

BC Books for BC Schools

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Books from BC publishers for elementary, middle, and high school curriculum.



Alison's Fishing Birds

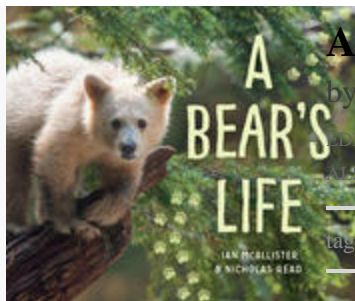
by Roderick Haig-Brown, illustrated by Sheryl McDougald

EDITION: Hardcover

tagged :

Beautifully illustrated children's story about Canadian wildlife by famed Canadian conservationist and Governor General Award-winning author, Roderick Haig-Brown. First published as a limited edition in 1980 by Colophon Books, ALISON'S FISHING BIRDS by BC's acclaimed author and conservationist Roderick Haig-Brown is the story of a young girl's encounter with some of BC's most intriguing river birds. Alison's favourite bird, the Dipper, lives along the river by her house. She spends many hours wa ...

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A Bear's Life

by Ian McAllister & Nicholas Read

EDITION: Hardcover

ALSO AVAILABLE: eBook Audiobook

tagged : bears, trees & forests, environmental conservation & protection

Black bears, grizzly bears, and spirit bears all make their home in the Great Bear Rainforest.

A Bear's Life uses Ian McAllister's stunning photographs to follow these beautiful animals through a year in the British Columbia wilderness—catching fish, eating berries, climbing trees and taking long naps.

A Bear's Life is the second in the My Great Bear Rainforest series.

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The Boy & the Bindi

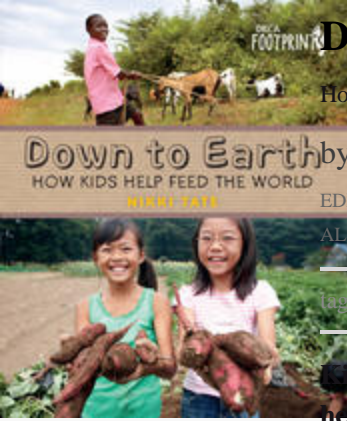
by Vivek Shraya, illustrated by Rajni Perera

EDITION: Hardcover

tagged : self-esteem & self-reliance, lgbt, asian american

In this beautiful children's picture book by Vivek Shraya, author of the acclaimed *God Loves Hair*, a five-year-old boy becomes fascinated with his mother's bindi, the red dot commonly worn by South Asian women to indicate the point at which creation begins, and wishes to have one of his own. Rather than chastise her son, she agrees to it, and teaches him about its cultural significance, allowing the boy to discover the magic of the bindi, which in turn gives him permission to be more fully himself ...

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Down To Earth

How Kids Help Feed the World

by Nikki Tate

EDITION: Hardcover

ALSO AVAILABLE: Paperback eBook

tagged : agriculture, environmental conservation & protection, farm animals

Kids all over the world help collect seeds, weed gardens, milk goats and herd ducks.

From a balcony garden with pots of lettuce to a farm with hundreds of cows, kids can pitch in to bring the best and freshest products to their families' tables—and to market. Loaded with accessible information about the many facets of farming, *Down to Earth* takes a close look at everything from what an egg carton tells you to why genetic diversity matters—even to kids.

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Elliott's Guide to Dinosaurs

by Elliott Seah

EDITION: eBook

ALSO AVAILABLE: Hardcover

tagged : dinosaurs & prehistoric creatures

A bright, curious eight-year-old dinosaur expert shares his passion for paleontology in this fun and informative guide to these fascinating prehistoric creatures.

What did the world look like when dinosaurs roamed the Earth? Eight-year-old author Elliott Seah took it upon himself to find out, and in his first book, he takes readers on a fact-filled exploration of these amazing animals from our planet's distant past. With lively illustrations, Elliott provides fascinating answers to important ...

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A Fair Deal

Shopping for Social Justice

by Kari Jones

EDITION: Hardcover

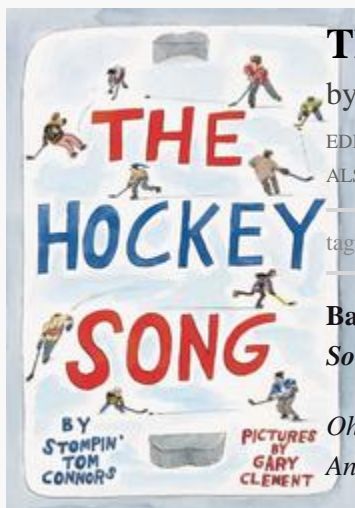
ALSO AVAILABLE: eBook Paperback

tagged : farm & ranch life, customs, traditions, anthropology

"Jones catches the beauty of fair trade in the way it strengthens morale and human dignity for all those engaged."—*Kirkus Reviews*

Fair trade is not about spending more money or buying more stuff. It's about helping producers in developing countries get a fair price for their goods. *A Fair Deal: Shopping for Social Justice* provides a history of trade, explaining what makes trade systems unfair and what we can do about it. By examining the ways in which our global trade systems value some people ...

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The Hockey Song

by Stompin' Tom Connors, illustrated by Gary Clement

EDITION: Hardcover

ALSO AVAILABLE: eBook

tagged : hockey, music

Based on the unforgettable ode to the greatest game on ice, *The Hockey Song* is a perfect gift for the hockey fans and young players in your life.

*Oh! The good ol' hockey game is the best game you can name.
And the best game you can name is the good ol' hockey game.*

Played before, after, and during hockey games across North America, Stompin' Tom Connors' iconic song evokes the pure joy the good ol' hockey brings to players and fans alike. Gary Clement's illustrations bring the song to 1 ...

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In the Red Canoe

by Leslie A. Davidson, illustrated by Laura Bifano

EDITION: eBook

ALSO AVAILABLE: Hardcover Paperback Audiobook

Tagged : multigenerational, boats, ships & underwater craft

Fish and herons, turtles and dragonflies, beaver lodges and lily pads—a multitude of wonders enchant both the child narrator and any other nature lovers along for the ride in this tender, beautifully illustrated picture book.

Baby ducklings ride their mama's back; an osprey rises with a silver fish clutched in her talons; a loon cries in a star-flecked night. Rhythmic, rhyming quatrains carry the story forward in clean paddle strokes of evocative imagery. *In the Red Canoe* celebrates the bond ...

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Lark Holds the Key

by Natasha Deen, illustrated by Marcus Cutler, read by Tara Yelle

EDITION: Paperback

ALSO AVAILABLE: eBook Audiobook

Tagged : mysteries & detective stories, books & libraries, siblings, humorous stories

The first book in the Lark Ba Detective series!

It's the third day of summer vacation, and Lark's *halmoni*—that's Korean for grandmother—has promised to take Lark and her twin brother, Connor, to the library. Only trouble is, they arrive to discover that the town librarian is missing her key to the library. Lucky for her, Lark just happens to be a budding private eye. Can rookie detectives Lark and Connor solve this mystery and recover the lost key?

The epub edition of this title is fully ...

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Let's Eat

Sustainable Food for a Hungry Planet

by Kimberley Veness

EDITION: Hardcover

ALSO AVAILABLE: eBook

tagged : agriculture, environmental science & ecosystems, cooking & food

All the food you eat, whether it's an apple or a steak or a chocolate-coated cricket, has a story.

Let's Eat uncovers the secret lives of our groceries, exploring alternative—and sometimes bizarre—farm technology and touring gardens up high on corporate rooftops and down low in military-style bunkers beneath city streets. Packed with interesting and sometimes startling facts on agriculture around the world, *Let's Eat* reveals everything from the size of the biggest farm in the world to how man ...

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On My Bike

by Kari-Lynn Winters, illustrated by Christina Leist

EDITION: Hardcover

tagged : cycling, imagination & play, daily activities

Set in Vancouver, British Columbia, this follow-up to the successful *On My Walk* features a young child learning to ride a bike.

An enchanting collaboration between Christina Leist and Kari-Lynn Winters, this picture book will delight young children and parents alike.

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On My Skis

by Kari-Lynn Winters, illustrated by Christina Leist

EDITION: Hardcover

tagged : winter sports, daily activities

Set in the mountains overlooking Vancouver, British Columbia, and its surroundings, this under-five follow-up to the hugely popular *On My Walk* features a very young child learning to ski.

Another delightful collaboration between Kari-Lynn Winters and Christina Leist, *On My Skis* takes very young children on a little journey around Vancouver. Whimsical and strikingly original illustrations are set to Winter's irresistibly rhythmic story.

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Birthdays

Beyond Cake and Ice Cream

by Nikki Tate & Dani Tate-Stratton

EDITION: Hardcover

ALSO AVAILABLE: eBook

tagged : birthdays, customs, traditions, anthropology

Inspired by memories of fantastic family birthday parties, mother-and-daughter team Nikki Tate and Dani Tate-Stratton researched the history of birthdays in order to answer such questions as, How much does where you grow up influence the way you celebrate getting a year older? Have people always celebrated birthdays? The more they investigated, the more they realized that there's a lot more to birthdays than cake, presents, a few games and perhaps a goody bag. They discovered there are as many w ...

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Original Chinese New Year

A Celebration for Everyone

by Jen Sookfong Lee

EDITION: Hardcover

ALSO AVAILABLE: eBook Paperback

Tagged : other, non-religious, emigration & immigration, asia

From its beginnings as a farming celebration marking the end of winter to its current role as a global party featuring good food, lots of gifts and public parades, Chinese New Year is a snapshot of Chinese culture. Award-winning author and broadcaster Jen Sookfong Lee recalls her childhood in Vancouver and weaves family stories into the history, traditions and evolution of Chinese New Year. Lavishly illustrated with color photographs throughout.

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Original Diwali

Festival of Lights

by Rina Singh

EDITION: Hardcover

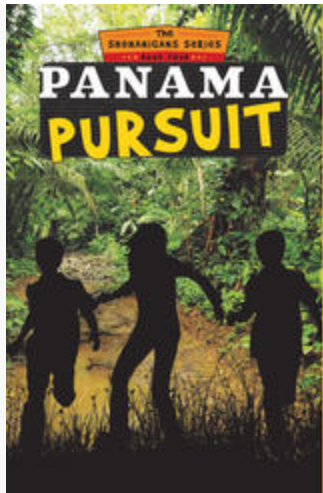
ALSO AVAILABLE: eBook Paperback

Tagged : other, religious, hinduism

During Diwali, Hindus, Sikhs and Jains celebrate the legends and stories that describe the triumph of good over evil and justice over oppression. Critically acclaimed author Rina Singh explores her Indian roots as she tells the Diwali stories, which remind us that eventually light will prevail over darkness.

Enriched by personal stories and spiced with festive recipes, including two by acclaimed chef, Vikram Vj, *Diwali: Festival of Lights* brings to life the holiday's traditions, food and ritua ...

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Panama Pursuit

The Shenanigans Series, Book Four

by Andreas Oertel

EDITION: Paperback

tagged : friendship

“Oertel knows how to develop a scene for maximum humorous or scary effect.”—Kirkus Reviews

When their friend is accused of stealing ancient artifacts, Cody, Eric, and Rachel spring into action. And this time, that action takes them far away from their sleepy town of Sultana and deep into the jungles of Panama! Can these smart thirteen-year-olds figure out who is pilfering crystal skulls, and why? Find out in this hair-raising installment of the fun-filled Shenanigans Series.

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Stepping Stones /

A Refugee Family's Journey /

by Margriet Ruurs, by (artist) Nizar Ali Badr, translated by Falah Raheem

EDITION: Hardcover

ALSO AVAILABLE: eBook Audiobook eBook

tagged : emigration & immigration, middle east, multigenerational

Rama and her family, are forced to flee their once-peaceful village to escape the ravages of the civil war raging ever closer to their home

With only what they can carry on their backs, Rama and her mother, father, grandfather and brother, Sami, set out to walk to freedom in Europe. This unique picture book was inspired by the stone artwork of Syrian artist Nizar Ali Badr, discovered by chance by Canadian children's writer Margriet Ruurs. The author was immediately impressed by the strong narra ...

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Wolf Island

photographs by Ian McAllister, by Nicholas Read

EDITION: Hardcover

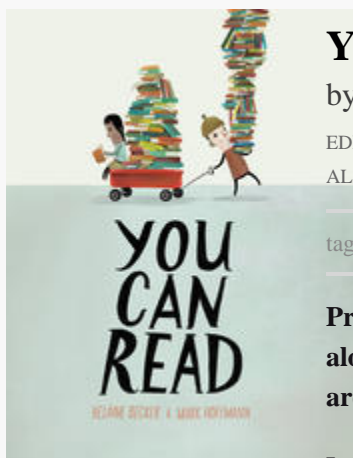
ALSO AVAILABLE: eBook Audiobook Paperback

tagged : wolves & coyotes, environmental science & ecosystems

"The story is really told by the big, bright pictures—which glow with the rhythms and beauties of this remote habitat...Enthralling fare for budding naturalists." —Kirkus Reviews

The Great Bear Rainforest is a majestic place full of tall trees, huge bears and endless schools of salmon. Award-winning photographer and author Ian McAllister's luminous photographs illustrate the story of a lone wolf who swims to one of the small islands that dot the rainforest's coast. The island provides him wit ...

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You Can Read

by Helaine Becker, illustrated by Mark Hoffmann

EDITION: Hardcover

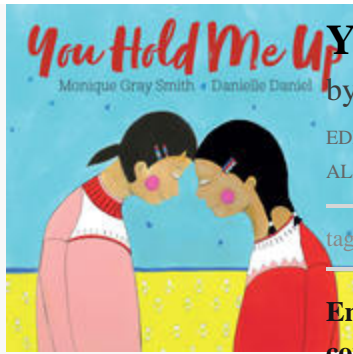
ALSO AVAILABLE: eBook Audiobook

tagged : books & libraries, humorous stories, imagination & play

Presented in light-hearted, rib-tickling verse that's perfect for reading aloud, *You Can Read* sings it loud and proud: Books are awesome. And so are the people who read them.

In this fun and funny celebration of literacy, kids of all ages will discover that the act of reading is a daring adventure that can take you anywhere! You can read at the playground, under the sea, at the opera and even in outer space! It turns out you can read everywhere! And when you do, you open yourself to a universe of ...

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You Hold Me Up

by Monique Gray Smith, illustrated by Danielle Daniel

EDITION: Hardcover

ALSO AVAILABLE: eBook Audiobook Hardcover

tagged : emotions & feelings, friendship, non-classifiable

Encourage children to show love and support for each other and to consider each other's well-being in their everyday actions.

Consultant, international speaker and award-winning author Monique Gray Smith wrote *You Hold Me Up* to prompt a dialogue among young people, their care providers and educators about reconciliation and the importance of the connections children make with others. With vibrant illustrations from celebrated artist Danielle Daniel, this is a foundational book about building re ...

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Can Your Smartphone Change the World?

by Erinne Paisley

EDITION: Paperback

ALSO AVAILABLE: eBook

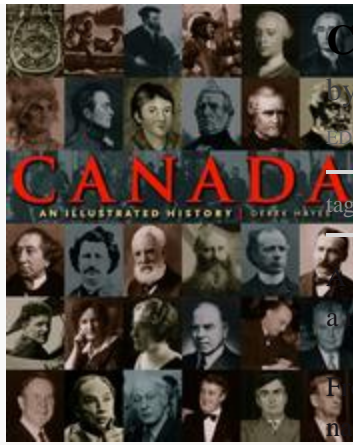
tagged : internet, civil & human rights, social activism & volunteering, electricity & electronics

A twenty-first-century guide for anyone who has access to a smartphone.

This how-to manual looks at specific ways you can create social change through the tap of a screen. Filled with examples of successful hashtag campaigns, viral videos and new socially conscious apps, the book provides practical advice for using your smartphone as a tool for social justice and online activism.

This is the first book in the PopActivism series, which includes *Can Your Outfit Change the World?* and *Can Your Convers ...*

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Canada: An Illustrated History

by Derek Hayes

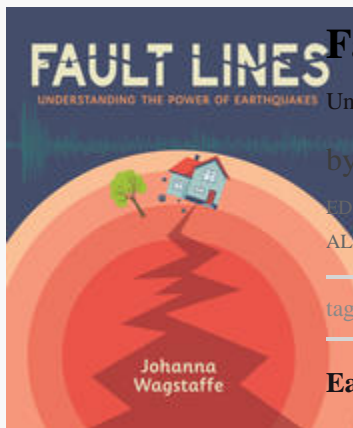
EDITION: Paperback

tagged : historical geography

A visually spectacular saga of the events, people and experiences that shaped a nation and the Canadian psyche.

From the early days of exploration and settlement through the building of a nation to Canada's contribution to the two world wars, this illustrated history of Canada conveys the drama and scope of the nation's past. Through accessible commentary and a wealth of images, readers discover well-known and lesser-known facets of Canadian history, including the story of Canada's first newspaper ...

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Fault Lines

Understanding the Power of Earthquakes

by Johanna Wagstaffe

EDITION: Hardcover

ALSO AVAILABLE: eBook

tagged : earthquakes & volcanoes, safety

Earthquakes are a terrifying yet fascinating force of nature.

Seismologist Johanna Wagstaffe takes you through her own journey of understanding the earth beneath our feet. Along the way you'll learn the science behind what makes the earth rumble and hear from kids around the world who have experienced the wonder, and terror, of an earthquake.

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The Secret of Grim Hill

Grim Hill, Book One

by Linda DeMeulemeester

EDITION: Paperback

aged : adolescence, paranormal

Winner, Silver Birch Award

Finalist, BC Young Readers' Red Cedar Award

Finalist, Saskatchewan Young Readers' Diamond Willow Award

The new kid at Darkmont High, Cat Peters is already desperate to get out. So when she hears that Grimoire, the private school nearby, is offering scholarships to the winners of a Halloween soccer match, Cat jumps at the chance to apply, despite her sister's Sookie's warnings that there's something creepy about the old school on the hill. Sookie's worries ...

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The Family Secret

Grim Hill, Book Four

by Linda DeMeulemeester

EDITION: Paperback

tagged : adolescence, paranormal

“This is an essential purchase for school libraries...Rated E for Excellent.”

—Resource Links

In the fourth installment of the Grim Hill series, Cat, Clive, Jasper, and the rest of the crew are back, and everyone is buzzing about Darkmont High’s student exchange to Sweden. For Cat, it means hanging out with her friends in a foreign country, travelling without parents, and not having to keep an eye on her clingy kid sister. Even though Sookie’s magical meddling seems to be in check, Cat ...

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The Forgotten Secret

Grim Hill, Book Three

by Linda DeMeulemeester

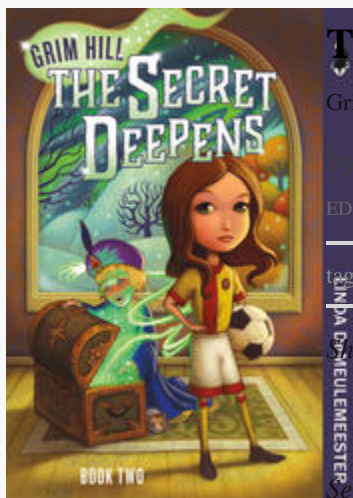
EDITION: Paperback

tagged : paranormal, adolescence

“The Grim Hill series gets another satisfying go-round with this fantasy/mystery romp...Another appealing mix of realism, whimsy, and legend.”—Booklist

The third installment of the Grim Hill series unfolds during the season of romance, when an easterly fairy wind blows through town. For months, Cat Peters has been wishing to live the normal life of a thirteen-year-old, and finally things seem to be going her way. She has once again helped her town escape the evil clutches of Fairy, and now ...

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The Secret Deepens

Grim Hill, Book Two

Linda DeMeulemeester

EDITION: Paperback

tagged : adolescence, paranormal

Shortlisted for Ontario Silver Birch Award 2010

Selected, Canadian Children's Book Centre's "Best Books for Kids & Teens" (Starred selection, 2009)

Since Halloween, things are getting back to normal for Cat Peters. Now the big drama in her life isn't a battle against diabolical fairies, but a battle of the sexes on the soccer field. Meanwhile, ever since Cat's little sister, Sookie, was imprisoned on Grim Hill, she has only been interested in one thing: magic. When the aspiring conjurer take ...

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Forest of Secrets

by Linda DeMeulemeester

EDITION: eBook

tagged : paranormal, adolescence, fantasy & magic

When Cat and her friends are taken hostage and find themselves stranded in a endless Valley, it's clear they will need a miracle to get back home. Although they find an abandoned cabin for shelter, their supply of food and water is running out fast, their kidnappers are not on their heels, and a sinister creature lurks in the loft of the cabin. Cat has to make an impossible choice: risk the group's chance of survival, or risk her sister, who may be able to summon help using her magical skills. But ...

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Carnival of Secrets

Linda DeMeulemeester

EDITION: eBook

tagged : fantasy & magic, adolescence, paranormal

In this thrilling conclusion to the Grim Hill series, Cat has lost everything she holds dear. Sookie has gone over to dark magic and is a diabolical threat. A sinister carnival has crept into town and has everyone under its thrall. Only Cat's fairy friend Lea thinks there might be a sliver of hope that all the harm can be undone. But even she quakes at the danger. Still, Cat is determined to do whatever it takes, except this time even the gang isn't prepared for the most harrowing adventure of a ...

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In Fine Form

The Canadian Book of Form Poetry

edited by Sandy Shreve & Kate Braid

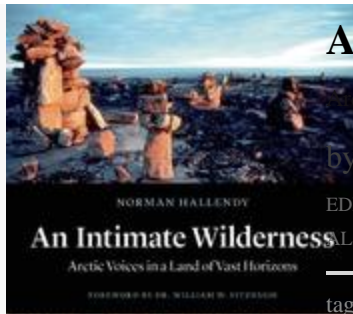
EDITION: Paperback

ALSO AVAILABLE: Paperback

tagged : canadian

In the decade since the publication of the first edition of *In Fine Form*, there has been a resurgence of Canadian poets writing in "form" - in sonnets and ghazals, triolets and ballads, villanelles and palindromes - and formal poetry has become more visible in books, literary journals and classrooms. The first edition of this anthology was called "groundbreaking," "a paradigm shift" and "a landmark text." Since then, it has gone through several printings and been widely used in classrooms at all ...

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An Intimate Wilderness

Arctic Voices in a Land of Vast Horizons

by Norman Hallendy, foreword by William W. Fitzhugh

EDITION: Hardcover

ALSO AVAILABLE: eBook



tagged : native american studies, adventurers & explorers, cultural, native american

Arctic researcher, author, and photographer Norman Hallendy's journey to the far north began in 1958, when many Inuit, who traditionally lived on the land, were moving to permanent settlements created by the Canadian government. In this unique memoir, Hallendy writes of his adventures, experiences with strange Arctic phenomena, encounters with wildlife, and deep friendships with Inuit elders. Very few have worked so closely with the Inuit to document their traditions, and, in this book, Hallen ...

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Just Cool It!

The Climate Crisis and What We Can Do - A Post-Paris Agreement Game Plan

by Ian Hanington & David Suzuki

EDITION: eBook

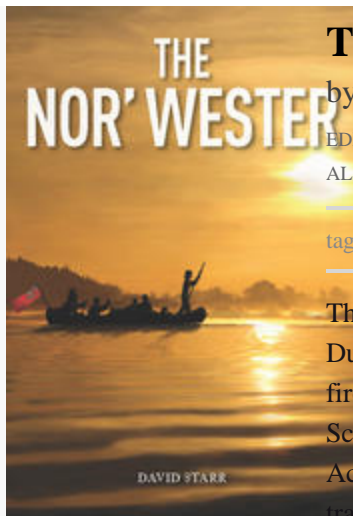
ALSO AVAILABLE: Paperback

tagged : environmental conservation & protection, environmental science

A resounding post-Paris Agreement wake-up call about the urgency of the climate crisis that offers a range of practical solutions—and above all, hope.

Climate change is the most important crisis humanity has faced, but we still confront huge barriers to resolving it. So, what do we do, and is there hope for humanity? The problem itself is complex, and there's no single solution. But by understanding the barriers to resolving global warming and by employing a wide range of solutions—fro ...

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The Nor'Wester

by David Starr

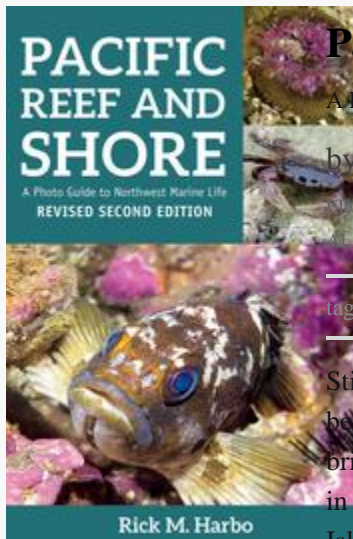
EDITION: Paperback

ALSO AVAILABLE: eBook

tagged : pre-confederation (to 1867)

This gripping novel for young readers begins in 1805, when fifteen-year-old Duncan Scott and his sister Libby lose their parents in a Glasgow cotton mill fire. Their tragedy is compounded when, through one reckless act of grief, the Scott children become fugitives as well as orphans, and must flee Scotland. Across the border in England, Duncan and Libby are betrayed by their travelling companion. In a desperate attempt to save Duncan from the gallows, Libby sacrifices her freedom for her brother ...

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Pacific Reef and Shore

A Photo Guide to Northwest Marine Life

by Rick M. Harbo

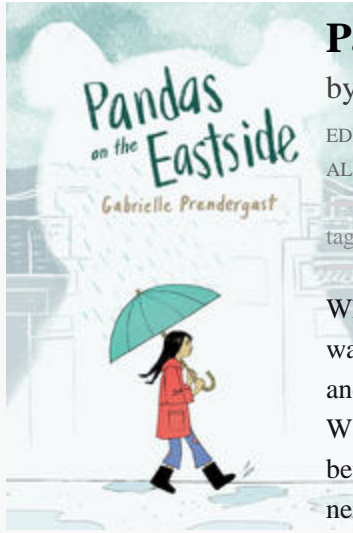
EDITION: Paperback

ALSO AVAILABLE: Paperback

tagged : marine life

Still compact and the perfect size for travelling, *Pacific Reef & Shore* has been updated with new species, up-to-date scientific information and many brilliant photographs of the more than 300 common plants and animals found in the intertidal zone off the coast of North America—from the Aleutian Islands, Alaska, to Point Conception, California. Each entry includes a description summary with information on size and habitat, and a photo for species verification, giving readers an overview of loc ...

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Pandas on the Eastside

by Gabrielle Prendergast

EDITION: Paperback

ALSO AVAILABLE: eBook

tagged : politics & government, mammals

When ten-year-old Journey Song hears that two pandas are being held in a warehouse in her neighborhood, she worries that they may be hungry, cold and lonely. Horrified to learn that the pandas, originally destined for a zoo in Washington, might be shipped back to China because of a diplomatic spat between China and the United States, Journey rallies her friends and neighbors on the poverty-stricken Eastside. Her infectious enthusiasm for all things panda is hard to resist, and soon she's getting ...

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perpetual

by Rita Wong & Cindy Mochizuki

EDITION: Paperback

tagged : literary

The power of water is the power of blood, flood and drought. Water keeps it real, keeps us real. Forgetting this, we turn the earth into a toxic dump. Remembering this, we unfurl the future as perpetual possibility.

Water is also the strength of subtlety, quietly making its way through your body. *perpetual* is both a gift and a warning from water. Through drawings and graphic essays by artist Cindy Mochizuki and writer Rita Wong, the book visits some key sites where people have sabotaged themself ...

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Pocket Change

Pitching In for a Better World

by Michelle Mulder

EDITION: Hardcover

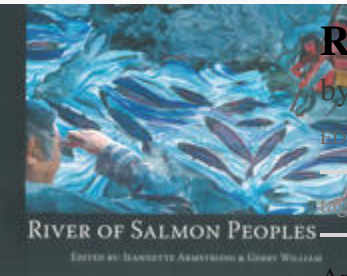
ALSO AVAILABLE: eBook

tagged : business & economics, recycling & green living, environmental conservation & protection

Around the world, people are questioning consumerism, leaning toward more sustainable lifestyles and creating a whole new concept of wealth.

Until a few hundred years ago, people were embarrassed to buy bread in a store. Families took pride in making almost everything they owned. These days, many people take pride in buying as much as possible! New clothes, a speedier bicycle, the latest phone. If we've got money, someone can sell us a product that will supposedly make our lives better. But each ...

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River of Salmon Peoples

by Jeannette Armstrong & Gerry William

EDITION: Paperback

tagged : fish, native american

An expression of the people, culture, ceremony and songs along the Fraser, *River of Salmon Peoples* captures what the Fraser River, and its most valuable resource, the salmon, means to First Nations communities along its basin. The result of nine community engagements, extensive research over two years, and illuminating photographs and artwork, this book includes the oral narratives of each community along the river. While capturing timeless Indigenous stories and legends about the salmon and the ...

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Sand

by Luanne Armstrong

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tagged : diseases, illnesses & injuries, horses

Sand is the story of a young girl, Willy Cameron, her horse named Sand, and her involvement with therapeutic riding. The novel begins when Willy is involved in a serious car accident and is paralyzed from the waist down. After the doctors tell her that she may never walk again, Willy becomes extremely depressed and self-pitying. Then when she is going (unwillingly) for physiotherapy, she meets a young boy, Ben, who is involved in therapeutic horseback riding for his juvenile arthritis, and he pe ...

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Seeking Refuge

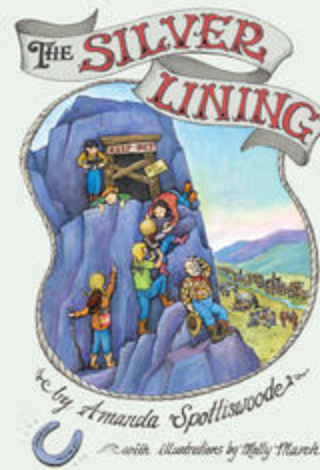
by Irene N. Watts, illustrated by Kathryn E. Shoemaker

EDITION: Paperback

tagged : emigration & immigration, europe, holocaust

In this follow-up to the successful *Goodbye Marianne*, Irene Watts explores what it is like for a young refugee girl to flee Nazi-occupied Austria alone. The poignant story is relatable to the terrible situation facing refugees in Europe and around the world today.

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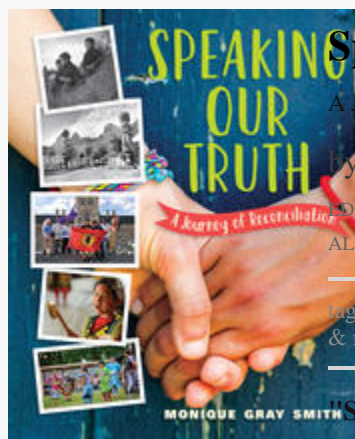
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tagged : new experience, post-confederation (1867-)

The year is 1938—two years since Sophie, Molly, Mark, Harriet, Leticia, and Posy made international headlines when they uncover the buried treasure of the notorious Brother XII. Since then, life has been decidedly un-exciting for the adventure-loving crew, who feel more at home on the rolling deck of a sailboat than in their stuffy boarding school. But once again, Uncle Bert (a.k.a. Captain Gunn) comes to the rescue when he invites the whole gang on another holiday abroad.

The kids trade in the ...

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Speaking Our Truth

A Journey of Reconciliation

by Monique Gray Smith

EDITION: Hardcover

ALSO AVAILABLE: eBook

tagged : prejudice & racism, customs, traditions, anthropology, native canadian, diversity & multicultural

"Smith's book is an effort that returns, offering diverse voices that invite the world into the reconciliation experience. Absolutely necessary."—*Kirkus Reviews*, starred review

Canada's relationship with its Indigenous people has suffered as a result of both the residential school system and the lack of understanding of the historical and current impact of those schools. Healing and repairing that relationship requires education, awareness and increased understanding of the legacy and th ...

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Stealth of the Ninja

by Philip Roy

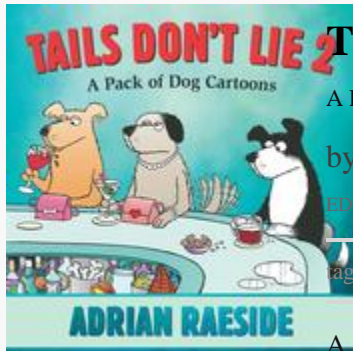
EDITION: eBook

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Stealth of the Ninja, book eight in the “Submarine Outlaw” series, brings Alfred, our courageous and idealistic protagonist, to a whole new level of experience when he pilots his homemade submarine to Japan. Here he visits a strange old man who lives on an abandoned freighter drifting on the sea. The man — a ninja, in fact — challenges Al to acquire greater physical strength and stealth. But it is also the time of the 2011 tsunami, and the giant wave capsizes and sinks the ship, taking h ...

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Tails Don't Lie 2

A Pack of Dog Cartoons

by Adrian Raeside

EDITION: Paperback

tagged : comic strips & cartoons, pictorial

A dog's tail is incredibly versatile. They use them to communicate everything from the furious, full-body wiggling "I'm so happy to see you I could burst!" to the tucked-under-the-bum "N-O-O-O! Is that the vet's office we're pulling up to?" They also keep noses warm on cold nights and conveniently sweep food off coffee tables.

Tails Don't Lie 2 is Adrian Raeside's hilarious follow-up to the bestselling *Tails Don't Lie* (Harbour Publishing, 2013), collecting even more of his favourite cartoons fea ...

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Wade Davis

Photographs

by Wade Davis

EDITION: Hardcover

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Inspired by artists such as Ansel Adams, Alfred Stieglitz and Henri Cartier-Bresson, who wrote that great photographs come about in the decisive moment when the head, heart and eye find perfect alignment in an axis of the spirit, celebrated anthropologist and photographer Wade Davis has travelled the world in pursuit of the wonder of the human imagination as brought into being by culture.

In *Wade Davis: Photographs*, Davis selects 150 of his favourite photographs from the thousands he has taken in ...

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When Morning Comes

by Arushi Raina

EDITION: Paperback

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tagged : africa, own voices

It's 1976 in South Africa

In the black township of Soweto, Zanele, who also works as a nightclub singer, is plotting against the apartheid government. The police can't know. Her mother and sister can't know. No one can know. On the affluent white side of town, Jack Craven plans to spend the last days of his break before university burning miles on his beat-up Mustang, and crashing other people's parties.

Their chance meeting changes everything. Already a chain of events is in motion; a failed pl ...

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Alaska Highway Two-Step

Caroline Woodward

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tagged : women sleuths, amateur sleuth, small town & rural

"...one of those rare books--a satisfying mystery that has no criminal content whatsoever ... even the most hidebound mystery reader is likely to be delighted by this well-written and intriguing tale."

The Toronto Star

"...a worthy successor to her short fiction collection ... Woodward interweaves several intriguing narrative threads into this intense first-person tale of [Mercy's] actual and mental journeys to discover family, past and present, that will give her life wholeness...enhancing th ...

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All the Fine Young Eagles

In the Cockpit with Canada's Second World War Fighter Pilots

by David L. Bashow

EDITION: Paperback

tagged : post-confederation (1867-)

"Based on extensive interviewing, this is what used to be called a cracking good read, and Bashow, a Canadian Forces fighter pilot himself, can understand the emotions and reactions of his forebears."

Quill & Quire

During the six years of the Second World War, Canadian fighter pilots flew and fought with great distinction in every theatre of war to which Commonwealth fighter forces were deployed. *All the Fine Young Eagles* captures the spirit and magnitude of the Canadian contribution, which bega ...

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The Art of Jeffrey Rubinoff

edited by James Fox

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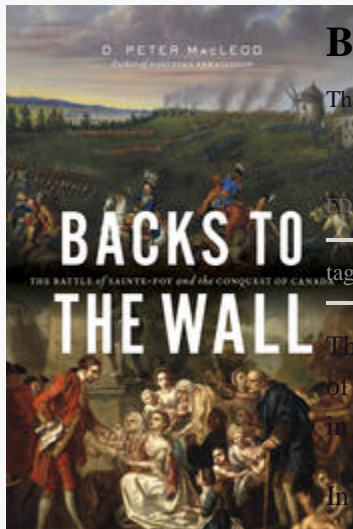
tagged : criticism & theory

"Art is an act of will in accord with a mature conscience."

— Jeffrey Rubinoff

Jeffrey Rubinoff is one of the great sculptors in steel of the second half of the twentieth century. In the 1970s and '80s he exhibited widely in the United States and Canada alongside Anthony Caro, Mark di Suvero and George Rickey, among others. However, in the early 2000s Rubinoff withdrew from the art world altogether and concentrated on creating an extraordinary sculpture park on Hornby Island. This book is the fir ...

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Backs to the Wall

The Battle of Sainte-Foy and the Conquest of Canada

D. Peter MacLeod

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tagged : pre-confederation (to 1867)

The Battle of the Plains of Abraham in 1759 and the subsequent capitulation of Quebec set the stage for an equally significant French-British engagement in the struggle for northeastern North America, the Battle of Sainte-Foy.

In the spring of 1760, after having suffered a brutal winter, Quebec garrison commander James Murray's troops were vulnerable and reduced to an army of skeletal invalids due to malnutrition and scurvy. Trapped in hostile territory and lacking confidence in the fortificatio ...

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