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New York
Times Winner
of the E. M.
Forster Award
In a fantastic
world that is
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century
England, a
baby is found

floating in the Thames. The child, Jordan, is rescued by Dog Woman and grows up to travel the globe like Gulliver—though he finds that the most curious oddities come from his own mind. The spiraling tale leads the reader from discussions on the nature of time to Jordan’s fascination with journeys concealed within other journeys, all with a dizzying speed that jumps from epiphany to shimmering epiphany. From the New York Times–bestselling author of *Oranges Are Not the Only Fruit* and *Why Be Happy When You Could Be Normal?*, Sexing the Cherry is “a mixture of *The Arabian Nights* touched by the philosophical form of Milan Kundera and told with the grace of Italo Calvino” (*San Francisco Chronicle*). “Those who care for fiction that is both idiosyncratic and beautiful will want to read anything [Winterson] writes.” —The Washington Post Book World
Modern Persian Prose Literature
Open Road + Grove/Atlantic
Over the past decade Iranian films have received enormous international attention, garnering both critical praise and popular success. Combining his extensive ethnographic experience in Iran and his broad command of critical theory,
Michael M. J.

Fischer argues that the widespread appeal of Iranian cinema is based in a poetics that speaks not only to Iran's domestic cultural politics but also to the more general ethical dilemmas of a world simultaneously torn apart and pushed together. Approaching film as a tool for anthropological analysis, he illuminates how Iranian filmmakers have incorporated

and remade the rich traditions of oral, literary, and visual media in Persian culture. Fischer reveals how the distinctive expressive idiom emerging in contemporary Iranian film reworks Persian imagery that has itself been in dialogue with other cultures since the time of Zoroaster and ancient Greece. He examines a range of narrative influences on this

expressive idiom and imagery, including Zoroastrian ritual as it is practiced in Iran, North America, and India; the mythic stories, moral lessons, and historical figures written about in Iran's national epic, the Shahnameh; the dreamlike allegorical world of Persian surrealism exemplified in Sadeq Hedayat's 1939 novella *The Blind Owl*; and the politically charged films of the 1960s

and 1970s. Fischer contends that by combining Persian traditions with cosmopolitan influences, contemporary Iranian filmmakers—many of whom studied in Europe and America—provide audiences around the world with new modes of accessing ethical and political experiences.

Hedayat's Blind Owl as a Western Novel Simon and Schuster A stunning memoir of growing up in America as

the child of would-be socialist revolutionaries during the twilight of Communism.

Sexing the Cherry A&C Black FROM HAN KANG, WINNER OF THE 2024 NOBEL PRIZE IN LITERATURE “[Han Kang writes in] intense poetic prose that . . . exposes the fragility of human life.”—from the Nobel Prize citation WINNER OF THE INTERNATIONAL BOOKER PRIZE • “Kang

viscerally explores the limits of what a human brain and body can endure, and the strange beauty that can be found in even the most extreme forms of renunciation.” —Entertainment Weekly One of the New York Times’s 100 Best Books of the 21st Century “Ferocious.”—The New York Times Book Review (Ten Best Books of the Year) “Both terrifying and terrific.”—Laurien Groff “Provocative [and]

shocking.”—T he Washington Post Before the nightmares began, Yeong-hye and her husband lived an ordinary, controlled life. But the dreams—invasive images of blood and brutality—torture her, driving Yeong-hye to purge her mind and renounce eating meat altogether. It’s a small act of independence, but it interrupts her marriage and sets into motion an increasingly grotesque

chain of events at home. As her husband, her brother-in-law and sister each fight to reassert their control, Yeong-hye obsessively defends the choice that’s become sacred to her. Soon their attempts turn desperate, subjecting first her mind, and then her body, to ever more intrusive and perverse violations, sending Yeong-hye spiraling into a dangerous, bizarre estrangement, not only from

those closest to her, but also from herself. Celebrated by critics around the world, *The Vegetarian* is a darkly allegorical, Kafka-esque tale of power, obsession, and one woman’s struggle to break free from the violence both without and within her. A Best Book of the Year: BuzzFeed, Entertainment Weekly, Wall Street Journal, Time, Elle, The Economist, HuffPost, Slate, Bustle, The St. Louis

Dispatch, Electric Literature, Publishers Weekly *Untold Night and Day* Hogarth Winner of the 2017 Shirley Jackson Award Named One of the Top 10 Thrillers to Read This Summer by Time Magazine. In this tense, gripping novel by a rising star of Korean literature, Oghi has woken from a coma after causing a devastating car accident that took his wife's life and left him

paralyzed and badly disfigured. His caretaker is his mother-in-law, a widow grieving the loss of her only child. Oghi is neglected and left alone in his bed. His world shrinks to the room he lies in and his memories of his troubled relationship with his wife, a sensitive, intelligent woman who found all of her life goals thwarted except for one: cultivating the garden in front of their house. But

soon Oghi notices his mother-in-law in the abandoned garden, uprooting what his wife had worked so hard to plant and obsessively digging larger and larger holes. When asked, she answers only that she is finishing what her daughter started. A bestseller in Korea, award-winning author Hye-young Pyun's *The Hole* is a superbly crafted and deeply unnerving novel about

the horrors of isolation and neglect in all of its banal and brutal forms. As Oghi desperately searches for a way to escape, he discovers the difficult truth about his wife and the toll their life together took on her.

The Return of the Caravels
Grove/Atlantic, Inc.

The Myth of Creation [Afsaneh-ye Afarinesh] is one of the earliest works by Iran's best-known twentieth-century writer, Sadeq

Hedayat, whose popularity outside Iran is due mostly to his short novel, *The Blind Owl*. Little has been written in critical literature about this work, perhaps because critics find the subject matter too sensitive for its generally Jewish, Christian and Moslem audiences. Given the general plot line of this story, Hedayat demonstrates an open skepticism towards the

three major Middle Eastern religions, particularly Islam, by casting the characters of his story in the form of puppets. This suggests that even the "creator," as perceived by these three religions, is a mere puppet controlled by unseen hands.

World Literature and Hedayat's Poetics of Modernity
Simon and Schuster
The acclaimed Korean author weaves a "disturbing, beautifully controlled"

<p>metaphysical detective story “of doubles, shadows, and parallel worlds” (Financial Times). It’s Ayami’s final day working the box-office at Seoul’s only audio theater for the blind. Her last shift completed, she walks the streets with her former boss, searching for a missing friend. Their conversations take in art, love, food, and the inaccessible country to the north. The next day,</p>	<p>Ayami acts as a guide for a detective novelist visiting from abroad. But as they contend with the summer heat, the edges of reality start to fray. Ayami enters a world of increasingly tangled threads, and the past intrudes upon the present as overlapping realities repeat, collide, change, and reassert themselves. Blisteringly original, <i>Untold Night and Day</i> upends the very structure</p>	<p>of narrative storytelling. By one of the boldest and most innovative voices in contemporary Korean literature, and masterfully realized in English by Man Booker International Prize-winning translator Deborah Smith, Bae Suah’s hypnotic novel asks whether more than one version of ourselves can exist at once. <i>Amped</i> Duke University Press Tells the story of an unnamed pen</p>
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case painter, the narrator, who sees in his macabre, feverish nightmares that "the presence of death annihilates all that is imaginary. We are the offspring of death and death delivers us from the tantalizing, fraudulent attractions of life; it is death that beckons us from the depths of life. If at times we come to a halt, we do so to hear the call of death... Throughout our lives, the finger of death

points at us." The narrator addresses his murderous confessions to the shadow on his wall resembling an owl. His confessions do not follow a linear progression of events and often repeat and layer themselves thematically, thus lending to the open-ended nature of interpretation of the story. **Everything Like Before** Penguin UK Translated by Elisa Taber. In DREAM PATTERNING SOLES a voice

mournfully asserts "I appear" and the world begins. Miguelángel Meza's words are signifiers without hierarchy within the lyric structure that reference the cosmological Mbyá Guaraní narratives. Thus, the origin of earth is traced to the utterance of the first ñe'ë, or word-soul. Meza's authorial style and references to a millenary Amerindian culture jointly point to another way of conceiving

the world. The counterintuitive way that he renders the individual out of the communal is reminiscent of the Paraguayan embroidery technique, ñandutí, which means spider's web. Threads extracted from, rather than woven into, a fabric trace a geometric pattern. He imitates this practice by claiming authorship through his lyric synthesis of a communal narrative. The

poet seems to say through those that came before him: identity lies in erasure, not mark-making. Poetry. *The Blind Owl* Birlinn Widely regarded as Sadegh Hedayat's masterpiece, the *Blind Owl* is the most important work of literature to come out of Iran in the past century. On the surface this work seems to be a tale of doomed love, but with the turning of each page

basic facts become obscure and the reader soon realizes this book is much more than a love story. Although the *Blind Owl* has been compared to the works of the Kafka, Rilke and Poe, this work defies categorization. Lescot's French translation made the *Blind Owl* world-famous, while D.P. Costello's English translation made it largely accessible.

Sadly, this work has yet to find its way into the English pantheon of Classics. This 75th anniversary edition, translated by award-winning writer Naveed Noori and published in conjunction with the Hedayat Foundation, aims to change this and is notable for a number of firsts: *The only translation endorsed by the Sadegh Hedayat Foundation *The first translation to

use the definitive Bombay edition (Hedayat's handwritten text) *The only available English translation by a native Persian and English speaker *The preface includes a detailed textual analysis of the Blind Owl Finally, by largely preserving the spirit as well as the structure of Hedayat's writing, this edition brings the English reader into the world of

the Hedayat's Blind Owl as never before. Extensive footnotes (explaining Persian words, phrases, and customs ignored in previous translations) provide deeper understanding of this work for both the casual reader and the serious student of literature. "...There are indeed marked differences between Costello's and Noori's translations. As Noori indicates, his

attempt to preserve the overabundance of dashes gives the reader a more immediate sense of the narrator's agitation...The first sentence flows on in Noori's translation, piling sensation upon sensation never allowing us to pause and catch our breath or separate out the images from the sensations. In his discussion of the relationship between his translation and Costello's,

Noori also draws on translation theory and sees Costello's focus on the fluidity of the text in English as a "domestication" of Hedayat's original. Noori's new English translation and his preface are a welcome addition and will no doubt draw the attention of scholars interested in Hedayat's works. The close textual and comparative analysis of the type Noori

offers marks a new and long-overdue critical approach to the translation of the most celebrated work of modern Persian prose." - Professor Nasrin Rahimieh in Middle Eastern Literatures **Hedāyat's 'The Blind Owl' Forty Years After** Grove/Atlantic, Inc. Following a disjointed, vision-like structure, The Blind Owl is the nightmarish exploration of the psyche of

a madman. The narrator is an ailing, solitary misanthrope who suffers from hallucinations, and his dreamlike tale is layered, circular, driven by its own demented logic, and punctuated with macabre and surreal episodes such as the discovery of a mutilated corpse, and a bizarre competition in which two men are locked in a dungeon-like room with a cobra. Initially

banned in the author's native Iran, the novel first appeared in Tehran in 1941 and became a bestseller. Full of powerful symbolism and terrifying imagery, this dark novella is Hedayat's masterpiece.

Sadeq

Hedayat

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In "Novel Folklore,"

Jason Reza

Jorjani offers a revolutionary interpretation of "The Blind Owl,"

revealing

Hedayat's

complex

appropriation of libertine Gnostic and antinomian Tantric ideas. On Jorjani's reading, "The Blind Owl" is ultimately about the "Imaginal" metamorphosis of humans into higher beings...

Disagreeable Tales

University of Texas Press

The most beloved

Iranian novel of the

twentieth

century "God forbid, I've

fallen in love

with Layli!" So begins the

farce of our

narrator's life,

one spent in a

large extended Iranian family lorded over by the blustering, paranoid patriarch, Dear Uncle Napoleon. When Uncle Napoleon's least-favorite nephew falls for his daughter, Layli, family fortunes are reversed, feuds fired up and resolved, and assignations attempted and thwarted. First published in Iran in the 1970s and adapted into a hugely successful television series, this

beloved novel is now "Suggested Reading" in Azar Nafisi's Reading Lolita in Tehran. My Uncle Napoleon is a timeless and universal satire of first love and family intrigue.

The Hospital
Penguin
This 1966 book provides a series of concise, accessible essays reflecting on the development of Persian fiction during the modern period. The structure of the text is

broadly chronological, with chapters allocated to key authors, literary movements, and social changes. This is a valuable volume for anyone interested in Persian literature. *The Myth of Creation*
Routledge
A Companion to World Literature is a far-reaching and sustained study of key authors, texts, and topics from around the world and throughout history. Six comprehensive volumes

present essays from over 300 prominent international scholars focusing on many aspects of this vast and burgeoning field of literature, from its ancient origins to the most modern narratives. Almost by definition, the texts of world literature are unfamiliar; they stretch our hermeneutic circles, thrust us before unfamiliar genres, modes, forms, and themes.

They require a greater degree of attention and focus, and in turn engage our imagination in new ways. This Companion explores texts within their particular cultural context, as well as their ability to speak to readers in other contexts, demonstrating the ways in which world literature can challenge parochial world views by identifying cultural commonalities

. Each unique volume includes introductory chapters on a variety of theoretical viewpoints that inform the field, followed by essays considering the ways in which authors and their books contribute to and engage with the many visions and variations of world literature as a genre. Explores how texts, tropes, narratives, and genres reflect nations, languages,

<p>cultures, and periods Links world literary theory and texts in a clear, synoptic style Identifies how individual texts are influenced and affected by issues such as intertextuality, translation, and sociohistorical conditions Presents a variety of methodologies to demonstrate how modern scholars approach the study of world literature A significant addition to the field, A Companion to World</p>	<p>Literature provides advanced students, teachers, and researchers with cutting-edge scholarship in world literature and literary theory. <u>Sons and Other Flammable Objects</u> New Directions Publishing This edited collection brings together the foremost authorities on Sadeq Hedayat's work. <u>The Journal of My Other Self</u> Cambridge University</p>	<p>Press From the highly acclaimed cult author of <u>Pastoralia</u>, comes a novella and short-story collection. <u>Mute Dreams, Blind Owls, and Dispersed Knowledges</u> Graywolf Press The Iranian-American author's award-winning debut examines an immigrant's coming of age with "punchy conversation, vivid detail [and] sharp humor" (The New York Times Book Review). Growing up in</p>
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the United States, Xerxes Adam's understanding of his Iranian heritage vacillates from typical teenage embarrassment to something so tragic it can barely be spoken. His father, Darius, is obsessed with his own exile, and fantasizes about a nonexistent daughter he can relate to better than his living son. His mother changes her name and tries to make friends. But neither of

them helps Xerxes make sense of the terrifying, violent last moments in a homeland he barely remembers. As Xerxes grows up and moves to New York City, his major goal in life is to completely separate from his parents. But after the attacks of September 11th change New York forever, and Xerxes meets a beautiful half-Iranian girl on the roof of his building, he begins to realize that his heritage will

never let him go. Winner of the California Book Award Silver Medal in First Fiction, *Sons and Other Flammable Objects* is a sweeping, lyrical tale of suffering, redemption, and the role of memory in making peace with our worlds. A New York Times Book Review Editor's Choice **Novel**
Folklore
Bloomsbury Publishing
Through twenty-two linked stories, Tristan Foster and Kyle

<p>Coma- Thompson explore the creative potential of people's native estrangement from themselves and each other... Their conclusion/sus- picion: imagination is stronger, and subtler, than God, and offers more than mere consolation for the difficulties of living. <u>The Blind Owl</u> Wisehouse The Book of Lost Books is a book of stories involving kings, heretics,</p>	<p>untimely interruptions and back room deals, falling tortoises and fairy princesses, train crashes and war atrocities, bravery, cowardice, rent boys, chamber maids, love, quests, puzzles and a crocodile. From Homer to Jane Austen, Shakespeare to Ernest Hemingway, this is an account of books destroyed, misplaced, never</p>	<p>finished, or never even begun. With academic shaggy dog stories, swashbuckling historical fables, wry ironies and imaginative fantasia, The Book of Lost Books is the perfect read for all bibliophiles. Hilarious, insightful, endlessly fascinating, sometimes shocking - The Book of Lost Books is a wonderfully quirky but utterly romantic saga of our love affair with books.</p>
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