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## **MARTINEZ KNOX**

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*Women Around the  
Messenger* St. Martin's  
Press  
Black Skin, Black  
Masks: Hybridity,  
Dialogism,  
Performativity offers a  
timely exploration of  
Black identity and its  
negotiation. The book  
draws on empirical  
work recording  
everyday

conversations between  
Black women: friends,  
peers and family  
members. These  
conversations are  
discussed in the light  
of the work of Homi  
Bhabha, Stuart Hall,  
Gerd Baumann, Claire  
Alexander and others  
on questions of  
hybridity, identity,  
otherness and the  
development of 'new  
ethnicities'. Tate aims  
to address what she  
sees as significant  
omissions in

contemporary Black Cultural Studies. She argues that theorists have rarely looked at the process of identity construction in terms of lived-experience; and that they have tended to concentrate on the demise of the essential Black subject, paying little attention to gender. The book points to a continuation of a 'politics of the skin' in Black identities. As such it argues against Bhabha's claim that essence is not central to hybrid identities. The conversations recorded in the book reveal the ways in which women negotiate the category of Blackness, in what Tate calls a 'hybridity-of- the-everyday'. The book introduces a new interpretative vocabulary to look at

the ways in which hybridity is orchestrated and fashioned, showing it to be performative, dialogical and dependent on essentialism. *The Romantics* Penguin "Romeo + Juliet gets an update in this story of forbidden love. Shakespeare's never been so hip." -- Jenny B. Jones, author of *The Charmed Life Series* As the popular darling of the junior class and heiress to the five-star Monrovi Inn empire, Kate has both everything and nothing. She's bored with school and life...until she locks eyes with Caleb at a school dance. Caleb is new to Kate's exclusive prep school, and it's clear he doesn't fit in. In fact, he and his dad work in maintenance

for Kate's father. And while Caleb knows better than to spend time with the boss's daughter, it seems that every time he tries to back away, something pulls him right back in. When their parents demand that they are to stay away from each other, they learn of a fight between their families that occurred more than fifty years ago. It's a mystery Kate doesn't understand...but a legacy Caleb has endured his entire life. With the world stacked against them, Caleb and Kate will have to walk by faith to find the path that God has planned for them.

#### A Little Life

Grove/Atlantic, Inc.

This novel follows the 8 protagonists of series 3 and the forthcoming series 4 over the

course of the college summer break. Brand new storylines, that don't feature in the series, or the upcoming film. Effy, Freddie, JJ, Cook, Naomi, Pandora, Thomas and Katie are all dealing with the aftermath of the events at the end of series 3. Effy has fled to Italy with her mum, where she tries to put her feelings for Freddie, and the guilt she feels for stealing him from Katie out of her mind. The perfect distraction comes in the form of sophisticated older man, Aldo... Naomi and Emily are struggling with spending time apart when Em goes to France with her parents and battles with her stubborn twin sister, Katie. Back in Bristol, Naomi pines for Emily while wondering

about her future education. Thomas and Pandora are sweetly in love, and finding it difficult to consummate their feelings for each other. Freddy and Cook are engaged in a vigorous game of sexual one-upmanship with a frustrated JJ as referee... By the end of the summer, the gang will have resolved some issues and brought up some more, but always in the raw, uncompromising, contradictory and authentic narrative style that makes the series so popular and compelling. **WARNING: EXPLICIT CONTENT.** Language and sexual references are graphic.

**The Illegal: A Novel**  
Flatiron Books  
A charged, hypnotic debut novel about a boy's life-changing

summer in rural Pakistan: a story of fathers, sons, and the consequences of desire. At age sixteen, Fahad hopes to spend the summer with his mother in London. His father, Rafik, has other plans: hauling his son to Abad, the family's feudal estate in upcountry, Pakistan. Rafik wants to toughen up his sensitive boy, to teach him about power, duty, family—to make him a man. He enlists Ali, a local teenager, in this project, hoping his presence will prove instructive. Instead, over the course of one hot, indolent season, attraction blooms between the two boys, and Fahad finds himself seduced by the wildness of the land and its inhabitants: the people, who revere and

revile his father in turn; cousin Mousey, who lives alone with a man he calls his manager; and most of all, Ali, who threatens to unearth all that is hidden. Decades later, Fahad is living abroad when he receives a call from his mother summoning him home. His return will force him to face the past. Taymour Soomro's *Other Names for Love* is a tale of masculinity, inheritance, and desire set against the backdrop of a country's troubled history, told with uncommon urgency and beauty. *Age of Blood* No Starch Press

The colorful boyhood of a popular author comes to life in this personal account. Imagine learning from a nosy classmate that your mother is having

yet another baby. To Ralph's classmates, news of one more Fletcher baby is just "scuttlebutt." But for Ralph, the oldest of nine, being part of a large family means more kids to join in the fun—from making tripods in the woods and "snicking" up the rug, to raising chicks and even discovering a meteor (well, maybe). It doesn't feel like there's life beyond Marshfield, Massachusetts. Then one day Dad's new job moves the family to Chicago, and there's so much Ralph has to leave behind. In this humorous and captivating memoir, Ralph Fletcher traces the roots of his storytelling. *Yesterday's Weather* Tor Books

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Skins: The Novel  
 Hachette UK  
**Black Skin, White Masks**  
 W. W. Norton & Company  
 25th ANNIVERSARY EDITION • An epic novel of the violence and depravity that attended America's westward expansion, *Blood Meridian* brilliantly subverts the conventions of the Western novel and the mythology of the Wild West—from the bestselling, Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *The Road*. Based on historical events that took place on the Texas-Mexico border in the 1850s, it traces the fortunes of the Kid, a fourteen-year-old Tennessean who stumbles into the nightmarish world where Indians are being murdered and the market for their

scalps is thriving.

### **O Caledonia**

Createspace  
 Independent Publishing Platform  
 An enchanting and captivating novel about how our untold stories haunt us — and the stories we tell ourselves in order to survive. After her family suffers a tragedy, nine-year-old Alice Hart is forced to leave her idyllic seaside home. She is taken in by her grandmother, June, a flower farmer who raises Alice on the language of Australian native flowers, a way to say the things that are too hard to speak. Under the watchful eye of June and the women who run the farm, Alice settles, but grows up increasingly frustrated by how little she knows of her family's story. In



her early twenties, Alice's life is thrown into upheaval again when she suffers devastating betrayal and loss. Desperate to outrun grief, Alice flees to the dramatically beautiful central Australian desert. In this otherworldly landscape Alice thinks she has found solace, until she meets a charismatic and ultimately dangerous man. Spanning two decades, set between sugar cane fields by the sea, a native Australian flower farm, and a celestial crater in the central desert, *The Lost Flowers of Alice Hart* follows Alice's unforgettable journey, as she learns that the most powerful story she will ever possess is her own.

*Sometimes I Lie* Simon & Schuster Books for

Young Readers

A masterful tale of ambition, jealousy, desire, and superpowers. Victor and Eli started out as college roommates—brilliant, arrogant, lonely boys who recognized the same sharpness and ambition in each other. In their senior year, a shared research interest in adrenaline, near-death experiences, and seemingly supernatural events reveals an intriguing possibility: that under the right conditions, someone could develop extraordinary abilities. But when their thesis moves from the academic to the experimental, things go horribly wrong. Ten years later, Victor breaks out of prison, determined to catch up

to his old friend (now foe), aided by a young girl whose reserved nature obscures a stunning ability. Meanwhile, Eli is on a mission to eradicate every other super-powered person that he can find—aside from his sidekick, an enigmatic woman with an unbreakable will. Armed with terrible power on both sides, driven by the memory of betrayal and loss, the archnemeses have set a course for revenge—but who will be left alive at the end? In *Vicious*, V. E. Schwab brings to life a gritty comic-book-style world in vivid prose: a world where gaining superpowers doesn't automatically lead to heroism, and a time when allegiances are called into question. "A dynamic and original

twist on what it means to be a hero and a villain. A killer from page one...highly recommended!"  
—Jonathan Maberry, New York Times bestselling author of *Marvel Universe vs The Avengers* and *Patient Zero* One of Publishers Weekly's Best Fantasy Books of 2013 At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.  
**Ali Baba and the Forty Thieves** Hodder & Stoughton  
I met Sarah Kate Erickson when I was twenty-one years old. I was lucky enough to keep her for seven years before a tragic accident stole her from me. She didn't die, but sometimes I think it would have been easier if she had. I lived

in a haze for those four years after the accident. Catering to her every need, even though she hated the very sight of my face. I tried to hold on to her and the future that we were supposed to build together. But you can't hold on to someone that doesn't exist anymore. It wasn't until I met Jesse Addison, a barista at the local coffee shop, that I realized I didn't just lose Sarah that tragic night, I lost myself as well. Jesse taught me how to let go of the past and learn to love again. But what happens when your past haunts your present and the woman you used to love refuses to accept the woman you can't live without? \*\*Intended for readers 18+. Each book in this series can

be read as a standalone.\*\*

### **Good and Cheap**

Henry Holt and Company (BYR) One of the great political writers of our time offers a manifesto for global free speech in the digital age Never in human history was there such a chance for freedom of expression. If we have Internet access, any one of us can publish almost anything we like and potentially reach an audience of millions. Never was there a time when the evils of unlimited speech flowed so easily across frontiers: violent intimidation, gross violations of privacy, tidal waves of abuse. A pastor burns a Koran in Florida and UN officials die in Afghanistan. Drawing on a lifetime of writing about

dictatorships and dissidents, Timothy Garton Ash argues that in this connected world that he calls cosmopolis, the way to combine freedom and diversity is to have more but also better free speech. Across all cultural divides we must strive to agree on how we disagree. He draws on a thirteen-language global online project--freespeechdebate.com--conducted out of Oxford University and devoted to doing just that. With vivid examples, from his personal experience of China's Orwellian censorship apparatus to the controversy around Charlie Hebdo to a very English court case involving food writer Nigella Lawson, he proposes a framework for civilized

conflict in a world where we are all becoming neighbors. *Fat City* Graywolf Press  
 WINNER OF THE COSTA FIRST NOVEL AWARD A NATIONAL BOOK FOUNDATION 5 UNDER 35 WINNER OF THE BRITISH BOOK AWARD FOR DEBUT FICTION  
 "Open Water is tender poetry, a love song to Black art and thought, an exploration of intimacy and vulnerability between two young artists learning to be soft with each other in a world that hardens against Black people."—Yaa Gyasi, author of *Homegoing* In a crowded London pub, two young people meet. Both are Black British, both won scholarships to private schools where they struggled to belong, both are now

artists—he a photographer, she a dancer—and both are trying to make their mark in a world that by turns celebrates and rejects them. Tentatively, tenderly, they fall in love. But two people who seem destined to be together can still be torn apart by fear and violence, and over the course of a year they find their relationship tested by forces beyond their control. Narrated with deep intimacy, *Open Water* is at once an aching beautiful love story and a potent insight into race and masculinity that asks what it means to be a person in a world that sees you only as a Black body; to be vulnerable when you are only respected for strength; to find safety in love, only to lose it.

With gorgeous, soulful intensity, and blistering emotional intelligence, Caleb Azumah Nelson gives a profoundly sensitive portrait of romantic love in all its feverish waves and comforting beauty. This is one of the most essential debut novels of recent years, heralding the arrival of a stellar and prodigious young talent.

**Caleb + Kate** Abrams "Damascus Station is the best spy novel I have ever read."  
—General David Petraeus, former director of the CIA A CIA officer and his recruit arrive in war-ravaged Damascus to hunt for a killer in this page-turner that offers the "most authentic depiction of modern-day tradecraft in print." (Navy SEAL sniper and New York Times

bestselling author Jack Carr). CIA case officer Sam Joseph is dispatched to Paris to recruit Syrian Palace official Mariam Haddad. The two fall into a forbidden relationship, which supercharges Haddad's recruitment and creates unspeakable danger when they enter Damascus to find the man responsible for the disappearance of an American spy. But the cat and mouse chase for the killer soon leads to a trail of high-profile assassinations and the discovery of a dark secret at the heart of the Syrian regime, bringing the pair under the all-seeing eyes of Assad's spy catcher, Ali Hassan, and his brother Rustum, the head of the feared Republican Guard. Set

against the backdrop of a Syria pulsing with fear and rebellion, *Damascus Station* is a gripping thriller that offers a textured portrayal of espionage, love, loyalty, and betrayal in one of the most difficult CIA assignments on the planet.

*Black Skins, Black Masks* Yale University Press

Only hours after Holmes and Russell return from solving one murky riddle on the moor, another knocks on their front door . . . literally. It's a mystery that begins during the Great War, when Gabriel Hughenfort died amidst scandalous rumors that have haunted the family ever since. But it's not until Holmes and Russell arrive at Justice Hall, a home of

unearthly perfection  
 set in a garden  
 modeled on Paradise,  
 that they fully  
 understand the irony  
 echoed in the family  
 motto, *Justicia fortitudo  
 mea est*:

"Righteousness is my  
 strength." A trail of  
 ominous clues  
 comprise a mystery  
 that leads from an  
 English hamlet to the  
 city of Paris to the wild  
 prairie of the New  
 World. The trap is set,  
 the game is afoot; but  
 can Holmes and  
 Russell catch an  
 elusive killer--or has  
 the murderer caught  
 them? **BONUS:** This  
 edition contains an  
 excerpt from Laurie R.  
 King's *Pirate King*.

The Jungle Book House  
 of Anansi

Fat City is a vivid novel  
 of allegiance and  
 defeat, of the potent  
 promise of the good

life and the  
 desperation and drink  
 that waylay those  
 whom it eludes.  
 Stockton, California is  
 the setting: the Lido  
 Gym, the Hotel Coma,  
 Main Street  
 lunchrooms and dingy  
 bars, days like long  
 twilights in houses  
 obscured by  
 untrimmed shrubs and  
 black walnut trees.  
 When two men meet in  
 the ring -- the retired  
 boxer Billy Tully and  
 the newcomer Ernie  
 Munger - their brief  
 bout sets into motion  
 their hidden fates,  
 initiating young Ernie  
 into the company of  
 men and luring Tully  
 back into training. In a  
 dispassionate and  
 composed voice,  
 Gardner narrates their  
 swings of fortune, and  
 the plodding optimism  
 of their manager  
 Ruben Luna, as he

watches the most promising boys one by one succumb to some undefined weakness; still, "There was always someone who wanted to fight."

*Skins* Lothian

Children's Books

Real love. Real lives.

The real thing . . . Girl Heart Boy: She's The One is the fifth book in an irresistible new series that combines the romance of *The OC*, the realism of *Skins* and the sexiness of E L James' *Fifty Shades of Grey*. Perfect for fans of Tammara Webber's *Easy*, Coleen Hoover's *Slammed* and Abbie Glines' *The Vincent Boys*. Four girls, three boys, turning 18. Get set to follow their eventful final year at school . . . Cass dumped Adam. Jack got over Cass. Donna let love in. But

what about Ollie?

Ollie's been in love with his best friend, Sarah, since forever. She has no idea and he's scared of losing her. Is he brave enough to risk everything and finally tell her the truth? About the author: Ali Cronin is a British author with wide experience writing for young adults in print and online. She cut her teeth on *Bliss*, *Sugar* and *J17* magazines, then became producer of the BBC's website for teens, before leaving to write full-time. *Girl Heart Boy* is her first book series. Immerse yourself in the stories and engage with the characters through our books, ebooks and online webisodes. Fall in love with *Girl Heart Boy* at [facebook/GirlHeartBoy](https://www.facebook.com/GirlHeartBoy)



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### **Young Skins**

Routledge

"The Romantics is a smart, edgy novel that is wickedly insightful about class and privilege, amusingly cynical about love and friendship, and thoroughly entertaining throughout. Galt Niederhoffer is an elegant prose stylist and a shrewd social observer."—Tom Perrotta  
 Laura and Lila were once as close as could be--college roommates at the center of a tight-knit group of friends. But the friendship has

wilted a bit. Now, ten years after college, the friends--and the boyfriend they shared--have reunited for Lila's wedding at her family's seaside estate in Maine. Laura is reserved, single, and the only Jew in the group, while the bride, Lila, is a WASP-y moneyed golden girl, and the groom, Tom, a swim team star from a working class Catholic background, is a perfect paradox of confidence and confusion. As the wedding draws near and wine flows faster, the disappointments and desires of the reuniting friends come quickly to the surface. A drunken game on the estate's dock goes awry when the revelers are pulled out to sea by the current. When they swim back to

shore, they are short by one—the groom. The search throws the group's shifting allegiances into relief and results in new betrayals as well as confessions. With Lila's family's picture-perfect Maine summer house as the backdrop, Laura not only sees her old friends in a new light, but reassesses herself as well—is she the only one of the group destined to be unmarried into her thirties? Was it always this obvious that she was the only Jew in a pride of WASPs? Struggling with the traditionally thankless role of maid of honor—not to mention contending with Lila's formidable mother Augusta—Laura also realizes she can't stop thinking about her complicated, long and

intense relationship with the groom. But isn't that relationship far in the past? A wry observer of cultural and social mores, Niederhoffer creates a pitch-perfect group of characters and a winning novel about friendship, class and love.

### **Marshfield Dreams**

Thomas Nelson

A perfect and irresistible idea: A cookbook filled with delicious, healthful recipes created for everyone on a tight budget. While studying food policy as a master's candidate at NYU, Leanne Brown asked a simple yet critical question: How well can a person eat on the \$4 a day given by SNAP, the U.S. government's Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program

informally known as food stamps? The answer is surprisingly well: Broiled Tilapia with Lime, Spicy Pulled Pork, Green Chile and Cheddar Quesadillas, Vegetable Jambalaya, Beet and Chickpea Salad—even desserts like Coconut Chocolate Cookies and Peach Coffee Cake. In addition to creating nutritious recipes that maximize every ingredient and use economical cooking methods, Ms. Brown gives tips on shopping; on creating pantry basics; on mastering certain staples—pizza dough, flour tortillas—and saucy extras that make everything taste better, like spice oil and tzatziki; and how to make fundamentally smart, healthful food choices. The idea for

Good and Cheap is already proving itself. The author launched a Kickstarter campaign to self-publish and fund the buy one/give one model. Hundreds of thousands of viewers watched her video and donated \$145,000, and national media are paying attention. Even high-profile chefs and food writers have taken note—like Mark Bittman, who retweeted the link to the campaign; Francis Lam, who called it “Terrific!”; and Michael Pollan, who cited it as a “cool kickstarter.” In the same way that TOMS turned inexpensive, stylish shoes into a larger do-good movement, Good and Cheap is poised to become a cookbook that every food lover with a conscience will embrace.

The Eyes of the Skin

Wings Press

Although millions know his songs, and almost the entire world knows the story of his beginnings with One Direction, there's so much more to Harry Styles. Learn all about the story of his life, and all the "little things" that make Harry Styles such an icon. From The X-Factor to One Direction to his incredible self-titled solo album, Harry

Styles is an icon for our times. This unofficial biography details his early days discovering his love of music, right through to his first acting role in the action-packed Dunkirk. This is every fan's guide to Harry's transition from schoolboy to superstar.

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- Quizzes to test your Harry knowledge!
- Record your favorite Harry moments! And much more!

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