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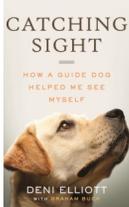
LIKE A CAT LOVES A BIRD
BY JAMES BAILEY (JUNE 9)
A literary portrait of the British author Muriel Spark.



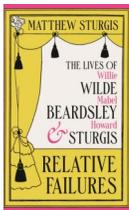
TRANSCENDENT
BY LAVERNE COX (JUNE 9)
The four-time Emmy-nominated actress shares her journey as a transgender woman in Hollywood.



A VOICE LIKE MINE
BY DEB HAALAND (JUNE 9)
A memoir by the former cabinet secretary and congresswoman who is a New Mexico 2026 gubernatorial candidate.



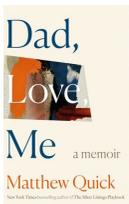
CATCHING SIGHT
BY DENI ELLIOTT (JUNE 16)
A journey through blindness and the story of the amazing guide dog who came along for the ride.



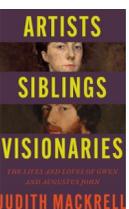
RELATIVE FAILURES
BY MATTHEW STURGIS (JULY 7)
The lives of the siblings of three very famous men.



THE ABSENT WOMAN
BY EVE SNEIDER (JULY 21)
A biography of the journalist and critic Janet Malcolm.



DAD, LOVE, ME
BY MATTHEW QUICK (JULY 21)
A debut memoir by the bestselling author about the burden of caring for an abusive parent who is dying.



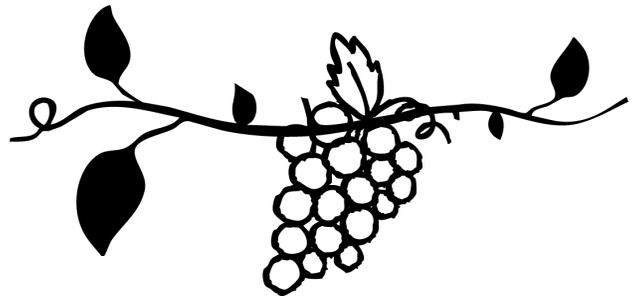
ARTISTS SIBLINGS VISIONARIES
BY JUDITH MACKRELL (AUGUST 4)
An exploration of the careers, relationships and complex legacies of Gwen and Augustus John. Longlisted for the Women's Prize for Non-Fiction.



DON'T LET IT BREAK YOU, HONEY
BY JENNY EVANS (AUGUST 25)
A memoir of resilience after an assault by a journalist and filmmaker. Longlisted for the Women's Prize for Non-Fiction.



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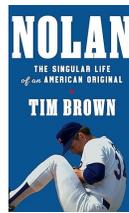

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NOLAN
BY TIM BROWN (MAY 19)
A biography of one of the greatest pitchers in baseball.



GIVE THEM THEIR FLOWERS
BY OCTAVIA SPENCER (MAY 26)
A memoir by the Oscar-winning actor and producer about the power of female friendship.



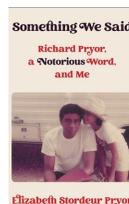
MARILYN AND HER BOOKS
BY GAIL CROWTHER (MAY 26)
An investigation into the literary life of the Hollywood icon and actress.



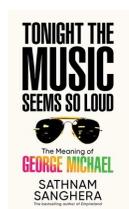
TRUDEAU AND DOONESBURY
BY JOSHUA KENDALL (MAY 26)
An account of the life and work of Gary Trudeau, complete with over 200 cartoons and images.



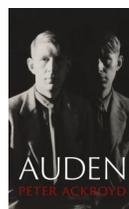
I WANNA BE LOVED BY YOU
BY ANDREW WILSON (JUNE 2)
A biography of Marilyn Monroe.



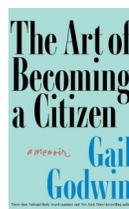
SOMETHING WE SAID
BY ELIZABETH STORDEUR PRYOR (JUNE 2)
A memoir by Richard Pryor's daughter about growing up with her famous and controversial father.



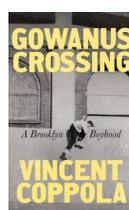
TONIGHT THE MUSIC SEEMS SO LOUD
BY SATHNAM SANGHERA (JUNE 2)
The story of the life and music of George Michael and an examination of fame, addiction and homophobia in the 80s and 90s.



AUDEN
BY PETER ACKROYD (JUNE 5)
A portrait of the poet W.H. Auden.



THE ART OF BECOMING A CITIZEN
BY GAIL GODWIN (JUNE 9)
A chronicle of the life of a writer and political reporter.



GOWANUS CROSSING
BY VINCENT COPPOLA (JUNE 9)
A memoir of a second-generation Italian's childhood in mid-20th century Brooklyn.

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KATE!

BY CHRISTOPHER ANDERSEN
(MAY 5)

A portrait of the Princess of Wales by the royal biographer.



MOTHER TONGUE

BY SARA NOVIC (MAY 5)

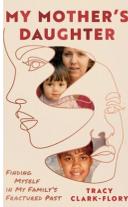
A writer traces her path out of the hearing world and into the deaf community.



MY MOTHER'S DAUGHTER

BY TRACY CLARK-FLORY (MAY 5)

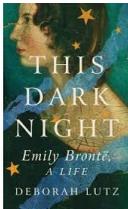
A story of family secrets, sisters and the importance of untangling the things we inherit from our mothers.



THIS DARK NIGHT

BY DEBORAH LUTZ (MAY 5)

A biography of Emily Jane Brontë, the poet and author of *Wuthering Heights*.



TRUE CRIME

BY PATRICIA CORNWELL (MAY 5)

A memoir by the author of the bestselling series about pathologist Dr. Kay Scarpetta.



YOUNG KING

BY LERONE MARTIN (MAY 5)

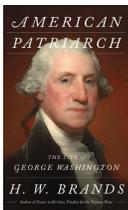
The origin story of Martin Luther King, Jr.



AMERICAN PATRIARCH

BY H.W. BRANDS (MAY 12)

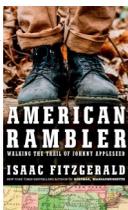
A portrait of George Washington that focuses on the role he played in the birth of the country.



AMERICAN RAMBLER

BY ISAAC FITZGERALD (MAY 12)

A retracing of the journey the American gardener and folk hero Johnny Appleseed took from Massachusetts to Indiana.



AN INCONVENIENT WIDOW

BY LOIS ROMANO (MAY 19)

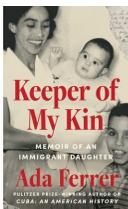
A biography of Mary Todd Lincoln.



KEEPER OF MY KIN

BY ADA FERRER (MAY 19)

A memoir about migration, separation and the love of family by the Pulitzer Prize-winning author.



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LOST

BY RACHEL HARTIGAN (MARCH 3)

An exploration of three different theories about the disappearance of Amelia Earhart.



MARGARET BEAUFORT

BY LAUREN JOHNSON (MARCH 3)

A biography of the woman who survived the Wars of the Roses to become the mother of Henry VII and the Tudor dynasty.



YOU WITH THE SAD EYES

BY CHRISTINA APPLIGATE (MARCH 3)

A memoir by the actress about her life and her struggle with multiple sclerosis.



ADULT BRACES

BY LINDY WEST (MARCH 10)

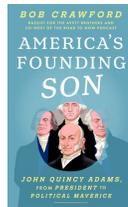
The story of depression, a road trip and the reinvention of a marriage.



AMERICA'S FOUNDING SON

BY BOB CRAWFORD (MARCH 10)

A biography of John Quincy Adams.



GETTING NAKED

BY VALERIE BERTINELLI (MARCH 10)

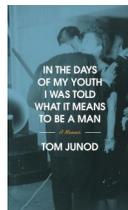
A memoir of divorce, menopause and generational pain, coupled with a message of self-acceptance.



IN THE DAYS OF MY YOUTH I WAS TOLD WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A MAN

BY TOM JUNOD (MARCH 10)

A memoir about a charismatic, philandering father who tried to mold his son in his own image.



JUDY BLUME

BY MARK OPPENHEIMER (MARCH 10)

A biography of one of the world's most treasured literary voices.



KIDS, WAIT TILL YOU HEAR THIS!

BY LIZA MINNELLI (MARCH 10)

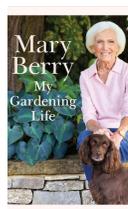
A first-ever memoir from the global entertainer.



MY GARDENING LIFE

BY MARY BERRY (MARCH 10)

The celebrated baker shares her love of gardening.



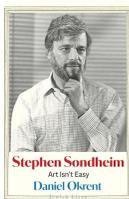
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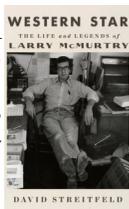
SHUT UP AND READ
BY JEANNINE COOK (MARCH 10)
The true story of the founding and flourishing of a little independent bookstore in Philadelphia.



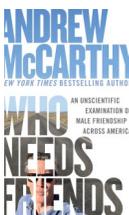
STEPHEN SONDHEIM
BY DANIEL OKRENT (MARCH 17)
A look at the complex inner life of the revered 20th century theatrical composer.



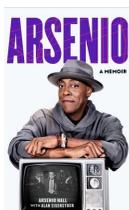
WESTERN STAR
BY DAVID STREITFELD (MARCH 24)
A biography of Larry McMurry, the author and screenwriter of *Lonesome Dove*, *The Last Picture Show* and *Brokeback Mountain*, written by a Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist.



WHO NEEDS FRIENDS
BY ANDREW MCCARTHY (MARCH 24)
An exploration of male friendship through a cross-country road trip the author took to reconnect with his friends.



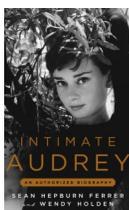
ARSENIO
BY ARSENIO HALL (MARCH 31)
A memoir about celebrity, race and show business.



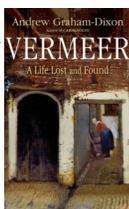
PHASES
BY BRANDY (MARCH 31)
A memoir by the multiplatinum, Grammy Award-winning performer.



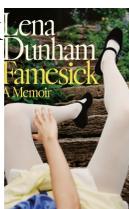
INTIMATE AUDREY
BY WENDY HOLDEN AND SEAN HEPBURN FERRER (APRIL 7)
An official biography of Audrey Hepburn, co-written by her son.



VERMEER
BY ANDREW GRAHAM-DIXON (APRIL 7)
A new interpretation of the revered artist's life and work.



FAMESICK
BY LENA DUNHAM (APRIL 14)
A reflection on illness, fame, sex and everything in between.



I CHOOSE ME
BY JENNIE GARTH (APRIL 14)
The actress, designer and entrepreneur writes about pursuing happiness, aging with confidence and learning to love and prioritize yourself.



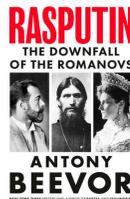
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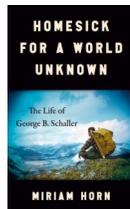
THE QUEEN AND HER PRESIDENTS
BY SUSAN PAGE (APRIL 14)
A chronicle of Queen Elizabeth II's relationships with 13 American presidents, from Truman to Trump.



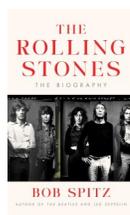
RASPUTIN
BY ANTONY BEEVOR (APRIL 14)
A biography of a Siberian peasant who infiltrated the Russian imperial household and contributed to the collapse of one of the greatest autocracies in the world.



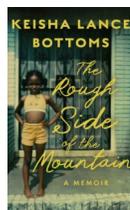
HOMESICK FOR A WORLD UNKNOWN
BY MIRIAM HORN (APRIL 21)
A portrait of George B. Schaller, the world's leading field biologist.



THE ROLLING STONES
BY BOB SPITZ (APRIL 21)
The acclaimed music writer tackles one of the most documented groups in rock history.



THE ROUGH SIDE OF THE MOUNTAIN
BY KEISHA LANCE BOTTOMS (APRIL 21)
A memoir by the former mayor of Atlanta about her modest upbringing.



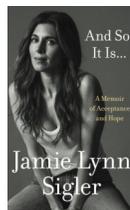
SELLING OPPORTUNITY
BY MARY LISA GAVENAS (APRIL 28)
A biography of Mary Kay Ash, the founder of Mary Kay Cosmetics and the first woman to chair a company that was listed on the New York Stock Exchange.



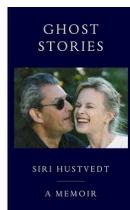
THIS IS NOT ABOUT RUNNING
BY MARY CAIN (APRIL 28)
A memoir of elite sports gone wrong.



AND SO IT IS
BY JAMIE LYNN SIGLER (MAY 5)
A memoir by the star of the HBO hit series *The Sopranos*.



GHOST STORIES
BY SIRI HUSTVEDT (MAY 5)
A memoir of love and grief that is centered around the author's late husband Paul Auster.



GLORIOUS COUNTRY
BY VICTORIA JOHNSON (MAY 5)
A biography of the American artist Frederic Church.

