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This Place of Wonder May 29
2021 In the wake of a personal
tragedy, four women face the
past, their futures, and each
other in a novel of broken ties
and healing by the Amazon
Charts bestselling author of
When We Believed in
Mermaids. When famed chef

Augustus Beauvais dies, he
leaves behind a celebrated
reputation--and four women
grappling with loss, anger,
pain, and the question of how
the world will turn without
him... Meadow, the ex-wife
with whom Augustus built an
empire--and a family--still holds
a place for him in her heart,
even as she continues to
struggle with his infidelities,
which ended their twenty-year
marriage. More unforgiving is
Maya, his estranged daughter,
who's recently out of rehab but
finally ready to reclaim her life.
Norah, his latest girlfriend,
sidelined her own career for
unexpected love and a life of
luxury, both of which are now
gone with Augustus. And then
there's Rory, Meadow's
daughter, the voice of calm and
reason in a chorus of
discontent. As Meadow, Maya,
Norah, and Rory are flung
together by tragedy, grief, and
secrets yet to be revealed, they
must accept--or turn away
from--the legacy of great
intentions and bad decisions
Augustus left them. And when
the circumstances around his
death are called into question,
their conflicted feelings
become even more
complicated. But moving
forward is the only choice they
have, and to do so, they'll need
to rely on family, friendship,
and inner strength. Set on the
stunning, rugged California
coastline, This Place of Wonder

is an emotional, lush, and
empowering story of four
women finding their way in a
changed world--and what a
wondrous journey it will be.
Invisible Child Feb 23 2021
PULITZER PRIZE WINNER • A
“vivid and devastating” (The
New York Times) portrait of an
indomitable girl—from
acclaimed journalist Andrea
Elliott “From its first indelible
pages to its rich and startling
conclusion, Invisible Child had
me, by turns, stricken, inspired,
outraged, illuminated, in tears,
and hungering for reimmersion
in its Dickensian
depths.”—Ayad Akhtar, author
of Homeland Elegies ONE OF
THE TEN BEST BOOKS OF
THE YEAR: The New York
Times • ONE OF THE BEST
BOOKS OF THE YEAR: The
Atlantic, The New York Times
Book Review, Time, NPR,
Library Journal In Invisible
Child, Pulitzer Prize winner
Andrea Elliott follows eight
dramatic years in the life of
Dasani, a girl whose
imagination is as soaring as the
skyscrapers near her Brooklyn
shelter. In this sweeping
narrative, Elliott weaves the
story of Dasani’s childhood
with the history of her
ancestors, tracing their
passage from slavery to the
Great Migration north. As
Dasani comes of age, New York
City’s homeless crisis has
exploded, deepening the chasm
between rich and poor. She

must guide her siblings through a world riddled by hunger, violence, racism, drug addiction, and the threat of foster care. Out on the street, Dasani becomes a fierce fighter “to protect those who I love.” When she finally escapes city life to enroll in a boarding school, she faces an impossible question: What if leaving poverty means abandoning your family, and yourself? A work of luminous and riveting prose, Elliott’s *Invisible Child* reads like a page-turning novel. It is an astonishing story about the power of resilience, the importance of family and the cost of inequality—told through the crucible of one remarkable girl. Winner of the J. Anthony Lukas Book Prize • Finalist for the Bernstein Award and the PEN/John Kenneth Galbraith Award

The Book Of Tru Sep 13 2022
The Book of Tru is a collection of writings regarding the supreme circumstance of the Melanated Mind written by Jason Williams. This book is intended for “Curious Melanated Minds” whom strive to evolve the circumstance of their mind and soul through the active application of Knowledge of Self and the Universe (The Sciences of Life). The perspective demonstrated in this book should ignite a spark of self-realization within “Curious Melanated Minds” who are on a sincere journey of enlightenment and transformation. The Book of Tru is for the Curious Melanated Minds who ravenously seek knowledge that could be used to develop the supreme circumstance

within, and manifest a circumstance as a True and Living God of their individual reality and of the infinitely expanding Universe. In The Book of Tru you will learn how: 1.) The Universal Collective Consciousness, “The Mind of the All”, is a macrocosm of the “I Am” - the consciousness, the imagination, the mind - of the Original Melanated Man and Woman. 2.) The Universal Macrocosmic Mind and The Human Microcosmic Mind could both be described as a Curious Melanated Mind. 3.) The Curious Melanated Mind of the Original Man and Woman is the infinitely expanding creative force of the Universe. 4.) A Curious Melanated Mind with Knowledge of Self and the Universe can consciously manipulate atoms and energies of the Universe at will, functioning in a supreme circumstance as a True and Living God of the infinitely expanding Universe. In other words, the imagination of ‘Hue-Manity’ is GOD, the supreme creative force of the Universe. The Infinite expressions of “I Am” in the Universe are one, and make up “The Mind of The All”. The Original Black Man and Woman, The Universal Melanated Family, are the Original manifestations of God in Human Form. The Mind of the Original Man and Woman is the foundation of the Universe. Everything naturally found in the Universe is an external projection of an internal process that happens within the mind and body of the Original Man and Woman. If you are a Curious Melanated Mind in search of light, you will

find an abundant source of it within these pages. The effect of you obtaining this light depends on what you do with it. Use this supreme knowledge to illuminate your journey of self-realization.

Prisoner of Circumstance Jul 11 2022
Prisoner of Circumstance by Nadine Zawacki is a gripping spiritual thriller about a young woman who is married to a mob boss and determined to escape in order to protect her unborn child.

White Noise Jan 25 2021
A brilliant satire of mass culture and the numbing effects of technology, *White Noise* tells the story of Jack Gladney, a teacher of Hitler studies at a liberal arts college in Middle America. Jack and his fourth wife, Babbette, bound by their love, fear of death, and four ultramodern offspring, navigate the rocky passages of family life to the background babble of brand-name consumerism. Then a lethal black chemical cloud, unleashed by an industrial accident, floats over there lives, an "airborne toxic event" that is a more urgent and visible version of the white noise engulfing the Gladneys—the radio transmissions, sirens, microwaves, and TV murmurings that constitute the music of American magic and dread.

A Matter of Circumstance Apr 20 2023
September and the new academic year at Sessions University had begun on a sour and worrisome note, creating the strong impression that last year's troubles and the danger they posed for each of us remained. . .

Ghosts of New York Apr 15
2020 Literary novel with a New York setting and a dash of speculative fiction, for fans of Colum McCann, Colm Toibin, and Dana Spiotta. *Ghosts of New York* is a novel in which the laws of time and space have been subtly suspended. It interweaves four strands: a photographer newly returned to the neighborhood where she grew up, after years spent living overseas; a foundling raised on 14th Street; a graduate student, his romantic partner, and his best friend entangled in a set of relationships with far-reaching personal and political repercussions; and a shopkeeper suffering from first love late in life. Mixing prophecy, history, and a hint of speculative fiction, its stories are bound together even as they are propelled into stranger territory. And undergirding it all is a song, which appears, disappears, and then resurfaces. *Ghosts of New York* explores complex lives through indelible renderings of settings—a bar, a night market, a recording studio—that alternate between familiar and unsettling. The work of a celebrated novelist and veteran of the art, film, and music scenes in New York and Austin (described as "a rare talent" by the *New York Times* and "a powerful literary voice" by Jeffrey Eugenides), this novel will immediately absorb readers intrigued by creative people and the places that sustain and challenge them.

A Most Peculiar Circumstance (Ladies of Distinction Book #2) Jul 23

2023 Delightful Blend of Love and Laughter in Turano's Sophomore Novel Miss Arabella Beckett has one driving passion: to help the downtrodden women of America. Naturally, she supports the women's suffrage movement and eagerly attends rallies and lectures across the country. On her travels, she makes a simple offer of assistance to a young woman in need that goes sadly awry and lands both ladies in more trouble than they can manage. An independent sort, Arabella is loath to admit she needs help and certainly doesn't need help from an arrogant, narrow-minded knight in shining armor. Mr. Theodore Wilder, private investigator extraordinaire, is on a mission. A mission that began as a favor to his good friend Hamilton Beckett, but swiftly evolved into a merry chase across the country. By the time he finally tracks down Hamilton's sister, Arabella, he is in a less than pleasant mood. When the lady turns out to have radical ideas and a fiercely independent streak, he soon finds himself at his wit's end. When they return home to New York, circumstances force their paths to continue to cross, but the most peculiar feelings growing between them certainly can't be love. When the trouble Arabella had accidentally stirred up seems to have followed her to New York and threatens her very life, the unlikely couple must face the possibility that they might have landed in the most peculiar circumstance of all: love.

The Wilderwomen Mar 19

2023 "Exquisitely drawn characters imbue Lang's unconventional plot with verisimilitude and heart, inspiring readers to ponder whether the world is stranger and more beautiful than it appears. Effervescent, ethereal, and suffused with wonder." — Kirkus (starred review) "Lang's melancholy, atmospheric writing sets the perfect tone as the Wilder sisters unravel the mystery. The result is a cozy supernatural outing perfect for an autumn night." —Publisher's Weekly Ohioana Book Award finalist Ruth Emmie Lang returns with a new cast of ordinary characters with extraordinary abilities in *The Wilderwomen*. Five years ago, Nora Wilder disappeared. The older of her two daughters, Zadie, should have seen it coming, because she can literally see things coming. But not even her psychic abilities were able to prevent their mother from vanishing one morning. Zadie's estranged younger sister, Finn, can't see into the future, but she has an uncannily good memory, so good that she remembers not only her own memories, but the echoes of memories other people have left behind. On the afternoon of her graduation party, Finn is seized by an "echo" more powerful than anything she's experienced before: a woman singing a song she recognizes, a song about a bird... When Finn wakes up alone in an aviary with no idea of how she got there, she realizes who the memory belongs to: Nora. Now, it's up to Finn to convince her sister

that not only is their mom still out there, but that she wants to be found. Against Zadie's better judgement, she and Finn hit the highway, using Finn's echoes to retrace Nora's footsteps and uncover the answer to the question that has been haunting them for years: Why did she leave? But the more time Finn spends in their mother's past, the harder it is for her to return to the present, to return to herself. As Zadie feels her sister start to slip away, she will have to decide what lengths she is willing to go to find their mother, knowing that if she chooses wrong, she could lose them both for good.

No Heaven for Good Boys Sep 01 2021 NEW YORK TIMES EDITORS' CHOICE • Set in Senegal, this modern-day *Oliver Twist* is a meditation on the power of love and the strength that can emerge when we have no other choice but to survive. "I loved this book because it is a story about generations of parents and children saving one another with a love so powerful that it transcends distance, time, and reason."—Ann Napolitano, New York Times bestselling author of *Dear Edward* Six-year-old Ibrahimah loves snatching pastries from his mother's kitchen, harvesting string beans with his father, and searching for sea glass with his sisters. But when he is approached in his rural village one day by Marabout Ahmed, a seemingly kind stranger and highly regarded teacher, the tides of his life turn forever. Ibrahimah is sent to the capital city of Dakar to join his cousin

Étienne in studying the Koran under Marabout Ahmed for a year, but instead of the days of learning that Ibrahimah's parents imagine, the young boys, called Talibé, are forced to beg in the streets in order to line their teacher's pockets. To make it back home, Étienne and Ibrahimah must help each other survive both the dangers posed by their Marabout, and the darker sides of Dakar: threats of black-market organ traders, rival packs of Talibé, and mounting student protest on the streets. Drawn from real incidents and transporting readers between rural and urban Senegal, *No Heaven for Good Boys* is a tale of hope, resilience, and the affirming power of love.

Master of Circumstance Jun 22 2023 Moving beyond victimhood and into mastery, is the life-changing premise of *Master of Circumstance*, a timeless rendition on overcoming victimhood and the insidious snares of negative thinking that debilitate millions of people everyday. This book, written by first-time author James Morgan, was born out of his real-life experiences of growing up poor in a steel town in the Midwest. Never having met his father and raised by a struggling single-mother, James became a byproduct of his environment. In this book, he shares the psychological techniques, mindset shifts, and practical tools he used to get his life on track and out of the victim mindset. He shares in a way that anyone can use to take back control and ownership of their life, no matter how disempowering

their current or past circumstances may seem. In his authorial debut, James walks the reader through a poignant narrative on how to shatter the illusions of the victim mindset once and for all, and step into their true power as a master of their circumstances. As the name implies, this book is highly transformational and is the result of decades of James's personal trial and error before he found his true calling in life: becoming a family-focused licensed therapist and counselor. Today, James helps families grow stronger by harnessing the power of accountability while finding relief from blame, guilt, and the traumas of their past. His mission is to help people around the world achieve inner mastery over their lives.

Mitigating Circumstances Nov 15 2022 Lily Forrester is a feisty, dedicated District Attorney on the rise in her professional career and on the brink in her private life. Newly appointed as Chief of the Sex Crimes Division, Lily is eager to plunge into a job she has long coveted. At the same time, she is coping with a floundering marriage and the lure of a man to whom she is strongly attracted. All that keeps Lily's marriage together and keeps her from losing herself entirely in work is her quirky thirteen-year-old daughter, Shana. But when an intruder invades Lily's home and commits an unspeakable act, Lily Forrester heads out on a trial of vengeance beyond any law but that of her own rage.

Beloved Dec 24 2020 Winner of the Pulitzer Prize, Toni

Morrison's *Beloved* is a spellbinding and dazzlingly innovative portrait of a woman haunted by the past. Sethe was born a slave and escaped to Ohio, but eighteen years later she is still not free. She has borne the unthinkable and not gone mad, yet she is still held captive by memories of Sweet Home, the beautiful farm where so many hideous things happened. Meanwhile Sethe's house has long been troubled by the angry, destructive ghost of her baby, who died nameless and whose tombstone is engraved with a single word: *Beloved*. Sethe works at beating back the past, but it makes itself heard and felt incessantly in her memory and in the lives of those around her. When a mysterious teenage girl arrives, calling herself *Beloved*, Sethe's terrible secret explodes into the present. Combining the visionary power of legend with the unassailable truth of history, Morrison's unforgettable novel is one of the great and enduring works of American literature.

Extenuating Circumstances

Apr 08 2022

A Paris Apartment

Oct 02 2021 The New York Times Best Seller! Now with an excerpt of Michelle's new book, *I'll See You in Paris!* Bienvenue à Paris! When April Vogt's boss tells her about an apartment in the ninth arrondissement that has been discovered after being shuttered for the past seventy years, the Sotheby's continental furniture specialist does not hear the words "dust" or "rats" or "decrepit." She hears Paris. She hears escape. Once in France, April quickly

learns the apartment is not merely some rich hoarder's repository. Beneath the cobwebs and stale perfumed air is a goldmine, and not because of the actual gold (or painted ostrich eggs or mounted rhinoceros horns or bronze bathtub). First, there's a portrait by one of the masters of the Belle Epoque, Giovanni Boldini. And then there are letters and journals written by the very woman in the painting, Marthe de Florian. These documents reveal that she was more than a renowned courtesan with enviable décolletage. Suddenly April's quest is no longer about the bureaux plats and Louis-style armchairs that will fetch millions at auction. It's about discovering the story behind this charismatic woman. It's about discovering two women, actually. With the help of a salty (and annoyingly sexy) Parisian solicitor and the courtesan's private diaries, April tries to uncover the many secrets buried in the apartment. As she digs into Marthe's life, April can't help but take a deeper look into her own. Having left behind in the States a cheating husband, a family crisis about to erupt, and a career she's been using as the crutch to simply get by, she feels compelled to sort out her own life too. When the things she left bubbling back home begin to boil over, and Parisian delicacies beyond flaky pâtisseries tempt her better judgment, April knows that both she and Marthe deserve happy finales. Whether accompanied by croissants or champagne, this delectable

debut novel depicts the Paris of the Belle Epoque and the present day with vibrant and stunning allure. Based on historical events, Michelle Gable's *A Paris Apartment* will entertain and inspire, as readers embrace the struggles and successes of two very unforgettable women.

Motherhood Missed

Jan 05 2022

Many women expect to become mothers but are childless through social rather than biological reasons - perhaps they haven't met the right person or they prioritised career or education earlier in life. Featuring international interviews by grief counsellor and researcher Lois Tonkin, this collection of first-person stories provides insight into the under-discussed situation of being childless by circumstance. Each story highlights the different aspects of being childless by circumstance, as women move through their 30s, 40s, and 50s, and beyond their ages of fertility. The book explores feelings of grief and loss, and also how women adapt positively to their changed life expectations, finding excitement in the alternative, rich and complex shapes their lives have taken.

Special Circumstances

Jan 17 2023

Brilliantly paced, witty, crackling with energy and suspense, >Special Circumstances< is a phenomenal thriller that introduces an electrifying new voice in legal fiction.

Lapin Plays Possum

Jul 31 2021

"Full of sly wit and Cajun spice." -Scholastic.com The Louisiana version of Br'er

Rabbit, Compère Lapin is a mischief maker determined to get the best of Compère Bouki. And Bouki is determined to turn the tables on the lazy critter who keeps tricking him out of his food and crops. But in a trio of stories that praises brains over brawn, this little rascal seems to come out ahead no matter what.

Intimacies Dec 04 2021 A NEW YORK TIMES TOP 10 BOOK OF 2021 LONGLISTED FOR THE 2021 NATIONAL BOOK AWARD IN FICTION ONE OF BARACK OBAMA'S FAVORITE 2021 READS AN INSTANT NATIONAL BESTSELLER A BEST BOOK OF 2021 FROM Washington Post, Vogue, Time, Oprah Daily, New York Times, Los Angeles Times, San Francisco Chronicle, Atlantic, Kirkus and Entertainment Weekly "Intimacies is a haunting, precise, and morally astute novel that reads like a psychological thriller.... Katie Kitamura is a wonder." —Dana Spiotta, author of *Wayward* and *Eat the Document* "One of the best novels I've read in 2021." —Dwight Garner, *The New York Times* A novel from the author of *A Separation*, an electrifying story about a woman caught between many truths. An interpreter has come to The Hague to escape New York and work at the International Court. A woman of many languages and identities, she is looking for a place to finally call home. She's drawn into simmering personal dramas: her lover, Adriaan, is separated from his wife but still entangled in his marriage. Her friend Jana witnesses a

seemingly random act of violence, a crime the interpreter becomes increasingly obsessed with as she befriends the victim's sister. And she's pulled into an explosive political controversy when she's asked to interpret for a former president accused of war crimes. A woman of quiet passion, she confronts power, love, and violence, both in her personal intimacies and in her work at the Court. She is soon pushed to the precipice, where betrayal and heartbreak threaten to overwhelm her, forcing her to decide what she wants from her life.

When Novels Were Books Aug 20 2020 The novel was born religious, alongside Protestant texts produced in the same format by the same publishers. Novels borrowed features of these texts but over the years distinguished themselves, becoming the genre we know today. Jordan Alexander Stein traces this history, showing how the physical object of the book shaped the stories it contained.

Head On Sep 20 2020 "As much as Scalzi has the scientific creativity of a Michael Crichton, he also has the procedural chops of a Stephen J. Canell to craft a whodunit with buddy-cop charm and suspects aplenty—most of them in someone else's body." —USA Today John Scalzi returns with *Head On*, the standalone follow-up to the *New York Times* bestselling and critically acclaimed *Lock In*. Chilling near-future SF with the thrills of a gritty cop procedural, *Head On* brings Scalzi's

trademark snappy dialogue and technological speculation to the future world of sports. Hilketa is a frenetic and violent pastime where players attack each other with swords and hammers. The main goal of the game: obtain your opponent's head and carry it through the goalposts. With flesh and bone bodies, a sport like this would be impossible. But all the players are "threeps," robot-like bodies controlled by people with Haden's Syndrome, so anything goes. No one gets hurt, but the brutality is real and the crowds love it. Until a star athlete drops dead on the playing field. Is it an accident or murder? FBI Agents and Haden-related crime investigators, Chris Shane and Leslie Vann, are called in to uncover the truth—and in doing so travel to the darker side of the fast-growing sport of Hilketa, where fortunes are made or lost, and where players and owners do whatever it takes to win, on and off the field. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

Beasts of Extraordinary Circumstance Aug 24 2023 "Told with brains and heart" —Michelle Gable, *New York Times* bestselling author of *A Paris Apartment* "Bristles with charm and curiosity" —Winston Groom, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Forrest Gump* "A wholly original and superbly crafted work of art, *Beasts of Extraordinary Circumstance* is a masterpiece of the imagination." —Lori Nelson Spielman, *New York*

Times bestselling author of *The Life List* and *Sweet Forgiveness* "Charlotte's Web for grown-ups who, like Weylyn Grey, have their own stories of being different, feared, brave, and loved." —Mo Daviau, author of *Every Anxious Wave* Ruth Emmie Lang teaches us how to find magic in the ordinary in her magical realism debut *Beasts of Extraordinary Circumstance*. Orphaned, raised by wolves, and the proud owner of a horned pig named Merlin, Weylyn Grey knew he wasn't like other people. But when he single-handedly stopped that tornado on a stormy Christmas day in Oklahoma, he realized just how different he actually was. As amazing as these powers may appear, they tend to manifest themselves at inopportune times and places, jeopardizing not only his own life, but the life of Mary, the woman he loves. *Beasts of Extraordinary Circumstance* tells the story of Weylyn Grey's life from the perspectives of the people who knew him, loved him, and even a few who thought he was just plain weird. Although he doesn't stay in any of their lives for long, he leaves each of them with a story to tell: great storms that evaporate into thin air; fireflies that make phosphorescent honey; a house filled with spider webs and the strange man who inhabits it. There is one story, however, that Weylyn wishes he could change: his own. But first he has to muster enough courage to knock on Mary's front door.

No Bad Days Jul 19 2020 In *No Bad Days*, JT Jester shares his against-all-odds story of

overcoming countless physical and learning challenges to help others find joy in any circumstance and understand that there are no bad days—only hard ones. By the time JT Jester was three years old, he had spent 250 days in the hospital, and he endured sixteen major surgeries before he was sixteen. Diagnosed with VATER/VACTERL Syndrome, a rare combination of several birth defects. JT's life was anything but easy. On top of his physical challenges, he suffered dyslexia and short-term memory loss, which made learning nearly impossible for him. Yet JT pushed past his physical and educational roadblocks to achieve what many people told him he would never do—learn to read, graduate from high school, attend college, and become a successful motivational speaker, influential podcast host, and bestselling author. In *No Bad Days*, JT details the incredible story of how he overcame what seemed like insurmountable odds and shares the many invaluable lessons he has learned throughout his life in the hope that others might reach their full potential. These lessons include how to: Find Your Tribe, Pull Off the Label, Stretch Yourself, Listen to Others, and Learn to Fall. JT's improbable life story is evidence that regardless of the mental and physical challenges you might face, you can defy the odds to create the life you want and accomplish the things you've only dreamed about. His remarkable journey is all the proof you need. Through his

story, and the inspiring stories of others, JT Jester shows readers how to find joy in any circumstance and proves that there are really no bad days—only hard ones.

Saint of Circumstance Dec 16 2022 The bestselling author of "Raging Heart" reveals the untold story behind the Alex Kelly rape case. When the handsome golden boy fled the U.S. in 1987 rather than face two impending rape trials, his wealthy parents funded his lifestyle of luxury in Europe. This book takes readers into the troubled soul of a privileged--and secretive--community, exposing its facade to reveal a fascinating dark side.

A Visit from the Goon Squad Oct 22 2020 NATIONAL BESTSELLER • NATIONAL BOOK CRITICS CIRCLE WINNER • With music pulsing on every page, this startling, exhilarating novel of self-destruction and redemption "features characters about whom you come to care deeply as you watch them doing things they shouldn't, acting gloriously, infuriatingly human" (The Chicago Tribune). Bennie is an aging former punk rocker and record executive. Sasha is the passionate, troubled young woman he employs. Here Jennifer Egan brilliantly reveals their pasts, along with the inner lives of a host of other characters whose paths intersect with theirs. "Pitch perfect.... Darkly, rippingly funny.... Egan possesses a satirist's eye and a romance novelist's heart." —The New York Times Book Review

A Change of Circumstance

Feb 18 2023 In the newest installment of Susan Hill's electrifying crime series, Simon Serrailier finds himself in devastating new territory as a sophisticated drug network sets its sights on Lafferton In *A Change of Circumstance*, the eleventh book in Susan Hill's acclaimed crime series featuring the enigmatic detective Simon Serrailier, Hill yet again raises the stakes. Detective Chief Superintendent Simon Serrailier has long regarded drug ops in Lafferton as a waste of time. The small-time dealers picked up outside the local high school can't or won't turn in any valuable names, so they're merely given a fine and the trail runs cold. But when the body of a twenty-two-year-old is found in neighboring Starley, the case pulls DCS Simon Serrailier into the underbelly of an elaborate drug operation that moves narcotics from the cities into the suburbs and right down to villages. The foot soldiers? Vulnerable local kids like Brookie and Olivia, whose involvement gives Simon a bitter taste of this new landscape. It's a harsh winter in Lafferton, and with struggles both at home and on the job, DCS Serrailier soon learns that even the familiar can hold shocking surprises . . . Dark, page-turning, and rich in mood and character, Susan Hill's *A Change of Circumstance* lands brilliantly as another gripping entry to the Serrailier canon, sure to enthrall fans and newcomers alike.

Victim of Circumstance Jun 17 2020 A collection of autobiographical vignettes,

Victim of Circumstance is a meditation on love and loss, examining our perceptions of ourselves and how they shape the most important decisions of our lives. With humor and heart, Rappaport bounds across years and continents, searching for sense in life's heartbreaks, philosophical quandaries, chance encounters, and the occasional life-or-death misadventure.

Ramadan Ramsey May 17 2020 The Guggenheim Fellowship and Whiting Award-winning author Louis Edwards makes his long-awaited comeback with this epic tale of a New Orleans boy whose very creation is so filled with tension that it bedevils his destiny before he is even born. Spanning from the Deep South to the Middle East, *Ramadan Ramsey* bridges multiple countries and cultures, entwining two families who struggle to love and survive in the face of war, natural disasters, and their equally tumultuous, private mistakes and yearnings. *Ramadan Ramsey* begins in 1999 with the moving (and funny) teenage love story of Alicia Ramsey, a native New Orleans African American young woman, and Mustafa Totah, a Syrian immigrant who works in her neighborhood at his uncle's convenience store. Through a series of familial betrayals, Mustafa returns to Syria unaware that Alicia is carrying his child. When the baby is born, Alicia names their son Ramadan and raises him with the help of her mother, Mama Joon. But tragedy strikes when the epochal hurricane of 2005

barrels into New Orleans, shattering both the Ramsey and Totah families. Years later, when Ramadan turns twelve, he sets off to find Mustafa. It is an odyssey filled with breathtaking and brilliant adventures that takes Ramadan from the familiar world of NOLA to Istanbul, and finally Aleppo, Syria, where he hopes to unite with the father he has never known. Intimate yet epic, heartbreaking yet triumphant, *Ramadan Ramsey* explores the urgency of 21st century childhood and the richness and complexity of the modern family as a shared global experience. It is also a reminder of Louis Edwards' immense talent and fearless storytelling and is a welcome return of this literary light. [Fellowship Point](#) May 09 2022 "A magnificent storytelling feat" (The Boston Globe) story of lifelong friendship between two very different "superbly depicted" (The Wall Street Journal) women with shared histories, divisive loyalties, hidden sorrows, and eighty years of summers on a pristine point of land on the coast of Maine, set across the arc of the 20th century. Celebrated children's book author Agnes Lee is determined to secure her legacy—to complete what she knows will be the final volume of her pseudonymously written Franklin Square novels; and even more consuming, to permanently protect the peninsula of majestic coast in Maine known as Fellowship Point. To donate the land to a trust, Agnes must convince shareholders to dissolve a generations-old partnership.

And one of those shareholders is her best friend, Polly. Polly Wister has led a different kind of life than Agnes: that of a well-off married woman with children, defined by her devotion to her husband, a philosophy professor with an inflated sense of stature. She strives to create beauty and harmony in her home, in her friendships, and in her family. Polly soon finds her loyalties torn between the wishes of her best friend and the wishes of her three sons—but what is it that Polly wants herself? Agnes's designs are further muddled when an enterprising young book editor named Maud Silver sets out to convince Agnes to write her memoirs. Agnes's resistance cannot prevent long-buried memories and secrets from coming to light with far-reaching repercussions for all. "An ambitious and satisfying tale" (The Washington Post), *Fellowship Point* reads like a 19th-century epic, but it is entirely contemporary in its "reflections on aging, writing, stewardship, legacies, independence, and responsibility. At its heart, *Fellowship Point* is about caring for the places and people we love...This magnificent novel affirms that change and growth are possible at any age" (The Christian Science Monitor).

Mysterious Circumstances
Jun 10 2022 FBI agent Craig Horn had his hands full investigating a series of suspicious deaths without a single lead while trying to avoid a media circus. Complicating matters, he'd

finally met his match in feisty reporter Olivia Thornbird. But while trying to get her scoop, Olivia suddenly became the victim of dangerous threats—and honor demanded Craig offer his protection. Now, the only solution was to work together. But as Craig and Olivia joined forces to draw out a killer, the sassy spitfire's big baby blues and tantalizing lips soon became a distraction he couldn't afford....

[Mañana Means Heaven](#) Mar 27 2021 In this love story of impossible odds, award-winning writer Tim Z. Hernandez weaves a rich and visionary portrait of Bea Franco, the real woman behind famed American author Jack Kerouac's "The Mexican Girl." Set against an ominous backdrop of California in the 1940s, deep in the agricultural heartland of the Great Central Valley, *Mañana Means Heaven* reveals the desperate circumstances that lead a married woman to an illicit affair with an aspiring young writer traveling across the United States. When they meet, Franco is a migrant farmworker with two children and a failing marriage, living with poverty, violence, and the looming threat of deportation, while the "college boy" yearns to one day make a name for himself in the writing world. The significance of their romance poses vastly different possibilities and consequences. *Mañana Means Heaven* deftly combines fact and fiction to pull back the veil on one of literature's most mysterious and evocative characters. Inspired by Franco's love

letters to Kerouac and Hernandez's interviews with Franco, now in her nineties and living in relative obscurity, the novel brings this lost gem of a story out of the shadows and into the spotlight.

A Great and Terrible Beauty
Feb 06 2022 It's 1895, and after the death of her mother, 16-year-old Gemma Doyle is shipped off from the life she knows in India to Spence, a proper boarding school in England. Lonely, guilt-ridden, and prone to visions of the future that have an uncomfortable habit of coming true, Gemma's reception there is a chilly one. To make things worse, she's being followed by a mysterious young Indian man, a man sent to watch her. But why? What is her destiny? And what will her entanglement with Spence's most powerful girls - and their foray into the spiritual world - lead to?

Incendiary Circumstances Apr 27 2021 A journalist who "illuminates the human drama behind the headlines" writes about today's dramatic events, from terrorist attacks to tsunamis (Publishers Weekly). "An uncannily honest writer," Amitav Ghosh has published firsthand accounts of pivotal world events in publications including the New York Times, Granta, and the New Yorker (The New York Times Book Review). This volume brings together the finest of these pieces, chronicling the turmoil of our times. *Incendiary Circumstances* begins with Ghosh's arrival in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands just days after the devastation of the

2005 tsunami. We then travel back to September 11, 2001, as Ghosh retrieves his young daughter from school, sick with the knowledge that she must witness the kind of firestorm that has been in the background of his life since childhood. In his travels, Ghosh has stood on an icy mountaintop on the contested border between India and Pakistan; interviewed Pol Pot's sister-in-law in Cambodia; shared the elation of Egyptians when Naguib Mahfouz won the Nobel Prize; and stood with his threatened Sikh neighbors through the riots following Indira Gandhi's assassination. In these pieces, he offers an up-close look at an era defined by the ravages of politics and nature. "Ghosh is the perfect chronicler of an increasingly globalized world . . . Reading [him] is a mind-expanding experience. Once you've finished this book, you're very likely to press it into your friends' hands and beg them to read it as well." —Sunday Oregonian

Circumstances Grew Him Up

Nov 03 2021 The author tells about unfavorable circumstances of a boy named Pushpraj that he faced in his life. He struggled harder for his career, love, displaying a never-give-up attitude. He was a Band vala, Bhangre vala, sweepers son, and soft-skills trainer who was diligent and determined to face all the circumstances. He was a boy who belonged to a low-class family and grew among discrimination. He wanted to be a doctor but couldn't become one, so he ran away from home

to work and to provide financial support to his family. He wanted to be a singer, and he wanted to sing once in his school, where his father worked as sweeper. But his name was not called only because he was a sweepers son. He was determined, and so he had two medals and eighteen awards in singing. He fell in love, crossed boundaries, got paralyzed, lost his job and image, but he rose back again. He has again fallen in love and desires to have her. Author wants to convey a message to his readers: Do not negate circumstances, but learn from it. Act strongly, and be the real you.

Unexpected Circumstances

Mar 07 2022 Seven book series with added bonus material! In a bold political move, Sir Branford claims a handmaid as his bride instead of the expected princess in an attempt to spark a war. Poor Alexandra knows little of how to behave as the wife of a future king and knows nothing of the man who is suddenly her husband. Alexandra knows she is being used as a pawn and must do her best to avoid scheming noblewomen and the scorned princess, accept her position as her husband ascends to the throne, and overcome her fears of the man with whom she now shares a bed. Sir Branford is determined to have it all - the kingdom, a wife of his choosing, and the revenge he seeks for the death of his father. He doesn't expect the naive handmaid to become more important than he ever could have foreseen.

A Gentleman in Moscow Jun

29 2021 The mega-bestseller with more than 2 million readers, soon to be a Showtime/Paramount series starring Ewan McGregor as Count Alexander Rostov From the #1 New York Times-bestselling author of *The Lincoln Highway* and *Rules of Civility*, a beautifully transporting novel about a man who is ordered to spend the rest of his life inside a luxury hotel In 1922, Count Alexander Rostov is deemed an unrepentant aristocrat by a Bolshevik tribunal, and is sentenced to house arrest in the Metropol, a grand hotel across the street from the Kremlin. Rostov, an indomitable man of erudition and wit, has never worked a day in his life, and must now live in an attic room while some of the most tumultuous decades in Russian history are unfolding outside the hotel's doors. Unexpectedly, his reduced circumstances provide him entry into a much larger world of emotional discovery. Brimming with humor, a glittering cast of characters, and one beautifully rendered scene after another, this singular novel casts a spell as it relates the count's endeavor to gain a deeper understanding of what it means to be a man of purpose.

Binding Circumstance Aug 12 2022 Costume designer, Leslie Carroll has mastered the art of flying under the radar. She's had to or risk being found by the psychopath who almost killed her. When she literally falls into Hollywood heartthrob Charlie Erickson's dressing room on her first day of

employment, their mutual attraction is instant and undeniable. Despite his star status, Charlie is a sweet southern boy at heart, and for the first time in a long time, Leslie begins to think she has a chance at happiness. When her harrowing past catches up to her and targets Charlie, will she run to save herself or face her monster to save the man who is her future?

Never Let Me Go Nov 22 2020 From the Booker Prize-winning author of *The Remains of the Day* and *When We Were Orphans*, comes an unforgettable edge-of-your-seat mystery that is at once heartbreakingly tender and morally courageous about what it means to be human. Hailsham seems like a pleasant English boarding school, far from the influences of the city. Its students are well tended and supported, trained in art and literature, and become just the sort of people the world wants them to be. But, curiously, they are taught nothing of the outside world and are allowed little contact with it. Within the grounds of Hailsham, Kathy grows from schoolgirl to young woman, but it's only when she and her friends Ruth and Tommy leave the safe grounds of the school (as they always knew they would) that they realize the full truth of what Hailsham is. *Never Let Me Go* breaks through the boundaries of the literary novel. It is a gripping mystery, a beautiful love story, and also a scathing critique of human arrogance and a moral examination of how we treat the vulnerable and different in

our society. In exploring the themes of memory and the impact of the past, Ishiguro takes on the idea of a possible future to create his most moving and powerful book to date.

American Circumstance May 21 2023 This is a novel about appearance versus reality - how our lives and relationships appear to others versus how they are experienced, and the complex ways that social class shapes identity, relationships, and the codes of friendship. *American Circumstance* also provides a window into the replication of wealth, power, and privilege. The novel can be used as supplemental reading in courses across the disciplines that deal with gender, social class, inequality, power, family systems, relational communication, intimate relationships, identity, American culture, narrative or creative writing. It can also be read in book clubs or entirely for pleasure. "American Circumstance is wonderful! The characters and story invite you into a world that is both familiar and unfamiliar. Highly recommended!!" - Carl Leggo, Ph.D., University of British Columbia "American Circumstance kept me up! I wanted to see how the characters' lives untangled. I loved how Leavy challenged my cultural assumptions. Students will have a lot to talk about as they discover the 'sociology of everyday life' embedded in the fiction." - Laurel Richardson, Ph.D., The Ohio State University "The characters were so compelling that I couldn't stop reading ... a great

beach read, or class text." - U. Melissa Anyiwo, Ph.D., Curry College "Leavy writes in an engaging way that helps you ask important questions about class issues in America. This story keeps you interested and wondering why women make the choices they do." - Margaret A. Robbins, *The Journal of Language & Literacy Education* "American Circumstance is one of my favorite texts to assign to my sociology students." - Cheryl Llewellyn, Ph.D., University of Massachusetts Lowell Patricia Leavy, Ph.D., is an award-winning independent sociologist and best-selling author.

[Extraordinary Circumstances](#) Oct 14 2022 The longer WorldCom Chief Audit Executive Cynthia Cooper stares at the entries in front of her, the more sinister they seem. But the CFO is badgering her to delay her team's audit of the company's books and directing others to block Cooper's efforts. Still, something in the pit of her stomach tells her to keep digging. Cooper takes readers behind the scenes on a riveting, real-time journey as she and her team work at night and behind closed doors to expose the largest fraud in corporate history. Whom can they trust? Could she lose her job? Should she fear for her physical safety? In *Extraordinary Circumstances*, she recounts for the first time her journey from her close family upbringing in a small Mississippi town, to working motherhood and corporate success, to the pressures of

becoming a whistleblower, to being named one of Time's 2002 Persons of the Year. She also provides a rare insider's glimpse into the spectacular rise and fall of WorldCom, a telecom titan, the darling of Wall Street, and a Cinderella story for Mississippi. With remarkable candor, Cooper discusses her struggle to overcome these challenges, and how she has found healing through sharing the lessons learned with the next generation. This book reminds us all that ethical decision-making is not forged at the crossroads of major events but starts in childhood, "decision by decision and brick by brick." At a time when corporate dishonesty is dominating public attention, Extraordinary Circumstances makes it clear that the tone set at the top is critical to fostering an ethical environment in the work-place. Provocative, moving, and intensely personal, Extraordinary Circumstances is a wake-up call to corporate leaders and an intimate glimpse at a scandal that shook the business world.

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