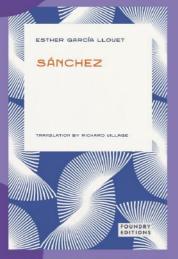
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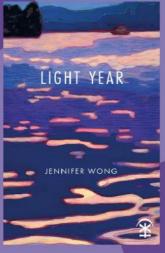
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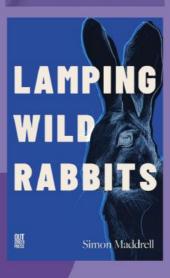


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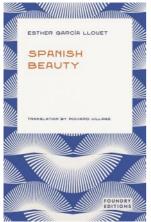
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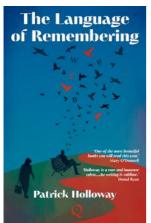
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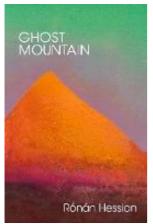


Heart Lamp

Banu Mushtaq



¶ On days when it was impossible for Shaziya to wake up in time for the dawn namaz. she would blame it on her high blood pressure. and had a habit of saying she had no peace because of those damn tablets. ¶ Her mother used to say. All this is Shaitan's game. Shaitan comes early in the morning, presses your legs, drapes a blanket around you, pats you back to sleep... Translated by Deepa Bbastbi Winner of an English PEN Award Winner of the 2025 International Booker Prize



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Prize-winning fiction with a Palestinian focus.

Faysal receives a mysterious letter about the death of aunt he can't remember. Leaving his lover and his life in Europe behind, he returns to the village of his birth in Palestine and to his family's extraordinary, deserted house, the palace on the higher hill. With a backdrop of violence and the permanent threat from settlers, Faysal wanders the oncelavish rooms as characters from the past return to shed light on his family story and on the story of his people.

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Heart Lamp

Banu Mushtaq, translated by Deepa Bhasthi

Winner of the International Booker Prize.

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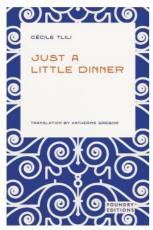
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Girlbeast

Cecilie Lind

Just a Little Dinner

Cécile Tlili, translated by Katherine Gregor

Parisians behaving badly..

In tired, hot Paris at the end of August, a group of friends, who'd rather still be at the sea, meet for a dinner. Taking us behind the shutters of the Sixth Arrondissement, with a cast of characters that both delight and repel, fractured relationships, manipulation, bad behaviour and desperation are all laid bare in this very contemporary take on a Parisian huis clos story. What starts as just a little dinner ends up having monumental consequences for everyone.

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Girlbeast

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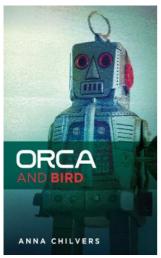
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Landscape with Landscape

Gerald Murnane



¶ I was the only man among nine women. Together we formed a committee of ten, with myself as treasurer. I sat beside the president and the secretary while the seven others sat facing me. I was not comfortable. ¶ I knew none of the women, although all of them lived in my own suburb. The only name I knew was the president's. She had phoned me a few hours before this, the first meeting of the committee, and persuaded me to serve as treasurer.

And Other Stories ISBN: 9781916751378

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Orca & Bird

Anna Chilvers

New from the award-winning publisher of Leonard and Hungry Paul.

Orca is a woodland surveyor, working and sleeping among the trees. When she meets Nadia, a young woman who needs her help, Orca's stable routine is interrupted and her journey begins. She must choose, again and again, to either follow her instructions for the survey or allow a deeper programming to kick in: the imperative to aid and protect human beings.

As Orca and Nadia travel from woodland to woodland, friendships are made, memories start to surface and Orca questions what is real in her surroundings as well as deep within herself

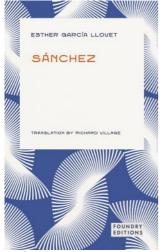
Landscape with Landscape

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First UK publication of Nobel Prize candidate Murnane's masterful first short story collection.

Landscape with Landscape is **Gerald Murnane**'s first collection of short fiction. These loosely connected stories trace a journey through the suburbs of Melbourne in the 1960s, as the writer negotiates the conflicting demands of Catholicism and sex, self-consciousness and intimacy, alcohol and literature.

Harshly reviewed upon publication, it is now lauded as some of his best writing, offering a wide-ranging exploration of the landscapes which make up the imagination of this extraordinary Australian writer.



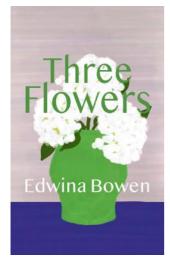
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Sánchez

Esther García Llovet, translated by Richard Village

A searing literary portrait of obsession, revolution and the ghosts we carry

A nocturnal drift through the margins of Madrid—where lost souls cross paths with the surreal, and the city itself becomes a character. In this stark, luminous novel, **Esther García Llovet** returns to the shadows of the Spanish capital to trace the uneasy reunion of Nikki and Sánchez, two former lovers bound by shared history and mutual failure. She has returned from the borderlands of Gibraltar, where she dealt contraband. He, a man seemingly pursued by bad luck, accepts her offer out of desperation: help deliver a greyhound named Cromwell to a woman deep in the racing underworld. What follows is a long night's descent through a Madrid untouched by tourism or nostalgia—a landscape of bingo halls, half-lit highways, silent gas stations, and after-hours bars that seem suspended in time.

Three Flowers

Edwina Bowen

A love story in which the past and present reverberate.

For Caitlin Bailey the past has been far from easy. Living in the shadows of her mother's mental illness, she has been brought up in Dublin by her Aunt Milla. Now aged 22 and with her mother back home, Caitlin is escaping to London with her artist boyfriend Fitz to live life on her own terms. What does she want? Who can she be? The emerging art scene of early '90s London brings a job as a gallery assistant and exciting new friends but intrusive memories of her childhood haunt Caitlin's nights. And then Fitz leaves to work in Rye — it's temporary but feels like another abandonment. What follows will change everything.

Three Flowers asks what we need to hold and what we need to let go in order to love and live well.



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Apparitions

Margo Glantz, translated by Ellen Jones

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

Sister Lugarda de la Encarnación takes the lash, and an unnamed mother gets down on her hands and knees—sacramental postures demanded by inscrutable men.

Apparitions is a novel of ecstasy pursued, desire transmogrified into devotion, and obedience as a passionately pursued, not entirely free choice. Erotic, and suffused with painting, music, art, it's an incantatory exploration of what it means to abandon the world, and to use your body—in pain, and in pleasure—as a way of finally coming to know the divine.

This is Home

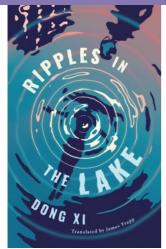
Luca Serra

A constantly changing exploration of friendship, belonging and what it means to forge your place in the world far away from home.

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

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

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



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And Other Stories

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Ripples in the Lake

Dong Xi, translated by James Trapp

Emotionally forensic crime fiction that unravels a marriage as meticulously as a murder

Detective Ran Dongdong has two problems. One is the dead young woman with a missing hand, and the other is her husband. The first to be called to the scene when the body is found floating near a lakeside luxury hotel, she begins an investigation that soon leads her into a web centred on the scandalous affairs of a powerful businessman

When she begins to see echoes of the case everywhere, including in her personal relations, she can't resist interrogating her own marriage. But will the resonances set off a chain reaction in her life that she can't control?

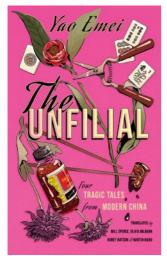
The Roof Beneath Their Feet

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 Prizewinning 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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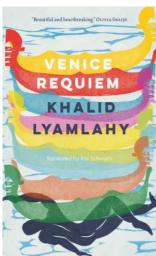
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The Unfilial

Yao Emei, translated by Will Spence, Olivia Milburn, Honey Watson, Martin Ward

Sympathetic yet frank depiction of intergenerational trauma.

Modern China moves fast, leaving its people trailing behind. The mirage of a picture-perfect home compels some to gamble away the family house, while others have to live with debts of a shameful past. Nevertheless, when something inevitably cracks, it's always the women who are left to pick up the pieces.

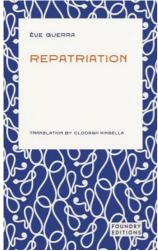
Yao Emei shines a brutally honest light on the crumbling foundations of the Chinese family unit with scalpel-sharp precision. In these four short stories, she sensitively depicts the struggle to escape a vicious cycle of abuse where no one comes out looking good.

Venice Requiem

Khalid Lyamlahy, translated by Ros Schwartz

New from the publisher of Small Boat.

On the 22nd of January 2017, Pateh Sabally, a twentytwo-year-old Gambian refugee living in Italy since 2015, 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. Through a dialogue with the writings and experiences of authors who have written about Venice, the novel explores the potential of literature to rescue humanity.



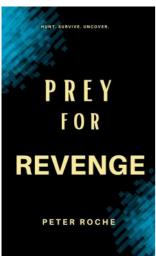
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Repatriation

Ève Guerra, translated by Clodagh Kinsella

A powerful debut about grief, memory and the search for truth.

Annabella Morelli is twenty-three years old, 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 his death in Cameroon, her world collapses for the second time and 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.

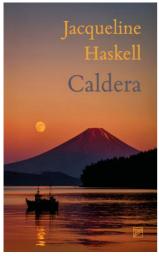
Prey for Revenge

Peter Roche

A pulse-pounding thriller of betrayal, revenge, and a deadly secret society.

When a failed assassination attempt on terrorist Asif Badawi sparks a deadly vow of revenge, Dr. Cathy Meer and her family are thrust into a perilous world of espionage and violence. With the enigmatic Captain Marcus de Vere by her side, Cathy uncovers a sinister secret society, The Summer Hunt, whose influential members operate above the law.

Racing against time, she must navigate black sites, luxurious Gulf yachts, and a web of betrayal, terror, and murder. As the lines between justice and revenge blur, Cathy fights not only for survival but also for the truth, all while an unexpected romance ignites amidst the chaos in this pulse-pounding thriller.



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Yuri Felsen trans. Bryan Karetnyk

Winner of an English PEN Awar

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Caldera

Jacqueline Haskell

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

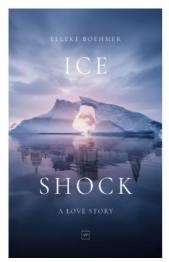
In the heat of a land shaped by volcanic mountians and pine tree woods, Stingray has chosen a life on the sea, with the sea and in the sea. His is a simple existence, but he is haunted by memories of his past, which he left far away in England. He denies his loneliness, but when the hope of love arrives 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 beyind his boat, his isolation and his sea, and face the traumas of his past.

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 the critically acclaimed 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.



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Taiwan Travelogue Yáng Shuāng-zi



¶ "Hold on. What's going on here?" ¶ I couldn't help but voice the thought out loud. ¶ For. in that moment. I seemed to have been transported backinto the midst of Shōkyokusai Tenkatsu's Magic Troupe. ¶ I'd crossed paths with Tenkatsu's troupe long ago. before I'd started high school. They had been on tour. and on the day they arrived in Nagasaki. my aunt Kikuko and I happened upon the opening parade. Translated by Lin King

And Other Stories ISBN: 9781916751651

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Ice Shock

Elleke Boehmer

Emotional, timely, and unputdownable - a story of love against the odds.

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.

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.



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Contentious Spaces Rosaleen McDonagh

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What Will Save Us

Claire Seeber

Three spies. One Mission. Three agendas – and everything to lose.

On the eve of war, Anna takes a post in London as a nanny to a family with Nazi ties, hiding her desperate search for the baby she was forced to give up. Karl plays both sides of the Secret Service, hunting a double agent while haunted by a past he cannot forget. Elise is drawn back into the shadows she once escaped.

Set across Britain, Germany and Austria, What Will Save Us is a thrilling, intimate tale of ordinary men and women, whose messy, broken lives end up changing the course of history.

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.



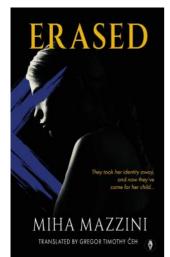
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Sweep the Cobwebs off the Sky

Mary O'Donnell

A perceptive, emotionally rich novel of family, memory, and long-buried truths.

As spring evenings lengthen over Kilnavarn House, two sisters, looking after their infirm mother, navigate the fragile territory between past and present.

Memories of a troubled upbringing resurface and the house holds onto the women, as it always has, refusing to let them go until long suppressed truths are spoken.

Sweep the Cobwebs off the Sky is a tender exploration of ageing, memory, place, and the desire for reconciliation

Erased

Miha Mazzini, translated by Gregor Timothy ?eh
She Doesn't Exist. Neither Does Her Baby.
Now What?

When a "software error" erases Zala from the system, she discovers that officially, she and her newborn don't exist.

As Zala fights desperately to prove her existence, and her child from adoption, she uncovers the Kafkaesque reality of Slovenia's system — one that erased 25,671 citizens on February 26, 1992.

A chilling thriller about bureaucracy as violence, and one mother's battle against the state.



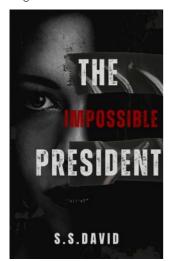
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The Restorative Artist

Cecil Fenn

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Graham, an accomplished mortician, has built his life around the dead. After a corpse-carried illness forces him to reckon with his own mortality, Graham is confronted with the spectre of his recently deceased lover, with devastating consequences for himself, his new girlfriend, and his colleagues.

Betrayed by his body and unable to accept the pain death has caused him, can his grief be cured?

The Impossible President

S.S. David

One woman's fight to lead a nation that was never built to let her.

In Nigeria, where power is a man's game, Sharon Nwosu dares to dream. Thrust into the brutal world of politics, she navigates corruption, violence, and fierce opposition from those who believe women don't belong in power. But Sharon is no ordinary woman. Haunted by personal loss and driven by a bold vision for her country, she fights on two fronts: against a broken system and the ghosts of her past. Her rise sparks a movement that challenges the status quo and dares a nation to imagine a different future.

The Impossible President is a gripping political drama about resilience, ambition, and the courage to lead—no matter the cost.



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Writers Can't Be Locked Up

Sarah Bower

A thoughtful creative writing guide for people in the prison system informed by 15 years of teaching experience

There are no bars on your imagination, no limits on the freedom you can find in getting you words and stories onto paper. Stuck in a cell, cut off from everything they know and love, people have created some of the best loved words of all time. You can too.

With the help of simple exercises and ideas to encourage good writing habits, you can use the limits of your cell to stimulate the imagination and break down walls. This is a handbook for you who already write creatively, and for you who would like to give it a try. It is for you who don't think your story is worth telling, and for you who need activities to get your pen started.

The Irrepressible Writer

Sandra Jensen

A guide to writing with chronic health conditions from an award-winning author living with Chronic Fatigue Syndrome

Sandra Jensen has lived with chronic health conditions for decades. Here she offers a tried and tested bitesize. approach to developing the tips, tricks and tools to feeling confident as a writer, and keep writing no matter what else is happening in life.

In it, you will find the exhibitant and power of writing without expectation - joyous, for yourself, a thrilling and sometimes life-changing experience. It is time for you to step out of your own way and open up your 'child eyes' to whatever wants to be expressed on the page. This book will help you stop thinking about writing, and actually write: for joy, for wellbeing, for art.

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You Should Write a Script

James McDermott

The go-to guide for anyone with a tale to tell.

This is a book for aspiring playwrights, Hollywood hopefuls, and anyone with a story to tell. Whether you're a seasoned writer or a complete novice, **James** McDermott will demystify the secrets of crafting compelling dialogue, building unforgettable characters, and constructing scenes that leave audiences on the edge of their seats. From brainstorming ideas to polishing the final draft, you will find practical tips, inspiring anecdotes, and step-by-step guidance to see how you can make your stories come to life. James also shares insight into everything from securing an agent to selfpromotion, freelancing to handling failure. Unleash your creativity, conquer the blank page, and join the ranks of storytellers who dared to dream. This is the go-to guide for everyone with a tale to tell.

Your Body is a Writer

Sally-Anne Lomas

An inspiring guide to bringing together movement and writing to improve wellbeing and creative processes

Get your mind and body working together. Your writing will thank you. We feel a story or a poem in our bodies. We laugh and weep into the page. We write with our hearts, with our guts, with our muddy boots and arthritic knees, with our skin and bones. Bringing together movement and writing opens the doors to play. Getting off our backsides and away from the screen raises the heartbeat, creates good vibrations and deeper breathing. It is better for our well-being and better for our art. Through activities you will explore how breath, posture, gesture, and movement can stimulate your writing. Simple physical and written exercises will help you access the subconscious, develop compelling characters, and create vivid description.

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Our Story Needs Your Story

Andrew McDonnell

A handbook that advocates for workingclass writers from lecturer and author Dr Andrew McDonnell

The book to get you writing. Because your experience matters. And your words matter.

If you have something to say, then this book will help you say it. It will help you find creative strategies to write about the working class lives you don't often read in literature. Using approaches including oppositional writing, second person narration, and storyworlds, this book will help you be the writer you want to be and shape the stories of the future.

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.



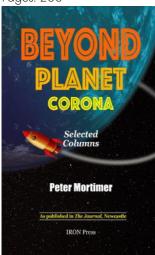
Y Lolfa

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Iron Press

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The Auschwitz Goalkeeper

Ron Jones, with Joe Lovejoy

A Prisoner of War's True Story.

The Auschwitz Goalkeeper is the story of a man who endured the horrors of the most notorious death camp of them all, before being brutally forced to march across Europe as the SS retreated ahead of the advancing Russians. This is no sanitised, boys'-own adventure. Indeed, it is a book which gives the lie to the self-glorifying claims of some of Ron Jones' fellow British POWs at Auschwitz: "I have chosen to speak out 70 years after the event because others have profited from telling inflated tales of personal heroism that I know are without foundation, thereby cheapening the conduct of honest, less fanciful prisoners." It was this sense of outrage that prompted a 96-year-old man to set the record straight, once and for all: "It is my intention to tell it straight, exactly as it was."

Beyond Planet Corona

Peter Mortimer

Essays from a popular North East writer.

In 2021 **Peter Mortimer** brought out the book, *Planet* Corona – the First One Hundred Columns, collecting together the opening century of articles for The Journal, Newcastle. These began with and were informed throughout by the Corona Virus and its effect on our world. Dismal though those times were, and bleak though the daily news tended to be, the author found an unlikely humour and satire in the nation's plight and our ability, or non-ability, to deal with it.

Now comes a second collection, Beyond Planet Corona. The virus has receded (temporarily say many experts) but its impact lingers on and Peter Mortimer continues to observe from the sidelines. The book is a satirical look at how we as a nation, and sometimes as a planet, are coping with the aftermath of the corona devastation.



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Cinnamon Press

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Feldman in Love

Stephen Chance

Morton Feldman; complex musical genius. Publication year, 2026, is the year of Feldman's birth centenary, and 2027 is the 40th anniversary of his death.

McCarthyite witchhunts, the Rosenberg trial, the Korean War. This is the backdrop to the combative friendship between two creatives; Morton Feldman and Philip Guston. Feldman, musical pioneer with a genius often derided in his lifetime, left a remarkable sonic legacy when he died in 1987. The Lower East Side of New York in the 1950s bristles with the electricity of music, poetry and art, and lives, where everything is risked to secure the next breakthrough; wives, friends, health, reputation and self. Feldman in Love is an elegy and a lovesong, an untold story that speaks to the intensity and emotion at the heart of a profound and enduring friendship.

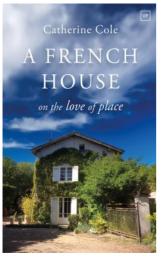
Life & Fable

Guislaine Vincent

A lyrical excavation of memory, myth and identity.

A line of pain runs through generations, until one stops to question the ancestral forces behind the door. In *Life & Fable*, **Guislaine Vincent** explores archetypal patterns in her family's storytelling, peeling back layers to discover the self in myth. Childhood recurs, not just in events, but in how they shape identity. Mektoub, her father would say: it is written

From a great-grandfather found in the Syrian desert to the loss of a child; from a childhood across 14 schools in multiple countries to training as a Jungian Psychoanalyst - this is a story of resilience. It asks: who are we, and how do we peel back reality to find truth in fables? A powerful reflection on identity and naming.



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404 Ink

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A French House: On the Love of Place

Catherine Cole

"A reverie memoir steeped in longing for a home away from home." Jeff Young

Un rêve. Une maison. Un village. Une vie en France.

In this richly-woven memoir of buying and restoring a village home in the Périgord, **Catherine Cole** explores the enduring allure of France, the dreams we project onto its verdant landscapes, and the literature, film and culture they continue to inspire. At the heart of the story is the house itself; its rooms, garden, and history revealing a quiet narrative of place, memory, and longing.

For anyone who's ever imagined a life elsewhere, this is a book about turning dreams into bricks and mortar.

Publisher Not Found

Laura Jones-Rivera, Heather McDaid

A bold farewell to indie publishing - 404 Ink's founders reveal how to build a press, break the rules, and bow out on their own terms.

After a decade running the award-winning indie press 404 lnk, home to authors like Helen McClory, Nadine Aisha Jassat, Elle Nash, and Alan Cumming, founders **Heather McDaid** and **Laura Jones-Rivera** call time on their bold publishing venture. *Publisher Not Found* shares the highs and lows of publishing loudly and transparently through political upheavals, pandemics, and industry shifts. In a world obsessed with the next big thing, this is a candid reflection on ethical publishing, resilience, and knowing when to step away. It's a celebration of what's possible when two graduates challenge the status quo—and a guide for anyone dreaming of starting their own press.



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Seren

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Imprinted

Schuyler Esprit

A revelatory portrait of Caribbean reading: personal memory meets cultural critique

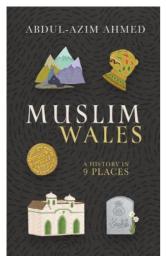
'Imprinted' is a personal story and social history of reading and the development of a literary culture in the Caribbean. It explores the places and spaces of such a cultural journey, during and after the colonial period, in particular in Dominica, the author's birthplace. Entwined within this critique is the story of the author's own reading history, from being a child reader devouring the library (Black Power heroes and romance fiction) of her family home in Dominica to the concerns of a literary scholar of a digital age. A remarkable investigation full of personal reflection and awareness of the social, political and economic dynamics - and constraints - that shape Caribbean reading experiences.

Booda

Simon Tonkin

A powerful account of prejudice, vulnerability and a system that failed.

In January 1953, the town of Laugharne was rocked by a brutal crime. 78-year-old Elizabeth Thomas had been viciously attacked at home and died the following day. George Roberts – known locally as Booda – was arrested for her murder. George had been both mute and deaf since birth and couldn't write. Yet he was charged based on an alleged 'confession' made whilst in police custody before being later acquitted at trial. In Booda: Murder in Laugharne Simon Tonkin examines this unresolved case. Highlighting a lesser-known period in Laugharne's history, a town famous for its association with Dylan and Caitlin Thomas, Booda: Murder in Laugharne is the story of a vulnerable man wronged by a system not designed to protect him.



Seren

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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.

And Other Stories ISBN: 9781916751439

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Muslim Wales

Abdul-Azim Ahmed

Muslim Wales uncovers a rich and often overlooked history of faith, migration and cultural exchange across centuries.

Wales is a vibrant multicultural and multireligious nation, home to one of the oldest Muslim communities in Britain, but the depth of the historic connections between Islam and Wales is less well known. In Muslim Wales Abdul-Azim Ahmed explores the stories of nine places which trace this shared history across centuries. The people, artefacts and buildings associated with each site, tell a story of cross-cultural and -linguistic influence, shared journeys and a history impacted by empire and colonialism. Fascinating, vital and beautifully illustrated, Muslim Wales furthers our understanding of this evolving story and how it informs our sense of identity and belonging. It will appeal to casual readers and those interested in learning about this topic in more depth.

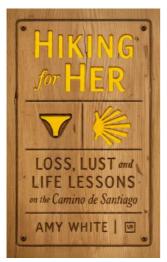
Half-Bads in White Regalia

Cody Caetano

An idiosyncratic, high-energy portrait of a childhood in which the only point of stability is instability.

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.



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Seren

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Hiking for Her

Amy White

Bisexual Bridget Jones in big boots.

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.

The Waters That Raised Us

Edited by Taylor Edmonds

Ten Welsh writers consider the threat the climate emergency poses to communities.

Looking through the lens of the climate emergency, ten Welsh writers consider the oceans, rivers and waterways that have raised them and through which they have found their place in the world. Drawing on personal narratives, folklore and local history, they explore how the waters we live alongside shape who we are and connect us with one another. Here are stories of polluted rivers, landscapes threatened by rising sea levels and communities flooded to create reservoirs – issues which threaten the future of homelands, cultures and communities in Wales. Alongside editor Taylor Edmonds, contributors include Sofia Brizio, Malachy Edwards, Dylan Huw, Joshua Jones, Francesca Reece, Durre Shahwar, Kathryn Tann, CJ Wagstaff and Kandace Siobhan Walker.



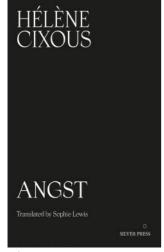
Héloïse Press

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Silver 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?

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.



Teach Your Dog British Sign Language

Anne Cakebread, illustrated by Anne Cakebread

A light-hearted, fully-illustrated retrostyle picture book with over 60 British Sign Language phrases for you to practise with your furry best friend.

Suitable as a first introduction to British Sign Language for learners of all ages: for adults who would like a fun way to pick up a few basic words so as to be more inclusive, or for children, who will love the cute pictures.

Most of the words and phrases can also be used in non dog-related situations!

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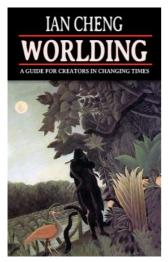
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In Search of Sea Dragons

Matthew Myerscough

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

Over the last five years, **Matthew Myserscough** 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.



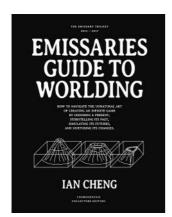
cosmogenesis

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cosmogenesis

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WORLDING

Ian Cheng

A practical and philosophical guide for creators navigating complex, changing realities.

What is a World? How do I create one? How do I keep it alive? And when should I set it free? There is an unnatural art emerging, ripe for our strange and complex times: Worlding — the practice of creating dynamic systems that take on a life of their own. Now in print for the first time, WORLDING is an essential handbook for artists, gamers, entrepreneurs and creators navigating uncertain times. Expanded and updated from prior incarnations, this contemporary cult classic draws on the author's experience developing complex multi-agent video game worlds. Part philosophical reflection, part creative guide, WORLDING explores ways to navigate darkness and sustain agency in a time of unraveling old realities and emerging weird ones.

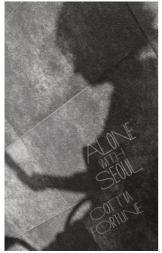
Emissaries Guide to Worlding

Ian Cheng

From internationally renowned artist Ian Cheng, the original guide to his groundbreaking trilogy.

Emissaries Guide to Worlding is both a behind-thescenes chronicle and a philosophical companion to one of the most ambitious experiments in simulation art of the 21 st century.

This richly illustrated, full-colour hardback brings readers into the conceptual and technical process of creating Emissaries (2015 – 2017) — a trilogy of simulations about cognitive evolution and ecological emergence. Now returning in a revised collector's edition with a new preface and updated materials, this is the foundational artifact of Cheng's thinking on Worlding—where theory and practice emerge side by side.



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Fly on the Wall Press ISBN: 9781915789525

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Alone with Seoul

Cottia Fortune

A distinctive, elegant debut.

The persona that moves through Alone with Seoul is a shadow, an observer in two foreign lands—South Korea, where the poet is an incomer, and the land of love, from which the poet has stepped aside. There are griefs here that run deep and there is the hard nugget of knowing survival. There is the unflinching honesty that absence, pain and the drama it brings can become a comforting place to hide, that giving these up is a deeper and different loss, one that may allow love to arrive again one day:

not as tempest, not as fire to burn me clean, but as quiet, steady light.

These are the Things we Have Lost

Janice Warman

A poetic memoir from an award-winning journalist tracing love, loss and the truths we dare to speak

In her debut poetry collection, These Are the Things We Have Lost, Janice Warman chronicles a journey from her South African childhood to the landscapes of motherhood with unflinching honesty. From pregnancy 'high on hormones and Pellegrino', to second weddings, these poems capture intimate moments of love and loss. With a journalist's precision and a poet's sensitivity, Warman's voice moves between continents and decades. A celebration of life's joys and an elegy for what inevitably slips through our grasp.



Papillote Press

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Verve Poetry Press ISBN: 9781913917692

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Renewal

Irvin Desir

Lyrical brilliance from a lost Caribbean voice. A debut collection that redefines the canon

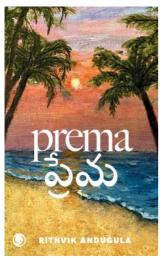
Much admired by Nobel laureate Derek Walcott, the poetry of the St Lucian poet Irvin Desir is published here for the first time. Often visionary, these poems contain such images as "fireflies heave for heaven" and "you filled this cluttered room like a handful of clove". Published in only a few anthologies during his life, this posthumous collection at last brings to our attention a voice too long unknown.

backbuilding

Elizabeth Hsieh

A searing poetic debut that rebuilds identity from the ruins of belief, Elizabeth Hsieh's *backbuilding *is a fearless hymn of reclamation and rebirth.

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



Prema

Rithvik Andugula

A debut collection from an exciting young performance poet.

Prema, meaning love in Telugu, is the debut pamphlet from creative, actor, singer and poet, Rithvik Andugula. The uniting themes of love and grief are encompassed in these reflections on love across nations and time, whether the stories of grandparents whose unconditional love endures, or the love of people briefly known. Rithvik Andugula's acting credits include Odessa (Disney+, 2025) and Death Valley releasing May 2025 on BBC One

Lucent Dreaming

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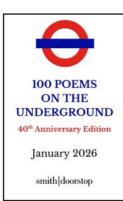
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Michael Laskey: Collected Poems

Michael Laskey

Michael Laskey's collected poems reveal the extraordinary in the everyday.

This new collected edition brings together the complete published poems of one of Britain's most intelligent, insightful and sympathetic poets. **Michael Laskey** has published five collections, most recently Between Ourselves (2022) and Weighing the Present (2014), both from Smith | Doorstop. His first two collections were Poetry Book Society Recommendations: Thinking of Happiness (Peterloo, 1999) and The Tightrope Wedding (Smith | Doorstop, 1999), which was also shortlisted for the T S Eliot Prize. Michael co-edited Smiths Knoll for 21 years and co-founded the Aldeburgh Poetry Festival in 1988, which he directed through its first decade. He works as a writing tutor with a wide range of adult groups and in schools at all levels. He lives in Suffolk.



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100 Poems on the Underground

Edited by Judith Chernaik, Gerard Benson, Cicely Herbert

from Shakespeare to Angelou, verse that travels with us.

The poems collected here, familiar and unfamiliar, are all much travelled. The great themes of poetry - love, death, war, time, the natural world - sit here alongside comic nonsense and traditional street cries, apparently at random, like passengers on a crowded train. Long-time travellers on the London Underground may recognise these poems as their fellow passengers: they all appeared as posters on Underground trains, between ads for temps and toothpaste, put there to bring pleasure to the working day. This new Revised Edition of 100 Poems on the Underground, published on the project's 40th anniversary, once again allows these poems to be seen together, to be read again and remembered with affection.

Dàn nam Ban

Ceitidh Chambeuil

Powerful Gaelic poetry giving voice to women's stories past and present.

Dàn nam Ban / Fate of Women is the debut collection from award winning bilingual Gaelic English poet, singer and teacher **Ceitidh Chambeul**. The collection is rooted in Ceitidh's heritage from the Isle of Raasay and Midlothian and plaits the stories of women of folklore, local history, family and her own experience as a mother.

This book provides a voice to women's stories across generations, highlighting both historical and contemporary issues. The primary themes include folklore, family history, motherhood, and the impact of the past on the present. The focus is on women's experiences, both personal and communal, and how these narratives shape our understanding of identity and heritage. This is a much anticipated first collection from a writer who was the Scottish Poetry Library's first Gaelic ambassador.



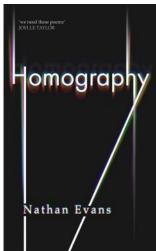
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Tigress With Wings

Rupinder Kaur Waraich

A celebration of feminine strength, desire, creativity and the fierce act of becoming

Tigress With Wings is a tender and laugh-outloud collection which weaves a poetic narrative of transformation – from girl to woman. The tigress becomes an emblem for adulthood, a mythical hybrid with the fierce strength of a tiger and the ability to fly.

Tigress With Wings reads like a long phone call – to your younger self, to your mother, and to your artist-godmothers. The poems follow a girl as she learns to live in her body, claim her voice and awaken her own power. Intimately woven with the poet's Panjabi heritage this is a celebration of feminine strength, creativity, and survival.

Homography

Nathan Evans

A bold and playful archive of queer heritage.

Homography: mapping multiple perspectives of a single subject; words with same form, different meaning (see gay); homosexual history approached through autobiography; projective transformation (from personal to political plane); the third poetry collection from Polari Prize longlisted **Nathan Evans**, host of Bold Queer Poetry Soirée, edited by Joelle Taylor.

George Michael, Freddie Mercury, Derek Jarman and the Royal Vauxhall Tavern are just some of the icons you'll find within poems exploring queer heritage through queer relationships, using imagery drawn from the natural world and the underworld of fetish, in forms as diverse as the LGBTQ+ community, with humour, hope and honesty.



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The World After Rain

Canisia Lubrin

A meditation on grief, history and the inexpressible weight of love.

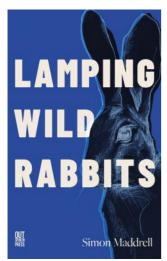
In her signature epic vision, **Canisia Lubrin** distills a radiant elegy for her mother along an interwoven and unresolvable axis of astonishment, belonging as much to history as to today. Grief, tender and searing, is the channel through which the poet refracts the realm of contemporary life to reveal the paradox of its private and public entanglements. This is poetry of haunting gravity and resonance, with meditations on love, time, and loss, at once meticulously far-seeing, interior and inexpressible.

Free Radicals

John Kinsella

Fierce, unflinching and deeply humane.

John Kinsella -- vegan, anarchist, activist pacifist, and poet -- threads together what the powerful prefer to keep apart. With fierce lyricism and intellectual clarity, Kinsella confronts the entangled violences of empire, colonialism, and contemporary global capitalism: personal experiences as an Australian descendant of settlers on indigenous Noongar land, responses to world traumas such as the genocidal war on Gaza, racist and xenophobic hostility to refugees and economic migrants, patriarchal power at social, familial and literary levels, homophobia, the trade in futures as an 'investment in distress', the profiteering of arms manufacturers, use of toxic pesticides and industrialised farming, carbon capitalism and global warming, monarchical pretensions, destructive social inequalities, exploitative relations between humans and animals, species extinctions, and much more



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lamping wild rabbits

Simon Maddrell

A brave and expansive multiverse, exploring sexuality, queer desire, memory recall and testimony.

In **Simon Maddrell**'s wide and bracing world, childhood orbits the voice of a distant and sometimes dangerous parent. Memories of sex parties, dead friends and estranged lovers straddle the spaces between feeling and thought, loss and fatalism. With poems that pay homage to the late Derek Jarman, to verses which situate themselves in and around the Isle of Man, exploring Britain's colonial presence through the subverted interplay of English and the Manx language.

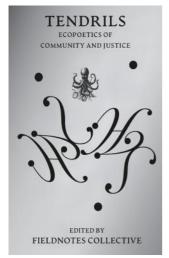
A poly-vocal and multifaceted debut which is unafraid to confront the shame and stigma of HIV, while never allowing the poems to lose shape or pace, altering the lens to bring the reader's attention to birdsong and the queer body in nature.

The Kama Sutra for Senior Citizens

Zack Rogow

A warm and witty celebration of love, aging and second chances. Zack Rogow's new collection proves that intimacy and joy are ageless.

What does love look like in life's later chapters? In this tender, mischievous new collection, **Zack Rogow** answers with the hard-won wisdom of a man newly single in his senior years. From the awkward hilarity of reentering the world of romance, to the sweetness of new connections, to the lively chaos of grandchildren, these poems celebrate aging with humor, grace, and an open heart. With deep affection – for all that has gone, all that remains, and all that still lies ahead – Rogow reminds us that desire, intimacy, and joy are ageless companions.



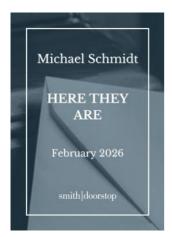
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Tendrils: Ecopoetics of Community and Justice

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.

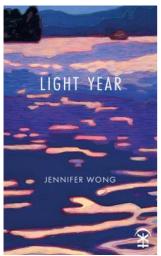
Edited by fieldnotes collective: Nina Mingya Powles, Pratyusha, Alycia Pirmohamed and Jessica J. Lee. With an introduction by the editors and contributions by Bhanu Kapil, Aimee Nezhukumatathil, Carl Phillips, Hana Pera Aoake, Polly Atkin, Hala Alyan, Khairani Barokka, mok zining and more.

Here They Are

Michael Schmidt

A towering figure in contemporary literature, Michael Schmidt has shaped the landscape of poetry and publishing for over five decades

Michael Schmidt was born in Mexico in 1947. He studied at Harvard and at Wadham College, Oxford. He is Professor of Poetry at the University of Manchester and visiting professor at Bolton University. He is a founder (1969) and editorial and managing director of Carcanet Press Limited, and a founder (1972) and general editor of PN Review. He has written poetry, fiction and literary history, and is a translator and anthologist. A Fellow of the Royal Society of Literature, he received an OBE in 2006 for services to poetry and higher education.



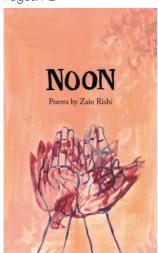
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The Emma Press

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Light Year

Jennifer Wong

A luminous meditation on time, memory and belonging, Light Year traces the emotional constellations of love, migration and motherhood.

Light Year by **Jennifer Wong** is a meditation on time. These poems delve into the mind of a poet crossing spaces of deep wounds, love and healing: a constellation of friendships and love as she moves through upheaval and change. The collection offers glimpses into the journeys of a migrant and a mother, at what it is we hold dear in life, the time difference between memories and place.

Noon

Zain Rishi

Noon is a luminous debut exploring identity, inheritance and the quiet power of memory.

Two brothers wrestle, a bird lies in a young boy's hand, an entire field lives within the eye of a needle.

Noon is a sparkling debut from British-Pakistani poet **Zain Rishi**, exploring home, family and faith. From the heat of the school relay and his great-grandmother's Kashmiri chai to the images of a young man kissing a boy and a city goodbye, these poems chart a coming-of-age journey across place, sexuality and family ties.

Rich in its interrogation of language and inheritance across generations, Noon announces Zain Rishi as one of the UK's most exciting new voices.



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The face before you

Mohammed Moussa

A poetic reckoning with war, memory and the refusal to be silenced

'The face before you' is a one of a kind human and emotional document from Gaza a genocide seen from within. The poetry in *The face before you* by **Mohammed Moussa** is about survival, written in loss and grief.

This collection confronts the weight of generational trauma, the fragility of memory, and the indelible scars of genocide. Moussa refuses to let Gaza's voice fade or be obliterated.

Return

Emily Lee Luan

A lyrical meditation on memory, migration and the emotional weight of language.

Rooted in the classical tradition of the Chinese "reversible" poem, Return is engaged in the act of looking back—toward an imagined homeland and a childhood of suburban longing, through migratory passages, departures, and etymologies, and into the various holes and voids that appear in the telling and retelling of history. The poems ask: What is feeling? What is melancholy? Can language translate either?

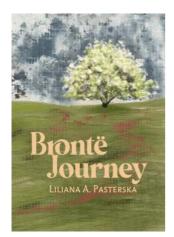


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Edited by Alice Kate Mullen

Collectable item: quarterly poetry magazine founded by T.S. Eliot in 1953

The Poetry Book Society Bulletin is your beautifully designed quarterly guide to the most essential new poetry from the UK and Ireland.

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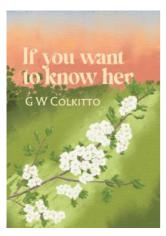
Brontë Journey

Liliana A. Pasterska

An elegant, heart-stopping collection.

In Brontë Journey we are invited to walk alongside a love story, one that is sundered by loss, yet shines all the more brightly for that.

The language is clear and precise. The places resonate with the beauty and grief that unfold in the personal story of Charlotte Brontë and Arthur Bell Nichols at the heart of the collection. The voices of her subjects carry across time, not an act of ventriloquism, but of empathy and immersion. And if for Arthur, grieving as he leaves Yorkshire six years after Charlotte's early and sudden death, "Roadside fuchsia will greet him / as if nothing had passed.", the clue is in the 'as if'. For so much has passed and this exquisite collection has allowed us in, invited us to share a moment with creatures whose lives still touch us.



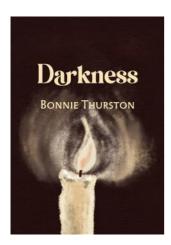
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If you want to know her

G W Colkitto

An outstanding collection - poignant and true.

In this exquisite pamphlet, grief is on every page, yet there is not a maudlin word. The language is clear and vivid, the memories accessible and, despite the emotional weight of loss explored, there is light and joy here. A collection as freighted with gratitude as sorrow.

G W Colkitto is a maven of control of form and line, with the ability to say only what is needed and no more, and in If you want to know her, such craft opens spaces that allow the reader to immerse in the poems, feel deeply and leave with grace.

Darkness

Bonnie Thurston

An experienced spiritual director, retreat leader, and poet whose work has been widely anthologised.

To interrogate darkness at this moment in history is not only timely, but vital and **Bonnie Thurston** does it with an honesty and precision that holds our attention. From the darkness of a melancholic disposition to darkness that shelters us safely, from sleepless nights and their moons to trusting in the return of the light on the darkest day and longest night, these pieces are poised, precise, full of sensory details, insightful and shot through with hope. There is fear and grief here, but it will not have the last word.



Devil's Piece

Lynn Valentine

Fearless, precise poetry that transforms grief, loss, and pain into unforgettable clarity.

In Devil's Piece loss, absence, mental illness and pain are examined with a lens so clear and lucid, the heart aches. Yet in that clarity, there is a savouring of the smallest things and a permeability to love and life that creates songs of what might have been dirges. There is no dressing up of reality, no pretence that everything is well, but in these fearless, precise poems there is transformation. An exquisite collection.

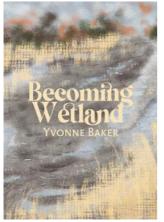
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Becoming Wetland

Yvonne Baker

Timely, poignant and beautiful.

As the global ecological crises deepens, fire and water, elements that bring warmth, life, become increasingly threatening as we hold our breath, the earth burning and drowning. In *Becoming Wetland* **Yvonne Baker** dives into the existential menace of a world whose waters have lost rhythm and balance. But we are never in the realm of the didactic.

This watery world is one of sorrow and questions, of images so precise and clear we feel them as our own. With her gift for making connections, between heart and world, between events and objects that could go unnoticed and the ripples of their impact, Yvonne Baker skilfully takes us 'into the waters / of the reedbed as it sinks into darkness' where we find the lost objects of ordinary, inundated lives.

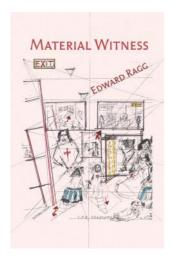
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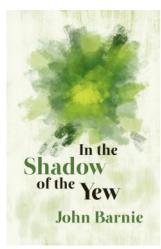
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Material Witness

Edward Ragg

The sixth collection from the Beijing based poet.

Material Witness, **Edward Ragg**'s sixth collection, bears witness to all manner of materials: from botany, bower birds, diving bell spiders, rock formations and coral reefs to a Nazi-stamped photo of the poet's mother as well as Dante's Divine Comedy and the Las Meninas paintings of Velázquez and Picasso.

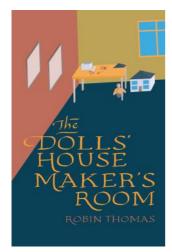
In three sections — 'Scenes', 'Acts', 'Aftermaths' — Material Witness reveals an interlinking architecture, constructing a poetry profoundly wedded to the physical universe and variously concerned with love, family history, the natural world, even the simple act of stirring a cup of tea. This is a poetry that conjures in all senses 'the strange companionship of materials'.

In the Shadow of the Yew

John Barnie

A delight in the world that humanity is laying waste to

In a tight sequence of 33 poems, In the Shadow of the Yew, **John Barnie** leads us through 'the cemetery of hopes' (Conrad). A layered monologue in a distinctive voice that is incisive and deeply questioning, Barnie asks whether the suffering of humanity and the suffering we inflict renders our species a curse. '...better than both / is the one who has never been born, / who has not seen the evil / that is done under the sun.' says the writer of Ecclesiastes, and Barnie sits in a long line of writers who consider that the natural world would be better off without us. There's a note of Leopardi, Hardy, Beckett, Cioran and, above all, Robinson Jeffers in this unflinching collection. And yet, at the heart of this collection, is tenderness and compassion.



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The Museum of Unnatural Histories ANNIE WENSTRUP

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The Doll's House Maker's Room

Robin Thomas

Sharp, humane poetry that moves effortlessly between the personal, historical, and absurd.

The Dolls' House Maker's Room sits in a house of tools and memories, the tools as much metaphors as objects, the memories laden with objects and images, with the places and events that shape what we know and what we don't

A maven of gentle surprise, **Robin Thomas**' language is supple, generous and deeply reflective; his observations sharp, quick-witted and beautifully controlled. There is a signature breadth of reference in these poems — travel, film, the absurdities of life and human history, art, mortality, loss — united by a confident, distinctive, humane voice.

The Museum of Unnatural Histories

Annie Wenstrup

A striking debut poetry collection.

This extraordinary debut poetry collection by Dena'ina poet **Annie Wenstrup** delicately parses personal history in the space of an imagined museum. Outside the museum, Ggugguyni (the Dena'ina Raven) and The Museum Curator collect discarded French fries, earrings, and secrets—or as the curator explains, together they curate moments of cataclysm. Inside the museum, their collection is displayed in installations that depict the imagined Indigenous body.

Through love letters, received forms, and found text, the poems reclaim their right to interpret, reinvent, and even disregard artifacts of their own mythos. Meticulously refined and delicately crafted, they encourage the reader to "decide/who you must become."



Seren

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Emergency Dream

Polly Atkin

Urgent new poetry exploring the inextricability of Climate Justice and Disability Justice.

Emergency Dream grows out of several entangled emergencies: social, political and personal, from climate crisis to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic. The poems seek to show the inextricability of Climate Justice and Disability Justice, drawing on close observation of the natural world and the human world from the position of a disabled bodymind within it.

Polly Atkin is a popular and award-winning writer of poetry and non-fiction – Some of Us Just Fall and The Company of Owls were both longlisted for the Wainwright Prize for Nature Writing.

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.

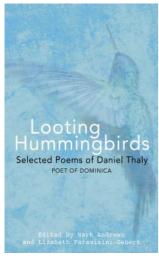


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The Way the Water Held Me

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

Looting Hummingbirds

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

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

In the first quarter of the 20th century, **Daniel Thaly** of Dominica, then a British Caribbean colony, was one of France's most celebrated poets. He was educated in Martinique and then at medical school in France before returning to Dominica. His illustrious reputation crumbled when radicals in the emerging anti-colonial Negritude movement criticised his work. From then on he wrote little.

ittle Here for the first time in English (and French) we can read a selection of his lyrical and passionate poems many about Dominica - alongside an introduction that pieces together what little is known of his life.



My Mummies Built a Treehouse

Gareth Peter, illustrated by Izzy Evans

A young boy builds his dream treehouse with the help of his two mummies

Building a treehouse is a big project. But when your mummies are there to help you, there's nothing that can stop you!

When one boy sets out to build the treehouse of his dreams, there's so much to consider – from finding the perfect tree to drawing up the plans.

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Format: PB Pages: 32 There are certainly challenges along the way, and a lot of spilt paint! But one thing is for sure – he won't go far wrong with his two mummies to support him.

You're Strong With Me

Chitra Soundar, illustrated by Poonam Mistry

A heart-warming tale of parental love full of reassurance for young children.

The rain clouds are long gone and the dry season scorches the land. Everything is new for the baby giraffe. As she bounds ahead and lags behind, her mother patiently explains the ways of the grasslands. And until she grows a little taller, older and wiser, her mother reminds her: "You're strong with me."



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