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Great Read

### **Yours Truly: A Novel**

By Abby Jimenez

"*Yours Truly* embodies humor and humanity. Readers will laugh hysterically while simultaneously sobbing from Jimenez's page-turning plot. From pen pals to partners, the protagonists' undeniable chemistry brings this story to life."

—Amber Reinhart, Adventures By The Book, San Diego, CA

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### **Hang the Moon: A Novel**

By Jeannette Walls

"A rollicking adventure set in the Virginia mountains during Prohibition, starring the unforgettable Sallie Kincaid. To say she is bold and fearless would be unjust to her wit and vulnerability. This is a fun and thrilling read."

—Sarah Goddin, McIntyre's Fine Books, Pittsboro, NC

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### **Romantic Comedy: A Novel**

By Curtis Sittenfeld

"It's a joy to read Curtis Sittenfeld's fun new novel. Clearly written as a healing project during the pandemic, it emphasizes the magical nature of crushes and human connection, and how we come together with other people against all odds."

—Pete Dyer, McNally Jackson Books, New York, NY

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### **The Only Survivors: A Novel**

By Megan Miranda

"Megan Miranda's newest novel is a propulsive, hold your breath and grip your book, wild ride that builds. No one does suspense better than Miranda, and her newest novel showcases that talent perfectly!"

—Meagan Dallner, Books Are Awesome, Parker, CO

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**You Could Make This Place Beautiful: A Memoir**

By Maggie Smith

"Maggie Smith's first memoir digs deeper into her life after divorce. The writer zooms in close and then offers wider shots, back and forth, to slowly reveal her heart, and in the process, she discovers her power to create something new."

—Linda Kass, Gramercy Books, Bexley, OH

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**Lone Women: A Novel**

By Victor LaValle

"This book was absolutely amazing. Adelaide is a superbly drawn protagonist. You feel for her and the growth of her character was beautiful to read. The novel reads like a wonderful character study, with a shade of horror mixed in."

—Trina Ortiz, Arts & Letters Bookstore, Granbury, TX

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**House of Cotton: A Novel**

By Monica Brashears

"I am so, so in love with this book. Monica Brashears is such a skilled writer, and this is a great, macabre, spicy Black Southern gothic novel. It is real and unreal, strange and familiar — that perfect liminal space book."

—Anton Bogomazov, Politics and Prose Bookstore, Washington, DC

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**Some Desperate Glory: A Novel**

By Emily Tesh

"*Some Desperate Glory* was palms-sweatingly incredible! I desperately sprinted through its pages to get to the end, then cracked it open again to read more slowly. THIS is the sci-fi book I've been waiting for. Readers won't be disappointed!"

—Annie Carl, The Neverending Bookshop, Edmonds, WA

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**Beyond That, the Sea: A Novel**

By Laura Spence-Ash

"When a family takes in a young British girl during World War II, she changes their lives and they change hers. Summers on a Maine island add to the wonder of the story. Told over decades and on both sides of the ocean, this story captured me."

—Sue Boucher, The Cottage Book Shop, Glen Arbor, MI

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**American Mermaid: A Novel**

By Julia Langbein

"*American Mermaid* is a total charmer of a novel. A crackling satire of the contemporary book market, and a winning portrait of an artist as a young woman, *American Mermaid* rides a fine line between hilarity and heartbreak."

—John Francisconi, P&T Knitwear Bookstore, New York, NY

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**Dust Child: A Novel**

By Nguyễn Phan Quế Mai

"This is one of the most important books I have read this year. Thoroughly researched, beautifully written, *Dust Child* brings to life and humanizes important dimensions of the Vietnam War otherwise untold."

—Harvey Dong, Eastwind Books of Berkeley, Berkeley, CA

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**A House With Good Bones: A Novel**

By T. Kingfisher

"Kingfisher does horror in her own wonderful way. *A House With Good Bones* is a witty, clever, and fresh take on the haunted house sub-genre of horror. I especially loved Hermes, what a good boy!"

—Hannah Cloutier, The Bookery Manchester, Manchester, NH

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**Wandering Souls: A Novel**

By Cecile Pin

"A slim novel, but there is so much here that I just love – beautiful language, devastating subject, and exquisite structure – there is something urgent about the way Pin tells this story. She's created something special!"

–Julie Slavinsky, Warwick's, La Jolla, CA

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**The Angel Maker: A Novel**

By Alex North

"What a suspenseful read! I was obsessed with *The Whisper Man* and this new book held up. I can't wait to show this to our customers who love suspense and horror."

–Jessica Jones, Browseabout Books, Rehoboth Beach, DE

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**The Great Reclamation: A Novel**

By Rachel Heng

"An epic historical fiction in an area most Americans know little about. Ah Boon and Siok Mei's paths diverge between fighting oppression and moving Singapore into the 'modern' world. So many relevant issues in this thought-provoking read."

–Audrey Huang, Belmont Books, Belmont, MA

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**A Living Remedy: A Memoir**

By Nicole Chung

"A heartbreaking, yet deeply loving memoir about the complexities of healthcare inequality. Chung draws on her experiences in her white adoptive family to understand how inequalities perpetuate distance and divisiveness."

–Erin Pastore, Water Street Bookstore, Exeter, NH

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**The Soulmate: A Novel**

By Sally Hepworth

“Sally Hepworth doesn’t disappoint with this latest domestic thriller. She hooked me from the first few pages and shows how any of us can question what we *think* we see and believe about our spouses.”

–Jennifer O’Neal-Rojas, Walls of Books, Oviedo, FL

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**Community Board: A Novel**

By Tara Conklin

“This is a totally unique story about finding your community – whether that’s a couple people you meet or a whole town. It is laugh out loud funny and completely relatable. Highly recommended for those looking for a delightful and funny read.”

–Kristen Beverly, Half Price Books, Dallas, TX

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**White Cat, Black Dog: Stories**

By Kelly Link

“Kelly Link doesn’t write a bad sentence. Each story is eerie, compelling, and beautiful. Link takes a crumb of each folk tale and twists it until it is nearly unrecognizable, creating entirely new fables that discomfort and provoke.”

–Fisher Nash, Carmichael’s Bookstore, Louisville, KY

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**The House Is on Fire: A Novel**

By Rachel Beanland

“*The House is on Fire* captures the early 1800s in the United States through the lens of a theater fire in Richmond. Beanland reconstructs the story of the fire while discussing slavery and abuse, womanhood, misogyny, and child labor.”

–Kyle Churman, Werner Books, Erie, PA

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**Homecoming: A Novel**

By Kate Morton

"*Homecoming* provides the perfect atmosphere and suspense to immerse readers in a tale of family both lost and found. The book will take you on a trip down under to a rich, satisfying and surprising conclusion."

—Betsy Von Kerens, The Bookworm of Omaha, Omaha, NE

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**Flux: A Novel**

By Jinwoo Chong

"If I had to choose one word to describe *Flux*, it would be sharp. The way that Chong wrote this brilliant book still amazes me. With plot twists so subtle you're not even fully aware you just encountered one. This kept me on the edge of my seat."

—Libby Monaghan, Twice Told Tales, McPherson, KS

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**Saltwater Demands a Psalm: Poems**

By Kweku Abimbola

"Kweku Abimbola's collection is a dazzling appreciation of Black life. It reaches both backwards, to Ghana and a pre-American cultural past, and forwards to a life beyond violence, where Blackness and joy coexist in a single, uninterrupted river."

—Camden Avery, The Booksmith, San Francisco, CA

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**Blue Hour: A Novel**

By Tiffany Clarke Harrison

"*Blue Hour* is a raw and unflinching look at Black motherhood in America. Tiffany Clarke Harrison's almost stream of consciousness writing style is reminiscent of Natasha Brown and Jenny Offill, making it quick but packing a punch."

—Lizzy Rolando, Salmonberry Books, Port Orchard, WA

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**Ozark Dogs: A Novel**

By Eli Cranor

“Wow, this southern noir thriller is gripping! Blood is thicker than water in these Ozark towns, but family relationships are complicated and there are no easy answers, leading to hard – and surprising – choices. Absolutely unforgettable.”

–Lia Lent, WordsWorth Books, Little Rock, AR

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**The Cartographers: A Novel**

By Peng Shepherd

“A can’t-put-it-down immersive magical mystery that kept me up late to read. Anyone with an affinity for antique maps, the NY Public Library, and twisty-turny reveals will dig this. Highly entertaining with a superb cast of characters.”

–Cheri Anderson, The Bookloft, Great Barrington, MA

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**Disorientation: A Novel**

By Elaine Hsieh Chou

“Part academic satire, part mystery that keeps you reading. Told with sharp and tender wit, *Disorientation* is one of the most original debuts I’ve ever read.”

–Shannon Alden, Literati Bookstore, Ann Arbor, MI

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**The It Girl: A Novel**

By Ruth Ware

“This is the perfect summer read, it grabs you from the first few pages and engrosses you in its murder mystery. Problems and worries slip away as you delve deeper and deeper into the story. Isn’t that what we all need from time to time?”

–BJ Hegedus, Postalworks Silver Lake, Los Angeles, CA



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**The Secret World of Weather: How to Read Signs in Every Cloud, Breeze, Hill, Street, Plant, Animal, and Dewdrop**  
By Tristan Gooley

"I first learned of microclimates when I had to drive to work and the weather changed multiple times in 60 minutes. Gooley writes about weather in an engaging and eloquent style. Readers will be entertained in a way that makes learning painless!"

—Camille Kovach, Completely Booked, Murrysville, PA

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**The Summer Place: A Novel**  
By Jennifer Weiner

"*The Summer Place* was my happy place. I saw a bit of myself in each character, and all of the drama a family can experience in a lifetime. I was laughing out loud, anxious about the characters and plot lines, and just could not put this one down!"

—Tim Ehrenberg, Nantucket Bookworks, Nantucket, MA

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**Woman, Eating: A Literary Vampire Novel**  
By Claire Kohda

"A subtle, understated vampire book. Lydia is mixed-race, mixed-species, and trying to make it on her own. Her hunger and desire to be human lead to complicated relationships with food and her friends. This one's oh-so-satisfying."

—Maggie Henriksen, Carmichael's Bookstore, Louisville, KY

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