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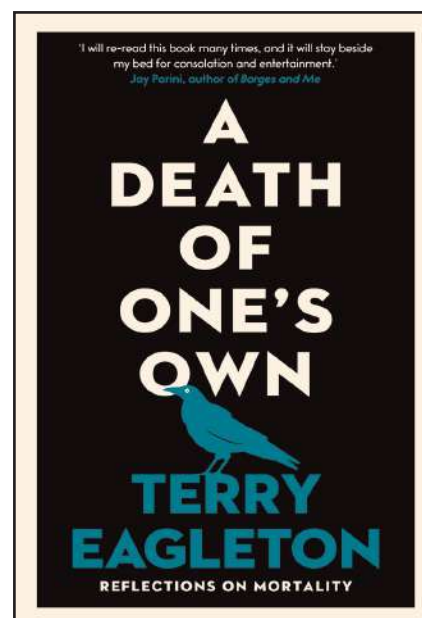
Terry Eagleton

Formerly Warton Professor of English Literature at Oxford University

An engaging, insightful meditation on death, from one of our leading minds

In this wide-ranging and personal account, Terry Eagleton examines the ways in which western culture has reflected on death. He draws the together topics from a broad range of work, from comedy and humour to the literature of mortality and tragedy, to explore the ideas and individuals which have been central to his spiritual and intellectual life.

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A History of Smells

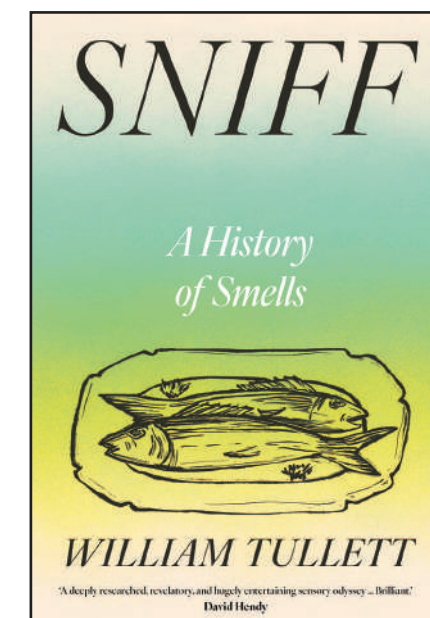
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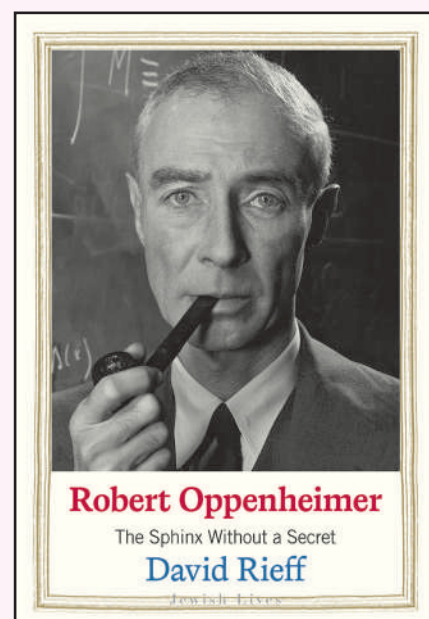
A remarkable account of the weird and wonderful history of smell

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Robert Oppenheimer

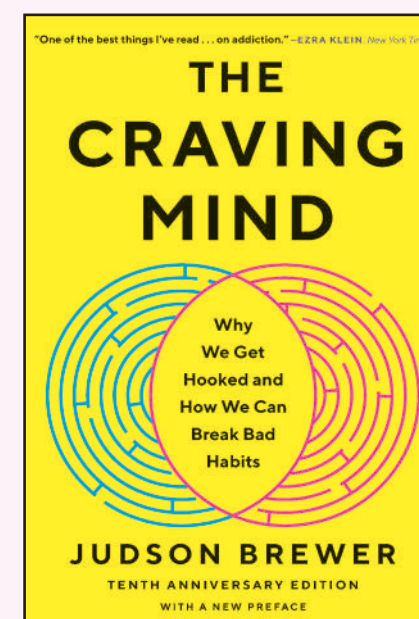
The Sphinx Without a Secret

David Rieff

Journalist and author

An original perspective on the father of the atomic bomb, shedding new light on Oppenheimer's personality and psychology

David Rieff offers a fresh perspective on J. Robert Oppenheimer, focusing on the scientist's personality and psychology, and the events in his childhood and early adulthood that explain his "closed down" nature. Rieff pays particular attention to the traumatic character of Oppenheimer's childhood, and to his extremely ambivalent relation to his Jewishness, an ambivalence that partly explains Oppenheimer's affinity for the universalist promise of science.



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New Edition
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The Craving Mind

Why We Get Hooked and How We Can Break Bad Habits

Judson Brewer

Director of research and innovation at Brown University's Mindfulness Center and professor in behavioral and social sciences and psychiatry

A leading neuroscientist's internationally acclaimed account of how addiction works and can be overcome, now in a ten-year anniversary edition with a new preface

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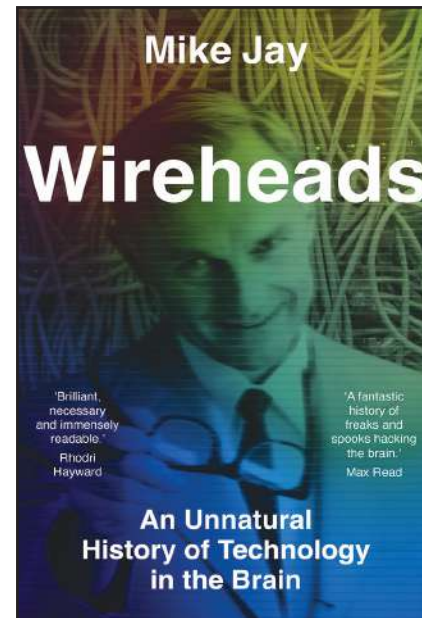
An Unnatural History of Technology in the Brain

Mike Jay
Historian of science, medicine, and culture

The story of the mavericks and scientists, crackpots and artistic visionaries who imagined a future in which machines fuse with our minds

Mike Jay explores the history of attempts to wire the human brain, tracing the stories of those who dared to imagine radical neurotechnologies. Encompassing covert military operations and psychedelic art, moral philosophy and cybernetic theory, Jay offers us a mindbending perspective on what it means to be human in a posthuman age.

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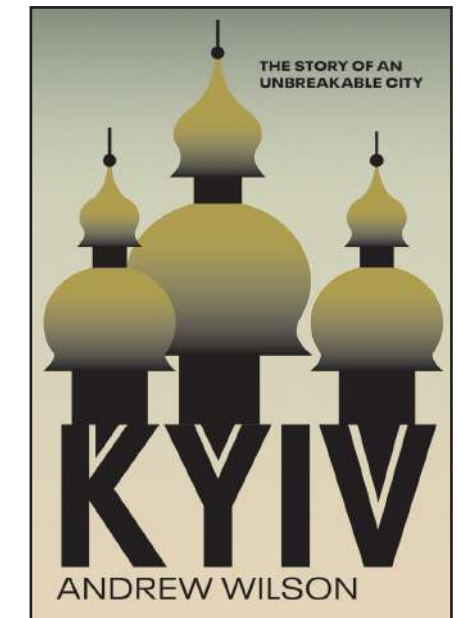
Kyiv

The Story of an Unbreakable City

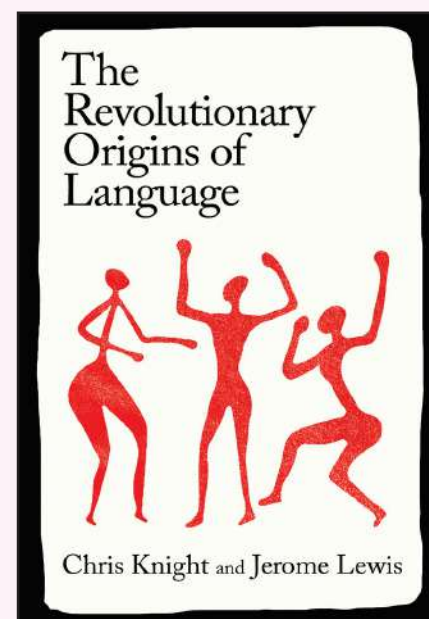
Andrew Wilson
Professor in Ukrainian studies at University College London

An accessible and authoritative history of Kyiv, from medieval origins to front-line defence against Russian invasion

Andrew Wilson charts Kyiv's 1,500-year history, from early monastic origins to multicultural flourishing on the borderlands of vast empires, Nazi invasion and Soviet suzerainty, through golden ages of local culture, to its development after independence. Wilson guides us through the city as Ukrainians know it today—and reveals a city worth fighting for.



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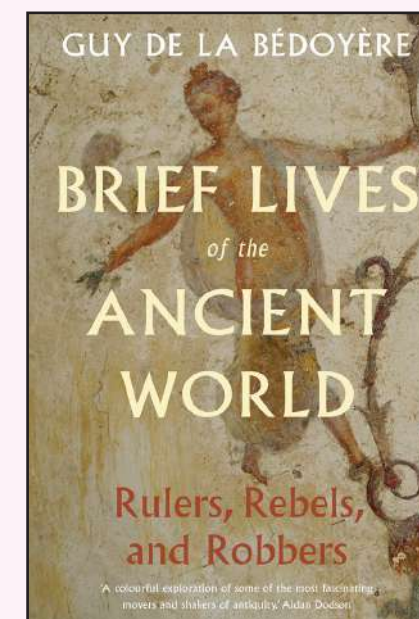
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The Revolutionary Origins of Language

Chris Knight and Jerome Lewis
Professor emeritus of anthropology at UCL and Professor of anthropology at UCL respectively

The story of the social and sexual revolution responsible for the emergence of our most prized skill—the ability to speak

Chris Knight and Jerome Lewis draw on hunter-gatherer ethnography and the archaeological record to reveal the revolutionary role of formidable women's coalitions in shaping early human societies. Using laughter, song, and dance, these coalitions restrained the male potential for violence to establish the levels of community-wide trust needed for linguistic creativity to flourish for the first time.



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Brief Lives of the Ancient World

Rulers, Rebels, Robbers

Guy de la Bédoyère
Historian and archaeologist

A fascinating window into the history of the ancient world, told through thirty-five fascinating figures

Guy de la Bédoyère draws on decades of research to provide a history of the ancient world through a personal selection of key figures. These individuals serve as a portal into the experience of the ancient world in the days of vengeful gods, despotic pharaohs, and extravagant emperors.

The Age of Plunder

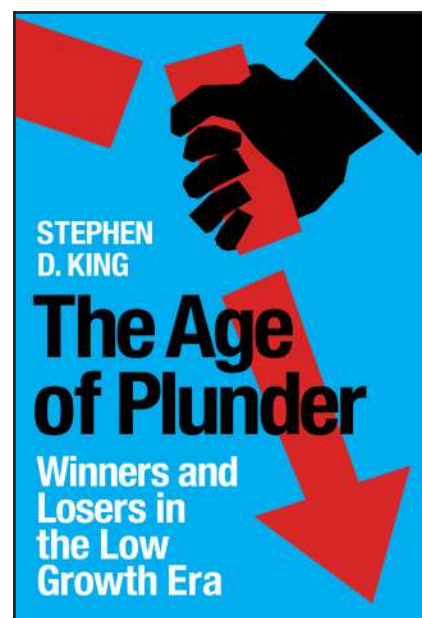
Winners and Losers in the Low Growth Era

Stephen D. King

Senior economic adviser at HSBC, and fellow of the Academy of Social Sciences and the Society of Professional Economists

Why the consequences of a prolonged period of weaker economic growth will be more profound than anyone dares to predict

Stephen D. King asks how we will adapt to an era of persistently low economic growth, characterised by invidious political wrangling over tax, welfare and defence, competition for resources, and increased divisions both at home and across borders. King introduces us to the new political economy of plunder, and a divided world riven by conflict for limited spoils.



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10 figs.

Worth the Risk

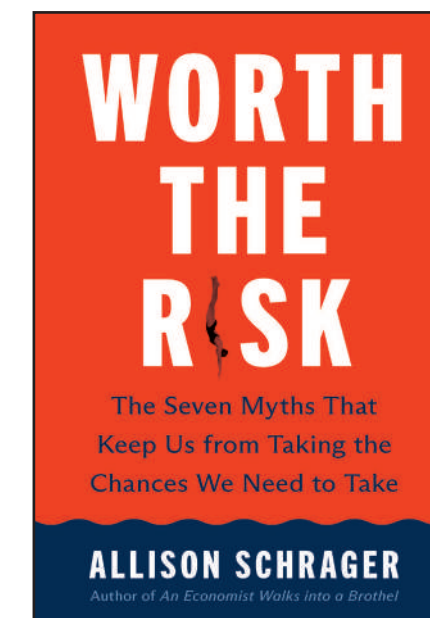
The Seven Myths That Keep Us from Taking the Chances We Need to Take

Allison Schrager

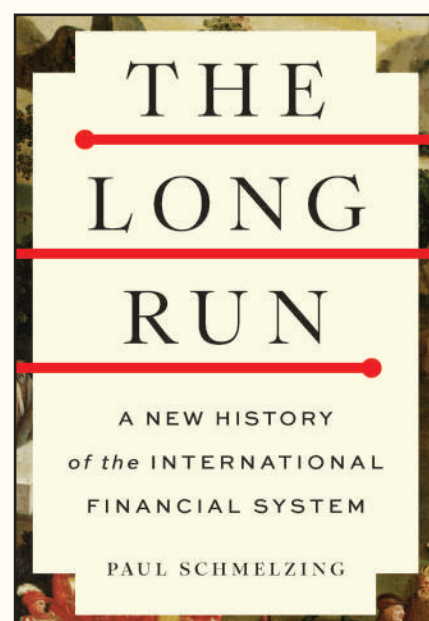
Senior fellow at the Manhattan Institute and a regular columnist for Bloomberg Opinion

Why fear of risk is holding us back, and how we can reclaim the confidence to thrive in unpredictable times

Although many of us are risk averse, seeking the safety of steady jobs and minimal uncertainty, economist Allison Schrager shows that risk-taking is essential for financial, professional, and personal progress. In this book she offers clear strategies to assess the unknowns, make confident choices, and reclaim the upside of risk.



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The Long Run

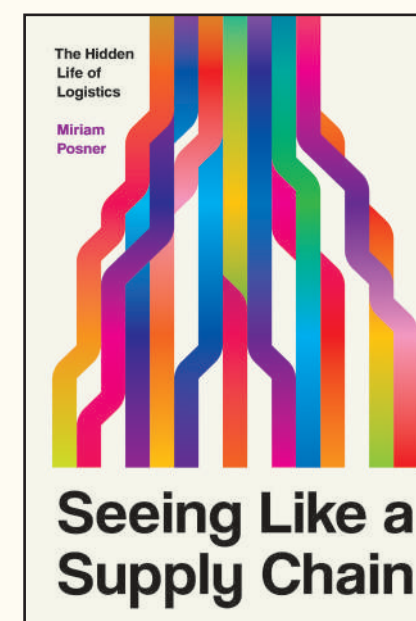
A New History of the International Financial System

Paul Schmelzing

Assistant professor of finance at Boston College and a research fellow at the Hoover Institution at Stanford University

A bold new history of global finance over seven centuries—and what its long evolution reveals about the future of the world economy

A sweeping 700-year history of global finance, revealing how today's instability may be a return to deeper historical patterns—and why long-standing trends, including low interest rates, are now reversing, as the system long anchored by America begins to shift toward a more uncertain and unstable era.



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Seeing Like a Supply Chain

The Hidden Life of Logistics

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Associate professor in the Department of Information Studies and the Digital Humanities program at the University of California, Los Angeles

A history of the technology of supply-chain management, from punch cards to neural nets, that drives our modern global economy

A compelling investigation into the hidden networks that drive our global economy. Miriam Posner presents a blow-by-blow account of the technology of supply-chain management from punch cards to neural nets, revealing how the system's built-in ambiguity shields companies from accountability while exploiting workers.

The Two-Leviathan Problem

Why Rival Hegemons Cannot Coexist

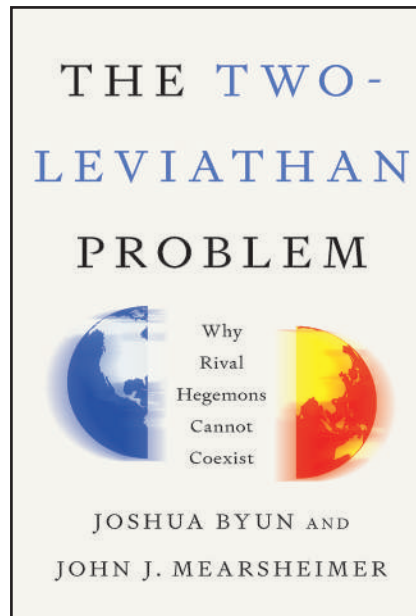
Joshua Byun and John J. Mearsheimer

Joshua Byun is assistant professor of security studies in the Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University. John J. Mearsheimer is the R. Wendell Harrison Distinguished Service Professor of Political Science at the University of Chicago

A major theoretical statement on why a world with two hegemons is dangerous and unstable

The U.S.–China competition will be the dominant feature of international politics in the twenty-first century. Joshua Byun and John J. Mearsheimer elucidate one of the most important—yet underexamined—issues in this competition: whether the United States should fear China achieving regional hegemony in East Asia and therefore should seek to prevent that outcome.

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Reboot

AI and the Race to Save Democracy

Beth Simone Noveck

Professor at Northeastern University, where she directs the Burnes Center for Social Change and its partner project, The GovLab. Previously, she served in the White House as the first United States Deputy Chief Technology Officer under President Obama

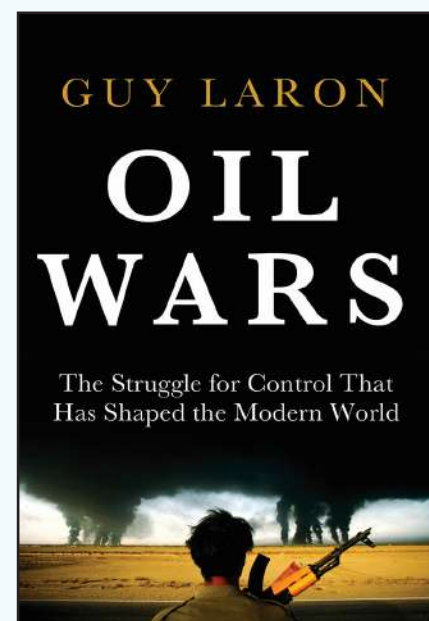
A blueprint for rescuing our fragile democracy by harnessing AI

Governments are proving increasingly ineffective as oceans rise, cities burn, and both infrastructure and institutions crumble. How can we overcome these challenges when the institutions that govern our lives feel so broken? AI offers our best hope in decades to radically reshape our democracy, and Beth Simone Noveck provides a blueprint for how.

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Oil Wars

The Struggle for Control that has Shaped the Modern World

Guy Laron

Senior lecturer in international relations at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem

A vital history of oil and politics, showing how the struggle to control energy corridors and chokepoints shaped the modern world

Guy Laron charts the connection between energy and political power over the last 150 years. He shows how political actors leveraged their power through key chokepoints: production sites, pipelines, and even refineries. This has been a high-stakes game over the controlling heights of the world economy that continues to this very day.



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Who Elected Big Tech?

How Your Phone Hijacked the Constitution

Allison Stanger

Distinguished Endowed Professor at Middlebury College, external professor at the Santa Fe Institute, and codirector of the GETTING-Plurality research network at Harvard University

How technology companies became de facto governors of public life—and how democracy can evolve to survive

From social media scandals to the rise of AI, Allison Stanger explains how private tech companies came to govern public discourse without democratic authority. This book reveals how this power took hold—and why democracy must evolve to survive it.

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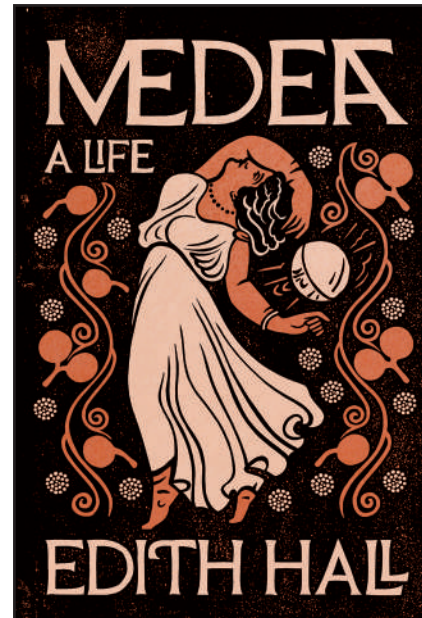
A Life

Edith Hall

Professor in the Department of Classics and Ancient History
at Durham University

The story of Medea, a maligned and misunderstood woman of Greek mythology, from one of Britain's foremost classicists

Edith Hall explores the possibility that Medea, mythology's archetypal murderous mother, was in fact based on a historical figure. In reframing a person long reduced to villainy, Hall restores Medea's humanity, illuminating a woman pushed to extremes by betrayal, displacement, and the pressures placed on immigrant brides in the late Bronze Age.



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Goddesses

A History of Love and War

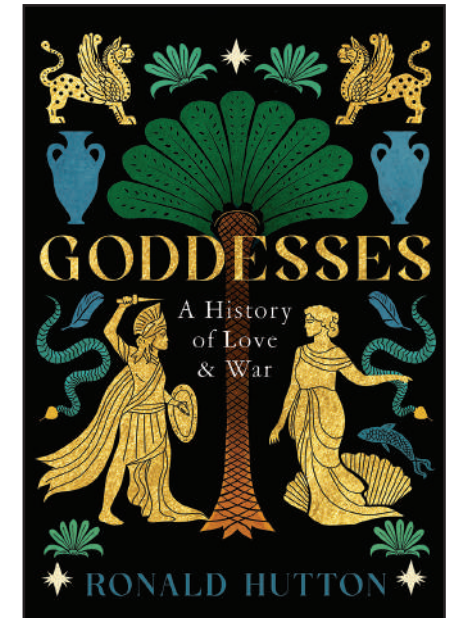
Ronald Hutton

Professor of history at Bristol University

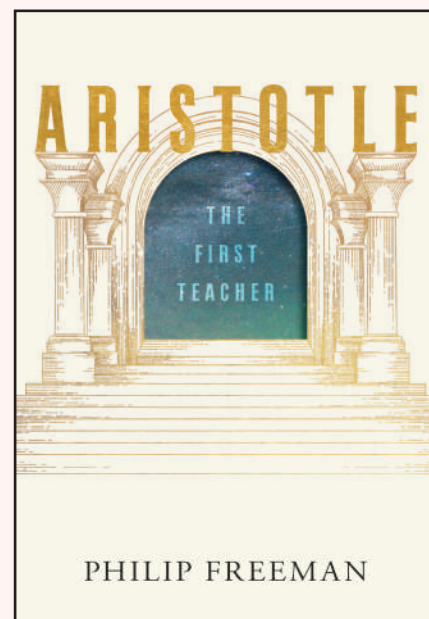
A groundbreaking history of the ancient goddesses of love and war

Ronald Hutton traces the history of eight key goddesses in ancient societies, including Inanna, Aphrodite, and Freya. Ranging from Mesopotamia, Syria, and Palestine to western Europe, this fascinating story provides a deeper understanding of two of the most powerful and intractable human impulses: love and war.

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Aristotle

The First Teacher

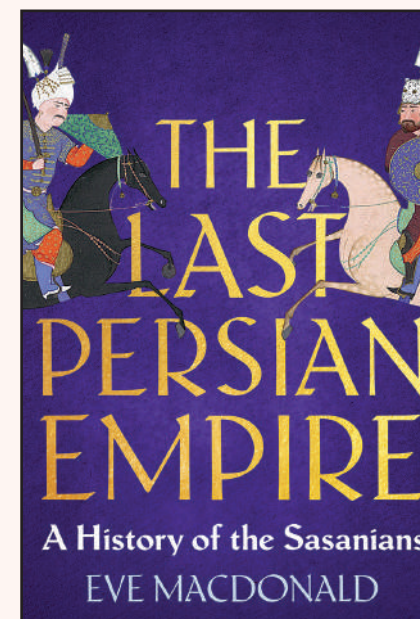
Philip Freeman

Fletcher Jones Chair of Western Culture and professor of
the humanities at Pepperdine University

The first modern biography of Aristotle—student of Plato, tutor to Alexander, and architect of ideas still studied around the world

Aristotle was one of the most influential people in human history, the founder of almost every subject studied in universities today—from biology and political science to logic and literary criticism. Philip Freeman reveals the man behind the ideas that still define science, ethics, and politics today.

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The Last Persian Empire

A History of the Sasanians

Eve MacDonald

Archaeologist, lecturer, and travel guide

A major new history of the Sasanian Persians

Eve MacDonald traces the story of the Sasanian Empire from the second century CE to its collapse in the seventh. This is an unforgettable account of an extraordinary dynasty and the indelible mark it left on the legends, folklore, and cultures of the world, from the Mediterranean to China.

Sacred Treasure

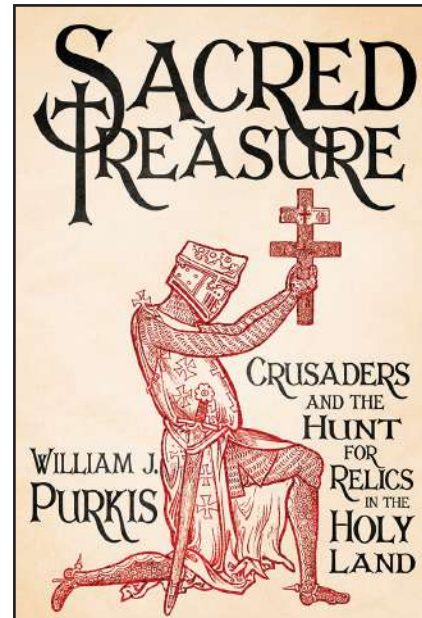
Crusaders and the Hunt for Relics in the Holy Land

William J. Purkis

Professor of medieval history at the University of Birmingham

An insightful new history of crusading, revealing the vital role holy places and relics played in fuelling medieval religious violence

In this bold new account, William Purkis reveals how religious ideas fuelled generations of crusading violence in the Holy Land. Drawing on a wide range of sources, he reveals how the prospect of losing sacred material culture played a more significant role in triggering crusade enthusiasm than the opportunities for worldly material gain.



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The Black Cross

A History of the Baltic Crusades

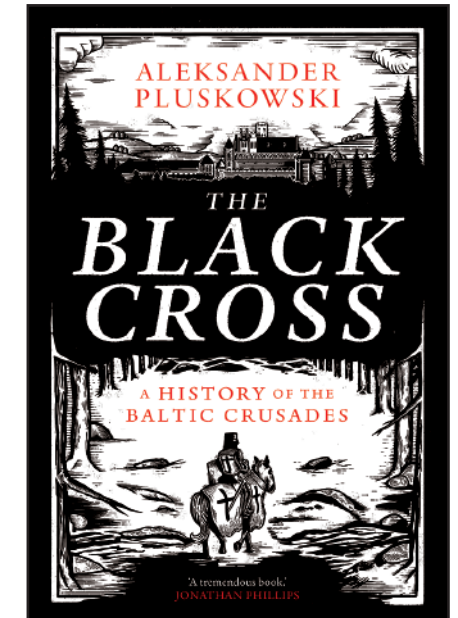
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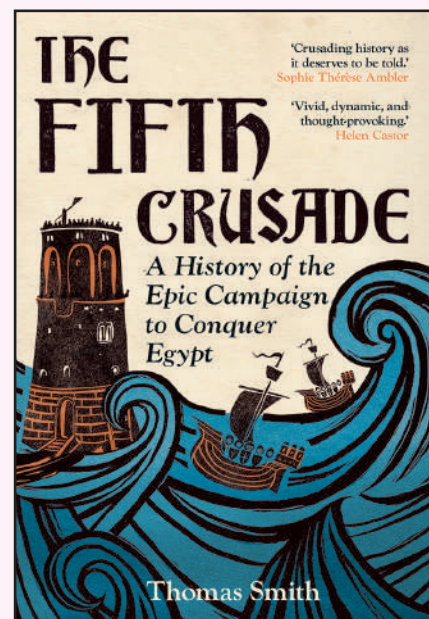
A wide-ranging new history of the Baltic Crusades and their legacy

Aleksander Pluskowski traces the story of the Baltic Crusades and their legacy, exploring the cultural transformations which saw the introduction of castles, towns, new technology, monetary economies, and Christianity. The author provides a fresh take on the impact of centuries of religious warfare across northern Europe.

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The Fifth Crusade

A History of the Epic Campaign to Conquer Egypt

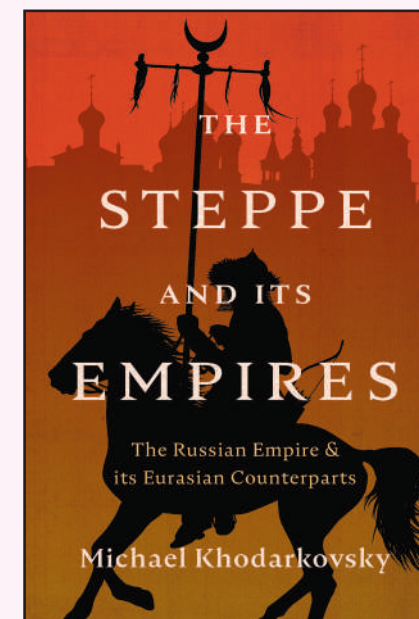
Thomas Smith

Keeper of the Scholars at Rugby School and holds honorary research positions at Royal Holloway and the University of Kent

A fascinating account of the Fifth Crusade, the campaign to conquer Egypt and regain the Holy Land

Thomas Smith tells the gripping story of the crusade for Egypt, shedding new light on the brutal reality of medieval combat on land and water. We see a dramatic beach landing, the invention of a floating siege engine, and the conquest of the crucial port city of Damietta—one of the most notorious sieges of the crusades.

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The Steppe and Its Empires

The Russian Empire and Its Eurasian Counterparts

Michael Khodarkovsky

Professor of history at Loyola University Chicago

A broad comparative study that highlights the importance of the Eurasian steppe and its impact on the arc of Russian history

Michael Khodarkovsky assesses the critical role of the Eurasian steppe in distinguishing Russia and other Eurasian empires from their European counterparts and explains how Russia's steppe origins and fluid frontiers propelled its relentless expansion, producing a vastly diverse empire with a blurred sense of national identity.

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The Masquerade

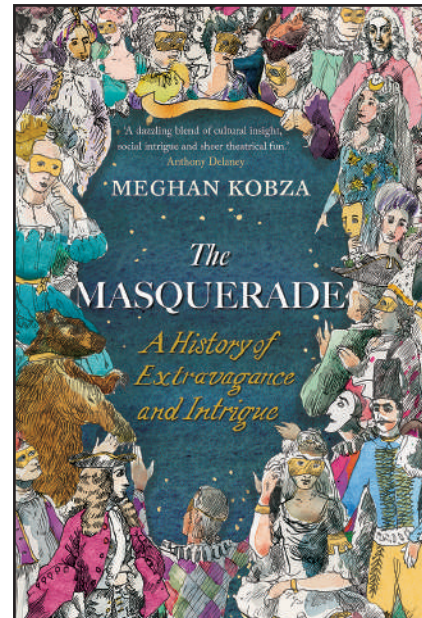
A History of Extravagance and Intrigue

Meghan Kobza

Historian of leisure in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries, and particularly Georgian costume, fancy dress, and material culture

The first full history of an extraordinary eighteenth-century British entertainment

Meghan Kobza invites us into the most fashionable London venues to explore the glittering Georgian masquerade. With elaborate costuming and the opportunity to consume to excess, these events allowed the aristocracy to reinforce their status and enjoy themselves behind closed doors. *The Masquerade* is a revelatory account of an event which still captivates us today.



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The Pyrenees

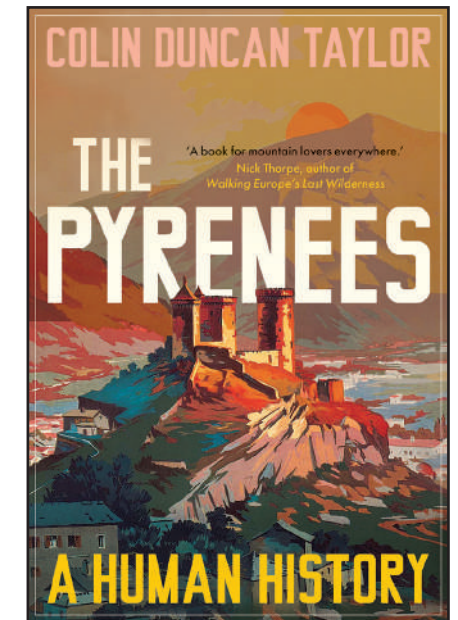
A Human History

Colin Duncan Taylor

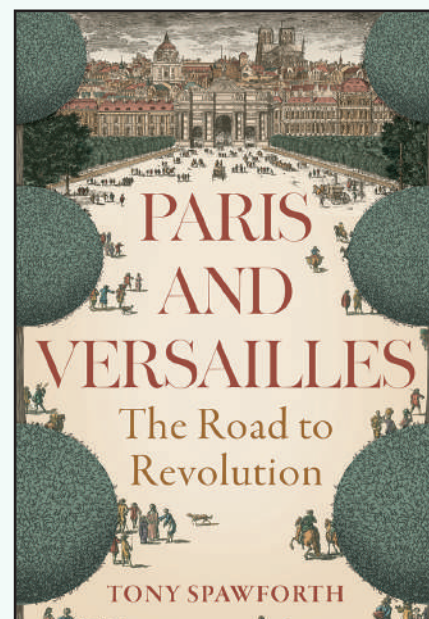
Writer and journalist from the south of France who writes on history, landscape, and gastronomy

A fascinating account of the Pyrenees and their people—from prehistoric settlement to the present day

Colin Duncan Taylor leads us through the storied terrain of the Pyrenees, from the cave art of their first prehistoric inhabitants to spa towns and ski resorts. Outlining the mountains' outsize role in European history—as a place to live or hide, attack or defend, exploit or enjoy—Taylor shows how they have been repeatedly made and remade.



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Paris and Versailles

The Road to Revolution

Tony Spawforth

Historian, broadcaster, and emeritus professor at Newcastle University

A fascinating history of pre-revolutionary Paris and Versailles

Tony Spawforth explores the history of old-regime Paris and Versailles from the seventeenth century to the revolution. Looking at royal palaces, society salons, markets and workshops, he traces the events that took place in these locations, and uncovers the profound role Paris and Parisians ultimately played in the downfall of the monarchy.



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Shanghai

The Story of China's Most Dynamic City

Michael Dillon

Professor of history and an affiliate of King's College London's Lau China Institute

A comprehensive new history of Shanghai, revealing its vital place in Chinese history and politics across the centuries

Michael Dillon explores the story of Shanghai, from its origins as a small fishing village to the bustling financial hub of today. Central to some of the most turbulent events of China's modern history, Dillon explores the colonial period of British and French concessions, the birth of the Chinese Communist Party, and the city's central role in Chinese society today.

Iran and the Revolution

A History

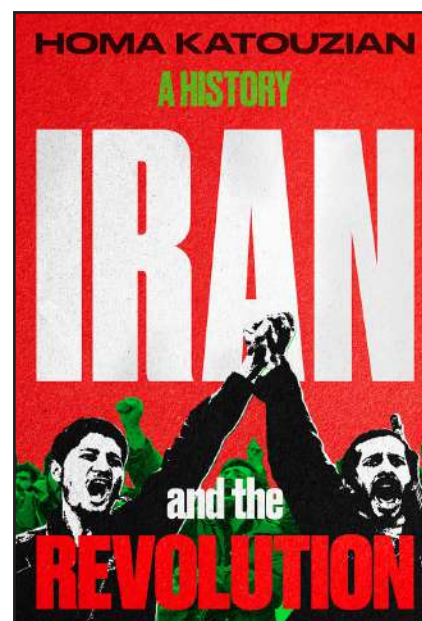
Homa Katouzian

Member of the Faculty of Asian and Middle Eastern Studies, University of Oxford, and a visiting scholar at the Department of History, University of Toronto

A major new history of revolutionary Iran, from the 1940s to the present

Homa Katouzian shows how the Iranian Revolution came into being, ranging from the overthrow of Mosaddeq in 1953, through the revolutionary movement itself, to the resistance movements of contemporary Iran. This is an engaging account of an epochal event—and one which continues to shape the country to this day.

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Darwin and the Queer Origins of Life

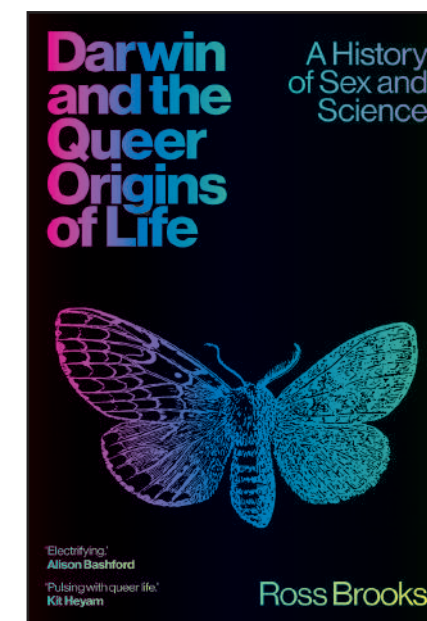
A History of Sex and Science

Ross Brooks

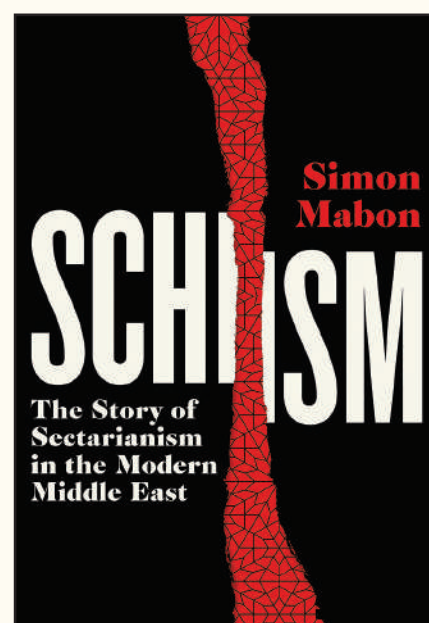
Independent historian of science and a foundational thinker in queer history and the history of sexology

A revelatory history of sex, gender, and science from Linnaeus to Darwin

Ross Brooks shows how queerness was at the heart of evolutionists' thinking about the natural world. Exploring Darwin and his fellow naturalists' encounters with a wild array of sexually diverse anatomies and behaviours in plants, animals and even humans, he reveals the hidden queerness of Georgian and Victorian science—and shows how nature has always been more sexually diverse than we've been told.



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Schism

The Story of Sectarianism in the Modern Middle East

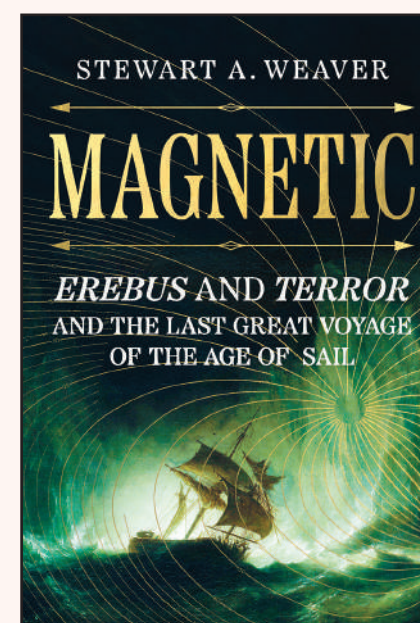
Simon Mabon

Professor of international politics and director of the Sectarianism, Proxies and De-Sectarianisation project at Lancaster University

A sophisticated new account of sectarianism in the Middle East

Simon Mabon shows how sectarianism has evolved in the Middle East, and how it has been shaped by religious belief and colonial and post-colonial state building. Ranging from Iraq and Iran to Lebanon, Saudi Arabia and Israel, Mabon explores how divisions have changed over time—and how they have shaped the lives of people across the region.

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Magnetic

Erebus and Terror and The Last Great Voyage of the Age of Sail

Stewart A. Weaver

Professor of history at the University of Rochester in Rochester, New York

The compelling story of the James Clark Ross expedition to the Antarctic

In this engaging account, Stewart Weaver traces the story of James Clark Ross' epic voyage to unravel the mysteries of the Earth's magnetic field and disclose the secrets of the Antarctic. This is the fascinating story of explorer-scientists striving to make their mark at the end of the Age of Sail.

Drugs

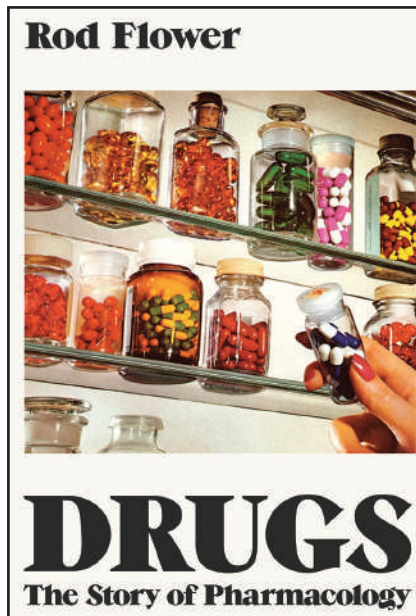
The Story of Pharmacology

Rod Flower

Emeritus professor of biochemical pharmacology at Queen Mary University of London

A fascinating guide to the history of drugs and medicines, the science of how they work, and the way they've shaped healthcare and society

Rod Flower guides us through the fascinating history of pharmacology, showing us how drugs really work. We see how medicines are developed, and what happens inside our bodies when we ingest these mysterious chemicals. This accessible introduction to the science of drugs reveals their intriguing inner workings, and celebrates their remarkable healing power.



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Reindeer

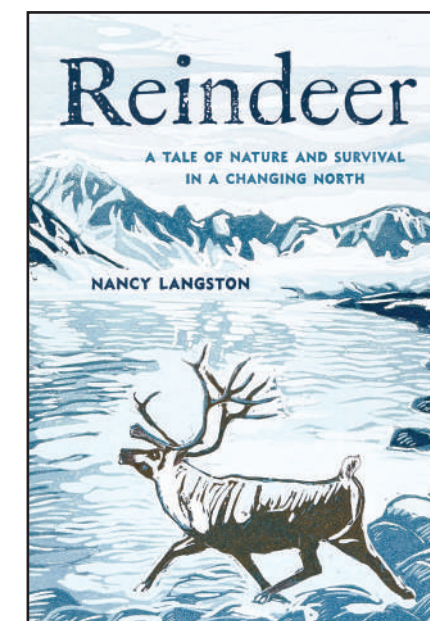
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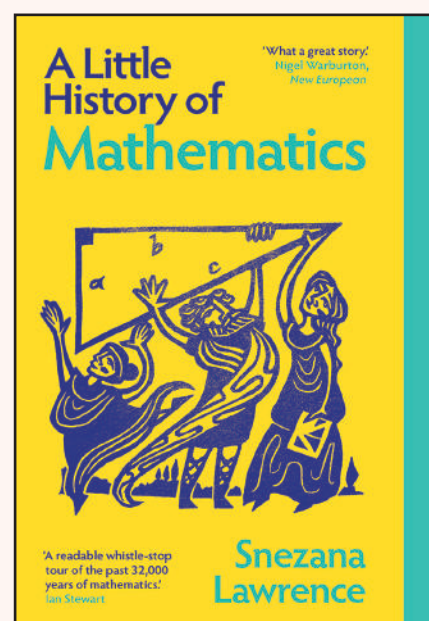
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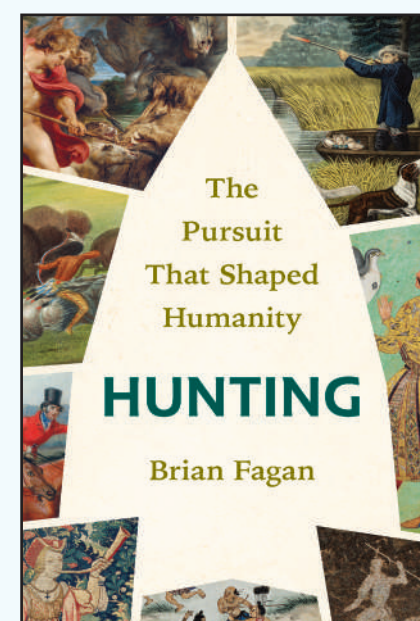
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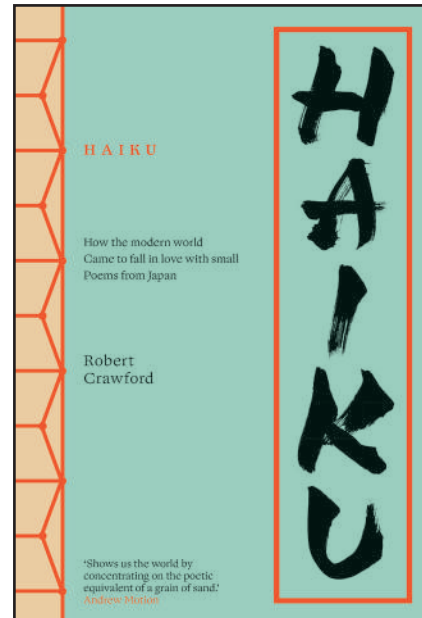
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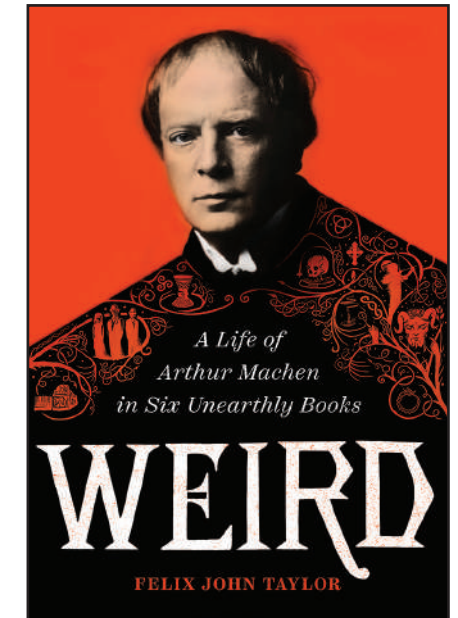
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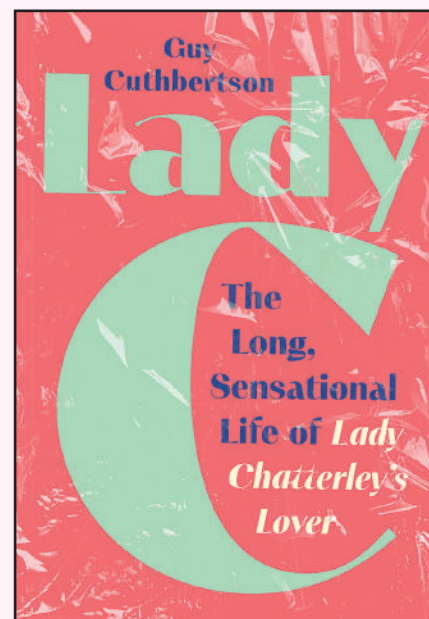
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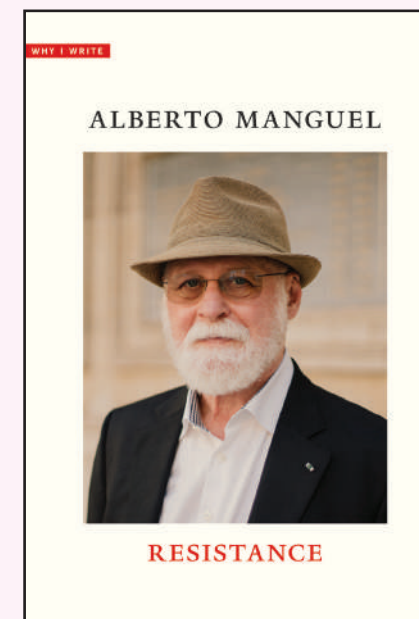
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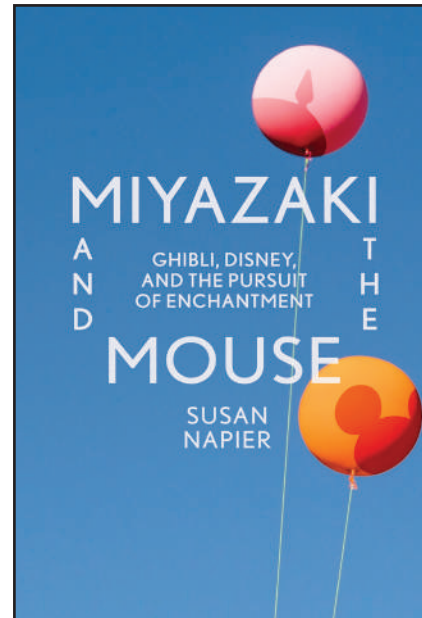
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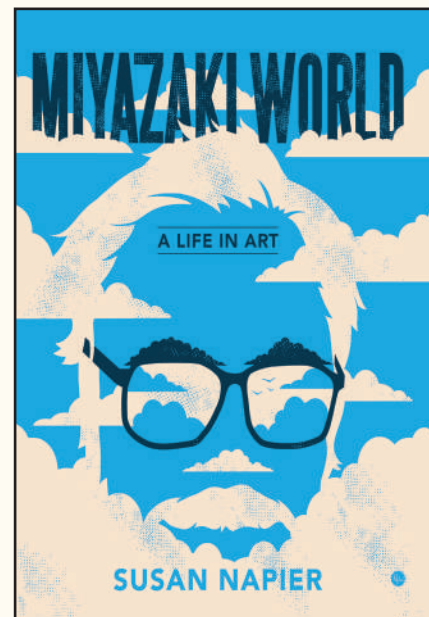
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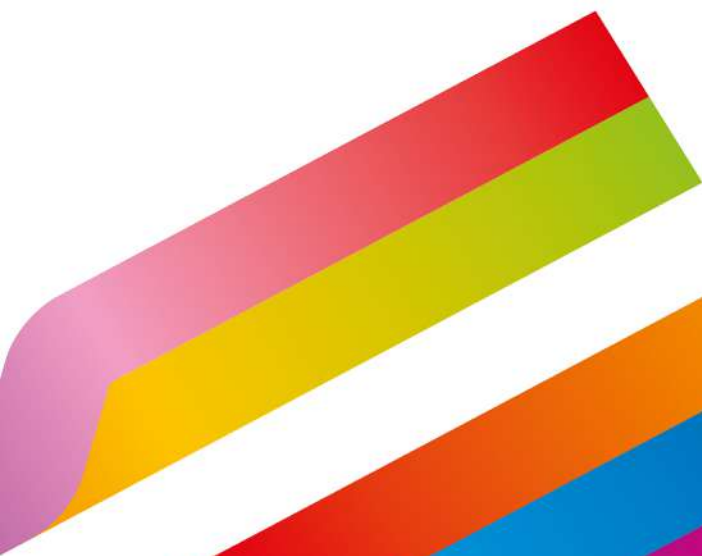
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