

Dancing On My Grave An Autobiography

From the co-author of *I Would Find a Girl Walking* and an award-winning true-crime television reporter comes the shocking story of Debbie Flores, a Las Vegas showgirl whose dreams of a dazzling career ended in a nightmare... Vivacious Debbie Flores was a college educated Washington Redskins cheerleader when she headed for "Sin City." It was a smart move for the aspiring showgirl who'd soon be making her star-making solo debut at the legendary Luxor. But after the morning rehearsals of December 12, 2010, no one saw Debbie alive again. A cryptic text message she left for her mother led authorities to Debbie's charismatic boyfriend, Jason "Blu" Griffith. A fellow Vegas dancer, Blu was hiding a terrible secret. It involved a rental van, bags of cement, two plastic tubs, and a handsaw. When the details of the crime unfolded, everyone asked: how could a girl with such passion and promise come to an end so violent and unexpected? In time, the truth would reveal a life more tumultuous than believed—and what exactly transpired on Debbie's tragic final day would stun the nation. INCLUDES PHOTOS

'Wild glamour, class conflict, buried secrets and a cameo appearance by Hetty Feather are all delivered with Wilson's inimitable, intensely readable flair, interspersed with Nick Sharratt's cheery illustrations'- The Guardian A new sparkling and glamorous novel from the beloved, bestselling children's author, Jacqueline Wilson! In a little cottage on the edge of the grand Somerset Estate, Mona lives with her aunt - a dressmaker to the lady of the house. Life on the edge of the Somerset Estate means that Mona knows she will never have a life full of beautiful clothes and riches. But soon, that will all change . . . When Lady Somerset dies and a new member of the family inherits the house, Mona is propelled into a life of razzle-dazzle parties, new Bohemian friends and wonderful trips to London. However, even with these changes Mona discovers that she cannot dance away from her past. A glittery trip back in time, from the author of *Hetty Feather* and *Tracy Beaker!*

"Wow, what a book!! I don't think I drew a full breath for the entire time I was reading... I took it everywhere I went... I needed to read it at every opportunity!... Unbelievably twisty... I loved every word of it!" Goodreads Reviewer ?????? Jo pulled together the victims' pictures. In all cases their arms were askew, in a way that looked like—what? It was like they were freeze-framed in the middle of some action. It was like they were dancing. When loving wife Jeanine is found dead in a small leafy town in Massachusetts, newly promoted Detective Jo Fournier is shocked to her core. Why leave her body posed like a ballerina? Why steal her wedding band and nothing else? Hungry for answers, Jo questions Jeanine's husband, but the heartbreaking pain written on his face threatens to tear open Jo's old wounds. It's the same pain she felt when her boyfriend was cruelly shot dead by a gang in their hometown of New Orleans. She couldn't get justice for him, but she's determined to get justice for Jeanine's devastated family. But before Jo can get answers, another woman is found, wedding ring stolen, body posed in the same ritualistic way. Digging through old files, Jo makes a terrifying link to a series of cold cases. She knows a serial killer is on the loose, but nobody will listen to the truth—not her bosses, nor the FBI. Still, Jo won't let her superiors keep her from stopping the murderer in his tracks, even if it means the end of her career. Just as she is beginning to lose hope, she finds messages on the victims' computers that feel like the crucial missing link. Knowing the killer is moments away from selecting his next target, will Jo be able to take him down the before another innocent life is lost? A USA Today bestseller, *The Dancing Girls* is the first book in an absolutely unputdownable and gripping crime thriller series. Fans of Robert Dugoni, Lisa Regan and Melinda Leigh will devour it in one sitting and will never see that OMG twist coming! Everyone is utterly addicted to *The Dancing Girls*: "Loved it, loved it, loved it!!... If I could give it 6 stars I would! In this current climate of 'twists you will never see coming'—believe me... you will never see this coming!... Cannot wait for the next book!... Best book I have read." NetGalley Reviewer ?????? "Wow, Wow, Wow... Extremely addictive and left me wanting more. This book has everything... and a huge, unexpected twist you will not see coming. I can't emphasize enough how much enjoyment I got from reading this... Well-deserved five stars—Wow." Goodreads Reviewer ?????? "Holy Freaking Hell when is the next book out?! From start to finish this book is just WOW!... Keeps you on the edge of your seat... Full of twists and turns... Talk about mind-blowing... Want to shout about it from the rooftops... I cannot recommend this book enough." Baker's Not So Secret Blog ?????? "Wow! Wow! Wow! The twists left my head spinning! Oh so smugly, I thought I had the ending figured out when—whammo!—twist came out of nowhere. 'Did NOT see that coming' is an understatement. Blindsided! Wow." Goodreads Reviewer ?????? "I was just blown away by its climax, wandering around going OMG... Found it totally gripping... impossible to put down." Muse Books ?????? "An unpredictable rollercoaster ride with more twists and turns than you would find on a snakes and ladders board... I felt as though I had been punched in the gut and they left me breathless." Ginger Book Geek ?????? Winner of the Man Booker Prize "Everything about this novel rings true. . . . Original, funny, disarmingly oblique and unique."—The Guardian In an unnamed city, middle sister stands out for the wrong reasons. She reads while walking, for one. And she has been taking French night classes downtown. So when a local paramilitary known as the milkman begins pursuing her, she suddenly becomes "interesting," the last thing she ever wanted to be. Despite middle sister's attempts to avoid him—and to keep her mother from finding out about her maybe-boyfriend—rumors spread and the threat of violence lingers. *Milkman* is a story of the way inaction can have enormous repercussions, in a time when the wrong flag, wrong religion, or even a sunset can be subversive. Told with ferocious energy and sly, wicked humor, *Milkman* establishes Anna Burns as one of the most consequential voices of our day.

One of the most important works of gay literature, this haunting, brilliant novel is a seriocomic remembrance of things past -- and still poignantly present. It depicts the adventures of Malone, a beautiful young man searching for love amid New York's emerging gay scene. From Manhattan's Everard Baths and after-hours discos to Fire Island's deserted parks and lavish orgies, Malone looks high and low for meaningful companionship. The person he finds is Sutherland, a campy quintessential queen -- and one of the most memorable literary creations of contemporary fiction. Hilarious, witty, and ultimately heartbreaking, *Dancer from the Dance* is truthful, provocative, outrageous fiction told in a voice as close to laughter as to tears.

Relates Black Freedom Movements to literacy education. Carmen Kynard locates literacy in the twenty-first century at the onset of new thematic and disciplinary imperatives brought into effect by Black Freedom Movements. Kynard argues that we must begin to see how a series of vernacular insurrections—protests and new ideologies developed in relation to the work of Black Freedom Movements—have shaped our imaginations, practices, and research of how literacy works in our lives and schools. Utilizing many styles and registers, the book borrows from educational history, critical race theory, first-year writing studies, Africana studies, African American cultural theory, cultural materialism, narrative inquiry, and basic writing scholarship. Connections between social justice, language rights, and new literacies are uncovered from the vantage point of a multiracial, multiethnic Civil Rights Movement.

“A glimpse into the fragile psyche of a dancer.” —The Washington Post Jenifer Ringer, a principal dancer with the New York City Ballet, was thrust into the headlines after her weight was commented on by a New York Times critic, and her response ignited a public dialogue about dance and weight. Ballet aficionados and aspiring performers of all ages will want to join Ringer behind the scenes as she shares her journey from student to star and candidly discusses both her struggle with an eating disorder and the media storm that erupted after the Times review. An unusually upbeat account of life on the stage, *Dancing Through It* is also a coming-of-age story and an inspiring memoir of faith and of triumph over the body issues that torment all too many women and men.

After a month of down time, Grave Witch Alex Craft is ready to get back to solving murders by raising the dead. With her love life in turmoil, Alex is eager for the distractions of work. But when her new case forces her to overuse her magic, it might be the last mystery the Grave Witch ever gets to solve...

divdiv Maya Plisetskaya, one of the world's foremost dancers, rose to become a prima ballerina of Moscow's Bolshoi Ballet after an early life filled with tragedy and loss. In this spirited memoir, Plisetskaya reflects on her personal and professional odyssey, presenting a unique view of the life of a Soviet artist during the troubled period from the late 1930s to the 1990s. Plisetskaya recounts the execution of her father in the Great Terror and her mother's exile to the Gulag. She describes her admission to the Bolshoi in 1943, the roles she performed there, and the endless petty harassments she endured, from both envious colleagues and Party officials. Refused permission for six years to tour with the company, Plisetskaya eventually performed all over the world, working with such noted choreographers as Roland Petit and Maurice Béjart. She recounts the tumultuous events she lived through and the fascinating people she met—among them the legendary ballet teacher Agrippina Vaganova, George Balanchine, Frank Sinatra, Rudolf Nureyev, and Dmitri Shostakovich. And she provides fascinating details about testy cocktail-party encounters with Khrushchev, tours abroad when her meager per diem allowance brought her close to starvation, and KGB plots to capitalize on her friendship with Robert Kennedy. Gifted, courageous, and brutally honest, Plisetskaya brilliantly illuminates the world of Soviet ballet during an era that encompasses both repression and cultural détente. Still prima ballerina assoluta with the Bolshoi Ballet, Maya Plisetskaya also travels around the world performing and lecturing. At the Bolshoi's gala celebrating her 75th birthday, President Vladimir Putin presented her with Russia's highest civilian honor, the medal for service to the Russian state, second degree. Tim Scholl is professor of Russian language and literature at Oberlin College. Antonina W. Bouis is the prize-winning translator of more than fifty books, including fiction, nonfiction, and memoirs by such figures as Andrei Sakharov, Elena Bonner, and Dmitri Shostakovich. /DIV/DIV

Tegneserie - graphic novel. Tyler Feder shares her story of her mother's first oncology appointment to facing reality as a motherless daughter The life and accomplishments of one of America's most famous ballerinas is highlighted in this monumental portrait of Suzanne Farrell, the celebrated muse to George Balanchine. (Performing Arts)

Ramon Sosa, a successful businessman and former pro-boxer, thought he had found the perfect woman. The devoted father of three, committed to rebuilding his life after his first divorce, met Maria De Lourdes Sosa (aka Lulu) while out dancing at a salsa club in Houston, Texas. She took his breath away. They began a whirlwind romance and married a year later. Shortly after the wedding Lulu, a once doting and loving wife began to change. She was now a U.S. citizen with her grandiose sights set on the American Dream for her and her children. Those plans no longer included Ramon. She wanted it all; the house, the business and the money and she would do everything in her power to get it, including having Ramon murdered. “I Walked On My Own Grave” tells the harrowing story of how Lulu, after trying to destroy Ramon's life for months, plotted with two “hitmen” to have her husband killed. Her carefully orchestrated plan would have been successful, were it not for the quick thinking of a brave young man who Ramon had once mentored. Little did he know one day his protégé would return the favor by saving his life.

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“A compelling and important history that this nation desperately needs to hear.” -Bryan Stevenson, New York Times bestselling author of *Just Mercy* and executive director of the Equal Justice Initiative Winfred Rembert grew up in a family of Georgia field laborers and joined the Civil Rights Movement as a teenager. He was arrested after fleeing a demonstration, survived a near-lynching at the hands of law enforcement, and spent seven years on chain gangs. During that time he met the undaunted Patsy, who would become his wife. Years later, at the age of fifty-one and with Patsy's encouragement, he started drawing and painting scenes from his youth using leather tooling skills he learned in prison. *Chasing Me to My Grave* presents Rembert's breathtaking body of work alongside his story, as told to Tufts Philosopher Erin I. Kelly. Rembert calls forth vibrant scenes of Black life on Cuthbert, Georgia's Hamilton Avenue, where he first glimpsed the possibility of a life outside the cotton field. As he pays tribute, exuberant and heartfelt, to Cuthbert's Black community and the people, including Patsy, who helped him to find the courage to revisit a traumatic past, Rembert brings to life the promise and the danger of Civil Rights protest, the brutalities of incarceration, his search for his mother's love, and the epic bond he found with Patsy. Vivid, confrontational, revelatory, and complex, *Chasing Me to My Grave* is a searing memoir in prose and painted leather that celebrates Black life and summons readers to confront painful and urgent realities at the heart of American history and society.

In *Breaktime*, Ditto challenges Morgan to prove that literature is crap and triggers off a chain of events to alter his outlook of life forever. Ditto faces a series of charges from Morgan against literature: that all fiction is Done. Finished. Dead; a sham and a pretence. He undertakes faithfully to record a life in the week of Ditto - with all the chaos of reality thrown in - and his literary creation reveals more about himself than he originally bargained for. In *Dance on My Grave*, life in his seaside town is uneventful for Hal Robinson, nothing unusual, exciting or odd ever happens to him - until now that is. Until the summer of his 16th birthday when he reaches a crossroads of choices in life. He foolishly takes a friend's boat for a day's sailing, gets into difficulty and is rescued by Barry Gorman. Their ensuing relationship results in a tumultuous summer for Hal as he experiences the intense emotions of his first teenage love. A major new movie - 'Summer of 85' - based on *Dance on My Grave*, by groundbreaking French director Francois Ozon, was released in October 2020 to much acclaim. 'Deftly captures the thrill of first love' - NME 'A sweet gay romance that gradually morphs into something more suspenseful and macabre' - Daily Telegraph 'A film that will take you back to your first summer love' - The Gay UK

The man considered by many to be the world's greatest male dancer discusses all the roles he dances, the technical problems involved, and his stylistic approaches, while action photographs show him in twenty ballets

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The reminiscences of Villela, who spent over 20 years with the New York City Ballet under the legendary Balanchine. He

discusses his formative years, his introduction to ballet, and the battles he had with and the respect he had for "Mr. B." Includes bandw photos. Annotation copyrighted by Book News, Inc., Portland, OR

It takes a graveyard to raise a child. Nobody Owens, known as Bod, is a normal boy. He would be completely normal if he didn't live in a graveyard, being raised by ghosts, with a guardian who belongs to neither the world of the living nor the dead. There are adventures in the graveyard for a boy—an ancient Indigo Man, a gateway to the abandoned city of ghouls, the strange and terrible Sleer. But if Bod leaves the graveyard, he will be in danger from the man Jack—who has already killed Bod's family.

Presents the journal of Toni Bentley's life as a dancer for the New York City Ballet, her day-to-day activities, and the emotional struggles that members of George Balanchine's troupe faced.

From Newbery Medalist Jerry Spinelli comes the story of a girl searching for happiness inside the walls of a prison. And don't miss the author's highly anticipated new novel, *Dead Wednesday!* Cammie O'Reilly lives at the Hancock County Prison--not as a prisoner, she's the warden's daughter. She spends the mornings hanging out with shoplifters and reformed arsonists in the women's exercise yard, which gives Cammie a certain cache with her school friends. But even though Cammie's free to leave the prison, she's still stuck. And sad, and really mad. Her mother died saving her from harm when she was just a baby. You wouldn't think you could miss something you never had, but on the eve of her thirteenth birthday, the thing Cammie most wants is a mom. A prison might not be the best place to search for a mother, but Cammie is determined and she's willing to work with what she's got. "A tapestry of grief and redemption, woven by a master storytellerMoving and memorable." --Kirkus Reviews, Starred Review

David Hallberg, the first American to join the famed Bolshoi Ballet as a principal dancer and the dazzling artist *The New Yorker* described as "the most exciting male dancer in the western world," presents a look at his artistic life—up to the moment he returns to the stage after a devastating injury that almost cost him his career. Beginning with his real-life Billy Elliot childhood—an all-American story marred by intense bullying—and culminating in his hard-won comeback, Hallberg's "moving and intelligent" (Daniel Mendelsohn) memoir dives deep into life as an artist as he wrestles with ego, pushes the limits of his body, and searches for ecstatic perfection and fulfillment as one of the world's most acclaimed ballet dancers. Rich in detail ballet fans will adore, Hallberg presents an "unsparing...inside look" (*The New York Times*) and also reflects on universal and relatable themes like inspiration, self-doubt, and perfectionism as he takes you into daily classes, rigorous rehearsals, and triumphant performances, searching for new interpretations of ballet's greatest roles. He reveals the loneliness he felt as a teenager leaving America to join the Paris Opera Ballet School, the ambition he had to tame as a new member of American Ballet Theatre, and the reasons behind his headline-grabbing decision to be the first American to join the top rank of Bolshoi Ballet, tendered by the Artistic Director who would later be the victim of a vicious acid attack. Then, as Hallberg performed throughout the world at the peak of his abilities, he suffered a crippling ankle injury and botched surgery leading to an agonizing retreat from ballet and an honest reexamination of his entire life. Combining his powers of observation and memory with emotional honesty and artistic insight, Hallberg has written a great ballet memoir and an intimate portrait of an artist in all his vulnerability, passion, and wisdom. "Candid and engrossing" (*The Washington Post*), *A Body of Work* is a memoir "for everyone with a heart" (*DC Metro Theater Arts*). Sidra Smart, disillusioned ex-wife of a fundamentalist preacher, never imagined herself running *The Third Eye*, a PI business, until she inherits her late brother's detective agency. Soon, a woman stumbles in with vague flashbacks of a 30-year-old murder. Intrigued by the story, Sid takes the case and soon plunges into a surreal world where the flames of Creole superstition and passion burn as hot as the memories of child abuse, arson, and murder.

THE FIRST NOVEL IN THE USA TODAY BESTSELLING ALEX CRAFT SERIES! Grave witch Alex Craft can speak to the dead, but that doesn't mean she likes what they have to say. As a private investigator and consultant for the police, Alex Craft has seen a lot of dark magic. But even though she's on good terms with Death himself, nothing has prepared her for her latest case. When she's raising a "shade" involved in a high profile murder, it attacks her, and then someone makes an attempt on her life. Someone really doesn't want her to know what the dead have to say, and she'll have to work with mysterious homicide detective Falin Andrews to figure out why....

"If you ever wondered how much better Sherlock would be if people could hurl hellfire at each other, well this one is for you." *Starburst Magazine* on *A Study in Brimstone* As they blunder towards doom, Warlock Holmes and Dr. John Watson find themselves inconvenienced by a variety of eldritch beings. Christmas brings a goose that doesn't let being cooked slow it down; they meet an electricity demon, discover why being a redhead is even trickier than one might imagine, and Holmes attempts an Irish accent. And, naturally, Moriarty is hanging around... in some form or other.

"My head is spinning. I couldn't figure out who was out for revenge!! My eBook froze as I quickly tried to turn the pages!! Could not put it down!!... Don't want to give anything away but don't miss this book!!!" *Goodreads Reviewer* ????? It's a sleepy morning in the leafy town of Oakhurst when Jo finds Britney's body on a running trail. She stares into the girl's blue eyes as she gently lifts her off the ground—and finds a tarot card... A few days ago, Detective Jo Fournier stood in the middle of the local college, looking at a truly horrifying scene: a well-respected staff member murdered in his office. And it was there that Jo met Britney—a smart and pretty student in the same department who was utterly distraught about the killing. One thought is now racing through Jo's mind: who would want to kill them both? When another body turns up inside a cabin in the woods, Jo is the only person who can see the link between the murders—the killer left a tarot card with all three bodies. She desperately wants to stop the killing before anyone else dies. Jo knows how it feels to lose someone you love. Her failure to protect her fiancé on the night he was murdered has always haunted her. As the body count rises, no one else will take Jo's theory seriously. She's absolutely sure that the cards are the clue that will break this entire case wide open and lead them to the person who has stolen so many innocent lives. But she's out on her own—can Jo track down the dangerous killer or will they find her first? From USA Today bestseller M.M. Chouinard,

Taken to the Grave is a completely addictive detective thriller that will keep you guessing into the early hours of the morning. If you love Kendra Elliot, Melinda Leigh and Lisa Regan, you'll be utterly gripped! Everyone is utterly addicted to Taken to the Grave: "Keeping you enthralled and on the edge of your seat till the final page... Like a pressure cooker that keeps building up as you wait for the explosion!... Chock full of mystery and suspense, with twists and turns at every corner... A reveal that will knock your socks off." Once Upon A Time Book Blog ?????? "OMG what a great lead character... I DID NOT FIGURE OUT THE TRUE BAD GUY UNTIL THE END!" NetGalley Reviewer ?????? "Amazing... Gripping and suspenseful... Five stars from me. Jo Fournier is one of the greatest characters ever written." NetGalley Reviewer ?????? "If you haven't already added this to your series lists, DO IT NOW... Highly recommend it, it's full of twists and turns, red herrings, you will be left guessing, everything you want in a book." Goodreads Reviewer ?????? "I could not stop turning the pages of this book... I wasn't able to figure out who the killer was." Fireflies and Free Kicks Book Reviews ?????? "A gripping and intense thriller... Fast-paced and will keep you up well into the evening." Sinfully Wicked Book Reviews ??????

The New York City Ballet ballerina recounts her experiences studying with, working for, and--finally--becoming an inspiration for the foremost choreographer of the century

A memoir of the ballet dancer, tracing her childhood, dance career, and marriage to photographer Bert Stern, includes portraits of dance figures in her life

The shattering story of a dream which became a heartbreaking nightmare for one of America's most famous ballerinas, Gelsey Kirkland, who chronicles her brilliant start as a dancer with George Balanchine, her legendary partnership with Mikhail Baryshnikov, her agonizing descent into drugs, and her struggles to rise again. Photographs.

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Francois Ozon, Director in AnOther. Deftly captures the giddy thrill of first love but also hints that a gut-wrenching tragedy is coming. The result is an incredibly poignant film exploring how love and loss are often horribly intertwined. NME A sweet, gay romance that gradually morphs into something more suspenseful and macabre - Daily Telegraph Summer of '85 is a very memorable and charming film about young love. It's a film that will take you back to your first summer love. The Gay UK Life in his seaside town is uneventful for Hal Robinson, nothing unusual, exciting or odd ever happens to him - until now that is. Until the summer of his 16th birthday when he reaches a crossroads of choices in life. He foolishly takes a friend's boat for a day's sailing, gets into difficulty and is rescued by Barry Gorman. Their ensuing relationship results in a tumultuous summer for Hal as he experiences the intense emotions of his first teenage love.

Throughout her history, the ballerina has been perceived as the embodiment of beauty and perfection—the feminine ideal. But the reality is another story. From the earliest ballerinas in the 17th century, who often led double lives as concubines, through the poverty of the corps de ballet dancers in the 1800's and the anorexic and bulimic ballerinas of George Balanchine, starvation and exploitation have plagued ballerinas throughout history. Using the stories of great dancers such as Anna Pavlova, Isadora Duncan, Suzanne Farrell, Gelsey Kirkland, and Evelyn Hart, Deirdre Kelly exposes the true rigors for women in ballet. She rounds her critique with examples of how the world of ballet is slowly evolving for the better. But to ensure that this most graceful of dance forms survives into the future, she says that the time has come to rethink ballet, to position the ballerina at its center and accord her the respect she deserves.

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Join Paul Eno, cohost of the popular radio show Behind the Paranormal, as he examines his most controversial cases. From battles with demons to people trapped in parallel worlds, get ready to have your existence rocked as you learn about multiverse, ghosts from elsewhere, and "neighbors" who don't yet have names. Eno, one of the world's first and most experienced supernatural adventurers, puts forth theories that are shaking the paranormal world to its core. What do these cases say about our understanding of God and our own place in the universe? Do we really understand who (or what) we are? You'll never look at your existence the same way again.

At times a comedy of terrors, pitting the severe pogrom pain of one side of our narrator's family against the other's imagined holocaust horrors in a contest of who suffered more, the consequences are deadly serious: when long-ago traumas trigger ones even more devastating for our protagonist, his fantastic schemes of vengeance and gallows humor can barely conceal his mad despair. Weaving tales of comic misfortune and heartbreaking tragedy, this is part detective story, part probe into one family's edifice of unhappiness. From past to present, Odessa to Sarajevo to Montreal, New York, Hollywood and Gaza, our storyteller straddles the tightrope between laughter and tears, between succumbing to tragedy and finding ways to transcend it.

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NEW YORK TIMES BEST SELLER • A Best Book of 2021: Entertainment Weekly, Good Morning America, Wall Street Journal, and more From the indie rockstar of Japanese Breakfast fame, and author of the viral 2018 New Yorker essay that shares the title of this book, an unflinching, powerful memoir about growing up Korean American, losing her mother, and forging her own identity. In this exquisite story of family, food, grief, and endurance, Michelle Zauner proves herself far more than a dazzling singer, songwriter, and guitarist. With humor and heart, she tells of growing up one of the few Asian American kids at her school in Eugene, Oregon; of struggling with her mother's particular, high expectations of her; of a painful adolescence; of treasured months spent in her grandmother's tiny apartment in Seoul, where she and her mother would bond, late at night, over heaping plates of food. As she grew up, moving to the East Coast for college, finding work in the restaurant industry, and performing gigs with her fledgling band--and meeting the man who would become her husband--her Koreanness began to feel ever more distant, even as she found the life she wanted to live. It was her mother's diagnosis of terminal cancer, when Michelle was twenty-five, that forced a reckoning with her identity and brought her to reclaim the gifts of taste, language, and history her mother had given her. Vivacious and plainspoken, lyrical and honest, Zauner's voice is as radiantly alive on the page as it is onstage. Rich with intimate anecdotes that will resonate widely, and complete with family photos, Crying in H Mart is a book to cherish, share, and reread.

A cultural history of the 1930s explores the anxiety, despair, and optimism of the period, exploring how the period culture provided a dynamic lift to the country's morale.

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