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Nothing but a Circus

Misadventures among the Powerful **Daniel Levin**

The truth about the corrupting effects of power in politics? It's worse than you think.

In this eye-opening exploration of the human weakness for power, Daniel Levin takes us on a hilarious journey through the absurd world of our global elites, drawing unforgettable sketches of some of the puppets who stand guard, and the jugglers and conjurers employed within. Most spectacular of all, however, are the astonishing contortions performed by those closest to the top in order to maintain the illusion of integrity, decency, and public service.

Based on the author's first-hand experiences of dealing with governments and political institutions around the world, *Nothing but a Circus* offers a rare glimpse of the conversations that happen behind closed doors, observing the appalling lengths that people go to in order to justify their unscrupulous choices, from Dubai to Luanda, Moscow to Beijing, and at the heart of the UN and the US government.

Daniel Levin has spent the last twenty years working with governments and development institutions worldwide. A lawyer by profession, he is an advisor on political and economic affairs, from financial development to conflict resolution. He is currently a member of the board of the Liechtenstein Foundation for State Governance. *Nothing but a Circus* is his first book.



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The World-Ending Fire

The Essential Wendell Berry

Wendell Berry

Introducing the life-changing writings of the visionary farmer, essayist and poet Wendell Berry

Wendell Berry is 'something of an anachronism'. He began his life as the old times and the last of the old-time people were dying out, and continues to this day in the old ways: a team of draft horses and a pencil are his chosen working tools. This book is the unique product of a life spent farming the fields of rural Kentucky, and the rich, intimate knowledge of the place and its history cultivated by this work.

In a time when our relationship to the natural world is ruled by the reckless waste and greed of unbridled consumerism, Wendell Berry speaks out to defend the land we live on, imploring readers to return to the local landscapes that provide our cultural heritage, our history, our home.

A farmer of sorts and an artist of sorts,' **Wendell Berry** is the author of more than fifty books of poetry, fiction, and essays. He has received fellowships from the Guggenheim, Lannan, and Rockefeller foundations and the National Endowment for the Arts, and also the T. S. Eliot Award, the Cleanth Brooks Medal for Lifetime Achievement, and the National Humanities Medal. For more than forty years, he has lived and farmed in his native Henry Country, KY, with his wife, Tanya, and their children and grandchildren.

Paul Kingsnorth is a novelist, thinker and co-founder of the Dark Mountain Project. His books include *One No, Many Yeses, The Wake*, and, most recently, *Beast*. He lives in the west of Ireland.

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Age of Anger

A History of the Present **Pankaj Mishra**

A compelling, powerful argument about the roots of current global disorder

Modernity, secularism, development, and progress have long been viewed by the powerful few as benign ideals for the many. Today, however, botched experiments in nationbuilding, democracy, industrialization and urbanization visibly scar much of the world. As once happened in Europe, the wider embrace of revolutionary politics, mass movements, technology, the pursuit of wealth and individualism has cast billions adrift in a literally demoralized world, uprooted from tradition but still far from modernity. It was from among the ranks of the disaffected and the spiritually disorientated, that the militants of the 19th century arose - angry young men who became cultural nationalists in Germany, messianic revolutionaries in Russia, bellicose chauvinists in Italy, and anarchist terrorists internationally.

Many more people today, unable to fulfil the promises freedom, stability and prosperity - of a globalized economy, are increasingly susceptible to demagogues and their simplifications. A common reaction among them is intense hatred of supposed villains, the invention of enemies, attempts to recapture a lost golden age, unfocused fury and selfempowerment through spectacular violence.

In Age of Anger Pankaj Mishra explores the origins of the great wave of paranoid hatreds that seem inescapable in our closeknit world - from American 'shooters' and ISIS to Trump, Modi, and racism and misogyny on social media.

Pankaj Mishra is the author of *Butter Chicken in Ludiana, The Romantics, An End to Suffering,Temptations of the West* and *From the Ruins of Empire*. He writes principally for the *Guardian, The New York Times, London Review of Books* and *New York Review of Books*. He lives in London and Shimla.



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A Woman's Work

Harriet Harman

The first time the story of women's progressive politics over the past thirty years has been told - by someone at the forefront of the movement.

Why does the political representation of women matter? And which hurdles - personal, political and societal - have been faced, fought and sometimes overcome in the past thirty years? From campaigning with small children to increasing the number of women in Parliament, bringing women's issues to the heart of the Labour Party and tackling a parliamentary culture with no consideration for family life, this frank, inspiring and politically charged book is a crucial account of the progress (and occasional setbacks) made in fighting to change the Labour Party, UK politics and the way the country has been governed since the 1970s.

Harriet Harman was elected as Labour MP for Peckham in 1982. Joining a House of Commons which was 97% male, she had three children while in Parliament. She has been politics' most prominent champion for women's rights, introducing the National Childcare Strategy, the Equality Act and changing the law on domestic violence. She was the first woman to represent the Labour Party at Prime Minister's Questions.



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From Bacteria to Bach and Back

The Evolution of Minds **Daniel C. Dennett**

One of the world's most original and provocative thinkers offers a major new account of the origins of the conscious mind

What is human consciousness and how is it possible? These questions fascinate thinking people from poets and painters to physicists, psychologists, and philosophers. This is Daniel C. Dennett's brilliant answer, extending perspectives from his earlier work in surprising directions, exploring the deep interactions of evolution, brains, and human culture. Part philosophical whodunnit, part bold scientific conjecture, this landmark work enlarges themes that have sustained Dennett's legendary career at the forefront of philosophical thought. In his inimitable style, laced with wit and arresting thought experiments, Dennett shows how culture enables reflection by installing a profusion of thinking tools, or memes, in our brains. Language, itself composed of memes, turbocharged this interplay. The result, a mind that can comprehend the questions it poses, emerges from a process of cultural evolution. An agenda-setting book for a new generation of philosophers and other researchers, this will delight and entertain anyone who hopes to understand human creativity in all its wondrous applications.

Daniel C. Dennett is the Austin B. Fletcher Professor of Philosophy at Tufts University and the author of numerous books including *Intuition Pumps and Other Tools for Thinking, Breaking the Spell, Darwin's Dangerous Idea,* and *Consciousness Explained.*



FROM BACTERIA TO BACH AND BACK

The Evolution of Minds

DANIEL C. DENNETT

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Hit Makers

How Things Become Popular **Derek Thompson**

A book that explores the question repeatedly posed by every business, artist, producer and publisher: what makes a hit a hit?

With incisive analysis and captivating storytelling, *Atlantic* Senior Editor Derek Thompson puts culture in the spotlight and asks why certain products and ideas achieve extraordinary popularity.

Drawing on ancient history and modern headlines - from vampire lore and Brahms's Wiegenlied to Instagram and *Fifty Shades of Grey* - Thompson explores the psychology of hits and reveals how we can all become more intelligent consumers of culture. Though dozens of blockbuster films, Internet memes and number-one songs seem to have come out of nowhere, hits have a story and operate by certain rules. People gravitate towards familiar surprises: products that are bold, yet instantly comprehensible. Now, film, music, and media companies can use new tools to learn what makes their consumers tick. *Hit Makers* pulls back the curtain on this new world to reveal what people want and how things catch fire.

From the dawn of Impressionist art to the future of Snapchat, from small-scale Etsy entrepreneurs to the origin of *Star Wars*, Derek Thompson tells the fascinating story of how culture happens - and where genius lives.

Atlantic Senior Editor **Derek Thompson** is one of the most-read authors at the magazine. He is also a weekly business correspondent on *NPR*'s *Here and Now*, which reaches an audience of nearly 4 million listeners. He has been named one of Reuter's 'Blogs to Follow', *Time*'s top 140 Twitter feeds, and *Huffington Post*'s 100 best economic reporters, and *Forbes*' '30 under 30'.



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The Kingdom Emmanuel Carrère

The sensational international bestseller: an epic novel telling the story of Christianity as it has never been told before

'The next morning everything seems different to him. The sky is no longer the same, the people are no longer the same. He knows that a man came back from the dead and that from now on his own life will no longer be the same.'

Corinth, ancient Greece, two thousand years ago. An itinerant preacher, poor, wracked by illness, tells the story of a prophet who was crucified in Judea, who came back from the dead, and whose return is a sign of something enormous. Like a contagion, the story will spread over the city, the country and, eventually, the world. Emmanuel Carrère's astonishing historical epic tells the story of the mysterious beginnings of Christianity, bringing to life a distant, primeval past of strange sects, apocalyptic beliefs and political turmoil. In doing so Carrère, once himself a fervent believer, questions his own faith, asks why we believe in resurrection, and what it means. *The Kingdom* is his masterpiece.

Emmanuel Carrère, novelist, filmmaker, journalist, and biographer, is the award-winning internationally renowned author of *The Adversary* (a *New York Times* Notable Book), *Lives Other Than My Own, My Life As A Russian Novel, Class Trip, Limonov* and *The Mustache*.



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Be Like the Fox

Machiavelli's Lifelong Quest for Freedom

Erica Benner

A fascinating new biography of Machiavelli, which explores his true character and contradictions as never before

Niccolò Machiavelli lived in times when a new princely dynasty the super-wealthy Medici - threatened the survival of freedom in his native Florence. He and his contemporaries faced a choice: should they capitulate to Medici money and power, or fight to save the republic?

Be Like the Fox follows this dramatic struggle through Machiavelli's eyes. Erica Benner uses his own words and reports of his conversations with famous leaders - Caterina Sforza, Louis XII, Cesare Borgia - to let us hear his uniquely perceptive, often comical, and almost always surprising comments on events.

Confounding his reputation as an amoral pragmatist, Machiavelli emerges as his era's staunchest champion of freedom, a man who refused to compromise his ideals to fit corrupt times. But he did sometimes have to mask his true convictions. *Be Like the Fox* shows how, putting his diplomatic and literary talents to good use, Machiavelli became a great artist of fox-like dissimulation.

Erica Benner is Fellow in Ethics and Political Philosophy at Yale University, and previously taught at Oxford and the London School of Economics.



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Out of China

How the Chinese Ended the Era of Western Domination **Robert Bickers**

The extraordinary story of how, through its struggle to throw off the countless foreigners who sought to exploit or ruin it, China became the powerful country it is today.

Even at the high noon of Europe's empire-building China managed to be one of the handful of countries not to succumb. Invaded, humiliated and looted, China nonetheless kept its sovereignty. Robert Bickers' major new book is the first to describe fully what has proved to be one of the modern era's most important stories: the long, often agonizing process by which the Chinese had by the end of the 20th century regained control of their own country.

Out of China uses a brilliant array of unusual, strange and vivid sources to recreate a now fantastically remote world: the corrupt, lurid modernity of pre-war Shanghai, the often tiny patches of 'extra-territorial' land controlled by European powers (one of which, unnoticed, had mostly toppled into a river), the entrepôts of Hong Kong and Macao, and the myriad means, through armed threats, technology and legal chicanery, by which China was kept subservient.

Today Chinese nationalism stays firmly rooted in memories of its degraded past - the quest for self-sufficiency, the determination to assert China's standing in the world, to stake its outstanding territorial claims, and never to be vulnerable to renewed attack. History matters deeply to Beijing's current rulers - and *Out of China* explains why.

Robert Bickers is the author of the highly-acclaimed *Empire Made Me* and *The Scramble for China*. He has written extensively on Chinese history and is currently Professor of History at the University of Bristol.



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The Enemy Within

A Tale of Muslim Britain **Sayeeda Warsi**

An explosive account of modern Britain from one of its most refreshing political voices

Sayeeda Warsi, peer of the realm, could be considered part of the Establishment. So why does she wonder over half a century after her grandfather came to the UK whether the UK will still be a home for her grandchildren? Tracking the changing currents in British attitudes and policy towards Islam and unpicking the challenges for Muslims with brutal honesty, *The Enemy Within* offers solutions to the big issues of our time with much-needed clarity and humour.

A lawyer, businesswoman and racial justice campaigner, **Sayeeda Warsi** is Britain's first Muslim Cabinet minister. Appointed a life peer at the age of thirty-six, she served as Chairman of the Conservative Party, in the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, and as Minister for Faith and Communities. In the summer of 2014 she resigned from government, citing its 'morally indefensible' policy on Gaza.



A Tale of Muslim Britain

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Familiar Stranger

A Life between Two Islands **Stuart Hall**

The autobiography of a man who lived through the last days of colonialism to become one of the greatest cultural thinkers of his time

'Sometimes I feel myself to have been the last colonial.'

Writer, thinker, and one of his age's leading intellectual lights, Stuart Hall lived through an era of seismic change.

Growing up in a middle-class family in 1930s Jamaica, still then a British colony, the young Stuart Hall found himself caught between two worlds: the stiflingly respectable middle class in Kingston, who, in their habits and ambitions, measured themselves against the white planter elite; and working-class Jamaica, neglected and grindingly poor, though rich in culture, music and history. But as colonial rule was challenged, things were beginning to change in Kingston and across the world. When, in 1951, a scholarship took him across the Atlantic to Oxford University, Hall gained unexpected access to this other Jamaica. Also making the journey to Britain were young Jamaicans from all walks of life, as well as writers and thinkers from across the Caribbean. Now, Hall faced a new struggle: that of building a home, a life, an identity, in a post-war England so rife with racism that it could barely recognize his humanity.

This is the story of Stuart Hall's early life. Told with passion and wisdom, it is a story of how the forces of history shape who we are.

Stuart Hall was born in Kingston, Jamaica and educated at Merton College, Oxford. A pioneering cultural theorist, campaigner, and Founding Editor of the *New Left Review*, Hall was one of the most influential and adventurous thinkers of the last half century. He was Director of the University of Birmingham's Centre for Cultural Studies from 1968, and from 1979 was Professor of Sociology at the Open University. His published work includes *The Popular Arts* (1964), the coauthored volume *Policing the Crisis* (1978), and *The Hard Road to Renewal: Thatcherism and the Crisis of the Left* (1988).



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The Enigma of Reason

A Natural History of Human Understanding Hugo Mercier and Dan Sperber

An exploration of human rationality from two groundbreaking thinkers

Reason, we are told, is what makes us human, the source of our knowledge and wisdom. If reason is so useful, why didn't it also evolve in other animals? If reason is that reliable, why do we produce so much thoroughly reasoned nonsense? In their ground-breaking account of the evolution and workings of reason, Hugo Mercier and Dan Sperber set out to solve this double enigma. Reason, they argue with a compelling mix of real-life and experimental evidence, is not geared to solitary use, to arriving at better beliefs and decisions on our own. What reason does, rather, is help us justify our beliefs and actions to others, convince them through argumentation, and evaluate the justifications and arguments that others address to us.

In other words, reason helps humans better exploit their uniquely rich social environment. This interactionist interpretation explains why reason may have evolved and how it fits with other cognitive mechanisms. It makes sense of strengths and weaknesses that have long puzzled philosophers and psychologists - why reason is biased in favour of what we already believe, why it may lead to terrible ideas and yet is indispensable to spreading good ones.

Ambitious, provocative, and entertaining, *The Enigma of Reason* will spark debate among psychologists and philosophers, and make many reasonable people rethink their own thinking.

Hugo Mercier is a researcher at the French National Centre for Scientific Research, working in the Cognitive Science Institute Marc Jeannerod in Lyon.

Dan Sperber is a researcher in the departments of Cognitive Science and of Philosophy at the Central European University, Budapest, and in the Institut Jean Nicod at the École Normale Supérieure, Paris.



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Refuge

Transforming a Broken Refugee System **Alexander Betts and Paul Collier**

An eye-opening account of the migrant crisis which shows why our global refugee regime is broken and how it can be fixed

Europe is facing its greatest refugee crisis since the Second World War, yet the institutions responding to it remain virtually unchanged from those created in the post-war era. As neighbouring countries continue to bear the brunt of the Syrian catastrophe, European governments have enacted a series of ill-considered gestures, from shutting their borders to welcoming refugees without a plan for their safe passage or integration upon arrival. With a deepening crisis and a xenophobic backlash in Europe, it is time for a new vision for refuge.

Going beyond the scenes of desperation which have become all too familiar in the past few years, Paul Collier and Alexander Betts show that this crisis offers an opportunity for reform if international policy-makers focus on delivering humane, effective and sustainable outcomes - both for Europe and for countries that border conflict zones. Refugees need more than simply food, tents and blankets, and research demonstrates that they can offer tangible economic benefits to their adopted countries if given the right to work and education.

An urgent and necessary work, *Refuge* sets out an alternative vision that can empower refugees to help themselves, contribute to their host societies, and even rebuild their countries of origin.

Paul Collier is the Professor of Economics and Public Policy at the Blavatnik School of Government. His book, *The Bottom Billion*, won the Lionel Gelber Prize, the Arthur Ross Prize awarded by the Council on Foreign Relations, and the Corine Prize. Collier has served as Director of the Research Department of the World Bank, and he is widely regarded as one of the world's leading authorities on African development. His other books include *The Plundered Planet* and *Exodus*.

Alexander Betts is the Leopold W. Muller Professor of Forced Migration and International Affairs at the University of Oxford, where he is also Director of the Refugee Studies Centre. He has written for the *Guardian*, *New York Times* and *Foreign Affairs*



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The Literary History of the Beat Generation

Allen Ginsberg

An astonishing and unique historical record of the Beat Generation, from one of its pre-eminent figures

In the summer of 1977, the legendary American poet Allen Ginsberg began teaching a course on the literary history of the Beat Generation, which he saw as an opportunity to make a 'once and for all' record of the iconic movement. In many ways, the *Howl* author had single-handedly created the Beat Movement, helping to forge the public's perception of a single group of writers, which make him uniquely qualified to be the Beats' historian.

In A Literary History of the Beat Generation, Bill Morgan has edited Ginsberg's celebrated lectures into a coherent chronicle of this seminal movement, with fresh and illuminating portraits of each of its original key figures - Jack Kerouac, William Burroughs, Lucien Carr and others - from the man who knew them best. With rare insight, he explores the influences on the Beat writers, from poets such as Yeats, Rimbaud and Blake to bebop music and Times Square in the 1940s, and their regular preoccupations - drugs, sex, world politics, the nature of consciousness, the search for authenticity. The result is a vivid, personal and eye-opening report from the inside of one of America's greatest literary and cultural movements.

Allen Ginsberg (1926-1997) was an American poet, best known for his iconic *Howl*, one of the most widely read and translated poems of the century. He was inducted into the American Academy of Arts and Letters, was awarded the medal of Chevalier de l'Ordre des Arts et des Lettres by the French Minister of Culture, and won the National Book Award for *The Fall of America*.



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London's Triumph

Merchant Adventurers in the Tudor City **Stephen Alford**

The story of the individuals whose ambition and recklessness transformed London, England and the world

Life in Europe was fundamentally changed in the 16th century by the astonishing discoveries of the New World and of direct sea routes to Asia. To start with England was hardly involved and London remained a gloomy, introverted medieval city. But as the century progressed something extraordinary happened.

Stephen Alford's evocative, original and fascinating new book uses the same skills that made his widely praised *The Watchers* so successful, bringing to life the network of merchants, visionaries, crooks and sailors who changed London forever. In a sudden explosion of energy English ships were suddenly found all over the world - trading with Russia and the Levant, exploring Virginia and the Arctic, and fanning out across the Indian Ocean.

London's Triumph is above all about the people who made this possible - the families, the guild members, the money-men who were willing to risk huge sums and sometimes their own lives in pursuit of the rare, exotic and desirable. Their ambitions fuelled a new view of the world - initiating a long era of trade and empire, the consequences of which we still live with today.

Stephen Alford is the author of the highly acclaimed *The Watchers: A Secret History of the Reign of Elizabeth* and is also a Fellow of the Royal Historical Society. He taught for fifteen years at Cambridge University, where he was a Senior Lecturer in the Faculty of History and a Fellow of King's College. He is now Professor of Early Modern British History at the University of Leeds.



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Priestdaddy Patricia Lockwood

The hilarious, moving memoir of life as the daughter of a gun-toting all-American Catholic priest

The childhood of Patricia Lockwood, the poet dubbed "The Smutty-Metaphor Queen of Lawrence, Kansas" by *The New York Times*, was unusual for many reasons. There was the location: an impoverished, nuclear waste-riddled area of the American Midwest. There was her mother, a woman who speaks almost entirely in strange koans and warnings of impending danger. Above all, there was her gun-toting, guitarriffing, frequently semi-naked father, who underwent a religious conversion on a submarine and discovered a loophole which saw him approved for the Catholic priesthood by the man who would later become Pope Benedict - despite already having a wife and children.

When the expense of a medical procedure forces the 30-yearold Patricia to move back in with her parents, husband in tow, she must learn to live again with her family's simmering madness, and to reckon with the dark side of a childhood spent in the bosom of the Catholic Church. Told with the comic sensibility of a brasher, bluer Waugh or Wodehouse, this is at the same time a lyrical and affecting story of how we can venture into the underworld and emerge with our levity intact.

Patricia Lockwood was born in Fort Wayne, Indiana, USA and raised in all the worst cities of the Midwest. Her debut collection, *Balloon Pop Outlaw Black*, was released in 2012 by Octopus Books; a selection of her poetry was included in *Penguin Modern Poets 2: Controlled Explosions* (2016), and her second collection, *Motherland Fatherland Homelandsexuals*, is forthcoming from Penguin in 2017. Her poems have appeared widely, including in *The New Yorker*, the *London Review of Books*, *Tin House* and *Poetry*.



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Bullshit Jobs

A Theory David Graeber

Huge swathes of people spend their days performing tasks they secretly believe do not really need to be performed. Yet virtually no one talks about it.

Back in 1930, the economist John Maynard Keynes prophesied that by the century's end, advances in technology would see us all working fifteen-hour weeks. The technology happened. But instead, something curious happened. Today, average working hours have not decreased, but increased. And now, across the developed world, three-quarters of all jobs are in services or admin, jobs that don't seem to do anything, to add anything to society: bullshit jobs. It's as if someone were out there making up pointless jobs for the sake of keeping us all working.

In *Bullshit Jobs*, David Graeber explores how this phenomenon - one more associated with the 20th-century Soviet Union, but which capitalism was supposed to eliminate - has happened. In doing so, he looks at how we value work, and how, rather than being productive, work has become an end in itself; the profound moral and psychological violence created by being trapped in meaningless work; the way such work maintains the current broken system of finance capital; and, finally, how we can get out of it. Only if, Graeber contends, we see a massive change in our basic values can we hope to do anything about the phenomenon of bullshit jobs.

David Graeber is a Professor of Anthropology at the London School of Economics. His many books include *The Utopia of Rules, The Democracy Project* and the bestselling *Debt: The First 5,000 Years.* A frequent guest on the BBC, he writes for, among others, the *Guardian, Strike!*, the *Baffler* and *New Left Review.* He lives in London.



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Farewell to the Horse

The Final Century of Our Relationship **Ulrich Raulff**

A magical, wise and beguiling history of all the ways in which our world has been made by the horse.

The relationship between horses and humans is an ancient, profound and complex one. For millennia horses provided the strength and speed that humans lacked. How we travelled, farmed and fought was dictated by the needs of this extraordinary animal. And then, suddenly, in the 20th century the links were broken and the millions of horses that shared our existence almost vanished, eking out a marginal existence on race tracks and pony clubs.

Farewell to the Horse is an engaging, brilliantly written and moving discussion of what horses once meant to us. Cities, farmland, entire industries were once shaped as much by the needs of horses as humans. The intervention of horses was fundamental in countless historical events. They were sculpted, painted, cherished, admired; they were thrashed, abused and exposed to terrible danger. From the Roman Empire to the Napoleonic Empire every world conqueror needed to be shown on a horse. Tolstoy once reckoned that he had cumulatively spent some nine years of his life on horseback.

Ulrich Raulff's book, a bestseller in Germany, brilliantly translated by Ruth Ahmedzai Kemp, is a superb monument to the endlessly various creature who has so often shared and shaped our fate.

Ulrich Raulff is Director of the German Literature Archive in Marbach am Neckar. Previously, he was Literary Editor of the *Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung* and Managing Editor of the *Süddeutsche Zeitung*. He has written books on Marc Bloch and Aby Warburg and won both the the Anna Krüger Prize and the Ernst Robert Curtius Prize for Essay Writing. His book on the influence of the German poet Stefan George was awarded the 2010 Leipzig Book Fair Prize.



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Three Tigers, One Mountain

China, Japan and the US in the Asian Century **Richard McGregor**

The dramatic story of the relationship between the world's three largest economies, one that is shaping the future of us all, by one of the foremost experts on east Asia

The Chinese often quote an ancient idiom when speaking about Japan - two tigers cannot live on one mountain. The saying underlines Beijing's view that the two Asian superpowers' tense competition is a zero-sum game, with one only winner possible. But the idiom misses one thing. Standing between these two nations, and alongside Tokyo, is Washington.

Any confrontation between the world's second- and thirdlargest economies would inevitably involve the US, itself locked in a geopolitical battle with China. The fallout of a military conflict would be immense, an economic tsunami disrupting the global hub of trade in east Asia and washing through the economies of every country in the world.

Richard McGregor's book tells the story of this trilateral relationship since 1971, when Richard Nixon and Henry Kissinger opened China to the West, to Beijing's emergence as a global player today. With on-the-ground reporting in all three countries and rare access to official archives in the US and east Asia, McGregor details never published details of top-level meetings between the leaders of all three countries and their bitter clashes over wartime history and disputed territories. Even without going to war, the trilateral relations between the US, China and Japan will shape the world for decades to come.

Author of the acclaimed bestseller *The Party: The Secret World* of *China's Communist Rulers*, **Richard McGregor** has reported from Asia for two decades. Formerly Chief of the Washington Bureau of the *Financial Times*, he has won numerous awards for his journalism. He has also contributed articles and reports to the BBC, the *International Herald Tribune* and the *Far Eastern Economic Review*. In 2015 he was made a Fellow at the Wilson Center in Washington.



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Underground Asia

Global Revolutionaries and the Overthrow of Europe's Empires in the East

Tim Harper

The story of the hidden struggle waged by secret networks around the world to destroy European imperialism

The end of Europe's empires has so often been seen as a story of high politics and warfare. In Tim Harper's remarkable new book the narrative is very different - it shows how empires were fundamentally undermined from underneath. Using the new technology of cheap printing presses, global travel and the widespread use of French and English, young radicals from across Asia were able to communicate in ways simply not available before. These clandestine networks stretched to the heart of the imperial metropolises: to London, to Paris, but also increasingly to Moscow.

They created a secret global network which was for decades engaged in bitter fighting with imperial police forces. They gathered in the great hubs of empire - Calcutta, Bombay, Singapore, Penang, Batavia, Hanoi, Shanghai and Hong Kong and plotted with ceaseless ingenuity, both through persuasion and terrorism, the end of the colonial regimes. Many were caught and killed or imprisoned, but others would go on to rule their newly independent countries.

Drawing on an amazing array of exotic sources, Harper's book turns upside down our understanding of 20th-century empire. The reader enters an extraordinary world of stowaways, false identities, secret codes, cheap firearms, posters and conspiracies as young Asians made their own plans for their future.

Tim Harper is Professor of the History of Southeast Asia at the University of Cambridge, and a Fellow of Magdalene College. He was the co-author with Christopher Bayly of two landmark Penguin books on the British Empire's experience of the Second World War in south and southeast Asia: *Forgotten Armies* and *Forgotten Wars*.



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How We Break

Vincent Deary

A follow-up to the acclaimed How We Are, How We Break forms the second act in the How to Live trilogy

In *How We Are*, health psychologist and author Vincent Deary explored the process of habit and change in everyday life. In *How We Break*, he examines what happens when our normal routines and cycles break down. All suffering, he argues, is unique, something that is often overlooked when we are divided into traditional clinical categories. Drawing on insights from psychology, philosophy, literature, film, and his own clinical and everyday experience, Deary shows that each person's suffering is instead the result of a distinct interplay of forces.

In the book's first half, Battlefield, he explores the rhythms of modern life, and how these can conflict with our own rhythms. The big traumas in life, he points out, are relatively rare. Much more common is when too many things go wrong at once: a lost job, a break up, an ill parent. In the book's second half, Battle Scars, he traces the many different ways in which we can break: fatigue, burn-out, depression, anxiety, addiction, regret, possession, loss of meaning. Finally, he explores the possibilities for redemption: what it takes for us to move forward, to get up and to walk away.

Vincent Deary is a Health Psychologist at Northumbria University, where his research focuses on the development of new psychosocial interventions for people with a variety of health complaints, including cancer survivors and fear of falling in older adults. As a clinician he works in the UK's first transdiagnostic Fatigue Clinic, working as part of a multidisciplinary team to research and develop new treatments for people for whom fatigue is a disabling symptom. He is the author of *How We Are*, the first book in the How to Live trilogy.



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Bread for All

The Origins of the Welfare State **Chris Renwick**

A forensic new exploration of the upheavals that led to the creation of the welfare state

Today, everybody seems to agree that something has gone badly wrong with the British welfare state. In the midst of economic crisis, politicians and commentators talk about benefits as a lifestyle choice, and of "skivers" living off hardworking "strivers" as they debate what a welfare state fit for the twenty-first century might look like.

This major new history tells the story of one the greatest transformations in British intellectual, social and political life: the creation of the welfare state, from the Victorian workhouse, where you had to be destitute to receive help, to a moment just after the Second World War, when government embraced responsibilities for people's housing, education, health and family life, a commitment that was unimaginable just a century earlier. Though these changes were driven by developments in different and sometimes unexpected currents in British life, they were linked by one over-arching idea: that through rational and purposeful intervention, government can remake society. It was an idea that, during the early twentieth century, came to inspire people across the political spectrum. Not only could poverty be conquered, but the policies used to do so could produce better citizens who would in turn create a modern and dynamic Britain. In exploring this extraordinary transformation, Bread for All explores and challenges our assumptions about what the welfare state was originally for, and the kinds of people who were involved in creating it. In doing so, it asks what the idea of the welfare state continues to mean for us today.

Chris Renwick is senior lecturer in modern history at the University of York, where he has taught since 2010. His main area of expertise is the relationship between biology, social science, and politics, especially how the interaction of the three has shaped the way we think about, study, and govern society since the early nineteenth century. The author of numerous academic articles and a book, Chris has been the recipient of a number of prestigious research grants and international awards for his work.



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Native Lands

A Global Journey into History and Memory **Norman Davies**

Where have the people in any particular place actually come from? This evocative historical journey around the world shows us.

Native Lands is Norman Davies's account of a global circumnavigation, of the places he visited and the history he found there, from Abu Dhabi to Singapore, the settlement of Tasmania to the short-lived Republic of Texas. As in Vanished Kingdoms, Davies's historical gaze penetrates behind the present to see how things became as they are, and how peoples came to tell themselves the stories which make up their identities. Everywhere, it seems, human beings have been travelling - pushing out others or arriving in *terra nullius* since the beginning of recorded time. To whom is a land truly native? As always, Norman Davies has his eye on the historical horizon as well as on what is close at hand, and brilliantly complicates our view of the past.

Norman Davies was for many years Professor of History at the School of Slavonic Studies, University of London. He is the author of the acclaimed *Vanished Kingdoms: The History of Half-Forgotten Europe* (2011) and the Number One bestseller *Europe: A History* (1996). His previous books, which include *Rising '44: The Battle for Warsaw* (2003), *The Isles: A History* (1999) and *God's Playground: A History of Poland* (1981), have been translated worldwide. From 1997 to 2004 he was Supernumerary Fellow of Wolfson College, Oxford; he is now Professor at the Jagiellonian University at Kraków, and an Honorary Fellow of St Antony's College, Oxford. He is also a Fellow of the British Academy. He lives in Oxford and Kraków.



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Brazil: A Biography Lilia M. Schwarcz and Heloisa M. Starling

A superb new history of one of the most grand, beautiful and varied countries on Earth

Since Europeans first reached Brazil in 1500 it has been an unfailing source of extraordinary fascination. More than any other part of the 'New World' it displayed both the greatest beauty and grandeur and scenes of the most terrible European ferocity. Its native people both revolutionized Europe's ideas of itself and were then subject to extermination. For white settlers Brazil's opportunities seemed endless, for imported black slaves it was a hell on earth.

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Lilia Moritz Schwarcz is Professor of Anthropology at São Paulo University and Visiting Professor in the Department of Spanish and Portuguese Languages and Cultures in Latin American Studies at Princeton University. Two of her books have been translated into English: *The Emperor's Beard: Dom Pedro II and his Tropical Monarchy in Brazil* and *The Spectacle of the Races: Scientists, Institutions, and the Race Question in Brazil, 1870-1930.*

Heloisa Murgel Starling is Professor at the Federal University of Minas Gerais and author of *Os senhores das Gerais*, *Lembranças do Brasil* and *Uma patria paratodos*.



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Collecting the World

The Life and Curiosity of Hans Sloane James Delbourgo

The first modern biography of one of the seminal figures in eighteenth-century England and founder of the British Musuem

Hans Sloane was a young doctor from Northern Ireland who made his way in London and eventually become physician to the king and much of London society. In his youth he made a defining visit to Jamaica, where he began collecting 'curiosities' of all kinds. He eventually became the centre of a worldwide network which allowed him to assemble the collections which became the core of the British Museum, the National History Museum, and the British Library. This is the first major biography of Sloane in 70 years. It explores not just the impact of an extraordinary man, but allows us a window onto the moment when the meaning of collections and collecting changed.



James Delbourgo was educated at East Anglia, Cambridge and Columbia universities, and previously taught at McGill University, Montreal. In 2008, he became Associate Professor in the History of Science and the Atlantic World at Rutgers. He has written for the *Los Angeles Review of Books*, the *Chronicle of Higher Education Review* and the *Raritan Quarterly*. His previous books include *A Most Amazing Scene of Wonders: Electricity and Enlightenment in Early America* (2006), which won the Thomas J. Wilson Memorial Prize.

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Chris Patten was a cradle Catholic (hence the title), became one of the most prominent Tory 'Wets' of the 1980s and 1990s, and went on to hold a series of prominent public offices - Chairman of the Conservative Party, the last Governor of Hong Kong, European Commissioner for External Affairs, Chancellor of Oxford University, Chairman of the BBC, advisor to the Pope - as he self-deprecatingly puts it 'a Grand Poo-bah, the Lord High Everything Else'. He writes with wry humour about his time in all these offices, taking us behind the scenes and showing us unexpected sides of many of the great figures of the day. In exploring his own identity he also examines the dangers of identity politics, which he encountered in several of his jobs, from Northern Ireland to Asia and the Middle East. No politician now writing is so purely enjoyable as Chris Patten.

Chris Patten is currently Chancellor of Oxford University. As a British MP (1979-92) he served as Minister for Overseas Development, Secretary of State for the Environment and Chairman of the Conservative Party, being described afterwards as 'the best Tory Prime Minister we never had' (*Observer*). He is well known for being the last Governor of Hong Kong (1992-7), about which he wrote in *East and West* (1998). Both that and his most recent book, *Not Quite the Diplomat: Home Truths about World Affairs* (2005), were No. 1 international bestsellers. In 2008 he wrote *What Next? Surviving the Twenty-First Century*. He was made a Companion of Honour in 1998 and a life peer in 2005.



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The Extraordinary Adventure of Les Misérables **David Bellos**

A book as rich, remarkable and long-lasting as the novel at its heart

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David Bellos is Meredith Howland Pyne Professor of French Literature at Princeton University, where he also teaches Comparative Literature. He is the author of many books and articles on nineteenth-century fiction, alongside biographies of three icons of French culture in the twentieth century: Georges Perec, Jacques Tati and Romain Gary. He is also a well-known translator and the author of *Is That a Fish in Your Ear? The Amazing Adventure of Translation.* David Bellos was recently awarded the rank of *officier* in the *Ordre National des Arts et des Lettres* for his services to French culture.



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The Zoo of the New

Poems to Read Now Nick Laird & Don Paterson

Full of cherished classics and new surprises, an anthology of two beloved poets' favourite verse from the last 500 years

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Including writers from Shakespeare and Blake to Sylvia Plath and T. S. Eliot, *The Zoo of the New* is eclectic, instructive and inspiring at the same time.

Nick Laird was born in 1975 in Co. Tyrone, and studied English at the University of Cambridge, where he won the Quiller-Couch Award for creative writing. His poetry collections are *To a Fault* (2005), *On Purpose* (2007) and *Go Giants* (2013). He has been awarded the Aldeburgh Poetry Prize, the Somerset Maugham Award and the Geoffrey Faber Memorial Prize. He is the author of two novels and lives in London.

Don Paterson was born in Dundee in 1963. His poetry collections include *Nil Nil, God's Gift to Women, Landing Light, Rain* and *40 Sonnets*. He has also published translations of Antonio Machado and Rainer Maria Rilke. His poetry has won many awards, including the Whitbread Poetry Prize, the Geoffrey Faber Memorial Prize and all three Forward Prizes; he is currently the only poet to have won the T. S. Eliot Prize twice. He was awarded the Queen's Gold Medal for Poetry in 2009.



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For clown lovers and art lovers alike, the only collection of clown faces painted on eggs anywhere in the world

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In this book, the inimitably eccentric collection of images is paired with biographies of each clown, revealing details of their private and public lives, and giving a glimpse into this outmoded art form that continues to delight and terrify children everywhere.

Winner of the 2005 Jerwood Photography Prize, **Luke Stephenson** photographs what to many epitomizes the eccentricity of Britain. Often humorous in their outlook, the subjects of his series of photographs range from prize budgerigars to those of the World Beard and Moustache Championships.

Helen Champion studied Fine Art at Goldsmiths College, London, and is herself a clown called Zenden.



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Mathieu Burniat is a graphic illustrator born in Brussels. His previous books include *Shrimp* and *La Passion de Dodin-Bouffant*.

Thibault Damour is a theoretical physicist who teaches at the Institut des Hautes Etudes Scientifiques in Paris. His awardwinning work focuses on black holes, gravitational waves and quantum cosmology.



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Islam Tariq Ramadan

The essential introduction to Islam by a leading expert

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Tariq Ramadan is Professor of Contemporary Islamic Studies at St Antony's College, Oxford University, and also teaches at the Oxford Faculty of Theology. He is Visiting Professor at the Faculty of Islamic Studies and Director of the Research Centre of Islamic Legislation and Ethics (both in Qatar), and Senior Research Fellow at Doshisha University in Japan.



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Being Ecological

Timothy Morton

A fascinating guide to solving one of the world's most pressing subjects

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Timothy Morton is Rita Shea Guffey Chair in English at Rice University. He gave the Wellek Lectures in Theory in 2014 and has collaborated with Björk, Haim Steinbach and Olafur Eliasson. He is the author of *Dark Ecology: For a Logic of Future Coexistence* (Columbia, 2016), *Nothing: Three Inquiries in Buddhism* (Chicago, 2015), *Hyperobjects: Philosophy and Ecology after the End of the World* (Minnesota, 2013), *Realist Magic: Objects, Ontology, Causality* (Open Humanities, 2013), *The Ecological Thought* (Harvard, 2010), *Ecology without Nature* (Harvard, 2007), eight other books and 160 essays on philosophy, ecology, literature, music, art, architecture, design and food. A PELICAN INTRODUCTION Being Ecological Timothy Morton

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Our Universe

An Astronomer's Guide

Jo Dunkley

A Pelican Introduction to space and our place in it-what is out there, where we fit in, and how we got here

For many years now, we have known the story of the Solar System, and the Earth's place in it. We have mapped out the stars in the night sky, and have known that we live in a disk of stars that makes up the Milky Way galaxy. But, in the past few decades, huge steps have been taken in the field of astronomy -steps which have let us venture ever further across space and time, with telescopes that let us see, in ever greater detail, those distant and exotic parts of the universe that lie far beyond our Solar System's planets, and even give us a glimpse of the first moments of the Universe.

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An internationally renowned academic, **Jo Dunkley** is Professor of Astrophysics at the University of Oxford, and a well-known public science communicator. She was part of the science team for NASA's WMAP space satellite, and now leads work on the Planck space satellite and the Atacama Cosmology Telescope in Chile. She has been the recipient of many awards, including the Fowler Prize for Astronomy in 2014. A PELICAN INTRODUCTION Our Universe: An Astronomer's Guide Jo Dunkley

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Jonathan Gershuny and **Oriel Sullivan** are the directors of the Centre for Time Use Research in the Department of Sociology at the University of Oxford. They have written this book in collaboration with Evrim Altintas, Kimberly Fisher, Teresa Harms, Ewa Jarosz, Man Yee Kan, Killian Mullan, Joo Yeoun Suh, Giacomo Vagni, Chris Payne and Pierre Walthery.



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The Unwomanly Face of War

Svetlana Alexievich

An unforgettable oral history of Soviet women's experiences in the Second World War from the winner of the Nobel Prize in Literature

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Published in 1985 in Russia and now available in English for the first time, *The Unwomanly Face of War* was Alexievich's first book and a huge bestseller in the Soviet Union, establishing her as a brilliantly revolutionary writer.

Svetlana Alexievich was born in Ivano-Frankivsk in 1948 and has spent most of her life in the Soviet Union and present-day Belarus, with prolonged periods of exile in Western Europe. Starting out as a journalist, she developed her own non-fiction genre which brings together a chorus of voices to describe a specific historical moment. Her works include *The Unwomanly Face of War* (1985), *Last Witnesses* (1985), *Boys in Zinc* (1991), *Chernobyl Prayer* (1997) and *Second-Hand Time* (2013). She has won many international awards, including the 2015 Nobel Prize in Literature for "her polyphonic writings, a monument to suffering and courage in our time".



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A powerful autobiographical novel of race and class by one of the leading Caribbean writers of the 20th century

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Fleeing Russia amid the chaos of the Russian Revolution and subsequent Civil War, many writers went on to settle in Paris, Berlin and elsewhere and forged new lives in exile. Much of their subsequent work, published in Russian-language magazines and books, is entirely unknown in the West and has only been recently discovered in Russia itself. As well as including stories by the most famous émigré writers, Vladimir Nabokov and Ivan Bunin, this collection introduces many lesser known voices: Yuri Felzen, known as 'the Russian Proust', Nadezhda Teffi, the hugely popular and funny story writer, and Georgy Ivanov, whose work of poetic prose 'The Atom Explodes' is a brilliant, haunting response to the upheaval and trauma of emigration. Exploring themes of displacement, nostalgia, loss and new beginnings, this anthology will transform the Anglophone world's understanding of Russian émigré writing in the twentieth century.



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A landmark collection documenting the social, political, and artistic lives of black American women throughout the tumultuous nineteenth century.

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Don't Let Me Be Lonely

An American Lyric Claudia Rankine

From the author of Citizen, a powerful meditation on life and death in the 21st Century

Here, available for the first time in the UK, is the book in which Claudia Rankine first developed the 'American Lyric' form which makes her Forward Prize-winning collection *Citizen* so distinctive: an original combination of poetry, lyric essay, photography and visual art, virtuosically deployed. *Don't Let Me Be Lonely* is Rankine's meditation on the self bewildered by race riots, terrorism, medicated depression and television's ubiquitous influence. Written during George W. Bush's presidency in an America still reeling from the 9/11 attacks and charging headlong into war in Iraq, this is an early 21stcentury work of great wit, intelligence and depth of feeling, with urgent lessons for the present.

Claudia Rankine is the author of five books, including *Don't Let Me Be Lonely: An American Lyric* and the bestselling *Citizen: An American Lyric*. A chancellor of the Academy of American Poets, she is the winner of the 2014 Jackson Poetry Prize, the 2015 National Book Critics Circle Award for Poetry and the 2015 Los Angeles Times Book Prize for Poetry. She is an adjunct professor of English and African-American Studies at Yale University, and has previously taught at Pomona College and the University of Southern California.



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Motherland Fatherland Homelandsexuals

Patricia Lockwood

A breathtaking collection from one of today's boldest and most adventurous poets

What if a deer did porn? Is it legal to marry a stuffed owl exhibit? Do men deserve to be hypnotized for their crimes? And when it comes down to it, what would the tit-pics of famous dead Americans Walt Whitman and Emily Dickinson *really* look like? *Motherland Fatherland Homelandsexuals* is the only book that dares to answer these questions - or, at the very least, to come tantalisingly close before dancing mournfully away again, its pert rump twirling through the artificial night of the last great gorilla actor's costume.

Taking in a philosophically-minded Loch Ness Monster, a younger brother's military tours in Afghanistan and Iraq, and the autobiographical poem 'Rape Joke', Patricia Lockwood's second collection shows one of today's most original poets at her virtuosic best, combining a free-wheeling and surreal sense of humour on the surface with a deep seriousness and an intricate technical mastery lurking always just below it.

Patricia Lockwood was born in Fort Wayne, Indiana, USA and raised in all the worst cities of the Midwest. Her debut collection, *Balloon Pop Outlaw Black*, was released in 2012 by Octopus Books; a selection of her poetry was included in *Penguin Modern Poets 2: Controlled Explosions* (2016), and her memoir, *Priestdaddy*, is forthcoming from Penguin in 2017. Her poems have appeared widely, including in *The New Yorker*, the *London Review of Books*, *Tin House* and *Poetry*.



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André Naffis-Sahely was born in Venice in 1985 to an Iranian father and an Italian mother, but raised in Abu Dhabi. His poetry has been featured in *Ambit, Areté, The Best British Poetry 2014* (Salt), *New Poetries VI* (Carcanet, 2015), *PN Review* and *Swimmers*, among others, and his nonfiction writing has appeared in such publications as *The Economist, The Times Literary Supplement, New Statesman* and *The White Review*. He has been awarded fellowships from bodies including MacDowell Colony and Dar al-Ma'mûn. He is also a literary translator from the Italian and the French; his *Selected Poems* of Abdellatif Laâbi, winner of a PEN Translates award, was published by Carcanet in 2016.



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Anna Minton is a writer, journalist and Reader in Architecture at the University of East London. Her first book, *Ground Control*, was published in 2009 to wide spread acclaim. The Royal Commission's Fellow in the Built Environment between 2011-2014, she is a regular contributor to *The Guardian* and a frequent broadcaster and commentator.



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