

Rare And Precious Things The Blackstone Affair 4

How silver influenced two hundred years of world history, and why it matters today This is the story of silver ' s transformation from soft money during the nineteenth century to hard asset today, and how manipulations of the white metal by American president Franklin D. Roosevelt during the 1930s and by the richest man in the world, Texas oil baron Nelson Bunker Hunt, during the 1970s altered the course of American and world history. Silver has been the preferred shelter against government defaults, political instability, and inflation for most people in the world because it is cheaper than gold. The white metal has been the place to hide when conventional investments sour, but it has also seduced sophisticated investors throughout the ages like a siren. This book explains how powerful figures, up to and including Warren Buffett, have come under silver ' s thrall, and how its history guides economic and political decisions in the twenty-first century.

Fresh from an idyllic honeymoon along the Italian coast, the Blackstones prepare for the birth of their precious baby while facing the challenges of settling into a new home and married life. But when spectators from the past resurface, so do their lingering doubts. Fears about those things they struggle to understand about each other, threaten the very foundation of their relationship --

BONUS: This edition contains an excerpt from Mary Balogh's *The Secret Mistress*. New York Times bestselling author Mary Balogh weaves a sensuous spell of romance that brings together the unlikeliest pair of lovers in the unlikeliest place of all— an infamous London house of pleasure. She was unlike any woman he ' d ever met in the ton or the demimonde. But Sir Gerald Stapleton frequented Mrs. Blyth ' s euphemistically dubbed “ finishing school ” for pure, uncomplicated pleasure—and nothing else. So why was this confirmed bachelor so thoroughly captivated by one woman in particular? Why did he find himself wondering how such a rare jewel of grace, beauty, and refinement as Priss had ended up a courtesan? And when she needed protection, why did Gerald, who ' d sworn he ' d never get entangled in affairs of the heart, hasten to set her up as his own pampered mistress to ensure her safety—and have her all to himself? For Priscilla Wentworth, the path leading to Sir Gerald ' s bed had been as filled with misfortune as it suddenly seemed charmed. But Priss couldn ' t allow herself to believe she ' d ever be more to a man like Sir Gerald than a well-cared-for object of pleasure. Now, despite Gerald ' s deep distrust of marriage, neither scandal nor society ' s censure can keep them apart—only the fear of trusting their hearts.

From the beloved and award-winning author Junot Díaz, a spellbinding saga of a family ' s journey through the New World. A coming-of-age story of

unparalleled power, Drown introduced the world to Junot Díaz's exhilarating talents. It also introduced an unforgettable narrator—Yunior, the haunted, brilliant young man who tracks his family's precarious journey from the barrios of Santo Domingo to the tenements of industrial New Jersey, and their epic passage from hope to loss to something like love. Here is the soulful, unsparing book that made Díaz a literary sensation.

The Finder

The Passion of Darius

The Book of the Most Precious Substance

Wonderland

Making Kin in the Chthulucene

Quotations from Chairman Mao Tsetung

Billionaire Caleb Blackstone lives in the glamorous world of wealth and success, with every material luxury. But the moment he sees Brooke Casterley, none of that matters. Caleb is filled with a raw, undeniable need that he can't ignore...for a girl who is so completely different from everything and everyone he's ever known. Only Brooke isn't looking for love. She knows all too well just how much damage the wrong guy can do. Still, what sane, broke British girl can resist the charms of an incredibly sexy, chivalrous billionaire? What starts as flirtation quickly turns into all-consuming passion. Nothing could have prepared her for the searing heat of Caleb's touch--or just how much she craves him. Their whirlwind romance is the stuff of high-society fantasy--but for every moment of pleasure, there is a cost. Past mistakes and tragedy shadow them both...and falling for him might be the kind of trouble she can't afford.

An extraordinary and beautifully illustrated exploration of the medieval world through twelve manuscripts, from one of the world's leading experts. Winner of The Wolfson History Prize and The Duff Cooper Prize. A San Francisco Chronicle Holiday Book Gift Guide Pick! Meetings with Remarkable Manuscripts is a captivating examination of twelve illuminated manuscripts from the medieval period. Noted authority Christopher de Hamel invites the reader into intimate conversations with these texts to explore what they tell us about nearly a thousand years of medieval history - and about the modern world, too. In so doing, de Hamel introduces us to kings, queens, saints, scribes, artists, librarians, thieves, dealers, and collectors. He traces the elaborate journeys that these exceptionally precious artifacts have made through time and shows us how they have been copied, how they have been embroiled in politics, how they have been regarded as objects of supreme beauty and as symbols of national identity, and who has owned them or lusted after them (and how we can tell). From the earliest book in medieval England to the incomparable Book of Kells to the oldest manuscript of the Canterbury Tales, these encounters tell a narrative of intellectual culture and art over the course of a millennium. Two of the manuscripts visited are now in libraries of North America, the Morgan Library in New York and the Getty Museum in Los Angeles. Part

travel book, part detective story, part conversation with the reader, Meetings with Remarkable Manuscripts allows us to experience some of the greatest works of art in our culture to give us a different perspective on history and on how we come by knowledge.

*She left me the week before our wedding. Said I wasn't "husband material." Actually, I'd have to agree with my ex on that matter...because I'm probably better off alone. But everything changed for me the day I met a mysterious beauty sketching on the beach. Giselle... We had one magical night together... and then she was gone—a French beach fairy who danced away with the dawn. I searched until I found her again. And now I can't let her go...because maybe I am husband material after all. *HUSBAND MATERIAL is a STANDALONE. *Original publication 2018 as book 3 in the limited release series, Left at the Altar. SEARCH TERMS: carolina coast romance novel, steamy beach read novel, alpha male hero french heroine, charleston romance, marriage love wedding romance, surfer billionaire novel, sea stories, paris, france, left at the altar, jilted groom, erotic romance novels, steamy billionaire marriage book, best friends fall in love, age gap romance older man, dominant hero submissive heroine, damaged hero, love heals all Some love is rare... All love is precious... The fourth part in the New York Times bestselling Blackstone Affair series brings the continuing story of Ethan and Brynne, two damaged souls fighting for a hard-won love, and now the promise of a new hope to secure their happily ever after. Fresh from an idyllic honeymoon along the Italian coast, the Blackstones prepare for the birth of their precious baby while facing the challenges of settling into a new home and married life. But when specters from the past resurface, so do their lingering doubts. Fears about those things they struggle to understand about each other, threaten the very foundation of their relationship. The story of two souls who both need the other in order to be complete... A husband and a wife who learn just how rare their love truly is when faced with losing it... Two lovers who will have to lay bare their darkest fears so that they may find peace... Ethan and Brynne are fighting harder than ever for each other in... Rare and Precious Things. "I need you like I need air to breathe. You are my air, Brynne." -Ethan Blackstone SEARCH TERMS: dominant hero submissive heroine, british hero dominant, alpha male protector, british alpha male book, pregnant by possessive, erotic romance novels, steamy billionaire marriage book, marriage love wedding romance, age gap romance older man, london romance, ethan blackstone, blackstone affair, marriage love wedding romance, pregnancy and marriage romance, british alpha male*

The High-stakes Race to Satisfy Our Need for the Scarcest Metals on Earth Eating to Extinction

Blackstone Affair, #4

A Native American Good Morning Message

Love Unrehearsed

How Play Made the Modern World

From the New York Times bestselling author of Let's Take the

Long Way Home comes a moving memoir about how the women's movement revolutionized and saved her life, from the 1960s to the #MeToo era. In a voice as candid as it is evocative, Gail Caldwell traces a path from her west Texas girlhood through her emergence as a young daredevil, then as a feminist—a journey that reflected seismic shifts in the culture itself. Caldwell's travels took her to California and Mexico and dark country roads, and the dangers she encountered were rivaled only by the personal demons she faced. *Bright Precious Thing* is the captivating story of a woman's odyssey, her search for adventure giving way to something more profound: the evolution of a writer and a woman, a struggle to embrace one's life as a precious thing. Told against a contrasting backdrop of the present day, including the author's friendship with a young neighborhood girl, *Bright Precious Thing* unfolds with the same heart and narrative grace of Caldwell's *Let's Take the Long Way Home*, called "a lovely gift to readers" by *The Washington Post*. *Bright Precious Thing* is a book about finding, then protecting, what we cherish most.

Louisa May Alcott once wrote that she had taken her pen for a bridegroom. Leona Rostenberg and Madeleine Stern, friends and business partners for fifty years, have in many ways taken up their pens and passion for literature much in the same way. The "Holmes & Watson" of the rare book business, Rostenberg and Stern are renowned for unlocking the hidden secret of Louisa May Alcott's life when they discovered her pseudonym, A.M. Barnard, along with her anonymously published "blood and thunder" stories on subjects like transvestitism, hashish smoking, and feminism. *Old Books, Rare Friends* describes their mutual passion for books and literary sleuthing as they take us on their earliest European book buying jaunts. Using what they call *Finger-spitzengefühl*, the art of evaluating antiquarian books by handling, experience, and instinct, we are treated to some of their greatest discoveries amid the mildewed basements of London's booksellers after the Blitz. We experience the thrill of finding one of the earliest known books printed in America between 1617–1619 by the Pilgrim Press and learn about the influential role of publisher-printers from the fifteenth century. Like a precious gem, *Old Books, Rare Friends* is a book to treasure about the companionship of two rare friends and their shared passion for old books.

Illuminates the chemical, economic and geopolitical issues surrounding the world's rare earth metals, identifying their critical role in powering mainstream consumer products and the wars being fought over territories where they are controlled. From the *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Midnight*

Library. "A quirky romcom dusted with philosophical observations...A delightfully witty...poignant novel." —The Washington Post "She smiled a soft, troubled smile and I felt the whole world slipping away, and I wanted to slip with it, to go wherever she was going... I had existed whole years without her, but that was all it had been. An existence. A book with no words." Tom Hazard has just moved back to London, his old home, to settle down and become a high school history teacher. And on his first day at school, he meets a captivating French teacher at his school who seems fascinated by him. But Tom has a dangerous secret. He may look like an ordinary 41-year-old, but owing to a rare condition, he's been alive for centuries. Tom has lived history—performing with Shakespeare, exploring the high seas with Captain Cook, and sharing cocktails with Fitzgerald. Now, he just wants an ordinary life. Unfortunately for Tom, the Albatross Society, the secretive group which protects people like Tom, has one rule: Never fall in love. As painful memories of his past and the erratic behavior of the Society's watchful leader threaten to derail his new life and romance, the one thing he can't have just happens to be the one thing that might save him. Tom will have to decide once and for all whether to remain stuck in the past, or finally begin living in the present. *How to Stop Time* tells a love story across the ages—and for the ages—about a man lost in time, the woman who could save him, and the lifetimes it can take to learn how to live. It is a bighearted, wildly original novel about losing and finding yourself, the inevitability of change, and how with enough time to learn, we just might find happiness. Soon to be a major motion picture starring Benedict Cumberbatch.

Mastering Breathwork

The Blackstone Affair, part 4

How the White Metal Shaped America and the Modern World

Anchor Me

Just Breathe

The Department of Rare Books and Special Collections

"A house of wonders itself. . . . Wonderland inspires grins and well-what-d'ya-knows" —The New York Times Book Review From the New York Times—bestselling author of *How We Got to Now* and *Extra Life*, a look at the world-changing innovations we made while keeping ourselves entertained. This lushly illustrated history of popular entertainment takes a long-zoom approach, contending that the pursuit of novelty and wonder is a powerful driver of world-shaping technological change. Steven Johnson argues that, throughout history, the cutting edge of innovation lies wherever people are working the hardest to keep themselves and others amused. Johnson's storytelling is just as delightful as the inventions he

describes, full of surprising stops along the journey from simple concepts to complex modern systems. He introduces us to the colorful innovators of leisure: the explorers, proprietors, showmen, and artists who changed the trajectory of history with their luxurious wares, exotic meals, taverns, gambling tables, and magic shows. In Wonderland, Johnson compellingly argues that observers of technological and social trends should be looking for clues in novel amusements. You'll find the future wherever people are having the most fun.

One of Oprah Daily's 20 Favorite Books of 2021 • Selected as one of Pitchfork's Best Music Books of the Year "One of the best books of its kind in decades." —The Wall Street Journal An epic achievement and a huge delight, the entire history of popular music over the past fifty years refracted through the big genres that have defined and dominated it: rock, R&B, country, punk, hip-hop, dance music, and pop Kelefa Sanneh, one of the essential voices of our time on music and culture, has made a deep study of how popular music unites and divides us, charting the way genres become communities. In Major Labels, Sanneh distills a career's worth of knowledge about music and musicians into a brilliant and omnivorous reckoning with popular music—as an art form (actually, a bunch of art forms), as a cultural and economic force, and as a tool that we use to build our identities. He explains the history of slow jams, the genius of Shania Twain, and why rappers are always getting in trouble. Sanneh shows how these genres have been defined by the tension between mainstream and outsider, between authenticity and phoniness, between good and bad, right and wrong. Throughout, race is a powerful touchstone: just as there have always been Black audiences and white audiences, with more or less overlap depending on the moment, there has been Black music and white music, constantly mixing and separating. Sanneh debunks cherished myths, reappraises beloved heroes, and upends familiar ideas of musical greatness, arguing that sometimes, the best popular music isn't transcendent. Songs express our grudges as well as our hopes, and they are motivated by greed as well as idealism; music is a powerful tool for human connection, but also for human antagonism. This is a book about the music everyone loves, the music everyone hates, and the decades-long argument over which is which. The opposite of a modest proposal, Major Labels pays in full.

A Native American Thanksgiving address, offered to Mother Earth in gratitude for her bounty and for the variety of her creatures.

Book 4 of The Blackstone Affair

The Blackstone Affair, Part 4

Felicia, Ou Mes Fredaines

The Story of Silver

***Husband Material
Staying with the Trouble
Rare***

Somerset, 1837 'Ti amo, mia cara' The fine art of persuasion. Darius Rourke and his burning passion for a woman. The gentle Marianne...as beautiful as she is mysterious. When presented with an opportunity to make her his bride, Darius takes it, and knows Marianne will finally belong only to him. Or will she?

Marianne carries a secret. Something she believes will prevent her from ever being worthy to be loved by any man—even the masterful Darius, despite the fact he captivates her utterly. A look... A caress... A kiss... A brooding sensuality. A lushly passionate tale of lovers entangled in the discovery of each other's sins and secrets. As Darius and Marianne embark upon the journey together, they will find that learning to command is just as important as learning to surrender. A man who knows what he wants... A woman who needs him in order to know her worth... 'Ti amo, mia cara' 2nd edition ©Raine Miller Romance, October 2016 Originally published as His Perfect Passion, May 2011 SEARCH TERMS: victorian romance, victorian erotic romance, historical erotic romance, virgin heroine, alpha male books, erotic gothic romance, forced marriage historical romance, forced marriage dark romance, british hero dominant, bridgerton romance, damaged heroine, erotic gothic romance, alpha male british hero, steamy historical romance, marriage love wedding romance, steamy victorian romance, british alpha male, dominant hero submissive heroine, british lord hero, lord baronet aristocrat, erotic romance novels, british hero dominant, british alpha male book, steamy billionaire marriage book, age gap romance older man

International Bestseller "With its countless revelations about the dusty realms of rare books, a likable librarian sleuth who has just the right balance of compassion and wit, and a library setting that is teeming with secrets, The Department of Rare Books and Special Collections is a rare treat for readers. I loved this book!"—Matthew Sullivan, author of Midnight at the Bright Ideas Bookstore Anxious People meets the delights of bookish fiction in a stunning debut following a librarian whose quiet life is turned upside down when a priceless manuscript goes missing. Soon she has to ask: what holds more secrets in the library—the ancient books shelved in the stacks, or the people who preserve them? Liesl Weiss long ago learned to be content working behind the scenes in the distinguished rare books department of a large university, managing details and working behind the scenes to make the head of the department look good. But when her boss has a stroke and she's left to run things, she discovers that the library's most prized manuscript is missing. Liesl tries to sound the alarm and inform the police about the missing priceless book, but is told repeatedly to keep quiet, to keep the doors open and the donors happy. But then a librarian unexpectedly stops showing up to work. Liesl must investigate both disappearances, unspooling her colleagues' pasts like the threads of a rare book binding as it becomes clear that someone in the department must be responsible for the theft. What Liesl discovers about the dusty manuscripts she has worked among for so long—and about the people who care for and revere them—shakes the very foundation on which she has built her life. The Department of Rare Books and Special Collections is a sparkling book-club read about a woman struggling to step out from behind the shadows of powerful and unreliable men, and reveals the dark edge of obsession running through the most devoted bookworms. February 2022 INDIE NEXT Selection January 2022 LIBRARY READS Selection January 2022 Loan Star Selection Pop Sugar 35 Must-Read Thrillers and Mystery Books

After a whirlwind romance, Taryn Mitchell finds herself married to A-list movie star Ryan Christensen, but must figure out how a small-town girl like herself fits into his glittering world filled with paparazzi, on-set temptations and jealous fans. Original.

"More information is always better, and full information is best. More computation is always better, and optimization is best." More-is-better ideals such as these have long shaped our vision of rationality. Yet humans and other animals typically rely on simple heuristics to solve adaptive problems, focusing on one or a few important cues and ignoring the rest, and shortcutting computation rather than striving for as much as possible. In this book, we argue that in an uncertain world, more information and computation are not always better, and we ask when, and why, less can be more. The answers to these questions constitute the idea of ecological rationality: how we are able to achieve intelligence in the world by using simple heuristics

matched to the environments we face, exploiting the structures inherent in our physical, biological, social, and cultural surroundings.

Major Labels

A Story of Diamonds, Family, and a Way of Life

Paradise Lost, Book 3

The Precious Things of God

Giving Thanks

Naked

Encontrar el amor es raro... Vivir un amor as es precioso... En la cuarta entrega de la exitosa saga El affaire Blackstone continua la historia de Ethan y Brynne, dos almas heridas que luchan por conservar el amor que tanto les ha costado conseguir, ahora con la esperanza de que su felicidad pueda llegar a ser eterna. Tras regresar de una idlica luna de miel en la costa italiana, los Blackstone aguardan el nacimiento de su beb mientras se enfrentan a los desafos que supone establecerse en su nuevo hogar y la recin estrenada vida matrimonial. Sin embargo, surgen de nuevo los fantasmas del pasado y traen con ellos las dudas... El temor a lo que desconocen del otro, algo que, a pesar de lo mucho que se esfuerzan en entenderlo, amenaza los cimientos de su relacin. Esta es la historia de dos almas que se necesitan para estar completas... De un hombre y una mujer que debern aprender a valorar lo raro que es el amor verdadero cuando corren peligro de perderlo... De dos amantes que tendrn que confesar sus ms ocultos temores para poder encontrar la paz... Ethan y Brynne lucharn ms que nunca el uno por el otro en... Algo raro y precioso. Te necesito tanto como el aire que respiro. T eres mi aire, Brynne -Ethan Blackstone

When Kat and her father and brother visit the Mollie Kathleen, an old gold mine now open for tours by the busload, Kat gets lost from the group and falls down a shaft, where she discovers an awe-inspiring world of fantasy come to life. She meets an ancient dragon—the last of his kind—and discovers a secret about the gold that litters the creature's den and why dragons throughout time have hoarded the sparkling treasure. The dragon helps Kat escape the endless caverns, but not before Kat greedily takes a piece of gold for herself. Feeling guilty, Kat decides to return it, but before she can do this she drops it in front of a group of visitors, and a media frenzy ensues. Soon the mining town is filled with gold seekers. In order to save the dragon and his gold, Kat and her brother must venture back into the mine to warn him. But will they get there in time? This fast-paced, beautifully told modern fantasy tale by children's book illustrator Troy Howell will keep readers spellbound. Praise for The Dragon of Cripple Creek "Writing in Kat's first-person narrative, which is wry and funny, clipped and eloquent, Howell, best known as an illustrator, mixes fantasy adventure

with a moving conservation story in a debut that blends sadness, secrecy, and pure fun.” –Booklist

In the midst of spiraling ecological devastation, multispecies feminist theorist Donna J. Haraway offers provocative new ways to reconfigure our relations to the earth and all its inhabitants. She eschews referring to our current epoch as the Anthropocene, preferring to conceptualize it as what she calls the Chthulucene, as it more aptly and fully describes our epoch as one in which the human and nonhuman are inextricably linked in tentacular practices. The Chthulucene, Haraway explains, requires sym-poiesis, or making-with, rather than auto-poiesis, or self-making. Learning to stay with the trouble of living and dying together on a damaged earth will prove more conducive to the kind of thinking that would provide the means to building more livable futures. Theoretically and methodologically driven by the signifier SF—string figures, science fact, science fiction, speculative feminism, speculative fabulation, so far—*Staying with the Trouble* further cements Haraway's reputation as one of the most daring and original thinkers of our time.

From the Scotiabank Giller Prize-winning novelist of 419 comes a spellbinding literary adventure novel about precious objects lost and found. The world is filled with wonders, lost objects—all real—all still out there, waiting to be found: · the missing Fabergé eggs of the Romanov dynasty, worth millions · the last reel of Alfred Hitchcock's first film · Buddy Holly's iconic glasses · Muhammad Ali's Olympic gold medal How can such cherished objects simply vanish? Where are they hiding? And who on earth might be compelled to uncover them? Will Ferguson takes readers on a heroic, imaginative journey across continents, from the seas of southern Japan, to the arid Australian Outback, to the city of Christchurch, New Zealand, after the earthquake. Prepare to meet Gaddy Rhodes, a brittle Interpol agent obsessed with tracking “The Finder”—a shadowy figure she believes is collecting lost objects; Thomas Rafferty, a burnt-out travel writer whose path crosses that of The Finder, to devastating effect; and Tamsin Greene, a swaggering war photographer who is hiding secrets of her own. *The Finder* is a beguiling and wildly original tale about the people, places, and things that are lost and found in our world. Both an epic literary adventure and an escape into a darkly thrilling world of deceit and its rewards, this novel asks: How far would you be willing to go to recover the things you've left behind?

The Blackstone Affair

All In

A History of Popular Music in Seven Genres

Meetings with Remarkable Manuscripts

A Precious Jewel

Filthy Rich

Priceless paintings... Done in a master's hand... Revealed two centuries after they were created... A collection of paintings has complicated Lord Rothvale's life in ways he could never imagine. Actually, make that a beautiful art specialist from the University of London responsible for the complications in his life. He's sure about one thing though. Before Gabrielle Hargreave blew back into his sights on a stormy summer night, he never felt this good. She's turned his world upside down, along with his wounded heart. But Gabrielle is sporting a wounded heart of her own, and she's terrified of risking it again on someone like Ivan. Will he hurt her as others have done? Or is Ivan Everley more than just commanding male beauty in a lordly package? He will tell you he is, and knows how to keep his head in the game when it matters. Yet the truth is clouded for these two and there is trouble afoot... as well as an artfully intriguing mystery. But Ivan is certain about one thing. He has identified his target and is determined to take the win—making Gabrielle his one and only Lady Rothvale... A love beyond any price... Lives intertwined over the ages... Discoveries of the heart and of treasures hidden away... **This is Book 2 in a series. Read PRICELESS first. You have been warned.

SEARCH TERMS: modern aristocracy, lord baron aristocrat, british lord hero, erotic romance novels, modern lord steamy romance, british alpha male, dominant hero submissive heroine, british hero dominant, british alpha male book, steamy billionaire marriage book, blackstone affair, ethan blackstone, rothvale legacy, lord rothvale, art paintings mystery, mistaken identity, billionaire boss romance, office romance, marriage love wedding romance, fake relationship, age gap romance older man, london ireland, parliament lord politics, alpha male protector, family saga romance, saga fiction, art history mystery 'A book of wonders' Bee Wilson, Sunday Times, Books of the Year 'Dan Saladino inspires us to believe that turning the tide is still possible.' Yotam Ottolenghi 'I love this book... I wish the whole world could read it' Raymond Blanc Eating to Extinction is an astonishing journey through the past, present and future of food, a love letter to the diversity of global food cultures, and a work of great urgency and hope. From a tiny crimson pear in the west of England to great chunks of fermented sheep meat in the Faroe Islands to an exploding corn in Mexico that might just hold the key to the future of food - these are just some of the thousands of foods around the world today that are at risk of being lost for ever. In this captivating and wide-ranging book, Dan Saladino spans the globe to uncover the stories of these foods. He meets the pioneering farmers, scientists, cooks, food producers and indigenous communities who are preserving food traditions and fighting for change. All human history is woven through these stories, from the first great migrations to the slave trade to the refugee crisis today. But Eating to Extinction is about so much more than preserving the past. Eating to Extinction reveals a world at a crisis point: the future of our planet depends on reclaiming genetic biodiversity before it is too late. Following Naked and All In, in the third part in the Blackstone Affair series Brynne and Ethan find their life together riddled with conflict. Big surprises are

on the horizon for Ethan and Brynne as they struggle to adjust to what life has thrown at them. Demons from the past are threatening to destroy the passionate bond they've forged despite their vow that nothing will ever keep them apart. A truly devastating loss coupled with the promise of a new hope opens their eyes to what is most important, but is it possible for the lovers to move on from the painful histories that continue to haunt them? Still lurking in the shadows is a stalker, plotting evil amidst the distraction of the London Olympic Games. Brynne and Ethan are on the cusp of losing everything as the stakes rise. Will they yield to circumstances beyond their control or will they give every ounce of fight they have left to save each other and win the ultimate prize of a life together? Eyes Wide Open is a passion-wrought story that shows us what pure love can achieve when tested, and what the heart can accomplish, despite danger and adversity.

In the middle of New York City lies a neighborhood where all secrets are valuable, all assets are liquid, and all deals are sealed with a blessing rather than a contract. Welcome to the diamond district. Ninety percent of all diamonds that enter America pass through these few blocks, but the inner workings of this mysterious world are known only to the people who inhabit it. In Precious Objects, twenty-six-year-old journalist Alicia Oltuski, the daughter and granddaughter of diamond dealers, seamlessly blends family narrative with literary reportage to reveal the fascinating secrets of the diamond industry and its madcap characters: an Elvis-impersonating dealer, a duo of diamond-detective brothers, and her own eccentric father. With insight and drama, Oltuski limns her family's diamond-paved move from communist Siberia to a displaced persons camp in post-World War II Germany to New York's diamond district, exploring the connections among Jews and the industry, the gem and its lore, and the exotic citizens of this secluded world. Entertaining and illuminating, Precious Objects offers an insider's look at the history, business, and society behind one of the world's most coveted natural resources, providing an unforgettable backstage pass to an extraordinary and timeless show.

Heart and Arrow

Two Literary Sleuths and Their Shared Passion

The Undoing of a Libertine

Drown

The Dragon of Cripple Creek

Precious Objects

Hailed by Tony Robbins as the "definitive breathwork handbook," Just Breathe shows you how to harness your breath to reduce stress, increase productivity, balance your health, and find the path to spiritual awakening. Big meeting jitters? Anxiety over taxes? Hard time focusing? What if you could control your outcomes and create results simply by regulating your breath? In this simple and revolutionary guide, renowned pioneer of breathwork Dan Brulé shares the Breath Mastery technique that helped people in more than fifty countries reduce anxiety, improve their health, and tap into infinite stores of energy. Just Breathe reveals the truth that elite athletes, champions, martial artists, Navy SEAL warriors, first responders, and spiritual yogis have a

known—when you regulate your breathing, you can moderate your state of well-being. If you want to clear and calm your mind and spark peak performance, the secret is to breathe away. Breathwork gives you the tools to achieve benefits in a wide range of areas, including: managing acute/chronic pain; helping with insomnia, weight loss, attention deficit, anxiety, depression, trauma, and grief; improving intuition, creativity, mindfulness, self-esteem, and leadership; and much more. Recommended “for those who wish to destress naturally” (Library Journal), *Just Breathe* will help you utilize your breath to benefit your body, mind, and spirit.

Naked is a wonderful paperback about the beauty of honesty and truth. It challenges you to open up to the one person that matters most.

For fans of Sylvia Day and E.L. James, the second book in the New York Times bestselling *Blackstone Affair* series. Ethan Blackstone has a problem on his hands: he's broken Brynne's trust and she's left him. He's unwilling to live without her and she's unwilling to give up—he's dead-set on getting his beautiful American girl back. The passion between them was explosive, but the secrets they hid from each other are dark and dangerous. They are powerful enough to destroy their shot at a life together. With political threats directed at Brynne, Ethan is running out of time and he'll need to gather all his strength and agility to protect her from the dangers that could take her away from him. Will Ethan be able to save Brynne from a past that keeps her locked in fear? Will he feel the warmth of her touch, the solidity of her trust again? This is a love story of a man who is willing to do whatever it takes to possess the heart of the woman he loves. He'll go to any lengths to protect her. He'll go all in. Here is the fiery story of what happens when two people surrender to a love so great it can heal the scars of the past and lead the way to a life of pure, rapturous ecstasy.

After a tragedy almost too painful to bear, Lily Albrecht feels herself lost, adrift, and resigned to her quiet life as a rare book dealer. Until she gets a lead on *The Book of the Most Precious Substance*, a 17th century manual rumoured to be the most powerful and occult book ever written, if it really exists at all. With some of the wealthiest and most powerful people in the world willing to pay Lily a fortune to find it, she embarks on a journey from New Orleans to Munich to Paris. But will Lily's quest help her find some answers, or will she lose everything searching for a ghost?

Reflections on a Life Shaped by Feminism

The World's Rarest Foods and Why We Need to Save Them

Algo raro y precioso / Rare and Precious Things

How to Stop Time

A Gothic Tale of Love and Seduction

Ecological Rationality