
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 Pages: 272

Red Moon at Dawn

Gitan Djeli

A powerful coming-of-age novel set in wartime Mauritius, where two young women confront the brutal realities of colonial rule, labour exploitation and resistance under empire.

In *Red Moon At Dawn*, the shadow of empire stretches long over Mauritius. As World War II rages elsewhere, islanders face their own, related battle: a workers' strike met with lethal colonial force. Framed through the voices of the spirited Valerie, a teenage activist, and quiet Anarka, a girl whose family labours under the harsh conditions of the sugar estate, and both coming of age under occupation, *Red Moon At Dawn* reveals the emotional cost of empire and the resilience and resistance born beneath its weight.



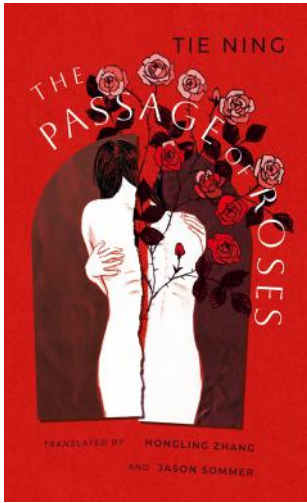
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 Format: Paperback
 Pages: 170

A Crack in the Map

Alexina Dalgetty

A formally inventive, multi-voiced novel in which a single house tells the story of its inhabitants across 125 years.

Told in multiple voices over one hundred and twenty-five years, *A Crack in the Map* is the evocative story of a house and its residents. From an elegant premise, three timelines are spun: Jake, Lydia, and Lucy as the nineteenth century gives way to the twentieth; Miriam and Lenny, spanning the mid-twentieth to early twenty-first century; and Rosie and Steve in the present. Each is overlaid with the voice of the house itself. Inventive, linguistically deft, pushing boundaries of form and narrative, *A Crack in the Map* explores what we mean by home and security, how place keeps memory, and how ownership excludes young people from shelter.



The Passage of Roses

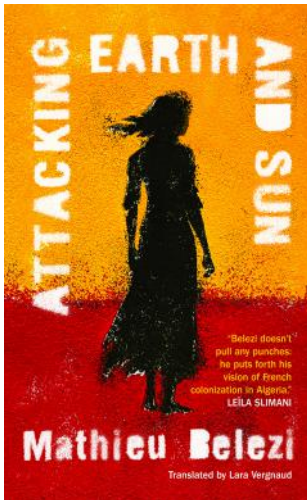
Tie Ning, translated by Hongling Zhang, Jason Sommer

A deeply intimate portrayal of how power manifests through the female body.

While the fervour of the Red Guards consumes 1970s Beijing, Mei comes of age in a once-grand courtyard dominated by her grandmother, a survivor of violence who inflicts the same kind of control upon her family that she once resisted. But the matriarch is unable to repel the political storm that comes to their home and leaves death and a traumatised young girl in its wake.

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Years later, Mei becomes an artist, slowly committing memory to canvas. When the faultlines of the revolution are recorded as scars, can she learn to reframe the female form as a subject for liberation?



Attacking Earth and Sun

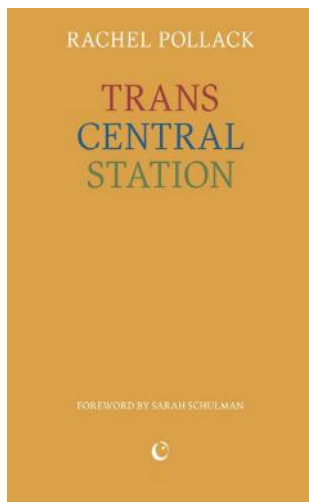
Mathieu Belez, translated by Lara Vergnaud
100,000 copies sold in France.

Attacking Earth and Sun follows a group of settlers and soldiers throughout the hellish madness that was the colonization of Algeria by France during the 19th century. Séraphine arrives in Algeria in the 1840s with her husband, her children, her sister and her brother-in-law. She will try to build a French village there and cultivate the earth. But a cholera pandemic will soon ruin efforts to build anything. The other voice of the novel belongs to a soldier in charge of the "pacification" of the country. Both will soon discover the barbarity of what has become their daily lives. *Attacking Earth and Sun* is unsparing in its portrayal of the brutality of the French army. A word of mouth success in France, it has sold over 100,000 copies there and has been translated into all major European languages.

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404 Ink
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Silver Press
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Publisher Not Found

Laura Jones-Rivera, Heather McDaid

An elegy to 404 Ink,

After a decade of running the award-winning publisher 404 Ink, McDaid and Jones-Rivera call time on their venture and invite readers into their little corner of the book world.

From their promises of “publishing loudly” and public financial transparency to the inevitable pit falls and political upheavals, *Publisher Not Found* reveals the inspirations, tensions and costs necessary to keep a cultural organisation afloat against an unstable economic backdrop where purse strings are ever-tightening. On the eve of their closure, they make the case for meaningful literary culture support for other institutions across the country before it is too late, and essential platforms and voices are lost.

Trans Central Station

Rachel Pollack, introduction by Sarah Schulman

An essay reflecting on a trans life lived before the language to name it.

In this luminous autobiographical essay, award-winning science fiction and fantasy author and tarotist **Rachel Pollack** moves between personal memory, history, science fiction and myth to consider how words can both restrict and liberate. From Schrödinger’s cat and science-fiction portals to magic, early trans activism and comics, *Trans Central Station* breaks the world open to ‘both completely new and unknowably ancient’ possibilities of desire, joy and revelation. Situating trans existence within deep time, Pollack connects modern experience to shamanism and rites of transformation, insisting that trans people have always existed – and have often been understood as sacred figures. In this meditation on freedom – from rigid social structures, from fear and shame, and from history itself – to be trans is proof of ancient and ongoing cosmic power.



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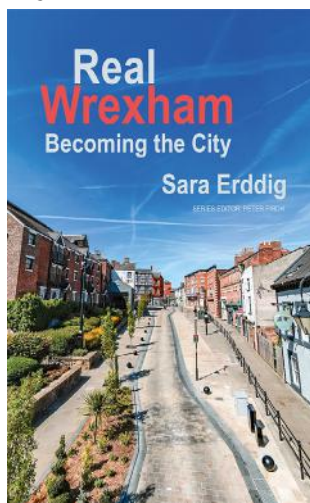
Undeatable

Julian Evans

From love and marriage to the front line of Russia's invasion, a profoundly personal story of the city of Odesa.

In 1994, Julian Evans discovered Odesa by accident at the end of a ten-day boat journey. He fell in love with the crumbling, romantic boom town whose port had been a gateway for smugglers, immigrants, divas and poets for 200 years. Returning five years later, he fell in love with one of Odesa's women and married her, beginning a decades-long relationship with both of them.

Profoundly personal, *Undeatable* tells the story of Evans' involvement with the city over nearly thirty years. But when war comes with Russia's seizure of Crimea in 2014, tensions between family and friends become a microcosm of the city's shifting atmosphere, intensifying with Putin's invasion in 2022.



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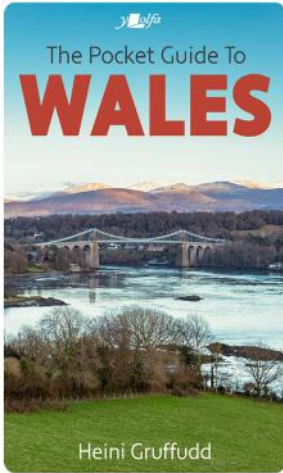
Real Wrexham

Sara Erddig, introduction by Grahame Davies, series edited by Peter Finch

A psychogeographic guide to Wrexham.

In *Real Wrexham: Becoming the City* local writer **Sara Erddig** explores the melting pot of communities, cultures and histories which make Wrexham what it is today. This place has seen a lot of change since Grahame Davies wrote the first *Real Wrexham* in 2007, not least the Hollywood takeover of its football club.

Sara's illustrated, offbeat guide brings the story right up to date, presenting Wrexham through her eyes. Taking in everything from its industrial past to its thriving arts scene, from Wrexham the town to Wrexham the city (as the county became in 2022), she's out on the ground celebrating Wrexham in its city 'era', and as you've never seen it before.



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Pages: 192

The Pocket Guide to Wales

Heini Gruffudd

Handy pocket-sized overview to Wales.

A fascinating introduction to Wales/Cymru, giving an overview of its places, people, customs and culture. In an age of global influences, Wales has managed to keep its identity and language distinct, despite being conquered by its more powerful neighbour 750 years ago. This guide offers insight into its attractions, with towns, castles and landscapes inextricably linked to princes, kings, saints, poets, sports, musicians, events, customs and tales, and, most importantly, to its people and its language. The book looks at customs and celebrations, the meaning of place-names, National Parks, castles, mountains, coasts, towns and other tourist attractions as well as delving into its history, mythology, outdoor activities, arts, language and culture.



Seren

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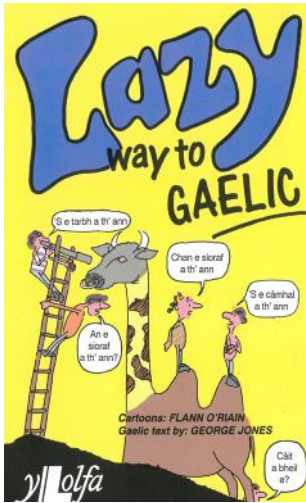
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Duneland

Kristian Evans

A personal, literary exploration of the beauty and mystery of the Kenfig Dunes, a unique Welsh landscape under threat

Structured around the passage of the year in a site of incredible beauty, mystery and ecological importance, *Duneland* highlights an underexplored and overlooked Welsh landscape: the extensive Kenfig coastal dune system that stretches between the Ogwr Estuary and Gower Peninsular. The book celebrates the extraordinary biodiversity of this unique place, whilst also reflecting on our evolving relationship with the natural world under the pressure of the ecological crisis. Poet and environmentalist **Kristian Evans** has been deeply immersed in this place for most of his life. Drawing on his own experiences as well as history, folklore and ecological concerns, he captures the essence of the dunes in writing that is acute and beautiful.



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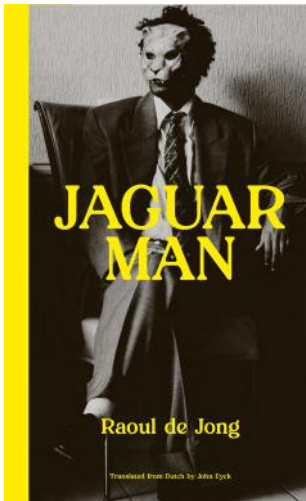
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Lazy Way to Gaelic

Flann O'Riain, illustrated by Flann O'Riain, translated by George Jones

A hilarious introduction to the Scots Gaelic language with the very minimum of grammar – and pain!

An easy, fun way to start learning Gaelic through cartoon strips, setting basic structures and vocabulary, useful phrases and simple sentences in a clear visual context. Each strip is accompanied by a glossary to help you get the joke. Take this book with you on the bus or train, or just relax at home while effortlessly absorbing the basics! Enjoy the gentle humour of the easiest, laziest introduction to Gaelic ever published!



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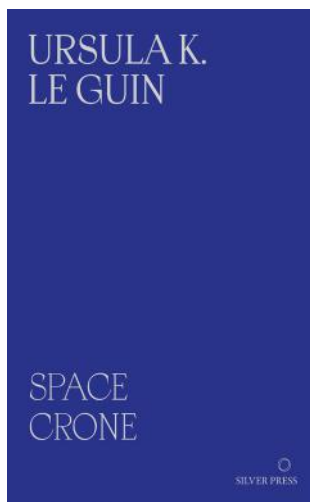
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Jaguarman

Raoul de Jong, translated by John Eyck

A mythic memoir of ancestry, transformation and the wild truths we inherit.

Born to a Dutch mother and a Surinamese father he knows very little about, Raoul is barely thirty years old when he receives an email: I AM LOOKING FOR MY SON RAOUL DE JONG. From this late meeting with his father, many hopes are born, sometimes disappointed. 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. In this quest for the animal, the young writer sets out in search of his own humanity, a true optimistic manifesto.



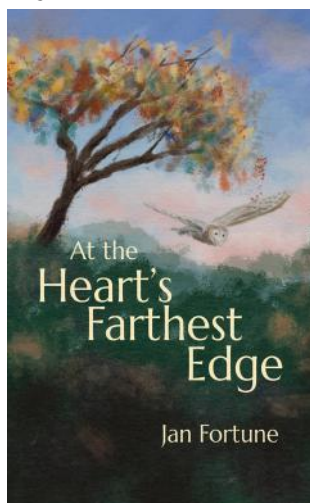
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Space Crone 2nd Edition

Ursula K. Le Guin, edited by Sarah Shin, So Mayer

The first collection of Ursula K. Le Guin's writings on feminism and gender, now in an expanded edition including 'The Carrier Bag Theory of Fiction'

Ursula K. Le Guin witnessed and contributed to many of the twentieth century's rebellions and upheavals, including women's liberation, the Civil Rights movement and US anti-war and environmental activism. Spanning fifty years of her life and work, *Space Crone* brings together Le Guin's writings on feminism and gender for the first time, offering new insights into her imaginative, multispecies feminist consciousness: from its roots in deep ecology and philosophies of non-violence to her self-education about racism and her writing on motherhood and ageing. This new, expanded edition for 2025 includes the influential essay 'The Carrier Bag Theory of Fiction'.



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 Pages: 184

At the Heart's Farthest Edge

Jan Fortune

A luminous memoir on healing and belonging

In October 2020, as new lockdowns were implemented, **Jan Fortune** moved from a beloved home of twenty years in North Wales to a tiny hamlet in a forest in Finistère. Isolated during lockdowns, facing major unforeseen house renovations, illness and bereavement, she was also training as a herbalist while juggling work. Constantly, she asked herself: What are you doing here?

At the heart's farthest edge unravels a series of cusp moments so slight they might have vanished unnoticed, yet in retrospect make sense of following a call to a forest in a new land. Friendship, motherhood, love, making art and the natural world collide to produce a love letter to moments that persist across years.

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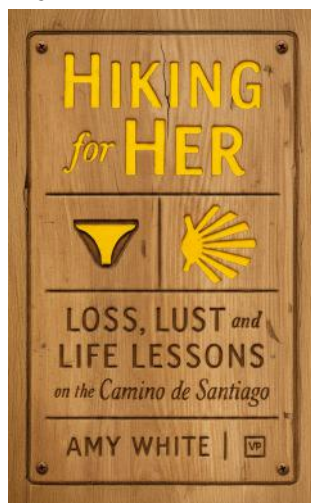
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Glimmering

Megan C Hayes

A lyrical, haunting yet hopeful story of healing through 21 wild swims

In *Glimmering* **Megan C Hayes** seeks solace and finds resilience in the wild waters of Wales and beyond. This series of swims-across-the-page tell a lyrical, haunting, yet hopeful story about healing and the restorative, redemptive power of our experiences in nature. Some of the world's most beautiful swimming spots, from the sea at Llangrannog to Australia's West Coast, provide the backdrop to a story of post-traumatic growth through glimmers – the term psychologists give to our moments of connection, joy, and safety. Offering both a celebration of wild places and a manual for healing – not through any quick fix, but through a series of the smallest strokes, this is a story for all those who feel lost, or broken, and need to be called home again.

Hiking for Her

Amy White

A hilarious, heartfelt memoir of grief, love, and self-discovery.

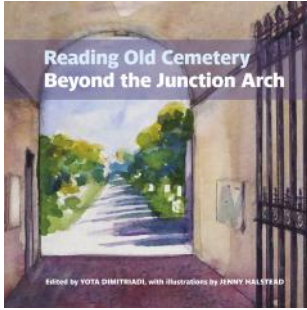
What happens when a sarcastic, sexually-confused Yorkshire lass decides to outwalk her heartbreak on Spain's most famous pilgrimage?

Armed with no training, a battered journal, and too much Sauvignon Blanc, Amy White stumbles her way across the Camino de Santiago, creating a brilliantly unfiltered account of the process; part grief memoir, part comedy of errors, part accidental spiritual awakening. Between brutal blisters, obsessive crushes, and unexpected kindness from strangers, Amy discovers lessons in love, loss, and self-acceptance. Both hilarious and soul-stirring, this is a story for anyone who's ever wondered if breaking down might just be the first step to breaking through.

Reading Old Cemetery: Beyond the Junction Arch

Edited by Yota Dimitriadi, illustrated by Jenny Halstead

Where Memory, Nature and Hidden Histories Meet.



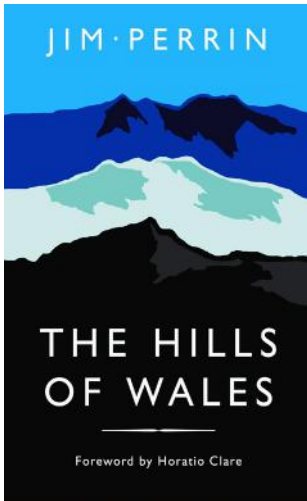
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If you travel across East Reading, you will most likely pass through Cemetery Junction, a bustling crossroads where Wokingham Road meets London Road. The name points to the significant site that gave the junction its name: Reading Old Cemetery, which served the town for over a century between 1843 to 1959. With over 250 war graves, four Grade II listed monuments, and five ancient trees, it has received formal recognition as a heritage asset by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission and Historic England. This beautifully illustrated book shares insights into the history of the cemetery, its graves and monuments, its plants and wildlife, and much more.

The Hills of Wales

Jim Perrin

A unique appreciation of the hills of Wales.



Y Lolfa
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 Format: Paperback
 Pages: 288

The hills of Wales have haunted **Jim Perrin** for six decades. They continue to do so still, inexhaustibly, always offering new perspectives, moods and experiences.

This book records forays into both famed and forgotten upland, taking in Cadair Idris and the Carneddau, Corndon Hill and the Berwyn, Pumlumon Fawr and the little hills of Llyn, and so many others. These are accounts of personal explorations, journeyings and encounters, each fragment and footstep combining to form a peripatetic literary celebration.



ETHEL MANNIN
AN AMERICAN JOURNEY

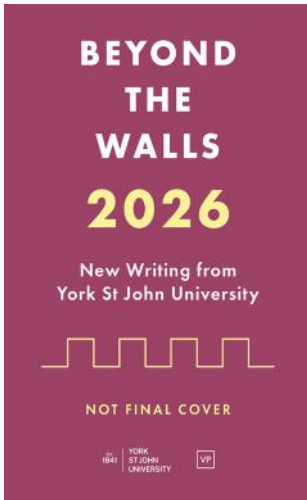
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An American Journey

Ethel Mannin, introduction by Joanna Pocock
A rediscovered travel classic exposing America's divides and dreams

In the spring of 1965, British novelist **Ethel Mannin** decided to see America “the hard way”—traveling by bus from New York to California and back. What she records in *An American Journey* is all too reminiscent of today's America: racial discrimination, economic inequality, environmental exploitation, and treatment of native Americans as second-class citizens.

Starting out in New York City, Mannin crosses the U.S., noting its eyesores and disgraces along with its grandeurs and glories. She observes desperate poverty on Indian reservations and hopelessness of the young and unemployed in Watts. And yet, everywhere she encounters an irrepressible optimism and faith in the American dream.



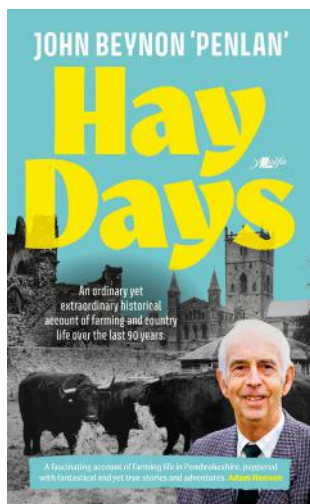
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Beyond the Walls

Edited by York Centre for Writing
A new generation of writing talent from York St John University.

For writers, walls are challenges to be overcome: put a barrier in their way and they will tunnel under it, vault over it or simply blast their way straight through it. In *Beyond the Walls 2026*, a new generation of writing talent will be given their chance to do just that.

In the latest edition of the much-loved annual anthology, Creative Writing students from York St John University present the very best fiction, non-fiction and poetry to emerge from the ‘York Centre for Writing’ initiative; a beacon for independent literary publishing in the North. Readers, prepare to have your expectations demolished and your hopes restored: the next wave of UK literature starts here.



Y Lolfa

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Hay Days

John Beynon, foreword by Adam Henson
Memoirs of well-known Welsh Black cattle breeder, written before his death in 2021.

The Beynon family has been farming in the St Davids area of Pembrokeshire since at least 1326, as an entry in the 'Llyfr Du Tyddewi' shows. However, the joy of this book is its vivid recollections about the author's own experiences in farming over the second half of the twentieth century, with his Tyddewi Herd of Welsh Black cattle winning Breed Champion at the Royal Show and Royal Welsh Show, as well as Herd of the Year on many occasions. From his 1930s childhood on the family farm to marrying and setting up his own farm and multi-award-winning herd, to retirement and beyond, Beynon provides a wealth of detail about agricultural practices in the mid to late twentieth century in west Wales, writing always with a warmth and a sense of humour.

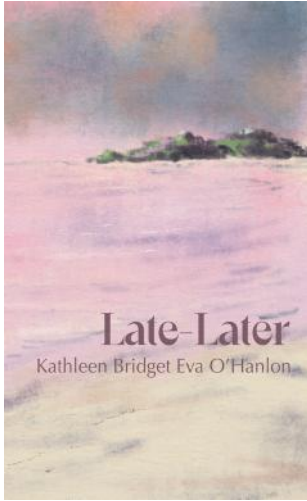
The Way of the Poet

Roy McFarlane

A guide to writing poetry, through essays, memoir and creative provocations.

Part memoir, part meditation on the art of poetry and what it is to be a poet in the modern age, *The Way of the Poet* by **Roy McFarlane** is a journal following the daily life in creative practice.

Full of guidance, encouragement and reflections on the personal, political and radical nature of the craft of writing in troubled times, this will be a ground-breaking book from one of the new millennium's most inspiring and socially-engaged writers.



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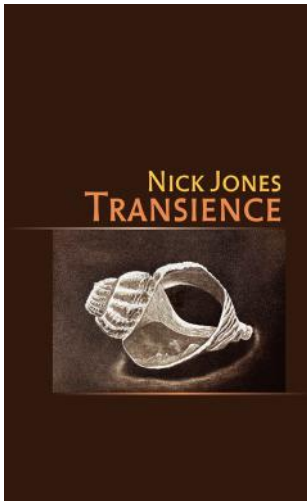
Late—Later

Kathleen Bridget Eva O'Hanlon

Accessible and resonant, clear-eyed, acutely observant and bristling with intelligent humour.

In this extraordinary debut collection, **Kathleen Bridget Eva O'Hanlon** dives deeply into a personal history that holds a mirror up to all the ways we piece together a lifetime of memories to weave a story of our many connected selves.

Rich in references to literature, history, myth and culture, the poetry here remains accessible and resonant, clear-eyed, acutely observant and bristling with intelligent humour. We are reminded of the ways fragments of our pasts become defining moments. It's late and getting later, but still there is wit and life, still there is a legacy to leave and hope to insist on, memories that reshape both past and future.



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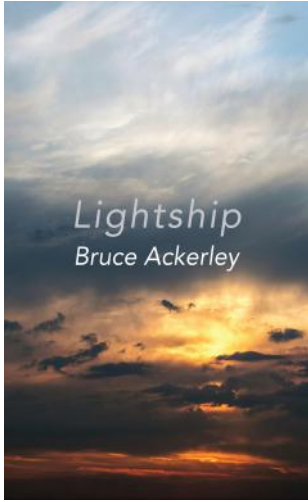
Transience

Nick Jones

An expansive, tender collection.

In *Transience*, **Nick Jones** moves across the themes that touch on our fragility and mortality.

What do we really believe? How do we live as creatures in time, juggling fate and history? How do we navigate the best and worst of human impact on the earth and one another? *Transience* touches everything and none of us escape without loss. And yet at the heart of it all, love remains, conjured here with poignant elegance and with thanks for all that has been.



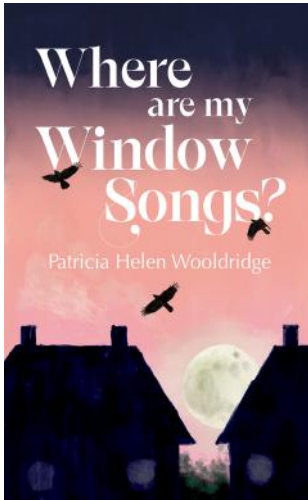
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Lightship

Bruce Ackerley

A poised and resonant collection that distils two decades of quiet observation.

Twenty years ago, **Bruce Ackerley** won Cinnamon Press's inaugural poetry collection prize with his debut, *Sound of Mountain*, of which RV Bailey wrote: 'finely crafted, lyrical and spare... with a musical ear for landscape and relationships. An interesting, individual voice, he writes with power and sensitivity.' In *Lightship*, Ackerley now brings together his finest writing from two decades, the voice confident and supple with a deepened lyricism and an acute sense of what to say, and what not to say, each poem is a honed gem—poised and resonant. Ranging across the natural and supernatural, the solace and joys of art, film and music, love, grief and sexuality, and the vicissitudes of mental health, *Lightship* is both an internal record and a reaching out. A moving, distinctive pièce de résistance.



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Where are my window songs?

Patricia Helen Wooldridge

Poems that find quiet beauty in memory, nature and everyday life.

Where are my Window Songs? has not a word out of place. The phrases are limpid and shimmer with sensory details so that we encounter places, creatures and the persona of the poet as though in the flesh, meaning and metaphor held in the thingness of this carefully and beautifully drawn world. The natural world, memory, how we journey through life, find form in language that is apparently simple but always holds layers and depths.

The poetry here is immersive and questioning, elegant and always perspective-altering, gently powerful, and bears reading again and again.



Two Rivers Press
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Sublime Lungs

Kate Noakes

A bold, honest collection about living with asthma and finding breath in every line

In *Sublime Lungs* **Kate Noakes** turns her attention to the breath. For the first time, she explores her lifelong asthma and explains the impact of this chronic and disabling condition. The breath and breathing are subjects for poems from many chronologies and geographies in this her ninth collection.

“From Egyptian breath cures to Katherine Mansfield’s inhaler to the thin air of the Rocky Mountains and Machu Picchu, Kate Noakes’ latest collection evokes all the elements of a life lived with asthma. With each successive poem, *Sublime Lungs* expands the scope of how this condition affects one’s experience of the world in poems by turns witty and moving.” — Carrie Etter

BEHOLD



SHARA McCALLUM

Peepal Tree Press
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Behold

Shara McCallum

A powerful collection that moves between history, art and the inner life.

“Few contemporary poetry books begin with such unabashedly epic, rhapsodic, prophetic a voice as **Shara McCallum’s** *Behold*. From here the journey takes us through Jamaica of the poet’s childhood to ways of perceiving the interior—in museums, galleries, art studios of the world. This formally inventive book is a singing in defense of deeper contemplation. Through McCallum’s clarity of perspective, her musical, memorable clarity, the soul stands apart, sees and is seen. With unrelenting honesty, here is a book that proposes we take a step back from the shallowness of our age and open our eyes—as the many painters and landscapes the poet finds herself in front of do—to behold the world that is ours. Behold. Behold. This is a beautiful, soul-making book.” — Ilya Kaminsky



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Glitchwork

Mantra Mukim

Poetry shaped by global modernism, personal inquiry and the long shadow of environmental disaster in India.

Glitchwork tracks the uneven lineages of Central India, building on modernist legacies and reckoning with the spectres of the 1984 Bhopal disaster. **Mantra Mukim's** debut poetry collection is situated in a timeless, forested grid, poised on the verge of industrial erasure.

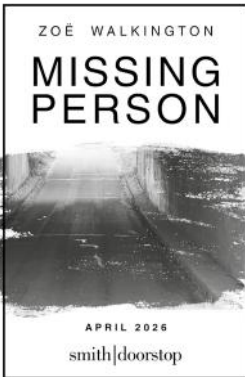
This grid, a restless site of extraction and production, also brims with potential for lushness, fey ambience, and petite clearings. Its three long poems consist of fragments on a mysterious Cold War 'plant', remixes of Surdas (the medieval-Braj poet), notes on palaeolithic hands, philology of the line, anomalies in a lunar-roving vehicle, and the origin myths of Raipur.

Missing Person

Zoë Walkington

From prize-winning Poet Zoë Walkington

In *Missing Person*, **Zoë Walkington** blurs the line between detective fiction and poetic sequence. Through a series of poems that range from the playful and surreal to gritty and mysterious, we piece together evidence around the disappearance of 10-year-old Kyle Petch from a suburban underpass in York.



The Poetry Business
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Along the way, our investigation will hear testimony from gravestones, AI chatbots, Forensic Science Reports, crisp packets, and the Readers Digest How to Clean Just About Anything. This electric new pamphlet combines powerful poetic experimentation with a gripping crime narrative and, for the attentive reader, a chance to solve the case.



Verve Poetry Press
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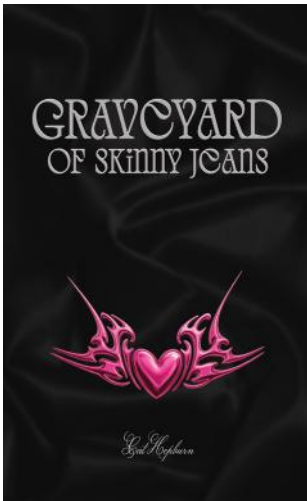
Little Bitch

Ellora Sutton

A fierce, funny and fearless debut about girlhood, grief and the mess of being alive

Little Bitch hangs out in cemeteries, art galleries, hot-pink nuclear bunkers. She ruins your favourite movies and won't stop talking about how hungry she is, horses, roses, her dead mother, the sea. She watches too much Law & Order: Special Victims Unit. She is a Venusian hellhole. She is too pretty to cry.

Ellora Sutton's hotly-anticipated debut collection is an unsettling exposé of wasted potential, the precarity of desire, and the violence of girlhood. With cameos from Hello Kitty, Susan Sontag, Tony Hawk, and Marina Abramovic, *Little Bitch* uses a powderpuff to serve up a suckerpunch with a side of Black Forest Gateau. *Little Bitch* is the thrilling debut full collection from previous PBS Pamphlet Choice Ellora.



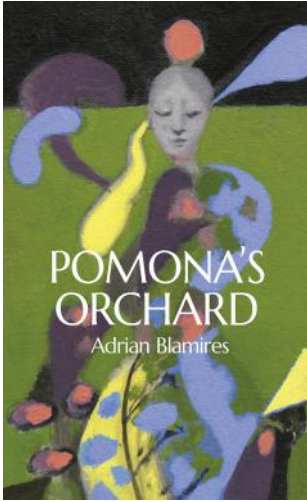
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Graveyard of Skinny Jeans

Cat Hepburn

A hyper-sensational, twisted ride through the trenches of the modern female psyche.

Graveyard of Skinny Jeans is the sharp and shockingly funny latest offering from award-winning writer **Cat Hepburn**. A brave and honest collection of poetry and short stories that dares to unravel the mess of modern womanhood. Hepburn's writing moves between satire and sincerity, humour and heartbreak, blurring the line between auto-fiction and grounded sci-fi. These pieces ask what happens when life doesn't just fail to meet your expectations - but mocks them outright. From postmodern feminism to celebrity worship, body image battles to the creeping hand of technology, Cat explores the absurd contradictions of living in a world that often feels like it's gone sideways. Darkly comic and disarmingly relatable, *Graveyard of Skinny Jeans* doesn't just entertain – it reflects the anxieties and contradictions of the millennial generation.



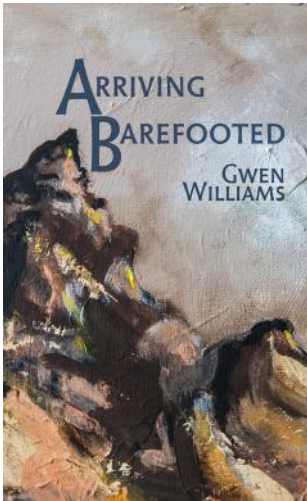
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Pomona's Orchard

Adrian Blamires

A rich and thoughtful collection.

Pomona's Orchard, **Adrian Blamires'** third collection, is dedicated to the arts of peace. Its tutelary spirits include Caliban tending to the dying Prospero, a great-aunt rescuing cats and dogs in the Blitz, the enlightened schoolmaster to an orphaned John Keats, and Pomona, Roman goddess of fruitful propagation, as the genius loci of a Herefordshire orchard. Miracles of love and healing are conjured in the face of violence and rapacity. Lament and dissent are sounded, alongside poems of witty, sensual profusion. The collection closes with a Tudor-themed sequence which presents pressing encounters – highly politicized, highly eroticized – between the Virgin Queen and her subjects. Drawing on Elizabethan lyric, symbolism, realia and innuendo, the poet offers a tragicomic vision of queen and country, a resonant blend of history and myth.



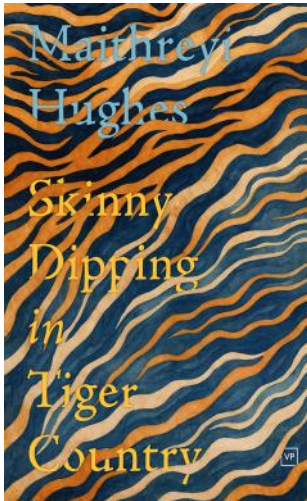
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Arriving Barefooted

Gwen Williams

A bilingual poetic journey through Patagonia and Welsh identity.

In *Arriving Barefooted* **Gwen Williams** traces the journey of the Welsh settlers in Patagonia and a journey in their footsteps. The first settlers arrived at Bahia Nueva in an old tea schooner, *The Mimosa*, in 1865. They had few farming or engineering skills and met with immediate hardship, sleeping in caves, shooting birds for food – metaphorically barefooted. But they were escaping oppression in their homeland, much like many modern-day migrants, and the determination to preserve their language and culture drove them on. In 2015, the 150th anniversary of the establishment of Y Wladfa, the poet travelled to Patagonia, welcomed by the descendants of the settlers. She carried a sketchbook and journal, discovering that her modern group of Welsh travellers were much less stoical than those first settlers, despite, or perhaps, because of modern advantages.



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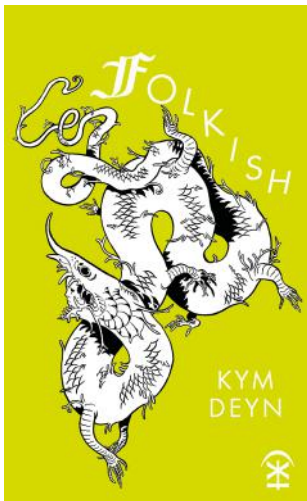
Skinny Dipping in Tiger Country

Maithreyi Hughes

A bold and lyrical debut exploring belonging, morality and the wild edges of modern life.

In her debut collection of poetry, award-winning translator and novelist **Maithreyi Hughes** explores what it means to be vulnerable and curious in the wilderness of civilisation. Politics becomes an instinctive expression of morality; animals are fellow travellers; travel a form of detachment rather than escape.

Myth and irony share a lens; belonging folds into longing. This is a fierce, daring introduction to an incisive and eloquent poetic voice, claiming the English language as both microscope and mirror.



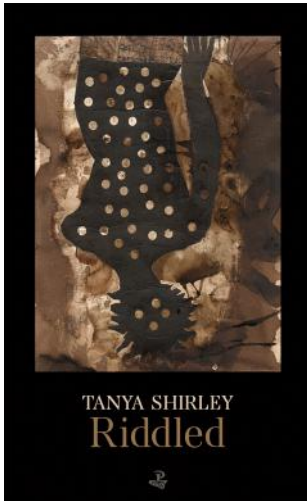
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Folkish

Kym Deyn

Ghosts, hauntings, saints and psychogeography in a bold and spirited debut

Folkish is a trickster figure masquerading as a poetry collection. Full of ghosts, worms, saints, and Northern English folklore, **Kym Deyn's** debut is playful, spirited and absolutely furious – moving between the alive, the legendary and the haunted in endlessly inventive forms.



Peepal Tree Press
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Riddled

Tanya Shirley

Poems that meet life's contradictions head-on, with humour, insight and emotional clarity.

The much-anticipated third collection from Jamaican **Tanya Shirley** explores life's complications and contradictions. Themes of illness, survival and resilience are illuminated with Shirley's trademark humour and insight.



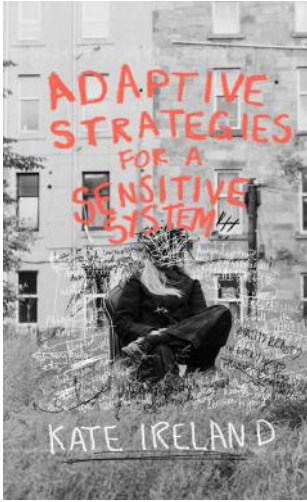
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Ten Poets Do Their Bit for the Secret Service

Edited by Jon Stone, Kirsten Irving

A clever and playful collection where poets turn into spies and mischief unfolds

Poets are, as a matter of fact, natural spies. Nondescript in appearance, they're quick, ever-watchful, and shifty in their skins. Practised at fleeing, and at giving pursuit. Likely to reach for a pen that fires a dart. Likely, too, to cross each other's paths in out-of-the-way places, and exchange some vital capsule of information. Most importantly, perhaps, they are experts at slipping the grip of a rival spymaster, who is their own dark double – for a time, at least. And when called out of retirement to do their bit – well, take any reticence with a pinch of salt...



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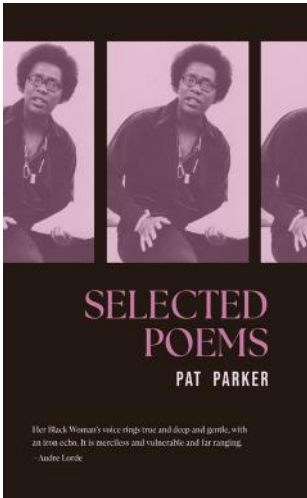
Adaptive Strategies for a Sensitive System

Kate Ireland

A wry, tender and fiercely alive poetic field guide.

Adaptive Strategies for a Sensitive System is a lovingly disordered field guide for surviving a world that keeps turning up the brightness. Disguised in the respectable badge of a diagnostic title, this is in contrast a poetic log of being too sensitive in a society built for the perpetually unbothered.

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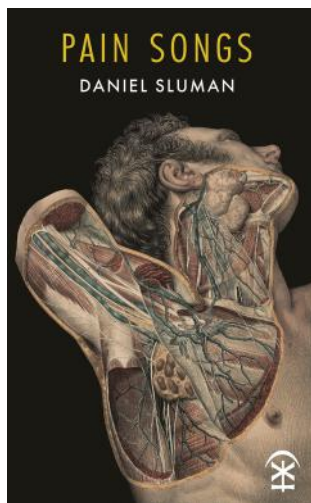
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Pat Parker, edited by SaraEllen Strongman

The essential Pat Parker collection

Alongside her invaluable contributions to social justice, **Pat Parker** (1944-1989) wrote five collections of poetry during her lifetime and is widely recognised as one of the leading African-American, lesbian-feminist voices of the 20th Century.

Selected Poems collects her most loved works into an accessible volume, introducing new readers to Parker's fire for justice, tenderness, and vision for the world. This is the first time Pat Parker's poetry has been published in the United Kingdom. Readers interested in Pat Parker's life may also enjoy *The Letters of Audre Lorde and Pat Parker 1974-1989*, an archival work documenting their intimate friendship and important work as activist-poets (ISBN: 9781068644610).



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Pain Songs

Daniel Sluman

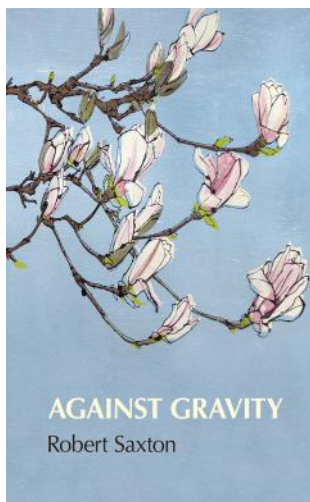
Lyrical poems about chronic pain, disability and early fatherhood from TS Eliot listed author

Pain Songs, Daniel Sluman's fourth poetry collection, is written through the writer's experience of chronic pain, examining the ways the body and the world interact and intersect. Reflecting on love, family and relationships, the poems explore intimacy, fertility, pregnancy, and what the repercussions are of living inside a body that feels like 'an alarm that rings and rings'.

Against Gravity

Robert Saxton

Poems of mortality and play



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Against Gravity: the title alludes to our struggle with mortality as we age and, by contrast, the pleasures of play, imagination, creativity. Robert Saxton's latest poetry book is dedicated to a friend whose heart gave out on a Scottish mountain. But in counterpoint to the elegaic, it offers humour too, often with dark overtones. The subject matter is wide-ranging – from the late Queen to the pitfalls of indexing, from Nero's theatre to trouser suits for modern brides, from a bat roost in a Portuguese library to the Hollywood Sign. The book concludes with a visit to Vita Sackville-West's garden at Sissinghurst, exploring intergenerational friendship as well as Vita's visionary genius and unconventional love life. Wherever his focus falls, Saxton shows accomplished craftsmanship and an eye for telling detail, with surprises on every page.



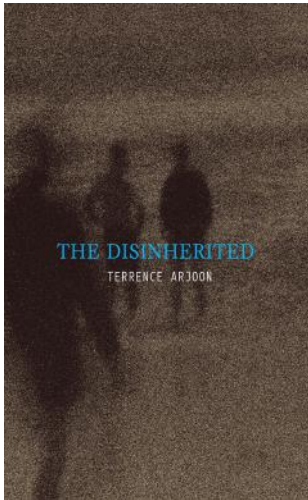
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Ruth O'Callaghan

A seventeenth collection weaving the personal and political

The poems in *Threads*, **Ruth O'Callaghan's** seventeenth collection of poetry, address both the personal and political. They are sometimes ironical and at others metaphorical, but they consistently engage the reader in contemplating the fact that 'Ours are simply steps that have disturbed / dust others have left'.



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The Disinherited

Terrence Arjoon

Arjoon goes back and forth between realms throughout *The Disinherited*...The result: an exquisite chiaroscuro.

In this debut collection by **Terrence Arjoon**, various characters people the text, from historical personages to actors in hastily paper-mache'd masks, each peeking onto stage from the wings. Composed of partial translations from Gérard de Nerval, pastoral pastiches, slant rhymes, off-sonnets, and malapropisms, *The Disinherited* inhabits a world spanning the olive groves of old Europe to spills of ink in the renegade printing studios of New York, as Arjoon and his merry wanderers take a meandering stroll through diaspora and exile, the Romantic and surreal, reaching towards something richer, denser, and stranger.



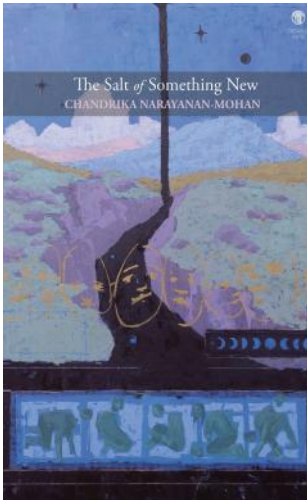
Ways to Move: Black Insurgent Grammars

Jonathan González

González theorizes Blackness as a grammar, occupying the interstices of white colonial culture.

Moving between archival fragments, rehearsal notes, and speculative memory, *Ways to Move: Black Insurgent Grammars* traces the embodied frequencies and assembled states of Black life. González theorizes Blackness as a grammar, occupying the interstices of white colonial culture; Black movement and expression are both defined by and break down the hegemonic. Through a consideration of land, politics, magic, and movement, this hybrid work performs the perpetually unfinished task of resistance.

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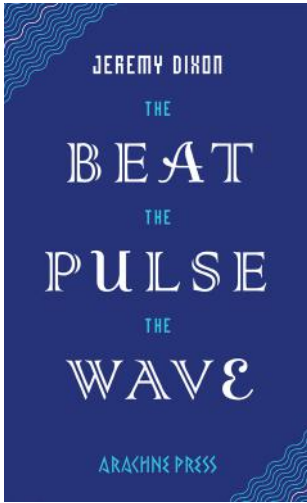
The Salt of Something New

Chandrika Narayanan-Mohan

A confident and memorable debut.

The Salt of Something New is the much-anticipated debut collection of poems by Dublin-based **Chandrika Narayanan-Mohan**. The poems explore love and attraction, excitement and disappointment, responding to the city both as homeplace and as the site of ongoing discoveries and negotiations. "I think about marriage, commitment, islands," she writes in the poet that give this book its title, 'what it means to stay, what it would feel like / flying into a different airport ...' Throughout there is a remarkable lightness of touch, a precision that reminds us of the poet's abiding interest in science and ecology, the fruits of which further extend the range of this confident and memorable debut.

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Before the Rain

Poems & Stories



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The Beat the Pulse the Wave

Jeremy Dixon

Jeremy Dixon's poetry collection pulses with the rhythms of life, memory, and ancestry, celebrating the ordinary and the extraordinary.

Life comes at you in waves, sometimes they carry you to new shores, sometimes you risk drowning in the flood. Life is a pulse, a heart pumping the blood of now and the blood memories of the past and of your ancestors. Life is a beat, a dance, a festival where you watch Portishead in a field as the sun sets. Life is the rhythm of all three together, it is the beat, the pulse, the wave that brings you to this moment. **Jeremy Dixon** pauses to consider and celebrate that which was, that which is and that which could be.

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A luminous collection of poems and short stories that brings the rhythms, beauty and complexity of Jamaica to the page.

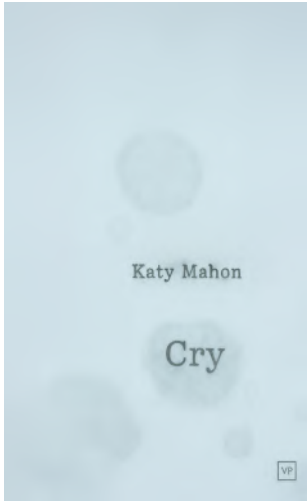
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Cry

Katy Mahon

An intimate, moving collection of poems exploring the blurred edges between motherhood and creativity.

In *Cry*, **Katy Mahon** writes from the blurred edges between motherhood and creativity – a place of contradictions, where chores and maternal routines deprive the poet of space to write, even as the joys of parenting provide constant inspiration for new art. Her answer is to embrace it all, at once: readers will find poems of frustration, exhaustion and the fear of losing oneself, threaded with love, awe and the quiet astonishment of watching a child grow. In this way, constraint is revealed as a form of grace; restriction as a means to enable true expression. Ultimately, the collection stands as both confession and celebration: an intimate portrait of the creative mother learning to breathe, to write, and to be.



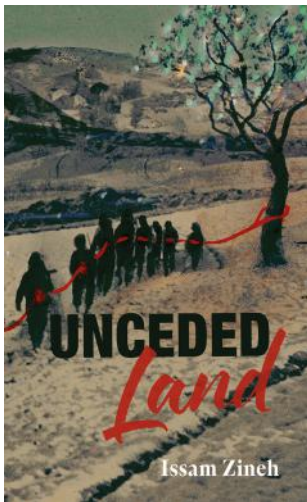
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Searing psychological poetry by Palestinian-American health worker

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Zineh's capturing of the romantic and violent, the personal and the political, is a testament to his unwavering dedication to plumbing the depths of emotion that lie in psychological and physical territories alike.

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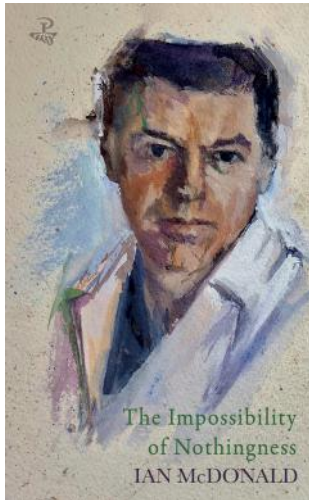
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Notes / Notas

Juan Gelman, translated by Arianna Afsari, Silvia Tandeciarz

Discover Argentina's award-winning, revolutionary poet Juan Gelman

This bilingual edition makes **Juan Gelman's** hauntingly beautiful poetry collection, *Notes / Notas*, available to English-speaking audiences in its entirety for the first time. Originally published in 1979, *Notas / Notas* was composed in exile, following the 1976 military coup d'état in Argentina. This period of state terrorism resulted in the disappearance of writers, comrades, and Gelman's own son. With a deep appreciation for Gelman's masterful linguistic play, translators Afsari and Tandeciarz channel the force of his poetic testimony against the real violence of dictatorship. Interweaving reflections on revolution, loss and memory, Argentina's poet laureate conjures forth a sense of hope in the wake of inconceivable suffering.

The Impossibility of Nothingness

Ian McDonald

Extraordinary poems written in his nineties by Ian McDonald that explore memory, mortality, and the sheer wonder of being alive at great age.

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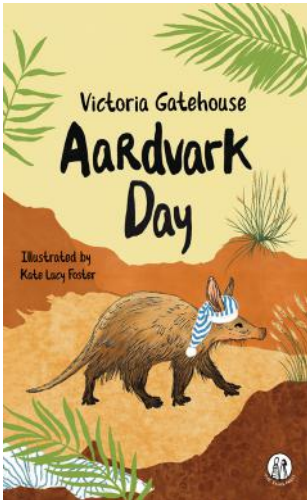


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Victoria Gatehouse, illustrated by Kate Lucy Foster

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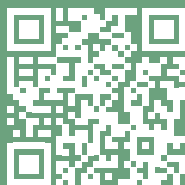
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