**Fiction**

**The Glass Hotel** by Emily St. John Mandel
From the author of *Station Eleven*, a novel of money, beauty, white-collar crime, ghosts, and moral compromise in which a woman disappears from a ship and a massive Ponzi scheme implodes in New York, dragging countless fortunes with it.

**The Obsidian Tower** by Melissa Caruso
As Warden, Ryxander knows the warning passed down through generations: nothing must unseal the Door of Gloamingard. But one impetuous decision will leave her with blood on her hands—and unleash a threat that could doom the entire world.

**Network Effect** by Martha Wells
Murderbot comes to the rescue when its human associates are captured and another not-friend from its past requires urgent assistance.

**The Mercies** by Kiran Millwood Hargrave
After a storm has killed off all the island’s men, two women in a 1600s Norwegian coastal village struggle against both natural forces and the men who have been sent to rid the community of alleged witchcraft.

**The Starless Sea** by Erin Morgenstern
Zachary discovers a rare book and becomes entranced by the tales, including a story from his own childhood. Desperate to make sense of how his own life came to be recorded, he uncovers clues that lead him to travel a magical world, discovering his true purpose.

**Under Majordomo Minor** by Patrick DeWitt
Lucien Minor is the odd duck in the hamlet of Bury. Lucy is a compulsive liar, a weakling in a town famous for producing giants. Then Lucy accepts employment assisting the Majordomo...an adventure, a mystery, but above all, a love story.

**And I Do Not Forgive You** by Amber Sparks
Amber Sparks’ short stories appeal to fans of such writers as Kelly Link, Karen Russell, and Carmen Maria Machado with prose that shimmers and stings. She blends fairy tales and myths with apocalyptic technologies, all tethered intricately by shades of rage.
Crazy Cupid Love by Amanda Heger
Eliza, a descendant of the Greek god Eros and the world’s worst cupid, finds herself working in her family’s Cupid-for-hire store under the supervision of her childhood crush.

The City We Became by N.K. Jemisin
Five New Yorkers must come together in order to save their city from destruction in the first book of a stunning new series by Hugo award-winning and NYT bestselling author N. K. Jemisin.

The World That We Knew by Alice Hoffman
Follows three young women in 1941 who must find the courage, and love, to survive.

The Táin Translated by Ciaran Carson
Considered Ireland’s great epic, The Táin tells of the invasion of Ulster by the King of Connacht, and how Cu Chulainn, a demigod, fights them single-handedly.

All That’s Bright and Gone by Eliza Nellums
Six-year-old Aoife doesn’t understand what happened to her big brother and why her mama is in the hospital. With her imaginary friend Teddy by her side, Aoife sets out to uncover the truth about her family.

The Opposite of Fate by Alison McGhee
Mallie is raped, beaten and left comatose and pregnant. Some friends are convinced that she would never keep the baby, others are sure that she would. When Mallie emerges from the fog, what will she think of the choices that were made on her behalf?

Non-Fiction

How to Be an Antiracist by Ibram X. Kendi
An electrifying combination of ethics, history, law, and science, with an engaging personal narrative of the author’s own awakening to antiracism. An essential work to go beyond an awareness of racism to the next step: contributing to the formation of a truly just and equitable society.

The Course of Love by Alain de Botton
What comes after the excitement of the birth of love? The Course of Love explores what happens after the early days of love, what it takes to maintain, and the course of life thereafter.

Pivot: The Art and Science of Reinventing Your Life by Adam Markel
What would you do if you knew you would not fail? A practical and inspirational program for reinventing yourself, whether you are out of work or want to change your professional trajectory.
The Lady’s Handbook for Her Mysterious Illness: A Memoir by Sarah Ramey

Sarah’s pursuit of a diagnosis and cure for her own mysterious illness becomes a medical mystery that reveals a newly emerging understanding of modern illnesses as ecological in nature.

Talking to Strangers by Malcolm Gladwell

How do people assess strangers? Author Gladwell uses a variety of examples from history and recent headlines to illustrate that people size up the trustworthiness of those they don’t know both wrongly and with misplaced confidence.

Thick: And Other Essays by Tressie McMillan Cottom

Cottom explores beauty, media, money, and more, through eight provocative essays and “transforms narrative moments into analyses of whiteness, black misogyny, and status-signaling as means of survival for black women.” (Los Angeles Review of Books).

The Feast of Fiction Kitchen: Recipes Inspired by TV, Movies, Games & Books by Jimmy Wong and Ashley Adams

YouTube hosts Wong and Adams whip up their interpretation of fictional dishes, featuring favorites inspired by Star Trek and Adventure Time, as well as Butterbeer (Harry Potter), A Hobbit’s Second Breakfast, and Sansa’s Lemon Cakes (Game of Thrones).

Smithsonian Handbook of Interesting Insects by Gavin R. Broad, Blanca Huertas, Ashley H. Kirk-Spriggs, and Dmitry Telnov

Amazing photographic profiles of insects, each one specially selected from the 34 million specimens from the oldest entomology collection in the world held by London’s Natural History Museum.

How Not to Diet by Michael Greger, M.D.

Author of How Not to Die, Dr. Greger builds the ultimate weight loss guide from the ground up, taking a proactive approach that can stand up to any new trend. Chock full of actionable advice and dietary research.

Aesop’s Fables: The Cruelty of the Gods by Carlo Gebler

A collection of the greatest fables ever written, updated for our turbulent times.

Pelosi by Molly Ball

A portrait of the first woman to be Speaker of the House. From growing up in Baltimore, the daughter of a long-serving Mayor, to her own entry into politics in 1987 after raising five children, this book showcases how Pelosi became a figure of influence over the decades.
A Map Is Only One Story Edited by Nicole Chung and Mensah Demary

Selected from the archives of Catapult magazine, twenty essays on immigration, family and the meaning of home, highlighting the human side of immigration policies and polarized rhetoric.

The Story Behind: The Extraordinary History Behind Ordinary Objects by Emily Prokop

For trivia lovers and amateur historians, essays on how things came to be. How did the Band-Aid come to be invented? Who invented pretzels? How long ago did people start tattooing themselves? Find out here.

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