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and rebellious
urban fringe
generation
that is
searching for
human
connection.
Now a classic,
Bad Behavior
made critical
waves when it

first
published,
heralding
Gaitskill's
arrival on the
literary scene
and her
establishment
as one of the
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erotically
charged, and
audaciously
funny writing
talents of
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Michiko Kakutani of The New York Times called it "Pinteresque," saying, "Ms. Gaitskill writes with such authority, such radar-perfect detail, that she is able to make even the most extreme situations seem real...her reportorial candor, uncompromised by sentimentality or voyeuristic charm...under scores the strength of her debut."

52 Men
Vintage
Variously funny,

frightening, poignant, and exhilarating, these collected stories displays the best American writers at the peak of their powers and the national narrative at its most eloquent, truthful, and inventive. The thirty-three stories in this volume prove that American short fiction maybe be our most distinctive national art form. As selected and introduced by Tobias Wolff, they also make up an

alternate map of the United States that represents not just geography but narrative traditions, cultural heritage, and divergent approaches. Contributors and stories include: Mary Gaitskill, "A Romantic Weekend"; Andre Dubus, "The Fat Girl"; Tim O'Brien, "The Things They Carried"; Raymond Carver, "Cathedral"; Joyce Carol Oates, "Where Are You Going, Where Have You Been?"; Mona

<p>Simpson, "Lawns"; Ann Beattie, "A Vintage Thunderbird"; Jamaica Kincaid, "Girl"; Stuart Dybek, "Chopin in Water"; Ron Hansen, "Wickedness"; Denis Johnson, "Emergency"; Edward P. Jones, "The First Day"; John L'Heureux, "Departures"; Ralph Lombreglia, "Men Under Water"; Robert Olmstead, "Cody's Story"; Jayne Anne Phillips, "Home"; Susan Power, "Moonwalk";</p>	<p>Amy Tan, "Rules of the Game"; Stephanie Vaughn, "Dog Heaven"; Joy Williams, "Train"; Dorothy Allison, "River of Names"; Richard Bausch, "All The Way in Flagstaff, Arizona"; and more. <i>Tasting Life Twice: Lesb</i> Simon and Schuster Killing and Dying is a stunning showcase of the possibilities of the graphic novel medium and a wry exploration of loss, creative</p>	<p>ambition, identity, and family dynamics. With this work, Adrian Tomine (Shortcomings , Scenes from an Impending Marriage) reaffirms his place not only as one of the most significant creators of contemporary comics but as one of the great voices of modern American literature. His gift for capturing emotion and intellect resonates here: the weight of love and its</p>
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absence, the pride and disappointment of family, the anxiety and hopefulness of being alive in the twenty-first century. "Amber Sweet" shows the disastrous impact of mistaken identity in a hyper-connected world; "A Brief History of the Art Form Known as Hortisculpture" details the invention and destruction of a vital new art form in short comic strips; "Translated, from the Japanese" is a

lush, full-color display of storytelling through still images; the title story, "Killing and Dying", centers on parenthood, mortality, and stand-up comedy. In six interconnected, darkly funny stories, Tomine forms a quietly moving portrait of contemporary life. Tomine is a master of the small gesture, equally deft at signaling emotion via a subtle change of expression or writ large across

landscapes illustrated in full color. *Killing and Dying* is a fraught, realist masterpiece. Today I'm Yours Simon and Schuster 52 fictionalized episodes with men. "Simple and ingenious . . . gets at the truth of how we experience, perceive, and remember romantic encounters." —Los Angeles Review of Books From a writer who master poet Seamus Heaney described as one "who risks

much both stylistically and emotionally” comes 52 Men. Taut, spare and highly compressed autobiographical fiction for the mobile age, it is immensely funny and sexually charged. In contemporary literary miniatures from a few lines to a few pages, Manhattan-raised Elise McKnight describes the men in her life who gradually reveal her: high-profile cultural

leaders, writers and celebrities, as well as the down-to-earth waiter, student and police officer. Fifty-two strange, romantic and sexual interludes and relationships spark to life and disappear in the wind, leaving the reader always asking: What is Elise’s power? What does she want and will she ever get it? Does she have a secret and if so, what is it? With surprising, sometimes shocking and

moving cameos by figures from tabloids and the news: Jay Carney, Jonathan Franzen, Lou Reed, Michael Stipe; and encounters with artists, financiers, and a boxer who reads Neruda at the Turkish baths. “I’m not sure I’ve ever read a story of a life that’s both so moving and told with such breathtaking economy and precision. 52 Men gave me goose bumps again and again.” —Kurt Andersen, New York

<p>Times–bestselling author of <i>Evil Geniuses</i> “A haunting and haunted book . . . harsh and sweet and very funny, in spots as hard to read as it is hard to put down.” —Will Eno, playwright and author of <i>Thom Pain</i> (based on nothing) <i>The Best American Short Stories</i> 2014 Random House (UK) Rachel Lyon's first novel – soon to be made into a major motion picture starring Zoë Kravitz and</p>	<p>Thomasi McKenzie Lu Rile is a relentlessly focused young photographer struggling to make ends meet. Working three jobs, and worrying that the crumbling warehouse she lives in is being sold to developers, she is at a point of desperation. Until, by pure chance, Lu discovers she’s captured a tragedy in the background of a self portrait; a boy falling to his death. The photograph</p>	<p>turns out to be the best work of art she’s ever made. It’s an image that could change her life – if she lets it. Set in early 90s Brooklyn on the brink of gentrification, <i>Self-Portrait with Boy</i> is a provocative commentary about the emotional dues that must be paid on the road to success. ‘Beautifully imagined and flawlessly executed’ Joyce Carol Oates ‘A sparkling debut’ New York Times</p>
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Book Review
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 Book Kink is a
 groundbreaking
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 literary short
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 exploring love
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 lauded writers
 R.O. Kwon and
 Garth
 Greenwell,
 and featuring
 a roster of all-
 star
 contributors
 including
 Alexander
 Chee, Roxane
 Gay, Carmen
 Maria
 Machado, and
 more. A Most-
 Anticipated
 book of 2021
 as selected by
 * Marie Claire
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 Oprah
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 Cosmopolitan
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 Autostraddle *
 Refinery29 *
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 Book Riot *
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 The collection
 includes works
 by renowned
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 such as
 Callum Angus,
 Alexander
 Chee, Vanessa
 Clark, Melissa
 Febos, Kim Fu,
 Roxane Gay,
 Cara Hoffman,
 Zeyn
 Joukhadar,
 Chris Kraus,
 Carmen Maria
 Machado,
 Peter
 Mountford,
 Larissa Pham,
 and Brandon
 Taylor, with
 Garth
 Greenwell and
 R.O. Kwon as
 editors. The
 stories within

explore bondage, power-play, and submissive-dominant relationships; we are taken to private estates, therapists' offices, underground sex clubs, and even a sex theater in early-20th century Paris. While there are whips and chains, sure, the true power of these stories lies in their beautiful, moving dispatches from across the sexual spectrum of interest and desires, as

portrayed by some of today's most exciting writers. **The Devil's Treasure** Simon and Schuster Calling to mind smart, deadpan and unrepentant novels such as *The New Me* and *My Year of Rest and Relaxation*, Sophie McCreesh's distinctive and arresting debut novel is about a young woman veering towards self-destruction. *Once More, With Feeling* follows Jane, an artist

navigating her closest relationships while fixating on her own perceived failures and self-imposed isolation. When Jane receives a student grant to attend a workshop in London, England, she sees the opportunity to leave her tedious life behind and start anew, bringing along her new friend Kitty, who Jane will not admit she has little in common with other than a shared appreciation

for boxed wine and various other drugs. In London, Jane struggles to improve both her craft and her mindset while Kitty thrives, and a once exciting trip abroad transforms the already uneven dynamic of their friendship, leaving Jane feeling more withdrawn than ever. As her increasingly destructive behaviour gets in the way of her artistic ambitions, her most important

relationships-- those with Kitty, her absent lover Richard and a discredited therapist named Anna-- begin to deteriorate as Jane starts to examine her growing dependence on substances. Darkly funny, piercing and tender, *Once More, With Feeling* is a portrait of a detached young woman trapped in the perils of self-loathing and addiction, who is searching for originality in an age of profound

social disconnection and anxiety. **The Sexual Life of Catherine M.** Hachette UK Weisser (English, Adelphi U.) writes that her anthology is "for anyone who is interested in understanding the conflicted but powerful female urge to experience the pleasure and endure the pain of romantic love." In particular, she explores the collision of pervasive media images of romance with feminist

values of independence and self-assertion. Several dozen historic and contemporary works of criticism, personal essays, and letters, by feminist and anti-feminist thinkers, consider changing images of romantic love and whether romance, fundamentally, weakens or empowers women. Contributors include Jean-Jacques Rousseau, Charlotte Bronte, Karen Horney, Simone de Beauvoir, Rita Mae Brown, bell hooks, Vivian Gornick, and Carolyn Heilbrun. c. Book News Inc. *Kink* Catapult An unnamed narrator's life at Yale takes a dizzying turn when she meets a girl who looks just like her. Drawn into each other's social worlds, they spiral deeper and deeper into a house of mirrors made of each other. [You Feel It Just Below the Ribs](#) Pantheon Shortlisted for the Women's Prize for Fiction, the Orwell Prize for Political Fiction, and the Rathbones Folio Prize Winner of the South Bank Sky Arts Award for Literature A Washington Post "Lily Lit" Book Club Selection *Frankissstein* Red Hen Press Fifteen-year-old Lee has just been expelled from boarding school. Unwilling to go home to her abusive father, she escapes to the horse-show circuit and

begins an affair with a beautiful but dangerous rider named Tory Markham. Through Tory, she becomes involved with a disreputable team of brother and sister trainers: Carl, notorious for his ruthless training methods, and Linda, who keeps the stable - both the horses and the riders - doped on narcotics. Lee's descent into a web of violent sex and heroin addiction is depicted with

hellishly vivid precision. First published in 1995, House Rules established Heather Lewis' reputation as a gifted and uncompromising writer.

Under the Bridge Profile Books

Most of Us Are Here Against Our Will is a strikingly accomplished debut collection about love, loss, sex and survival in the hard heart of Texas. shaded and at their best when pushing towards redemption' Metro drug

addicts, cheating lovers, a porn movie director are haunted by memories of their past, while standing on the edge of potentially life-changing decisions' Juice women as Homeric heroes Levinson's world is acetylene hot' Edmund White *Two Girls, Fat and Thin* Simon and Schuster A New York Times Book Review Editors' Choice "A radiant first novel. . . . [Neon in Daylight] has

antecedents in the great novels of the 1970s: Renata Adler's *Speedboat*, Elizabeth Hardwick's *Sleepless Nights*, Joan Didion's *Play It as It Lays*. . . . Precision—of observation, of language—is Hoby's gift. Her sentences are sleek and tailored. Language molds snugly to thought." —Parul Sehgal, *The New York Times New York City* in 2012, the sweltering summer before

Hurricane Sandy hits. Kate, a young woman newly arrived from England, is staying in a Manhattan apartment while she tries to figure out her future. She has two unfortunate responsibilities during her time in America: to make regular Skype calls to her miserable boyfriend back home, and to cat-sit an indifferent feline named Joni Mitchell. The city has other plans for her. In New York's parks and bodegas,

its galleries and performance spaces, its bars and clubs crowded with bodies, Kate encounters two strangers who will transform her stay: Bill, a charismatic but embittered writer made famous by the movie version of his only novel; and Inez, his daughter, a recent high school graduate who supplements her Bushwick cafe salary by enacting the fantasies of men she meets on

Craigslist. Unmoored from her old life, Kate falls into an infatuation with both of them. Set in a heatwave that feels like it will never break, Neon In Daylight marries deep intelligence with captivating characters to offer us a joyful, unflinching exploration of desire, solitude, and the thin line between life and art. Death Is Not an Option National Geographic Books

A haunting, provocative novel, You Feel It Just Below the Ribs is a fictional autobiography in an alternate twentieth century that chronicles one woman's unusual life, including the price she pays to survive and the cost her choices hold for the society she is trying to save. Born at the end of the old world, Miriam grows up during The Great Reckoning, a sprawling, decades-long war that nearly decimates

humanity and strips her of friends and family. Devastated by grief and loneliness, she emotionally exiles herself, avoiding relationships or allegiances, and throws herself into her work—disengagement that serves her when the war finally ends, and The New Society arises. To ensure a lasting peace, The New Society forbids anything that may cause tribal loyalties, including traditional families.

Suddenly, everyone must live as Miriam has chosen to—disconnected and unattached. A researcher at heart, Miriam becomes involved in implementing this detachment process. She does not know it is the beginning of a darkly sinister program that will transform this new world and the lives of everyone in it. Eventually, the harmful effects of her research become too much for Miriam, and she devises a secret plan to destroy the system from within, endangering her own life. But is her “confession” honest—or is it a fabrication riddled with lies meant to conceal the truth? A jarring and uncanny tale of loss, trauma, and the power of human connection and deception, *You Feel It Just Below the Ribs* is a portrait of a disturbing alternate world eerily within reach, and an examination of the difficult choices we must make to survive in it.

Nothing Natural
 Random House
 “Paul’s charmed life is over. He is about to be kicked out of his flat in gentrified east London and his sister has gone missing after an argument about what to do with the house where they grew up. Now that their mother is dead this is the last link they have to the ever-more-

diminished town on the north-west coast where they grew up. He meets Emily Nardini, a reclusive and uncompromising writer. Her books are narrated by outcasts, but she receives him in her home in the wealthiest part of west London. Paul discovers Emily is living with Andrew Lancaster, a famous intellectual who is significantly older than her. Andrew has lived a successful life,

and Paul has not. But perhaps this situation should be reversed, thinks Paul, who forms an alliance with Andrew's daughter, Sophie, a journalist gaining attention for her hot takes on sex and revolution. Travelling up and down between the town he thought he had escaped and the city that threatens to chew him up, Paul longs to find where he belongs in a divided country."--

Publisher description. Open Vintage An explosive erotic thriller about one woman's voyage into the heart of evil When Nora vows to seek justice for the murder of her sister, a shy, vulnerable woman she never really knew, she undertakes a daring scheme to seduce a lethal and manipulative man known only as M. Instead, Nora finds herself in thrall to his bizarre sexual magnetism, trapped in a

passion so dark and perverse that she is willing to risk her life. And she is in danger, danger so close that she might not see it until it is too late. Topping from Below will take fans of E. L. James' bestselling Fifty Shades trilogy into an erotic world unlike any other...

Double Happiness

Serpent's Tail
In essays on matters literary, social, cultural, and personal, Mary Gaitskill explores date rape and

political adultery, the transcendentalism of the Talking Heads, the melancholy of Björk, and the playfulness of artist Laurel Nakadate. She celebrates the clownish grandiosity and the poetry of Norman Mailer's long career and maps the sociosexual cataclysm embodied by porn star Linda Lovelace. Witty, wide-ranging, tender, and beautiful, Somebody with a Little Hammer

displays the same heat-seeking, revelatory understanding for which Gaitskill's writing has always been known. Neon in Daylight Pantheon
This "thought-provoking and . . . unabashedly entertaining . . . novel defies conventional expectations and exists, brilliantly and defiantly, on its own terms" (Sarah Lotz, New York Times Book Review). Lake Geneva, 1816. Nineteen-year-old Mary

Shelley is inspired to write a story about a scientist who creates a new life-form. In Brexit Britain, a young transgender doctor called Ry is falling in love with Victor Stein, a celebrated professor leading the public debate around AI and carrying out some experiments of his own in a vast underground network of tunnels. Meanwhile, Ron Lord, just divorced and living with his mom again, is

set to make his fortune launching a new generation of sex dolls. Across the Atlantic, in Phoenix, Arizona, a cryogenics facility houses dozens of bodies of men and women who are medically and legally dead . . . but waiting to return to life. Since her astonishing debut *Oranges Are Not the Only Fruit*, Jeanette Winterson has achieved worldwide acclaim as “one of the most daring

and inventive writers of our time” (Elle). In *Frankissstein*, she shares an audacious love story that weaves together disparate lives into an exploration of transhumanism, artificial intelligence, and queer love. Longlisted for the Booker Prize
The Mare
 Bloomsbury Publishing USA
 An award-winning journalist chronicles her first open relationship with “breathtaking

honesty" (Los Angeles Times) in this "sexy, messy, necessary look at polyamory" (The Advocate).
FINALIST FOR THE LAMBDA LITERARY AWARD • ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR:
 PopSugar, Them When Rachel Krantz met and fell for Adam, he told her that he was looking for a committed partnership—just one that did not include monogamy. Intrigued and more than a little nervous,

Krantz decided to see whether their love could coexist with the freedom to date other people. Could they strike an exquisite balance between intimacy and independence, and find a way to feel passion for each other once the honeymoon phase ended? Krantz documents her dive into polyamory, from Brooklyn sex parties to swinging and beyond, in her extraordinary debut memoir. As she attempts to

write a new plot for her love story with Adam, she runs up against miscommunications, gaslighting, and ancient power dynamics, and seeks solid ground in a relationship where the rules are ever-shifting. An award-winning journalist, she interviewed scientists, psychologists, and people living and loving outside the mainstream as she searched to understand what

polyamory would do to her heart, her mind, and her life. With an unflinching eye and page-turning storytelling, *Open* is groundbreaking in both its documentary approach to polyamory and its explicit subject matter. From debilitating anxiety spirals to heart-opening connections with the men and women she dates, Rachel puts her whole self on the line as she attempts to redefine what a

relationship is—or could be. **Killing and Dying** Grove/Atlantic, Inc. What should *Lolita* look like? The question has dogged book-cover designers since 1955, when *Lolita* was first published in a plain green wrapper. The heroine of Vladimir Nabokov's classic novel has often been shown as a teenage seductress in heart-shaped glasses—a deceptive image that

misreads the book but has seeped deep into our cultural life, from fashion to film. *Lolita - The Story of a Cover Girl: Vladimir Nabokov's Novel in Art and Design* reconsiders the cover of *Lolita*. Eighty renowned graphic designers and illustrators (including Paula Scher, Jessica Hische, Jessica Helfand, and Peter Mendelsund) offer their own takes on the book's jacket, while graphic-design critics

<p>and Nabokov scholars survey more than half a century of Lolita covers. You'll also find thoughtful essays from such design luminaries as Mary Gaitskill, Debbie Millman, Michael Bierut, Peter Mendelsund,</p>	<p>Jessica Helfand, Alice Twemlow, Johanna Drucker, Leland de la Durantaye, Ellen Pifer, and Stephen Blackwell. Through the lenses of design and literature, Lolita - The Story of a</p>	<p>Cover Girl tells the strange design history of one of the most important novels of the 20th century-- and offers a new way for thinking visually about difficult books. You'll never look at Lolita the same way again.</p>
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Best Sellers - Books :

- [Meditations: A New Translation](#)
- [Outlive: The Science And Art Of Longevity By Peter Attia Md](#)
- [We'll Always Have Summer \(the Summer I Turned Pretty\)](#)
- [Mad Honey: A Novel](#)
- [The Collector: A Novel](#)
- [The Last Thing He Told Me: A Novel](#)
- [Can't Hurt Me: Master Your Mind And Defy The Odds By David Goggins](#)
- [A Court Of Silver Flames \(a Court Of Thorns And Roses, 5\) By Sarah J. Maas](#)
- [Baking Yesteryear: The Best Recipes From The](#)

1900s To The 1980s By B. Dylan Hollis

• Hello Beautiful (oprah's Book Club): A Novel By Ann Napolitano