The Indie NEXT List

**THIS MONTH’S #1**

**The Opposite of Everyone: A Novel**
By Joshylyn Jackson
(William Morrow, 9780062105684, $26.99)

“Paula Vaux, née Kali Jai, is complicated, with every right to be so. When she was a young girl, her mother landed in prison and Paula spent time in foster care. Kai, Paula’s Southern, bohemian, Hindu story-telling, boyfriend-hopping mother, loves her, but circumstances surrounding the separation permanently alter their unique love and each spends time trying to make life work again. This is a poignant story of hurt and forgiveness, of secrets and courage, and ultimately of allowing love and family to make one whole again. Jackson’s *The Opposite of Everyone* will remain in readers’ hearts long after the last line is read.”
—Annell Gerson, Bookmiser, Roswell, GA

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**Indies Introduce**

*Indie Next List titles are available as Kobo e-Books at participating bookstores*

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**Seven Brief Lessons on Physics**
By Carlo Rovelli
(Riverhead, 9780399184413, $18)
Recommended by Robin J. Dunn, St. John’s College Bookstore, Annapolis, MD

**A Doubter’s Almanac: A Novel**
By Ethan Canin
(Random House, 9780062257642, $25.99)
Recommended by Sarah Bagby, Watermark Books & Café, Wichita, KS

**Under the Influence: A Novel**
By Joyce Maynard
(William Morrow, 9780062257642, $25.99)
Recommended by Lauren Peugh, Changing Hands Bookstore, Tempe, AZ

**A Man Lies Dreaming: A Novel**
By Lavie Tidhar
(Mehville House, 9781629509489, $25.95)
Recommended by Annirymad Budner, Main Point Books, Bryn Mawr, PA

**Spill Simmer Falter Wither: A Novel**
By Sara Baume
(Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 9780544716193, $23)
Recommended by Mary Wolf, Collected Works Bookstore & Coffeehouse, Santa Fe, NM

**I3 Ways of Looking at a Fat Girl: Fiction**
By Mona Awad
(Penguin Books, 978043928489, trade paper, $16)
Recommended by Susan Hans O’Connor, Penguin Bookshop, Sewickley, PA

**Hide: A Novel**
By Matthew Griffin
(Bloomsbury, 9781632863386, $26)
Recommended by Michael Barnard, Rakestraw Books, Danville, CA

**The Travelers: A Novel**
By Chris Pavone
(Crown, 9780399554625, $27)
Recommended by Billie Bloebaum, A Children’s Place, Portland, OR

**Green Island: A Novel**
By Shawna Yang Ryan
(Knopf, 9780312645270, $26.95)
Recommended by Annie Philbrick, Bank Square Books, Mystic, CT

**The Madwoman Upstairs: A Novel**
By Catherine Lowell
(Touchstone, 9781501124211, $25.99)
Recommended by Terry Gilman, Mysterious Galaxy, San Diego, CA

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**The Passenger: A Novel**
By Lisa Lutz
(Simon & Schuster, 9781451686630, $25.99)
Recommended by Nancy McFarlane, Fiction Addiction, Greenville, SC

**What Is Not Yours Is Not Yours: Stories**
By Helen Oyeyemi
(Riverhead, 9781594634635, $27)
Recommended by Luisa Smith, Book Passage, Corte Madera, CA

**The Widow: A Novel**
By Fiona Barton
(NAL, 9780399554625, $26)
Recommended by Annie B. Jones, The Bookshelf, Thomasville, GA

**Eruption: The Untold Story of Mount St. Helens**
By Steve Olson
(W.W. Norton, 9780393242799, $27.95)
Recommended by Tom Campbell, The Regulator Bookshop, Durham, NC

**All the Winters After: A Novel**
By Seré Prince Halverson
(Sourcebooks Landmark, 9781492615354, $24.99)
Recommended by Patricia Worth, River Reader Books, Lexington, MO

**Margaret the First: A Novel**
By Danielle Dutton
(Catapult, 9781936787157, trade paper, $15.95)
Recommended by Liz Wright, Brazos Bookstore, Houston, TX

**Two If By Sea: A Novel**
By Jacquelyn Mitchard
(Simon & Schuster, 9781451686630, $25.99)
Recommended by Stephanie Crowe, Page & Palette, Fairhope, AL

**Blackass: A Novel**
By A. Igoni Barrett
(Graywolf Press, 9781555977337, trade paper, $16)
Recommended by Kenny Coble, King’s Books, Tacoma, WA
The Salter Eaters
By Toni Cade Bambara
(Vintage, 9780679740766, $15.95)
Originally published in hardcover in 1980
"Are you sure, sweetheart, that you want to be well?" So opens Bambara's vibrant, Afrocentric novel about a group of black activists in the 1970s as they strive to hold onto a pure vision for liberation even as their group begins to splinter into fractious debates about ideology and method. Bambara was an early radical feminist and black activist whose work was brought to the attention of Nobel Prize recipient Toni Morrison when she was an editor at Random House. Anyone with more than a passing interest in the Black Lives Matter movement—participant, supporter, or just curious—should read this masterpiece.
—Kris Kleindienst, Left Bank Books. St. Louis, MO

Refuge: An Unnatural History of Family & Place
By Terry Tempest Williams
(Washington Square Press, 9781477004954, $16)
Recommended in hardcover by Linda Bond, Auntie's Bookstore, Spokane, WA

Kindred
By Octavia E. Butler
(Beacon Press, 9780807066677, $16)
Originally published in hardcover in 1979
"With lively characters and rich narrative, this genre-bending book is a wonderful blend of speculative and historical fiction that takes on the broad issues of power, freedom, gender, and race. A woman suddenly goes back in time to the days of slavery, where she is thrust into plantation life. Viewing her experience through the lens of our contemporary world, she struggles to understand and adapt to her antebellum existence. This book, written nearly 40 years ago, still resonates today."
—Rebecca Fitting, Greenlight Bookstore, Brooklyn, NY

H Is for Hawk
By Helen Macdonald
(Grove Press, 9780802124739, $16)
Recommended in hardcover by Karen Frank, Northshire Bookstore, Manchester Center, VT