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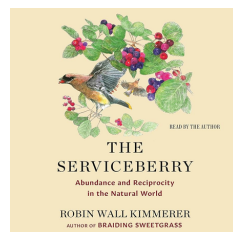


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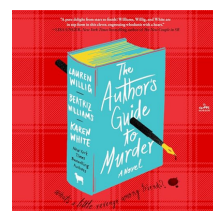
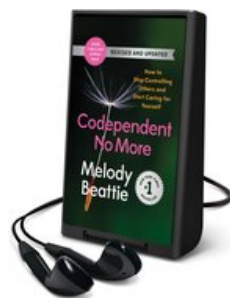


CD
THE GREAT AMERICAN BAR SCENE
BY ZACH BRYAN

AUDIOBOOK
THE SERVICEBERRY
BY ROBIN WALL KIMMERER

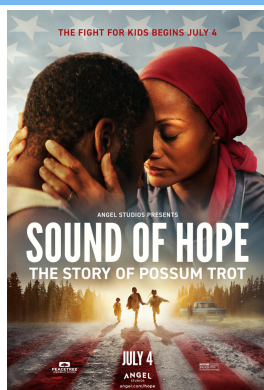


PLAYAWAY
CODEPENDENT NO MORE
BY MELODY BEATTIE



PLAYAWAY
THE AUTHOR'S GUIDE TO MURDER
BY BEATRIZ WILLIAMS

NEW DVD'S



Sound of Hope: The Story of Possum Trot
PG-13 ~ 2024 ~
Drama ~ 2h 9m



White Bird
PG-13 ~ 2023 ~
2h 1m



The Forge
PG ~ 2024 ~
Drama ~ 2h 3m



Warrior Spirit
2021 ~
Documentary ~
1h 35m



Sight
2023 ~ PG-13
Drama ~ 1h 43m

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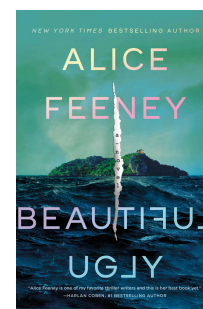
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BOOK OF THE MONTH

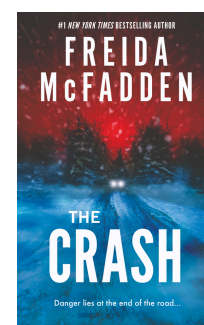
Beautiful Ugly
By Alice Feeney



Grady Green experiences a tumultuous day when he excitedly shares news with his wife, Abby, only to hear her abruptly exit the car and go missing by a cliff. A year later, still grieving, Grady travels to a small Scottish island for solace and unexpectedly sees a woman who resembles Abby. The story explores themes of change and the expectations within marriage.

READ ALIKES

The Crash
By Freida McFadden



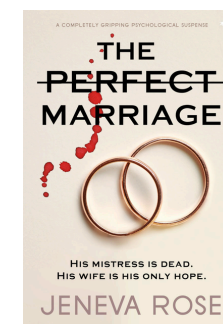
Tegan, eight months pregnant and seeking refuge from her troubled life, sets out to stay with her brother but gets stranded in a blizzard in rural Maine. After a car breakdown and a broken ankle, she is rescued by a couple who offer her shelter. However, she soon realizes that this seemingly safe haven poses a grave danger. Tegan must fight to protect herself and her unborn child in this chilling thriller about motherhood, survival, and shattered expectations from bestselling author Freida McFadden.

House of Glass
By Sarah Pekkanen



The Barclay family appears perfect but harbors dark secrets. After the mysterious death of their nanny, nine-year-old Rose, who witnessed the incident, stops speaking amid her parents' divorce. Stella Hudson, a best interest attorney, is appointed to uncover the truth but finds the case more complex than anticipated. The Barclays' home, devoid of glass, adds an eerie element to the investigation. As Stella delves deeper, she faces danger, with everyone—including Rose—becoming a suspect in the nanny's murder. Stella's past collides with the present, challenging her role in protecting Rose.

The Perfect Marriage
By Jeneva Rose



Sarah is a successful defense attorney in Washington D.C. At 33 years old, she is a named partner at her firm and life is going exactly how she planned. The same cannot be said for her husband, Adam. He is a struggling writer who has had little success in his career. He begins to tire of his and Sarah's relationship as she is constantly working. One night at Adam and Sarah's second home, Adam engages in a passionate affair with Kelly. She is later found stabbed to death in Adam and Sarah's second home. Sarah soon finds herself playing the defender for her own husband, a man accused of murdering his mistress.

GENRE SPOTLIGHT: SELF-HELP

Get Out of Your Own Way

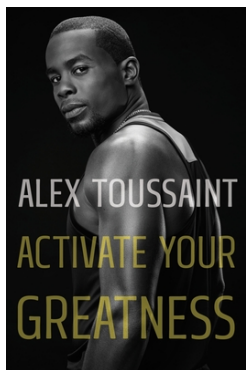
By Dave Hollis

Dave Hollis, CEO of the Hollis Co. and husband of bestselling author Rachel Hollis, addresses the lies that prevent both men and women from reaching their potential. Inspired by Rachel's candidness in her book "Girl, Wash Your Face," Dave reflects on his own struggles with self-deception, feeling unmotivated and unfulfilled. In his new book, he candidly discusses personal challenges, such as the difficulty of accepting help and insecurities about parenting. By unpacking the untruths he once believed, he shares tools for change, encouraging readers to discard false ideas and start living their best lives.

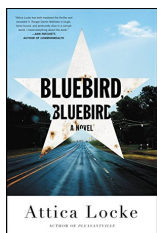
Activate Your Greatness

By Alex Toussaint

Alex Toussaint, a motivational Peloton instructor admired by many, inspires others to activate their greatness beyond cycling. Known for intense workouts and his mantra "Feel Good, Look Good, Do Better," he connects deeply with those who feel overlooked. Growing up as the child of Haitian immigrants and overcoming personal challenges, Alex transitioned from mopping floors to becoming an iconic cycling instructor. In his book, "Activate Your Greatness," he shares the mental and physical practices that fuel his success and guides readers to achieve their own.



SERIES CHECKLIST: ATTICA LOCKE – HIGHWAY 59 SERIES

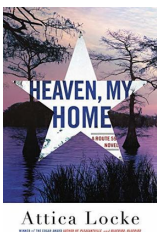


1. Bluebird, Bluebird



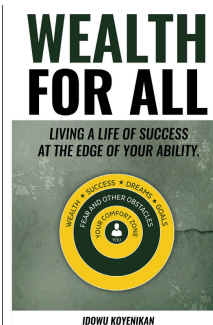
3. Guide Me Home

The "Highway 59" trilogy by Attica Locke is widely praised for its powerful exploration of race relations in East Texas, featuring a complex Black Texas Ranger protagonist, Darren Mathews, navigating difficult investigations in small towns along the titular highway, all while grappling with his own personal demons and the deep-seated racial tensions of the region; critics particularly highlight the author's nuanced character development, vivid descriptions of the East Texas landscape, and the timely exploration of themes like systemic racism and the impact of political polarization on law enforcement.



2. Heaven, My Home

QUOTE OF THE MONTH



“Whenever I am in a difficult situation where there seems to be no way out, I think about all the times I have been in such situations and say to myself, “I did it before, so I can do it again.”

~ Idowu Koyenikan - *Wealth for all: Living a Life of Success at the Edge of Your Ability* ~

NEW BOOKS COMING OUT THIS MONTH

Never Say Never By Danielle Steel

Presumed Guilty By Scott Turow

Onyx Storm By Rebecca Yarros

The Big Empty By Robert Crais

Shattering Dawn By Jayne Ann Krentz

Order of Swans By Jude Deveraux

Holmes is Missing By James Patterson, Brian Sitts

The Note By Alafiar Burke

The Stolen Queen By Fiona Davis

Grave Danger By James Grippando

The Oligarch's Daughter By Joseph Finder

Lie for a Million By Janet Dailey

Been Wrong so Long it Feels Like Right By Walter Mosley

Remember When: Clarissa's Story By Mary Balogh

See How They Hide By Allison Brennan

More or Less Maddy By Lisa Genova

Pro Bono By Thomas Perry

Good Dirt By Charmaine Wilkerson

Robert Ludlum's the Bourne Vendetta By Brian Freeman & Robert Ludlum

Abduction of a Slave By Dana Stabenow

Dark Hope By Christine Feehan

The Texas Murders By James Patterson & Andrew Bouelle

Better Than Friends By Jill Shalvis

The Life of Herod the Great By Zora Neale Hurston & Deborah G. Plant

All the Water in the World By Eiren Caffall

The Business Trip By Jessie Garcia

The Heart of Winter By Jonathan Evison



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Tuesday Morning Book Club - January 14th at 10:00am

The Maid by Nita Prose

The Tuesday Morning Book Discussion meets to discuss a variety of books throughout the year on the second Tuesday of each month. Join us in our 3rd Floor Meeting Room while we talk literature over coffee and tea. This is a free program. Bring your friends and come ready to chat about this month's book! Call the Adult Services department for any further questions - 815-939-4564

Soul Collections - January 23rd at 5:30pm

The Sun Does Shine: How I Found Life and Freedom on Death Row by Anthony Ray Hinton, Lara Love Hardin

Soul Collections book club meets to discuss both fiction and non-fiction books written by Black authors. Join us in our 3rd Floor Meeting Room while we enjoy snacks and great conversation about this month's book. This is a free program and open to all! Call the Adult Services department for any further questions - 815-939-4564