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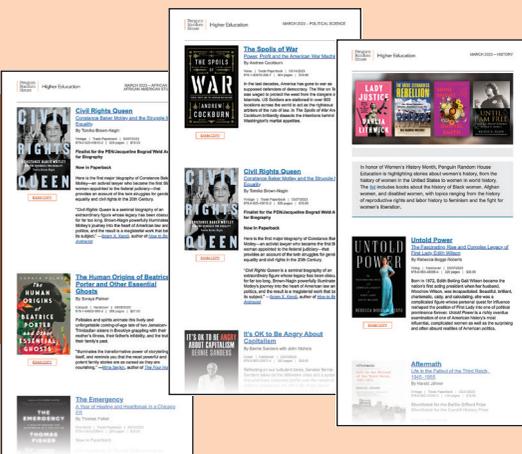
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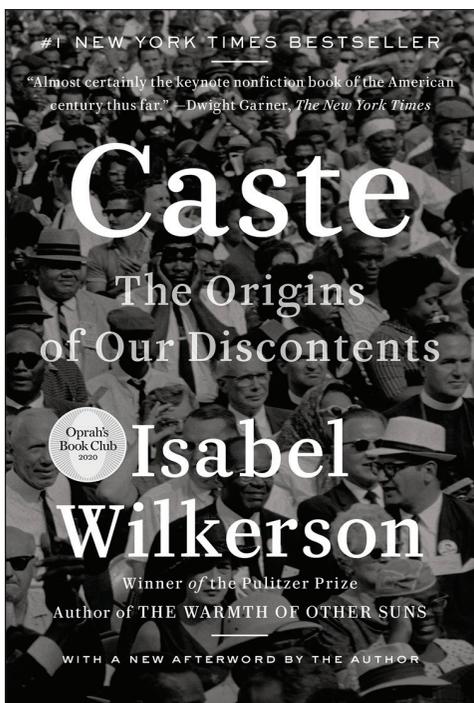
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## Caste

### The Origins of Our Discontents

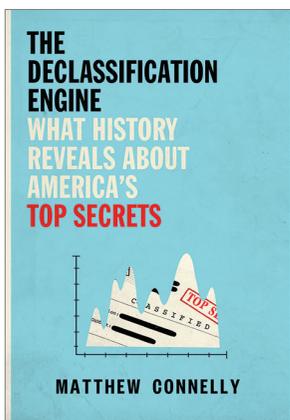
Isabel Wilkerson

In this brilliant book, Isabel Wilkerson gives us a masterful portrait of an unseen phenomenon in America as she explores, through an immersive, deeply researched, and beautifully written narrative and stories about real people, how America today and throughout its history has been shaped by a hidden caste system, a rigid hierarchy of human rankings.

Beyond race, class, or other factors, there is a powerful caste system that influences people's lives and behavior and the nation's fate. Linking the caste systems of America, India, and Nazi Germany, Wilkerson explores eight pillars that underlie caste systems across civilizations, including divine will, bloodlines, stigma, and more. Ultimately, she points forward to ways America can move beyond the artificial and destructive separations of human divisions, toward hope in our common humanity.

Original and revealing, *Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents* is an eye-opening story of people and history, and a reexamination of what lies under the surface of ordinary lives and of American life today.

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## The Declassification Engine

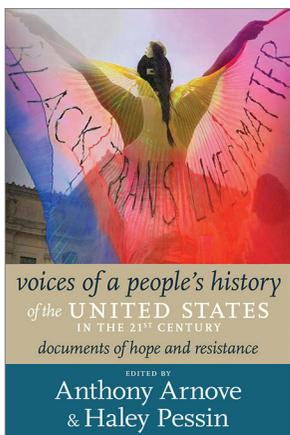
### What History Reveals About America's Top Secrets

Matthew Connolly

*The Declassification Engine* is a captivating study of US state secrecy that combines data science and incisive history to uncover the vast system government officials use to hoard power and evade democratic accountability.

"Connolly has defined an existential crisis: the suppression of American history. . . . *The Declassification Engine* makes the case that the culture of secrecy diminishes democracy. And it has now become a culture of destruction as well."—Tim Weiner, *The New York Times Book Review*

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## Voices of a People's History of the United States in the 21st Century

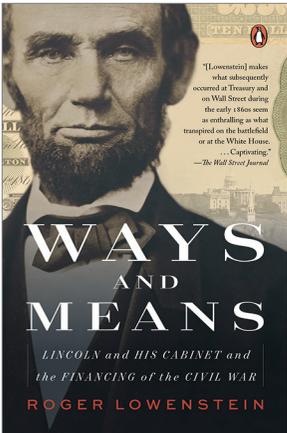
### Documents of Hope and Resistance

Edited by Anthony Arnove and Haley Pessin

This new companion to the classic collection edited by Howard Zinn and Anthony Arnove, *Voices of a People's History of the United States*, brings together more than 100 texts from social movements that have shaped the 21st century.

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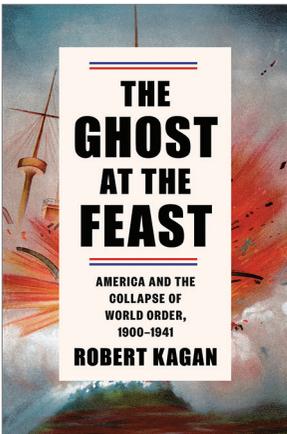
### Ways and Means

Lincoln and His Cabinet and the Financing of the Civil War

Roger Lowenstein

Upon his election, Abraham Lincoln inherited a country in crisis. But amid unprecedented troubles Lincoln saw opportunity—the chance to legislate in the centralizing spirit of the “more perfect union” that had first drawn him to politics. Roger Lowenstein reveals the untold story of how Lincoln used the urgency of the Civil War to transform a union of states into a nation. Through a financial lens, he explores how this second American revolution established a government of the people, by the people, and for the people.

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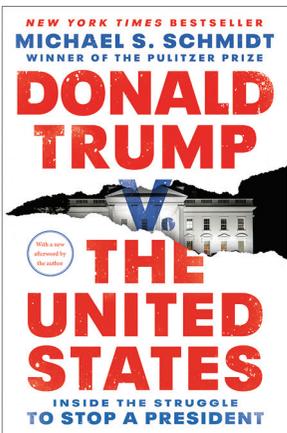
America and the Collapse of World Order, 1900-1941

Robert Kagan

Kagan's comprehensive, sweeping history charts America's rise to global superpower from the nation's earliest days to the dawn of the twentieth century.

“[Robert Kagan's] provocative conclusions will force scholars and students, policy makers and lay readers to reassess their understanding of America's role in the international arena from the Spanish-American War to World War II.”—Melvyn P. Leffler, Edward Stettinius Professor of History Emeritus, University of Virginia

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### Donald Trump v. The United States

Inside the Struggle to Stop a President

Michael S. Schmidt

Drawing on secret FBI and White House documents and confidential sources inside federal law enforcement and the West Wing, Schmidt tells the story of those who felt compelled to confront and try to contain the 45th president of the United States as he shredded norms and sought to expand his power. *Donald Trump v. The United States* is a riveting contemporary history and a lasting account of just how fragile and vulnerable American democracy really is.

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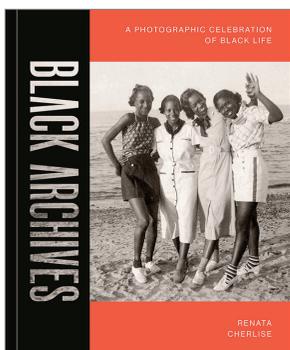
Findings from the Select Committee to Investigate the January 6<sup>th</sup> Attack on the United States Capitol

The January 6 Select Committee

Foreword by Adam Schiff

On January 6, 2021, the United States came perilously close to losing its democracy. This is the official report of the investigation into the attack on the Capitol Building in Washington, D.C.—perhaps the most vital congressional investigation in American history—with exhibits, witness testimony, and an exclusive foreword by Congressman Adam Schiff, who offers critical insights into this harrowing chapter in American history.

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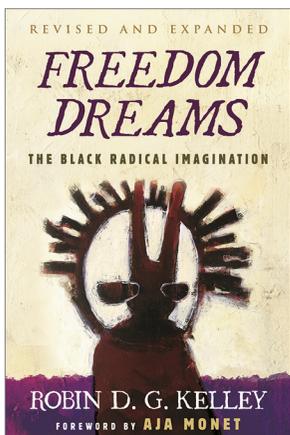
## Black Archives

A Photographic Celebration of Black Life

Renata Cherlise

*Black Archives* is a stunning collection of timeless images that tell powerful, joyful stories of everyday life and shed light on Black culture's dynamic, enduring influence through the generations. Featuring more than 300 images that spotlight the iconic and the candid, the images showcase occasions of leisure, excitement, reflection, and pride, offering a nuanced compendium of Black memory and imagination.

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## Freedom Dreams

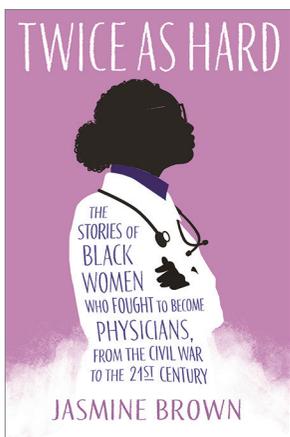
Twentieth Anniversary Edition

The Black Radical Imagination

Robin D. G. Kelley

First published in 2002, *Freedom Dreams* is a staple in the study of the Black radical tradition. Unearthing the history of grassroots movements and renegade intellectuals and artists, Kelley recovers the dreams of the future worlds Black radicals struggled to achieve. The 20th-anniversary edition of Kelley's influential history of 20th-century Black radicalism features new reflections on current movements and their impact on the author, and a foreword by poet Aja Monet.

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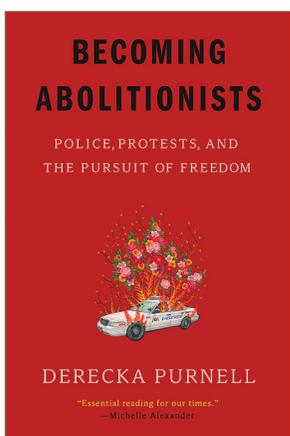
## Twice as Hard

The Stories of Black Women Who Fought to Become Physicians, from the Civil War to the 21st Century

Jasmine Brown

In this work of extensive research, Jasmine Brown offers a rich new perspective, penning the long-erased stories of nine pioneering black women physicians beginning in 1860, when a black woman first entered medical school. Brown champions these black women physicians, including the stories of Dr. Rebecca Lee Crumpler, Dr. Edith Irby Jones, and Dr. Jocelyn Elders.

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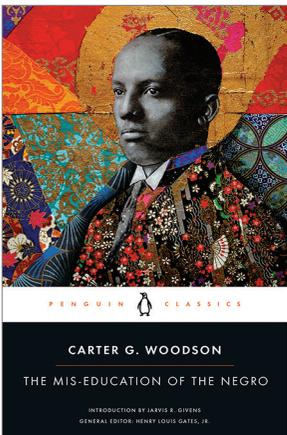
## Becoming Abolitionists

Police, Protests, and the Pursuit of Freedom

Derecka Purnell

In *Becoming Abolitionists*, Derecka Purnell draws from her experiences as a lawyer, writer, and organizer initially skeptical about police abolition. Purnell details how multi-racial social movements rooted in rebellion, risk-taking, and revolutionary love pushed her and a generation of activists toward abolition. *Becoming Abolitionists* shows that abolition is not solely about getting rid of police, but a commitment to create and support different answers to the problem of harm in society, and, most excitingly, an opportunity to reduce and eliminate harm in the first place.

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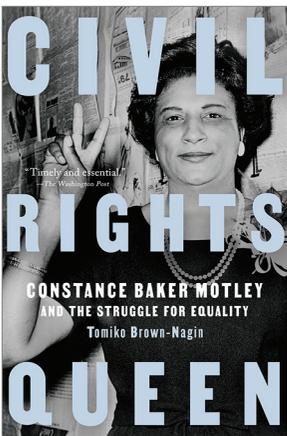


## The Mis-education of the Negro

Carter G. Woodson  
Introduction by Jarvis R. Givens  
General Editor: Henry Louis Gates, Jr.

*The Mis-education of the Negro* (1933) is Carter G. Woodson's most popular classic work of Black social criticism which focuses on the impacts that dominant modes of schooling had on Black youth. Woodson argued that students, teachers, and leaders needed to be educated in a manner that was accountable to Black experiences and lived realities, both past and present. With current debates over teaching race in U.S. classrooms, the ideas associated with *Mis-education* continue to resonate today.

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## Civil Rights Queen

Constance Baker Motley and the Struggle for Equality  
Tomiko Brown-Nagin

This first major biography of Constance Baker Motley—an activist lawyer who became the first Black woman appointed to the federal judiciary—provides an eye-opening account of the twin struggles for gender equality and civil rights in the 20th Century.

“Compelling, candid, and highly revelatory. . . . Professor Brown-Nagin makes a major contribution to several fields: race relations, women’s studies, the study of the legal profession, and modern American history.”  
—Randall Kennedy, Michael R. Klein Professor of Law, Harvard Law School

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A Few Days Full of Trouble  
Revelations on the Journey  
to Justice for My Cousin and  
Best Friend, Emmett Till  
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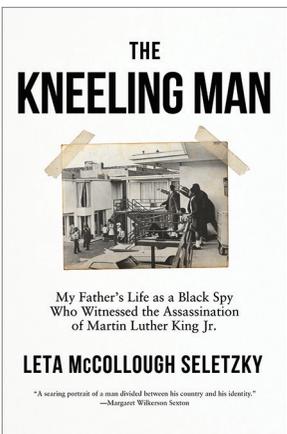


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In 1955, 14-year-old Emmett Till was lynched. Though the case ignited a flame within the Civil Rights Movement that has yet to be extinguished, the rest of the details remain distorted by time and too many tellings. What does justice mean in the resolution of a cold case spanning nearly seven decades? *A Few Days Full of Trouble* offers a new perspective on the story of Emmett Till, relayed by his cousin and best friend—the Reverend Wheeler Parker Jr., the last surviving witness to the lynching.

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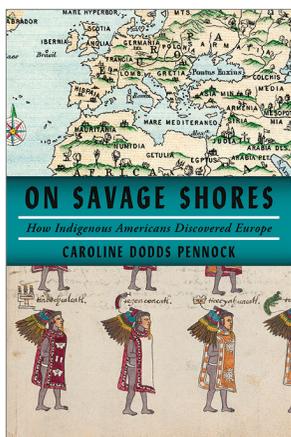
## The Kneeling Man

My Father's Life as a Black Spy Who Witnessed the  
Assassination of Martin Luther King Jr.  
Leta McCollough Seletzky

*The Kneeling Man* is the intimate and heartbreaking story of a Black undercover police officer who famously kneeled by the assassinated Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr—and a daughter's quest for the truth about her father.

“At once historical and timely, Seletzky gifts us a captivating, charged and wholly nuanced narrative that grips you from the first page and does not let go.”—Margaret Wilkerson Sexton, author of *A Kind of Freedom*

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## On Savage Shores

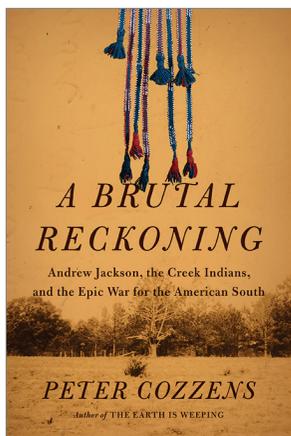
How Indigenous Americans Discovered Europe

Caroline Dodds Pennock

*On Savage Shores* is a landmark work of narrative history that shatters our previous Eurocentric understanding of the Age of Discovery by telling the story of the Indigenous Americans who journeyed across the Atlantic to Europe after 1492.

“In *On Savage Shores*, Dodds Pennock has performed a monumental work of historical excavation. Beautifully written and painstakingly researched, this is first-rate scholarship.”—Suzannah Lipscomb, *Financial Times*

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## A Brutal Reckoning

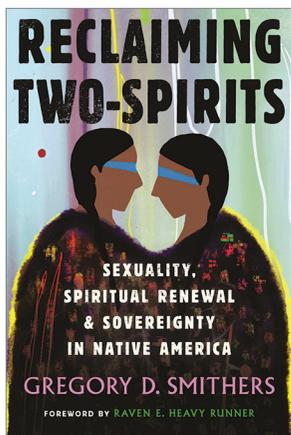
Andrew Jackson, the Creek Indians, and the Epic War for the American South

Peter Cozzens

*A Brutal Reckoning* is the story of the Creek War, a conflict involving not only white Americans and Native Americans, but also the British and the Spanish, and opened the Deep South to the Cotton Kingdom, setting the stage for the American Civil War yet to come. Peter Cozzens provides the definitive book on this forgotten chapter in history.

“An authoritative account of a disturbing chapter in the relations between the U.S. military and Indigenous peoples.”—*Kirkus Reviews*, starred review

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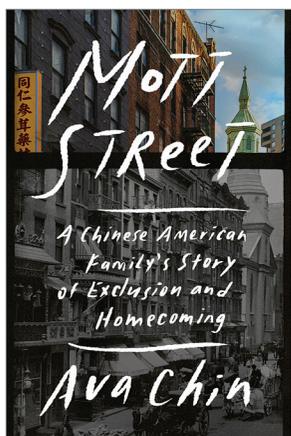
## Reclaiming Two-Spirits

Sexuality, Spiritual Renewal & Sovereignty in Native America

Gregory D. Smithers

Before 1492, hundreds of Indigenous communities across North America included people who identified as neither male nor female, but both. Drawing on written sources, archaeological evidence, art, and oral storytelling, *Reclaiming Two-Spirits* spans the centuries from Spanish invasion to the present, tracing massacres and inquisitions and revealing how the authors of colonialism’s written archives used language to both denigrate and erase Two-Spirit people from history. But as Gregory Smithers shows, the colonizers failed—and Indigenous resistance is core to this story.

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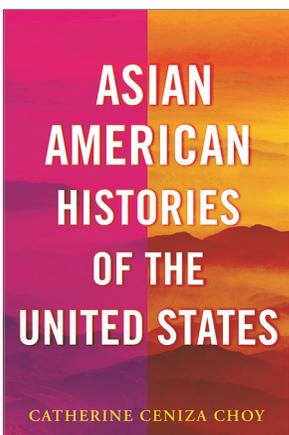
## Mott Street

A Chinese American Family’s Story of Exclusion and Homecoming

Ava Chin

As the only child of a single mother in Queens, Ava Chin’s family’s origins were shrouded in mystery, which she longed to uncover. In New York’s Chinatown she discovers a building on Mott Street where so many of her ancestors would live, begin families, and craft new identities. Deeply researched, and tremendously resonant, *Mott Street* uncovers a legacy of exclusion and resilience that speaks to the American experience, past and present.

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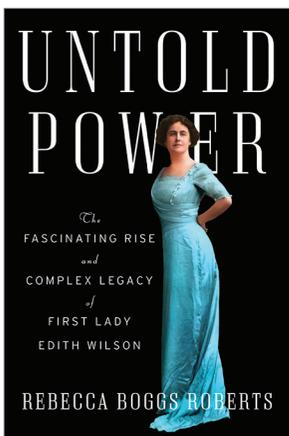


## Asian American Histories of the United States

Catherine Ceniza Choy

Original and expansive, *Asian American Histories of the United States* is a 200-year history of Asian migration, labor, and community formation in the US. Reckoning with the COVID-19 pandemic and the surge in anti-Asian hate and violence, award-winning historian Catherine Ceniza Choy presents a history of the fastest growing group of Americans. The book features the lived experiences and diverse voices of immigrants, refugees, US-born Asian Americans, multiracial Americans, and workers from industries spanning agriculture to healthcare.

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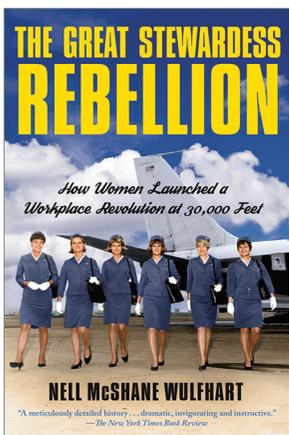
## Untold Power

The Fascinating Rise and Complex Legacy of First Lady Edith Wilson

Rebecca Boggs Roberts

Born in 1872, Edith Bolling Galt Wilson became the nation's first acting president when her husband, Woodrow Wilson, was incapacitated. Beautiful, brilliant, charismatic, catty, and calculating, she was a complicated figure whose personal quest for influence reshaped the position of First Lady into one of political prominence forever. *Untold Power* is a richly overdue examination of one of American history's most influential, complicated women as well as the surprising and often absurd realities of American politics.

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## The Great Stewardess Rebellion

How Women Launched a Workplace Revolution at 30,000 Feet

Nell McShane Wulfhart

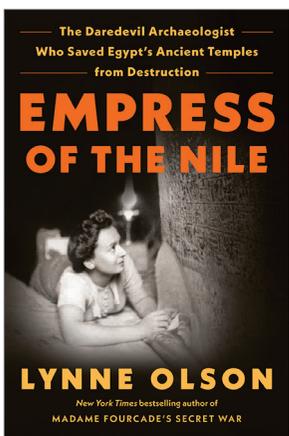
Nell McShane Wulfhart crafts a rousing narrative about stewardesses in the 1960s and 1970s who pushed back against unfair workplace discrimination, fought for their rights, and won, and how their trail-blazing efforts have helped working women move closer to workplace equality today.

"Wulfhart's lively labor history chronicles a recent past that can feel simultaneously a million miles away and all too contemporary."

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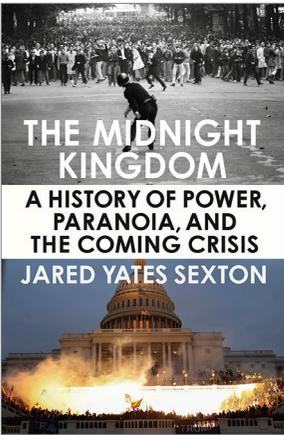
## Empress of the Nile

The Daredevil Archaeologist Who Saved Egypt's Ancient Temples from Destruction

Lynne Olson

In the 1960s, the world's attention was focused on a nail-biting race against time: Fifty countries contributed nearly a billion dollars to save a dozen ancient Egyptian temples, built during the height of the pharaohs' rule, from drowning in the floodwaters of the massive new Aswan High Dam. But the extensive press coverage at the time overlooked the gutsy French archaeologist who helped preserve a crucial part of Egypt's cultural heritage, and made sure it remained in its homeland.

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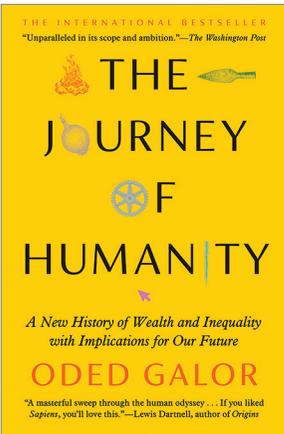
## The Midnight Kingdom

A History of Power, Paranoia, and the Coming Crisis

Jared Yates Sexton

From ancient through modern times, *The Midnight Kingdom* focuses on three intertwined forces, all foundational to the concept of “the West:” political power, religious indoctrination, and economic dominance. Sexton examines societies throughout history that took a more egalitarian approach to gender, religion, and community—and were exploited in return. Perhaps most importantly, he tugs at the threads connecting the mythic past to the complexities of today: the rise of imperialism, the power of capital, and the rise of political and religious extremism.

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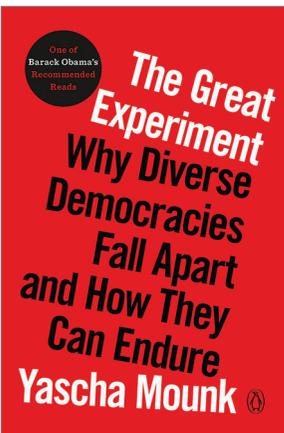
## The Journey of Humanity

A New History of Wealth and Inequality with Implications for Our Future

Oded Galor

In a captivating journey from the dawn of human existence to the present, world-renowned economist Oded Galor offers an intriguing solution to two of humanity’s great mysteries. Why are humans the only species to have escaped—only very recently—the subsistence trap, allowing us to enjoy a standard of living that vastly exceeds all others? And why have we progressed so unequally around the world, resulting in the great disparities between nations that exist today?

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## The Great Experiment

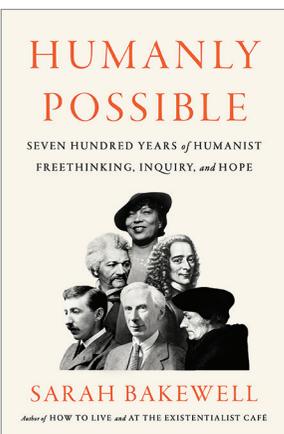
Why Diverse Democracies Fall Apart and How They Can Endure

Yascha Mounk

From one of our sharpest and most important political thinkers, a brilliant big-picture vision of the greatest challenge of our time—how to bridge the bitter divides within diverse democracies enough for them to remain stable and functional.

“Anyone interested in the future of liberal democracy, in the US or anywhere else, should read this book.”—Anne Applebaum, Senior Fellow, SNF Agora Institute, Johns Hopkins University

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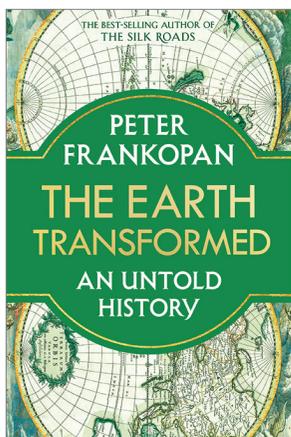
## Humanly Possible

Seven Hundred Years of Humanist Freethinking, Inquiry, and Hope

Sarah Bakewell

*Humanly Possible* introduces students to the long tradition of humanist thought, as it asks what humanism is and why it has flourished for so long, despite opposition from fanatics, mystics and tyrants. It is a book brimming with ideas, personalities and experiments in living—from the literary enthusiasts of the fourteenth century to the secular campaigners of our own time, from Erasmus to Esperanto, from anatomists to agnostics, from Christine de Pizan to Bertrand Russell, and from Voltaire to Zora Neale Hurston.

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## The Earth Transformed

An Untold History

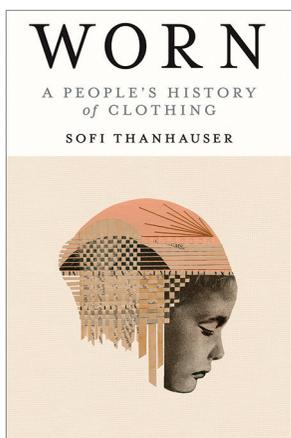
Peter Frankopan

*The Earth Transformed* is a revolutionary new history that reveals how climate change has dramatically shaped the development—and demise—of civilizations across time.

“A scholarly assessment of the long-standing human habit of altering the environment to increasingly devastating consequences. . . . The author negotiates the difficult matter of environmental determinism well. . . . A deep, knowledgeable dive into environmental history.”

—*Kirkus Reviews*

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## Worn

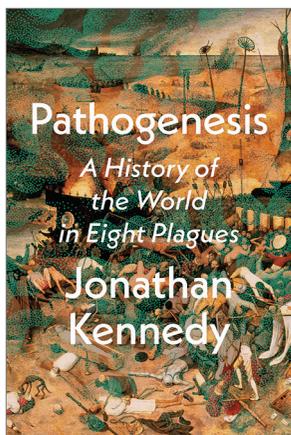
A People's History of Clothing

Sofi Thanhauser

Drawn from years of intensive research and reporting from around the world, *Worn* is a sweeping and captivatingly told history of clothing and an unparalleled investigation into how everyday garments have transformed our lives, our societies, and our planet.

“This expansive history documents the transformation of clothing manufacture from a handmade practice, rich with personal significance, to a mass-production industry . . . elegantly chronicling how textile production came to be defined by worker exploitation, misogyny, environmental devastation, and colonialism.”—*The New Yorker*

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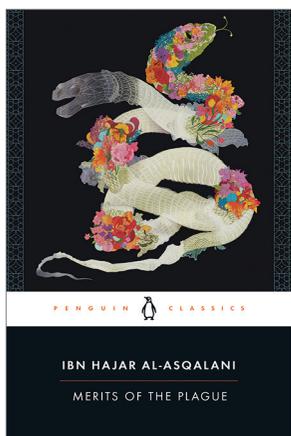
## Pathogenesis

A History of the World in Eight Plagues

Jonathan Kennedy

Drawing on the latest research in fields ranging from genetics and anthropology to archaeology and economics, *Pathogenesis* takes us through 60,000 years of history, exploring eight major outbreaks of infectious disease that have made the modern world. By placing disease at the center of his wide-ranging history of humankind, Kennedy challenges some of the most fundamental assumptions about our collective past—and urges us to view this moment as another disease-driven inflection point that will change the course of history.

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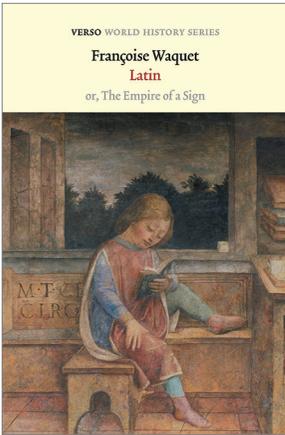
## Merits of the Plague

Ibn Hajar al-Asqalani

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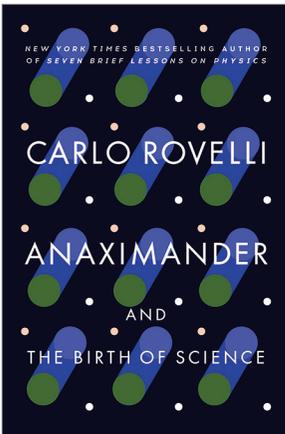
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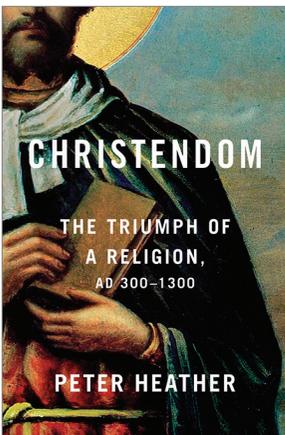
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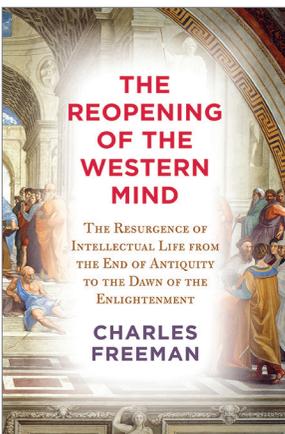
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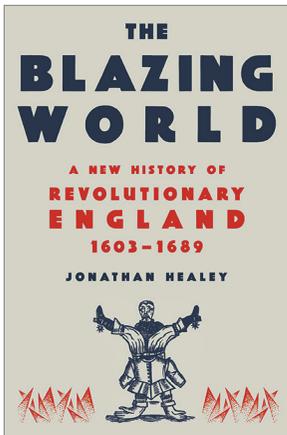
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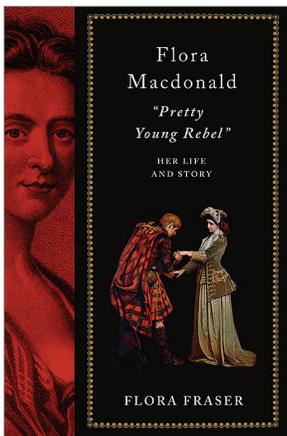
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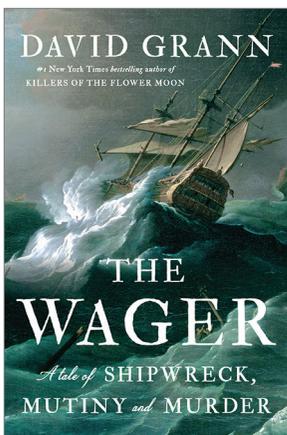
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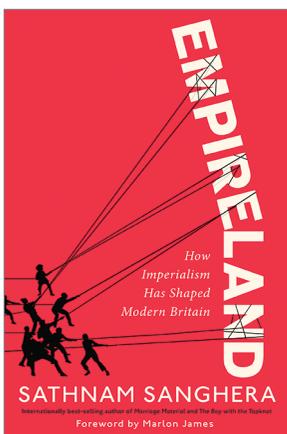
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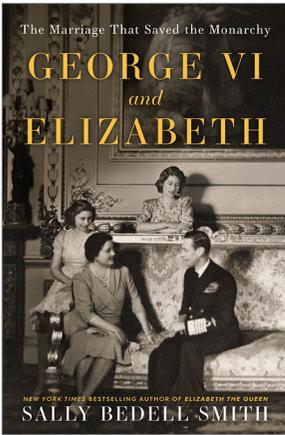
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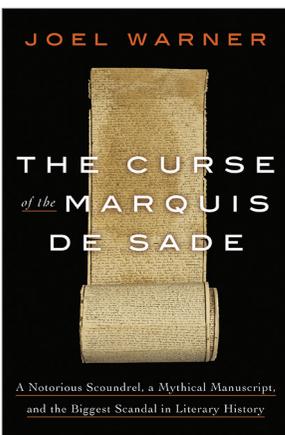
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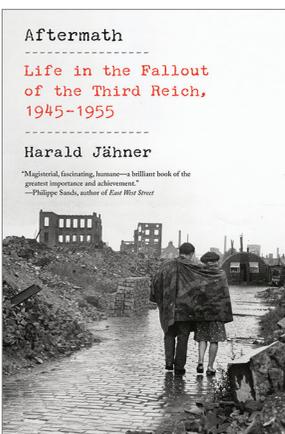
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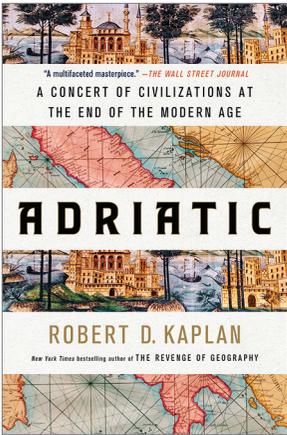
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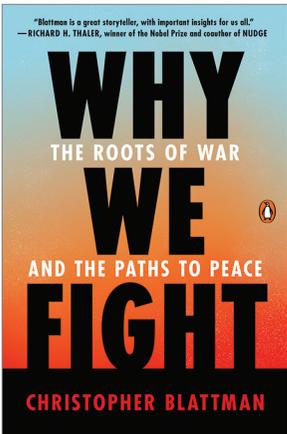
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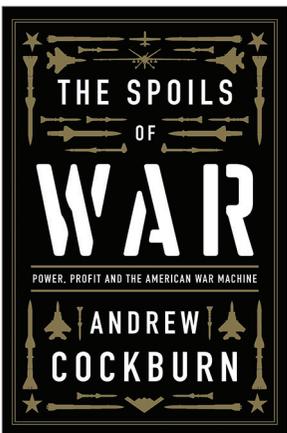
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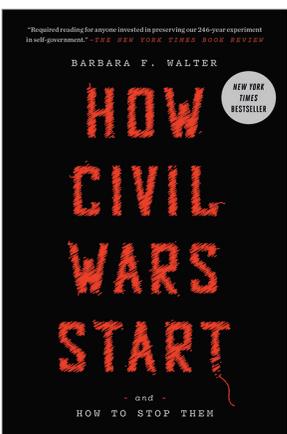
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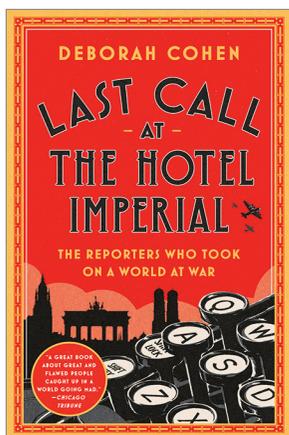
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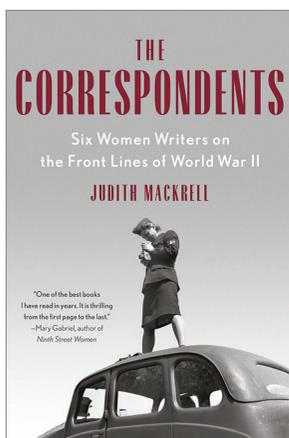
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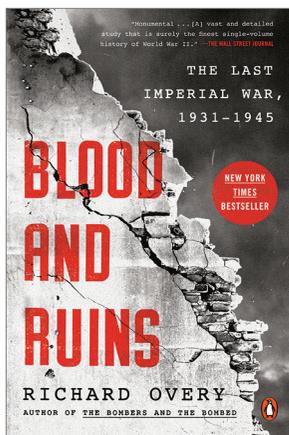
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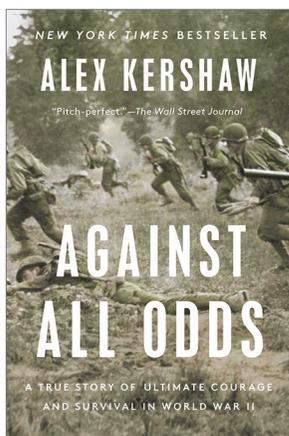
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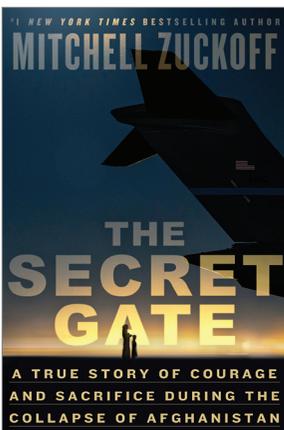
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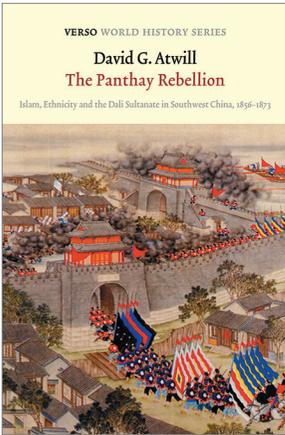
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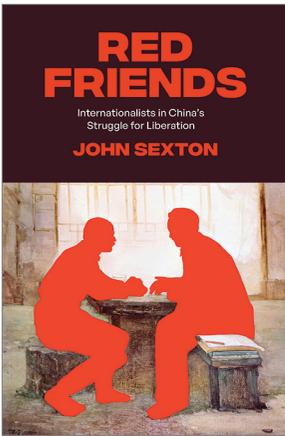
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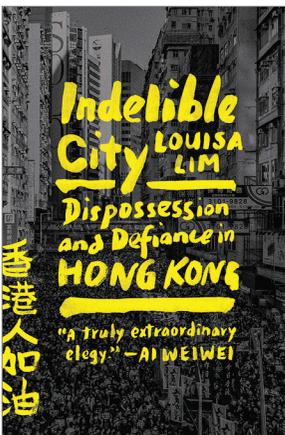
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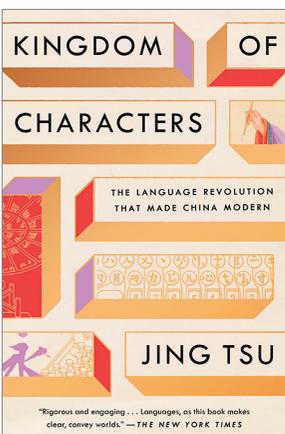
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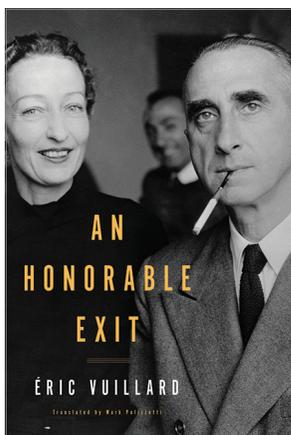
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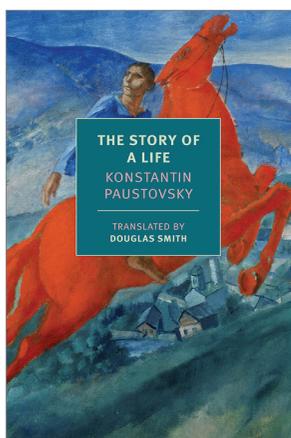


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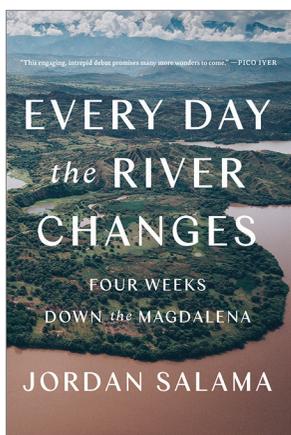
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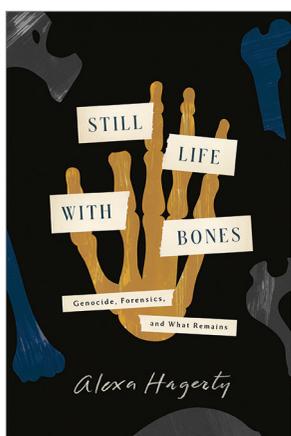
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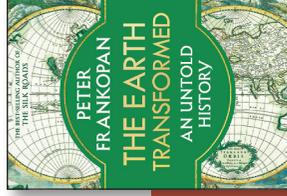
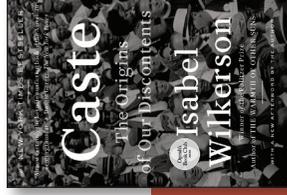
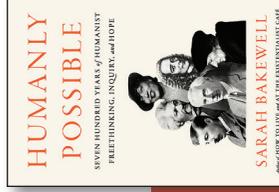
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