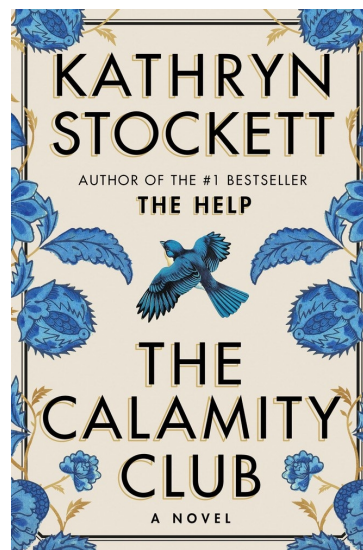
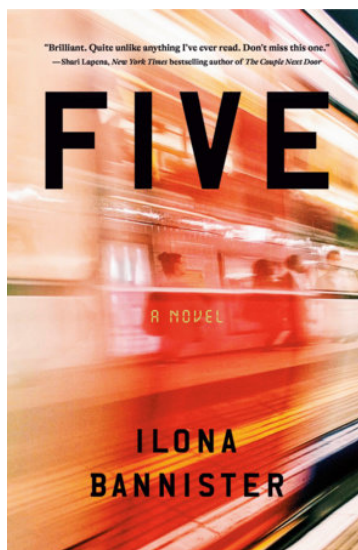


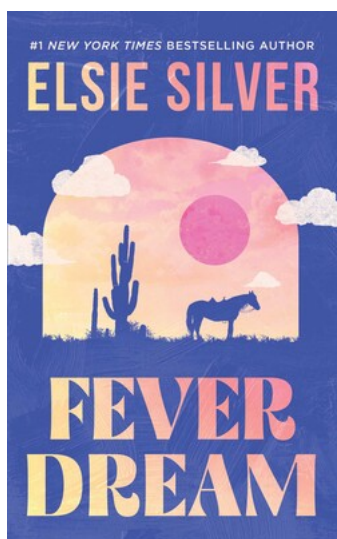
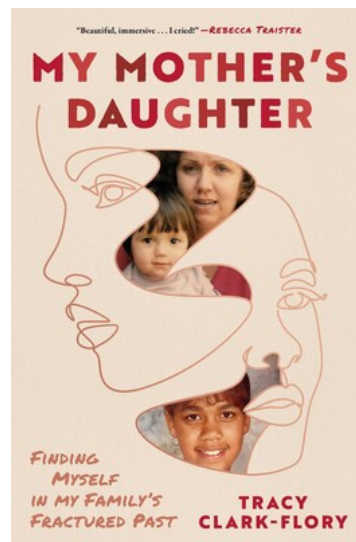
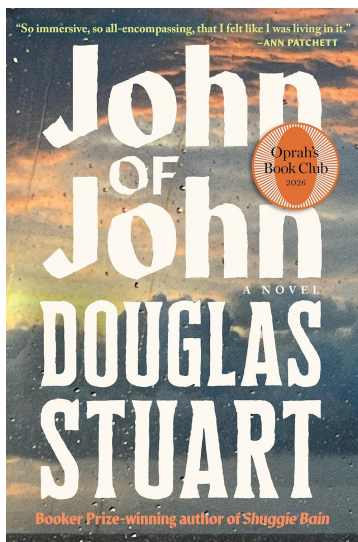
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May Books for your TBR List

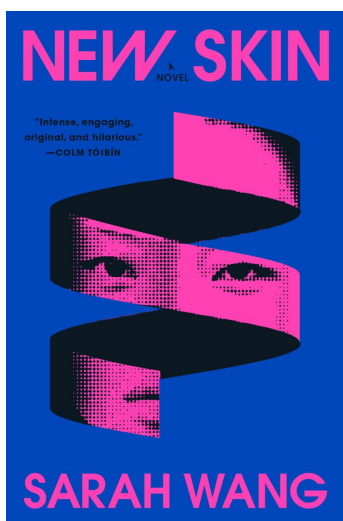
Here are the most anticipated and recommended books of the month. Get your name on the waitlists now!



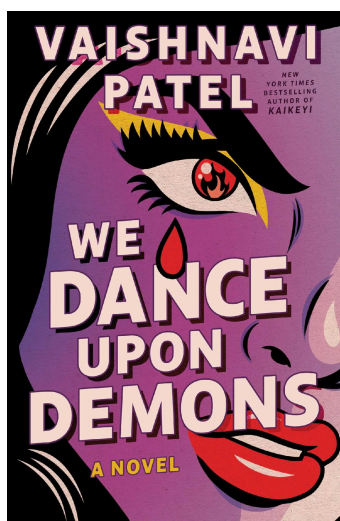


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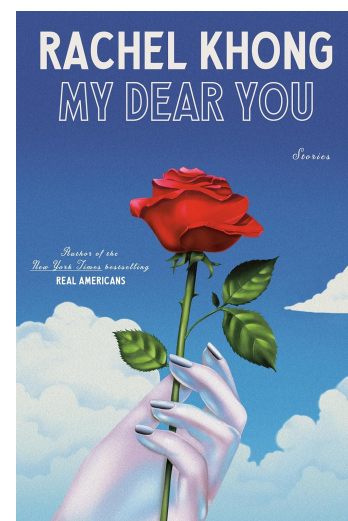
New can't-miss releases by Asian American & Pacific Islander Authors



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A galvanizing stand-alone fantasy following a burnt-out reproductive health care



From the author of New York Times bestseller *Real Americans*, a brilliant short

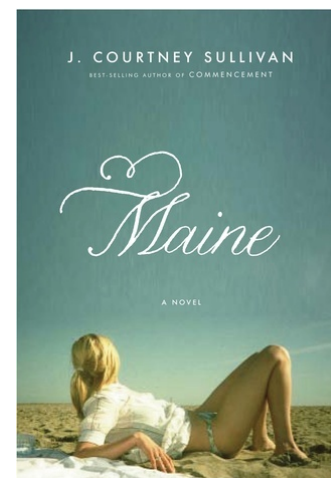
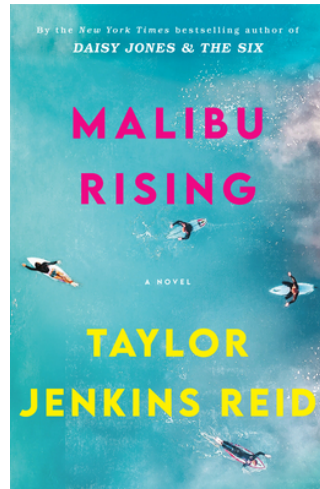
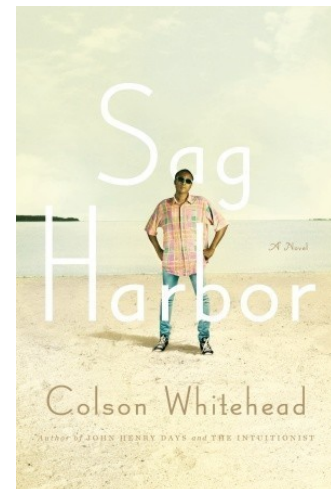
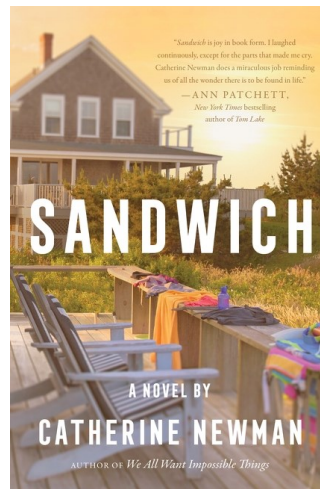
best friends and enemies,
and the plastic surgery
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lives into a perilous spiral.

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newly acquired power.

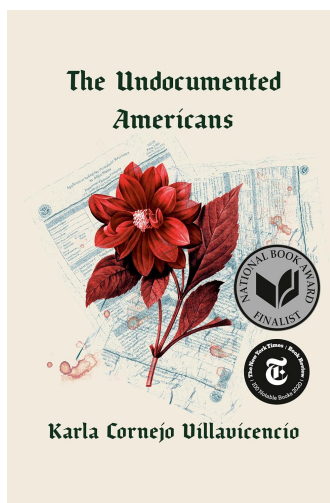
story collection about love,
life, and the anguish of
becoming oneself in a time
when it's so easy to be
someone else.

Beach Reads

With beach season on the horizon, we can't help but recommend some of our favorite stories set in a beach side town. Happy Reading !

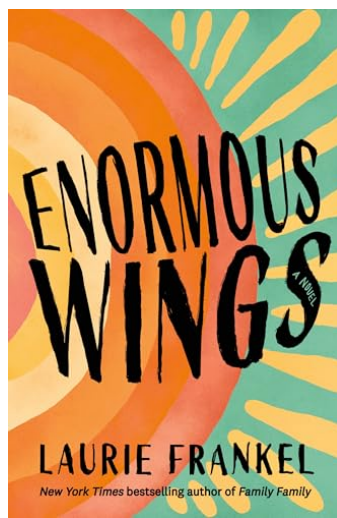


Staff Recommendations



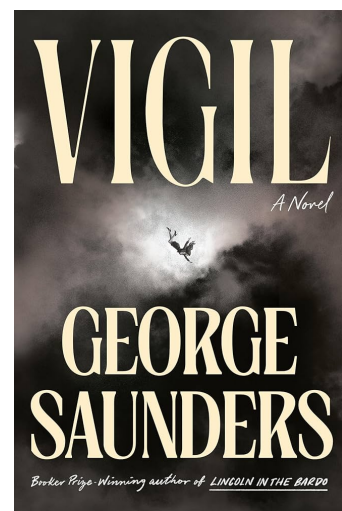
Library Assistant Cecilia's Pick

This is one of those books that will stick with me for a long time. Caught somewhere between journalism and memoir, this book explores the stories of undocumented immigrants in cities across the country. While it was published in 2020, and contains many stories from 2016 onwards, it still feels so relevant today. An excellent, moving, heartbreaking look at an often overlooked population of the United States.



Director of Readers' Services Kristy's Pick

Seventy-seven year old Pepper Mills didn't expect to find romance when she moved into Vista View Retirement Community in Austin, Texas. She also didn't expect to make friends! But just after settling in, Pepper realizes the biggest surprise of all: she is pregnant! As both sides of the abortion debate fight to make her their spokesperson, Pepper struggles to maintain her dignity in a confusing and sometimes hostile environment. This novel is big on both issues and heart and was an absolute pleasure to read.



Youth Services Librarian Chris's Pick

Focusing on Jill, a ghost whose purpose is to ease a dying oil tycoon into the afterlife, this short novel dwells on some very large topics regarding life, death, and our place in the world. Jill finds herself frustrated by other spirits who have no interest in letting the tycoon slip gently into that night. He has been a cruel boss, ruthless businessman, and heartless lobbyist for the oil industry. What's more, Jill is regularly interrupted by her own memories of being human. A timely coulda-shoulda-woulda look at life that hits a range of emotions.

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