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# Adult Fiction



# When Among Crows

Veronica Roth

When Among Crows is swift and striking, drawing from the deep well of Slavic folklore and asking if redemption and atonement can be found in embracing what we most fear.

### **Tor Books**

**\$19.99** | 9781250855480



# The Mighty Red

Louise Erdrich

In this stunning novel, Pulitzer Prize and National Book Awardwinning author Louise Erdrich tells a story of love, natural forces, spiritual yearnings, and the tragic impact of uncontrollable circumstances on ordinary people's lives.

### Harper

**\$32.00** | 9780063277052



## Kin: Practically True Stories

V Efua Prince

A dynamic kaleidoscope of story that honors and celebrates the work of Black women.

**WSU Press** 

**\$19.99** | 9780814351505



### And There He Kept Her

Joshua Moehling

In a small Minnesota town, teens break into a remote house, exposing deadly secrets. Sheriff Packard unravels the mystery in this gripping, bestselling debut thriller.

Landmark

**\$17.99** | 9781728275772



# The Great When

Alan Moore

From the New York
Times bestselling author
of Watchmen and V for
Vendetta, the first novel
in an enthralling new
fantasy series about
murder, magic, and
madness in post–World
War II London.

### **Bloomsbury**

**\$29.99** | 9781635578843



## **Honey Cut**

Sierra Simone

From Midwest author and TikTok sensation Sierra Simone! Isolde's tangled love with Mark and Tristan unveils dangerous desires. In a world of elite spies, will passion destroy them all?

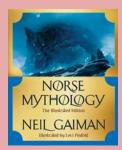
**Bloom Books** 

**\$17.99** | 9781728276663





# Adult Fiction



# Norse Mythology: The Illustrated Edition

Neil Gaiman, illustrated by Levi Pinfold

The #1 New York
Times bestseller—a
"gripping, suspenseful"
(Washington Post)
retelling of Norse
myths—now with
spectacular illustrations.

Norton

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### The Mars House

Natasha Pulley

A compulsively readable queer sci-fi novel about a marriage of convenience between a Mars politician and an Earth refugee, from the bestselling author of *The Watchmaker of Filigree Street*.

**Bloomsbury Publishing** 

**\$32.99** | 9781639732333

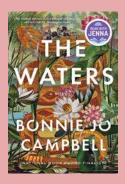
# The Waters: A Novel

Bonnie Jo Campbell

A master of rural noir returns with a fierce, mesmerizing novel about exceptional women and the soul of a small town.

Norton

**\$18.99** | 9781324105152



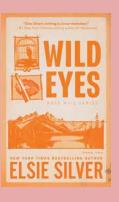
# Wild Eyes (Deluxe Edition)

Elsie Silver

Deluxe Edition for Fans of Wild Love. A rugged mountain town seemed like the perfect escape. But on day one, she ran full tilt into the world's hottest single dad, and now all her plans are ruined.

**Bloom Books** 

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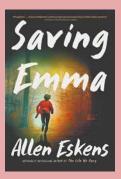
## The Comfort of Ghosts

Jacqueline Winspear

Psychologist and investigator Maisie Dobbs takes her final bow in *The Comfort of Ghosts*, the stunning conclusion to Jacqueline Winspear's internationally bestselling historical mystery series.

**Soho Crime** 

**\$29.95** | 9781641296069



# Saving Emma

Allen Eskens

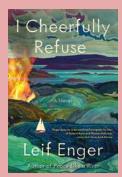
A lawyer's race to reveal a wrongful conviction collides with the dark shadow of a murder in his own home in Allen Eskens' propulsive and perfectly-plotted new thriller.

Mulholland Books

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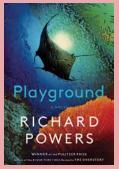
# I Cheerfully Refuse

Leif Enger

A rollicking and hopeful literary adventure set in a not-too-distant America, following Rainy, a musician who sets sail on a sentient Lake Superior in search of his departed, deeply beloved, bookselling wife.

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**\$28.00** | 9780802162939



## **Playground**

Richard Powers

A magisterial new novel from the Pulitzer Prize-winning and New York Times best-selling author of The Overstory and Bewilderment.

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# GIFT CARDS

# She's Not Sorry

Mary Kubica

An ICU nurse accidentally uncovers a patient's frightening past in this chilling thriller from the New York Times bestselling author of Local Woman Missing and Just the Nicest Couple.

**Park Row Books** 

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# The Reading List meets

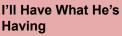
You've Got Mail in this captivating debut about two estranged friends who find solace, camaraderie, and perhaps love, written in the margins of their favorite books.

The Book Swap

Tessa Bickers

**Graydon House** 

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Adib Khorram

A smart, sexy romance about mistaken identities, a no-strings fling, and the way one night-and one person-can change your life forever, from USA Today bestselling author Adib Khorram!

Forever

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# **Before We Forget Kindness**

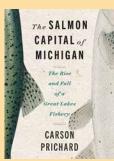
Toshikazu Kawaguchi

The fifth book in the bestselling Before the Coffee Gets Cold series, about a café in Tokyo where customers can travel through time, which has sold over two million copies worldwide.

**Hanover Square Press** \$21.99 | 9781335915283



# Adult Nonjiction



# The Salmon Capital of Michigan

Carson Prichard

A compelling account of the lives and livelihoods impacted by a onceunrivaled Michigan salmon fishery. Angler and ecologist Prichard incorporates fisheries science and news media into an entertaining and genuine oral history.

**WSU Press** 

\$26.99 | 9780814351130



# Vision Accomplished

William H. Galligan

The remarkable story of the Kansas City Southern tells of a company that from day 1 followed its own path, led by a succession of visionaries who were not afraid to take risks in pursuit of the railroad company's success.

**Indiana University Press** 

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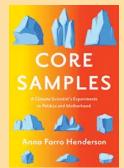
# Core Samples: A Climate Scientist's **Experiments** in Politics and Motherhood

Anna Farro Henderson

People live by their stories-how can we use them to accelerate action on climate change?



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# Diver Beneath the Street

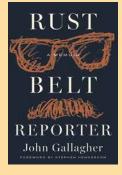
Petra Kuppers

psychogeography unfurls the landscapes of murders in this visceral poetry collection. Performance artist and author Kuppers dissects traces of violence in the soil while honoring lost community members.

**WSU Press** 

\$17.99 | 9780814351116





# Rust Belt Reporter

John Gallagher

The decline and resurgence of a storied Midwestern city as seen through the eyes of a seasoned journalist, union activist, and Detroit devotee.

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# ACROSS THE PACIFIC

# **Red Arrow across** the Pacific: The Thirty-Second **Infantry Division** during World War II

Mark D. Van Ells

The history of combat and culture in a celebrated National Guard unit from the Midwest.

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### Decluttered Jenny Albertini

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Ariana Katz and Jessica Rosenberg

A revolutionary guide to Jewish practice rooted in social justice, feminism, and queer liberation, written by two women rabbis.



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# DETROIT NUMBERS

# When Detroit Played the Numbers

Felicia George

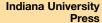
The true story of how Detroit entrepreneurs created a thriving—albeit illegal—lottery system to support themselves and uplift their communities through times of racial disenfranchisement and labor instability.

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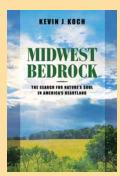
### **Midwest Bedrock**

Kevin J. Koch

Part history, part memoir,
Midwest Bedrock is
a personal narrative
exploring the natural
beauty of America's
Heartland, where each
location reveals stories
of the past that linger on
the landscape.



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# North American Odyssey

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Minnesotans Amy and Dave Freeman embark on an unusual honeymoon—a 12,000-mile adventure-filled journey from Alaska's Inside Passage to the Great Lakes to Key West—by kayak, canoe, dogsled, and skis.

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# Red Stained: The Life of Hilda Simms

AMY AND DAVE FREEMAN

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Black actress and activist Hilda Simms was a rising star on the stage and screen in post–WWII America until accusations of un-Americanism and communist sympathies derailed her career.

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# Big Time

Murry R. Nelson

The definitive history of Big Ten college basketball in the Midwest from 1972 to 1992.

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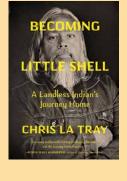
# Becoming Little Shell: A Landless Indian's Journey Home

Chris La Tray

A stunning memoir that contributes to and expands the conversation of contemporary Native identity and legacy. "The American story of our era." — Peter Stark, author of Astoria

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# Small Town Living: A Coast-to-Coast Guide to People, Places, and Communities

Erin Austen Abbott, foreword by Erin Napier

Traversing the country to spotlight creatives opting for cozy towns over cities, *Small Town Living* is a lushly photographed celebration of living outside the urban center.

**Running Press** 

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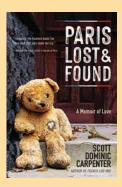
# Paris Lost and Found: A Memoir of Love

Scott Dominic Carpenter

Where to go when life smacks you down? Paris, of course! The Midwestern author of French Like Moi returns with a tale of loss, love, and laughs.

**Travelers Tales** 

**\$16.99** | 9781609522124





# Adult Nonjiction



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Edwidge Danticat

Tracing a loose arc from childhood to the pandemic and recent events in Haiti, a collection of exceptional new essays explores environmental catastrophe, colonialism, motherhood, and the complexities of resilience

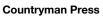
Graywolf Press

**\$26.00** | 9781644453025

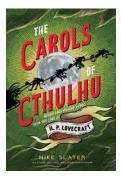
# The Carols of Cthulhu: Horrifying **Holiday Hymns** from the Lore of H. P. Lovecraft

Mike Slater

Summon a dark Noel or haunted Hanukkah with twisted takes on classic songs for everyone on your naughty list.



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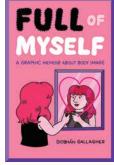
# Full of Myself

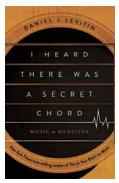
Siobhán Gallagher

A humorous and heartfelt graphic memoir of the author's teenage struggle with anxiety and diet culture and her journey to selfacceptance.

> Andrews McMeel **Publishing**

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# I Heard There Was a Secret Chord: Music as Medicine

Daniel J. Levitin

Neuroscientist and New York Times best-selling author of This Is Your Brain on Music Daniel J. Levitin reveals the deep connections between music and healing.

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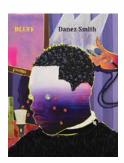
# **Bluff: Poems**

Danez Smith

Written after two years of artistic silence, Bluff is Smith's powerful reckoning with their role and responsibility as a poet and with their hometown of the Twin Cities.

**Graywolf Press** 

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# That Librarian: The Fight Against Book Banning in America

Amanda Jones

A rallying cry and inspiring memoir by a heroic librarian who has been fiercely advocating for inclusivity on the front lines of our culture wars.

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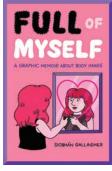
# By the Fire We Carry

Rebecca Nagle

A powerful work of reportage and American history in the vein of Caste and How the Word Is Passed that braids the story of the forced removal of Native Americans onto treaty lands in the nation's earliest days, and a small-town murder in the '90s that led to a Supreme Court ruling reaffirming Native rights to that land over a century later.



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# Food Writing



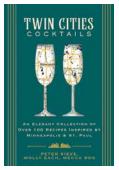
# Extra! Extra! Eat All About It!

Jane Conway and Randi Julia Ramsden

Fifty retro recipes—and the history behind them—to inspire and delight home cooks everywhere.

Wisconsin Historical Society Press

\$30.00 | 9781976600371



# Twin Cities Cocktails

Molly Each, Mecca Bos, Peter Sieve

Get a taste of Minnesota's craft cocktail scene without ever leaving your zip code. With over 100 recipes and dozens of bartender profiles, you can drink like a local wherever you are.

**Cider Mill Press** 

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## Mama Bell's Big Family Cooking

Heather Bell

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# The Ultimate Minnesota Cookie Book

Lee Svitak Dean and Rick Nelson, Photography by Tom Wallace

A fresh batch of 100 deliciously distinctive recipes from the *Star Tribune*'s beloved annual cookie contest—with even more recipes, enticing photographs, and bakers' stories.

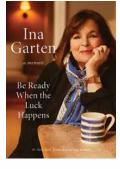
University of Minnesota Press

**\$29.95** | 9781517918170

# Be Ready When the Luck Happens

Ina Garten

Ina Garten presents an intimate, entertaining, and inspiring account of her remarkable journey. In her unmistakable voice, she brings her past and her process to life in a high-spirited and no-holds-barred memoir.



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Sarah Kieffer

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# Children's Nonjiction



# The History of Information

Chris Haughton

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Ad Limón, illustrated by Peter Sís

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# We Are Grateful Otsaliheliga: Seasons

Traci Sorell and Frané Lessac

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# True or False? The Science of Perception, Misinformation and Disinformation

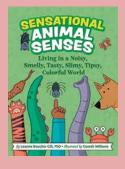
Jacqueline B. Toner

Explores what psychology tells us about development and persistence of false perceptions and beliefs and the difficulty of correcting them.

**Magination Press** 

**\$26.99** | 9781433840487





### Sensational Animal Senses

Leanne Boucher Gill and Gareth Williams

Explore the world in both human and non-human animals. Readers will delight in the wonders of our six senses—vision, hearing, touch, taste, smell, and balance, plus exotic senses that some non-human animals have.

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# Roxanne Dunbar-Ortiz's Indigenous Peoples' History of the United States

Paul Peart-Smith

A striking graphic adaptation of the American Book Award winning history of the United States as told from the perspective of Indigenous peoples—perfect for all ages.

**Beacon Press** 

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# Brownie the War Dog: Veteran's Best Friend

Kelly Nelson and Aaron Boyd

The true story of a family pet who served in WWII and went on to become a friend to wounded veterans.

Wisconsin Historical Society Press

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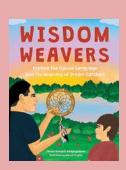


### **Wisdom Weavers**

James Vukelich Kaagegaabaw, illustrated by Marcus Trujillo

Follow a day in the life of a young, mixed heritage Ojibwe child and learn key words and phrases from the Ojibwe language in this enchantingly illustrated children's book.

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# **YA Fiction**



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Lindsay Currie

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# Impossible Creatures

Katherine Rundell, illlustrated by Ashley Mackenzie

Two kids embark on an urgent quest to save the last magical place on earth in the captivating start of this stunning new fantasy series from bestselling author Katherine Rundell.

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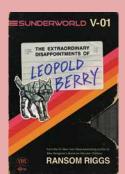
# Sunderworld, Vol. I: The Extraordinary Disappointments of Leopold Berry

Ransom Riggs

The much-anticipated new fantasy series from Ransom Riggs, his first since introducing the #1 global phenomenon Miss Peregrine's Peculiar Children series.

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A teenager running from his past finds the family he never knew existed and the community he never knew he needed at an HBCU for the young, Black, and magical.

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### The Witching Wind

Natalie Lloyd

From Natalie Lloyd, bestselling author of A Snicker of Magic and Hummingbird, comes a heart-expanding adventure about the magic of family, friendship, and the lengths we go for the people we love.

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Jandy Nelson

An explosive new novel brimming with love, secrets, and enchantment by Jandy Nelson, Printz Award—winning and New York Times bestselling author of I'll Give You the Sun.

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# Hilda and Twig: Hide from the Rain

Luke Pearson

A brand-new Hilda series for younger readers. Dive into this magical comic as we follow our favorite blue-haired heroine and her trusty deerfox companion on a soggy adventure.

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# Leon: Worst Friends Forever: A Graphic Novel (Leon #2)

Jamar Nicholas

Leon struggles with a super ego—and a super secret!—in the second graphic novel in Jamar Nicholas's actionpacked, heartfelt, and joyously funny series.

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# **YA Fiction**



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Alice Hoffman

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### **Scholastic Press**

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# THE SECRET LANGUAGE BIRDS

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Lynne Kelly

From the award-winning author of Song for a Whale comes a poignant and heartwarming tale about a girl who discovers a pair of endangered birds about to lay eggs in the marshes of her summer camp...and the secret plan she hatches to help them.

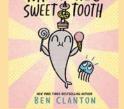
**Delacorte Press** 

\$17.99 | 9781524770273

# Narwhal's Sweet Tooth

Ben Clanton

In the hilarious 9th book of this blockbuster graphic novel series, Narwhal's sweet tooth leads to some very funny feelings! Can Narwhal's friends convince the happiest creature in the ocean that it's okay to have a bad day?



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The Hunger Games as you've never seen it before—in a remarkable illustrated edition.

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Kelly DiPucchio and Nate Wragg

A hilarious, wacky Christmas tale from the New York Times bestselling author, Kelly Dipucchio, based on the classic children's rhyme, The House That Jack Built!

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Christy Mandin

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Addams meets The
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being wonderfully weird.



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must infiltrate an arcane
society and live with the
vampire she suspects
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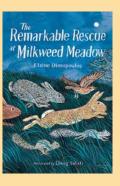
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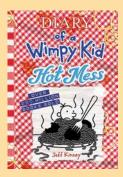
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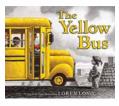
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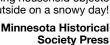
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